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# Fiber 101

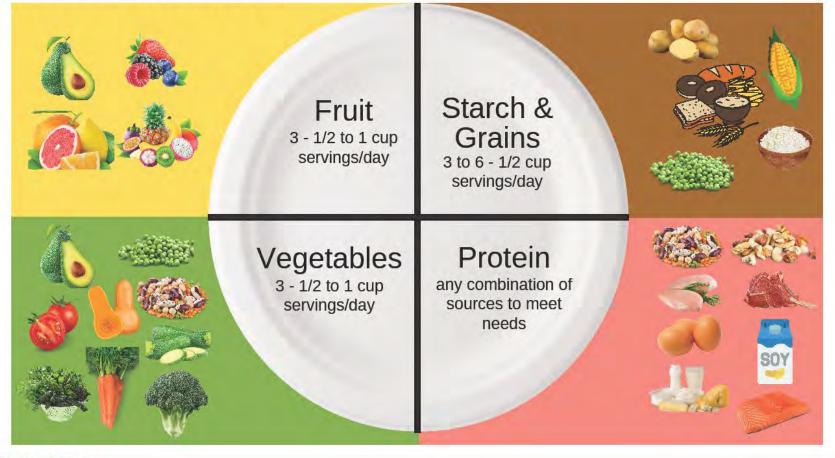
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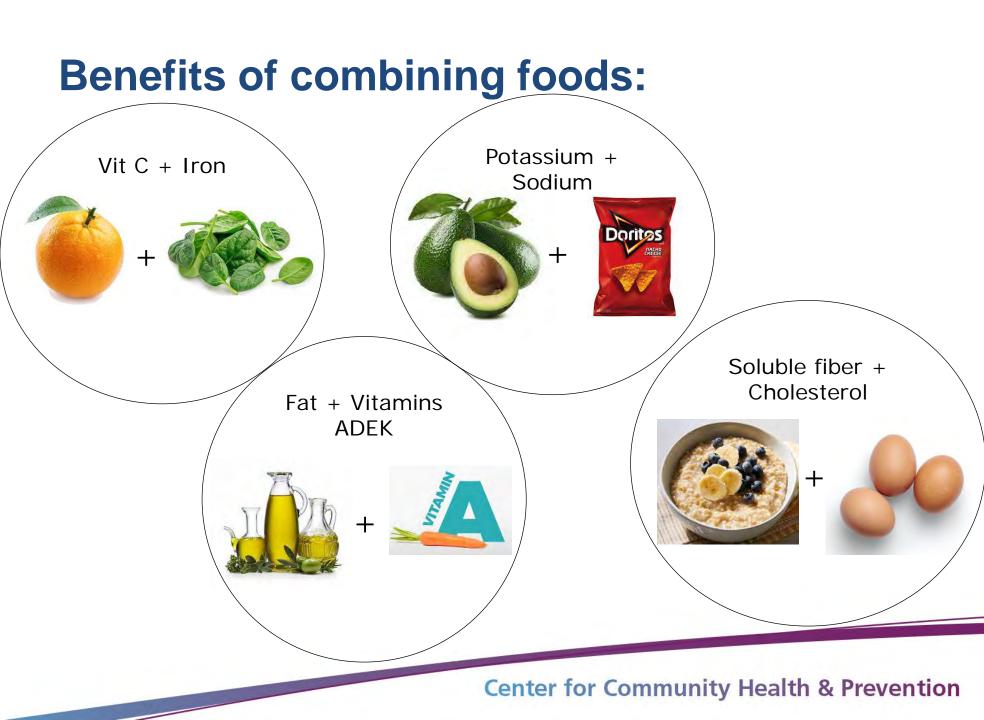
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#### **CCHP Balanced Plate**





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# **Nutrition Facts – What to Look for**

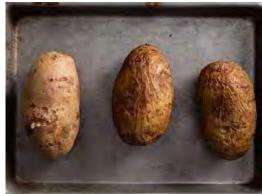
- Fiber: consume enough to...
  - lower cholesterol
  - support gut health
  - reduce blood sugars
  - reduce risk of GI cancer













# Where to find it?



### **Recommended Intakes**

- Fiber: at least 25 to 38 g daily (21g and 30g respectively for ages 50 years and older)
  - 10-13 g per meal
  - Note: Men need at least 10 more grams fiber than women on average!

