

Your Kidney Test Results



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Date: _____

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Tests	Results	Why It Is Important
Glomerular Filtration Rate (GFR)	CKD is less than 60 Your Result:	GFR estimates how well your kidneys are filtering blood. The goal is to keep your GFR from going down.
Urine Albumin-to-Creatinine Ratio (UACR)	CKD is more than 30 Your Result:	Urine albumin checks for kidney damage. The lower the result, the better.

Other Important Tests	Results	Why It Is Important
Blood Pressure	Goal: Your Result:	High blood pressure makes the heart work harder and can damage blood vessels in the kidneys.
Serum Albumin	Normal: 3.4 to 5.0* Your Result:	Albumin is a protein that helps measure how well you are eating.
Bicarbonate	Normal: More than 22 Your Result:	Bicarbonate measures the acid level in your blood.
Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN)	Normal: Less than 20 Your Result:	BUN checks how much urea, a waste product, is in your blood.
Potassium	Normal: 3.5 to 5.0* Your Result:	Potassium affects how your nerves and muscles are working. High or low levels can be dangerous.
Calcium	Normal: 8.5 to 10.2* Your Result:	Calcium keeps your bones strong and your heart rhythm steady. CKD can lower the amount of calcium in your bones.
Phosphorus	Normal: 2.7 to 4.6* Your Result:	Phosphorus is important for strong bones and healthy blood vessels. High levels may cause soft bones, hard blood vessels and itchy skin.
Parathyroid Hormone (PTH)	Normal: Less than 65 Your Result:	PTH controls the calcium and phosphorus levels in your blood. It is needed to keep bones and blood vessels healthy.
Vitamin D	Normal: 20 or more Your Result:	Vitamin D is important for bones and heart health.

*Normal ranges may vary.

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Other Important Tests, continued	Results	Why It Is Important
A1C (for patients with diabetes)	Goal: Your Result:	A1C estimates average blood sugar levels over 2 to 3 months.
Total Cholesterol	Normal: Less than 200 Your Result:	Cholesterol measures the amount of fat in your blood. Too much cholesterol can clog blood vessels or arteries in the heart and kidneys.
HDL Cholesterol	Normal: More than 40 Your Result:	HDL is the good cholesterol and clears bad fats out of your arteries.
LDL Cholesterol	Normal: Less than 100 Your Result:	LDL is the bad cholesterol and can clog your arteries.
Triglycerides	Normal: Less than 150 Your Result:	Triglyceride is a type of fat in the blood.
Hemoglobin (Hgb)	Normal: 12 to 17* Your Result:	Low hemoglobin is a sign of anemia. You may feel tired if you have anemia.

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For more information, visit www.nkdep.nih.gov or call 1-866-4 KIDNEY (1-866-454-3639).

The National Kidney Disease Education Program (NKDEP) encourages people to get tested for kidney disease and educates those with kidney disease and their providers about treatments that can help delay or prevent kidney failure. NKDEP is a program of the National Institutes of Health.

