

Report card South Korea



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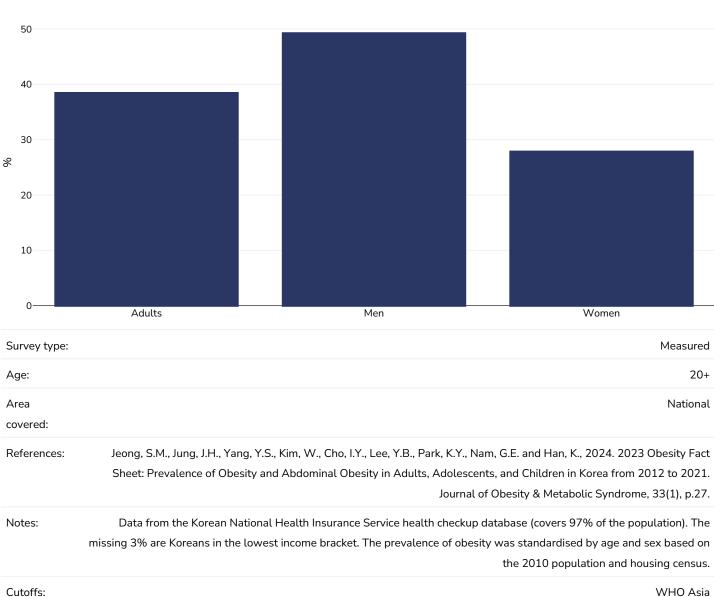




Obesity prevalence

Adults, 2021

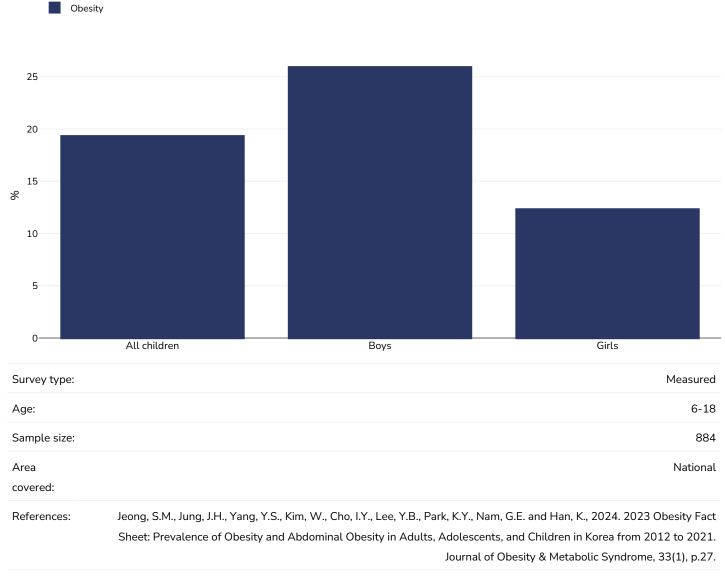
Obesity



WHO Asia



Children, 2021



Definitions: Obesity was defined by corresponding sex- and age-specific BMI percentile of 95th or greater based on 2017 Korean National Growth Chart for Children and Adolescents.

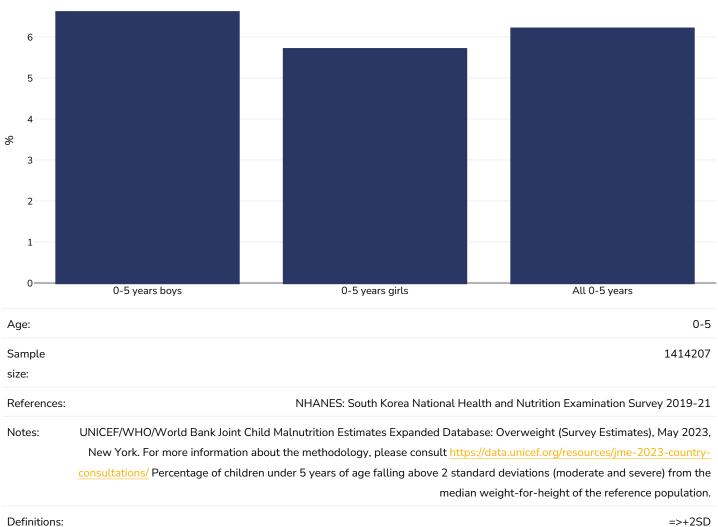
Other

Cutoffs:



0-5 years, 2019-2021

Overweight or obesity

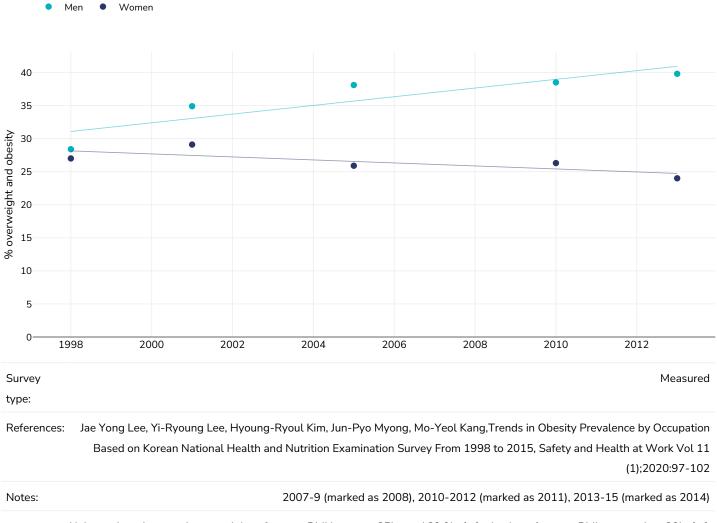


Definitions:



% Adults living with obesity





% Adults living with obesity in South Korea 1998-2014

Unless otherwise noted, overweight refers to a BMI between 25kg and 29.9kg/m², obesity refers to a BMI greater than 30kg/m².

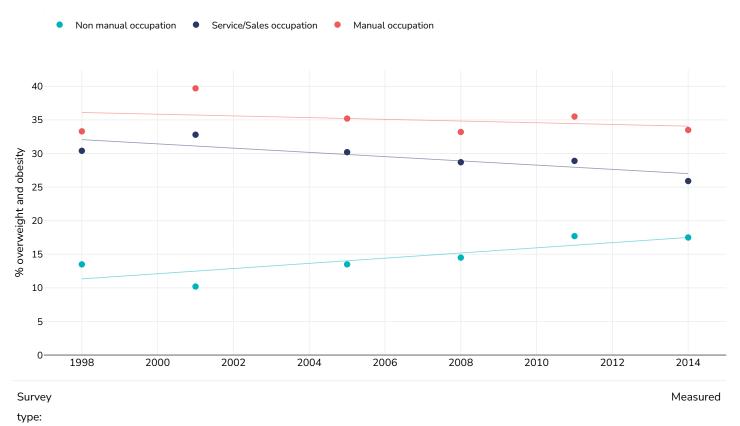
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% Adults living with overweight or obesity by socioeconomic group in South Korea 1998-2014

Women

Notes:



References: Jae Yong Lee, Yi-Ryoung Lee, Hyoung-Ryoul Kim, Jun-Pyo Myong, Mo-Yeol Kang, Trends in Obesity Prevalence by Occupation Based on Korean National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey From 1998 to 2015, Safety and Health at Work Vol 11 (1):2020:97-103

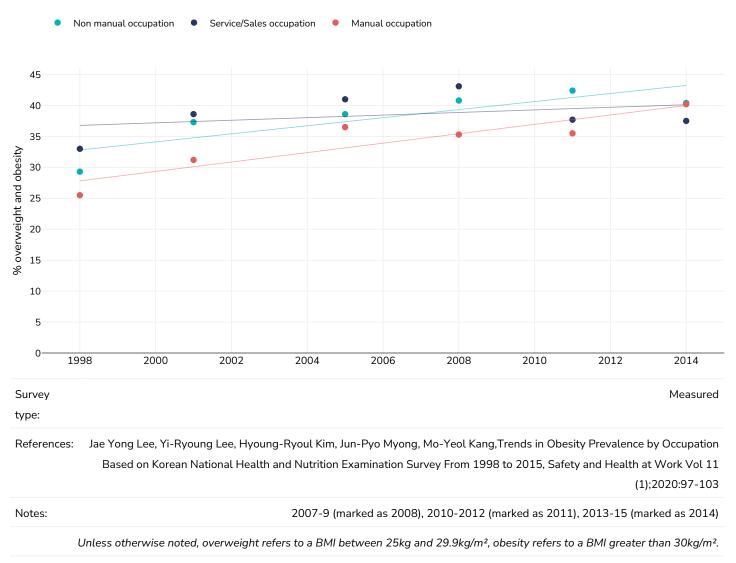
2007-9 (marked as 2008), 2010-2012 (marked as 2011), 2013-15 (marked as 2014)

