ALL ABOUT OATS





WHAT IS OATS?

Oats are a whole grain food source that offers several benefits including energy, fiber, and essential nutrients. Oats are also glutenfree.

HEALTH BENEFITS OF OATS

Oats can lower cholesterol and blood sugar levels, improve heart health, and weight management. Oats are rich in various vitamins and minerals, and they can promote gut health and improve digestion.

Nutrition Facts	
Portion Size	156 g
Amount Per Portion	607
Calories	607
	% Daily Value *
Total Fat 11g	14 %
Saturated Fat 1.9g	10 %
Sodium 3.1mg	0 %
Total Carbohydrate 103g	37 %
Dietary Fiber 17g	61 %
Protein 26g	52 %
Vitamin D 0mcg	0 %
Calcium 84mg	6 %
Iron 7.4mg	41 %
Potassium 669mg	14 %
* The % Daily Value (DV) tells you	how much a
nutrient in a serving of food contribute to a daily	
diet. 2000 calories a day is used for	or general
nutrition advice.	

DIFFERENT TYPES OF OATS

Oats come in several forms. Each type has a distinct processing method, resulting in different textures and cook times.

- Rolled Oats: also called old fashioned oats are made by steaming and rolling groats into flakes. They cook in 5-10 minutes and have a firm texture.
- Steel-cut oats: also called Irish or pinhead oats. These groats have been cut into 2-3 pieces using steel blades. They have a chewy texture and nutty flavor.
- Quick oats: Similar to rolled oats, they are cut smaller and rolled thinner. They cook in 1-2 minutes and have a soft texture.

OATS IN SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota is a major producer of oats in the United States. Oats are a popular crop for livestock feed, and they can also be used to make oatmeal and oat flour. Oats are part of the grass family and grow quickly. On average South Dakota produces 10.7 million bushels of oats.

- Oats are grown all over South Dakota.
- Oats are a favorite food for farm animals.
- Oats can be used to make oatmeal.
- Oats are a healthy choice.
- Oats can grow quickly.
- Oats are a nutritious plant.
- South Dakota is a top oat producer.
- Oats help keep the soil healthy.
- Oats can be used as a green manure. Green manure is using plants as cover crops to improve soil health by tilling the plants into the soil while they are still green.

FUN FACTS

- People buy oats in January more than any other month.
- January is celebrated as oat month.
- Quaker Oats was the first breakfast cereal to be a registered trademark.
- Oats are grown all over the world. Russia and Canada are two of the leading countries.
- Oats were once thought to be weeds.
- We eat the seeds of an oat plant also known as oat groats.
- In the U.S. 95% of the oats grown are used for animal feed.
- The Ancient Greeks and Romans were among the first people to eat oats known to them as porridge.

WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU CROSS OATMEAL AND DUCKS? QUACKER OATMEAL

