Pick Your **Portion**

Portion size is highly individual. It's partly a matter of how many of your daily calories or other nutrients you might want to "spend" on pizza that day. Maybe you had a really indulgent breakfast, or plan a big dinner and decide to go easy on the pizza at lunch? Or maybe pizza is your main meal after playing a big game, and you opt for a second serving. Knowledge gives you the power to choose smartly.



Example: DiGiorno® Rising Crust Four Cheese Pizza (11½")

PORTION OF PIZZA	1 serving*	1½ servings*	2 servings*	DAILY VALUES ARE BASED ON YOUR CALORIE NEEDS*	
	1/6 th (133g)	1/4 th (200g)	1/3rd (266g)		
Calories	310	465	620	2,000 cal. diet	2,500 cal. diet
Total Fat	10g	15g	20g	65g	80g
Saturated Fat	5g	7.5g	10g	20g	25g
Sodium	870mg	1305mg	1740mg	2400mg	2400mg

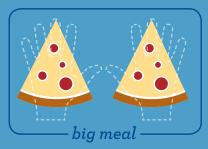
^{*}As indicated on the Nutrition Facts panel

Show Of Hands For Pizza!

Dietitians often use a memorable way to think about portion sizes; for example, a protein portion (for an adult) is about the size of a pack of playing cards. Here's a memory aid for pizza portions: It's only approximate because every slice is different, but it's super easy.

Picture your hand as a pizza slice and plan to enjoy only one or two hands' worth. A child or small woman's hand is smaller ... and, so are their portions.





Pick the Perfect Pizza Portion for You!

It's fairly simple to take a mindful approach to pizza.

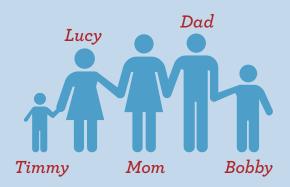
- Select your favorite kind of pizza
- Reference the Nutrition Facts on the carton (shown per "serving size")
- 3 Limit your personal portion based on your calorie requirements for the day (our toolkit will help guide you)
- 4 Build a thoughtful meal around your pizza portion to include fruits, vegetables, salad and lowfat dairy
- ⑤ Savor your selection knowing that you are enjoying a food you love in the right amount for you!

Our sure-fire recommendation

Here's an even simpler way to make a mindful selection. Enjoy one slice (about six ounces and 300-400 calories) along with a salad, roasted vegetables, fresh fruit and glass of water or low-fat milk. That's a perfectly sensible plan for almost anyone!

Match the Pizza Portion to *Individual Needs*

Let's say it's "Pizza & Salad Night" for the Johnson family of five and it's their biggest meal of the day. Here's how they might enjoy a six-serving pizza (labeled with a serving size of 1/2th) to account for their individual needs.



This is just an illustration to help you think through how very different needs can be at each place around the table. What are the individual needs of *your* family?

FAMILY MEMBERS & THEIR PORTION CHOICE	TYPICAL DAILY CALORIE NEEDS	INDIVIDUAL PORTIONS	COMMENTS
Dad , 45, works at a desk but works out weekdays	2,600		Men can eat more, especially if they are active
Mom , 42, is lucky to fit in yoga on Saturday after teaching school all week	1,800	\$	Smaller women need less, especially those who aren't active
Lucy , 15, just home from her soccer game	2,400	*	Active, fast-growing teens, including girls, need more calories
Bobby , 13, a confirmed bookworm	2,000		Teens need calories for growth, but how many depends on their level of physical activity
Timmy , 5, a preschooler who plays at recess but loves his video games	1,600		Younger children need fewer calories

 $Source: \underline{www.cnpp.usda.gov/Publications/USDAFoodPatterns/EstimatedCalorieNeedsPerDayTable.pdf} \\$