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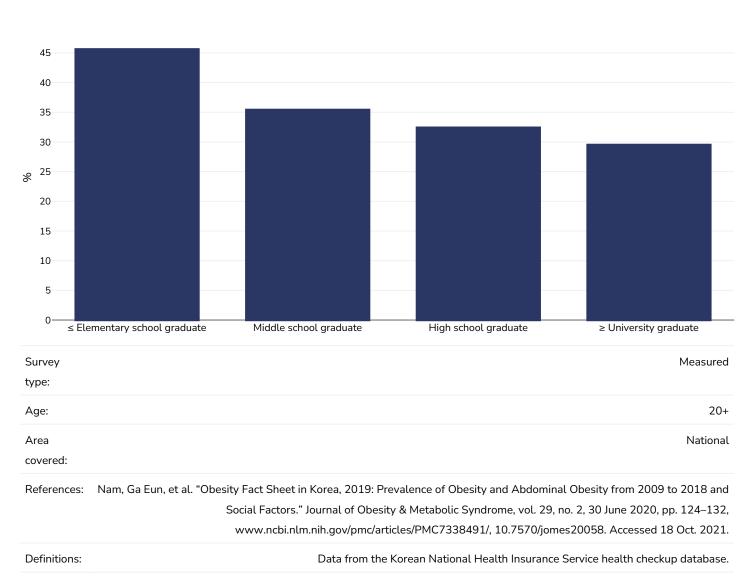
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Overweight/obesity by education

Adults, 2018

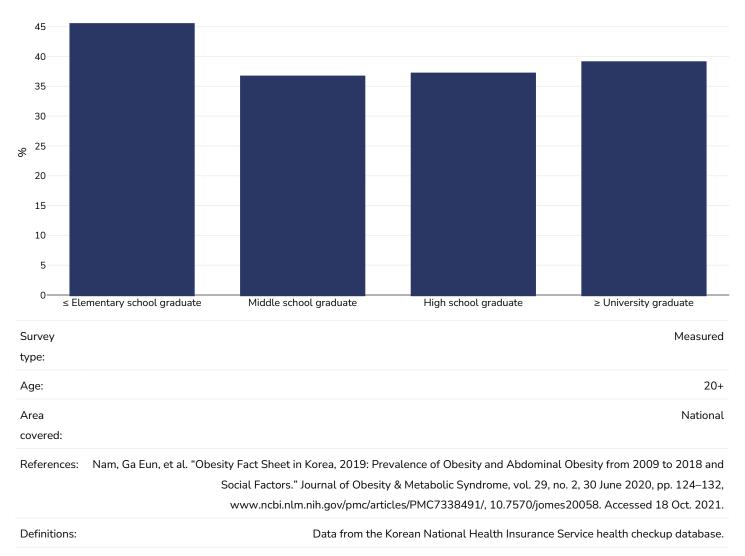
Overweight or obesity





Men, 2018

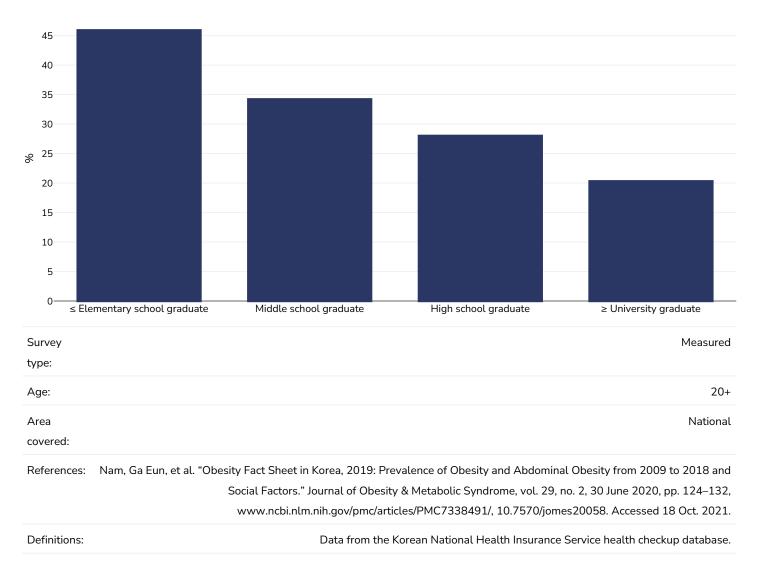
Overweight or obesity





Women, 2018

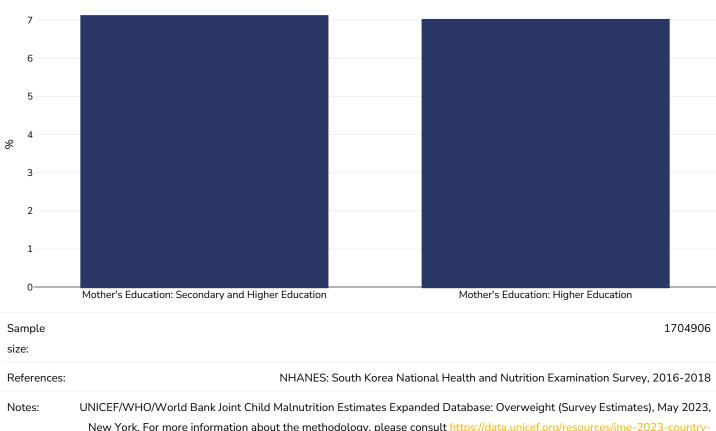
Overweight or obesity





0-5 years, 2016-2018

Overweight or obesity



New York. For more information about the methodology, please consult <u>https://data.unicef.org/resources/jme-2023-country-</u> consultations/ Percentage of children under 5 years of age falling above 2 standard deviations (moderate and severe) from the median weight-for-height of the reference population.

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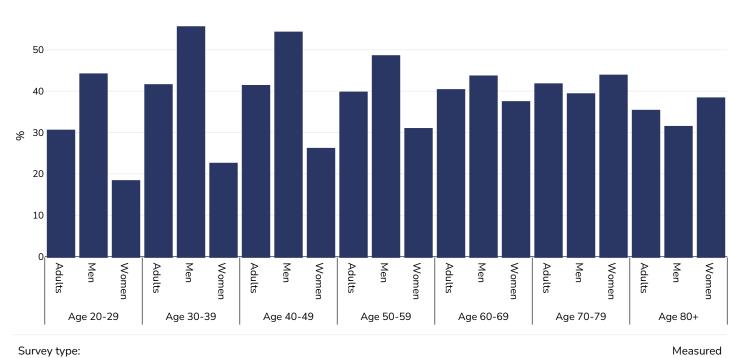
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Overweight/obesity by age

Adults, 2021

Overweight or obesity

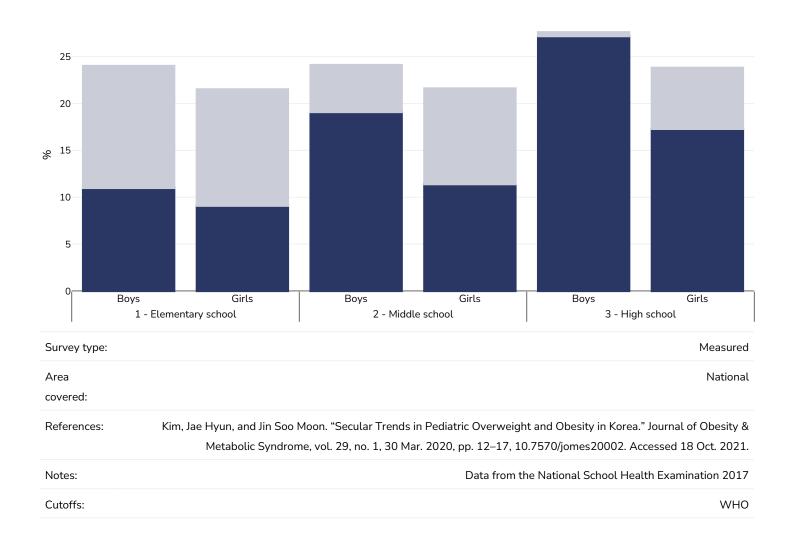


Area covered:	National
References:	Jeong, S.M., Jung, J.H., Yang, Y.S., Kim, W., Cho, I.Y., Lee, Y.B., Park, K.Y., Nam, G.E. and Han, K., 2024. 2023 Obesity Fact Sheet: Prevalence of Obesity and Abdominal Obesity in Adults, Adolescents, and Children in Korea from 2012 to 2021. Journal of Obesity & Metabolic Syndrome, 33(1), p.27.
Notes:	Data from the Korean National Health Insurance Service health checkup database (covers 97% of the population). The missing 3% are Koreans in the lowest income bracket. The prevalence of obesity was standardised by age and sex based on the 2010 population and housing census.
Definitions:	WHO Asian cutoffs shown for BMI greater than or equal to 25kg/m² to allow comparison with non-Asian cutoffs. Data for overweight and obesity separately using WHO Asian cutoffs is not available in the paper.
Cutoffs:	WHO Asia



