

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.

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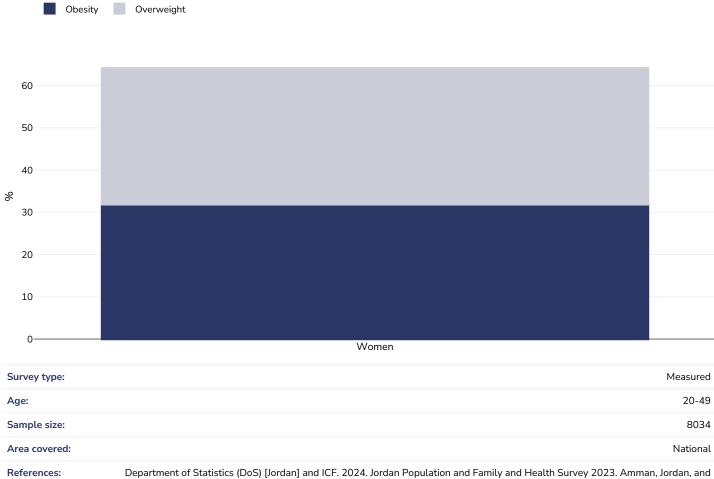


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Obesity prevalence

Women, 2023



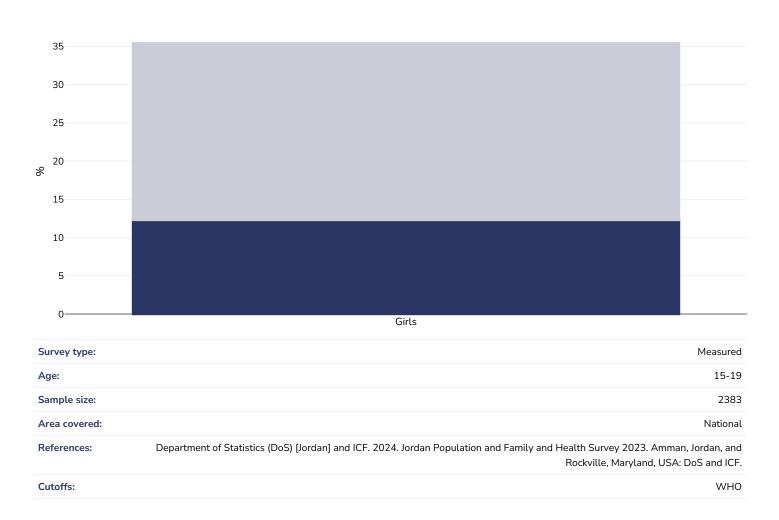
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Girls, 2023



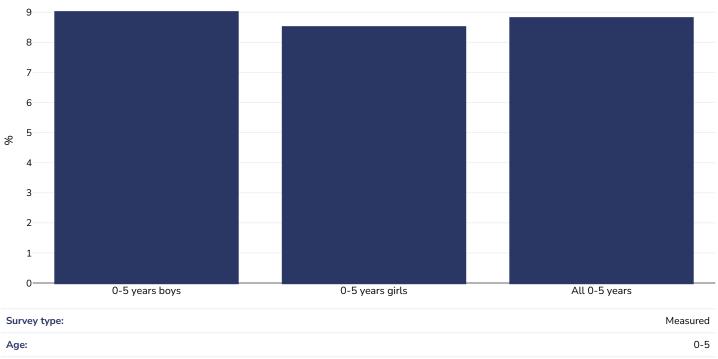




0-5 years, 2023

Cutoffs:

Overweight or obesity



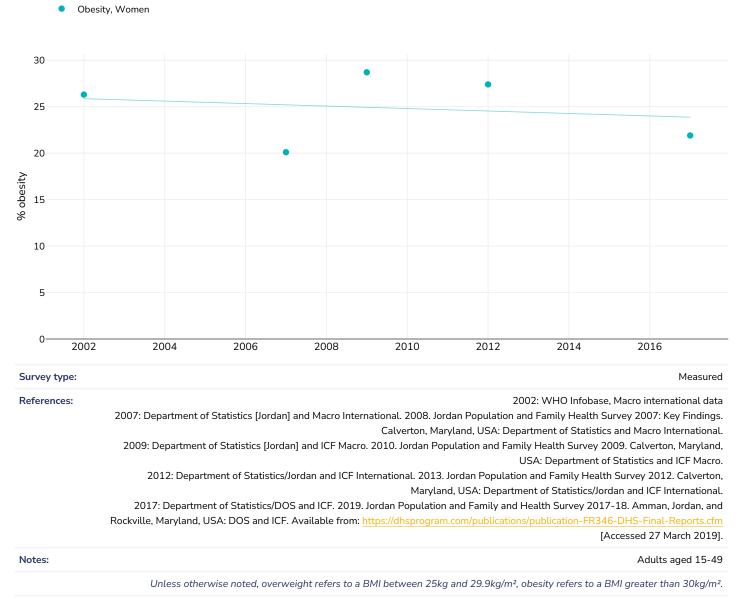
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Weight for height



% Adults living with obesity in Jordan 2002-2017





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

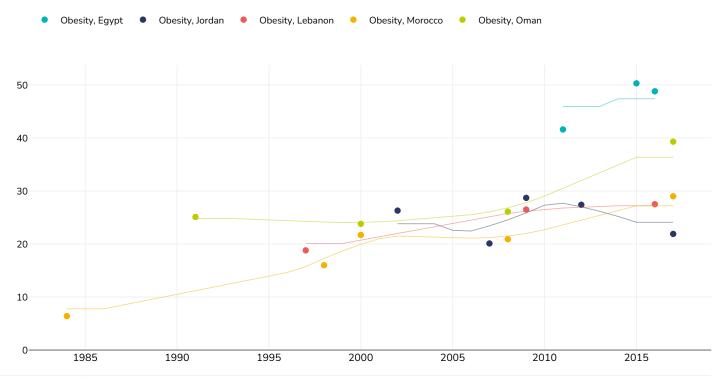




% Adults living with obesity in selected countries in the EMRO Region 1984-2017, selected countries

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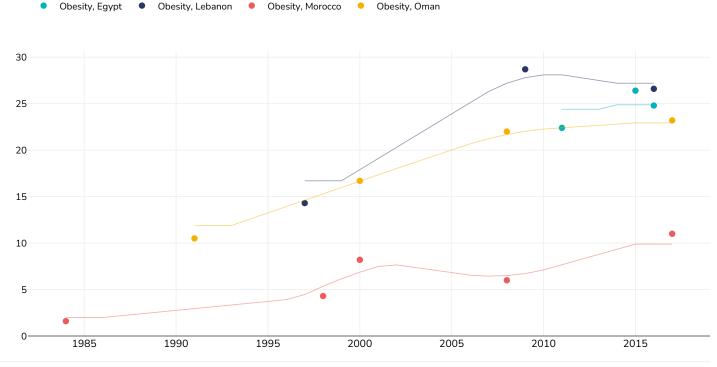
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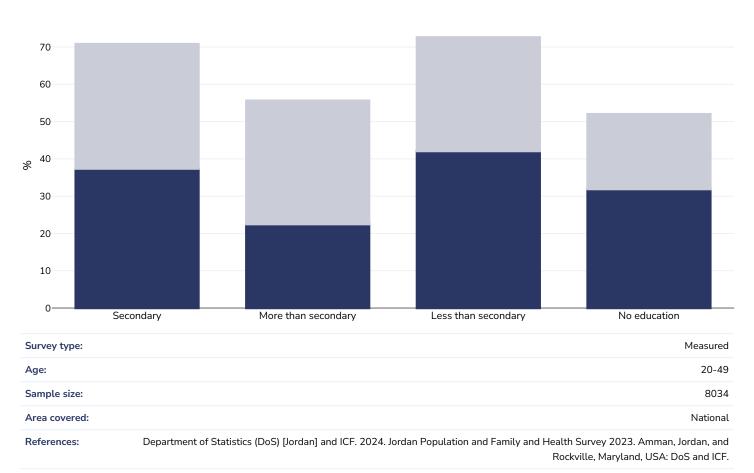
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Overweight/obesity by education

Women, 2023

Obesity Overweight

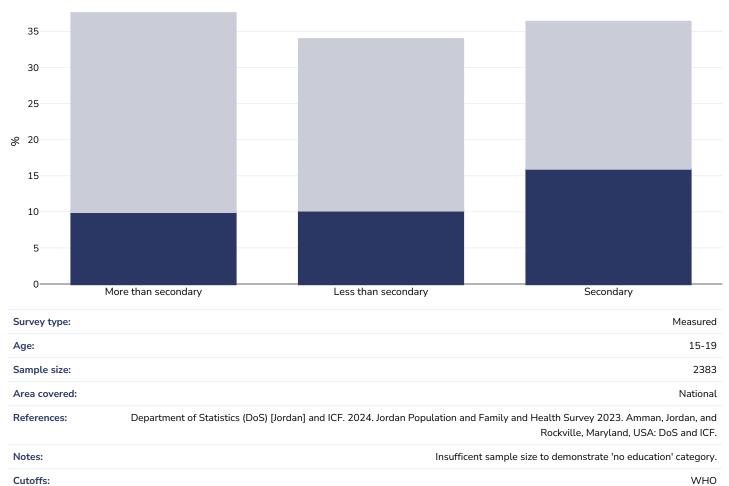


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Girls, 2023

Overweight Obesity



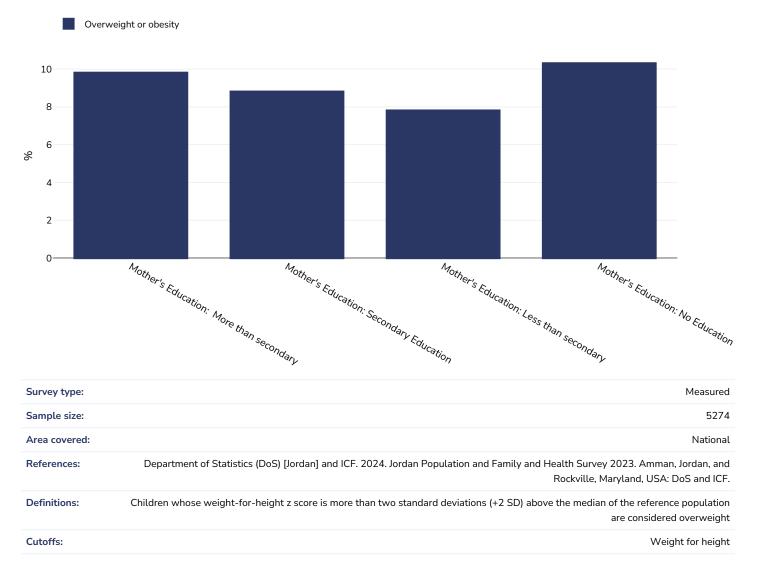
Cutoffs:

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0-5 years, 2023

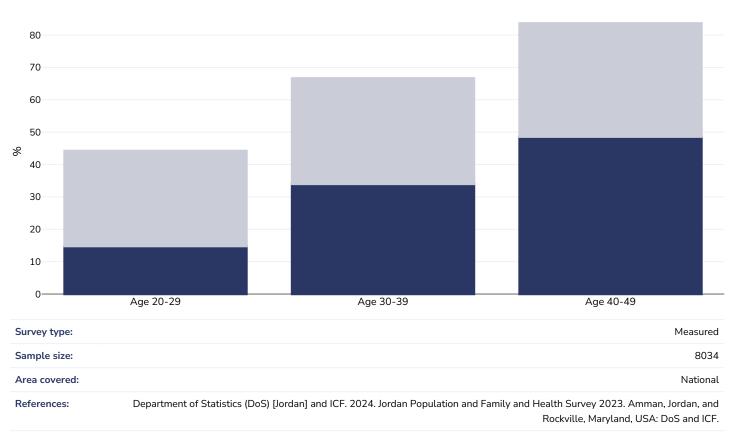




Overweight/obesity by age

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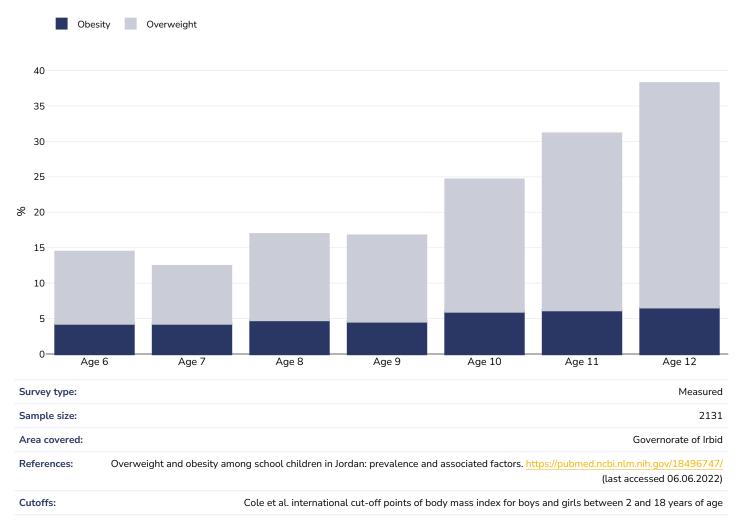




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Children, 2006

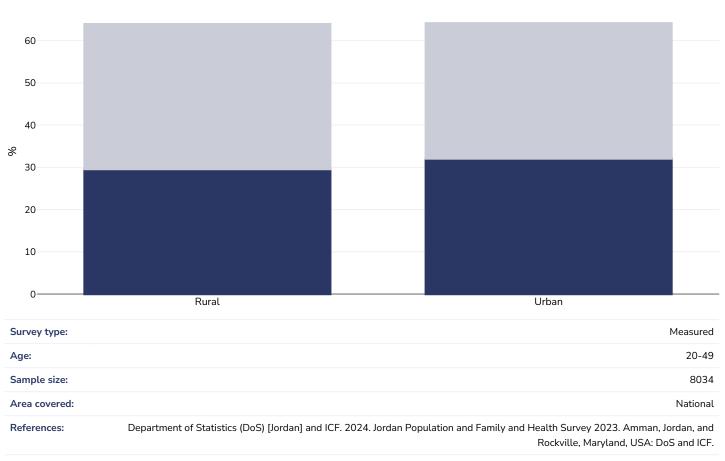




Overweight/obesity by region

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Obesity Overweight

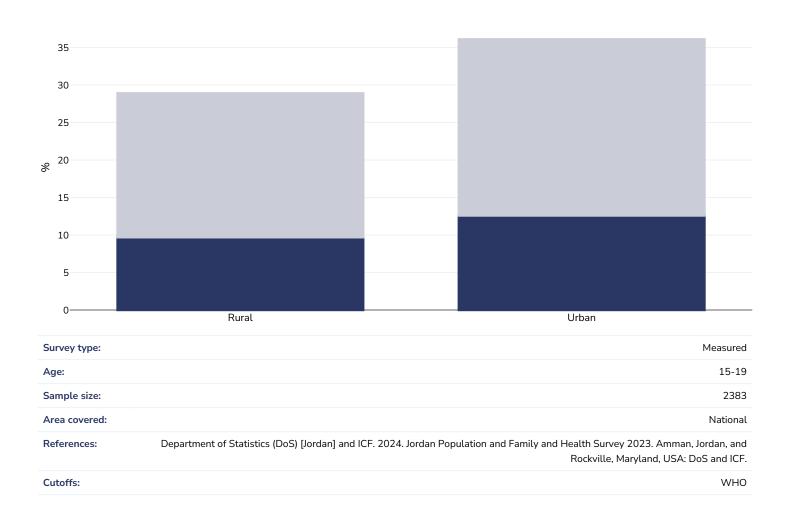


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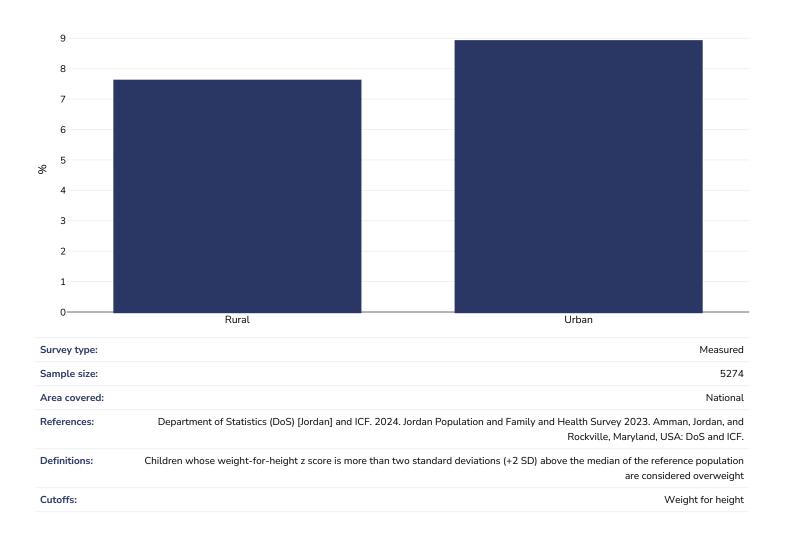
Obesity Overweight





0-5 years, 2023

Overweight or obesity

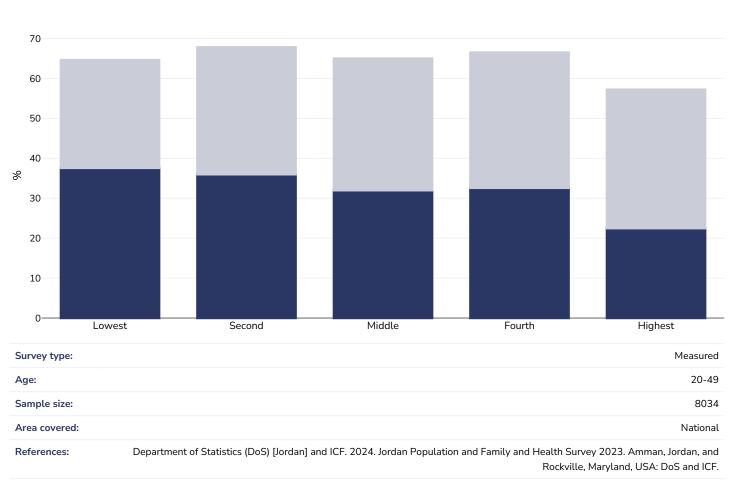




Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

Women, 2023

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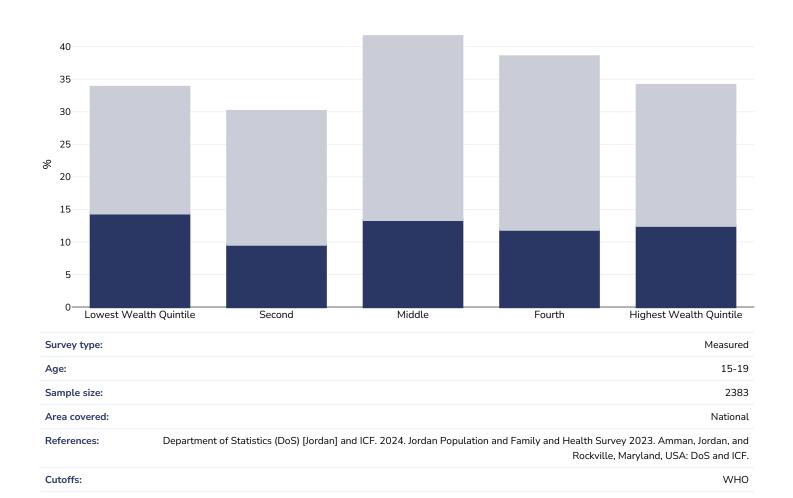


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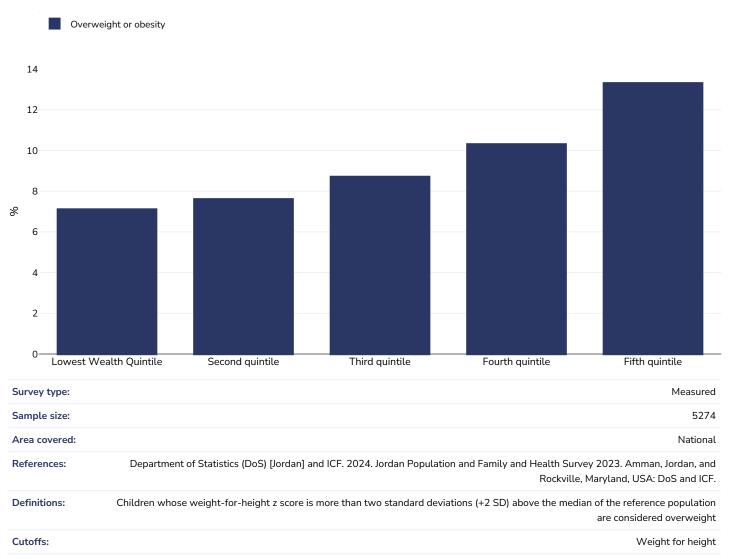
Girls, 2023

