



Northern Ireland



Country report card - children

This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity for children, including adolescents (aged 5 to 18 years). Where available, data on common and relevant obesity drivers and comorbidities are also presented.

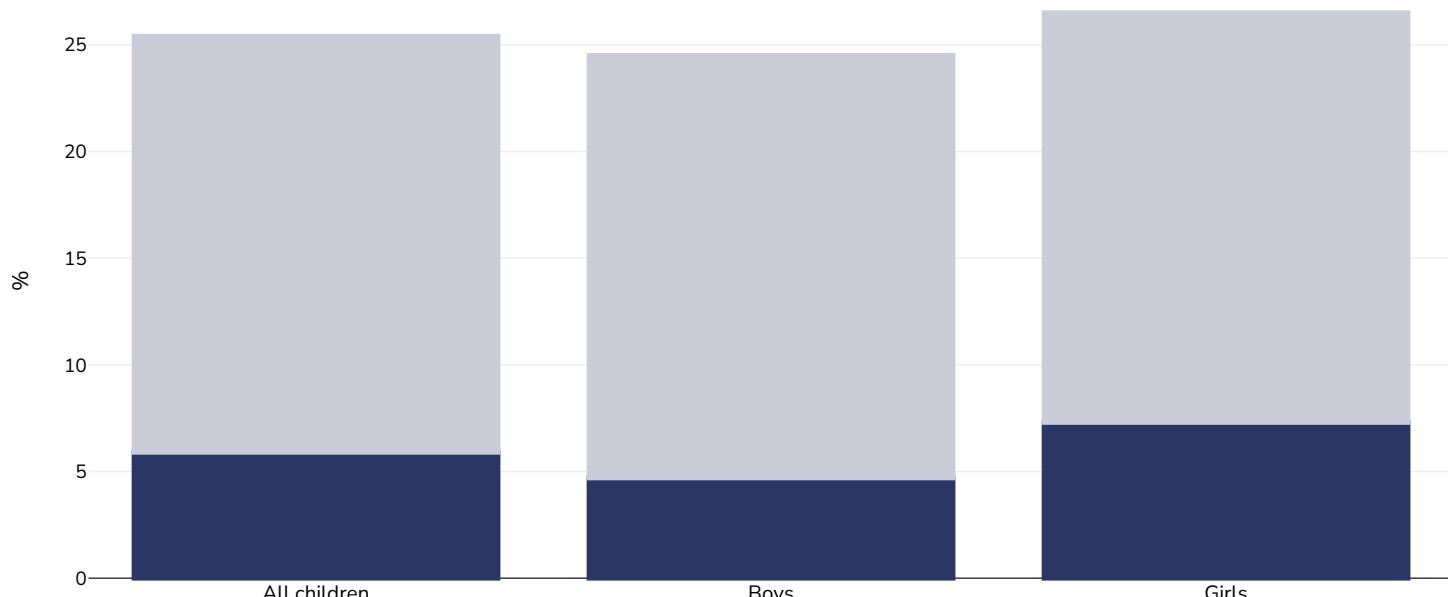
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Obesity prevalence

Children, 2019-2020

█ Obesity Overweight



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

2-15

Sample size:

663

Area covered:

National

References:

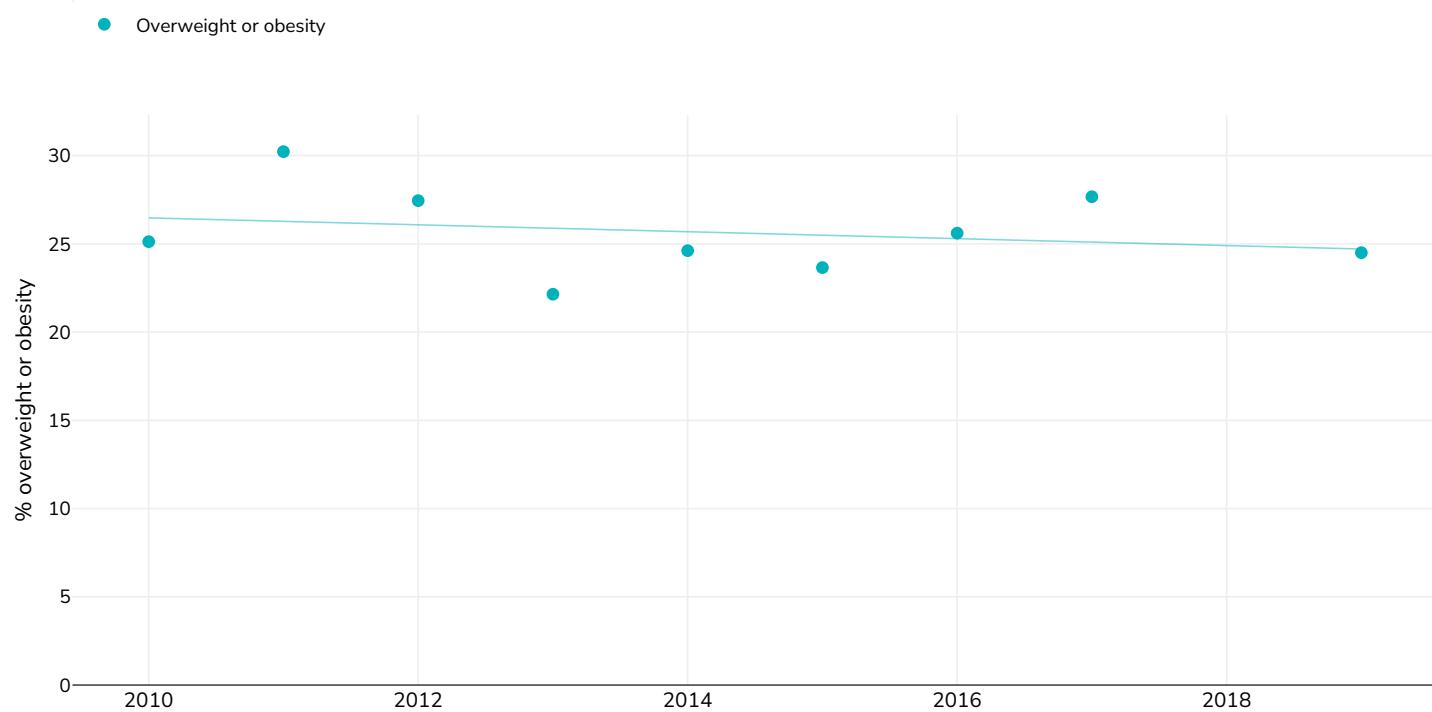
Northern Ireland Health Survey 2019/20. Available at <https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/health-survey-northern-ireland-first-results-201920> (last accessed 02.03.21)

Cutoffs:

IOTF

% Children living with overweight or obesity in Northern Ireland 2010-2019

Boys



Survey type:

Measured

References:

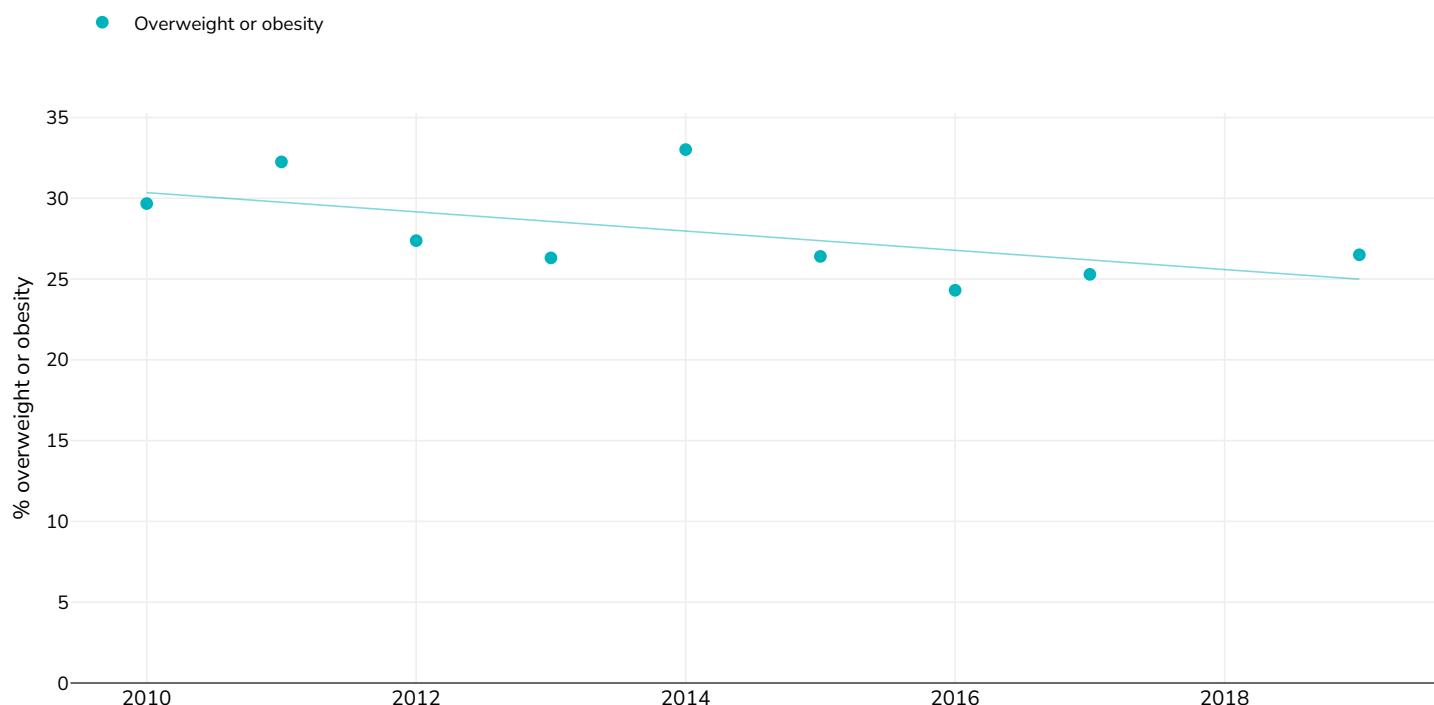
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Definitions:

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Girls



Survey type:

Measured

References:

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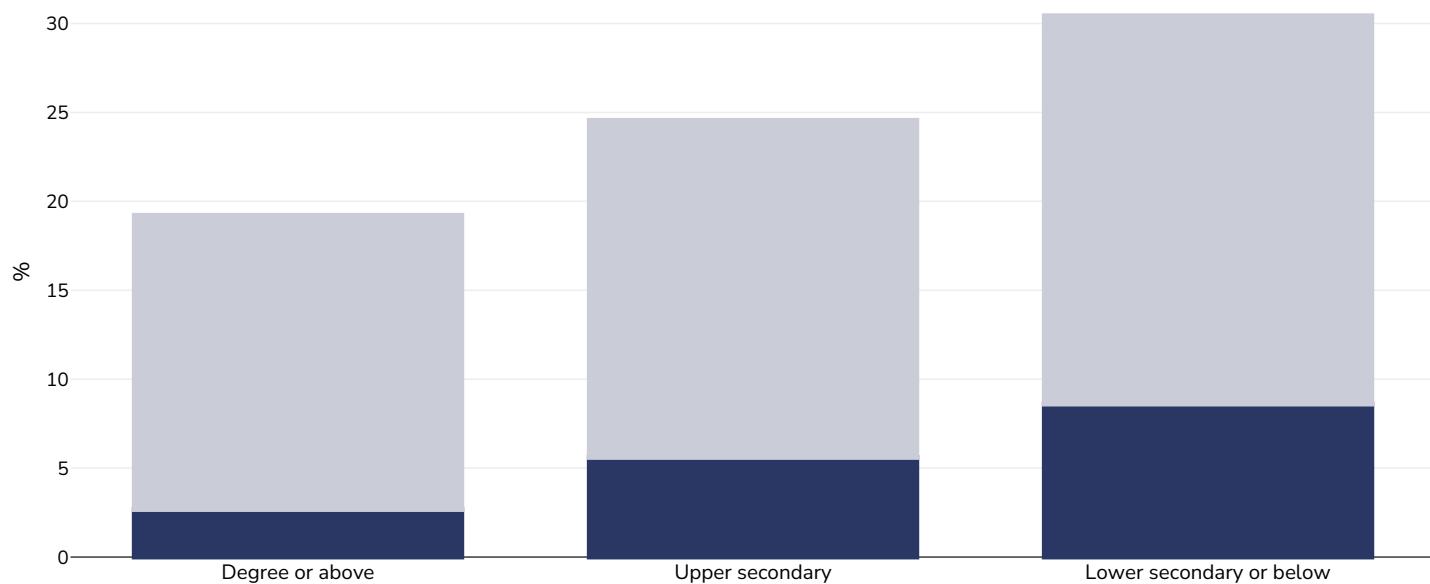
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Overweight/obesity by education

