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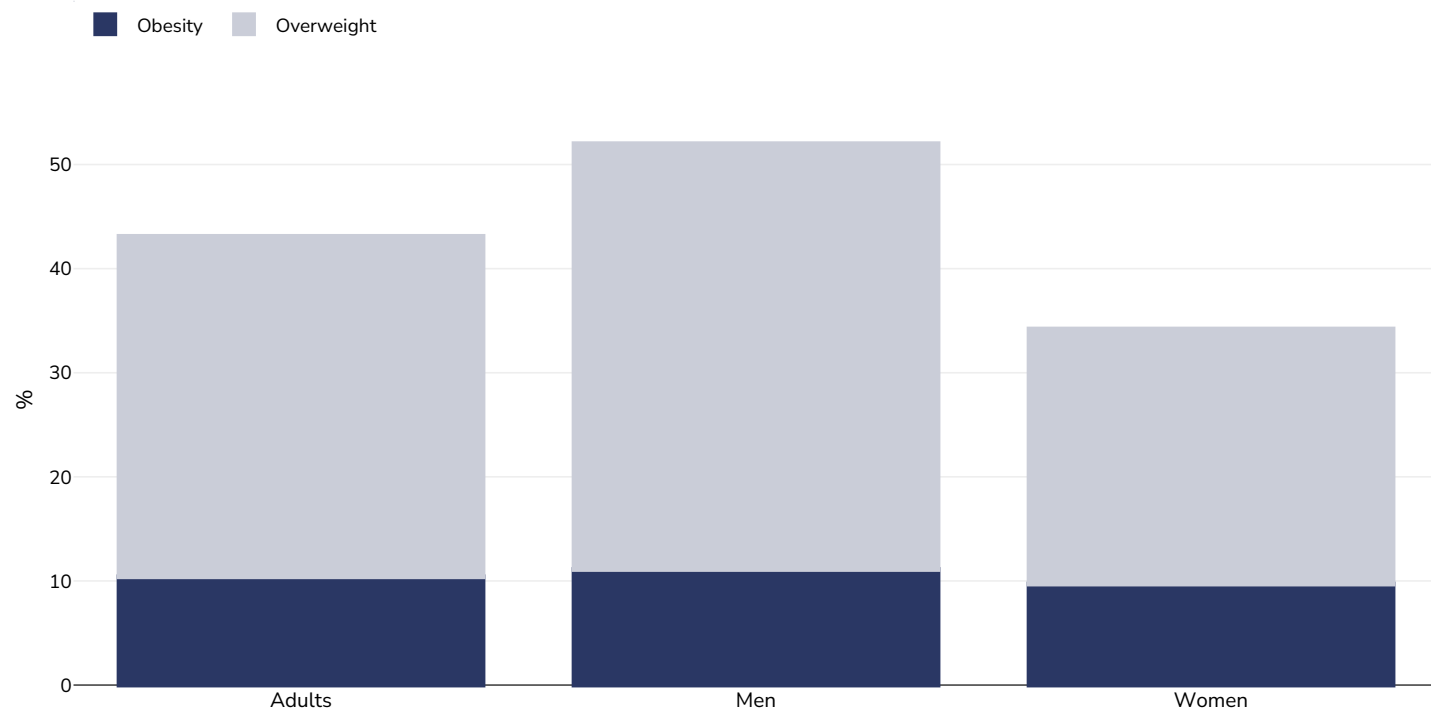


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Obesity prevalence

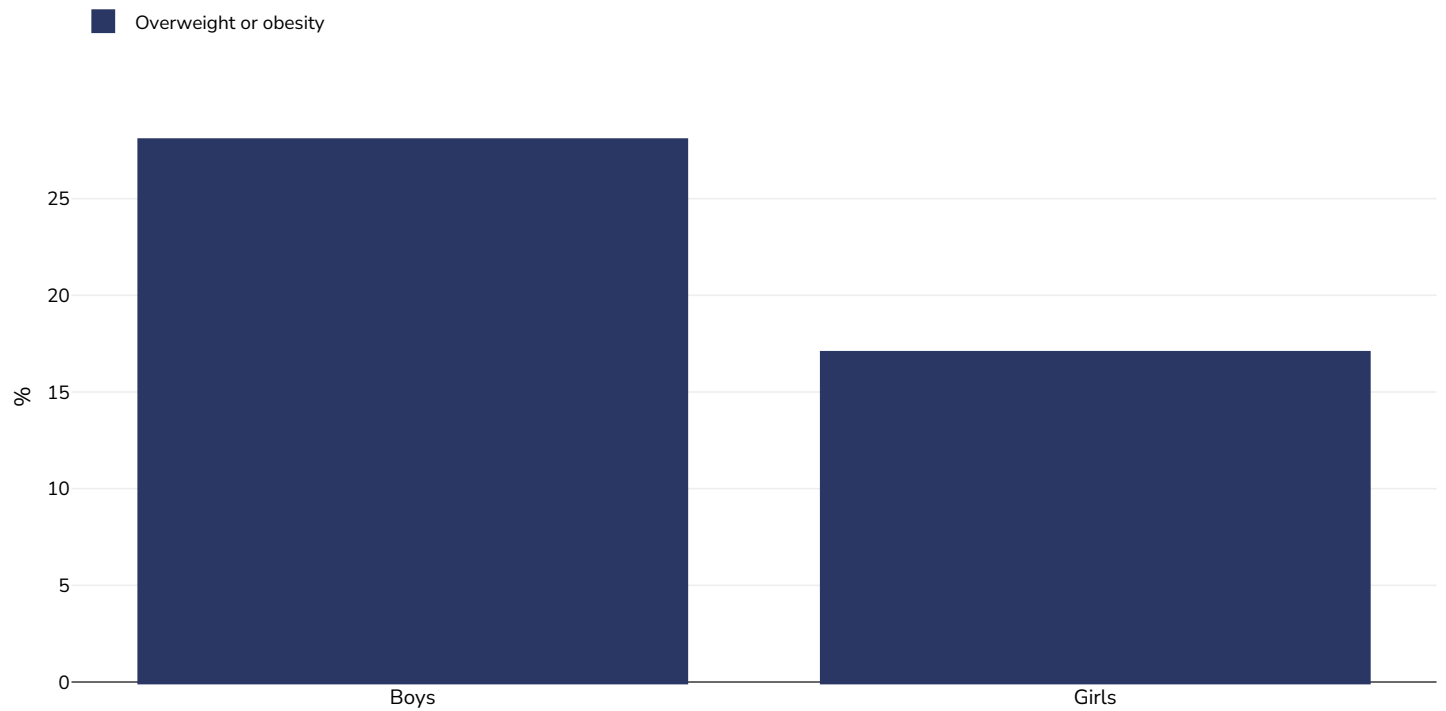
Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type:	Self-reported
Age:	18-69
Sample size:	63555
Area covered:	National
References:	PASSI 2022-2023 https://www.epicentro.iss.it/passi/dati/sovrappeso (Accessed 05.07.24)

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Children, 2021-2022



Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 13

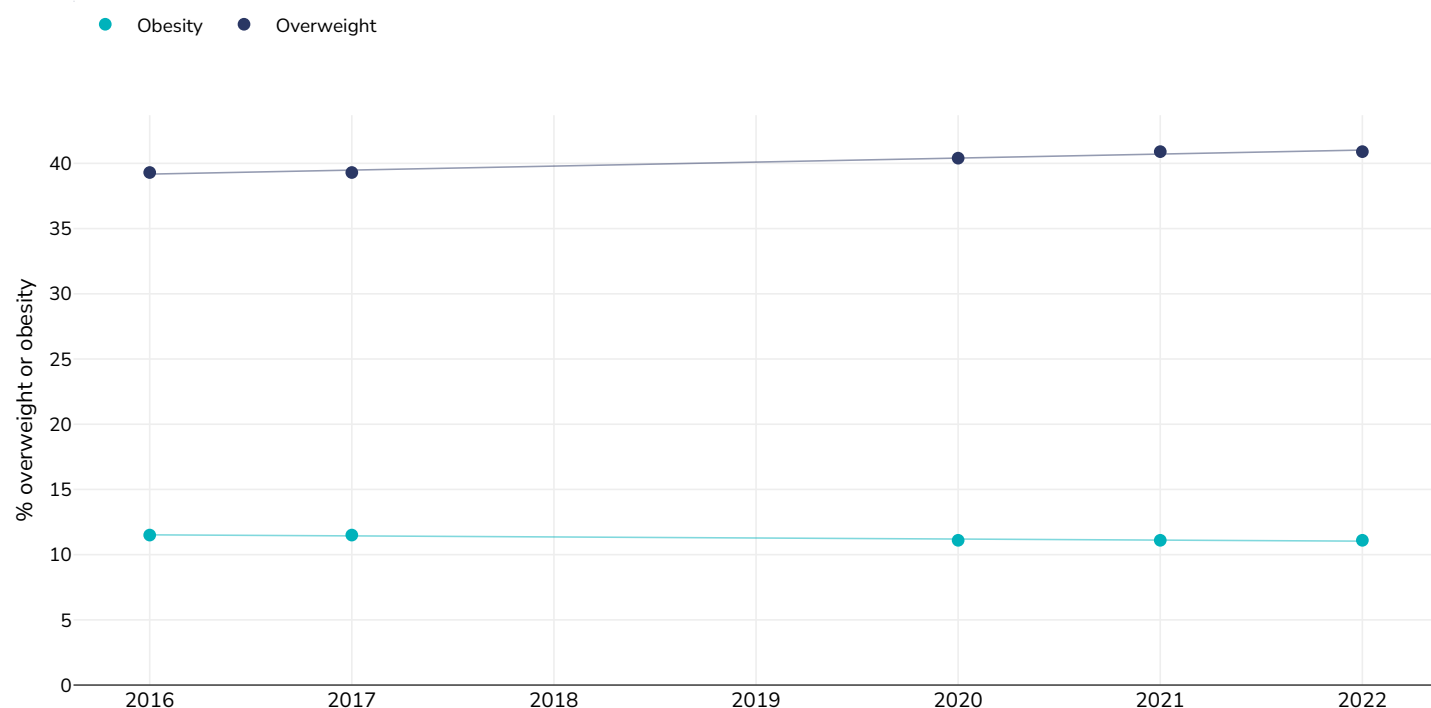
References: Rakic JG, Hamrik Z, Dzielska A, Felder-Puig R, Oja L, Bakalár P et al. A focus on adolescent physical activity, eating behaviours, weight status and body image in Europe, central Asia and Canada. Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) international report from the 2021/2022 survey. Volume 4. Copenhagen: WHO Regional Office for Europe; 2024. 'Any translation was not created by the World Health Organization (WHO). WHO is not responsible for the content or accuracy of this translation. The original English edition shall be the binding and authentic edition'

Notes: HBSC aims to survey approximately 1500 pupils per age group in each country or region (totaling around 4500)

Cutoffs: +2SD

% Adults living with overweight or obesity 2016-2023

Men



Survey type:

Self-reported

References:

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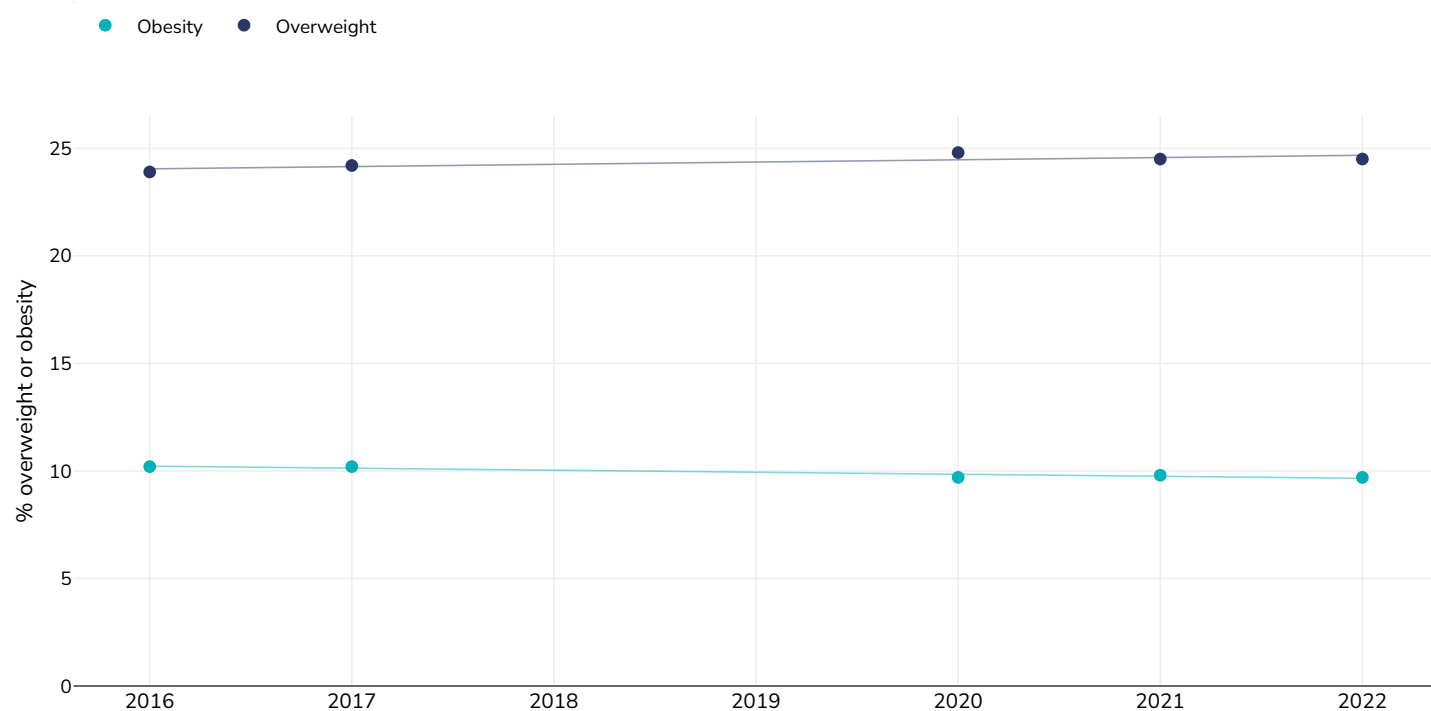
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Women



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Self-reported

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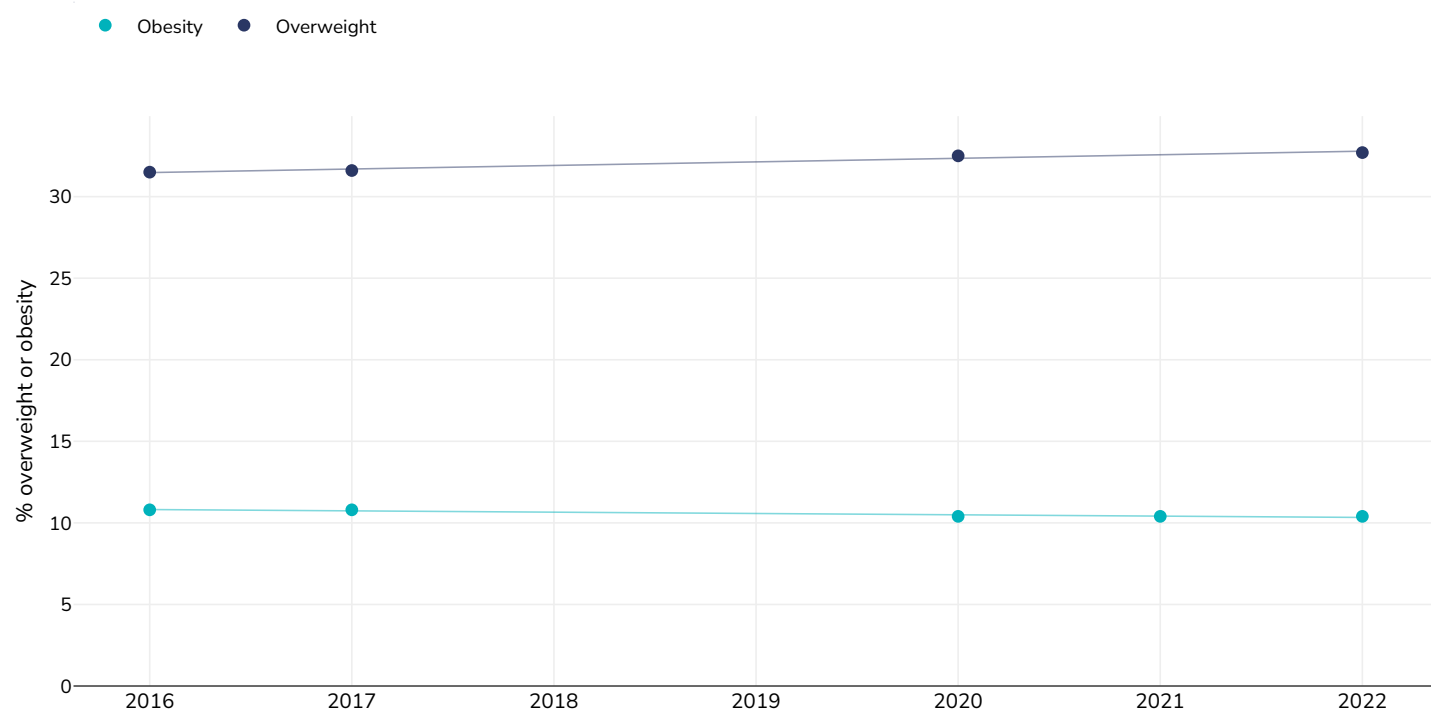
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Men and women



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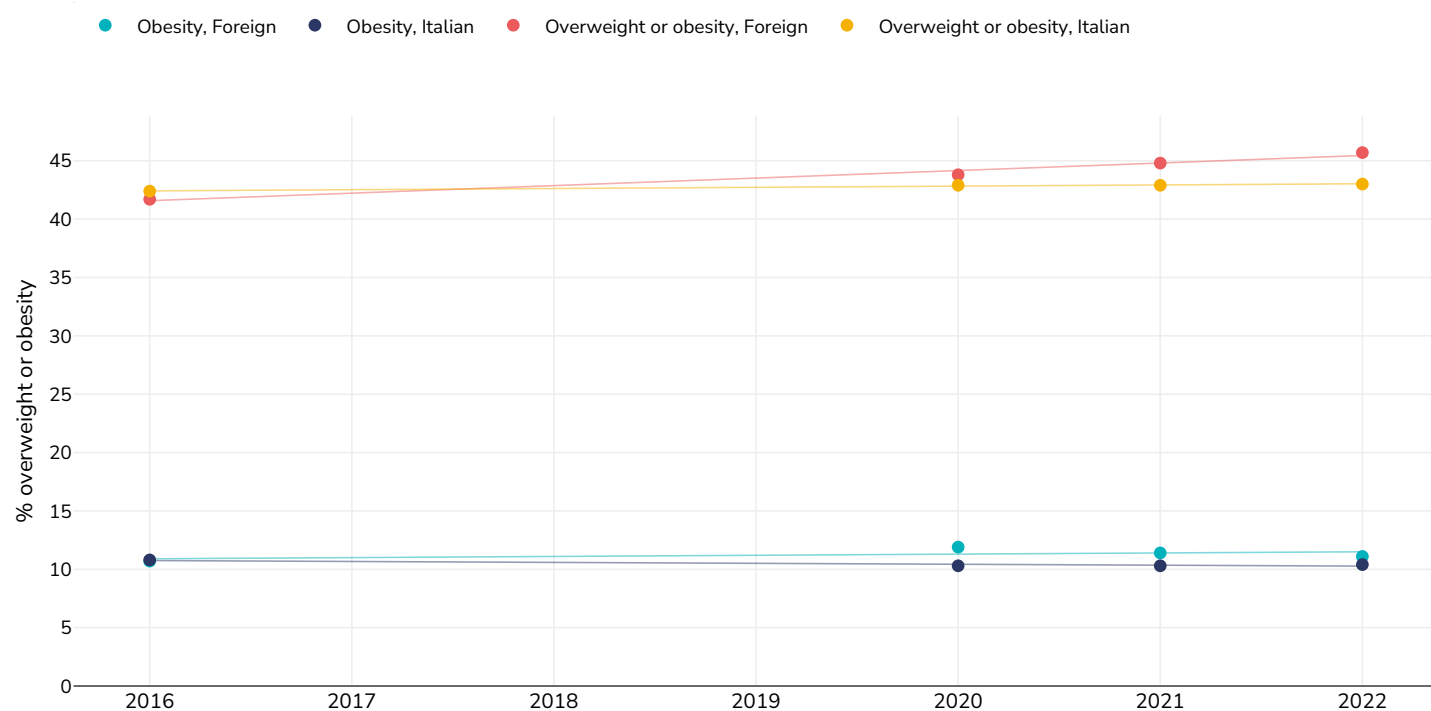
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% Adults living with overweight or obesity by ethnicity



Survey type:

Self-reported

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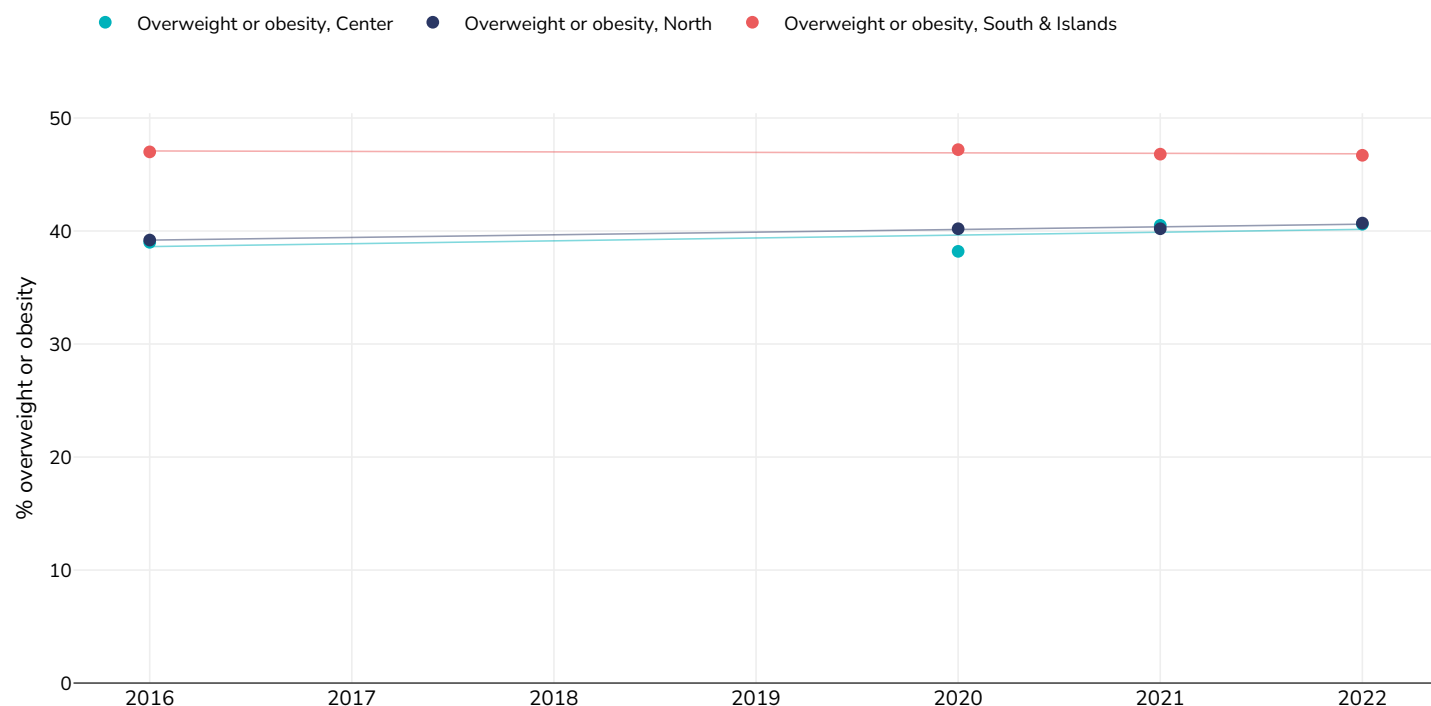
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% Adults living with overweight or obesity by region

Men and women



Survey type:

Self-reported

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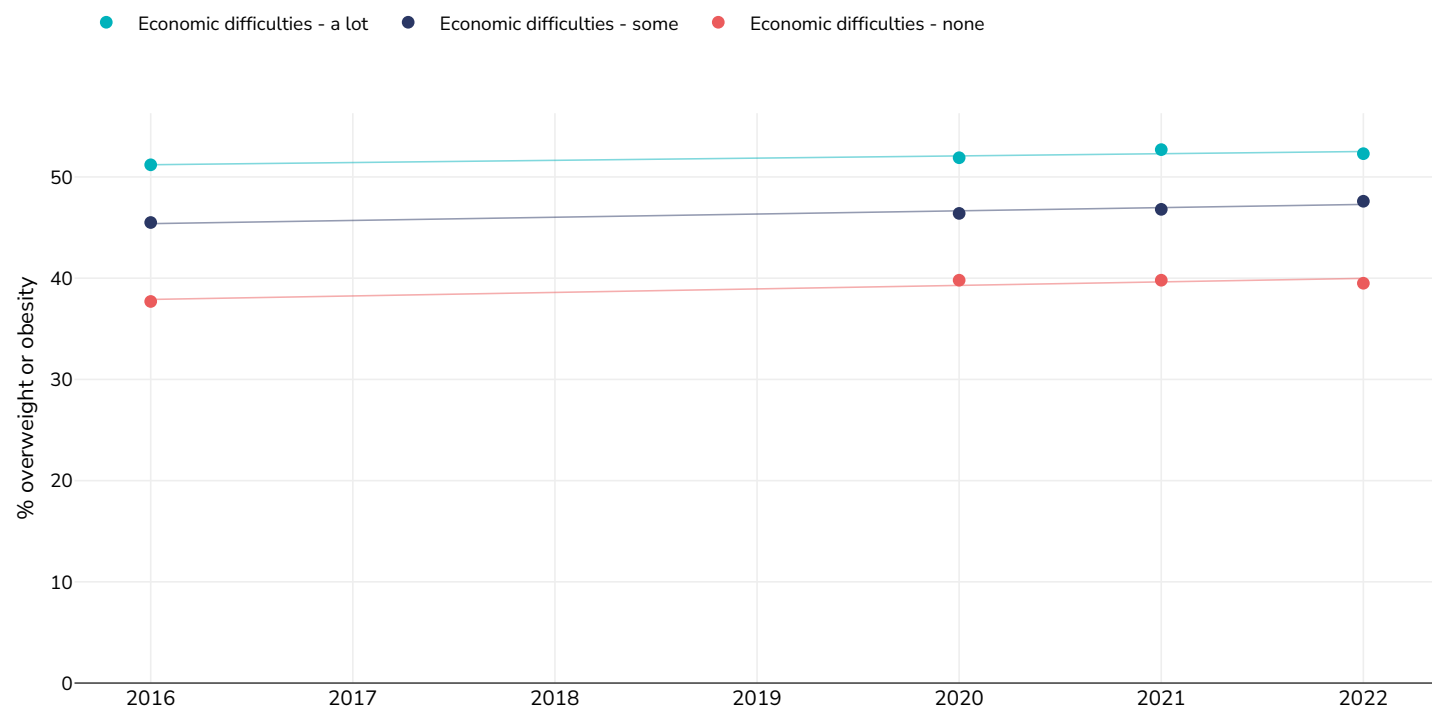
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% Adults living with overweight or obesity by socioeconomic group

Men and women



Survey type:

Self-reported

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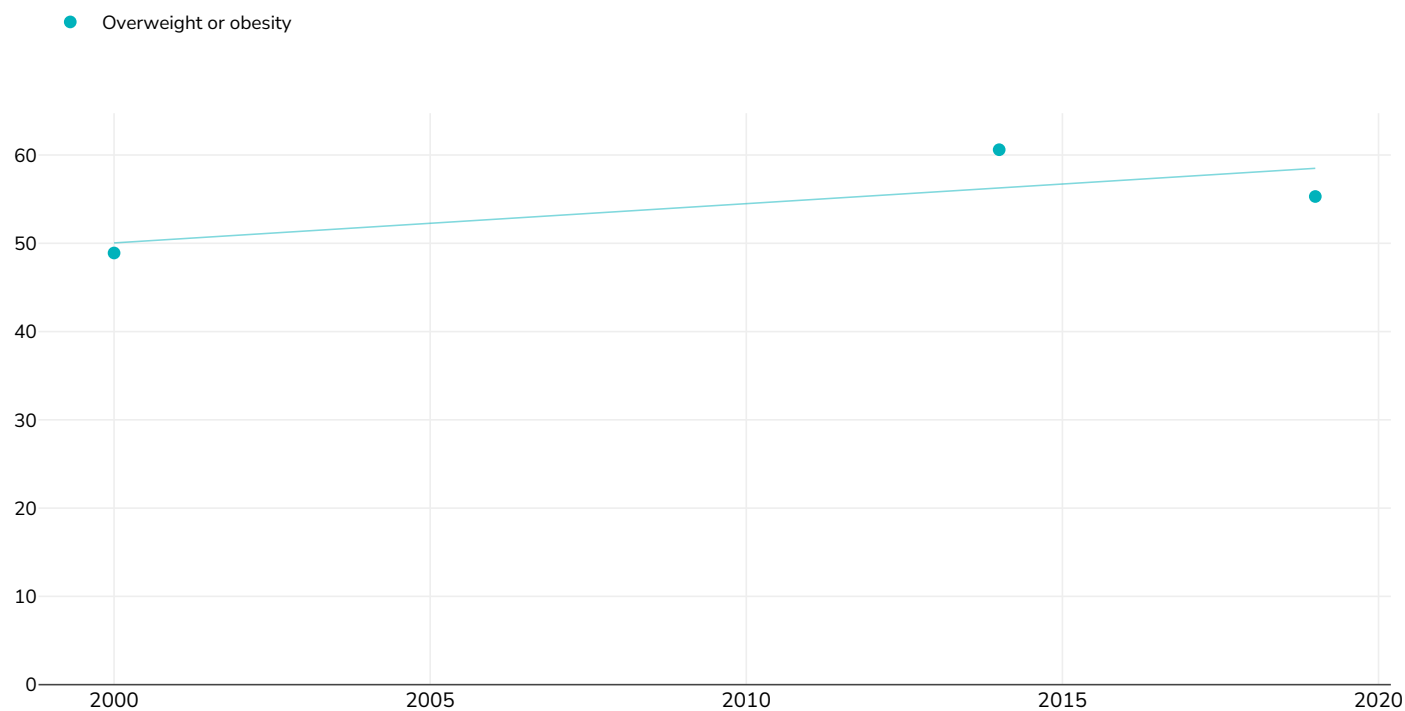
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% Adults overweight or obesity Italy 2000 2019

Men

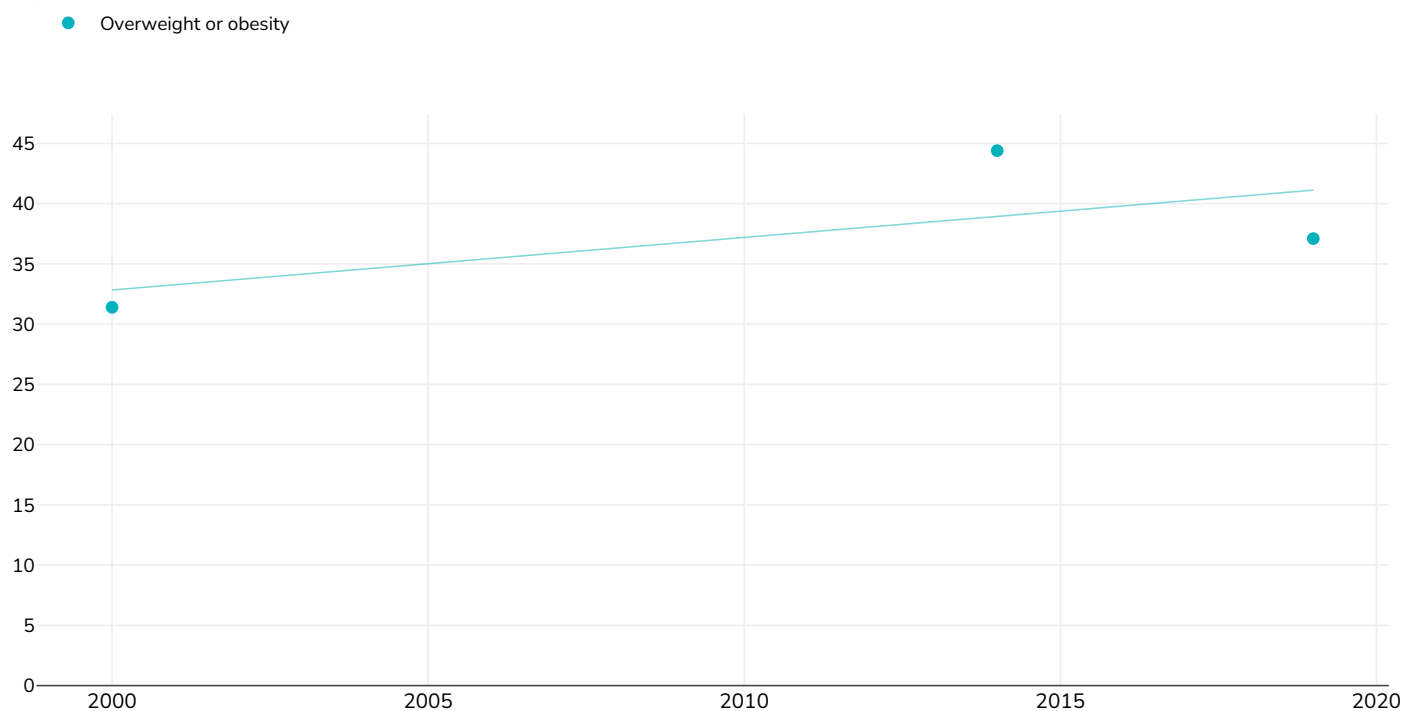


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Women



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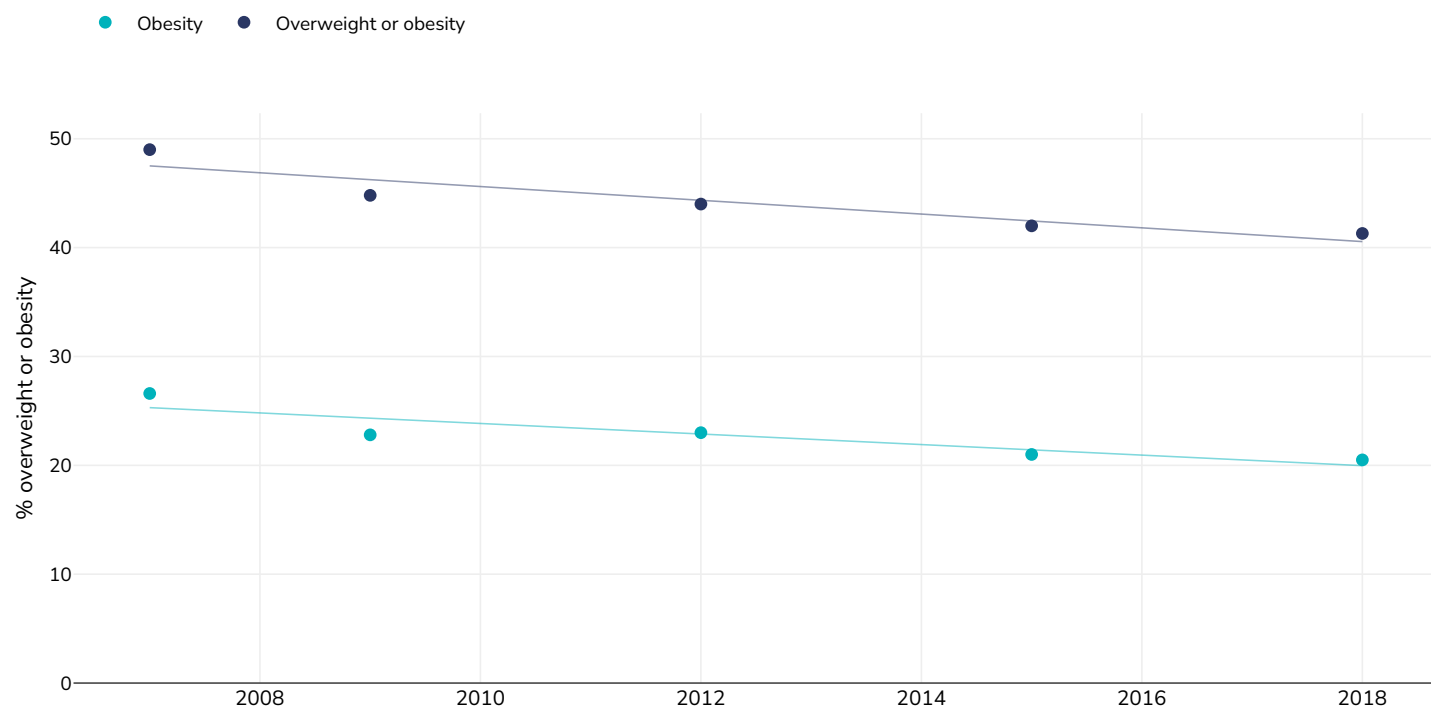
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% Children living with obesity, 2007-2020 (WHO 2007)

Boys



Survey type:

Measured

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- 2007: Wijnhoven, T.M.A., van Raaij, J.M.A., Spinelli, A., Rito, A.I., Hovengen, R., Kunesova, M., Starc, G., Rutter, H., Sjöberg, A., Petrauskiene, A., O'Dwyer, U., Petrova, S., Farrugia Sant'Angelo, V., Wauters, M., Yngve, A., Rubana, I.-M. and Breda, J. (2013), WHO-COSI 2008: weight, height and BMI. *Pediatric Obesity*, 8: 79-97. <https://doi.org/10.1111/j.2047-6310.2012.00090.x>
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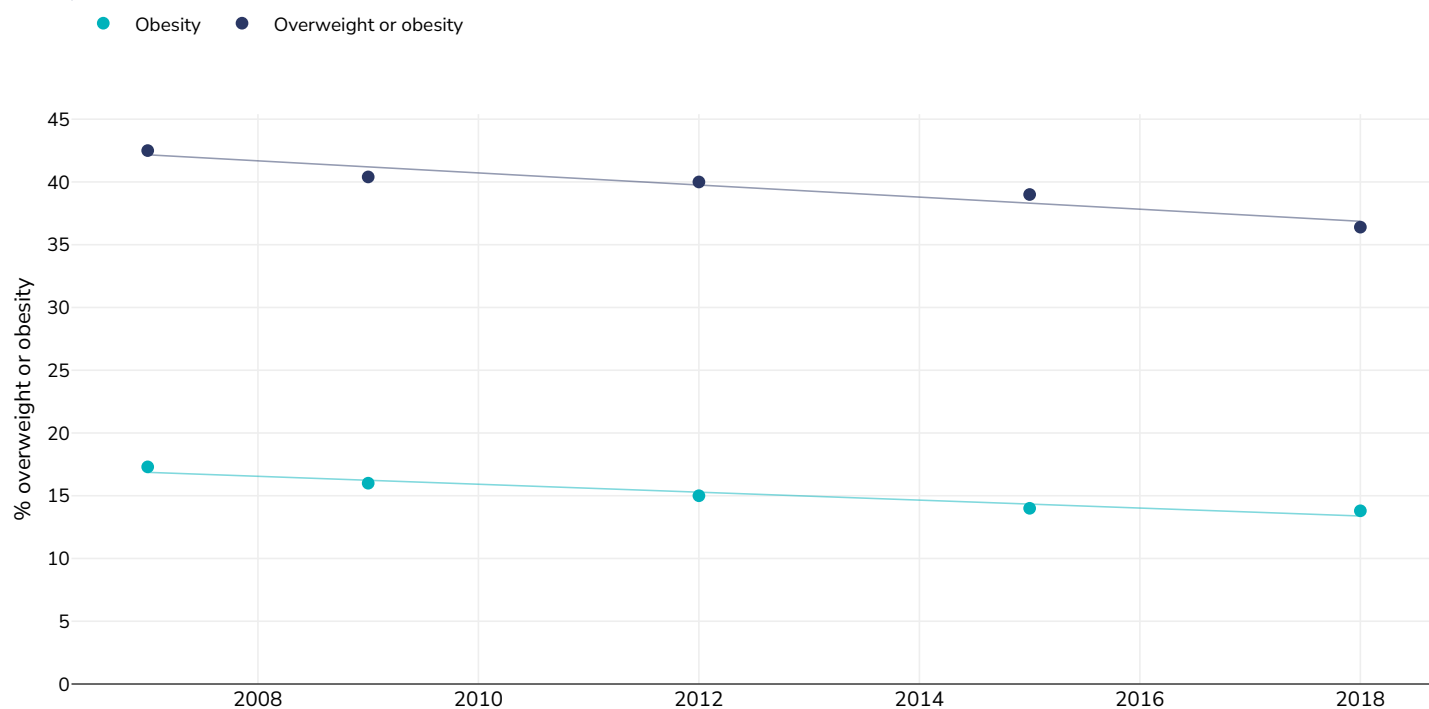
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Girls



Survey type:

Measured

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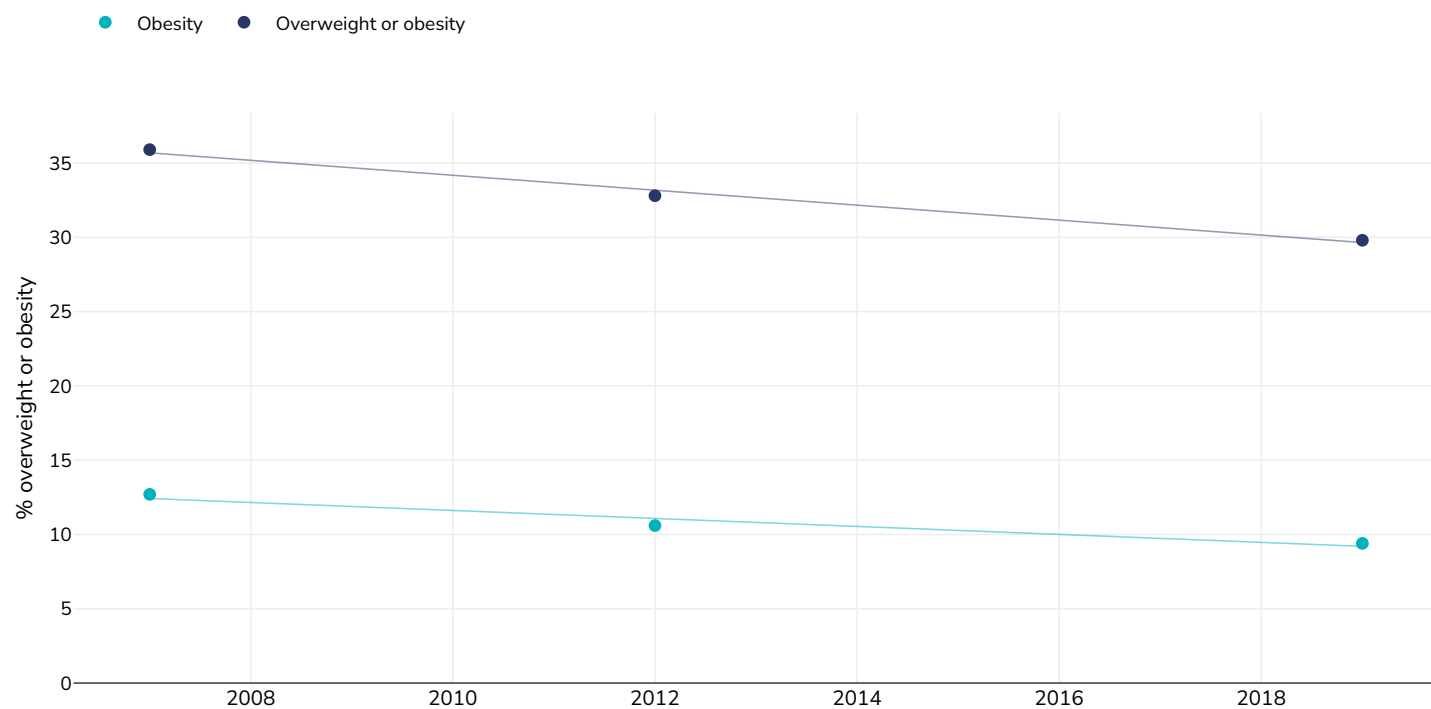
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% Children living with overweight or obesity in Italy 2008-2019 (IOTF)

Boys and girls



Survey
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Measured

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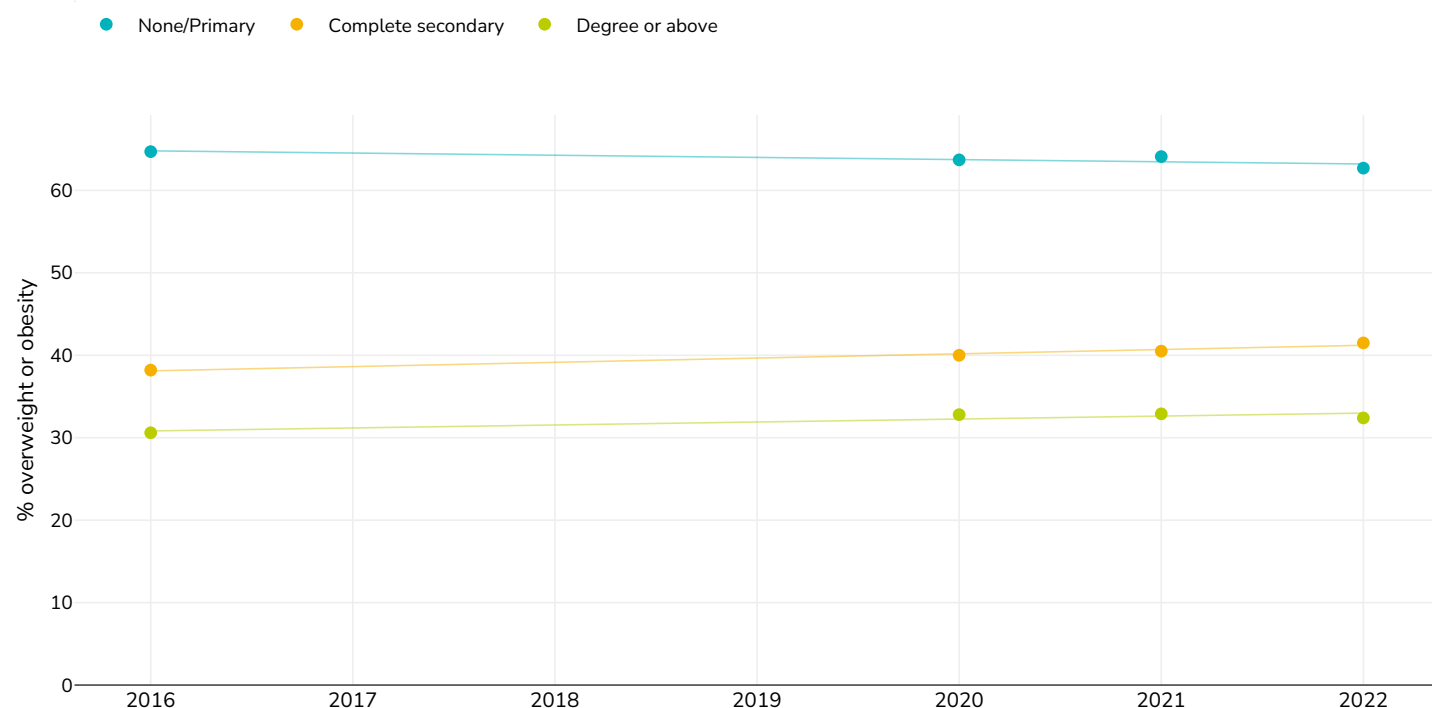
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Adults living with overweight or obesity by education

Men and women



Survey type:

Self-reported

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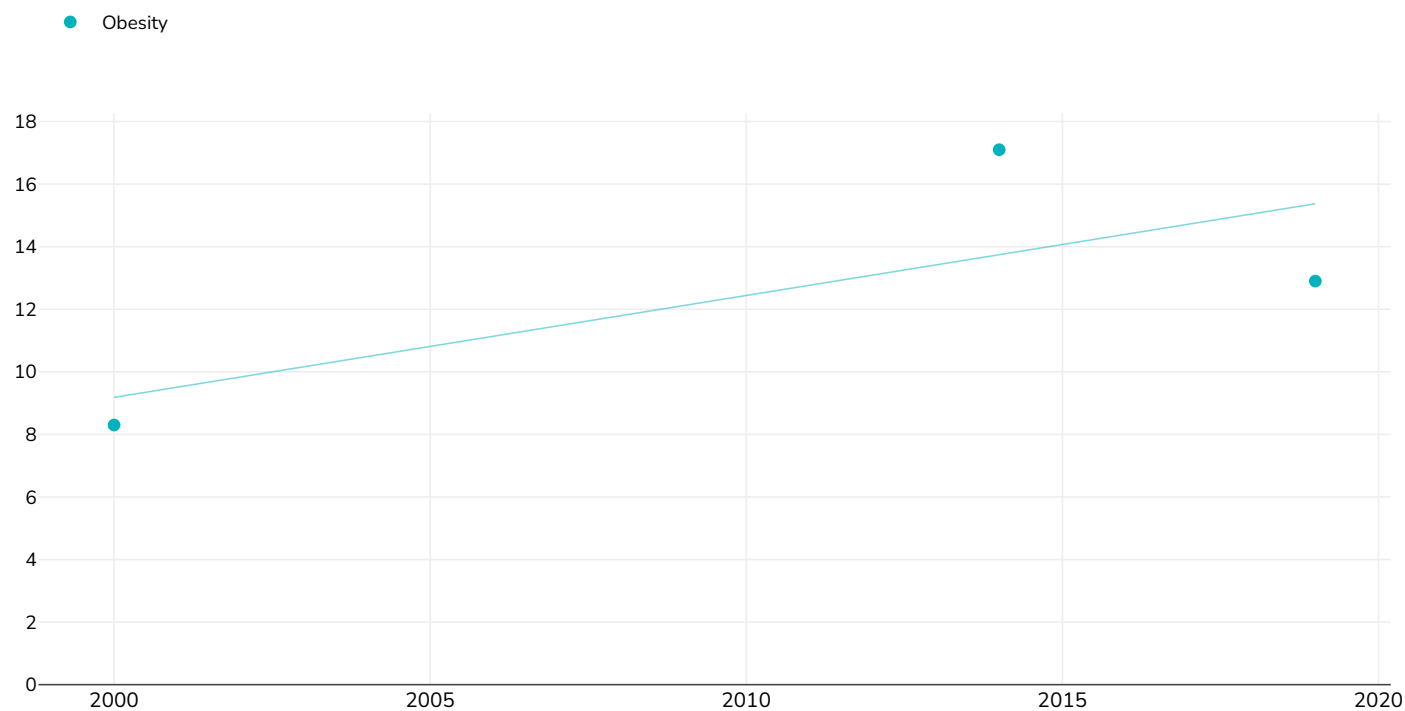
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Trend adult Italy Obesity 2000 2019

Men



Survey
type:

Self-reported

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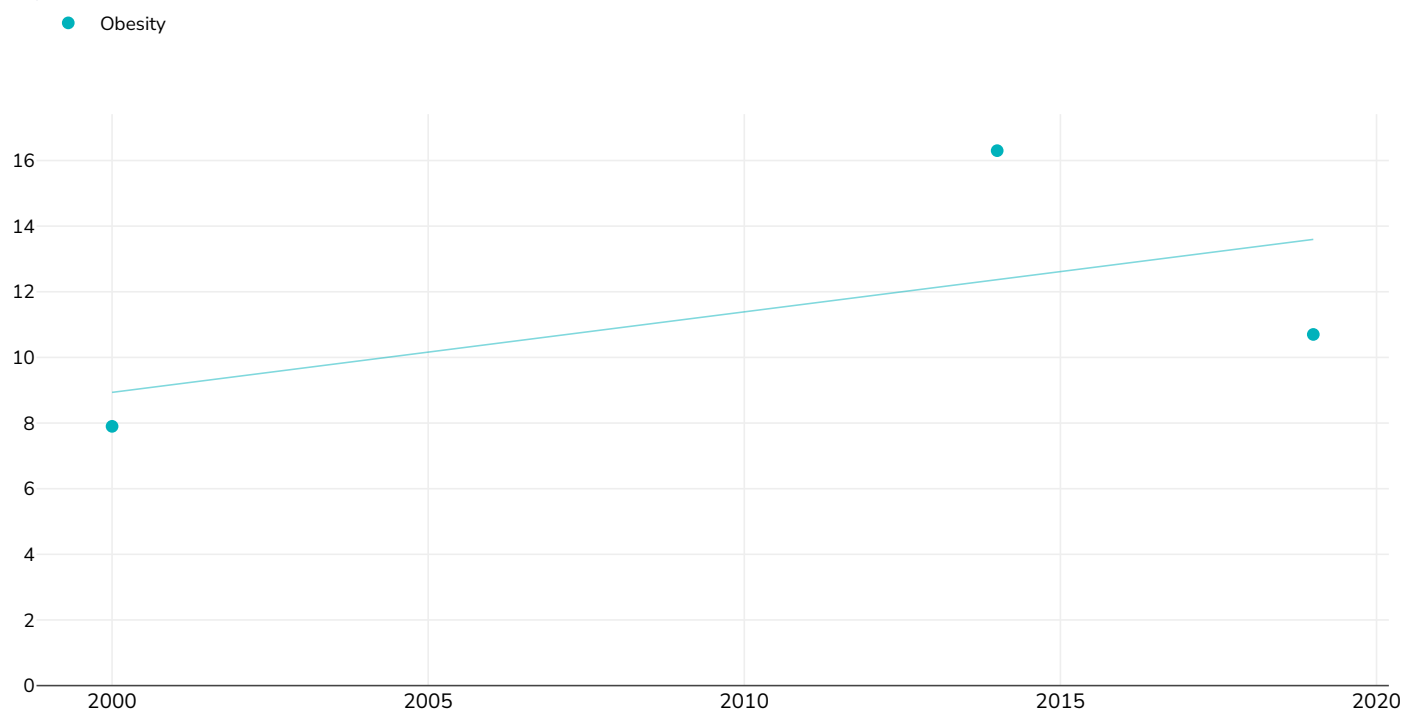
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Women



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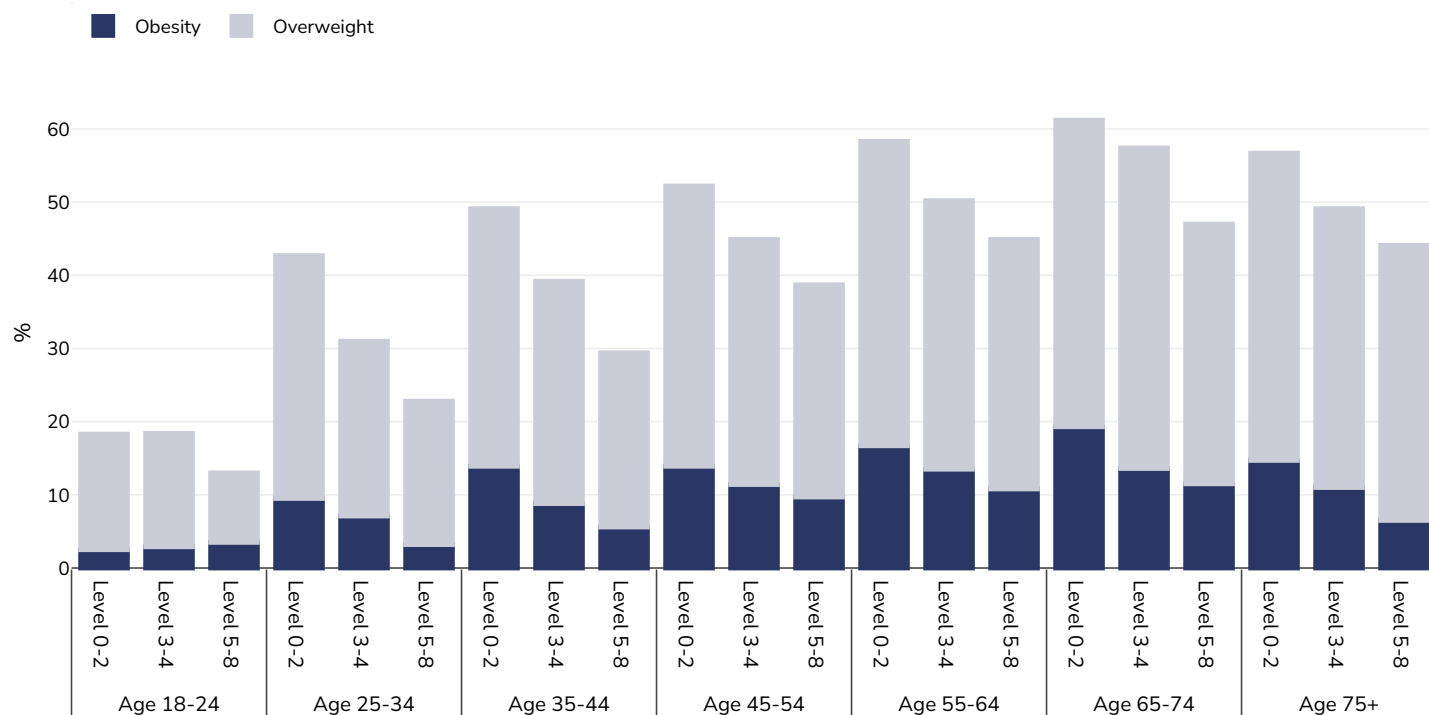
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Overweight/obesity by age and education

Adults, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

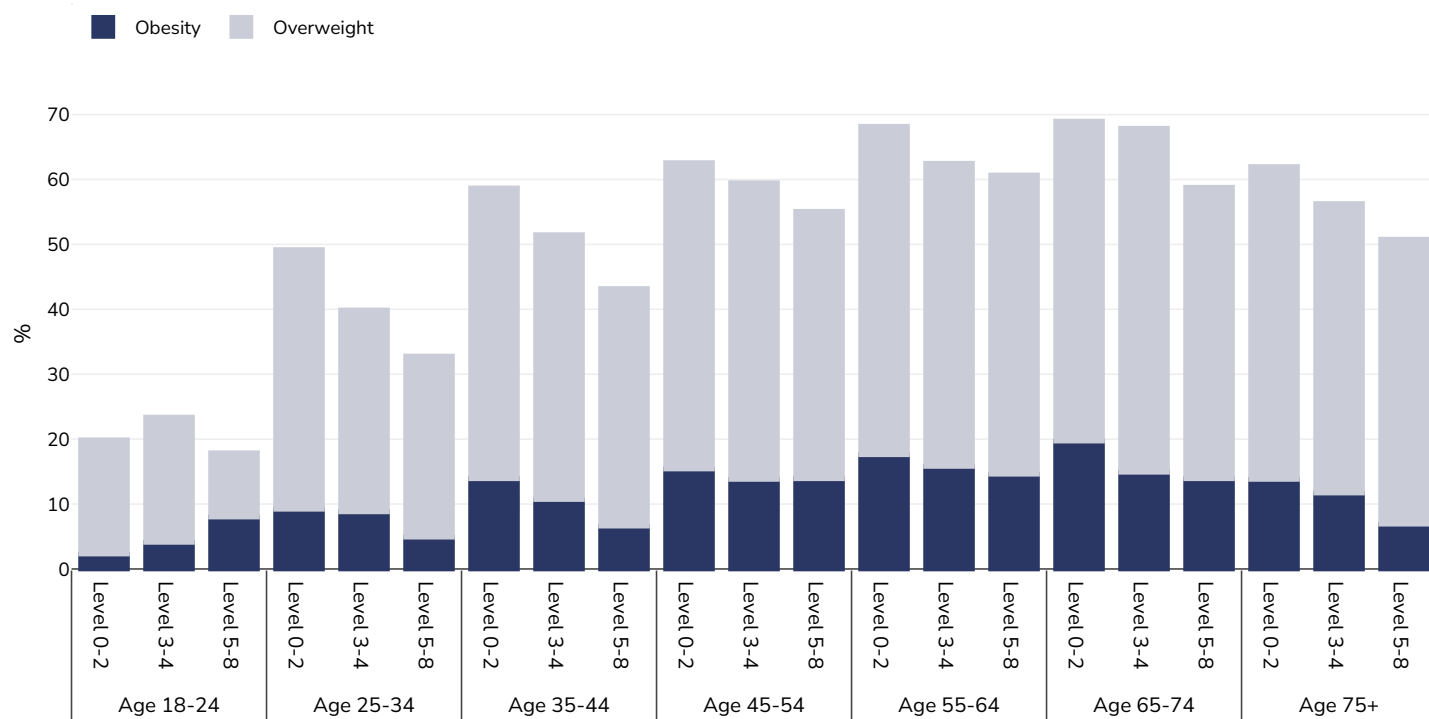
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Men, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

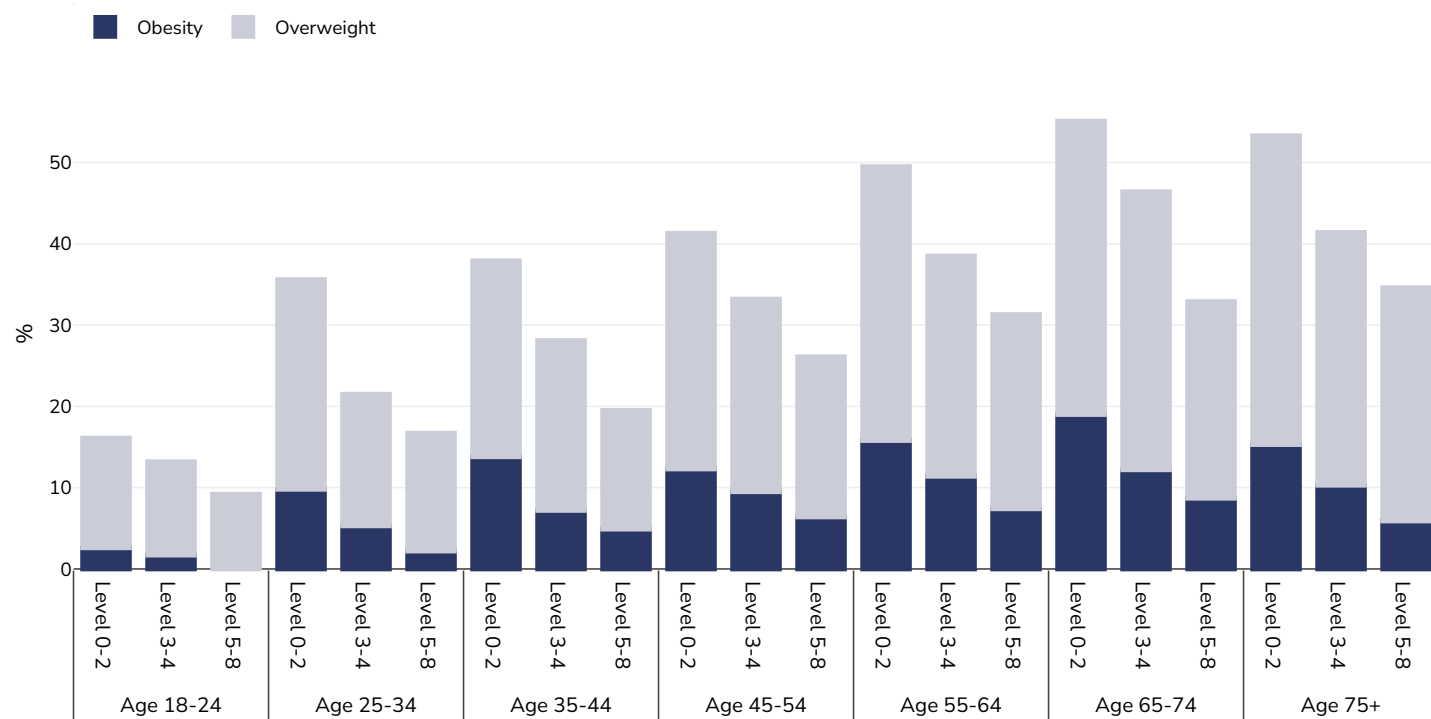
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Women, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

National

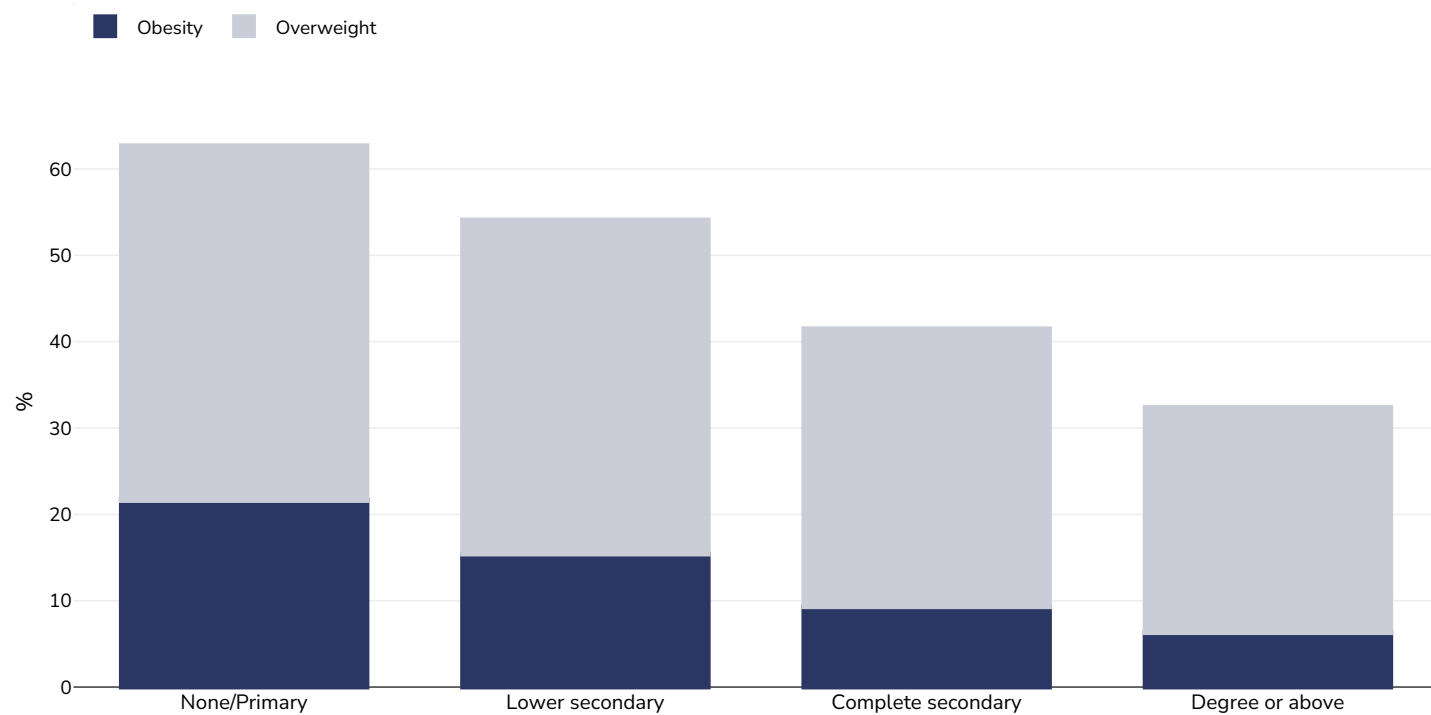
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Overweight/obesity by education

Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type: Self-reported

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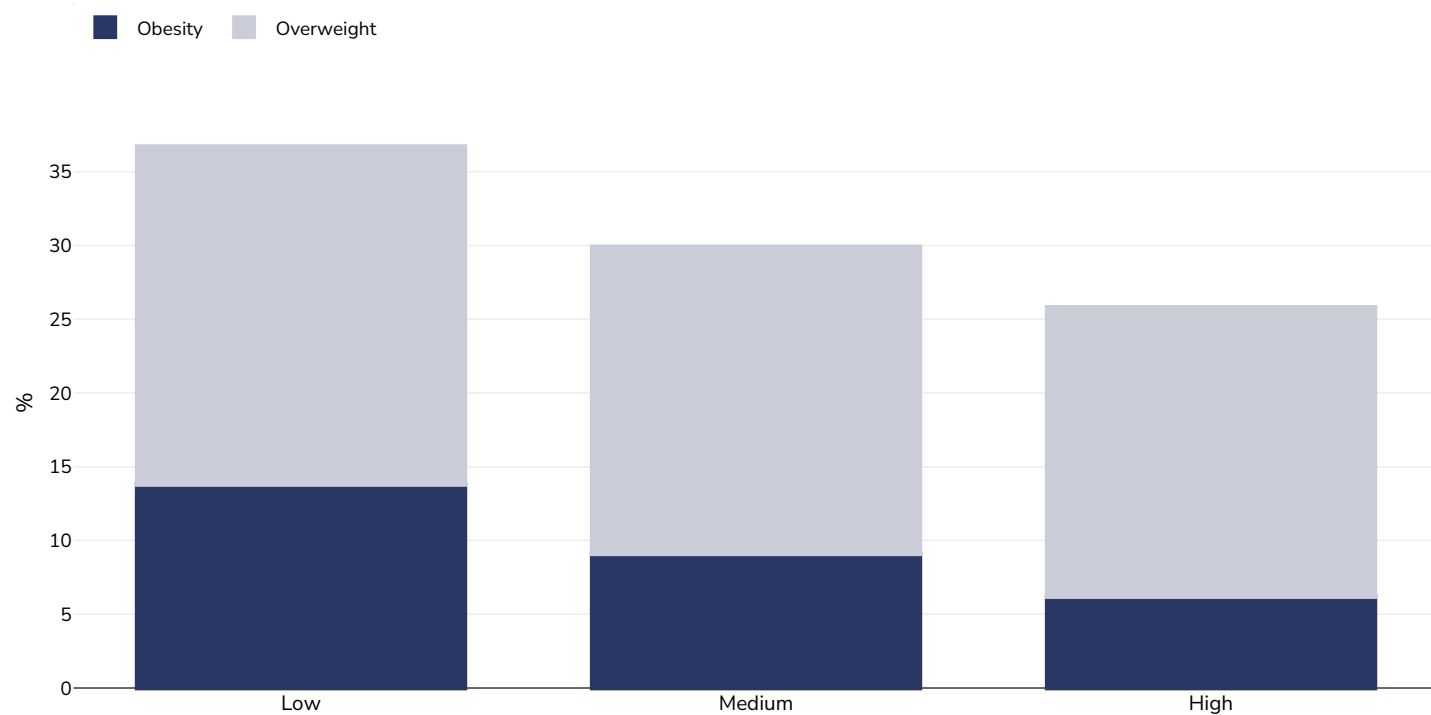
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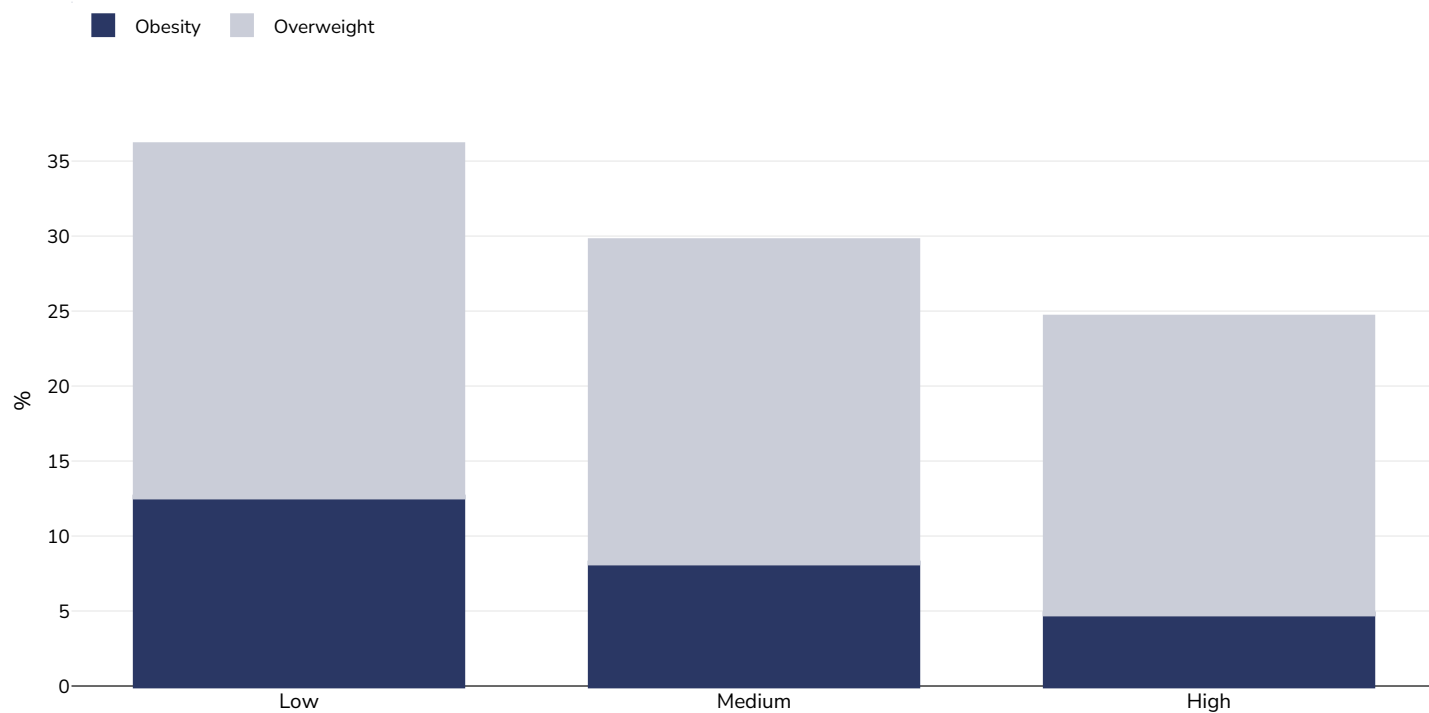
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Boys, 2016



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	8-9
Sample size:	48,900
Area covered:	National
References:	Lauria, Laura, et al. "Decline of Childhood Overweight and Obesity in Italy from 2008 to 2016: Results from 5 Rounds of the Population-Based Surveillance System." BMC Public Health, vol. 19, no. 1, 21 May 2019, 10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3. Available at: https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3 . Accessed 13 May 2021.
Notes:	OKkio alla SALUTE 2016 data.
Definitions:	Based on Mother's educational attainment level.
Cutoffs:	WOF-IOTF

Girls, 2016



Survey type: Measured

Age: 8-9

Sample size: 48,900

Area covered: National

References: Lauria, Laura, et al. "Decline of Childhood Overweight and Obesity in Italy from 2008 to 2016: Results from 5 Rounds of the Population-Based Surveillance System." BMC Public Health, vol. 19, no. 1, 21 May 2019, 10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3. Available at: <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3>. Accessed 13 May 2021.

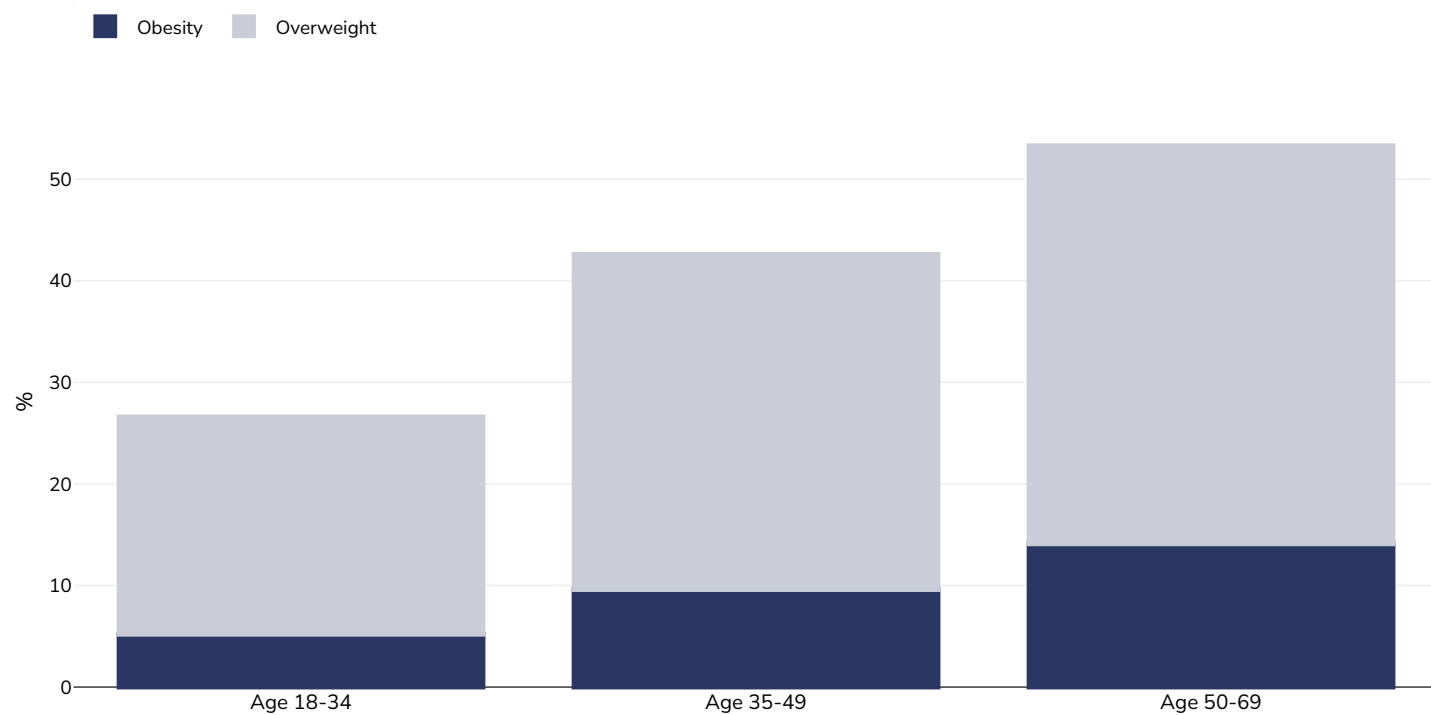
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Cutoffs: WOF-IOTF

Overweight/obesity by age

Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type: Self-reported

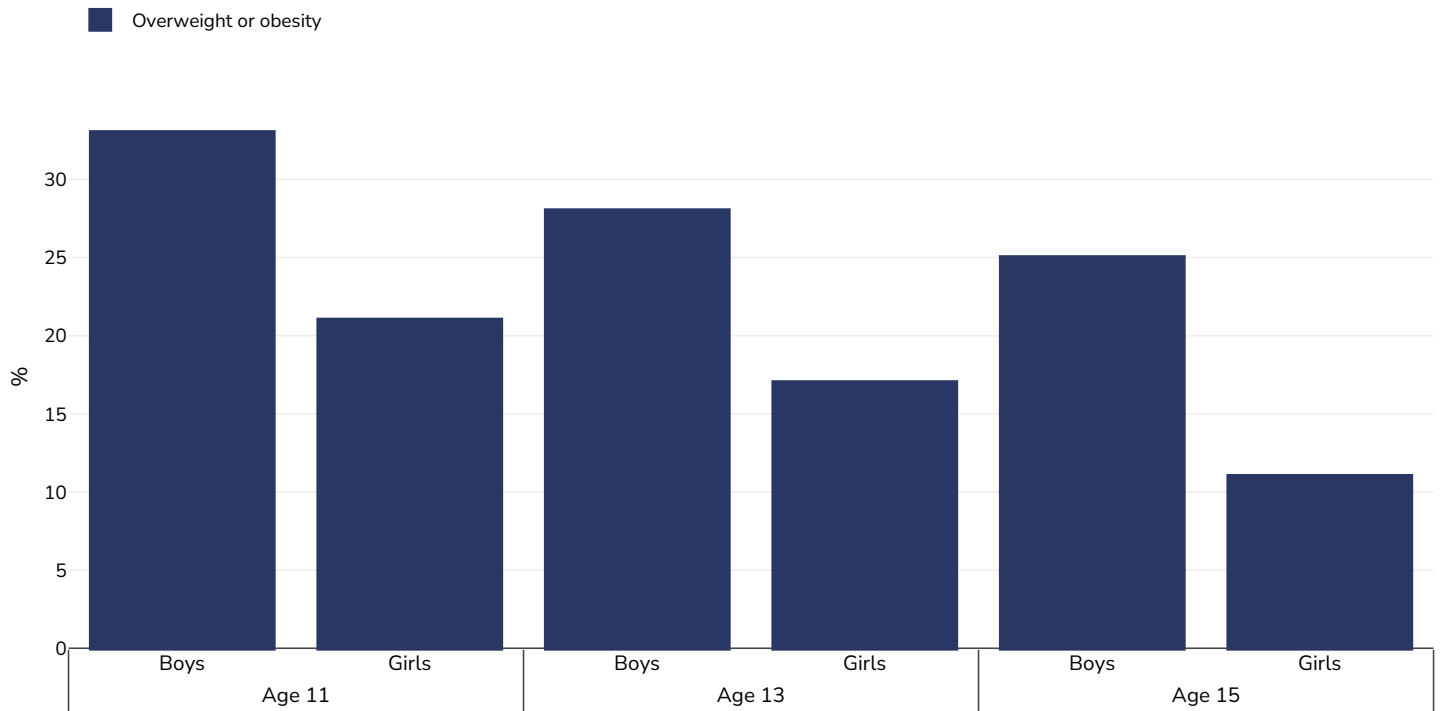
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Area covered: National

References: PASSI 2022-2023 <https://www.epicentro.iss.it/passi/dati/sovrappeso> (Accessed 05.07.24)

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Children, 2021-2022



Survey type: Self-reported

Area covered: See Report

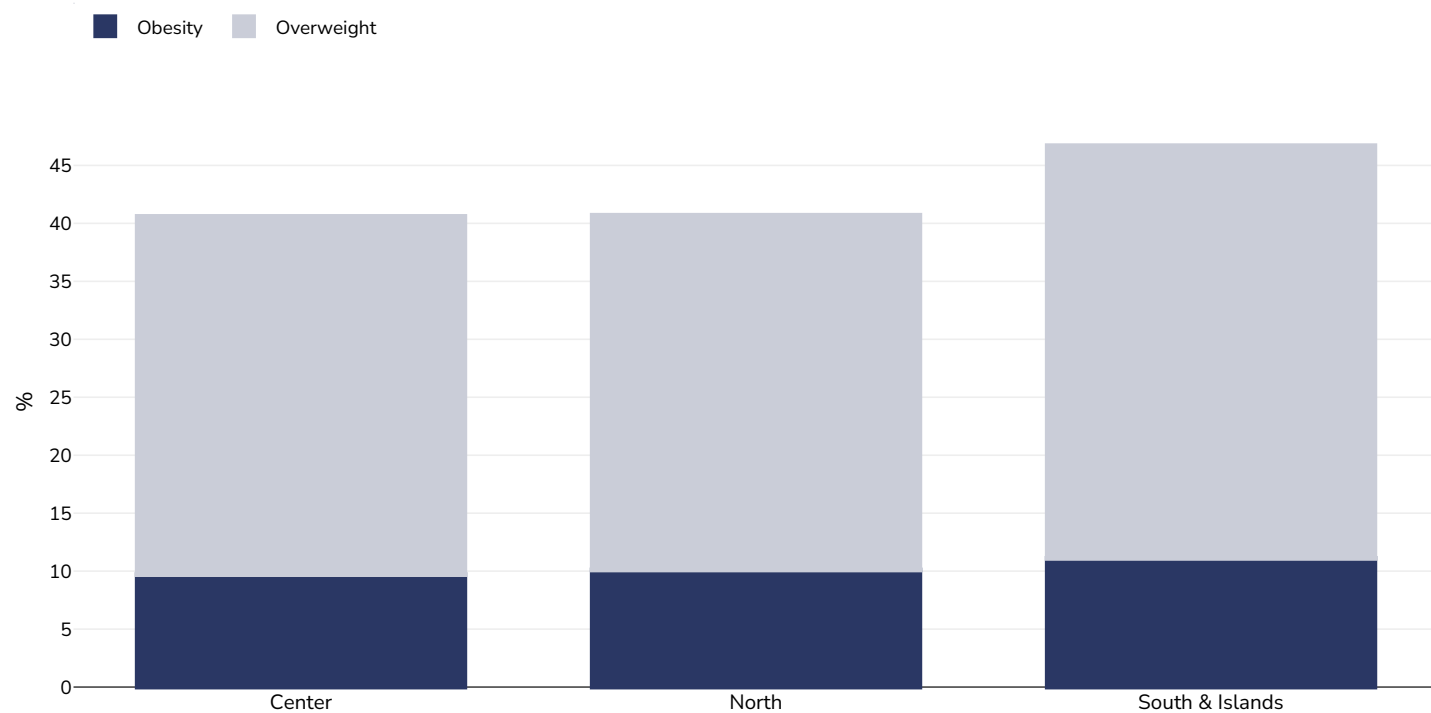
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Cutoffs: +2SD

Overweight/obesity by region

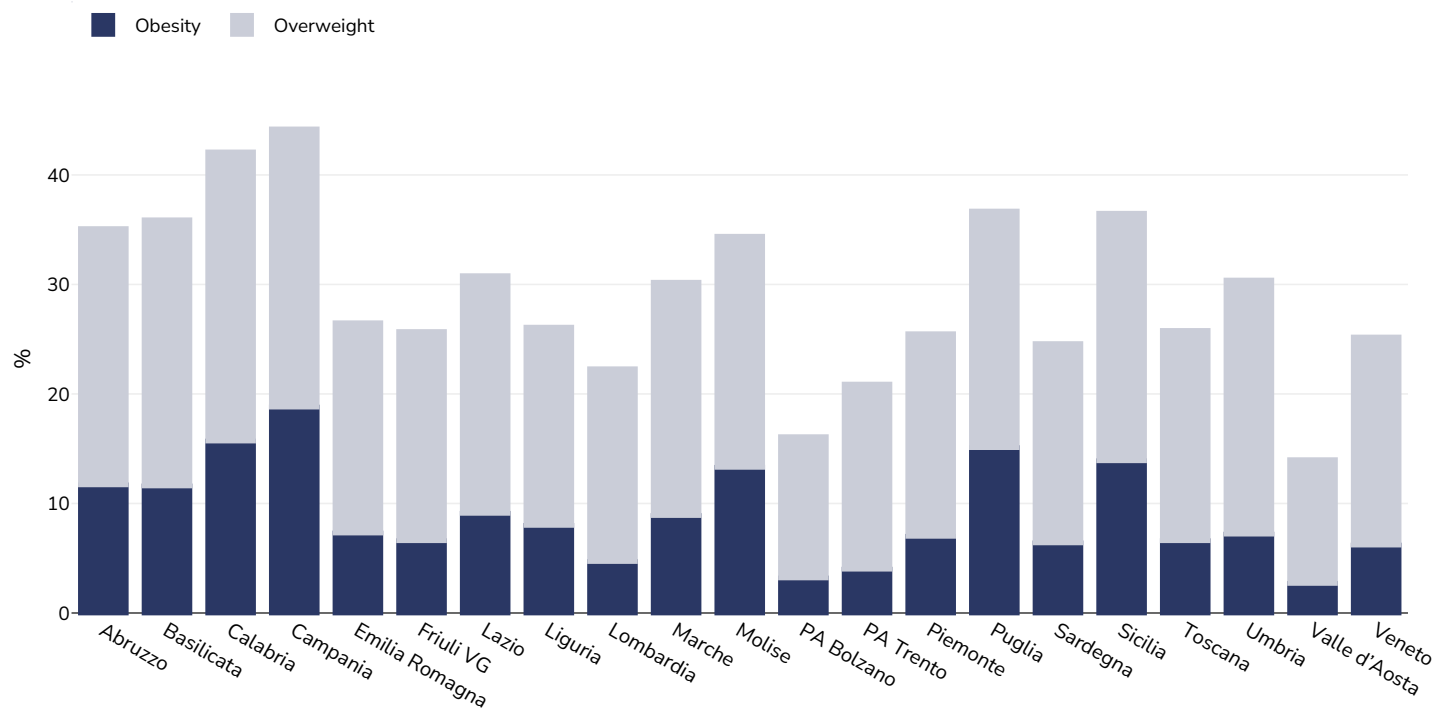
Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type:	Self-reported
Age:	18-69
Sample size:	63555
Area covered:	National
References:	PASSI 2022-2023 https://www.epicentro.iss.it/passi/dati/sovrappeso (Accessed 05.07.24)

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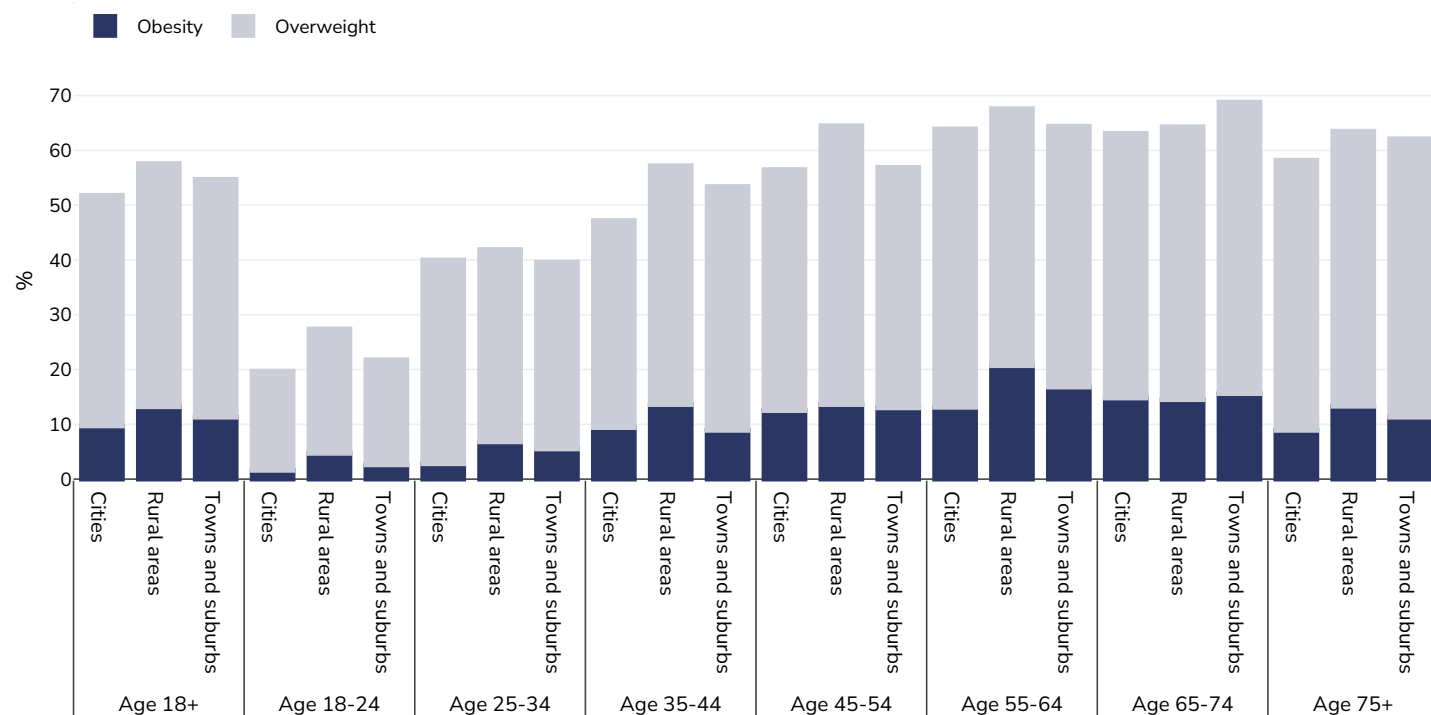
Children, 2019



Survey type:	Measured
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Sample size:	53,273
Area covered:	National
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Cutoffs:	IOTF

Overweight/obesity by age and region

Men, 2014



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

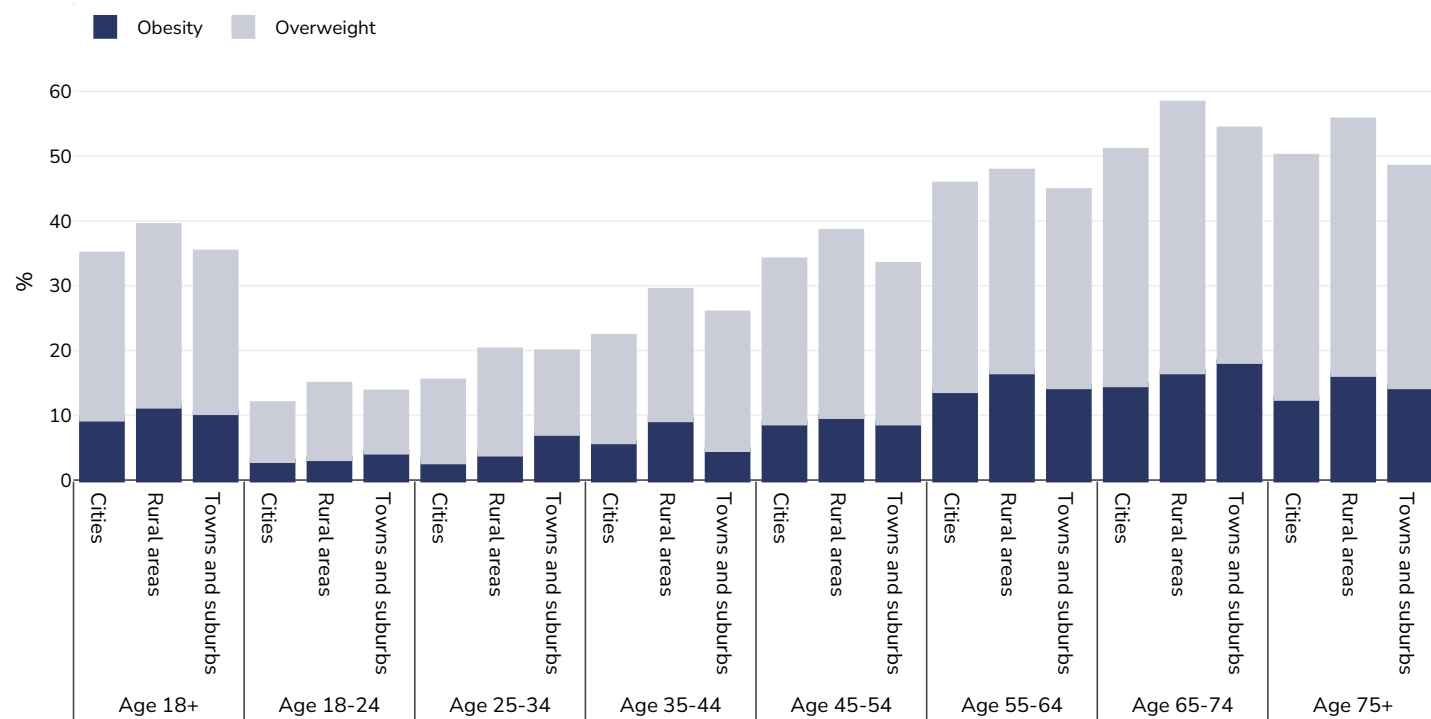
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References:

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Women, 2014



Survey type: Self-reported

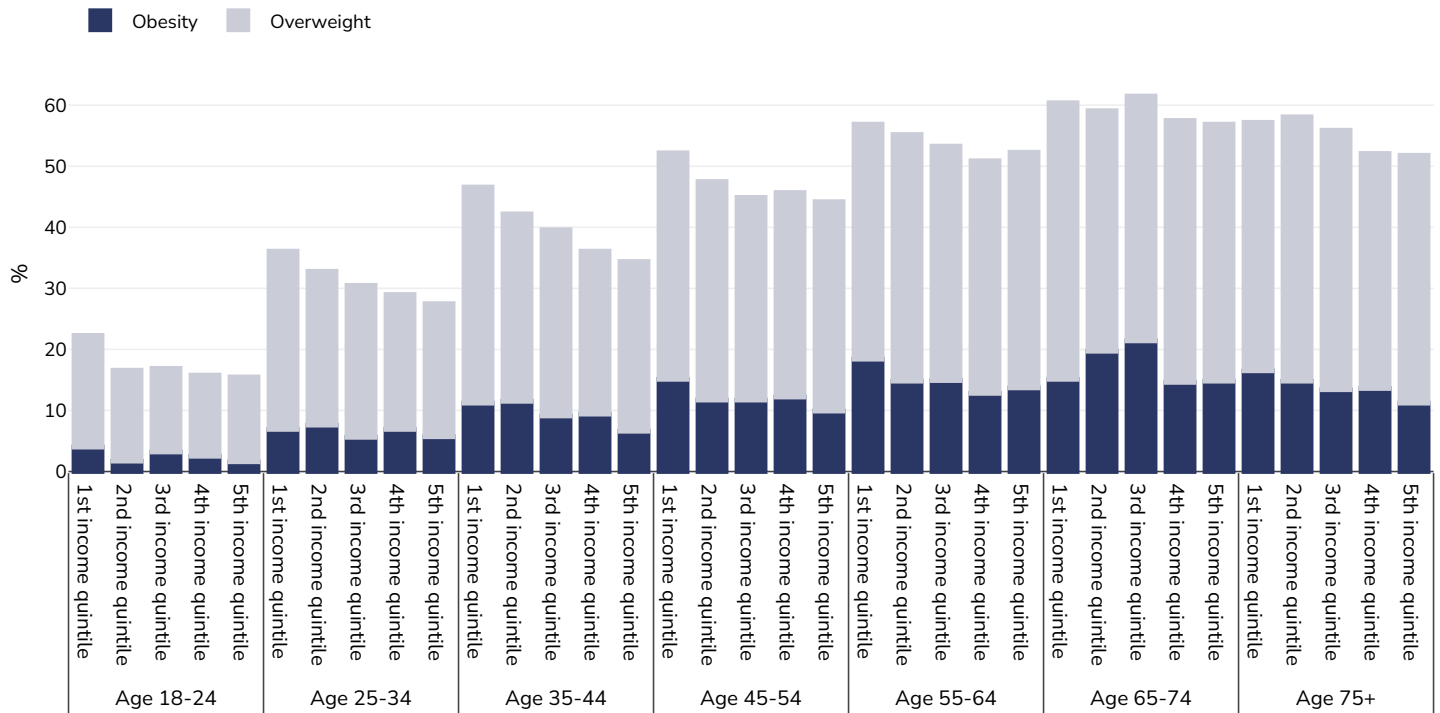
Area covered: National

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Overweight/obesity by age and socio-economic group

Adults, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

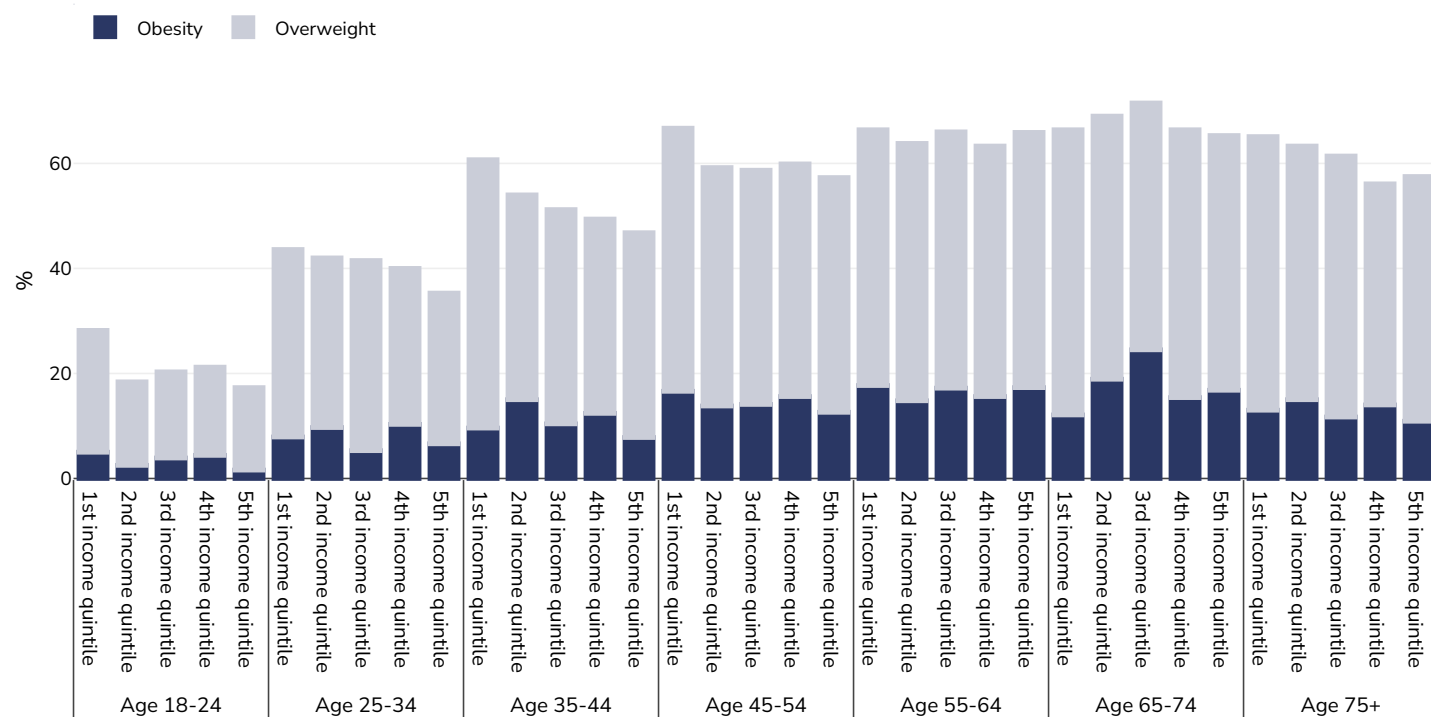
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Men, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

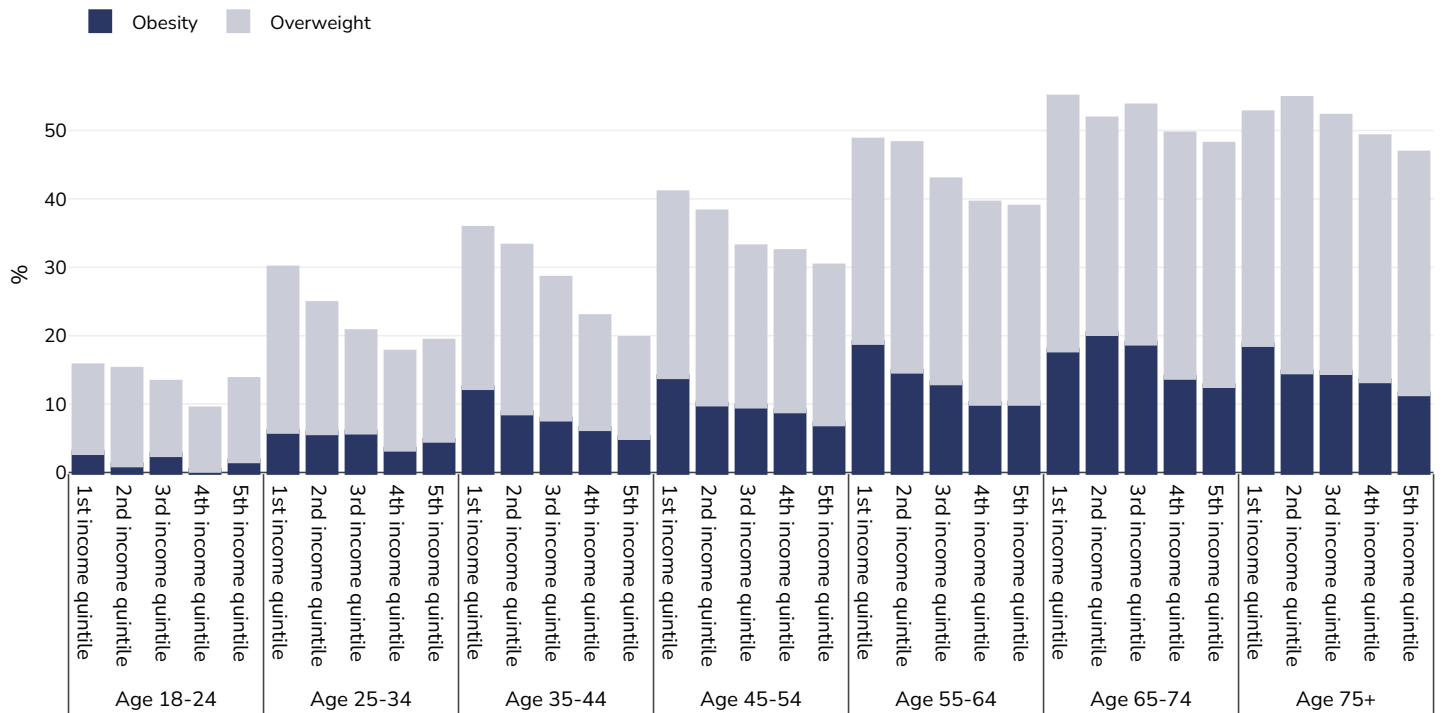
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Women, 2019



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

National

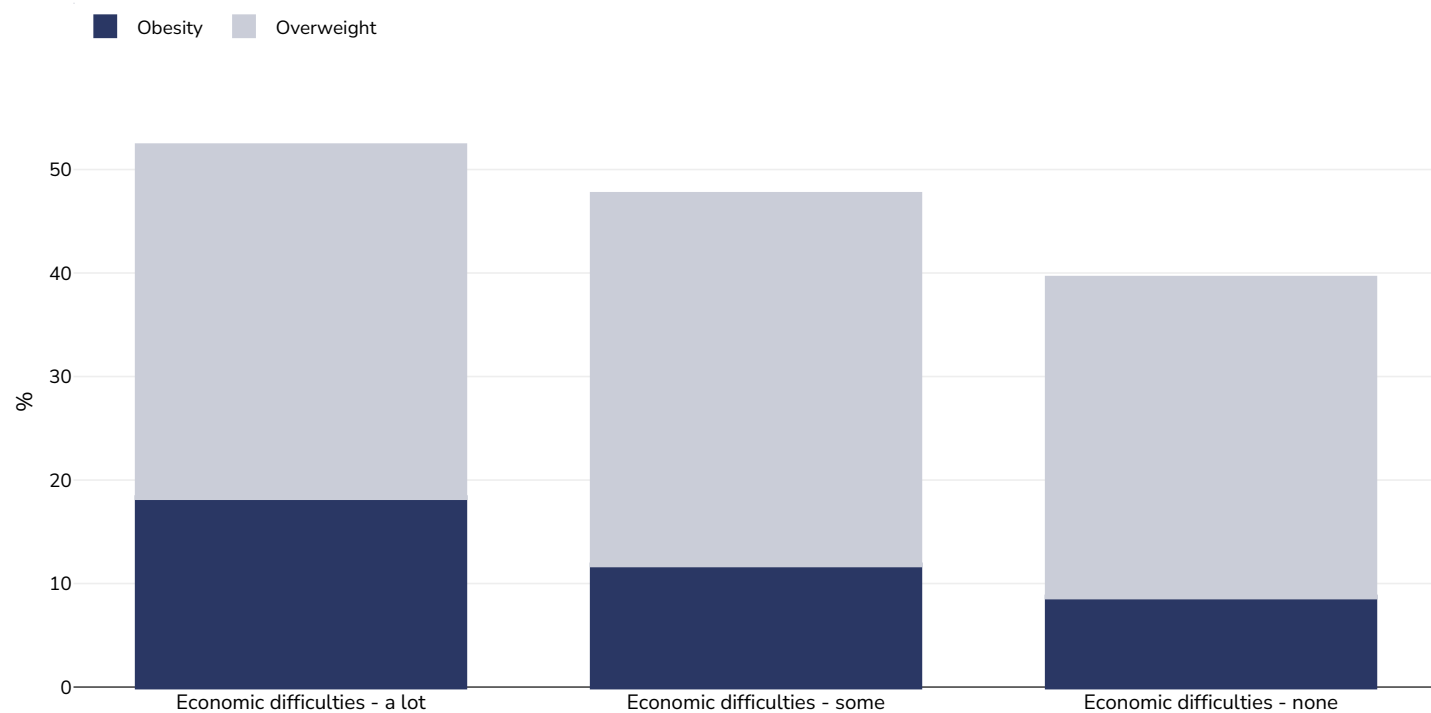
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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

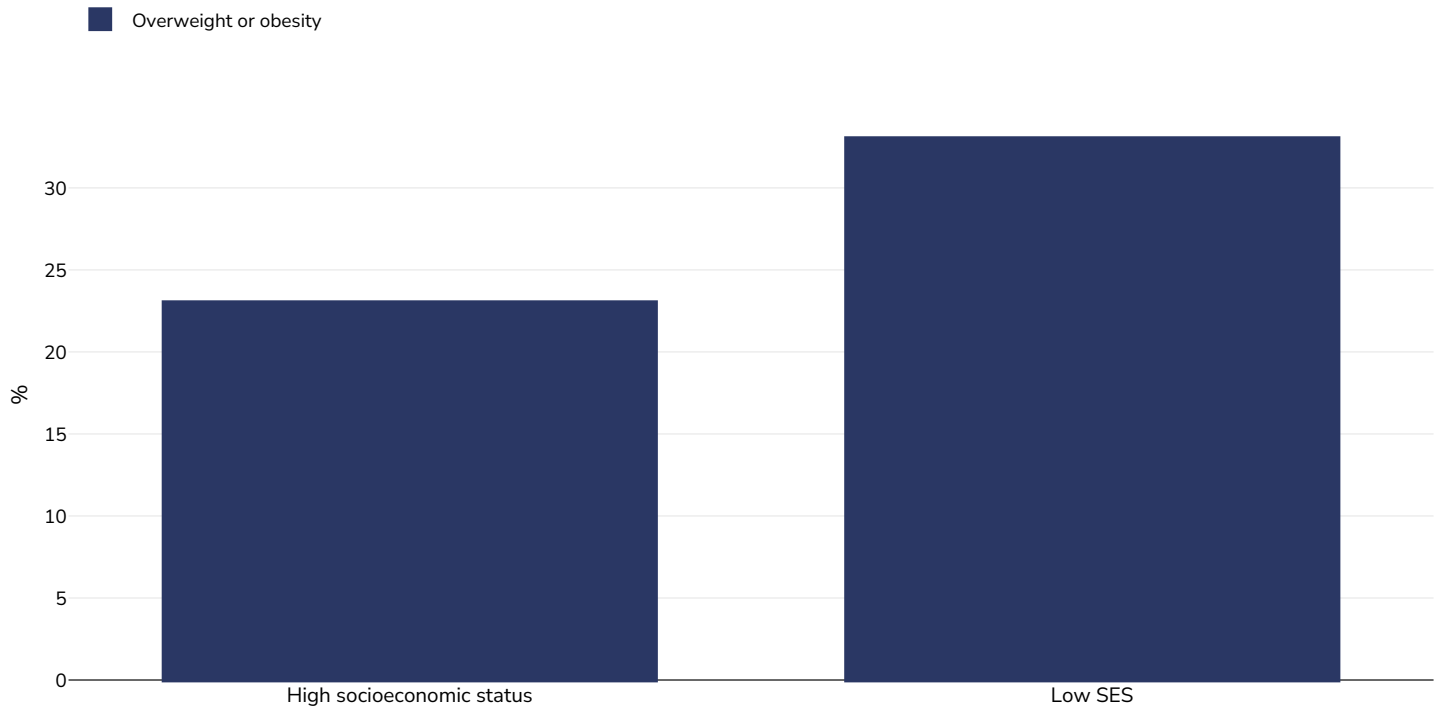
Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	18-69
Sample size:	63555
Area covered:	National
References:	PASSI 2022-2023 https://www.epicentro.iss.it/passi/dati/sovrappeso (Accessed 05.07.24)

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Boys, 2021-2022



Survey type: Self-reported

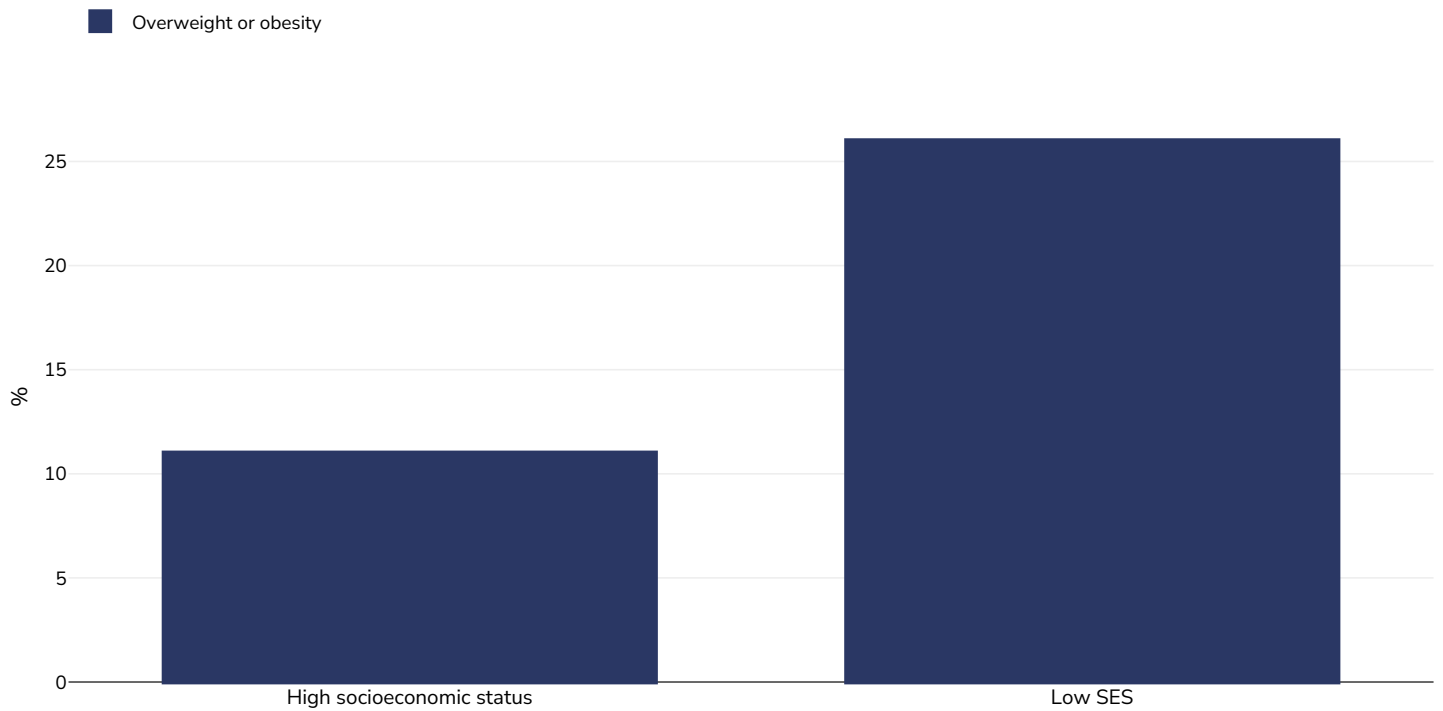
Age: 11-15

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Notes: Family affluence scale HBSC aims to survey approximately 1500 pupils per age group in each country or region (totaling around 4500)

Cutoffs: +2SD

Girls, 2021-2022



Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 11-15

References: Raki? JG, Hamrik Z, Dzielska A, Felder-Puig R, Oja L, Bakalár P et al. A focus on adolescent physical activity, eating behaviours, weight status and body image in Europe, central Asia and Canada. Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) international report from the 2021/2022 survey. Volume 4. Copenhagen: WHO Regional Office for Europe; 2024. 'Any translation was not created by the World Health Organization (WHO). WHO is not responsible for the content or accuracy of this translation. The original English edition shall be the binding and authentic edition'

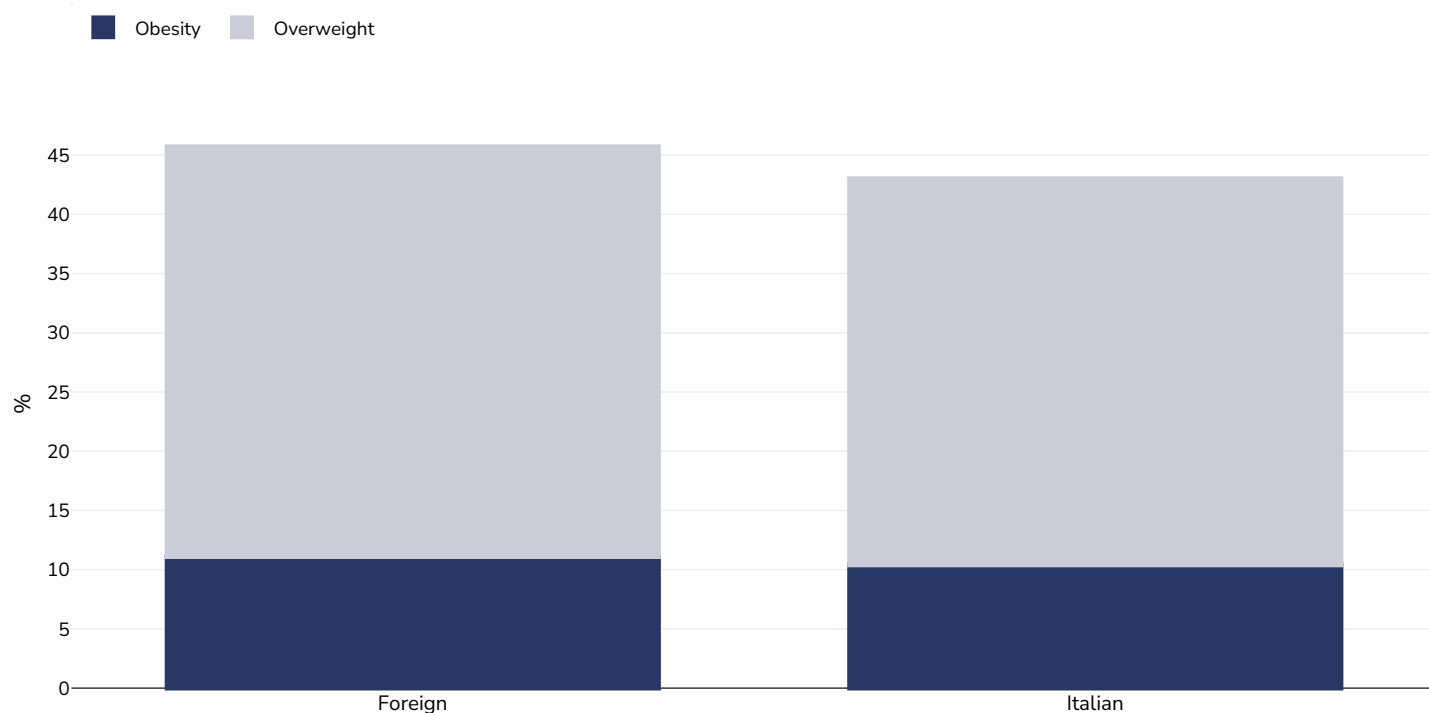
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Cutoffs: +2SD

Overweight/obesity by ethnicity

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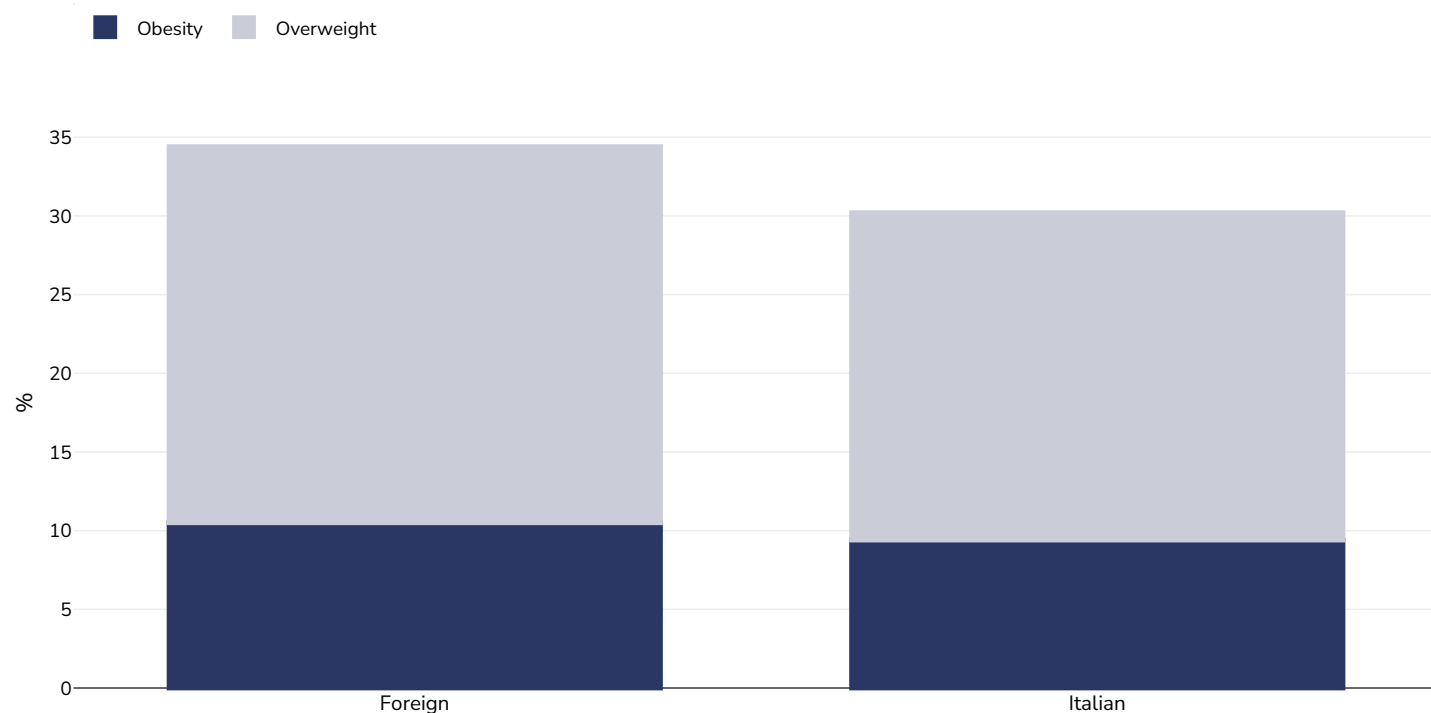
Adults, 2022-2023



Survey type:	Self-reported
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References:	PASSI 2022-2023 https://www.epicentro.iss.it/passi/dati/sovrappeso (Accessed 05.07.24)

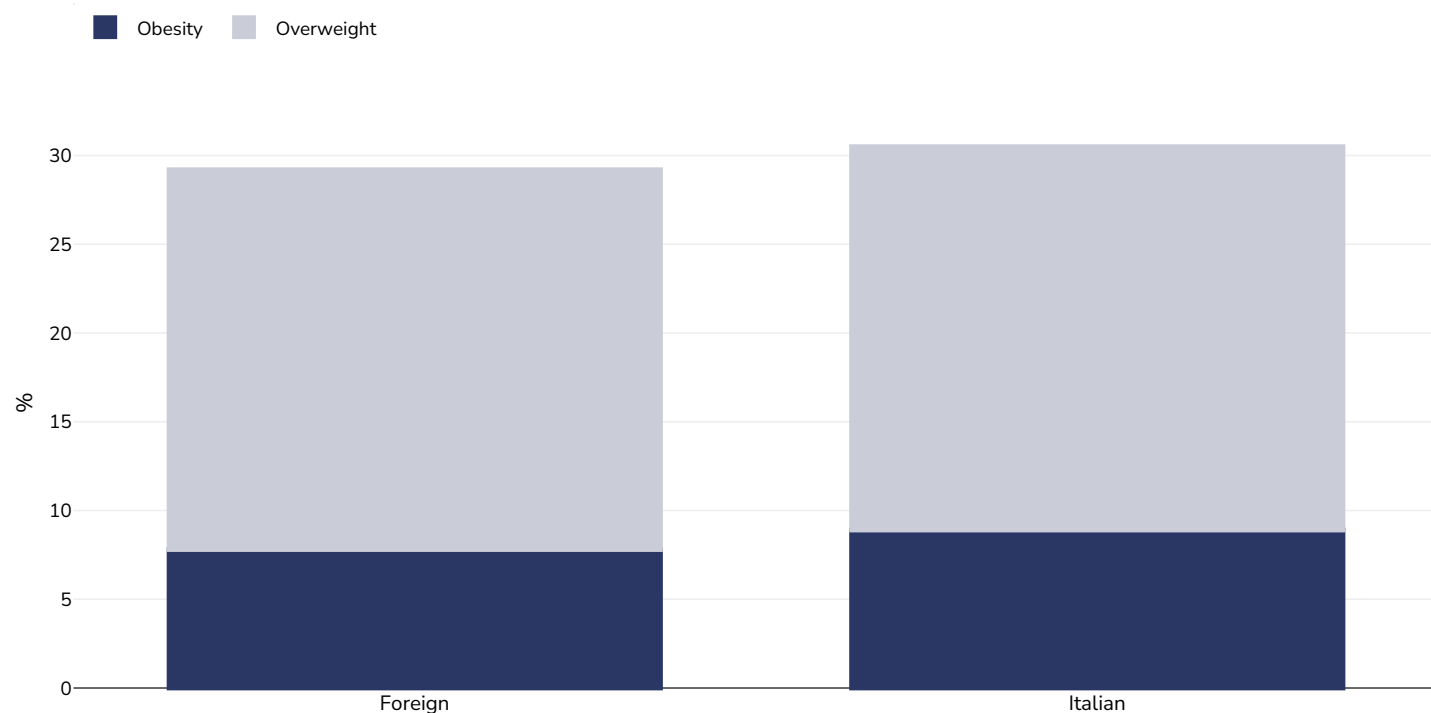
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Boys, 2016



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	8-9
Sample size:	48,900
Area covered:	National
References:	Lauria, Laura, et al. "Decline of Childhood Overweight and Obesity in Italy from 2008 to 2016: Results from 5 Rounds of the Population-Based Surveillance System." BMC Public Health, vol. 19, no. 1, 21 May 2019, 10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3. Available at: https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3 . Accessed 13 May 2021.
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Definitions:	Based on Mother's citizenship.
Cutoffs:	WOF-IOTF

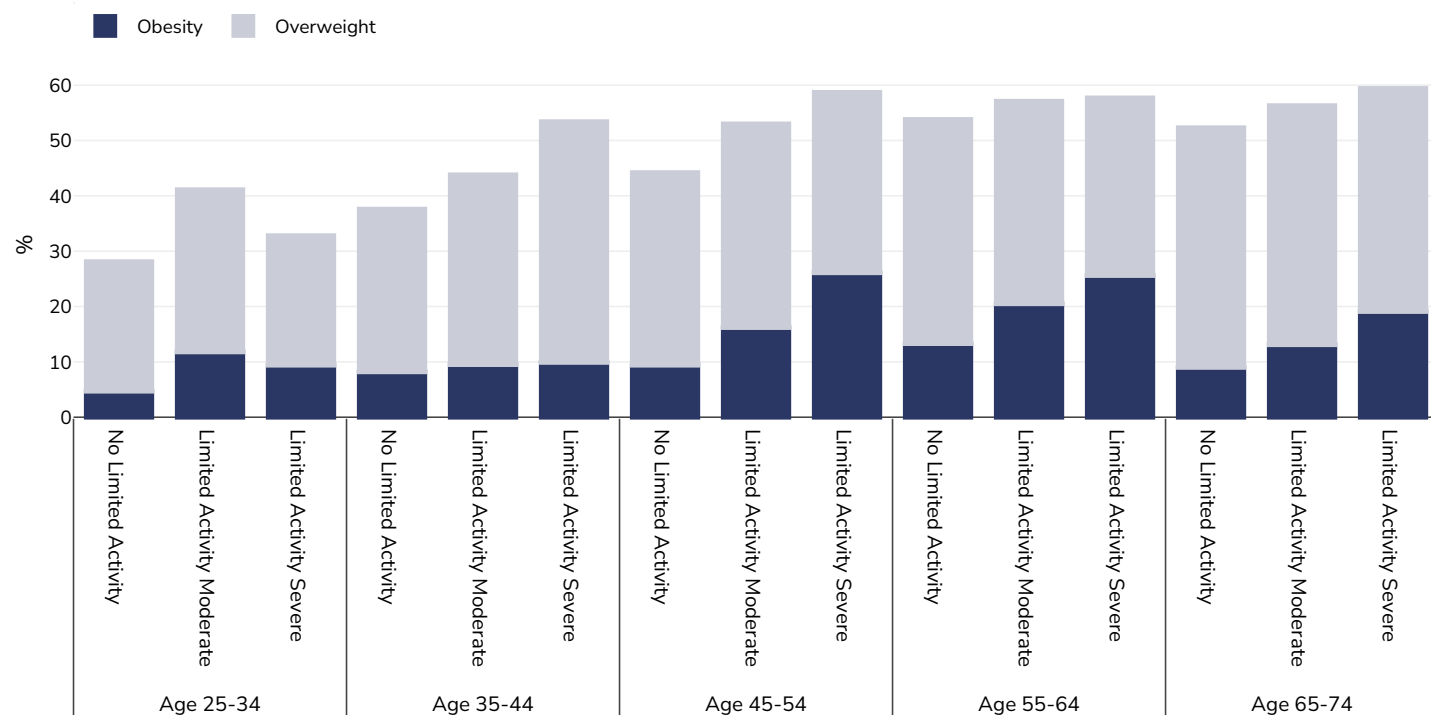
Girls, 2016



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	8-9
Sample size:	48,900
Area covered:	National
References:	Lauria, Laura, et al. "Decline of Childhood Overweight and Obesity in Italy from 2008 to 2016: Results from 5 Rounds of the Population-Based Surveillance System." BMC Public Health, vol. 19, no. 1, 21 May 2019, 10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3. Available at: https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12889-019-6946-3 . Accessed 13 May 2021.
Notes:	OKkio alla SALUTE 2016 data.
Definitions:	Based on Mother's citizenship.
Cutoffs:	WOF-IOTF

Overweight/obesity by age and limited activity

Adults, 2014



Survey type:

Self-reported

Area covered:

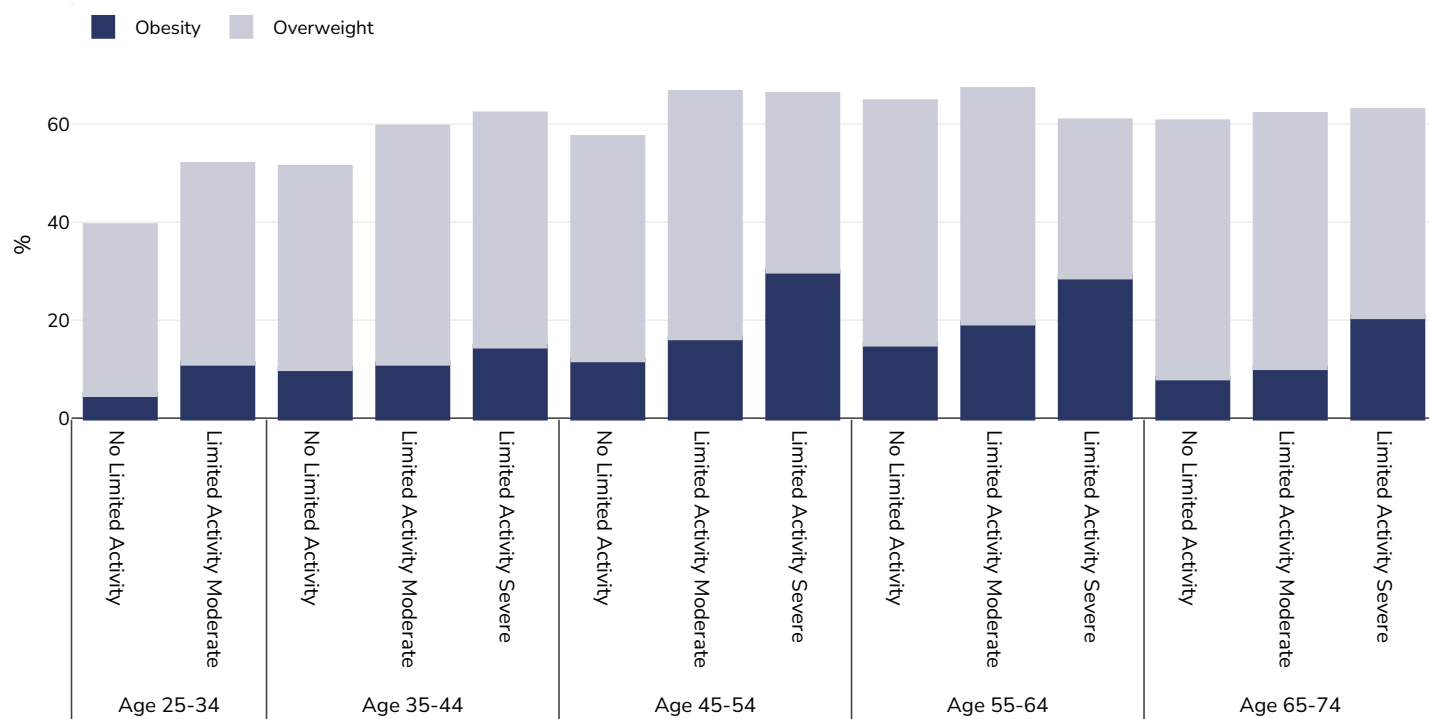
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Men, 2014



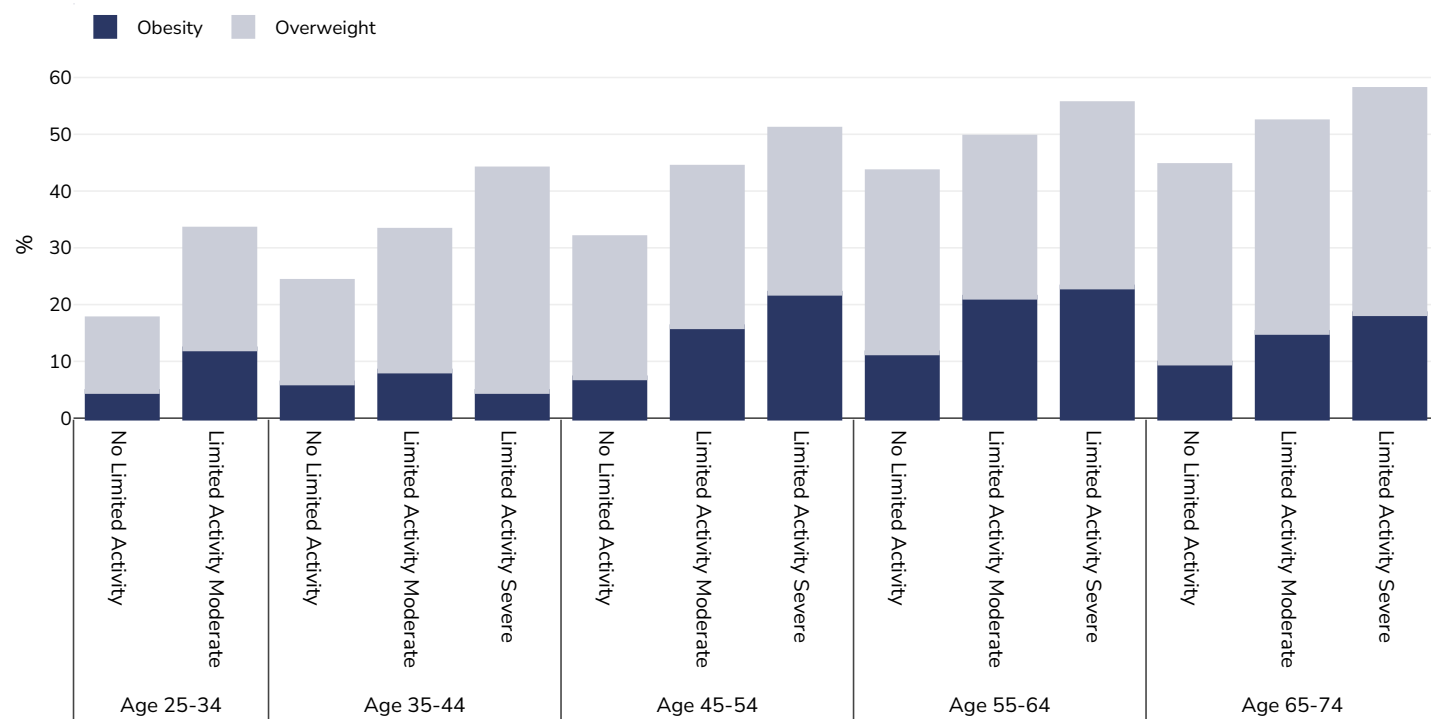
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Women, 2014



Survey type: Self-reported

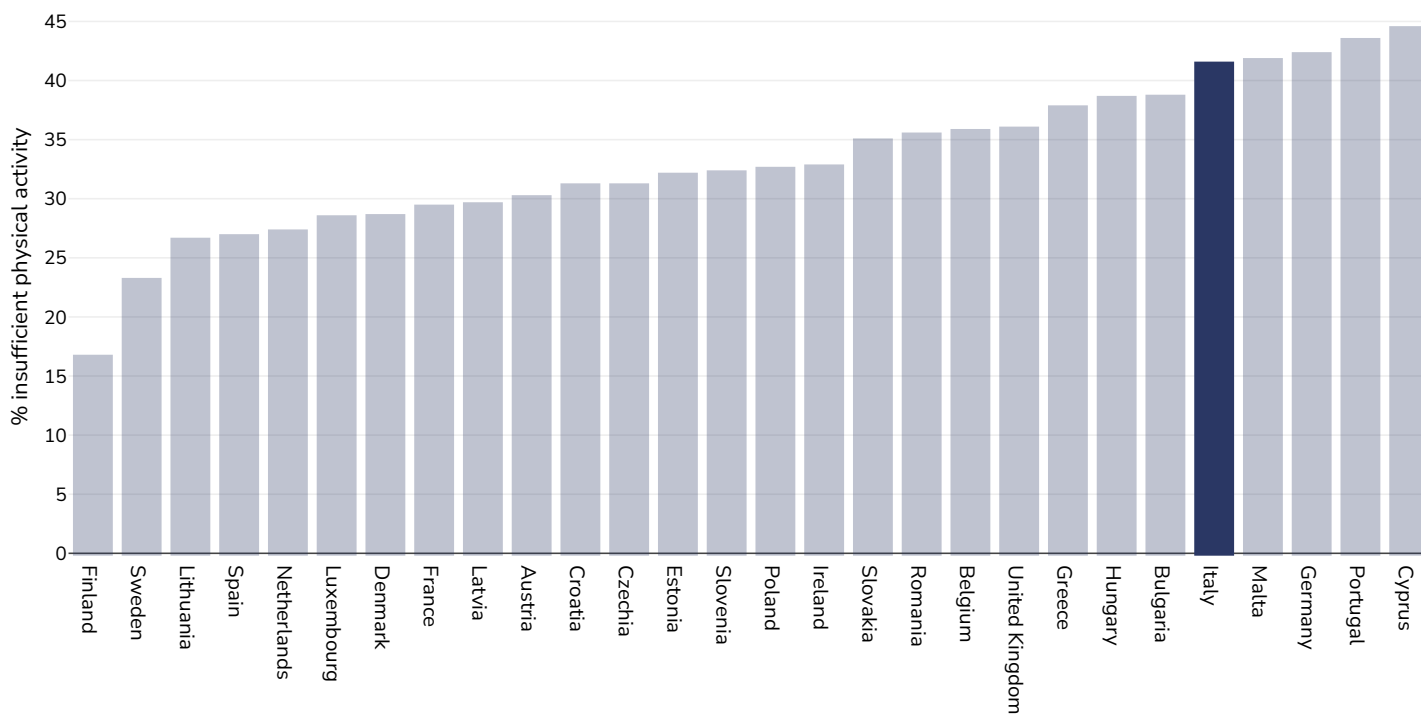
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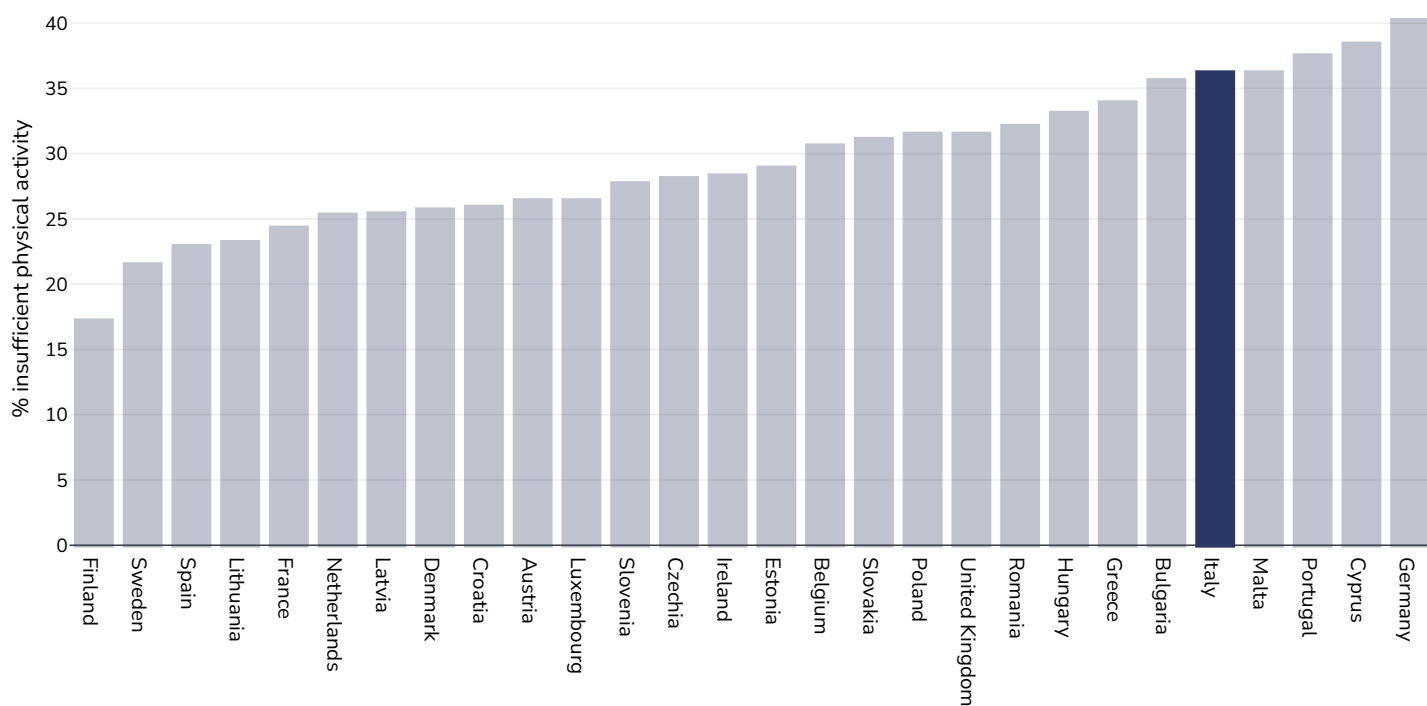
Insufficient physical activity

Adults, 2016



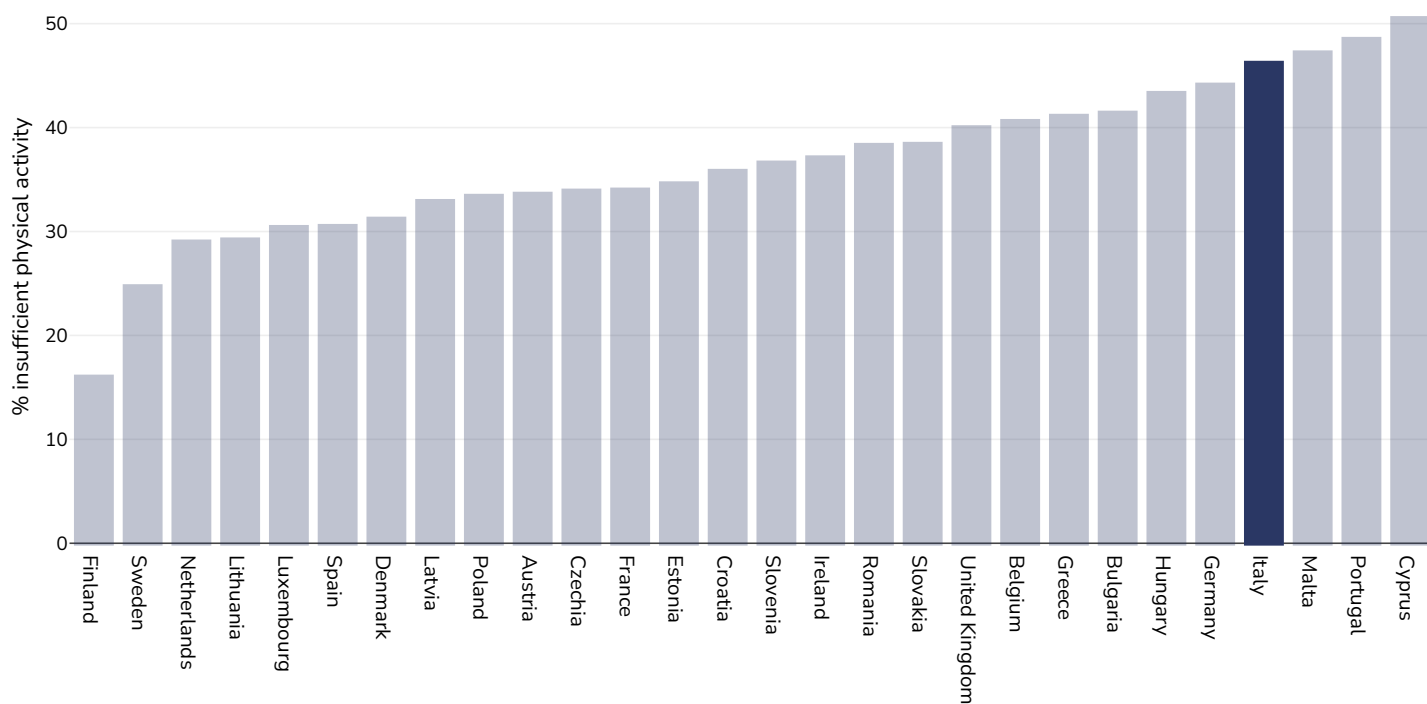
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Men, 2016



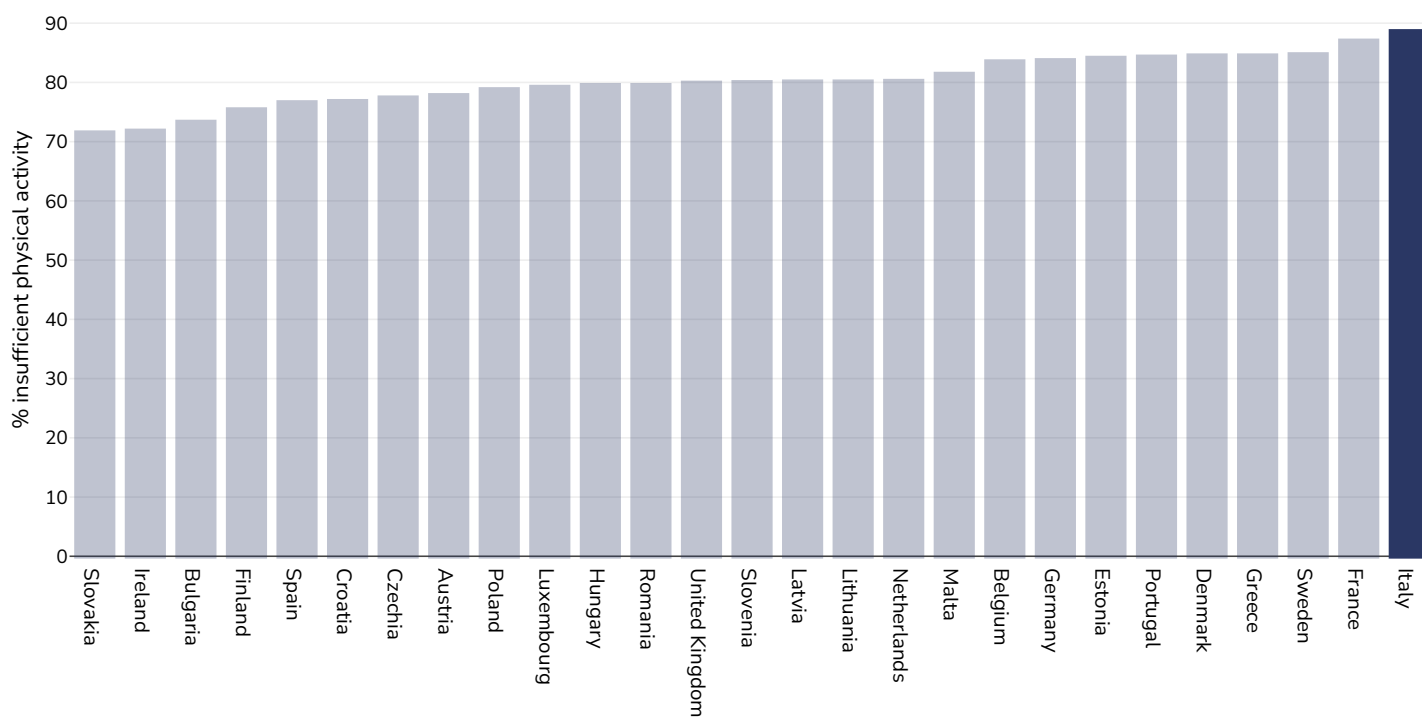
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Women, 2016



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Children, 2016



Survey type:

Self-reported

Age:

11-17

References:

Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation, <https://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.A893ADO?lang=en> (last accessed 16.03.21)

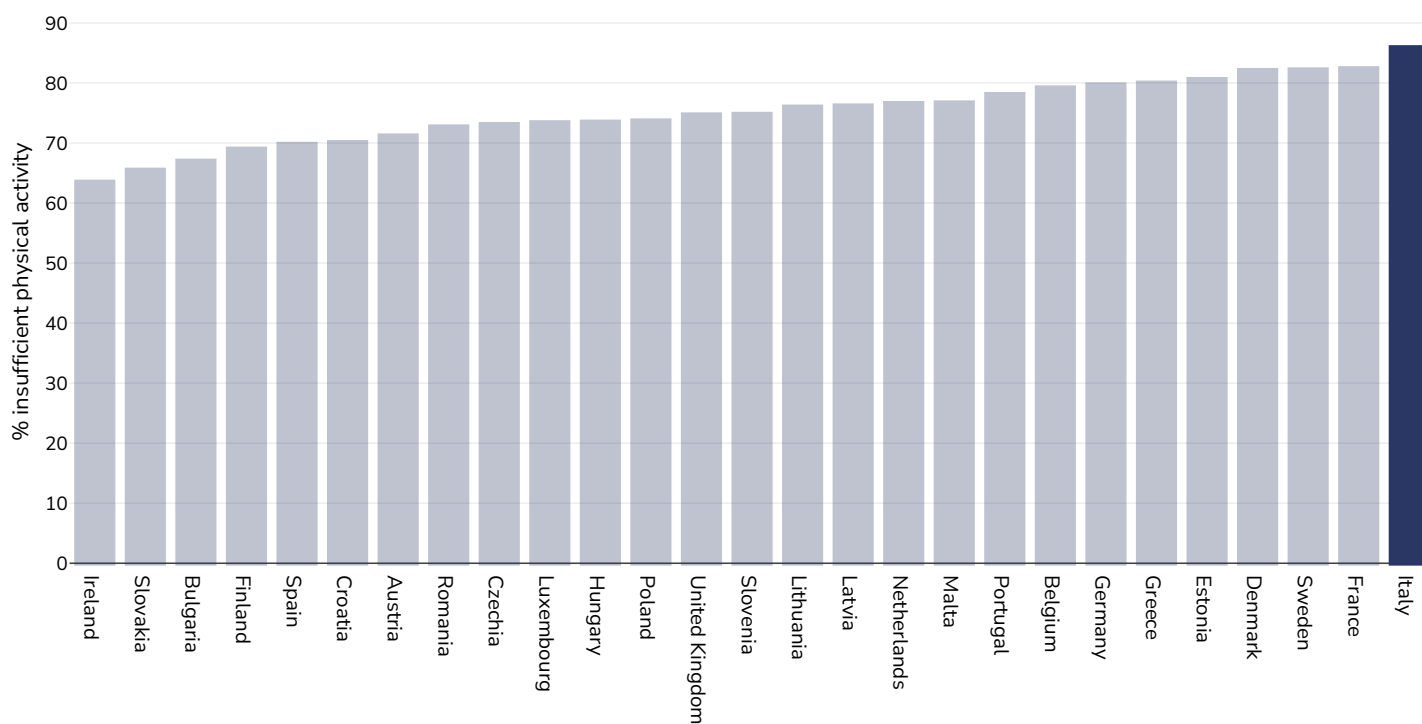
Notes:

% of school going adolescents not meeting WHO recommendations on Physical Activity for Health, i.e. doing less than 60 minutes of moderate- to vigorous-intensity physical activity daily.

Definitions:

% Adolescents insufficiently active (age standardised estimate)

Boys, 2016



Survey type:

Self-reported

Age:

11-17

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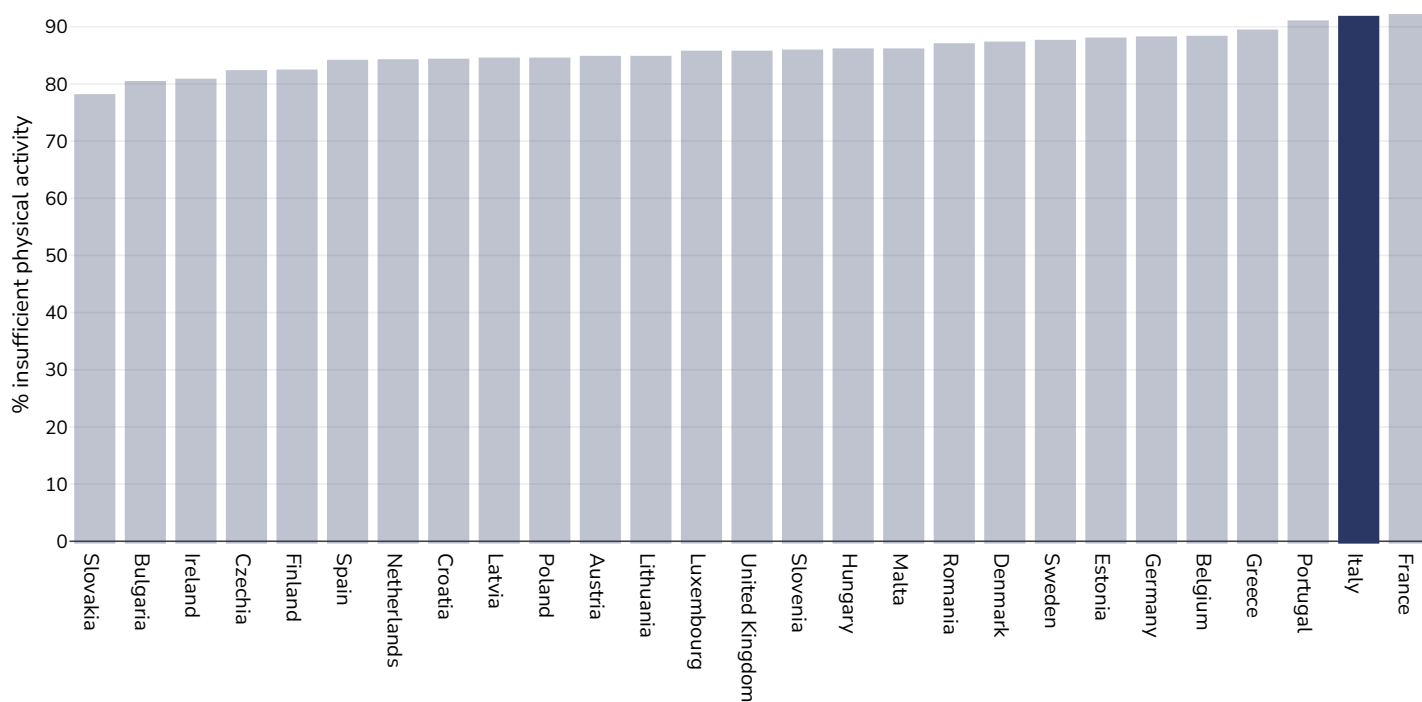
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Definitions:

% Adolescents insufficiently active (age standardised estimate)

Girls, 2016



Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 11-17

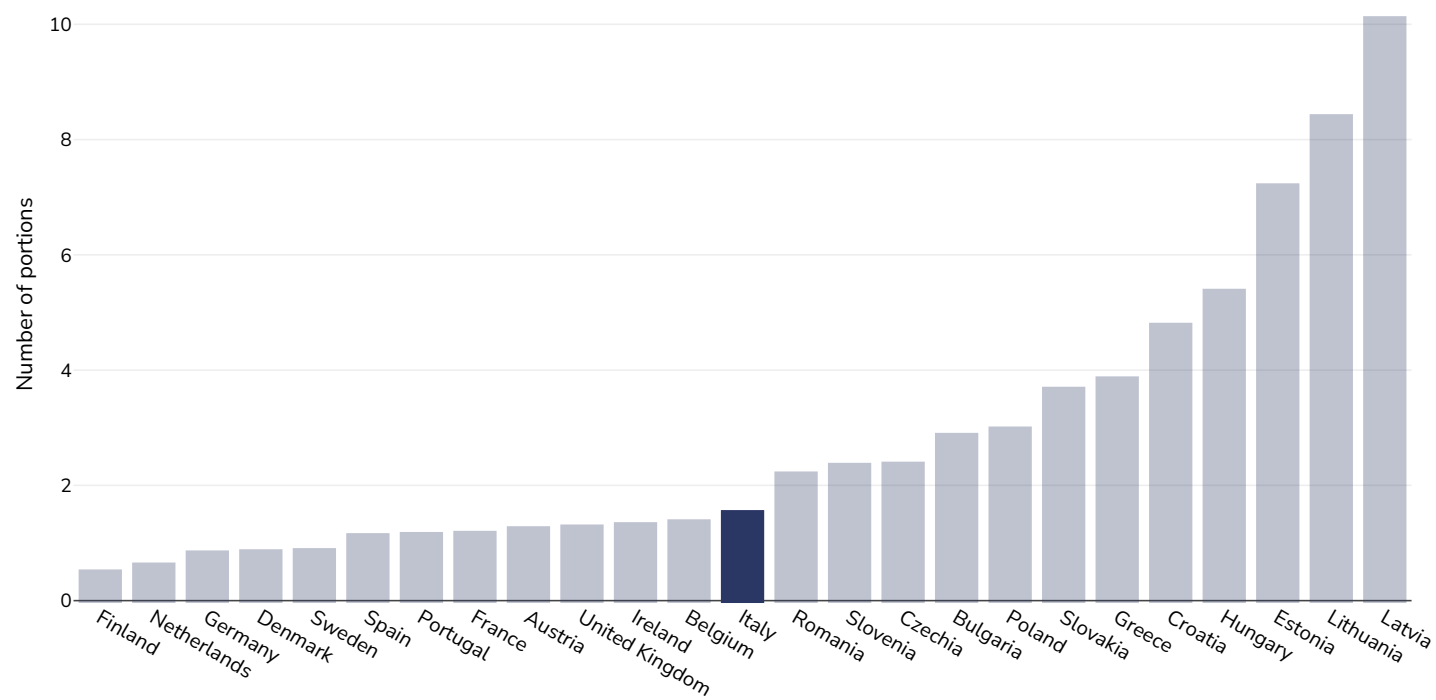
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Sugar consumption

Adults, 2016



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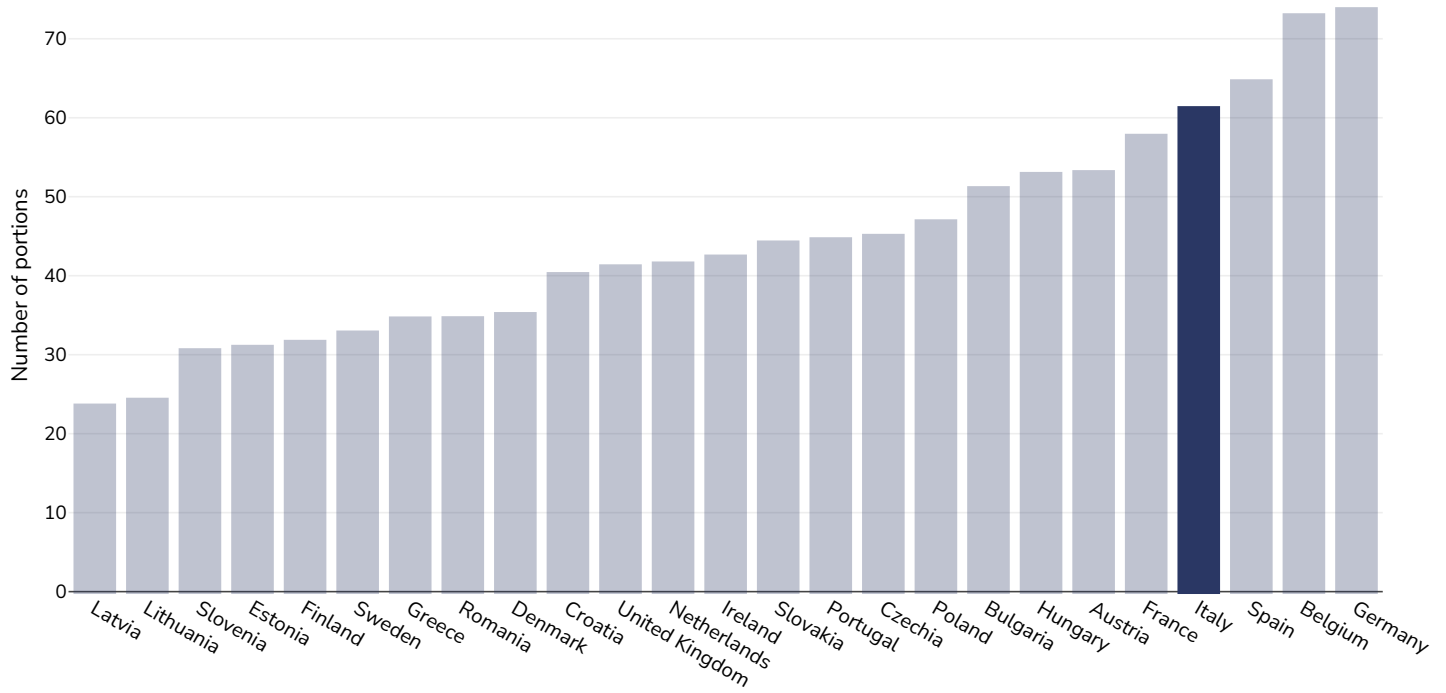
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Definitions:

Sugar consumption (Number of 500g sugar portions/person/month)

Estimated per capita sugar sweetened beverages intake

Adults, 2016

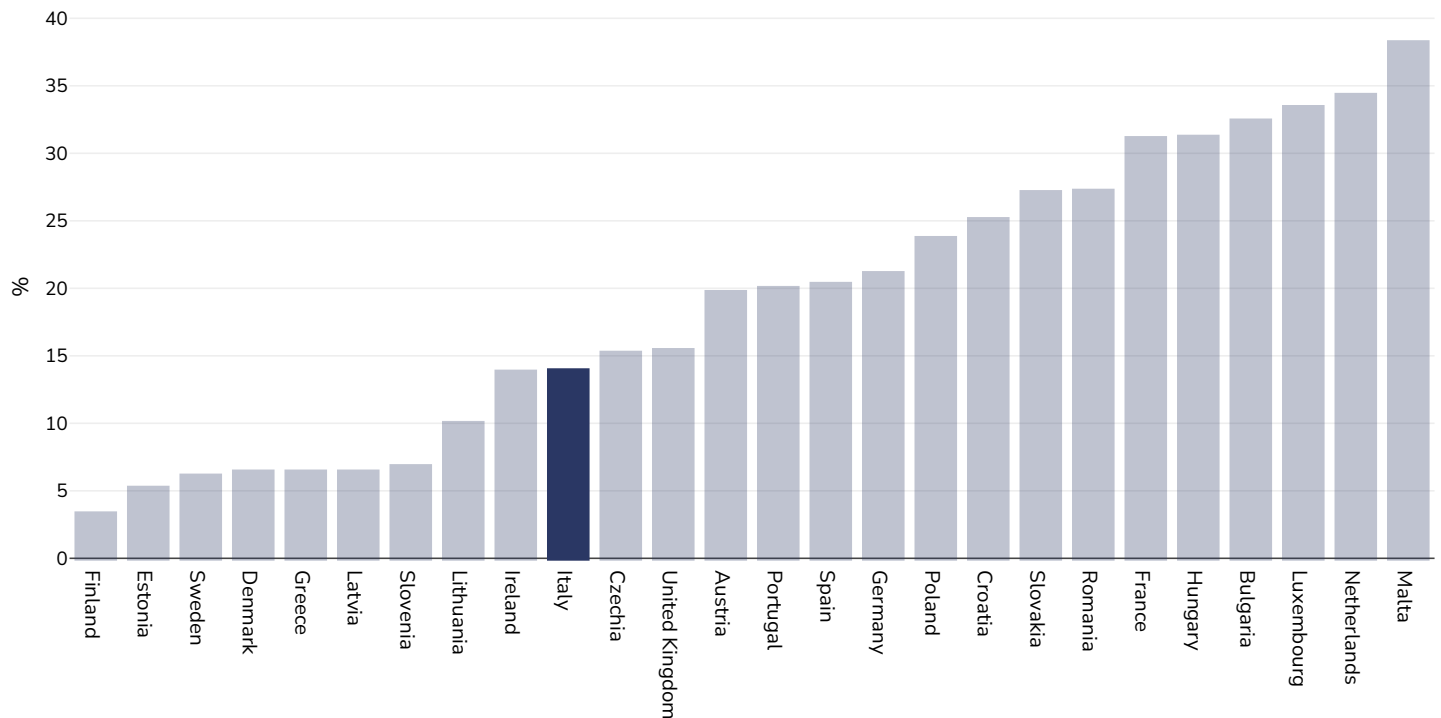


References:

Source: Euromonitor International

Prevalence of at least daily carbonated soft drink consumption

Children, 2014



Survey type:

Measured

References: World Health Organization. (2017). Adolescent obesity and related behaviours: Trends and inequalities in the who european region, 2002-2014: observations from the Health Behavior in School-aged Children (HBSC) WHO collaborative cross-national study (J. Inchley, D. Currie, J. Jewel, J. Breda, & V. Barnekow, Eds.). World Health Organization. Sourced from Food Systems Dashboard <http://www.foodsystemsdashboard.org>

