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| 4 | Research Snapshot |
| 5 | Research Question: What is the accuracy of portion size estimation among women with low |
| 6 | incomes who completed Automated Self-Administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool |
| 7 | (ASA24) recalls, independently or with assistance? |
| 8 | Key Findings: On average across foods and beverages, reported portion sizes were 7.4 grams |
| 9 | and 6.4 grams higher than observed portion sizes in the independent and assisted conditions, |
| 10 | respectively. Portion sizes were overestimated for small pieces and shaped foods in both |
| 11 | conditions, as well as for amorphous/soft foods in the assisted condition, and underestimated |
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17 Abstract

- 18 *Background*. Accurately estimating portion sizes remains a challenge in dietary assessment.
- 19 Digital images used in online 24-hour dietary recalls may be conducive to accuracy.
- 20 *Objective*: The current analyses were conducted to examine the accuracy of portion size
- 21 estimation by women with low incomes who completed 24-hour dietary recalls using the online
- 22 Automated Self-Administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool (ASA24) in the Food and Eating
- 23 Assessment STudy (FEAST) II.
- 24 Design: True dietary intake was observed for three meals on one day through a controlled
- 25 feeding study conducted from May through July, 2016. The following day, participants
- 26 completed an unannounced 24-hour dietary recall using ASA24, independently or with
- 27 assistance in a small group setting.
- 28 Participants/setting. Participants included 302 women aged 18 to 82 years living in the
- 29 Washington, DC area who met the income thresholds for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
- 30 Program.
- 31 Main outcome measures. The accuracy of portion size estimation was assessed by comparing
- 32 the weight truly consumed (observed) and the weight reported for pre-determined categories
- 33 of foods and beverages.
- 34 *Statistical analyses performed*. The differences between observed and reported portions were
- 35 examined and linear regression tested differences by recall condition. Analyses were conducted

- 36 by condition and repeated with stratification by racial/ethnic identity, education, and body
- 37 mass index.
- 38 *Results*. On average across foods and beverages, reported portion sizes were 7.4 grams (95% CI,
- 39 4.3-10.5) and 6.4 grams (95% CI, 2.8-10.0) higher than observed portion sizes in the
- 40 independent and assisted conditions, respectively. Portion sizes were overestimated for small
- 41 pieces and shaped foods in both conditions, as well as for amorphous/soft foods in the assisted
- 42 condition and underestimated for single unit foods in both conditions. Misestimation was fairly
- 43 consistent by participants' race/ethnicity, education, and body mass index, to varying
- 44 magnitudes.
- 45 *Conclusions*. Women with low incomes overestimated the amounts of foods and beverages
- 46 consumed across several categories using online 24-hour dietary recalls with digital images to
- 47 support portion size estimation. Assistance with ASA24 had little impact on accuracy.

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51 Introduction

52 The presence of measurement error in self-reported dietary intake data has been extensively studied.^{1–6} Given findings suggesting food frequency questionnaires are affected by 53 systematic bias to a larger extent than 24-hour dietary recalls,^{2,5,6} there have been efforts to 54 55 leverage technology to alleviate the burden associated with interviewer-administered recalls. Self-administered 24-hour dietary recall systems, such as the Automated Self-Administered 24-56 57 hour Dietary Assessment Tool (ASA24) developed in the US and similar instruments developed 58 in other contexts, eliminate the need for highly-trained interviewers and coders, enabling collection of multiple recalls in large-scale studies.^{7–11} Online systems can also integrate digital 59 images tailored to specific foods and beverages.⁷⁻¹² Nonetheless, error persists in any self-60 61 report data and it is important to enhance our understanding of this error to inform 62 improvements to instruments. Errors can occur in reporting of the occurrence or frequency of 63 consumption, estimation in portion size, and in the coding process and underlying food 64 composition databases. 65 It has long been recognized that the misestimation of portion sizes is likely a major contributor to error in 24-hour dietary recall data.^{13,14} Portion size estimation is a complex 66

67 process, involving perception, conceptualization, and memory.¹⁵ Consequently, a number of

68 portion size estimation aids, including food models, household measures, and food images,

69 have been developed, with a review of validation studies suggesting images may be associated

with higher accuracy than other aids.¹⁶ Prior research suggests portions of different types of 70 foods are reported with differing levels of accuracy.¹⁶ For example, amorphous foods (e.g., 71 72 pasta, mashed potatoes) may be estimated with less accuracy than those with a defined shape, such as single-unit foods (e.g., bagels, cheese cubes),^{14,16,17} and amounts of foods typically 73 74 eaten in small quantities (e.g., spreads) may be reported less accurately than other types of 75 foods.^{15,18} The existing research also provides some indication that individual characteristics 76 may be associated with differential misestimation. For example, in a study focused on food photographs, Nelson et al.¹⁵ found that being female and \geq 65 years of age were associated with 77 a small degree of overestimation whereas having a body mass index (BMI) \geq 30 kg/m² was 78 79 associated with underestimation of portion size. However, a more recent study found that females estimated portion size more accurately than males, with no differences in relation to 80 81 education.¹⁹ Researchers have also drawn attention to the need for portion size estimation aids to be relevant to different cultural groups.²⁰ 82 83 Online 24-hour dietary recalls and records take advantage of digital images to facilitate

portion size estimation.⁸ Unlike traditional interviewer-administered recalls, digital images 84 within online automated platforms can be tailored to specific food and beverage types, ^{14,21} 85 86 potentially supporting the accuracy of portion size estimates. Additionally, multiple images can be shown at a time, consistent with Nelson et al.'s¹⁵ finding that a series of eight photographs 87 was associated with small errors in estimation and Subar et al.'s¹⁴ subsequent finding that 88 89 presenting more images was associated with higher accuracy than presenting fewer images. 90 Ideally, studies to assess measurement error in estimates of dietary intake should include unbiased reference measures.²² Controlled feeding studies yield detailed reference data on the 91

| 92 | foods and beverages consumed, including amounts in grams. Therefore, they enable |
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| 93 | examination of the accuracy of portion size estimation (rather than only the overall structure of |
| 94 | the measurement error, as is the case in biomarker-based studies). In a prior controlled feeding |
| 95 | study of 81 men and women who completed a 24-hour dietary recall independently using |
| 96 | ASA24 or an interviewer-administered 24-hour dietary recall, ²¹ the use of digital images in |
| 97 | ASA24 appeared to offer some advantage compared to the US Department of Agriculture Food |
| 98 | Model Booklet, ²³ three-dimensional measuring cups and spoons, and a ruler. Reported portion |
| 99 | sizes were 4 grams higher on average than observed portions for ASA24 dietary recalls and 12 |
| 100 | grams higher on average than observed portions for interviewer-administered dietary recalls |
| 101 | conducted using the US Department of Agriculture's Automated Multiple-Pass Method. ²¹ |
| 102 | However, it is not known whether the findings are generalizable to key audiences for |
| 103 | monitoring and intervention, such as those with low incomes. |
| 104 | The objective of the analyses presented here was to examine the accuracy of portion size |
| 105 | reporting by women with low incomes, using ASA24 24-hour dietary recalls completed either |
| 106 | independently or with assistance in a controlled feeding study. Accuracy was examined for all |
| 107 | foods and beverages, overall and by race/ethnicity, education, and BMI, characteristics shown |
| 108 | to be associated with reporting error in other studies. ^{5,6,15,19} Accuracy was also examined for |
| 109 | categories of foods and beverages shown previously to be estimated with varying degrees of |
| 110 | error. ^{14,15,17,18,21,24} |

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112 Methods

Data collection was conducted from May through July, 2016.²⁵ The study was approved by the Institutional Review Board at Utah State University and the Westat Institutional Review Board. Written informed consent was provided by all participants.

