

Potassium in some common foods

Include no more than 6 servings a day of fruit and vegetables. Your dietitian may suggest you limit your intake of milk and milk alternatives.

Choose foods with		Avoid foods with
low to medium potassium		high potassium
Fruit	One serving	Fruit
Apple	1 small	Apricot
Apple sauce	½ cup	Avocado
Apricots, canned	½ cup	Banana
Blackberries	½ cup	Breadfruit
Blueberries	½ cup	Dates
Canteloupe	1/8 small	Figs
Cherries	½ cup	Guava
Cranberries	1 cup	Honeydew melon
Currants	½ cup	Jackfruit
Fruit cocktail	½ cup	Kiwi fruit
Gooseberries	½ cup	Mango
Grapefruit	½ small	Nectarine
Grapes	15 small	Orange
Lemon	1 medium	Papaya
Limes	2 medium	Persimmon
Mandarin orange sections	½ cup	Pomegranate
Passion fruit	2 fruits	Prune
Peach, fresh	1 small, 2 inch	Pummelo (pomelo)
Peaches, canned	½ cup	Sapote
Pears, fresh	1 small, 2 inch	Soursop
Pears, canned	½ cup	Starfruit
Pineapple, fresh	1 slice	
Pineapple, canned	½ cup	
Plums, canned or fresh	1 medium	
Raisins	2 tbsp	
Raspberries	½ cup	
Rhubarb	½ cup	
Strawberries	5 medium	
Tangerine	1 small	
Watermelon	1 cup	

Choose foods with low to medium potassium		Avoid foods with high potassium
Fruit	One serving	Fruit
Juice:		Juice:
Apple juice	½ cup	Grapefruit juice
Apricot nectar	½ cup	Orange Juice
Cranberry juice	1 cup	Passion fruit juice
Grape juice	½ cup	Pomegranate juice
Lemon juice	½ cup	Prune juice
Papaya nectar	½ cup	Tangerine juice
Peach nectar	1 cup	
Pear nectar	1 cup	
Pineapple juice	½ cup	
Vegetables	One serving	Vegetables
Alfalfa sprouts	½ cup	Artichoke
Asparagus	5 spears	Bamboo shoots, raw or cooked
Bamboo shoots, canned	½ cup	Beet greens
Beans, green or yellow	½ cup	Beets
Bok Choy, raw	1 cup	Bok choy, boiled
Broccoli	½ cup	Brussel sprouts
Cabbage, cooked	½ cup	Celery, cooked
Cabbage, raw	1 cup	Chard, cooked
Carrots, cooked	½ cup	Kohlrabi
Carrots, raw	1 small, 5 inches	Mushrooms, cooked
Cauliflower	½ cup	Parsnips
Celery, raw	1 stalk	Potatoes – all except peeled and
Chard, raw	1 cup	double boiled
Collard	½ cup	Pumpkin
Corn	½ ear	Rapini, cooked
Cucumber	½ cup	Rutabaga
Eggplant	½ cup	Spinach, cooked
Endive, Belgium or Escarole	•	Squash, winter
Fiddlehead greens	½ cup	Sweet potato
Kale	½ cup	Yam
Lettuce, all varieties	1 cup	Zucchini, cooked
Mushrooms, canned or raw	½ cup	
Mustard greens	½ cup	

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Vegetables	One serving	Vegetables
Okra	½ cup	vegetables
Onions	½ cup	
Peas, green	½ cup	
Pepper, sweet	½ cup	
Potato – peeled and double boiled only	½ cup	
Radishes	½ cup	
Rapini, raw	½ cup	
Sauerkraut	½ cup	
Snow peas	½ cup	
Spinach, raw	½ cup	
Squash, summer	½ cup	
Turnip greens	½ cup	
Tomato	½ medium	Juice:
Tomato sauce	3 tbsp	Vegetable juice
Turnips	½ cup	Vegetable cocktail
Watercress	1 cup	V8, all types
Zucchini, raw	½ cup	Tomato juice
Milk and Alternatives		Milk and Alternatives
Cheese	1 ½ ounces	Cheese whiz
Cottage cheese	½ cup	Chocolate
Frozen yogurt	½ cup	Milk, chocolate
Ice cream	½ cup	Processed cheese
Milk, white	½ cup	Pudding, chocolate
Milkshake, all types	½ cup	
Pudding, all but chocolate	½ cup	
Yogurt	100 grams	

