

# Jordan



## **Country report card**

This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity . 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 <a href="https://data.worldobesity.org/country/jordan-109/">https://data.worldobesity.org/country/jordan-109/</a>.

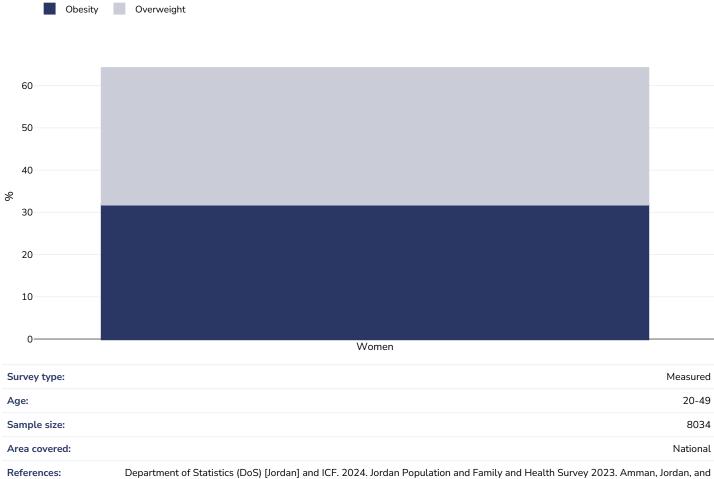


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## **Obesity prevalence**

#### Women, 2023



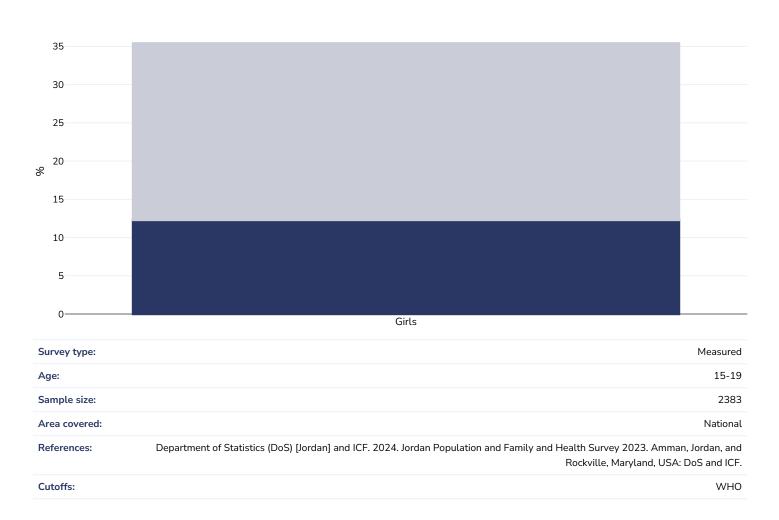
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#### Girls, 2023



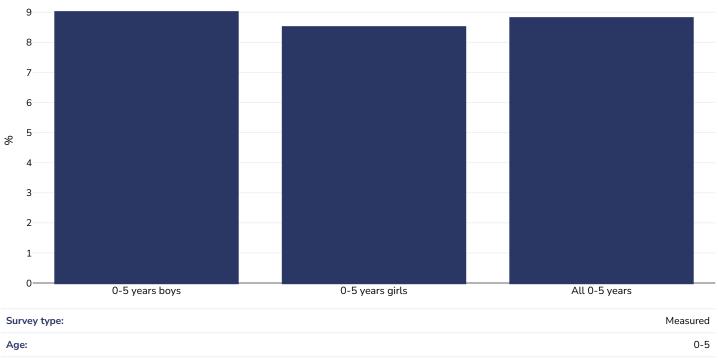




## 0-5 years, 2023

Cutoffs:

Overweight or obesity



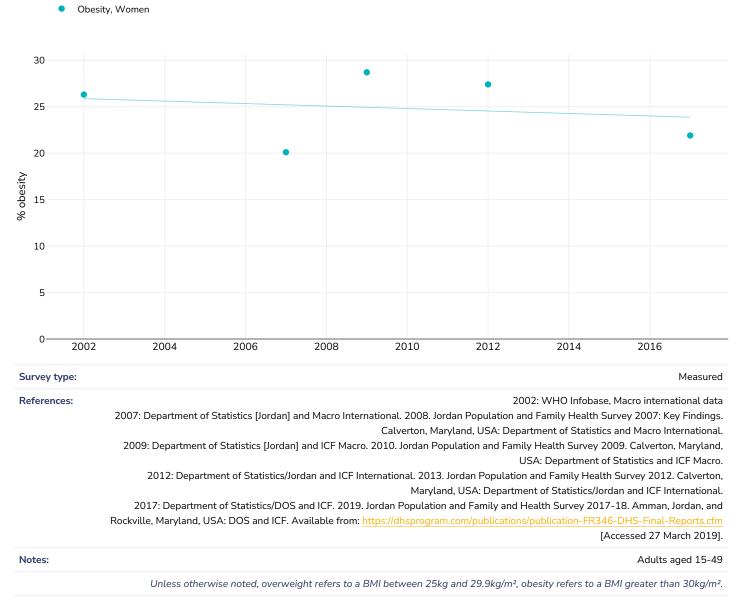
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Weight for height



### % Adults living with obesity in Jordan 2002-2017





## % Adults living with overweight or obesity in Jordan 2002-2017

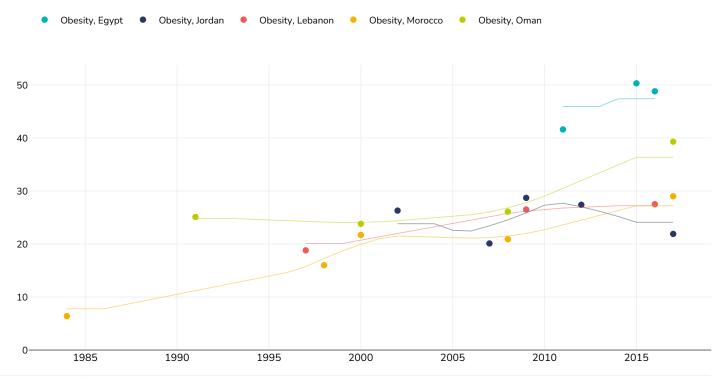




## % Adults living with obesity in selected countries in the EMRO Region 1984-2017, selected countries

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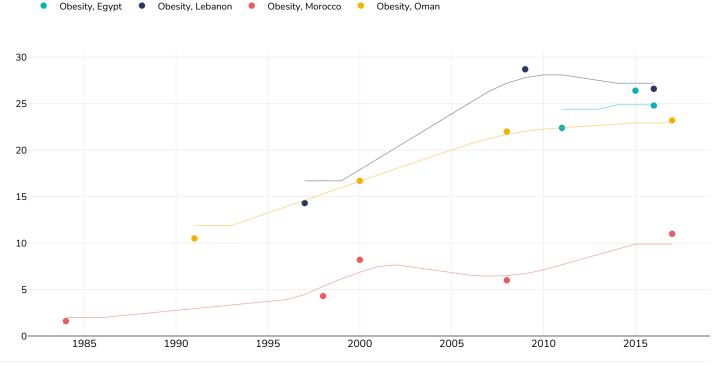
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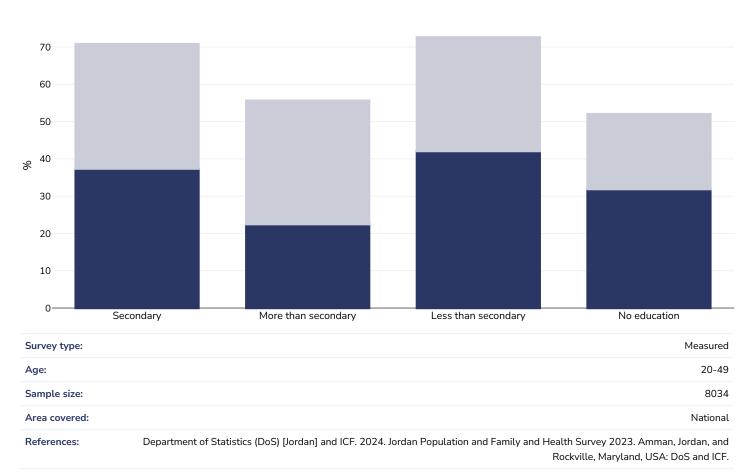
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## Overweight/obesity by education

#### Women, 2023

Obesity Overweight

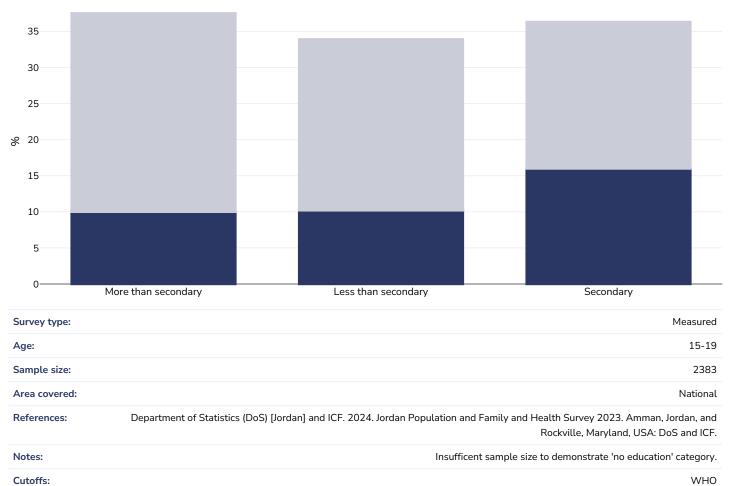


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#### Girls, 2023

Overweight Obesity



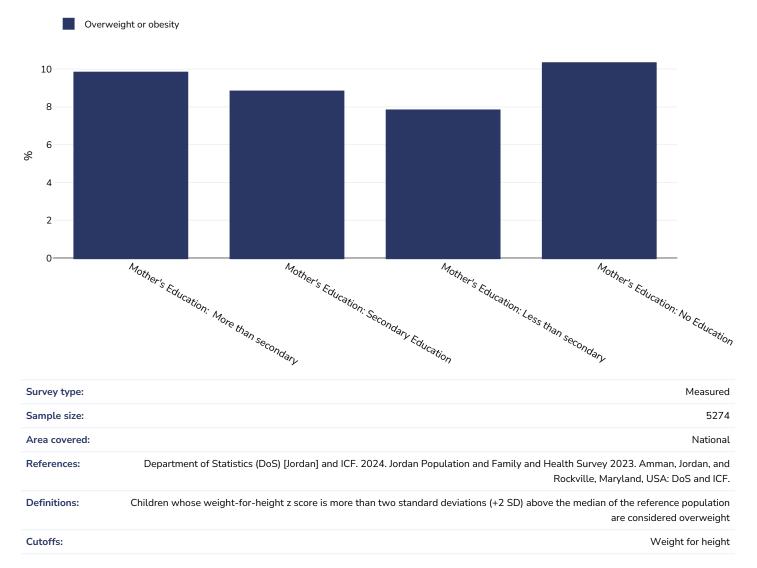
Cutoffs:

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#### 0-5 years, 2023

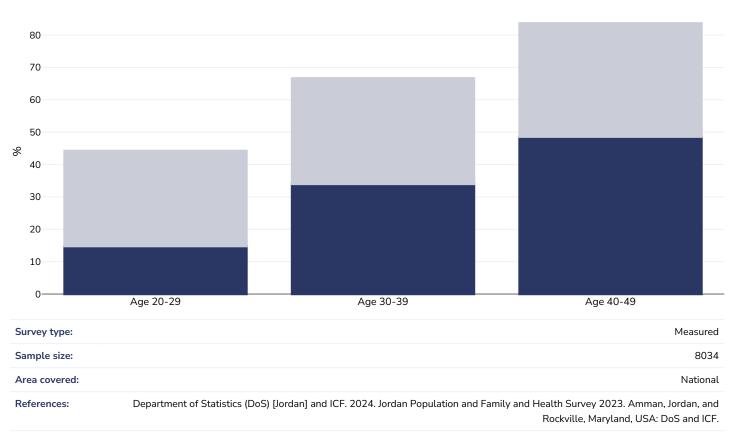




## Overweight/obesity by age

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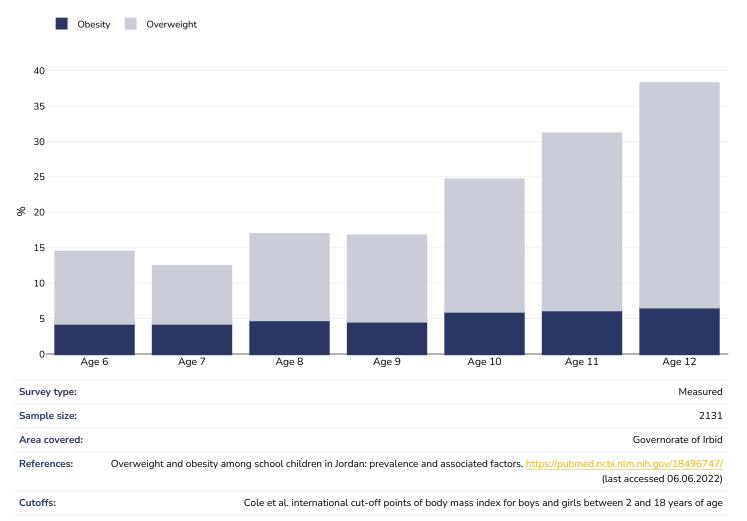




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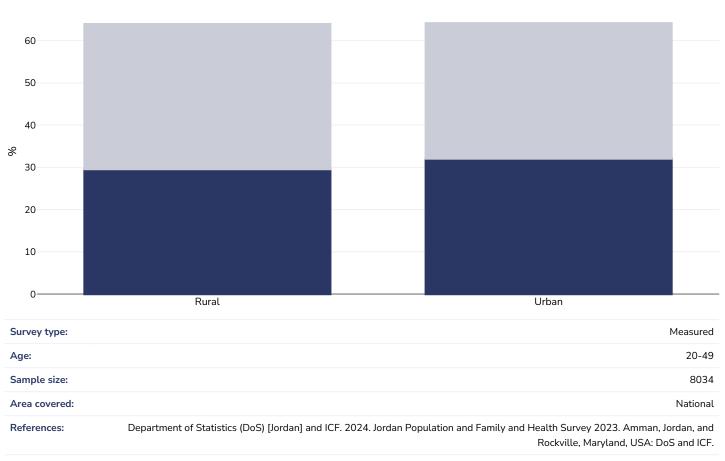




## Overweight/obesity by region

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Obesity Overweight

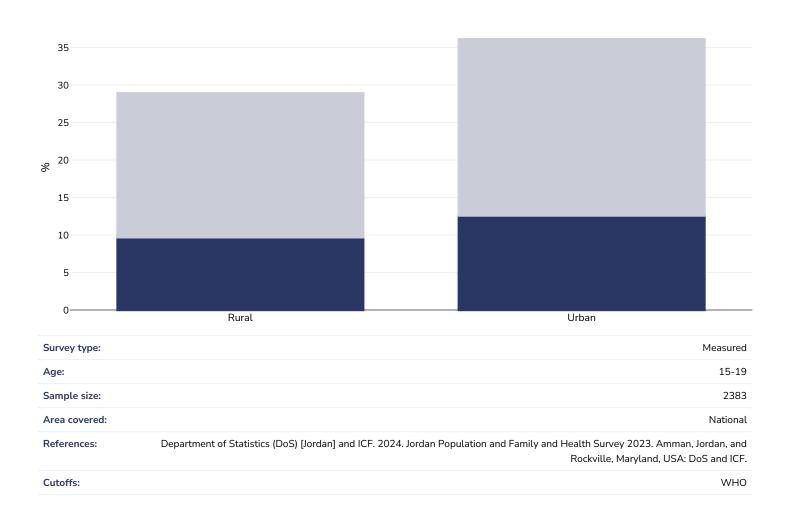


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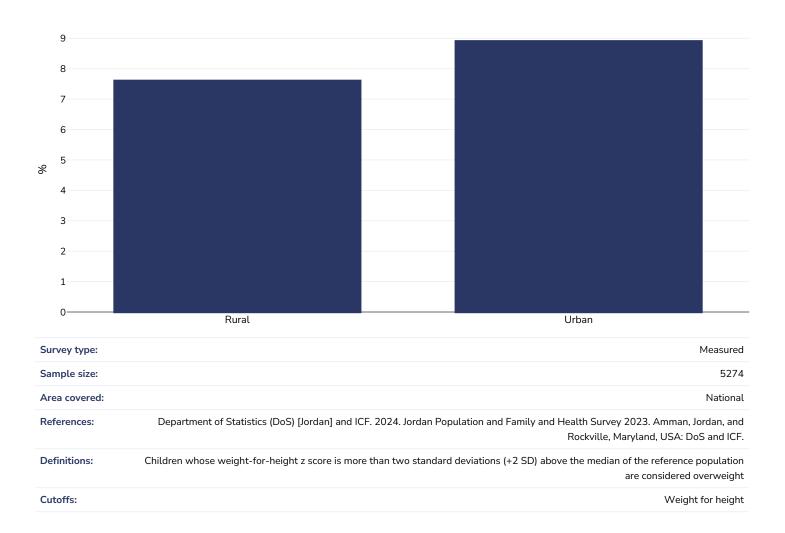
Obesity Overweight





#### 0-5 years, 2023

Overweight or obesity

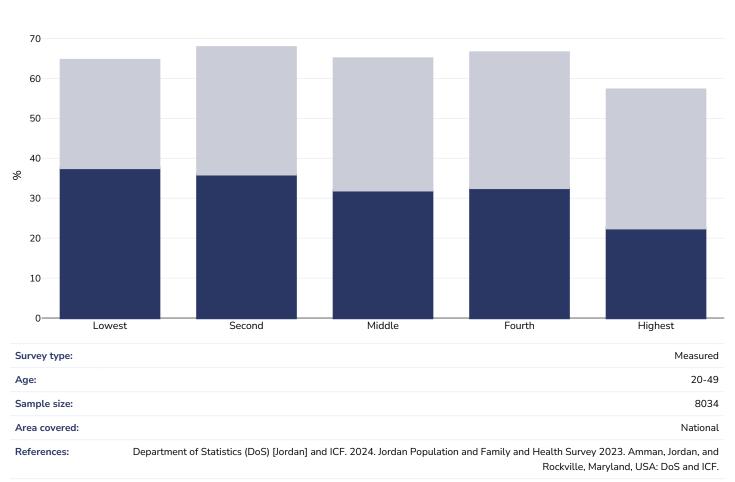




## Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

#### Women, 2023

Obesity Overweight

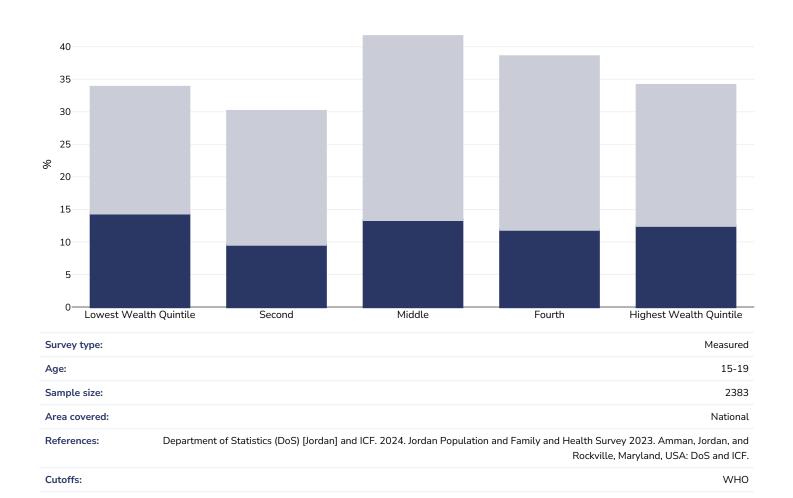


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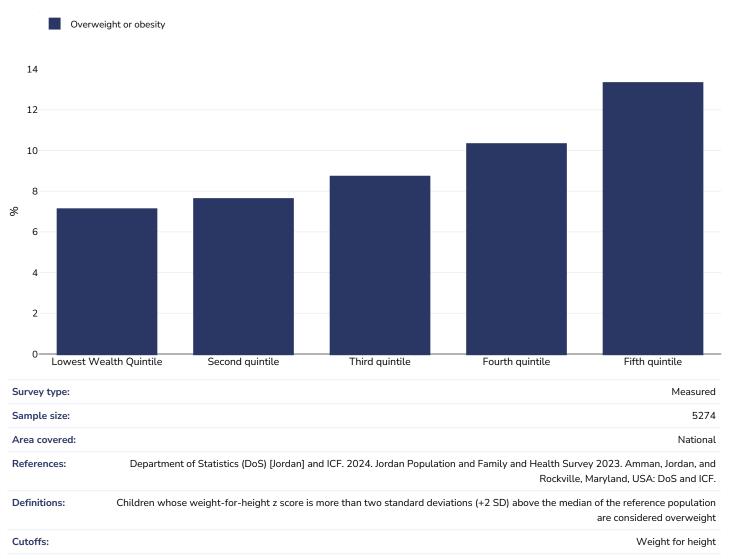
#### Girls, 2023

