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Butter has 6.0 cal/g ($= 6000 \text{ cal/kg}$)

How much butter gets you up Mt. Everest?

You need to gain $U = mgh$ gravitational potential energy.

$$\text{so } U = 73.0 \text{ kg} \cdot 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 8.84 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$= 6.32 \times 10^6 \text{ J} \cdot \frac{1.00 \text{ cal}}{4.186 \text{ J}} = 1.51 \times 10^6 \text{ cal}$$

at 6000 cal/g , that's

$$\frac{1.51 \times 10^6 \text{ cal}}{6000 \text{ cal/g}} = \boxed{252 \text{ g}}$$

