



Bangladesh



Country report card - under-5s

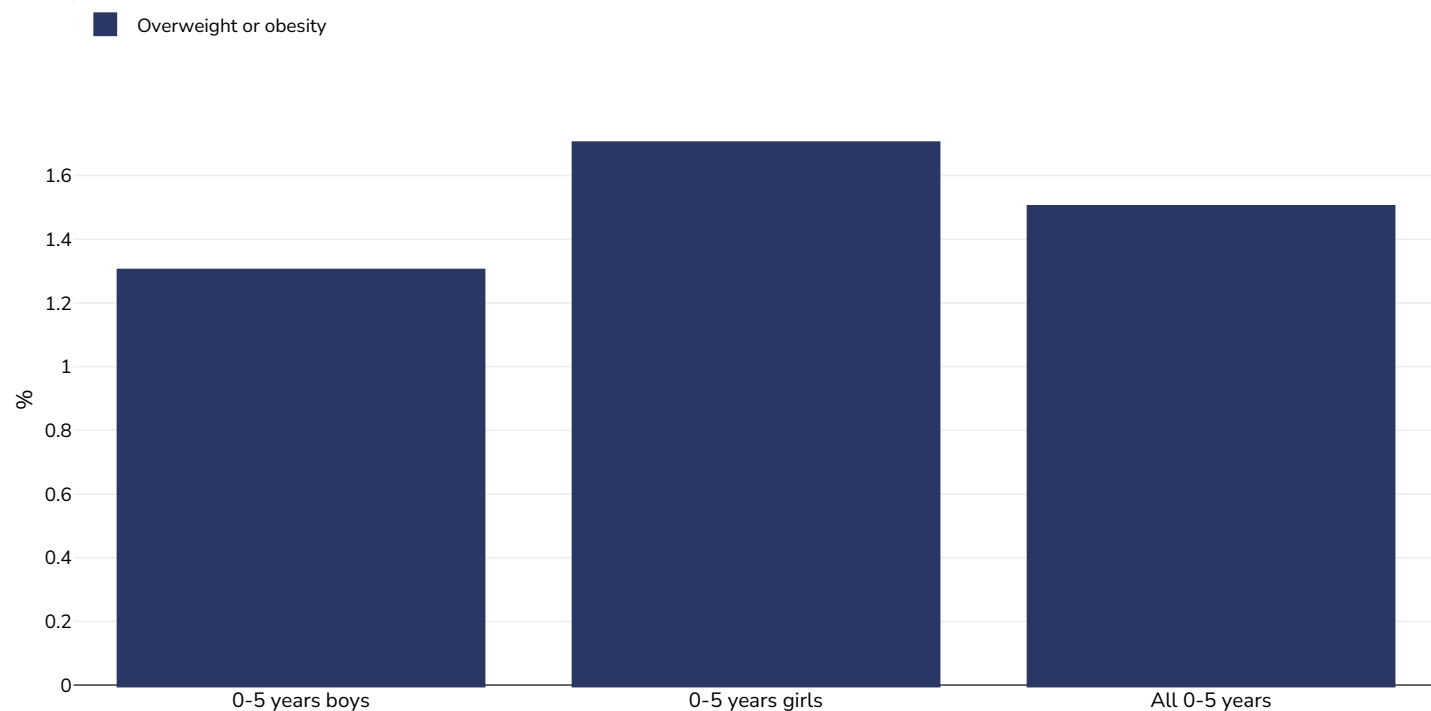
This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity for children under 5. Where available, data on common and relevant obesity drivers and comorbidities are also presented.

View the latest version of this report on the Global Obesity Observatory at <https://data.worldobesity.org/country/bangladesh-16/>.

