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Daily Food Needs for Each Person















MILK and CHEESE 1 pint of milk for adults 🕏 to 1 quart for children

POTATOES One or more servings OTHER VEGETABLES Two servings

FRUITS and TOMATOES Two servings MEAT, FISH or POULTRY At least one serving EGGS One (at least 3 or 4 during week)

CEREALS and BREADS One or both at every meal

BUTTER and other FATS 2 to 3 tablespoonfuls SUGAR, SIRUPS In moderate amounts

Suggestions for choice and use

Milk may be fluid (whole, skimmed, or buttermilk), evaporated, or dried.

Use as a beverage and in cooking.

One third of a pound of hard cheese may be counted as 1 quart of milk.

Potatoes may be sweet or white.

Use cooked green or yellow vegetables three or four times a week and raw ones on other days.

Vegetables may be fresh, quick frozen, or canned.

Fruit servings should include citrus fruits. like oranges and grapefruit, or tomatoes fresh or canned; or, in season, berries, cantaloupe, or watermelon; and one other fruitdried, fresh, or canned.

Meat, fish, and poultry may be used interchangeably.

Liver, heart, and other similar meats are especially good.

Dried peas, beans, lentils, and peanuts are similar to meat in food value.

Eggs may be used alone and puddings.

Whole-grain and enriched bread and cereals give the best

Macaroni and rice combine well with meat, eggs, milk, cheese, or vegetables to make tasty dishes.

return in food value.

Fats include butter and vitamin-enriched margarine, which may

be used interchange-

ably, and in addition moderate amounts of salad oils and cooking fats.

Bacon, salt pork, and fat back fall into this group also.

and PRESERVES

Use various kinds of sweets to provide flavor for bland food, such as cereals and bread, and to combine with milk and eggs in desserts.

These foods give you especially

The calcium needed to protect bones, teeth, and nerves, and to regulate muscle action. Also, other minerals, and vitamins.

Vitamin A to protect es and skin and to help guard against infection.

Iron for blood.

Roughage for

Vitamin C for strong blood vessels.

Roughage for good elimination.

Protein for growth in children and repair of body tissue in everyone.

Iron for building blood.

Vitamins for good digestion and protection of health generally. Calories for energy.

Vitamins, iron, and roughage, from whole grain products.

Calories for energy.

Vitamin A from butter and enriched margarine.

Calories for energy.

Iron and calcium from molasses



Young children should have cod-liver oil or one of the other fish-liver oils every day for vitamins A and D.

Everyone should have from 4 to 8 glasses of water a day.

Getting the MOST from the food you buy

- Proper care of food in the home is just as important as food selection in the market.
- Prepare vegetables as near cooking time as possible. They lose important food elements when soaked or allowed to stand after they have been peeled and cut up.
- Preserve minerals, vitamins, color, and flavor in vegetables by cooking them in small amounts of boiling water in a tightly covered pan only long enough to make them tender.
- Lettuce, celery, and other vegetables to be used raw should be washed, drained, and kept in a covered pan in the refrigerator. All vegetables keep better when stored in a cool place.
- Berries and other small fruits should be kept in the refrigerator and washed just before using.
- Cook meat at moderate temperature to preserve tenderness and prevent shrinkage.
- Store eggs in the refrigerator or other cool place. Do not wash them before storing.
- Keep dry foods, such as cereals, flour, and dried vegetables, in tight containers to protect them against dust, moisture, and vermin.
- Never discard any edible food. Leftovers can be combined in many attractive ways.

Other Aids to Health Adequate sleep and rest.

Outdoor exercise each day.

Regular elimination.

Taking some time out each day for doing what you like best to do.

Periodic check-up by a physician and dentist.

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