Obesity Overweight





0-5 years, 2023

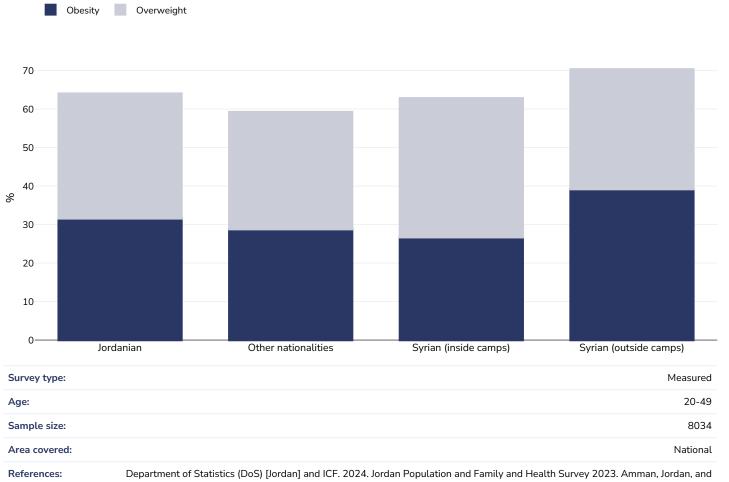




Overweight/obesity by ethnicity

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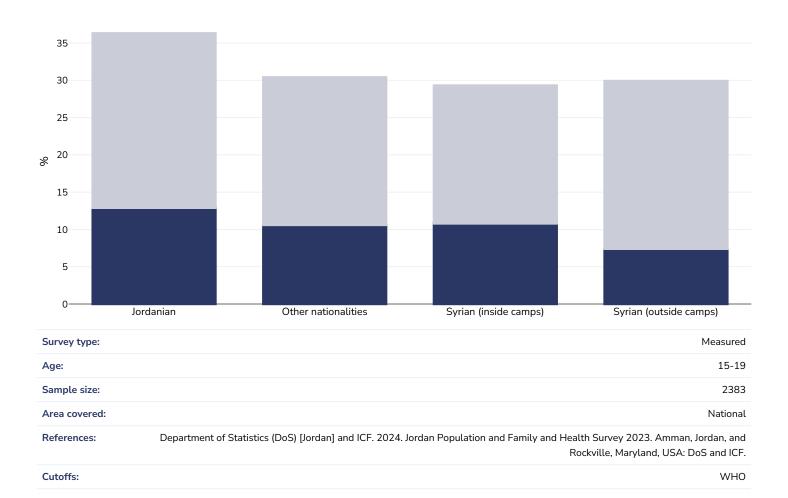
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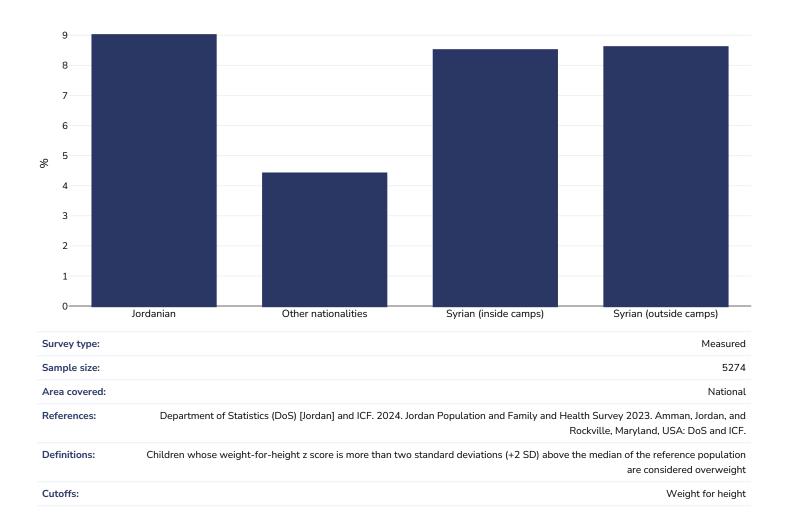






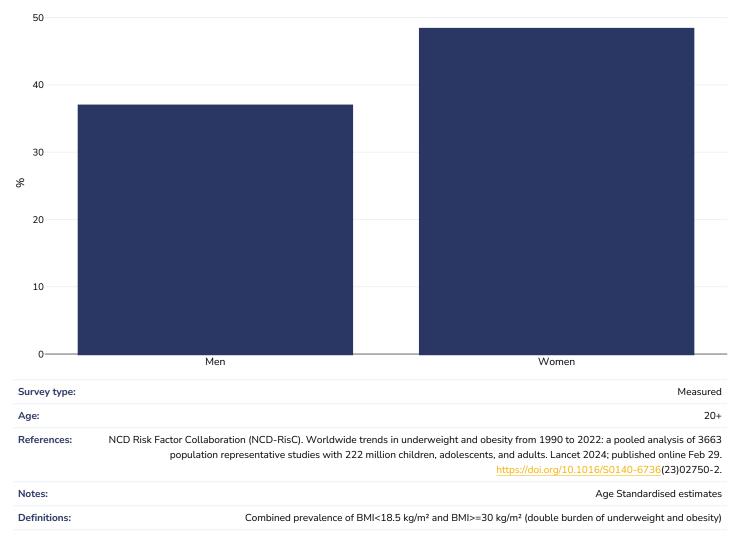
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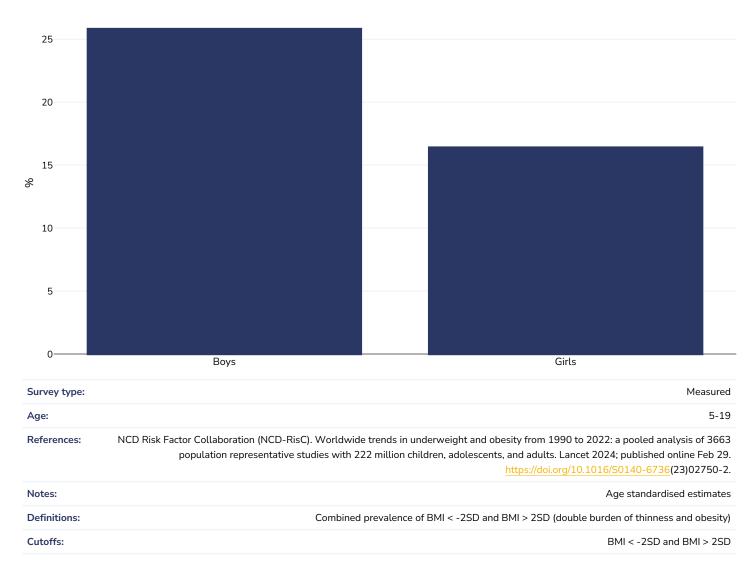


Double burden of underweight & overweight



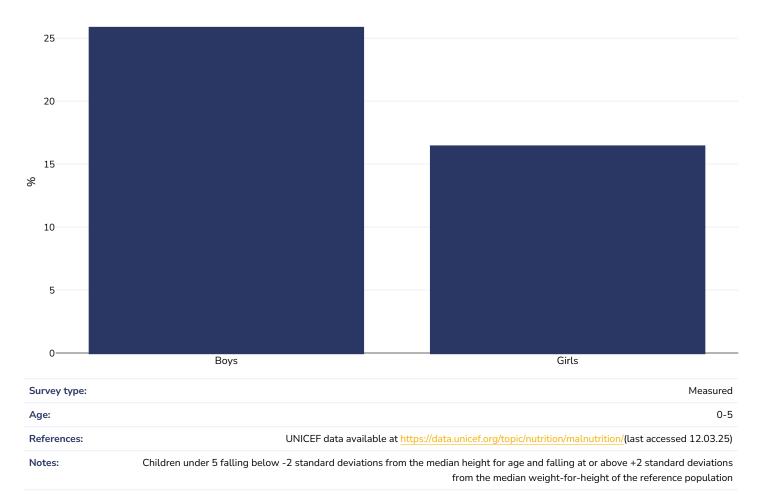


Children, 2022



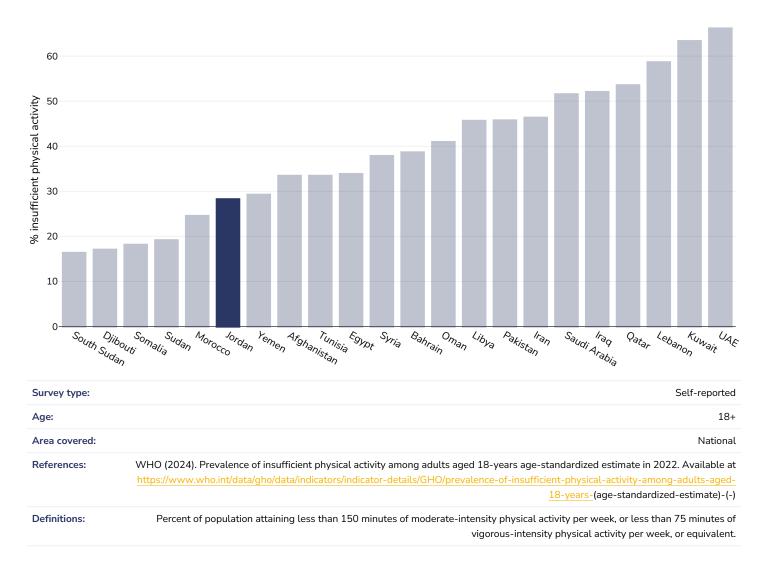


0-5 years, 2019-2019



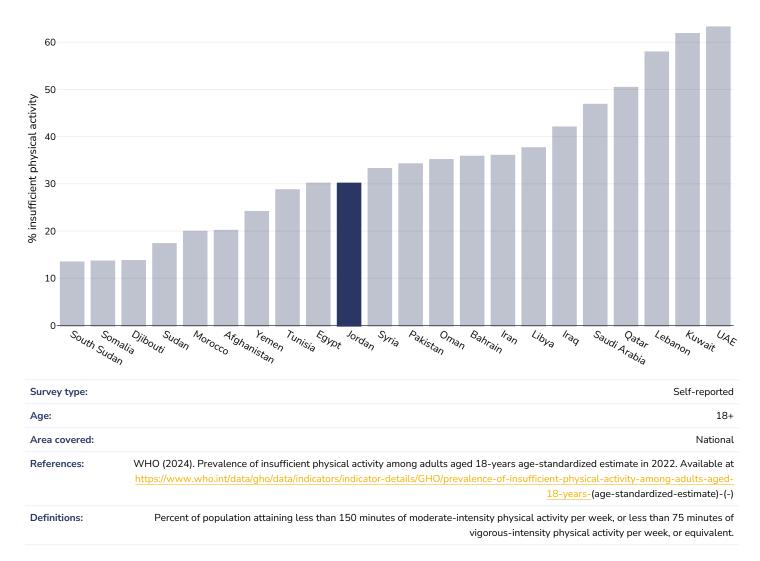


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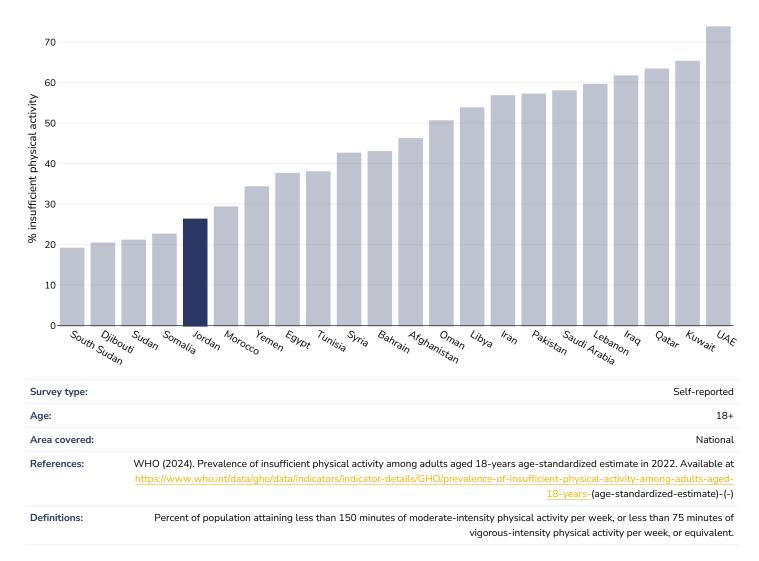


