

# Data Analysis of The Growth of Global Obesity

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Obesity is a condition that occurs when a person has excess weight or body fat that might affect their health. Obesity is a dangerous disease, affecting over a third of the world's population today. It is also associated with the leading causes of death in the United States and worldwide, including diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and some types of cancer. [1]

The obesity datasets in this report are from WHO [2] and contain data detailing the prevalence of obesity in each country for both men and women from 1975 up to 2016. As many studies link obesity to poverty and low quality of life, the GDP dataset from The World Bank [3] will be used to assess if those claims have some truth.

## Reading and cleaning the datasets:

We will start by importing the libraries needed, then importing the dataset and checking for missing values. The missing values will then be removed before carrying out any statistical analysis.

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In [1]: # Import Libraries needed.
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from numpy.polynomial.polynomial import polyfit
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.ticker as mtick
import plotly_express as px

# Assign plotting style.
plt.style.use('seaborn')
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In [2]: # Import all data files downloaded.

gdp = pd.read_csv('/Users/warda/Desktop/wrd/Uni/MSc/SEM 2/Data Handling/Assignment 2/Datasets/GDP.csv')
obesity = pd.read_csv('/Users/warda/Desktop/wrd/Uni/MSc/SEM 2/Data Handling/Assignment 2/Datasets/obesity.csv')
obesity_region = pd.read_csv('/Users/warda/Desktop/wrd/Uni/MSc/SEM 2/Data Handling/Assignment 2/Datasets/obesity-region.c
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In [3]: # Checking for missing values in the obesity dataset.

obesity.isna().any()
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Out[3]: Unnamed: 0      True
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2016      False
2016.1     False
2016.2     False
2015      False
...
1976.1     False
1976.2     False
1975      False
1975.1     False
1975.2     False
Length: 127, dtype: bool

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In [4]: # No missing values. However, upon inspecting the data manually, it does not look clean so we will clean.
# There are countries with no entries, so we will remove the rows with "No data" and proceed to clean the dataset.

missing_values = ["No data"]
obesity = pd.read_csv('/Users/warda/Desktop/wrd/Uni/MSc/SEM 2/Data Handling/Assignment 2/Datasets/obesity.csv',
                      header = [0,1], skiprows = [1,2], index_col = 0, na_values = missing_values)
obesity.isnull().values.any()

# Drop all rows with "No data" values.

obesity.dropna(axis = 0, inplace = True)

obesity.head()

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Out[4]:

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		2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978		1977			1976	
	Country	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
	<b>Afghanistan</b>	5.5 [3.4-8.1]	3.2 [1.3-6.4]	7.6 [4.3-12.4]	5.2 [3.3-7.7]	3.0 [1.3-6.0]	7.3 [4.1-11.8]	4.9 [3.1-7.3]	2.8 [1.2-5.6]	7.0 [4.0-11.3]	4.7 [2.9-6.9]	...	0.9 [0.3-2.2]	0.6 [0.2-1.2]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]	0.9 [0.3-2.1]	0.5 [0.2-1.1]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]	0.1 [0.0-2.0]
	<b>Albania</b>	21.7 [17.0-26.7]	21.6 [14.8-29.0]	21.8 [15.3-28.9]	21.1 [16.6-26.0]	20.9 [14.4-28.1]	21.3 [15.1-28.1]	20.5 [16.2-25.1]	20.2 [13.9-27.3]	20.8 [14.9-27.4]	19.9 [15.7-24.4]	...	9.1 [4.6-15.5]	6.8 [4.0-10.7]	4.8 [2.0-9.3]	8.9 [4.3-15.4]	6.7 [3.8-10.6]	4.6 [1.8-9.2]	8.1 [4.1-15.4]
	<b>Algeria</b>	27.4 [22.5-32.7]	19.9 [13.6-27.1]	34.9 [27.6-42.7]	26.7 [21.9-31.8]	19.2 [13.2-26.1]	34.2 [27.1-41.7]	26.0 [21.4-30.9]	18.5 [12.7-25.0]	33.6 [26.7-40.7]	25.3 [20.9-30.1]	...	11.8 [6.5-18.6]	7.4 [4.3-11.3]	3.1 [1.2-6.2]	11.4 [6.2-18.4]	7.2 [4.1-11.1]	2.9 [1.1-6.1]	11.1 [5.8-18.2]
	<b>Andorra</b>	25.6 [20.1-31.3]	25.9 [18.0-34.3]	25.3 [17.7-33.7]	25.4 [20.1-31.0]	25.5 [17.8-33.8]	25.2 [17.7-33.4]	25.2 [20.0-30.7]	25.2 [17.6-33.3]	25.1 [17.8-33.1]	25.0 [20.0-30.3]	...	17.5 [10.9-25.3]	14.0 [9.6-19.1]	10.7 [5.6-17.4]	16.9 [10.4-24.8]	13.5 [9.1-18.6]	10.2 [5.2-16.9]	16.1 [9.8-24.4]

		2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978			1977			1976
	Country	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female
	Angola	8.2 [5.1-12.2]	4.0 [1.6-7.9]	12.1 [6.8-19.0]	7.9 [4.9-11.7]	3.8 [1.5-7.3]	11.6 [6.5-18.2]	7.5 [4.7-11.2]	3.6 [1.4-6.9]	11.1 [6.2-17.5]	7.1 [4.4-10.6]	...	1.6 [0.5-3.7]	0.9 [0.3-2.0]	0.3 [0.0-0.9]	1.5 [0.4-3.6]	0.9 [0.3-2.0]	0.3 [0.0-0.9]	1.4 [0.4-3.5]

5 rows × 126 columns

In [5]: *# Now we clean the data and set the index to 'Country'.*

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obesity.columns.names = ['Year', 'Sex']
obesity.index.names = ['Country']
obesity.columns.names
obesity.index.names
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Out[5]: FrozenList(['Country'])

In [6]: `obesity = obesity.stack(level=0)`  
`obesity`

Out[6]:

	Sex	Both sexes	Female	Male
Country	Year			
Afghanistan	1975	0.5 [0.2-1.1]	0.8 [0.2-2.0]	0.2 [0.0-0.6]
	1976	0.5 [0.2-1.1]	0.8 [0.2-2.0]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]
	1977	0.6 [0.2-1.2]	0.9 [0.3-2.1]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]
	1978	0.6 [0.2-1.3]	0.9 [0.3-2.2]	0.2 [0.1-0.7]
	1979	0.6 [0.3-1.3]	1.0 [0.3-2.3]	0.3 [0.1-0.8]
...	...	...	...	...
Zimbabwe	2012	14.3 [11.4-17.6]	23.5 [18.3-29.3]	4.0 [2.2-6.6]
	2013	14.6 [11.5-18.0]	23.9 [18.5-30.0]	4.2 [2.3-6.9]
	2014	14.9 [11.7-18.4]	24.4 [18.8-30.6]	4.4 [2.4-7.3]

	Sex	Both sexes	Female	Male
Country	Year			
	2015	15.2 [11.9-18.8]	24.8 [18.9-31.3]	4.5 [2.4-7.6]
	2016	15.5 [12.0-19.2]	25.3 [19.1-32.0]	4.7 [2.5-8.0]