Children, 2017

Obesity Overweight

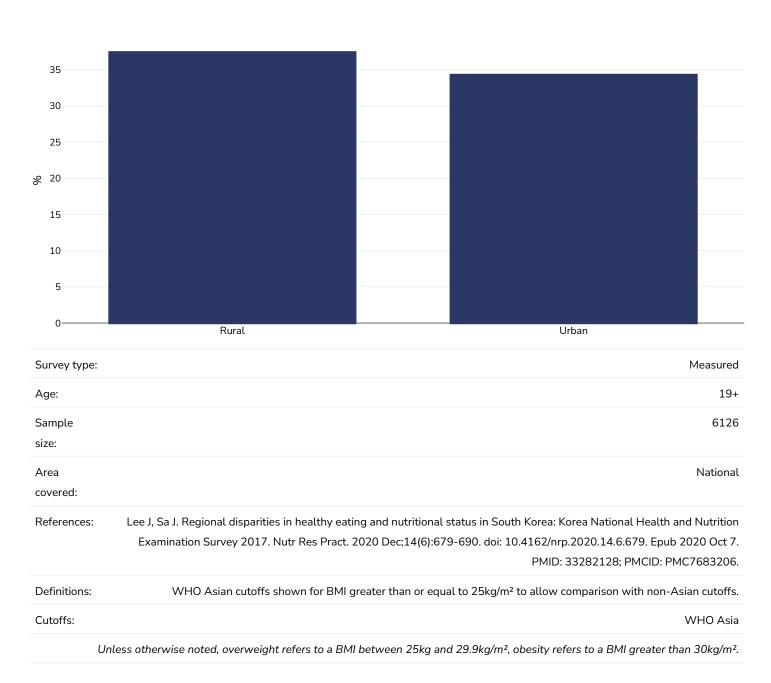




Overweight/obesity by region

Adults, 2017

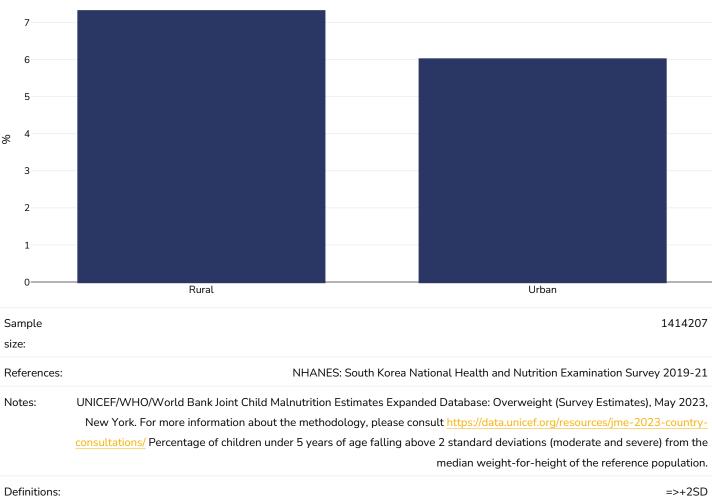
Overweight or obesity





0-5 years, 2019-2021

Overweight or obesity



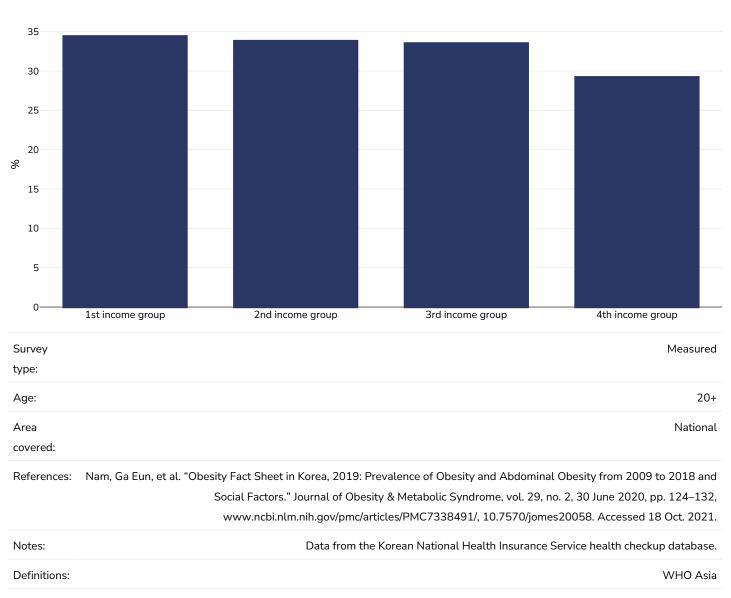
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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

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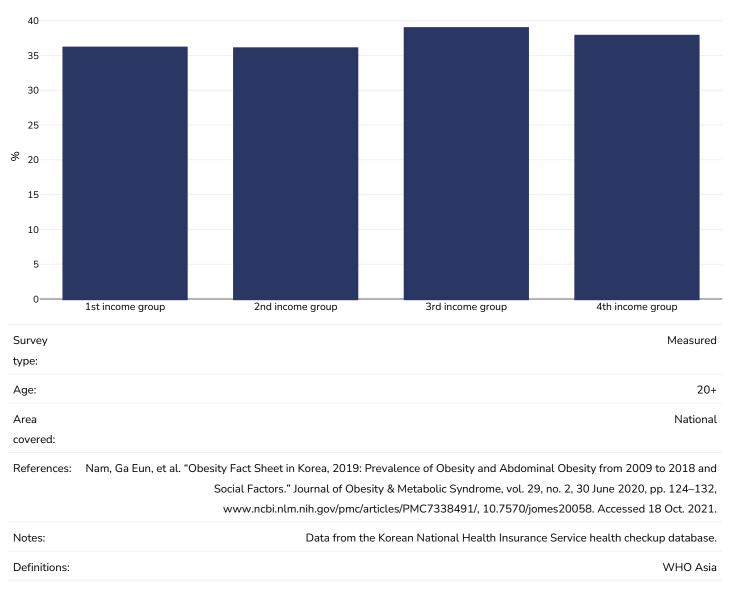
Overweight or obesity





