

Teladoc Health food groups



TIP

Below are general guidelines for foods without a nutrition label. If your item has a nutrition label, use it to determine how much equals one serving.



This handout includes a list of all the food groups and examples of food choices you'll find within each group. It also includes serving sizes so you'll know how much food is in one serving. Remember, depending on your individualized health goals, you may eat various servings at each meal. Your Teladoc Health coach will help you build (and follow!) the plan that is right for you.

Carbohydrate food group - starches

As below, starches include grains, starchy vegetables, beans, etc. One starch choice has 15 grams of carbs and around 80 calories.



TIP

Fill up on fiber. Look for grain foods that list "100% whole grain" or "whole wheat" as their first ingredient, and make sure they contain at least 3 grams of fiber per serving.



Bagel
1/4 large bagel (1 oz)
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Granola cereal
1/4 cup
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Plain potato, sweet potato, yam
1/2 cup
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Baked beans
1/3 cup
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Green peas
1/2 cup
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Polenta
1/3 cup
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Beans
Black, garbanzo, kidney, lima, navy, pinto, etc.
1/2 cup cooked (drained & rinsed)
🍴 For every 1/2 cup, beans also contain 1 protein serving



Grits
1/2 cup cooked
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Popcorn
3 cups
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Bread slice
Reduced-calorie, light
2 slices (1 1/2 oz)
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Hamburger or hot dog bun
1/2 bun
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Ready-to-eat cereal
Dependent, check food label; average is about 3/4 cup
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Bread slice
White, whole grain, French, Italian, pumpernickel, rye, sourdough, etc.
1 slice (1 oz)
🍴 Read label, as breads vary in the amount of carbs they contain



Hard taco shell
2 small taco shells
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Rice, pasta, quinoa, couscous
1/3 cup cooked
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Bulgur
1/2 cup
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Matzo
3/4 oz
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Rotli
1 oz
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Chapati
1 oz
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Naan
3 1/4-inch square (1 oz)
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Succotash
1/2 cup
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Corn
1/2 cup or 1/2 large cob
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Oatmeal
1/2 cup cooked
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Tortilla
6 inches across
1 small tortilla
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English muffin
1/2 muffin
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Pita
6 inches across
1/2 pita
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Winter squash
Butternut or acorn
1 cup
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Carbohydrate food group - fruits

One fruit choice has 15 grams of carbs and around 60 calories.

TIP

Go whole. Fresh fruit with the skin (whenever possible) will provide you with the most fiber and fluid — a satisfying combo!

	Apple 1 small (4 oz; think the size of a baseball) ●		Grapefruit ½ large grapefruit ●		Papaya ½ papaya (1 cup cubed) ●
	Banana 1 extra small or ½ large banana ☾		Grapes 17 small grapes ●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●●		Pear ½ large pear ●
	Blueberries ¾ cup ☐		Guava 2 small guavas ●●		Pineapple ¾ cup fresh or ½ cup canned ☐
	Cantaloupe or honeydew melon 1 cup diced ☐		Juice Apple, orange, grapefruit, pineapple ½ cup (4 oz) ☐		Plantain ¼ plantain (1/3 cup) ☾
	Cherries 12 cherries ●●●●●●●●●●●●		Juice Grape, prune, & fruit juice blends 1/3 cup ☐		Pomegranate seeds ½ cup ☐
	Clementine 2 small clementines ●●		Kiwi ½ cup sliced ☐		Raspberries or blackberries 1 cup ☐
	Dates 3 small dates or 1 large (medjool) date ●●●		Mango ½ small mango (½ cup) ●		Strawberries ¼ cup whole ☐☐
	Dried fruit 2 Tbsp ☐☐		Nectarine or peach 1 medium nectarine or peach ●		Unsweetened applesauce ½ cup ☐
	Fresh apricots 4 apricots ●●●●		Orange 1 medium orange ●		Watermelon ¼ cups diced ☐☐
	Fresh figs 2 medium figs (3.5 oz) ●●				

Carbohydrate food group - milk and yogurt

One milk choice contains 6-12 grams of carbs and around 80-160 calories.