8022 rows × 3 columns

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In [7]: obesity = obesity.reset_index()
obesity
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Out[7]:
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	Sex	Country	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male
0	Afghanistan	1975	0.5 [0.2-1.1]	0.8 [0.2-2.0]	0.2 [0.0-0.6]	
1	Afghanistan	1976	0.5 [0.2-1.1]	0.8 [0.2-2.0]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]	
2	Afghanistan	1977	0.6 [0.2-1.2]	0.9 [0.3-2.1]	0.2 [0.0-0.7]	
3	Afghanistan	1978	0.6 [0.2-1.3]	0.9 [0.3-2.2]	0.2 [0.1-0.7]	
4	Afghanistan	1979	0.6 [0.3-1.3]	1.0 [0.3-2.3]	0.3 [0.1-0.8]	
...	...	...	...	...	...	
8017	Zimbabwe	2012	14.3 [11.4-17.6]	23.5 [18.3-29.3]	4.0 [2.2-6.6]	
8018	Zimbabwe	2013	14.6 [11.5-18.0]	23.9 [18.5-30.0]	4.2 [2.3-6.9]	
8019	Zimbabwe	2014	14.9 [11.7-18.4]	24.4 [18.8-30.6]	4.4 [2.4-7.3]	
8020	Zimbabwe	2015	15.2 [11.9-18.8]	24.8 [18.9-31.3]	4.5 [2.4-7.6]	
8021	Zimbabwe	2016	15.5 [12.0-19.2]	25.3 [19.1-32.0]	4.7 [2.5-8.0]	

8022 rows × 5 columns

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In [8]: # The numbers in the brackets represent the standardised age groups of the obese people.
# In this report, we are not interested in the age statistics so we will drop those entries from the dataset.

obesity['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity['Both sexes'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
obesity['Both sexes'] = obesity['Both sexes'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])

obesity['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity['Male'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
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obesity['Male'] = obesity['Male'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])

obesity['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity['Female'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
obesity['Female'] = obesity['Female'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])

obesity.drop(['Standardised age estimate'], axis = 1, inplace = True)

obesity

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Out[8]:

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	Sex	Country	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male
0		Afghanistan	1975	0.5	0.8	0.2
1		Afghanistan	1976	0.5	0.8	0.2
2		Afghanistan	1977	0.6	0.9	0.2
3		Afghanistan	1978	0.6	0.9	0.2
4		Afghanistan	1979	0.6	1.0	0.3
...		...	...	...	...	...
8017		Zimbabwe	2012	14.3	23.5	4.0
8018		Zimbabwe	2013	14.6	23.9	4.2
8019		Zimbabwe	2014	14.9	24.4	4.4
8020		Zimbabwe	2015	15.2	24.8	4.5
8021		Zimbabwe	2016	15.5	25.3	4.7

8022 rows × 5 columns

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In [9]: # For the analysis, we need to pivot around 1 sex at a time. So we will melt the Obesity dataframe then split it.

obesity = obesity.melt(id_vars = ['Country', 'Year'], value_vars = ['Both sexes', 'Female', 'Male'],
                        value_name = 'Obesity %')

obesity

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Out[9]:

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	Country	Year	Sex	Obesity %
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5
1	Afghanistan	1976	Both sexes	0.5

	Country	Year	Sex	Obesity %
2	Afghanistan	1977	Both sexes	0.6
3	Afghanistan	1978	Both sexes	0.6
4	Afghanistan	1979	Both sexes	0.6
...	...	...	...	...
24061	Zimbabwe	2012	Male	4.0
24062	Zimbabwe	2013	Male	4.2
24063	Zimbabwe	2014	Male	4.4
24064	Zimbabwe	2015	Male	4.5
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7

24066 rows × 4 columns

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In [10]: # Now we will generate seperate dataframes for each sex.

obesity_male = obesity.loc[obesity.Sex == 'Male', :].reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_male_pivot = obesity_male[['Country', 'Year', 'Obesity %']].pivot(index = 'Country',
                                                                    columns = 'Year', values = 'Obesity %')

obesity_female = obesity.loc[obesity.Sex == 'Female', :].reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_female_pivot = obesity_female[['Country', 'Year', 'Obesity %']].pivot(index = 'Country',
                                                                    columns = 'Year', values = 'Obesity %')

obesity_both = obesity.loc[obesity.Sex == 'Both sexes', :].reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_both_pivot = obesity_both[['Country', 'Year', 'Obesity %']].pivot(index = 'Country',
                                                                    columns = 'Year', values = 'Obesity %')

obesity_both.head()
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Out[10]:
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	Country	Year	Sex	Obesity %
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5
1	Afghanistan	1976	Both sexes	0.5
2	Afghanistan	1977	Both sexes	0.6
3	Afghanistan	1978	Both sexes	0.6

	Country	Year	Sex	Obesity %
4	Afghanistan	1979	Both sexes	0.6

Now that the obesity dataset is clean, we will clean proceed to cleaning and melting the two other datasets before performing any analysis.

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In [11]: gdp.head()
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Out[11]:
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	Country	Country Code	Indicator Name	Indicator Code	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	...	2011
0	Aruba	ABW	GDP per capita (current US\$)	NY.GDP.PCAP.CD	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	24985.993280 24713
1	Afghanistan	AFG	GDP per capita (current US\$)	NY.GDP.PCAP.CD	59.773194	59.860874	58.458015	78.706388	82.095231	101.108305	...	591.162759 641
2	Angola	AGO	GDP per capita (current US\$)	NY.GDP.PCAP.CD	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	4615.468028 5100
3	Albania	ALB	GDP per capita (current US\$)	NY.GDP.PCAP.CD	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	4437.142885 4247
4	Andorra	AND	GDP per capita (current US\$)	NY.GDP.PCAP.CD	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	...	43335.328860 38686

5 rows × 65 columns

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In [12]: # Melting the years.

# Transform
year_cols = [str(x) for x in list(range(1975, 2017))]
gdp_df = pd.melt(gdp, id_vars = ['Country', 'Country Code', 'Indicator Name', 'Indicator Code'], value_vars = year_cols)
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gdp_df.rename(columns = {'variable':'Year'}, inplace = True)
gdp_df.rename(columns = {'value':'GDP'}, inplace = True)
gdp_df.drop(['Indicator Code', 'Indicator Name', 'Country Code'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
gdp_df.sort_values(by=['Country', 'Year'])
gdp_df['Year'] = pd.to_numeric(gdp_df['Year'])
gdp_df = gdp_df[gdp_df['Year'] >= 1975]

gdp_df.head

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Out[12]: <bound method NDFrame.head of
0          Aruba  1975      NaN
1    Afghanistan  1975  186.510897
2          Angola  1975      NaN
3        Albania  1975      NaN
4        Andorra  1975  7169.101006
...          ...    ...    ...
11083        Kosovo  2016  3780.003689
11084    Yemen, Rep.  2016  1138.682995
11085  South Africa  2016  5272.918425
11086         Zambia  2016  1280.578447
11087     Zimbabwe  2016  1464.583529

[11088 rows x 3 columns]>

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In [13]: gdp_df = gdp_df.sort_values(by = ['Country', 'Year'])
gdp_df

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Out[13]:

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	Country	Year	GDP
<b>1</b>	Afghanistan	1975	186.510897
<b>265</b>	Afghanistan	1976	197.445508
<b>529</b>	Afghanistan	1977	224.224797
<b>793</b>	Afghanistan	1978	247.354106
<b>1057</b>	Afghanistan	1979	275.738198
...	...	...	...
<b>10031</b>	Zimbabwe	2012	1304.969802
<b>10295</b>	Zimbabwe	2013	1430.000818
<b>10559</b>	Zimbabwe	2014	1434.899340
<b>10823</b>	Zimbabwe	2015	1445.071062



	Country	Year	GDP
11087	Zimbabwe	2016	1464.583529

11088 rows × 3 columns

In [14]: *# For later analysis, we will merge the GDP and Obesity dataframes.*

```
inner_merged_total = pd.merge(obesity, gdp_df, on = ["Country"])
inner_merged_total.head()
inner_joined_total = obesity.join(
    gdp_df.set_index(["Country"]),
    lsuffix = "_x",
    rsuffix = "_y",
    on = ["Country"],
)
inner_joined_total
```

Out[14]:

	Country	Year_x	Sex	Obesity %	Year_y	GDP
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1975.0	186.510897
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1976.0	197.445508
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1977.0	224.224797
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1978.0	247.354106
0	Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1979.0	275.738198
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2012.0	1304.969802
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2013.0	1430.000818
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2014.0	1434.899340
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2015.0	1445.071062
24065	Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2016.0	1464.583529

860958 rows × 6 columns

In [15]: `inner_joined_total.set_index(['Country'], inplace = True)`

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inner_joined_total.sort_index(inplace = True)
inner_joined_total
```

Out[15]:

	Year_x	Sex	Obesity %	Year_y	GDP
Country					
Afghanistan	1975	Both sexes	0.5	1975.0	186.510897
Afghanistan	2003	Male	1.4	1981.0	264.111317
Afghanistan	2003	Male	1.4	1980.0	272.655286
Afghanistan	2003	Male	1.4	1979.0	275.738198
Afghanistan	2003	Male	1.4	1978.0	247.354106
...	...	...	...	...	...
Zimbabwe	2003	Both sexes	11.5	1980.0	901.499145
Zimbabwe	2003	Both sexes	11.5	1981.0	1043.746833
Zimbabwe	2003	Both sexes	11.5	1982.0	1073.063847
Zimbabwe	2002	Both sexes	11.2	2013.0	1430.000818
Zimbabwe	2016	Male	4.7	2016.0	1464.583529

860958 rows × 5 columns

In [16]:

```
# Now we will clean the 'Obesity per region' dataset.

obesity_region.head()
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Out[16]:

	Unnamed: 0	2016	2016.1	2016.2	2015	2015.1	2015.2	2014	2014.1	2014.2	...	1978.2	1977
0	NaN	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...	Prevalence of obesity among adults, BMI &Great...
1	NaN	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	18+ years	...	18+ years	18+ years

	Unnamed: 0	2016	2016.1	2016.2	2015	2015.1	2015.2	2014	2014.1	2014.2	...	1978.2	1977
2	WHO region	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	...	Female	Both sexes
3	Global	13.2 [12.5-13.9]	11.1 [10.2-12.2]	15.3 [14.2-16.4]	12.8 [12.2-13.5]	10.7 [9.9-11.7]	14.9 [13.9-15.9]	12.4 [11.8-13.0]	10.3 [9.6-11.2]	14.5 [13.6-15.4]	...	6.3 [5.3-7.4]	4.5 [3.9-5.2]
4	Africa	9.1 [8.2-10.0]	4.8 [3.9-5.9]	13.2 [11.8-14.8]	8.8 [8.0-9.6]	4.6 [3.8-5.6]	12.9 [11.5-14.3]	8.5 [7.7-9.3]	4.4 [3.6-5.3]	12.5 [11.2-13.8]	...	3.2 [2.2-4.4]	1.9 [1.3-2.5]

5 rows × 127 columns

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In [17]: obesity_region.isna().any()
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Out[17]: Unnamed: 0      True
2016      False
2016.1     False
2016.2     False
2015      False
...
1976.1     False
1976.2     False
1975      False
1975.1     False
1975.2     False
Length: 127, dtype: bool
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In [18]: missing_values = ["No data"]
obesity_region = pd.read_csv('/Users/warda/Desktop/wrd/Uni/MSc/SEM 2/Data Handling/Assignment 2/Datasets/obesity-region.c
header = [0,1], skiprows = [1,2], index_col = 0, na_values = missing_values)
obesity_region
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Out[18]:
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		2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978	1977			1		
	WHO region	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Fen
	Global	13.2 [12.5-13.9]	11.1 [10.2-12.2]	15.3 [14.2-16.4]	12.8 [12.2-13.5]	10.7 [9.9-11.7]	14.9 [13.9-15.9]	12.4 [11.8-13.0]	10.3 [9.6-11.2]	14.5 [13.6-15.4]	12.1 [11.5-12.6]	...	6.3 [5.3-7.4]	4.5 [3.9-5.2]	2.9 [2.3-3.6]	6.2 [5.2-7.3]	4.4 [3.8-5.1]	2.8 [2.2-3.5]	[

	2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978	1977			1		
WHO region	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Fen
Africa	9.1	4.8	13.2	8.8	4.6	12.9	8.5	4.4	12.5	8.2		3.2	1.9	0.6	3.1	1.8	0.5	
	[8.2-10.0]	[3.9-5.9]	[11.8-14.8]	[8.0-9.6]	[3.8-5.6]	[11.5-14.3]	[7.7-9.3]	[3.6-5.3]	[11.2-13.8]	[7.5-8.9]	...	[2.2-4.4]	[1.3-2.5]	[0.3-1.1]	[2.1-4.4]	[1.2-2.5]	[0.3-1.0]	[
Americas	29.0	26.2	31.7	28.4	25.6	31.1	27.8	25.0	30.5	27.3		11.9	9.5	7.4	11.6	9.3	7.2	
	[27.1-31.0]	[23.4-29.1]	[28.8-34.4]	[26.6-30.3]	[23.0-28.3]	[28.5-33.7]	[26.1-29.6]	[22.6-27.5]	[28.1-32.9]	[25.7-28.8]	...	[9.6-14.5]	[8.0-11.2]	[5.5-9.6]	[9.2-14.2]	[7.7-11.0]	[5.2-9.4]	[
South-East Asia	4.6	3.2	6.0	4.3	3.0	5.7	4.1	2.8	5.4	3.9		0.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.2	
	[3.8-5.5]	[2.4-4.3]	[4.8-7.5]	[3.6-5.1]	[2.3-4.0]	[4.6-7.0]	[3.5-4.8]	[2.2-3.7]	[4.4-6.6]	[3.3-4.5]	...	[0.4-1.1]	[0.2-0.6]	[0.1-0.4]	[0.3-1.1]	[0.2-0.6]	[0.1-0.4]	[
Europe	25.3	23.4	27.1	24.8	22.7	26.6	24.2	22.1	26.2	23.7		14.5	10.8	6.8	14.3	10.5	6.6	
	[23.6-27.0]	[21.1-25.6]	[24.7-29.5]	[23.2-26.3]	[20.6-24.8]	[24.4-28.9]	[22.8-25.7]	[20.2-24.1]	[24.1-28.3]	[22.4-25.1]	...	[11.8-17.6]	[9.1-12.7]	[5.3-8.7]	[11.4-17.4]	[8.8-12.5]	[5.0-8.5]	[1
Eastern Mediterranean	19.5	14.9	24.3	18.9	14.3	23.7	18.2	13.8	23.1	17.6		8.7	5.5	2.7	8.5	5.3	2.6	
	[17.8-21.2]	[12.7-17.2]	[21.8-26.9]	[17.4-20.5]	[12.3-16.4]	[21.3-26.1]	[16.8-19.7]	[11.9-15.6]	[20.9-25.3]	[16.3-19.0]	...	[6.1-11.9]	[4.1-7.2]	[1.6-4.2]	[5.8-11.7]	[3.8-7.1]	[1.5-4.1]	[
Western Pacific	6.7	6.3	7.2	6.4	5.9	6.9	6.0	5.5	6.5	5.7		1.1	0.8	0.5	1.1	0.7	0.5	
	[5.5-8.1]	[4.6-8.4]	[5.5-9.3]	[5.3-7.6]	[4.4-7.7]	[5.3-8.7]	[5.0-7.1]	[4.2-7.1]	[5.2-8.2]	[4.8-6.7]	...	[0.8-1.6]	[0.6-1.0]	[0.3-0.7]	[0.7-1.6]	[0.5-1.0]	[0.3-0.7]	[