Fun Fact: Recommendations for intake of added sugar and fiber are exactly the same (38 g daily), only the recommendation is a maximum for sugar and a minimum for fiber!

Balance and Synergy!!!!!

#### **Beans**

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Lima beans, cooked	1 cup	14 g
Black beans, cooked	1 cup	16 g
Garbanzo beans, cooked	1 cup	15 g
Lentils, cooked	1 cup	12 g
Cranberry beans, cooked	1 cup	16 g
Kidney beans, cooked	1 cup	17 g
Navy beans, cooked	1 cup	16 g
White beans, small, cooked	1 cup	19 g
Pinto beans, cooked	1 cup	18 g



Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Raspberries, raw	1 cup	8 g
Blueberries, raw	1 cup	4 g
Strawberries, raw	1 cup	3 g
Blackberries, raw	1 cup	8 g

## **Other Fruits**

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Banana	1 medium	3 g
Pear	1 medium	6 g
Orange	1 medium	4 g
Apple	1 medium	4 g
Prunes,	dried 1/2 cup	6 g
Raisins	2 ounces	2 g
Peaches, dried	1/4 cup	3 g
Figs, dried	1/2 cup	8 g

# **Cruciferous Veggies**

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Kale, cooked	1 cup	3 g
Cauliflower, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Kohlrabi, raw	1 cup	5 g
Savoy cabbage, cooked	1 cup	4 g
Broccoli, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Brussels sprouts, cooked	1 cup	6 g
Red cabbage, cooke	1 cup	4 g

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Barley, pearled, cooked	1 cup	6 g
Buckwheat groats, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Popcorn, air popped	3 cups	4 g
Oats (old fashioned), dry	1/2 cup	4 g
Rye flour, dry	1/4 cup	7 g
Quinoa, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Wild rice, cooked	1 cup	3 g
Wheat flour (whole wheat), dry	1/4 cup	4 g
Brown rice, cooked	1 cup	4 g
Bread (whole wheat), sliced	1 slice	2 g
Crackers, rye wafers	1 ounce	6 g
Spaghetti (whole wheat), cooked	1 cup	6 g

### **Leafy Greens**

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Turnip greens, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Mustard greens, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Collard greens, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Spinach, cooked	1 cup	4 g
Beet greens, cooked	1 cup	4 g
Swiss chard, cooked	1 cup	4 g

### Nuts

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Almonds	1 ounce	4 g
Pistachio nuts	1 ounce	3 g
Cashews	1 ounce	1 g
Peanuts	1 ounce	2 g
Walnuts	1 ounce	2 g
Sunflower seeds	1/4 cup	3 g
Pumpkin seeds	1/2 cup	3 g

## Squash

Food	Portion	Amount of Fiber
Crookneck squash, cooked	1 cup	3 g
Summer scallop squash, cooked	1 cup	5 g
Hubbard squash, cooked	1 cup	7 g
Zucchini squash, cooked	1 cup	3 g
Acorn squash, cooked	1 cup	9 g
Spaghetti squash, cooked	1 cup	2 g

# Sample meal with all 4 food groups

- -Protein: meatloaf
- -Starch: potato
- -Veggie: mixed green salad
- -Fruit: sliced oranges



# **Ideas for Increasing Fiber in This Meal?**

Food	Fiber Content
Meatloaf	0g
Smashed potatoes with skin (1 cup)	3 g
Side Salad (1 cup)	3 g
1 Clementine (in salad)	1.3 g

Total Fiber: 7.3

# Sample meal with all 4 food groups

- Protein: Salmon
- Starch: White Pasta
- Salad: Veggie mix
- Fruit: Fruit Salad



# **Ideas for Increasing Fiber in This Meal?**

Food	Fiber Content
Salmon	0g
White Pasta (1 cup)	2 g
Veggie Mix (1 cup)	3.5 g
Fruit Salad (1 cup)	3.3 g

Total Fiber: 8.8g