

Report card Ireland



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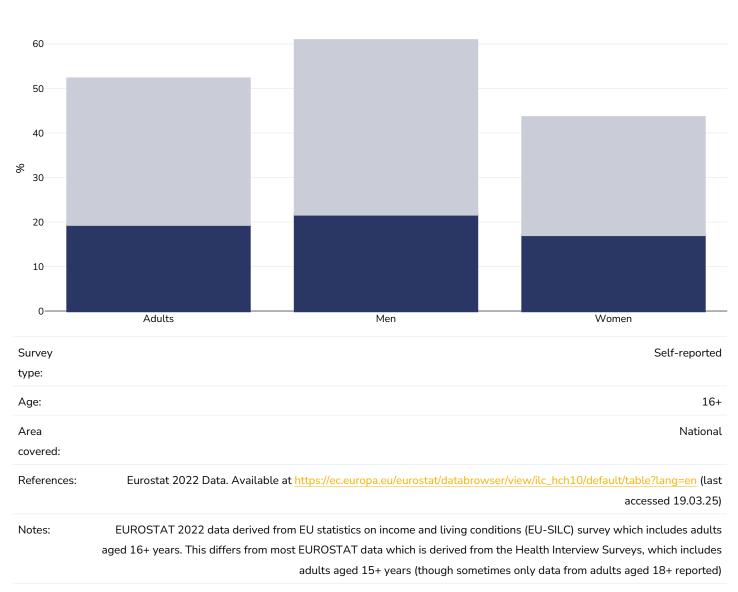
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Obesity prevalence

Adults, 2022

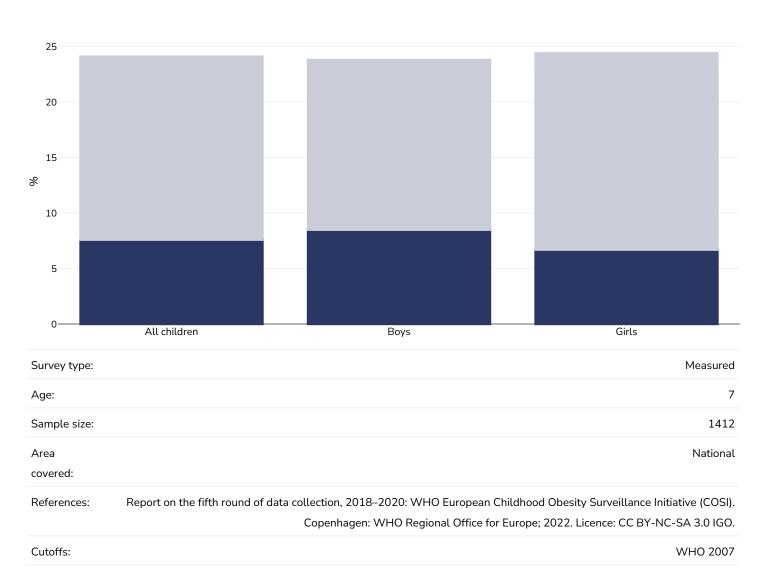
Obesity Overweight





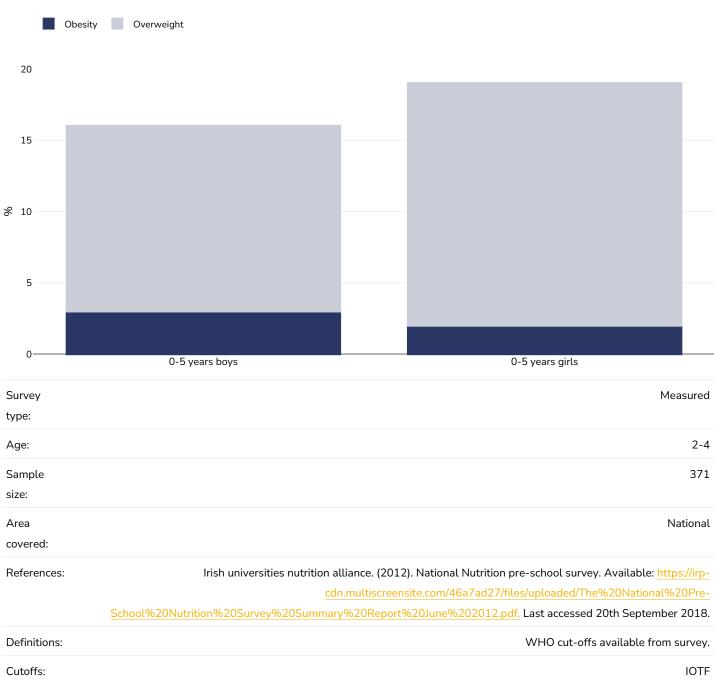
Children, 2018-2020

Obesity Overweight





0-5 years, 2010-2011



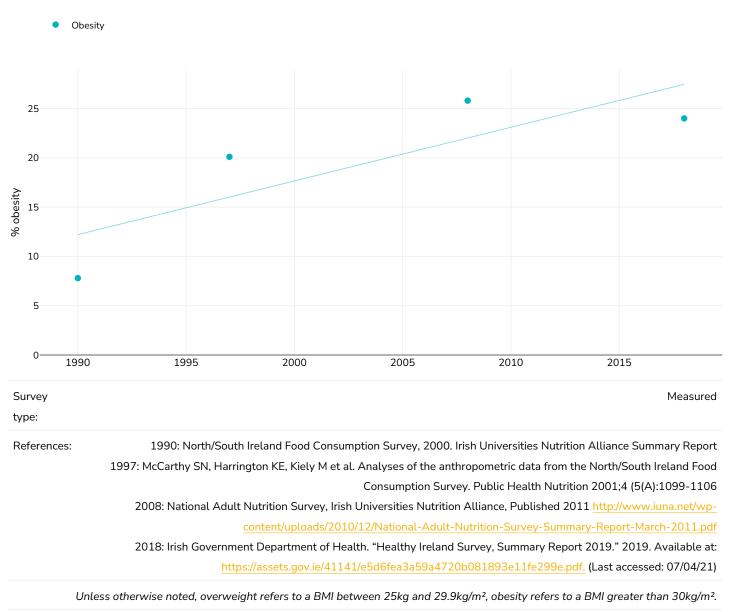


% Adults living with obesity in Ireland 1990-2008





Men



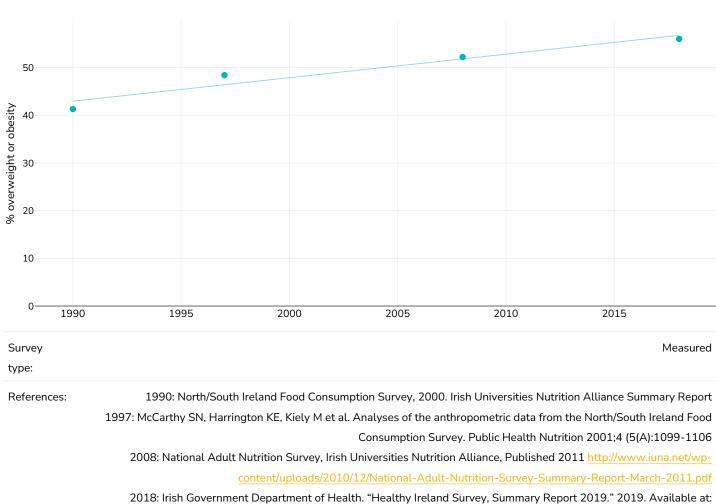


% Adults living with overweight or obesity in Ireland 1990-2008

Women

Notes:

Overweight or obesity



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Adults aged 18-64

Unless otherwise noted, overweight refers to a BMI between 25kg and 29.9kg/m², obesity refers to a BMI greater than 30kg/m².



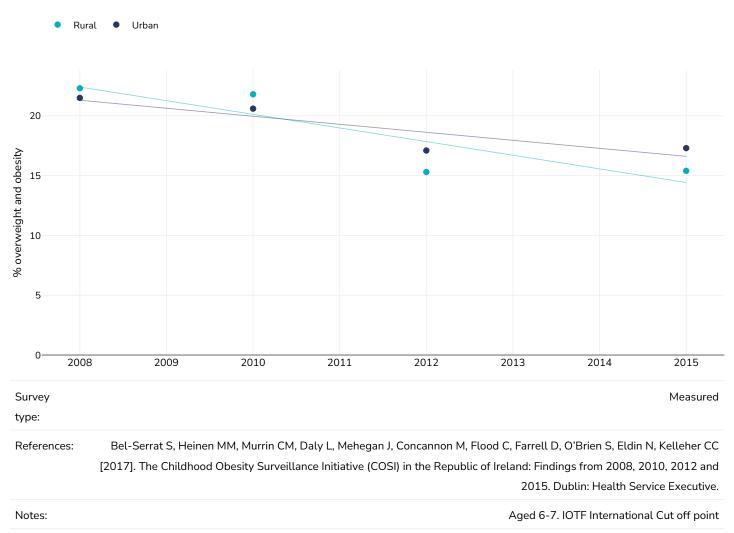
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Overweight or obesity

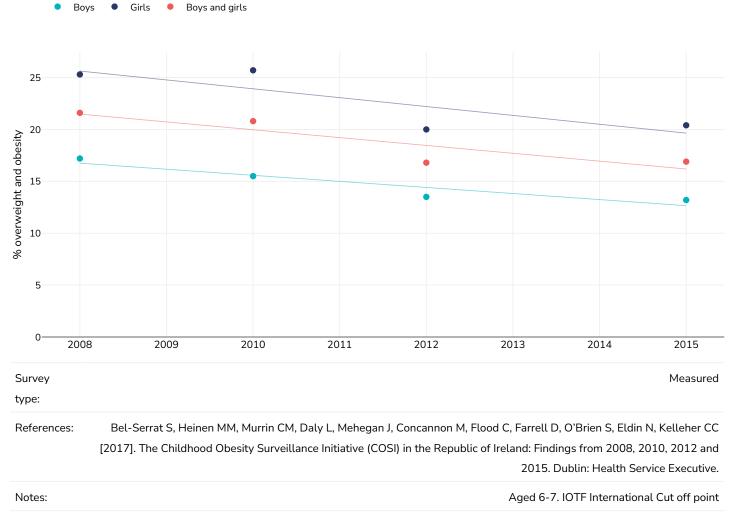




% Children living with overweight or obesity by urbanisation in Ireland 2008-2015



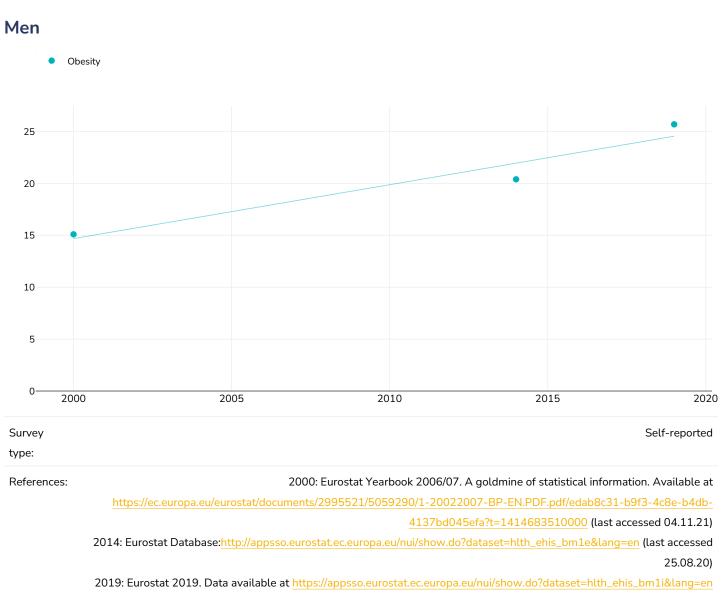




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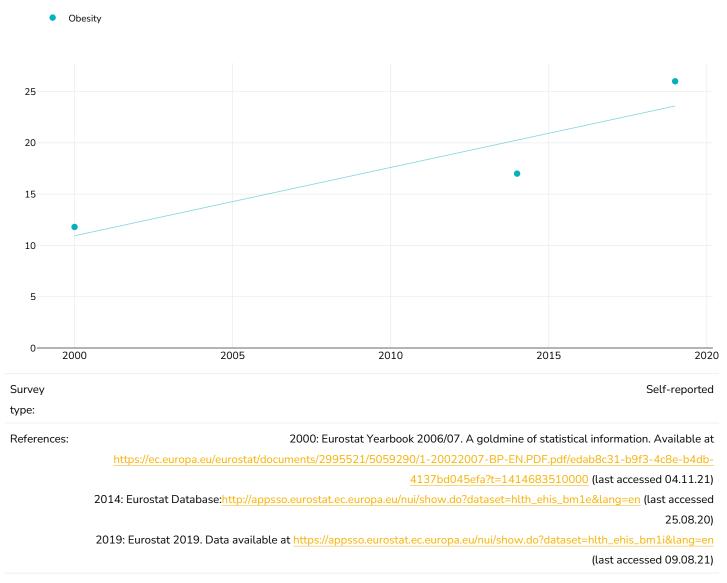
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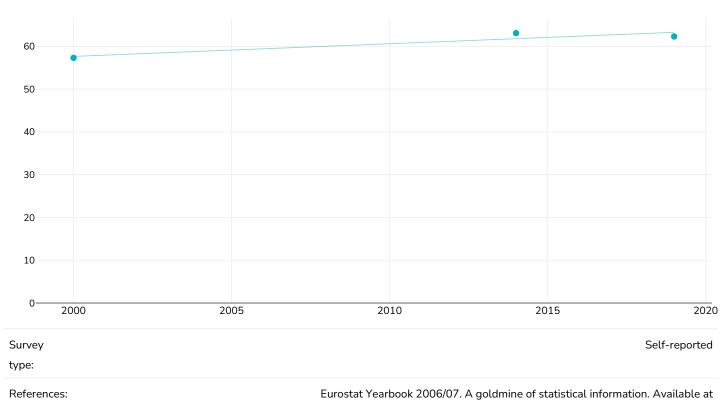