Obesity Overweight





#### 0-5 years, 2023

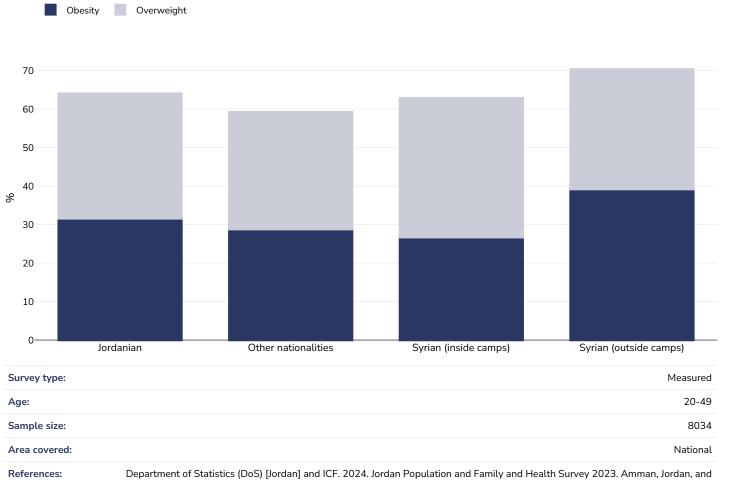




## Overweight/obesity by ethnicity

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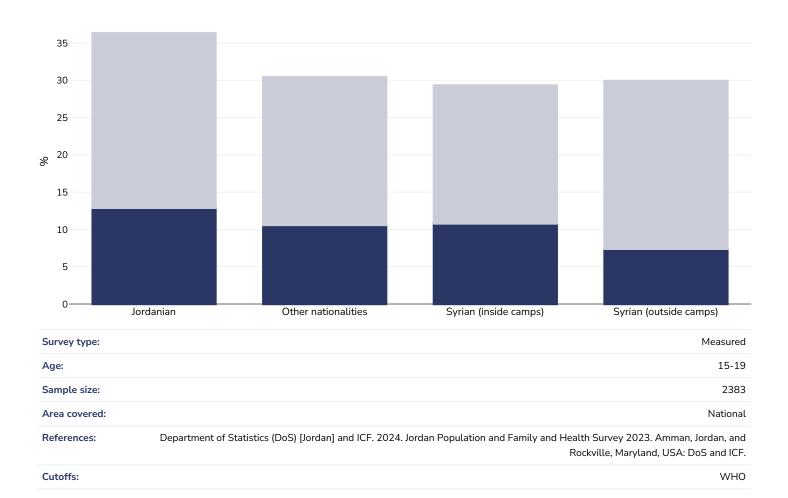
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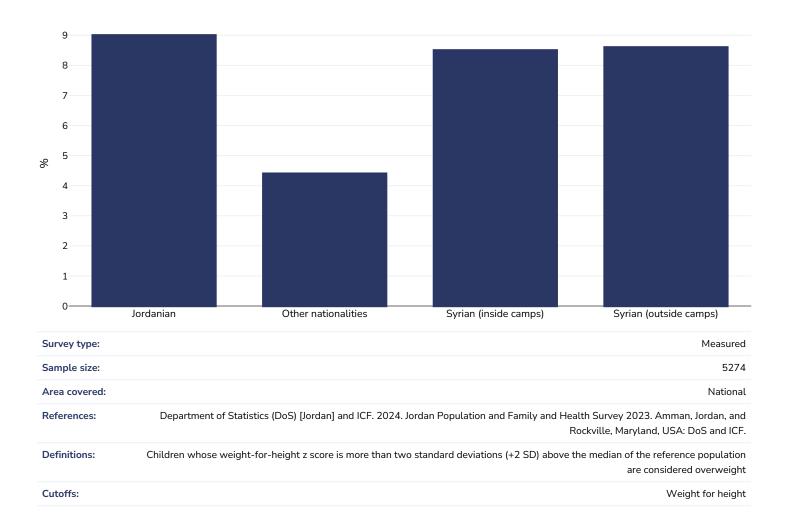






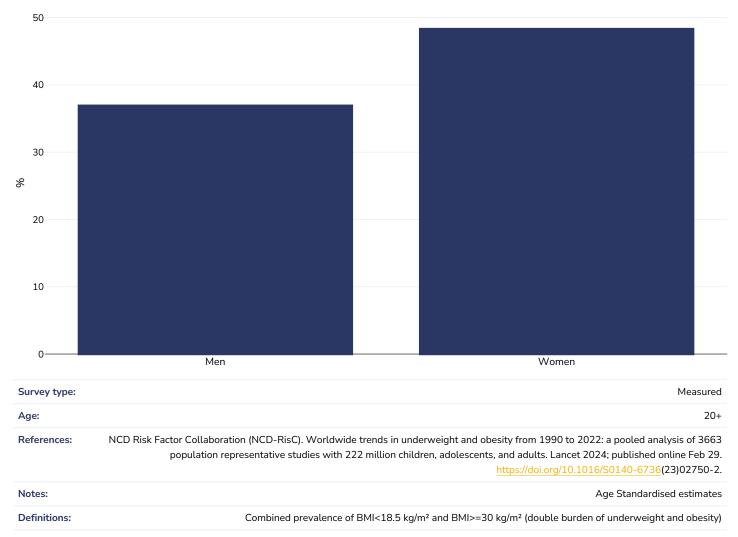
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Overweight or obesity



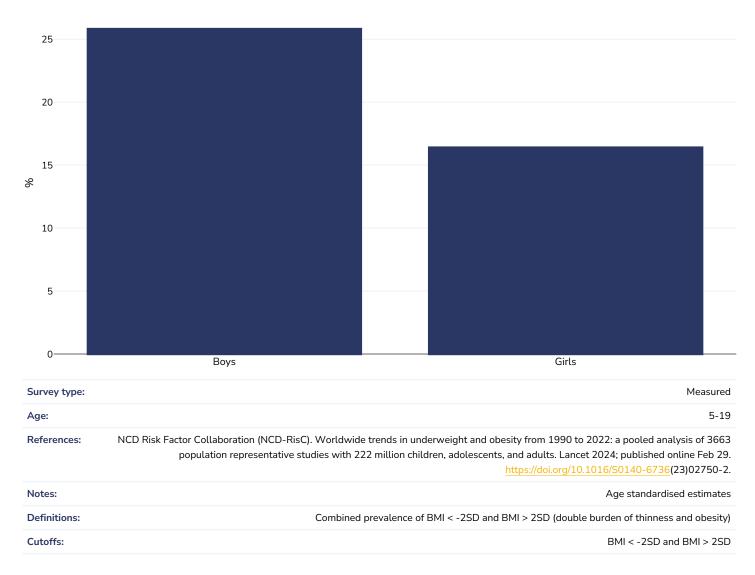


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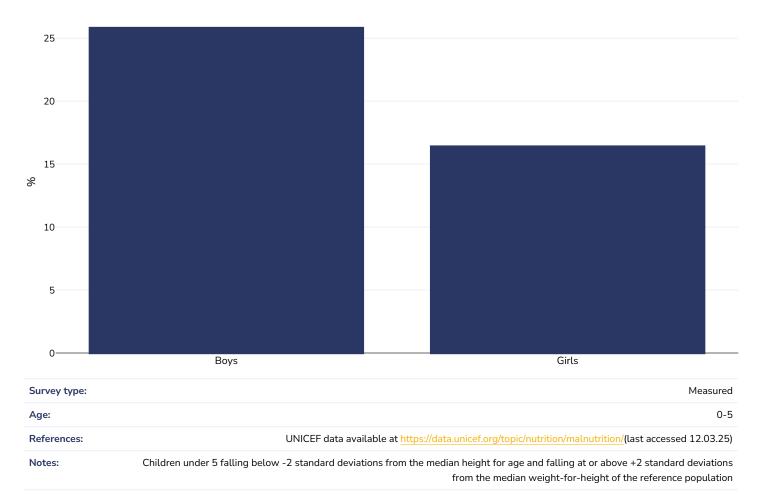


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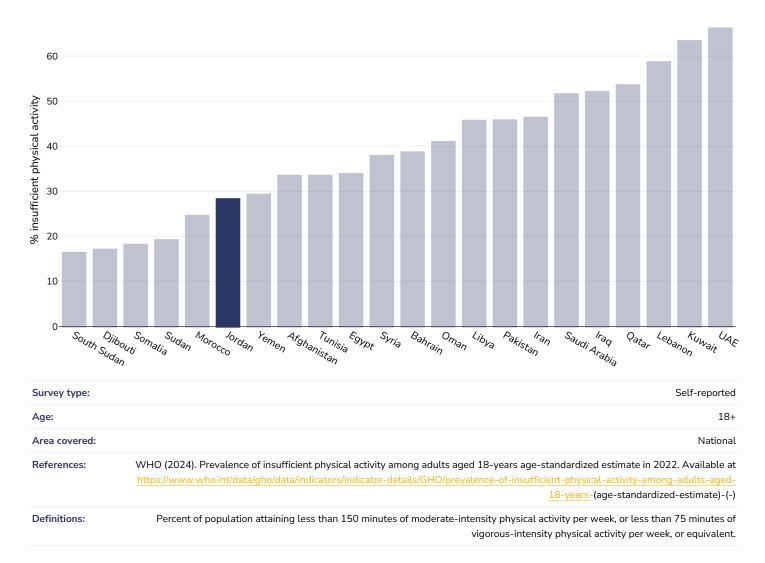


#### 0-5 years, 2019-2019



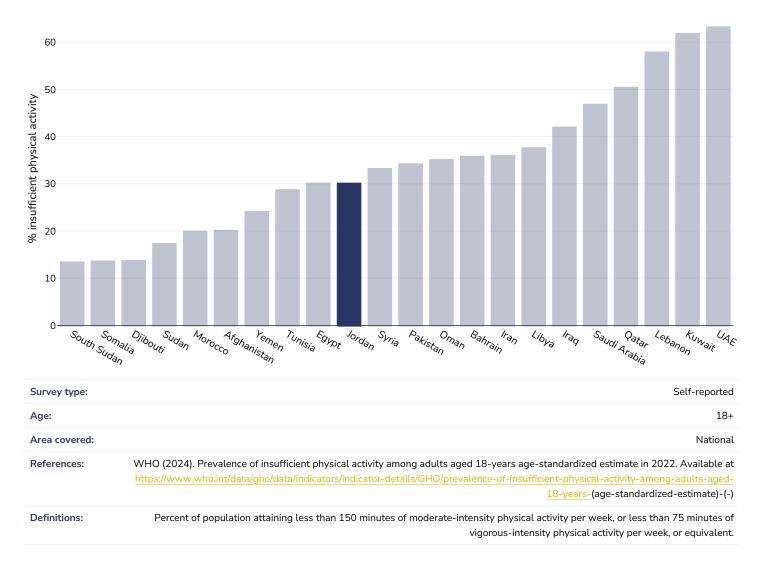


## Insufficient physical activity



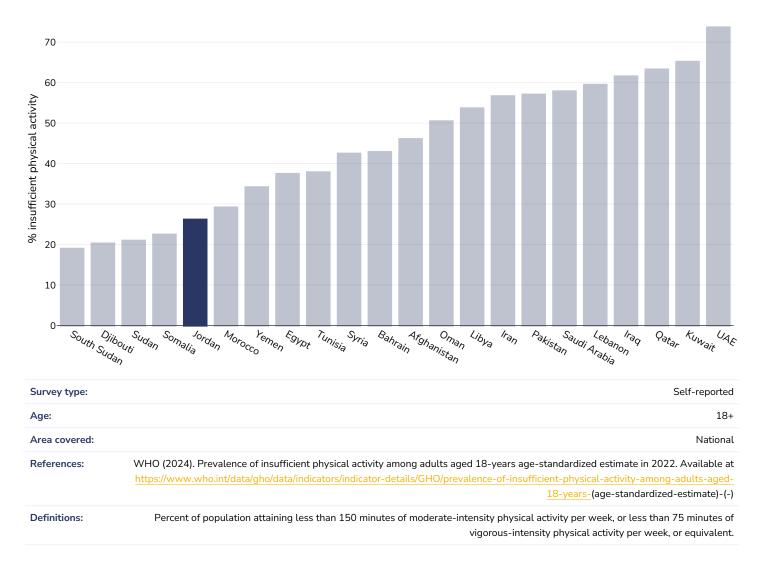


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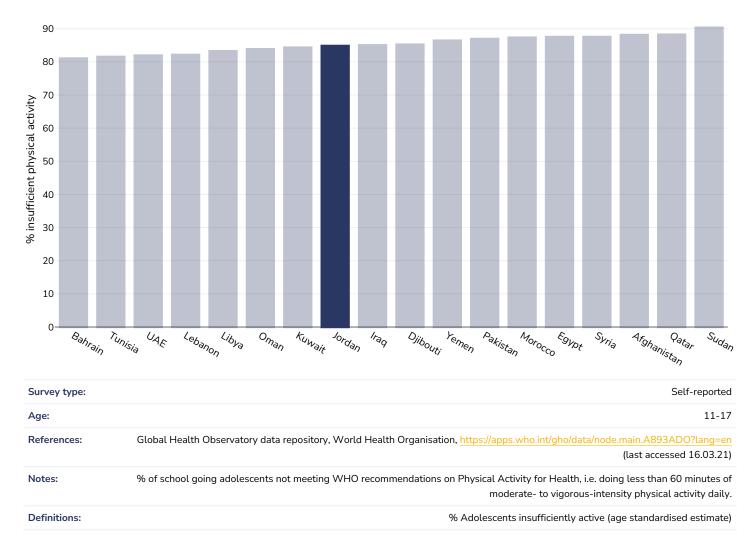


