

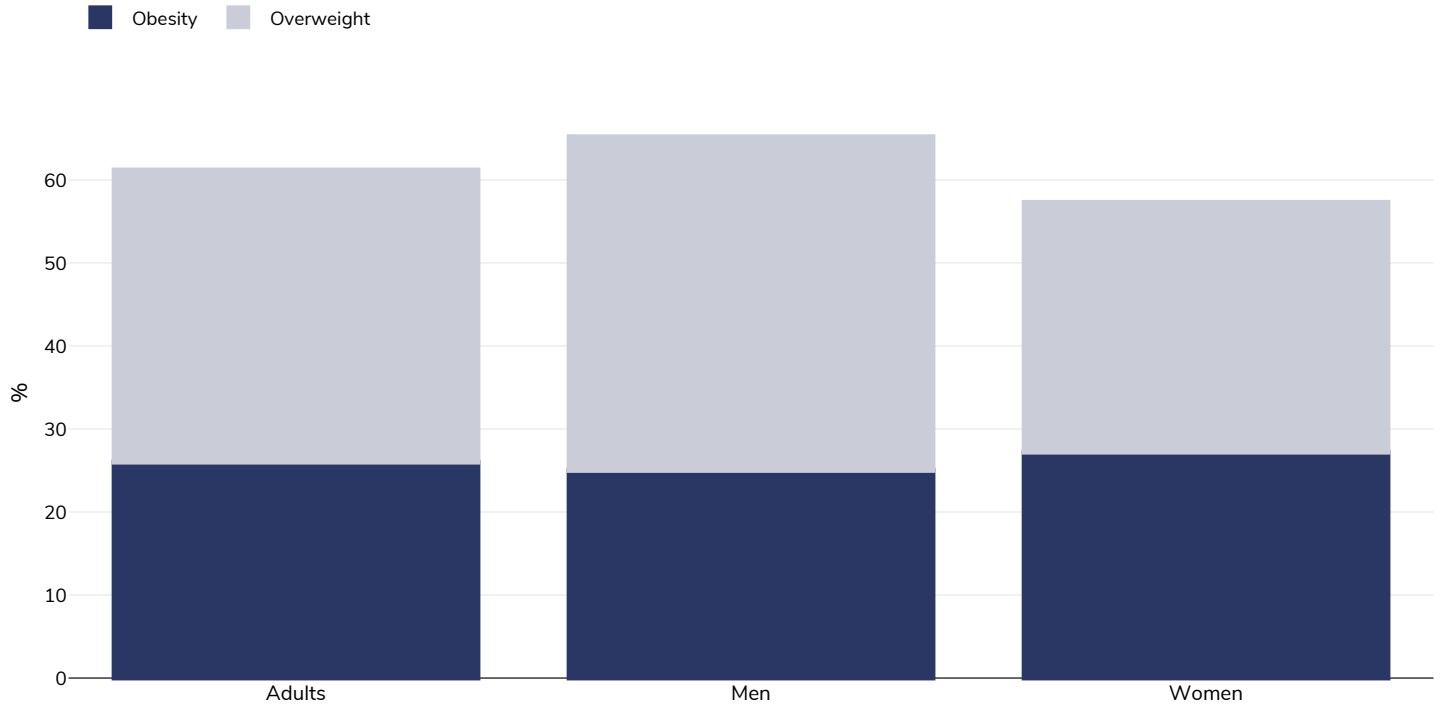
Report card Wales



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Obesity prevalence

Adults, 2022-2023



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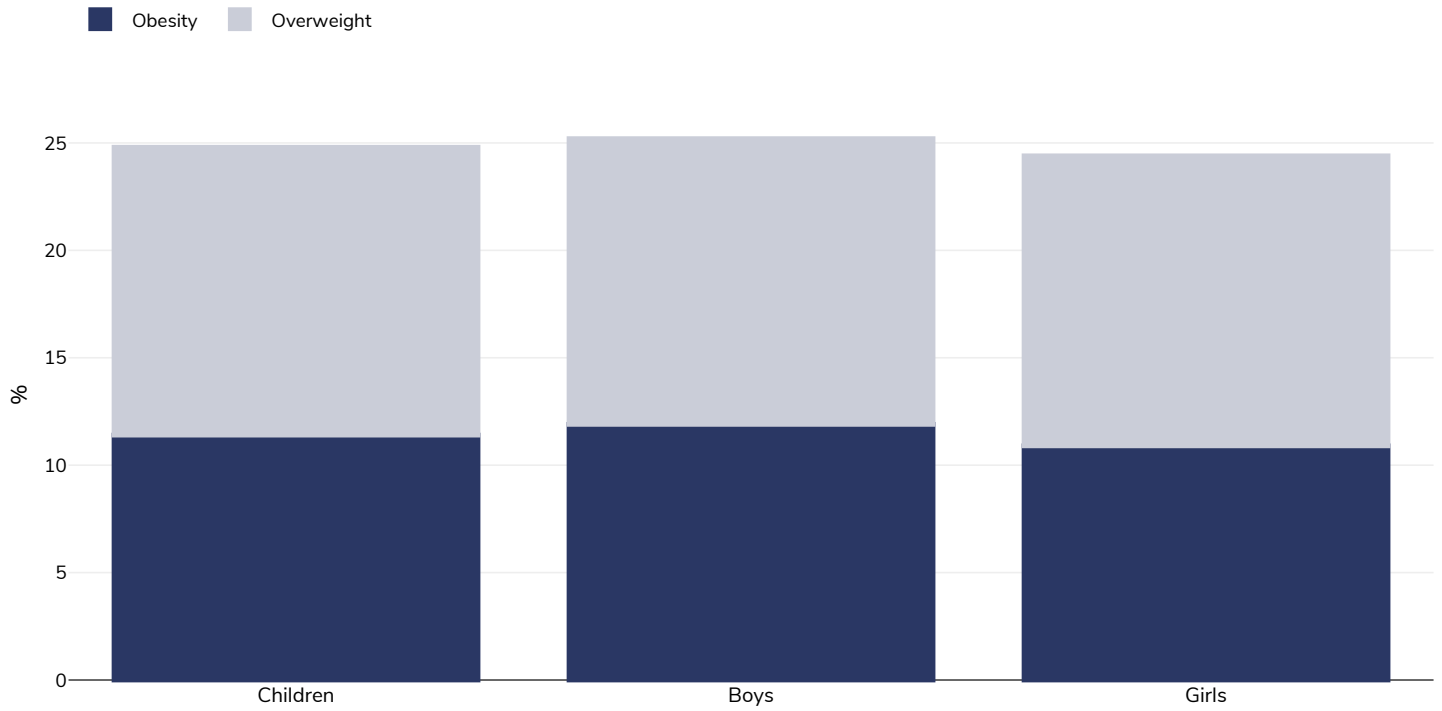
Age: 16+