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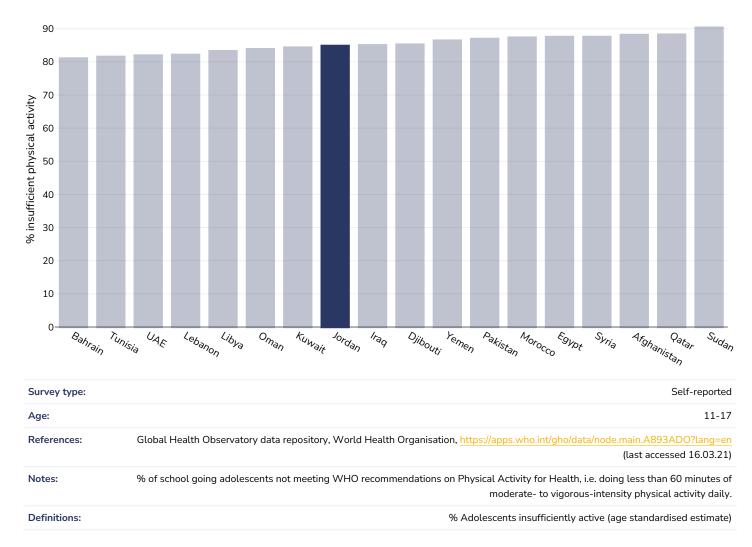


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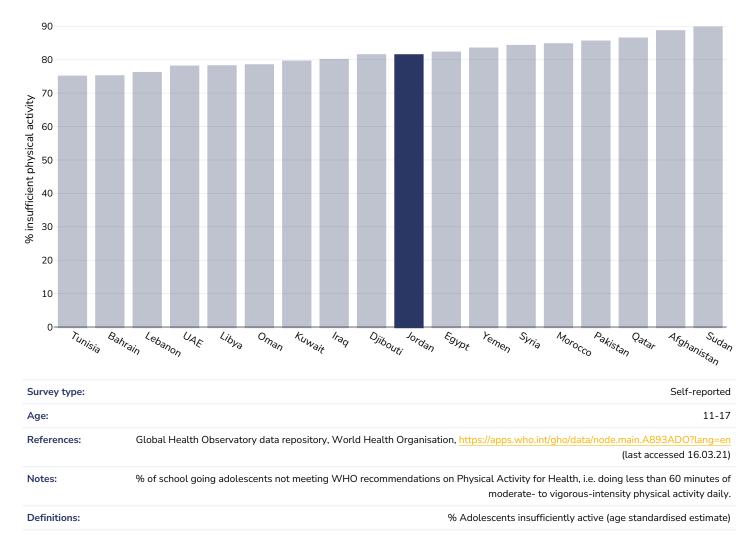


Children, 2016



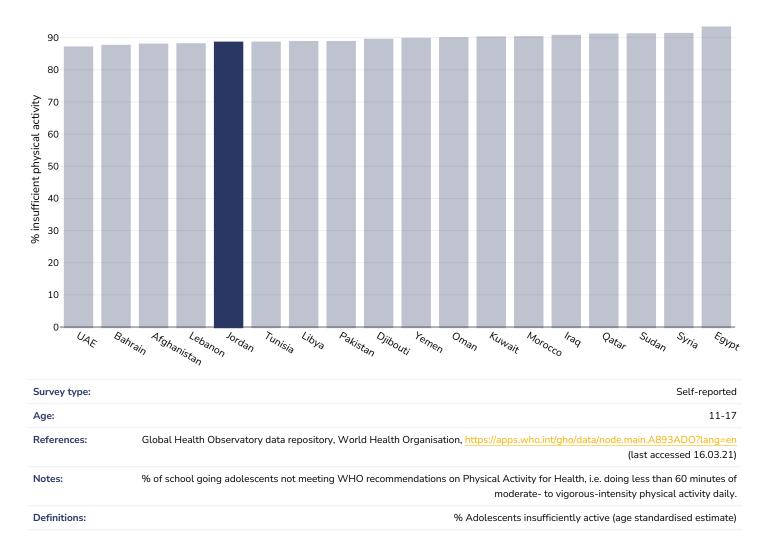


Boys, 2016





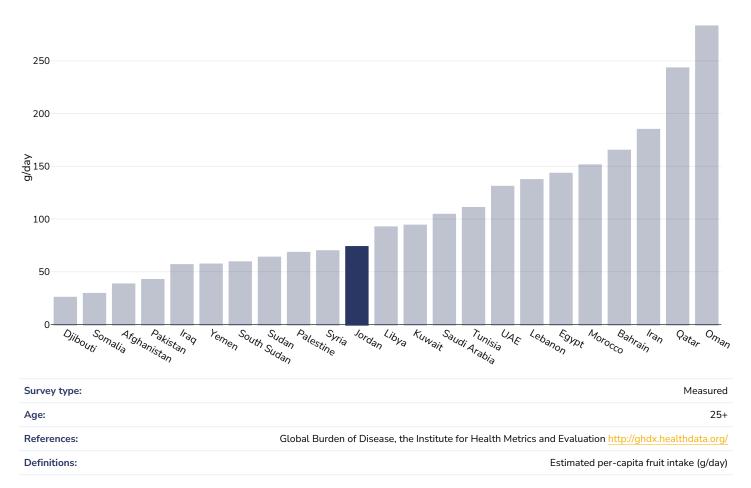
Girls, 2016





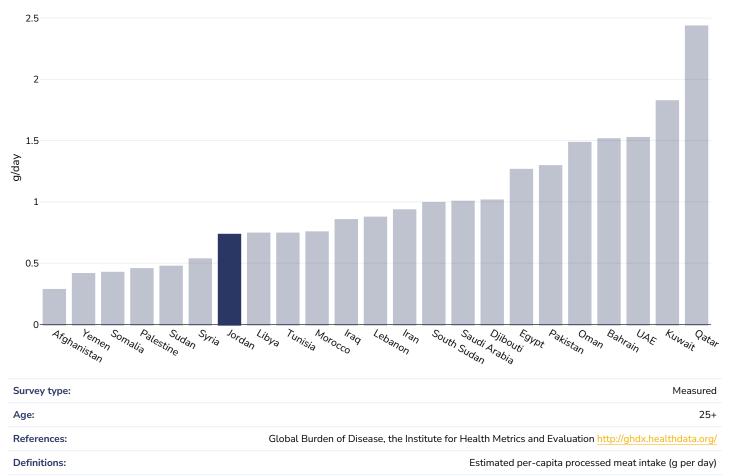
Estimated per capita fruit intake





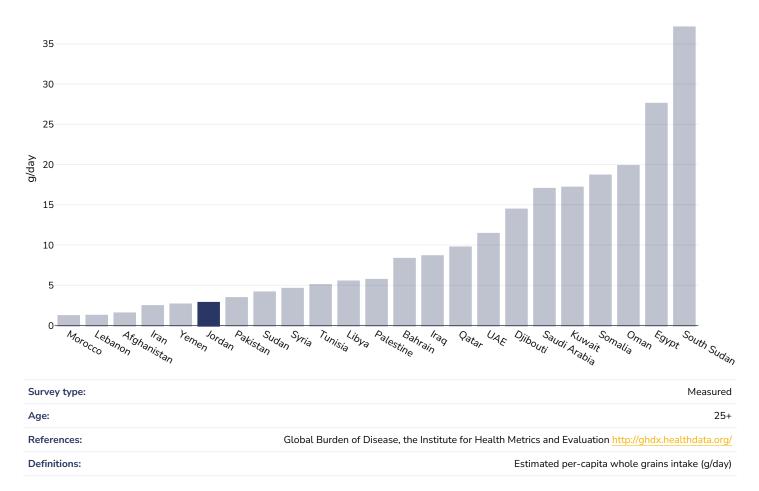


Estimated per-capita processed meat intake



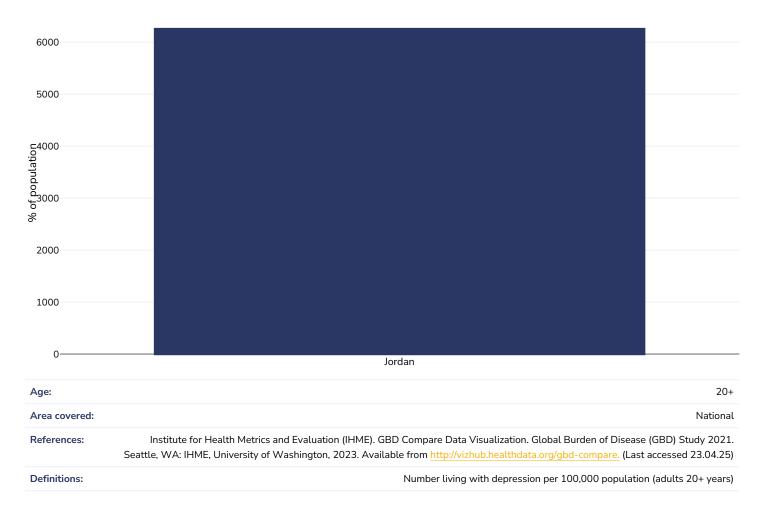


Estimated per capita whole grains intake





Mental health - depression disorders





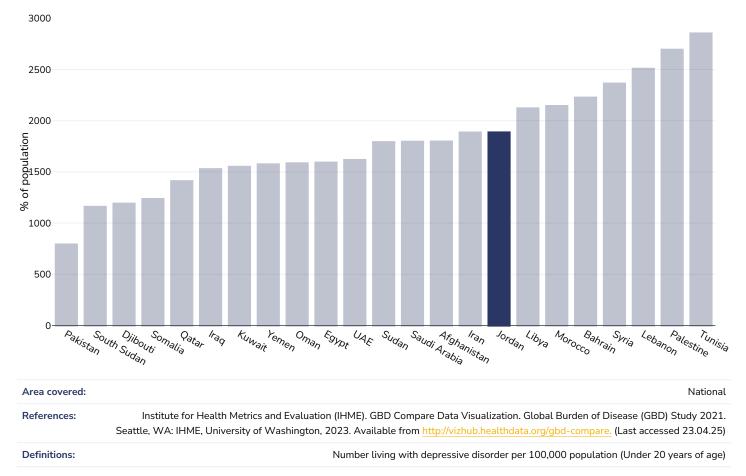
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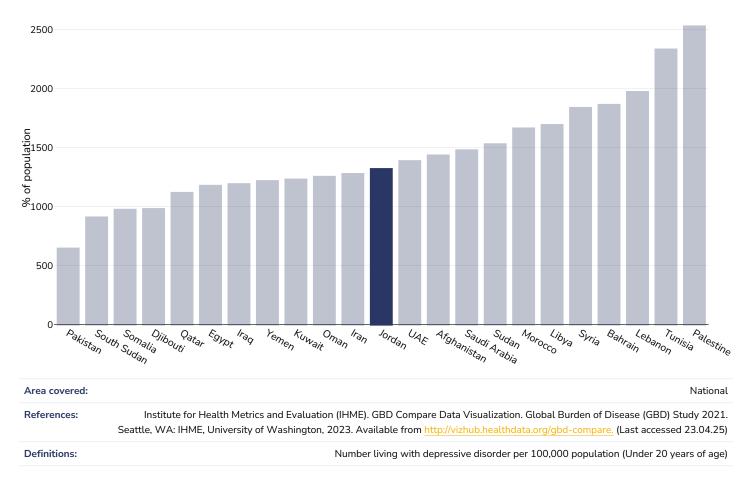


