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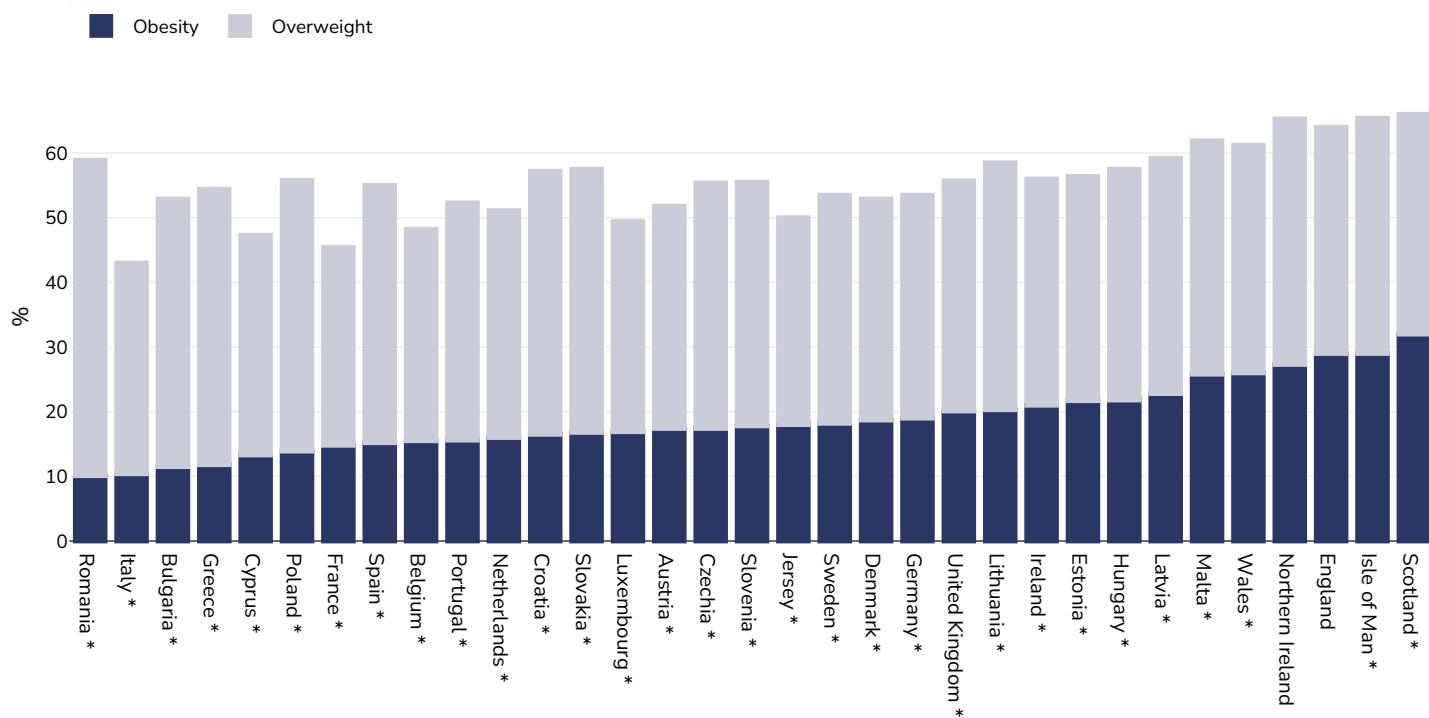
This report card contains the latest data available on the Global Obesity Observatory on overweight and obesity for adults. Where available, data on common and relevant obesity drivers and comorbidities are also presented.

View the latest version of this report on the Global Obesity Observatory at <https://data.worldobesity.org/region/european-union-uk-1/>.

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Obesity prevalence

Adults



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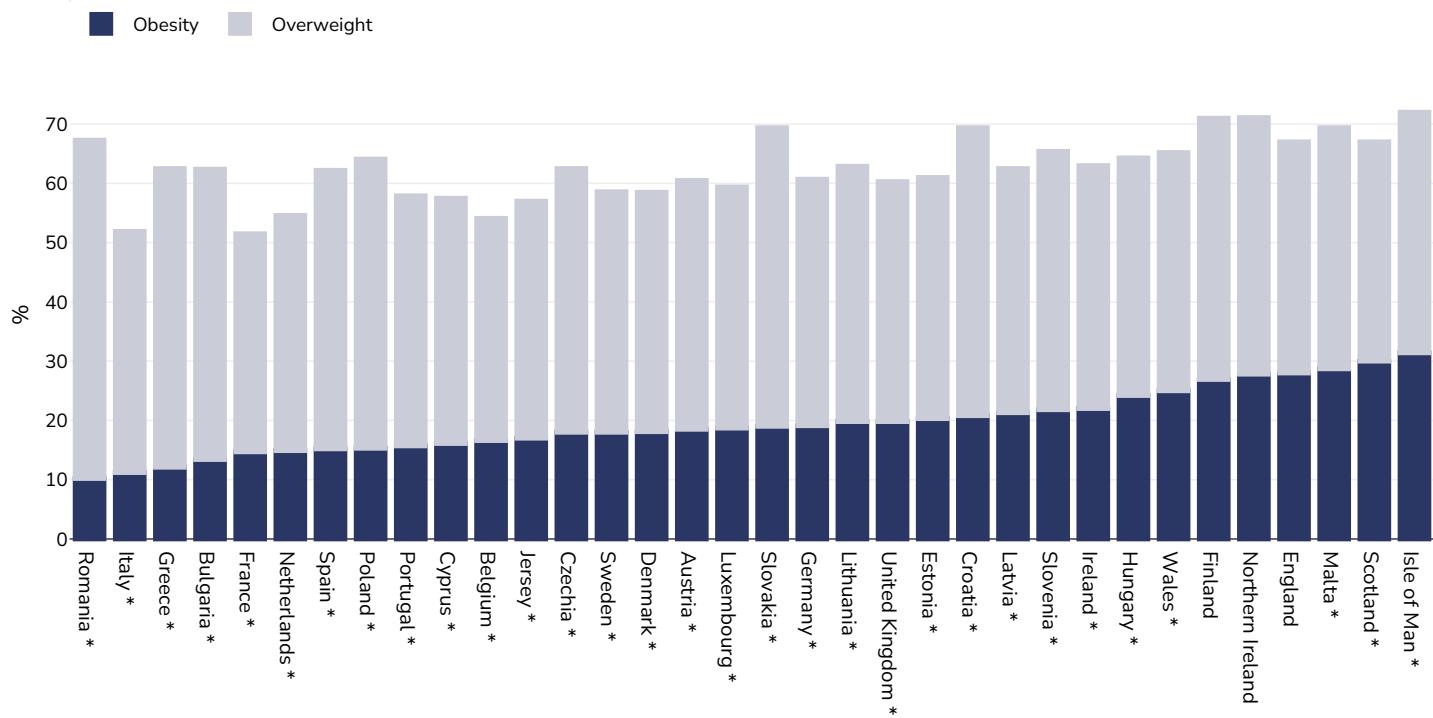
Countries marked with a * are using self-reported data.

Notes:

Different methodologies have been used to collect this data and so it is not strictly comparable.

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Men



Survey type:

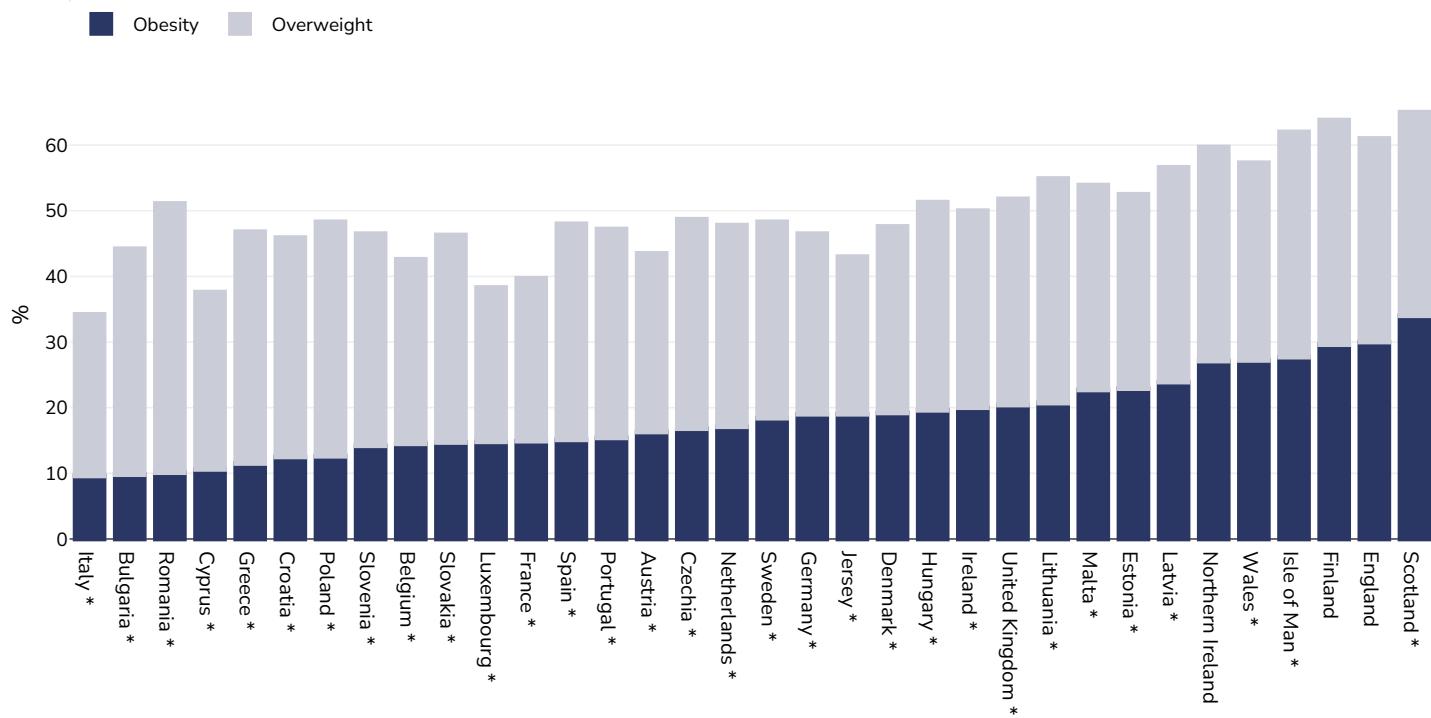
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Women



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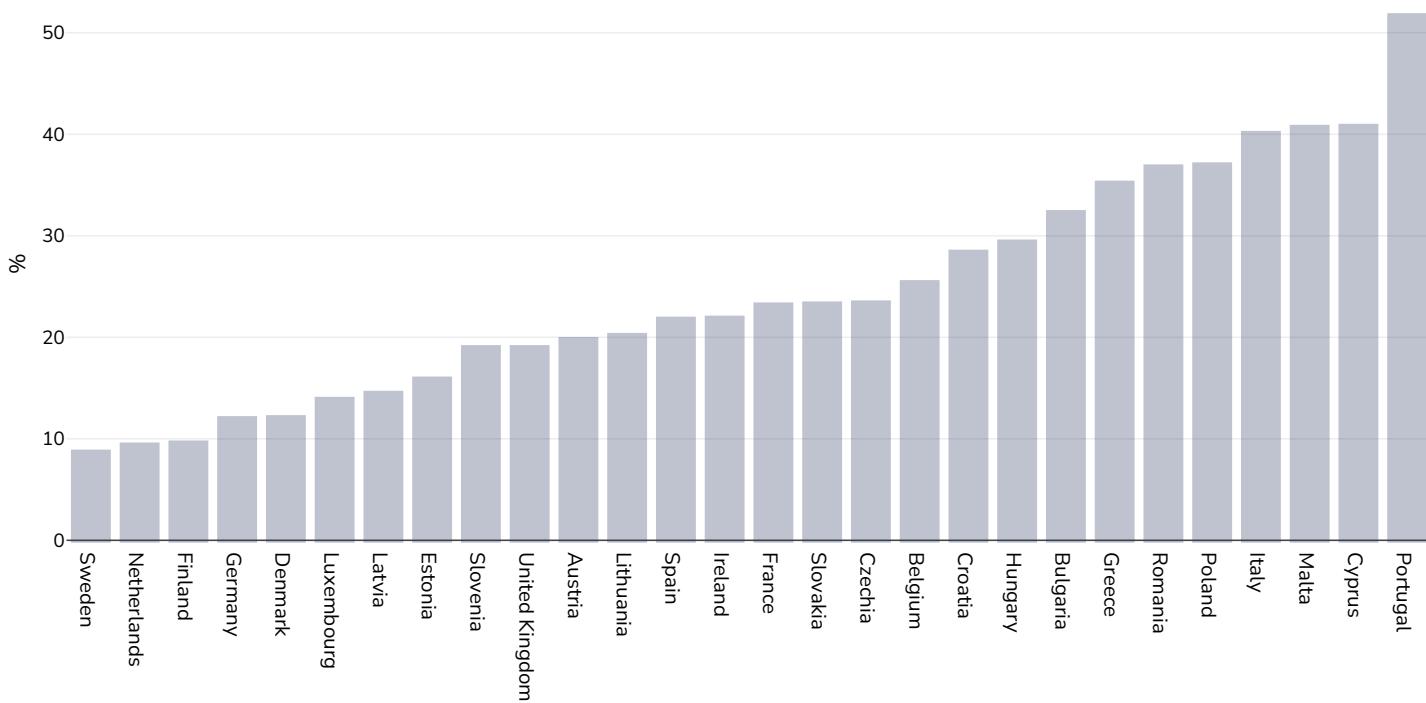
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Insufficient activity