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117 Sample

118 Eligible participants in the Food and Eating Assessment STudy (FEAST) II were women, 119 aged 18 to 82 years, who met the income thresholds for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.²⁶ This study focused on individuals with lower incomes to inform the use of ASA24 to 120 evaluate nutrition programs targeted to lower-income groups.²⁵ Women in particular were 121 122 included because participants in nutrition education programs, such as the Expanded Food and 123 Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP) and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program 124 Education, are primarily women.²⁶ Potential participants were recruited from a database of 125 research volunteers living in the Washington, DC area maintained by EurekaFacts. Based on 126 information on sex, age range, and racial/ethnic identity, quota sampling was used to recruit a 127 racially and ethnically diverse sample and an effort was made to oversample women with less 128 than a high school education. Exclusion criteria included being unable to read and understand 129 English or Spanish (the two languages in which ASA24 is available within the U.S.); dietary 130 allergies, practices, or preferences that would interfere with the study protocol; being 131 pregnant; or having previously had bariatric surgery. The target sample size was 300 women, 132 calculated to allow detection of a five percent difference in the proportions of food and 133 beverage items that were truly consumed and accurately reported between the two conditions

(independent completion of ASA24 versus completion of ASA24 with assistance),²⁵ assuming

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| 135 | they were matched on characteristics related to food consumption based on randomization. |
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| 136 | A total of 377 participants were eligible, enrolled, and mailed a welcome package, with |
| 137 | 306 (81%) participating in the study. Two participants did not complete ASA24, and another |
| 138 | two did not complete the demographic questionnaire described below. Excluding these |
| 139 | participants resulted in an analytic sample of 302 women. |
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| 141 | Ascertainment of observed and reported intake |
| 142 | The methods, including the feeding protocol and menu, followed those of a prior validation |
| 143 | study. ^{21,27} On the first of two consecutive days on which women visited the study center, they |
| 144 | were invited to select and consume meal-appropriate foods and beverages from a buffet for |
| 145 | each of breakfast, lunch, and dinner and to consume their meals in a communal dining area. |
| 146 | The buffet and communal dining area were designed to simulate a conventional eating |
| 147 | environment, ^{14,28} with the overall presentation intended to be similar to how foods and drinks |
| 148 | might be encountered at home and in other settings. A range of meal-appropriate foods and |
| 149 | beverages were offered (Table 1), with variation in terms of perceived healthfulness (e.g., fresh |
| 150 | fruit, brownies, potato chips) and in how amounts can be reported in ASA24 (e.g., bag of chips, |
| 151 | a bagel, mounds for amorphous foods, and items served in glasses or bowls). Offerings included |

152 prepared multi-ingredient items (e.g., salads, sandwiches, lasagna) and potential additions,

- 153 such as sweeteners and spreads. Participants served themselves from communal containers,
- 154 including platters and bowls. The original packaging was used for some single-serve items, such

as yogurt and potato chips, to enable participants to be aware of details such as the fat level ofmilk.

157 Participants visited the buffet one at a time, in 8- to 10-min intervals, and were then 158 escorted to the communal dining area. A room monitor was present to discourage sharing, 159 discarding of waste, and the introduction of external foods and beverages into the meals. 160 Repeat visits to the buffet were not permitted. Participants were offered a quiet area with 161 Internet access to spend the time between meals or could leave the center and return for the 162 next meal. Participants were not advised to avoid eating and drinking outside of the study 163 center meals. 164 Each food container was inconspicuously weighed before and after each participant served 165 themself to determine the amount of each item taken. Plate waste was determined by 166 weighing items remaining after each meal in an area not visible to participants. Leftover solid 167 foods were placed on plastic wrap for weighing. Multi-ingredient foods served as premade 168 items, such as the bread, cheese, and lettuce from a sandwich, were weighed together. For 169 liquids, the scale was tared and the leftovers poured into a plastic cup. Weights were taken 170 with Ultra Ship 35 scales (My Weigh, Phoenix, AZ), which have a precise accuracy of 0.1 ounces 171 (2.8 g) for items weighing up to 2 pounds (0.91 kg) and 0.2 ounces (5.7 g) for items weighing >2 172 pounds (0.91 kg). Each item was weighed independently by two technicians; if the two weights 173 did not match to the gram, a third weight was taken and the mean of the two closest weights 174 used. The weight consumed was calculated as the weight of the food taken minus the weight of 175 the food left.

| 176 | The following morning, participants returned to the study center and were asked to |
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| 177 | complete an unannounced 24-hour dietary recall for the prior day from midnight to midnight |
| 178 | using ASA24-2016 on iPads. ASA24 is based on the Automated Multiple-Pass Method 21 but is |
| 179 | meal-based in that respondents report the details of a meal (e.g., eating occasion, time), then |
| 180 | add the foods and beverages consumed. ⁸ Respondents can report meals in the order they |
| 181 | choose, with meal gap reminders used to check for missed eating occasions. Repeated |
| 182 | reminders to include all eating occasions, foods, and beverages are integrated. |
| 183 | ASA24 includes over 10,000 food and beverage digital images ¹² (a demonstration version is |
| 184 | available at https://asa24.nci.nih.gov/demo/). For each food or beverage, a series of images |
| 185 | ranging from small to large portions is presented. For example, images for cereal range from $\frac{1}{4}$ |
| 186 | cup to 2 cups by increments of ¼ cup, with options for participants to report amounts less than |
| 187 | or greater than the minimum and maximum. Participants are prompted to report the amount |
| 188 | actually consumed. ASA24 was completed on 9.7" iPads; on this screen size, one portion size |
| 189 | image appears in the center and the respondent can scroll through the other images stacked to |
| 190 | the left and right. Within ASA24, foods are displayed on plates or bowls, as appropriate, and |
| 191 | framed with cutlery. Images are shown from an overhead view, except for foods for which |
| 192 | depth is relevant (e.g., layer cake), which are photographed at a 45-degree angle. For foods |
| 193 | usually consumed in small amounts (e.g., condiments), images of household measures (e.g., |
| 194 | teaspoons) are shown. For amorphous foods like mashed potatoes, mounds are shown. For |
| 195 | foods that vary in size (e.g., bread), the respondent is prompted to indicate size (e.g., thin, |
| 196 | regular), followed by the amount consumed (e.g., 2 pieces). For beverages, participants choose |

| 197 | a container type and size and then indicate the amount consumed by scrolling through stacked |
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| 198 | images that show different levels of liquid within the selected container size. |
| 199 | Half of the participants were randomized to complete ASA24 independently and the other |
| 200 | half completed ASA24 in a small group setting with assistance from a paraprofessional. Those |
| 201 | who completed ASA24 independently were provided with assistance in getting started on an |
| 202 | iPad and had the option of calling a telephone helpdesk. The group setting was intended to |
| 203 | mimic the educational environment offered by EFNEP. ²⁹ Those in the group setting received a |
| 204 | 15-minute overview of ASA24 using a PowerPoint presentation and were assisted with logging |
| 205 | in to ASA24 and entering their first eating occasion by the paraprofessional, who was then |
| 206 | available for questions but did not offer assistance in recalling foods and beverages offered or |
| 207 | consumed. Just over 20% of participants completed ASA24 in Spanish and the remainder |
| 208 | completed in English. All participants wore headphones playing white noise so they would not |
| 209 | overhear questions or comments from others. |
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211 Comparison of observed and reported intake

ASA24 data from each participant were reviewed by two members of the research team, who did not have access to the observed dietary intake data, to identify eating occasions not part of the study meals. These eating occasions may have occurred prior to attending the study center for breakfast, after dinner, or between meals. A total of 134 respondents reported non-study eating occasions; these eating occasions were excluded from analysis because it was not possible to determine whether the reported foods and beverages were truly consumed nor

| 218 | the amounts consumed. Additionally, six women did not attend the study center for breakfast |
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| 219 | but did attend for lunch and dinner; their data for these meals were included in the analyses. |
| 220 | Based on all foods and beverages reported, a key was developed to identify the foods |
| 221 | and beverages considered matches for foods and beverages offered. This entailed generating a |
| 222 | list of codes assigned by ASA24 to foods and beverages reported by participants, which was |
| 223 | assessed by two members of the team, who did not have access to the true intake data, to |
| 224 | determine whether each was an exact, close, or far match for any foods and drinks offered. |
| 225 | Items that were not a match (i.e., not offered) were considered intrusions. The resulting match |
| 226 | key was reviewed by the full study team, and observed and reported intakes were compared to |
| 227 | determine whether each participant reported a match for each of the foods and drinks truly |
| 228 | consumed. ²⁵ Prior analysis indicated that those who completed ASA24 independently reported |
| 229 | matches for 72% of items truly consumed, compared to 74% among those who completed |
| 230 | ASA24 with assistance (p=0.56). ²⁵ On average, those in the independent and assisted conditions |
| 231 | reported 2.4 and 2.5 intrusions, respectively (p=0.57). ²⁵ |
| 232 | Considering all foods and beverages observed and reported at all three eating occasions |
| 233 | women in the independent condition consumed 1907 grams and reported 1882 grams, for a |
| 234 | difference of 25.0 grams (95% CI, -77.7, 128). Those in the assisted condition consumed 1864 |