#### Women, 2022



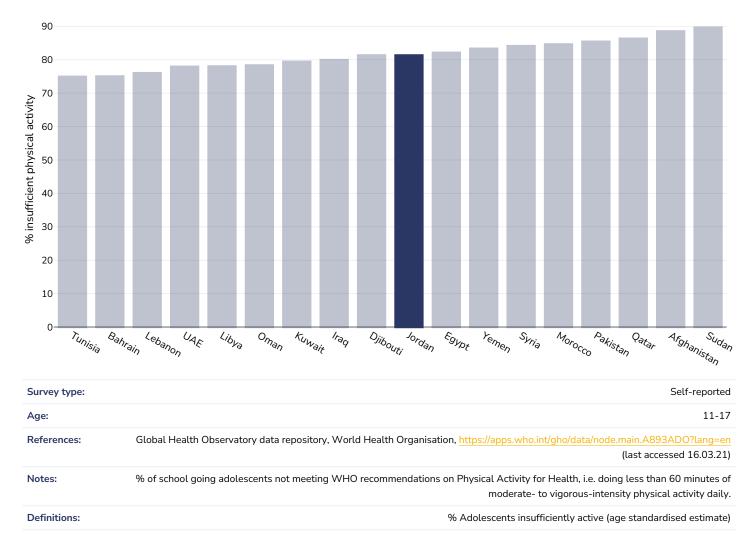


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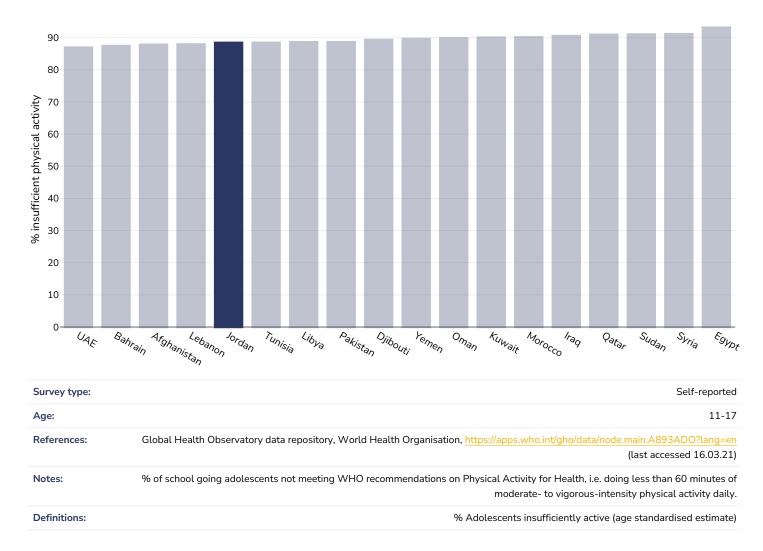


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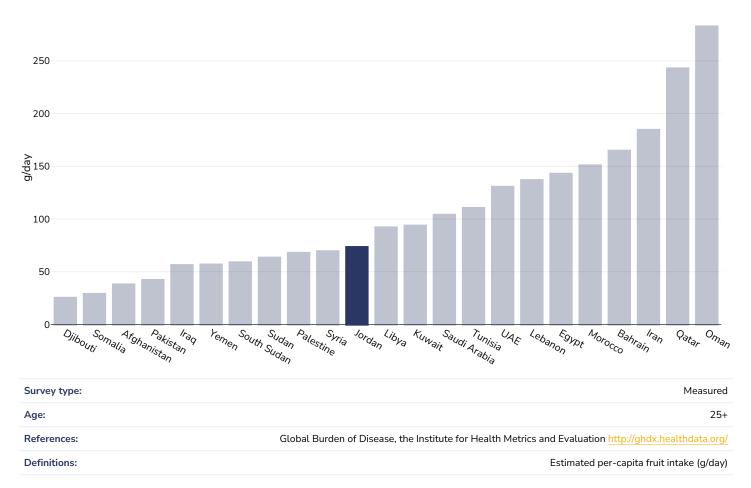
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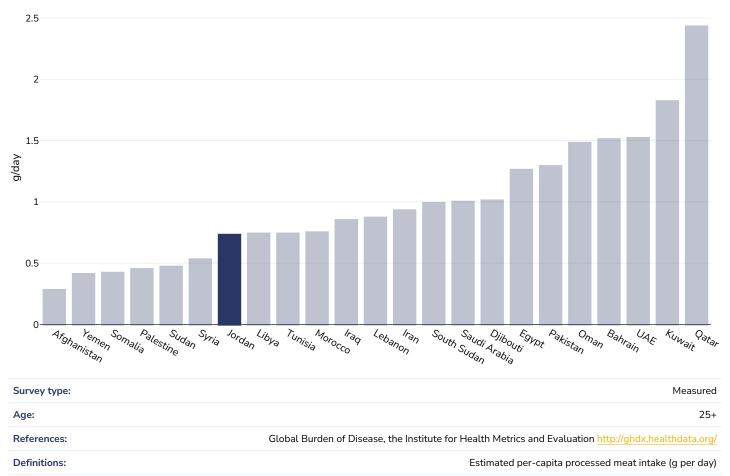
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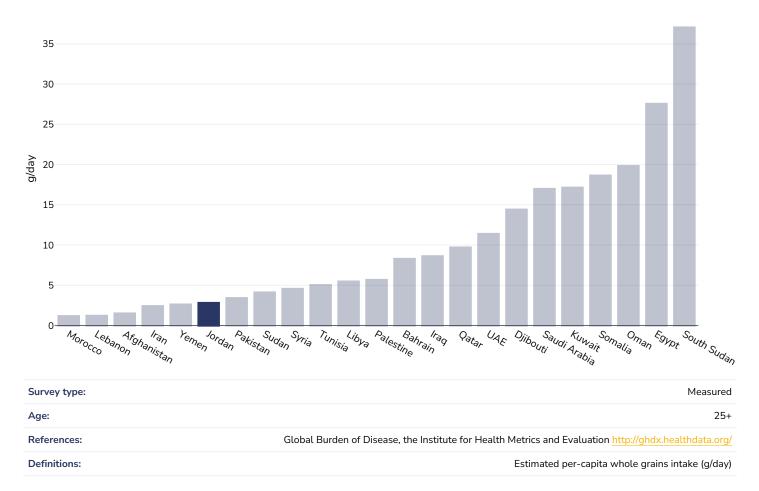


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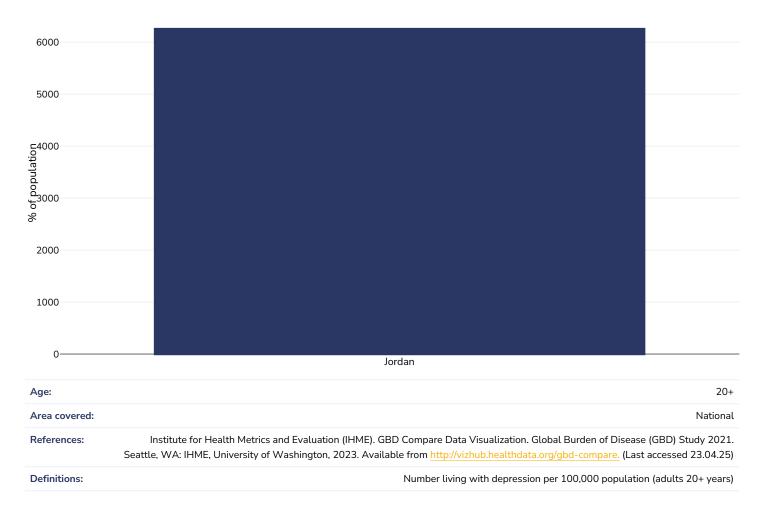


## Estimated per capita whole grains intake





## Mental health - depression disorders





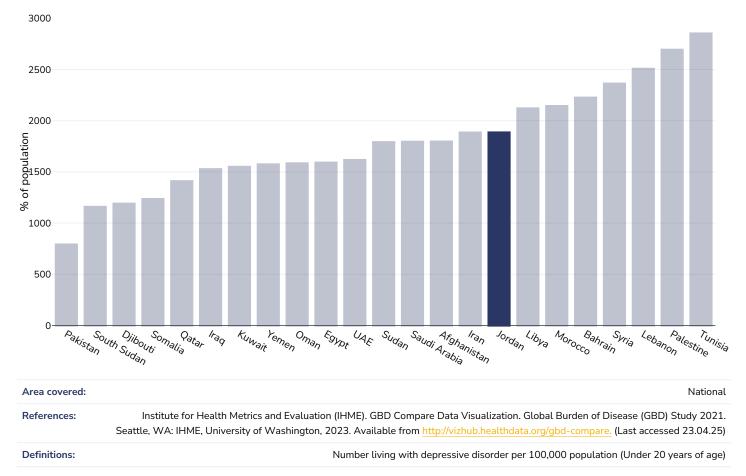
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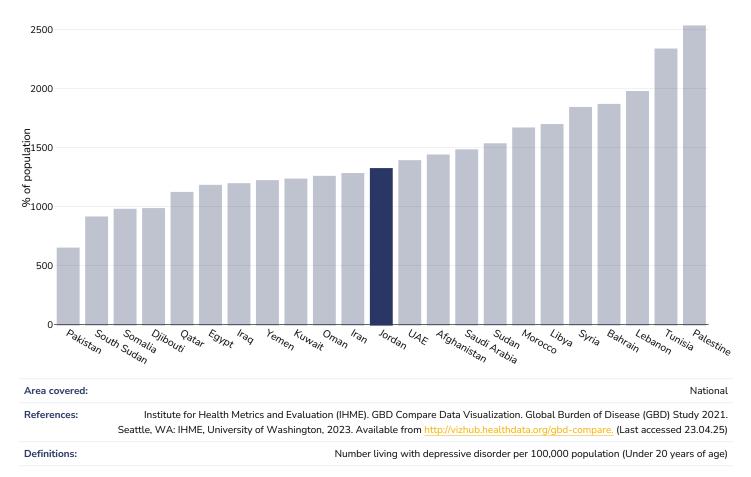


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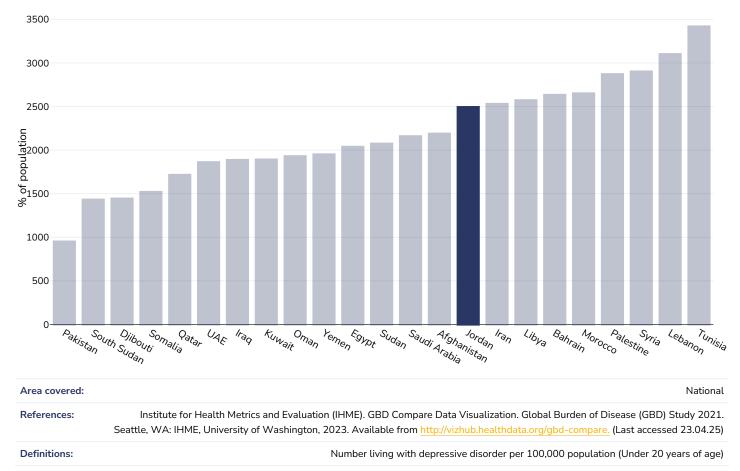