Area covered: National

References: National Survey for Wales 2022-2023. Available at <https://www.gov.wales/national-survey-wales-april-2022-march-2023> (last accessed 06.11.23)

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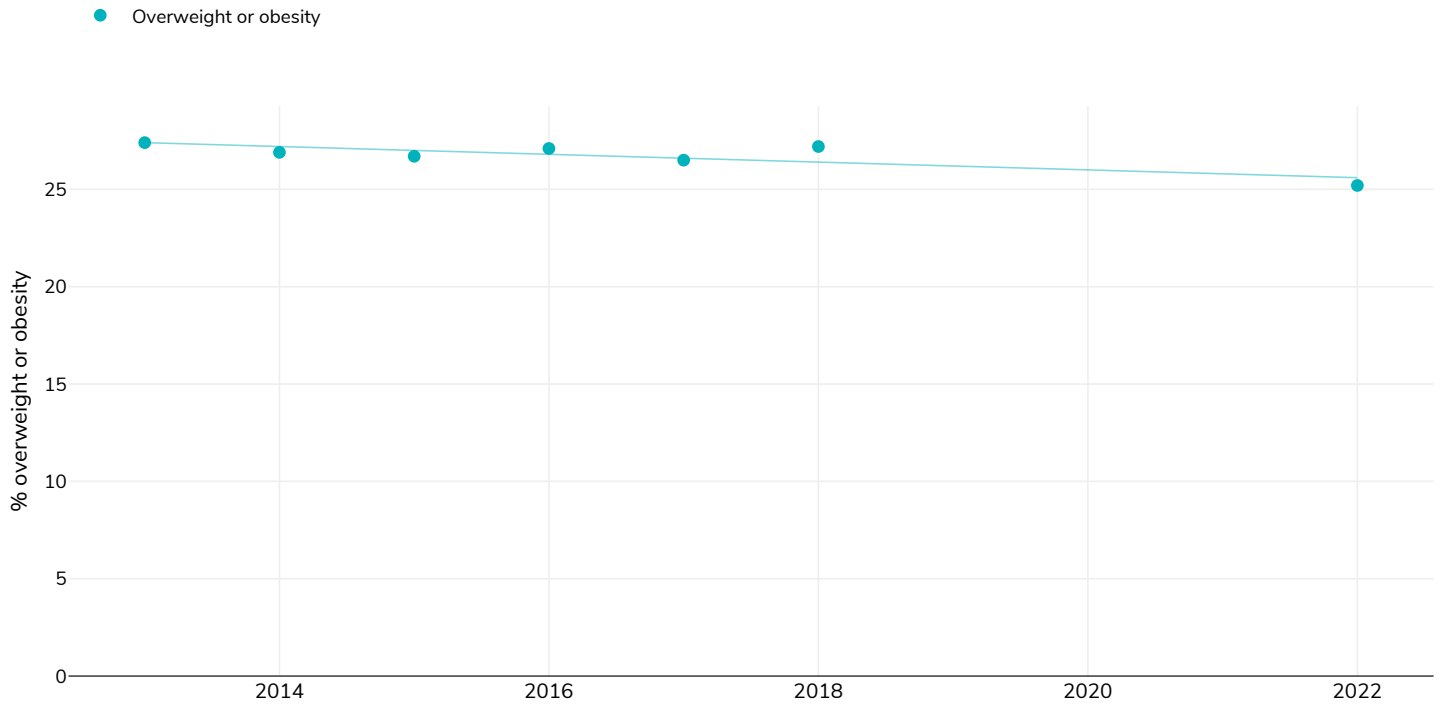
Children, 2022-2023



Survey type:	Measured
Age:	4-5
Sample size:	29916
Area covered:	National
References:	Child Measurement Programme 2022/23. Public Health Wales NHS Trust https://phw.nhs.wales/services-and-teams/child-measurement-programme/ (Accessed 22.05.24)
Cutoffs:	UK90

% Children living with overweight or obesity, 2013-2023

Boys



Survey type: Measured

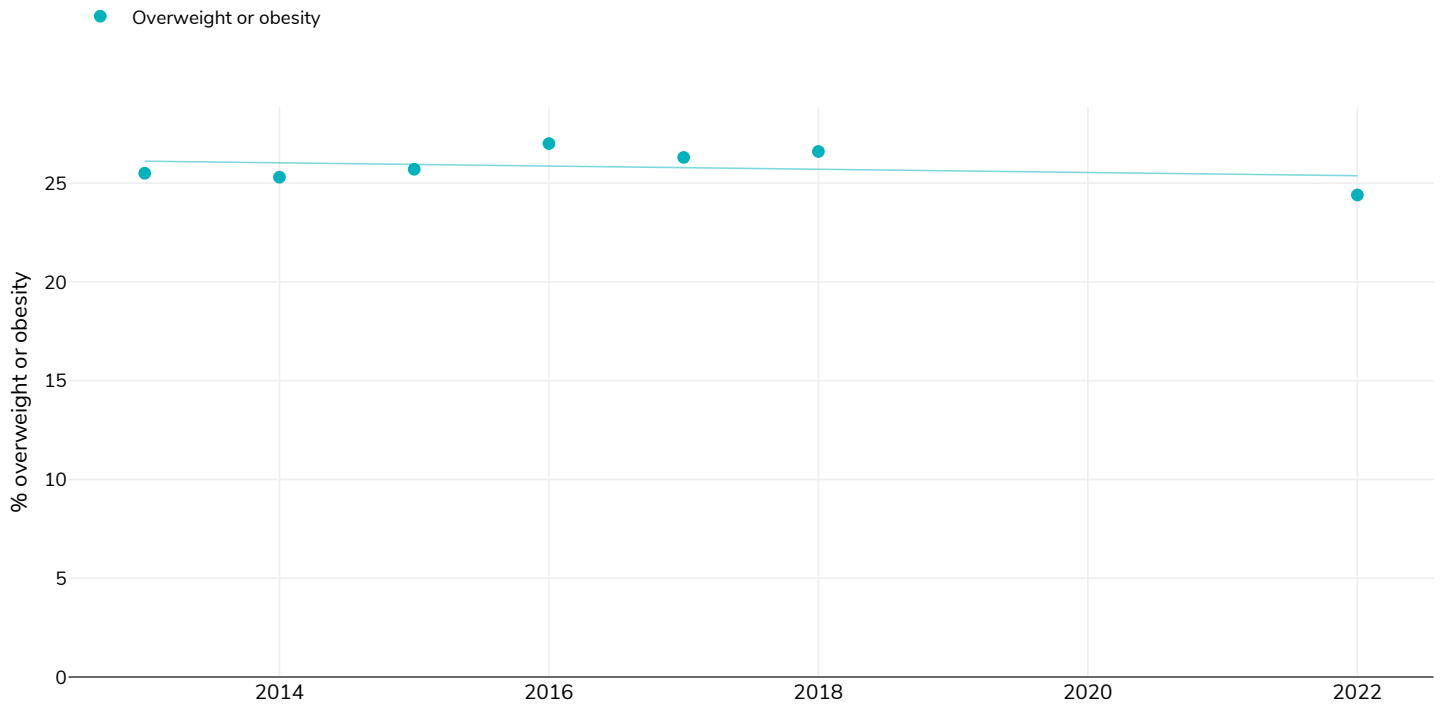
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Notes: Aged 4-5

Definitions: 85th & 95th centile not IOTF cut off

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Girls



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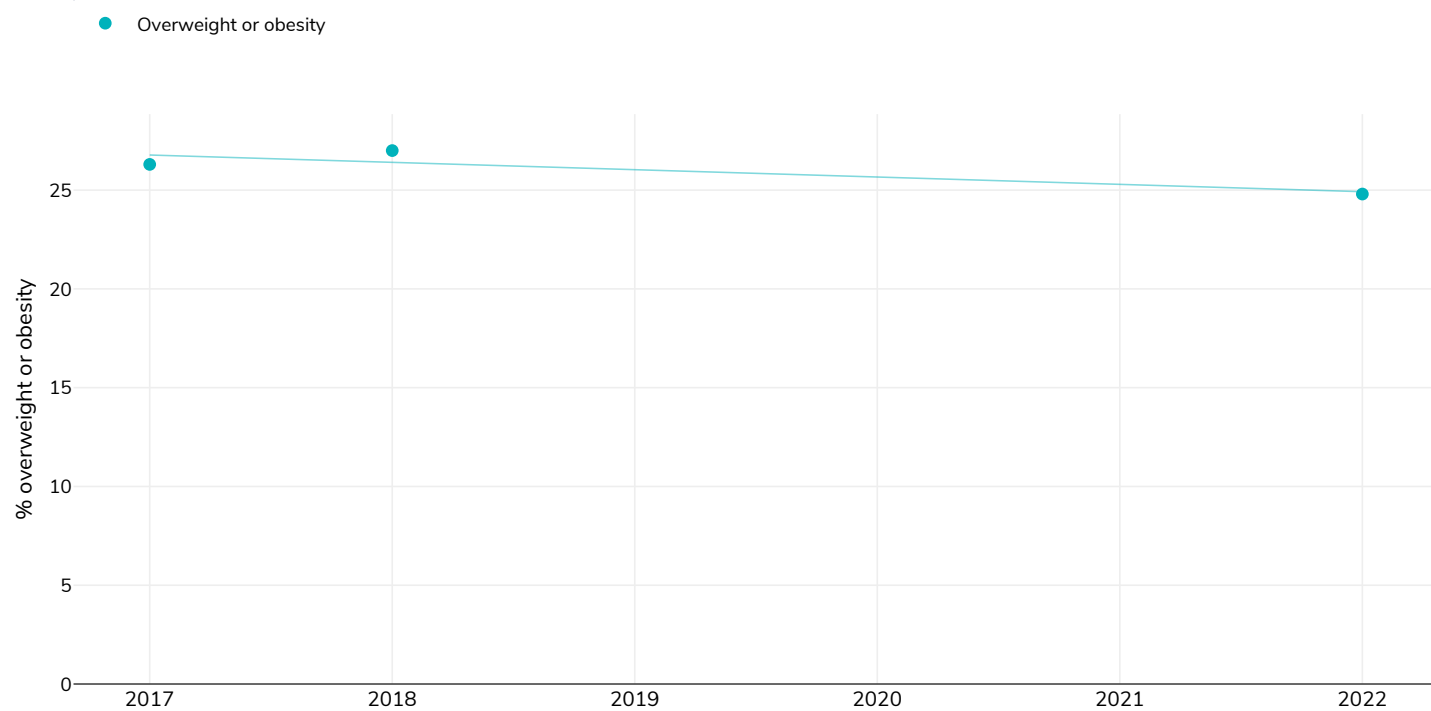
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Boys and girls



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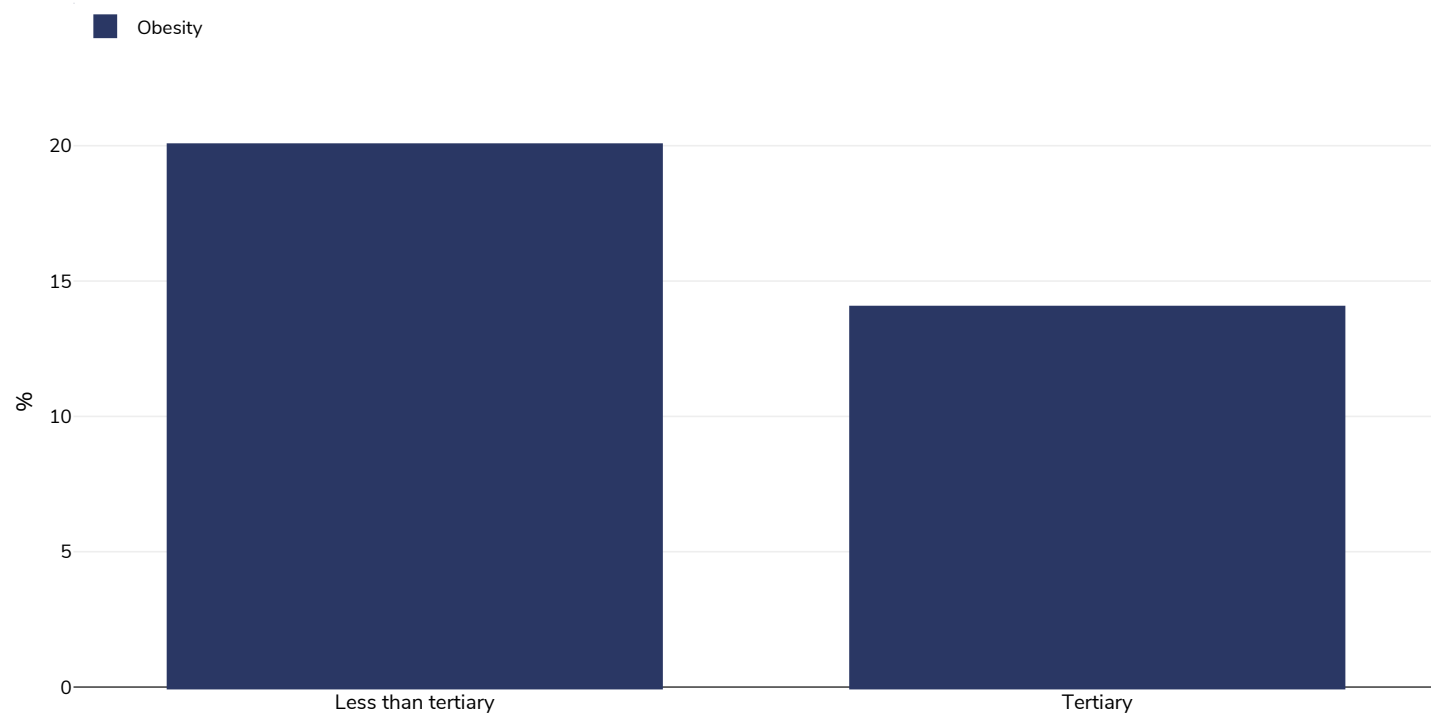
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Overweight/obesity by education

