

HEIGHT OF STUDENTS OF THE ECOLE POLYTECHNIQUE,  
1794-1887

(ICPSR 6800)

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DATA COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

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SUMMARY: This data collection tracks the height of students at the Ecole Polytechnique in Palaiseau, France, during the French Revolution and the period following economic growth. Information includes month of enrollment, year of enrollment, month of birth, year of birth, province, town, height measurement in centimeters, head of family, and occupation of parent.

UNIVERSE: Students of the Ecole Polytechnique.

EXTENT OF COLLECTION: 1 data file + machine-readable documentation (text) + SAS data definition statements + SPSS data definition statements

EXTENT OF PROCESSING: DDEF.ICPSR

DATA FORMAT: Logical Record Length with SAS and SPSS data definition statements, and SPSS export file

File Structure: rectangular

Cases: 13,195

Variables: 10

Record Length: 73

Records Per Case: 1

RELATED PUBLICATIONS:

Komlos, John. "The Nutritional Status of French Students." JOURNAL OF INTERDISCIPLINARY HISTORY 24,3 (Winter 1994), 493-508.

Komlos, John. " Le Statut Nutritionnel des Eleves de L'Ecole Polytechnique." HISTOIRE, ECONOMIE ET SOCIETE 14 (1995), 463-474.



IDNUM 1-5   ENTRYMTH 6-7   ENTRYYR 8-11   BIRTHMTH 12-13   BIRTHYR 14-17  
 PROVINCE 18-37 (A)   TOWN 38-65 (A)   HEIGHT 66-70 (1)   FAM 71  
 PROF 72-73.

Variable	Rec	Start	End	Format
IDNUM	1	1	5	F5.0
ENTRYMTH	1	6	7	F2.0
ENTRYYR	1	8	11	F4.0
BIRTHMTH	1	12	13	F2.0
BIRTHYR	1	14	17	F4.0
PROVINCE	1	18	37	A20
TOWN	1	38	65	A28
HEIGHT	1	66	70	F5.1
FAM	1	71	71	F1.0
PROF	1	72	73	F2.0

#### VARIABLE LABELS

IDNUM "STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER"   ENTRYMTH "ENTRY MONTH"  
 ENTRYYR "ENTRY YEAR"   BIRTHMTH "MONTH OF BIRTH"  
 BIRTHYR "YEAR OF BIRTH"   PROVINCE "PROVINCE"   TOWN "TOWN"  
 HEIGHT "HEIGHT MEASUREMENT IN CENTIMETERS"   FAM "HEAD OF FAMILY"  
 PROF "PROFESSION CODE".

#### VALUE LABELS

##### FAM

0 "ORPHAN?"  
 1 "FATHER?"  
 2 "MOTHER?"

##### PROF

0 "UNKNOWN"  
 1 "PROPERTIED"  
 2 "PROFESSOR"  
 3 "PROFESSIONAL OTHER"  
 4 "LAWYER, NOTARY"  
 5 "ARCHITECT"  
 6 "DOCTOR, DENTIST"  
 7 "DIRECTOR"  
 8 "OFFICER"  
 9 "MERCHANT"  
 10 "OFFICIAL"  
 11 "ARTIST, PUBLICIST"  
 12 "PHARMACIST"  
 13 "ARTISAN"  
 14 "PROPRIETOR"  
 15 "PROPRIETOR"  
 16 "MANUFACTURER"  
 17 "AGENT"  
 18 "AGRICULTURAL"  
 19 "EMPLOYEE"  
 20 "JUDGE"  
 21 "COUNCILLOR AT COURT"  
 22 "INDUSTRIALIST"  
 23 "CLERGY"  
 24 "WHITE COLLAR"  
 25 "WORKER"  
 26 "CLERK"  
 27 "LABORER"  
 28 "NOBLE"  
 29 "SOLDIER"

# List of variables on the working file

## Name

IDNUM	STUDENT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
	Print Format: F5
	Write Format: F5
ENTRYMTH	ENTRY MONTH
	Print Format: F2
	Write Format: F2
ENTRYYYR	ENTRY YEAR
	Print Format: F4
	Write Format: F4
BIRTHMTH	MONTH OF BIRTH
	Print Format: F2
	Write Format: F2
BIRTHYR	YEAR OF BIRTH
	Print Format: F4
	Write Format: F4
PROVINCE	PROVINCE
	Print Format: A20
	Write Format: A20
TOWN	TOWN
	Print Format: A28
	Write Format: A28
HEIGHT	HEIGHT MEASUREMENT IN CENTIMETERS
	Print Format: F6.1
	Write Format: F6.1
FAM	HEAD OF FAMILY
	Print Format: F1
	Write Format: F1
	Value      Label
	0      ORPHAN?
	1      FATHER?
	2      MOTHER?
PROF	PROFESSION CODE
	Print Format: F2
	Write Format: F2
	Value      Label
	0      UNKNOWN
	1      PROPERTIED
	2      PROFESSOR
	3      PROFESSIONAL OTHER
	4      LAWYER, NOTARY
	5      ARCHITECT
	6      DOCTOR, DENTIST
	7      DIRECTOR
	8      OFFICER
	9      MERCHANT



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