

# Bean, Green, Low-Sodium, Canned MyPlate Food Group: Veggie

### **Nutrition Information**

- Based on their nutrient content, vegetables are organized into 5 subgroups: dark-green vegetables, starchy vegetables, red and orange vegetables, beans and peas, and other vegetables.
- Most vegetables are naturally low in fat. None have cholesterol. Sauces and seasonings may add fat, calories, and/or cholesterol.
- Green beans are an important source of many nutrients including vitamins A, C, and K.

#### **Uses & Tips**

- Canned green beans is safe and ready to eat out of the can. Just heat and serve!
- Canned green beans can be added to soups, chilis, casseroles, and salads.
- Canned green beans are a great shortcut in the kitchen. Keep them on hand to add more flavor, color, and important vitamins and minerals to any meal, no matter the season!

# **MyPlate Facts**

- Vegetables are naturally low in calories.
  Eat vegetables in place of foods that may be higher in calories to help lower calorie intake.
- Eating a diet rich in vegetables and fruits as part of an overall healthy diet may reduce the risk of heart disease, including heart attack and stroke
- Adding vegetables can help increase the intake of fiber and potassium, which are important nutrients that many Americans do not get enough of in their diet.

### **Storing Foods at Home**

- Store unopened cans of green beans in a cool, clean, dry place.
- Store remaining opened green beans in a tightly covered container that is not made from metal in the refrigerator.





## **Creamy Green Beans**

#### Makes 6 servings

Directions: Wash hands with soap and water.

#### Ingredients:

- non-stick cooking spray
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) low-sodium green beans, drained
- 1 can (10.5 ounces) cream of mushroom soup
- 1 tablespoon dry onion flakes
- 1/2 cup cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, shredded

- 1. Preheat oven to 375 degrees F.
- 2. Spray casserole dish with non-stick cooking spray.
- 3. In a medium mixing bowl, combine green beans, cream of mushroom soup, and onion flakes.
- 4. Spread evenly in a casserole dish and bake for 35 minutes.
- 5. Spread cracker crumbs and cheese evenly on top of casserole. Bake 10 minutes or until topping browns.

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