This chart may help you with serving sizes:

Metric and Imperial Sizes		
250 mL	=	1 cup
175 mL	=	¾ cup
125 mL	=	½ cup
60 mL	=	¼ cup
15 mL	=	1 tablespoon (tbsp)
5 mL	=	1 teaspoon (tsp)
25 grams	=	1 ounce (oz)

Choose foods with	Avoid foods with
low to medium potassium	high potassium
Grain Products	Grain Products
(white and refined grains)	(dark and whole grains)
Breads:	Breads:
Bagel, plain	Bagel, whole wheat or multigrain
Bread/roll, white or light rye	Bread/roll, whole wheat, multigrain, corn,
English muffin, white	dark rye, oatmeal, pumpernickel or raisin
Hamburger/hot dog bun, white	English muffin, whole wheat
Muffin, except bran, carrot, chocolate,	Hamburger/hot dog bun, whole wheat
whole wheat	Muffin, bran, carrot, chocolate, whole grain
Pita, white	Pita, whole wheat, multigrain
Tortilla/taco, white	Tortilla/Taco, whole wheat or multigrain
Cereals:	Cereals:
Corn Flakes	All Bran
Corn Pops	Bran Buds
Cornmeal	Bran Flakes
Cream of Wheat	Cheerios
Froot Loops	Fibre One
Frosted Flakes	Frosted Mini Wheats
Honey Nut Chex	Grape Nuts
Puffed rice	Honeycomb
Puffed wheat	Just Right
Rice Krispies	Oatmeal
Special K	Red River
Trix	Wheaties
Rice/Pasta:	Rice/Pasta:
Noodles, egg, rice or soba	Pasta, whole wheat
Pasta, white	Rice, brown
Rice, white	Rice, wild
Crackers/Cookies:	Crackers/Cookies:
Arrowroot cookies	Crackers, whole wheat/grain
Graham crackers	Danish
Melba toast, white	Date squares
Rice cake, white	Fruitcake
Social Tea cookies	Gingerbread
Soda crackers	Granola bar
Tortilla chips	Peanut butter cookie

Vanilla wafers

Choose foods with low to medium potassium	Avoid foods with high potassium
Grain Products (white and refined grains)	Grain Products (dark and whole grains)
Other grain products:	Other grain products:
Cake, pound	Baked items with whole wheat/grain chocolate
Cake, sponge	or carrot
Cake, marble Couscous	Cake, white, yellow, angel food, fruit, gingerbread
Flour, white	Barley
Popcorn	Buckwheat
	Bulgur
	Pancake or waffle mix
	Wheat germ
	Whole wheat flour
Meat and Alternatives	Meat and Alternatives
Beef	Beans, baked, black, kidney, lima, mung, navy,
Chicken	pinto or white
Egg	Chickpeas
Fish	Lentils
Lamb	Nuts
Pork	Peanut butter
Turkey	Seeds
Veal	Soybeans
Tofu	Split peas
Other	Other
Brown sugar (1 tbsp)	Barbeque sauce
Butter, margarine	Beer
Club House No Salt Added™	Caramel candy
Cream cheese	Caramel topping
Herbs and spices	Chocolate bar
Honey	Coconut
Hot sauce	Cola drinks
Jam, jello	Coriander
Lemonade	Gravy
Maple syrup – pure (1 tbsp)	Ketchup
Mrs. Dash™	Meat extract (Oxo®, Bovril®)
Mustard	Molasses
Non-dairy creamer and whipped topping	Potato chips
Relish	Salt substitutes
Soft drinks, all but cola	Soup, tomato and cream
Soup, broth	
Table syrup	
White sugar	