Reviewer’s report

Title: Influences of socioeconomic factors on childhood and adolescent overweight by gender in Korea: cross-sectional analysis of nationally representative sample

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The authors have addressed some of my concerns. But the manuscript still needs extensive language corrections before being suitable for publication.

- Major Compulsory Revisions
1. Table 3: As variables “region”, “economic status”, “mother’s education”, “mother’s job”, and “family structure” were not selected in the final models, they should be deleted from this table.
2. Table 4: similar to table 3, delete the variables without any information.
3. Method parts: The authors should add some sentences in text to explain how the sample was selected rather than only explaining it in the Response to the Reviewers.
4. I still have concerns about the self-reported “weight”, “height”, and “body shape” et al. The authors did not validate these measurements. It is difficult for the readers to get the accurate information.
5. The authors acknowledged they knew the drawbacks of stepwise methods, but they still used this method in the final analysis.

- Minor Essential Revisions
1. “related with” should be changed to “related to” throughout the manuscript.
2. The manuscript still needs language correction before being published.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests