# **Cheesy Crunchers**

There's just no substitute for the taste explosion of real Cheddar mixed with a good crunch, protein and reduced sodium. This crunchy, cheesy cracker livens up everything from soup to salad and makes a great snack. The use of permeate and reduced- sodium Cheddar cheese allows for 55% less sodium than a similar cheese snack.\* Plus, it's a good source of protein with 10% of Daily Value (5g protein) per serving.



# **MARKET INSIGHTS**

- Whey protein, as part of a diet higher in protein, helps curb hunger. When not hungry, consumers may be less likely to reach for unhealthy snacks.
- As people become aware of how much sodium they consume, a convenient low-sodium snacking option is appealing.

### INGREDIENTS

	Usage Levels (%)
All-purpose flour	23.67
Water	20.85
Reduced-sodium Cheddar cheese	17.62
Butter, unsalted	16.32
Whey protein concentrate 60	8.16
Whey crisps 50%	6.52
Whey permeate (dairy protein solids)	4.90
Cheese powder	1.96
Total	100.00

Contains: milk

# **BENEFITS OF USING U.S. DAIRY**

#### Cheese

 Provides flavor and functionality that can be tailored to specific applications, including low-sodium options

### **Unsalted Butter**

- · Gives a delicious and authentic flavor
- Whey Protein Concentrate 60
- · Boosts protein content and helps prevent moisture loss

# Whey Crisps

Provides a source of high-quality protein in a pleasing crunchy texture

### Whey Permeate

- Enhances flavors and salt perception
- Improves surface browning

### **NUTRITIONAL CONTENT**

### U.S. Label

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Serving Size (30g) Servings Per Container

Amount Per Se	rving			
Calories 10	0 Calo	ories fron	n Fat 60	
		% Da	aily Value*	
Total Fat 7g	I		10%	
Saturated	Fat 4g		19%	
Trans Fat	0g			
Cholesterol	15mg		6%	
Sodium 50n	-		2%	
Total Carbo	0	8a	3%	
		-9	1%	
Sugars 0g				
Protein 5g			10%	
Vitamin A 2%	6.	Vitamin (	C 0%	
Calcium 6%	•	Iron 2%		
*Percent Daily V diet. Your daily v depending on yo	alues may b	e higher or		
Total Fat Saturated Fat Cholesterol Sodium Total Carbohydr Dietary Fiber Protein	Less than Less than Less than Less than ate	65g 20g 300mg 2,400mg 300g 25g 50g	80g 25g 300mg 2,400mg 375g 30g 65g	

Calories per gram: Fat 9 • Carbohydrate 4 • Protein 4



# PREPARATION

- 1. Place all ingredients in a bowl and mix on low speed until ingredients come together to form a ball.
- 2. Sheet to 10 mm thickness, cut into small pieces (approx. 1 x 1 cm) and place on parchment-lined cookie sheet.
- 3. Bake 13 minutes at 350°F.
- 4. Cool on cookie sheet.

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