Trend adult overweight obesity 2000 2019

Men

• Overweight or obesity



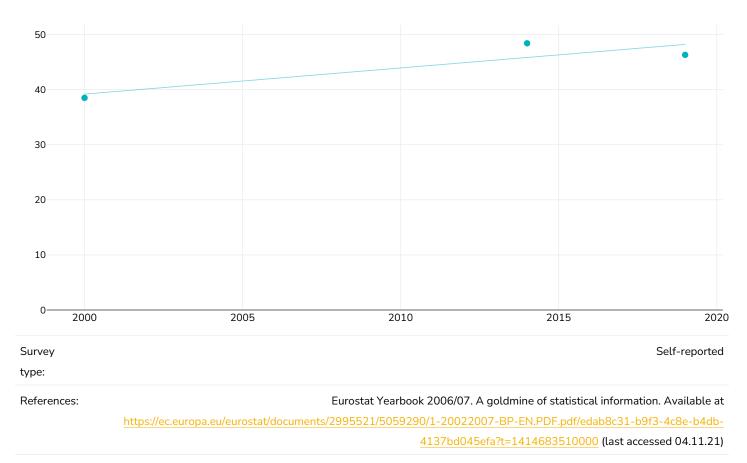
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Women

• Overweight or obesity

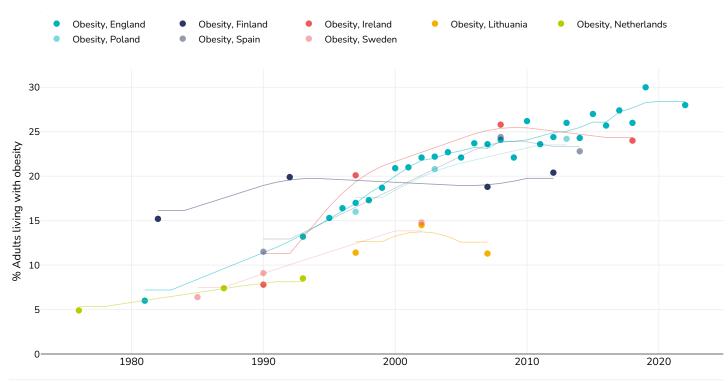




% Adults living with obesity in Europe 1976-2018, selected countries



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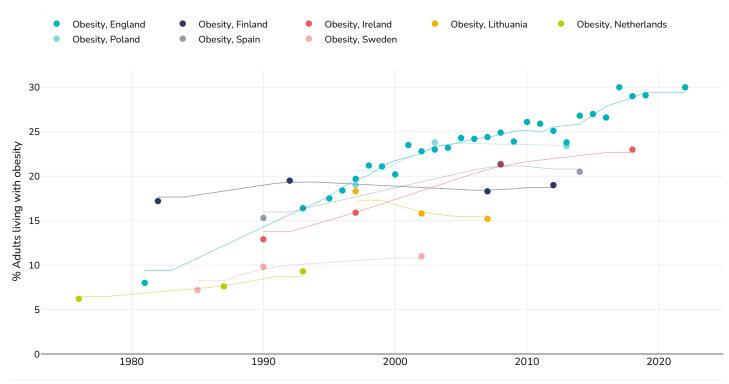
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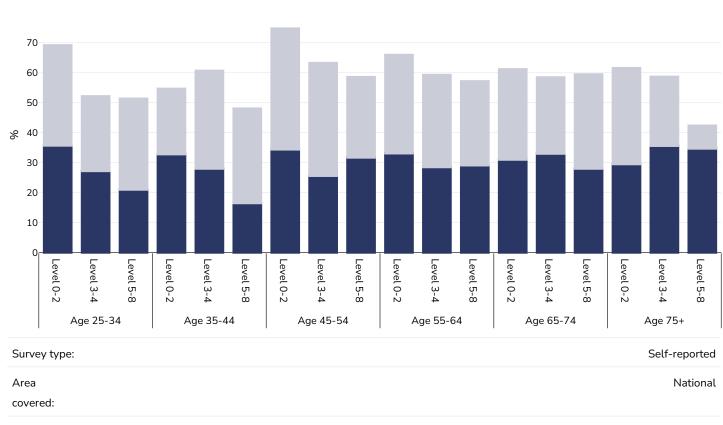




Overweight/obesity by age and education

Adults, 2019

Obesity Overweight



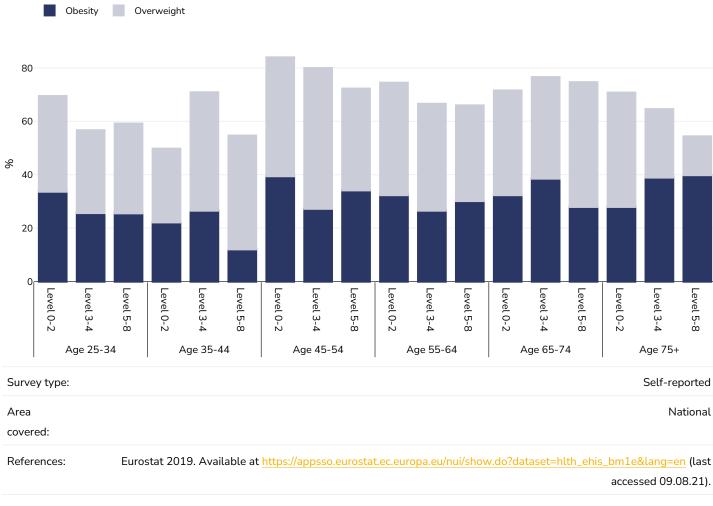
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Men, 2019



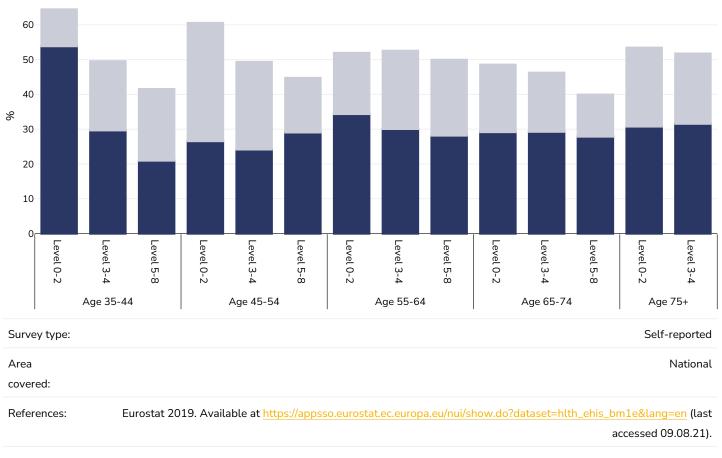
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Women, 2019





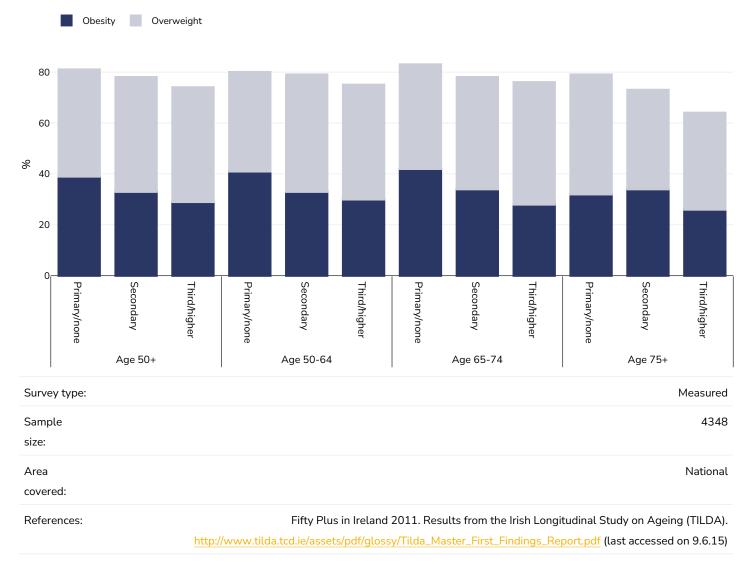
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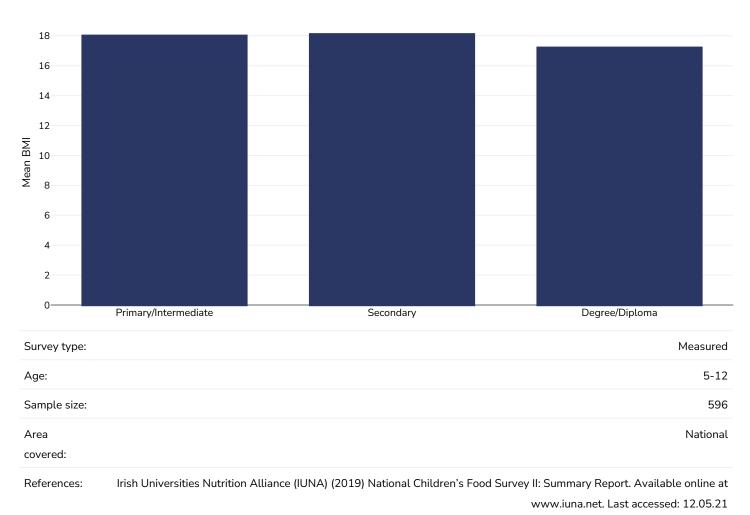
Overweight/obesity by education

Adults, 2009-2010





Children, 2017-2018

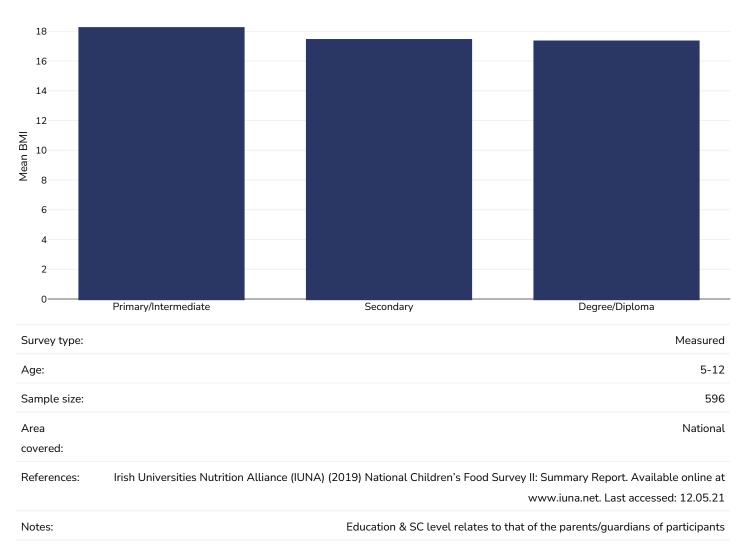


Notes:	Education & SC level relates to that of the parents/guardians of participants
Cutoffs:	IOTF



Boys, 2017-2018

Mean BMI

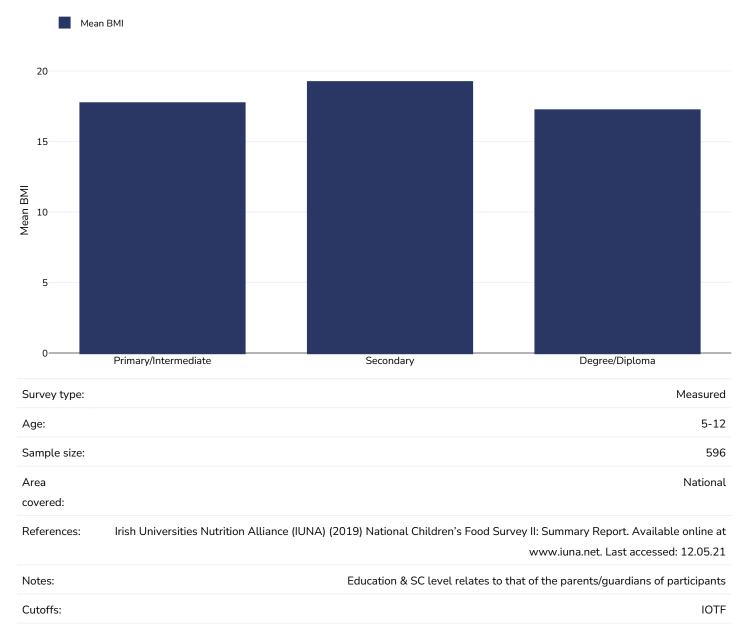


IOTF

Cutoffs:



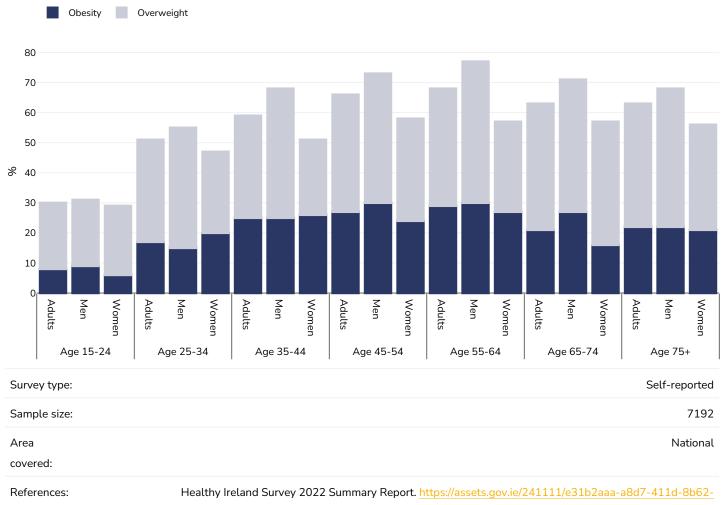
Girls, 2017-2018





Overweight/obesity by age

Adults, 2021-2022

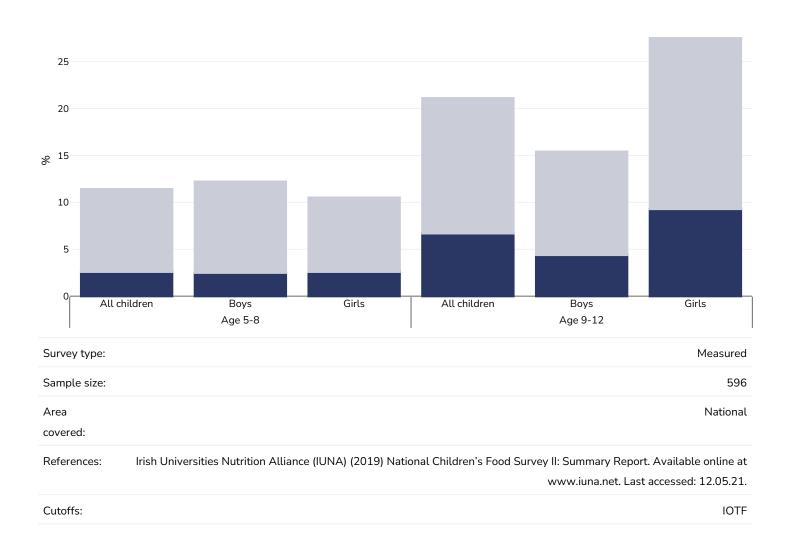


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Children, 2017-2018

Obesity Overweight

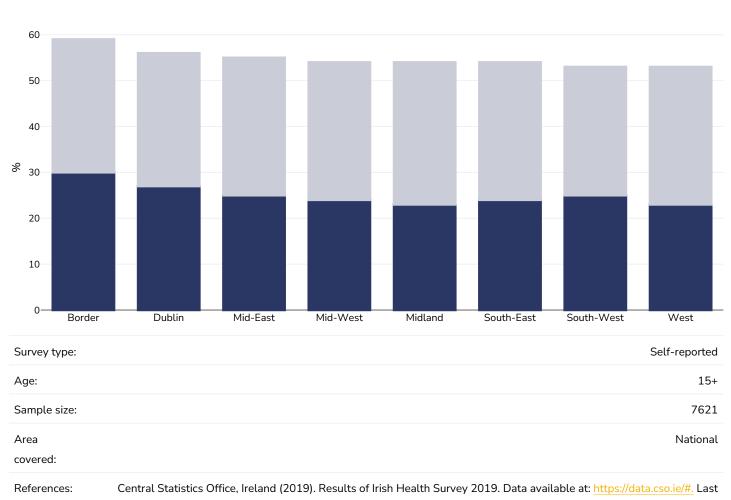




Overweight/obesity by region

Adults, 2019

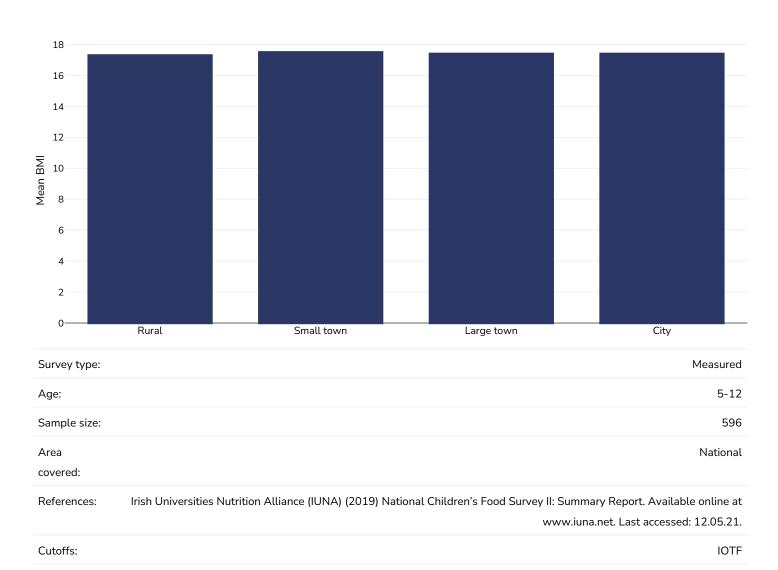
Obesity Overweight



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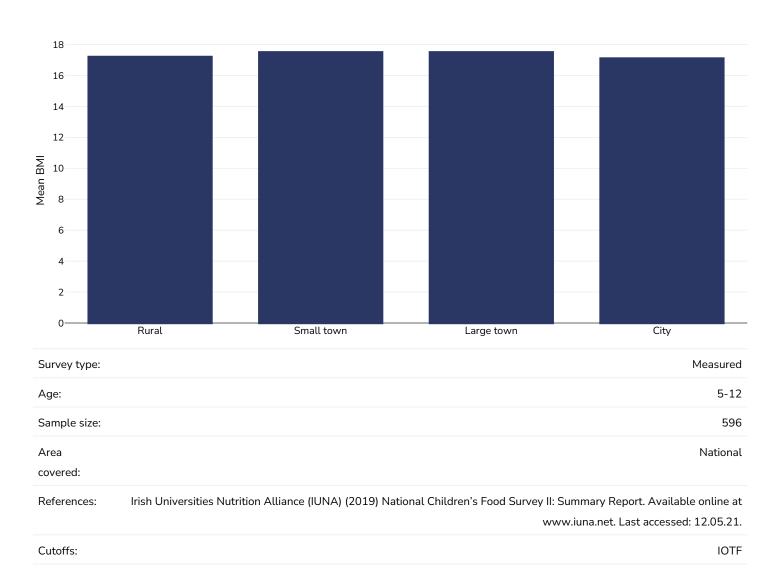


Children, 2017-2018



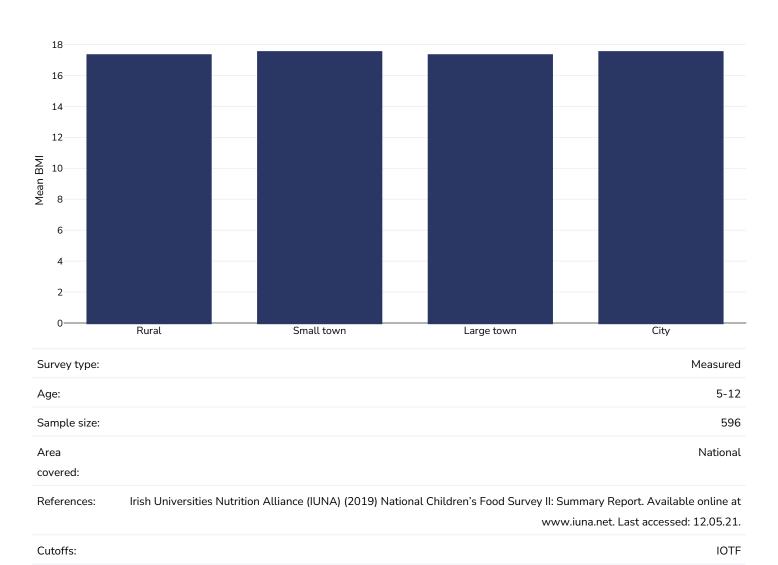


Boys, 2017-2018





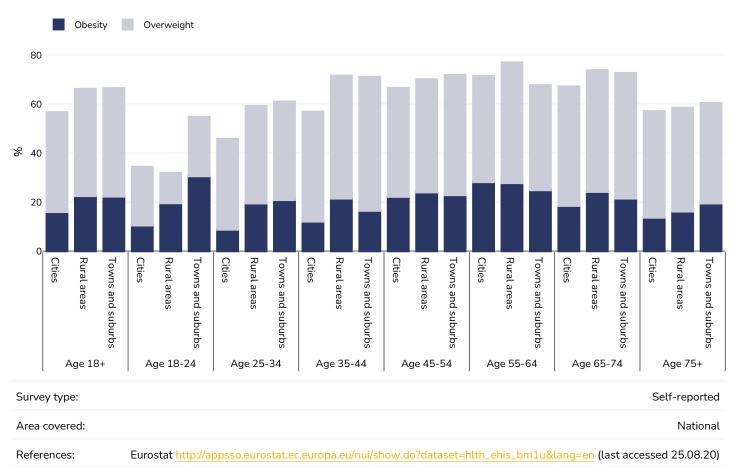
Girls, 2017-2018





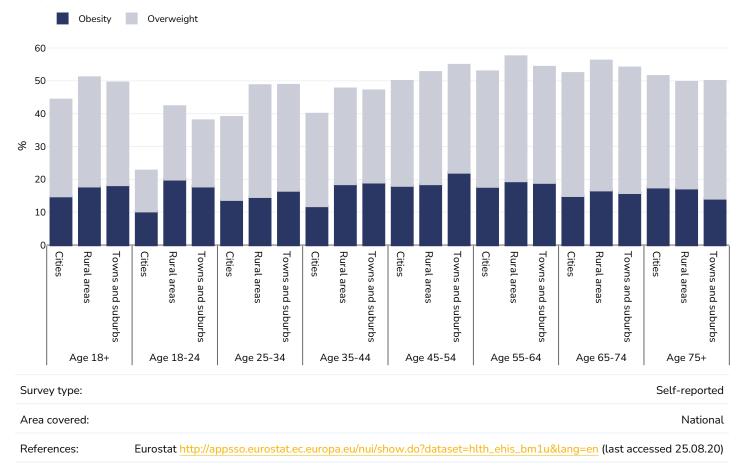
Overweight/obesity by age and region

Men, 2014





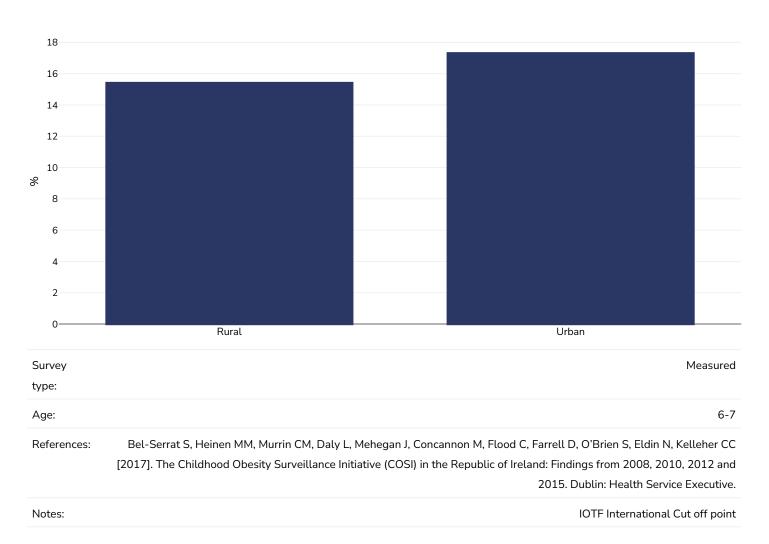
Women, 2014





Children, 2015

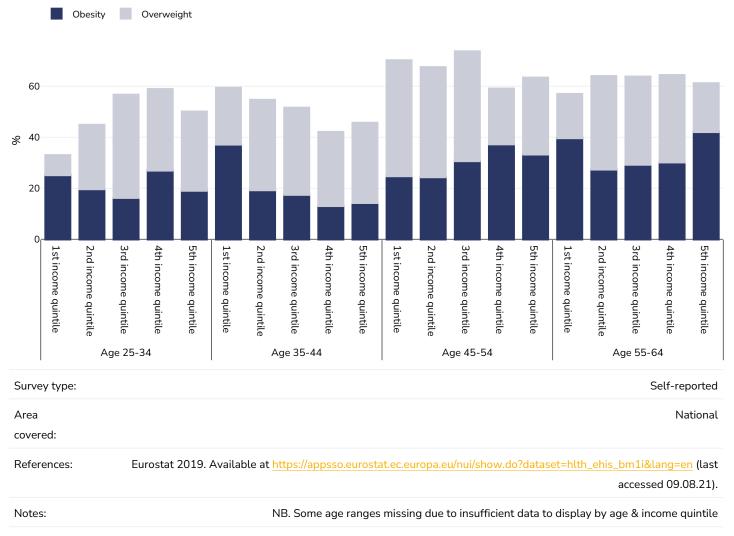
Overweight or obesity





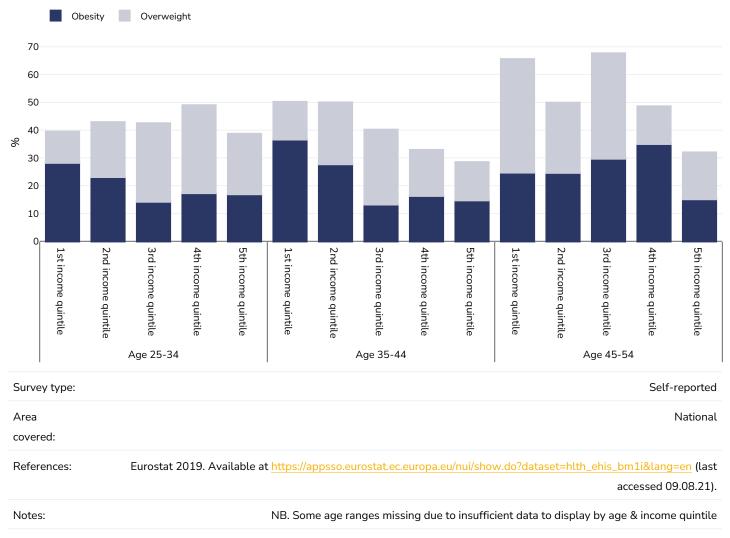
Overweight/obesity by age and socio-economic group

