GlucoseGoddess Protein Guide

How much protein do we need in one day?

1 gram of protein per pound of body weight

(which is approximately the same as)

2 grams of protein per kilograms of body weight

Which foods contain 20 grams of protein?



3 eggs



½ chicken breast (75g/2.5oz)



½ portion of beef, duck, porc (75g/2.5oz)



1 small portion of fish (100g/3.5oz)



1 chunk of parmesan cheese (50g/2oz)



1 large portion of full fat Greek yogurt (200g/7oz)



2½ cups of cow's milk (600mL/20fl.oz)



1 can of lentils (250g/8oz drained)



1 can of chickpeas (250g/8oz drained)



3 big handfuls of nuts Like cashew, almonds, hazelnuts, pistachios, peanuts (100g/2.5oz)



5-6 tablespoons of nut butter (80-100g)



1 scoop of protein powder



½ block of tempeh (100g/3.5oz)



1 big block of tofu (250g/8oz)



1 cup of cottage cheese (200g/7oz)

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Here's an example

If you weigh 70 kilograms, multiply 70 by 2, and you get 140.

That means ideally you need 140 grams of protein per day.

- 3 eggs at breakfast (20g)
- 1 large portion of meat at lunch (2 x 20g)
- 1 greek yogurt at lunch (20g)
- 3 handful of nuts as a snack (20g)
- 1 portion of fish at dinner (20g)
- 1 can of lentils at dinner (20g)

Top tip: if you currently don't eat much protein, this goal may feel like a lot. So just focus on doing your best: with every additional portion of protein towards your goal, you are helping your body.

Note: this protein intake calculation is the one that works for people with a BMI lower than 30. For people with a BMI higher than 30, the goal should be less, around 1 gram per kilogram of bodyweight (or about 0.5 grams per pound of bodyweight).