

# National Healthcare Agreement: PI 03—Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2020

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Indicator
<b>Indicator type:</b>	Progress measure
<b>Short name:</b>	PI 03—Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2020
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	716275
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 13/03/2020
<b>Description:</b>	Prevalence of overweight and obesity in adults and children.
<b>Indicator set:</b>	<a href="#">National Healthcare Agreement (2020)</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 13/03/2020
<b>Outcome area:</b>	<a href="#">Prevention</a> <a href="#">Health!</a> , Standard 07/07/2010

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Computation description:</b>	<p>Body Mass Index (BMI) is calculated as weight (in kilograms) divided by the square of height (in metres).</p> <p>For adults, underweight is defined as a BMI less than 18.5, normal is defined as a BMI of 18.5 to less than 25.0, overweight is defined as a BMI of 25.0 to less than 30.0 and obese is defined as a BMI of greater than or equal to 30.0.</p> <p>For children, underweight is defined as a BMI (appropriate for age and sex) that is likely to be less than 18.5 at age 18, normal is defined as a BMI (appropriate for age and sex) that is likely to be 18.5 to less than 25.0 at age 18, overweight is defined as a BMI (appropriate for age and sex) that is likely to be 25.0 to less than 30.0 at age 18 and obese is defined as a BMI (appropriate for age and sex) that is likely to be greater than or equal to 30.0 at age 18, based on centile curves. See <i>Australian Health Survey: Users' Guide, 2011-13</i> (ABS cat. no. <a href="#">4363.0.55.001</a>) for BMI values.</p> <p>Rates are directly age-standardised to the 2001 Australian population.</p> <p>Excludes pregnant women where identified and people with an unknown BMI.</p> <p>Analysis by remoteness and Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) is based on usual residence of person.</p> <p>Presented as a percentage.</p> <p>95% confidence intervals and relative standard errors calculated for rates.</p>
<b>Computation:</b>	<p><math>100 \times (\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator})</math></p> <p>Calculated separately for adults and children.</p>
<b>Numerator:</b>	<p>Adults: Number of persons aged 18 and over who are obese or overweight.</p> <p>Children: Number of persons aged 5–17 who are obese or overweight.</p>

**Numerator data elements:****Data Element / Data Set**

Adult—Body Mass Index

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Child—Body Mass Index

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Adult—Body Mass Index

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Child—Body Mass Index

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Denominator:**

Adults: Population aged 18 and over

Children: Population aged 5–17

**Denominator data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—age

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—age

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Disaggregation:**

2017–18—For each of adults and children, state and territory, by:

- sex by age (adults only) (not reported)
- Indigenous status
- remoteness (Australian Statistical Geography Standard (ASGS) 2016 Remoteness Structure)
- 2016 Socio-Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA) Index of Relative Socio-Economic Disadvantage (IRSD) quintiles (not reported)
- BMI category (underweight, normal, overweight, obese) (not reported)
- disability status (not reported)

2017–18—For adults, nationally, by (all not reported):

- sex by remoteness (ASGS 2016 Remoteness Structure)
- 2016 SEIFA IRSD deciles
- remoteness (ASGS 2016 Remoteness Structure) by 2016 SEIFA IRSD deciles.

Some disaggregation may result in numbers too small for publication.

**Disaggregation data elements:**

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—age

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—area of usual residence

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey  
Used for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA of residence

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—disability status

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—Indigenous status

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—sex

**Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—age

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

**Data Element / Data Set**

Person—area of usual residence

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Guide for use**

Data source type: Survey

Used for disaggregation by state/territory, remoteness and SEIFA of residence

**Comments:**

Most recent data available for 2020 National Healthcare Agreement performance reporting: 2017–18 (total population, non-Indigenous: NHS); 2018–19 (Indigenous only: NATSIHS).

2017–18 data are based on measured height and weight, though respondents were also asked to self-report their height and weight. BMI derived from measured height and weight is preferable to that derived from self-reported height and weight.

In 2017–18, 33.8% of respondents aged 18 years and over did not have their height or weight measured. For these people, height and weight were imputed using a range of information including their self-reported height and weight. For more information see [Appendix 2: Physical measurements in the 2017–18 National Health Survey in National Health Survey: First results, 2017–18](#) (ABS cat. no. 4364.0.55.001) (ABS 2019)

## Representational attributes

**Representation class:** Percentage

**Data type:** Real

**Unit of measure:** Person

**Format:** N[NN].N

## Indicator conceptual framework

**Framework and dimensions:** [Health behaviours](#)

[Bio-medical factors](#)

## Data source attributes

**Data sources:****Data Source**

[ABS 2017–18 National Health Survey \(NHS\)](#)

**Frequency**

Every 3 years

**Data custodian**

Australian Bureau of Statistics

**Data Source**

[ABS 2018-19 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey \(NATSIHS\)](#)

**Data custodian**

Australian Bureau of Statistics

**Accountability attributes**

**Reporting requirements:** National Healthcare Agreement

**Organisation responsible for providing data:** Australian Bureau of Statistics

**Benchmark:** [PB d-Better health: by 2018, increase by five percentage points the proportion of Australian adults and children at a healthy body weight, over the 2009 baseline, 2020](#)

**Further data development / collection required:** Specification: Final, the measure meets the intention of the indicator.

**Relational attributes**

**Related metadata  
references:**

Supersedes [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 03–Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2019](#)

[Health!](#), Superseded 13/03/2020

Has been superseded by [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 03–Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2021](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 03/07/2020

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.2.1–Rates of current daily smokers, 2019](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 09/04/2020

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.2.1–Rates of current daily smokers, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.2.3–Levels of risky alcohol consumption, 2019](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 09/04/2020

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.2.3–Levels of risky alcohol consumption, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.3.1–Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2019](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 09/04/2020

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 1.3.1–Prevalence of overweight and obesity, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/10/2021

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.1.6–Potentially avoidable deaths, 2019](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 09/04/2020

See also [Australian Health Performance Framework: PI 2.1.6–Potentially avoidable deaths, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 01/12/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PB d–Better health: by 2018, increase by five percentage points the proportion of Australian adults and children at a healthy body weight, over the 2009 baseline, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 04–Rates of current daily smokers, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 05–Levels of risky alcohol consumption, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2020

See also [National Healthcare Agreement: PI 16–Potentially avoidable deaths, 2020](#)

[Health!](#), Standard 13/03/2020