## Feeding Pattern among School Aged Children Having Obesity

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#### Abstract

The aim of this study was to assess the feeding patterns among school aged children having obesity. Research Design: A descriptive design. **Settings:** The study was conducted at the Obesity Outpatient Clinic of Children's Hospital, affiliated to Ain Shams University Hospitals and National Institute in El-Kasr El-Aini Area Cairo Egypt. **Sample:** A purposive sample composed of all available obese children (\(\frac{1}{\cdot}\)) accompanied with their mothers attending the previously mentioned settings. The inclusion criteria were aged 7-17 years, diagnosed to have obesity, registered in the clinic free from physical, endocrine or genetic disorder. Tools of data collection were interviewing questionnaire format and children assessment sheet (Likert scale). Results: There was more than half (on, r) of the studied children were females and the mean age of them was  $\wedge, 1\pm 1, \dots$ . More than two thirds of the studied children had unsatisfactory knowledge regarding obesity and fifty percent had negative and other fifty percent had indifference attitude toward obesity. **Conclusion:** The study findings lead to the conclusion that, there was a statistical significant difference between percapita income and patterns of feeding but there was no statistical difference between children, residence and pattern. Recommendation: Lifestyle modification through health and physical education programs in schools.

**Keywords:** Obesity; School aged children; Dietary patterns.

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# List of Abbreviations

AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics.
AHRQ	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.
AMA	American Medical Association.
BMI	Body Mass Index.
BP	Biochemical parameters.
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
CHD	Coronary Heart Disease.
СТ	Scan Computed Tomography.
CVD	Cardiovascular Diseases.
DEXA	Dual energy X-ray Absorptiometry.
HSPH	Harvard School of Public Health.
ICN	International Council of Nurses.
IIM	Institute of International Medical.
INSERM	National Institute of Health and Medical Research.
IOTF	International Obesity Task Force.
LBW	Low Birth Weight.
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging.
NASN	National Association of School Nurses.
NHANES	National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey.
NHMRC	National Health and Medical Research Council.
NIH	National Institute of Health.
NIHCE:	National Institute for Health and Clinical
	Excellence.
NNI	National Nutrition Institute.
PCOS	Polycystic Ovary Syndrome.
PSTFES	Preventive Services Task Force Evidence Syntheses.
PTC	Pseudo-Tumor Cerebra.
SC	Subcutaneous fat.
SCFE	Slipped Capital Femoral Epiphysis.
SES	Socio-Economic Status

SFT	Skin Fold Thickness.
SGA	Small for Gestational Age.
SPSS	Statistical Program for Social Sciences.
SSBs	Sugar Sweetened Beverages.
T TDM	Type <sup>†</sup> Diabetes.
TV	Television.
U.S	United States
USA	United States of America.
WC	Waist Circumference.
WHO	World Health Organization.