Adults, 2022



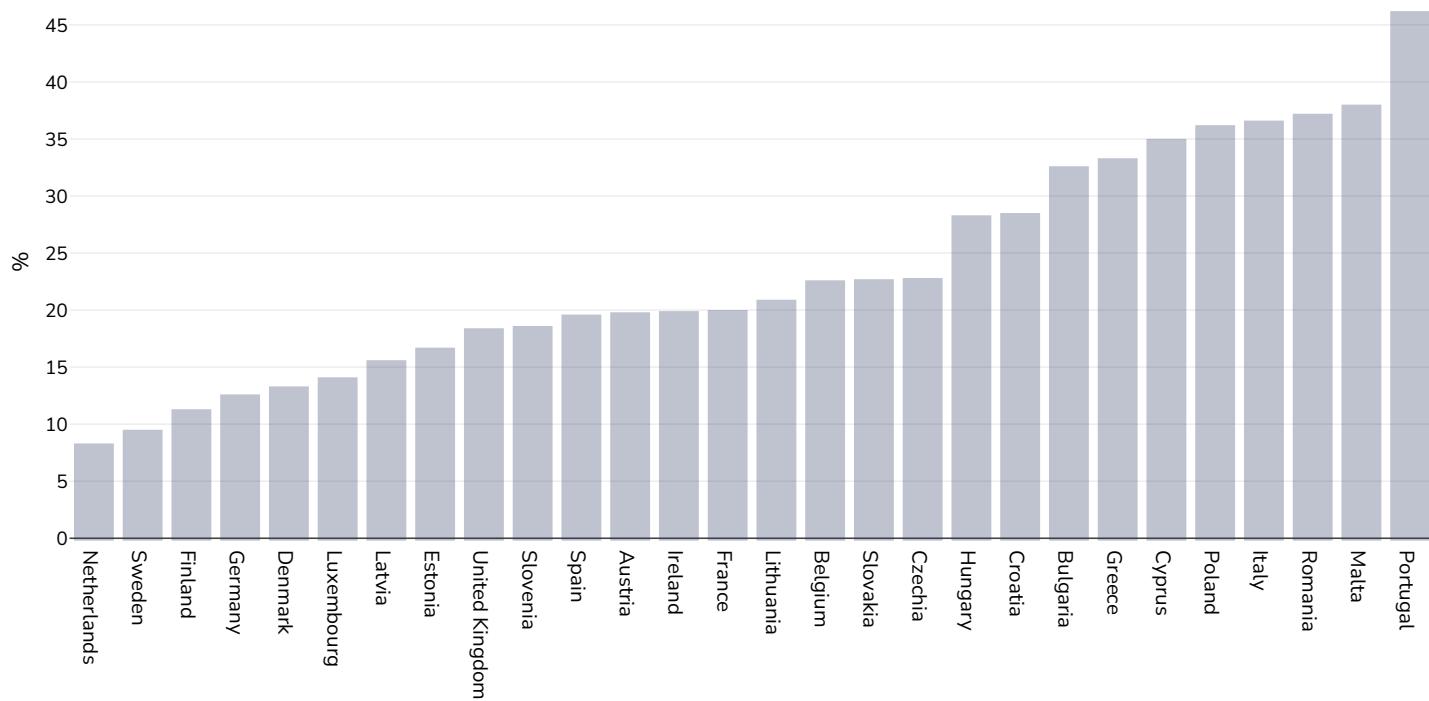
Survey type: Self-reported

Age: 18+

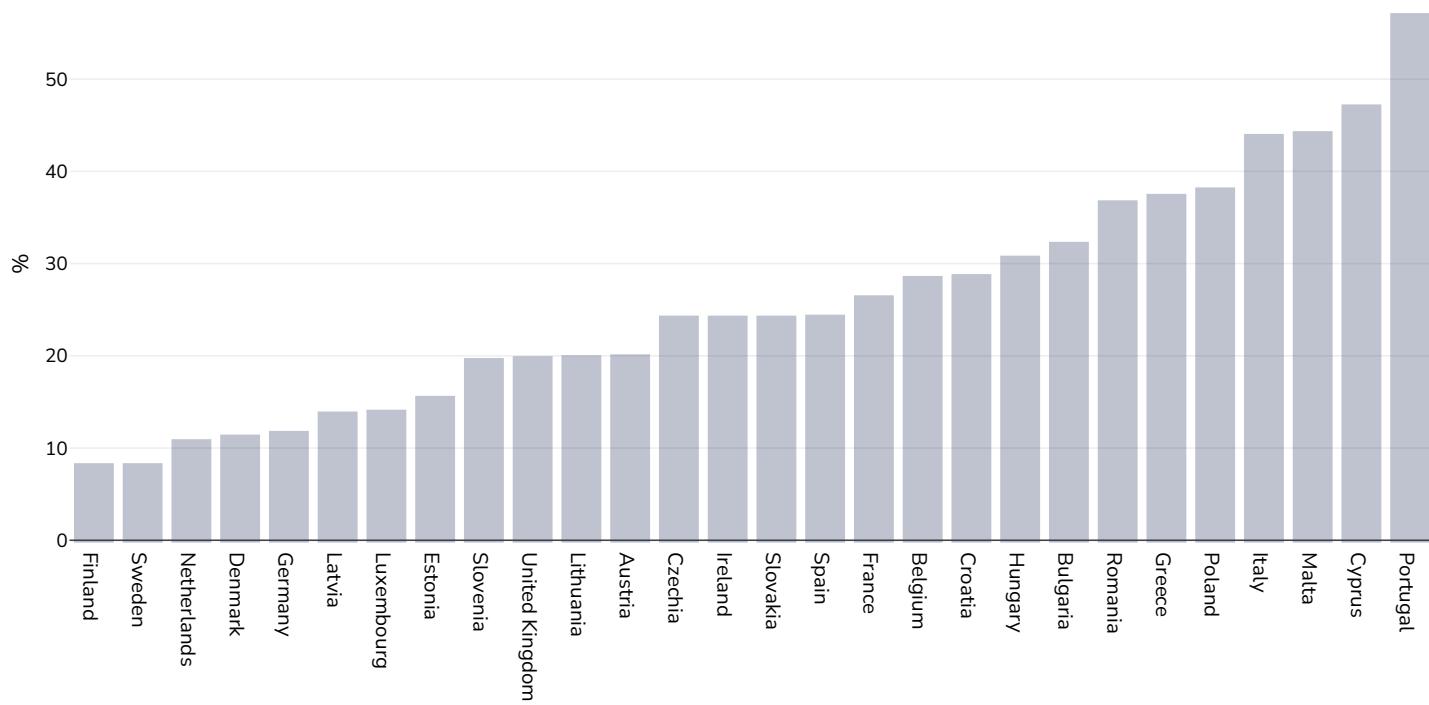
Area covered: National

References: WHO (2024). Prevalence of insufficient physical activity among adults aged 18-years age-standardized estimate in 2022. Available at [https://www.who.int/data/gho/data/indicators/indicator-details/GHO/prevalence-of-insufficient-physical-activity-among-adults-aged-18-years-\(age-standardized-estimate\)-\(-\)](https://www.who.int/data/gho/data/indicators/indicator-details/GHO/prevalence-of-insufficient-physical-activity-among-adults-aged-18-years-(age-standardized-estimate)-(-))

Definitions: Percent of population attaining less than 150 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity per week, or less than 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity physical activity per week, or equivalent.

Men, 2022


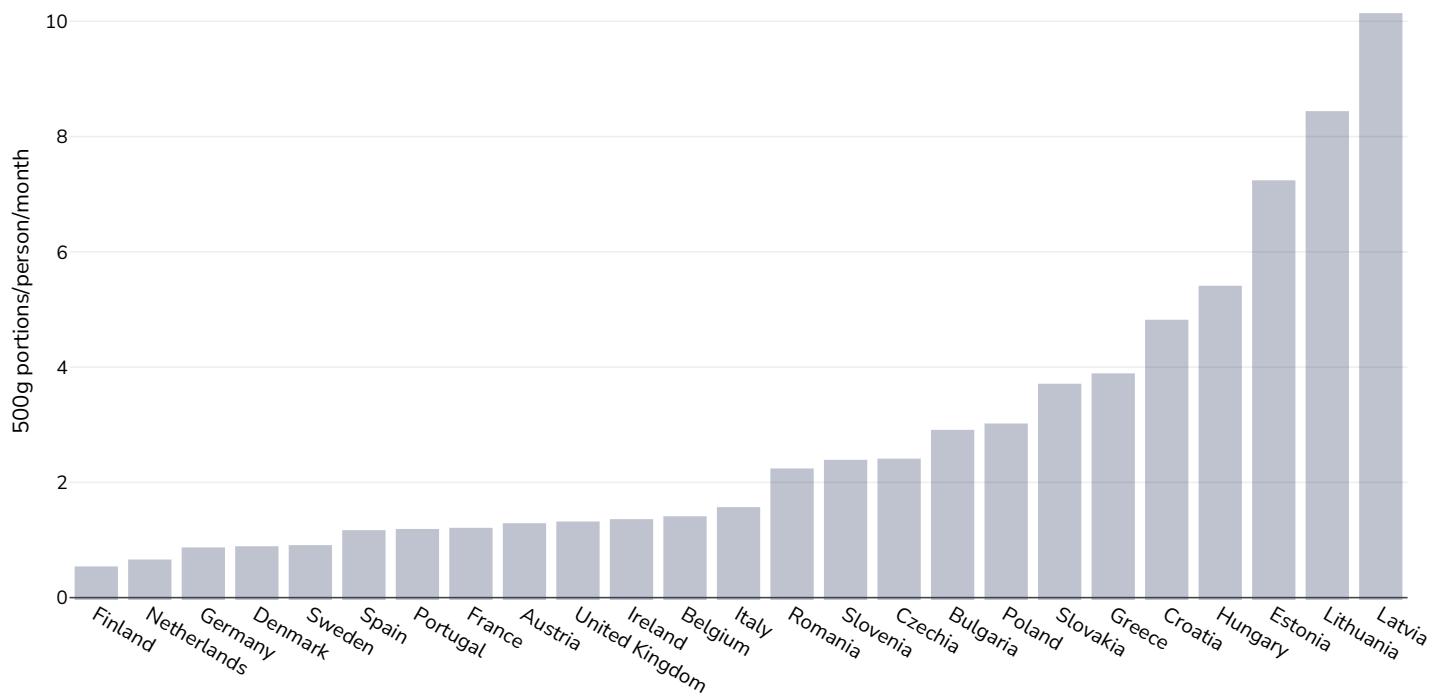
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Area covered:	National
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Definitions:	Percent of population attaining less than 150 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity per week, or less than 75 minutes of vigorous-intensity physical activity per week, or equivalent.

Women, 2022


Survey type:	Self-reported
Age:	18+
Area covered:	National
References:	WHO (2024). Prevalence of insufficient physical activity among adults aged 18-years age-standardized estimate in 2022. Available at https://www.who.int/data/gho/data/indicators/indicator-details/GHO/prevalence-of-insufficient-physical-activity-among-adults-aged-18-years-(age-standardized-estimate)-(-)
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Sugar consumption

Adults, 2016



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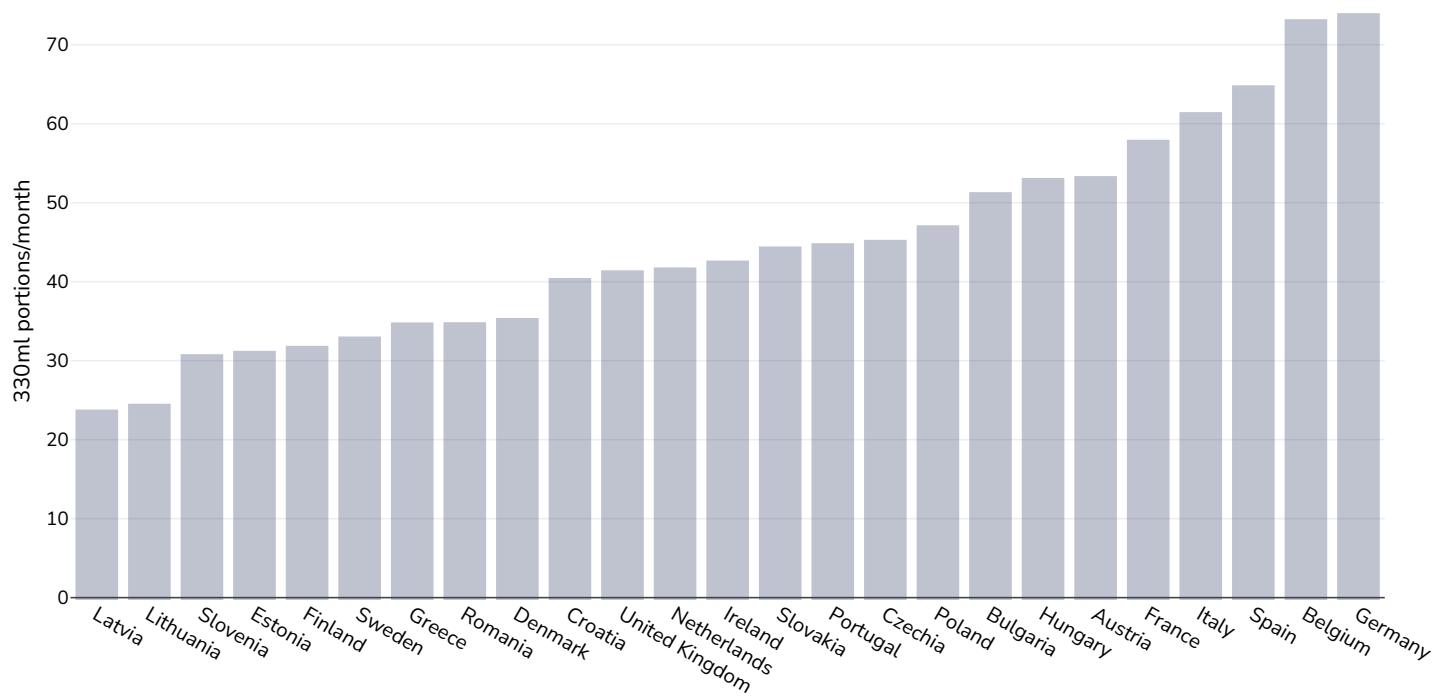
Source: Euromonitor International

Definitions:

Sugar consumption (Number of 500g sugar portions/person/month)

Estimated per-capita sugar sweetened beverages intake

Adults, 2016

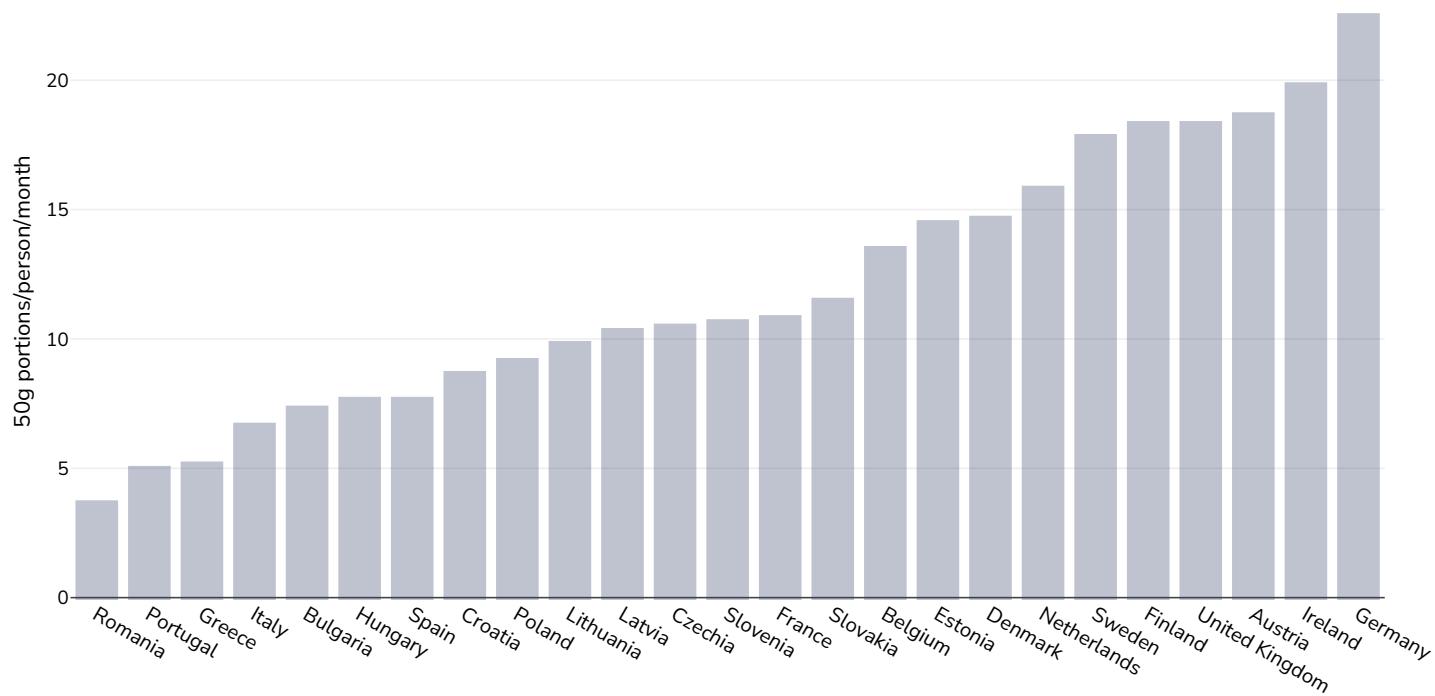


References:

Source: Euromonitor International

Confectionery consumption

Adults, 2016



References:

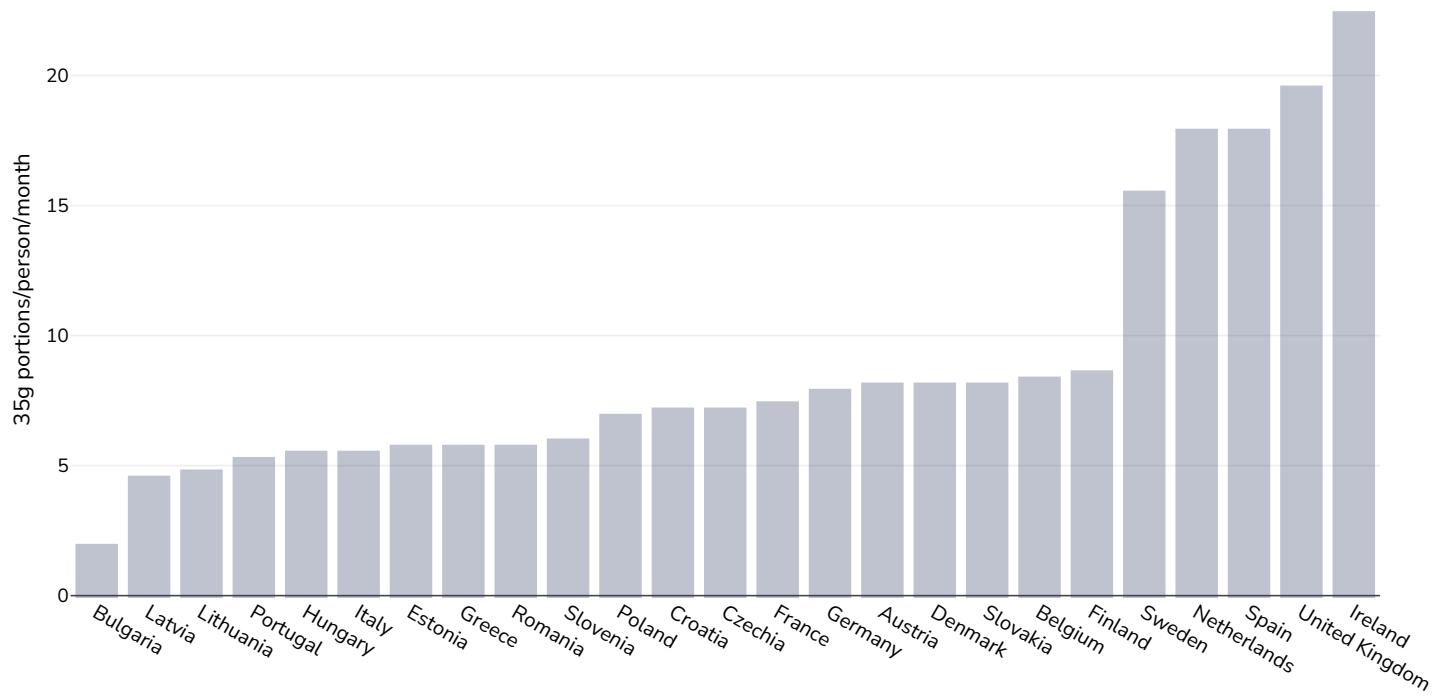
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Definitions:

Prevalence of confectionery consumption (Number of 50g confectionery portions/person/month)

Sweet/savoury snack consumption

Adults, 2016



References:

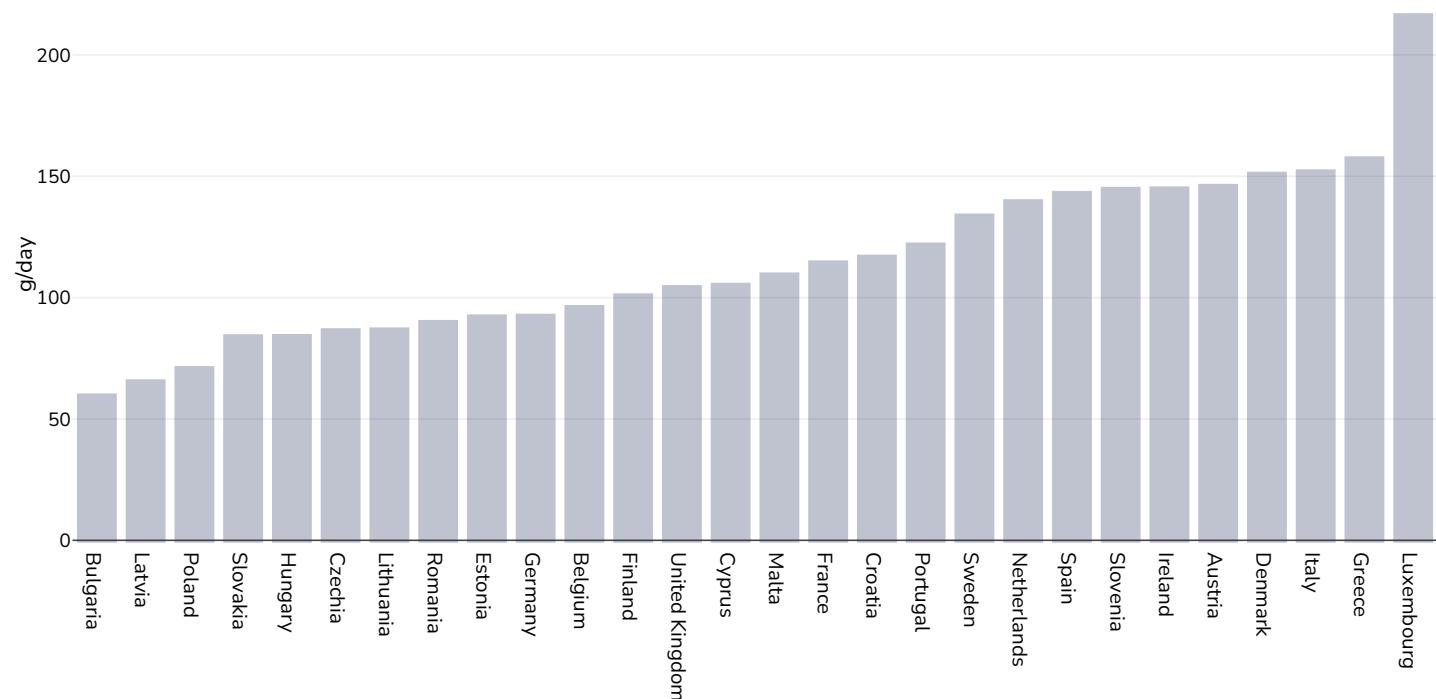
Source: Euromonitor International

Definitions:

Prevalence of sweet/savoury snack consumption (Number of 35g sweet/savoury snack portions/person/month)

Estimated per-capita fruit intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

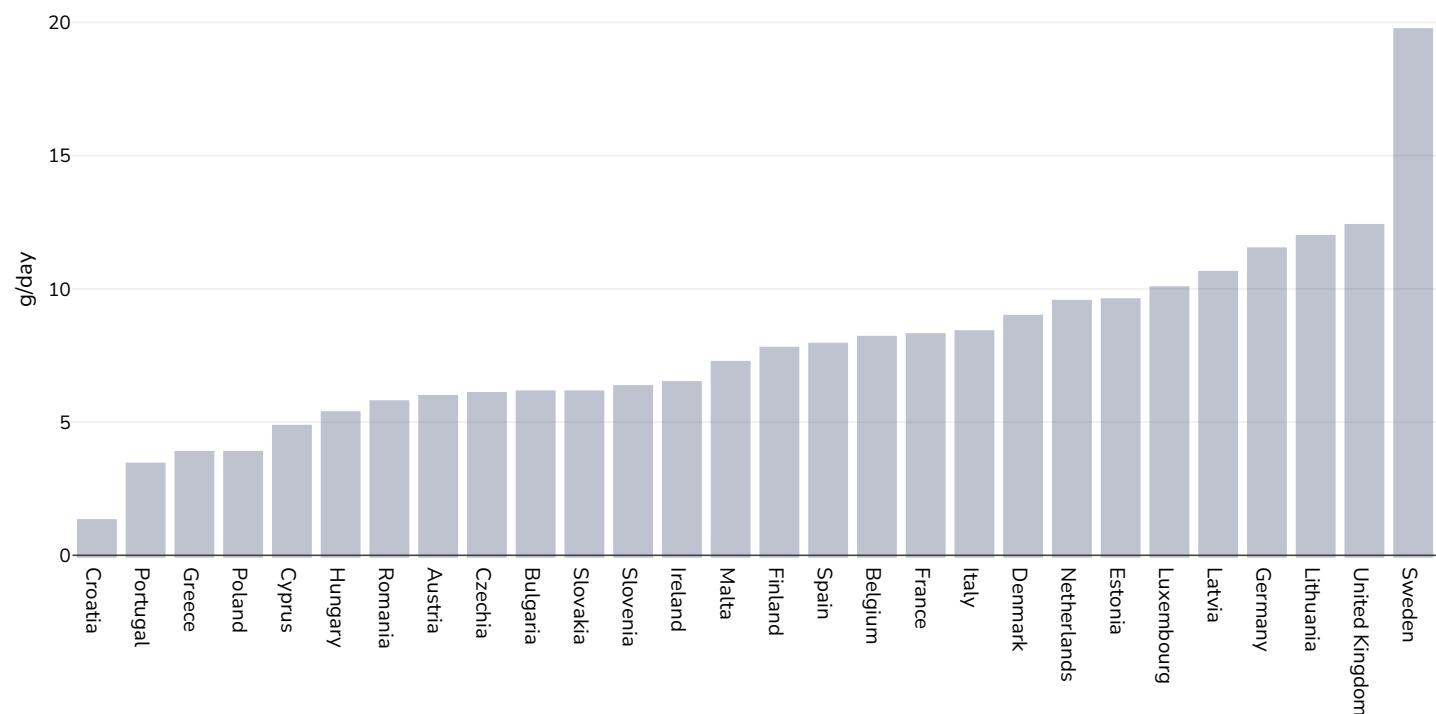
Global Burden of Disease, the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation <http://ghdx.healthdata.org/>

Definitions:

Estimated per-capita fruit intake (g/day)

Estimated per-capita processed meat intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

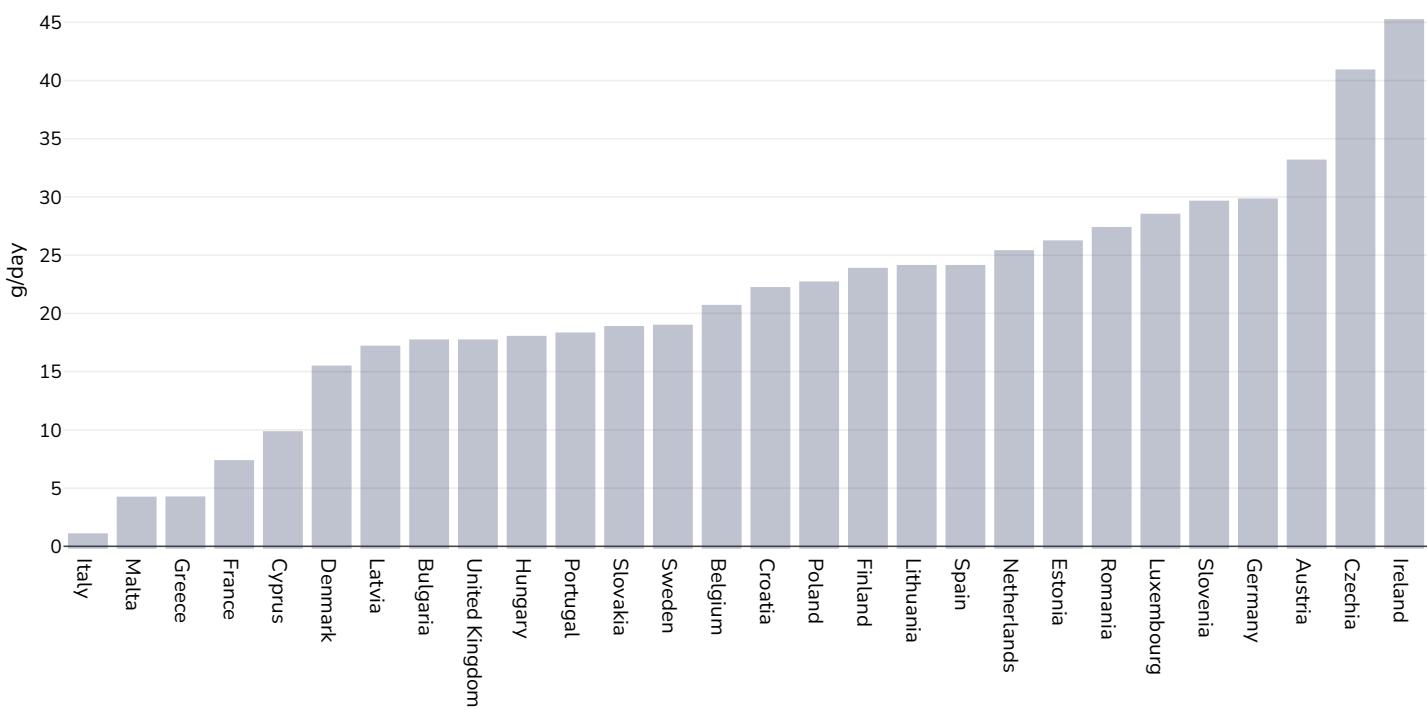
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Definitions:

Estimated per-capita processed meat intake (g per day)

Estimated per-capita whole grains intake

Adults, 2017



Survey type:

Measured

Age:

25+

References:

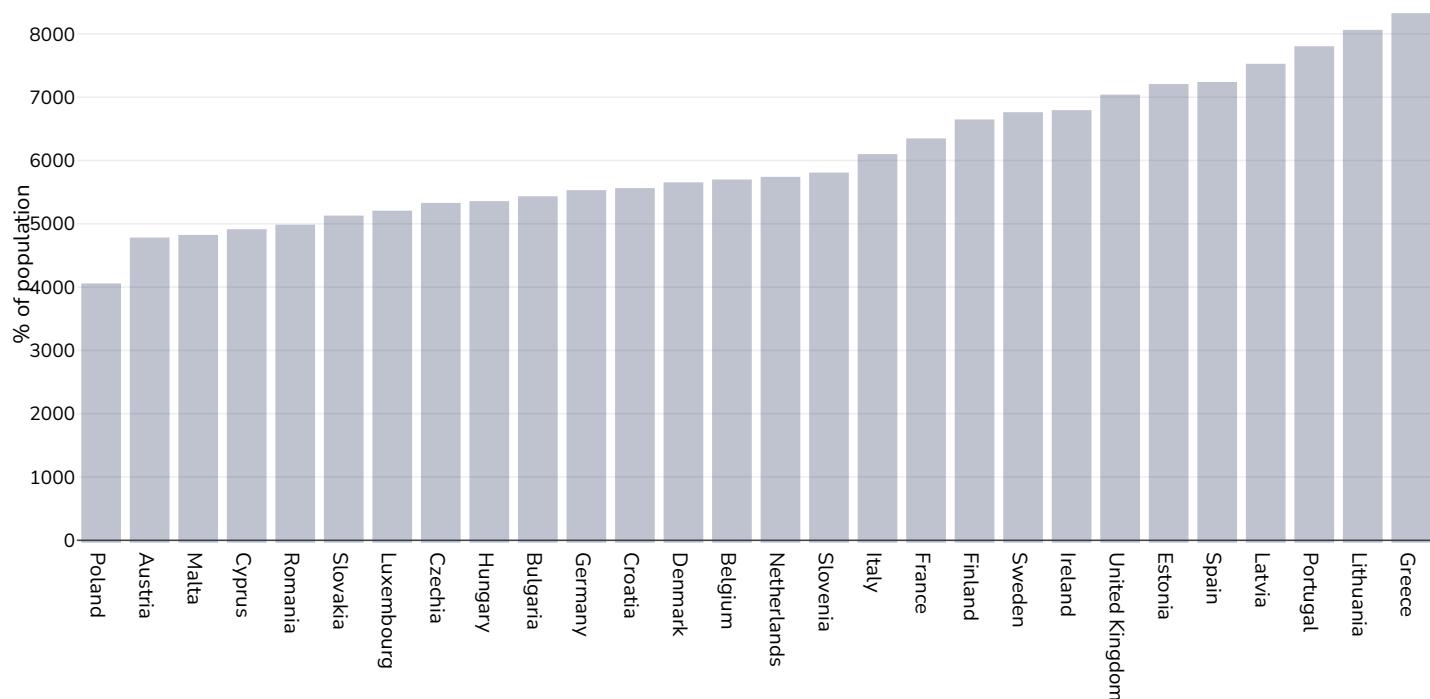
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Definitions:

Estimated per-capita whole grains intake (g/day)

Mental health - depression disorders

Adults, 2021



Age:

20+

Area covered:

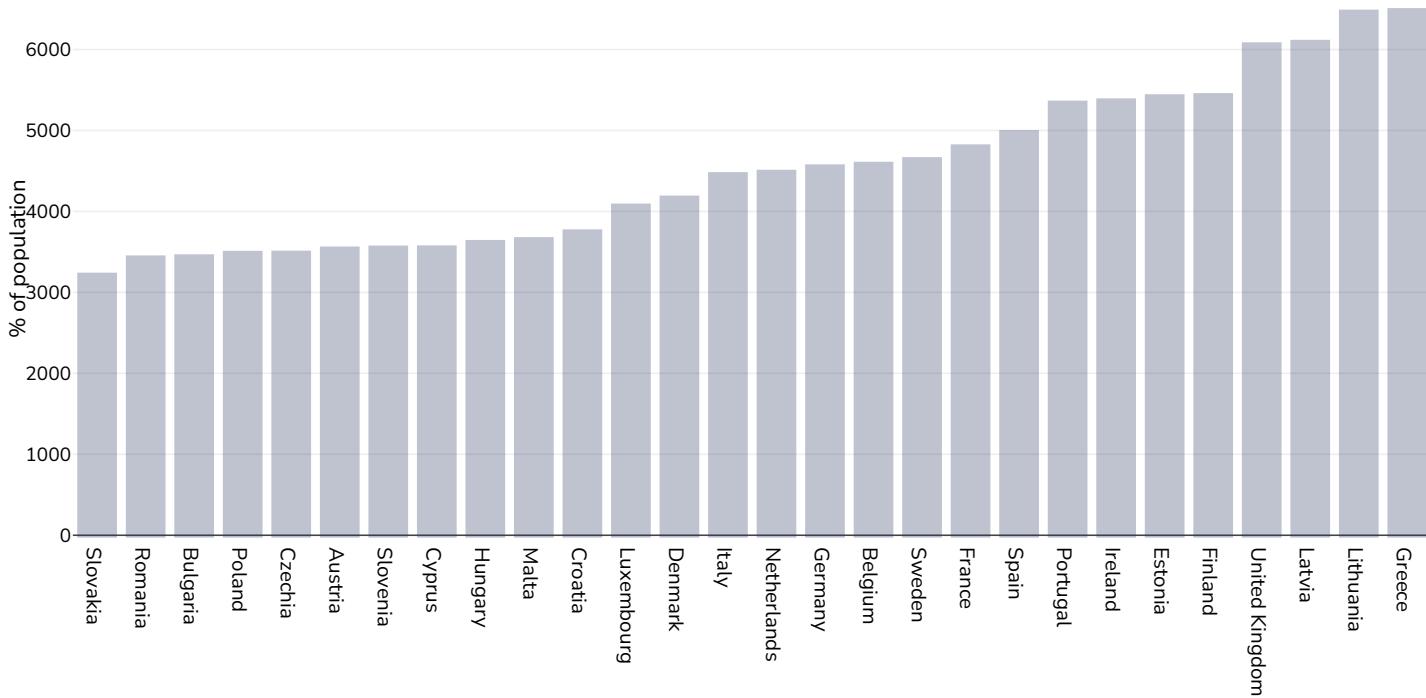
National

References:

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Definitions:

Number living with depression per 100,000 population (adults 20+ years)

Men, 2021


Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

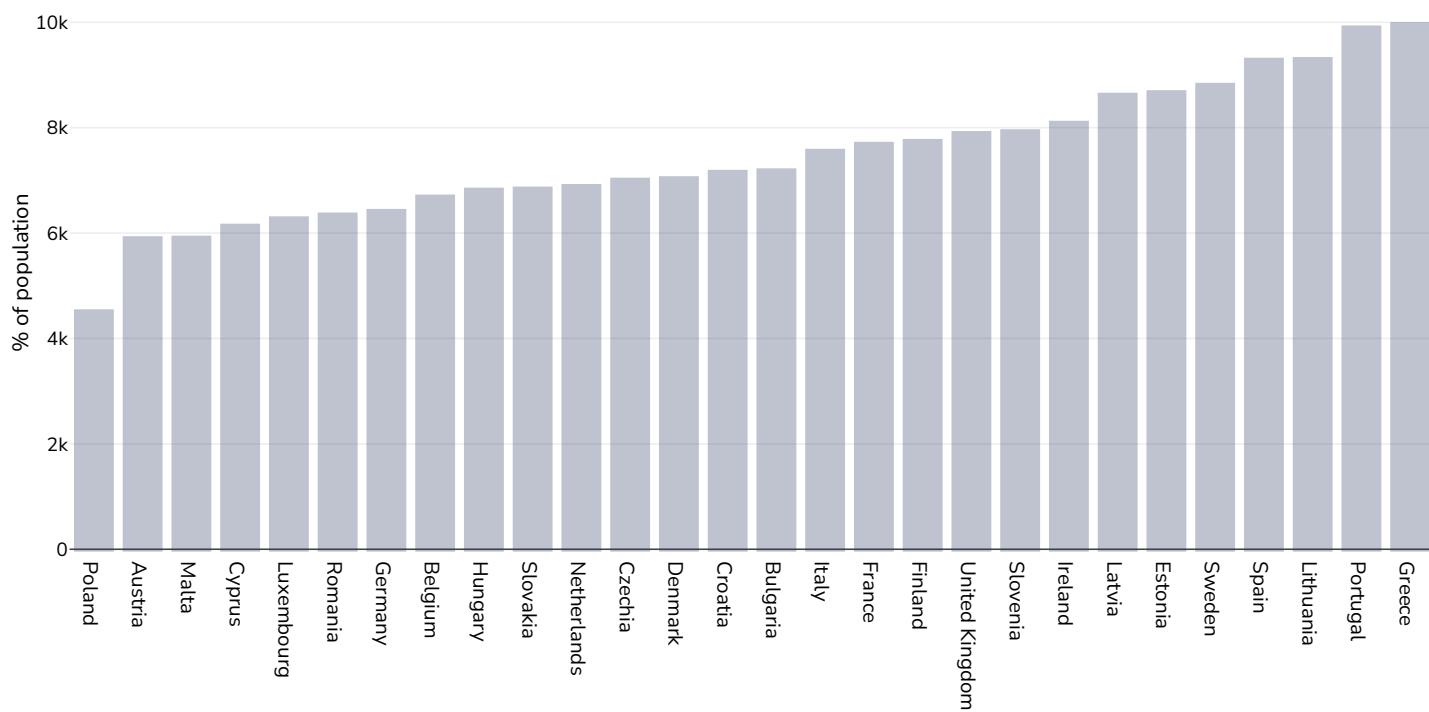
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Definitions:

Number living with depression per 100,000 population (adults 20+ years)

Women, 2021



Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

References:

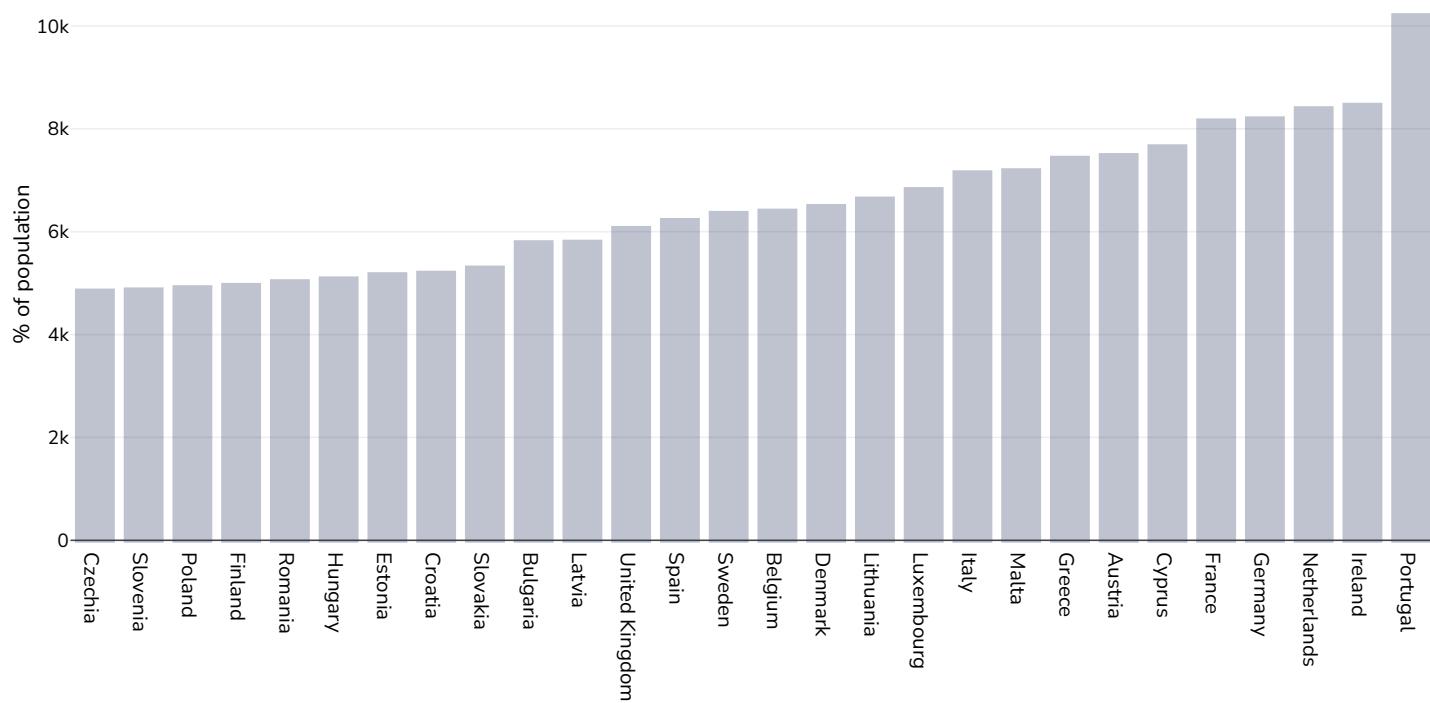
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Definitions:

Number living with depression per 100,000 population (adults 20+ years)

Mental health - anxiety disorders

Adults, 2021



Age:

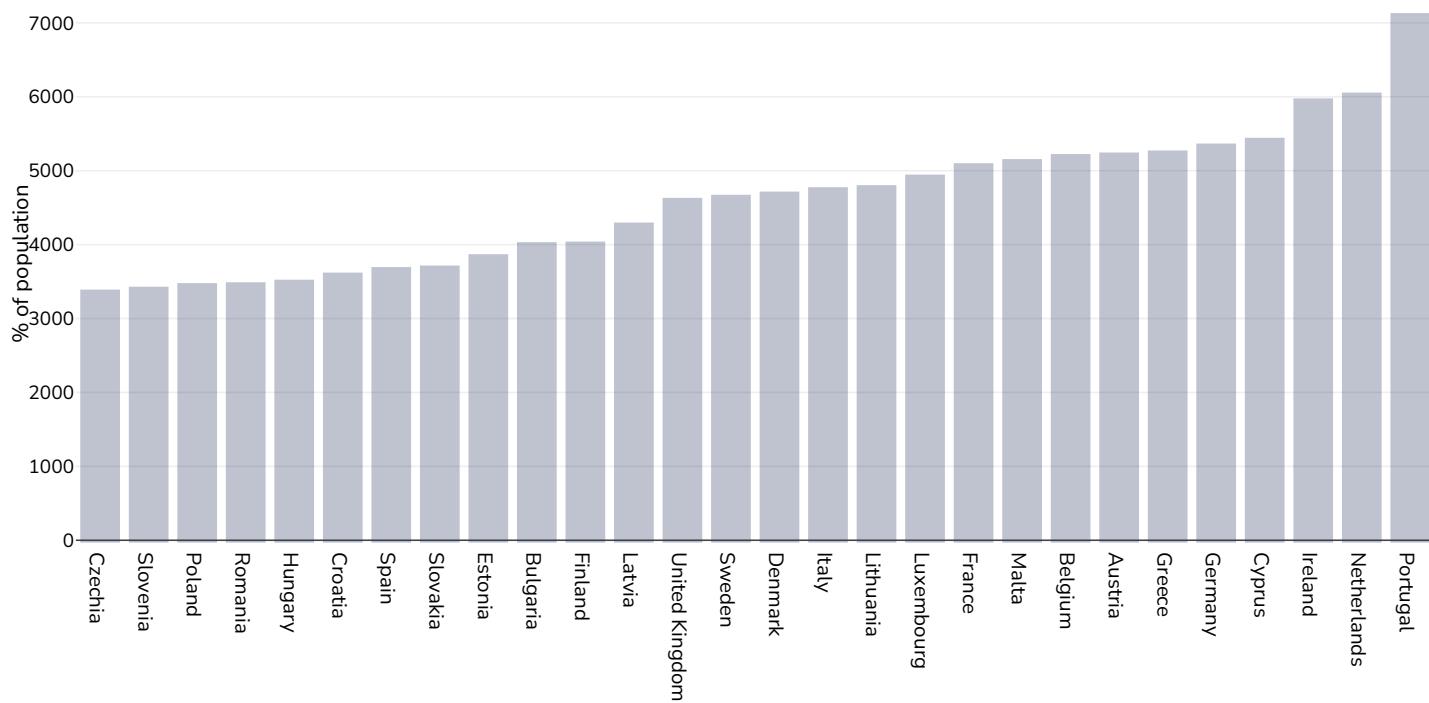
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Definitions:

Number living with anxiety per 100,000 population

Men, 2021

Age:

20+

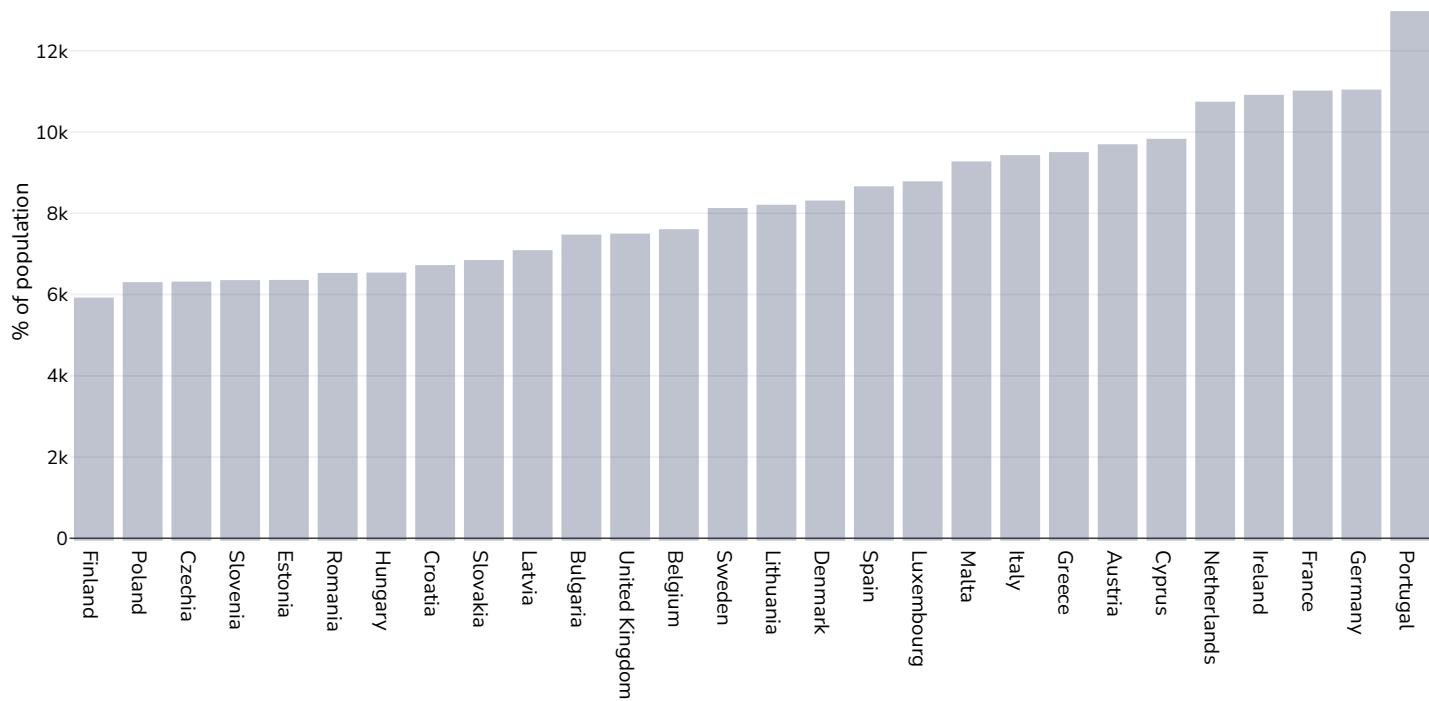
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Definitions:

Number living with anxiety per 100,000 population

Women, 2021



Age:

20+

References:

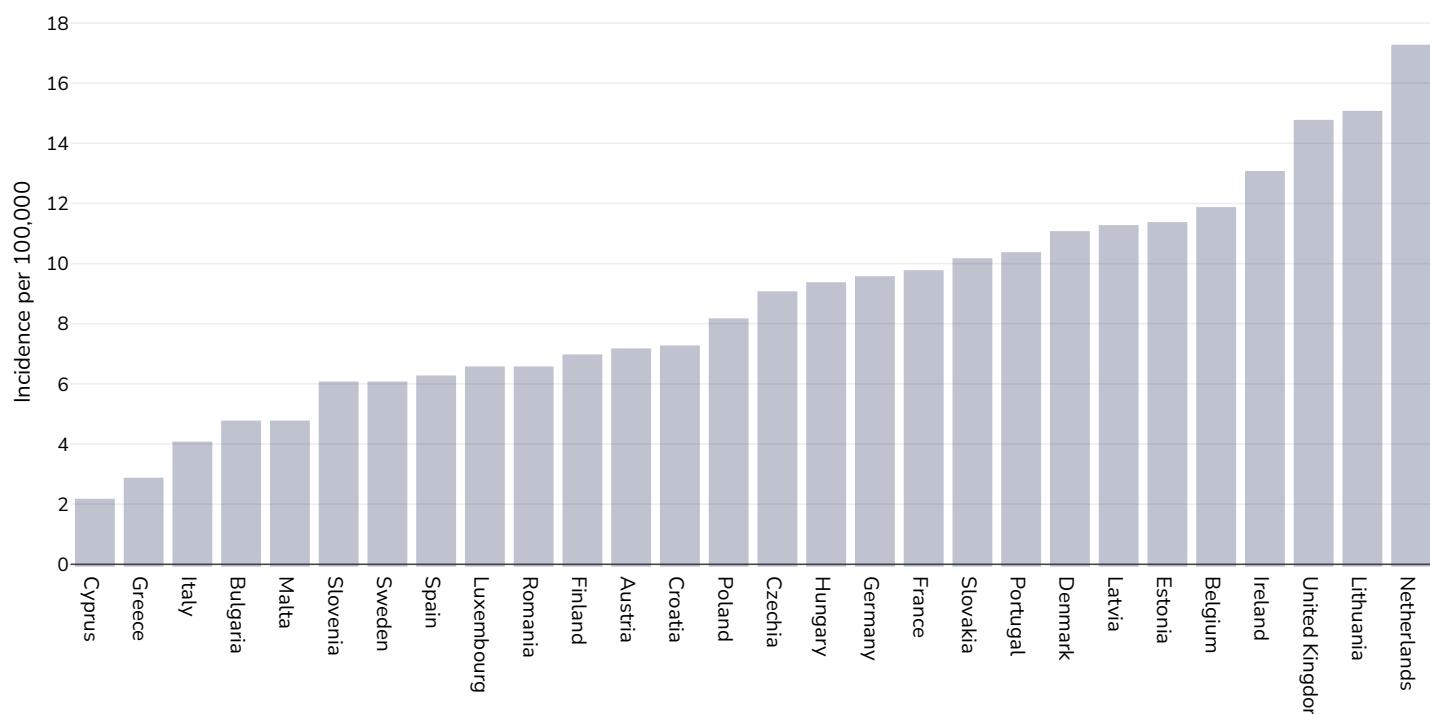
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Definitions:

Number living with anxiety per 100,000 population

Oesophageal cancer

Men, 2022



Age:

20+

Area covered:

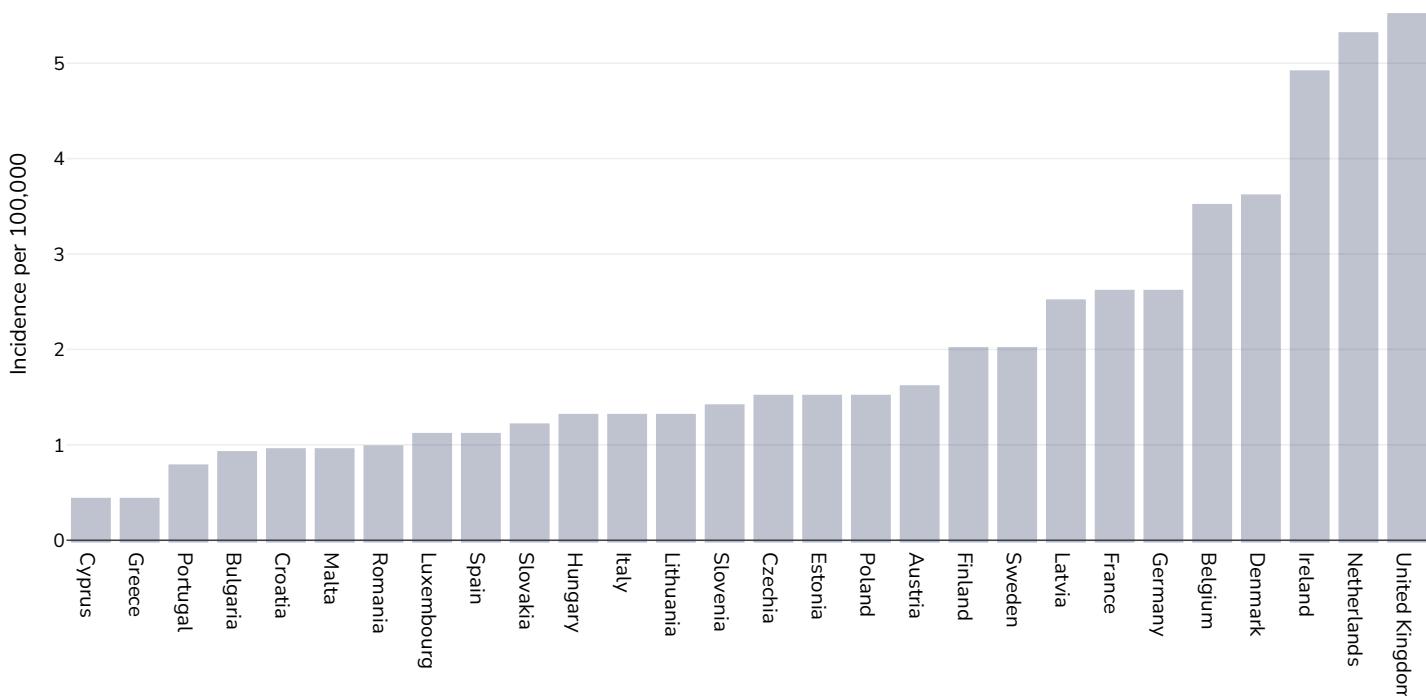
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Definitions:

Indicence per 100,000

Women, 2022


Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

References:

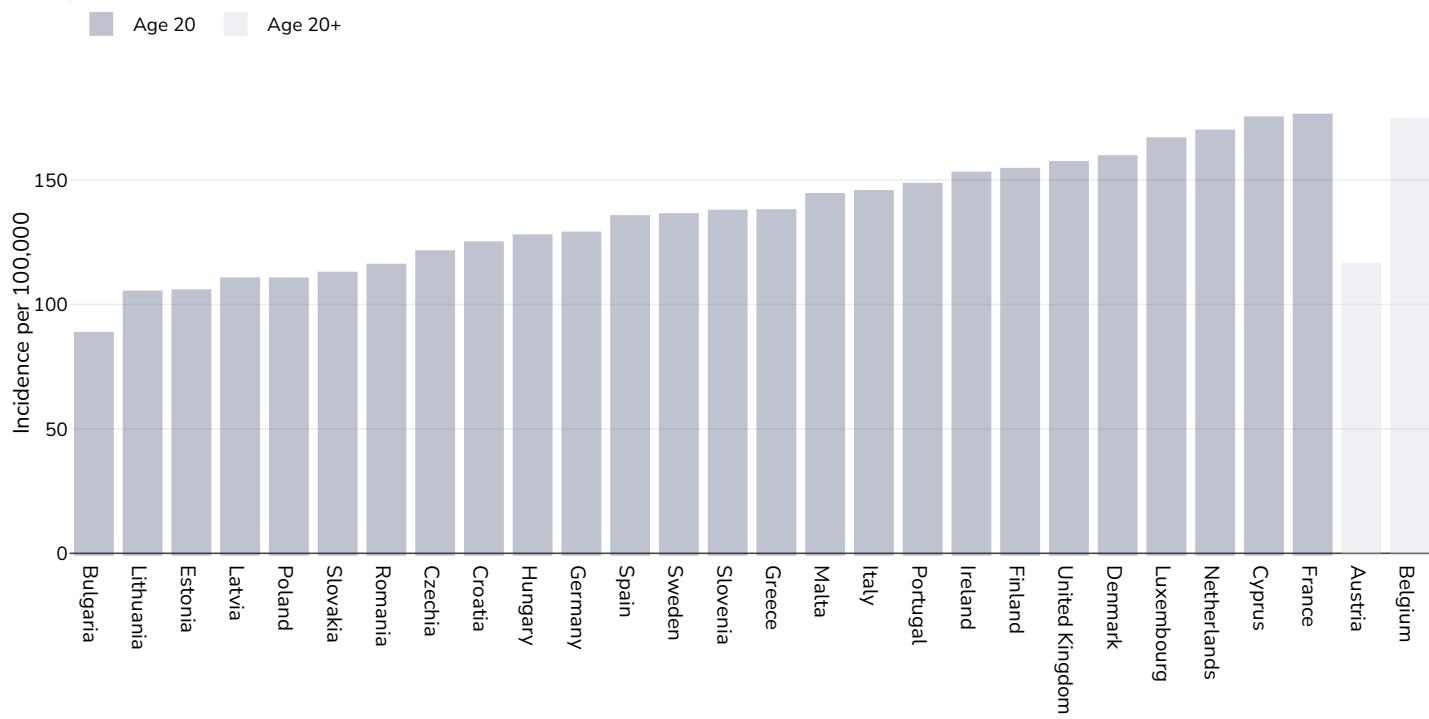
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Breast cancer

Women, 2022



Area covered:

National

References:

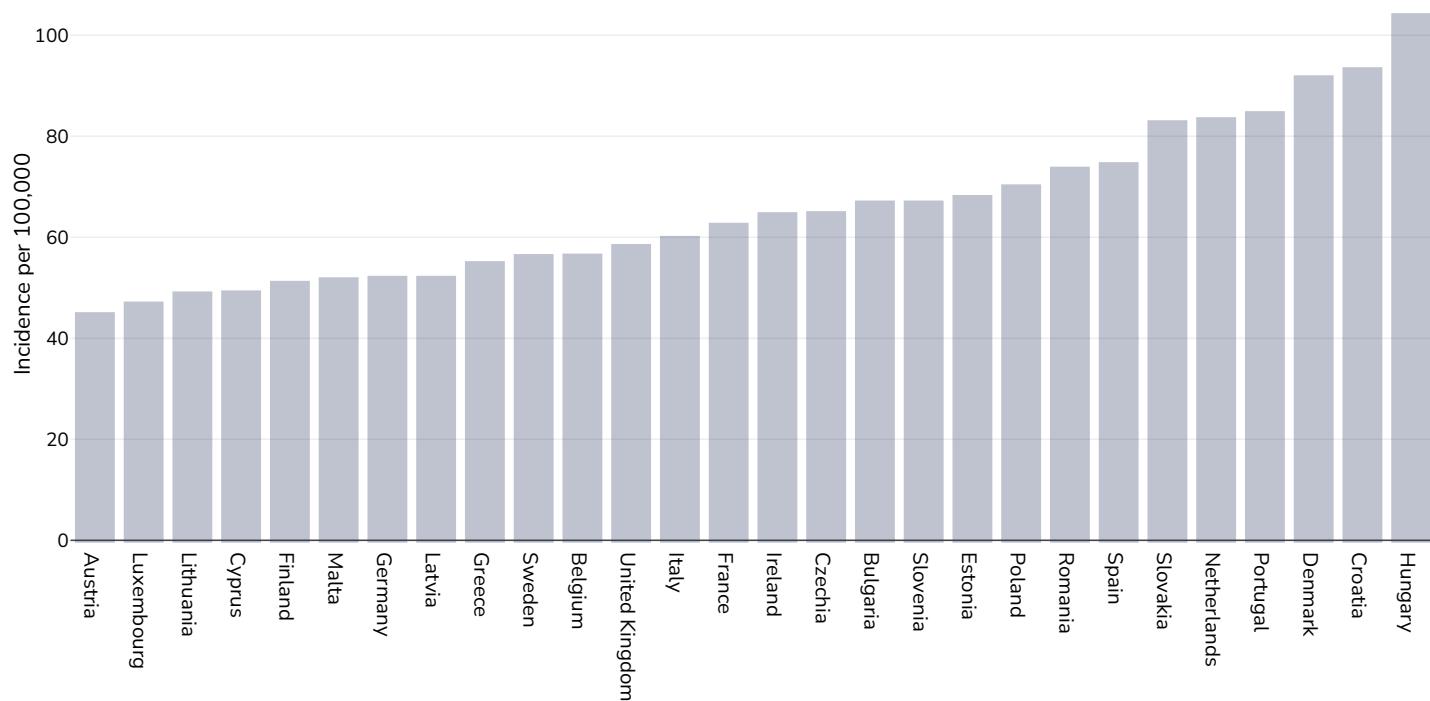
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Colorectal cancer

Men, 2022



Age:

20+

Area covered:

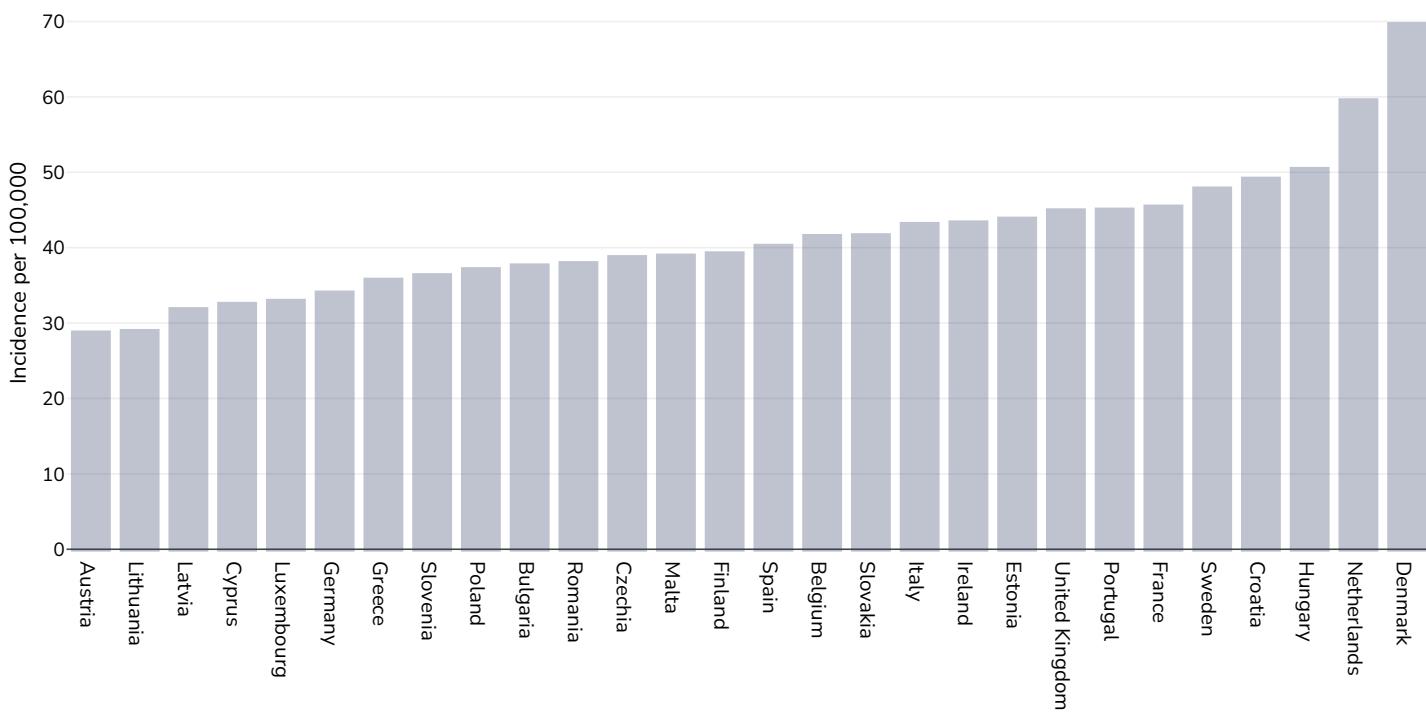
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Women, 2022


Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

References:

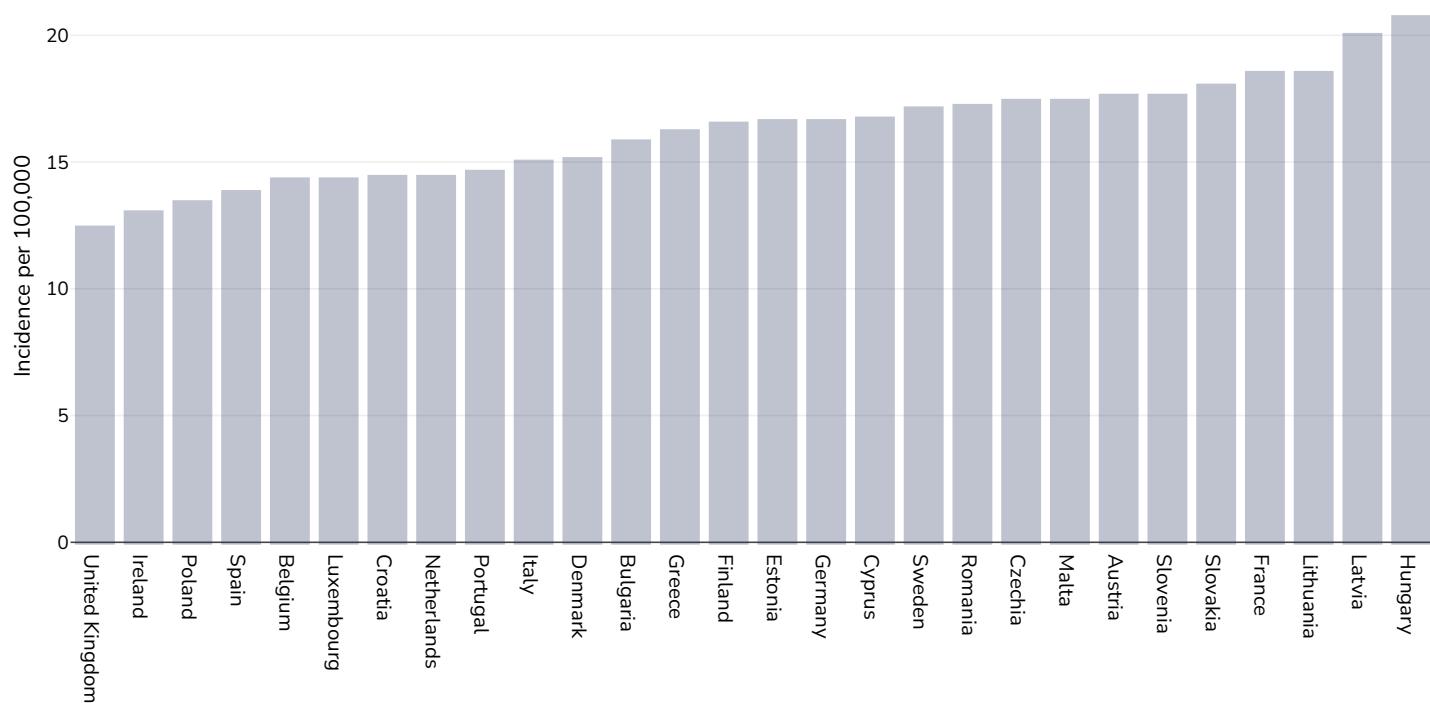
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Pancreatic cancer