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Obesity prevalence

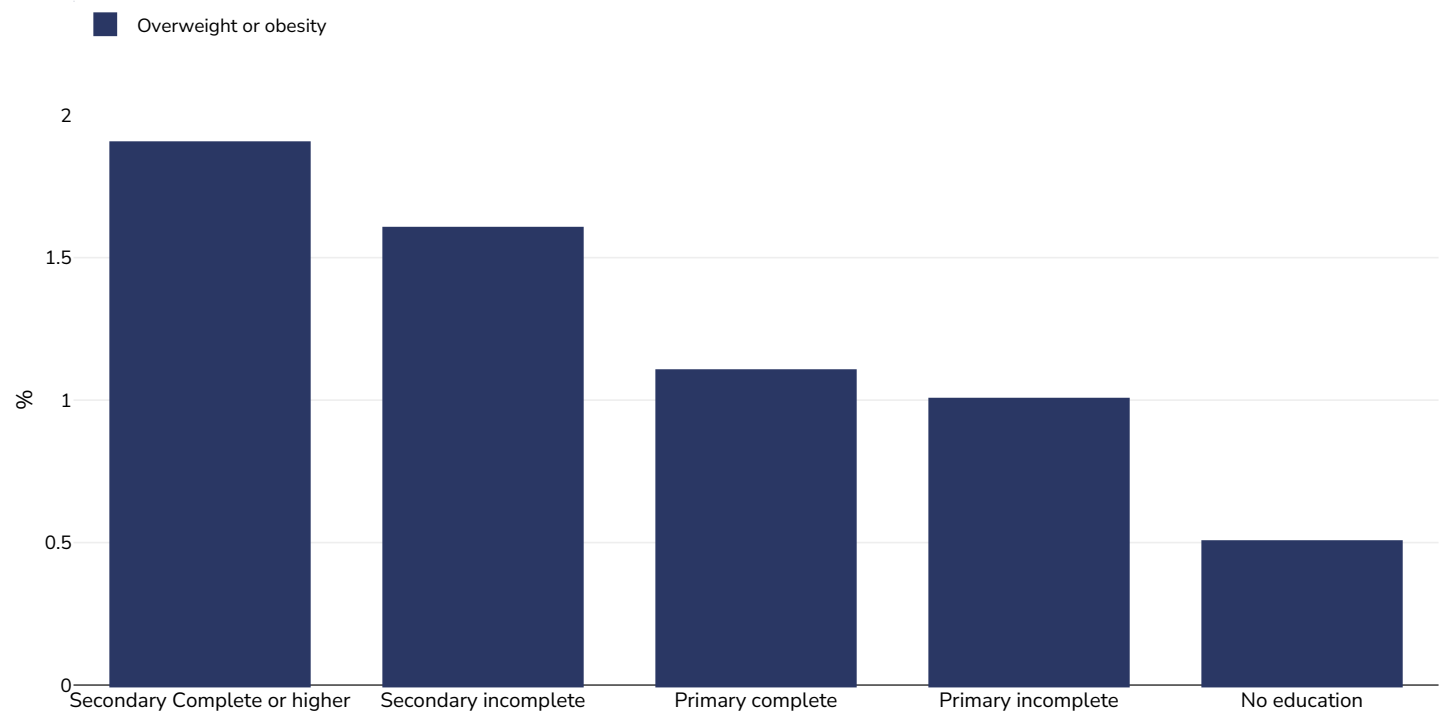
0-5 years, 2022



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	0-5
Sample size:	4313
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Definitions:	Weight for height
Cutoffs:	+2 SD