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In [19]: obesity_region.isnull().values.any()

Out[19]: False

In [20]: obesity_region.dropna(axis = 0,inplace = True)

In [21]: obesity_region
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WHO region	2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978	1977			1976			1
	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Fen

		2016			2015			2014			2013	...	1978			1977			1	
WHO region	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	...	Female	Both sexes	Male	Female	Both sexes	Male	Fen		
Global	13.2	11.1	15.3	12.8	10.7	14.9	12.4	10.3	14.5	12.1			6.3	4.5	2.9	6.2	4.4	2.8	[	
	[12.5-13.9]	[10.2-12.2]	[14.2-16.4]	[12.2-13.5]	[9.9-11.7]	[13.9-15.9]	[11.8-13.0]	[9.6-11.2]	[13.6-15.4]	[11.5-12.6]	...	[5.3-7.4]	[3.9-5.2]	[2.3-3.6]	[5.2-7.3]	[3.8-5.1]	[2.2-3.5]	[		
Africa	9.1	4.8	13.2	8.8	4.6	12.9	8.5	4.4	12.5	8.2			3.2	1.9	0.6	3.1	1.8	0.5	[	
	[8.2-10.0]	[3.9-5.9]	[11.8-14.8]	[8.0-9.6]	[3.8-5.6]	[11.5-14.3]	[7.7-9.3]	[3.6-5.3]	[11.2-13.8]	[7.5-8.9]	...	[2.2-4.4]	[1.3-2.5]	[0.3-1.1]	[2.1-4.4]	[1.2-2.5]	[0.3-1.0]	[		
Americas	29.0	26.2	31.7	28.4	25.6	31.1	27.8	25.0	30.5	27.3			11.9	9.5	7.4	11.6	9.3	7.2	[	
	[27.1-31.0]	[23.4-29.1]	[28.8-34.4]	[26.6-30.3]	[23.0-28.3]	[28.5-33.7]	[26.1-29.6]	[22.6-27.5]	[28.1-32.9]	[25.7-28.8]	...	[9.6-14.5]	[8.0-11.2]	[5.5-9.6]	[9.2-14.2]	[7.7-11.0]	[5.2-9.4]	[		
South-East Asia	4.6	3.2	6.0	4.3	3.0	5.7	4.1	2.8	5.4	3.9			0.7	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.2	[	
	[3.8-5.5]	[2.4-4.3]	[4.8-7.5]	[3.6-5.1]	[2.3-4.0]	[4.6-7.0]	[3.5-4.8]	[2.2-3.7]	[4.4-6.6]	[3.3-4.5]	...	[0.4-1.1]	[0.2-0.6]	[0.1-0.4]	[0.3-1.1]	[0.2-0.6]	[0.1-0.4]	[		
Europe	25.3	23.4	27.1	24.8	22.7	26.6	24.2	22.1	26.2	23.7			14.5	10.8	6.8	14.3	10.5	6.6	[1	
	[23.6-27.0]	[21.1-25.6]	[24.7-29.5]	[23.2-26.3]	[20.6-24.8]	[24.4-28.9]	[22.8-25.7]	[20.2-24.1]	[24.1-28.3]	[22.4-25.1]	...	[11.8-17.6]	[9.1-12.7]	[5.3-8.7]	[11.4-17.4]	[8.8-12.5]	[5.0-8.5]	[1		
Eastern Mediterranean	19.5	14.9	24.3	18.9	14.3	23.7	18.2	13.8	23.1	17.6			8.7	5.5	2.7	8.5	5.3	2.6	[	
	[17.8-21.2]	[12.7-17.2]	[21.8-26.9]	[17.4-20.5]	[12.3-16.4]	[21.3-26.1]	[16.8-19.7]	[11.9-15.6]	[20.9-25.3]	[16.3-19.0]	...	[6.1-11.9]	[4.1-7.2]	[1.6-4.2]	[5.8-11.7]	[3.8-7.1]	[1.5-4.1]	[		
Western Pacific	6.7	6.3	7.2	6.4	5.9	6.9	6.0	5.5	6.5	5.7			1.1	0.8	0.5	1.1	0.7	0.5	[	
	[5.5-8.1]	[4.6-8.4]	[5.5-9.3]	[5.3-7.6]	[4.4-7.7]	[5.3-8.7]	[5.0-7.1]	[4.2-7.1]	[5.2-8.2]	[4.8-6.7]	...	[0.8-1.6]	[0.6-1.0]	[0.3-0.7]	[0.7-1.6]	[0.5-1.0]	[0.3-0.7]	[		

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In [22]: obesity_region.columns.names = ['Year', 'Sex']
obesity_region.index.names = ['WHO region']
obesity_region.columns.names
obesity_region.index.names
```

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Out[22]: FrozenList(['WHO region'])
```

```
In [23]: obesity_region = obesity_region.stack(level=0)
obesity_region = obesity_region.reset_index()
```

obesity\_region

```
Out[23]:
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	Sex	WHO region	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male
	0	Global	1975	4.3 [3.7-5.0]	5.9 [4.8-7.2]	2.7 [2.1-3.4]
	1	Global	1976	4.4 [3.8-5.1]	6.1 [5.0-7.2]	2.8 [2.2-3.5]
	2	Global	1977	4.5 [3.9-5.2]	6.2 [5.2-7.3]	2.9 [2.3-3.6]
	3	Global	1978	4.6 [4.1-5.3]	6.3 [5.3-7.4]	3.0 [2.4-3.6]
	4	Global	1979	4.8 [4.2-5.4]	6.4 [5.5-7.5]	3.1 [2.5-3.7]
	...	...	...	...	...	...
289		Western Pacific	2012	5.3 [4.6-6.2]	5.9 [4.8-7.2]	4.8 [3.8-6.1]
290		Western Pacific	2013	5.7 [4.8-6.7]	6.2 [5.0-7.7]	5.1 [4.0-6.6]
291		Western Pacific	2014	6.0 [5.0-7.1]	6.5 [5.2-8.2]	5.5 [4.2-7.1]
292		Western Pacific	2015	6.4 [5.3-7.6]	6.9 [5.3-8.7]	5.9 [4.4-7.7]
293		Western Pacific	2016	6.7 [5.5-8.1]	7.2 [5.5-9.3]	6.3 [4.6-8.4]

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In [24]: # We will also get rid of the age column as with above.

obesity_region['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity_region['Both sexes'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
obesity_region['Both sexes'] = obesity_region['Both sexes'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])

obesity_region['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity_region['Male'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
obesity_region['Male'] = obesity_region['Male'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])

obesity_region['Standardised age estimate'] = obesity_region['Female'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[1])
obesity_region['Female'] = obesity_region['Female'].apply(lambda x:x.split()[0])
```

```
In [25]: obesity_region = obesity_region.sort_values(by=['WHO region', 'Year'])
obesity_region
```

```
Out[25]:
```

