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Rationale: Overweight is a major public health problem in the U.S. and Poland. Availability of Pol-MONICA and ARIC cohort data collected contemporaneously will permit comparison of incidence of obesity and correlates of weight gain in two populations exposed to different political and economic changes and conditions.

Main Hypothesis: Trends in mean BMI in screens 1, 2, and 3 in Pol-MONICA and U.S. ARIC populations differ by educational strata.

Data (variables, time window, source, inclusions/exclusions): U.S. ARIC cohorts: Minneapolis, Washington County, Screen 1, 2, 3 Include only white participants Exclude person with missing data for age, height, and weight CENTER, RACEGRP, GENDER, VIAGEO1, ALCOHOL, ALCOHOL2, ALCOHOL3, BMI, BMI2, BMI3, EDUC, CIGTO3, WT1, WT2, WT3