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2mg Iron

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Iron is an essential nutrient involved in multiple biochemical and physiological reactions in the body and is used to transport oxygen around the body. The brain uses iron to manufacture the neurotransmitters melatonin and dopamine, The thyroid uses iron to convert thyroid hormone into it's active form and the mitochondria uses iron to produce ATP.

The following table gives the approximate total of iron that someone should commonly eat as the recommended intake. During pregnancy, Women require 27mg of Iron per day.

Age	Male	Female
Adults	8mg	8mg or 18mg if menstruating
Infants - until 12months	11mg	11mg
Children (up to 8yrs)	13mg	13mg
Adolescents	11mg	11 mg or 18mg if menstrating