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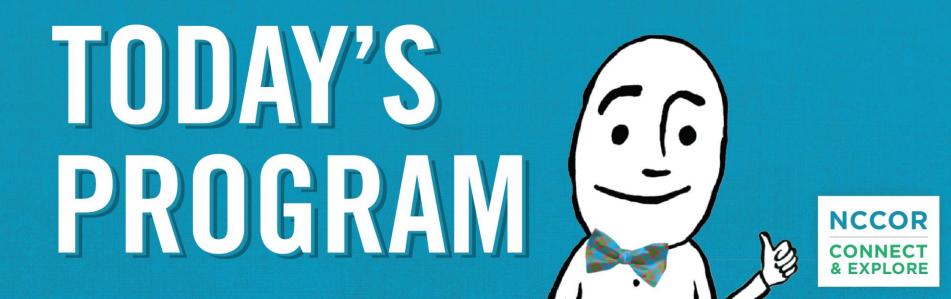


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- Assessing Prevalence and Trends in Obesity: Navigating the Evidence
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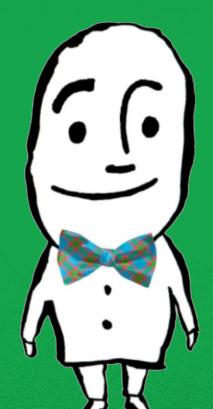


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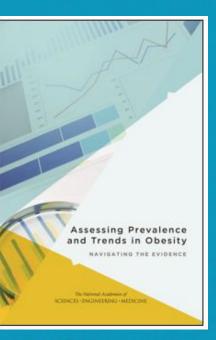




#### Assessing Prevalence and Trends in Obesity: Navigating the Evidence

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## This Committee's Task

- **Examine** how obesity prevalence and trend data are collected, analyzed, and interpreted
- Develop a framework for assessing studies for policy making and program planning purposes
- Offer recommendations for moving the assessment and interpretation of reports forward, improving the collection of data, and filling data gaps

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## This Committee's Task

#### Within the Task

 Assess different methodological and analytical approaches and how that shapes interpretation

#### **Beyond the Task**

- Determine current rates, trends, and their significance
- Prescribe how all future studies, assessments should be conducted
- Explore the etiologies of obesity or disparities in obesity

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## "End Users" of Obesity Reports

- State and local health departments
- Elected officials, state legislatures
- Community-based organizations
- Departments of education, school districts, and schools
- Public agencies (e.g., transportation, planning, parks and recreation)
- NOTE: The list is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather illustrative of the range that exists.

- Nonprofit and philanthropic organizations
- Advocacy organizations
- Academic researchers and other data generators

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- Health care providers
- Health care payers
- Private sector

#### Approaches to Data Collection Key Considerations

Shari Barkin, M.D., M.S.H.S. (Chair)



## **Key Considerations**

- Sampling
- Assessing weight and height status
- Demographic characteristics

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# Sampling

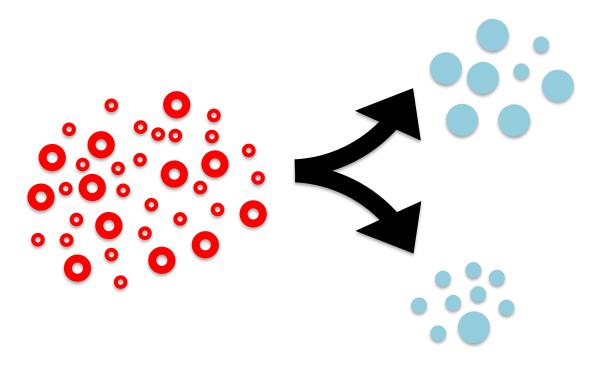
- The individuals who contribute data have implications for:
  - Representativeness of the data
  - Subgroup analyses

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# Sampling

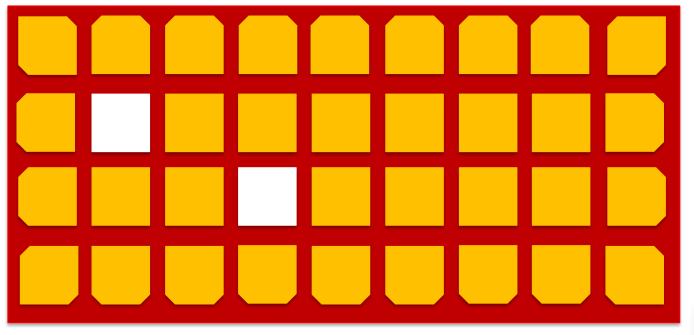
 Obesity prevalence estimates can become compromised if the participants do not reflect the target population

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# Sampling

 One sampling challenge is capturing groups that comprise a small portion of the total population



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## **Assessing Weight and Height Status**

- BMI reflects the measures of weight (kg) and height (m<sup>2</sup>)
- Accuracy matters, especially for young children

