

Socio-economic determinants and spatial convergence od biological well-being:
The case of physical stature of Colombia population, 1920-1990 - Portal de
Investigaciones Económicas

Socio-economic determinants and spatial convergence od biological well-being: The case of physical stature of Colombia population, 1920-1990

REVISTA DE HISTORIA ECONOMICA

Número:

2

DOI:

<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0212610919000053>

Publicado:

Martes, 7 Mayo 2019

Authors:

Adolfo Enrique Meisel-Roca,

[María Teresa Ramírez-Giraldo,](#)

Daniela Santos-Cárdenas

[Descargar documento](#)

Lo más reciente

[Deuda Pública, Expectativas sobre el Déficit Fiscal y su Transmisión al Componente Cíclico de las Tasas de Interés de Largo Plazo](#)

José Vicente Romero-Chamorro, Hernando Vargas-Herrera

[Borradores de Economía - Corto vs mediano plazo: movimientos del tipo de cambio, inversión y la composición por monedas de las hojas de balance](#)

Juan Camilo Medellín-Martínez, Sergio Restrepo Ángel

[Oportunidades negadas: radiografía de la exclusión y el trabajo precario para la juventud en Cartagena](#)

Andrea Sofía Otero-Cortés, Karina Acosta, Jhorland Ayala-García, Oriana Álvarez Vos, Sara Rojas

[Otras Publicaciones](#)

This paper explores the relationship between the physical stature of Colombians born during the 20th century and several socio-economic and demographic variables. Using a dataset of more than 225,000 individuals built with information from judicial background certificates, we found a sustained growth of the average height of women and men during the 20th century. The results show significant differences in stature according to gender, level of education, occupation, and place and date of birth. Similarly, health conditions and access to aqueducts significantly affect height. We found that departmental average height disparities decreased and the gap across regions closed throughout the century.