235 grams and reported 1902 grams, for a difference of -38.0 grams (95% Cl, -139, 62.8). The

analyses reported subsequently consider foods and beverages for which a match was reported,

- 237 such that a difference in gram weights can be constructed at the level of individual foods and
- 238 beverages. Based on prior research suggesting that foods with different characteristics are
- estimated with differential accuracy^{14–18} and the ways in which images are presented in ASA24,

| 240 | foods and drinks were categorized into all foods excluding liquids, liquids, amorphous/soft |
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| 241 | foods, single unit foods, small pieces, shaped foods, and spreads (Table 1). Coding of these |
| 242 | categories was conducted by a registered dietitian and verified by a team of dietitians and |
| 243 | researchers with nutrition training. |
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| 245 | Demographic and health characteristics |
| 246 | After completing ASA24, participants were asked to complete a brief self-administered |
| 247 | questionnaire that queried demographic characteristics (e.g., age, racial/ethnic identity, highest |
| 248 | level of education, employment status), weight and height, receipt of food assistance, and |
| 249 | where and how often they accessed the internet. Questions were based on the Behavioral Risk |
| 250 | Factor Surveillance Survey. ³⁰ Additional items querying methods used for internet access and |
| 251 | frequency of accessing email were developed for this study. BMI was calculated based on self- |
| 252 | reported height and weight (kg/m ²). ³¹ |
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| 254 | Statistical analyses |
| 255 | Analyses were conducted using SAS, version 9.4. ³² |
| 256 | The distribution of differences between reported and observed portion sizes in the original |
| 257 | scale were highly skewed. The distribution of differences in the log-transformed values of |
| 258 | reported and observed portion sizes (equivalently, the log of the ratio of reported to observed |
| 259 | portion sizes) against the log of observed portion size values was practically symmetric. |
| 260 | Regression models, described below, were thus fit to the log-transformed data. |

| 261 | A three-part mixed-effects model was used to investigate the components of variance in the |
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| 262 | accuracy of portion size reporting. Fixed effects included participation in the Special |
| 263 | Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) ³³ and use of phone to |
| 264 | access the Internet because earlier analyses indicated women in the two recall conditions |
| 265 | differed on these characteristics. ²⁵ Two random effects plus an error term were included. One |
| 266 | random effect corresponded to the food and beverage category and the second random effect |
| 267 | corresponded to the individual. This model was used to estimate intra-class correlations of |
| 268 | accuracy (i.e., the proportion of variance in log ratio of reported to observed intake) at different |
| 269 | levels of aggregation. |
| 270 | The geometric means of the ratio of reported to observed and its 95% confidence interval |
| 271 | were calculated (by exponentiating the average difference in the log scale and the confidence |
| 272 | interval bounds for that log-scale average), across foods and beverages overall and for each of |
| 273 | the pre-defined categories. The confidence intervals were used to assess whether each ratio |
| 274 | was different from 1.0 within each study condition. To test whether agreement between |
| 275 | observed and reported portion sizes differed by study condition, the coefficient of the condition |
| 276 | indicator was tested in linear regression models fit to the differences in log-transformed values, |
| 277 | with models run for all foods and beverages and for the pre-defined categories. The regression |
| 278 | models testing for differences by condition included variables indicating participation in WIC ³³ |
| 279 | and whether the participant typically accessed the Internet on a phone. |
| 280 | The percentages of reported portion sizes within 10% and 25% of observed portion size |
| 281 | were estimated from the original scale data; these thresholds were selected based on prior |
| 282 | research ^{14,21} since there does not appear to be a consensus in terms of what range of accuracy |

283 is acceptable.¹⁷ Logistic regression was used to examine differences in the odds of meeting the 284 10% and 25% criteria by study condition for all foods and drinks and for the pre-defined categories, including variables indicating participation in WIC³³ and use of phone to access the 285 Internet.²⁵ Finally, the ratios of reported to observed portion sizes and percentages within 10% 286 287 and 25% of truth within each recall condition were calculated for strata defined by racial/ethnic 288 identity, educational attainment, and BMI. 289 Each individual may have consumed multiple foods and beverages per category of interest. 290 As a result, the contributions of the individual's data to the overall per category estimate were 291 correlated. Thus, the effective degrees of freedom for standard errors of estimates could be 292 substantially smaller than the raw numbers of observations comprising the estimate. Therefore, the delete-one jackknife procedure,³⁴ a resampling method appropriate to clustered data, was 293 294 used to estimate standard errors. Specifically, the per category average of the differences in 295 logs were recomputed from subsamples omitting each person's data sequentially. The

variability among the estimates computed from the subsamples was used to compute a

standard error for the full-sample estimate.

298 Inferences about statistical significance were based on p<0.05.

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300 Results

Among the subsample who completed ASA24 independently (n=148), 49% identified as
 Hispanic, 30% as non-Hispanic Black, 12% as non-Hispanic white, and 9% as another
 racial/ethnic identity (including American Indian, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander,
 Asian, or another race). Among those who completed ASA24 with assistance (n=154), 40%

| 305 | identified as Hispanic, 38% as non-Hispanic Black, 14% non-Hispanic white, and 8% as another |
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| 306 | racial/ethnic identity (including American Indian, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, |
| 307 | Asian, or another race). In the independent group, 53% had annual household incomes under |
| 308 | \$20,000 USD, whereas this proportion was 57% in the assisted group. In the independent |
| 309 | group, 28% had completed some or finished high school, 47% had completed some college, and |
| 310 | 25% were college graduates. In the assisted group, these proportions were 31%, 35%, and 33%. |
| 311 | Half (50%) and 41% of those in the independent and assisted groups, respectively, were |
| 312 | employed. Based on self-reported weight and height, 29% of those in the independent group |
| 313 | and 38% of those in the assisted group had a BMI <25; 22% and 25%, respectively, had a BMI |
| 314 | ≥25 and <30; and 43% and 36%, respectively, had a BMI ≥30 (9 women in the independent |
| 315 | group and 3 in the assisted group did not provide their weights and heights). Over three- |
| 316 | quarters (78% in the independent group and 76% in the assisted group) reported accessing |
| 317 | email every day. The samples did not differ on these characteristics. ²⁵ |
| 318 | The three-part mixed-effects model revealed that the between-food group ICC was larger |
| 319 | than the between-person ICC, though most of the variability in the log ratios was unexplained, |
| 320 | i.e., random error. Specifically, 5.5% of the variation in portion size accuracy was attributable to |
| 321 | variation at the food group level and 4.0% was due to variation at the individual level. The |
| 322 | remainder is unexplained. |
| 323 | Table 2 provides mean observed and reported portion sizes, mean differences, and |
| 324 | geometric mean ratios of reported to observed portion size for all foods and drinks and for each |
| 325 | of the food and drink categories for the two recall conditions. Confidence intervals for the |
| 326 | ratios are not symmetric because they were calculated from average differences in the log |

327 scale, as described above. For all foods and drinks for which a match was reported, on average, 328 reported portion size was 7.4 grams (95% CI, 4.3-10.5) higher than observed portion size in the 329 independent condition and 6.4 grams (95% CI, 2.8-10.0) higher than observed portion size in 330 the assisted condition. The ratio of the amount reported to observed was significantly higher 331 than one (indicative of overestimation) for all foods and beverages (only when excluding liquids 332 in the assisted condition), small pieces, and shaped foods in both conditions, as well as for 333 amorphous/soft foods in the assisted condition. The ratio was significantly lower than one for 334 single unit foods in both conditions. Agreement between observed and reported portion sizes, 335 as measured by the ratios, did not differ by study condition for any category of foods and 336 beverages (data not shown).