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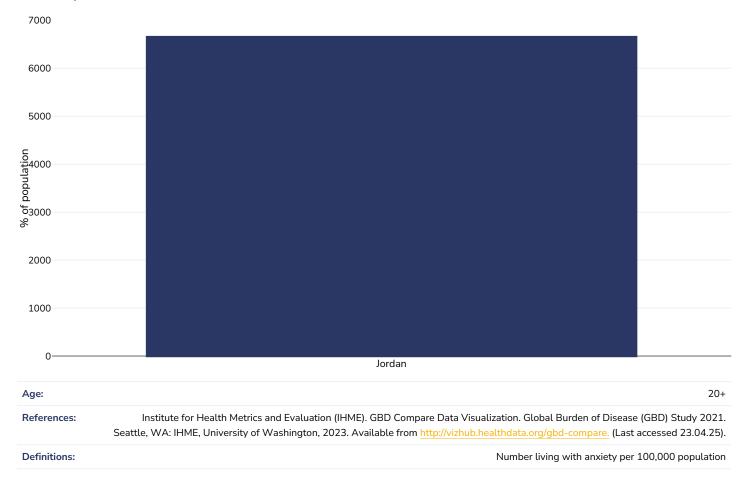
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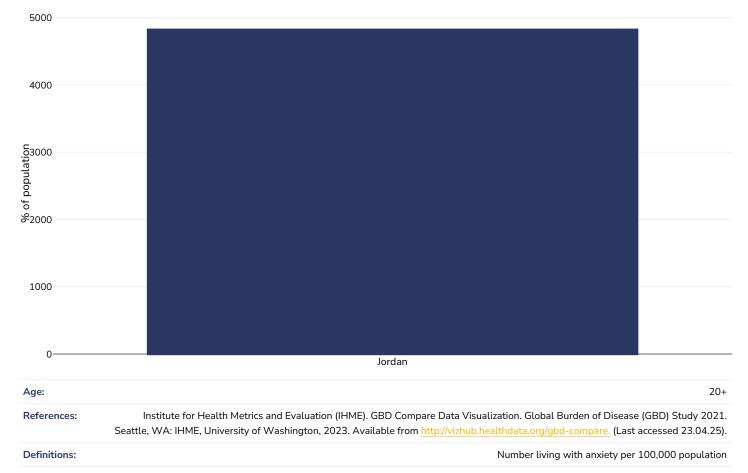


# Mental health - anxiety disorders

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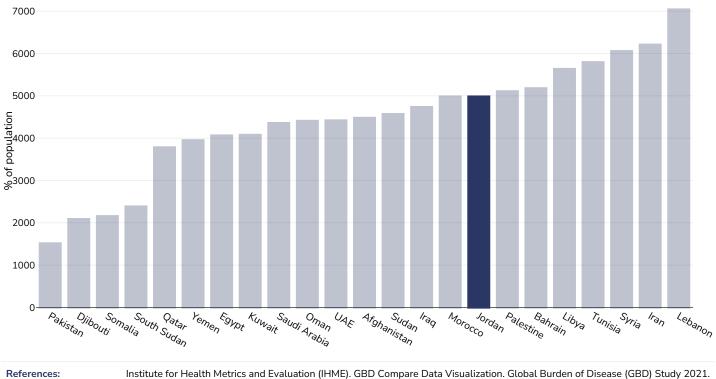




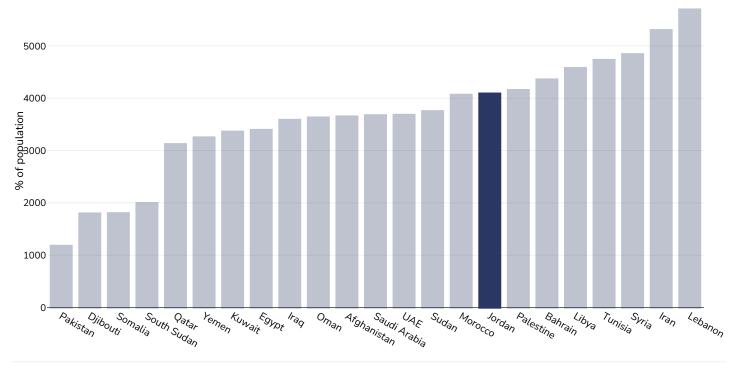
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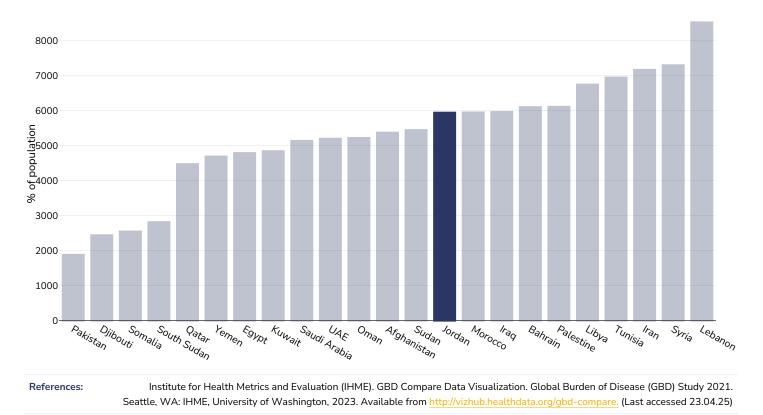
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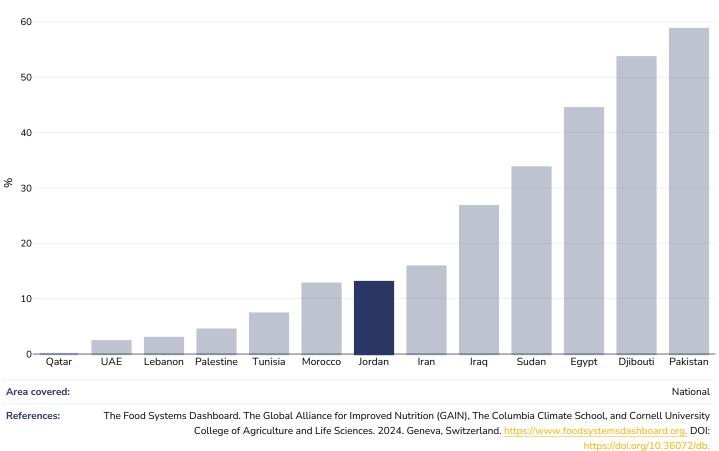
# % Infants exclusively breastfed 0-5 months

#### 0-5 years, 2010-2023





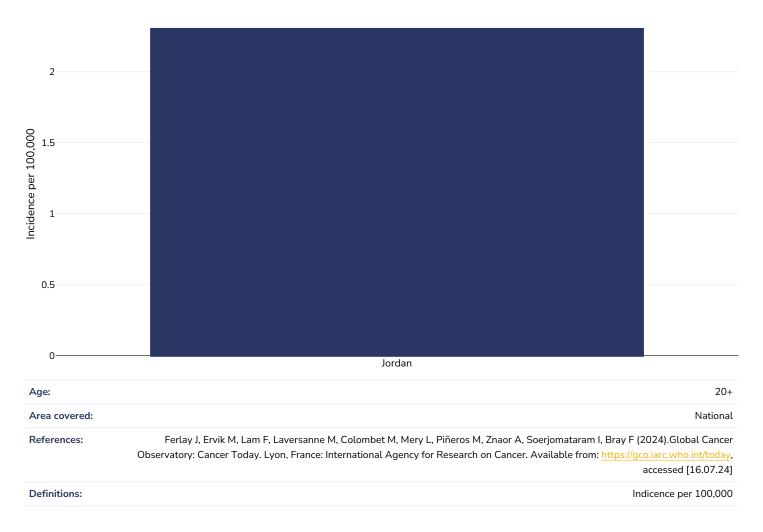
# Percent of population who cannot afford a healthy diet



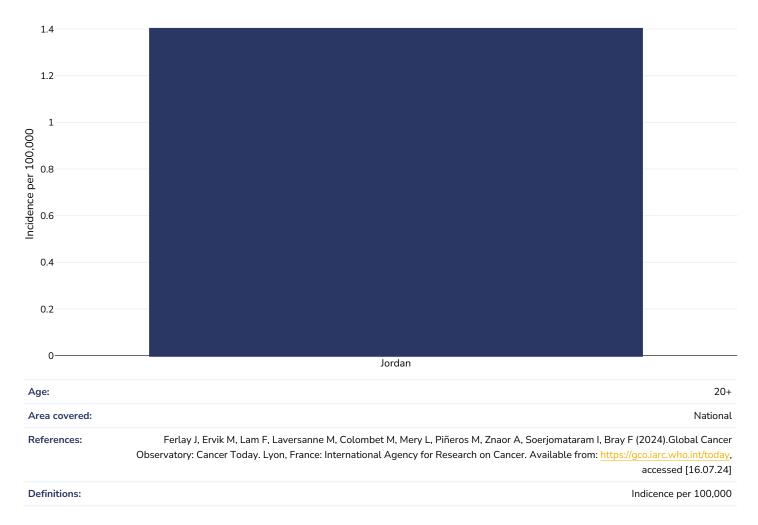
### Adults, 2022



# **Oesophageal cancer**





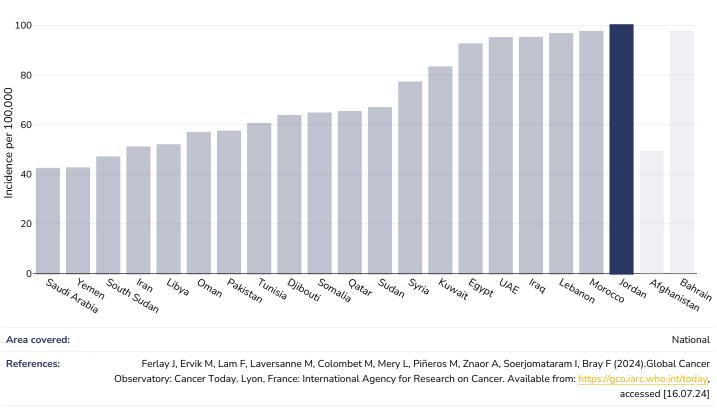




#### **Breast cancer**

#### Women, 2022

Age 20 Age 20+

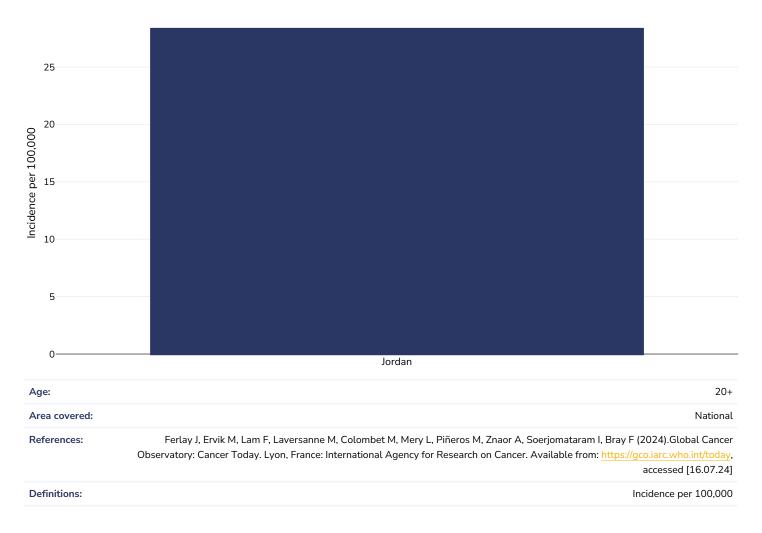


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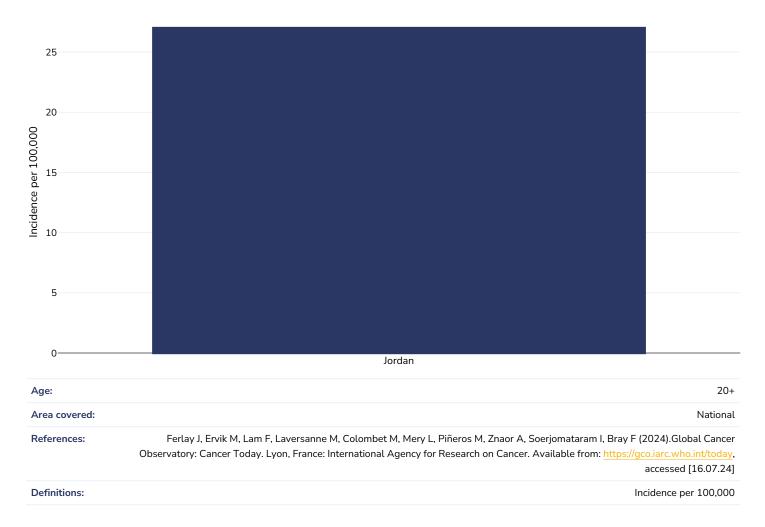
Incidence per 100,000