Men, 2018

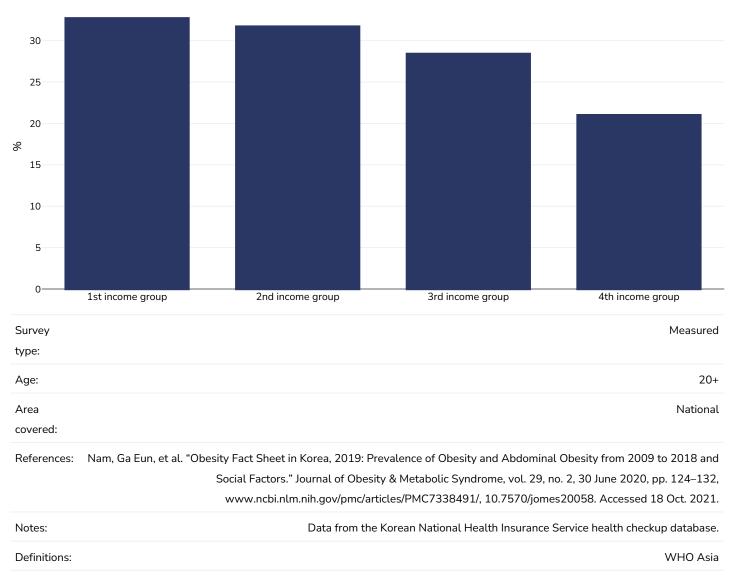
Overweight or obesity





Women, 2018

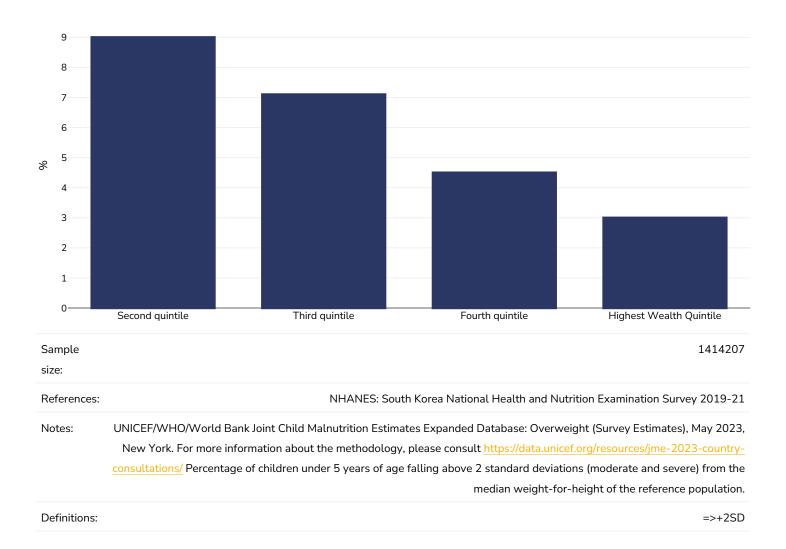
Overweight or obesity





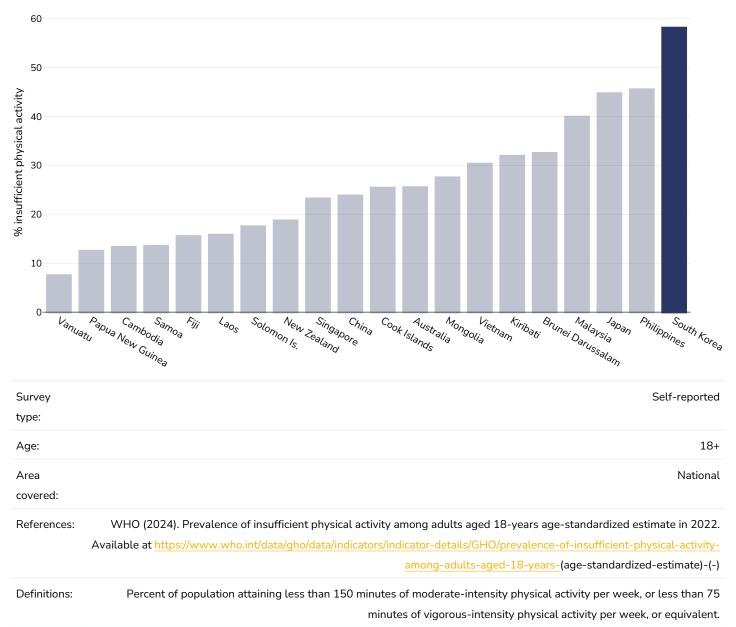
0-5 years, 2019-2021

Overweight or obesity



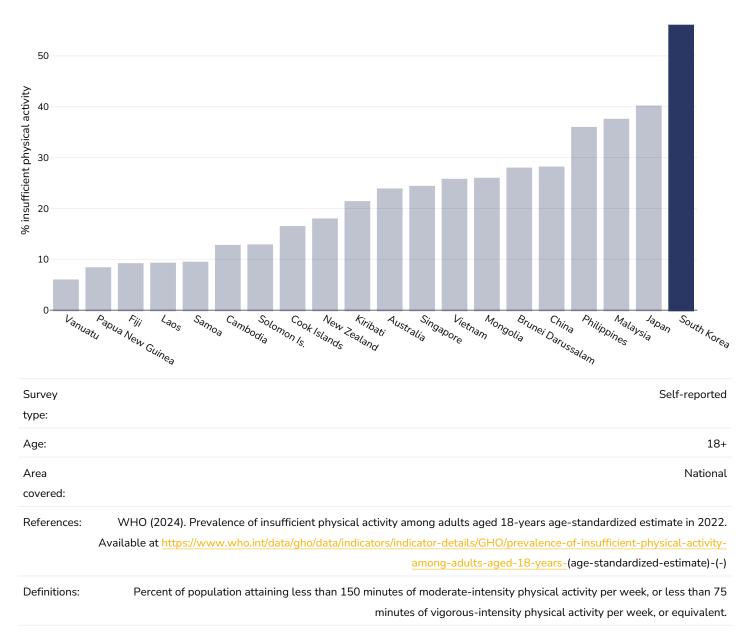


Insufficient physical activity



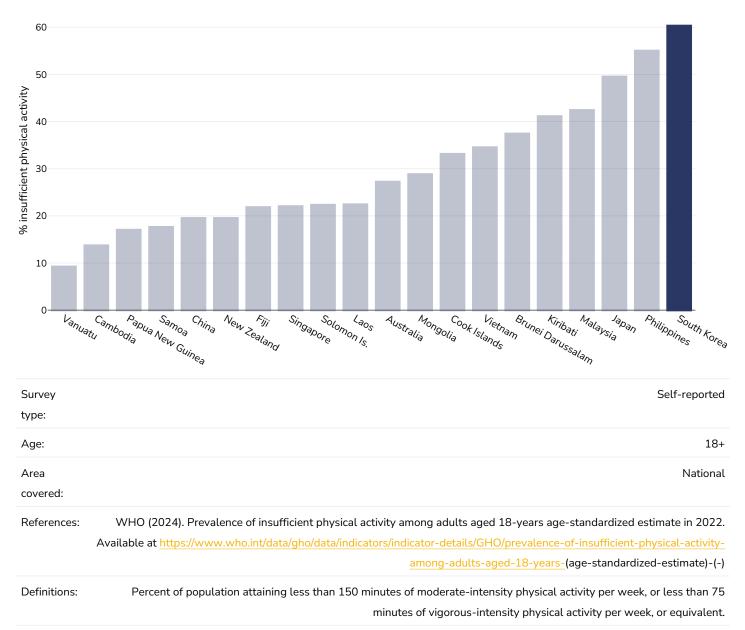


Men, 2022



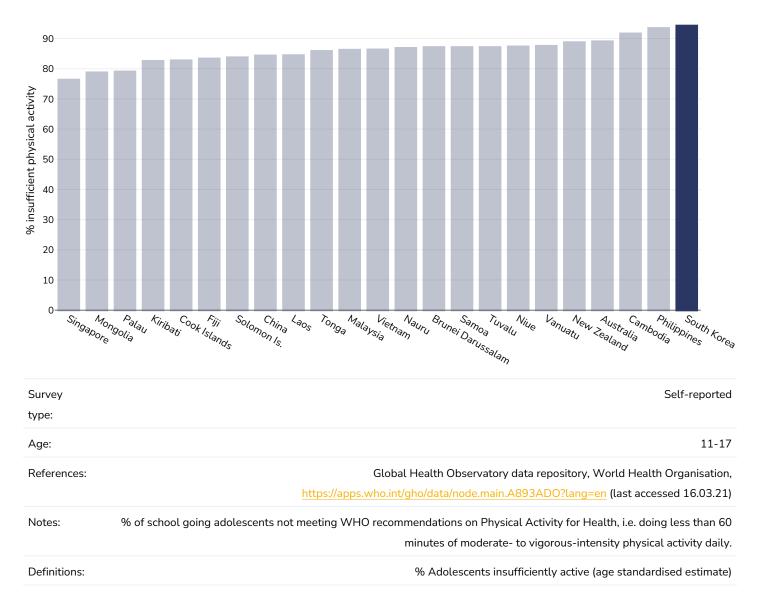
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Women, 2022