Children, 2007-2008

■ Obesity ■ Overweight

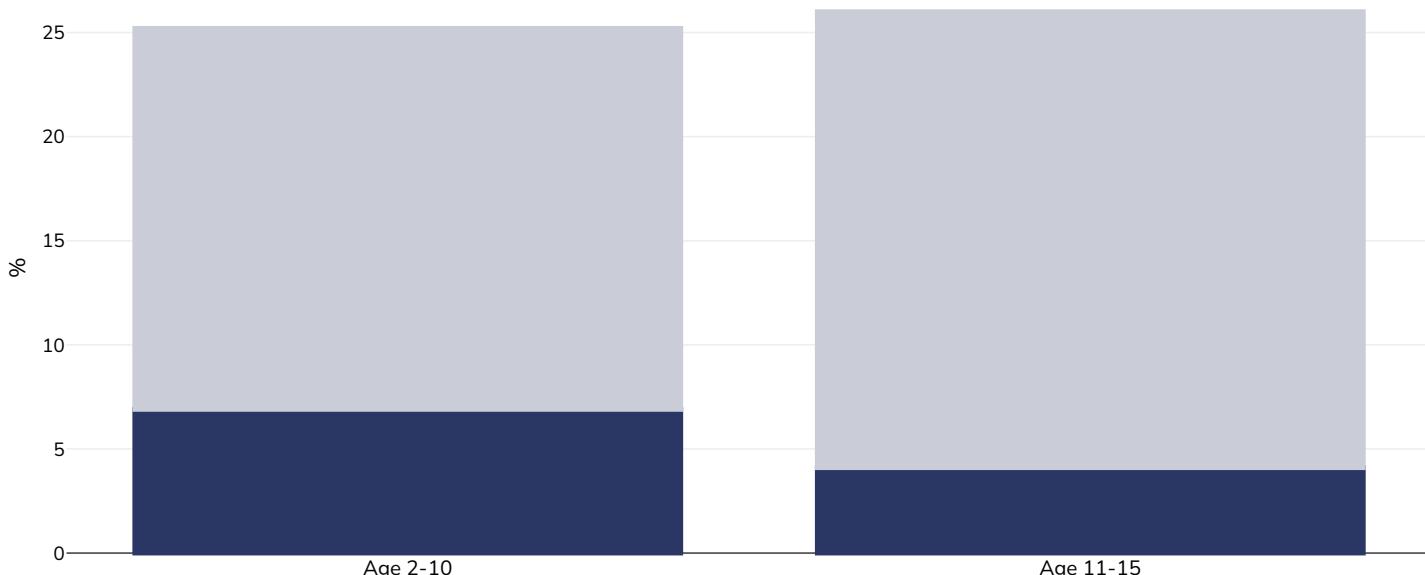


Survey type:	Measured
Age:	9
Sample size:	8568
References:	Walsh, Brendan, and John Cullinan. "Decomposing Socioeconomic Inequalities in Childhood Obesity: Evidence from Ireland." <i>Economics & Human Biology</i> , vol. 16, Jan. 2015, pp. 60–72, 10.1016/j.ehb.2014.01.003. Available at: https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1570677X14000264 . Accessed 25 May 2021.
Notes:	Data from Growing Up in Ireland Study 2007/2008.
Cutoffs:	IOTF

Overweight/obesity by age

Children, 2019-2020

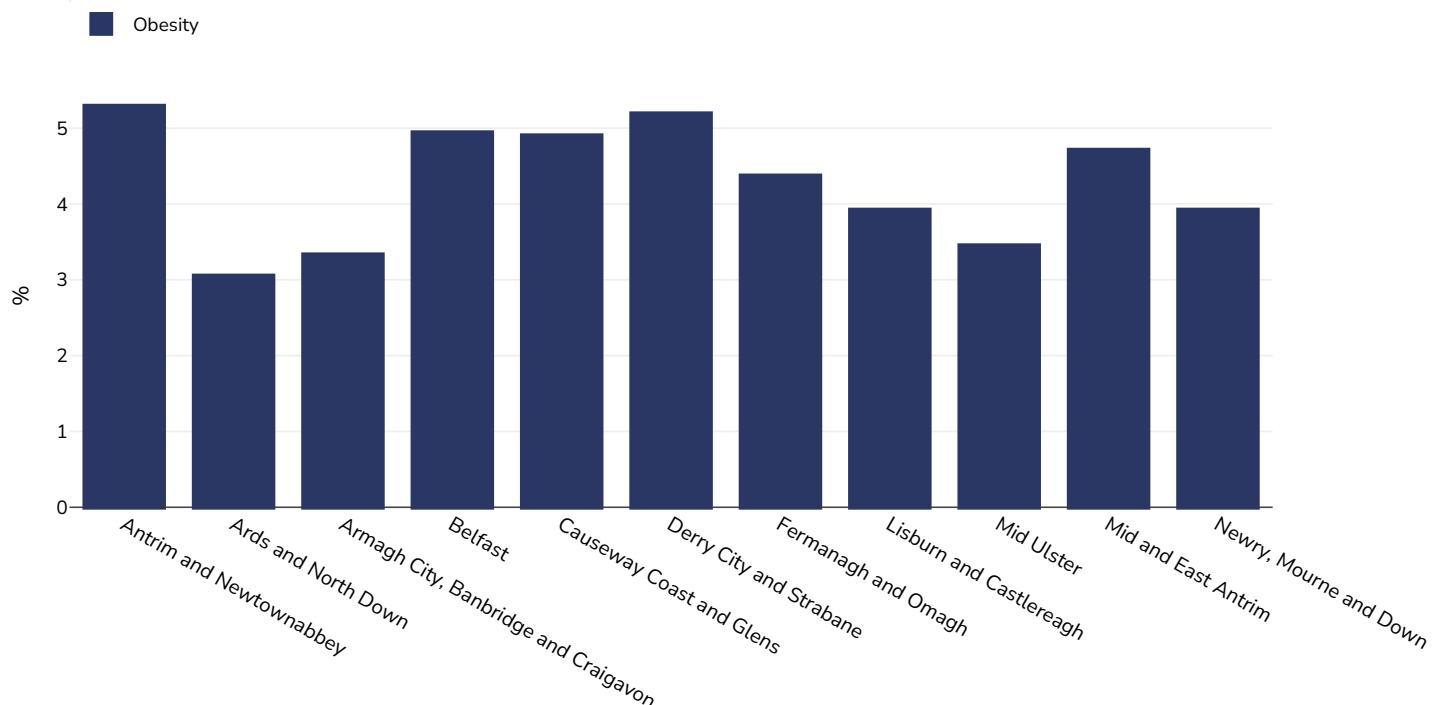
■ Obesity ■ Overweight



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Sample size:	663
Area covered:	National
References:	Northern Ireland Health Survey 2019/20. Available at https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/health-survey-northern-ireland-first-results-201920 (last accessed 02.03.21)
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Overweight/obesity by region