Adults, 2019





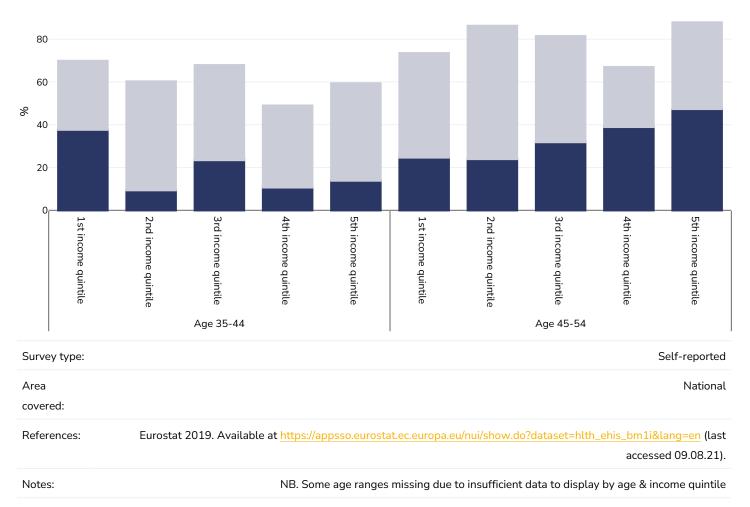
Women, 2019





Men, 2019

Obesity Overweight

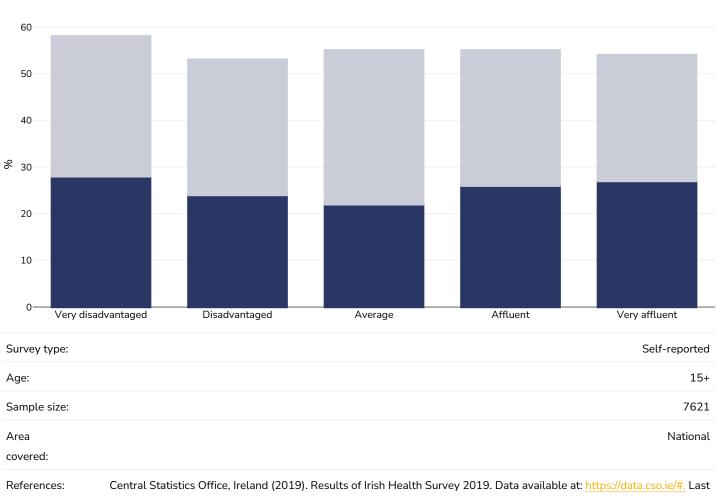




Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

Adults, 2019

Obesity Overweight

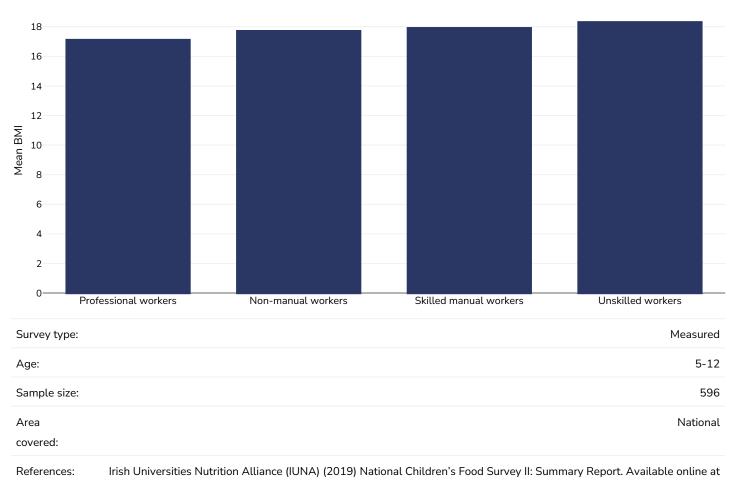


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Children, 2017-2018

Mean BMI



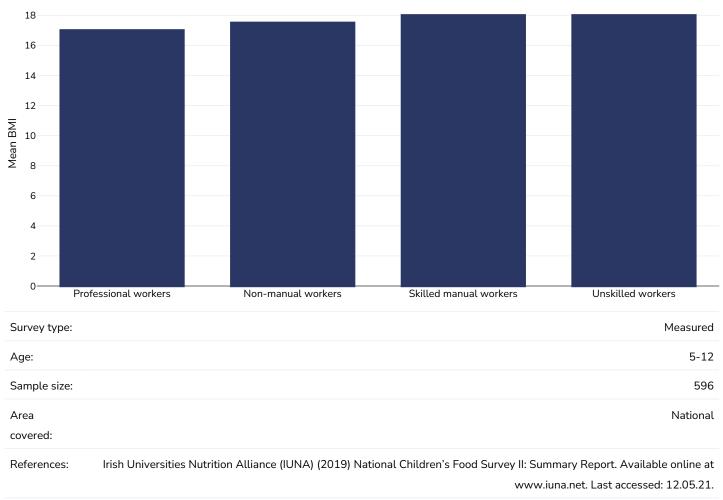
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Cutoffs:	IOTF



Boys, 2017-2018

Mean BMI

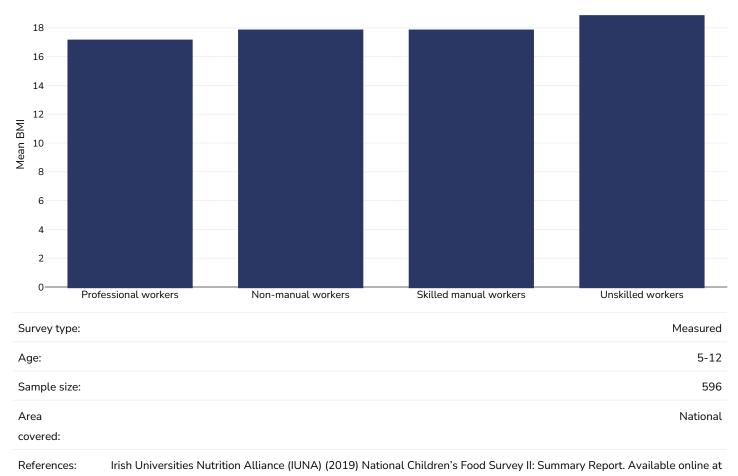


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Girls, 2017-2018

Mean BMI



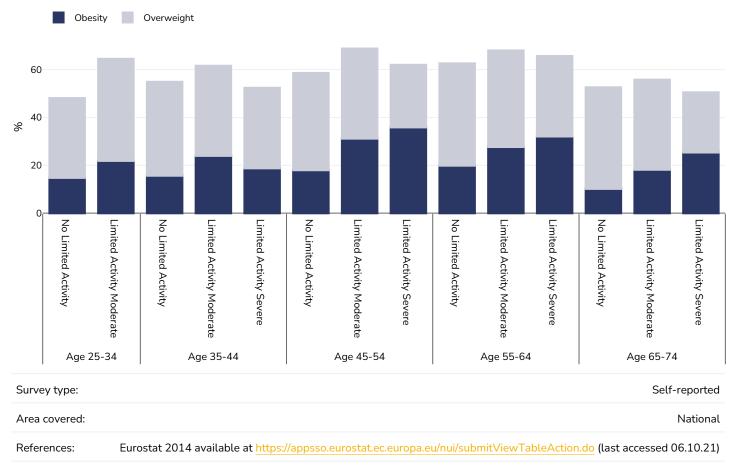
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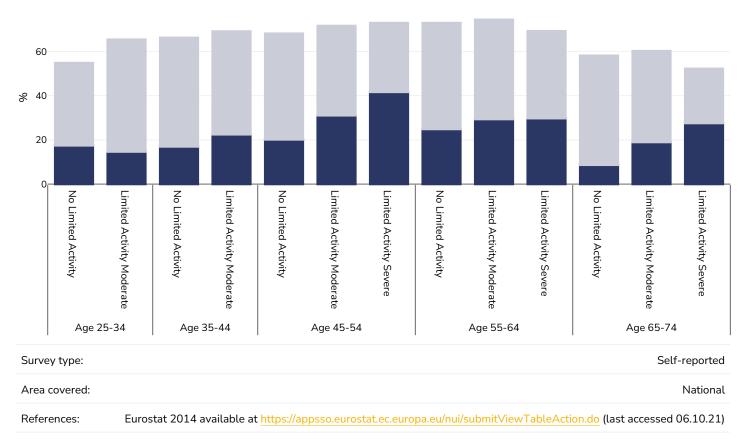
Adults, 2014





