Pasta Comparison

Good or Bad?

Many people view carbohydrate foods like pasta as weight-loss enemies, but choosing the right types of carb foods can help you lose weight by filling you up and preventing hunger.

- ✓ Pasta is naturally low-GI, meaning that it provides a source of slow-release carbs.
- ✓ Pasta contains fibre, helping you feel full for longer. All types of pasta contain some fibre, but wholegrain varieties are packed with this important nutrient.

How Much is Too Much?

The key to including pasta in your diet is moderation. One 'serve' of pasta is surprisingly small at just $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooked. Compare this to what most people eat, and you can see why pasta gets a bad rap!

1 Serve



110 calories and 20g carbs

What Most People Eat (3+ serves)



330-440 calories and 60-80g carbs

To keep your pasta intake in check, remember that:

1 serve = 110 calories (440 kJ) = $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooked = 30g dry

What To Look For?

Standard pasta contains around 110cal per 30g uncooked serve, with just 1g of fibre. However, there are many new varieties available – low calorie, low carb, high protein & high fibre. Here are some brands to look out for!



Per 30g Serve (Dry Weight)								
Brand	Туре	Calories	Protein	Carbs	Fibre	Availability		
Standard Pasta		110	4	21	1	All stores		
Herman Brot	Lower Carb	48	7	2	3	IGA, Health Food stores		
San Remo	Pulse Pasta	99	7	14	4	WW, IGA		
Vetta	High Protein, Low Carb	103	8	15	3	Coles		
Barilla	Wholegrain	104	4	19	3	Coles		
Vetta	High Fibre	106	4	20	2	WW, Coles		



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Pasta Alternatives

There are many very-low-calorie pasta alternatives available, usually made on a vegetable base. These are a great option if you want to 'bulk up' your pasta serve, or if you want to reduce the total calorie content of your meal.

Per 100g Serve (Cooked Weight)								
Brand	Туре	Calories	Protein	Carbs	Fibre	Availability		
Slendier	Spaghetti	10	<1	<1	4	WW, Coles		
Chang's	Super Lo-Cal Noodles	10	<1	<1	4	Coles		
Woolworths	Zucchini Spaghetti	15	1	2	2	WW		
Coles	Carrot & Pumpkin Noodles	45	1	7	4	Coles		



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