Overweight/obesity by education

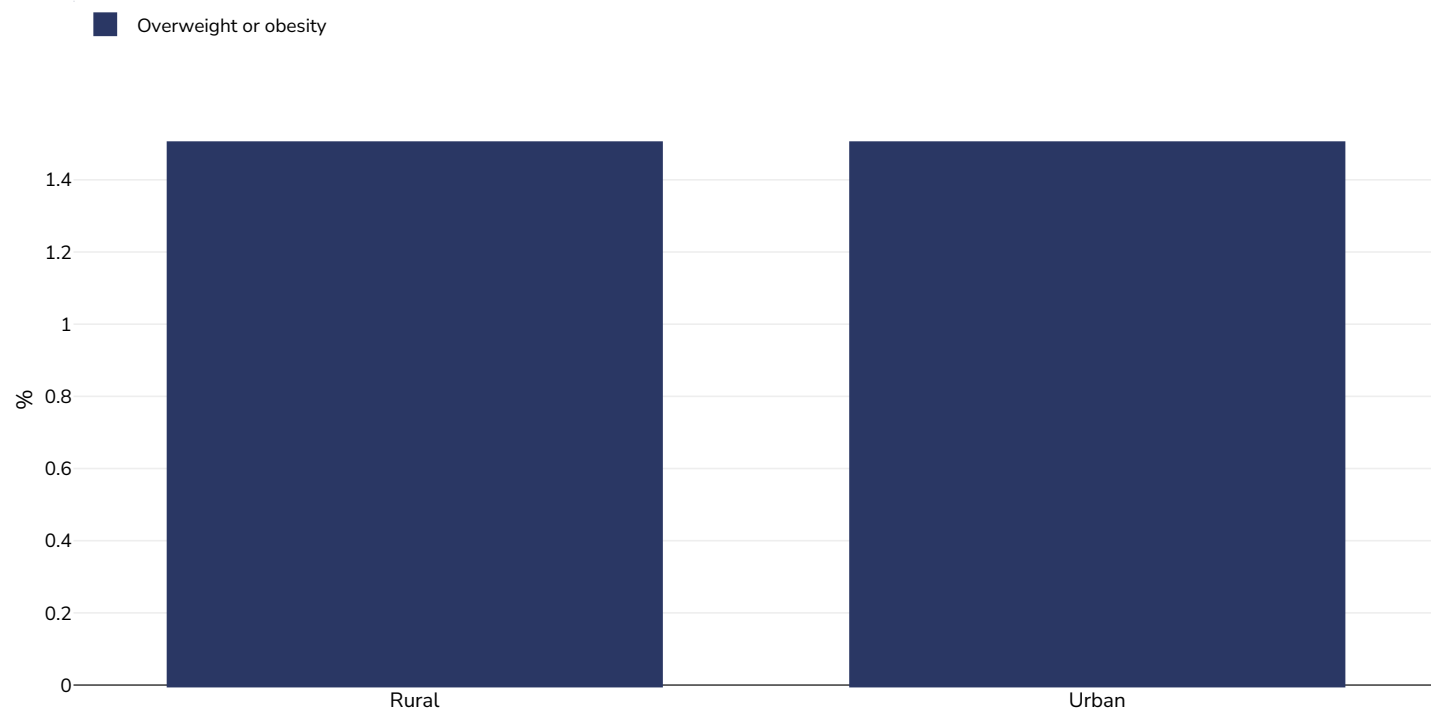
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Overweight/obesity by region

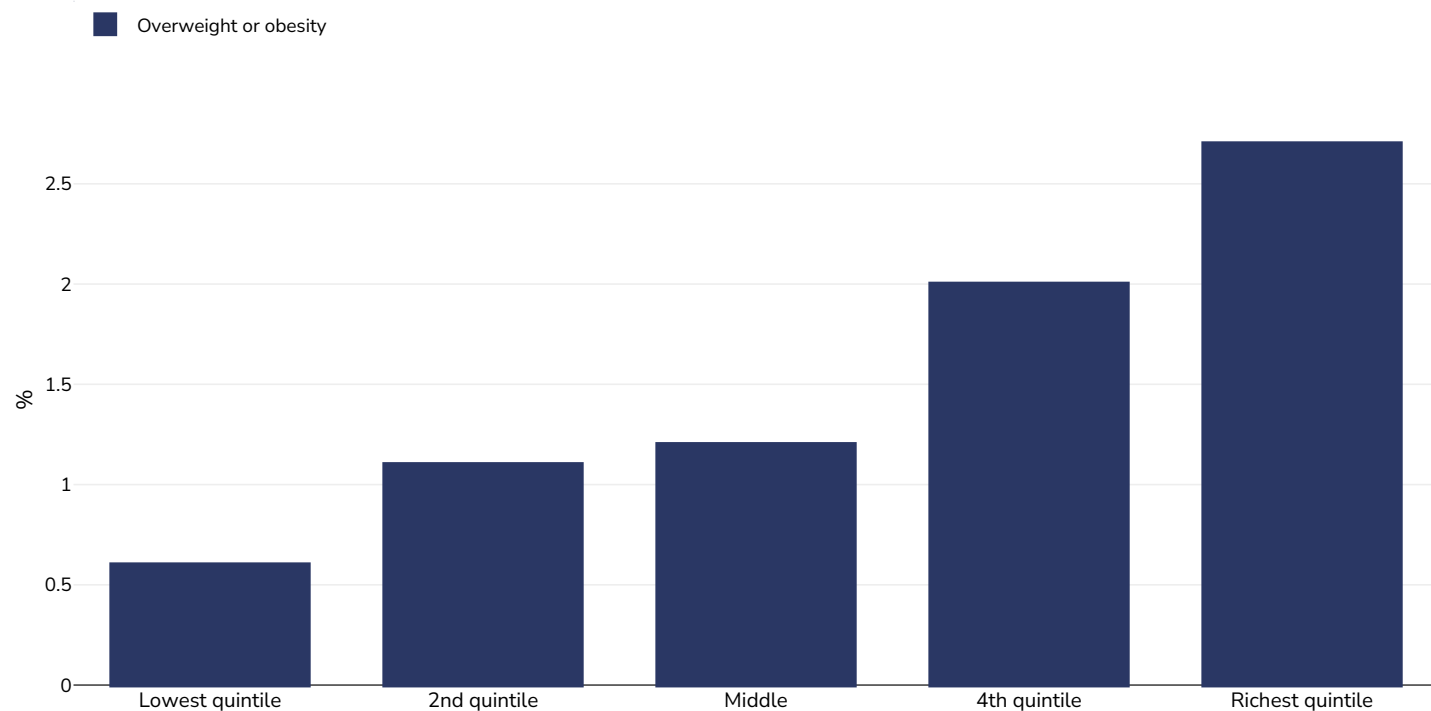
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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

