

## **Daily Food Diary**



This tool is intended to help you to keep track of what you eat each day, and to guide you toward making smart food choices based on the latest nutritional information. This tool is based on guidelines from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. To learn more, visit <a href="https://www.choosemyplate.gov/">https://www.choosemyplate.gov/</a>

**Note**: Individual recommended daily caloric intakes vary based on individual factors. To view the guidelines from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and calculate your own target calorie count, visit: <a href="https://www.choosemyplate.gov/online-tools">https://www.choosemyplate.gov/online-tools</a>

## For more information:

- University of Michigan Depression Center
- 1-800-475-MICH or 734-936-4400
- http://www.depressioncenter.org/toolkit

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Date: <u>9/18</u>

Listallthefoods you chose today:			
Time	Food		
8 am	Oatmeal		
	Milk		
	Brown sugar		
	Decaf		
10 am	Apple		
Noon	Tuna salad sandwich on		
	Wheat, chips, diet coke		
3 pm	Snickers bar		
6:30 pm	Chicken breast		
	Broccoli		
	Baked potato		
	Butter		
9:30 pm	Frozen yogurt		
-	ou do today?		
	Great		
X	So-So		
	Not so Great		

Food group	Daily goal (based on 2,000 calories/day*)	From your list at left, place each food choice into its food group	Estimate your total for the day
Grains Make at least half of your grains whole grains	6 ounce equivalents (1 ounce equivalent = 1 slice bread, 1 cup dry cereal, or ½ cup cooked rice, pasta, or cereal)	Oatmeal (l.5 cups) Wheat bread (2 slices)	5 ounce equivalents
Vegetables Eat a mix of different colored vegetables daily	2 ½ cups	Lettuce on sandwich Broccoli Potato	3 cups
Fruits Choose fruit instead of juice whenever possible	2 cups	Apple	l.5 cups
Milk Choose fat-free or low-fat most often	3 cups (1½ ounces of cheese = 1 cup milk)	Milk Frozen yogurt	3 cups
Meat & beans Choose lean meat and poultry, and eat a variety including fish, beans, nuts, and seeds	5 ½ ounce equivalents (1 ounce equivalent = 1 ounce meat, poultry or fish, 1 egg, 1T peanut butter)	Tuna Chicken breast	4.5 ounce equivalents

Thoughts about today: I was really trying to cut back on snacking and to get a few healthy things into my diet today. Besides the Snickers bar I did well but was hungry most of the day.

My food goal for tomorrowis: Substitute fruit for candy!

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