Calculating Beef Labels

Example: Label says: "Natural Lean Ground Beef: 91/9"

Assumption: This beef is 91% protein and 9% fat

<u>Label information (PER OZ):</u> 80 calories

6.0 gms protein6.0 gms fat

1 gm protein = 4 calories 1 gm fat = 9 calories

Calculate Actual Fat:

6 grams fat x 9 calories/gram = 54 calories in fat 54 calories fat / 80 calories total = 67% fat

Calculate Actual Protein:

6 grams protein x 4 calories/gram = 24 calories in protein 24 calories protein / 80 calories total = 30 % protein

Standard Beef Labels(PER OZ)Calories		Grams Protein	Grams Fat
"Regular" Ground Beef	80	4.5	6.5
"Lean" Ground Beef	80	6.0	6.0
"Extra Lean" Ground Beef	80	6.5	5.5