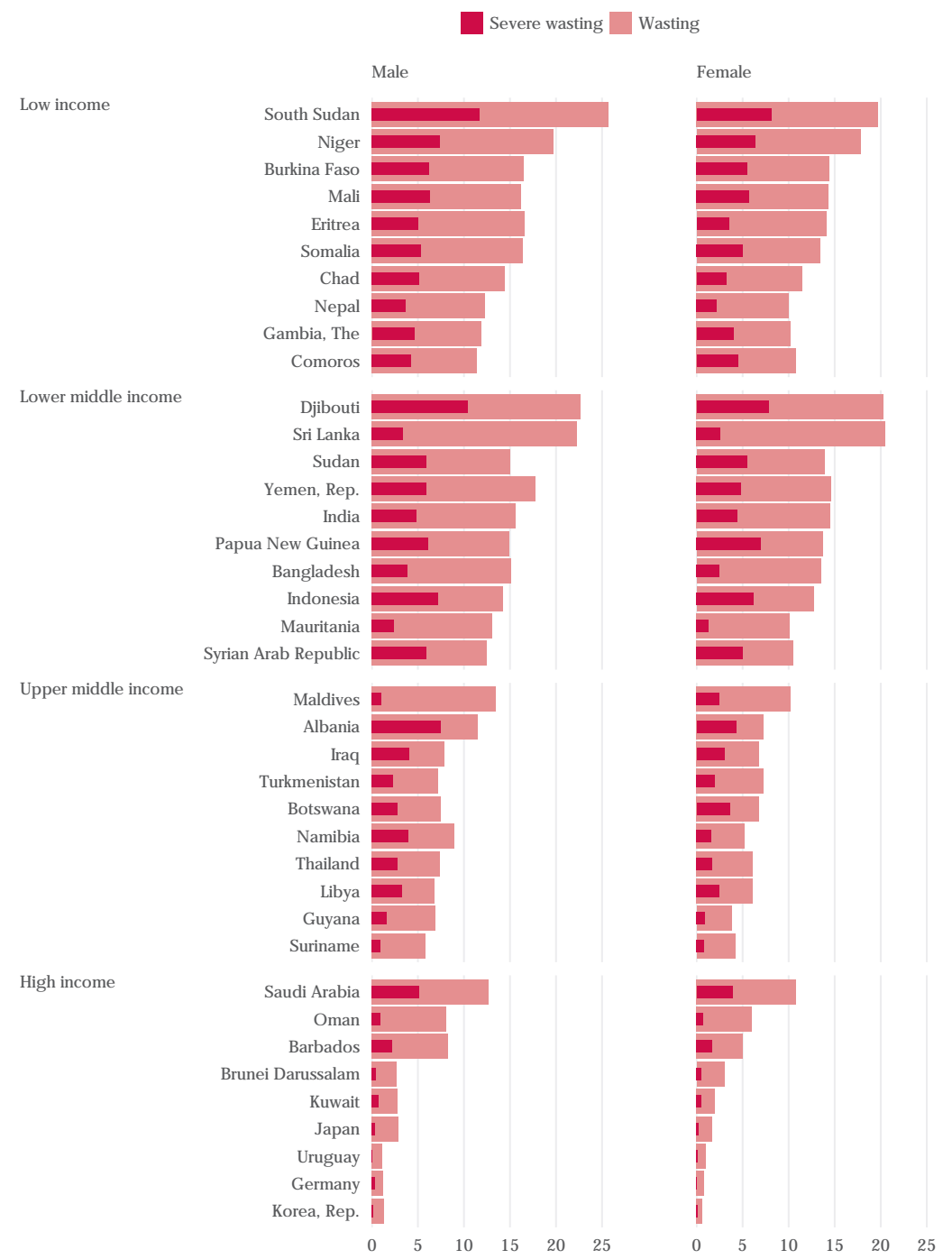


Wasting affects 1 in 13 children globally. These 50 million children weigh less than expected for their height. Half of them live in South Asia, and a quarter live in Sub-Saharan Africa. Boys are more often affected than girls.

Prevalence of wasting, children under age 5, most recent value in 2005–15 (%)



Note: For each income group, up to 10 countries with the highest average wasting rate, and data available for both sexes are shown.

Source: UNICEF, WHO and World Bank., WDI (SH.STA.WAST.MA.ZS; SH.SVR.WAST.MA.ZS; SH.STA.WAST.FE.ZS; SH.SVR.WAST.FE.ZS).