# Incorporation of Nutrient Data into Assessment Systems

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## a.k.a....The Link Between Dietary Assessment and Food Composition Data



#### Background Importance of Dietary Assessment

Type Assessment	Individual Counseling	Sub-group Research	National Surveillance
X-Sectional	24HR, FR,	24HR, FR,	24HR
(Snapshot)	Screener	Screener	
Retro	FFQ,	FFQ,	
(Past Diet)	Diet History	Diet History	
Prospective	24HR, FR, FFQ,	24HR, FR, FFQ,	
(over Time)	Screener	Screener	
Intervention	24HR, FR, FFQ,	24HR, FR, FFQ,	
	Screener	Screener	
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#### Background Research Studies with Dietary Assessment

Studies	Assessment	24HR	Records	FFQ	Screener
CDC BRFSS	X-Section				✓
USDA CSFII	X-Section	✓			
NHLBI DASH	Intervention			✓	
EPIC	Prospective			✓	
NICHD NCS	Prospective	✓		✓	
NCHS NHANES	X-Section	✓		✓	
NCHS NHIS	X-Section				✓
NHLBI GHS	Prospective		✓		
NCI PPT	Intervention	✓		✓	
NCI PLCO	Prospective			✓	
Harvard NHS	Prospective			✓	
NHLBI WHI	Prospective			✓	

#### Dietary Assessment Databases

- Accurate and up to date
- Represent foods and nutrients of interest
- Specific and precise
- Nutrient data complete
- Uniform



#### Research Nutrient Database

# USDA Nutrient Database for Standard Reference NDB SR

- Food and Nutrient Database for Dietary Studies (FNDDS)
- CSFII Technical Support Files



#### Research Databases - 24HR/Food Records

Thick crust pepperoni pizza w/ vegetables

PIZZA W/ MEAT & VEG, THICK CRUST = 58106730 (FNDDS)



#### Research Databases - FFQ

 Create DB of food codes that represent each food line item.

DB usually begins with the USDA NDB

Customized to fit the food list

#### Research Databases - FFQ

#### Pizza

Pizza = 28 food codes

 Pizza w/pepperoni/sausage/other meat = 14 food codes



# This session will describe how dietary databases are developed for Food Frequency Questionnaires



#### Step 1: Define Purpose

Population

Foods/nutrients of interest

Rank individuals or absolute intake

#### Step 2: Identify Data Source

National dietary data

Recall/record data from population of interest

Food composition tables

#### Step 3: Create Food List

- What target population consumed
- Stepwise multiple regression

#### Step 4: Assess Portion Size

- Default portion
- Portion included in question
- Discrete question for portion

#### **Default Portion**

How often in the past 6 months did your		HOW OFTEN IN THE PAST 6 MONTHS											
<ul> <li>How often in the past 6 months did your child eat the following <u>breakfast type foods</u> and cheese?</li> </ul>	NEVER	ONCE per Month	2-3 TIMES per MONTH	ONCE per WEEK	TWICE per WEEK	3-4 TIMES per WEEK	5-6 TIMES per WEEK	EVERY DAY					
Consideration of the Considera													
Sweetened cereals like Frosted Flakes, Fruit Loops, Lucky Charms, Cocoa Puffs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Any other cold cereal, like Corn Flakes, Cheerios, Rice Krispies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Cooked cereals like oatmeal, Malt 'o Meal, cream of wheat or grits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Milk on cereal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					
Pancakes, waffles, french toast	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	00.					