337 Table 2 also shows the percentages of foods and drinks for which reported portion sizes 338 were within 10% and 25% of observed portion sizes. For all foods and drinks, the percentages 339 within 10% of truth were 12.8 for the independent condition and 14.9 for the assisted condition 340 (p=0.06 for condition); the percentages within 25% of truth were 29.6 and 32.0 for the two 341 conditions, respectively (p=0.05). In each case, the lowest percentages were observed for 342 amorphous/soft foods and small pieces and the largest proportions for single unit foods and 343 liquids. Table 3 provides the mean differences between observed and reported portion sizes 344 and the geometric mean ratios of reported to observed portion sizes, by recall condition, for 345 each food and drink individually.

Table 4 shows mean observed and reported portion sizes, mean differences, geometric mean ratios of reported to observed portion size, and proportions of foods and drinks for which reported portion sizes were within 10% and 25% of observed sizes for all matched foods and

drinks, by race/ethnicity, education, and BMI. In the independent condition, the ratio of the
amount reported to the amount observed was significantly higher than 1.0 among those
identifying as white, participants who had completed some college, and the lower two BMI
categories. In the assisted condition, the ratio of the amount reported to amount observed was
not significantly different from 1.0 in any subgroup.

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355 **Discussion**

The findings of this study indicate that women with low incomes overestimated portion sizes of foods and beverages across several categories when reporting dietary intake for the prior day using ASA24 dietary recalls, with underestimation of single unit foods. This pattern was fairly consistent among subgroups defined by racial/ethnic identity, educational attainment, and BMI. Providing assistance on the completion of ASA24 did not have a marked effect on the accuracy of portion size estimation, suggesting independent completion of ASA24 is viable.

A recent systematic review found that images were associated with higher accuracy of 363 portion size estimation compared to other aids.¹⁶ A prior study using consistent feeding 364 365 methods and the same menu offerings with a smaller sample of men and women suggested an 366 advantage conferred by the use of tailored digital images within ASA24 to facilitate portion size estimation as compared to generic portion size aids used in interviewer-administered recalls.²¹ 367 368 In that study, participants completed ASA24 on desktop computers and could view multiple portion size images on the screen at one time, informed by cognitive and usability testing 369 370 indicating a preference for multiple simultaneous images.¹⁴ Given the development of a

| 371 | responsive ASA24 interface that adapts to different screen sizes and the use of iPads in the |
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| 372 | current study, participants in the current study could see only one image at a time but could |
| 373 | scroll through multiple images. Overall, the differences in the accuracy of portion size |
| 374 | estimation are not marked between the two studies, perhaps supporting the advantage of |
| 375 | availability of ASA24 on mobile devices, which enables its usage in a range of settings. |
| 376 | Nonetheless, as noted in the systematic review, even if a portion size aid, such as digital images, |
| 377 | improves accuracy of estimation, there can still be substantial error. ¹⁶ |
| 378 | Inaccurate portion size estimation is only one source of error in self-reported dietary intake |
| 379 | data. Prior analyses of these data indicated few significant differences between observed and |
| 380 | reported nutrient and food group intakes, even though participants excluded approximately |
| 381 | one in four foods truly consumed. ²⁵ Overestimation of portion sizes appears to have |
| 382 | counteracted the effects of the exclusions on estimated intake to some extent. For example, |
| 383 | items truly consumed such as tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, and lettuce were frequently |
| 384 | excluded from the 24-hour dietary recalls. The current analysis suggests participants who |
| 385 | reported consuming these items tended to overestimate the amounts consumed, consistent |
| 386 | with the finding that intake of total vegetables was higher based on reported versus observed |
| 387 | dietary intake. ²⁵ In contrast, estimates of protein and meat were lower based on reported |
| 388 | compared to observed dietary intake, even though the main meat sources were not as |
| 389 | frequently omitted by those who truly consumed them as other items. ²⁵ The current analyses |
| 390 | suggest underestimation of amounts of foods in the meat group, including chicken breasts and |
| 391 | legs and turkey breast. The reporting of items not actually consumed (intrusions) on 24-hour |
| 392 | dietary recalls also plays a role in overall estimates of intake, as do errors in the databases used |

to convert from foods and beverages to nutrients and food groups. Taken together, the findings
 highlight that errors in self-reported dietary intake data are multiple and not necessarily
 additive.

396 Our findings are consistent with others in showing different magnitudes and directions of error for foods with different characteristics,^{14–18} though overall, overestimation was most 397 398 common. The mixed-effects model revealed that most of the variation in misestimation of 399 portion size reporting was unexplained. That is, portion size misestimation is pervasive across the food and beverage categories and there is not a strong tendency toward misestimation in a 400 401 consistent direction across foods and beverages at the person level. Similarly, though the study 402 wasn't formally powered to test for differences in the magnitude of portion size misestimation 403 across subgroups defined by race/ethnicity, education, and BMI, there appeared to be some 404 degree of overestimation in some subgroups. The small amount of variability explained at the 405 individual level suggests that targeting personal characteristics to improve portion size 406 estimation may not be promising, though others have suggested the importance of portion size 407 aids that allow flexibility with respect to estimation of traditional recipes and how food is eaten 408 (e.g., using shared plates), underscoring that tailoring the approach to the target population 409 remains of import.^{16,20} Nonetheless, efforts are needed to overcome the cognitive challenges 410 inherent to portion size estimation in general. Researchers have suggested training respondents to improve the accuracy of estimation.¹⁶ Novel technology-based methods may 411 412 also alleviate this source of error in dietary assessment. For example, image-based mobile food record-assisted recalls¹⁶ may prove to be beneficial and with ongoing attention to automated 413

414 processing of images taken using mobile food record applications, the need for participants to415 report their portions may be eliminated.

416 This study used a controlled feeding design to enable examination of the accuracy of 417 reporting at the level of foods and beverages. Examinations at the level of grams consumed and 418 reported avoid conflation with database errors since no conversions were required. However, 419 the study was limited to consideration of dietary intake reported for three meals consumed in a 420 single day within a controlled setting. It is possible participants were more aware of amounts 421 consumed than usual due to the unfamiliar setting, though efforts were made to simulate a conventional eating environment.^{14,28} Further, a limited menu of foods was available, with small 422 423 numbers and limited variability of items in some categories considered. The determination of 424 categories for analysis was a judgment call among multiple dietitians and nutritionists, and 425 some of the food offerings could have been considered to fit in other categories. However, 426 these categories were identified a priori based on previous research and the provision of results 427 for each food and beverage offered in Table 3 enables readers to construct their own categories 428 of interest. The sample consisted of paid volunteers who may have been more highly motivated 429 to accurately report their intake compared to participants in other studies. Additionally, 430 participants had the ability to read and understand English or Spanish, limiting generalizability 431 to subgroups with low literacy, and few participants were older than 70 years, hindering 432 generalizability to older adults, who may have limited computer literacy compared to other age groups.³⁵ Finally, the study was not powered to assess differences in the magnitude of 433 434 misestimation by personal characteristics, such as BMI.

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436 **Conclusions**

- 437 This study suggests some degree of overestimation of portion size across most food
- 438 categories among women with low incomes who completed ASA24 24-hour dietary recalls,
- 439 either independently or with assistance. This pattern was fairly consistent among subgroups
- 440 defined by racial/ethnic identity, educational attainment, and BMI, and little variability in
- 441 portion size estimation was explained at the individual level. Improvements to facilitate
- 442 accurate portion size estimation are needed given the small number of reported portion sizes
- that fell within 10% to 25% of the observed portion sizes.

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Table 2: Mean observed and reported portion sizes and differences, geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed, and proportion of reported portion sizes within 10% and 25% of truth for foods and drinks for which a match was reported, by category and recall condition, among 302 women in the Food and Eating Assessment STudy (FEAST) II, May-July 2016

| | | Completed A | SA24 ^a indepen | dently (n=148 indi | viduals, 2771 obse | ervations) | Completed ASA24 ^a with assistance (n=154 individuals, 2909 observations) | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Number of observations | Mean amount observed, g | Mean amount reported, g | Mean difference ^b , g (95% Cl) | Geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed (95% CI) | % within 10% of truth | % within 25% of truth | Number of observations | Mean amount observed, g | Mean amount reported, g | Mean difference ^ь , g (95% CI) | Geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed (95% CI) | % within 10% of truth | % within 25% of truth |
| All foods and drinks | 2771 | 84.2 | 91.6 | 7.4 (4.3, 10.5) | 1.05 (1.01, 1.11) | 12.8 | 29.6 | 2909 | 83.5 | 89.9 | 6.4 (2.8, 10.0) | 1.03 (0.99, 1.08) | 14.9 | 32.0 |
| All foods excluding liquids | 2155 | 56.1 | 62.6 | 6.5 (4.0, 9.1) | 1.06 (1.01, 1.12) | 11.4 | 27.5 | 2309 | 54.8 | 62.5 | 7.7 (5.0, 10.3) | 1.06 (1.01, 1.11) | 13.3 | 29.4 |
| Liquids | 616 | 182 | 193 | 10.4 (1.7, 19.1) | 1.03 (0.97, 1.09) | 17.5 | 37.0 | 600 | 194 | 196 | 1.6 (-10.1, 13.3) | 0.95 (0.89, 1.01) | 20.8 | 42.2 |
| Amorphous/ soft | 1055 | 59.1 | 67.5 | 8.5 (4.2, 12.7) | 1.05 (0.98, 1.13) | 9.2 | 21.9 | 1145 | 58.7 | 71.4 | 12.7 (8.2, 17.2) | 1.08 (1.01, 1.16) | 11.1 | 23.6 |
| Single unit | 614 | 69.6 | 68.6 | -1.0 (-4.6, 2.7) | 0.93 (0.87, 0.99) | 16.4 | 38.9 | 668 | 67.7 | 65.1 | -2.6 (-5.9, 0.7) | 0.91 (0.86, 0.96) | 18.7 | 40.4 |
| Small pieces | 186 | 13.0 | 24.6 | 11.6 (7.5, 15.7) | 1.69 (1.46, 1.97) | 8.6 | 21.5 | 204 | 13.5 | 21.7 | 8.2 (5.8, 10.6) | 1.48 (1.32, 1.65) | 9.3 | 24.5 |
| Shaped foods | 195 | 55.3 | 70.7 | 15.4 (9.2, 21.7) | 1.19 (1.07, 1.32) | 10.3 | 29.2 | 191 | 54.5 | 70.8 | 16.2 (8.1, 24.3) | 1.17 (1.04, 1.31) | 12.0 | 29.8 |
| Spreads | 87 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 0.09 (-3.1, 3.2) | 0.87 (0.73, 1.03) | 12.6 | 27.6 | 96 | 6.2 | 5.4 | -0.80 (-1.8, 0.3) | 0.91 (0.78, 1.07) | 14.6 | 32.3 |

^a ASA24, Automated Self-administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool.

^b Mean differences are expressed as reported minus observed portion size. Thus, positive differences are indicative of overestimation and negative differences are indicative of underestimation of portion size.

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| | Comp | leted ASA24 ^a | independent | ly (n=148 indivi | duals, 2771 obs | ervations) | | | Completed AS | 6A24 ^a with as | sistance (n=154 i | individuals, 290 | 9 observa | tions) | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|--------|--------------|--------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------------|--|--|
| Food/beverage | _ | | | | Geometric | | | Geometric | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | mean ratio | % | % | | | | | mean ratio | % | | | |
| | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | within | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | 0/ithin 250/ of | | |
| | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported to | 10% | 25% | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported | 10% | % WITHIN 25% Of | | |
| | | observed, | reported, | g | amount | of | of | | observed, | reported, | g | to amount | of | truth | | |
| | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | truth | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | | | |
| | | | | | (95% CI⁰) | | | | | | | (95% CI°) | | | | |
| Apple, raw | 16 | 111 | 145 | 34.1 | 1.36 | 12.5 | 43.8 | 20 | 117 | 142 | 24.5 | 1.20 | 15.0 | 35.0 | | |
| | | | | (15.5, 52.6) | (1.16, 1.59) | | | | | | (4.60, 44.3) | (0.99, 1.46) | | | | |
| Bagel | 107 | 87.9 | 70.4 | -17.5 | 0.84 | 14.0 | 40.2 | 91 | 79.7 | 61.9 | -17.8 | 0.77 | 17.6 | 38.5 | | |
| | | | | (-24.1, - | (0.73, 0.96) | | | | | | (-24.7, -10.9) | (0.67 <i>,</i> 0.87) | | | | |
| | | | | 11.0) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Banana, raw | 25 | 101 | 88.3 | -12.3 | 0.87 | 48.0 | 68.0 | 28 | 108 | 90.8 | -17.2 | 0.73 | 28.6 | 60.7 | | |
| | | | | (-22.8, -1.8) | (0.75, 1.00) | | | | | | (-31.7, -2.7) | (0.54, 0.97) | | | | |
| Bread, garlic | 31 | 21.2 | 29.4 | 8.1 | 1.04 | 3.23 | 9.68 | 44 | 18.3 | 24.4 | 6.2 | 1.12 | 9.09 | 22.7 | | |
| | | | | (-1.5, 17.8) | (0.75, 1.42) | | | | | | (-0.5, 12.8) | (0.86, 1.45) | | | | |
| Bread, white | 128 | 30.6 | 26.9 | -3.7 | 0.80 | 7.03 | 32.0 | 153 | 31.3 | 29.3 | -1.9 | 0.84 | 14.4 | 39.2 | | |
| | | | | (-6.9, -0.5) | (0.72, 0.90) | | | | | | (-4.7, 0.8) | (0.77 <i>,</i> 0.93) | | | | |
| Broccoli, cooked, from | 83 | 44.3 | 58.2 | 13.8 | 1.11 | 14.5 | 31.3 | 89 | 43.1 | 56.7 | 13.5 | 1.12 | 15.7 | 37.1 | | |
| fresh, fat added in | | | | (3.3, 24.4) | (0.94, 1.30) | | | | | | (4.0, 23.1) | (0.97, 1.30) | | | | |
| cooking | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cake, chocolate, devil's | 82 | 66.0 | 85.0 | 19.0 | 1.05 | 14.6 | 23.2 | 79 | 64.5 | 83.5 | 19.0 | 1.06 | 16.5 | 27.8 | | |
| food, or fudge, with | | | | (6.9, 31.0) | (0.86, 1.27) | | | | | | (3.8, 34.2) | (0.91, 1.24) | | | | |
| icing | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carrots, cooked, from | 59 | 58.8 | 49.5 | -9.2 | 0.49 | 0.0 | 13.6 | 83 | 59.6 | 65.1 | 5.5 | 0.68 | 3.61 | 15.7 | | |
| fresh, fat added in | | | | (-28.0, 9.5) | (0.35, 0.68) | | | | | | (-8.4, 19.4) | (0.51, 0.89) | | | | |
| cooking | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cheerios | 8 | 27.2 | 22.0 | -5.2 | 0.73 | 12.5 | 25.0 | 12 | 22.0 | 22.8 | 0.83 | 0.90 | 16.7 | 41.7 | | |
| | | | | (-17.5, 7.1) | (0.42, 1.30) | | | | | | (-6.9, 8.6) | (0.59, 1.38) | | | | |
| Cheese, cream | 79 | 18.5 | 19.4 | 0.9 | 1.23 | 10.1 | 22.8 | 65 | 15.0 | 17.8 | 2.8 | 1.22 | 15.4 | 24.6 | | |
| | | | | (-2.4, 4.2) | (0.98, 1.55) | | | | | | (-0.2, 5.8) | (0.98, 1.52) | | | | |
| Cheese, natural, | 66 | 12.2 | 18.3 | 6.1 | 1.31 | 6.06 | 15.2 | 89 | 14.2 | 21.4 | 7.2 | 1.35 | 14.6 | 28.1 | | |
| Cheddar or American | | | | (3.2, 9.1) | (1.10, 1.57) | | | | | | (4.1, 10.3) | (1.16, 1.56) | | | | |
| type | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chicken, breast or leg, | 118 | 116.1 | 111.1 | -4.8 | 0.91 | 16.9 | 43.2 | 127 | 118 | 108 | -9.9 | 0.87 | 15.7 | 39.4 | | |
| roasted, broiled, baked | | | | (-15.7 <i>,</i> 6.2) | (0.82, 1.00) | | | | | | (-20.7, 0.9) | (0.79 <i>,</i> 0.96) | | | | |
| Coffee, made from | 74 | 127 | 175 | 48.2 | 1.37 | 6.76 | 29.7 | 51 | 144 | 180 | 35.6 | 1.22 | 9.80 | 41.2 | | |
| ground, regular | | | | (33.2, 63.2) | (1.19, 1.56) | | | | | | (8.1, 63.0) | (0.99, 1.51) | | | | |
| Cookie, brownie, with | 69 | 33.3 | 470 | 13.7 | 1.40 | 7.25 | 40.6 | 67 | 33.2 | 47.0 | 13.9 | 1.36 | 8.96 | 32.8 | | |
| icing | | | | (8.4, 19.0) | (1.25, 1.57) | | | | | | (4.7, 23.0) | (1.14, 1.61) | | | | |
| Cream, half and half | 35 | 34.2 | 48.9 | 14.7 | 1.19 | 8.57 | 20.0 | 26 | 31.2 | 41.7 | 10.5 | 1.32 | 7.69 | 38.5 | | |
| | | | | (-5.6, 35.1) | (0.81, 1.77) | | | | | | (-0.9, 21.8) | (0.94, 1.86) | | | | |

