

# The facts about sugar in drinks

## **Check before you choose**

**\*** Sugary drinks, a leading cause of tooth decay, are also linked with excess weight in children, which increases their risk of heart disease, cancer and type II diabetes.



- If choosing other drinks read the label to check the sugar level, ideally choose no added or low-sugar options.
- **\*** Limit fruit juice or a smoothie to a small glass, once a day. Always choose unsweetened.
- **\*** If your family is in the habit of drinking sugary drinks, reduce them gradually. Only give them with a meal to reduce tooth decay.
- \* If choosing squash or cordial, water it down well.
- **Water is tastier when it's cold:** 
  - **\*** Put a jug of water in the fridge
  - \* Make it fun, use colourful cups and straws
- **\*** Do not introduce sugary drinks to **toddlers** in the first place then you won't have to wean them off later.

Fizzy Drinks (Regular)		
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of sugar
Club Orange	26.4g	6
Fanta Orange	24g	6
7UP	22.4g	6
Pepsi	22.4g	6
Coca Cola	21.2g	5
Lucozade	17.4g	4
Sprite	13.2g	3

Fizzy Drinks (Diet)		
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of sugar
Fanta Zero	1.6g	0
Diet Coke	Og	0
7UP Free	og	0
Pepsi Max	og	0

Smoothies		
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of sugar
Aldi Del Rivo (Oranges, Mangoes and Pineapple Smoothie)	27g	,
<b>Naked</b> (Mighty Mango Juice Smoothie)	25.3g	6
<b>Juice Press</b> (Raspberry and Blueberry Smoothie)	25.6g	6
<b>Tesco</b> (Strawberry and Banana Smoothie)	23.4g	6
Innocent (Mango and Passion Fruit)	22g	6
<b>Lidl</b> (Strawberry, Blackberry, and Raspberry)	17g	4 33

High Fruit Squashes or Cordials		
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of sugar
Sainsbury's High Juice Squash (Blackcurrant)	17.6g	4
Lidl Lindhouse High Juice (Blackcurrant)	16g	4
<b>Asda High Juice</b> (Blackcurrant)	15.4g	4 22
Lidl Lindhouse High Juice (orange)	12.8g	3
<b>Tesco High Juice</b> (Orange Squash)	12.2g	3
<b>Asda High Juice</b> (Florida Orange)	12g	3
Sainsbury's High Juice Squash (Orange)	12g	3

Regular Squashes or Cordials		
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of sugar
<b>Ribena</b> (Strawberry or Blackcurrant)	20g – 20.8g	5
Vimto Original Squash	9.4g	2
Miwadi Orange	4.8g	1 🗢
Dunnes Stores (Orange Squash)	1.6g	0
<b>Asda Orange</b> (Double Strength Squash)	0.32g	0
<b>Tesco</b> (Double Strength Orange, Every Day Value)	0.16g	0

## **Ready To Drink Fruit Juice Drinks**

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I <b>migo</b> Drange Juice Drink)	23.2g	6
<b>idl plein sud</b> Drange Juice Drink)	22g	6
<b>ibena</b> Blackcurrant)	21g	5
a <b>pri Sun</b> (Apple nd Blackcurrant Juice rink)	20g	5
<b>unny D</b> (Citrus Juice rink)	16.5g	4
<b>20</b> (Apple and Iango Juice Drink)	12.4g	3 🗢
<b>ldi Rio D'oro Sun hots</b> (Apple Juice rink)	6.8g	2
<b>esco Fruit Splash</b> Drange Juice Drink, o Added Sugar)	2.2g	0
<b>ruice Juicy</b> Tropical Juice Drink, Iith Added Vitamins)	1.8g	0
<b>obinsons Fruit</b> hoot (Low Sugar)	1.6g	0
Punnes Stores Apple and Blackcurrant uice Drink, No dded Sugar)	0.4g	0
<b>'imto</b> No Added Sugar)	og	0

Fruit Juice Drinks (Sweetene			
Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivale teaspoor	
<b>Del Monte</b> (44% Fruit Juice Drink) Tropical Flavour	23.6g	6	
Ocean Spray Cranberry Classic (25% Fruit Juice From Concentrate)	22g	6	
<b>Sainsbury's</b> (Cranberry Juice Drink)	21g	5	

4g is approximately 1 teaspoon. Assessment of the drinks was carried out in March 2016 by safefood based on drinks commonly available for purchase in retail outlets on the island of Ireland and does not represent a complete list.



## No Added Sugar **Squashes or Cordials**

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Drink/ description	Sugar per 200ml serving	Equivalent in teaspoons of suga
<b>Aldi</b> (High Juice Orange)	2.08g	0
<b>Sainsbury's</b> (High Juice Orange)	2g	0
<b>Tesco</b> (High Juice Orange)	2g	0
<b>Robinsons</b> (Orange and Pineapple)	1.4g	0
<b>Ribena</b> (Blackcurrant)	1g	0
<b>Dunnes Stores</b> (Orange Squash)	0.5g	0
<b>Aldi</b> (Apple & Blackcurrant Squash)	0.4g	0
Miwadi Orange	0.32g	0
Fruice Orange (Double Strength)	0.24g	0
Kia Ora Orange	0.2g	0
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### **Unsweetened Fruit Juices** (No Added Sugar, From Concentrate or Not)

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Drink/ description Sugar per Equivalent in 200ml serving teaspoons of sugar laffa Gold Orange Juice **Copella** (Not **Tropicana** (Not From geez (from inocent range With Bits Sainsbury's (100% 15.2g

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