NUTRIENTS VS. CALORIES

DIETARY GUIDELINES

Nutrients:

Carbohydrates

Fats

Proteins

Vitamins

Minerals

Water

Energy (calories)

Problem in U.S.: Imbalance Nutrients vs. Calories

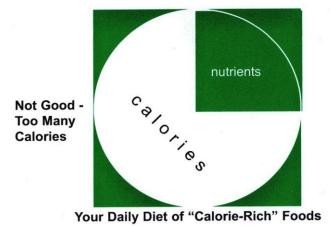
- Too many calories
- Not enough nutrients



Figure 2.7 Examples of foods that are low or high in nutrient density. (a) Three chocolate sandwich cookies. (b) The combination of one medium banana and ½ cup fresh blackberries. Each bowl of food provides approximately 140 kcal. The cookies provide 51.5 kcal from fat (5.72 grams), 1 gram of fiber, and very few vitamins and minerals. The fruit combination provides almost 7 grams of fiber, 6.66 kcal from fat (0.74 grams), and a significant amount of other nutrients such as postassium (539 mg), vitamin A (12 RAE), and vitamin C (25.4 mg). For our limited daily energy budget, the fruit is more nutrient dense and a more healthful choice. (Calculated using USDA National Nutrient Database for Standard Reference, Release 17, 2004.)

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How Much Everyday



Much Better - More Nutrients

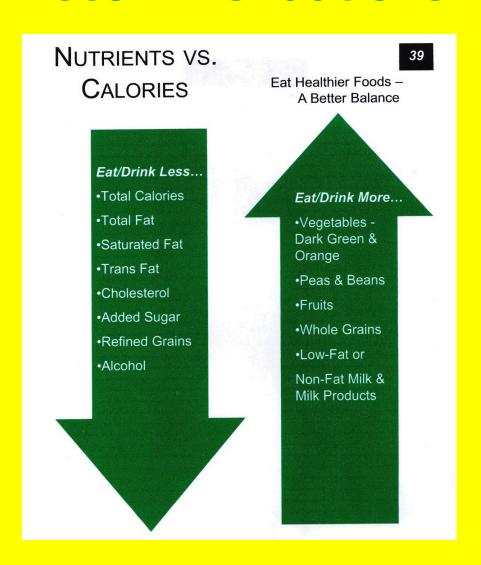
Your Daily Diet of "Nutrient-Rich" Foods

What to do:

1st Read Food labels, Restaurant Nutrition Sheets:

Look for Calories

2d Follow Dietary Guidelines Recommendations



Make all your food count for **nutrients**

 Makes room in your diet for "fun" foods

Example:

weight

2000 - 1800 = 200*
Calories you actually difference eat activity
+ body

* <u>discretionary calories</u>

Discretionary Calories

Can be used for:

- 1. More nutrient-rich foods
- 2. Snacks
- 3. Ice cream
- 4. Alcohol- if you drink
 - **Exercise** Nutrient Rich Food
 - **† Discretionary Calories**

Why the big deal about fruits & vegetables?

People who eat lots of fruits & veggies everyday:

↓ Risk

cancers, cardiovascular disease, cataracts, macular degeneration

Important ingredients in fruits & veggies: "Phytochemicals"

- Found in fruits, veggies, whole grains, legumes (peas, beans, lentils), seeds, soy products, garlic, onion, green/black tea
- Natural, protective chemicals in plants ("phyto")

1 serving veggies = 100 different phytochemicals





Good "Green" Foods

- Bok choy, broccoli, collard greens, dark green leafy lettuce, kale, Romaine lettuce, spinach, turnip greens, water cress, beet greens, chard, Dandelion greens
- Chlorophyll gives green color

Good Orange-Yellow Foods

- Carrots, sweet potatoes, acorn/butternut squash, apricots, mangoes, pumpkin
- Rich in carotenoids (> 600 types)
 Beta-carotene (carrots)
 Lycopene= red color tomatoes

Carotenoids also in green veggies: hidden by chlorophyll



In addition to dairy products, kale is an excellent source of calcium.



Eating more fruits and vegetables has been shown to reduce the risk of several cancers.