0-5 years, 2022



Survey type: Measured

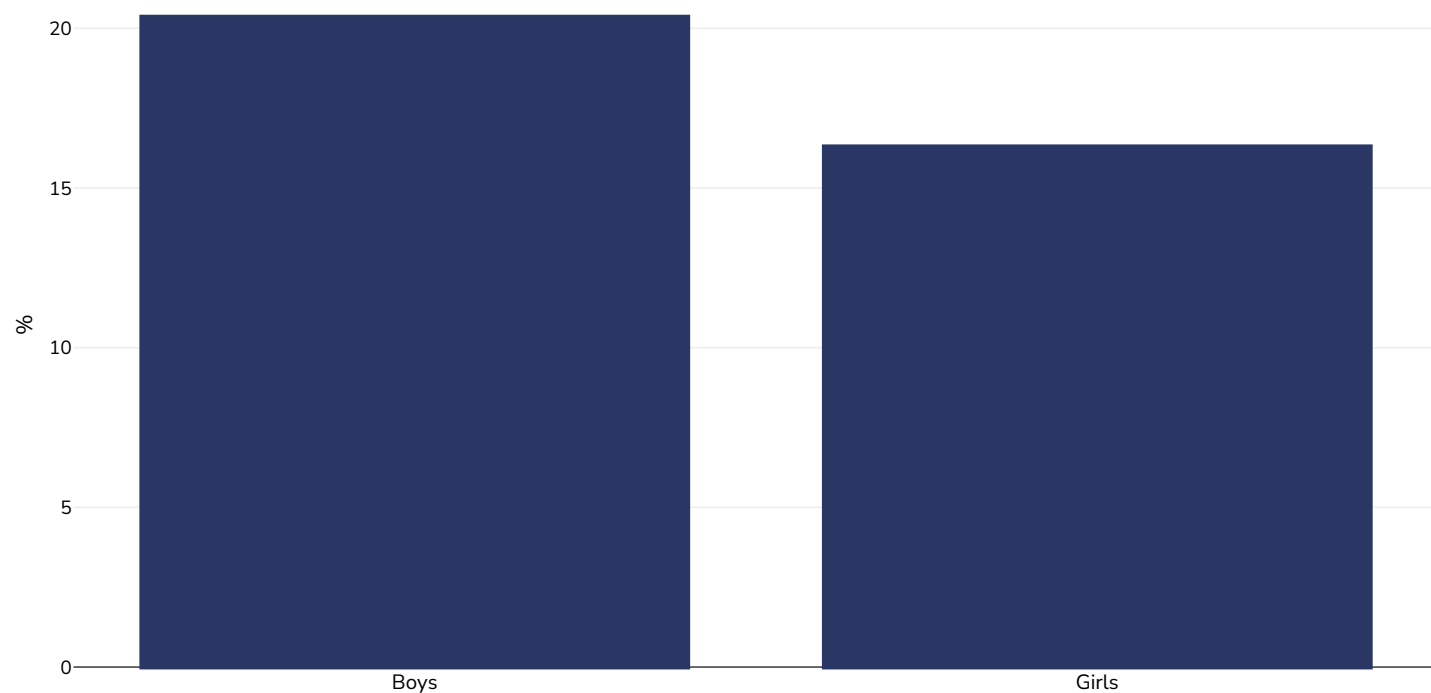
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Double burden of underweight & overweight

