

#### **Chickpea Salad**

Need a healthy and easy-to-make salad for a picnic lunch or dinner? Try this chickpea salad recipe.<sup>5</sup> (You might know chickpeas by their other name: garbanzo beans.) You only need six ingredients, and it takes just a few minutes to make.

## Ingredients

- 1 15-oz can chickpeas (drained, rinsed)
- 1/3 C light mayonnaise
- 1-1/2 stalk celery (diced)
- 1/2 tsp onion powder
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- Salt and pepper to taste

#### **Directions**

- 1. In a bowl, mash chickpeas with a fork. (Or you can puree them in a blender.)
- 2. Stir in remaining ingredients until mixed well.

# Use the Granny-Method to Fight Obesity

Aim for at least 2 days of strength training per week

Florida resident Edith Murway-Traina likes to spend time in the gym.

She might not be as agile as she was when she was a dancer. But at 100 years old, she's still active and strong.

In fact, she holds a Guinness World Record for deadlifting 163 pounds and bench pressing 63 pounds.

# Strength training for weight loss

If you need to lose weight, you might think you need to ramp up running, jogging or walking to tip the scale in the right direction.

But what if you have aches and pains or weaknesses that make that type of exercise hard? You know...things like knee pain, back pain, poor balance, or lack of strength.

No cardio. No problem. There's another way... The Granny Method.

In one recent study, researchers found that strength training like Edith can be an effective way to:<sup>3</sup>



- Lose weight
- Build muscle
- Increase strength
- Improve balance
- Improve overall health

"We can use resistance training and achieve meaningful effects with a diet based on caloric reduction," says lead researcher Pedro Lopez. "We can reduce body fat percentage, whole-body fat mass, body weight and BMI."

# Strength training guidelines for adults

The American College of Sports Medicine recommends adults strength train at least two days a week. Here are some easy ways to get started:

- Take a strength training class
- Work with a personal trainer
- Lift weights at the gym, or...
- Do bodyweight exercises like squats, lunges, push-ups and crunches



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groups. They also reported feeling less hungry between breakfast and lunch.

# Want to improve your diet and control hunger?

Eat beans for breakfast. Try:

 A breakfast burrito with black beans and chopped veggies.

- Mix mashed beans in with a fruit smoothie.
- Hummus with vegetables or whole-grain crackers.

**Bean count.** The protein and fiber in beans will help you feel fuller longer. Beans for breakfast can also help you lose weight or maintain a healthy weight.



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