

Online Appendix for
Cultural Biases in Economic Exchange?

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Table A.1
The Eurobarometer Surveys

The Eurobarometer surveys are the products of a unique program of cross national and cross temporal social science research. The effort began in early 1970, when the Commission of the European Community sponsored simultaneous surveys of the publics of the European Community. These surveys were designed to measure public awareness of, and attitudes toward, the Common Market and other European Community institutions. After 1973, the survey took on a somewhat broader scope in content as well as in geographical coverage, with measures of subjective satisfaction and the perceived quality of life becoming standard features. In 1974, the Commission of the European Community launched the Eurobarometer series, designed to provide a regular monitoring of the social and political attitudes of the publics of the nine member-nations: France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Denmark, Ireland, Luxembourg. These Eurobarometer surveys are carried out in the spring and fall of each year. In addition to obtaining regular readings of support for European integration and the perceived quality of life, each survey has explored a variety of special topics. Also, attitudes toward the organization and role of the European Parliament have been explored in each Eurobarometer survey beginning with Barometer 7 in the spring of 1977. The Eurobarometer surveys have included Greece since fall 1980, Portugal and Spain since Autumn 1985, the former German Democratic Republic (East Germany) since 1990, Norway (irregularly) since the fall of 1990, Finland since the spring of 1993, and Sweden and Austria since the fall of 1994. Of these Eurobarometer surveys, we select a sub-sample of those in which the following question was asked to the respondents: “I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in people from various countries. For each, please tell me whether you have a lot of trust, some trust, not very much trust or no trust at all.”¹ Table A.1 shows the number of observations from each country in our dataset, the number of years the country was sampled and the years in which it was sampled.² The numbers include only those observations for which at least one of the answers to the above question is nonmissing.

Code	Country sampled	Number of observations	N. of years present in survey	Years present
1	France	9,096	8	1970, 1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
2	Belgium	8,097	8	1970, 1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
3	The Netherlands	8,458	8	1970, 1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
4	(West) Germany	8,991	8	1970, 1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
5	Italy	9,023	8	1970, 1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
7	Denmark	6,424	7	1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
8	Ireland	6,770	7	1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
9	Great Britain	7,213	7	1976, 1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
11	Greece	5,894	6	1980 ¹ , 1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
12	Spain	4,800	5	1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
13	Portugal	4,724	5	1986, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1996
15	Norway	954	1	1993
16	Finland	993	1	1996
17	Sweden	919	1	1996
18	Austria	1,055	1	1996

¹In the Eurobarometer survey 14 (year 1980) the answers were coded in a reverse order.

²There is a typo in the paper (page 1099) where we mistakenly state that survey year 1995 is used rather than survey year 1996.

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	Mean trust	Median trust	Fraction of individuals trusting a lot
Origin country (base=Ireland)			
France	-0.05 (0.04)	-0.03*** (0.05)	-0.00 (0.00)
Belgium	-0.03 (0.03)	0.08*** (0.00)	0.02** (0.01)
NL	0.08 (0.05)	-0.09 (0.01)	0.08*** (0.00)
Germany	-0.08** (0.03)	-0.15** (0.01)	0.02** (0.00)
Italy	-0.22*** (0.04)	-0.30** (0.10)	-0.04*** (0.00)
Denmark	0.19*** (0.05)	0.07*** (0.00)	0.08*** (0.00)
UK	-0.06 (0.06)	-0.05*** (0.06)	0.01 (0.00)
Greece	-0.29*** (0.06)	-0.17*** (0.10)	0.03* (0.01)
Spain	-0.22*** (0.04)	-0.20** (0.07)	0.01 (0.01)
Portugal	-0.23*** (0.04)	-0.12*** (0.01)	-0.04*** (0.00)
Norway	0.14** (0.07)	0.29*** (0.10)	0.12*** (0.03)
Finland	0.25*** (0.06)	0.17*** (0.07)	0.07*** (0.03)
Sweden	0.48*** (0.05)	0.41** (0.03)	0.32*** (0.03)
Austria	0.01 (0.05)	-0.16 (0.13)	0.06*** (0.00)
Destination country (base=Ireland)			
France	0.07*** (0.01)	-0.06 (0.01)	0.02*** (0.01)
Belgium	0.23*** (0.00)	-0.07 (0.04)	0.05*** (0.00)
NL	0.27*** (0.01)	0.03*** (0.06)	0.03 (0.02)
Germany	0.06*** (0.01)	0.00 (0.06)	0.04*** (0.01)
Italy	-0.22*** (0.01)	-0.26*** (0.01)	-0.06*** (0.01)
Denmark	0.29*** (0.01)	-0.02 (0.04)	0.11*** (0.02)
UK	0.07*** (0.01)	-0.13** (0.01)	0.03*** (0.02)
Greece	-0.19*** (0.01)	-0.33*** (0.01)	-0.05*** (0.00)
Spain	-0.07*** (0.01)	-0.04*** (0.01)	-0.03*** (0.00)
Portugal	-0.11*** (0.01)	-0.29*** (0.05)	-0.05*** (0.01)
Norway	0.35*** (0.02)	0.03 (0.03)	0.13*** (0.00)
Finland	0.26*** (0.02)	0.13* (0.03)	0.16*** (0.01)
Sweden	0.36*** (0.02)	0.11*** (0.14)	0.12*** (0.00)
Austria	0.21*** (0.02)	0.07** (0.03)	0.07*** (0.01)
Constant	2.58*** (0.08)	2.86*** (0.15)	0.09*** (0.02)
Observations	810	810	810
R-squared	0.62	0.24	0.61

