



Philippines



Country report card - under-5s

This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity for children under 5. 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 <https://data.worldobesity.org/country/philippines-172/>.

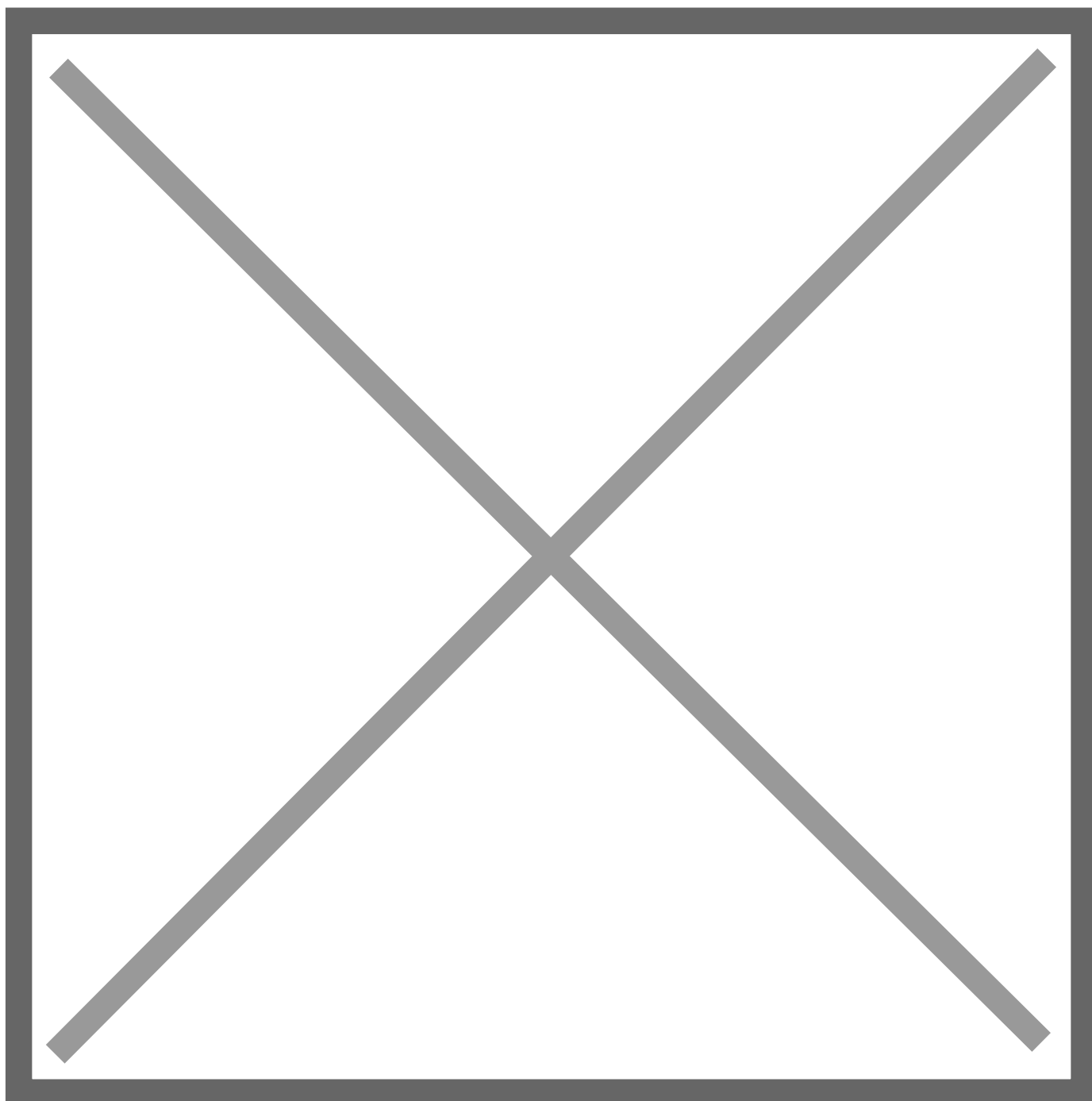
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National obesity risk *6/10 This is a composite “obesity risk” score (out of 10, the highest risk) based on obesity prevalence, rate of increase, likelihood of meeting the 2025 target, treatment indicator and childhood stunting levels. **Childhood obesity risk *5/11** This is a “risk score” for each country’s likelihood of having or acquiring a major childhood obesity problem during the 2020s, taking account of current prevalence levels and risk for future obesity (based on stunting among infants, maternal obesity, maternal smoking, and breastfeeding rates).