Men, 2014

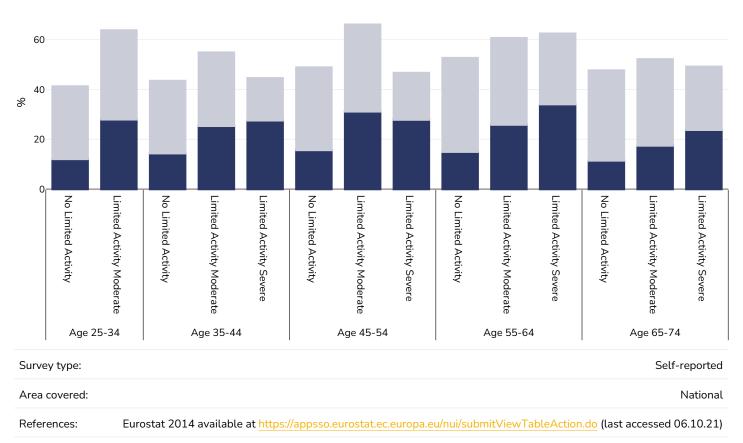
Obesity Overweight





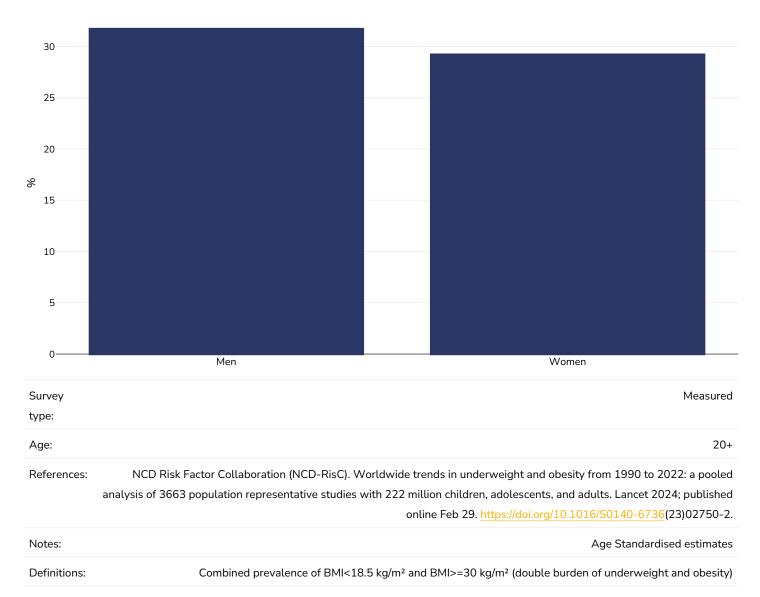
Women, 2014





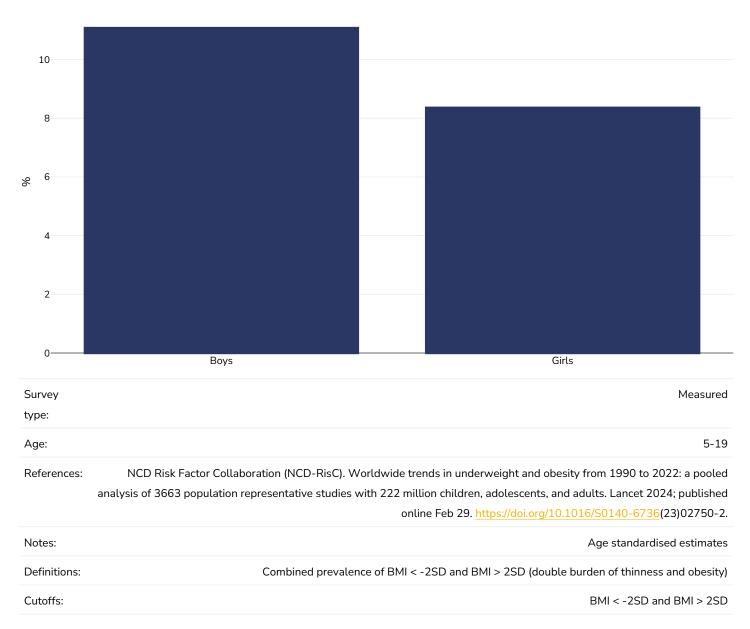


Double burden of underweight & overweight



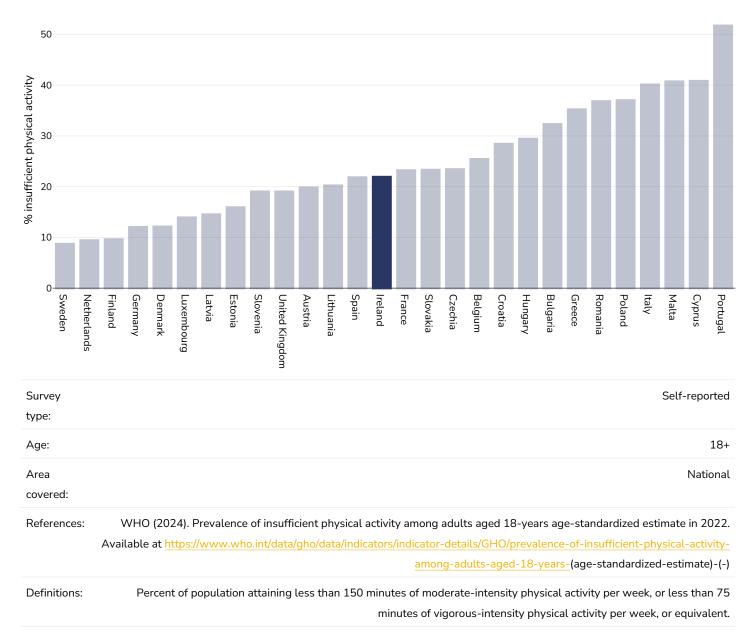


Children, 2022

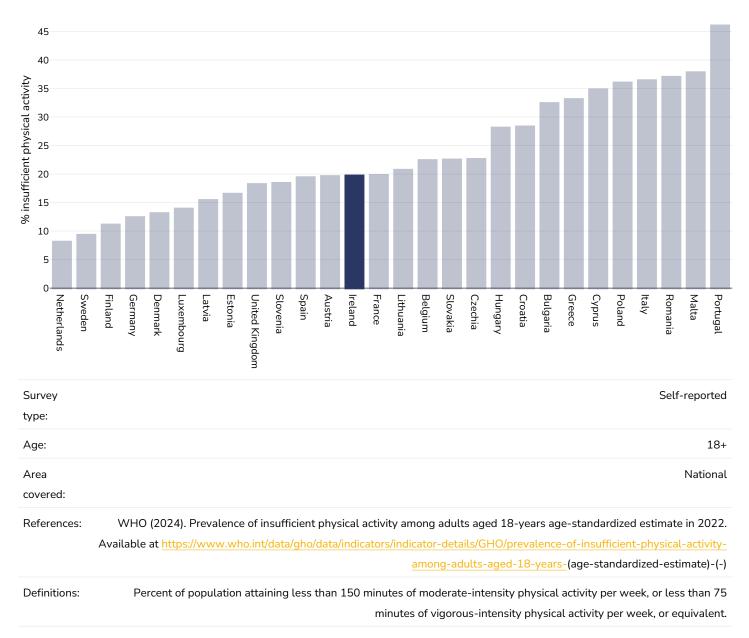




Insufficient physical activity

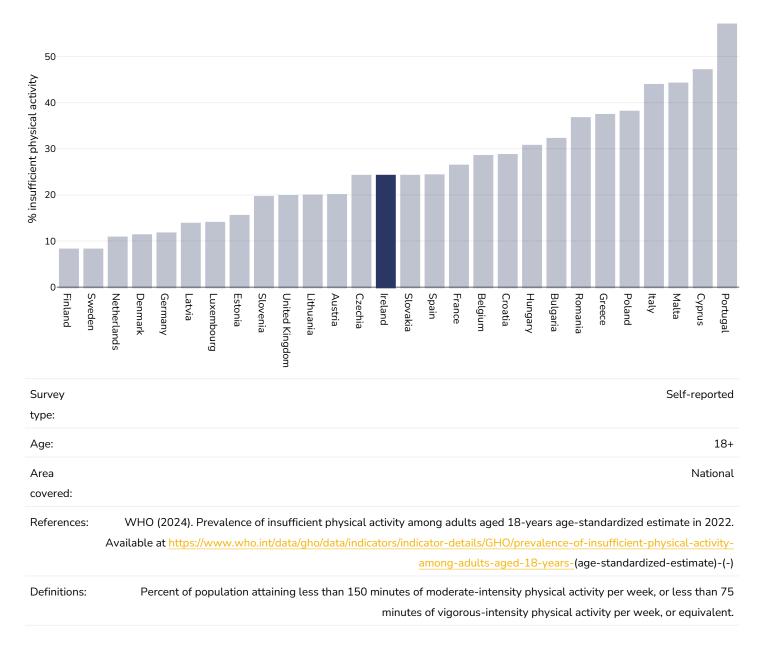


Men, 2022



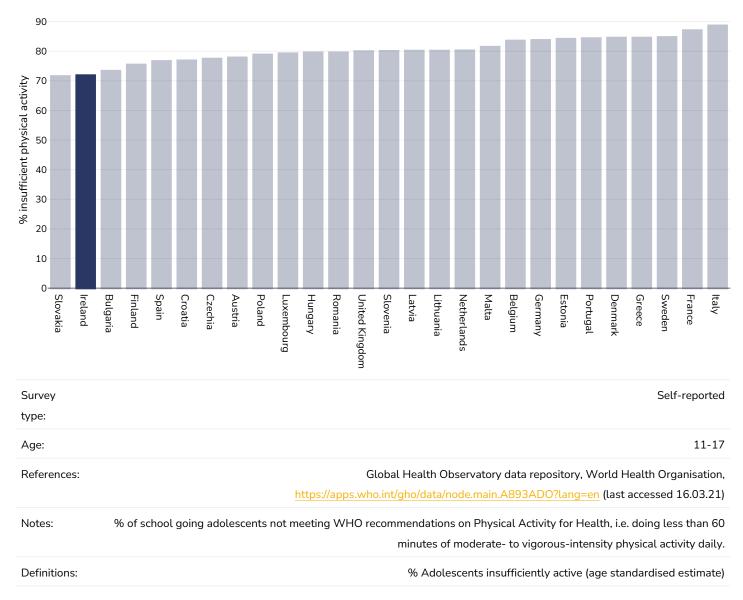


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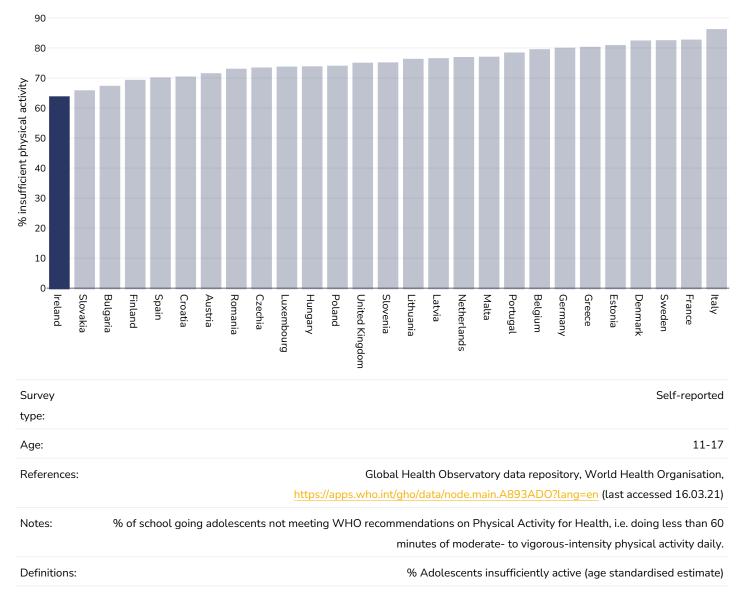




Children, 2016

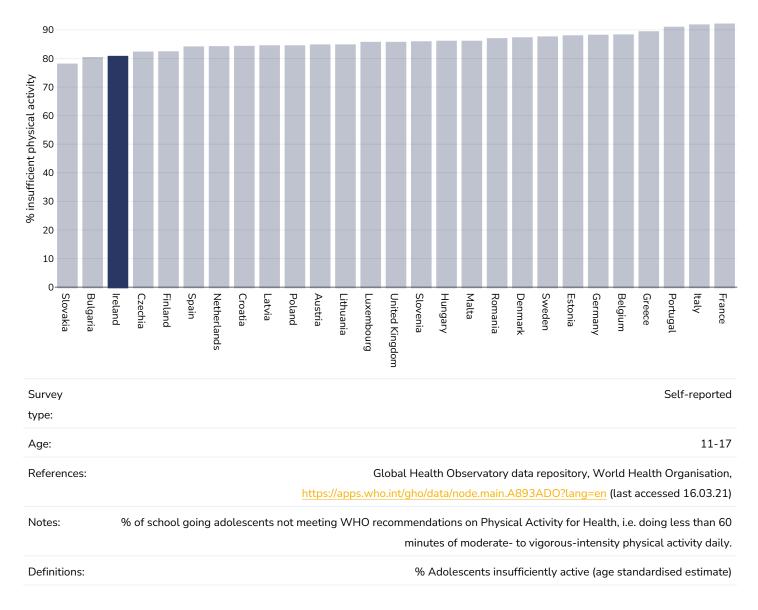


Boys, 2016



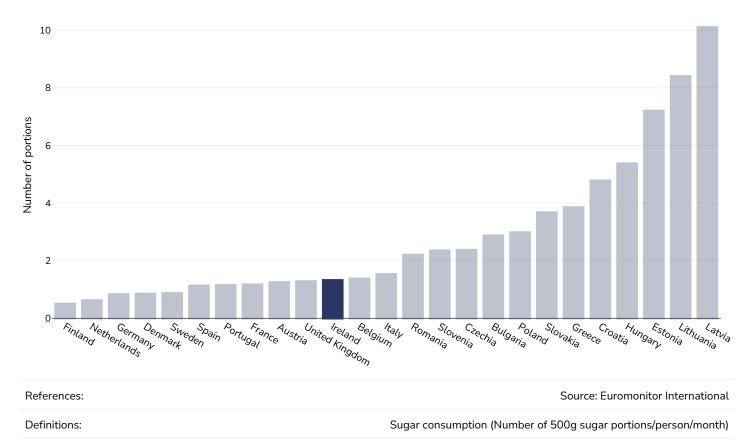


Girls, 2016





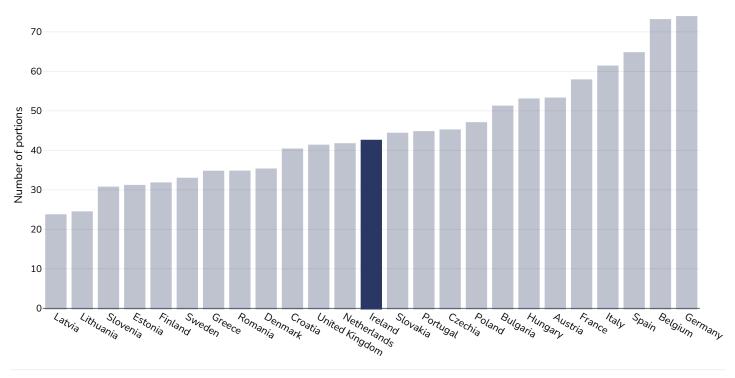
Sugar consumption





Estimated per capita sugar sweetened beverages intake

Adults, 2016



References:

Source: Euromonitor International



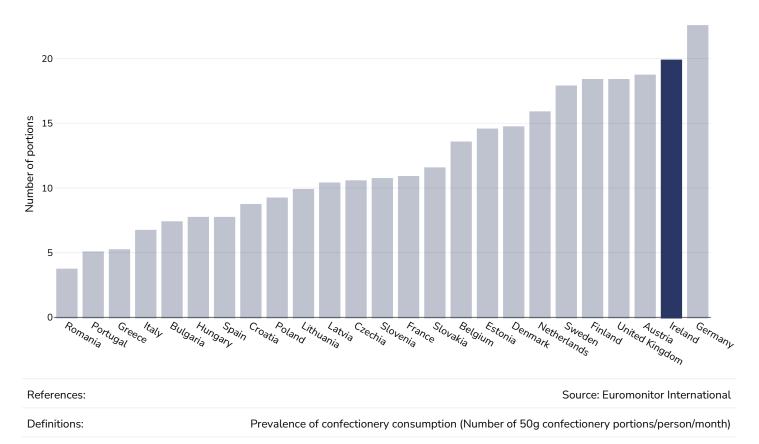
Prevalence of at least daily carbonated soft drink consumption

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Children, 2014

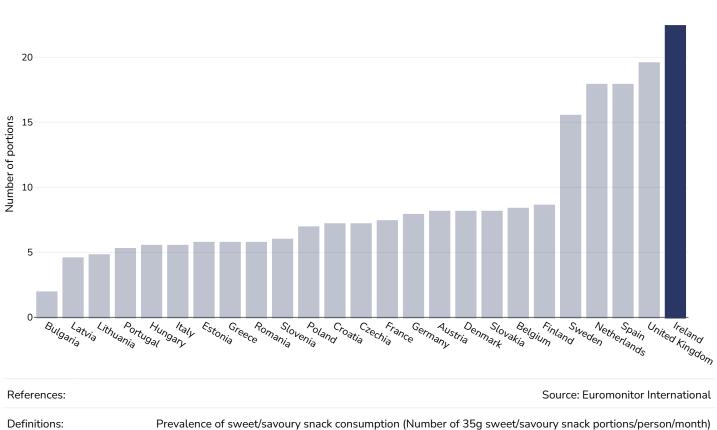


Prevalence of confectionery consumption



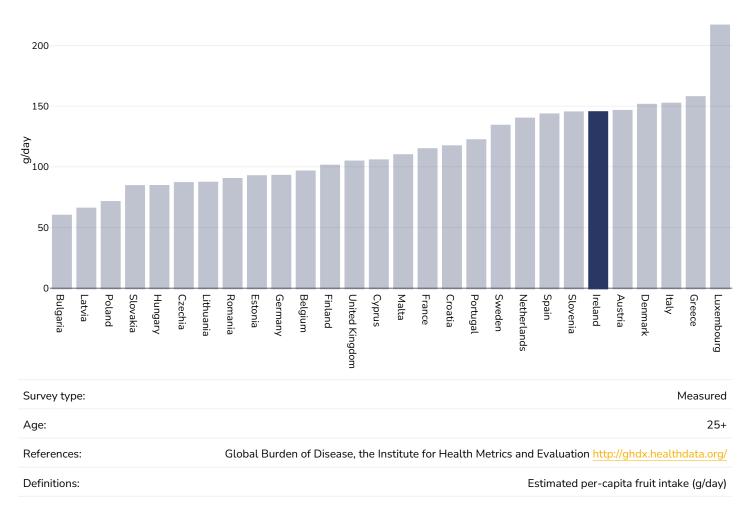


Prevalence of sweet/savoury snack consumption





Estimated per capita fruit intake

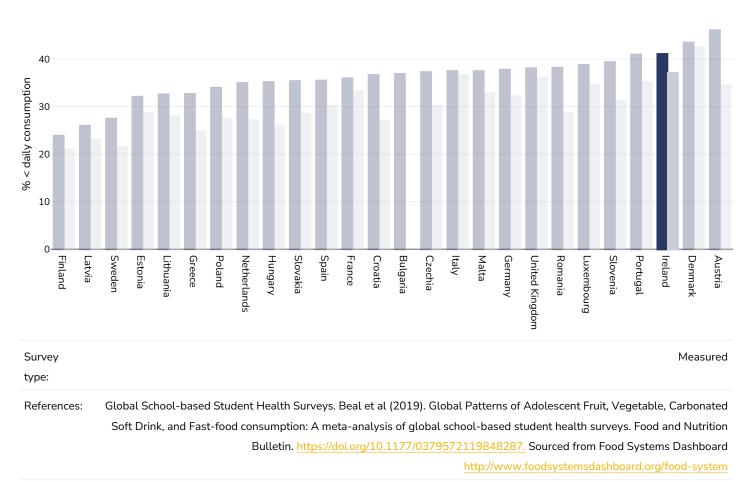




Prevalence of less than daily fruit consumption

Children, 2014

Age 12-17 Age 15



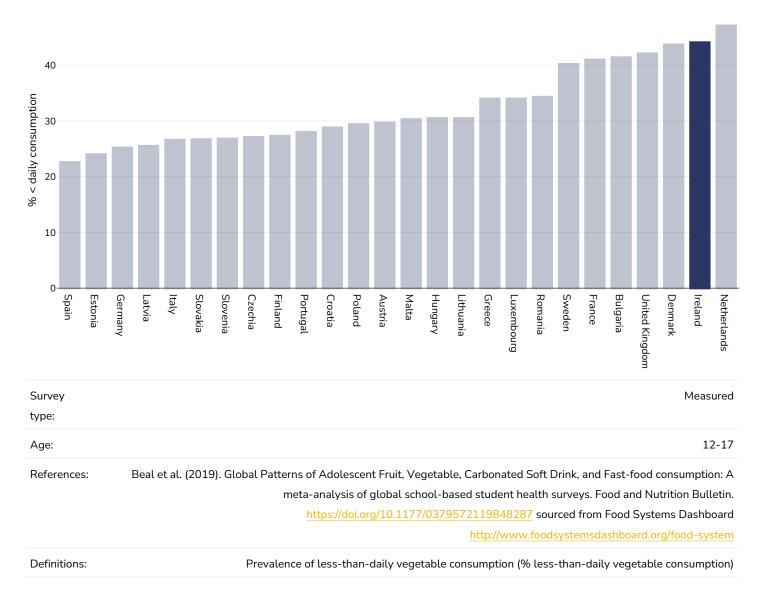
Definitions:

Prevalence of less-than-daily fruit consumption (% less-than-daily fruit consumption)



Prevalence of less than daily vegetable consumption

Children, 2014





Estimated per-capita processed meat intake

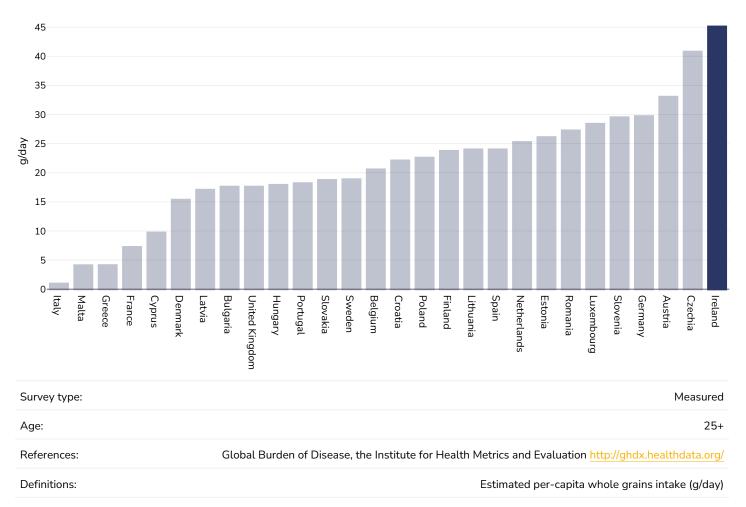
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Adults, 2017

63



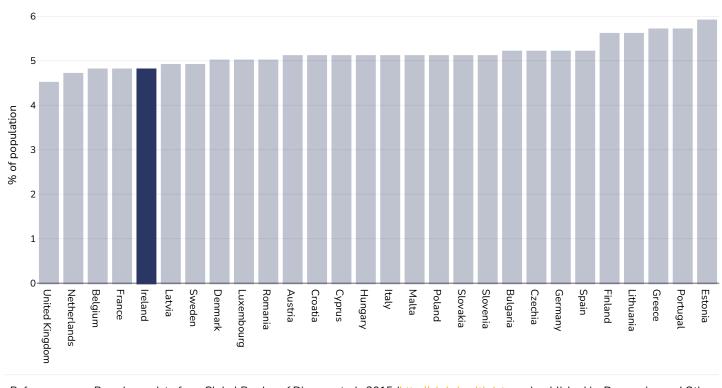
Estimated per capita whole grains intake





Mental health - depression disorders





References: Prevalence data from Global Burden of Disease study 2015 (<u>http://ghdx.healthdata.org</u>) published in: Depression and Other Common Mental Disorders: Global Health Estimates. Geneva:World Health Organization; 2017. Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO.

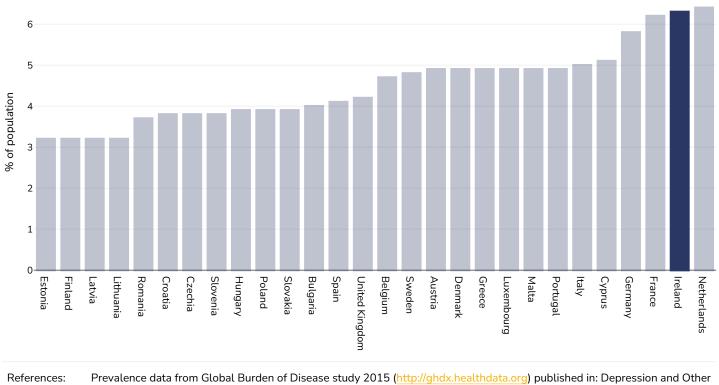
Definitions:

% of population with depression disorders



Mental health - anxiety disorders

Adults, 2015



Common Mental Disorders: Global Health Estimates. Geneva:World Health Organization; 2017. Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO.

Definitions:

% of population with anxiety disorders



Percent of population who cannot afford a healthy diet

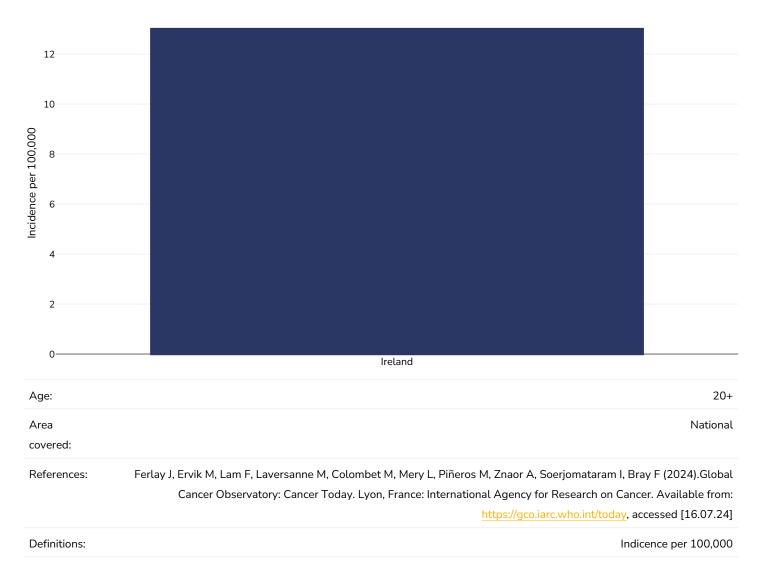
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Adults, 2022-2022



Oesophageal cancer

Men, 2022





Women, 2022

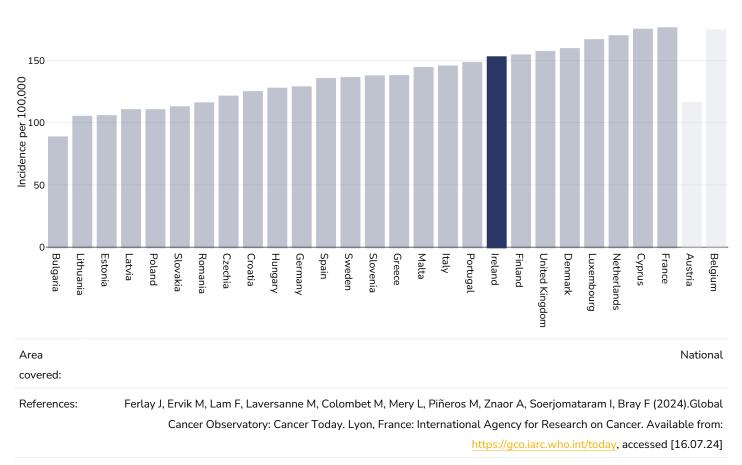
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Area covered:	National
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Definitions:	Indicence per 100,000



Breast cancer

Women, 2022

Age 20 Age 20+



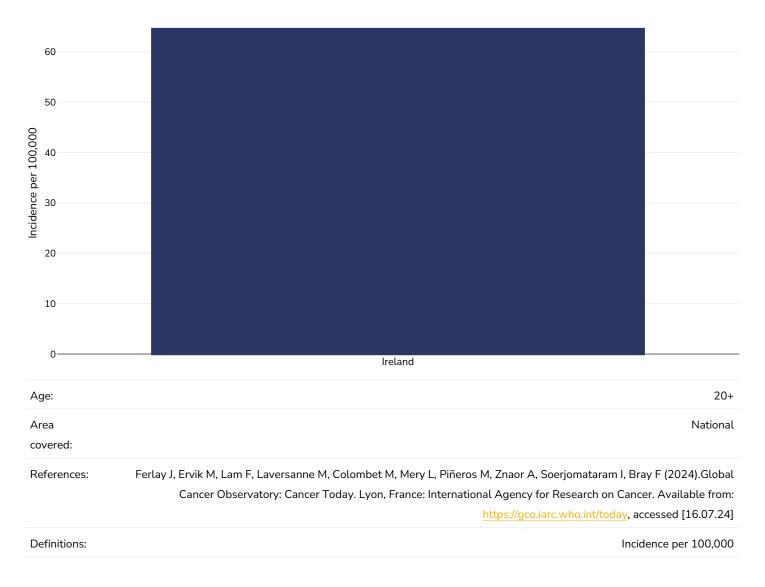
Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000



Colorectal cancer

Men, 2022





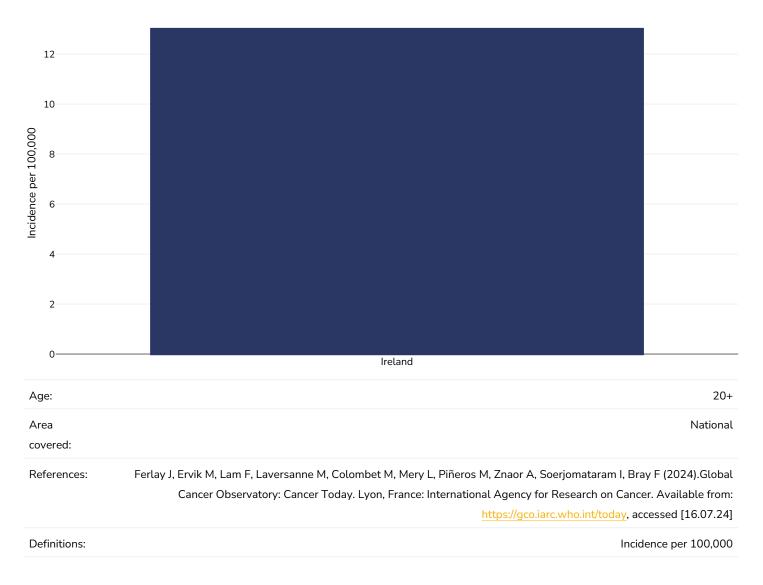
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Pancreatic cancer

