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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.