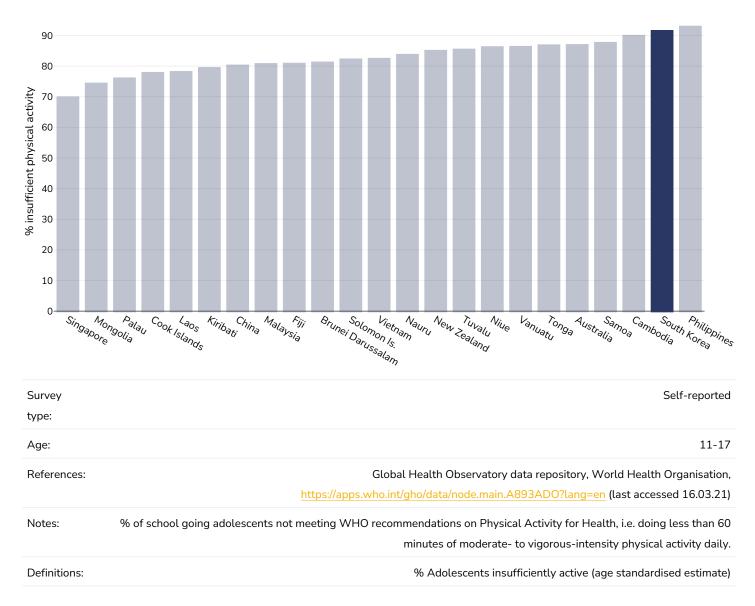


Children, 2016



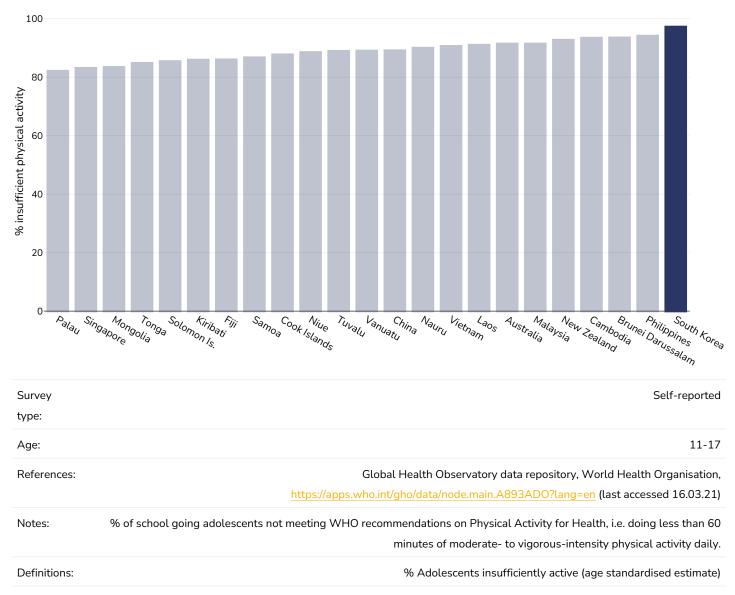


Boys, 2016



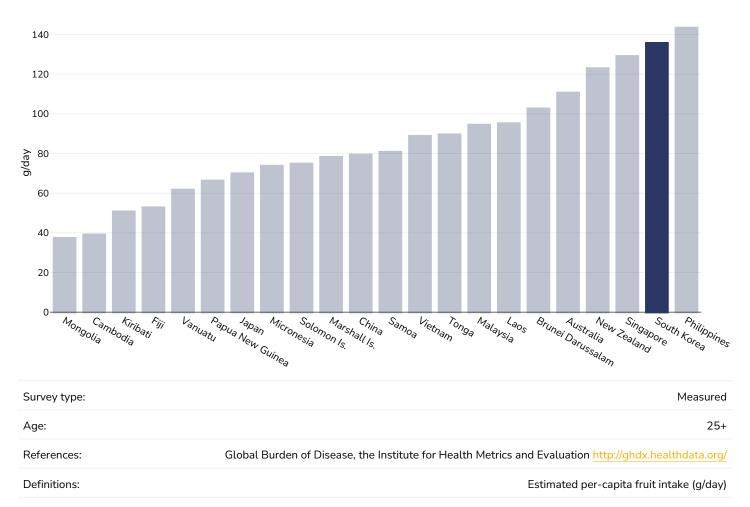


Girls, 2016



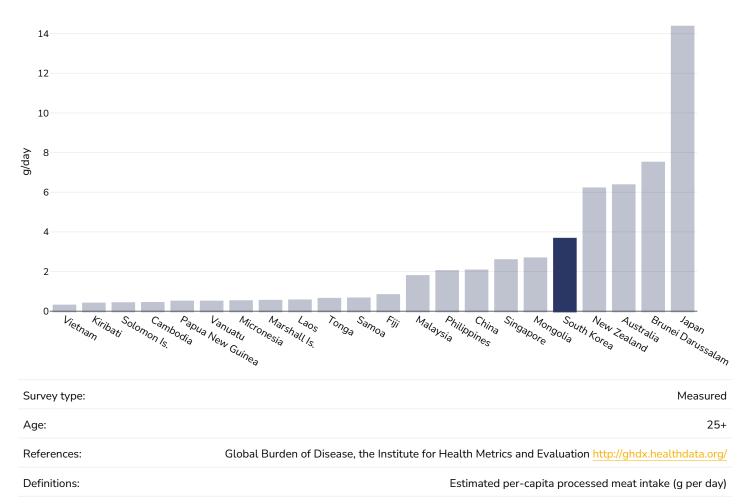


Estimated per capita fruit intake



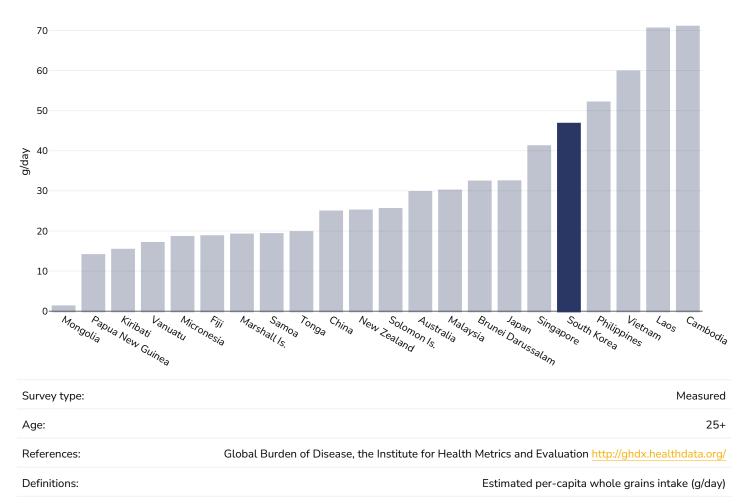


Estimated per-capita processed meat intake





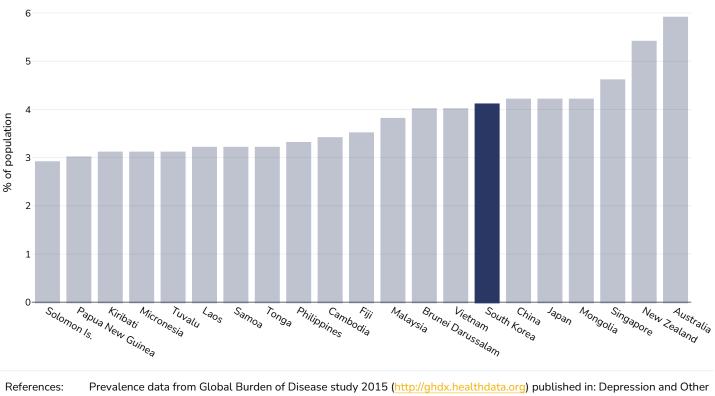
Estimated per capita whole grains intake





Mental health - depression disorders

Adults, 2015



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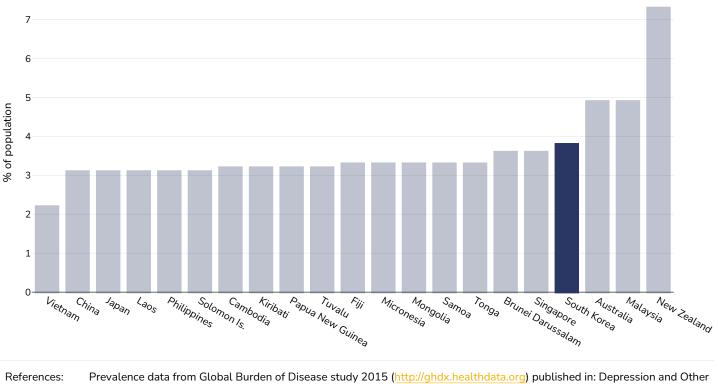
Definitions:

% of population with depression disorders



Mental health - anxiety disorders

Adults, 2015



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Definitions:

% of population with anxiety disorders



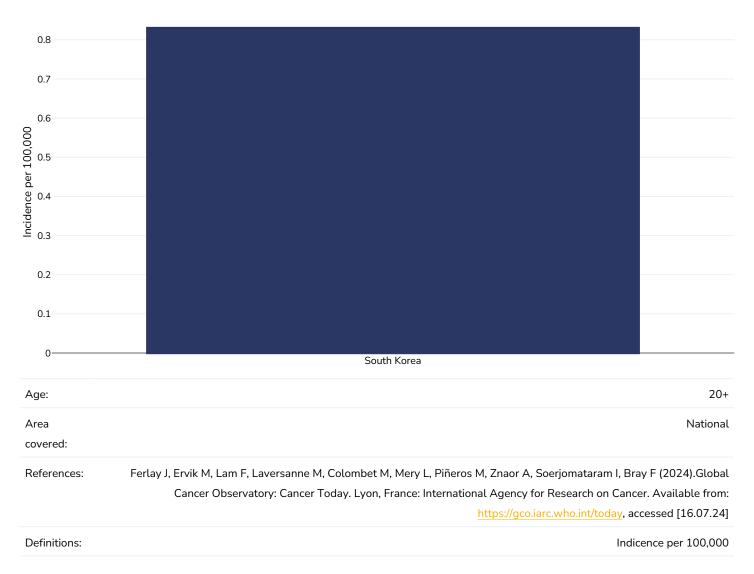
Oesophageal cancer

Men, 2022





Women, 2022

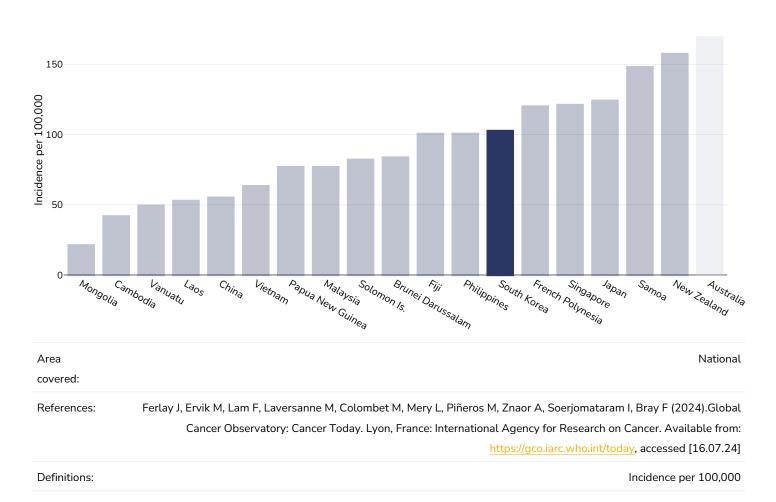




Breast cancer

Women, 2022

Age 20 Age 20+





Colorectal cancer

Men, 2022



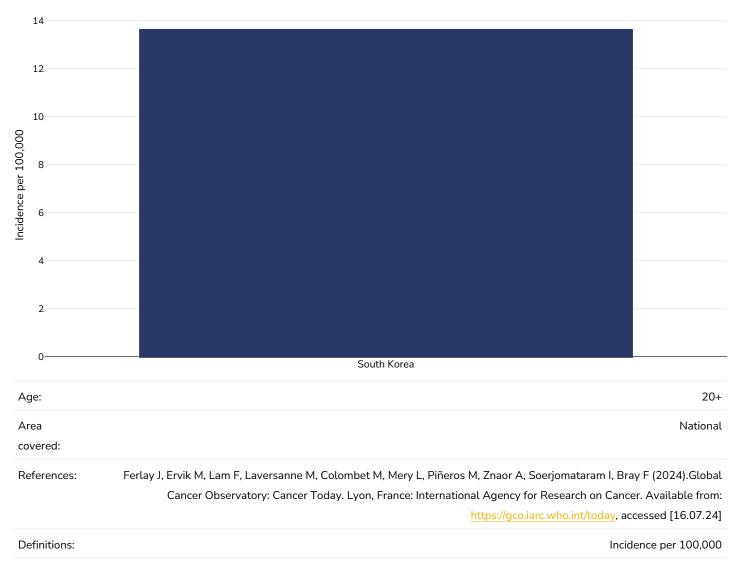


Women, 2022

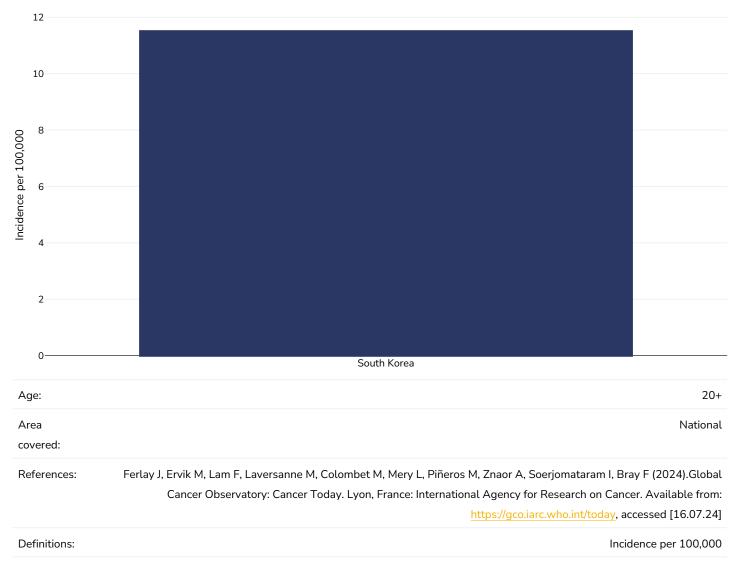




Pancreatic cancer

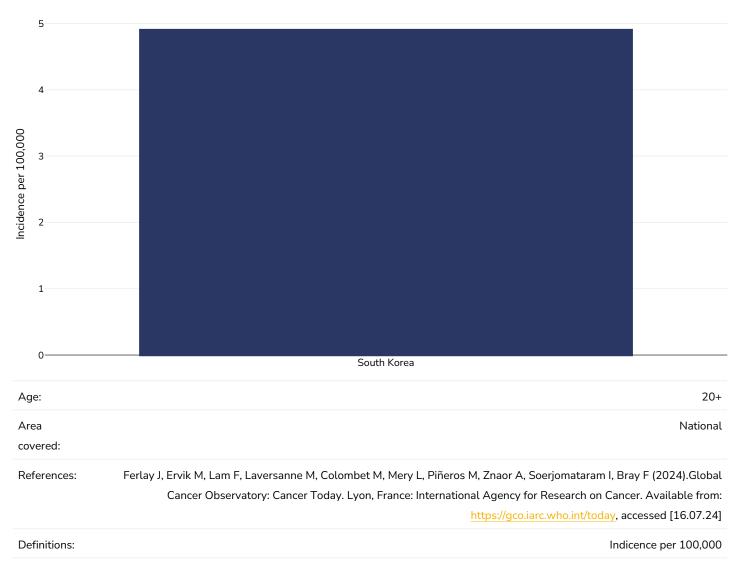








Gallbladder cancer









Kidney cancer

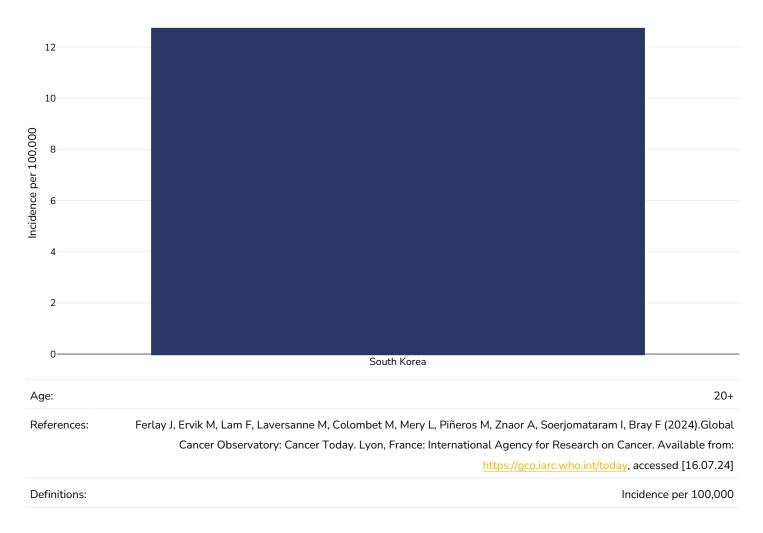








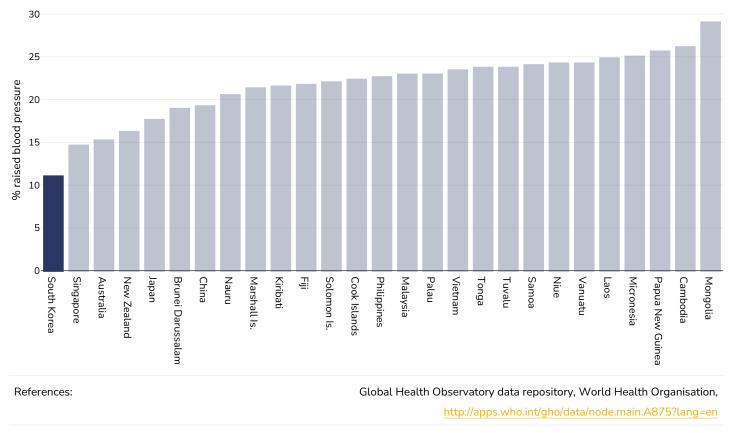
Cancer of the uterus





Raised blood pressure

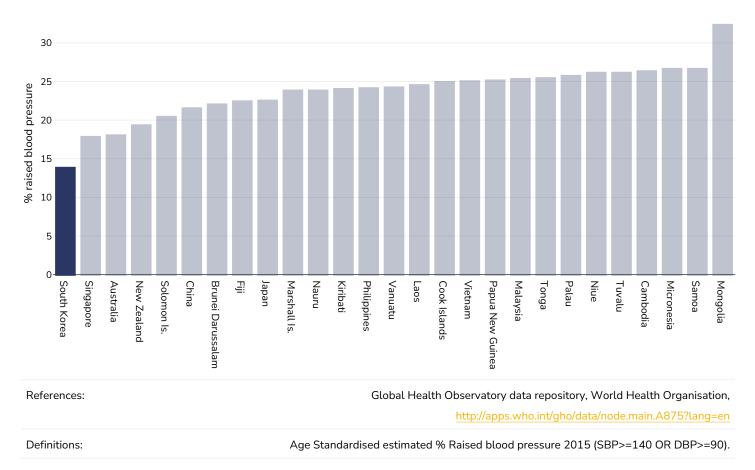
Adults, 2015



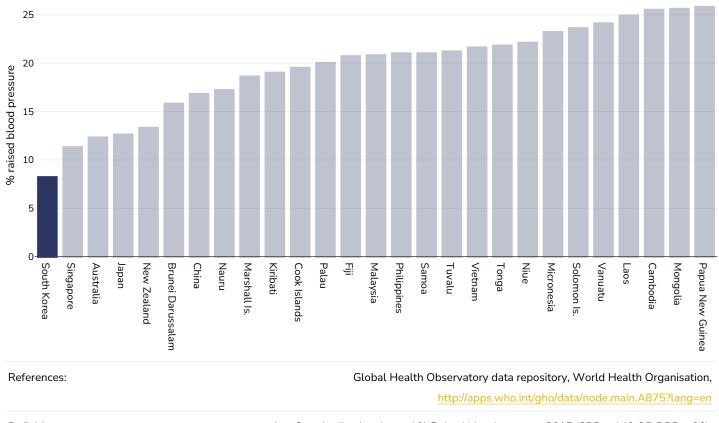
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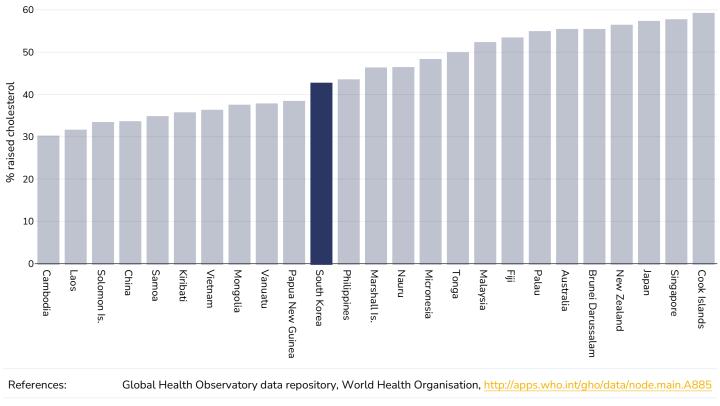
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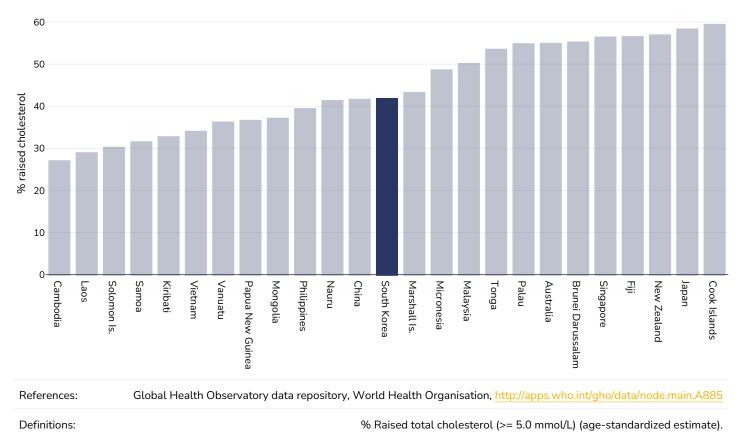
Raised cholesterol

Adults, 2008

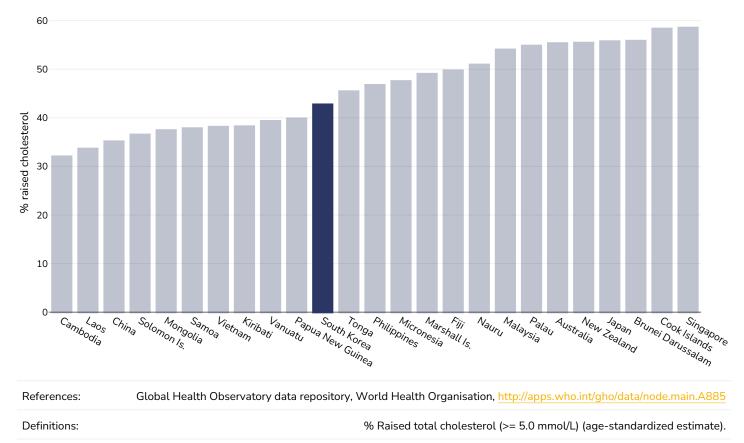


Definitions:

% Raised total cholesterol (>= 5.0 mmol/L) (age-standardized estimate).