Children, 2021

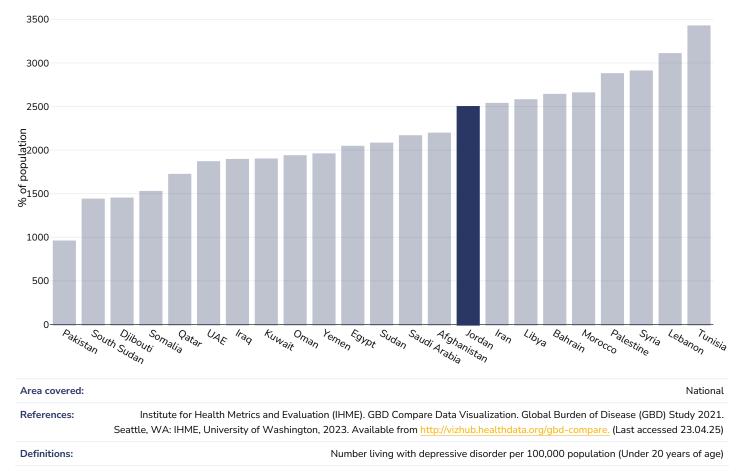




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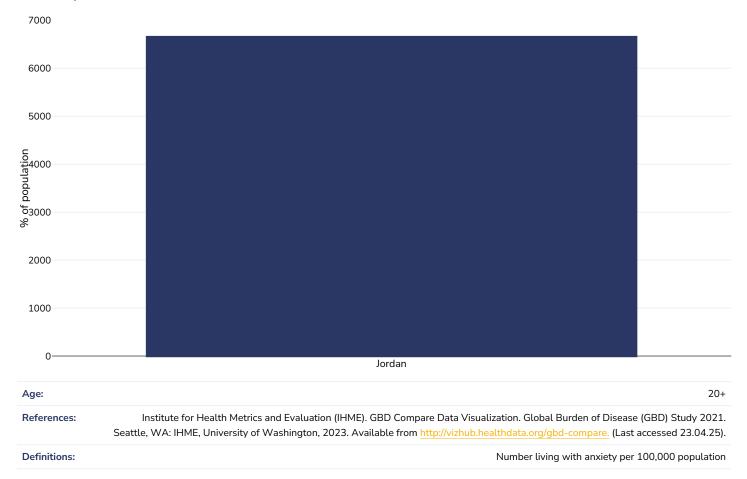
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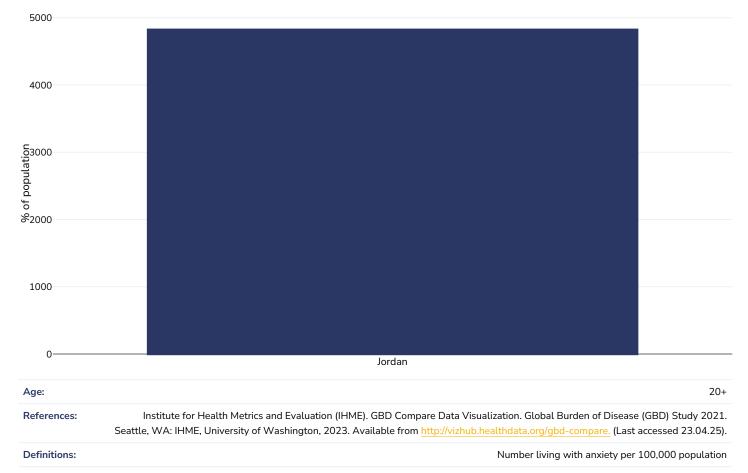


Mental health - anxiety disorders

Adults, 2021





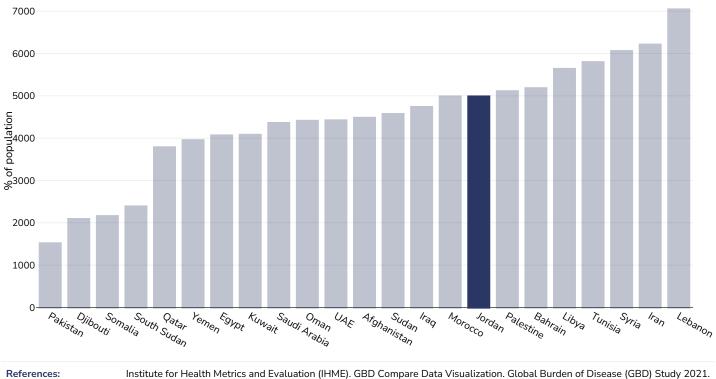




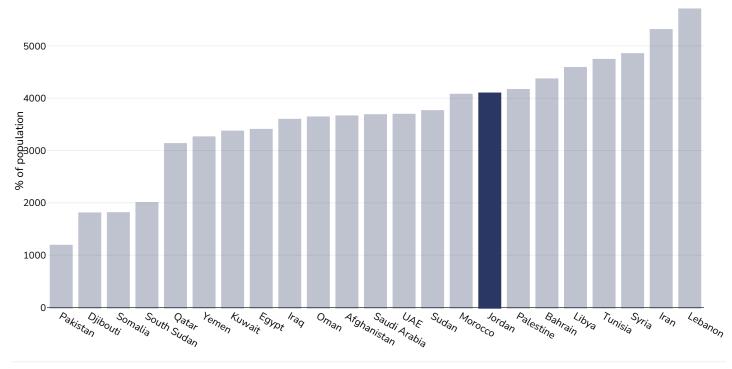
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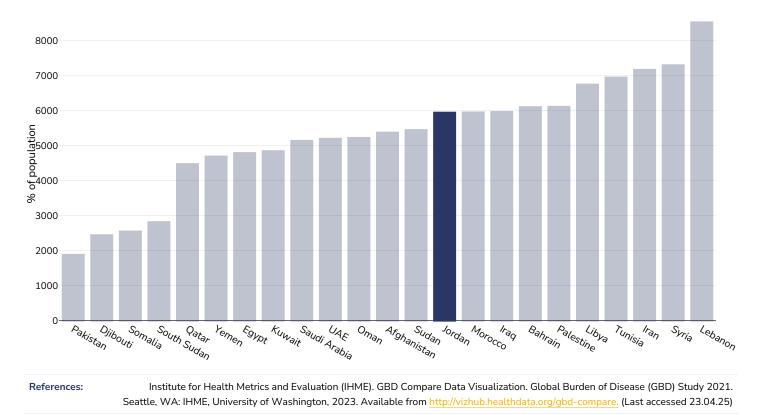
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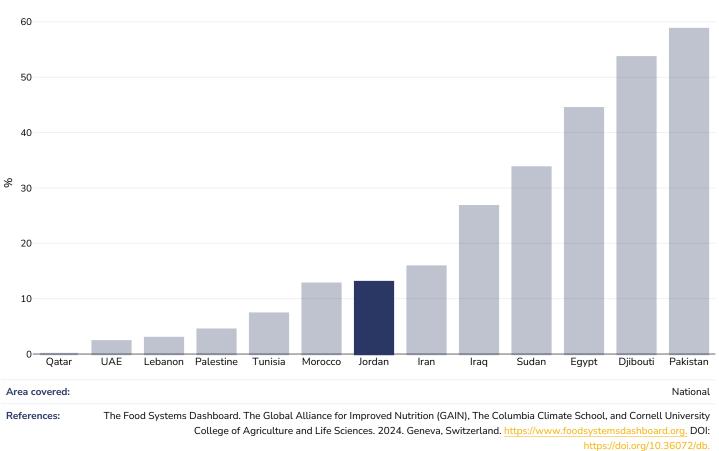
% Infants exclusively breastfed 0-5 months

0-5 years, 2010-2023





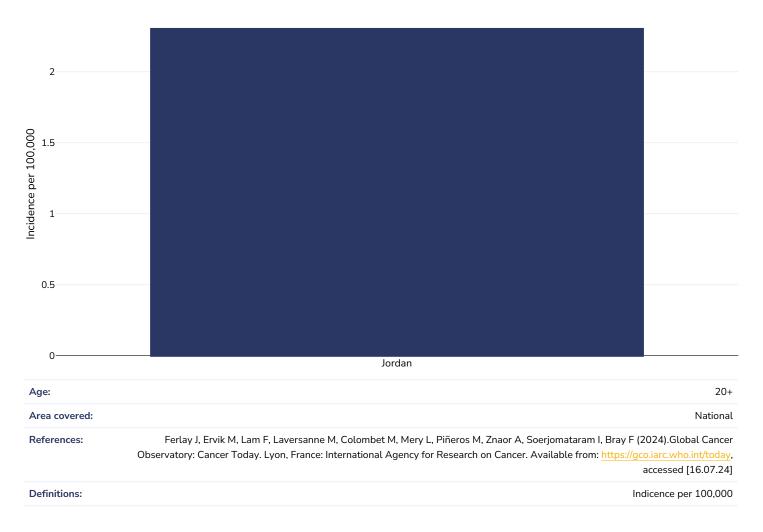
Percent of population who cannot afford a healthy diet