Men, 2005



Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 16+

Sample size: 291494

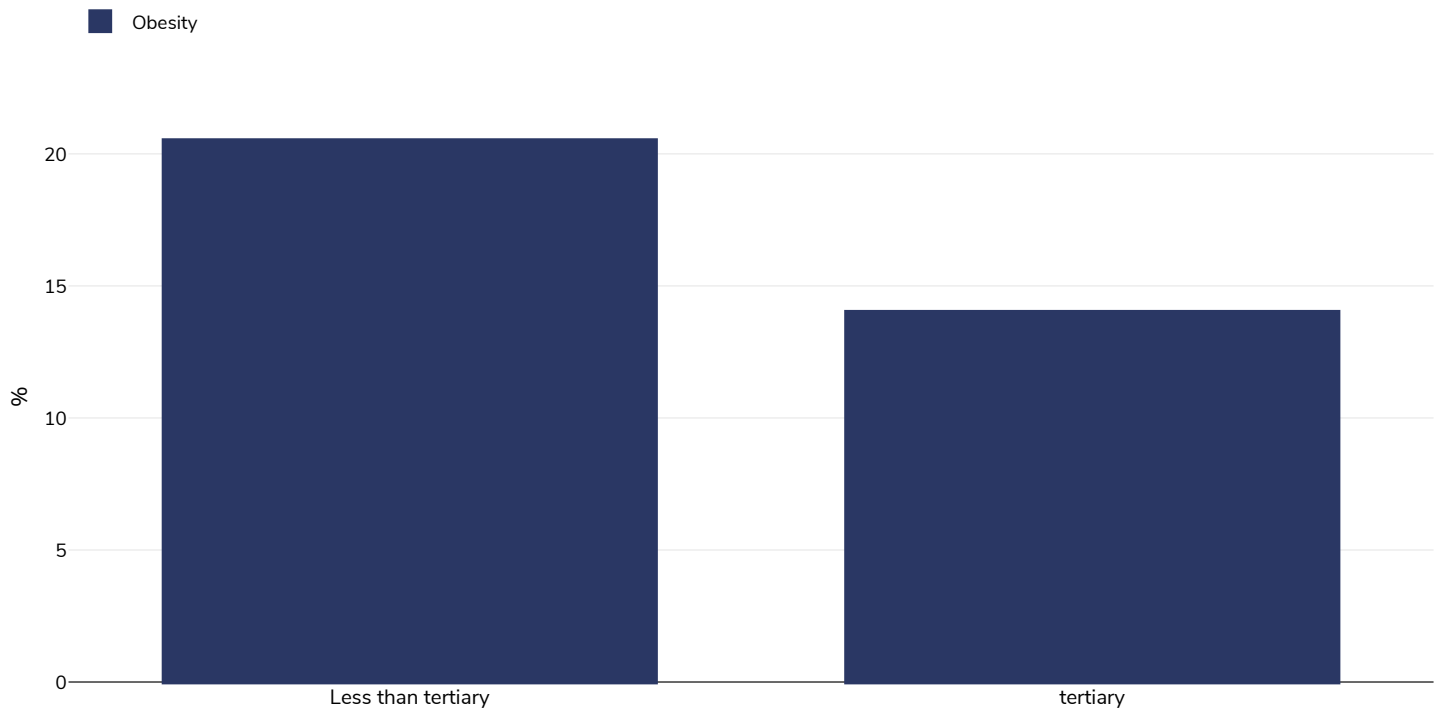
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References: Keaver et al (2020). Future trends in social inequalities in obesity in England, Wales and Scotland. Available at: <https://academic.oup.com/jpubhealth/article/42/1/e51/5374486>. Data extracted by author from Welsh Health Survey 2004–14. Last accessed 15/04/21.