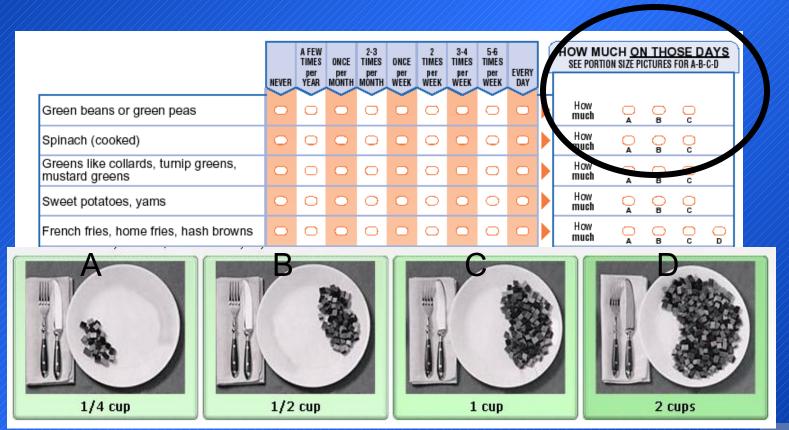
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#### **Question Includes Portion**

HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL NURSES' HEALTH STUDY Page 4 26. For each food listed, fill in the circle indicating how often on average you have used the amount specified during the past year. Never, or less 1-3 5-6 4-5 2-4 2–3 per per per day than once per per per **FRUITS** day permonth month week week week day day Please try to Raisins (1 oz. or small pack) or grapes (W) (0) average your Prunes (7 prunes or 1/2 cup) (W) **6**0 seasonal use Prune juice (small glass)  $\langle W \rangle$ Ø of foods over Banana: (4) W) the entire year. (W) 60 Cantaloupe (1/4 melon) For example, if W (D) Applesauce (1/2 cup) a food such as (W) Fresh apples or pears (1) cantaloupe is Apple juice or cider (small glass) (W) **6**0 eaten 4 times a Oranges (1) W) week during the Calcium fortified W approximate 3 Orange juice (small glass) (W) (D) Regular (not fortified) months that it is in season, then Grapefruit (1/2) or grapefruit juice (small glass) W. (D) the <u>average</u> use (W) Other fruit juices (small glass) (D) would be once (W) (D) Strawberries, fresh, frozen or canned (1/2 cup) per week. Blueberries, fresh, frozen or canned (1/2 cup) W) **(**0) Peaches, apricots or plums (1 fresh, or 1/2 cup canned)

#### Discrete Portion Question - Specific Portions



## Discrete Portion Question - Range of portions

- Over the <u>past 12 months</u>, how often did you drink tomato juice or vegetable juice?
  - NEVER (GO TO QUESTION 2)
  - 1 time per month or less
    - 1 time per day
  - 2-3 times per month
- 2–3 times per day
- 1–2 times per week
  3–4 times per week
- 4-5 times per day
  6 or more times per day
- 5-6 times per week
- Each time you drank tomato juice or vegetable juice, how much did you usually
  - Less than 3/4 cup (6 ounces)
  - 3/4 to 11/4 cups (6 to 10 ounces)
  - More than 11/4 cups (10 ounces)

#### Over the past 12 months...

- How often did you drink other fruit drinks (such as cranberry cocktail, Hi-C, lemonade, or Kool-Aid, diet or regular)?
  - NEVER (GO TO QUESTION 5)
  - 1 time per month or less
    - s 🔵 1 time per day
  - 2–3 times per month
- 2–3 times per day
- 1–2 times per week
- 4-5 times per day
- 3–4 times per week
- 6 or more times per day
- 5-6 times per week
- 4a. Zach time you drank fruit drinks, how much did
  - you usually drink?
    - Less than 1 cup (8 ounces)
    - 1 to 2 cups (8 to 16 ounces)
    - More than 2 cups (16 ounces)



#### Step 5: Assign Nutrients

One food code in a food composition database

Weighted mean nutrient value for similar foods codes

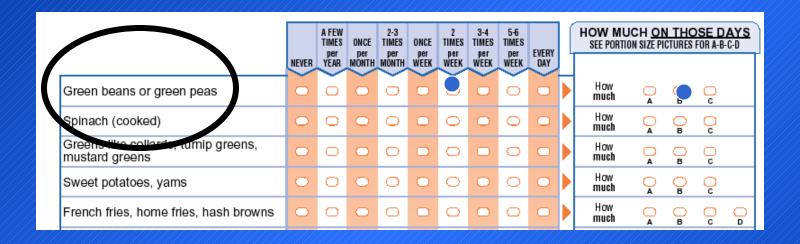
 Mean nutrient value within portion range for similar food codes

