

Size it Up! Getting your portion in proportion

Learning correct portion sizes is the key to building a perfectly balanced plate. Having a mental image of these objects helps determine normal serving sizes. Estimating portion sizes will get you started toward a healthier path to consuming the correct serving size of your favorite foods.



Dairy

1 serving of ice cream = 1/2 cup or a tennis ball



1 serving of cheese = 1 ounce or one die



Protein

1 serving of meat, poultry or seafood = 3 ounces or a deck of cards



2 Tbsp nut butter = a golf ball



Veggies

1 serving of veggies = 1 cup or the size of your fist or a baseball



Fruit

1 serving of fruit = an apple, orange or a computer mouse

Grains

1/2 a medium whole wheat bagel = a hockey puck



1 portion of whole grain pasta is 1/2 cup = 1/2 a baseball

