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Where's the sugar?

Use this handy table to find out exactly where the sugar is coming from
– you can read this either by sugar in **grams** (g) or by **teaspoons** (tspn).

Food	Serve size	Sugar (g)	Sugar (tspn)
Drinks			
Soft drink	1 can, 375ml	40.9	10
Cordial (made up)	1 glass, 250ml	22.5	5.5
Fruit juice 100% orange	1 glass, 250ml	18.5*	4.5*
Fruit juice drink, orange	1 glass, 250ml	28.8*	7*
Flavoured milk	1 glass, 300ml	28.2	7
Milkshake	350ml	40.2	10
Thickshake, McDonalds	340ml	36.6	9
Port	1 small glass, 60ml	7.7	1.5
Sherry	1 small glass, 60ml	6.8	1.5
Cakes and biscuits			
Butternut cookie	2, 26g	9.6	2
Scotch finger	2, 36g	6.6	1.5
Shortbread cream	2, 34g	8.6	3
Arrowroot	2, 17g	3.6	0.5
Choc-chip cookie	2, 14g	4.0	1
Tim Tam	2, 38g	15.6	3.5
Doughnut	1, 50g	6.6	1.5
Danish pastry	1, 100g	16.1	4
Lamington	1, 73g	23.0	6
Carrot cake	1 slice, 100g	22.1	5.5
Cheesecake	1 wedge, 165g	32.3	8
Cupcake, iced	1, 40g	14.6	3.5
Muesli slice	1, 78g	14.7*	4*
Muffin	1 medium	13.3	3
Cereals			
Coco-pops	1 bowl	11.0	2.5
Nutri-Grain	1 bowl	9.6	2.5
Fruit loops	1 bowl	11.7	3.0
Frosties	1 bowl	12.4	3
Corn Flakes	1 bowl	2.6	0.5
Sultana Bran	1 bowl	10.2*	2.5*
Muesli, untoasted	1 bowl	12.9*	3*
Sustain cereal bar	1 bar	9.8*	2.5*
Just Right cereal bar	1 bar	10.3*	2.5*
Ice-creams and desserts			
Ice-cream	1 scoop	9.9	2.5
Ice-block	1	14.2	3.5
Paddle Pop/Moritz	1	22.1	5.5
Sundae, McDonalds	1	34.7	8.5
Yoghurt, fruit	200g tub	25.6*	6*



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Jams, toppings and sauces			
Jam, berry	1tbsp	17.5*	4*
Marmalade	1tbsp	17.0*	4*
Honey	1tbsp	23.0	4.5
Chocolate topping	1tbsp	12.3	3
Sauce, tomato	1tbsp,	4.7	1
Sauce, BBQ	1tbsp	8.0	2
Chutney, fruit	1tbsp	8.3*	2*
Mayonnaise	1tbsp	2.9	0.5
Dressing, coleslaw	1tbsp	5.3	1
Chilli sauce	1tbsp	3.0	0.5
Hoisin sauce	1tbsp	6.7	1.5
Plum sauce	1tbsp	9.6	2
Sweet and sour Asian sauce	½ cup	30.2	6
Confectionery			
Hard-boiled sweets	3	8.8	2
Jellies, jubes	2	5.0	1
Caramels	2	6.6	1.5
Liquorice	1 strip	4.8	1
Mars bar	1 bar	34.8	8.5
Bounty bar	1 bar, 50g	22.1	5.5
Milk chocolate	6 squares, 30g	16.7	4
Muesli bar, fruit	1 bar	6.9*	1.5*
Fruit-nut seed bar	1 bar	11.2*	2.5*

* Also includes natural sugars from fruit. Tip: To work out the number of teaspoons of sugar in a product, divide the grams of sugar by 4 (there are 4 grams of sugar in each standard level teaspoon of sugar).

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