

Economic Growth in the Long Run

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What We Do

Compute new measures of output per worker, physical capital per worker, human capital per worker

- 1 Original estimates of real output per worker for 168 countries
- 2 Original estimates of real physical capital per worker for 168 countries
- 3 Original estimates of schooling per worker for 168 countries
- 4 Original estimates of human capital per worker for 168 countries

Literature & Sources

- ① Klenow & Rodriguez-Clare (1997)
- ② Hall & Jones (1999)
- ③ Baier, Dwyer & Tamura (2006)
- ④ Maddison Project (2014)
- ⑤ B. R. Mitchell (2003)
- ⑥ Morrisson & Murtin (2009)

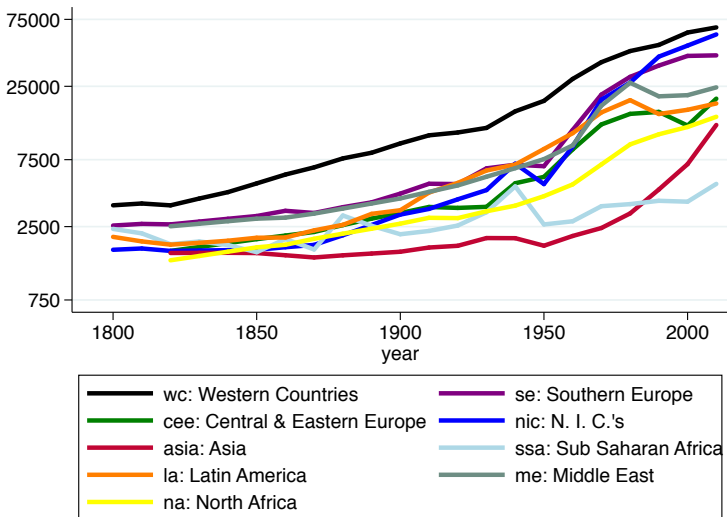
$$h_t = \exp(.1E + g(\text{experience} = \chi)) \quad (1)$$

$$g(\chi) = .0495\chi - .0007\chi^2 \quad (2)$$

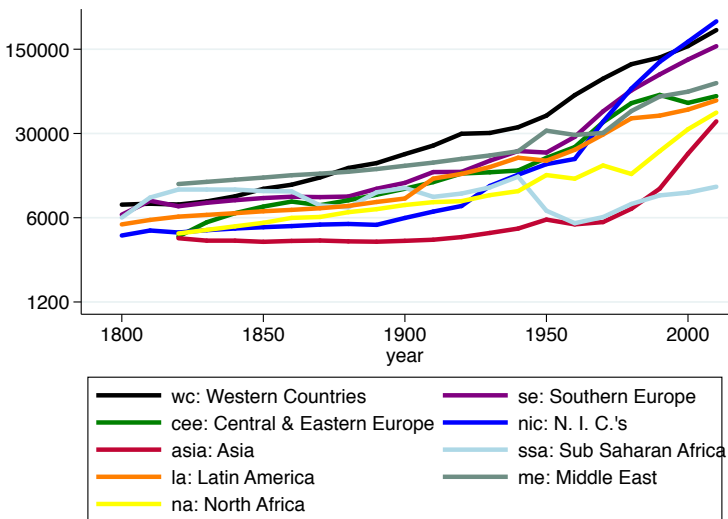
Nine Geographic Regions

- Western Countries
- Southern Europe
- Central & Eastern Europe
- Newly Industrialized Countries
- Asia
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Latin America
- Middle East
- North Africa