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Average trust											
Log of distance	-0.42										
P-values	0.00										
Observations	207.00										
Common Border	0.18	-0.61									
P-values	0.01	0.00									
Observations	207.00	207.00									
Common Language	0.10	-0.38	0.49								
P-values	0.15	0.00	0.00								
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00								
Same origin of the law	0.00	-0.19	0.37	0.33							
P-values	0.98	0.01	0.00	0.00							
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00							
Religious similarity	0.16	-0.30	0.28	-0.03	0.30						
P-values	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.70	0.00						
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00						
Genetic distance	-0.32	0.63	-0.30	-0.18	-0.12	-0.33					
P-values	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.09	0.00					
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00					
Somatic distance	-0.24	0.30	-0.32	-0.17	-0.47	-0.32	0.17				
P-values	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.01				
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00				
Years at war (1000-1970)	0.04	-0.38	0.32	0.08	0.23	0.29	-0.36	-0.05			
P-values	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47			
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00			
Linguistic common roots	0.01	-0.45	0.30	0.17	0.24	0.21	-0.48	-0.15	0.29		
P-values	0.92	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.05	0.00		
Observations	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00		
Transportation costs	-0.38	0.78	-0.45	-0.25	-0.24	-0.36	0.60	0.28	-0.40	-0.38	
P-values	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	180.00	
Press coverage	0.00	-0.45	0.50	0.41	0.31	0.17	-0.31	-0.13	0.44	0.23	-0.40
P-values	0.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Observations	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	154.00	179.00

Table A.6

First Stage Regressions for GMM-IV Models

Table A.6 presents the first stage regressions for the GMM-IV model in Tables IV–VI. Panel A has the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table IV; Panel B has the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table V; and Panel C contains the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table VI.