### **Colorectal cancer**

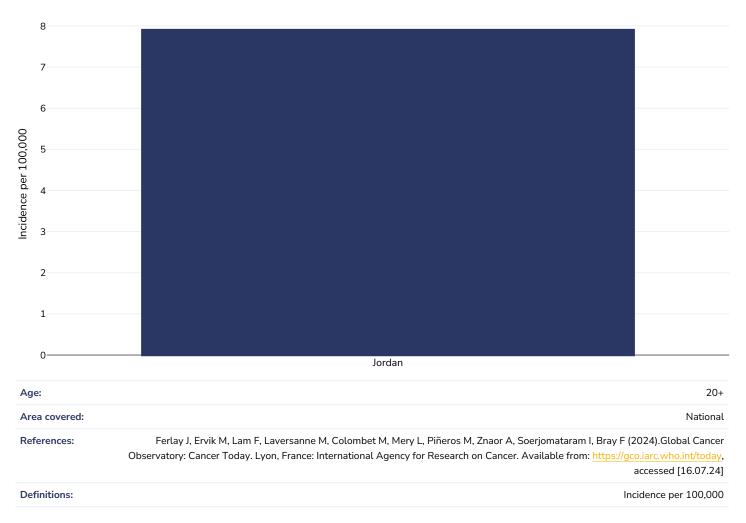




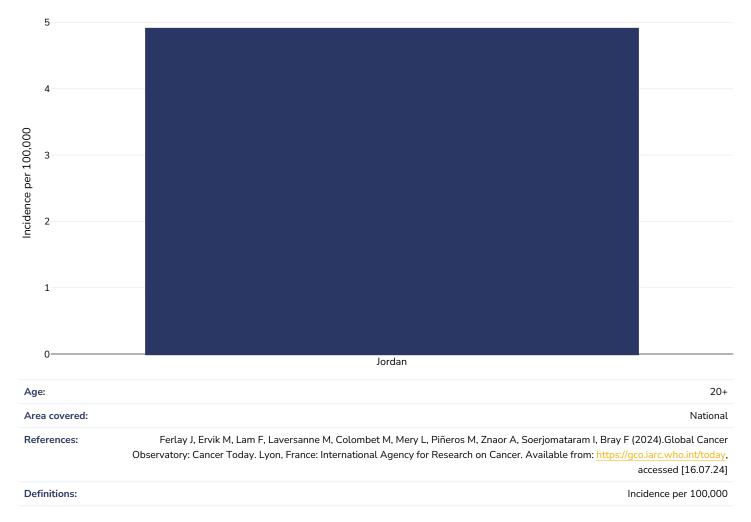




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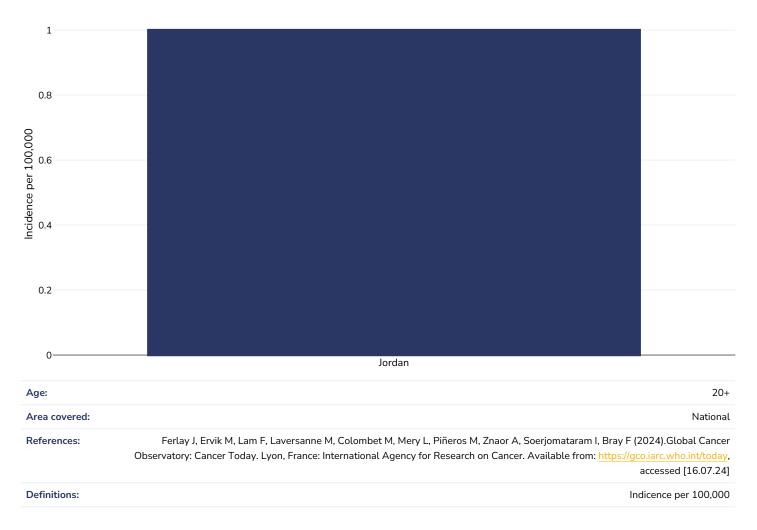




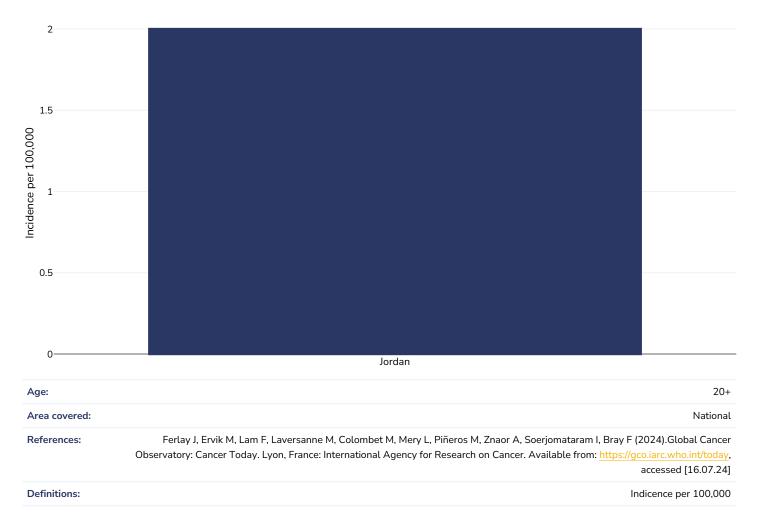




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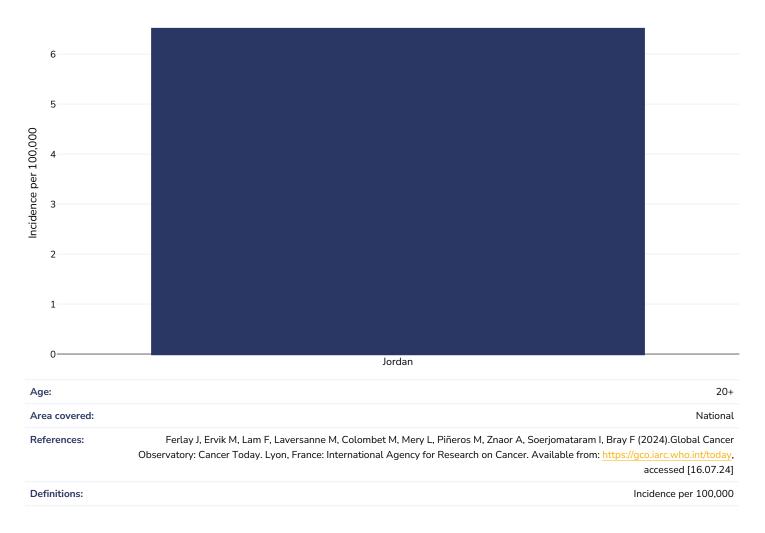