Other plant pigments: purple, red, pale yellow called **flavonoids**

Examples:

Wine, grape juice, tea, blueberries, raspberries, red cabbage, potatoes, onions







- Some- antioxidants: protect cells/DNA from oxidative damage (heart disease, cancer)
- Others stimulate enzymes: deactivate <u>carcinogens</u>
- In intestine: block nitrates carcinogens

nitrites

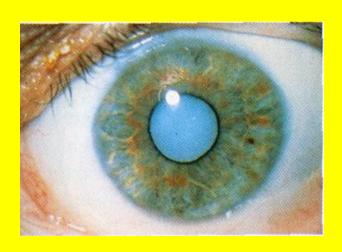
- Phytosterols: compete with cholesterol absorption- intestine:
 Lower blood cholesterol

- Accumulate in eyes:
 - risk macular degeneration (blindness adults)



Figure 8.15 Macular degeneration is the leading cause of blindness in adults ages 55 years and older. (a) The macula is the central part of the retina that allows us to see details and small print. (b) This simulation of the vision loss typical in patients with macular degeneration illustrates the loss of central vision. Source: National Eye Institute, National Institutes of Health. November 2003. Photos, Images, and Videos. Ref # EDS05. www.nei.nih.gov/photo/search/ref_num.asp?ref = EDS05&Submit = Go Accessed February 2004.

• Risk: Cataracts



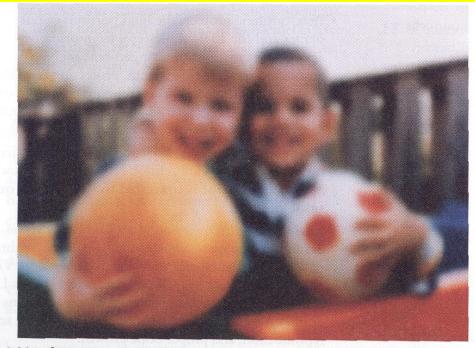
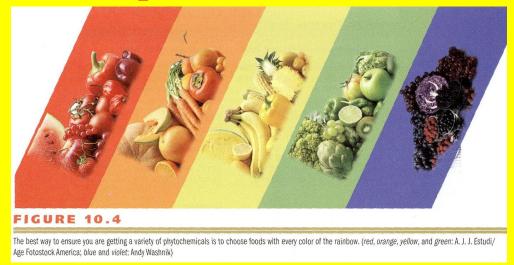


Figure 8.16 Cataracts can impair vision across the entire visual field. *Source:* National Eye Institute, National Institutes of Health. November 2003. Photos, Images, and Videos. Ref # EDS03. www.nei.nih.gov/photo/search/ref_num.asp?ref = EDS03&Submit = Go. Accessed February 2004.

Recommendation: National Cancer Institute

- Eat rainbow of colors: 5
 differently colored fruit & veggies
 everyday: MIX and MATCH
- "5-a-day..... the color way"



Problem: most Americans eat just white potatoes not dark green/orange-yellow foods

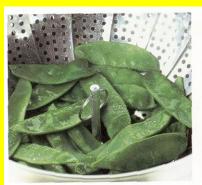




Cook: **minimum** time/little liquidvitamins/minerals destroyed by heat

 Steaming, stir-frying, sautéing, microwaving, poaching

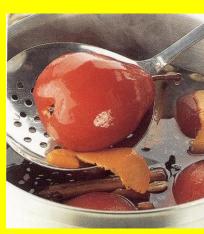




Steaming Since the vegetables are not immersed in water, this method retains the nutrients and taste of fresh vegetables.



Sautéing Requiring very little oil, finely diced vegetables can be quickly fried in a large shallow pan over a high heat.



Acid/Base Balance in Your Body

- Acidic Foods: meat, dairy products, processed foods, soft drinks, snacks
 - ↑ Blood Acidity (lower pH)
- Body adjusts (homeostasis): pulls calcium from bones
- Balances pH
- Keeps blood more alkaline (basic)
- Problem: Robbing bones of calcium

Fruits and Veggies (green leafy)



- **Alkaline conditions in body**
- † pH (normal blood pH: 7.36)
- **Protect bones**

A Healthy Chocolate Bar?

- Mars, Inc. \$18 billion in revenue (2005)
- Jim Cass (VP): "Heart disease is the #1 killer in the world, chocolate is the #1 favorite ingredient in the world."
- "Putting those 2 together is a big idea."

Mars: Milky Way, Snicker's, M&M's, Uncle Ben's Rice

- CocoaVia- dark chocolate rich in flavanols: antioxidant in cocoa beans
- Flavanols: Blood-thinning effect, may lower blood pressure
- CocoaVia: also contains plant sterols (lower cholesterol)



CocoaVia marketed: "Heart Healthy"

- Packages encourage 2 servings/day
- American Heart Association: no current recommendations about chocolate
- Concern: calories & fat

CocoaVia







CocoaVia original: Calories 100

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size 1 bar (22g)

Amount Per Serving

Calories 100 Calories from Fat 60

% Daily Value**

Total Fat 6g 9°

Saturated Fat 3,5g 18% Trans Fat 0g

Cholesterol Omg 0%

Sodium Omg 0%

Total Carbohydrate 12g 4%
Dietary Fiber 2g 8%

Sugars 9g

Protein 1g

Vitamin A * • Vitamin C 15%

Calcium 25% • Iron 4%

Vitamin E 20% . Vitamin B6 15%

Folic Acid 15% . Vitamin B12 15%

*Contains less than 2% of the Daily Value of these nutrients.