Men, 2022



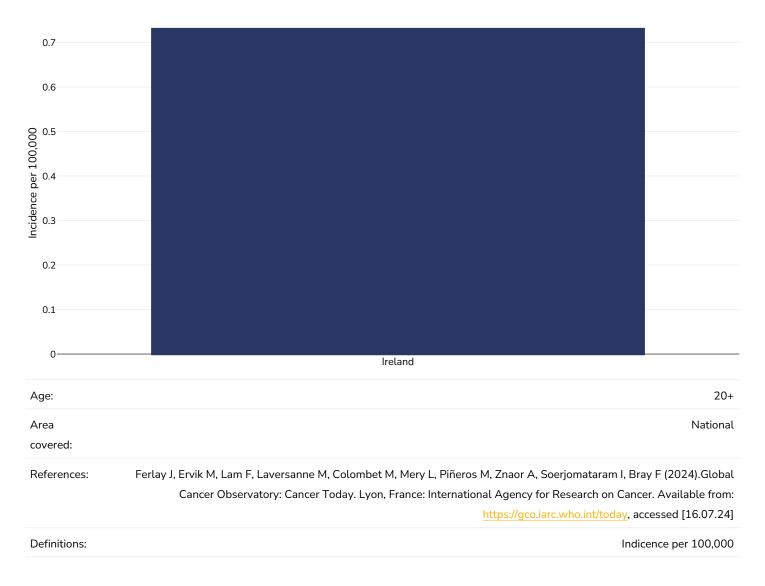






Gallbladder cancer

Men, 2022



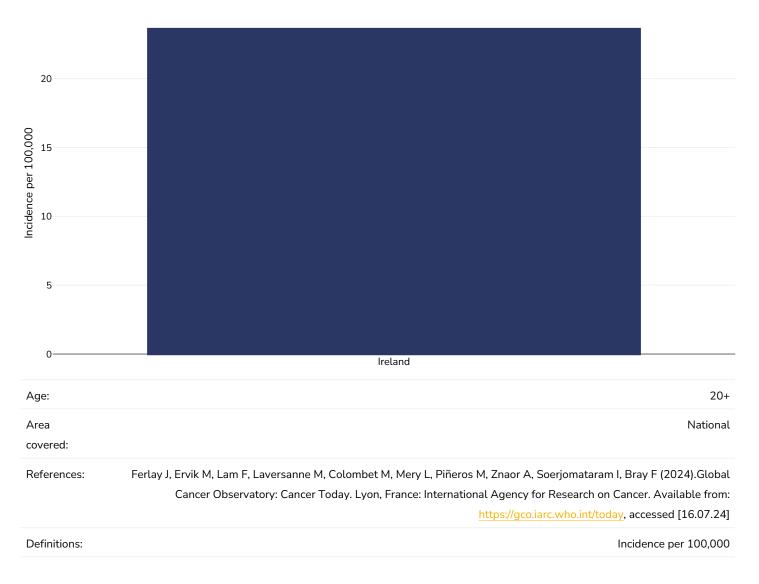


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Kidney cancer

Men, 2022

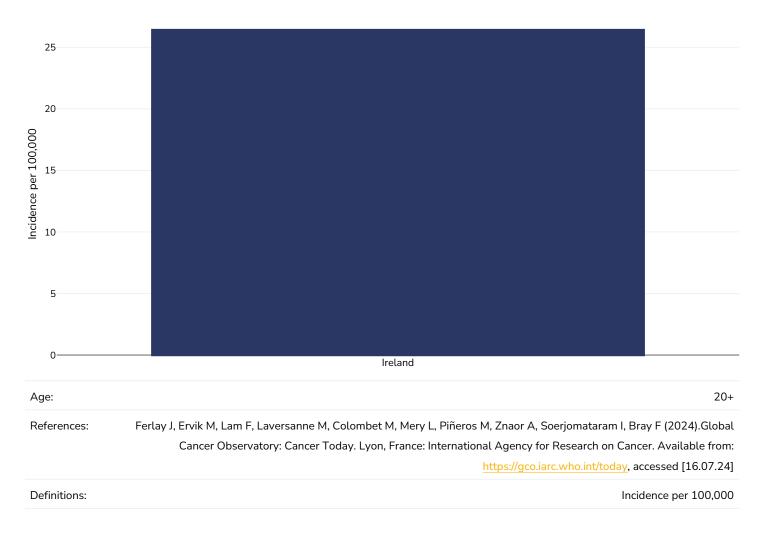








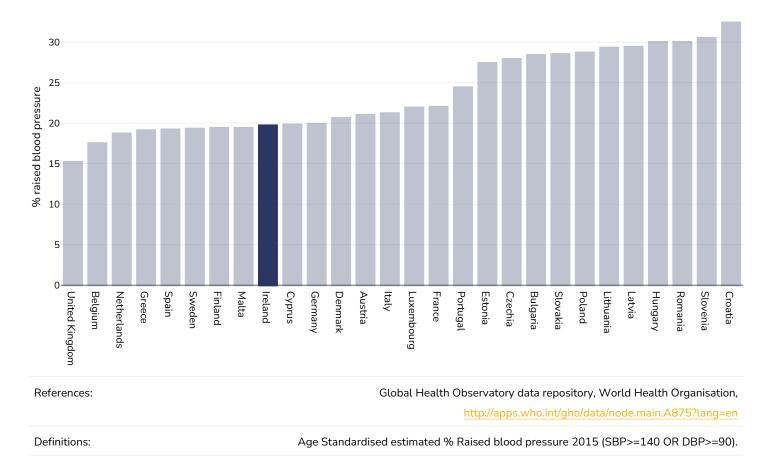
Cancer of the uterus



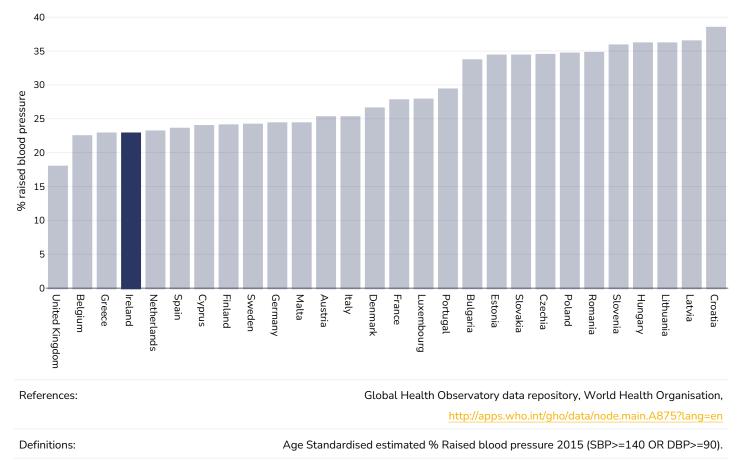


Raised blood pressure

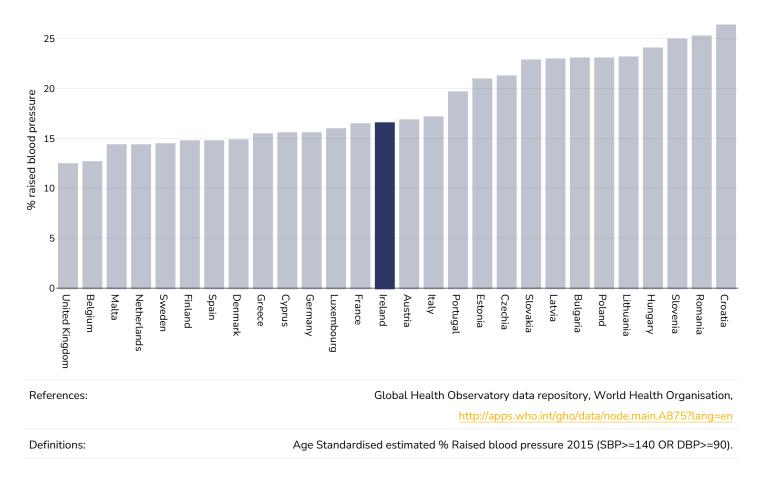
Adults, 2015



Men, 2015



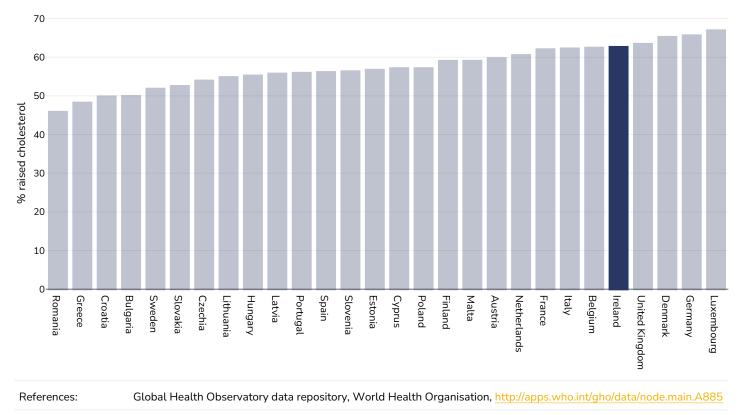






Raised cholesterol

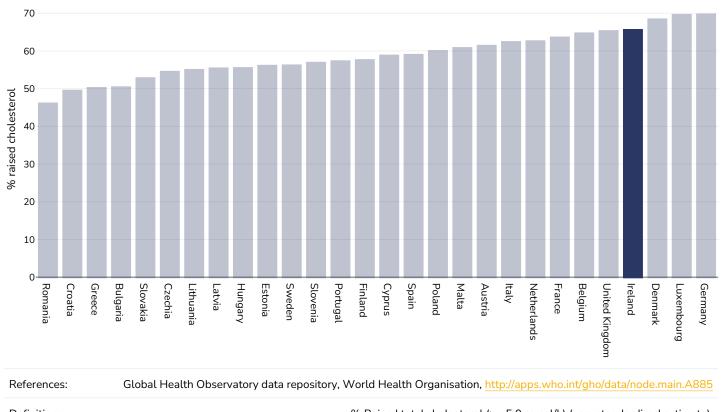
Adults, 2008



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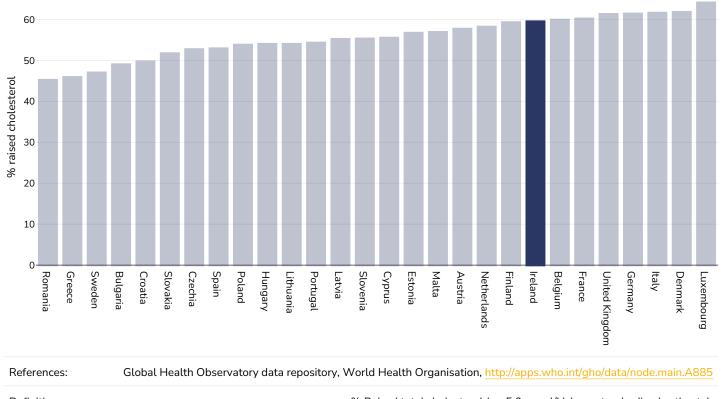
% Raised total cholesterol (>= 5.0 mmol/L) (age-standardized estimate).

Men, 2008



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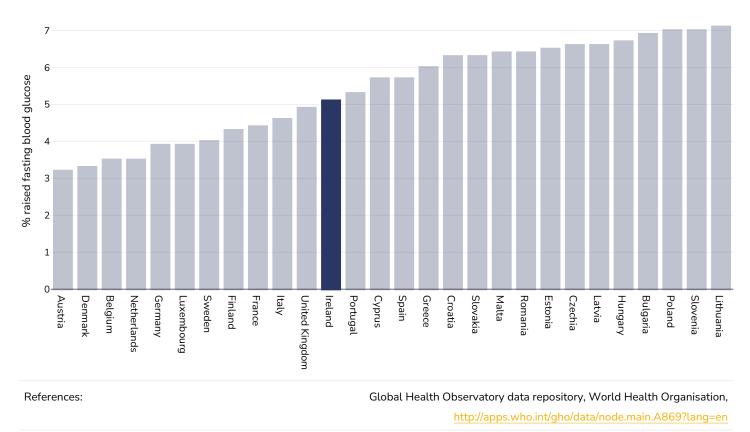
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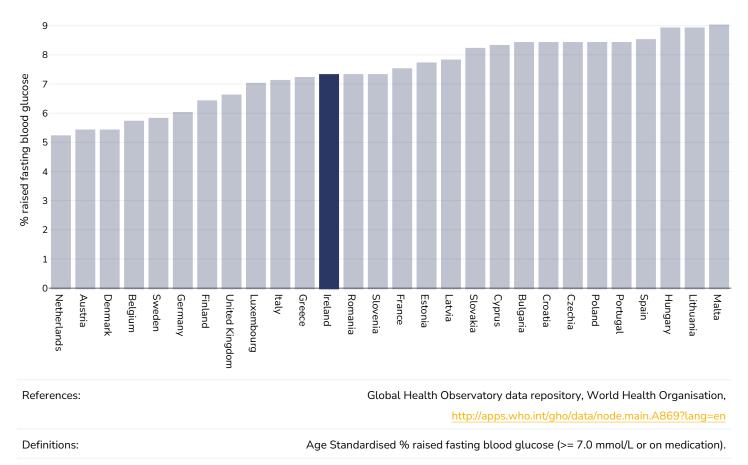
Raised fasting blood glucose





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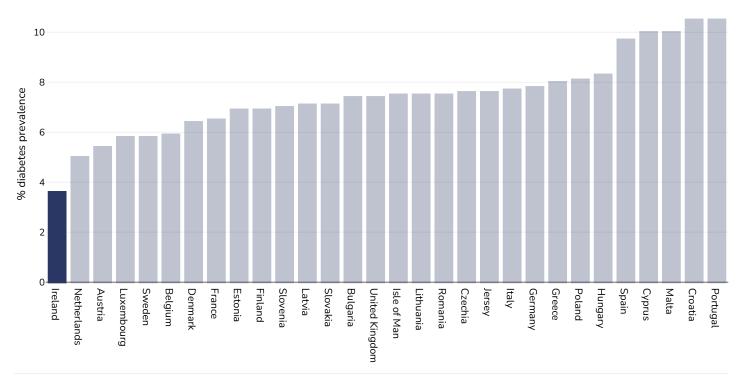
Age Standardised % raised fasting blood glucose (>= 7.0 mmol/L or on medication).





Diabetes prevalence

Adults, 2024

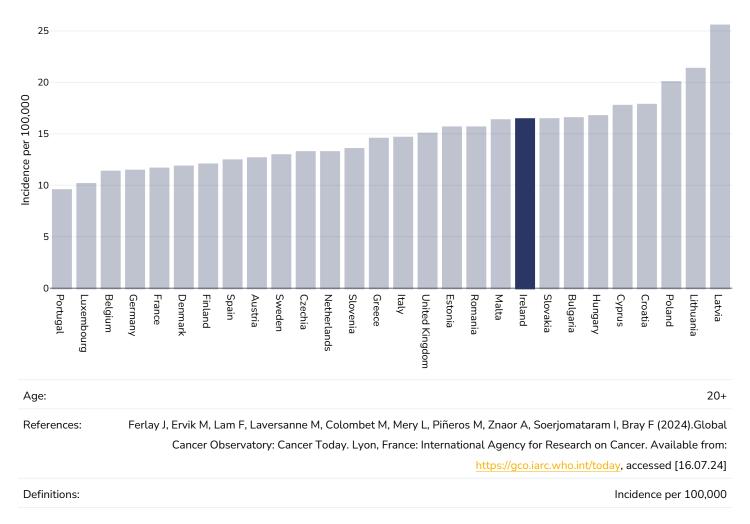


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Ovarian Cancer





Leukemia

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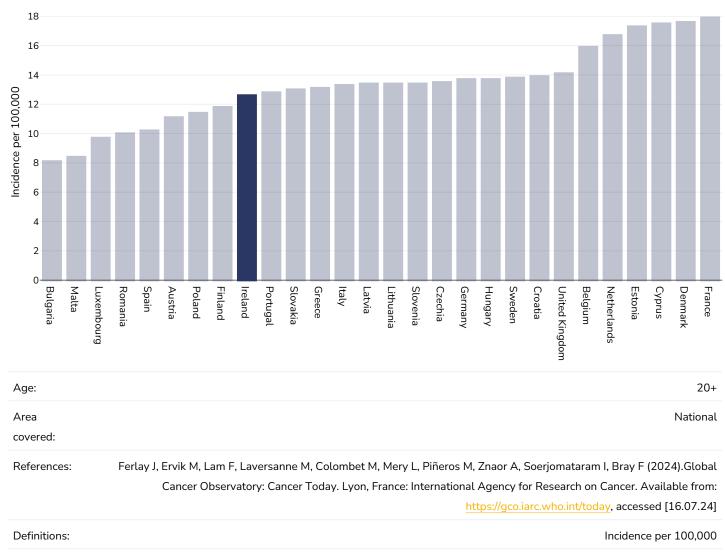


