# **Protein Content of Foods**

## Meat, Poultry, Eggs:

Food (Cooked)	Serving Size	Calories	Protein (g)
Chicken, skinless	3 oz	141	28
Steak	3 oz	158	26
Turkey, roasted	3 oz	135	25
Lamb	3 oz	172	23
Pork	3 oz	122	22
Ham	3 oz	139	14
Egg. large	1 egg	71	6

#### Seafood:

Food (Cooked)	Serving Size (oz)	Calories	Protein (g)	
Salmon	3	155	22	
Tuna	3	99	22	
Shrimp	3	101	20	
Lobster	3	76	16	
Scallops	3	75	14	

## Legumes, Grains, Vegetables:

Name of Food (Cooked)	Serving Size (cup)	Calories	Protein (g)
Pinto Beans	1/2	197	11
Adzuki Beans	1/2	147	9
Lentils	1/2	101	9
Edamame	1/2	95	9
Black Beans	1/2	114	8
Red Kidney Beans	1/2	112	8
Chickpeas	1/2	134	7
Black-eyed Peas	1/2	100	7
Fava Beans	1/2	94	7
Wheat Berries	1/2	151	6
Kamut	1/2	126	6
Lima Beans	1/2	105	6
Quinoa	1/2	111	4
Peas, Green	1/2	59	4
Spinach, cooked	1/2	41	3



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## Nuts and Seeds:

Food	Serving Size	Calories	Protein (g)	
Soy Nuts	1 oz	120	12	
Pumpkin Seeds	1 oz	159	9	
Peanuts	1 oz	166	7	
Peanut Butter	1 Tbsp	188	7	
Almonds	1 oz	163	6	
Pistachios	1 oz	161	6	
Flax Seeds	1 oz	140	6	
Sunflower Seeds	1 oz	140	6	
Chia Seeds	1 oz	138	5	
Walnuts	1 oz	185	4	
Cashews	1 oz	162	4	

### **Dairy Products:**

Food	Serving Size	Calories	Protein (g)	
Greek Yogurt	6 0Z	100	18	
Cottage Cheese (1% fat)	4 oz	81	14	
Regular Yogurt (nonfat)	1 cup	100	11	
Milk, Skim	1 cup	86	8	
Soy milk	1 cup	132	8	
Mozzarella (part skim)	1 oz	72	7	
String Cheese (nonfat)	1 piece (0.75 oz)	50	6	



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### Good Food Sources of Iron

BREADS, CEREA	LS, & OTHER GRAIN PROD	UCTS			
FOOD	SERVING	MG		VEGETABLES	
Product 19	1 cup	18	FOOD	SERVING	MG
Total	1 cup	18	Spinach	1 cup cooked	4.0
Most	1/2 cup	18	Green Peas, fresh	1 cup	2.9
40% Bran Flakes	1/2 cup	8.1	Beet greens	1 cup cooked	2.8
Rice Bran	1/4 cup	4.8	Butternut Squash	1 cup baked	2.1
Rice Polishings	1/4 cup	4.4	Sunchokes	4 small	3.4
Rice, enriched	1/2 cup	.9	Chard	1 cup cooked	2.6
Wild Rice	1 cup	6.7	Tomato Juice	1 cup	2.2
Whole Wheat Bread	1 slice	.8	Kale	1 cup cooked	1.8
White Bread	1 slice	.6	Acorn Squash	1/2 baked	1.7
Millet (cooked)	1 cup	3.9	Potato	1 lg. cooked	1.4
Miso	100 gm	60	Brussel Sprouts	8 cooked	1.7
MEAT, POULT	RY, FISH, AND ALTERNATE	S		FRUITS	
Liver, Lamb, boiled	3 1/2 oz	17.9	Prune Juice	1 cup	10.5
Oysters	1/4 cup	10	Raisins	1/2 cup	2.6
Liver, Beef	3 oz	8	Dates	10 medium	2.4
Hamburger	3 oz	3	Prunes	5 cooked	1.8
Baked Beans, w/molasses	1/2 cup	3	Strawberries	1 cup	1.5
Tuna	3 oz	1.6			
Egg, whole, medium	1	1.2		NUTS AND SEEDS	
Peanut Butter	2 teas.	.6	Pumpkin Seeds	2 Tbs.	2.0
			Sesame meal	1/4 cup	2.4
	EANS, PEAS, LENTILS		Sunflower seeds	1 cup	10.3
vinto beans	1 cup cooked	6.1	Pistachios, shelled	1 cup	8.7
Tofu	4 oz	2.3	Almonds	1 cup	6.7
Lentils	1 cup cooked	4.2	Cashews	1 cup	5.3
Lima Beans	1 cup cooked	5.1	Brazil Nuts	1 cup	4.8
Black-eyed Peas	1 cup cooked	3.5	Hazelnuts	1 cup	4.6
Black Beans	1 cup cooked	7.9	Macadamia nuts	1 cup	3.2
Navy Beans	1 cup cooked	5.1	Peanuts	1 cup	3.2
Soybeans	1 cup cooked	4.9	Walnuts	1 cup	3.1
Split Peas, green	1 cup cooked	3.4			
				OTHER	
			Blackstrap Molasses	1 Tbs.	3.2

Your goal is to get 18+ milligrams of iron each day. Always try to include food high in Vit. C and B vitamins to help with the absorption of iron. Iron is essential to prevent anemia in both mom and baby. It helps the mom guard against excessive blood loss during birth. Adequate iron also guards against miscarriage and fetal malformation.

Iron deficiency can lead to feeling tired, lack of endurance, a pale complexion, shortness of breath, dizziness, headaches and depression.

1. Take Iron supplements after meal to avoid stomach upset.

2. Take with a handful of nuts, or juice.

3. Remember, sugar neutralizes hydrochloric acid and protein stimulates its production.

4. Alternatives, and easy to assemble forms of iron are chlorophyll, yellow dock and alfalfa. They are available in liquid form from your health food store. Chives are high in vitamin C and iron, (chop up and sprinkle on salads or over food. In order to receive maximum benefit, chives must be eaten fresh.)

#### **IRON CONTENT & IRON COOKWARE**

Cooking in cast Iron can greatly increase the iron content in foods. The following chart gives several examples. The longer you cook the food and the higher the vitamin C content the higher the absorption of iron.