Men, 2022



Age:

20+

Area covered:

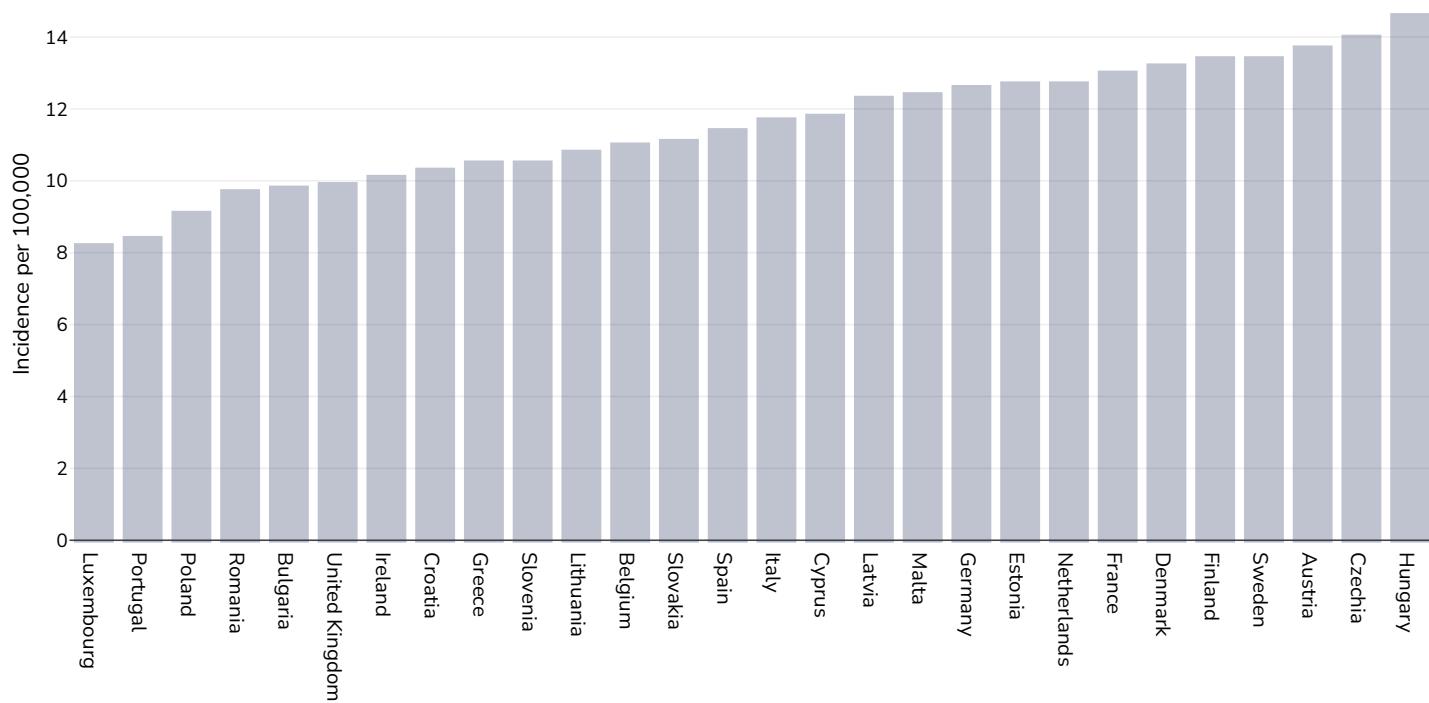
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Women, 2022

Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

References:

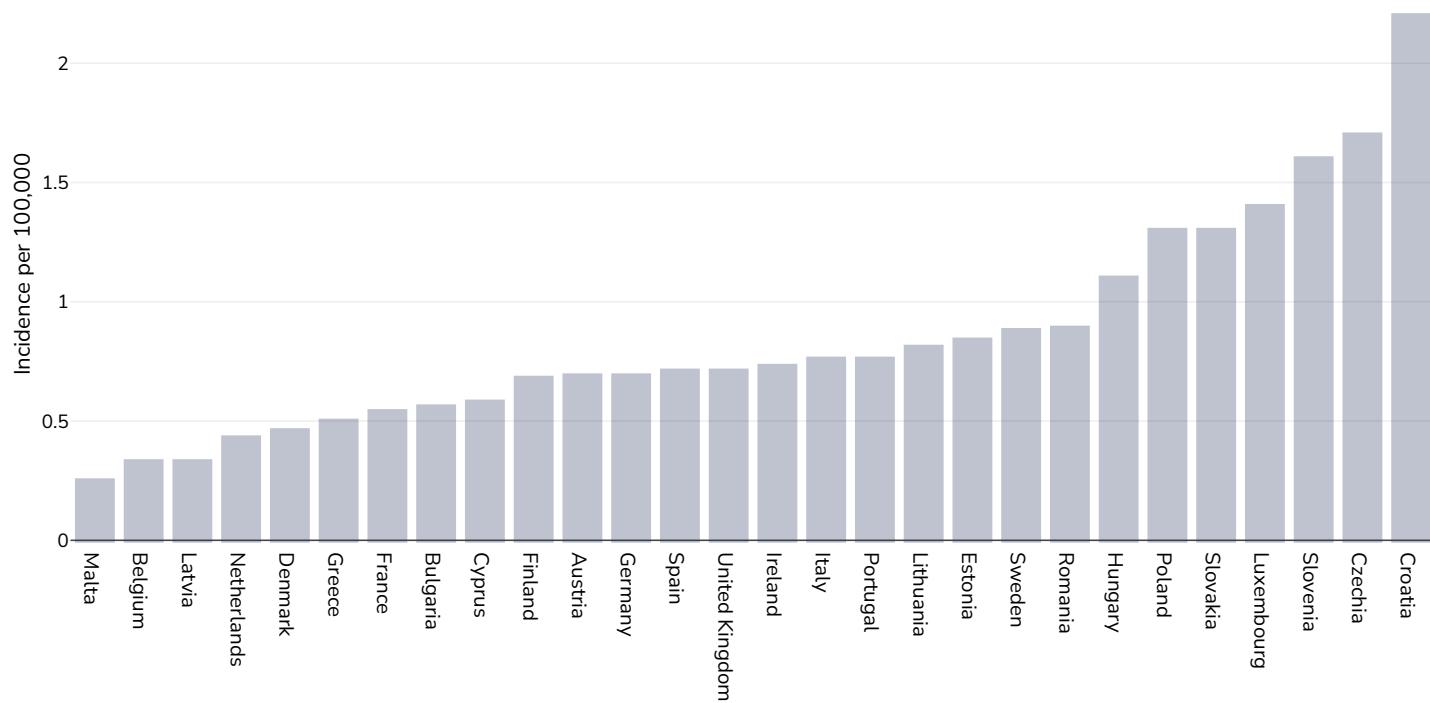
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Gallbladder cancer

Men, 2022



Age:

20+

Area covered:

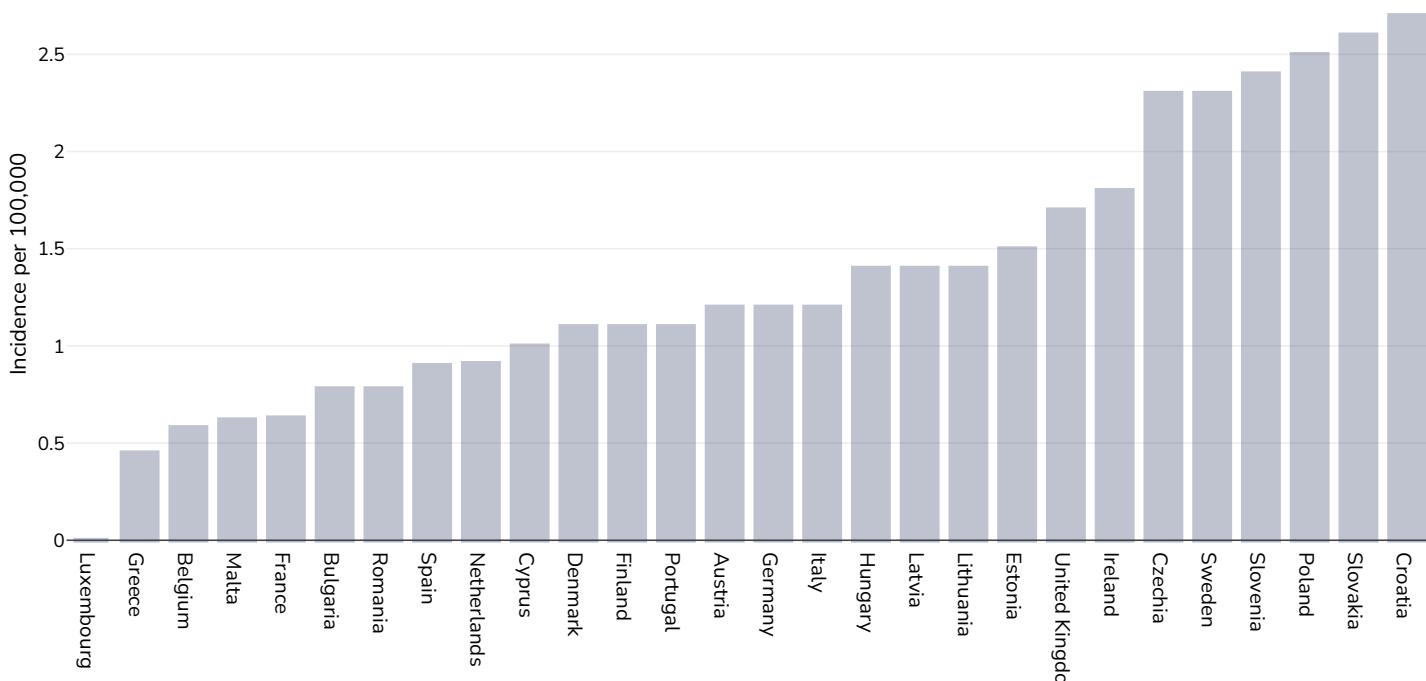
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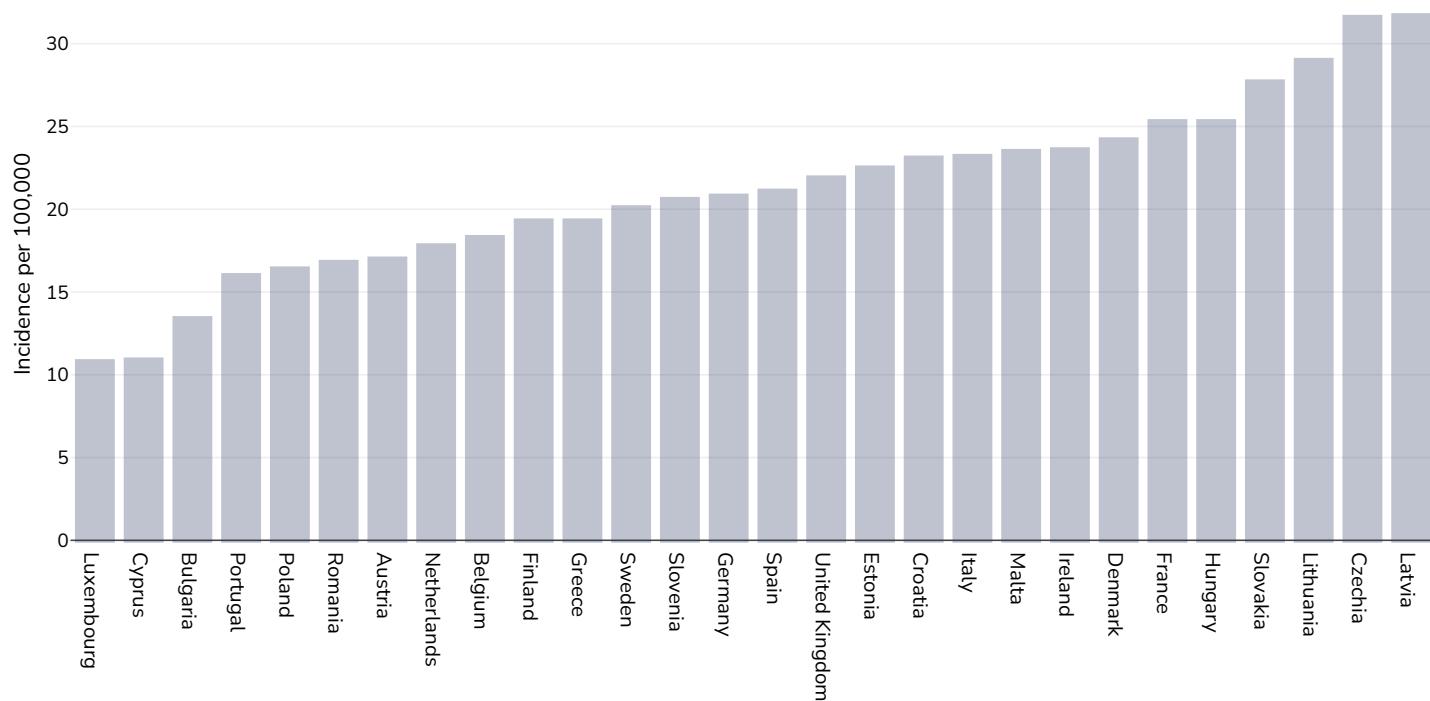
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Women, 2022


Age:	20+
Area covered:	National
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Kidney cancer

Men, 2022



Age:

20+

Area covered:

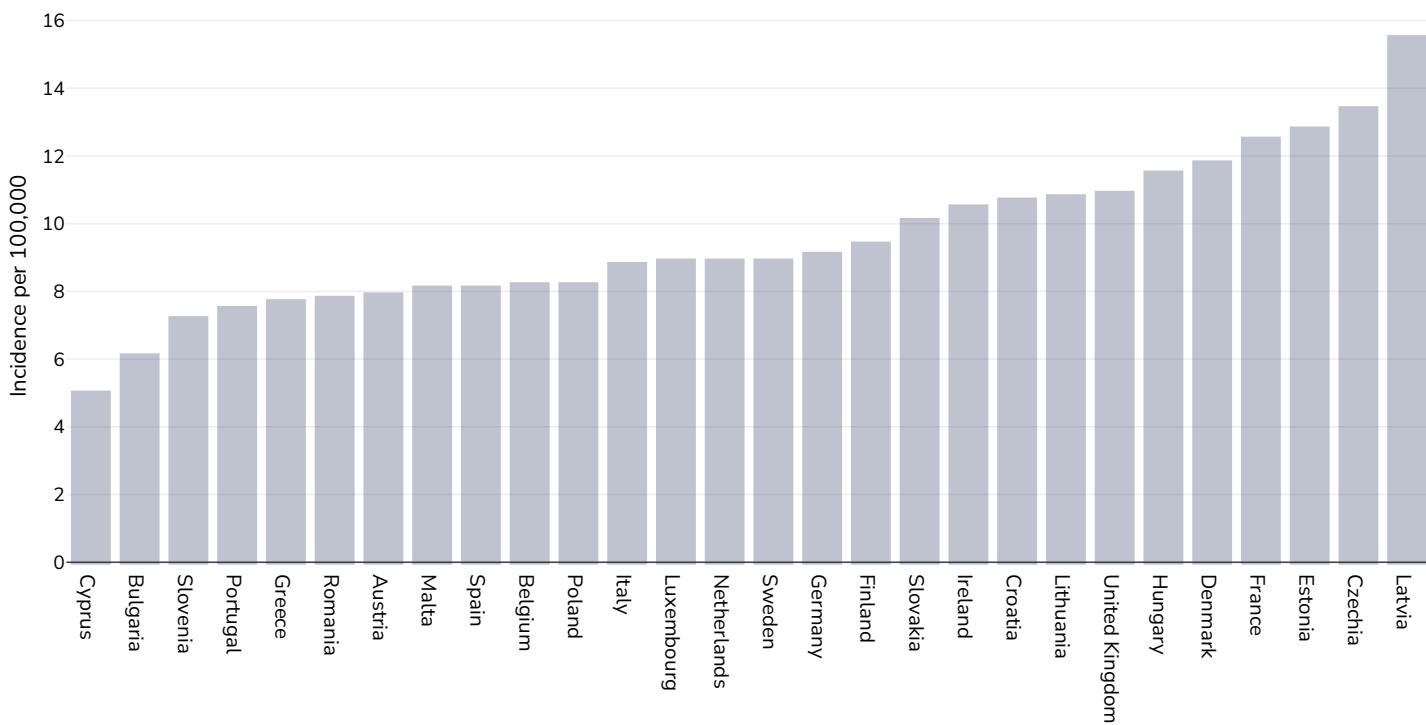
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Women, 2022