	Sex	WHO region	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male	Standardised age estimate
	42	Africa	1975	1.7	2.9	0.5	[1.9-4.2]
	43	Africa	1976	1.8	3.0	0.5	[2.0-4.3]

Sex	WHO region	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male	Standardised age estimate
44	Africa	1977	1.9	3.1	0.6	[2.1-4.4]
45	Africa	1978	1.9	3.2	0.6	[2.2-4.4]
46	Africa	1979	2.0	3.3	0.6	[2.4-4.5]
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
289	Western Pacific	2012	5.3	5.9	4.8	[4.8-7.2]
290	Western Pacific	2013	5.7	6.2	5.1	[5.0-7.7]
291	Western Pacific	2014	6.0	6.5	5.5	[5.2-8.2]
292	Western Pacific	2015	6.4	6.9	5.9	[5.3-8.7]
293	Western Pacific	2016	6.7	7.2	6.3	[5.5-9.3]

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```
In [26]: obesity_region.drop(['Standardised age estimate'], axis = 1, inplace = True)
obesity_region.reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_region
```

```
Out[26]:
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Sex	WHO region	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male
42	Africa	1975	1.7	2.9	0.5
43	Africa	1976	1.8	3.0	0.5
44	Africa	1977	1.9	3.1	0.6
45	Africa	1978	1.9	3.2	0.6
46	Africa	1979	2.0	3.3	0.6
...	...	...	...	...	...
289	Western Pacific	2012	5.3	5.9	4.8
290	Western Pacific	2013	5.7	6.2	5.1
291	Western Pacific	2014	6.0	6.5	5.5
292	Western Pacific	2015	6.4	6.9	5.9

Sex	WHO region	Year	Both sexes	Female	Male
293	Western Pacific	2016	6.7	7.2	6.3

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```
In [27]: # Melt regional obesity values.
```

```
obesity_region = obesity_region.melt(id_vars = ['WHO region', 'Year'],  
                                     value_vars = ['Both sexes', 'Female', 'Male'],  
                                     value_name = 'Obesity %')
```

```
obesity_region
```

Out[27]:	WHO region	Year	Sex	Obesity %
0	Africa	1975	Both sexes	1.7
1	Africa	1976	Both sexes	1.8
2	Africa	1977	Both sexes	1.9
3	Africa	1978	Both sexes	1.9
4	Africa	1979	Both sexes	2.0
...	...	...	...	...
877	Western Pacific	2012	Male	4.8
878	Western Pacific	2013	Male	5.1
879	Western Pacific	2014	Male	5.5
880	Western Pacific	2015	Male	5.9
881	Western Pacific	2016	Male	6.3

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```
values = 'Obesity %')
```

```
obesity_region_both
```

```
Out[28]:
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	WHO region	Year	Sex	Obesity %
<b>0</b>	Africa	1975	Both sexes	1.7
<b>1</b>	Africa	1976	Both sexes	1.8
<b>2</b>	Africa	1977	Both sexes	1.9
<b>3</b>	Africa	1978	Both sexes	1.9
<b>4</b>	Africa	1979	Both sexes	2.0
...	...	...	...	...
<b>289</b>	Western Pacific	2012	Both sexes	5.3
<b>290</b>	Western Pacific	2013	Both sexes	5.7
<b>291</b>	Western Pacific	2014	Both sexes	6.0
<b>292</b>	Western Pacific	2015	Both sexes	6.4
<b>293</b>	Western Pacific	2016	Both sexes	6.7

294 rows × 4 columns

## Analysis and discussion:

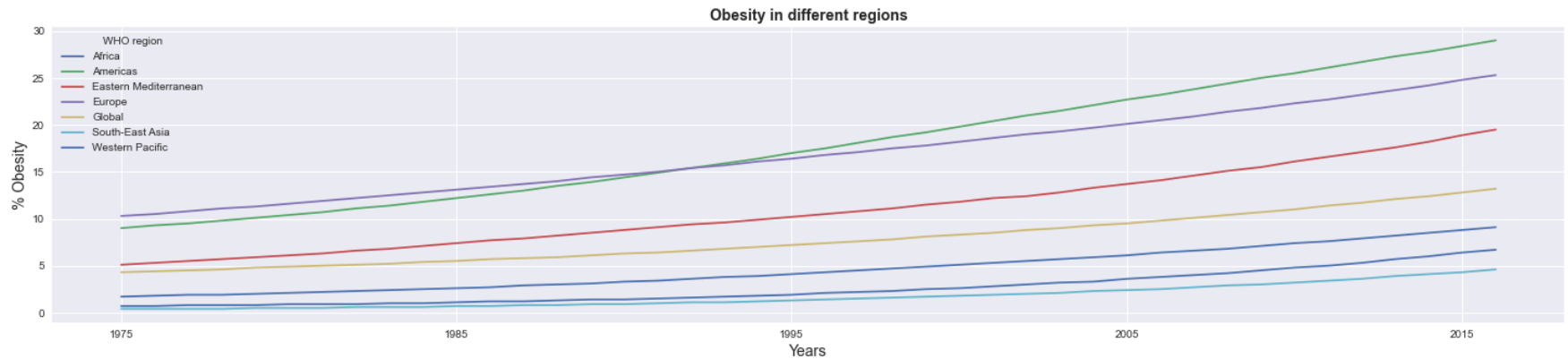
Now that the data is clean, we will take a look at the growth of obesity in populations over the years. We will isolate 20 countries that are on the two extreme ends of the spectrum; most obese, least obese, highest GDP, and lowest GDP. And after assessing the correlation, we will look at the differences between genders.

### 1. Global obesity growth.

