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THE GLYCEMIC INDEX OF POPULAR FOODS

Expressed as a percentage of the value for glucose, GI = 100

LOW GLYCEMIC INDEX	MEDIUM GLYCEMIC INDEX	HIGH GLYCEMIC INDEX		
(55 or less)	(56 to 69)	(70 or above)		
Choose most often	Choose more often	Choose least often		
BAKERY PRODUCTS				
Apple muffin	Angel food cake	Donut, cake type		
Banana cake	Blueberry muffin	Waffles		
Pound cake	Bran muffin			
Sponge cake, plain	Carrot muffin			
	Croissant			
	Crumpet			
	Flan cake			
	Pastry			
BEVER <i>AG</i> ES				
Apple juice, unsweetened	Coca cola	Gatorade		
Carrot juice	Cranberry juice cocktail			
Nestlé Quik chocolate powder,	Nestlé Quik strawberry			
dissolved in 1% milk	powder, dissolved in water			
Orange juice				
Grapefruit juice, unsweetened				
Pineapple juice, unsweetened				
	BREADS	_		
50% oat bran bread	100% barley flour bread	Bagel, white		
100% whole-grain bread	Hamburger bun	Baguette, white, plain		
Fruit and spice loaf	Pita bread, white	Kaiser roll		
Whole-grain pumpernickel	Sourdough rye bread	Melba toast		
Bulgur, or cracked wheat	Baguette, with butter and	Wonder bread, white,		
kernel bread	strawberry jam	enriched		
	Wheat-flour flatbread	Gluten-free multi-grain bread		
	White bread	Gluten-free white bread		
	Whole-meal rye bread	White flatbread		

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BREAKFAST CEREALS				
All-Bran	Bran Buds	Bran Flakes		
Porridge from rolled oats	Cream of wheat	Cheerios		
	Fruit Loops	Cornflakes		
	Just Right	Corn Chex		
	Life	Corn Pops		
	Mini Wheats	Crispix		
	Porridge, instant	Golden Grahams		
	Raisin Bran	Grapenuts		
	Special K	Rice Krispies		
		Shredded Wheat		
		Wheetabix		
	CEREAL GRAINS			
Brown rice	Basmati rice	Glutinous rice		
Buckwheat wheat	Cornmeal	Jasmine rice		
Bulgur, or cracked wheat	Couscous	Millet		
Long-grain and wild rice	White rice			
Pearl barley				
Rye, whole kernels				
Semolina				
COOKIES & CRACKERS				
Digestives	Arrowroot	Graham wafers		
Oatmeal cookies	Breton wheat crackers	Puffed rice cakes		
	Shortbread	Soda crackers		
	Stoned wheat thins	Vanilla wafers		
D	AIRY PRODUCTS & ALTERNATI	VES		
Milk, full-fat	Ice cream			
Milk, skim				
Pudding, instant				
Soy milk, full-fat				
Yogurt				

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FRUIT & FRUIT PRODUCTS				
Apple	Apricots	Dates, dried		
Apricots, dried	Cantaloupe	Lychee, canned in syrup		
Banana	Papaya	Watermelon		
Cherries	Peach, canned in heavy syrup			
Fruit cocktail, canned	Pineapple			
Grapefruit	Raisins			
Grapes				
Kiwi fruit				
Mango				
Orange				
Orange juice				
Peach				
Peach, canned in natural juice				
Pear				
Pitted prunes				
Plum				
Strawberry				
	LEGUMES & NUTS			
Baked beans				
Black-eyed beans				
Butter beans				
Chickpeas				
Haricot & navy beans				
Kidney beans				
Lentils				
Soya beans				
Split peas, yellow				
MIXED MEALS & CONVENIENCE FOODS				
Chicken nuggets, from frozen	Pizza, cheese			
Fish fingers	White/whole-meal wheat			
-	bread with peanut butter			
Sushi, salmon				

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PASTA & NOODLES				
Fettuccine, egg	Macaroni & cheese, boxed			
Instant noodles	Rice vermicelli			
Linguine, thin	Udon noodles, plain			
Macaroni, plain				
Mung bean noodles				
Ravioli, meat-filled				
Spaghetti, white				
SI	NACK FOODS & CONFECTIONE	RY		
M&Ms, peanut	Power Bar	Lifesavers		
Chocolate, white	Mars Bar	Jelly beans		
Peanuts	Muesli bar with dried fruit	Popcorn, plain, microwave		
Chocolate, milk, plain	Corn chips	Fruit roll-ups		
Potato chips, plain, salted		Pop-Tarts		
Snickers Bar		Pretzels		
Twix Cookie Bar		Skittles		
Nutella, chocolate hazelnut		Cheese-flavoured rice/corn		
spread		twists		
	SOUP			
Lentil soup, canned	Black bean soup			
Minestrone soup	Green pea soup, canned			
Tomato soup	Split pea soup			
	VEGETABLES			
Carrots	Beetroot	Baked potato		
Green peas	New potato	French fries, from frozen		
Sweet corn	Sweet potato	Mashed potato		
Taro, peeled, boiled		Pumpkin		
Уат		Tapioca, boiled with milk		
		Parsnips		
ETHNIC FOODS				
Cassava, boiled with salt	Breadfruit	Rice cracker, plain		
Chapatti, barley	Chapatti, wheat flour	Millet		
Corn tortilla		Butter rice		
Soba noodles, instant, served		Lebanese bread, white,		
with soup		unleavened		
Hummus				
Wheat tortilla				