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Women, 2005

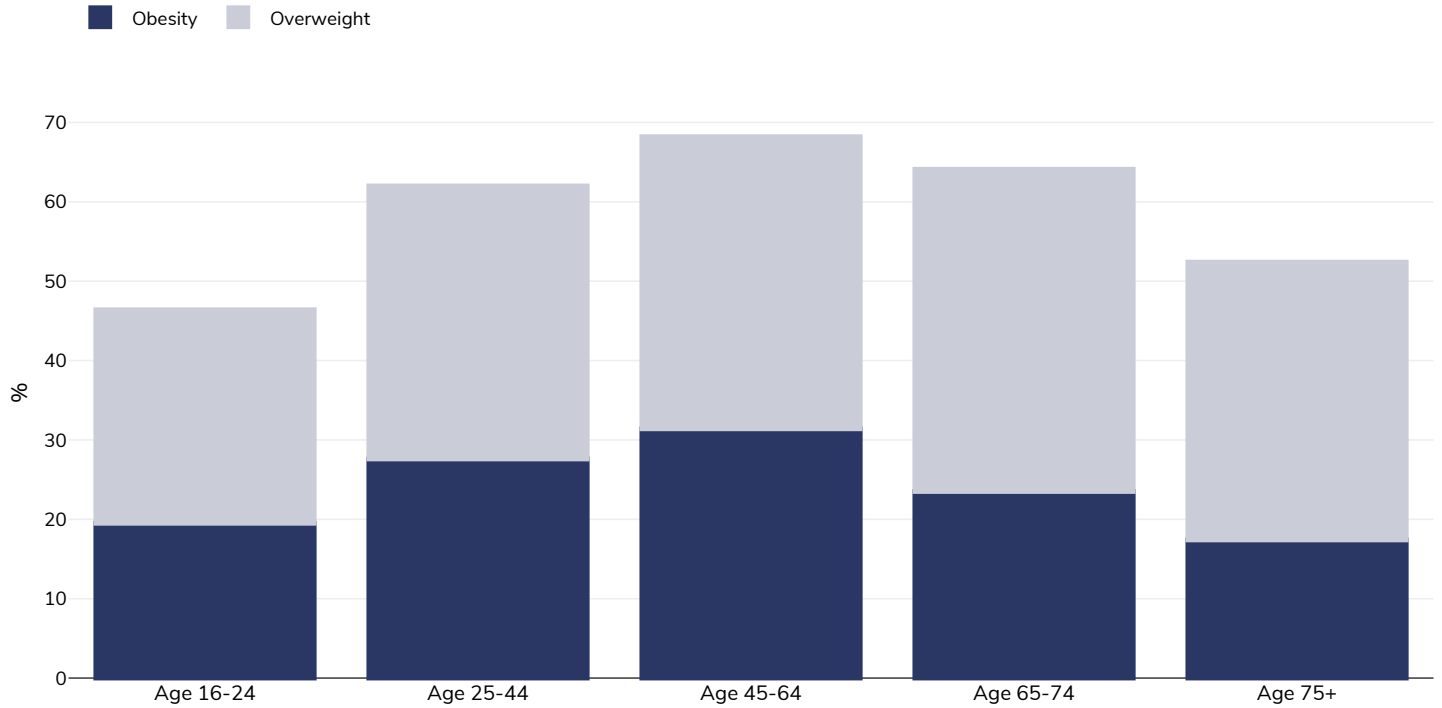


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Overweight/obesity by age

Adults, 2022-2023



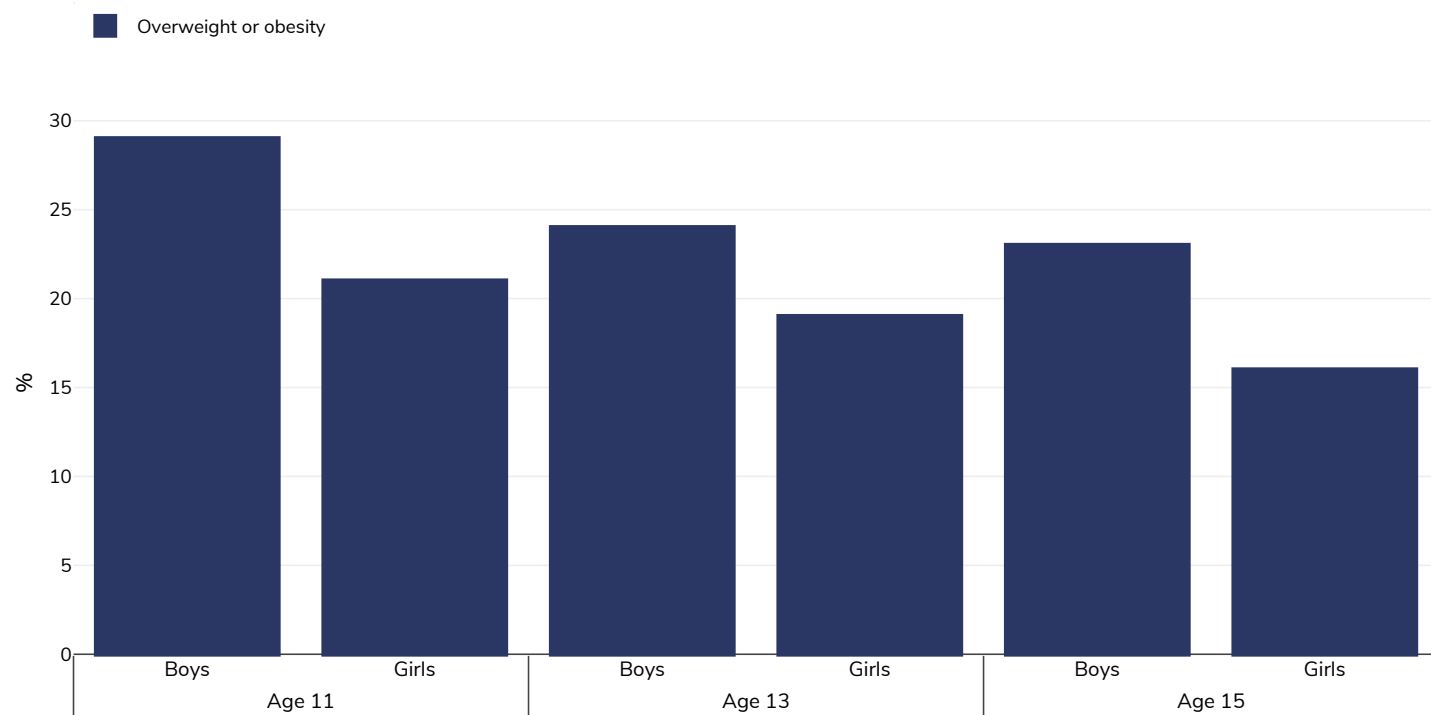
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Children, 2017-2018