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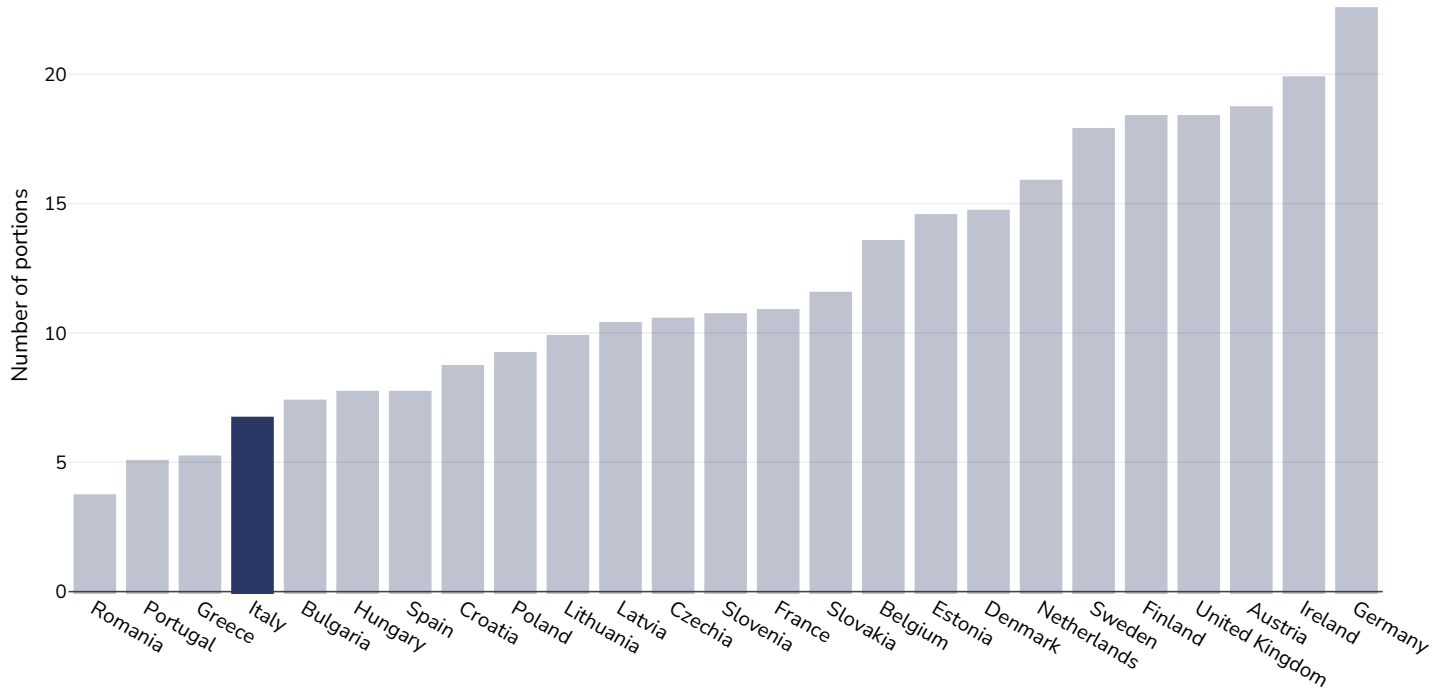
15-year-old adolescents

Definitions:

Prevalence of at least daily carbonated soft drink consumption (% of at least daily carbonated soft drink consumption)

Prevalence of confectionery consumption

Adults, 2016



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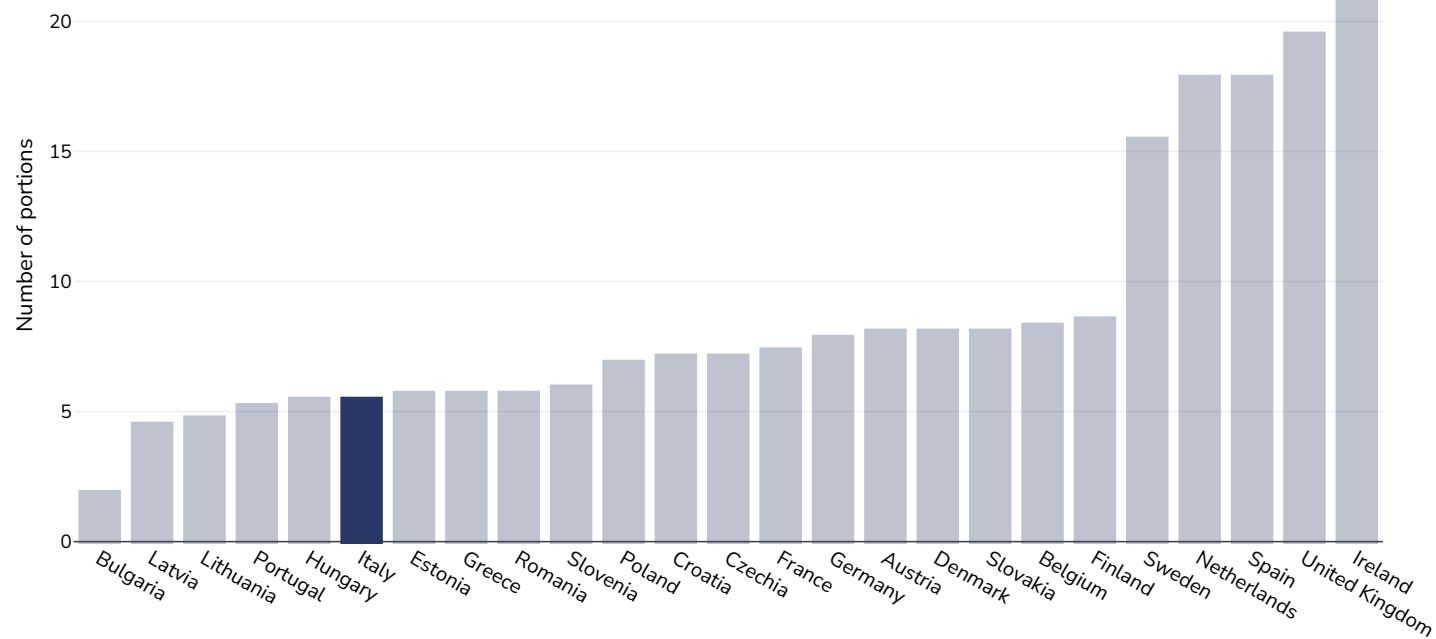
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Definitions:

Prevalence of confectionery consumption (Number of 50g confectionery portions/person/month)

Prevalence of sweet/savoury snack consumption

Adults, 2016



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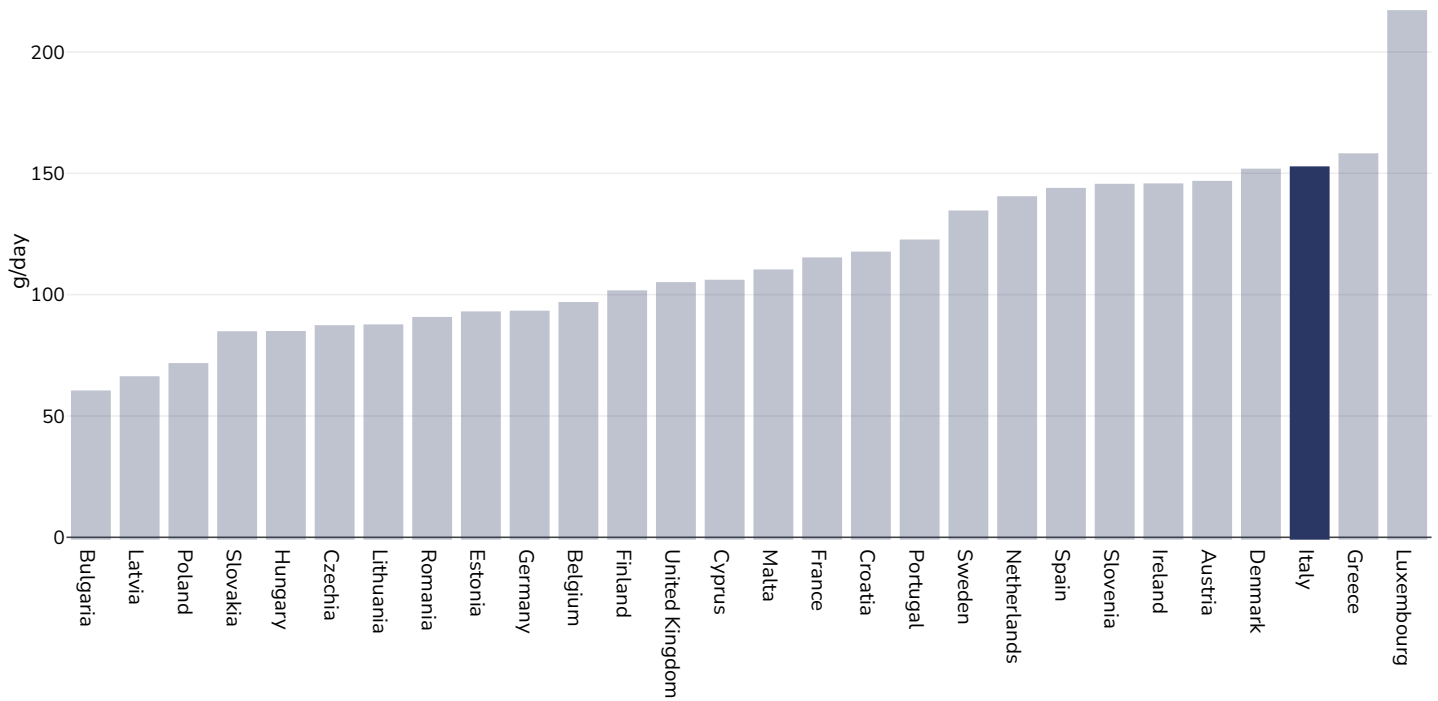
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Definitions:

Prevalence of sweet/savoury snack consumption (Number of 35g sweet/savoury snack portions/person/month)

Estimated per capita fruit intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

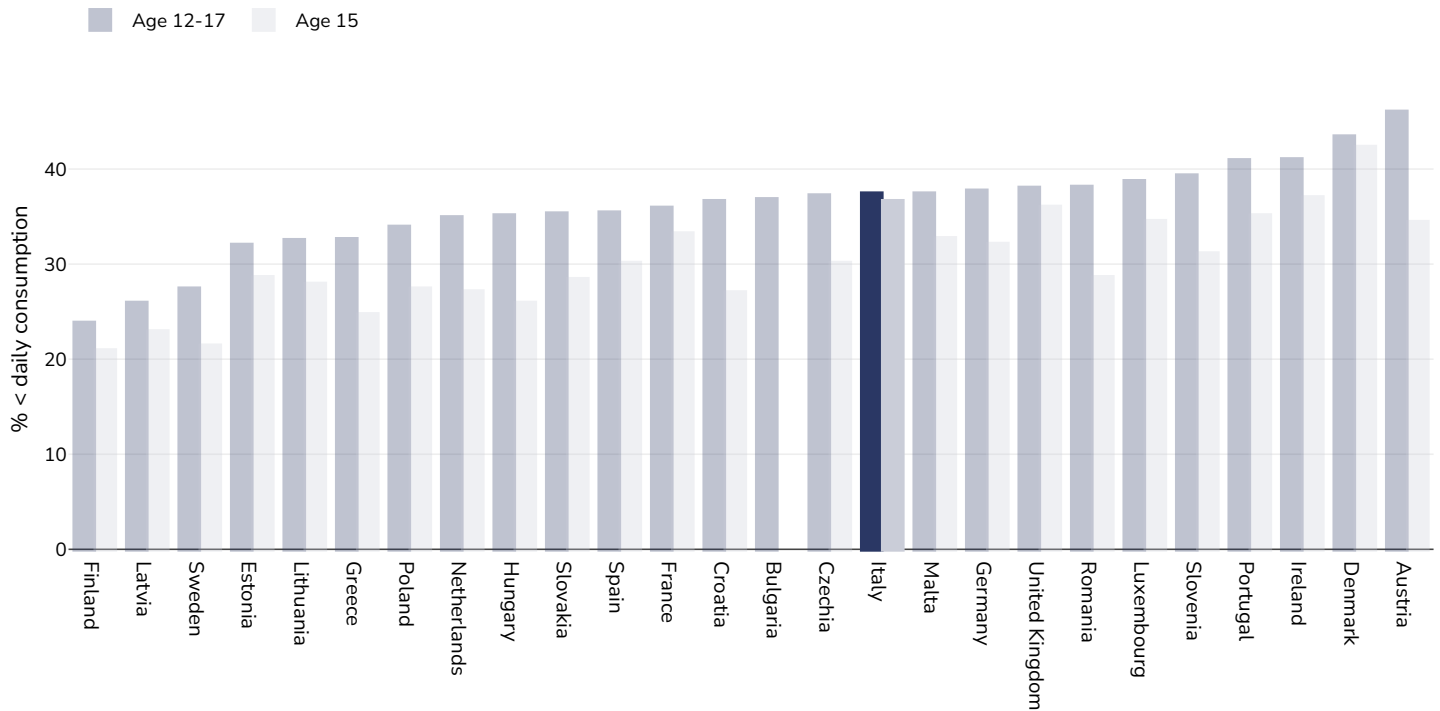
Global Burden of Disease, the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation <http://ghdx.healthdata.org/>

Definitions:

Estimated per-capita fruit intake (g/day)

Prevalence of less than daily fruit consumption

Children, 2014



Survey type:

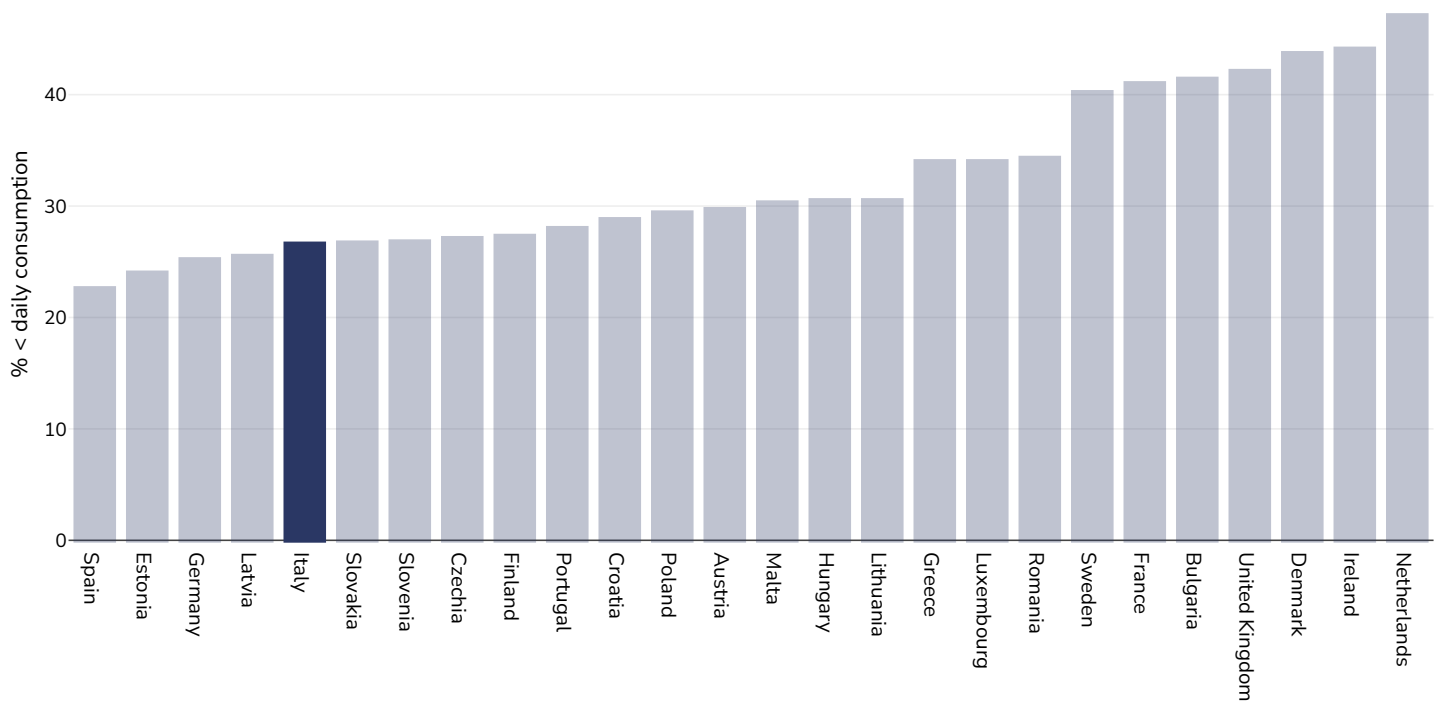
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Definitions: Prevalence of less-than-daily fruit consumption (% less-than-daily fruit consumption)

Prevalence of less than daily vegetable consumption

Children, 2014



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

12-17

References:

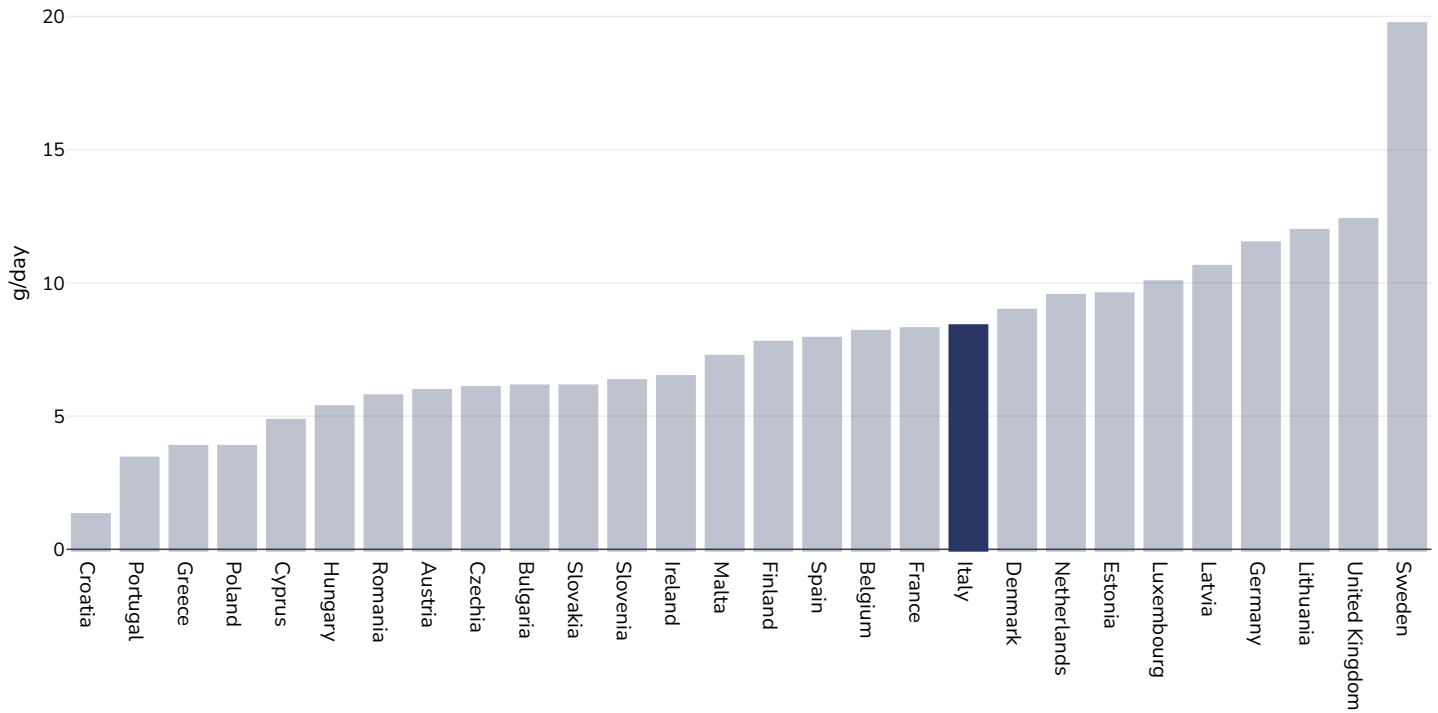
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Definitions:

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

Estimated per-capita processed meat intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

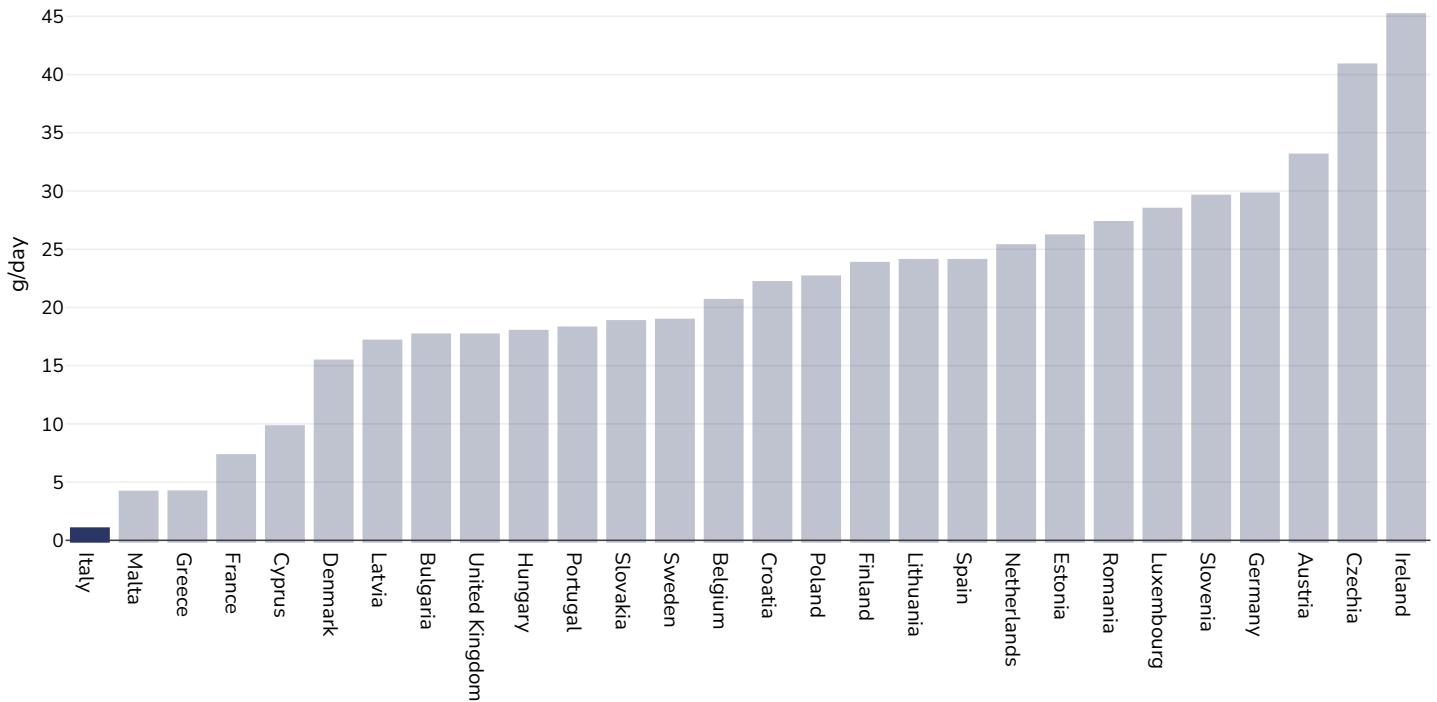
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Definitions:

Estimated per-capita processed meat intake (g per day)

Estimated per capita whole grains intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

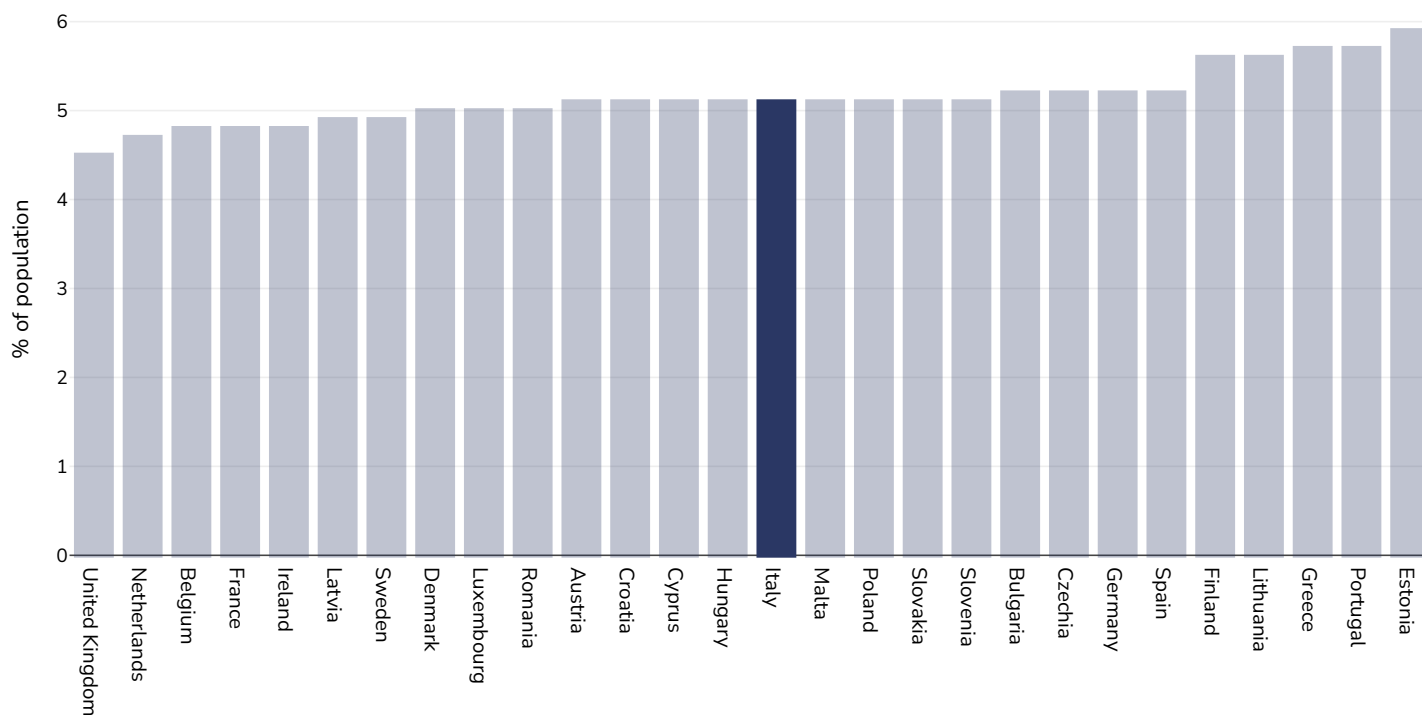
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Definitions:

Estimated per-capita whole grains intake (g/day)

Mental health - depression disorders

Adults, 2015

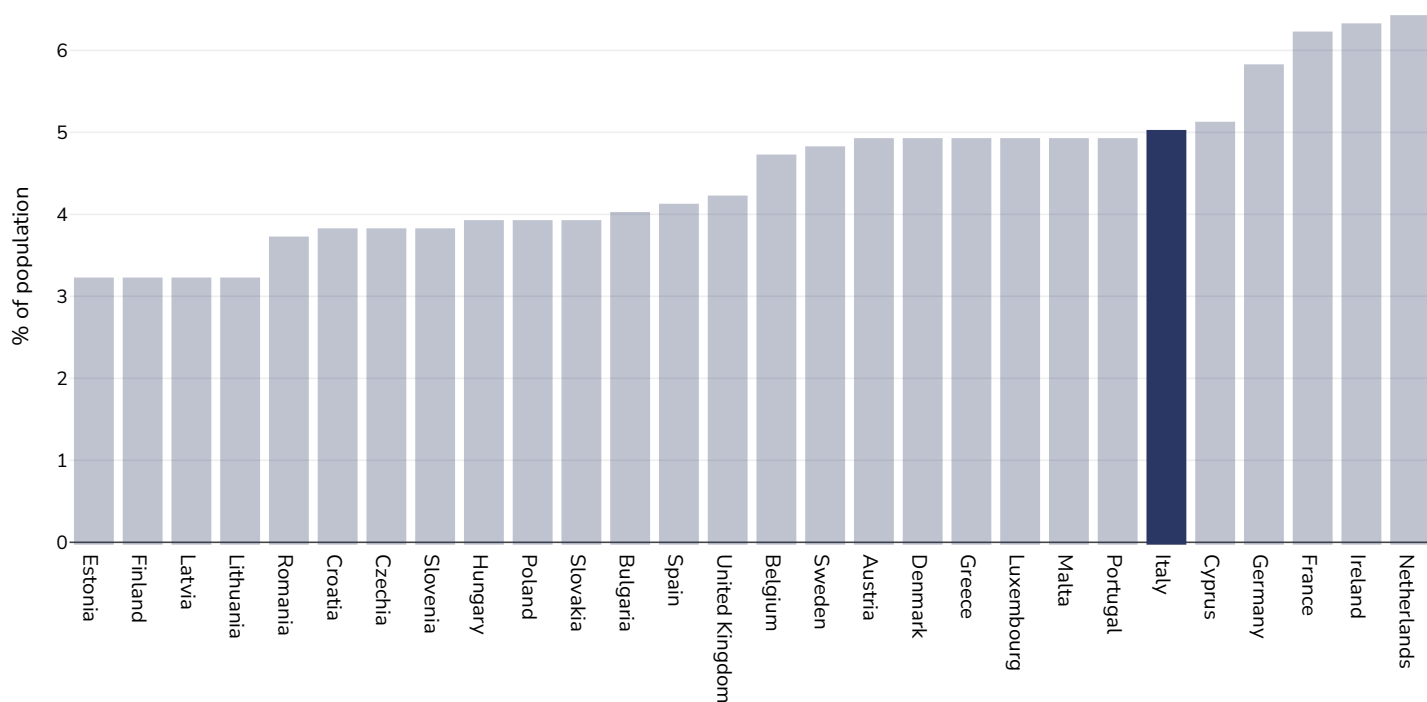


References: Prevalence data from Global Burden of Disease study 2015 (<http://ghdx.healthdata.org>) published in: Depression and Other Common Mental Disorders: Global Health Estimates. Geneva:World Health Organization; 2017. Licence: CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO.

Definitions: % of population with depression disorders

Mental health - anxiety disorders

Adults, 2015

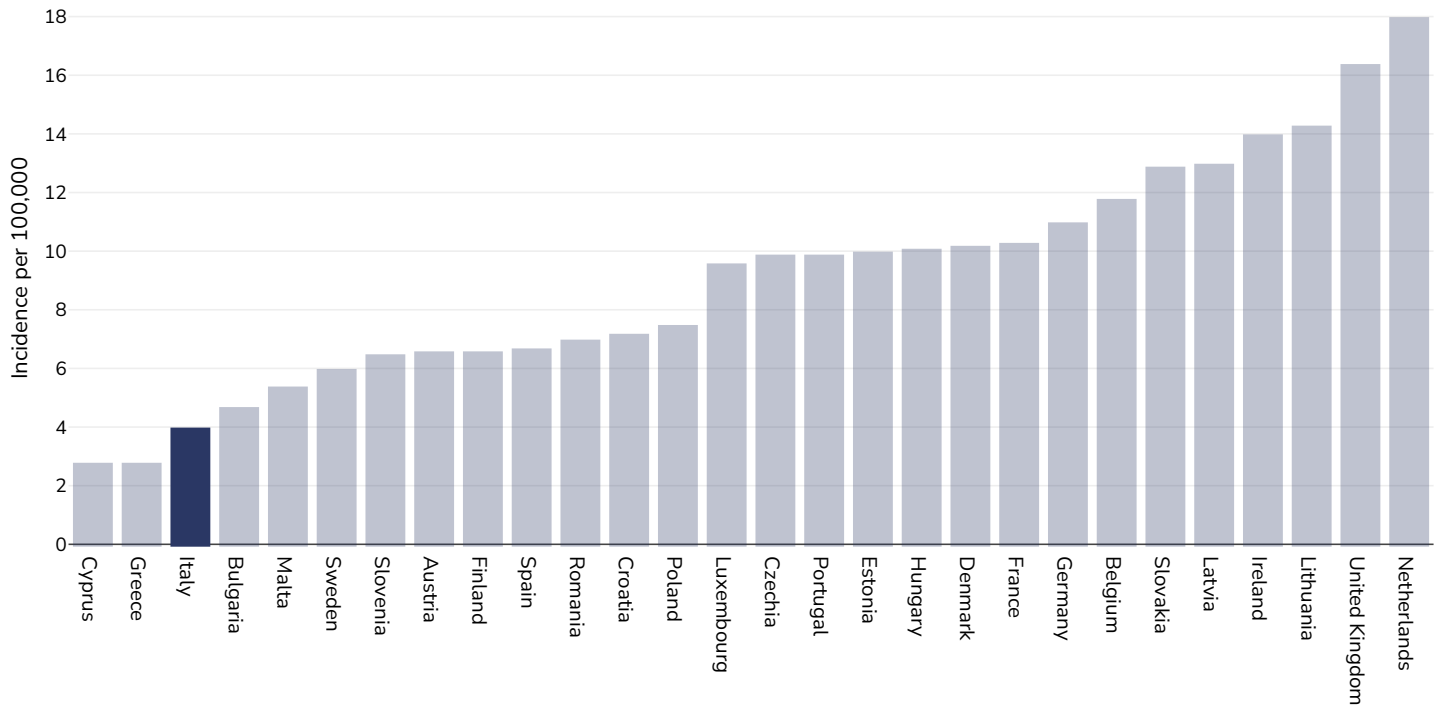


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Definitions: % of population with anxiety disorders

Oesophageal cancer

Men, 2020



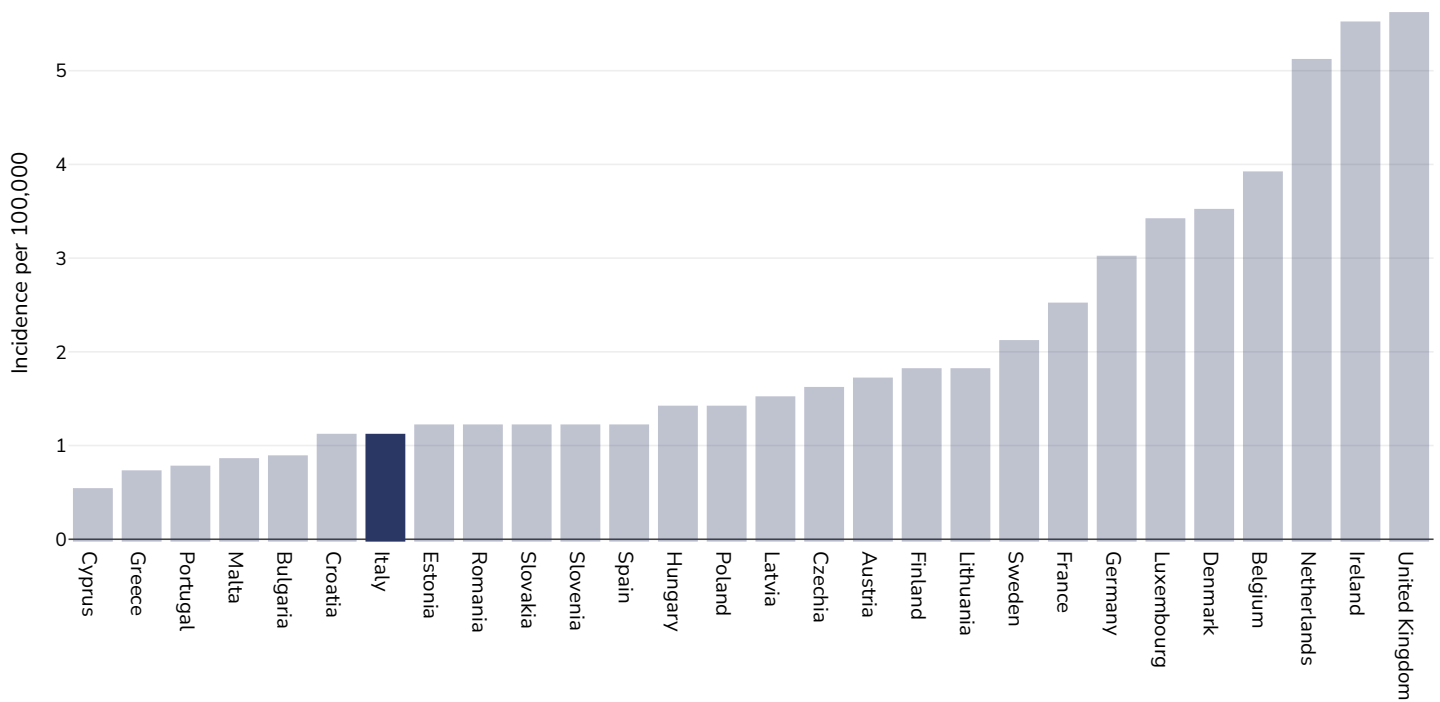
Age: 20+

Area covered: National

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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

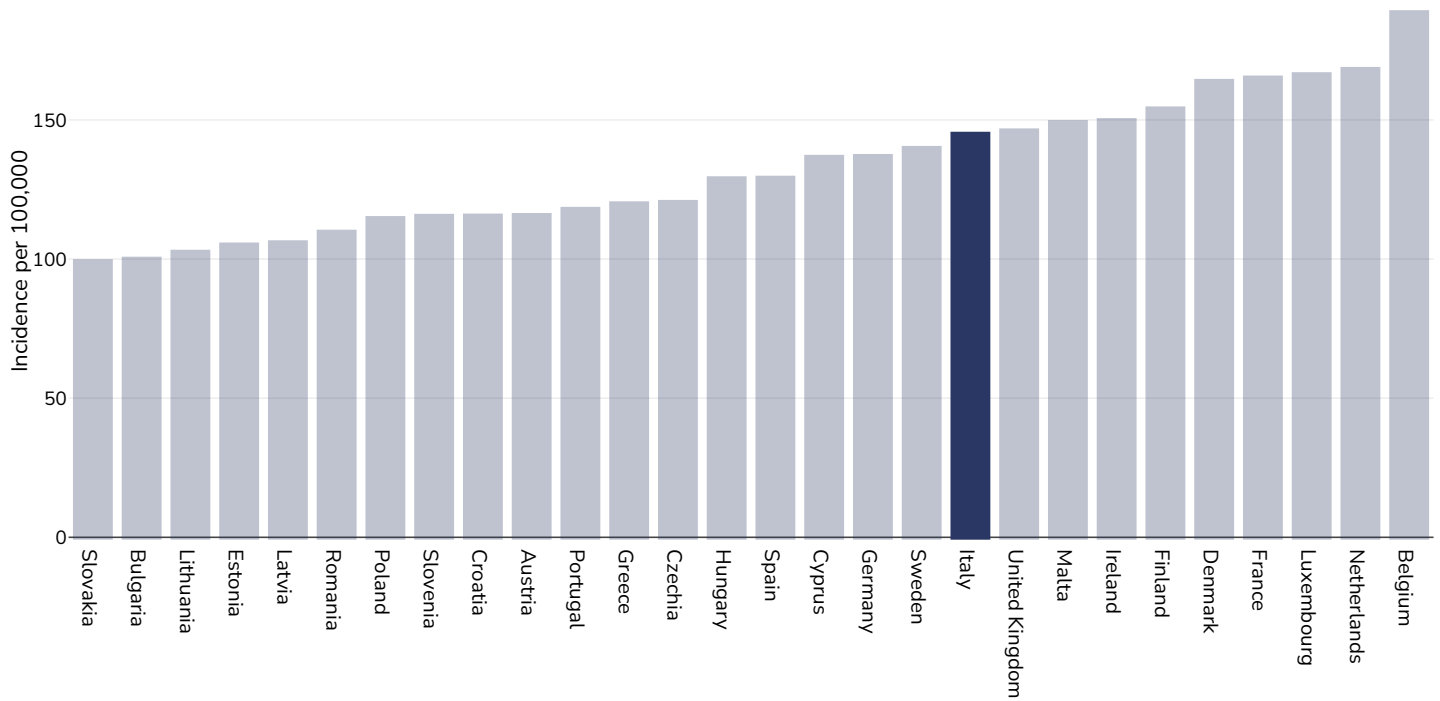
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Breast cancer

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

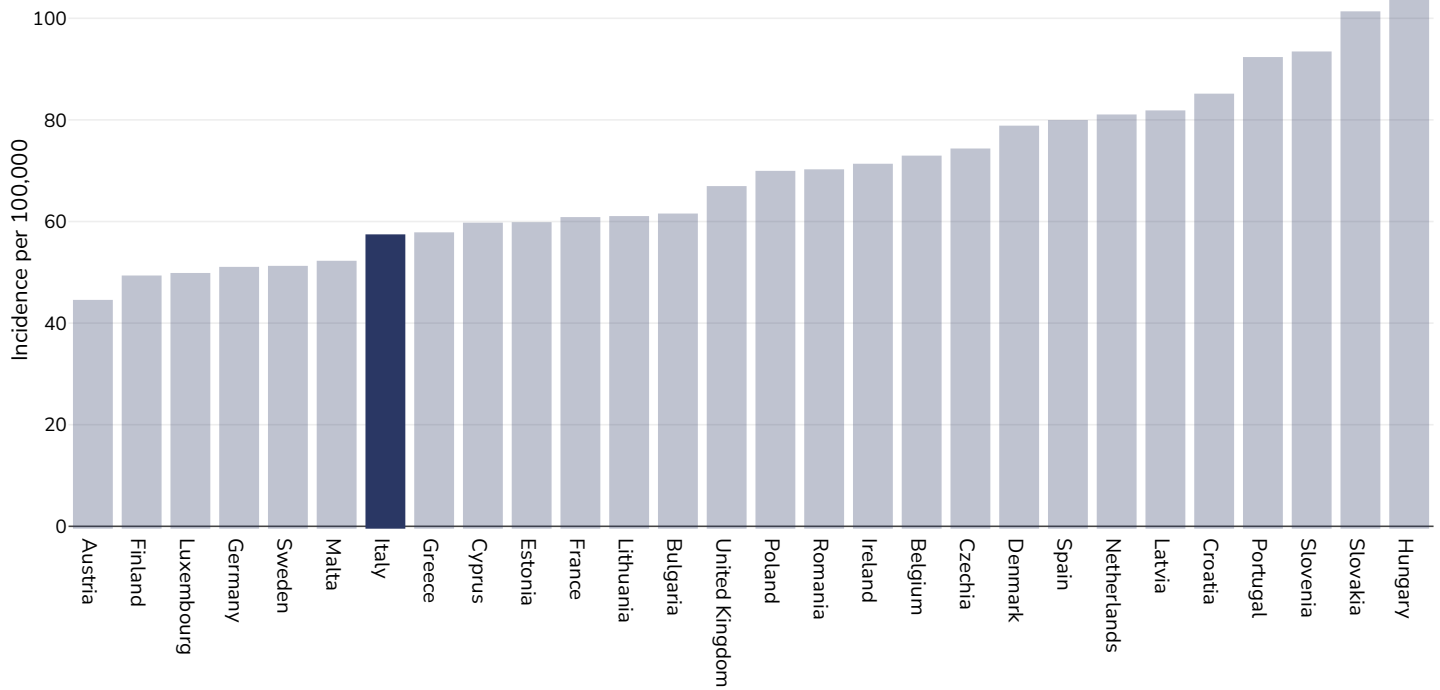
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Colorectal cancer

Men, 2020



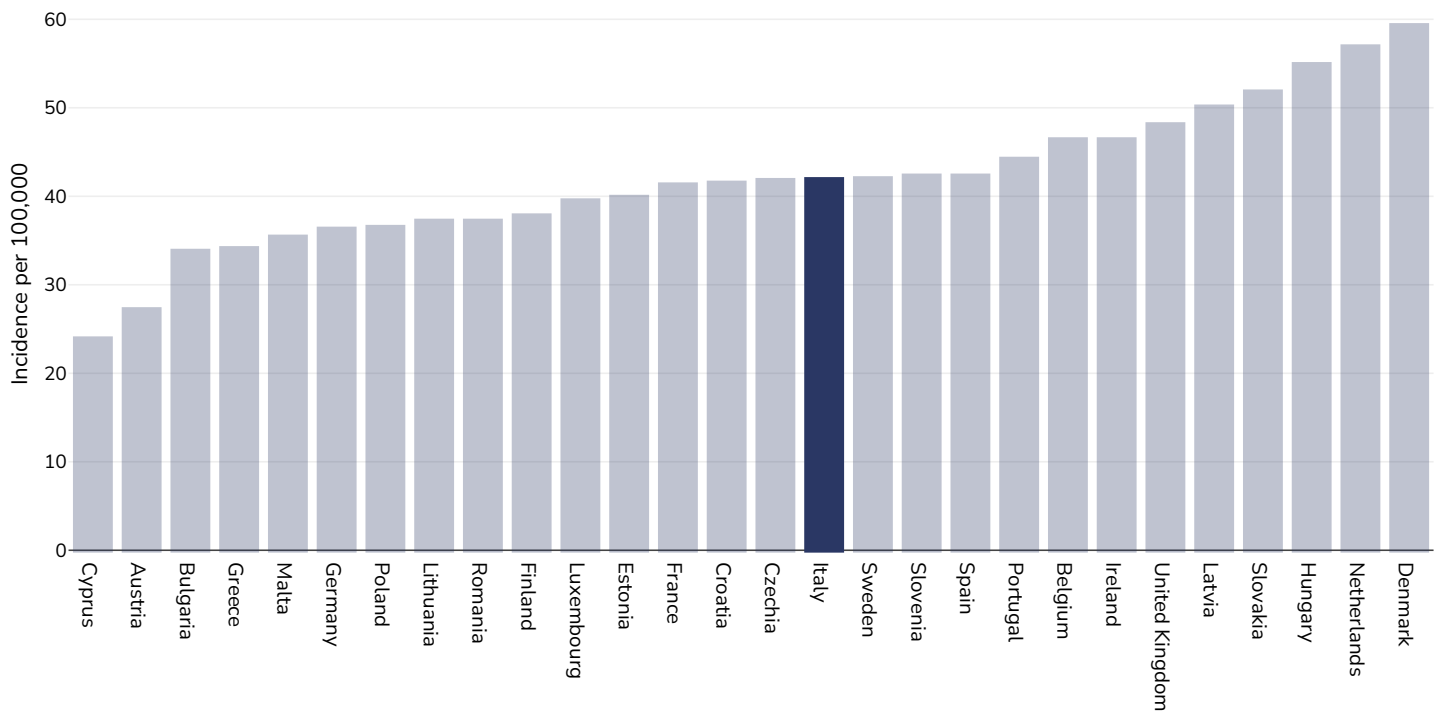
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

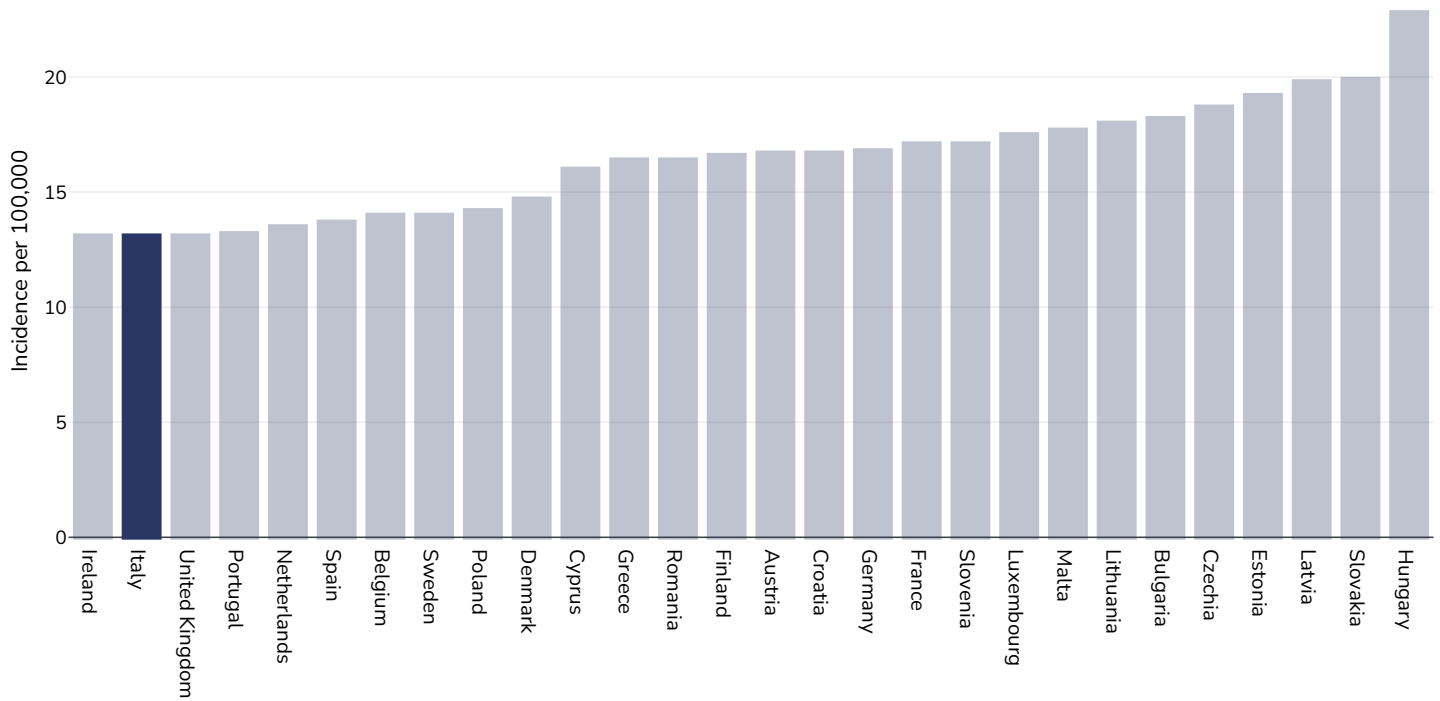
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Pancreatic cancer

Men, 2020



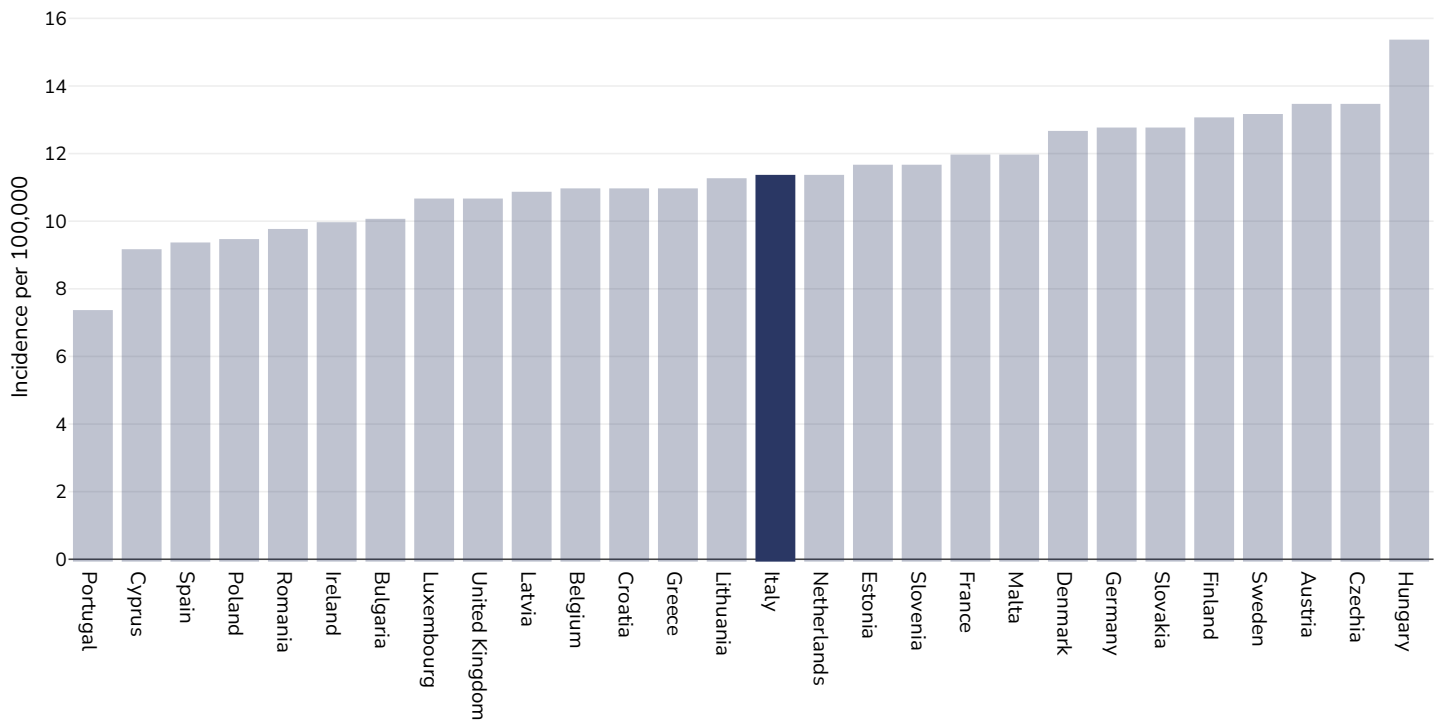
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

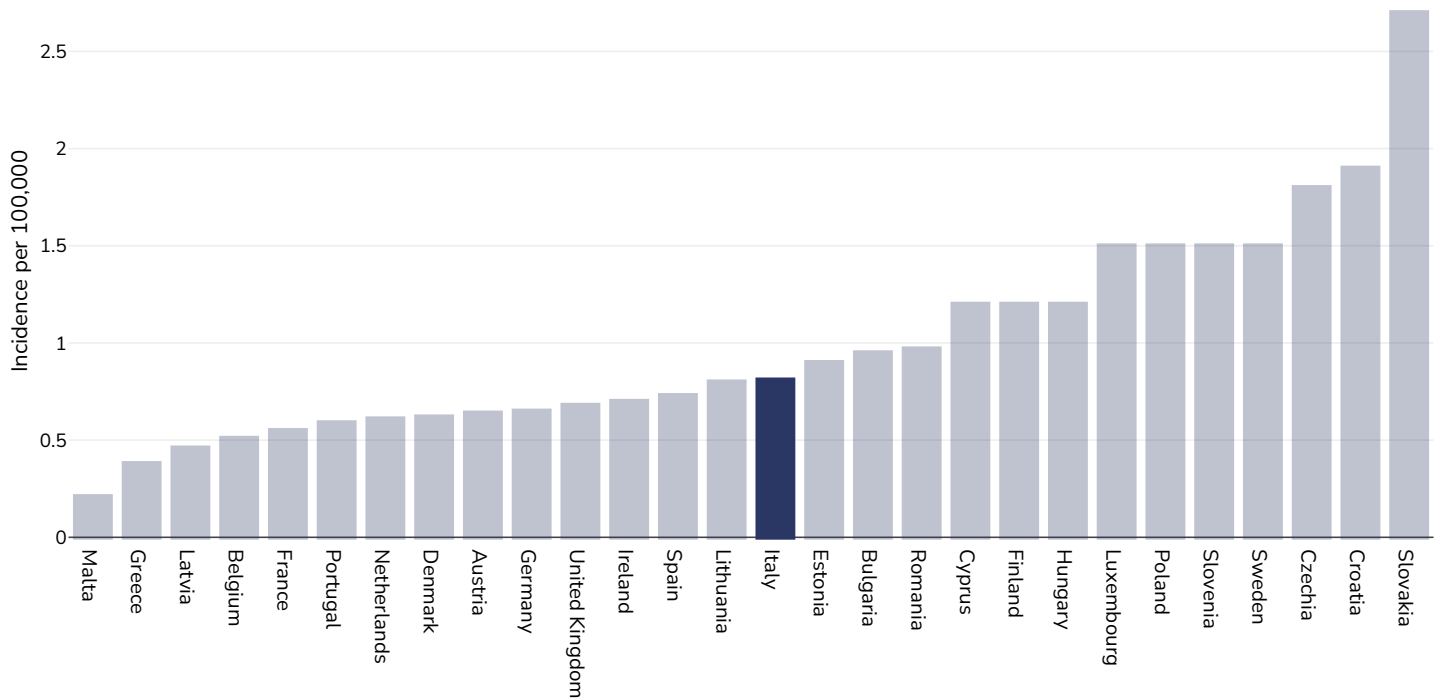
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Gallbladder cancer

Men, 2020



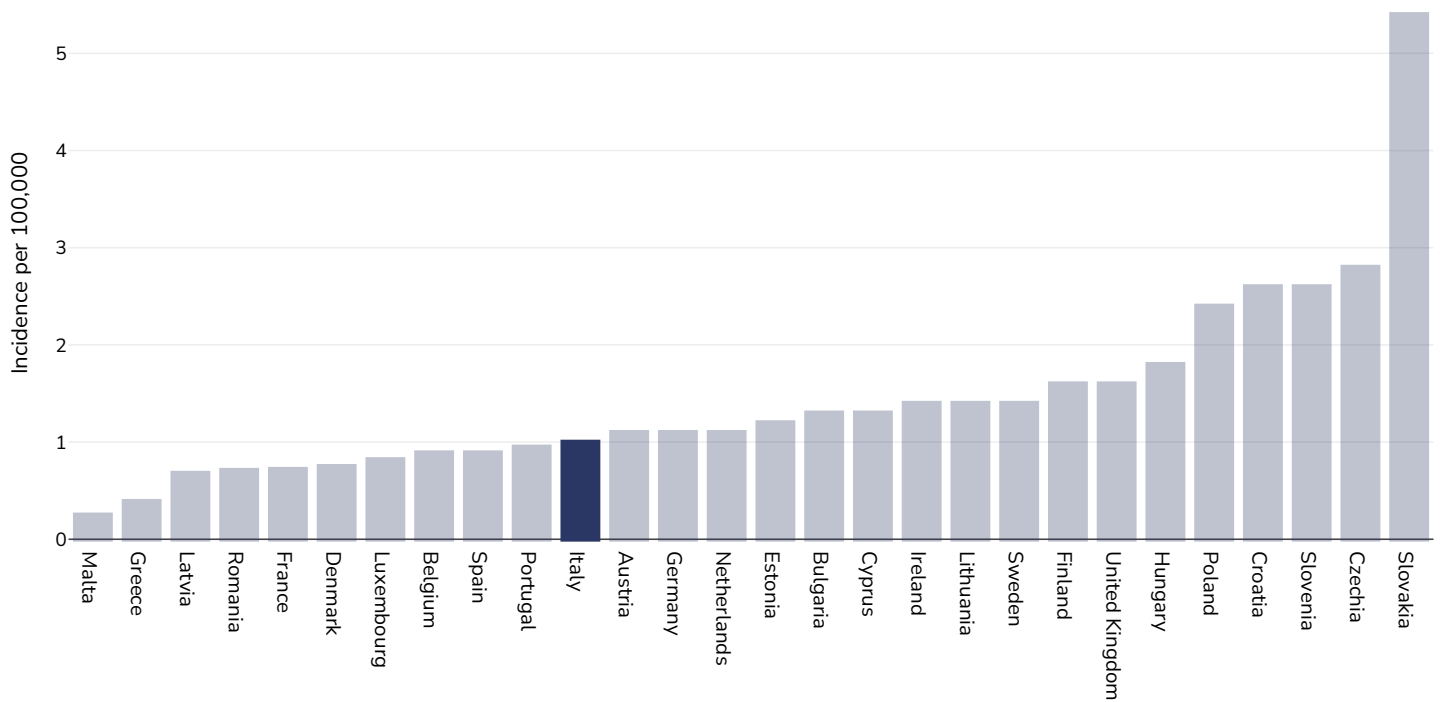
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

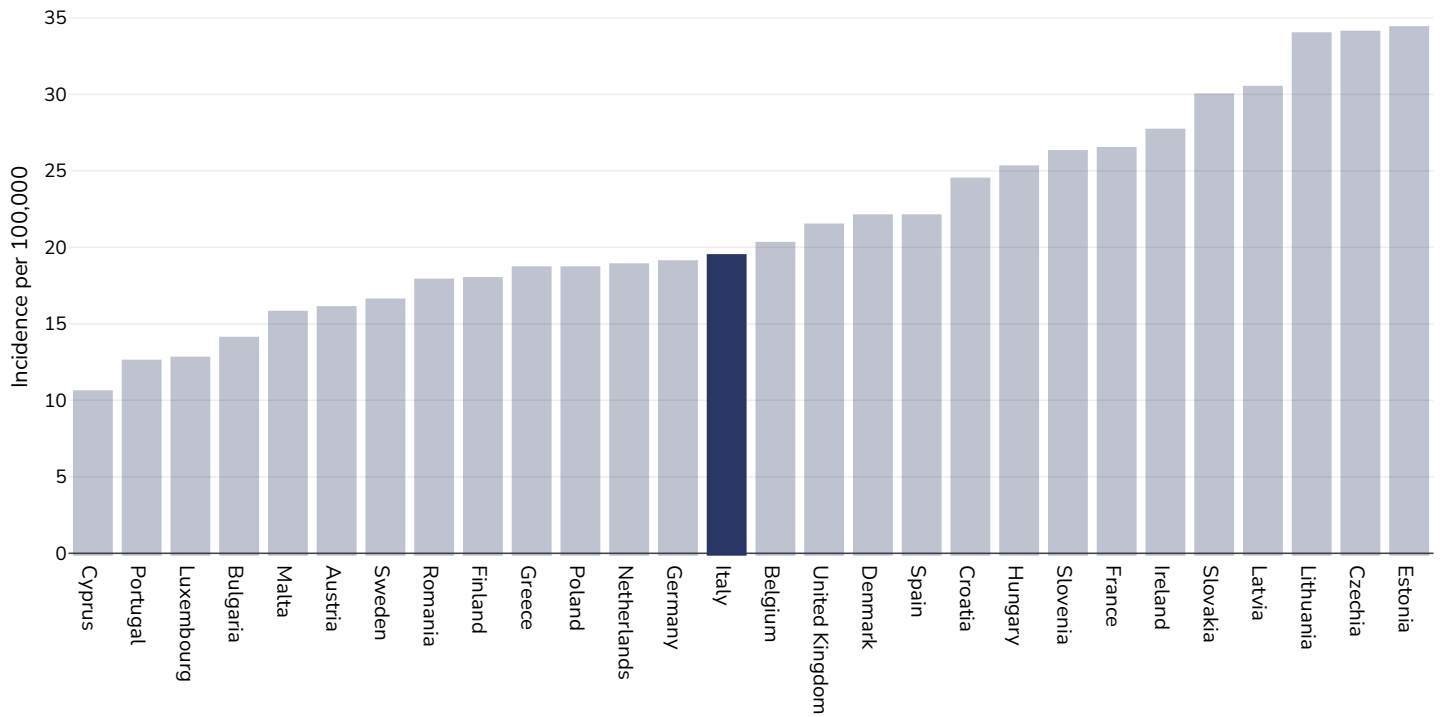
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Kidney cancer

Men, 2020



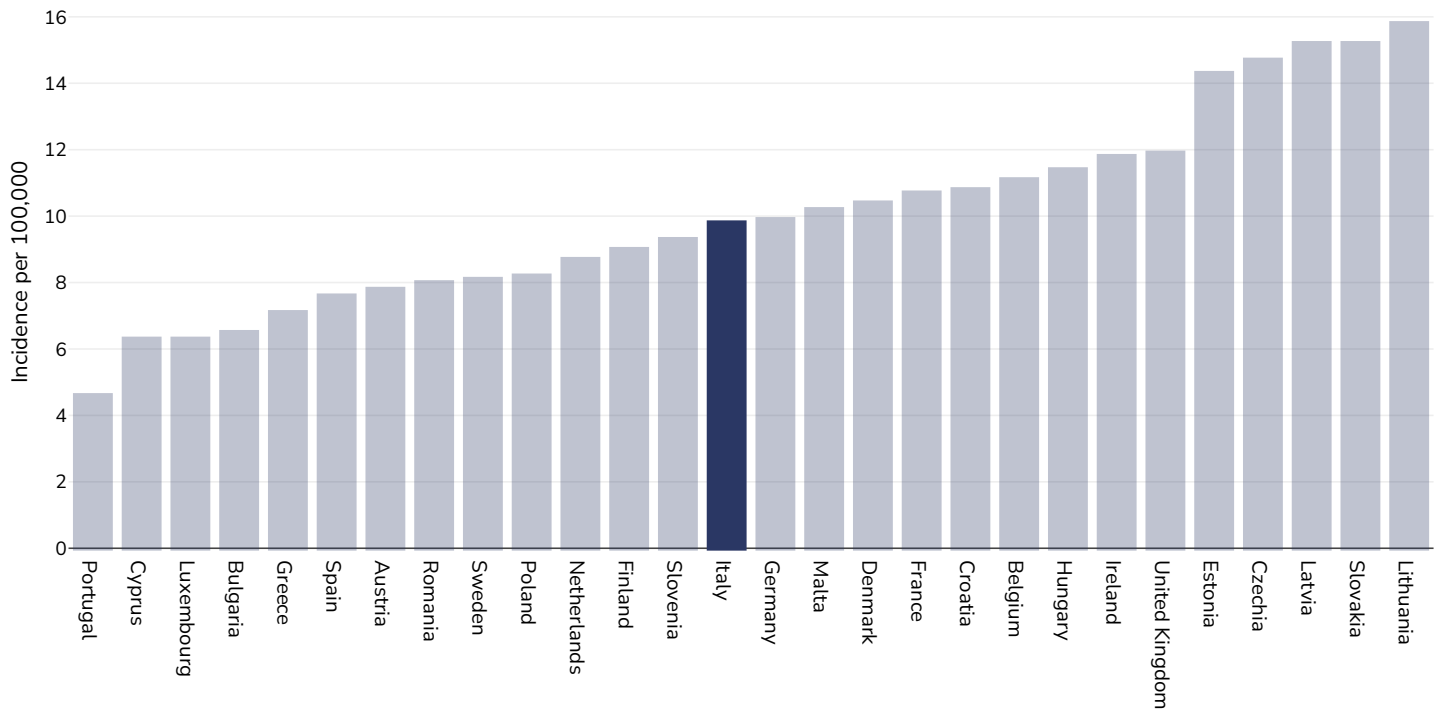
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

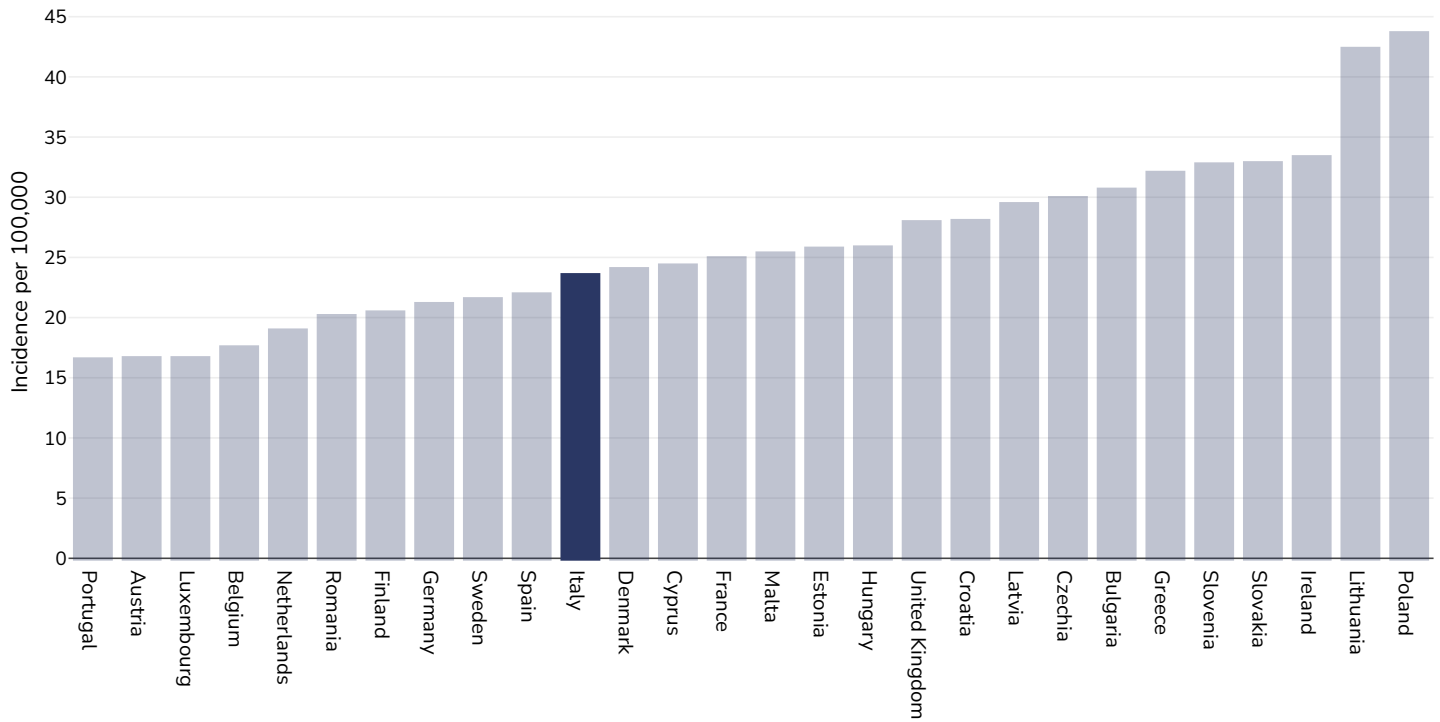
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Cancer of the uterus

Women, 2020



Age: 20+

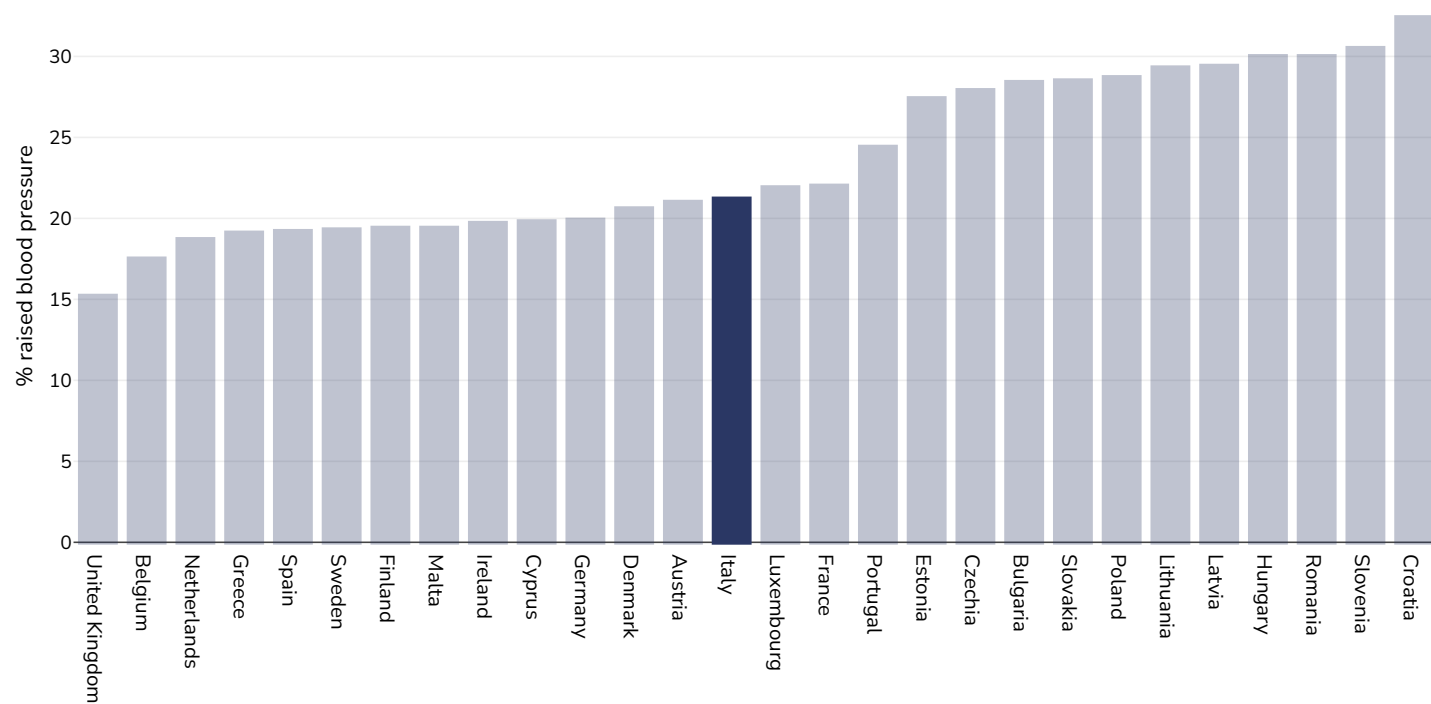
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Definitions: Age-standardized incidence rates per 100 000

Raised blood pressure

Adults, 2015



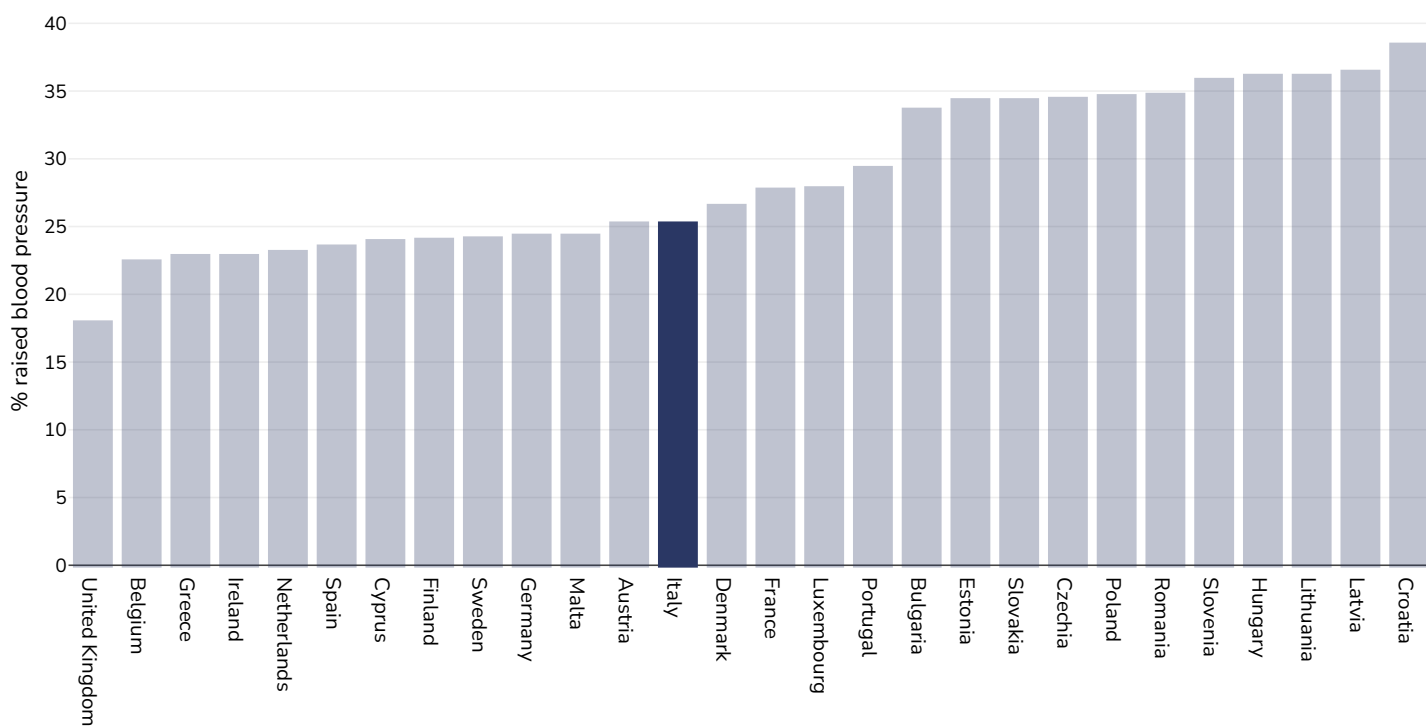
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Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation,
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Definitions:

Age Standardised estimated % Raised blood pressure 2015 (SBP \geq 140 OR DBP \geq 90).

Men, 2015



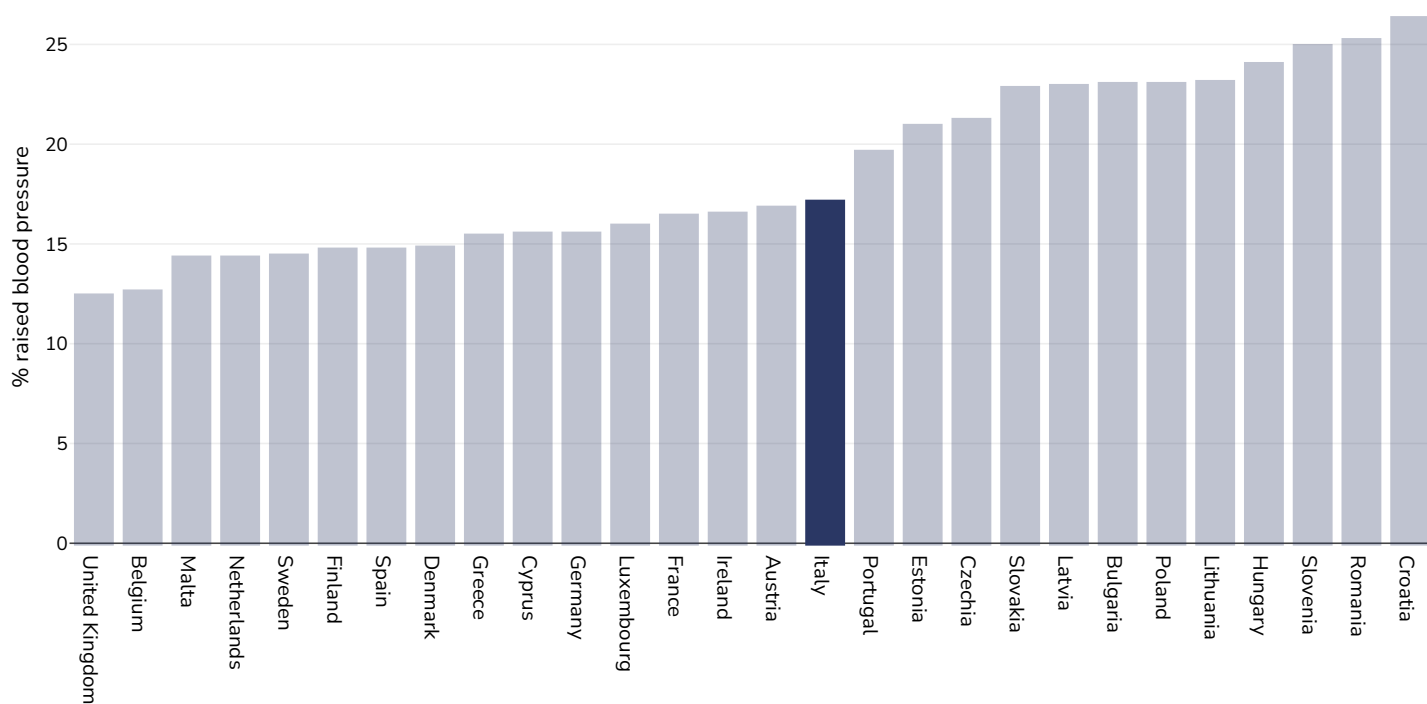
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Women, 2015



References:

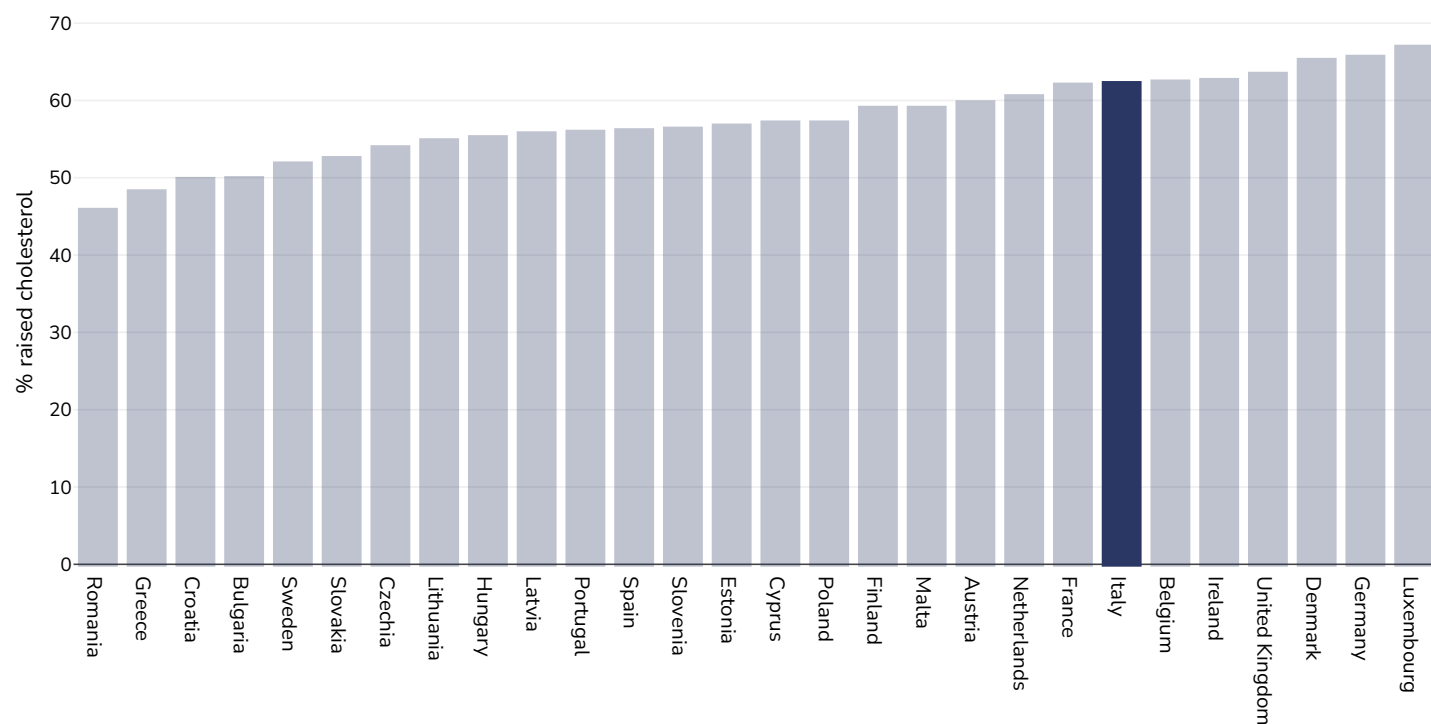
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Raised cholesterol

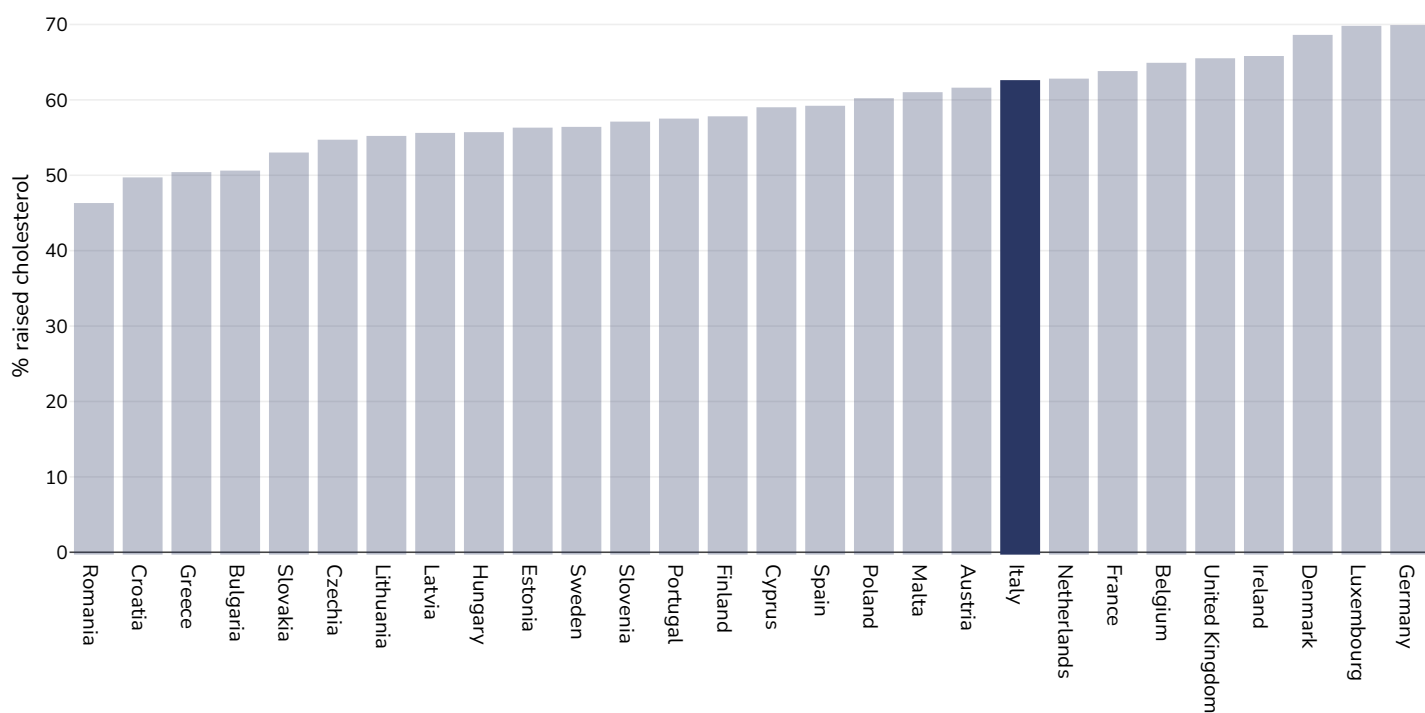
Adults, 2008



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Definitions: % Raised total cholesterol (≥ 5.0 mmol/L) (age-standardized estimate).

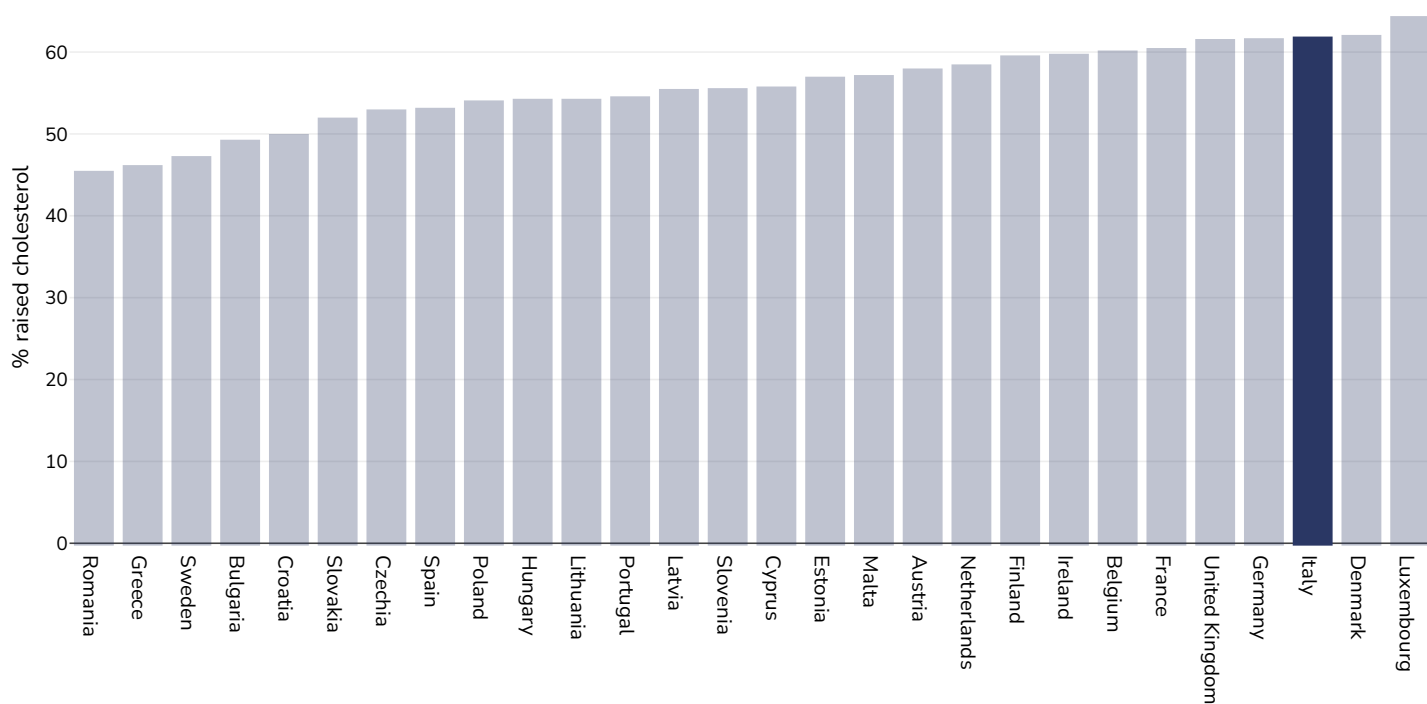
Men, 2008



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Women, 2008

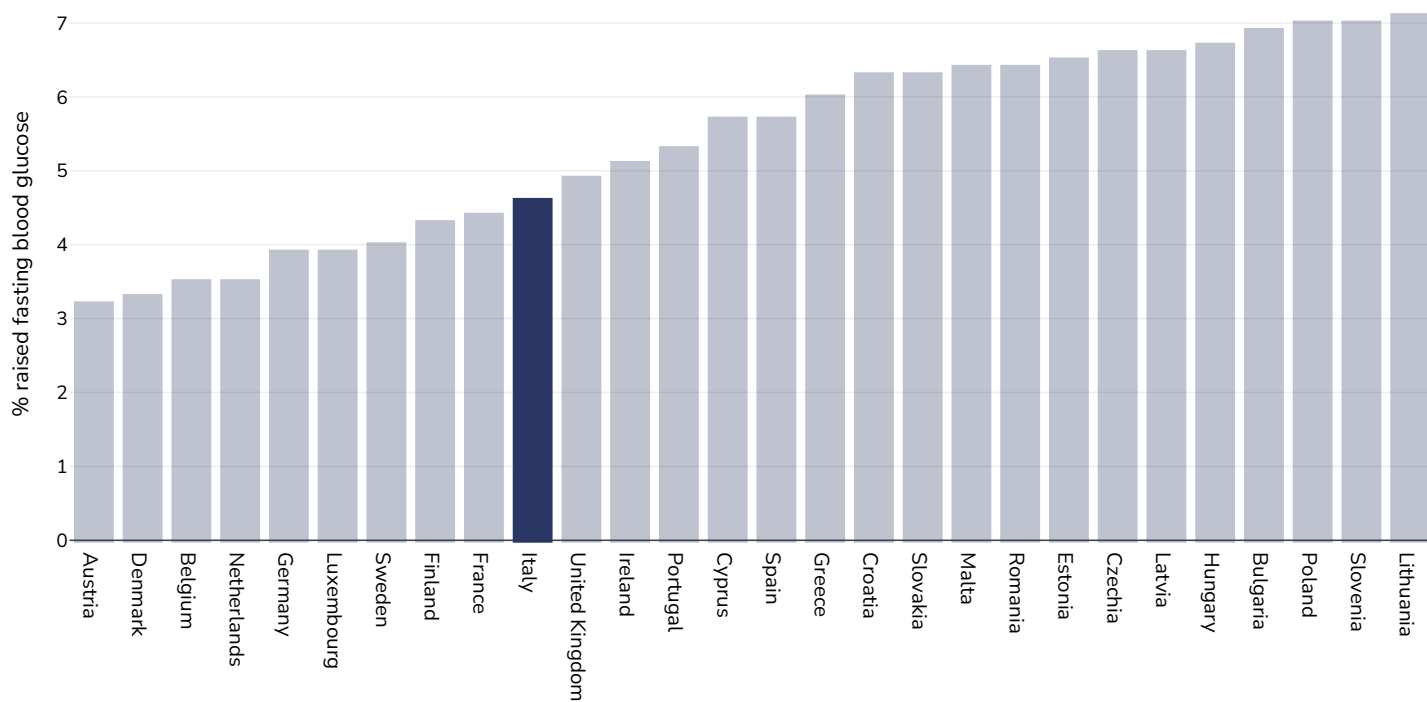


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Raised fasting blood glucose

Men, 2014



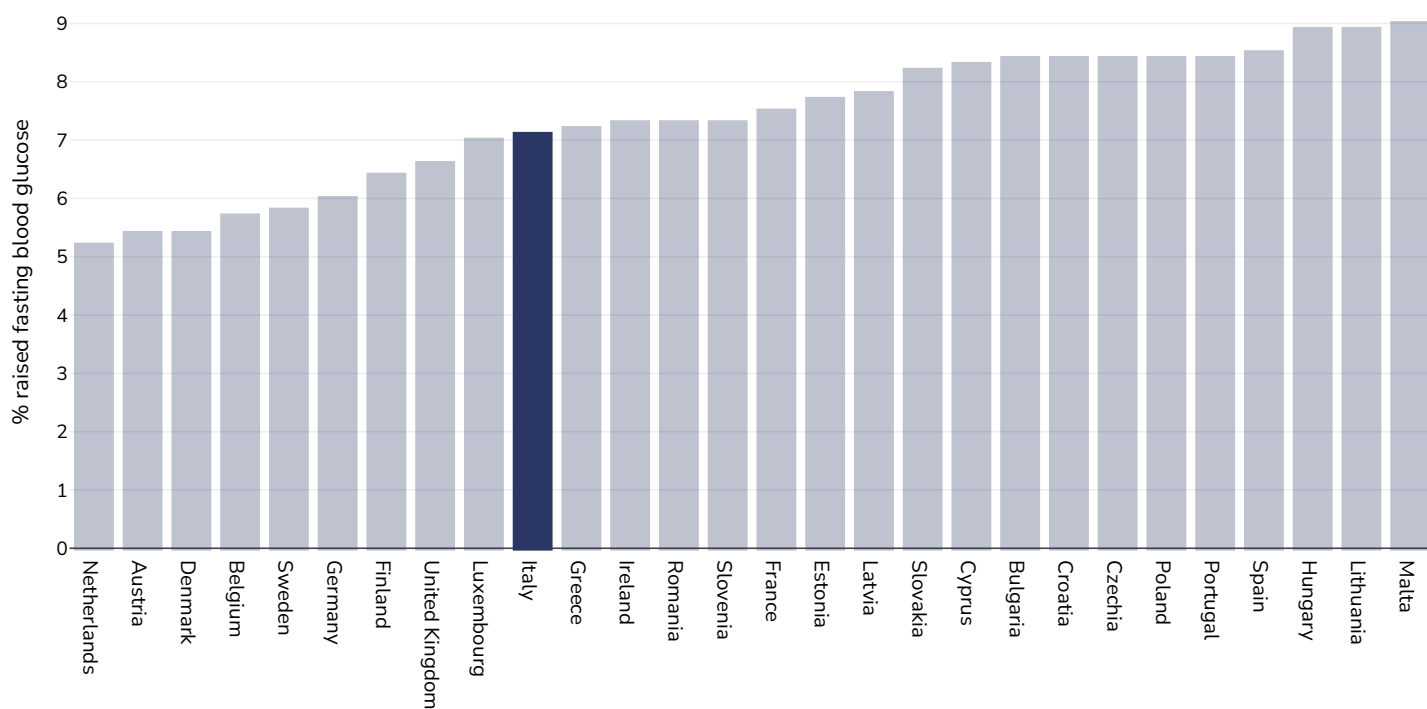
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Definitions:

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

Women, 2014



References:

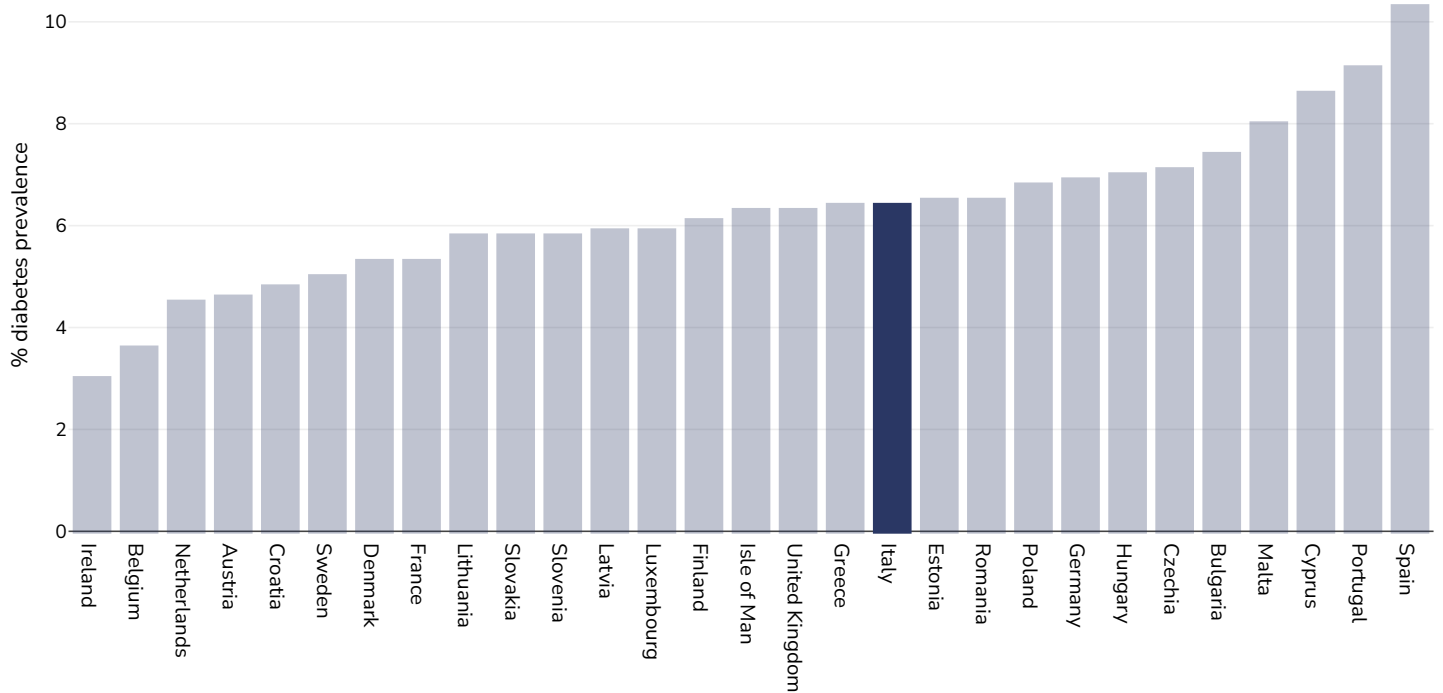
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Definitions:

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Diabetes prevalence

Adults, 2021



Age: 20-79

Area covered: National

References: Reproduced with kind permission International Diabetes Federation. IDF Diabetes Atlas, 10th edn. Brussels, Belgium:International Diabetes Federation, 2021. <http://www.diabetesatlas.org>






Definitions: Age-adjusted comparative prevalence of diabetes, %

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?	
Back-of-pack nutrition declaration?	
Color coding?	
Warning label?	



Regulation and marketing

Are there fiscal policies on unhealthy products?	✗
Tax on unhealthy foods?	✗
Tax on unhealthy drinks?	✗
Are there fiscal policies on healthy products?	✗
Subsidy on fruits?	✗
Subsidy on vegetables?	✗
Subsidy on other healthy products?	✗
Mandatory limit or ban of trans fat (all settings)?	✓
Mandatory limit of trans fats in place (all settings)?	✓
Ban on trans-fats or phos in place (all settings)?	✗
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?	✗
Are there any mandatory nutrient limits in any manufactured food products?	✗
Nutrition standards for public sector procurement?	✗



Political will and support

National obesity strategy or nutrition and physical activity national strategy?	✓
National obesity strategy?	✓
National childhood obesity strategy?	✗
Comprehensive nutrition strategy?	✓
Comprehensive physical activity strategy?	✓
Evidence-based dietary guidelines and/or RDAs?	✓
National target(s) on reducing obesity?	✗
Guidelines/policy on obesity treatment?	✓
Promotion of breastfeeding?	✓



Monitoring and surveillance

Monitoring of the prevalence and incidence for the main obesity-related NCDs and risk factors?	✓
Within 5 years?	✓



Governance and resource

Multi-sectoral national co-ordination mechanism for obesity or nutrition (including obesity)?	✗
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Key

✓ Present

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✓ Incoming

✗ Absent

? Unknown

(voluntary)

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