

CENTRAL OHIO **PRIMARY CARE** THE BEST FOR PRIMARY CARE

Recommended Dietary Allowances for Calcium and Vitamin D

Age	Amount of Calcium Per Day	Amount of Vitamin D Per Day		
0-6 Months	200 mg	400 IU		
7-12 Months	260 mg	400 IU		
1-3 Years	700 mg	600 IU		
4-8 Years	1000 mg	600 IU		
9-18 Years	1300 mg	600 IU		



\*Chart from Healthychildren.org

## Milk Recommendations

Age	Growth % weight or weight for length	Amount	Recommended options (all unflavored/unsweetened)
0-12mo	-	Up to 7- 8oz/feeding; <32oz/day	Breastmilk or formula; * may require formula/Breastmilk fortification/higher concentration for slow growth
12-24mo	-	16-24oz/day	Continued breastmilk, Whole milk, fortified soymilk, fortified hemp milk (+additional fat/protein foods), fortified pea protein milk, or continued formula (in cup) if not switching to whole milk
>24mo	5-85%	16-24oz/day	Family preference
>24mo	<5%	16-24oz/day	Consult with Dr/RD, Whole milk, fortified soymilk, fortified pea protein milk, protein nut milk
>24mo	>85%	16-20oz/day	Consult with Dr/RD, Skim or 1% LF milk, nut milk, flaxseed milk

**"Whole milk" can indicate:** conventional whole milk, organic or grass fed whole milk, A2 whole milk, whole ultra filtered milk (Fair life), whole goat's milk, whole lactose free milk

**"Skim or LF Milk" can indicate:** conventional LF/skim milk, organic or grass fed LF milk, A2 skim/lf milk, skim/lf ultra filtered milk, LF goat's milk, LF/skim lactose free milk

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Туре	Brand Names	Kcal/ 8oz	Pro/ 8oz	Ca (mg)	Vit D (mcg)	Pro/Con
Whole Milk	Local/store branded	150	8	390	5	<ul> <li>Pro: compete protein, higher protein, locally sourced, high fat content may promote satiety, dairy saturated fat under research for potential benefits, possible improved Vitamin D absorption</li> <li>Con: may be difficult to digest, higher in saturated fat</li> </ul>
Skim Milk	Local/store branded	80	8	390	5	<ul> <li>Pro: complete protein, higher protein, locally sourced, low in saturated fat</li> <li>Con: may be difficult to digest, less satiety</li> </ul>
A2 Milk (version of cow's milk)	A2 Milk Company, Snowville Creamery 2%	130	9	300- 390	2.5-5	<ul> <li>Pro: A2 protein is most likely easier to digest than A1 protein (cow's milk is a blend of A1 and A2), locally sourced, complete protein, higher protein, available in multiple fat percentages</li> <li>Con: cost, availability</li> </ul>
Almond Milk	Almond Breeze, Silk Almond, Pacific, Dream, Califia Farms, Store branded		1	450	2.5	<ul> <li>Pro: high in vitamin E, lactose free, vegan friendly</li> <li>Con: low protein, flavored versions may contain 13g of sugar</li> </ul>
Soy Milk	Silk Soymilk, 8th Continent, Dream, Pacific, Store branded	120	8	450	3	<ul> <li>Pro: equal protein to cow's milk, contains 2g fiber, lactose free and vegan friendly</li> <li>Con: perceived soy "fear", flavored versions may have ~16g sugar</li> </ul>
Protein Nut Milk	Silk	130	10	450	2.5	<ul> <li>Pro: high protein, lactose free, vegan friendly, contains 7.5g unsaturated healthy fats</li> <li>Con: higher in sodium (230mg), cost, availability</li> </ul>
Pea Protein Milk	Ripple	110	10	450	4	Pro: allergen friendly, lactose free, vegan friendly, high in protein, vegan DHA added, trending product Con: cost, multiple ingredients, availability

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Coconut Milk	Silk, So Delicious, Pacific, Coconut Dream, Store branded	70	0	130- 460	2	<b>Pro:</b> lactose free, vegan friendly <b>Con:</b> high in saturated fat, no protein
Rice Milk	Enriched Rice Dream	120	0	280	5	<ul> <li>Pro: lactose free, allergen friendly, vegan friendly, 1.5g monounsaturated fats per serving</li> <li>Con: no protein, higher sugar and carb content</li> </ul>
Flaxseed Milk	Good Karma	50	0	280	2.2	<ul> <li>Pro: 1200mg ALA omega-3s per serving, allergen friendly, lactose free, vegan friendly</li> <li>Con: cost, no protein, availability</li> </ul>
Organic Milk- 2%	Stoneyfield Farms, Horizon, store branded, Organic Valley	120	8	390	4.5	<ul> <li>Pro: contains slight amount of omega-3s and CLAs (more than conventional milk), complete protein, high protein, multiple fat percentages</li> <li>Con: cost, confusion with organics, may be difficult to digest</li> </ul>
Ultra Filtered Milk	Fairlife, CarbMaster, Organic Valley	100- 120	11-13	360- 450	2.5-5	Pro: lactose free, complete protein, higher protein, diabetic friendly, multiple fat percentages Con: cost
Macadamia Nut Milk	Milkadamia	40	1	390	5	<ul> <li>Pro: lactose free, vegan friendly,</li> <li>3mg monounsaturated fats per serving</li> <li>Con: low protein, cost, availability</li> </ul>
Oat Milk	Planet Oat, Silk Oat, Chobani Oat, Oat Dream, Pacific, Oatly, Simply Oat, store branded	90- 130	1-3	300- 460	4	<ul><li>Pro: contains soluble fiber, lactose free, vegan friendly, allergen friendly</li><li>Con: low protein, not always suitable for gluten free diets</li></ul>

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Raw Milk	Local herd shares; illegal to sell in OH		Unreg	ulated		<ul> <li>Pro: believed to have beneficial enzymes for digestion and probiotics that would not otherwise survive pasteurization</li> <li>Con: very high food borne illness risk, controversial, CDC advocates avoidance</li> </ul>
Goat's Milk	Local, Meyenberg- whole	140	8	300	3	<ul> <li>Pro: naturally A2 protein- easier to digest, fat evenly distributes so does not require homogenization, complete protein, high protein</li> <li>Con: cost, availability, Western culture acceptance</li> </ul>
Grassfed Milk	Horizon, Maple Hill, Organic Valley	130	8	390	2.5	<ul> <li>Pro: contains most omega-3s and CLA of all cow's milk (though not as high as other omega-3 food sources), complete protein, high protein</li> <li>Con: cost, availability, earthier taste</li> </ul>
Cashew Milk	Silk, Pacific	25-50	0	450	2.5	<b>Pro:</b> Lactose and vegan friendly <b>Con:</b> no protein, Pacific brand is not fortified, availability
Hemp Milk	Pacific, Living Harvest Tempt	80-140	2-4	260- 390	2-5	<b>Pro:</b> 8g of fat with omega 3s, lactose free, vegan friendly, allergen friendly <b>Con:</b> cost, low protein, availability
Lactose free milk-2%	Lactaid, store branded, Horizon, etc	130	8	300	2.5	<b>Pro:</b> Lactose free, Complete protein, higher protein, locally sourced, multiple fat percentages <b>Con:</b> tastes sweeter than milk
Protein Cow's Milk	Stoneyfield Farms	120	11	380	3	<ul> <li>Pro: Extra protein added, complete protein</li> <li>Con: cost, availability, may be difficult to digest</li> </ul>

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