* Based on estimated data. For more information see [Publications](#)

Obesity prevalence

0-5 years, 2023-2024

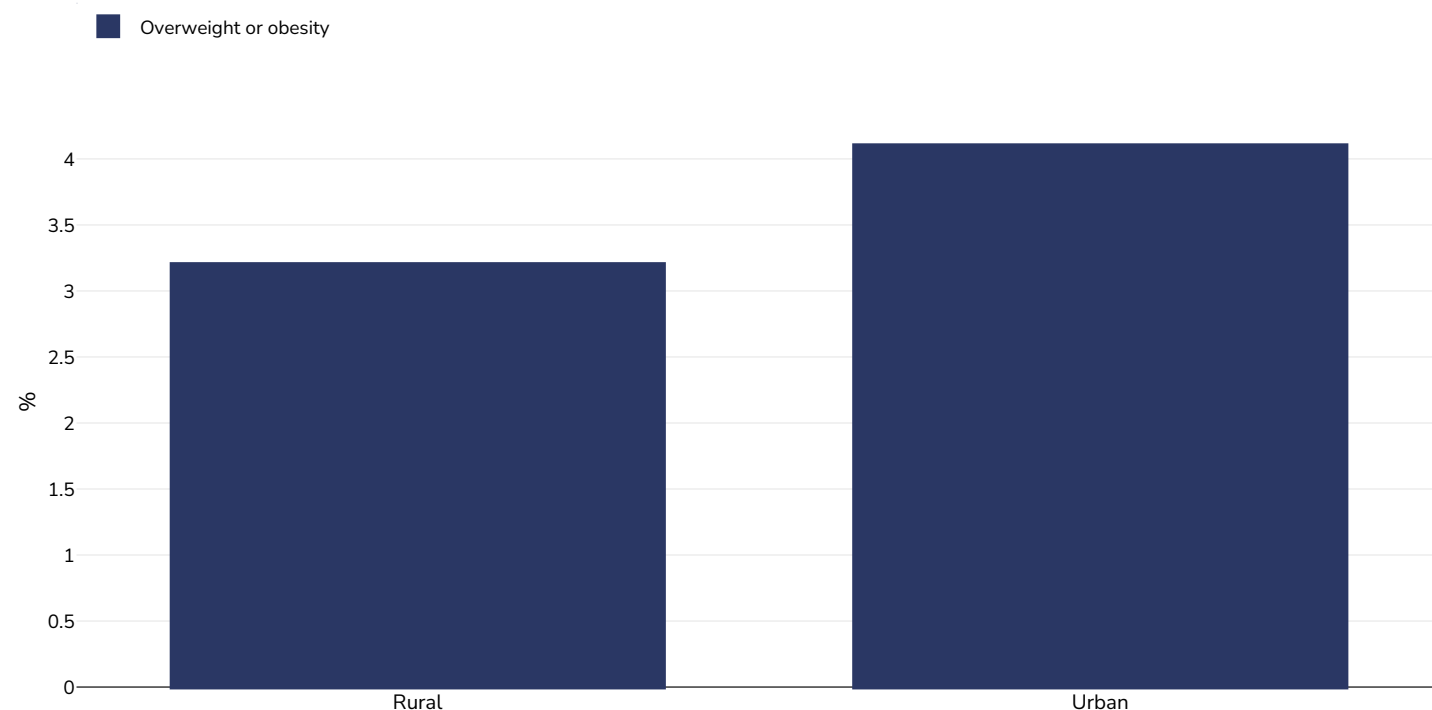


Survey type:	Measured
Age:	0-5
Area covered:	National
References:	Department of Science and Technology - Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI). 2025. National Nutrition Summit. Halfway Point to 2030: Key Findings of the 2023 National Nutrition Survey. https://enutrition.fnri.dost.gov.ph/infographics.php?year=2023 [Accessed 31.07.25]

Notes:	Exact sample size unknown as full report still to be published
Definitions:	Overweight-for-height
Cutoffs:	=>+2SD

Overweight/obesity by region

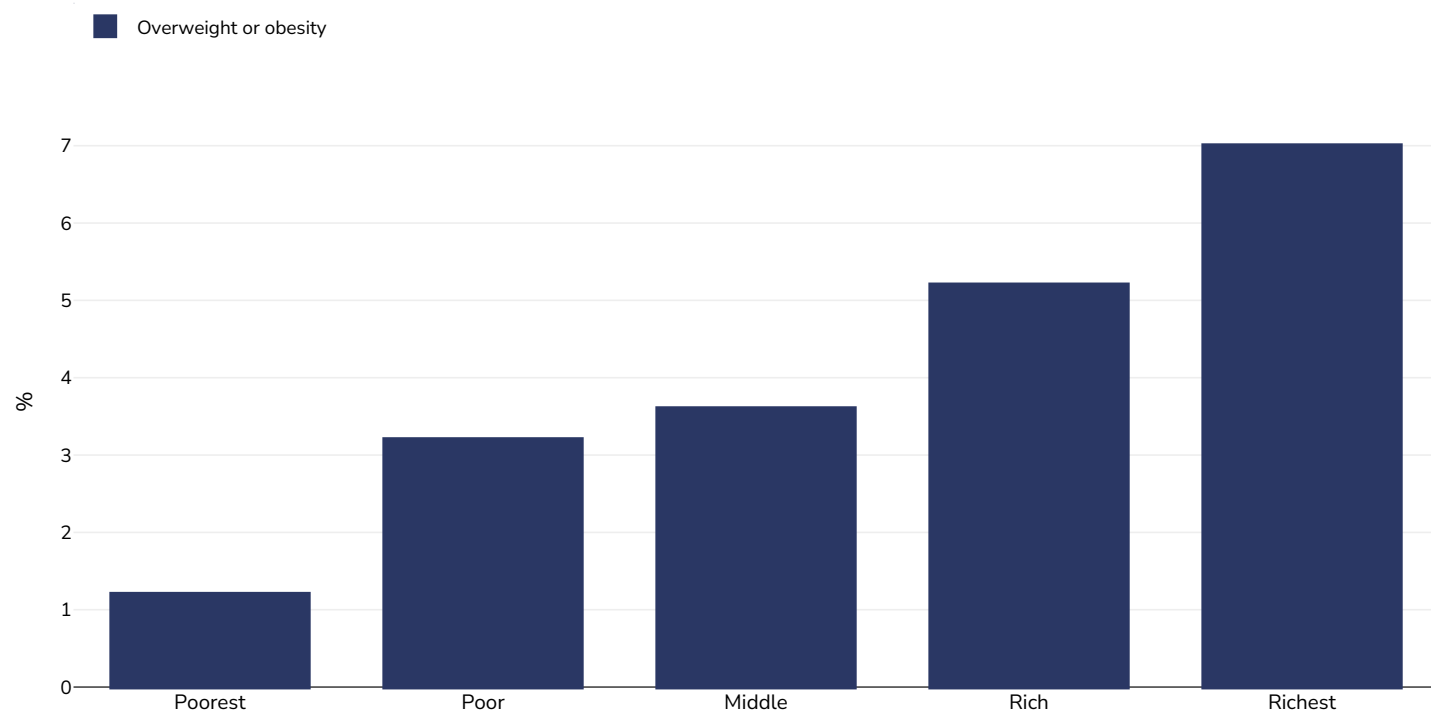
0-5 years, 2023-2024



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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