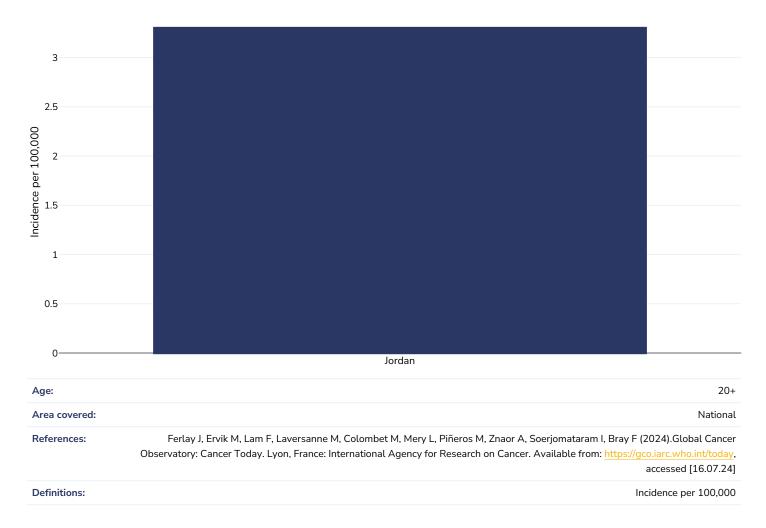




### **Kidney cancer**









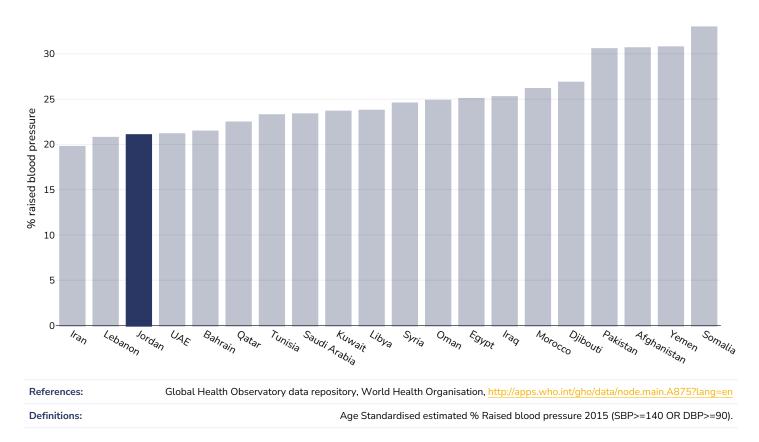
### Cancer of the uterus



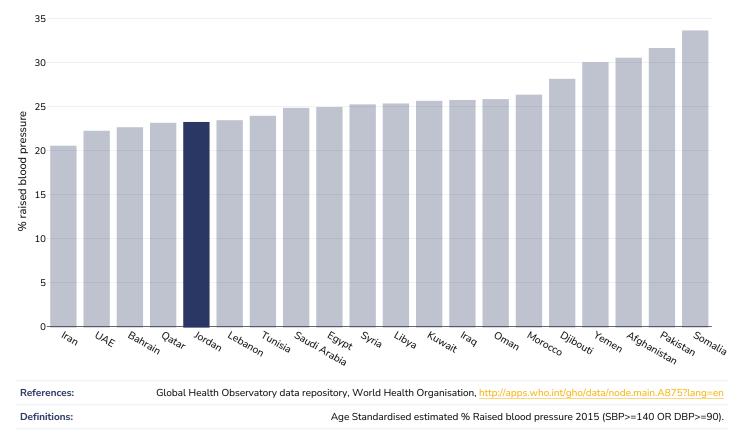


# Raised blood pressure

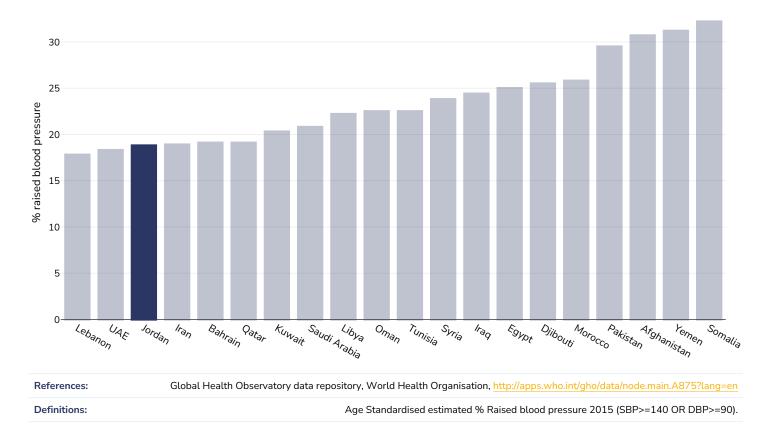
### Adults, 2015







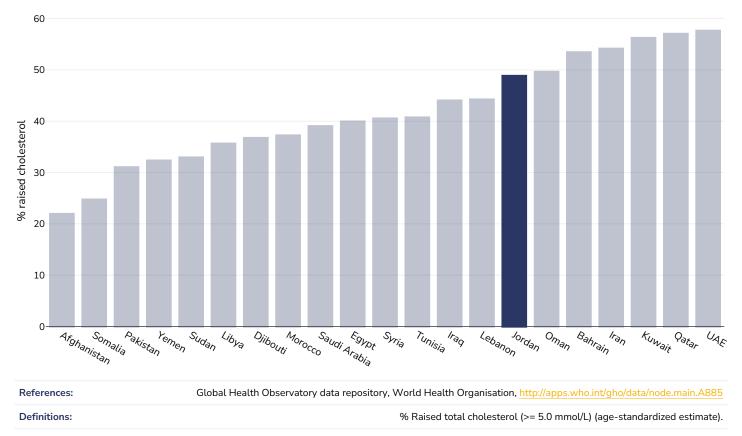




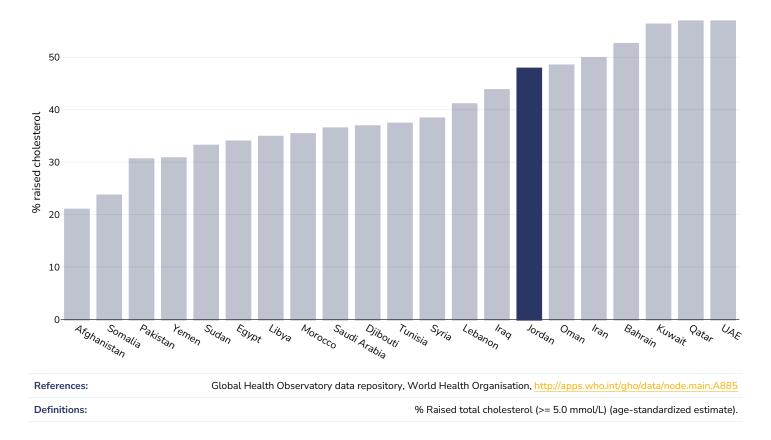


# **Raised cholesterol**

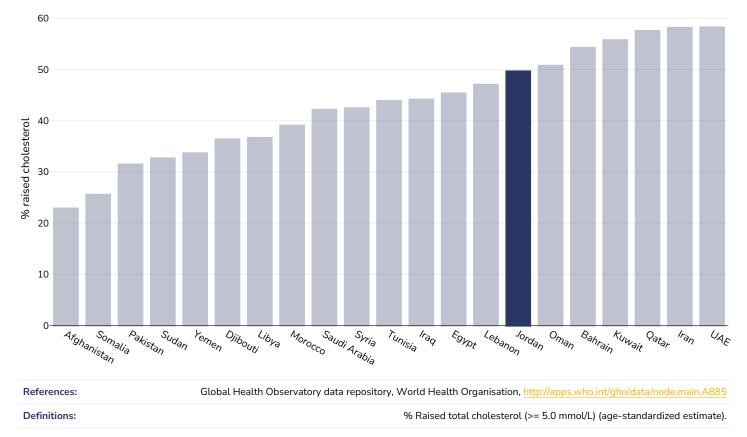
#### Adults, 2008







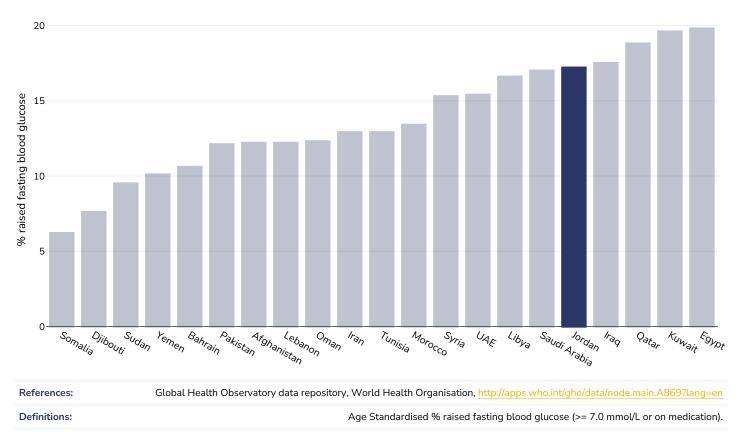




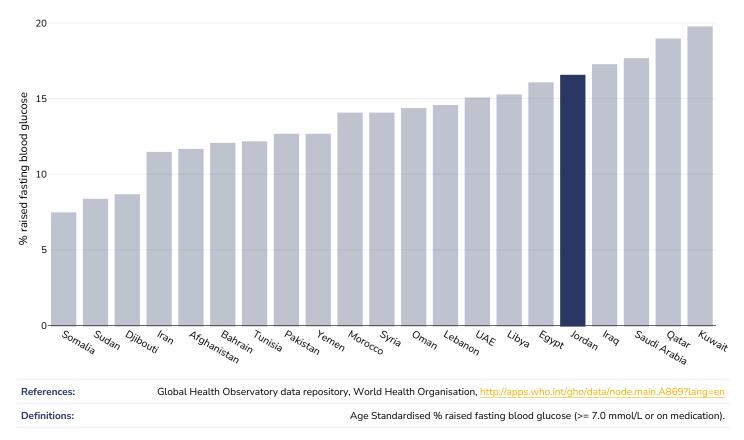


# Raised fasting blood glucose





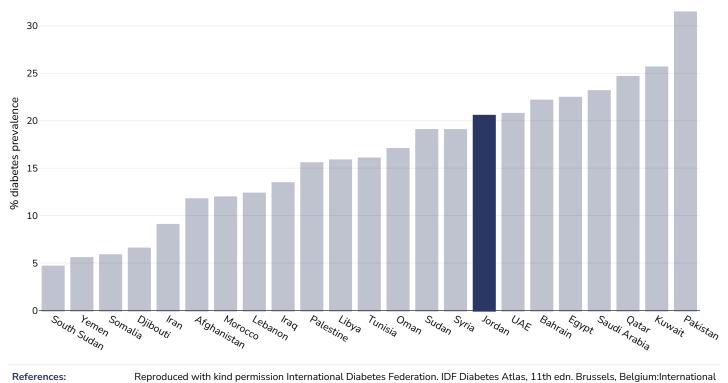






# **Diabetes prevalence**

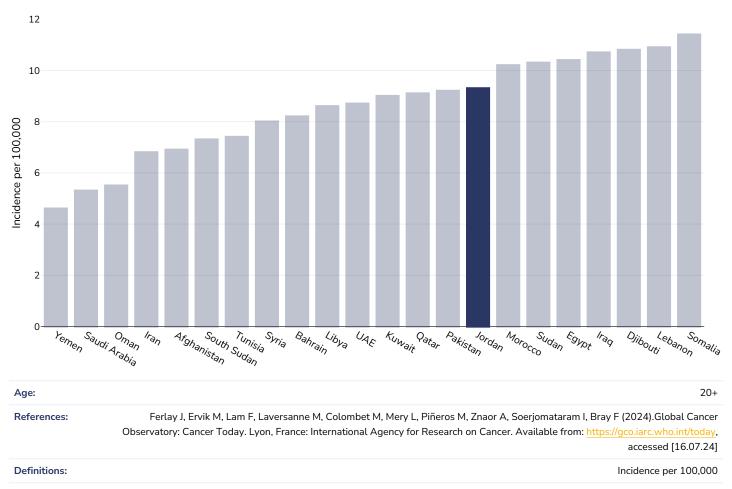
#### Adults, 2024



Diabetes Federation, 2025. http://www.diabetesatlas.org



### **Ovarian Cancer**





# Leukemia

| Men, 2022           |  |                      |                         |                     |                        |                        |             |
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| <sup>-1</sup><br>-1 | 0  | 1                    | 2                       | 3                   | 4                      | 5                      | 6           |
| Age:                |  |                      |                         |                     |                        |                        | 20+         |
| Area covered:       |  |                      |                         |                     |                        |                        | National    |
| References:         | Ferlay J, Ervik M, Lam F, Laversanne M, Colombet M, Mery L, Piñeros M, Znaor A, Soerjomataram I, Bray F (2024).Global Cancer<br>Observatory: Cancer Today. Lyon, France: International Agency for Research on Cancer. Available from: <u>https://gco.iarc.who.int/today</u> ,<br>accessed [16.07.24] |                      |                         |                     |                        |                        |             |
| Definitions:        |  |                      |                         |                     |                        | Incidence p            | er 100,000  |
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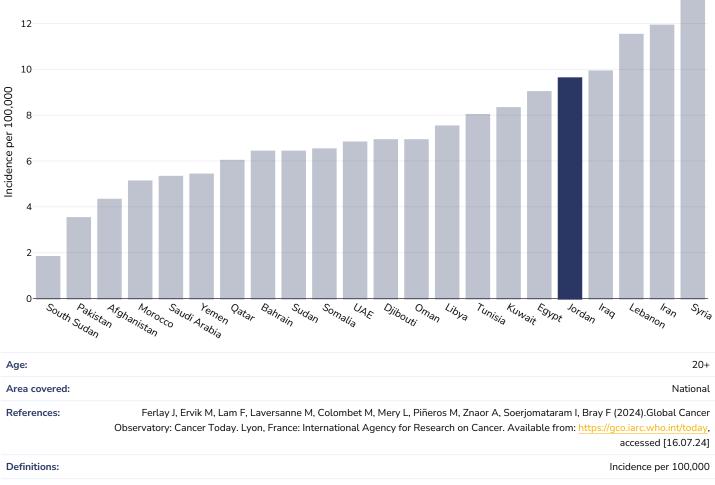


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| 0                |             |                     |                       |                    |  |                                |            |
| <sup>-1</sup> _1 | 0           | 1                   | 2                     | 3                  | 4  | 5                              | 6          |
| Age:             |             |                     |                       |                    |  |                                | 20+        |
| Area covered:    |             |                     |                       |                    |  |                                | National   |
| References:      |             |                     |                       |                    | Znaor A, Soerjomataran<br>n Cancer. Available fron | n: <u>https://gco.iarc.whc</u> |            |
| Definitions:     |             |                     |                       |                    |  | Incidence pe                   | er 100,000 |
|                  | Unless othe | erwise noted, overw | eight refers to a BMI | between 25kg and 2 | 9.9kg/m², obesity refers                           | to a BMI greater than          | n 30kg/m². |



