

**Table 4.** Estimated cost of mammalian brains.

Number of neurons	Total glucose use per minute ( $\mu\text{mol}/\text{min}$ )	Total glucose use per day ( $\mu\text{mol}/\text{day}$ )	Total glucose use per day (g/day)	Total caloric cost per day (kCal/day)
<b>1 million</b>	<b>0.00579</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>0.0015</b>	<b>0.006</b>
<b>10 million</b>	<b>0.0579</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>0.015</b>	<b>0.060</b>
Smoky shrew, 36 million <sup>1</sup>	0.2084	300	0.05	0.2
Mouse, 71 million <sup>2</sup>	0.4111	592	0.11	0.4
<b>100 million</b>	<b>0.579</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Rat, 200 million <sup>2</sup>	1.158	1667	0.30	1.2
Marmoset, 636 million <sup>3</sup>	3.68	5302	1.0	3.8
Agouti, 795 million <sup>2</sup>	4.60	6628	1.2	4.8
<b>1 billion</b>	<b>5.79</b>	<b>8337</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>
Owl monkey <sup>3</sup> , capybara <sup>2</sup> , 1.5 billion	8.68	12506	2.2	9.0
Macaque, 6.4 billion <sup>3</sup>	37.0	53361	9.6	38
<b>10 billion</b>	<b>57.9</b>	<b>83376</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>60</b>
Baboon, 11 billion <sup>4</sup>	63.7	91713	16	66
Orangutan, 30 billion <sup>5</sup>	173.7	250128	45.02	180
Human, 86 billion <sup>6</sup>	497.9	717033	129	516
<b>100 billion</b>	<b>579.0</b>	<b>833760</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>600</b>

<sup>1</sup>From (39);<sup>2</sup>From (23);<sup>3</sup>From (24);<sup>4</sup>From (25);<sup>5</sup>Estimated as 1/3 the number of neurons in the human cerebral cortex;<sup>6</sup>From (26).

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