Urban	3.63 (3.22-4.10)	3.92 (3.25-4.73)	2.96 (2.51-3.49)	2.29 (1.59-3.30)	2.35 (1.66-3.33)
Suburban	-	3.47 (2.63-4.58)	-	1.40 (0.67-2.90) ^a	-
Rural	5.35 (4.01–7.14)	3.40 (2.94–3.92)	2.89 (2.41–3.45)	3.11 (0.77–12.51)	2.62 (2.23-3.09)
Sex					
Male	3.90 (3.35-4.54)	3.35 (2.90-3.86)	2.46 (2.10-2.89)	1.94 (1.31-2.88)	2.62 (2.14-3.21)
Female	3.78 (3.22-4.44)	3.78 (3.23-4.42)	3.23 (2.68-3.90)	2.40 (1.43-4.03)	2.64 (2.13-3.27)
Socioeconomic class					
Privileged	4.35 (3.03-6.24)	3.10 (2.53-3.80)	4.36 (3.38-5.62)	1.79 (1.11-2.89)	2.77 (2.12-3.61)
Intermediate	4.13 (3.58-4.77)	3.84 (3.19-4.62)	2.78 (2.27-3.39)	4.58 (1.98-10.62)	2.62 (2.05-3.36)
Underprivileged	3.35 (2.76–4.07)	3.71 (3.14–4.38)	2.27 (1.83–2.81)	2.03 (1.21-3.40)	2.45 (1.89–3.17)
Age (years)					
≤ 1	3.56 (2.80-4.52)	2.43 (1.80-3.28)	1.72 (1.28-2.31)	1.43 (0.55-3.69) ^a	2.02 (1.57-2.60)
> 1-≤ 2	3.16 (2.61-3.83)	2.70 (2.17-3.35)	2.23 (1.78-2.80)	1.73 (0.93-3.21) ^a	3.12 (2.25-4.33)
> 2−≤ 3	3.57 (2.83-4.51)	4.31 (3.46-5.37)	2.88 (2.26-3.66)	2.00 (1.02-3.91)	3.96 (2.59-6.05)

Morocco

RR (95% CI)

2.8 (2.48-3.16)

4.06 (3.20-5.46)

4.23 (2.80-6.39)

1.75 (1.47-2.08)

2.62 (2.20-3.12)

4.70 (4.20-5.50)

Syrian Arab Republic

RR (95% CI)

3.56 (3.2-3.96)

3.98 (3.19-4.96)

3.22 (2.41-4.31)

2.22 (1.95-2.76)

3.66 (3.10-4.31)

6.17 (5.35-7.11)

Djibouti

RR (95% CI)

2.14 (1.56-2.92)

4.30 (2.13-8.69)

1.80 (0.82-3.97)^a

1.15 (0.73-1.80)^a

1.98 (1.29-3.02)

2.65 (1.74-4.02)

Yemen

RR (95% CI)

2.63 (2.27-3.05)

3.15 (2.10-4.72)

4.60 (2.71-7.81)

0.76 (0.58-1.00)b

0.83 (0.64-1.07)b

3.20 (2.68-3.82)

 $> 3-\le 4$ 3.79 (2.84-5.07) $> 4-\le 5$ 5.33 (3.80-7.49) Degree of stunting

^aRisk was not statistically significant.

RR = risk ratio; CI = confidence interval.

Mild

Moderate

Severe

P < 0.05.

Variable

Overall risk

Residence

Table 4 Risk ratio for overweight in stunted children in different subgroups by country

Libyan Arab Jamahiriya

RR (95% CI)

3.85 (3.45-4.30)

1.72 (1.46-2.03)

2.57 (2.13-3.10)

7.15 (6.27-8.16)

^bStunting was a protective factor but it was not statistically significant.