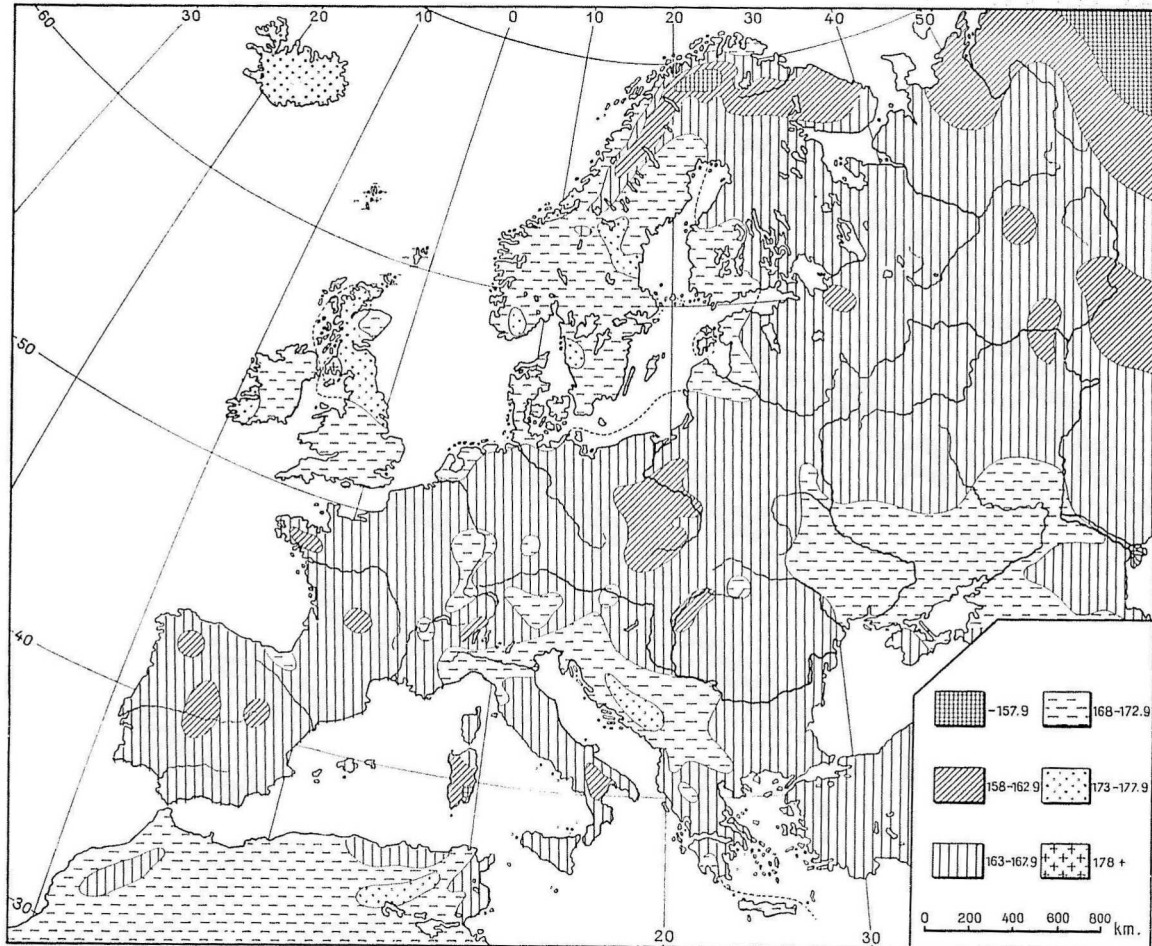
Panel A	
Somatic distance	-0.08*** (0.01)
Religious diversity	0.15* (0.08)
Common language	-0.05 (0.11)
Log (distance)	0.08 (0.05)
Common border	-0.02 (0.05)
Press coverage	-0.33 (0.36)
Transportation costs	-0.34 (0.37)
Same legal origin	0.01 (0.05)
Correlation of consumption between the two countries	-0.18 (0.29)
Exporting country fixed effects*years	YES
Importing country fixed effects* years	YES
Observations	474
R-squared	0.81
Test of excluded instruments:	F(2,349) =59.66

Panel B

Somatic distance	-0.04*** (0.01)
Religious diversity	0.20*** (0.04)
Common language	0.29*** (0.04)
Log (distance)	0.04* (0.03)
Common border	-0.03 (0.02)
Press coverage	-1.11*** (0.21)
Transportations costs	-0.58*** (0.19)
Dummy equal to one if countries have same origin of law	-0.07** (0.03)
Linguistic common roots	0.21*** (0.06)
Investing country fixed effects*years	YES
Destination country fixed effects*years	YES
Observations	419
R-squared	0.87
Test of excluded instruments in first stage:	F(2, 328) = 24.34

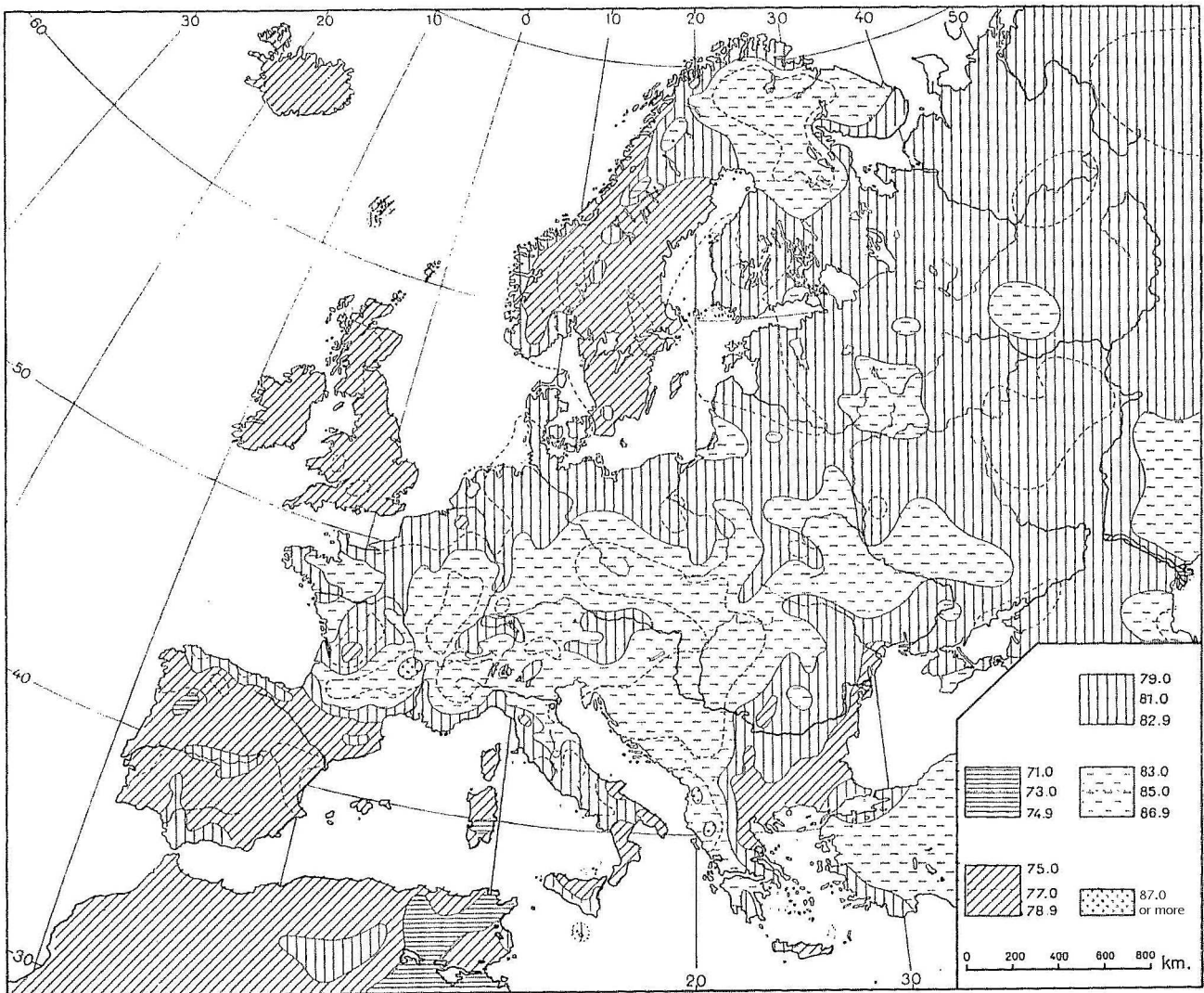
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Religious diversity	0.23*** (0.06)
Somatic distance	-0.02 (0.02)
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Common language	0.20*** (0.05)
Log (distance)	0.01 (0.05)
Common border	-0.04 (0.05)
Press coverage	-1.26* (0.67)
Distance in security law regulation*100	0.32 (0.91)
Linguistic common roots	0.27* (0.15)
Observations	80
R-squared	0.898
Test of excluded instruments in first stage:	F(2,44)= 10.18