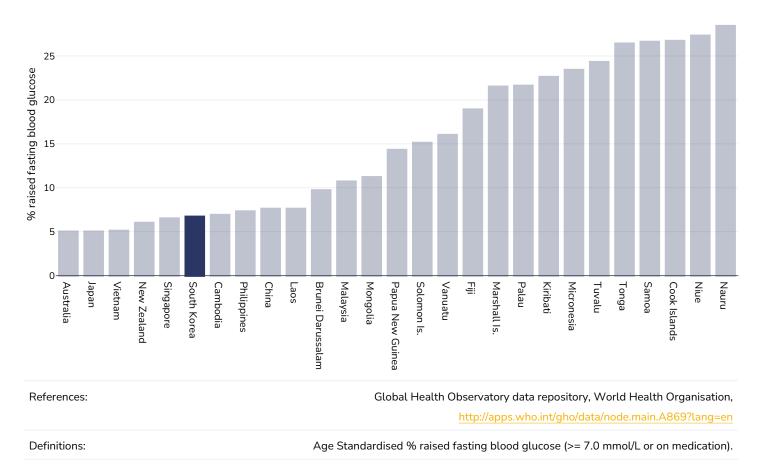


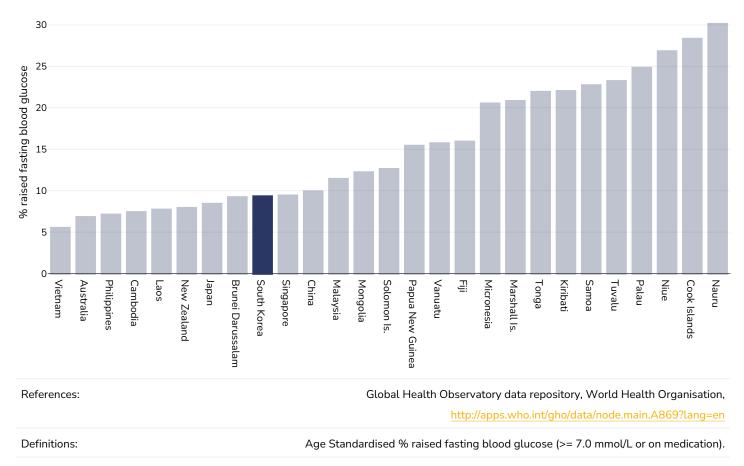






Raised fasting blood glucose

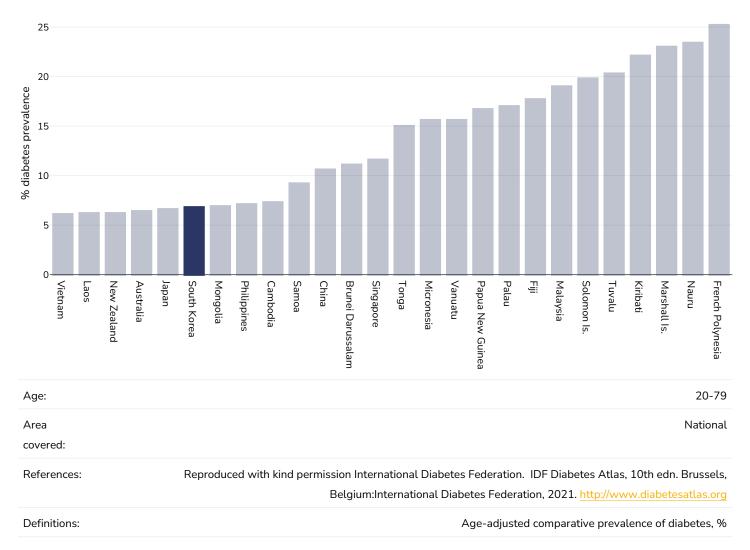






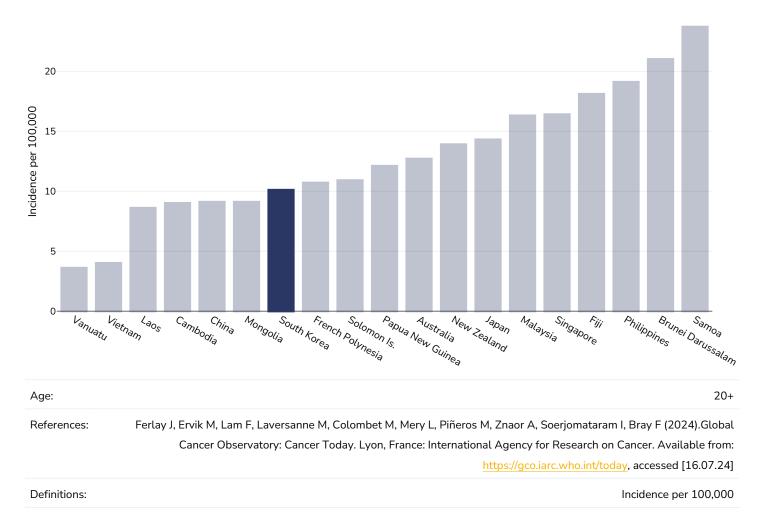
Diabetes prevalence

Adults, 2021





Ovarian Cancer





Leukemia

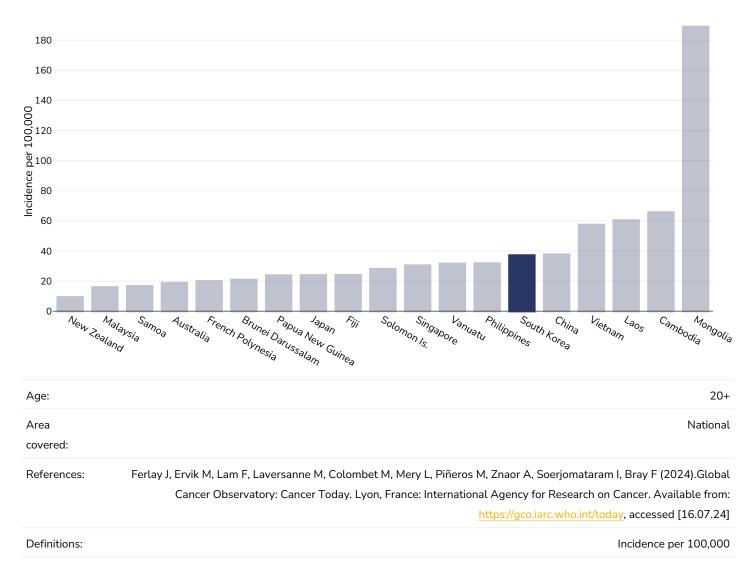
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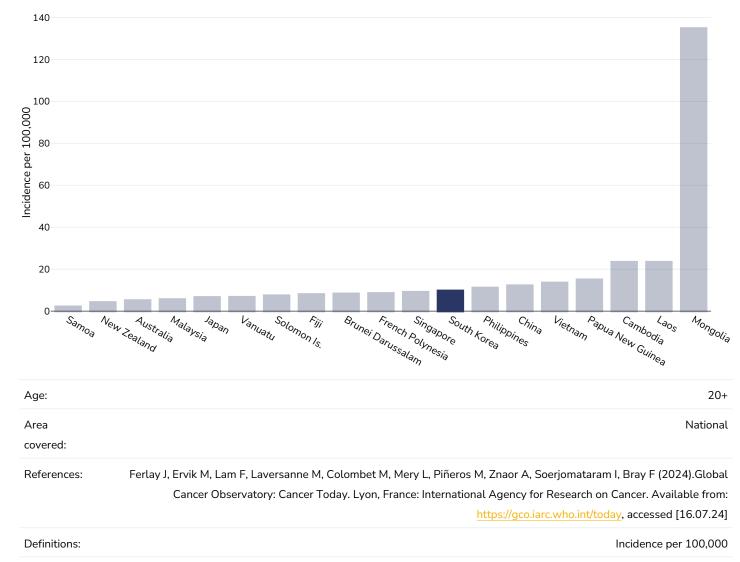
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Liver and intrahepatic bile duct Cancer