Survey type: Self-reported

Sample size: 15,763

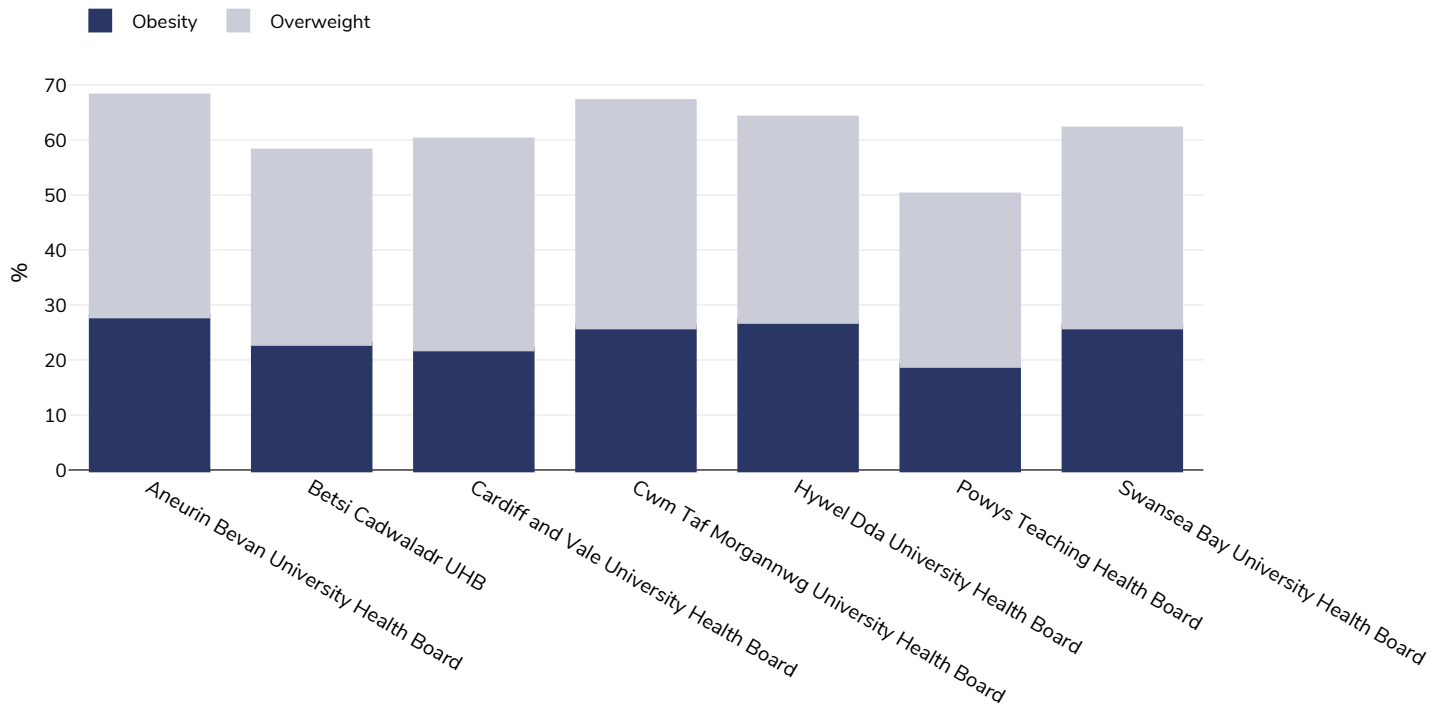
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References: World Health Organization (2020). Spotlight on adolescent health and well-being - Findings from the 2017/2018 Health Behaviour in School-aged Children (HBSC) survey in Europe and Canada. Available at: <https://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/handle/10665/332091/9789289055000-eng.pdf>. Last accessed: 20.05.21.

Cutoffs: WHO

Overweight/obesity by region

Adults, 2021-2022



Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 16+

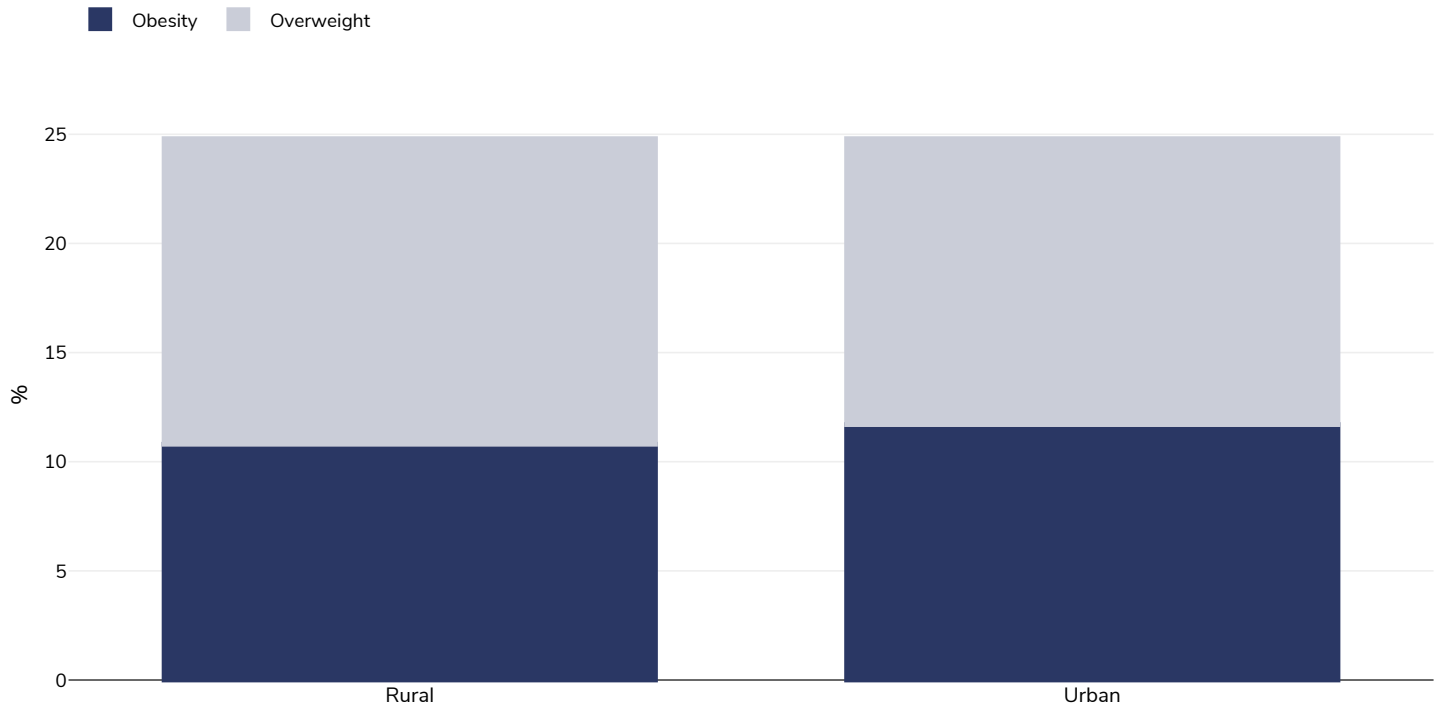
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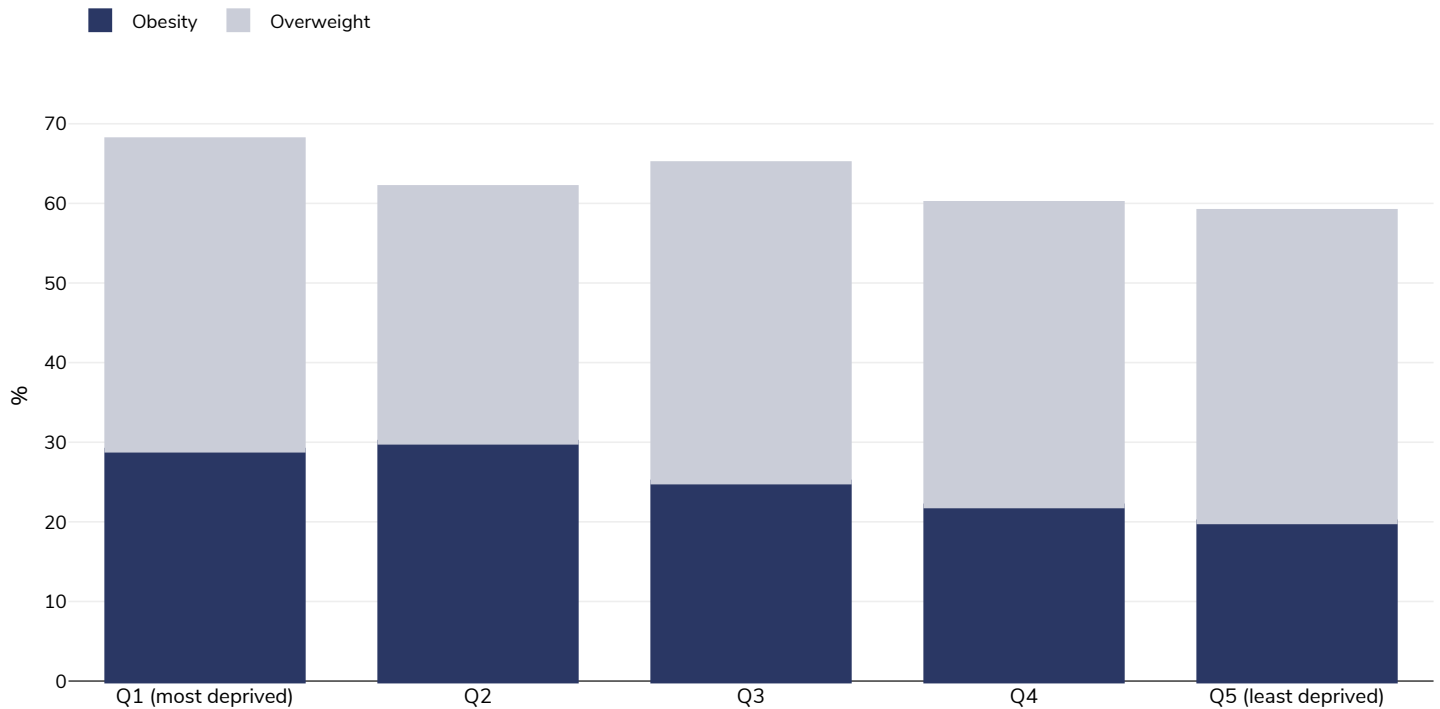
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Overweight/obesity by socio-economic group