| | Compl | eted ASA24 ^a | independent | y (n=148 individ | luals, 2771 obse | ervations) | | (| Completed AS | A24 ^a with ass | istance (n=154 i | ndividuals, 290 | 9 observat | ions) |
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| Food/beverage | | | | | Geometric | | | | | | | Geometric | | - |
| _ | | | | | mean ratio | % | % | | | | | mean ratio | % | |
| | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | within | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | or |
| | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported to | 10% | 25% | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported | 10% | % within 25% of |
| | | observed, | reported, | g | amount | of | of | | observed, | reported, | g | to amount | of | truth |
| | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | truth | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | |
| | | • | - | . , | (95% CI°) | | | | - | • | | (95% CI°) | | |
| Creamy dressing with | 42 | 24.4 | 21.2 | -3.2 | 0.71 | 4.76 | 23.8 | 40 | 31.4 | 26.0 | -5.4 | 0.70 | 17.5 | 35.0 |
| sour cream and/or | | | | (-10.1, 3.7) | (0.53 <i>,</i> 0.95) | | | | | | (-12.0, 1.1) | (0.54, 0.91) | | |
| buttermilk | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cucumber, raw | 37 | 6.69 | 21.4 | 14.7 | 2.87 | 8.11 | 13.5 | 39 | 6.94 | 19.6 | 12.7 | 2.61 | 10.3 | 12.8 |
| | | | | (8.7, 20.8) | (2.30, 3.60) | | | | | | (9.4, 15.9) | (2.13, 3.20) | | |
| Lettuce, raw | 215 | 12.5 | 26.8 | 14.3 | 1.29 | 4.19 | 10.7 | 235 | 12.7 | 28.3 | 15.6 | 1.24 | 5.96 | 11.1 |
| | | | | (10.6, 17.9) | (1.12, 1.49) | | | | | | (11.5, 19.7) | (1.07, 1.44) | | |
| Frosted Flakes, | 16 | 44.1 | 32.8 | -11.3 | 0.64 | 6.25 | 25 | 13 | 34.4 | 34.2 | -0.3 | 0.95 | 23.1 | 46.2 |
| Kellogg's | | | | (-17.8 <i>,</i> -4.9) | (0.51, 0.80) | | | | | | (-7.7, 7.2) | (0.68, 1.34) | | |
| Fruit salad | 116 | 115 | 111 | -3.7 | 0.86 | 19.0 | 27.6 | 119 | 121 | 130 | 8.8 | 1.00 | 14.3 | 31.9 |
| | | | | (-16.7, 9.4) | (0.75 <i>,</i> 0.98) | | | | | | (-4.6, 22.2) | (0.89, 1.12) | | |
| Italian dressing, low | 33 | 18.6 | 24.1 | 5.5 | 1.11 | 9.09 | 27.3 | 36 | 17.5 | 18.0 | 0.5 | 0.83 | 5.56 | 19.4 |
| calorie | | | | (-2.0, 12.9) | (0.85, 1.44) | | | | | | (-4.1, 5.1) | (0.63, 1.08) | | |
| Italian dressing, made | 20 | 23.8 | 17.2 | -6.6 | -0.67 | 10.0 | 30.0 | 28 | 19.2 | 17.8 | -1.4 | 0.77 | 3.57 | 21.4 |
| with vinegar and oil | | | | (-12.1, -1.2) | (0.50, 0.90) | | | | | | (9.7, 6.8) | (0.51, 1.16) | | |
| Jelly, all flavors | 18 | 15.2 | 18.1 | 2.9 | 0.83 | 11.1 | 22.2 | 9 | 14.9 | 7.98 | -6.9 | 0.54 | 0.0 | 33.3 |
| | | | | (-12.6, 18.3) | (0.48, 1.42) | | | | | | (-13.3, -0.6) | (0.30, 0.97) | | |
| Lasagna, meatless, with | 104 | 161 | 136 | -25.6 | 0.74 | 12.5 | 29.8 | 98 | 149 | 139 | -10.0 | 0.80 | 15.3 | 26.5 |
| vegetables | - | | | (-42.19.1) | (0.64, 0.84) | | | | | | (-29.6.9.5) | (0.70. 0.93) | | |
| Margarine-like spread. | 21 | 10.9 | 7.76 | -3.2 | 0.74 | 28.6 | 47.6 | 14 | 8.97 | 4.49 | -4.5 | 0.57 | 0.0 | 14.3 |
| tub. salted | | | | (-6.10.3) | (0.53, 1.03) | | | | | | (-7.41.6) | (0.33, 0.97) | | - |
| Mayonnaise, regular | 32 | 5.83 | 6.56 | 0.7 | 0.97 | 6.25 | 25.0 | 38 | 6.42 | 7.04 | 0.6 | 0.99 | 18.4 | 31.6 |
| | | | | (-1.2. 2.6) | (0.76, 1.23) | | | | ••••= | | (-0.6, 1.8) | (0.84, 1.16) | | |
| Milk. cow's. fluid. 1% | 37 | 124 | 154 | 29.7 | 1.14 | 13.5 | 27.0 | 23 | 108 | 122 | 13.8 | 0.97 | 21.7 | 21.7 |
| fat | ••• | | | (-26.9.86.3) | (0.88, 1.47) | | | | | | (-22.0.49.6) | (0.62, 1.50) | | |
| Milk. cow's, fluid, 2% | 8 | 53.7 | 30.9 | -22.8 | 0.62 | 12.5 | 12.5 | 5 | 33.9 | 32.4 | -1.6 | 1.17 | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| fat | 0 | 5017 | 0010 | (-50 0 4 4) | (0 34 1 16) | 12.0 | 12.0 | 0 | 0010 | 0211 | (-30 0 26 9) | (0 29 4 70) | 2010 | 2010 |
| Mustard | 16 | 2 03 | 1 97 | -0.1 | 0.91 | 6 25 | 12 5 | 35 | 2 56 | 3 29 | 07 | 1 16 | 20.0 | 40.0 |
| Mustaru | 10 | 2.05 | 1.57 | (-0.7.0.6) | (0.68, 1.22) | 0.25 | 12.5 | 35 | 2.50 | 5.25 | (1 2 1 3) | (0.99, 1.36) | 20.0 | 40.0 |
| Oatmeal cooked | 34 | 107 | 137 | 30.0 | 1 25 | 11.8 | 26.5 | 43 | 133 | 159 | 25.9 | 1 01 | 14.0 | 25.6 |
| regular fat not added | 54 | 107 | 137 | (10 2 49 7) | (1 04 1 51) | 11.0 | 20.5 | -15 | 155 | 155 | (-3 0 54 9) | (0 77 1 31) | 14.0 | 23.0 |
| in cooking | | | | (10.2, 45.7) | (1.04, 1.51) | | | | | | (5.0, 54.5) | (0.77, 1.51) | | |
| Orange juice canned | 83 | 165 | 195 | 29.7 | 1 14 | 12.0 | 37 3 | 92 | 166 | 183 | 17 1 | 1.05 | 15.2 | 29.1 |
| bottled or in a carton | 05 | 105 | 155 | (98 /96) | (1 00 1 30) | 12.0 | 57.5 | 52 | 100 | 105 | (-1 6 35 7) | (0 02 1 10) | 13.2 | 55.1 |
| Pasta with pesto sauce | 65 | 72.2 | 172 | (9.8, 49.0) | 1 50 | 1 62 | 22.1 | 77 | 69.9 | 117 | (-1.0, 33.7) | (0.92, 1.19) | 7 70 | 24.7 |
| rasta with pesto sauce | 05 | /5.5 | 125 | (22 5 67 4) | (1 20 1 04) | 4.02 | 23.1 | // | 09.9 | 11/ | (24.0, 60.1) | (1 40 1 79) | 1.15 | 24.7 |
| Penner sweet green | 25 | 16 5 | 27 5 | (32.3, 07.4) | (1.36, 1.64) | 1/1 2 | 212 | 20 | 16.0 | 25 4 | (34.0, 00.1) | (1.40, 1.78) | 10.7 | 21.4 |
| repper, sweet, green, | 33 | 10.5 | 27.5 | (2 0 18 0) | 1.49 | 14.5 | 54.2 | 20 | 10.9 | 23.4 | 0.J (2 C 14 2) | 1.55 | 10.7 | 21.4 |
| Pie apple two cruct | 11 | 60 9 | Q1 / | 11 6 | (1.12, 1.92) 1 1 ^E | 607 | 77 7 | 15 | 68 9 | 83 C | (2.0, 14.3) | (1.02, 1.72) 1.00 | g ga | 28.0 |
| rie, apple, two crust | 44 | 05.0 | 01.4 | (_1 2 24 A) | 1.13 | 0.02 | 22.1 | 45 | 00.0 | 65.0 | 14.0 (0 5 20 2) | 1.05 | 0.05 | 20.5 |
| Raisin Bran, Kolloggis | F | 13 6 | 20.1 | (=1.2, 24.4) _12 E | 0.55, 1.45) | 167 | 167 | ø | 17 0 | 28 0 | -19.0 | (0.03, 1.40) 0 56 | 0.0 | 12 5 |
| Raisin Dian, Kellogg S | σ | 45.0 | 50.1 | -13.5 | U.01 | 10.7 | 10.7 | ŏ | 47.9 | 20.9 | -10.2 | | 0.0 | 12.5 |
| | | | | (-30.1, 3.0) | (0.34, 1.11) | | | | | | (-40.8, 2.9) | (0.30, 1.07) | | |