Characteristics of the Individual	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)	BMI (kg/m²)	BMI Status Classification	Difference that Change BMI Status from Normal to Obese
Female, age 2.0	86.3	13.4	18.0	Normal	—
years	86.3	14.3	19.2	Obese	+0.9 kilograms
	83.7	13.4	19.1	Obese	–2.6 centimeters
Female, age	152.4	55.7	24.0	Normal	_
15.0 years	152.4	65.3	28.1	Obese	+9.6 kilograms
	140.8	55.7	28.1	Obese	–11.6 centimeters

#### **Direct Measurement**

#### Protocols Differ

- Equipment used
- Training and oversight of data collectors
- Number of repetitions
- Precision of the recorded measurement

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- Data entry methods

# Proxy or Self-Reported Height & Weight Data

Question for Reported Weight	Question for Reported Height		
"How much does [sample child] weigh now?"	"How tall is [sample child] now?		
"How much do you weigh?"	"How tall are you?"		
"How much do you weigh? pounds"	"How tall are you? feet inches"		
"About how much do you weigh without shoes?"	"About how tall are you without shoes?"		
"About how much do you (child) weigh without shoes? [IF NEEDED, SAY: 'Your best guess is fine.']"			
"How much do you weigh without your shoes on? Directions: Write your weight in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number."	"How tall are you without your shoes on? Directions: Write your height in the shaded blank boxes. Fill in the matching oval below each number."		
"How much do you weigh without your shoes on? Directions: Write your weight in the blank boxes and fill in the matching circle below each number on your answer sheet."	"How tall are you without your shoes on? Directions: Write your height in the blank boxes and fill in the matching circle below each number on your answer sheet."		

## **Assessing Weight and Height Status**

- Proxy-reported vs. Directly Measured
  - Generally do not lead to equivalent estimates of prevalence of obesity
  - In young children, error in reporting height largely driving the differences
  - Reporting error can vary by the child's age, sex, and weight status

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## **Assessing Weight and Height Status**

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Age	Hoight	Woight	Effect on obesity	Poforonoo
(years)	Height	Weight	prevalence	Reference
~6-11	Underestimate	Underestimate	Overestimate	Beck et al., 2012
10-16	Not Significantly Different	Underestimate	Underestimate	Morrissey et al., 2006
12-18	Overestimate	Underestimate	Underestimate	Himes et al., 2005
~12-18	Not Reported	Underestimate	Underestimate	Goodman et al., 2000
~12-18	Overestimate	Underestimate	Underestimate	Pérez et al., 2015
~14-18	Overestimate	Underestimate	Underestimate	Brener et al, 2003; Jayawardene et al., 2014

## **Demographic Characteristics**

- Importance of collecting demographic information
  - Determine representativeness of sample
  - Divide sample into subgroups
  - Assess disparities
  - Consider demographic shifts

## **Demographic Characteristics**

#### Socioeconomic status

- Variation in measures across reports
  - Individual
    - Household income, highest education of one or both parent or caregiver, insurance type, participation in an income-based program (e.g., WIC, SNAP)
  - Community
    - Mean neighborhood income, percent of students eligible to receive free or reduced price school meals, neighborhood education level

#### Race and ethnicity

- OMB classification
  - American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White
  - Hispanic or Latino, not Hispanic or Latino
- Some data source provide a long list of ethnic or origin groups for which participants choose

## **Demographic Characteristics**

## Geography

- Can be the basis for how sampling is designed
- Not all samples represent a geographic region

#### Rurality

- Typically defined by population density



## **Demographic Shift**

- The U.S. is becoming increasingly more diverse
  - Within group heterogeneity
    - Implications for the collection of demographic data

 Stability of the population provides context for interpretation



## **Key Messages**

- Sampling approaches affect what the data reflect for the target population of interest.
- Directly measured compared to reported height and weight data generally do not lead to equivalent estimates of obesity prevalence, but can result in similar trends reported.
- Demographic variables need to be considered to provide context for population estimates.



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CONNECT & EXPLORE Data Sources Key Considerations

Lynn Blewett, Ph.D.



## **Types of Common Data Sources**

- Population surveillance surveys
- School-based assessments
- Clinical, public health administrative data

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Cohort studies

#### **Data Sources**

#### Objectives

 For many data sources, information on height and weight is just one component of a larger surveys whose goals and objectives may or may not be related to your information needs

#### Methods

- Different combinations of target population, survey design, data collection methodologies
  - Not always feasible to directly measure heights and weights



## **Geographic Area of Interest**

#### National

- NHANES has measured weight and height
- NHIS self-report but conditions/health behaviors, do not collect height and weight data for children <12 years</li>