Adults, 2021-2022



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Age: 16+

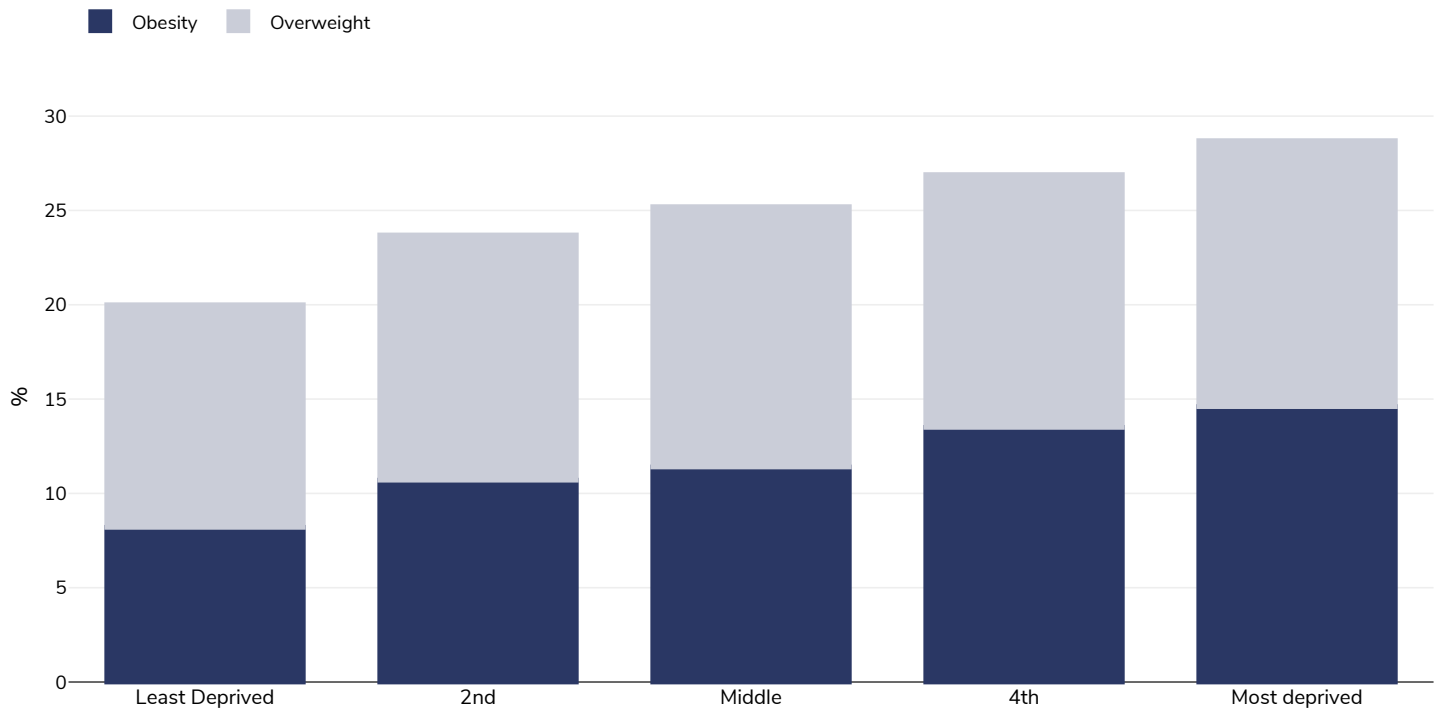
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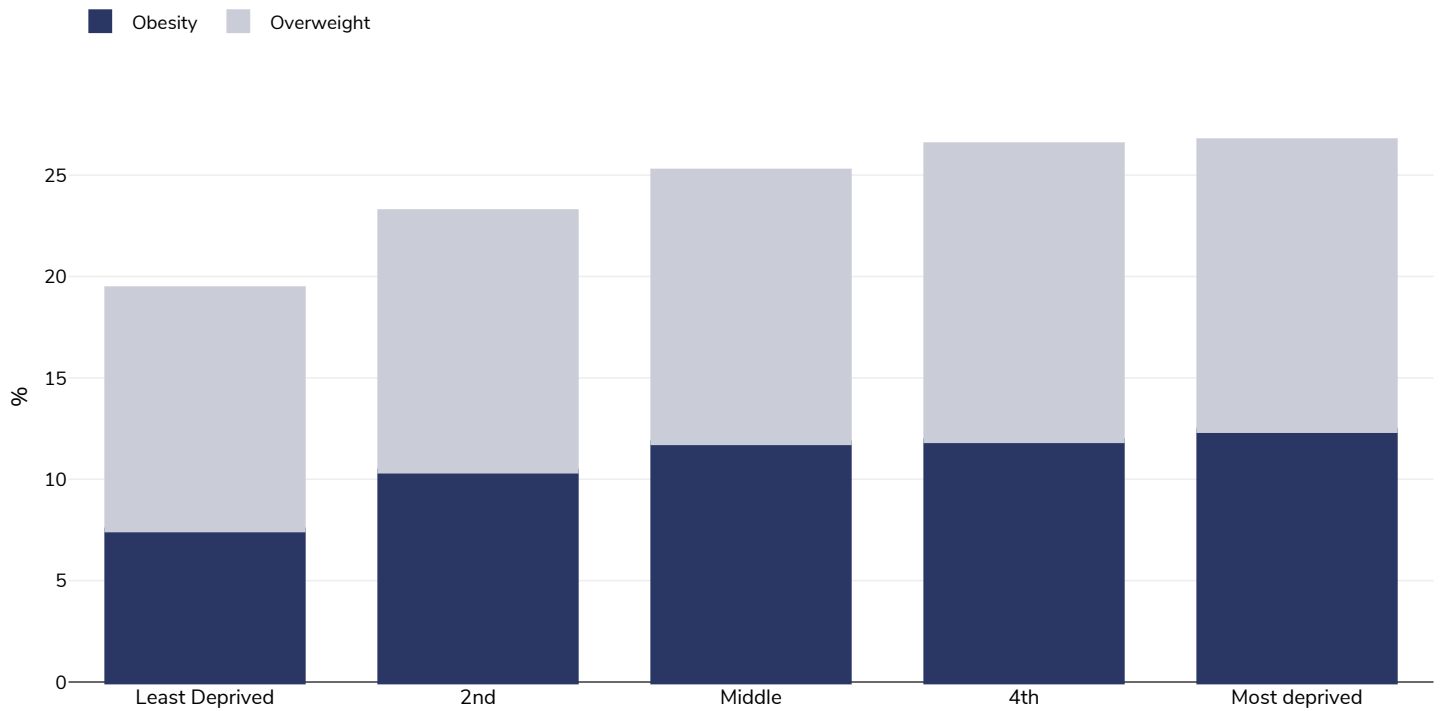
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Boys, 2022-2023