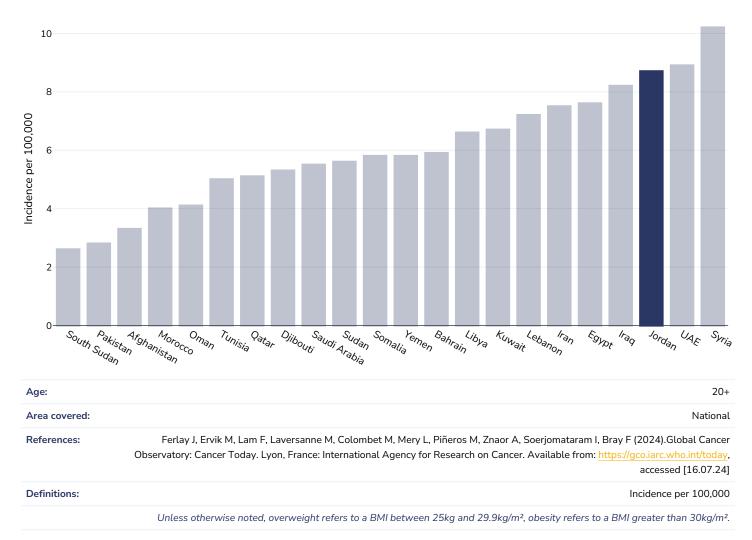
### Leukemia

#### Men, 2022



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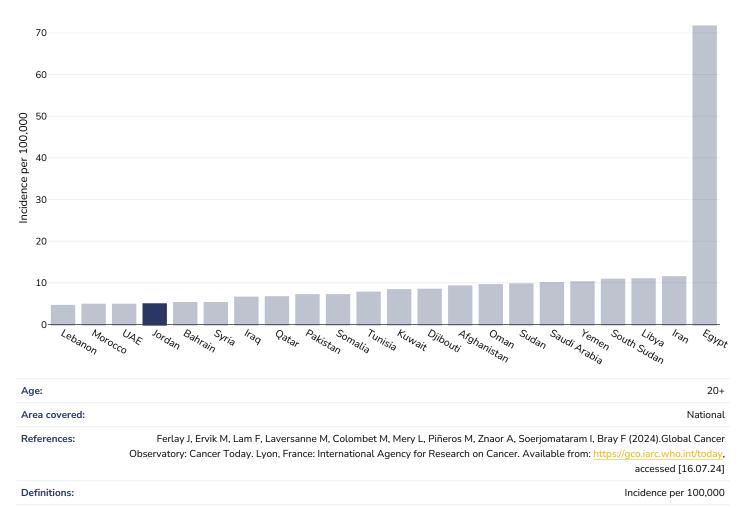






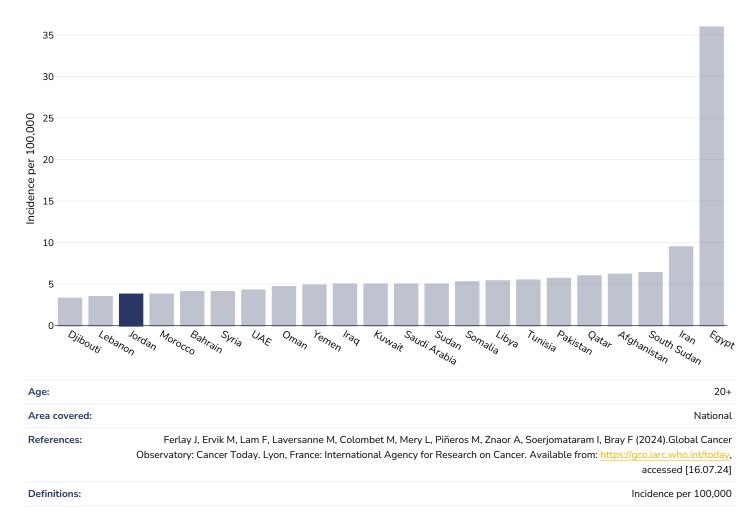
# Liver and intrahepatic bile duct Cancer







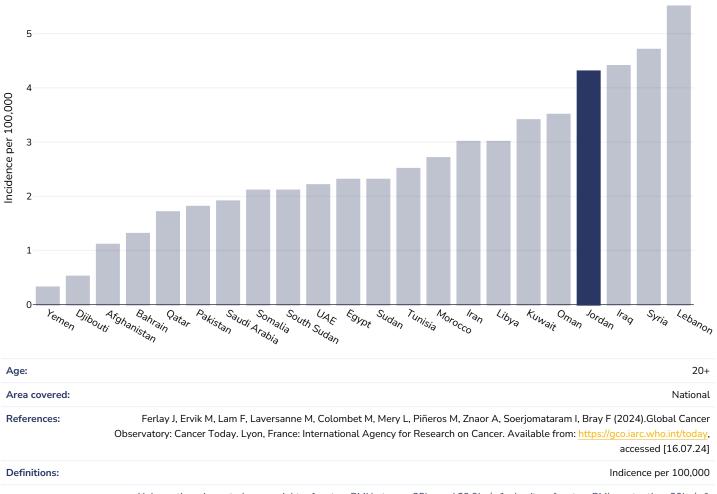






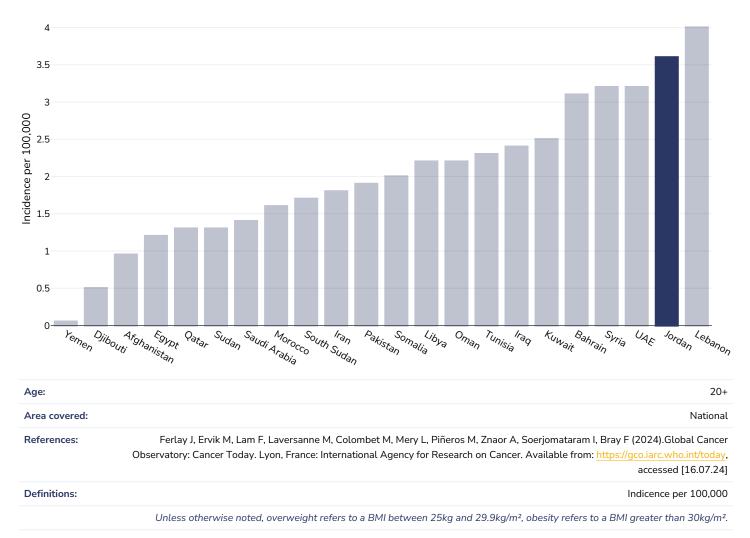
### Multiple Myeloma

#### Men, 2022



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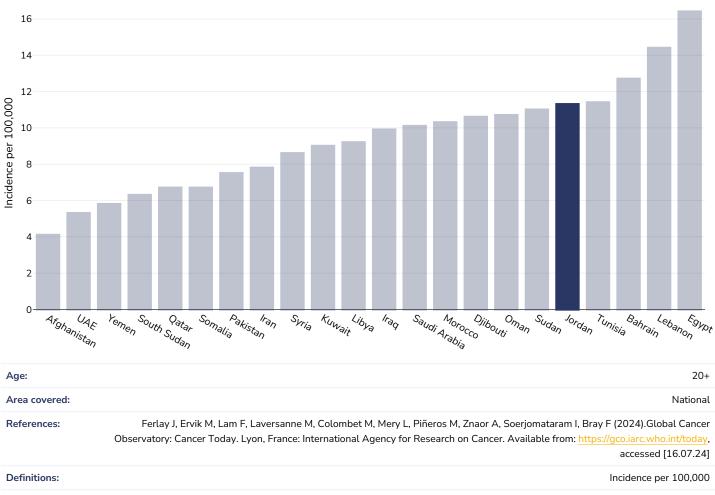






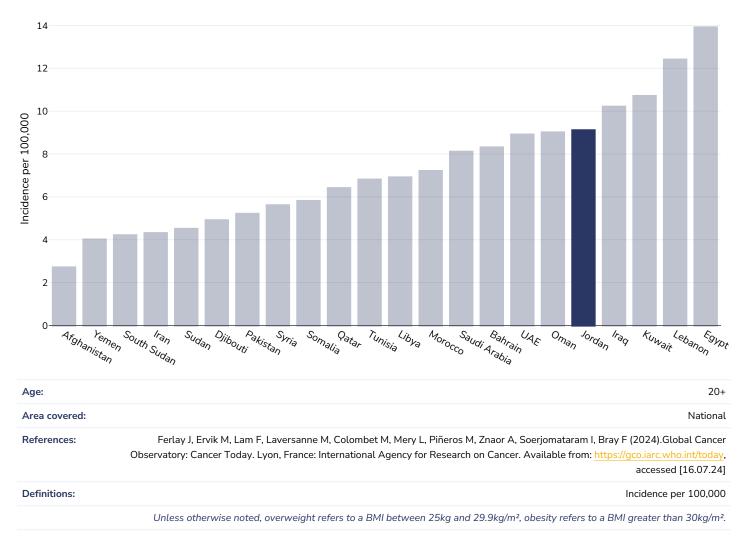
### Non Hodgkin Lymphoma

#### Men, 2022



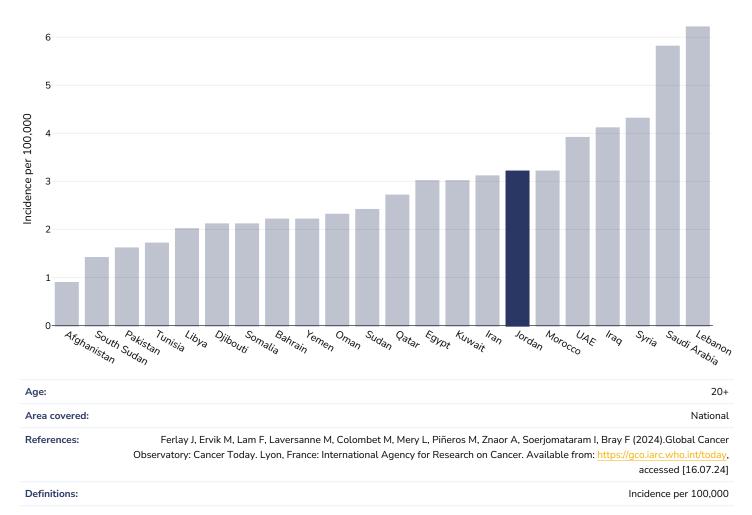
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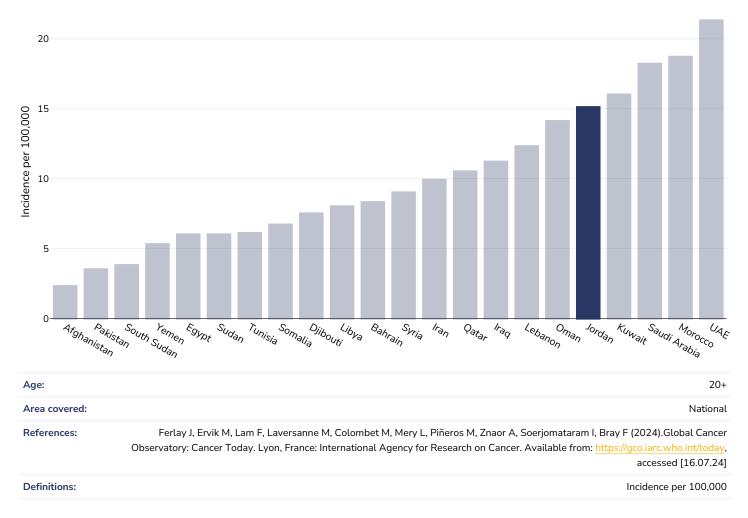


### **Thyroid Cancer**









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