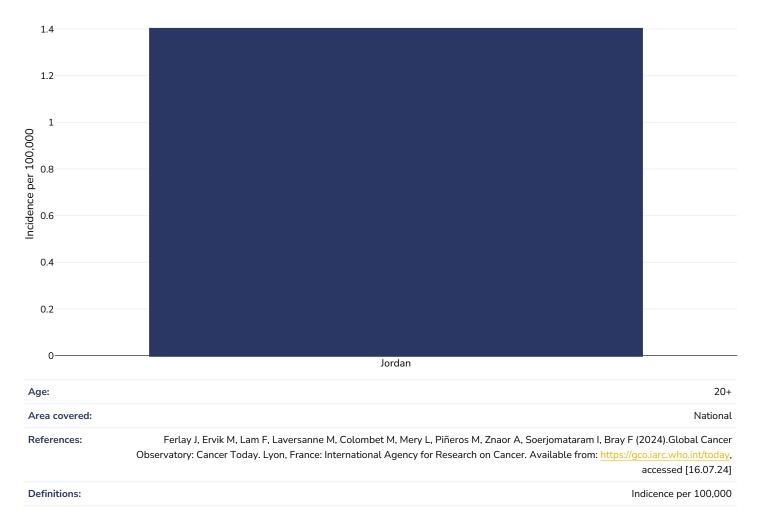
Adults, 2022



Oesophageal cancer





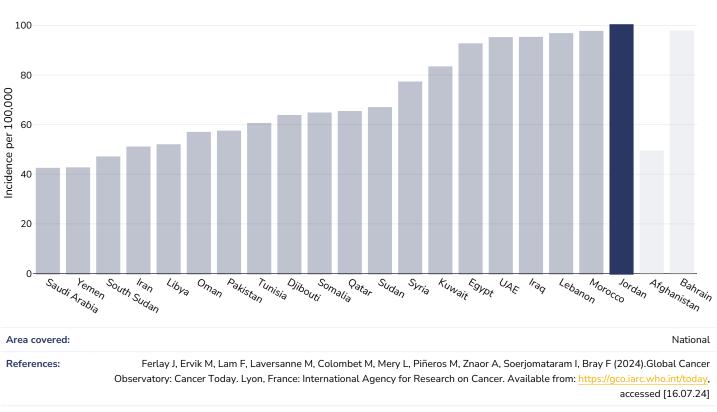




Breast cancer

Women, 2022

Age 20 Age 20+

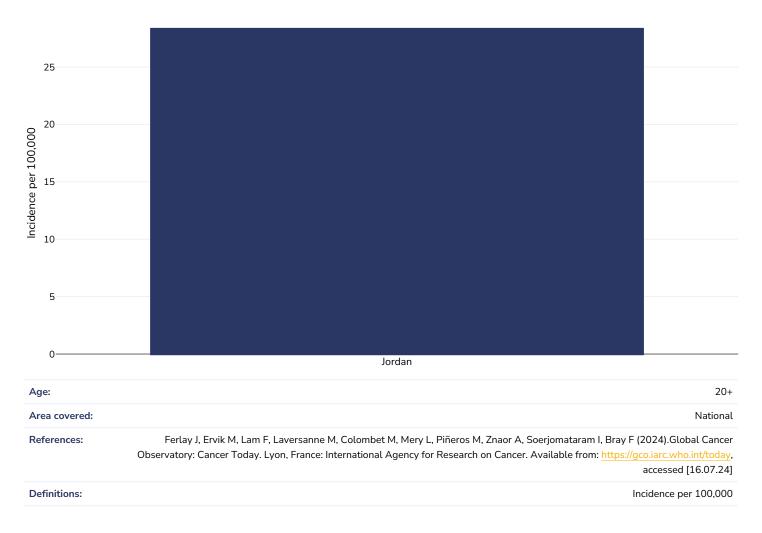


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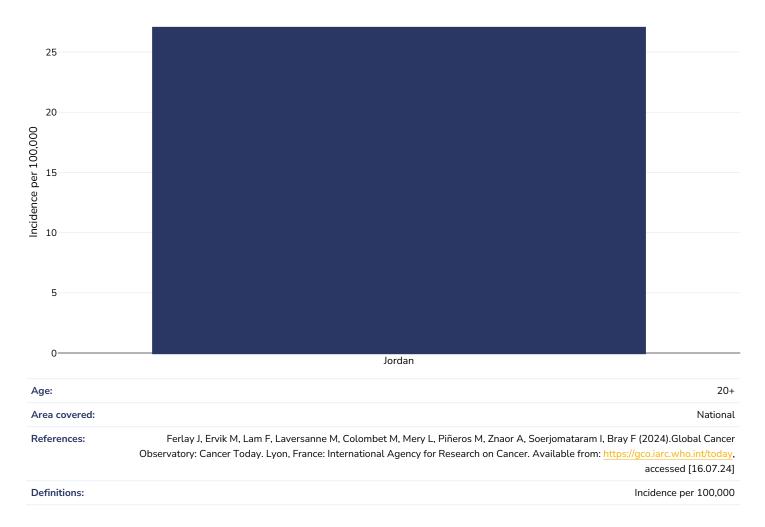
Incidence per 100,000



Colorectal cancer





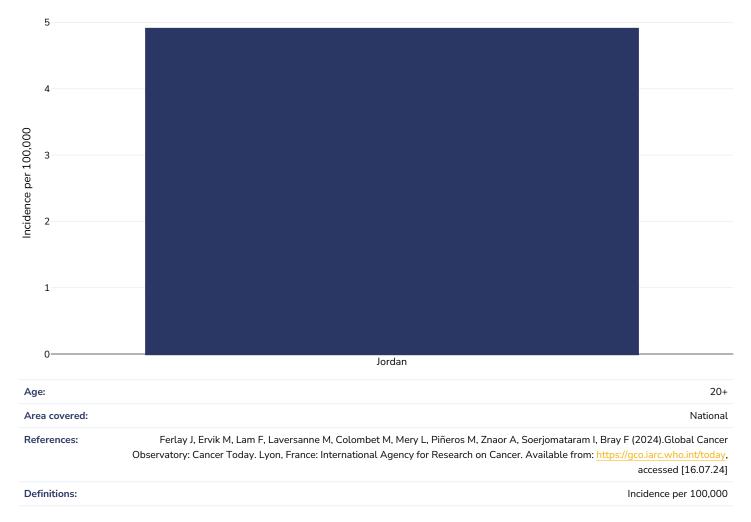




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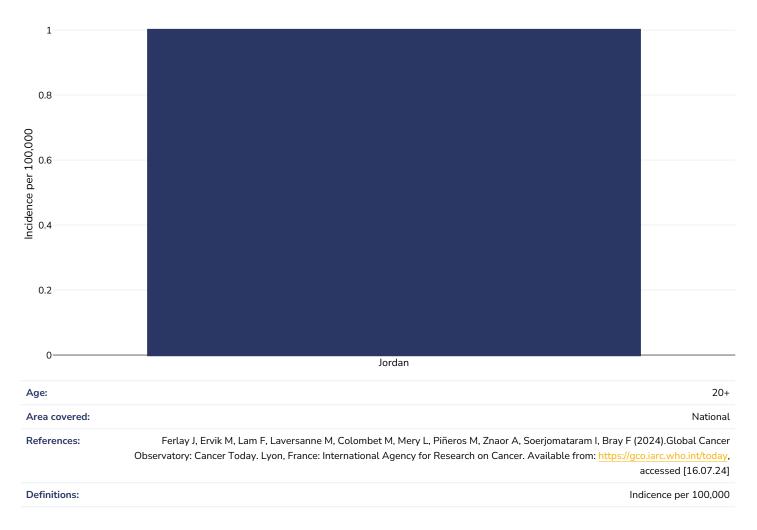




