Table 12: Three-day meal plan for infants aged 9 to 12 months

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Breakfast		
Infant rice, iron fortified (5 tablespoons)	Infant muesli, iron fortified (4 tablespoons)	Infant cereal, iron fortified (3 tablespoons)
Apple, stewed (3 tablespoons)	Pears, stewed or canned and	Fruit salad, canned and mashed
Breast milk or formula to mix	mashed (3 tablespoons) Breast milk or formula to mix	(3 tablespoons)
Mid-morning snack		
Cheese on toast (½ slice)	Toasted bread, white (1/4 slice)	Puffed crispbread (1)
Kiwifruit (3 pieces)	Margarine, low salt (½ teaspoon)	Cheese, Edam (2 thin slices)
	Avocado (2 teaspoons)	Carrot, raw, finely grated (2 tablespoons)
Lunch		
Soft pasta spirals (½ cup), chopped, mixed with kumara (1 tablespoon), mashed and cottage cheese (1 tablespoon)	White toast (1 slice) Margarine, low salt (½ teaspoon) Vegemite (1 teaspoon)	Chicken casserole with vegetables (2 tablespoons) Mashed potato (2 tablespoons)
Pieces of peeled, soft melon (4 tablespoons)	Cheese, Edam, grated (1 tablespoon)	
	Banana, 3 pieces	
Mid-afternoon snack		
Banana custard (3 tablespoons)	Fruit yoghurt (1/4 cup)	Puffed crispbread (1)
Puffed crispbread (1)	Peaches, canned, mashed	Margarine, low salt (½ teaspoon)
	(3 tablespoons) Weetbix, crushed (3 tablespoons)	Soft pear pieces (1/4 of a pear)
Dinner		
Cooked, mashed fish (1/4 cup)	Chicken casserole with vegetables	Spaghetti noodles, chopped
Potato wedges (2)	(½ cup)	(2 tablespoons)
Cooked, mashed mixed vegetables (1 tablespoon)	Carrot, mashed or soft finger food sized pieces (1 tablespoon)	Tomato and meat sauce (4 tablespoons)
		Mashed or chopped soft broccoli and carrot (1 tablespoon)
Total breast milk or formula for the day		
Breast milk or formula (2 ½ cup)	Breast milk or formula (2 ½ cup)	Breast milk or formula (2 ½ cup)

Metric conversion:

1 tablespoon = 15 ml 1 cup = 250 ml

Finger foods need to be in a size that can be easily picked up by infant.

Table 13: Summary of the nutritional analysis of the three-day meal plan for infants aged 9 to 12 months, average per day

	Average
Weight of food and fluid (g)	970
Fluid (mL)	788
Energy (kJ)	3265
Energy (kcal)	777
Carbohydrate (g)	91
Protein (g)	29
Total fat (g)	34
Fibre (g) (Englyst)	5
Saturated fat (g)	14
Calcium (mg)	581
Iron (mg)	10
Sodium (mg)	655
Zinc (mg)	5.1
Selenium (µ)	21
Vitamin C (mg)	96
Total vitamin A equivalents (μg)	860