#### Single Food Code

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26. For each food list	ed, fill in the circle indicat	ting how often <u>on</u> :	average y	ou hav	е							
used the amount	used the amount specified during the past year.			Never, or less than once		1	2-4	5-6	1	2-3	4-5	6+
	FRU	IITS			per month	per week	per week	per week	per day	per day	per day	per day
Please try to	Raisins (1 oz. or small pack	k) or grapes			0	(W)		0	0	0	0	0
average your	Prunes (7 prunes or 1/2 cu	p)		10	O	0	0	O	0	О	0	0
seasonal use	Frune juice (small glass)				0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
of foods over	Bananas (1)				0	W	0	Ó	0	0	0	0
the entire year.	Cantaloupe (1/4 melon)				0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
For example, if a food such as	Applesauce (1/2 cup)			ТО	0	(W)	0	0	0	0	0	0
cantaloupe is	Fresh apples or pears (4)				0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
eaten 4 times a	Apple juice or cider (small glass)				0	(W)	0	0	0	0	0	0
week during the	Oranges (1)				0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
approximate 3	Orange juice (small glass)	Calcium fortified		0	Ó	W	Ó	Ó	0	O	Ó	Ó
months that it is	Orange Juice (smail glass)	Regular (not fortifie	d)		0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
in season, then	Grapefruit (1/2) or grapefruit juice (small glass)				0	(W)	0	0	0	0	0	0
the <u>average</u> use	Other fruit juices (small glas	Other fruit juices (small glass)			0	W	0	0	0	0	0	0
would be once	Strawberries, fresh, frozen	Strawberries, fresh, frozen or canned (1/2 cup)		10	0	(W)	0	0	0	0	0	0

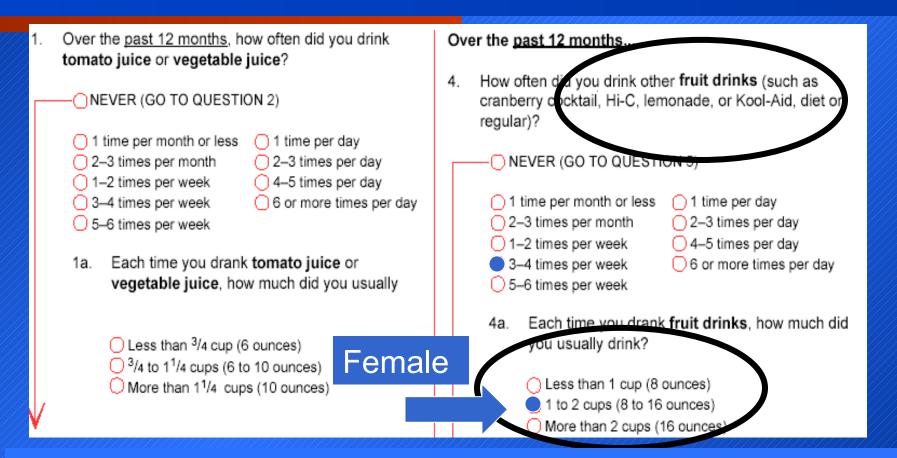
Vit C for NDB code X equivalent gram wt = Vit C value for cantaloupe x frequency = total contribution of Vit C from cantaloupe

#### Weighted Mean Nutrient Value



Weighted mean Vit C value of all reports = Vit C value for green beans x frequency x portion = total contribution of Vit C from green beans

#### Mean Nutrient Value Within Portion



Mean Vit C value of all reports = Vit C value for fruit drinks for females for portion x frequency = total contribution of Vit C from fruit drinks

#### Summary

- Dietary assessment relies on accurate food composition data
- FFQs are most commonly used
- FFQs require own food composition database
- You should understand/feel comfortable with the food list, portion assessment, and method used to apply nutrients.

