

Food Intakes Converted to Retail Commodities Databases 2003-08

USDA's Food Intakes Converted to Retail Commodities Databases (FICRCD) 2003-08 provide retail-level commodity data for foods in the national dietary intake surveys. The survey foods are converted into 65 retail-level commodities. The commodities are grouped into eight major categories: Dairy Products; Fats and Oils; Fruits; Grains; Meat, Poultry, Fish and Eggs; Nuts; Caloric Sweeteners; and Vegetables, Dry Beans and Legumes.

The Food Intakes Converted to Retail Commodities Databases are jointly developed by USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and Economic Research Service (ERS) for the following surveys:

- What We Eat in America, National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey 2003-2004 (WWEIA, NHANES 2003-2004)
- What We Eat in America, National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey 2005-2006 (WWEIA, NHANES 2005-2006)
- What We Eat in America, National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey 2007-2008 (WWEIA, NHANES 2007-2008)

Applications

- By linking the FICRCDs to WWEIA, NHANES data, the amounts of various commodities that are consumed by different age, gender, income, and race/ethnic groups can be estimated.
- By linking the FICRCDs to economic databases, cost of commodities such as fruits, vegetables, fluid milk, cheese, and yogurt can be computed, and the types and amounts of retail commodities that may be purchased for a healthful diet can be estimated.

The Food Intakes Converted to Retail Commodities Database Files

- FICRCD includes the amounts of 65 retail-level commodities present per 100 grams of food for all food codes used to process the survey data.
- FICRCD is released in two formats: Microsoft Access[®] and SAS[®] formats

Other Supporting Files

- Methodology and User Guide for the Food Intakes Converted to Retail Commodities Databases that describes the process of developing FICRCD which includes disaggregation of foods, assignment of foods to appropriate commodities, and the application of conversion factors to convert foods to respective amounts of retail-level commodities.
- A list of foods included in each commodity (Appendix A).
- A list of selected conversion factors used to convert the amounts of foods as consumed to retaillevel commodities (Appendix B).
- A list of variables in the databases (Appendix C).

FICRCDs 2003-08 are available at:

www.ars.usda.gov/ba/bhnrc/fsrg

FICRCD 2003-08 Commodities by Category

Category (no. of commodities)	Commodities	
Dairy Products (10)	Total Dairy Products Total Fluid Milk Fluid Whole Milk Fluid 2% Milk Fluid 1% Milk	Fluid Skim Milk Butter Cheese Yogurt Other Dairy Products
Fats and Oils (5)	Total Fats and Oils Margarine Salad & Cooking Oils	Shortening (includes industrial shortenings) Other Oils
Fruits (14)	Total Fruit Total Apples Apples from Fruit Apples from Juice Bananas Berries Grapes	Melons Total Oranges Oranges from Fruit Oranges from Juice Other Citrus Fruits Stone Fruits Tropical Fruits
Grains (5)	Total Grains Corn Flour & Meal Oats & Oat Flour	Rice (dry) Wheat Flour
Meat, Poultry, Fish & Eggs (10)	Total Meat, Poultry, & Fish Total Meat Beef Pork Total Poultry	Chicken Turkey Finfish & Shellfish Eggs, Shell Included Eggs, Without Shell
Nuts (tree nuts & peanuts) (3)	Total Nuts Peanuts	Tree Nuts
Sweeteners, Caloric (1)	Total Caloric Sweeteners	
Vegetables, Dry Beans & Legumes (17)	Total Vegetables Total Brassica (cruciferous) Vegetables Broccoli & Cauliflower Carrots Celery Cucumbers Green Peas Total Leafy Vegetables Lettuce (head & leaf)	Onions Peppers (bell & non-bell) Tomatoes Sweet Corn Total Roots & Tubers Potatoes Snap Beans (string beans) Legumes (dry beans & peas)



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