Childhood adiposity and fertility difficulties: The Bogalusa Heart Study

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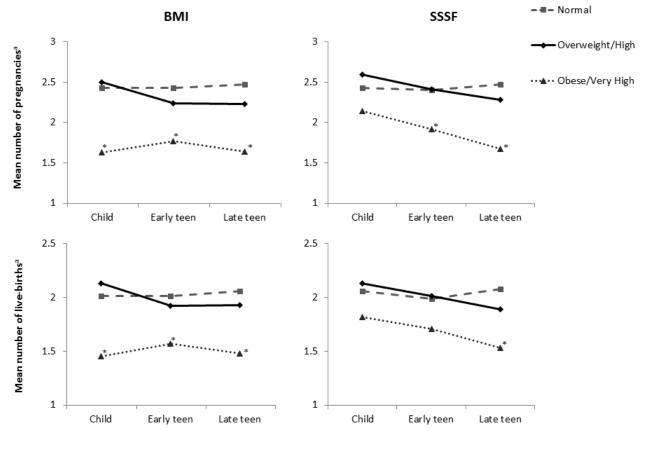
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ADIPOSITY MEASURE	FERTILITY DIFFICULTIES							
	Medical Help		Tried Unable		Ever Sought Help		Any Difficulties	
	RR	95% CI	RR	95% CI	RR	95% CI	RR	95% CI
Child (age < 9)								
Normal (< 85 th percentile)	Ref.		Ref.		Ref.		Ref.	
High $(85^{\text{th}} - 94^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile})$	0.60	0.26 - 1.38	1.18	0.77 - 1.81	1.00	0.59 - 1.68	1.07	0.71 – 1.61
Very high ($\geq 95^{th}$ percentile)	1.42	0.65 - 3.11	1.46	0.93 - 2.30	1.20	0.69 - 2.11	1.36	0.90 - 2.07
Early Teen (age 9 – 12)								
Normal ($< 85^{th}$ percentile)	Ref.		Ref.		Ref.		Ref.	
High $(85^{th} - 94^{th} \text{ percentile})$	1.64	0.95 - 2.84	1.33	0.94 - 1.88	1.40	0.94 - 2.10	1.32	0.95 - 1.84
Very high ($\geq 95^{th}$ percentile)	1.26	0.53 - 3.00	1.63	1.09 - 2.44	1.48	0.87 - 2.52	1.70	1.18 - 2.47
Late Teen (age 13 – 18)								
Normal ($< 85^{th}$ percentile)	Ref.		Ref.		Ref.		Ref.	
High $(85^{\text{th}} - 94^{\text{th}} \text{ percentile})$	1.71	0.91 - 3.23	1.02	0.68 - 1.52	1.22	0.78 - 1.90	1.03	0.71 - 1.50
Very high ($\geq 95^{\text{th}}$ percentile)	0.64	0.09 - 4.50	1.11	0.64 - 1.94	0.97	0.40 - 2.34	1.26	0.76 - 2.09
Ever \geq 85th percentile age < 12	1.20	0.72 - 1.99	1.32	0.98 - 1.78	1.15	0.80 - 1.64	1.33	1.00 - 1.76
Ever \geq 85th percentile age \leq 18	1.33	0.83 - 2.13	1.36	1.04 – 1.79	1.28	0.92 - 1.76	1.32	1.02 – 1.69

Table S1: Childhood triceps skinfold (TRSF) thickness by time period and reported fertility difficulties in adulthood^a

^a Results of log-binomial regression; estimates adjusted for education level, race, tobacco use history, current BMI, and adult income; numbers in bold significant at p < 0.05



^a Adjusted for education level, race, tobacco use history, current BMI, and adult income * Significantly different than "normal" group at p < 0.05

Figure S1: Mean number of pregnancies and live-births by body mass index (BMI) and subscapular skinfold (SSSF) thickness categories across age groups based on Poisson regression modeling