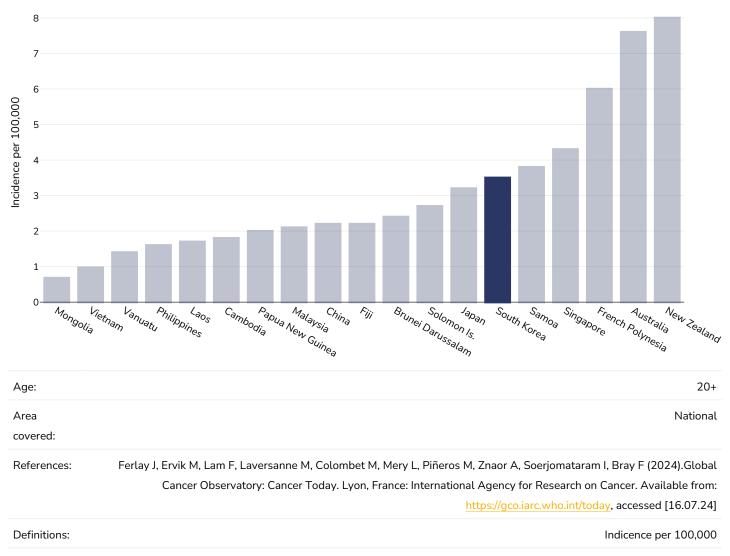




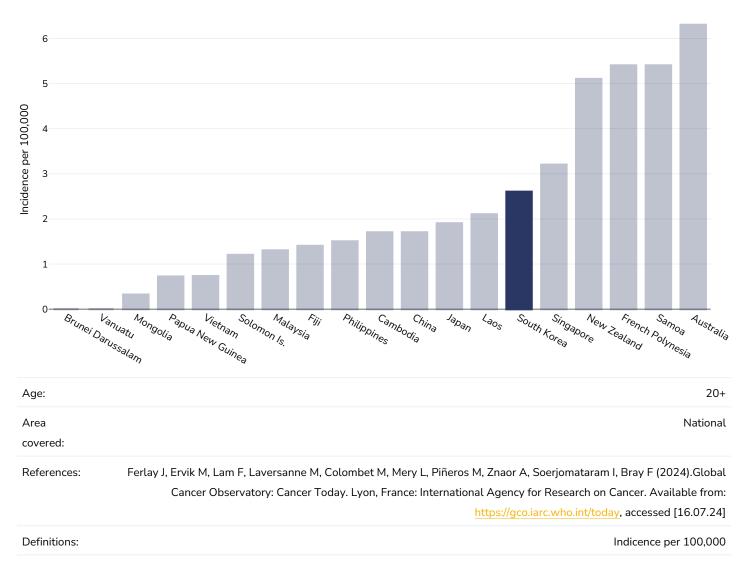


Multiple Myeloma

Men, 2022



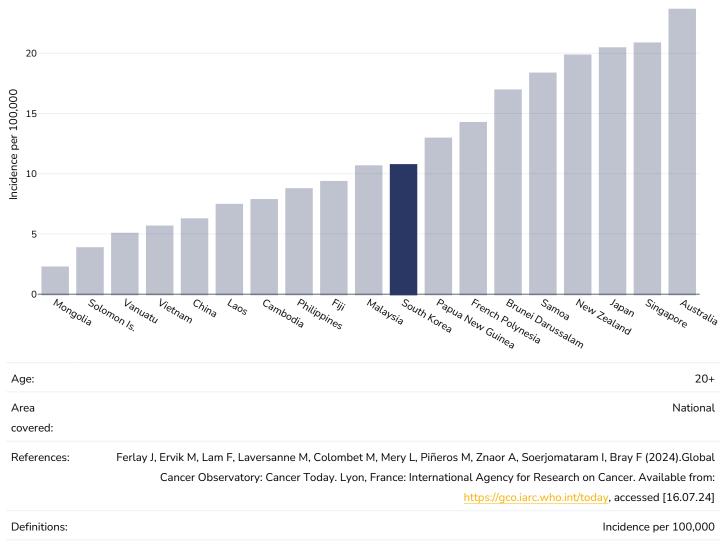
Women, 2022



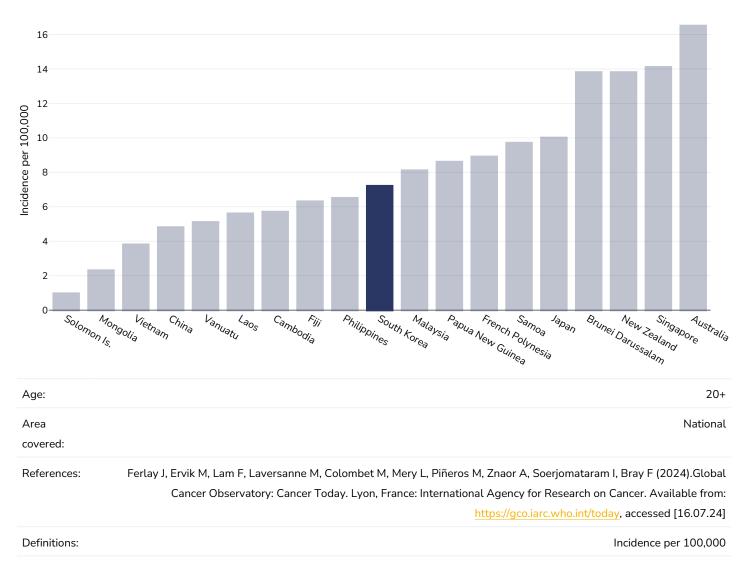


Non Hodgkin Lymphoma

Men, 2022

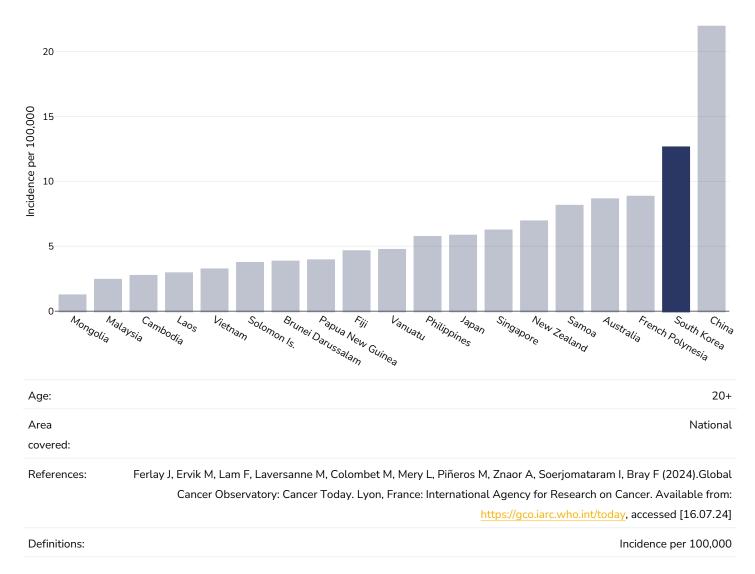


Women, 2022

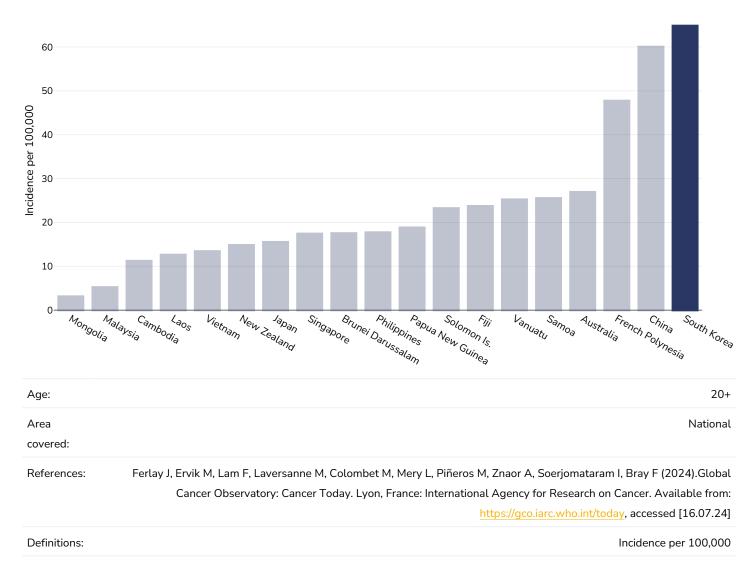




Thyroid Cancer









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?	~ v
Back-of-pack nutrition declaration?	✓
Color coding?	~ v
Warning label?	×

Regulation and marketing	
Are there fiscal policies on unhealthy products?	X
Tax on unhealthy foods?	X
Tax on unhealthy drinks?	X
Are there fiscal policies on healthy products?	X
Subsidy on fruits?	X
Subsidy on vegetables?	×
Subsidy on other healthy products?	×
Mandatory limit or ban of trans fat (all settings)?	X
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?	\checkmark
Are there any mandatory nutrient limits in any manufactured food products?	X
Nutrition standards for public sector procurement?	X



National obesity strategy or nutrition and physical activity national strategy?	\checkmark
National obesity strategy?	~
National childhood obesity strategy?	~
Comprehensive nutrition strategy?	~
Comprehensive physical activity strategy?	 Image: A second s
Evidence-based dietary guidelines and/or RDAs?	
National target(s) on reducing obesity?	\checkmark
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?	 Image: A start of the start of

Within 5 years?





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