0-5 years, 2019-2019



Survey type: Measured

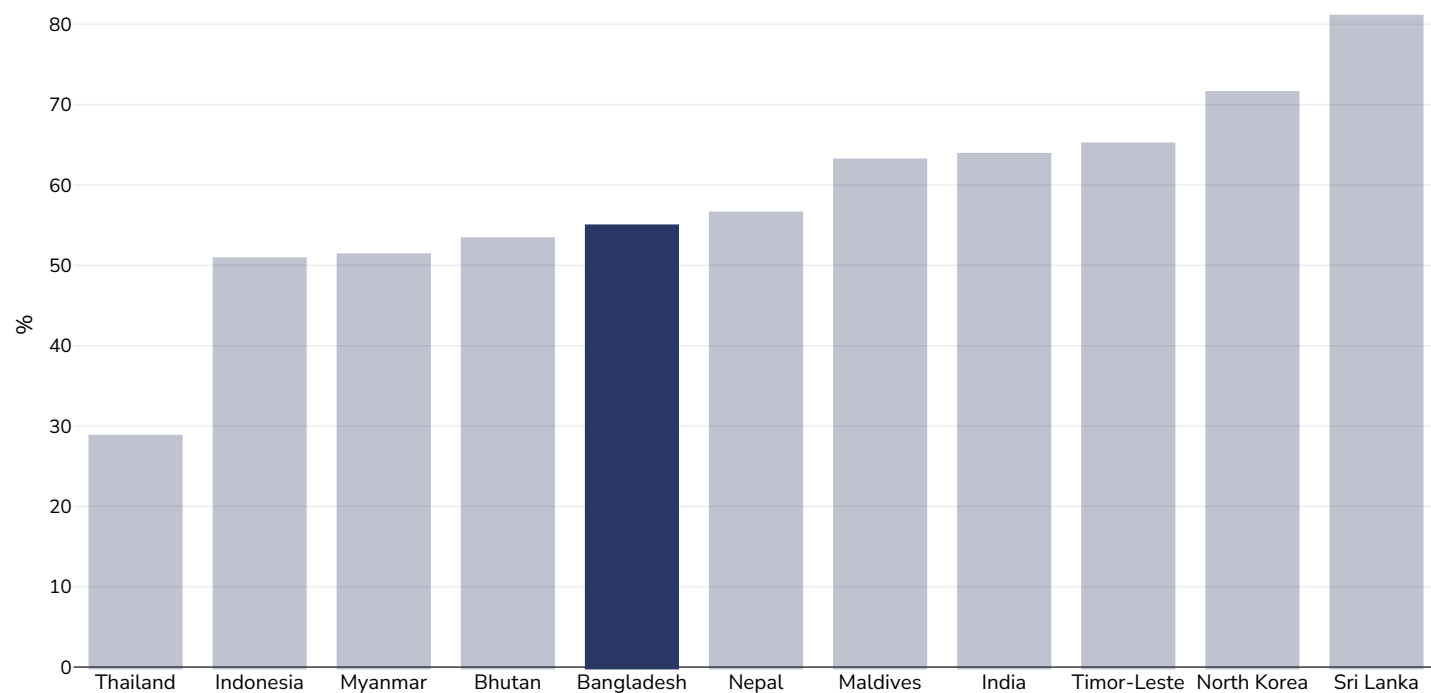
Age: 0-5

References: UNICEF data available at <https://data.unicef.org/topic/nutrition/malnutrition/> (last accessed 12.03.25)

Notes: Children under 5 falling below -2 standard deviations from the median height for age and falling at or above +2 standard deviations from the median weight-for-height of the reference population

% Infants exclusively breastfed 0-5 months

0-5 years, 2015-2022



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Bangladesh Demographic Health Survey 2022

Notes:

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