

# ENERGY PYRAMID

<b>Apex Predators</b>
<b>Tertiary Consumers</b> Large Carnivores (e.g., Hawks, Sharks) 0.1% Energy
<b>Secondary Consumers</b> Carnivores/Omnivores (e.g., Snakes, Small Fish) 1% Energy
<b>Primary Consumers</b> Herbivores (e.g., Rabbits, Zooplankton) 10% Energy
<b>Producers</b> Photosynthetic Organisms (e.g., Grass, Phytoplankton) 100% Energy

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## Ecosystem Notes:

### Key Concept:

The 10% Rule: Only about 10% of the energy at one trophic level is passed on to the next. The remaining 90% is lost as heat or used for metabolic processes.