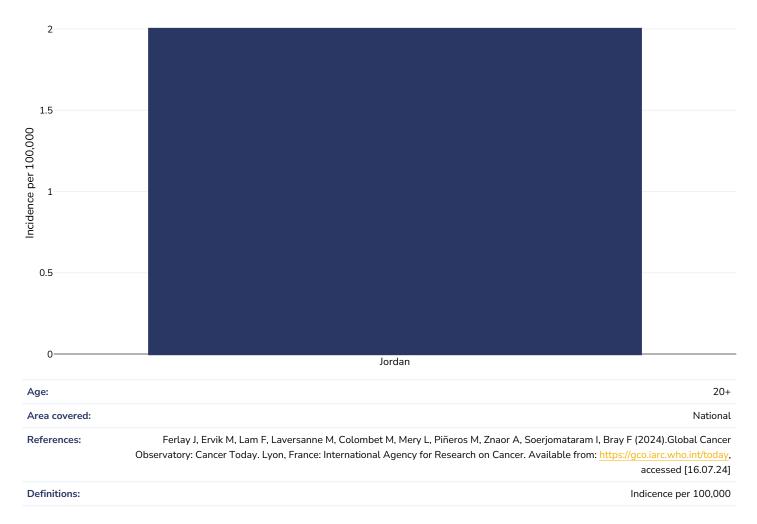




Gallbladder cancer

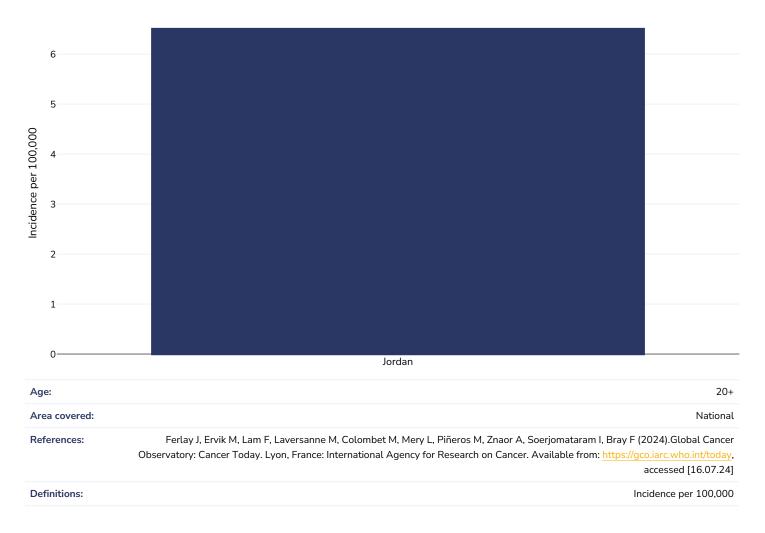




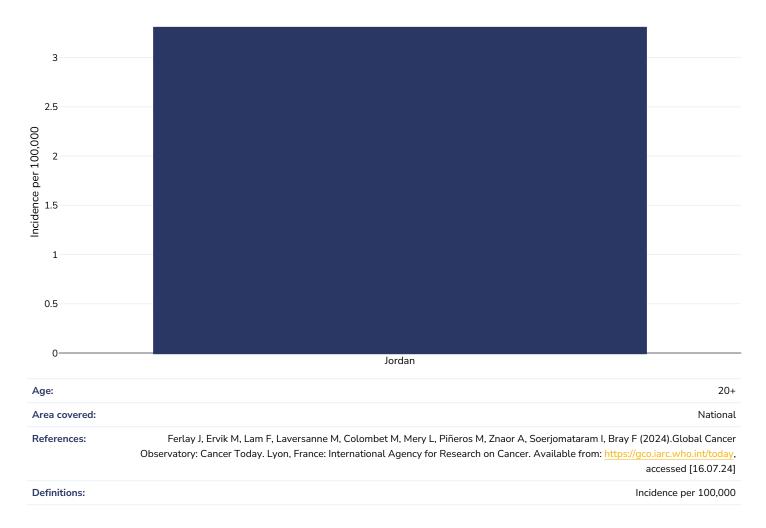




Kidney cancer









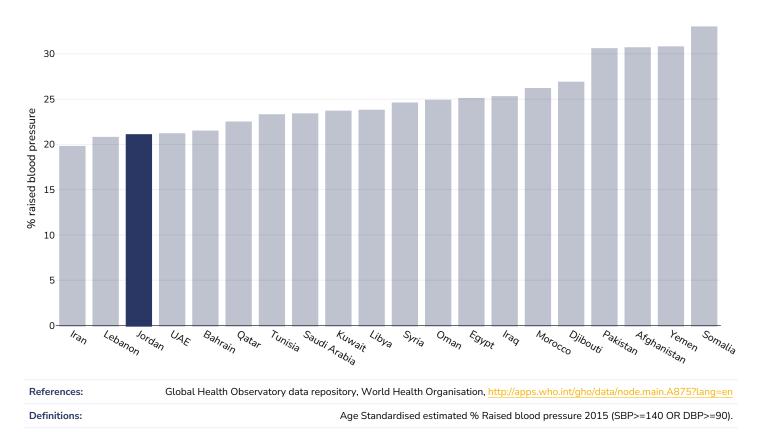
Cancer of the uterus



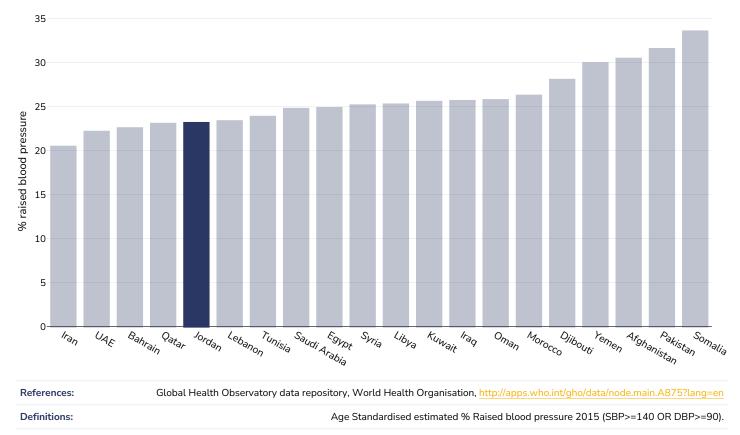


Raised blood pressure

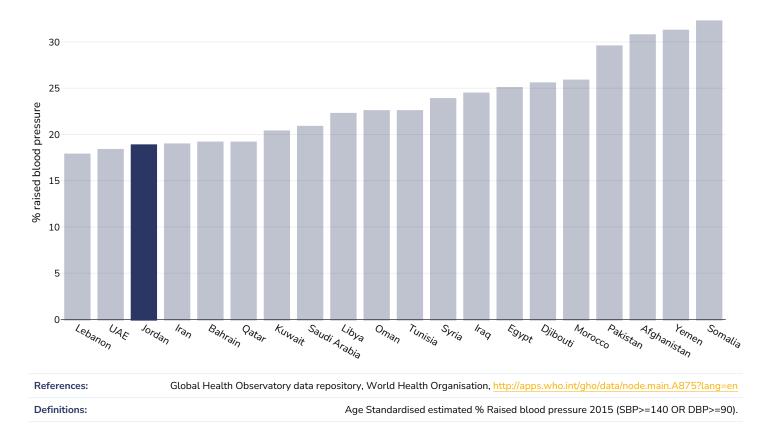
Adults, 2015







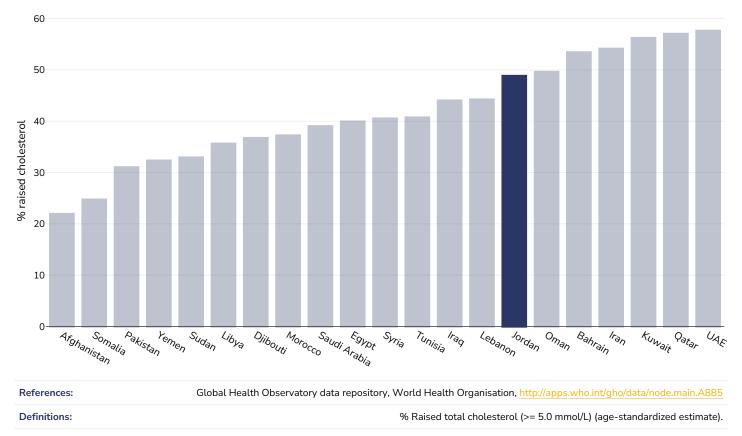




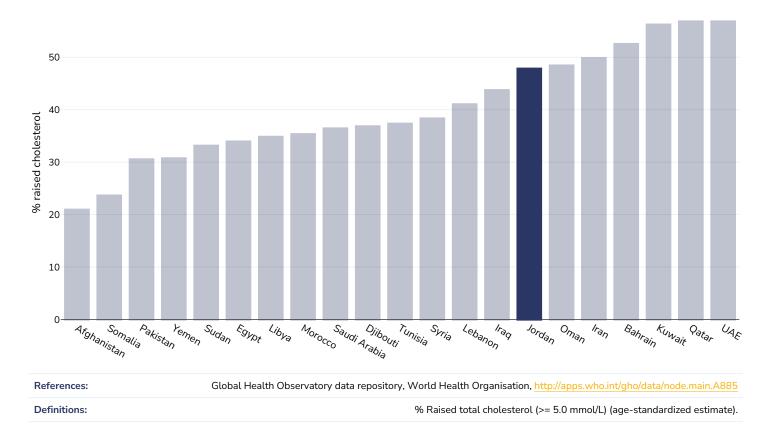


Raised cholesterol

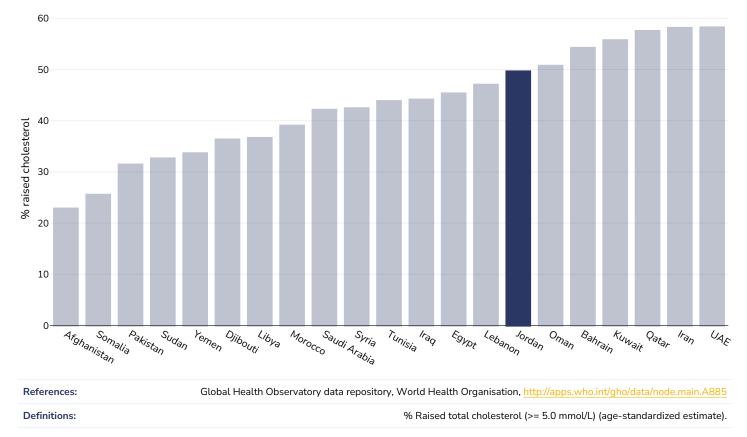
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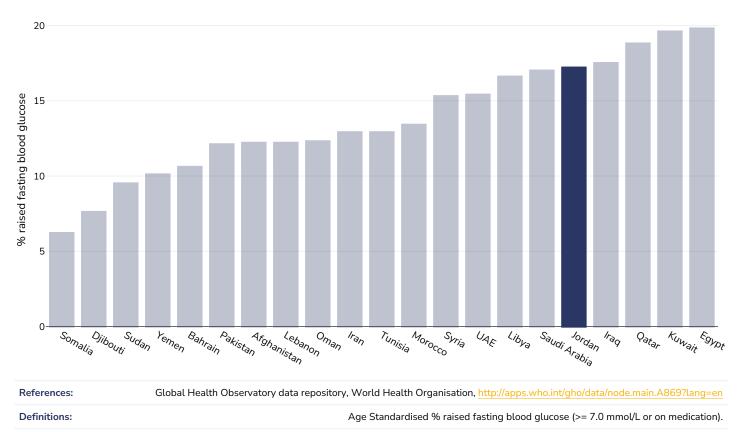




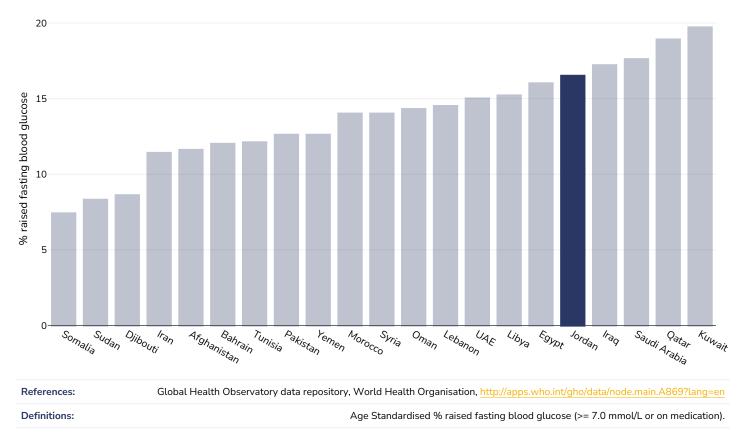


Raised fasting blood glucose





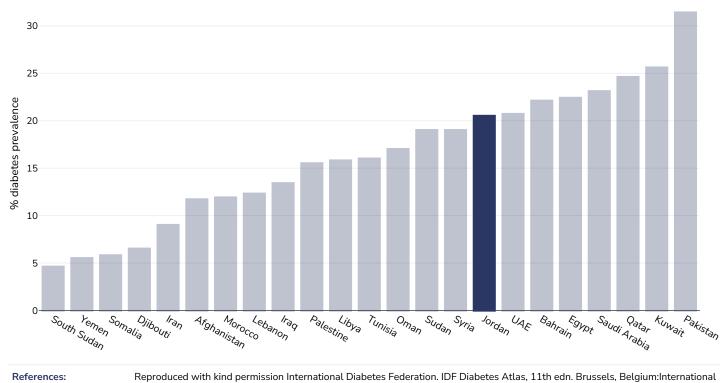






Diabetes prevalence

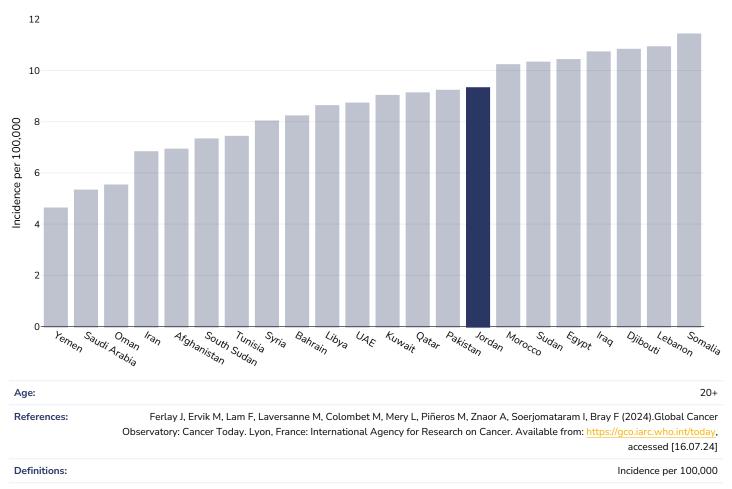
Adults, 2024



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Ovarian Cancer





Leukemia

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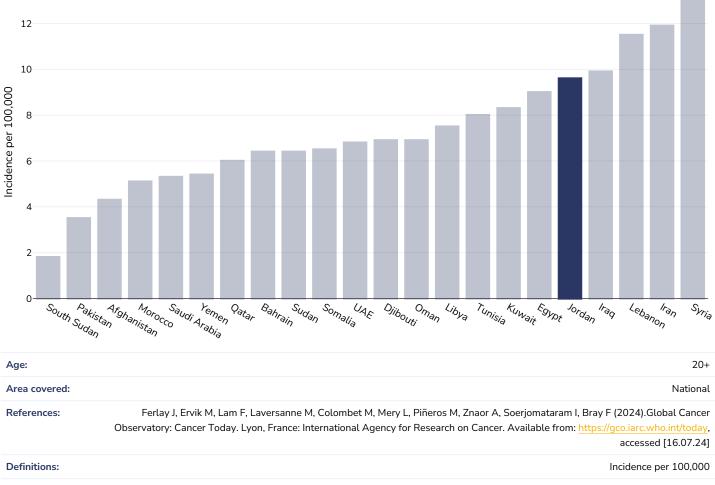