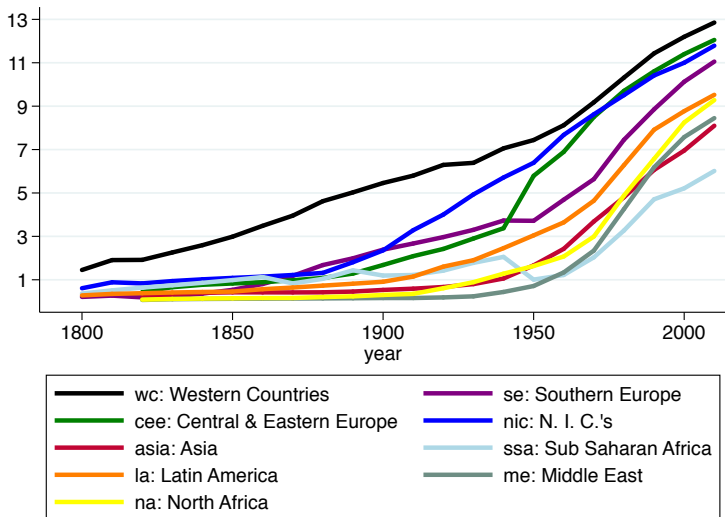
Real Output per Worker



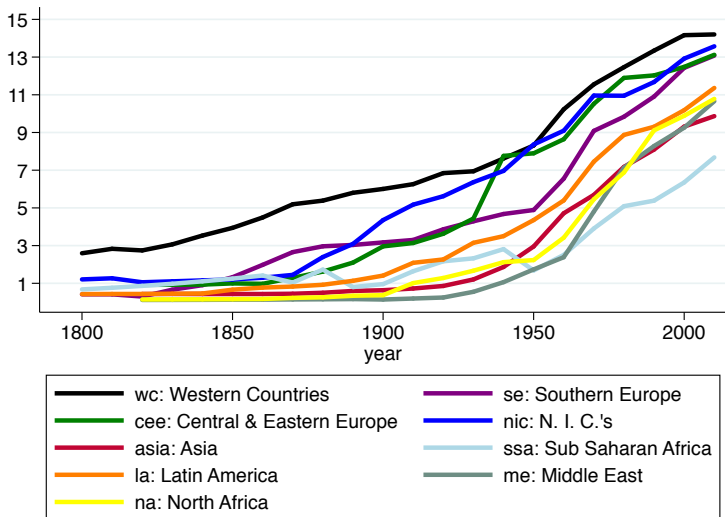
Real Physical Capital per Worker



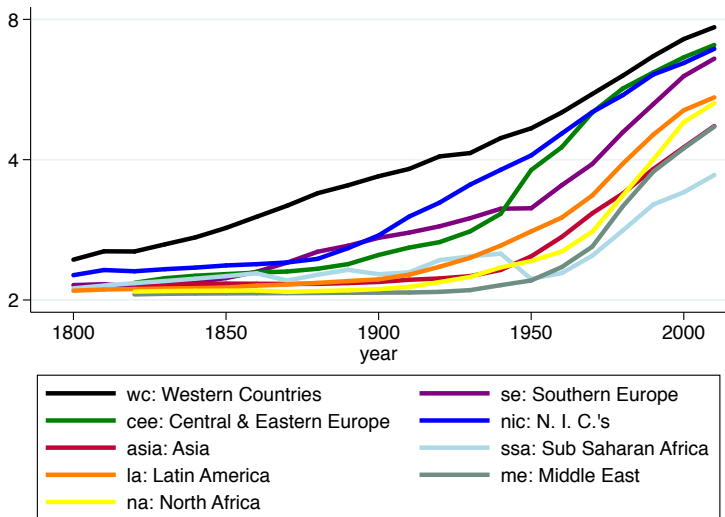
Schooling per Worker



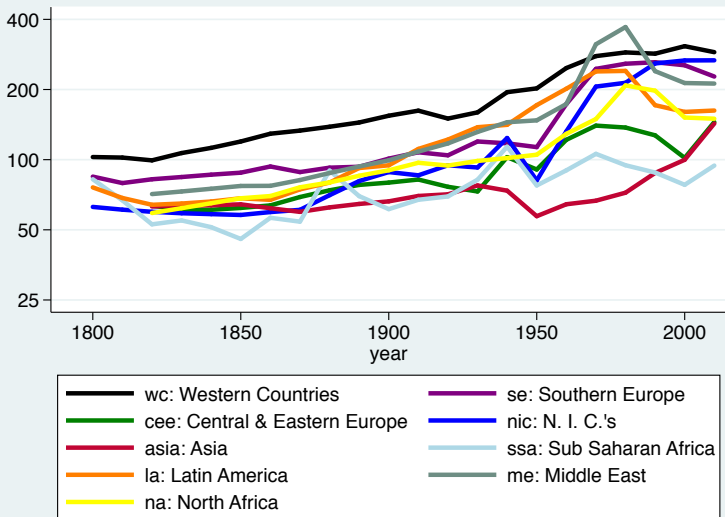
Schooling per Young Worker



Human Capital per Worker



Total Factor Productivity



Growth Accounting

Table: Growth Accounting: Labor Force - Duration Weighted

Region	N	Annualized Growth Rates						
		y	k	hc	x	tfp	s_x	S_{tfp}
World	168	1.20%	1.26%	0.48%	0.74%	0.46%	0.615	0.385
WC	18	1.34	1.54	0.50	0.84	0.50	0.626	0.374
SE	8	1.46	1.65	0.57	0.93	0.53	0.636	0.364
CEE	24	1.29	1.38	0.52	0.80	0.49	0.623	0.377
NIC	5	1.79	2.07	0.56	1.06	0.73	0.592	0.408
Asia	20	1.13	1.18	0.44	0.68	0.45	0.604	0.396
SSA	48	1.07	0.74	0.72	0.73	0.34	0.681	0.319
LA	28	1.08	1.14	0.49	0.70	0.38	0.651	0.349
ME	12	1.18	0.85	0.58	0.67	0.51	0.566	0.434
NA	5	1.25	1.31	0.50	0.77	0.48	0.613	0.387

Variance Decomposition of Growth: Traditional

1 Egalitarian

- Klenow & Rodriguez-Clare: KRC

$$1 = \frac{\sigma_{g_A}^2 + \sigma_{g_x, g_A}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} + \frac{\sigma_{g_A}^2 + \sigma_{g_x, g_A}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (3)$$

2 Capital Deepening: $\frac{k}{y}$

- Klenow & Rodriguez-Clare: KRC2

$$1 = \frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{A}}}^2 + \sigma_{g_{\hat{x}}, g_{\hat{A}}}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} + \frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{A}}}^2 + \sigma_{g_{\hat{x}}, g_{\hat{A}}}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (4)$$

Variance Decomposition of Growth: Alternatives

TFP growth induces factor accumulation

- Neoclassical growth model with exogenous technological progress
- Romer (1990), Acemoglu (several)

$$1 = \frac{(\sigma_{g_A} + \sigma_{g_x} \rho_{g_x, g_A})^2}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} + \frac{(1 - \rho_{g_x, g_A}^2) \sigma_{g_x}^2}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (5)$$

Factor accumulation induces TFP growth

- Romer (1986)
- Lucas (1988)
- Tamura (2002, 2006)