| | Comp | leted ASA24 ^a | independent | ly (n=148 individ | duals, 2771 obs | ervations) | | Completed ASA24 ^a with assistance (n=154 individuals, 2909 observations) | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------|--------|-----------------|--|
| Food/beverage | | | | | Geometric | | | | | | | Geometric | | | |
| | | | | | mean ratio | % | % | | | | | mean ratio | % | | |
| | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | within | Number of | Mean | Mean | Mean | of amount | within | % within 25% of | |
| | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported to | 10% | 25% | observations | amount | amount | difference ^b | reported | 10% | /o with | |
| | | observed, | reported, | g | amount | of | of | | observed, | reported, | g | to amount | of | uuu | |
| | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | truth | | g | g | (95% CI°) | observed | truth | | |
| | | | | | (95% CI°) | | | | | | | (95% Cl°) | | | |
| Rice pilaf | 93 | 74.1 | 100 | 26.1 | 1.34 | 8.60 | 33.3 | 96 | 81.5 | 112 | 30.1 | 1.29 | 15.6 | 29.2 | |
| | | | | (14.9, 37.2) | (1.15, 1.55) | | | | | | (18.6, 41.7) | (1.15, 1.46) | | | |
| Soft drink, cola-type | 60 | 273 | 264 | -8.7 | 0.93 | 30.0 | 50.0 | 51 | 272 | 221 | -50.6 | 0.74 | 31.4 | 56.9 | |
| | | | | (-36.4, 19.0) | (0.83, 1.05) | | | | | | (-80.8, -20.4) | (0.61, 0.91) | | | |
| Soft drink, cola-type, | 11 | 244 | 288 | 43.8 | 1.24 | 54.5 | 54.5 | 16 | 208 | 185 | -23.5 | 0.84 | 0.0 | 25.0 | |
| sugar-free | | | | (-0.6, 88.2) | (1.01, 1.52) | | | | | | (-89.1, 42.2) | (0.57, 1.25) | | | |
| Soft drink, fruit- | 43 | 258 | 259 | 1.4 | 0.99 | 25.6 | 53.5 | 39 | 267 | 245 | -21.6 | 0.92 | 17.9 | 59.0 | |
| flavored, caffeine free | | | | (-27.3, 30.0) | (0.86, 1.13) | | | | | | (-48.8, 5.7) | (0.80, 1.05) | | | |
| Sugar substitute | 19 | 1.53 | 2.79 | 1.3 | 1.40 | 26.3 | 47.4 | 22 | 1.59 | 2.02 | 0.4 | 1.29 | 31.8 | 40.9 | |
| (sucralose, aspartame, | | | | (0.2, 2.7) | (1.00, 1.95) | | | | | | (-0.1, 1.0) | (0.99 <i>,</i> 1.68) | | | |
| saccharin) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sugar, white, | 36 | 10.4 | 7.91 | -2.5 | 0.74 | 11.1 | 16.7 | 36 | 10.2 | 6.67 | -3.5 | 0.78 | 19.4 | 25.0 | |
| granulated or lump | | | | (-5.1, 0.2) | (0.55 <i>,</i> 0.99) | | | | | | (-5.5, -1.5) | (0.59 <i>,</i> 1.03) | | | |
| Tea, leaf, unsweetened | 29 | 189 | 207 | 17.2 | 1.16 | 24.1 | 37.9 | 26 | 229 | 203 | -26.6 | 0.80 | 23.1 | 42.3 | |
| | | | | (-14.5 <i>,</i> 48.9) | (0.95, 1.41) | | | | | | (-62.0, 8.8) | (0.66, 0.97) | | | |
| Tomatoes, raw | 114 | 14.0 | 24.7 | 10.7 | 1.48 | 7.02 | 20.2 | 137 | 14.7 | 21.6 | 6.9 | 1.28 | 8.76 | 28.5 | |
| | | | | (5.0, 16.4) | (1.24, 1.78) | | | | | | (4.3 <i>,</i> 9.5) | (1.15, 1.44) | | | |
| Tuna salad | 75 | 43.7 | 64.5 | 20.8 | 1.07 | 9.33 | 20.0 | 82 | 45.6 | 57.4 | 11.8 | 1.01 | 2.44 | 17.1 | |
| | | | | (5.4, 36.2) | (0.88, 1.30) | | | | | | (3.5, 20.0) | (0.86, 1.19) | | | |
| Turkey or chicken | 55 | 37.9 | 30.5 | -7.4 | 0.68 | 10.9 | 34.5 | 71 | 39.3 | 37.0 | -2.4 | 0.75 | 12.7 | 32.4 | |
| breast, prepackaged or | | | | (-13.9, -0.8) | (0.56, 0.83) | | | | | | (-8,0, 3.3) | (0.64, 0.89) | | | |
| deli, lunch meat | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Water, bottled, | 131 | 331 | 319 | -12.4 | 0.96 | 25.2 | 43.5 | 159 | 331 | 343 | 11.6 | 1.01 | 36.5 | 50.9 | |
| unsweetened | | | | (-39.4, 14.5) | (0.86, 1.07) | | | | | | (-23.8, 47.0) | (0.91, 1.13) | | | |
| White potato, chips | 62 | 23.5 | 29.1 | 5.7 | 1.25 | 30.6 | 56.5 | 58 | 22.0 | 27.8 | 5.9 | 1.33 | 34.5 | 63.8 | |
| | | | | (3.4, 7.9) 🛀 | (1.08, 1.43) | | | | | | (3.8, 8.0) | (1.18, 1.50) | | | |
| Yogurt, fruit variety, | 53 | 136 | 171 | 35.2 | 1.24 | 22.6 | 26.4 | 54 | 147 | 166 | 18.4 | 1.05 | 29.6 | 40.7 | |
| low-fat milk | | | | (15.9, 54.5) | (1.04, 1.48) | | | | | | (0.6, 36.2) | (0.90, 1.24) | | | |

^a ASA24, Automated Self-administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool.

^b Mean differences are expressed as reported minus observed amount eaten. Thus, positive differences are indicative of overestimation and negative differences are indicative of underestimation of amount eaten.

^c Jackknife confidence intervals for some individual foods/drinks may be unreliable due to a combination of small frequencies of consumption and small numbers of distinct respondents comprising the mean.

Table 1: Foods and beverages offered, by category for analysis of accuracy of portion size estimation,^a to 302 women in the Food and Eating Assessment STudy (FEAST) II (May through July, 2016) to assess the construct validity of the Automated Self-Administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool (ASA24)

| Coffee Tea Orange juice Soda (3 varieties) |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tea Orange juice Soda (3 varieties) |
| Orange juice Soda (3 varieties) |
| Soda (3 varieties) |
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| Natile |
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| |
| Salad dressing |
| Amorphous/soft Cold cereal (3 varieties) |
| Oatmeal C |
| Fruit salad |
| Lettuce (green salad) |
| Grated cheese (for salad) |
| Cream cheese (for bagels) |
| Tuna salad (on sandwiches) |
| Pesto pasta salad |
| Rice pilaf |
| Broccoli |
| Carrots |
| Vegetarian lasagna |
| Sugar (for coffee, cereal) |
| Single unit Yogurt (single container) |
| Chicken breasts and legs |
| Turkey breast (on sandwiches) |
| Bread slices (on sandwiches, garlic bread) |
| Bagels |
| Apples |
| Bananas |
| Potato chips (single-serve bags) |
| Sugar substitutes (3 varieties, in single-serve packages) |
| Small pieces Tomato pieces/slices (in salad and on sandwiches) |
| Cucumber pieces (in salad) |
| Red and green peppers (in salad) |
| Spreads Margarine |
| Jelly |
| Mayonnaise (on turkey sandwich) |
| Mustard (on turkey sandwich) |
| Shaped foods Apple pie (pre-cut) |
| Chocolate cake (pre-cut) |
| Brownies (pre-cut) |

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Table 4: Mean observed and reported portion sizes and differences, geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed, and proportion of reported portion sizes within 10% and 25% of truth for all foods and drinks for which a match was reported, by recall condition and individual characteristics, among 302 women in the Food and Eating Assessment STudy (FEAST) II, May-July 2016

| | | Completed AS | A24 ^a indepen | dently (n=148 indi | ividuals, 2771 obse | ervations) | | (| Completed AS | A24 ^a with assi | stance (n=154 ind | ividuals, 2909 obse | ervations) | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Number of observations | Mean amount observed g | Mean amount reported g | Mean difference ^b g (95% Cl) | Geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed (95% CI) | % within 10% of truth | % within 25% of truth | Number of observations | Mean amount observed g | Mean amount reported g | Mean difference ^b G (95% Cl) | Geometric mean ratio of amount reported to amount observed (95% CI) | % within 10% of truth | % within 25% of truth |
| All participants | 2771 | 84.2 | 91.6 | 7.4 (4.3, 10.5) | 1.05 (1.01, 1.11) | 12.8 | 29.6 | 2909 | 83.5 | 89.9 | 6.40 (2.82, 9.99) | 1.03 (0.99, 1.08) | 14.9 | 32.0 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Race/ethnicity Hispanic | 1272 | 88.9 | 95.9 | 7.0 (2.6, 11.3) | 1.03 (0.96, 1.10) | 13.3 | 30.2 | 1133 | 84.3 | 89.0 | 4.8 (0.3, 9.2) | 1.05 (0.99, 1.11) | 14.7 | 30.9 |
| Black, non- Hispanic | 848 | 80.9 | 85.3 | 4.4 (-1.9, 10.6) | 1.02 (0.93, 1.12) | 12.6 | 28.2 | 1089 | 82.3 | 90.0 | 7.7 (0.02, 15.3) | 1.05 (0.97, 1.14) | 14.7 | 32.5 |
| White, non- Hispanic | 368 | 75.7 | 90.2 | 14.6 (6.4, 22.8) | 1.17 (1.05, 1.32) | 12.5 | 31.0 | 424 | 85.4 | 92.2 | 6.9 (-0.8, 14.5) | 0.97 (0.85, 1.10) | 17.2 | 34.0 |
| Other ^c | 283 | 83.9 | 92.8 | 9.0 (-2.2, 20.1) | 1.13 (0.94, 1.36) | 11.3 | 29.7 | 263 | 81.9 | 89.4 | 7.5 (-4.7, 19.7) | 1.03 (0.88, 1.20) | 12.9 | 31.9 |
| Education Some or completed high school or | 695 | 92.9 | 99.8 | 6.9 (0.5, 13.4) | 0.99 (0.89, 1.10) | 12.9 | 29.2 | 869 | 79.2 | 86 | 6.8 (0.7, 12.9) | 1.03 (0.95, 1.12) | 14.4 | 29.0 |
| GED Completed some college | 1288 | 82.9 | 90.7 | 7.8 (3.6, 12.0) | 1.09 (1.03, 1.16) | 11.7 | 28.8 | 981 | 85.4 | 92.8 | 7.4 (-0.6, 15.3) | 1.05 (0.98, 1.12) | 14.7 | 33.6 |
| College graduate | 777 | 78.6 | 86.1 | 7.5 (0.6, 14.4) | 1.06 (0.96, 1.18) | 14.4 | 31.4 | 1035 | 85.5 | 90.8 | 5.3 (0.5, 10.0) | 1.03 (0.96, 1.11) | 15.5 | 33.0 |
| Body mass index (kg/m²) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <25 | 840 | 82.3 | 93.8 | 11.5 (6.2, 16.9) | 1.13 (1.04, 1.23) | 11.8 | 28.9 | 1105 | 83.4 | 93.2 | 9.8 (5.3, 14.3) | 1.07 (1.00, 1.15) | 15.3 | 31.9 |
| 25<30 | 552 | 88.3 | 95.0 | 6.7 (0.1, 13.3) | 1.11 (1.02, 1.22) | 13.0 | 30.4 | 733 | 76.9 | 78.9 | 2.0 (-4.3, 8.3) | 0.99 (0.90, 1.10) | 12.3 | 28.9 |
| ≥30 | 1237 | 83.6 | 89.4 | 5.8 (0.9, 10.8) | 1.01 (0.94, 1.09) | 12.9 | 29.3 | 1009 | 87.2 | 92.8 | 5.6 (-2.2, 13.4) | 1.03 (0.96, 1.10) | 16.5 | 34.6 |

^a ASA24, Automated Self-administered 24-hour Dietary Assessment Tool.

^b Mean differences are expressed as reported minus observed portion size. Thus, positive differences are indicative of overestimation and negative differences are indicative of underestimation of portion size.

^c Other racial/ethnic identities included American Indian, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, Asian, or another race

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