0-5 years, 2023-2024



Survey type: Measured

Area covered: National

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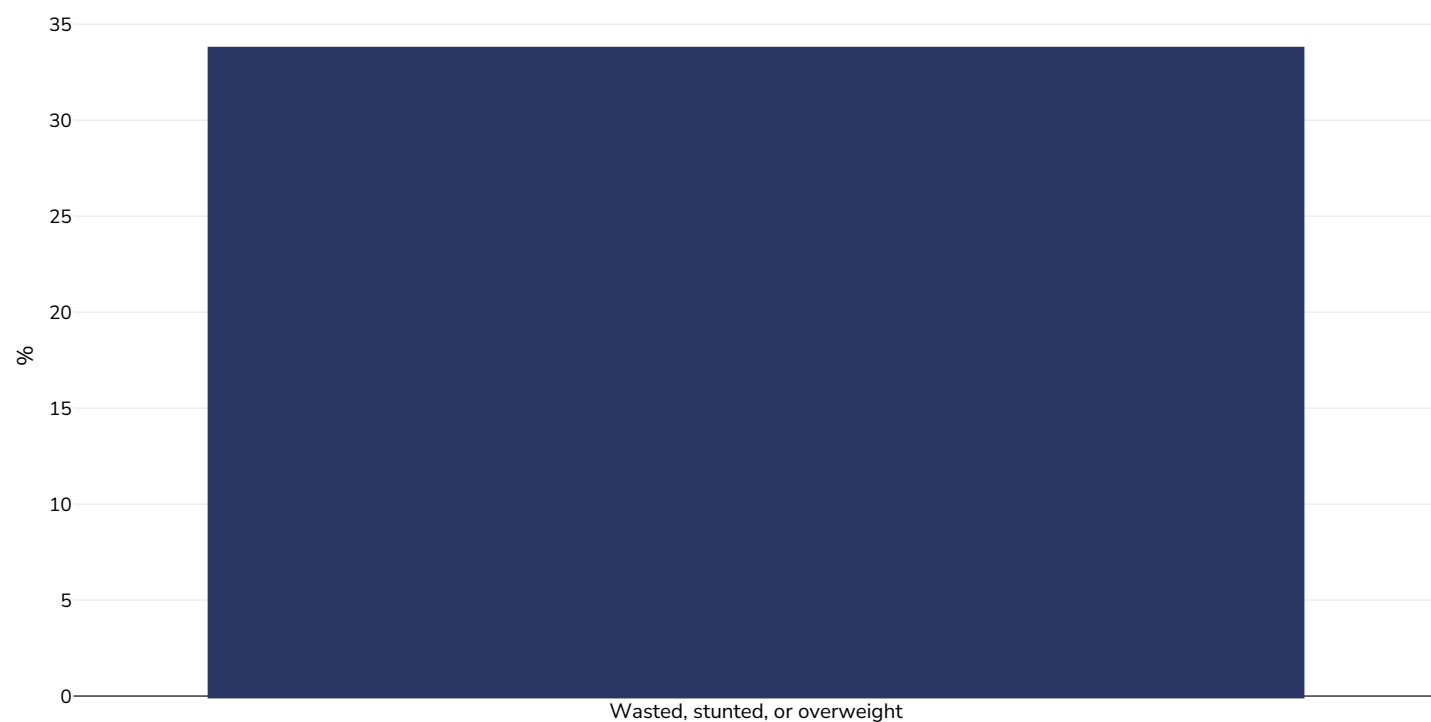
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Double burden of underweight & overweight

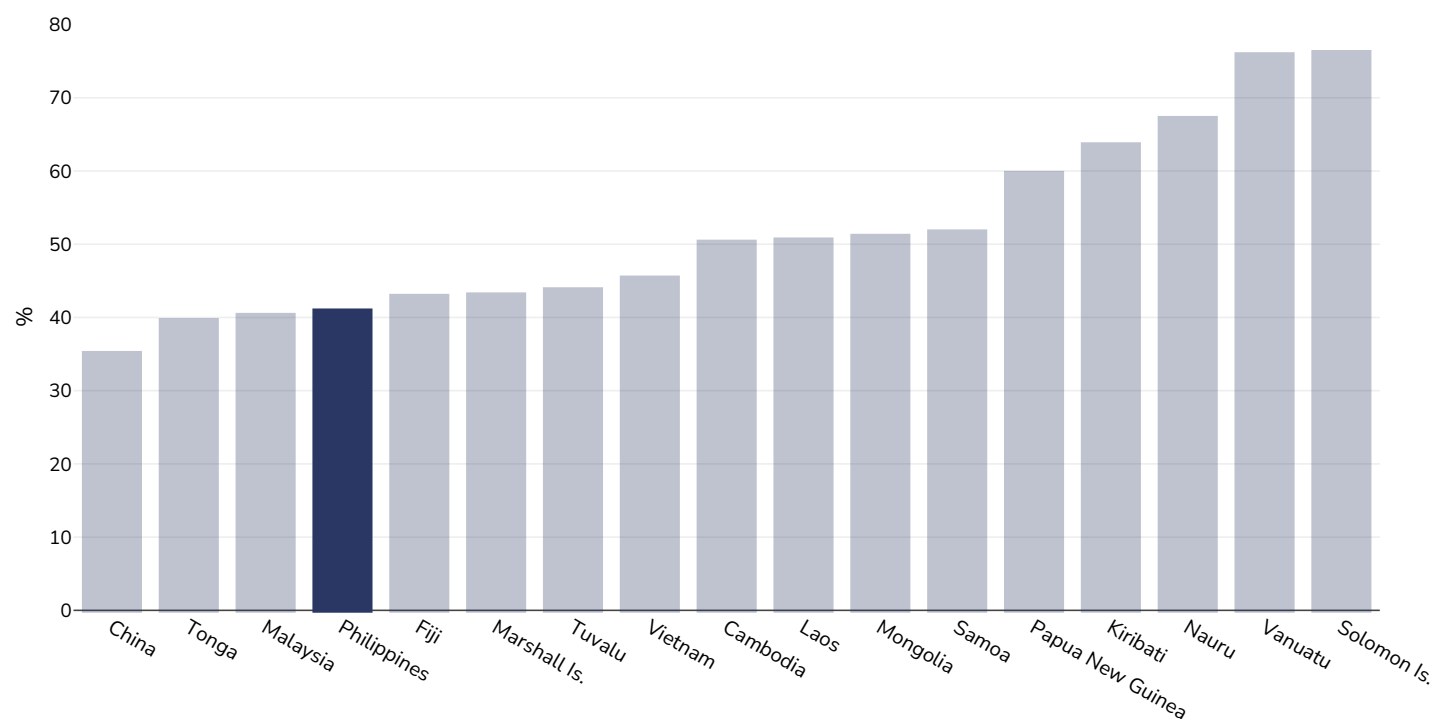
0-5 years, 2021-2022



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	0-5
References:	United Nations Children's Fund, Division of Data, Analysis, Planning and Monitoring (2025). Global UNICEF Global Databases: Overlapping Stunting, Wasting and Overweight (Survey Estimates), 2025, New York. For more information, visit: https://data.unicef.org/topic/nutrition/malnutrition/ [Accessed 06.08.25]
Notes:	Philippines 2021 Expanded National Nutrition Survey (ENNS)
Definitions:	Combined percentage of children under 5 years of age who are either wasted, stunted, or overweight (falling below -2 standard deviations from the median weight-for-height, falling below -2 standard deviations from the median height for age, or falling at or above +2 standard deviations from the median weight-for-height of the reference population)
Cutoffs:	WHZ <-2, HAZ <-2 and WHZ >+2

% Infants exclusively breastfed 0-5 months

0-5 years, 2007-2023



References:

Philippine National Demographic and Health Survey 2022

Notes:

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