TIP

Stay saturated-fat-conscious. Choose foods that have 2 or fewer grams of saturated fat per serving.



Chocolate milk

½ cup



Cow's milk

Whole, reduced fat, skim

1 cup



Kefir

Plain, unsweetened

1 cup

If flavored or sweetened, read label for more details



Milk Substitutes - read nutrition label for more info



Rice milk

Plain, unsweetened

1 cup

If flavored or sweetened, read label for more details



Soy milk

Plain, unsweetened

1 cup

If flavored or sweetened, read label for more details.

Note: only 4 g carbohydrates perserving in unsweetened soy milk



Yogurt, Greek or regular

Plain, unsweetened

6 oz (¾ cup)

If flavored or sweetened, read label for more details



Protein food group

One protein choice contains 7 grams of protein and around 35-100 calories. Most protein choices don't contain carbs, but always check the label.

TIP

Keep it lean. Lean protein options like fish, skinless chicken, eggs, and tofu give you loads of bang for your buck — they're low-calorie, super-satisfying choices.



Cheese

1 oz

oz



**Chicken, turkey, fish,
beef, lamb, goat, pork**

1 oz

oz



Cottage cheese

¼ cup



Egg substitute

¼ cup



Egg whites

2 egg whites



Eggs

1 egg



Nut spread, no sugar added

Peanut, cashew, almond,
soy butter, etc.

1 Tbsp



Tempeh

Check label for carb counts

¼ cup



Tofu

½ cup



Fat food group

One fat choice has 5 grams of fat, around 45 calories, usually 0 carbs, but always check the label.

TIP

Add plant-based fat to meals and snacks. Foods like nuts, avocados, and olive oil may help keep you fuller longer without affecting blood sugar levels. Talk with your coach about how much you should eat to support your individualized health goals.



Almonds or cashews
6 nuts



Coconut, shredded
2 Tbsp



Peanuts
10 nuts



Avocado
2 Tbsp



Margarine
1 tsp stick or
1 Tbsp low-fat soft spread



Pecans or walnuts
4 halves



Bacon
1 slice



Mayonnaise
1 tsp regular or
1 Tbsp reduced fat



Pine nuts
1 Tbsp



Butter, stick
1 tsp



Nut butters
Almond, peanut, cashew, etc.
1½ tsp



Pistachios
16 nuts



Chitterlings
Boiled
2 Tbsp



Oil
Olive, canola, peanut,
vegetable, etc.
1 tsp



Sour cream
Regular
2 Tbsp



Coconut milk
Canned
1/3 cup light or
1½ Tbsp regular



Olives
8 black or 10 green



Non-starchy vegetable food group

½ cup cooked or 1 cup raw for one non-starchy vegetable choice below; one serving of non-starchy vegetables has about 5 grams of carbohydrates and around 25 calories.



TIP

Pile them on! For fiber-rich meals that satisfy, make half of your plate non-starchy vegetables like the ones listed below.

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|  | Artichoke |  | Celery |  | Jicama |  | Radishes |
|  | Arugula |  | Cucumber |  | Kale |  | Rutabaga |
|  | Asparagus |  | Daikon |  | Kohlrabi |  | Spinach |
|  | Bamboo shoots |  | Eggplant |  | Leeks |  | Summer squash
Yellow, zucchini |
|  | Beets |  | Endive |  | Mushrooms |  | Swiss chard |
|  | Broccoli |  | Escarole |  | Okra |  | Tomato juice |
|  | Brussels sprouts |  | Fennel |  | Onions |  | Tomatoes |
|  | Cactus |  | Green beans, wax beans, italian beans |  | Pea pods, sugar snap peas |  | Turnips |
|  | Carrots |  | Green cabbage, Red cabbage, Bok choy |  | Peppers
Red, green, yellow, mini |  | Water chestnuts |
|  | Cauliflower |  | Greens
Collard, mustard, turnip, etc. | | | | |