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Focus on fruits

Potassium, Fiber, Vitamin C, Folate

Go easy on fruit juice

Fruit juice lacks the fiber found in whole fruits.
Whole fruits are more nutrient-dense than juices.
Juices are more calorie-dense.



Why Fiber?

- Reduces risk of heart disease
- Decreases constipation
- Helps with weight maintenance (fills you up on fewer calories)
- Potential benefit for type 2 diabetes

Fruits and Vegetables: Eat more for good health

- Reduces risk of heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, and some cancers
- Potassium may reduce risk of developing kidney stones and help to decrease bone loss with age
- Naturally low in calories, fat and sodium
- Don't have cholesterol

**FRUIT CANNED IN
HEAVY SYRUP**

**FRESH AND FROZEN FRUITS
AND 100 % FRUIT JUICE**

MyPyramid & Food Choices

Foods with added fat and sugars are at the top of the color band.

Nutrient-dense foods are at the bottom of the color band.

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