

Table 2. Definition of arterial hypertension in children and adolescents

Classification	Definition
Prehypertension	SBP or DBP levels that are greater than or equal to the 90th percentile for sex, age and height, but less than the 95th percentile. In adolescents, blood pressure greater or equal to 120/80 mmHg
Hypertension	SBP and/or DBP that is greater than or equal to the 95th percentile for sex, age, and height, but less than the 95th percentile after 3 or more measurements
HTN stage I	SBP and/or DBP that is greater than or equal to the 95th percentile for sex, age, and height, but less than the 99th percentile + 5 mmHg for sex, age, and height in 3 or more occasions
HTN stage II	SBP and/or DBP that is greater than or equal to the 99th percentile + 5 mmHg for sex, age, and height in 3 or more occasions

DBP: diastolic blood pressure; **HTN:** arterial hypertension; **SBP:** systolic blood pressure.

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