```
In [29]:
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```
# Now, we will compare the obesity in different regions over time.  
  
obesity_region_both = obesity_region_both.groupby(['Year', 'WHO region'])['Obesity %'].sum().unstack(-1)  
  
obesity_region_both = obesity_region_both.astype(float)  
  
obesity_region_both.plot(kind = 'line', figsize = (25, 5))
```

```
plt.title('Obesity in different regions', weight = 'bold', size = 14)
plt.ylabel('% Obesity', size = 14)
plt.xlabel('Years', size = 14)
plt.show()
```



## 2. Are obesity and poverty really linked?

In [30]: `obesity.info()`

```
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 24066 entries, 0 to 24065
Data columns (total 4 columns):
#   Column      Non-Null Count  Dtype
---  -
0    Country    24066 non-null  object
1    Year       24066 non-null  object
2    Sex        24066 non-null  object
3    Obesity %  24066 non-null  object
dtypes: object(4)
memory usage: 752.2+ KB
```

In [31]: *# The data type for average obesity percentage is an object.  
# Thus we will change the data type into numeric in order to do further analysis.*

```
obesity['Obesity %'] = pd.to_numeric(obesity['Obesity %'],downcast = 'float')
```

In [32]: *# Let's find out the top 20 most obese countries, and append the results into a list.*

```
high_obesity_countries = obesity.groupby('Country').mean().sort_values(by = 'Obesity %',
                                                                    ascending = False)['Obesity %'][:20]
countries_high = high_obesity_countries.index.tolist()
```

```
values_high = high_obesity_countries.values.tolist()
high_obesity_countries
```

```
Out[32]: Country
Nauru      53.093651
Palau      42.130951
Cook Islands 41.853176
Marshall Islands 40.512699
Tuvalu     35.123810
Niue       34.349998
Tonga      33.753174
Samoa      33.666668
Micronesia 31.968254
Kiribati   31.257936
Kuwait     29.295238
Qatar      26.287302
Saudi Arabia 23.864286
Jordan     23.599207
U.A.E      23.120634
U.S.A      22.896826
Bahrain    22.221428
Lebanon    21.991270
Libya      21.857937
Malta      21.683334
Name: Obesity %, dtype: float32
```

```
In [33]: # Let's find out the top 20 most obese countries, and append the results into a list.

low_obesity_countries = obesity.groupby('Country').mean().sort_values(by = 'Obesity %',
                                                                    ascending = True)[:20].sort_values(asc

countries_low = low_obesity_countries.index.tolist()
values_low = low_obesity_countries.values.tolist()
low_obesity_countries
```

```
Out[33]: Country
Niger      2.378572
China      2.310318
Burundi    2.224603
Uganda     2.222222
Rwanda     2.177778
Afghanistan 2.175397
Madagascar 2.158730
Myanmar    2.146032
Japan      2.102381
Eritrea    2.068254
Sri Lanka  2.049206
Burkina Faso 2.028571
Ethiopia   1.833333
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Lao 1.749206
India 1.551587
Nepal 1.509524
Cambodia 1.396032
Timor-Leste 1.340476
Bangladesh 1.312698
Viet Nam 0.676190
Name: Obesity %, dtype: float32
```

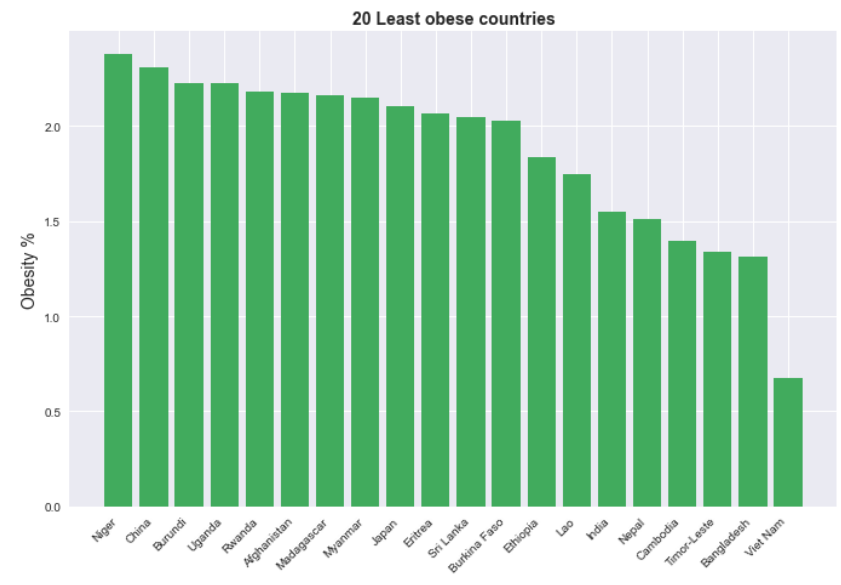
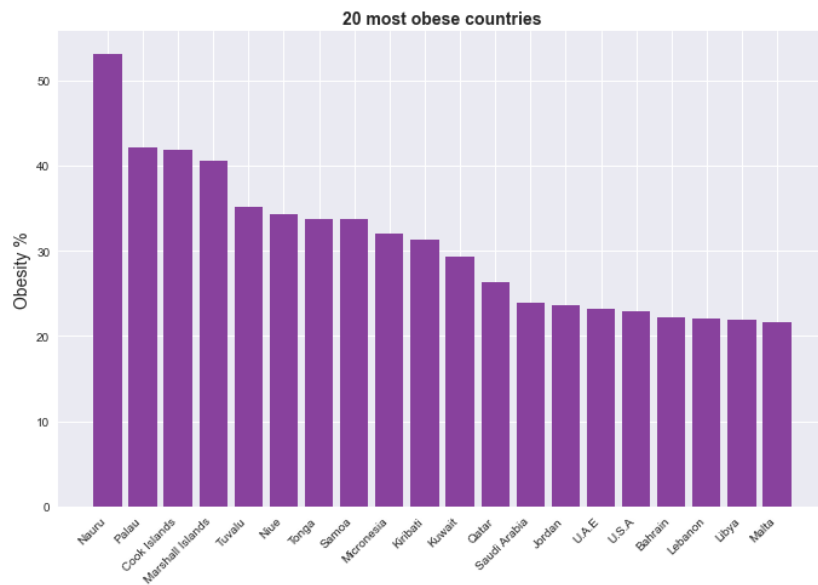
```
In [34]: # We will plot bar graphs representing these lists above.
```

```
fig, ((ax1), (ax2)) = plt.subplots(figsize = (25, 8), nrows = 1, ncols = 2)
ax1.bar(x = countries_high, height = values_high, color = '#88419d')
ax1.set_title('20 most obese countries', weight = 'bold', size = 14)
ax1.set_ylabel('Obesity %', size = 14)

ax2.bar(x = countries_low, height = values_low, color = '#41ab5d')
ax2.set_title('20 Least obese countries', weight = 'bold', size = 14)
ax2.set_ylabel('Obesity %', size = 14)

fig.autofmt_xdate(rotation = 45)

plt.show()
```



```
In [35]: # For analysis we will convert GDP to numeric as well.
```

```
gdp_df['GDP'] = pd.to_numeric(gdp_df['GDP'],downcast = 'float')
```

```
In [36]: # Highest 20 GDP countries.
```

```
countries_high_gdp = gdp_df.groupby('Country').mean().sort_values(by = 'GDP', ascending = False)['GDP'][:20]
high_gdp = countries_high_gdp.index.tolist()
values_gdp_high = countries_high_gdp.values.tolist()
countries_high_gdp
```

```
Out[36]: Country
Monaco                95846.226562
Cayman Islands        77501.640625
Liechtenstein         75509.445312
San Marino            53783.199219
Luxembourg            53303.914062
Channel Islands       51427.191406
Bermuda               50121.117188
Isle of Man           47850.941406
Norway                43420.902344
Switzerland           43267.558594
Faroe Islands         41393.910156
Virgin Islands (U.S.) 37195.597656
Qatar                 35330.542969
Denmark               33184.062500
United Arab Emirates  33019.691406
Sweden                32062.482422
United States         31144.863281
Iceland               30967.693359
North America         30625.791016
Sint Maarten (Dutch part) 30222.626953
Name: GDP, dtype: float32
```