Boys, 2016-2018



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

4-6

Area covered:

National

References:

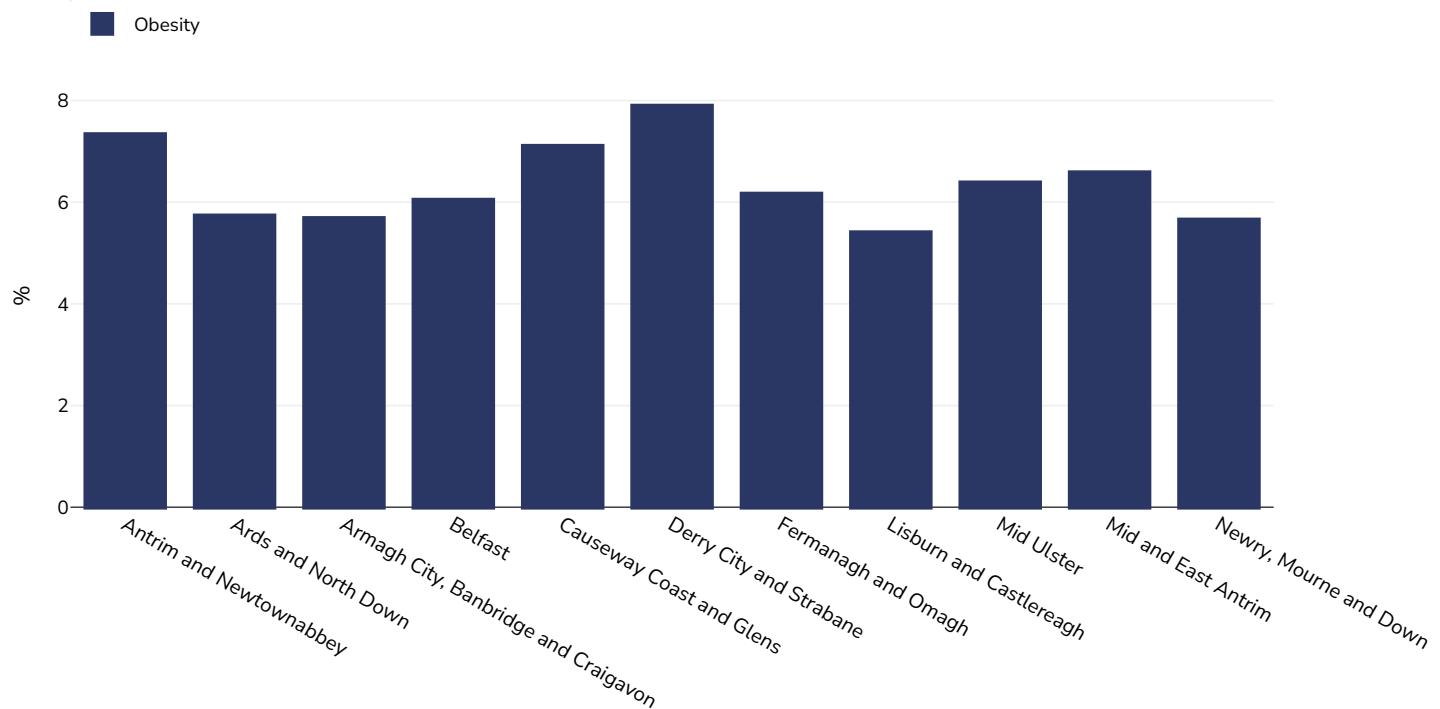
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Cutoffs:

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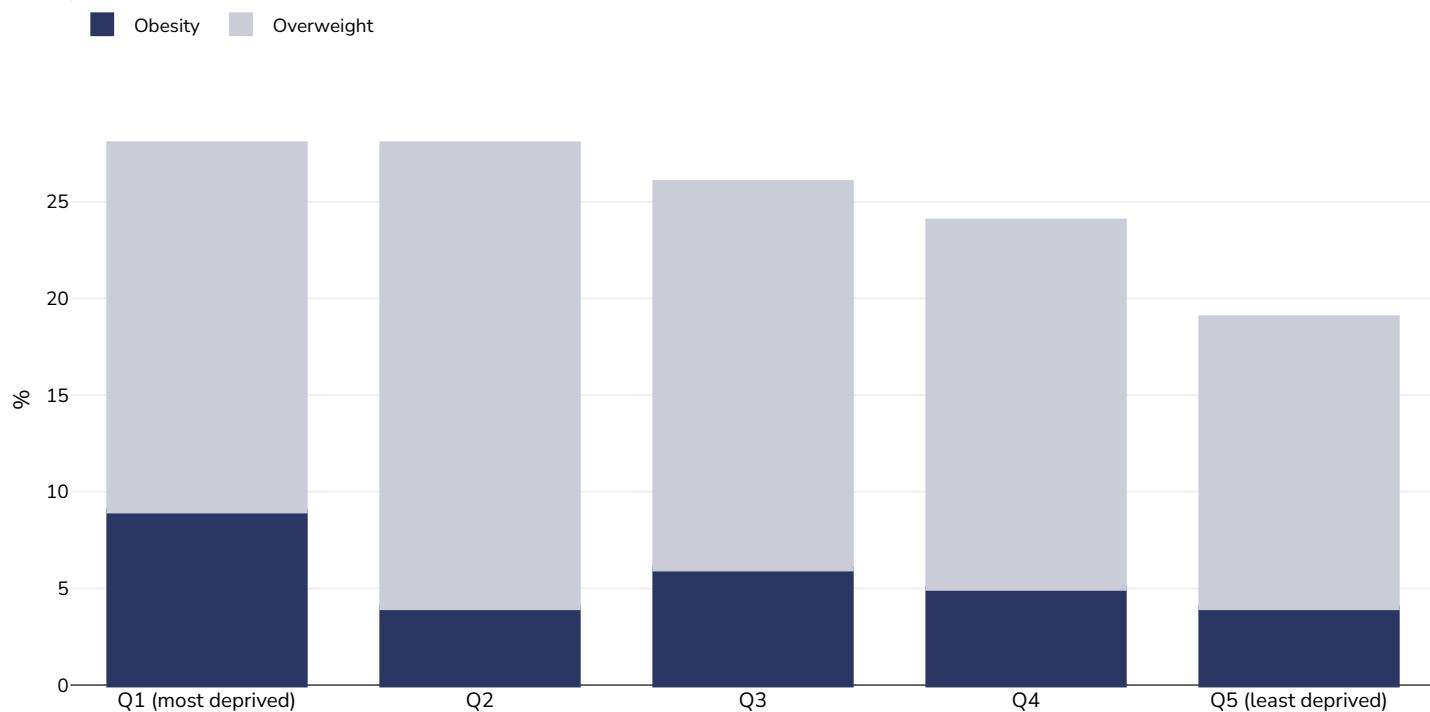
Girls, 2016-2018



Survey type:	Measured
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Area covered:	National
References:	Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency - Childhood BMI (administrative geographies). Available at: https://www.ninis2.nisra.gov.uk/public/PivotGrid.aspx?ds=9971&lh=73&yn=2010-2018&sk=134&sn=Health+and+Social+Care&yearfilter= . Last accessed: 19.04.21.
Cutoffs:	IOTF

Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

Children, 2012-2013



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	2-10
Area covered:	National
References:	Health Survey Northern Ireland: http://www.dhsspsni.gov.uk/index/statistics/lcb/obesity-and-diet.htm (last accessed 18 June 2015)
Cutoffs:	IOTF

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