

The 4Leaf Survey

For estimating the percent of your calories from whole plants

As you know, **4Leaf for Life** was designed to help people everywhere leverage the simple, yet powerful, concept of maximizing the percentage of their calories from whole, plant-based foods -- still in nature's package. This survey identifies your estimated 4Leaf "level" of eating. Note that even the 1-Leaf level is in the top 10%---when it comes to healthy eating. These 12 questions will give you a pretty good idea of how you can improve your score.

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Take 2 minutes, be honest, circle your answers and tally your score. (A serving = about ¼ of a plate)

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1	Fresh fruit. On average, how many daily servings of whole,	None	1-2	3-5	6+
	fresh fruit do you eat? (Fruit juice doesn't count; not a whole plant)	0	+6	+12	+14
2	Whole vegetables. On average, how many daily servings of	Zero	1-2	3-5	6+
	whole vegetables do you eat?	0	+6	+12	+14
3	Whole grains, legumes, potatoes or other starches. On		1-2	3-5	6+
	average, how many daily servings of these foods do you eat?	0	+6	+12	+14
4	Omega-3s. Are you getting all you need from whole, plant-	No	Maybe	Not sure	Yes
	based sources like flaxseeds, walnuts, hemp & chia seeds?	0	0	0	+2
5	Dairy foods. How many days per week do you <u>eat</u> dairy	Never	1-2	3-5	6-7
	foods like cheese, yogurt and ice cream? (Soy does not count)	0	-3	-5	-7
6	Eggs. How many days per week do you either eat eggs or	Zero	1-2	3-5	6-7
	add them as an ingredient when cooking?	0	-2	-4	-6
7	Cow's milk or cream. How many days per week do you	None	1-2	3-5	6-7
	<u>drink</u> them or add to your food, like cereal, coffee, etc.?	0	-1	-3	-5
8	Added Sugar. Are you really serious about eliminating	You bet	Fairly	Not very	No
	added sugar at home and in food products that you buy?	0	-1	-2	-3
9	White flour. Bread, pasta, cakes, cookies, etc. How would	Zero	Light	Medium	Heavy
	you describe your consumption level of these foods?	0	-1	-3	-5
10	Sweets & Salty Snacks. How would you best describe your	Minimal	Light	Medium	Heavy
	consumption level of these unhealthy foods?	0	-1	-3	-5
11	Meat, poultry and fish. How many of your meals per week	0 to 1	2-5	6-11	12+
	include any animal flesh? (beef, pork, lamb, chicken, turkey or fish)	0	-3	-6	-10
12	Vegetable Oil. How many of your meals per week include	0 to 1	2-5	6-11	12+
	vegetable oil, like olive or canola? (All oil is 100% fat, not whole plant)	0	-1	-2	-3

Subtract "negative" points from "plus" points to get Net Points. Use chart below to determine 4Leaf level.

Plus points = Negative points =	Net Points =	4Leaf Level =
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Net Points	4Leaf Program	% of Daily Calories	Net Points	Estimated %	
(-44 to +44)	Levels of Eating	from whole plant foods	(-44 to +44)	of the population	
30 to 44	4Leaf	80 to 100%	30 to 44	1% "Top 1%"	
20 to 29	3-Leaf	60 to 79%	20 to 29	2% "Top 3%"	
10 to 19	2-Leaf	40 to 59%	10 to 19	3% "Top 6%"	
o to 9	1-Leaf	20 to 39%	o to 9	4% "Top 10%"	
-1 to -20	Better than most	10 to 19%	-1 to -20	25% "Top 35%"	
-21 to -44	Unhealthful Diet*	Less than 10%	-21 to -44	65% "Majority"	

*The typical Western diet --- with meat, dairy, eggs, oil, seafood and highly processed carbs at almost every meal

Notice that 4Leaf eating is not necessarily vegetarian or vegan. But if you choose to routinely include dairy, meat, eggs, fish, oil, sugar & processed foods in your diet, you will have a difficult time reaching the 4Leaf level. Wishing you the best in your pursuit of vibrant health & optimal weight. Be well, J. Morris Hicks.