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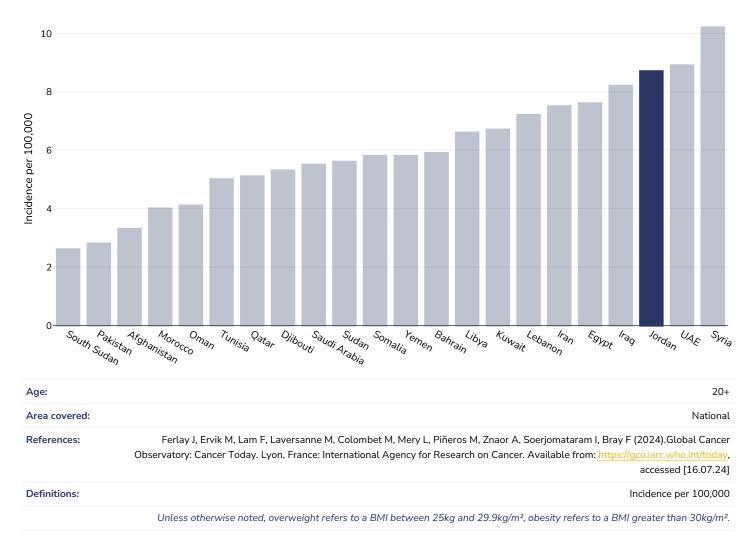
Leukemia

Men, 2022



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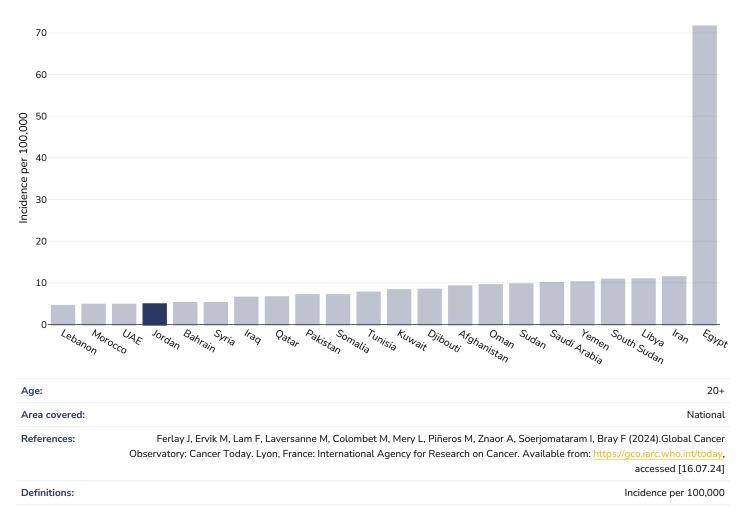






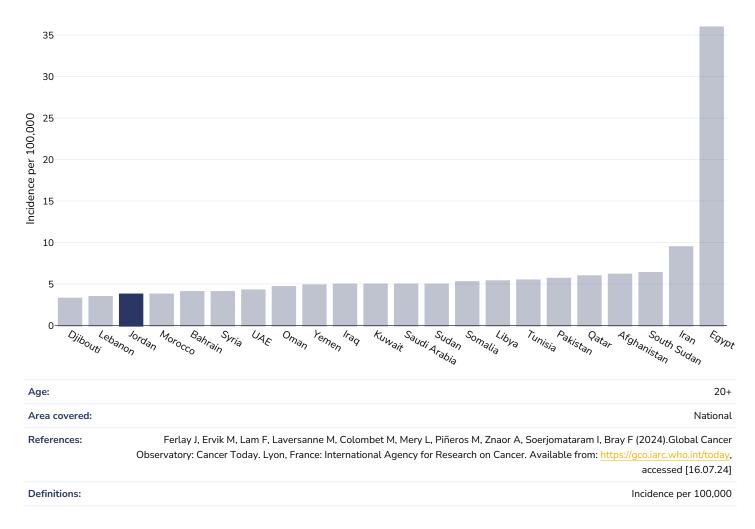
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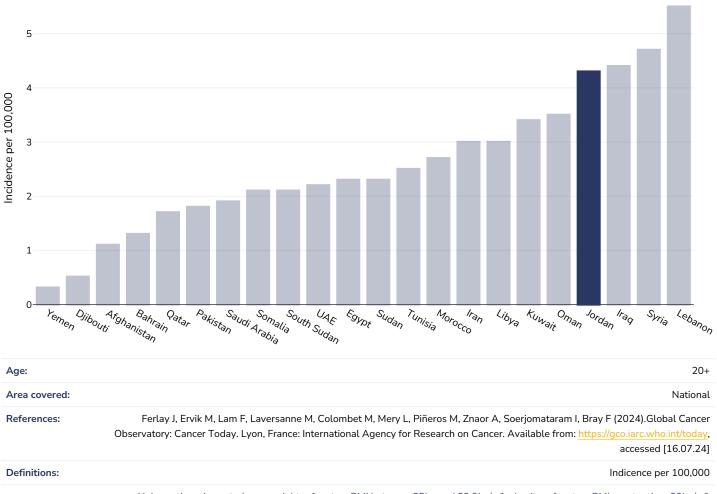






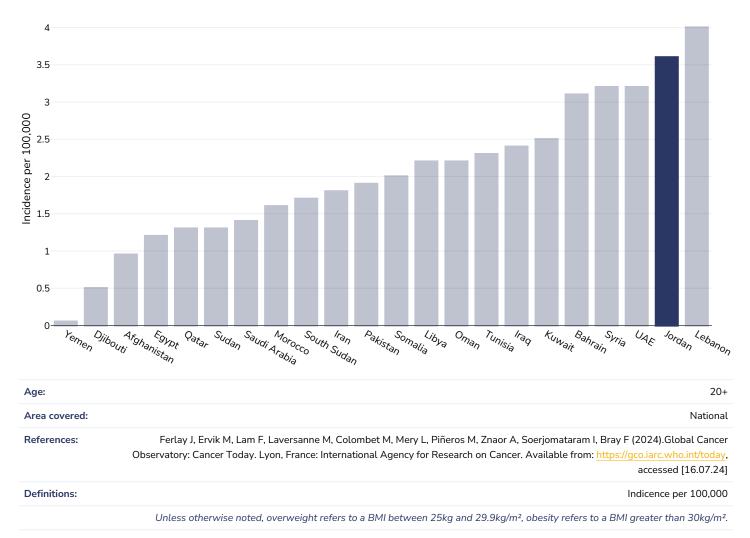
Multiple Myeloma

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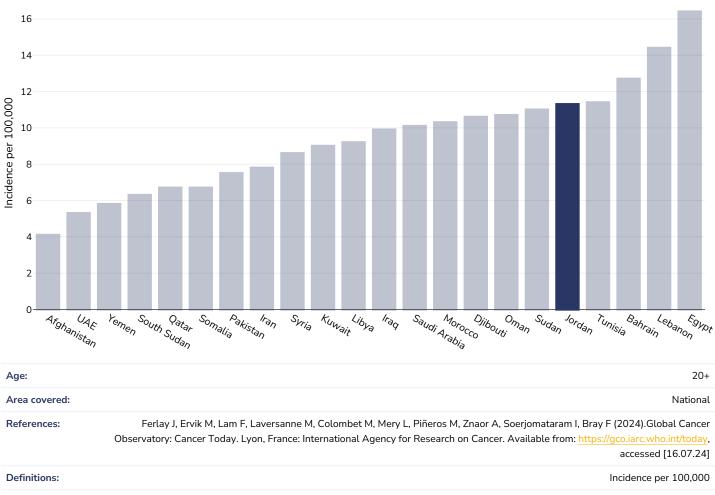






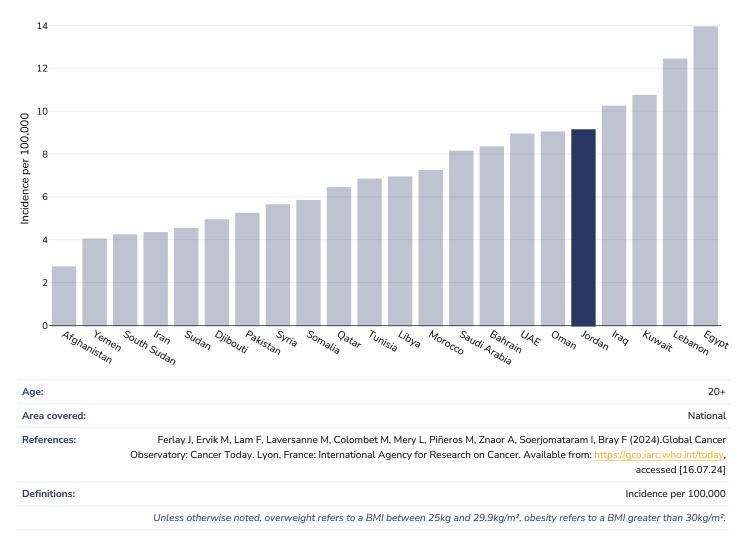
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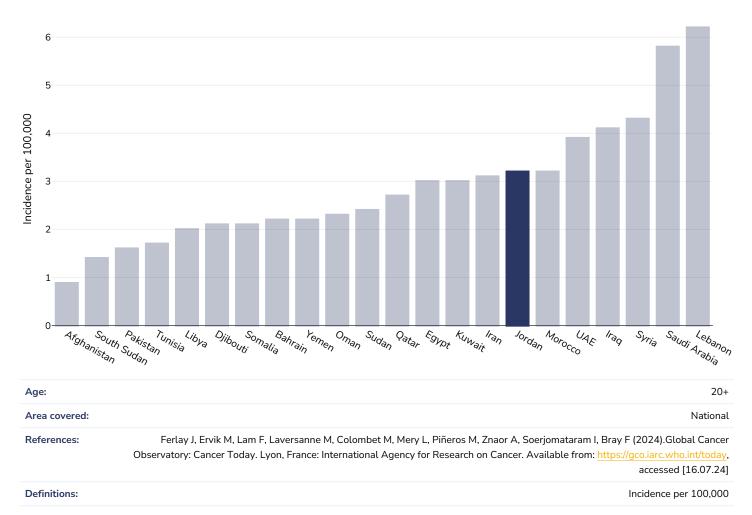
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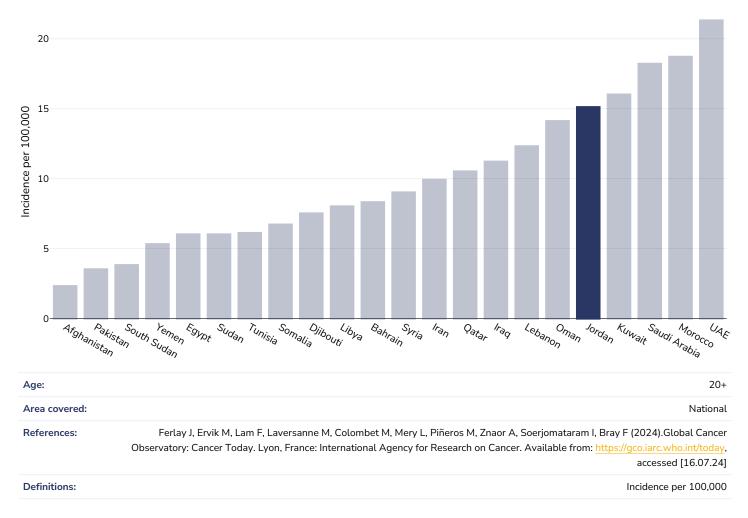


Thyroid Cancer









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