$$1 = \frac{(\sigma_{g_x} + \sigma_{g_A} \rho_{g_x, g_A})^2}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} + \frac{(1 - \rho_{g_x, g_A}^2) \sigma_{g_A}^2}{\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (6)$$

Variance Decomposition of Growth: Alternatives

- ③ TFP growth induces factor accumulation: average share

$$\bar{S}_{g_A} = \frac{(\sigma_{g_A} + \sigma_{g_x} \rho_{g_x, g_A})^2 + (1 - \rho_{g_x, g_A}^2) \sigma_{g_A}^2}{2\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (7)$$

- ④ Factor accumulation induces TFP growth: average share

$$\bar{S}_{g_x} = \frac{(\sigma_{g_x} + \sigma_{g_A} \rho_{g_x, g_A})^2 + (1 - \rho_{g_x, g_A}^2) \sigma_{g_x}^2}{2\sigma_{g_y}^2} \quad (8)$$

Results

Table: Variance Decomposition of Growth: Plausible Bounds

Region	N	$\frac{\sigma_{g_x, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_A, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{x}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{A}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	\bar{S}_{g_x}	\bar{S}_{g_A}	\times_{bdt}	A_{bdt}
World	168	.45	.55	.18	.82	.45	.55	.22	.78
WC	18	.30	.70	-.04	1.04	.33	.67	.46	.54
SE	8	.42	.58	.14	.86	.50	.50	.50	.50
CEE	24	.67	.33	.51	.49	.65	.35	.28	.72
NIC	5	.16	.84	-.25	1.25	.22	.78	.64	.36
Asia	20	.57	.43	.36	.64	.57	.43	.40	.60
SSA	48	.43	.57	.14	.86	.44	.56	.37	.63
LA	28	.41	.59	.11	.89	.42	.58	.22	.78
ME	12	.44	.56	.16	.84	.49	.51	.44	.56
NA	5	1.26	-.26	1.38	-.38	.70	.30	.84	.16

Results

Table: Variance Decomposition of Growth: Plausible Bounds

Region	N	$\frac{\sigma_{g_x, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_A, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{x}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{A}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	\bar{S}_{g_x}	\bar{S}_{g_A}
larger regions							
(1) WC & NIC	23	.29	.71	-.06	1.06	.32	.68
(2): (1) & SE	31	.41	.59	.12	.88	.48	.52
(3): (2) & NA	36	.42	.58	.14	.86	.47	.53
(4); (3) & Asia	56	.45	.55	.18	.82	.47	.53
(5): (4) & LA	84	.42	.58	.14	.86	.44	.56
(6); (5) & SSA	132	.42	.58	.13	.87	.44	.56
(7): (6) & ME _{not opec}	135	.42	.58	.13	.87	.44	.56
(8): (7) & CEE	159	.45	.55	.18	.82	.45	.55