**Percent Daily Values are based on a 2,000 calorie diet. Your daily values may be higher or lower depending on your calorie needs:

 Calories:
 2,000
 2,500

 Total Fat Sat, Fat Sat, Fat Less than Sat, Fat Cess than 300mg
 25g

 Cholesterol Less than 300mg
 300mg

 Sodium Less than 2,400mg
 2,400mg

 Total Carbohydrate Dietary Fiber 25g
 30g

 30g
 375g

 30g
 30g

Total Fat: 6 grams

Saturated Fat: 3.5 grams

Cholesterol: 0 milligrams

Sodium: 0 milligrams

Fiber: 2 grams

Ingredients:

Semisweet chocolate, sugar, soy lecithin, natural flavor, soy sterol esters, vitamins & minerals

What Americans may be missing: 7 important nutrients

 Based on expert scientists' review: US Departments Health/Human Services
 & Agriculture

#1 Calcium: strong bones/teeth

Sources: milk, yogurt, cheese, fortified cereal, soy drink, sardines, tofu, salmon, collards, molasses, spinach, soybeans, turnip greens, ocean perch, oatmeal (range: 99-1043 mg)

#2 Potassium: helps control blood pressure

Sources: sweet potato, tomato paste/puree/juice/sauce, beet greens, potato, white beans, yogurt, clams, prune & carrot juices, molasses, halibut, soybeans, tuna, lima beans, winter squash, rockfish, cod, bananas, spinach (range: 405-694) mg)

#3 Fiber: helps control weight, prevents constipation

Sources: beans (navy, kidney, black, pinto, lima, white, great northern, soy), bran cereal, split peas, lentils, artichoke, chickpeas, cowpeas, rye crackers, sweet potato, pears, whole wheat English muffins, bulgur, cooked vegetables, raspberries (range 4-9.5 grams)

- #4 <u>Magnesium</u>: bone/teeth formation, muscle contraction, nerve impulses
- Sources: pumpkin & squash seeds, nuts (Brazil, almonds, cashews, pine, mixed, peanuts), bran cereal, halibut, quinoa, spinach, buckwheat flour, beans (soy, white, black, lima), Pollock, bulgur, oat bran, tuna, artichokes (range: 50-151 mg)

#5 Vitamin A: night vision, bone growth, healthy skin

Sources: Liver, carrot juice, sweet potato, pumpkin, carrots, spinach, collards, kale, mixed vegetables, turnip, greens, fortified cereals (range: 180-9126 micrograms-Retinol Activity Equivalents)

#6 Vitamin C: needed to produce collagen for body structures

Sources: guava, peppers (red sweet, green), kiwi fruit, oranges, orange juice, grapefruit juice, vegetable juice cocktail (range: 50-188 mg)

#7 Vitamin E: antioxidant, protects DNA, protein, fat from damage

Sources: fortified cereals, sunflower seeds, oils (sunflower, cottonseed, safflower, canola, peanut), nuts (almonds, hazelnuts, mixed, pine, peanuts), peanut butter, turnip greens, tomato paste/puree/sauce, wheat germ, avocado, carrot juice (range: 2.1-12.8 mg)

What teen age girls and women may be missing

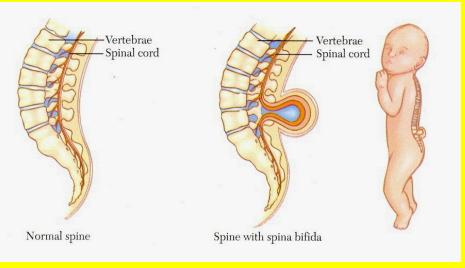
- Many teen age girls/women: iron deficient
- Iron: hemoglobin (red blood cells)- carry O2 in blood
- Also need Vitamin C: helps iron absorption
- Required: women: 18 mg/day, men: 8 mg/day

What women may need

- Folic acid: helps form DNA for new cells made daily
- During pregnancy: proper development baby's nervous

system

Low folic acid:Spina bifida



What older Americans, shut-ins, people with dark skin may need

- Vitamin D: for calcium absorption
- Recommendation: 1000 International units/day
- Sources: fortified milk, fortified OJ, supplement, egg yolk, cod liver oil, mackerel, salmon, sardines, tuna