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Girls, 2022-2023

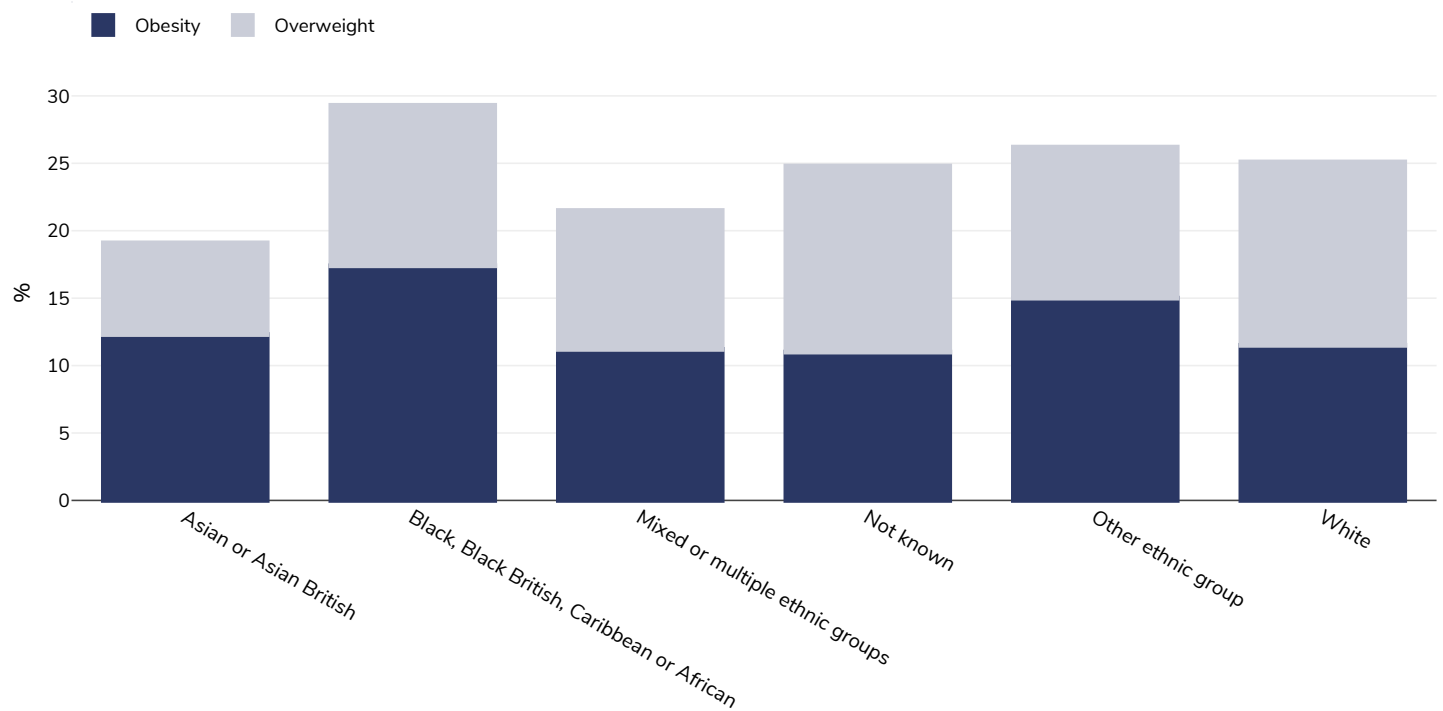


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Overweight/obesity by ethnicity

Ethnic groups are as defined by publication of origin and are not as defined by WOF. In some instances ethnicity is conflated with nationality and/or race.

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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?	
Back-of-pack nutrition declaration?	
Color coding?	
Warning label?	



Regulation and marketing

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



Political will and support

National obesity strategy or nutrition and physical activity national strategy?	✓
National obesity strategy?	✓
National childhood obesity strategy?	✓
Comprehensive nutrition strategy?	✓
Comprehensive physical activity strategy?	✓
Evidence-based dietary guidelines and/or RDAs?	✓
National target(s) on reducing obesity?	✗
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?	✓
Within 5 years?	✓



Governance and resource

Multi-sectoral national co-ordination mechanism for obesity or nutrition (including obesity)?	✗
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Key

Present
 Present (voluntary)
 Incoming
 Absent
 Unknown

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