Intergenerational human capital accumulation

$$h_{15,it} = A \bar{h}_t^{\rho_{it}} \left(\frac{h_{25,it-10} + h_{35,it-10}}{2} \right)^{\beta - .1\rho_{it}} \exp(.1E_{it-10} + g(\chi_{it-10})) \quad (9)$$

$$\rho_{it} = 0 : \text{no spillovers} \quad (10)$$

$$\rho_{it} = \min\left\{ .35, \frac{E_{it-10}}{30} \right\} \quad (11)$$

Intergenerational Elasticity of Earnings

Table: Estimates of Intergenerational Elasticity of Earnings: β

Country	Links	Estimate range	Median range	Source
USA	father & sons	[.146, .495]	.327	T 4 Olivetti & Passerman
USA	father & sons	[.261, .535]	.355	T 4.2 Grawe
Canada	father & sons	[.110, .256]	.211	T 4.3 Grawe
Germany	father & sons	[-.280, .313]	.065	T 4.4 Grawe
UK	father & sons	[.344, .814]	.579	T 4.5 Grawe
Malaysia	father & sons	[.283, .791]	.537	T 4.6 Grawe
USA	parents & sons	[.302, .521]	.343	T 5.5 Mayer & Lopoo
USA	father & sons	[.106, .416]	.368	T 3 Lefgren, et al
multiple	father & children	[.110, .600]	.400	T 7.5 Mulligan
multiple	father & sons	[-.044, .707]	.356	T 4 & app. Bjorklund & Jantti

Intergenerational human capital accumulation

$$H_{it} = \sum_{j=1}^5 s_{j,t} h_{j,t} \quad (12)$$

$$x_1 = x_{15-24} \quad (13)$$

$$x_2 = x_{25-34} \quad (14)$$

$$x_3 = x_{35-44} \quad (15)$$

$$x_4 = x_{45-54} \quad (16)$$

$$x_5 = x_{55-64} \quad (17)$$

$$x = s, h \quad (18)$$

Human capital in country i

$$h_{15,it} = A \bar{h}_t^{\rho_{it}} \left(\frac{h_{25,it-10} + h_{35,it-10}}{2} \right)^{\beta - .1\rho_{it}} \exp(.1E_{it-10} + g(\chi_{it-10})) \quad (19)$$

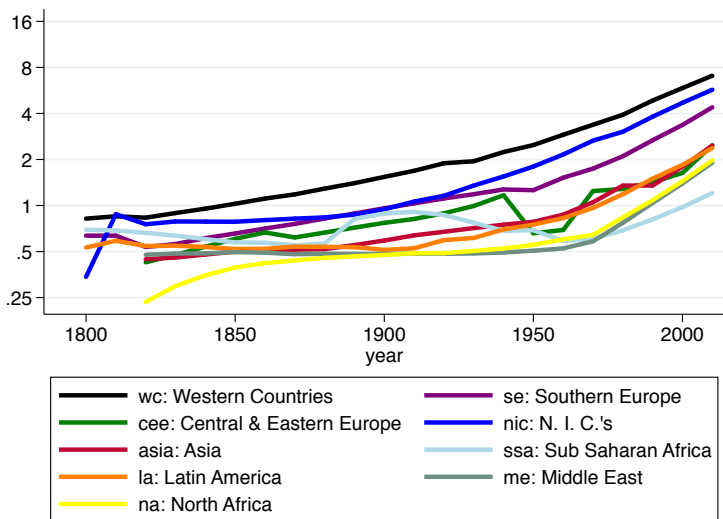
$$h_{25,it} = h_{15,it-10} \exp(g(\chi_{15,it-10} + 10) - g(\chi_{15,it-10})) \quad (20)$$

$$h_{35,it} = h_{25,it-10} \exp(g(\chi_{25,it-10} + 10) - g(\chi_{25,it-10})) \quad (21)$$