```
In [37]: # Lowest 20 GDP countries.
```

```
countries_low_gdp = gdp_df.groupby('Country').mean().sort_values(by = 'GDP',
                                                                    ascending = True)['GDP'][:20].sort_values(ascending = False)
low_gdp = countries_low_gdp.index.tolist()
values_gdp_low = countries_low_gdp.values.tolist()
countries_low_gdp
```

```
Out[37]: Country
Chad                407.054443
Mozambique          397.120483
Togo                388.870453
Mali                385.454742
Madagascar         382.784393
Burkina Faso        371.460175
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Afghanistan	365.126007
Eritrea	364.542328
Uganda	362.363617
Central African Republic	361.817383
Rwanda	353.993469
Niger	331.960693
Guinea-Bissau	320.725616
Congo, Dem. Rep.	318.943787
Sierra Leone	297.747162
Nepal	296.209473
Ethiopia	256.673340
Malawi	239.697357
Burundi	191.724960
Somalia	129.815674

Name: GDP, dtype: float32

In [38]: *# Assigning these Lists into numpy arrays in order to do a scatter plot.*

```
# Most 20:
x1_array = np.array(values_gdp_high)
y1_array = np.array(values_low)

# Least 20:

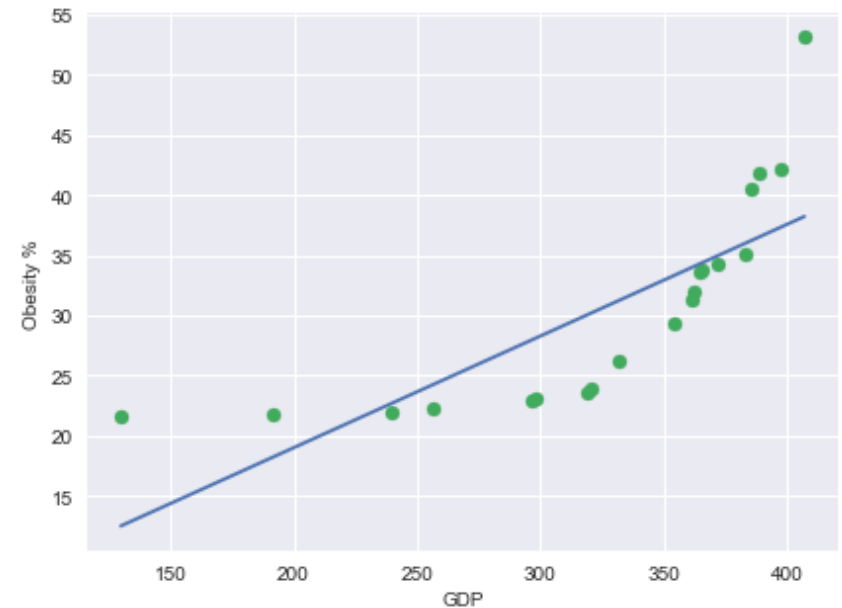
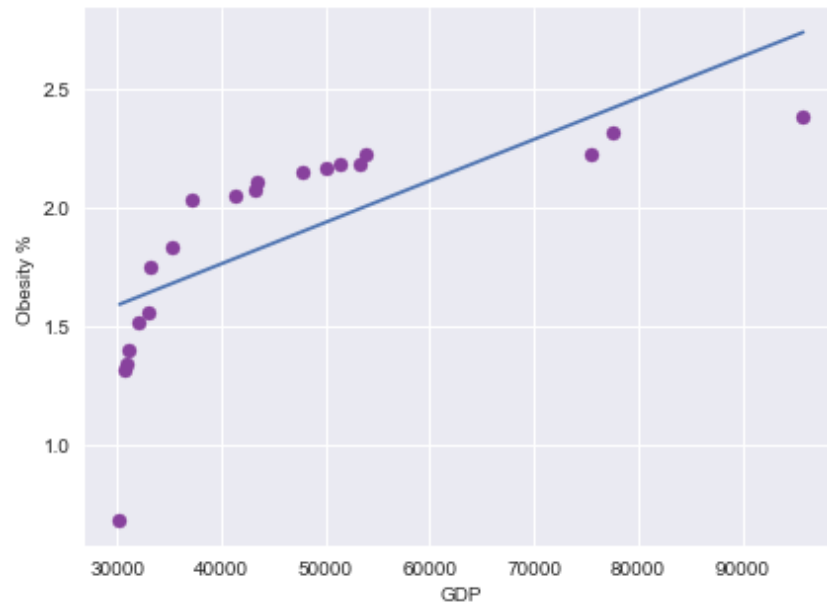
x2_array = np.array(values_gdp_low)
y2_array = np.array(values_high)
```

In [39]: *# 2 scatter plots of top GDP vs. obese*

```
fig, ((ax11), (ax22)) = plt.subplots(figsize = (15, 5), nrows = 1, ncols = 2)
ax11.scatter(x1_array, y1_array, color = '#88419d')
ax11.plot(np.unique(x1_array), np.poly1d(np.polyfit(x1_array, y1_array, 1))(np.unique(x1_array)))
ax11.set_xlabel('GDP', size = 10)
ax11.set_ylabel('Obesity %', size = 10)

ax22.scatter(x2_array, y2_array, color = '#41ab5d')
ax22.plot(np.unique(x2_array), np.poly1d(np.polyfit(x2_array, y2_array, 1))(np.unique(x2_array)))
ax22.set_xlabel('GDP', size = 10)
ax22.set_ylabel('Obesity %', size = 10)

plt.show()
```



From the graphs above we see a positive correlation between low GDP and increased obesity rates. While countries with higher GDP tend to have less obesity among the overall population. However, there are some anomalies, like the United States and Qatar being on both the lists of "High GDP" and "Top 20 Obese Countries".

This would require further analysis of specific areas within these countries - are most the obese people in poorer regions with lower quality of life? Or is it an even split?

In the case of the United States, a study conducted in 2010 showed that counties with poverty rates of >35% had obesity rates 145% greater than wealthy counties. [4]

### 3. Is one gender more prone to obesity than the other?

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In [40]: # Now we will compare obesity percentages per gender globally.

obesity_region_male = obesity_region.loc[obesity_region.Sex == 'Male', :].reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_region_male_pivot = obesity_region_male[['WHO region',
                                                'Year', 'Obesity %']].pivot(index = 'WHO region',
                                                columns = 'Year', values = 'Obesity %')
obesity_region_male['Obesity %'] = pd.to_numeric(obesity_region_male['Obesity %'], downcast = 'float')

obesity_region_female = obesity_region.loc[obesity_region.Sex == 'Female', :].reset_index(drop = True)
obesity_region_female_pivot = obesity_region_female[['WHO region',
                                                    'Year', 'Obesity %']].pivot(index = 'WHO region',
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columns = 'Year', values = 'Obesity %')
obesity_region_female['Obesity %'] = pd.to_numeric(obesity_region_female['Obesity %'], downcast = 'float')
```

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In [41]: # Concating the new gendered dataframes into one:

obesity_region_gendered = obesity_region_male.merge(obesity_region_female, how = "outer")
obesity_region_gendered
```

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Out[41]:
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	WHO region	Year	Sex	Obesity %
0	Africa	1975	Male	0.5
1	Africa	1976	Male	0.5
2	Africa	1977	Male	0.6
3	Africa	1978	Male	0.6
4	Africa	1979	Male	0.6
...	...	...	...	...
583	Western Pacific	2012	Female	5.9
584	Western Pacific	2013	Female	6.2
585	Western Pacific	2014	Female	6.5
586	Western Pacific	2015	Female	6.9
587	Western Pacific	2016	Female	7.2

588 rows × 4 columns

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In [42]: # We are interested in the gendered columns so we will group the dataframe by sex.

obesity_region_gendered = obesity_region_gendered.groupby(['Year', 'Sex'])['Obesity %'].sum().unstack(-1)
obesity_region_gendered.head()
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Out[42]:
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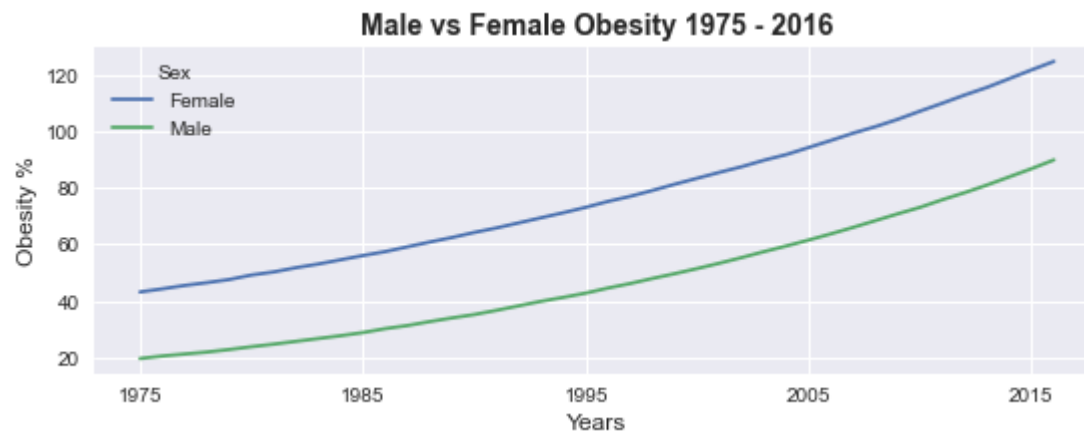
	Sex	Female	Male
	Year		
1975		43.1	19.5
1976		44.2	20.4



Sex	Female	Male
Year		
1977	45.4	21.1
1978	46.4	21.8
1979	47.5	22.7

```
In [43]: # Plotting this gendered data.

obesity_region_gendered.plot(kind = 'line', figsize=(9, 3))
plt.title('Male vs Female Obesity 1975 - 2016', weight = 'bold', size = 14)
plt.ylabel('Obesity %', size = 12)
plt.xlabel('Years', size = 12)
plt.show()
```



While both genders are prone to obesity, women seem to have higher rates of obesity than men. This could be due to many contributing factors that only affect women. PCOS, a condition that affects hormones and causes weight gain, only affects women. The risk of thyroid disease, which also causes weight gain, is about 10 times higher for women than for men. [5]

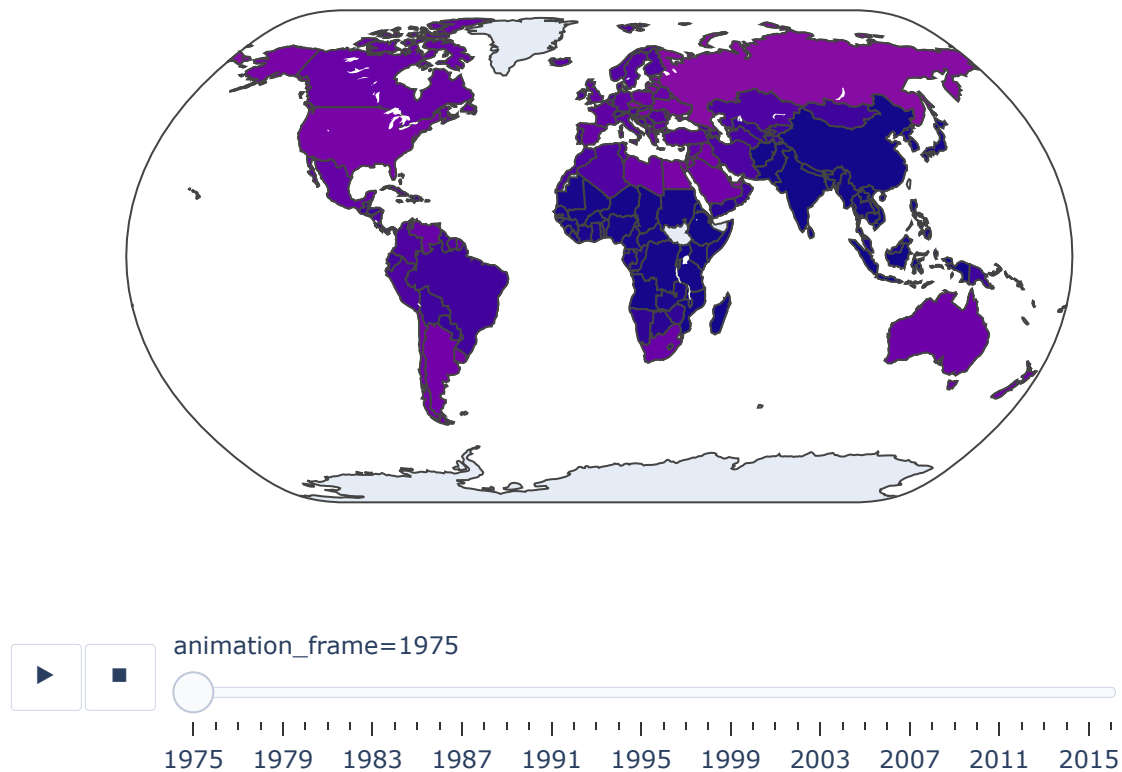
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In [44]: # Global heat map of obesity for both sexes.

px.choropleth(
    locations = obesity_both['Country'].astype(str),
    color = obesity_both['Obesity %'].astype(float),
    hover_name = obesity_both['Country'].astype(str),
    animation_frame = obesity_both['Year'].astype(int),
    color_continuous_scale = px.colors.sequential.Plasma,
```

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range_color = [0,50],  
locationmode = 'country names',  
height = 500,  
width = 700,  
title = 'Global Obesity Percentage - Both Sexes',  
projection = 'natural earth'
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)

## Global Obesity Percentage - Both Sexes



Conclusion:

From the data, we saw that gender and socio-economic status can both be factors resulting in obesity. There are various prevention strategies recommended by the WHO, and those include; a universal or public health approach directed at all members of a community; a selective approach directed at high-risk individuals and groups; and a targeted approach directed at individuals with weight-related problems and those at high risk of diseases associated with overweight and obesity. [6]

Prevention is key to treating obesity, and individuals with different needs than others need to be taken into account in order to achieve a healthier society as a whole.

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