Ketogenic Diet

A shift in primary fuel source from carbohydrates to fat.

Limit carbohydrates to 20-50 grams/day



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- 5-10% of calories from carbohydrates
- Maximum 20% of calories from protein
- Majority of calories from fat

Common foods on the keto diet include fats and protein





Vs.

Traditional Diet with 150-250 grams carbohydrates/day



- 45-65% of calories from carbohydrates
- 10-35% of calories from *protein*
- 20-35% of calories from *fat*

Common foods in the traditional diet include fruits, vegetables, grains, protein and fats





Switching fuel sources can result in significant weight loss if the carbohydrate restrictions are strictly followed.

Do not forget to include fiber in your diet! Dietary fiber is an important component of a healthy diet.









Common problems resulting from following a ketogenic diet stem from a lack of dietary fiber and excessive intake of saturated fats.

Some common problems include:

Vitamin and mineral deficiencies

Lack of diversity in gut microbiome

Development of chronic diseases

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