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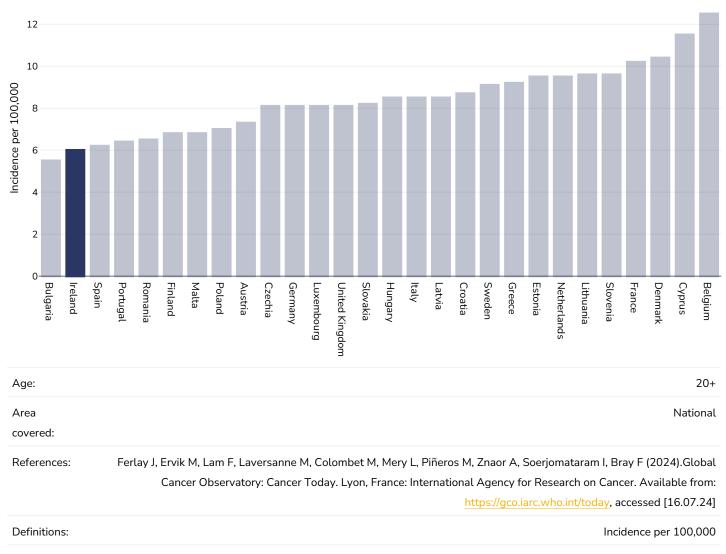


Leukemia





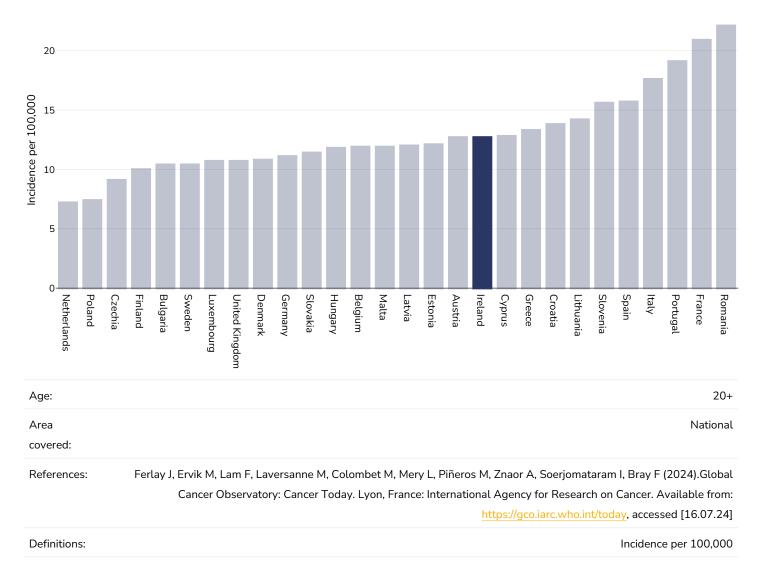


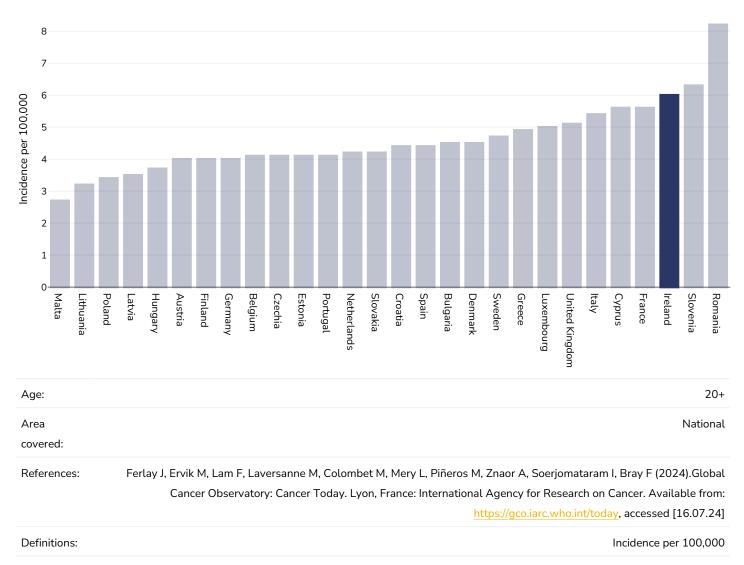




Liver and intrahepatic bile duct Cancer



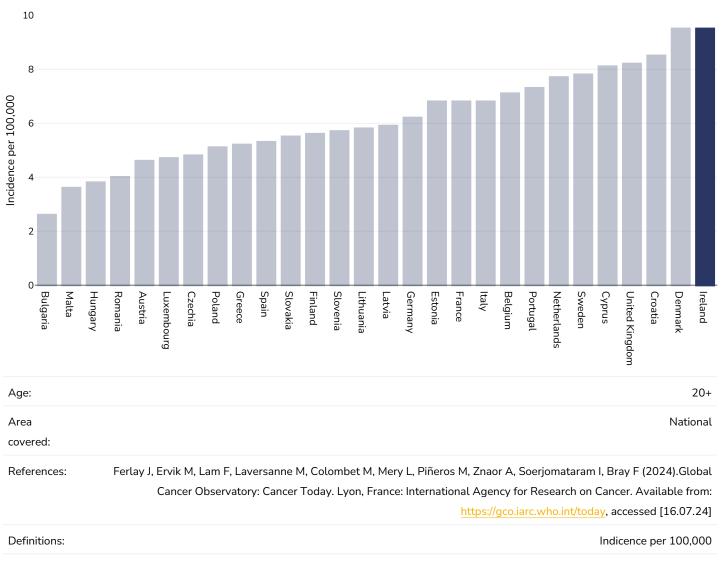




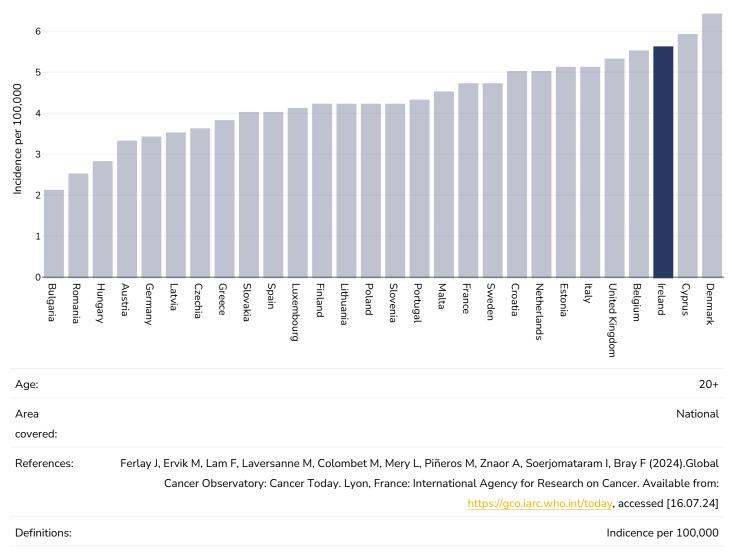


Multiple Myeloma

Men, 2022



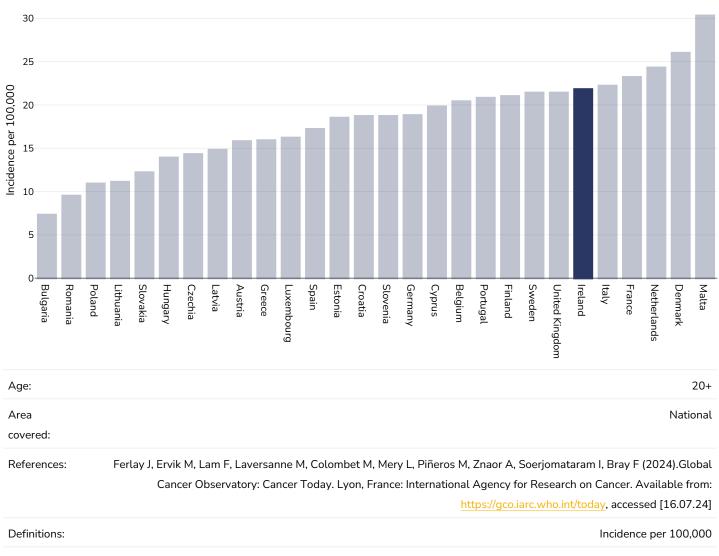




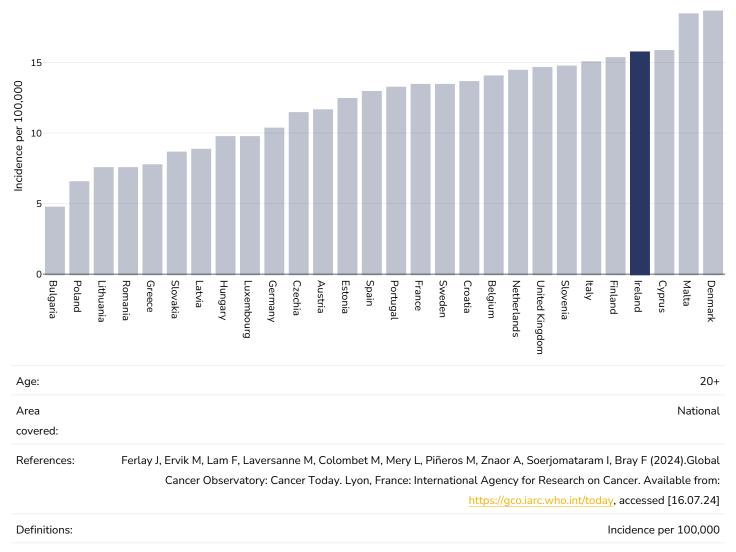


Non Hodgkin Lymphoma

Men, 2022

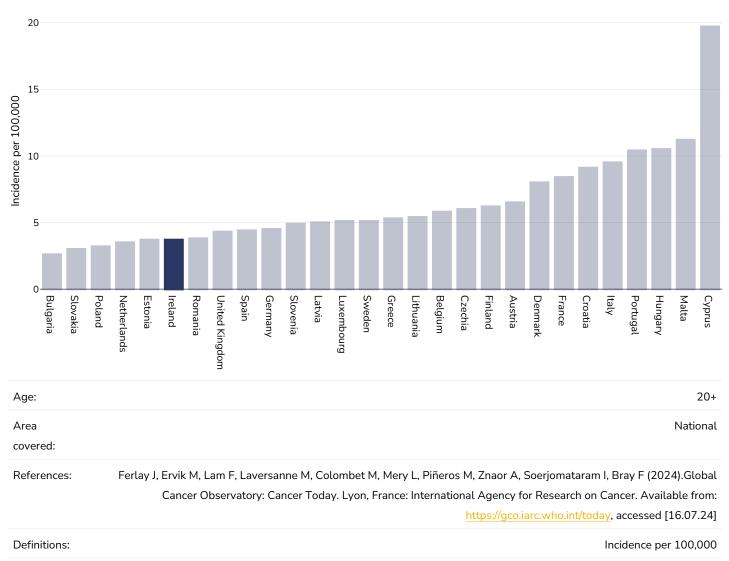




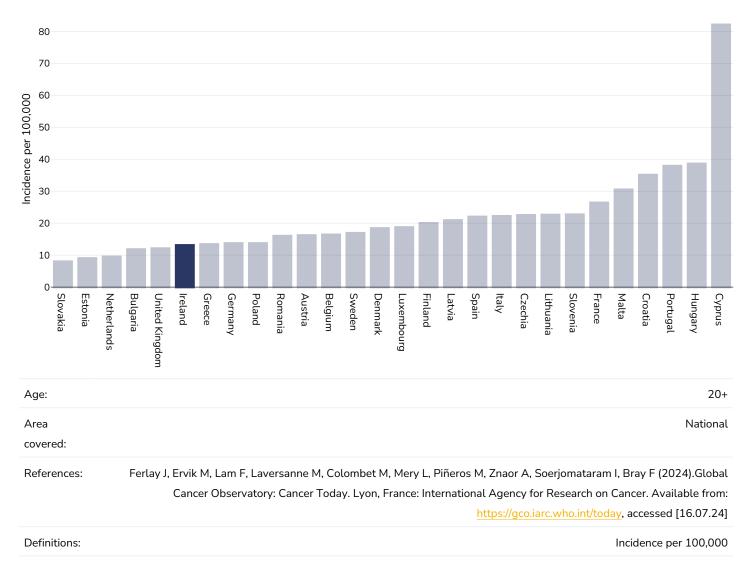


Thyroid Cancer

Men, 2022









Contextual factors

Disclaimer: These contextual factors should be interpreted with care. Results are updated as regularly as possible and use very specific criteria. The criteria used and full definitions are available for download at the bottom of this page.



Labelling

Is there mandatory nutrition labelling?	✓
Front-of-package labelling?	~ v
Back-of-pack nutrition declaration?	✓
Color coding?	~ v
Warning label?	×

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Regulation and marketing	
Are there fiscal policies on unhealthy products?	\checkmark
Tax on unhealthy foods?	×
Tax on unhealthy drinks?	~
Are there fiscal policies on healthy products?	X
Subsidy on fruits?	×
Subsidy on vegetables?	×
Subsidy on other healthy products?	X
Mandatory limit or ban of trans fat (all settings)?	\checkmark
Mandatory limit of trans fats in place (all settings)?	~
Ban on trans-fats or phos in place (all settings)?	X
Are there any mandatory policies/marketing restrictions on the promotion of unhealthy food/drinks to children?	~
Mandatory restriction on broadcast media?	~
Mandatory restriction on non-broadcast media?	~
Voluntary policies/marketing restrictions on the promotion of unhealthy food/drinks to children?	~
Are there mandatory standards for food in schools?	\checkmark
Are there any mandatory nutrient limits in any manufactured food products?	X
Nutrition standards for public sector procurement?	X



National obesity strategy or nutrition and physical activity national strategy?	\checkmark
National obesity strategy?	~
National childhood obesity strategy?	~
Comprehensive nutrition strategy?	~
Comprehensive physical activity strategy?	~
Evidence-based dietary guidelines and/or RDAs?	\checkmark
National target(s) on reducing obesity?	\checkmark
Promotion of breastfeeding?	\checkmark
Monitoring and surveillance	
Monitoring of the prevalence and incidence for the main obesity-related NCDs and risk factors?	\checkmark
Within 5 years?	~
Governance and resource	
Multi-sectoral national co-ordination mechanism for obesity or nutrition (including obesity)?	×
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