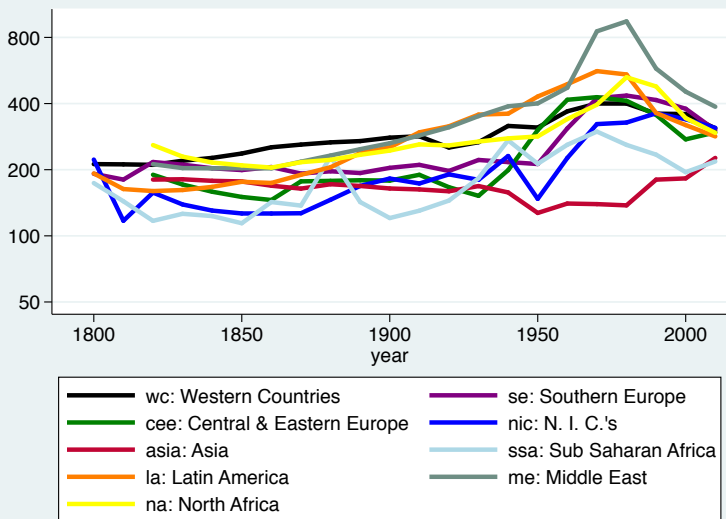
$$h_{45,it} = h_{35,it-10} \exp(g(\chi_{35,it-10} + 10) - g(\chi_{35,it-10})) \quad (22)$$

$$h_{55,it} = h_{45,it-10} \exp(g(\chi_{45,it-10} + 10) - g(\chi_{45,it-10})) \quad (23)$$

Human Capital per Worker



Total Factor Productivity



New Human Capital

Table: Growth Accounting: $\beta = .375$ & $\rho > 0$ Labor Force - Duration Weighted

Region	N	Annualized Growth Rates						
		y	k	hc	x	tfp	s_x	S_{tfp}
World	168	1.20%	1.26%	0.95%	1.05%	0.14%	0.880	0.120
WC	18	1.34	1.54	0.96	1.15	0.19	0.857	0.143
SE	8	1.46	1.65	1.14	1.31	0.15	0.897	0.103
CEE	24	1.29	1.38	0.92	1.07	0.22	0.830	0.170
NIC	5	1.79	2.07	1.53	1.71	0.08	0.955	0.045
Asia	20	1.13	1.18	0.93	1.02	0.11	0.900	0.100
SSA	48	1.07	0.74	0.96	0.89	0.18	0.831	0.169
LA	28	1.08	1.14	0.73	0.87	0.21	0.801	0.199
ME	12	1.18	0.85	0.92	0.89	0.28	0.759	0.241
NA	5	1.25	1.31	1.12	1.18	0.07	0.944	0.056

New Human Capital

Table: Variance Decomposition of Growth: $\beta = .375$ & $\rho > 0$

Region	N	$\frac{\sigma_{g_x, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_A, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{x}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	$\frac{\sigma_{g_{\hat{A}}, g_y}}{\sigma_{g_y}^2}$	\bar{S}_{g_x}	\bar{S}_{g_A}	\times_{bdt}	A_{bdt}
World	168	.95	.05	.92	.08	.94	.06	.22	.78
WC	18	.99	.01	.98	.02	.99	.01	.46	.54
SE	8	.95	.05	.93	.07	.95	.05	.50	.50
CEE	24	1.00	.00	.99	.01	.98	.02	.28	.72
NIC	5	1.03	-.03	1.04	-.04	.97	.03	.64	.36
Asia	20	.93	.07	.90	.10	.91	.09	.40	.60
SSA	48	.92	.08	.88	.12	.92	.08	.37	.63
LA	28	.94	.06	.91	.09	.92	.08	.22	.78
ME	12	.89	.11	.83	.17	.80	.20	.44	.56
NA	5	1.02	-.02	1.03	-.03	.98	.02	.84	.16

New Human Capital

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larger regions							
(1) WC & NIC	23	1.02	-.02	1.03	-.03	.98	.02
(2): (1) & SE	31	.95	.05	.93	.07	.95	.05
(3): (2) & NA	36	.95	.05	.92	.08	.94	.06
(4); (3) & Asia	56	.93	.07	.90	.10	.91	.09
(5): (4) & LA	84	.94	.06	.92	.08	.93	.07
(6); (5) & SSA	132	.94	.06	.91	.09	.94	.06
(7): (6) & ME _{not opec}	135	.94	.06	.91	.09	.94	.06
(8): (7) & CEE	159	.96	.04	.93	.07	.96	.04

Conclusion

New long run data

- Inputs, human & physical capital, explain 61% of long run growth
- Variance decomposition of growth rates: inputs plausibly explain 15-50%

Intergenerational human capital accumulation

- Inputs, human & physical capital, explain 90% of long run growth
- Variance decomposition of growth rates: inputs plausibly explain 95%