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Well-to-do or Doing Well? Empirical studies of wellbeing and development

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- I It is essential that economic researchers go beyond income to evaluate wellbeing. (*Chapter 1*)
- II Mobile telephone use impacts economic development at the household level in Uganda. (*Chapter 2*)
- III Social reference groups are important to individual life satisfaction in Bolivia. (*Chapter 3*)
- IV Happiness, alcohol use, and academic performance are contagious. (*Chapter 4*)
- V Income inequality negatively impacts trust, but only when income is distributed randomly. (*Chapter 5*)
- VI Every microeconometrician ought to, at least once, collect her own data.
- VII Wellbeing research would merit from a closer collaboration between quantitative and qualitative researchers.
- VIII All data are inherently subjective.
- IX We should not make Big Data bigger than it is.
- X A world without endogeneity would be passive, predictable, and precise.
- XI Doing a PhD is like the history of Zeeland: it is a struggle, but - with a good portion of bløf - you eventually emerge.