

## Infant Feeding Guide for Healthy Infants Birth to 8 Months Old

Foods	Birth to 3 Months	4–6 Months	6–8 Months	Remember:
Human Milk	Breastfeed when your baby shows signs of hunger.			Use the bottle for
	About 10-12 feedings in 24 hrs	At least 8 feedings in 24 hours	At least 6 feedings in 24 hours	human milk, formula or water only.
	Speak with a lactation consultant or nutritionist for guidance on combination feeding.			At 6 months begin to
Iron Fortified Infant Formula	6-8 lbs: 15-20 oz per day 8-10 lbs: 20-25 oz per day 10-12 lbs: 25-30 oz per day	25-45 oz per day	25-32 oz per day  Begin to offer a cup	use a cup at some feedings.  • Start your baby on solid foods after 6 months old when baby: - can sit with support - has good head control - opens his/her mouth for the spoon
Cereals & Grains	NONE	NONE	Offer iron fortified rice or oatmeal infant cereal 2-4 Tbsp twice a day by spoon	
Vegetables	NONE	NONE	Cooked/pureed/mashed carrots, sweet peas, green beans, spinach and winter squash or single jarred vegetables     Tbsp twice a day	
Fruits	NONE	NONE	Fresh/cooked/pureed/mashed banana, peach, applesauce or single jarred fruits     This twice a day	<ul> <li>Feed your baby one new food at a time and wait 3-5 days before starting another.</li> <li>Select single item vegetables, fruits and meats if you buy</li> </ul>
Protein Foods	NONE	NONE	<ul> <li>Cooked/pureed/mashed plain meat and poultry or single jarred meats</li> <li>Plain yogurt or tofu</li> <li>1-2 Tbsp twice a day</li> </ul>	
Water	NONE	NONE	2-4 oz twice a day in a cup	commercially prepared baby food.
	Do not add sugar, corn syrup or any sweeteners to foods or drinks.  Honey should not be fed to babies less than 1 year of age.			propulse busy 1000.
Fruit Juices	NONE	NONE	NONE	



## Infant Feeding Guide for Healthy Infants 8 to 12 Months Old

Foods	8–10 Months 10–12 Months Remember:				
	o-10 Monins	TU-12 Months	Remember:		
Human Milk	Continue to breastfeed whenever you and your bal	<ul> <li>If you choose to give your baby juice, offer 100% fruit juice, from a cup, in small</li> </ul>			
	Speak with a lactation consultant or nutritionist				
Iron Fortified Infant Formula	24-32 oz per day Offer cup	16-24 oz per day Offer cup	quantities, diluted with water.		
Cereals & Grains	<ul> <li>Any variety of plain or mixed boxed infant cereal</li> <li>2-3 Tbsp twice a day</li> <li>Unsweetened dry cereal, toast, crackers or soft breads</li> <li>Up to 2 small servings</li> </ul>	Whole grain, unsweetened, dry cereal, toast, crackers, breads, rice, noodles or other grains     2-3 small servings	Some foods can cause choking.     Avoid:     Hot dogs     Peanut butter     Whole grapes		
Vegetables	• Cooked/mashed/chopped or soft bite-sized pieces 3-4 Tbsp twice a day	<ul> <li>Cooked/mashed/chopped or soft bite- sized pieces</li> <li>½ cup twice a day</li> </ul>	Whole berries Nuts/seeds Raisins Popcorn Candy		
Fruits	<ul> <li>Peeled, soft, fresh fruit or fruit canned in water or juice such as bananas, pears and peaches</li> <li>Soft bite-sized pieces, no seeds</li> <li>3-4 Tbsp twice a day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>All peeled, soft, fresh fruits including melons, pineapple and mango</li> <li>Canned fruit in water or juice</li> <li>Soft bite-sized pieces, no seeds</li> <li>1/4 cup twice a day</li> </ul>	• Feed your infant nutritious foods low in fat, sugar and salt.  Avoid:  Deli meats Fast food French fries Sweetened drinks Snack cakes Candy		
Protein Foods	<ul> <li>Cooked, soft, chopped meat, poultry or fish</li> <li>Cooked beans, egg yolk, cottage cheese, yogurt or tofu</li> <li>2-3 Tbsp a day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ground, chopped or bite-sized pieces of lean meat, poultry, fish</li> <li>Cooked beans, egg yolk, cottage cheese, yogurt or tofu</li> <li>1/4 cup twice a day</li> </ul>			
Water	2-4 oz twice a day	2-4 oz twice a day			
Fruit Juices	Infants do not need juice until at Excessive juice intake reduces the intake of nutritious foods				