

STARTER WALKING PLAN

Start out by keeping track of how much you currently walk for a few days.

Use a pedometer or a watch to determine how many minutes of walking you already do or how many steps you take.

From there, you can the following plan add more walking into routine.

Daily Walk	Start (
	Slow		Brisk		Slow		Total Per Day	
	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps
Week 1	5	500	0	0	5	500	10	~1,000
Week 2	5	500	5-8	500-800	5	500	15-18	1,500-1,800
Week 3	5	500	8-11	800-1,100	5	500	18-21	1,800-2,100
Week 4	5	500	11-14	1,100-1,400	5	500	21-24	2,100-2,400
Week 5	5	500	14-17	1,400-1,700	5	500	24-27	2,400-2,700
Week 6	5	500	17-20	1,700-2,000	5	500	27-30	2,700-3,000
Week 7	5	500	20-25	2,000-2,500	5	500	30-35	3,000-3,500
Week 8	5	500	25-30	2,500-3,000	5	500	35-40	3,500-4,000
Week 9	5	500	30-35	3,000-3,500	5	500	40-45	4,000-4,500
Week 10	5	500	35-45	3,500-4,500	5	500	45-55	4,500-5,500
Week 11	5	500	45-55	4,500-5,500	5	500	55-65	5,500-6,500
Week 12+	5	500	Maintain or continue to increase until you reach your goals!		5	500	Maintain or continue to increase.	

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CHART YOUR PROGRESS

Print and fill out weekly to keep track of your progress.



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	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps	Minutes	Steps
Monday								
Tuesday								
Wednesday								
Thursday								
Friday								
Saturday								
Sunday								

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