#### State

- BRFSS, YRBSS, other state-based household surveys

#### County

- Model-based estimates
- School District
- Clinic/Health System EHR



## Key National & State Data Sources

Survey	Approximate Sample Size	Representativeness	Height & Weight Data
NHANES	5,000 per year	U.S. population	Directly measured
NHIS	35,000 households	U.S. population	Interview (proxy-, self- reported)
MEPS-HC	13,000 households	U.S. population	Interview (proxy-, self- reported)
YRBS, national	14,500 per survey year	U.S. high school students	Paper-based survey (self-reported)
YRBS, state and local	Varies by location	U.S. high school students; locations vary by year	Paper-based survey (self-reported)
WIC PC data	9.3 nationally; varies by location	WIC participants as of April of the assessment year	Directly measured
NSCH (2003, 2007, 2011-2012)	96,000 per cycle (1,800 per state)	U.S. children, 0-17 years All 50 states, Washington DC, U.S., Virgin Islands	Telephone survey (proxy-reported)
Redesigned NSCH/NS-CSHCN	*To be released in 2017	U.S. children, 0-17 years All 50 states, Washington DC, U.S.	Web- and mail-base (proxy-reported)

## **Administrative Data Example**

#### The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

#### PedNSS

- Discontinued surveillance system
- Included data from lowincome children participating in federally funded program
- Data from the entire year
- Not all agencies participated

WIC Participant and Program Characteristics (PC)

- Conducted biennially
- Collects near-census level data on participants enrolled in April

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#### **School-Based Assessments**

- Variation in grades assessed, data collector, frequency
- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
  - Data access consideration

Assessment	Students Assessed	Sample Size	Who Performs Measurement	Collaborators
Arkansas BMI Assessment	All public school students, Pre-K/ K, and grades 2, 4, 6, 8, 10	181,000 per year	School staff member	Arkansas Dept. of Education Arkansas Dept. of Health ACHI Schools, Districts
California Annual FitnessGram®	All public school students, grades 5, 7, 9	1.3 million per year	Local education agency or county education office employee	California Dept. of Education Local education agencies
Texas SPAN	Public school students, grades 4, 8, 11 in sampled schools	17,000 per cycle (approximately every 5 years)	Project staff and Dept. of State Health and Services employees	University researchers Texas Dept. of State Health and Services Selected schools, districts

## **Other Data Sources**

- Innovations in Health Systems and Big Data
  - Electronic health records
  - Data sharing
  - State-based registries
  - HEDIS, quality measurement strategies

#### Cohort Studies

- Provide longitudinal perspective on weight status
- Used to identify risk factors for obesity
- Can target populations of interest



# Key Messages

- A variety of data sources are being used to assess obesity at the national, state, and local levels.
- Directly measured weight and height data is preferable, but is not always feasible to collect. Knowing the pros and cons of proxy- and self-reported data is critical to effective use of these data.
- Innovations are occurring in the clinical setting both in the collection and use of data through information technology, big data, and electronic health records.



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NCCOR CONNECT & EXPLORE Analytic Approaches Key Considerations

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# **Key Considerations**

# Data Preparation

- Reference populations
- Biologically implausible values (BIV)
- Weighting for complex sampling designs

# Statistical Analysis

- Role of sample size
- Assessing prevalence & trends over time



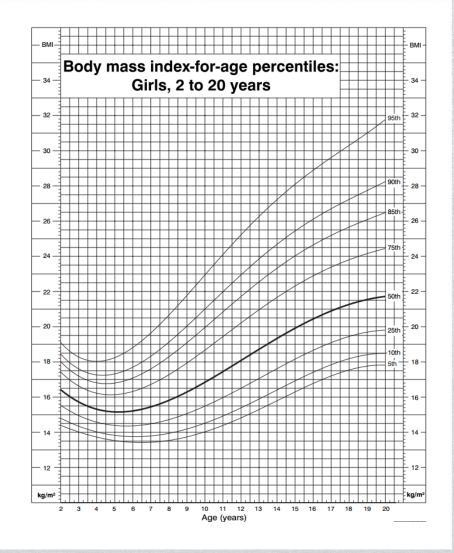
# **Obesity Classification**

Adults

– BMI ≥30 kg/m²

# Children

 BMI changes throughout childhood due to growth

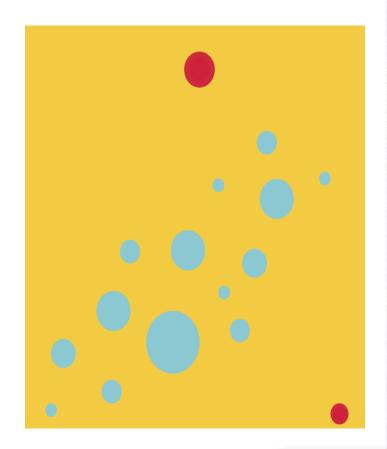


# **Reference Populations**

Growth Reference	Source Population	Cut Point to Classify Obesity	Age aligned with adult cut point
2000 CDC BMI- for-age	Nationally representative cross-sectional samples of the U.S. children, adolescents, and young adults	≥95th percentile	Males: 19.3 years Females: 17.5 years
International Obesity Task Force	Representative samples from six international locations	Centile corresponding to a BMI of 30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> at age 18 years applied throughout the distribution	18 years
WHO, growth standard	MGRS	+2 standard deviations	N/A – For children 0 to 5 years
WHO, growth reference	1977 National Center for Health Statistics/WHO data, merged with the MGRS data	+2 standard deviations	19 years (approximately)

# **Biologically Implausible Values (BIV)**

- Extreme values in height, weight, BMI data
- Different approaches to identification
- How they are handled also varies
- Not all values flagged as a BIV are errors





# Weighting

- Weighting is an approach used to correct imbalances in sampling and better represent the target population in complex sampling designs
- Not every study will have or need to have sample weights



# The Role of Sample Size

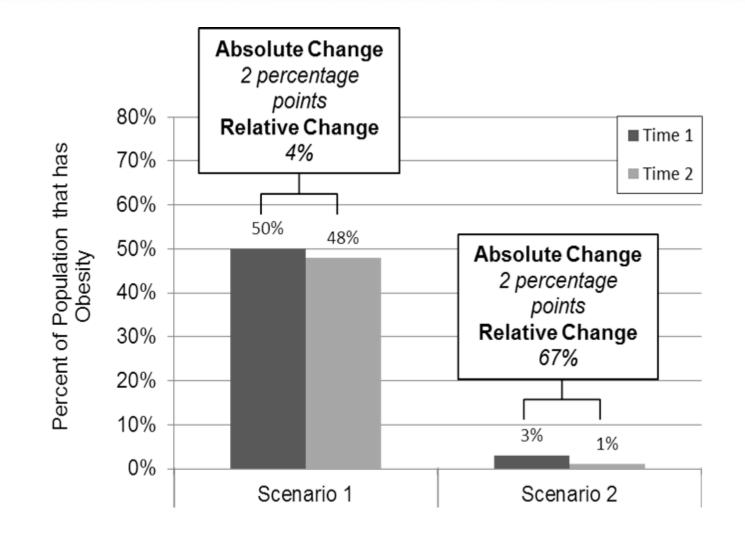
 The reliability of an estimate is dependent on sample size

- Sample size also has implications for:
  - Subgroup analyses and the assessment of disparities

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- Small area estimates

# **Change in Prevalence**



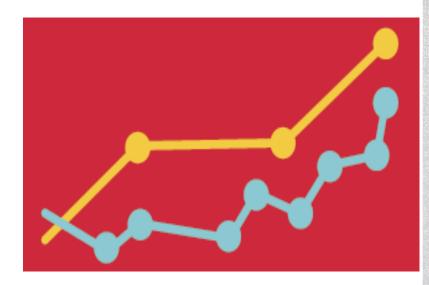
# **Trend Analyses**

# Analytic Approach

- Start and end dates
- Time points

# Comparing Trends

- Person
- Place
- Time
- Analytic Approaches



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# **Key Messages**

- Obesity prevalence in children can differ depending on the reference population used.
- Biologically implausible values can affect the prevalence estimates.
- Interpretation of trend estimates includes consideration of the person, place, time, and analytic approach.



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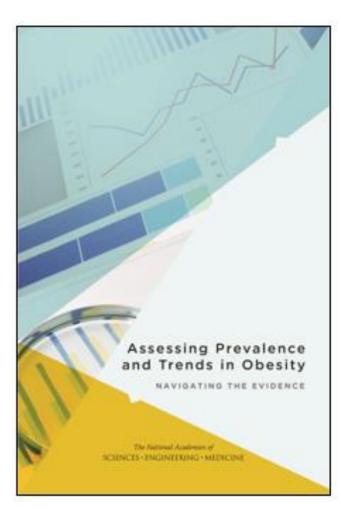
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# **Additional Resources**

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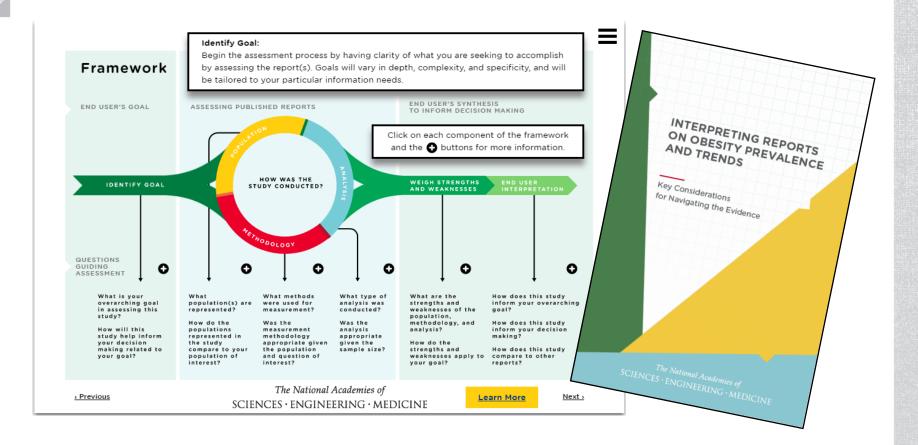
# **Consensus Report**



 Available at: <u>http://nationalacademies.org/</u> <u>hmd/Reports/2016/Assessing</u> <u>-Prevalence-and-Trends-in-</u> <u>Obesity.aspx</u>

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# **Interactive Framework & Booklet**



#### Also available at:

http://nationalacademies.org/hmd/Reports/2016/Assessing-Prevalence-and-Trends-in-Obesity.aspx

# Using NHANES to Demonstrate Applied Examples

Cynthia L. Ogden, Ph.D., M.R.P.



# **NHANES – The Gold Standard**

• Approximately 5,000 people surveyed each year

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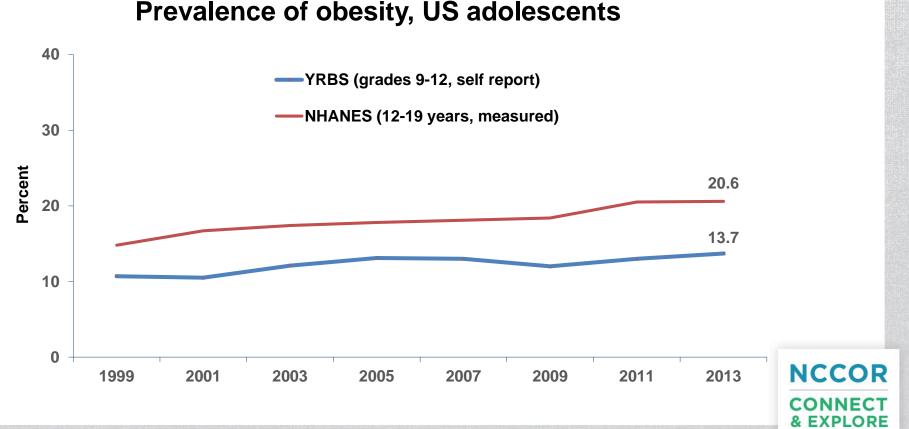
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# Measured Versus Reported

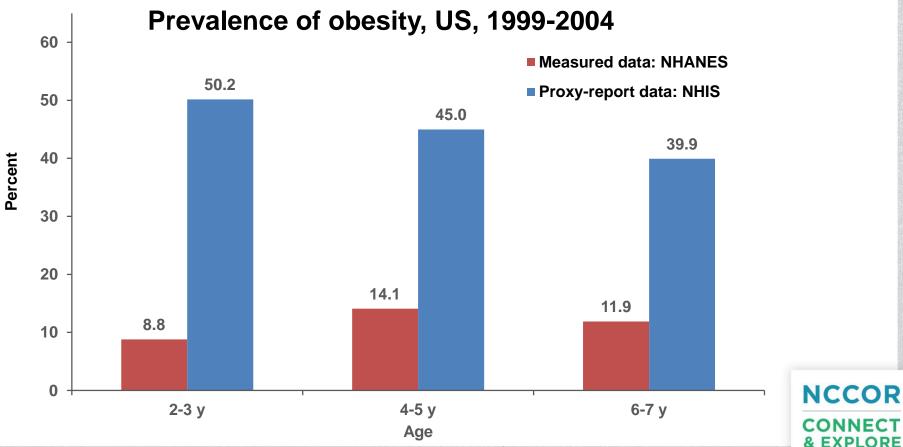
Prevalence lower based on self report



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# **Measured Versus Reported**

• Higher estimates with parental report



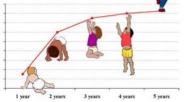
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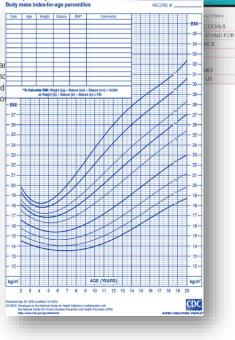
# **Different Reference Populations**

2 to 20 years: Boys

## • Which one is used?







#### / World Obesity (formerly IASO) History

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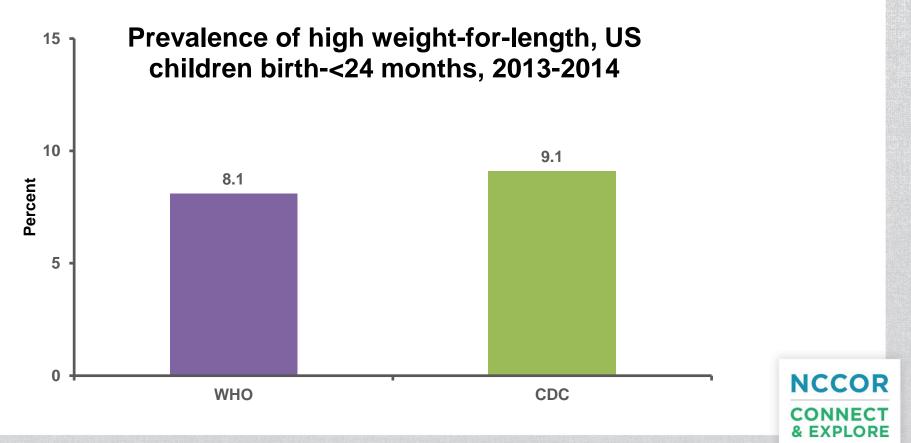
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# **Different Reference Populations**

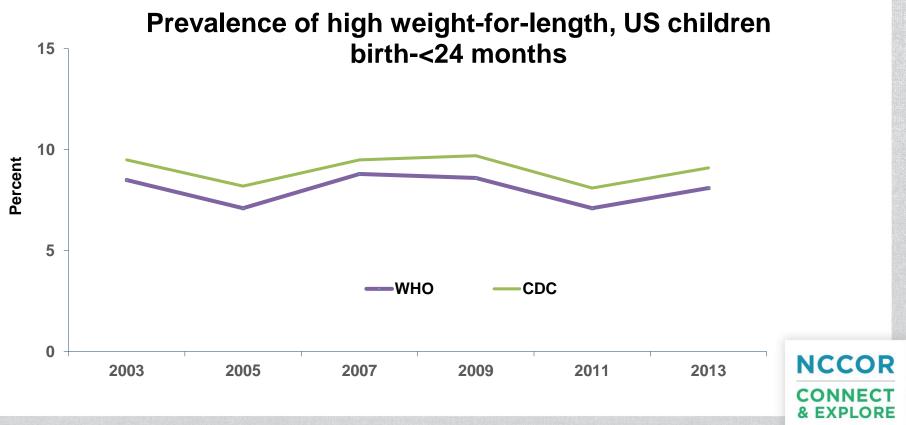
Give different estimates



http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hestat/high\_weight\_recumbent\_2013-14/high\_weight\_recumbent\_length\_2013\_14.htm

# **Different Reference Populations**

Not different trends if age distribution same



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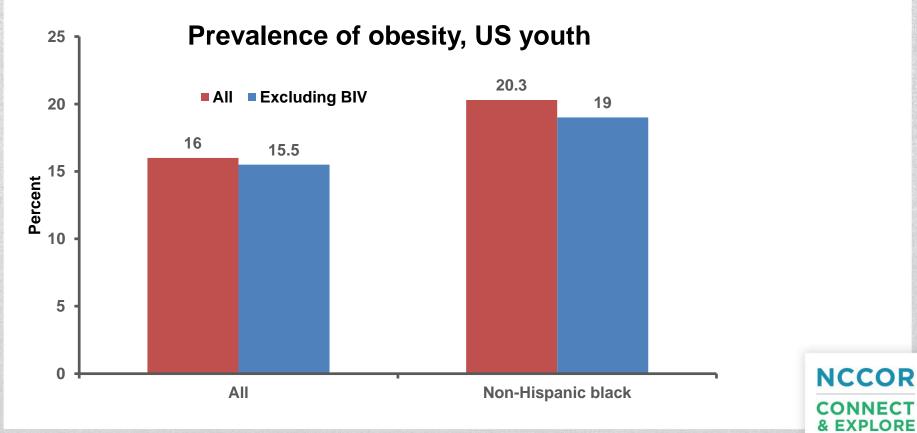
# **BIVs**

- How to define BIV?
- NHANES is relatively clean





# Sometimes BIV exclusions are valid



Freedman DS, Lawman HG, Skinner AC, McGuire LC, Allison DB, Ogden CL. Validity of the WHO cutoffs for biologically implausible values of weight, height, and BMI in children and adolescents in NHANES from 1999 through 2012. Am J Clin Nutr. 2015 Nov:102(5):1000-6

# **BIVs**

 Comparison to maximum NHANES values may provide guidance



# **Small Sample Sizes**

NHANES subgroups small sample sizes

2011-2012	Total	Obese
Birth-<24 months	584	53
2-5 years	871	91
6-11 years	1268	258
12-19 years	1216	244

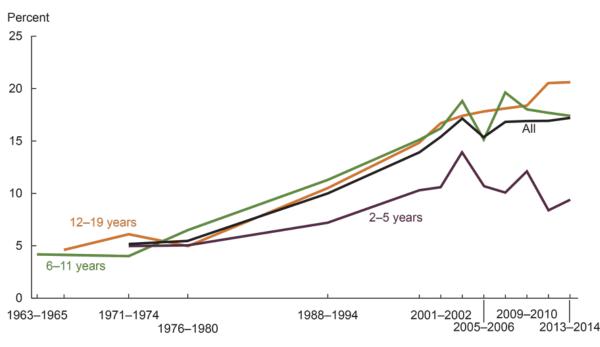
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Ogden CL, Carroll MD, Kit BK, Flegal KM. Prevalence of childhood and adult obesity in the United States, 2011-2012. JAMA. 2014 Feb 26;311(8):806-14

# **Small Sample Sizes**

## See less stability, bouncing

Figure. Trends in obesity among children and adolescents aged 2–19 years, by age: United States, 1963–1965 through 2013–2014



NOTES: Obesity is defined as body mass index (BMI) greater than or equal to the 95th percentile from the sex-specific BMI-for-age 2000 CDC Growth Charts.

SOURCES: NCHS, National Health Examination Surveys II (ages 6–11) and III (ages 12–17); and National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys (NHANES) I–III, and NHANES 1999–2000, 2001–2002, 2003–2004, 2005–2006, 2007–2008, 2009–2010, 2011–2012, and 2013–2014.

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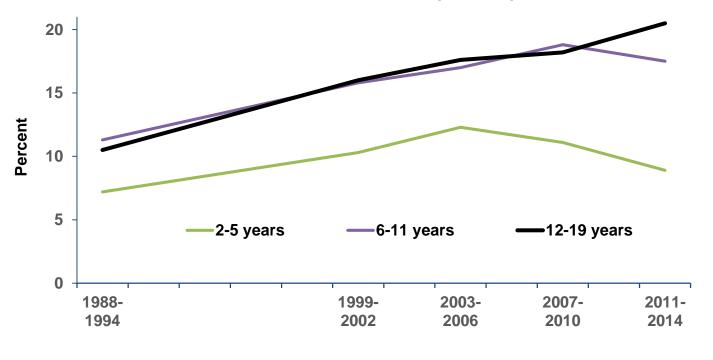
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http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/hestat/obesity\_child\_13\_14/obesity\_child\_13\_14.htm

# **Small Sample Sizes**

• Bigger sample (combining years), more stable



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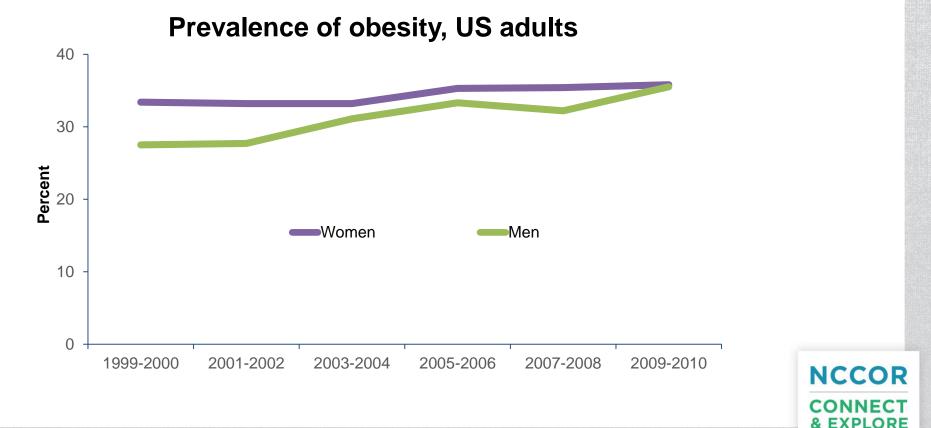
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Prevalence of obesity, US youth

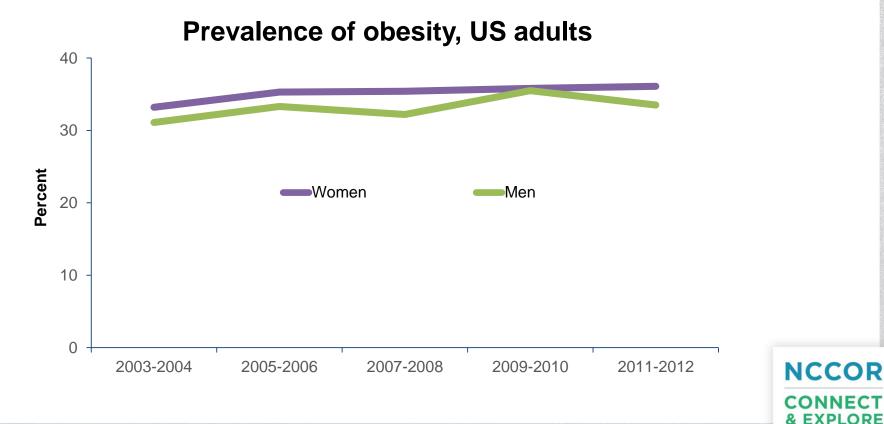
• Over what time period?



• 1999-00 to 2009-10: up men, no change women

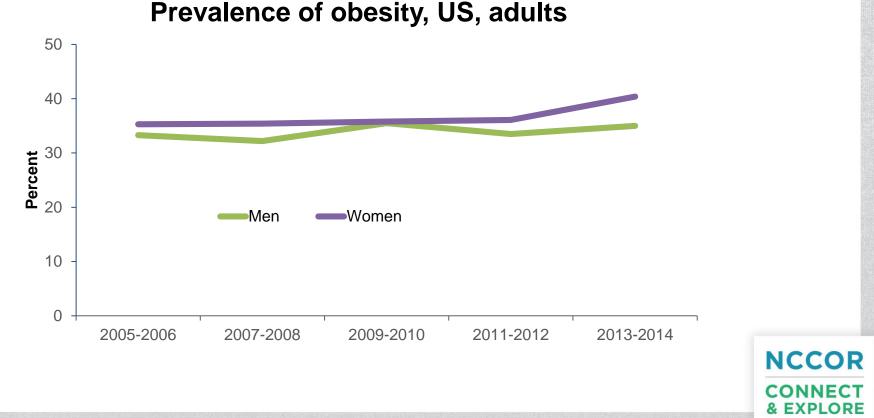


• 2003-04 to 2011-12: No change



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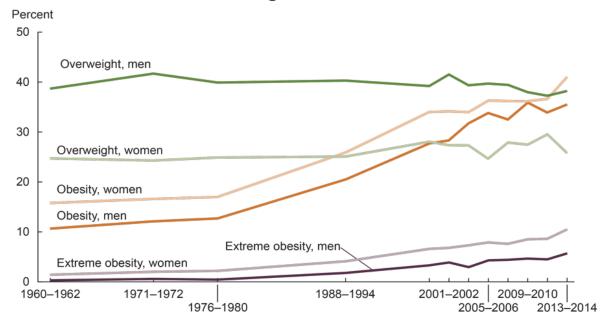
• 2005-06 to 2013-14: no change men, up women



Flegal KM, Kruszon-Moran D, Carroll MD, Fryar CD, Ogden CL. Trends in Obesity Among Adults in the United States, 2005 to 2014. JAMA. 2016 Jun 7;315(21):2284-91

### All the data

Figure. Trends in adult overweight, obesity, and extreme obesity among men and women aged 20–74: United States, 1960–1962 through 2013–2014



NOTES: Age-adjusted by the direct method to the year 2000 U.S. Census Bureau estimates using age groups 20–39, 40–59, and 60–74. Overweight is body mass index (BMI) of 25 kg/m<sup>2</sup> or greater but less than 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; obesity is BMI greater than or equal to 30; and extreme obesity is BMI greater than or equal to 40. Pregnant females were excluded from the analysis. SOURCES: NCHS, National Health Examination Survey and National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys.

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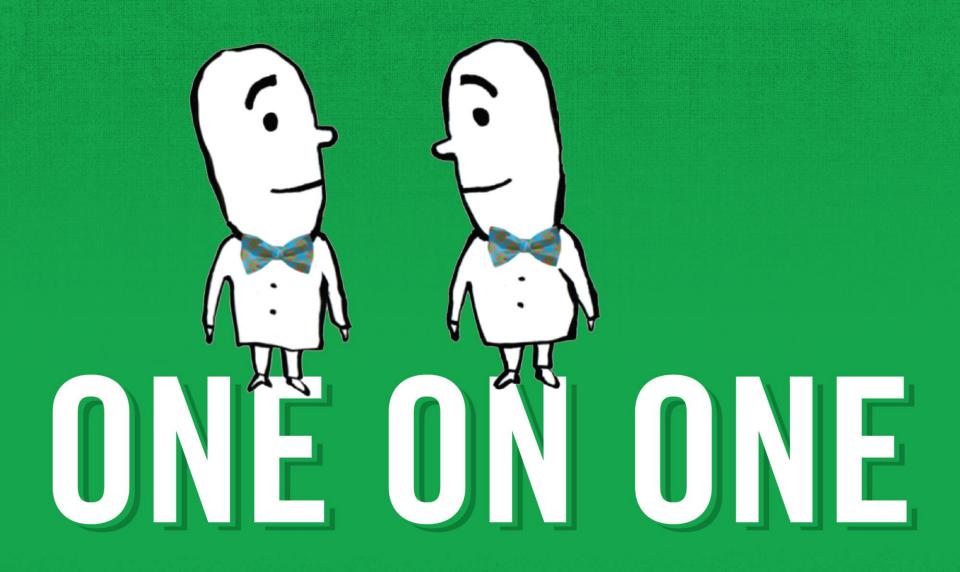
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