Age:

20+

Area covered:

National

References:

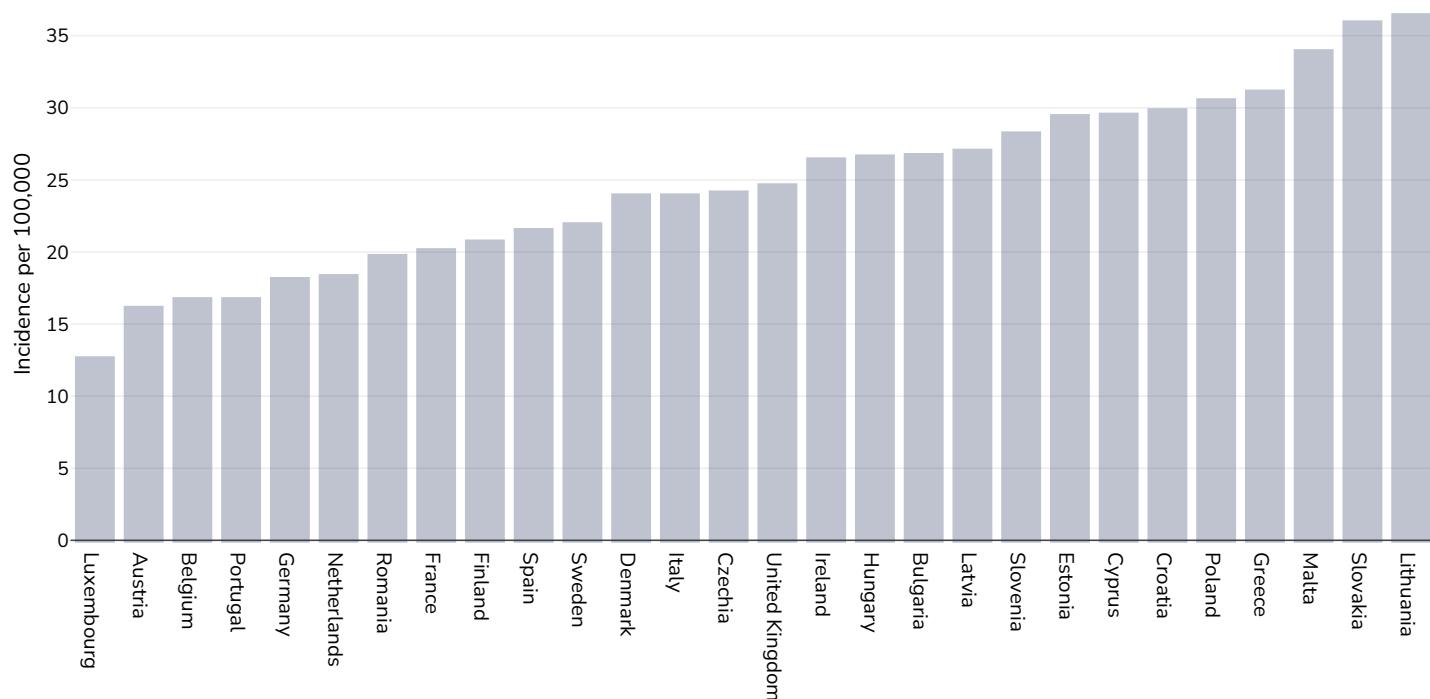
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Cancer of the uterus

Women, 2022



Age:

20+

References:

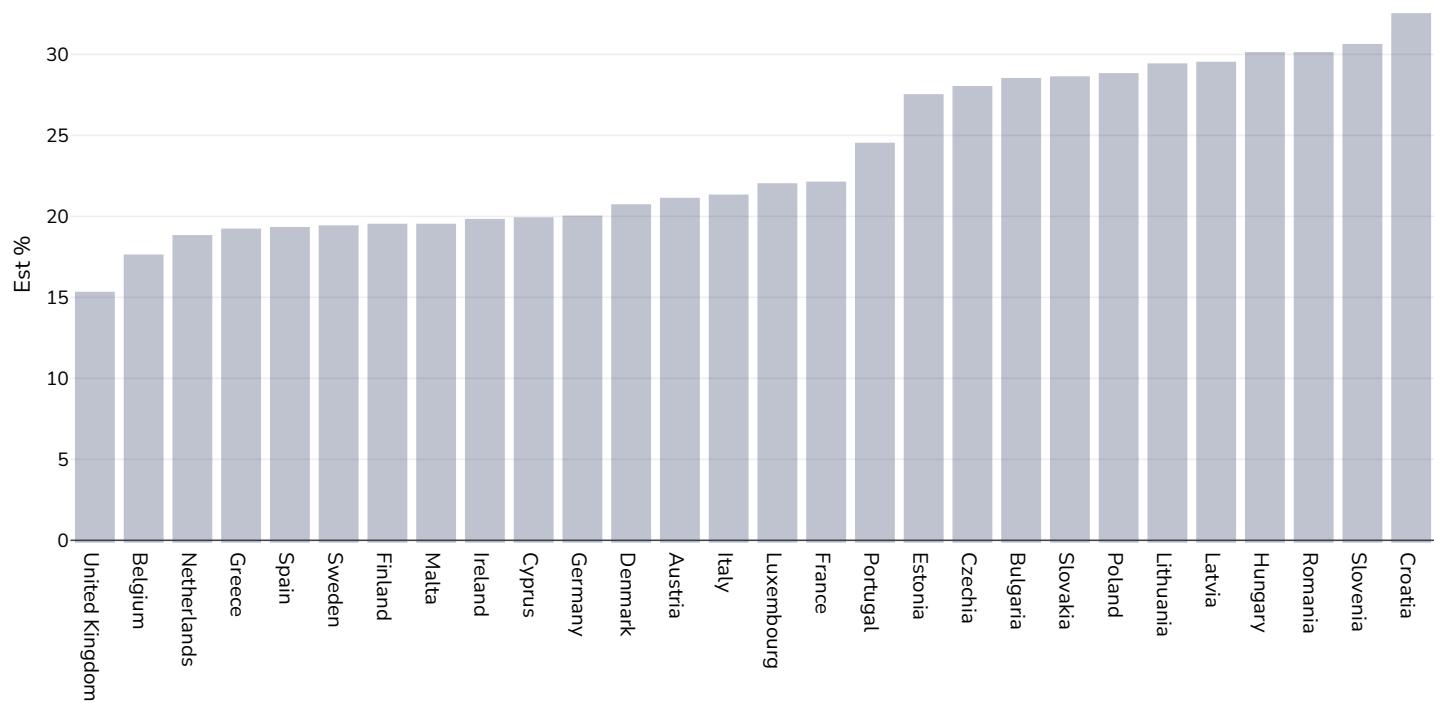
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Definitions:

Incidence per 100,000

Raised blood pressure

Adults, 2015

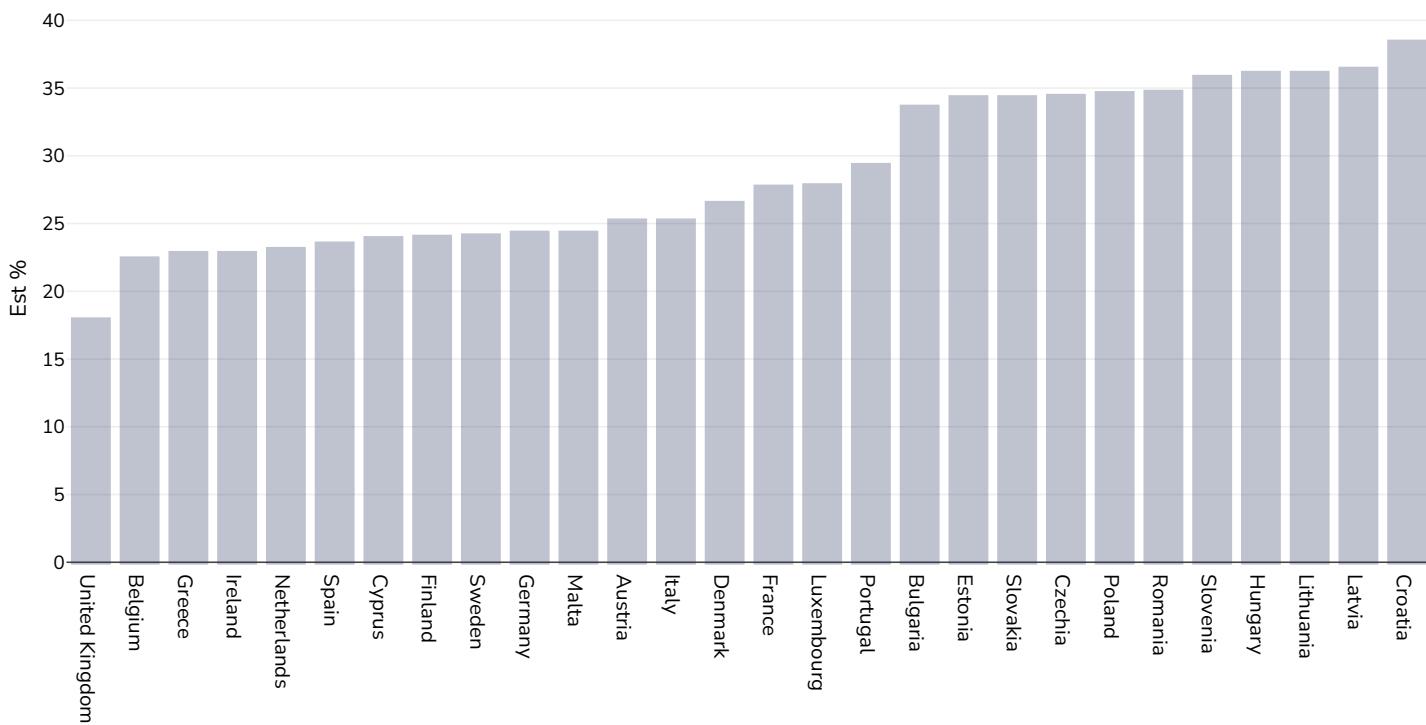


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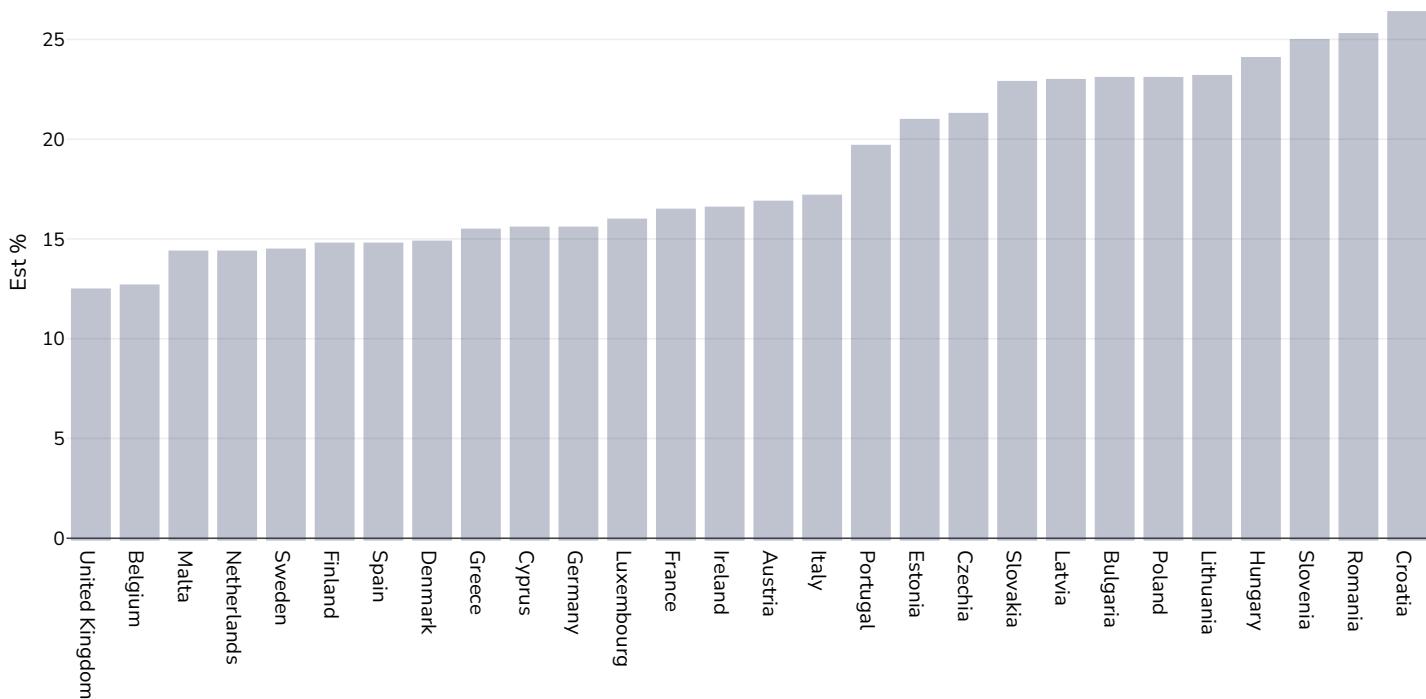
Age Standardised estimated % Raised blood pressure 2015 (SBP>=140 OR DBP>=90).

Men, 2015

References:

 Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation, <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.A875?lang=en>
Definitions:

Age Standardised estimated % Raised blood pressure 2015 (SBP >= 140 OR DBP >= 90).

Women, 2015



References:

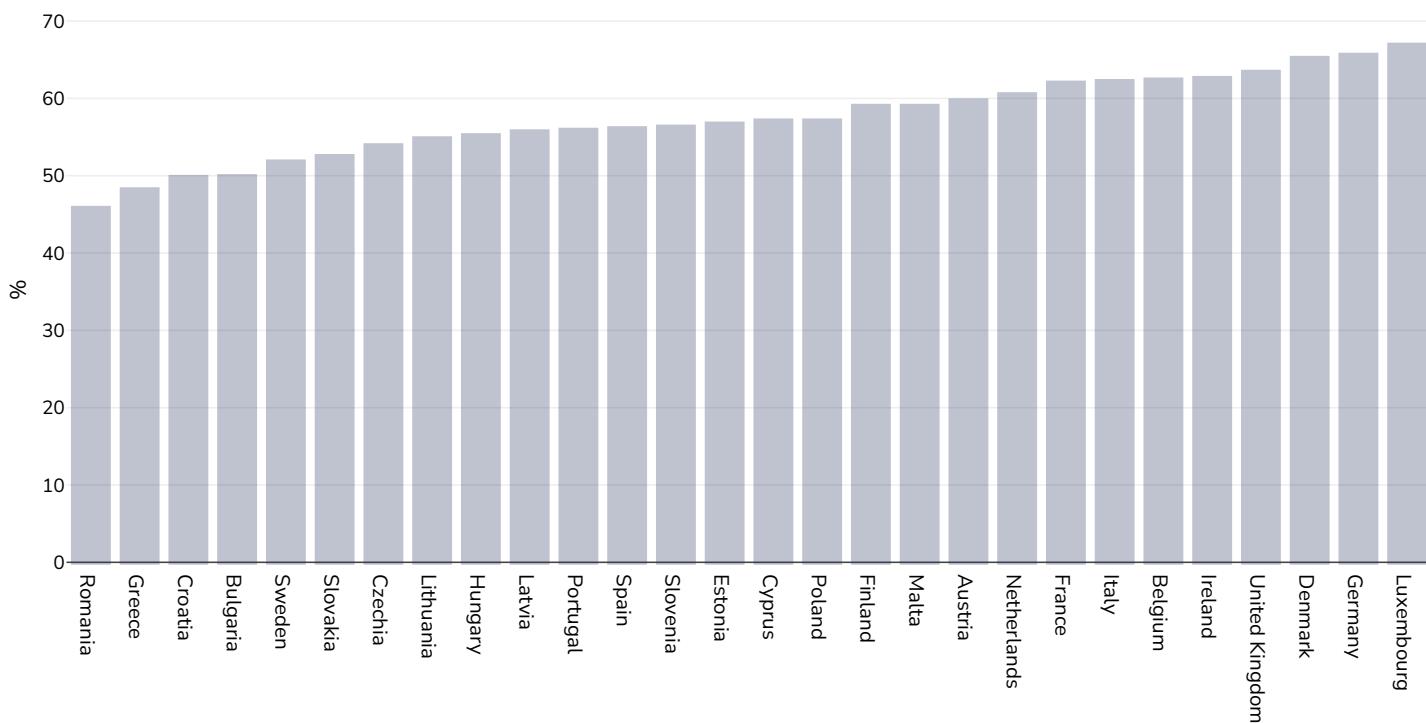
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Raised cholesterol

Adults, 2008



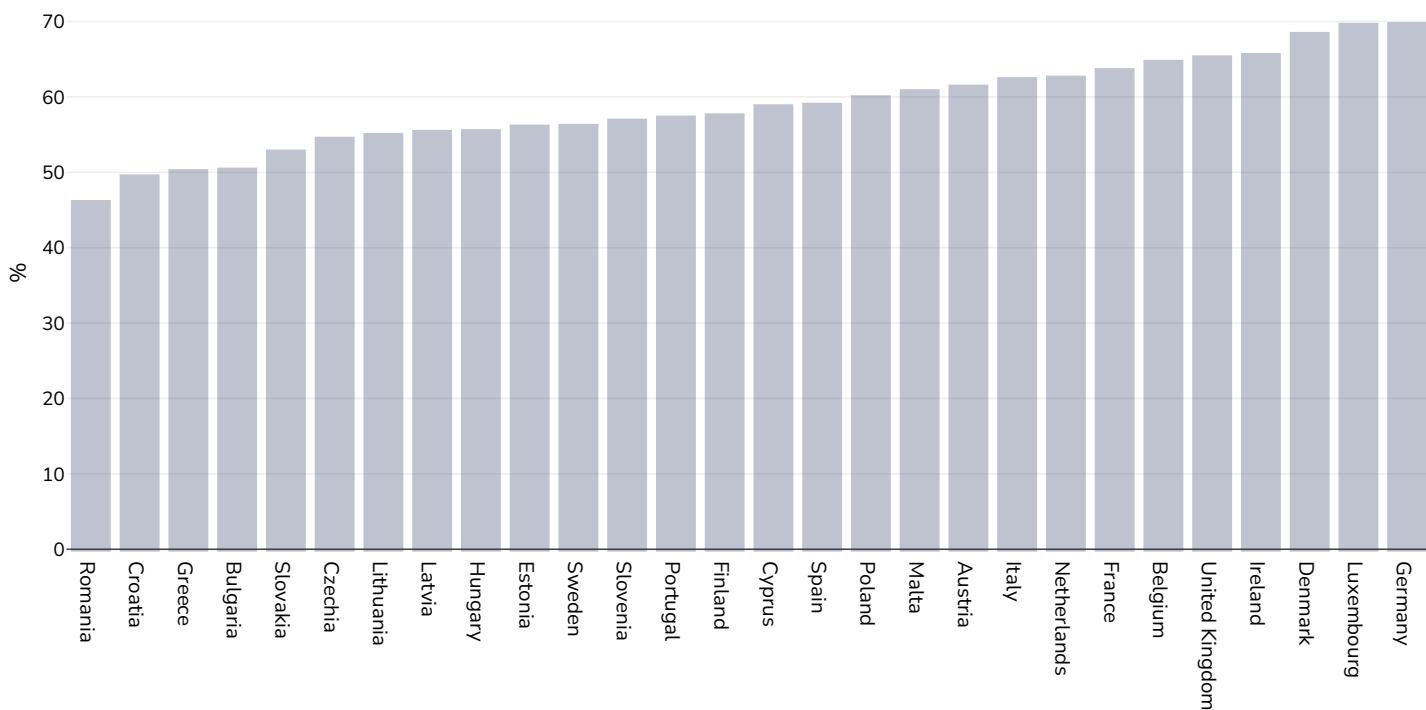
References:

Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation, <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.A885>

Definitions:

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

Men, 2008



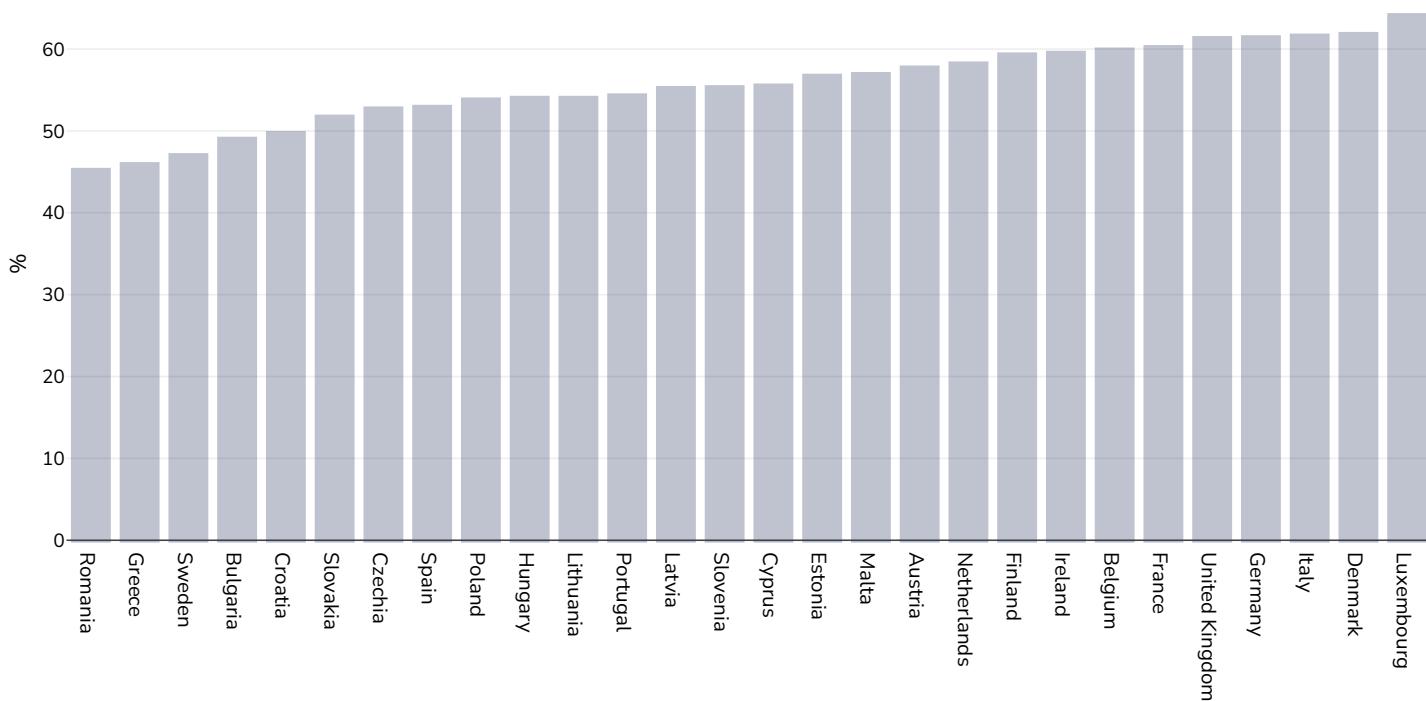
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Definitions:

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

Women, 2008



References:

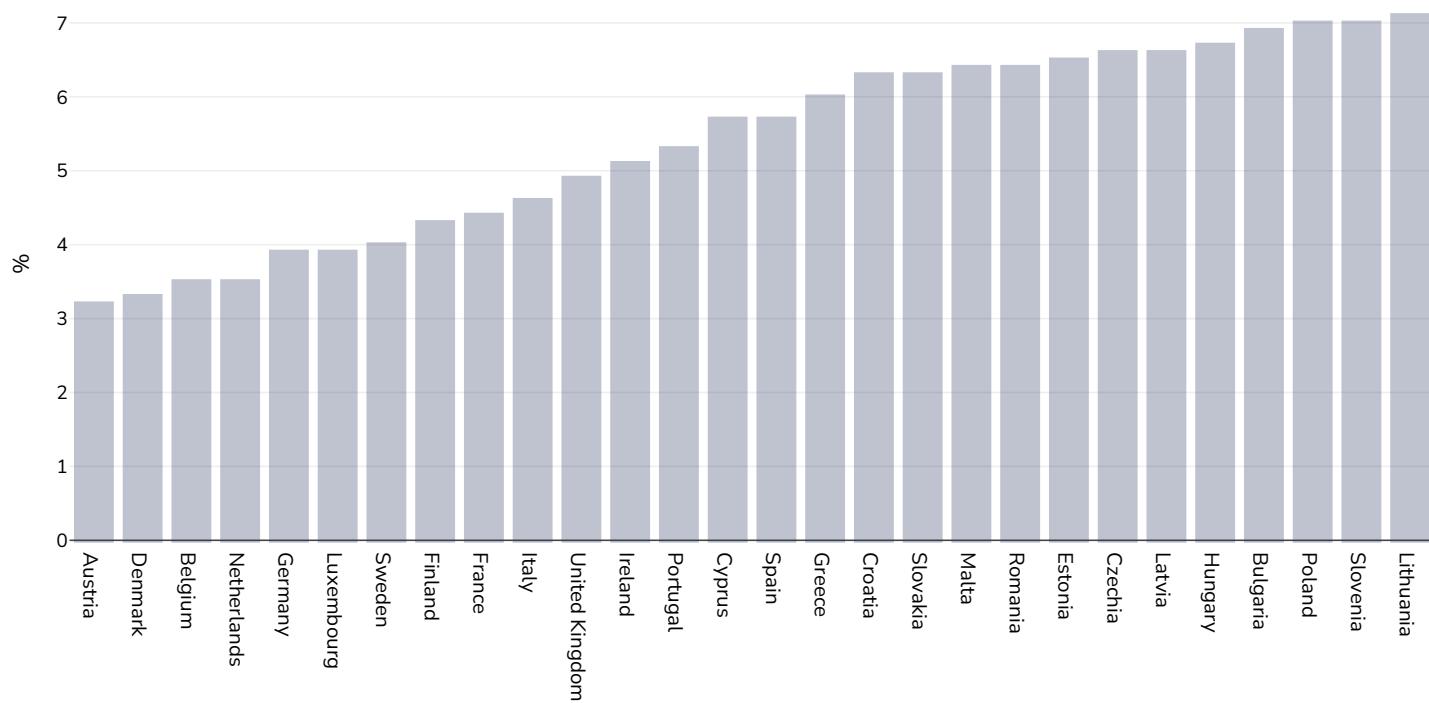
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Definitions:

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Raised fasting blood glucose

Men, 2014

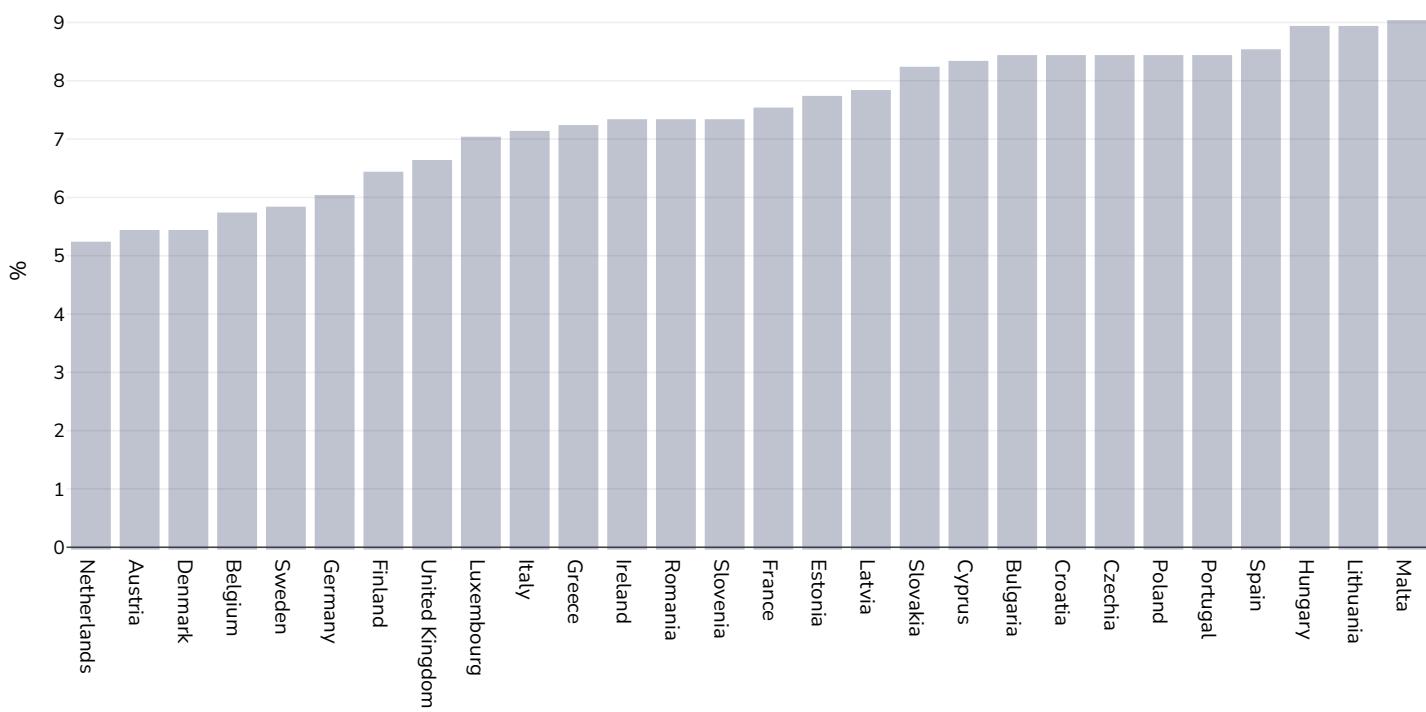


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Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation, <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.A869?lang=en>

Definitions:

Age Standardised % raised fasting blood glucose (>= 7.0 mmol/L or on medication).

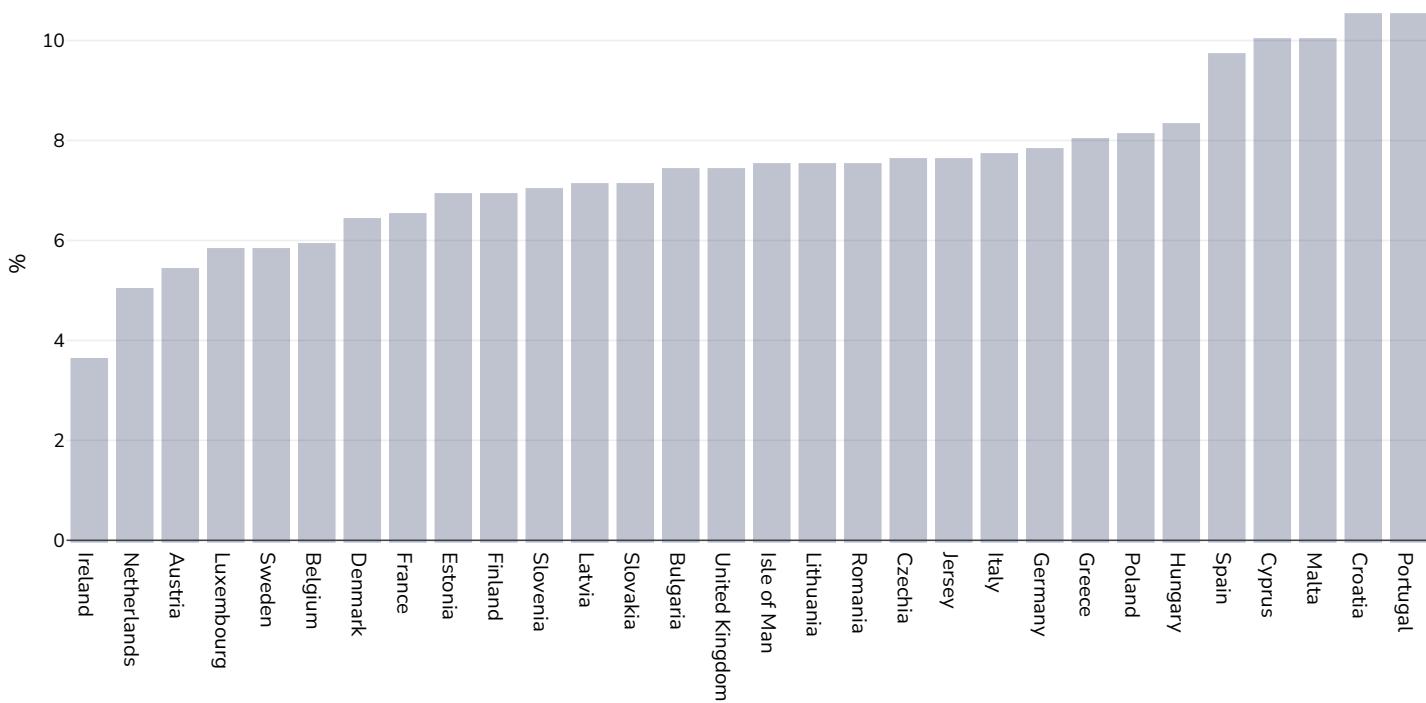
Women, 2014

References:

 Global Health Observatory data repository, World Health Organisation, <http://apps.who.int/gho/data/node.main.A869?lang=en>
Definitions:

 Age Standardised % raised fasting blood glucose (≥ 7.0 mmol/L or on medication).

Diabetes prevalence

Adults, 2024



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