Figure A.1: Average Heights in Europe



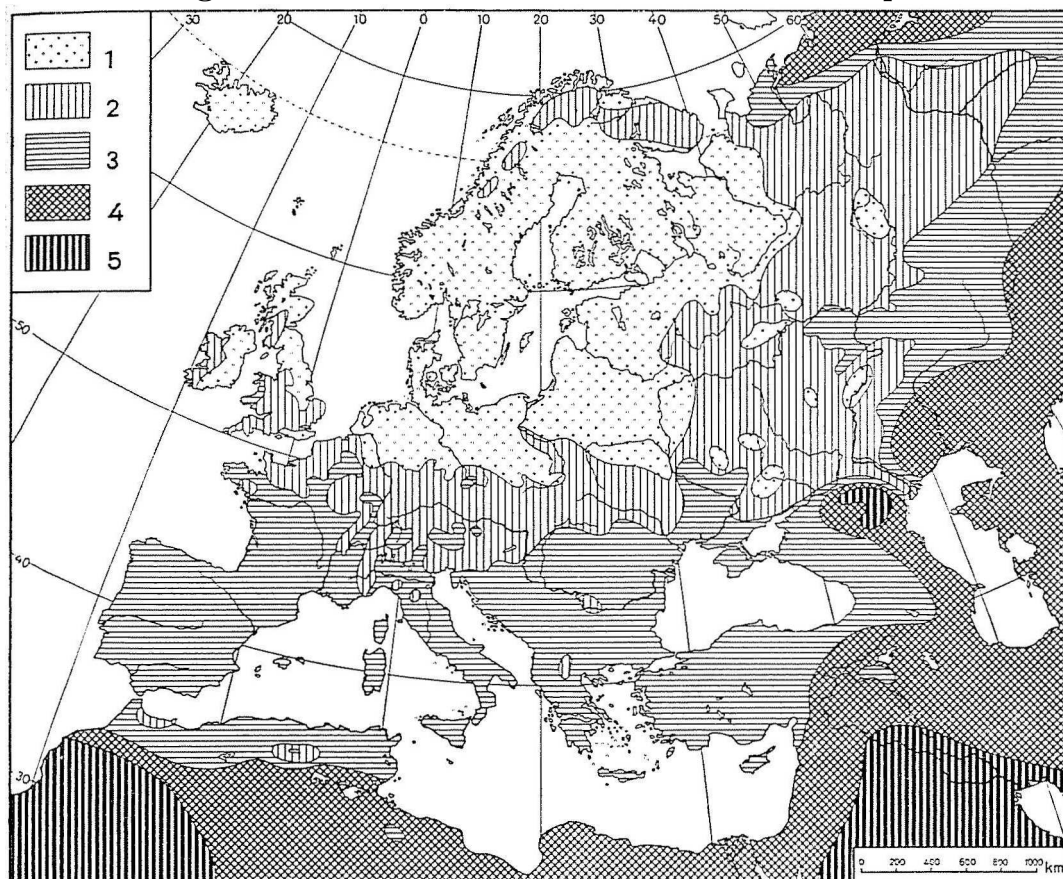
Distribution of average heights in Europe. Source Biasutti (1954).

Figure A.2: Average cephalic index in Europe



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Figure A.3: Distribution of hair color in Europe



Distribution of hair color in Europe: 1 = Blond prevails; 2 = Mix of blond and dark; 3 = Dark prevails; 4 = Sporadic presence of blond; 5 = Exclusively dark. Source Biasutti (1954).

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P-values	0.98	0.01	0.00	0.00							
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00							
Religious similarity	0.16	-0.30	0.28	-0.03	0.30						
P-values	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.70	0.00						
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00						
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Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00				
Years at war (1000-1970)	0.04	-0.38	0.32	0.08	0.23	0.29	-0.36	-0.05			
P-values	0.56	0.00	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.47			
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00			
Linguistic common roots	0.01	-0.45	0.30	0.17	0.24	0.21	-0.48	-0.15	0.29		
P-values	0.92	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.05	0.00		
Observations	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00	180.00		
Transportation costs	-0.38	0.78	-0.45	-0.25	-0.24	-0.36	0.60	0.28	-0.40	-0.38	
P-values	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Observations	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	207.00	180.00	
Press coverage	0.00	-0.45	0.50	0.41	0.31	0.17	-0.31	-0.13	0.44	0.23	-0.40
P-values	0.96	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00
Observations	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	179.00	154.00	179.00

Table A.6

First Stage Regressions for GMM-IV Models

Table A.6 presents the first stage regressions for the GMM-IV model in Tables IV–VI. Panel A has the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table IV; Panel B has the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table V; and Panel C contains the first stage regressions corresponding to the GMM-IV estimates in Table VI.

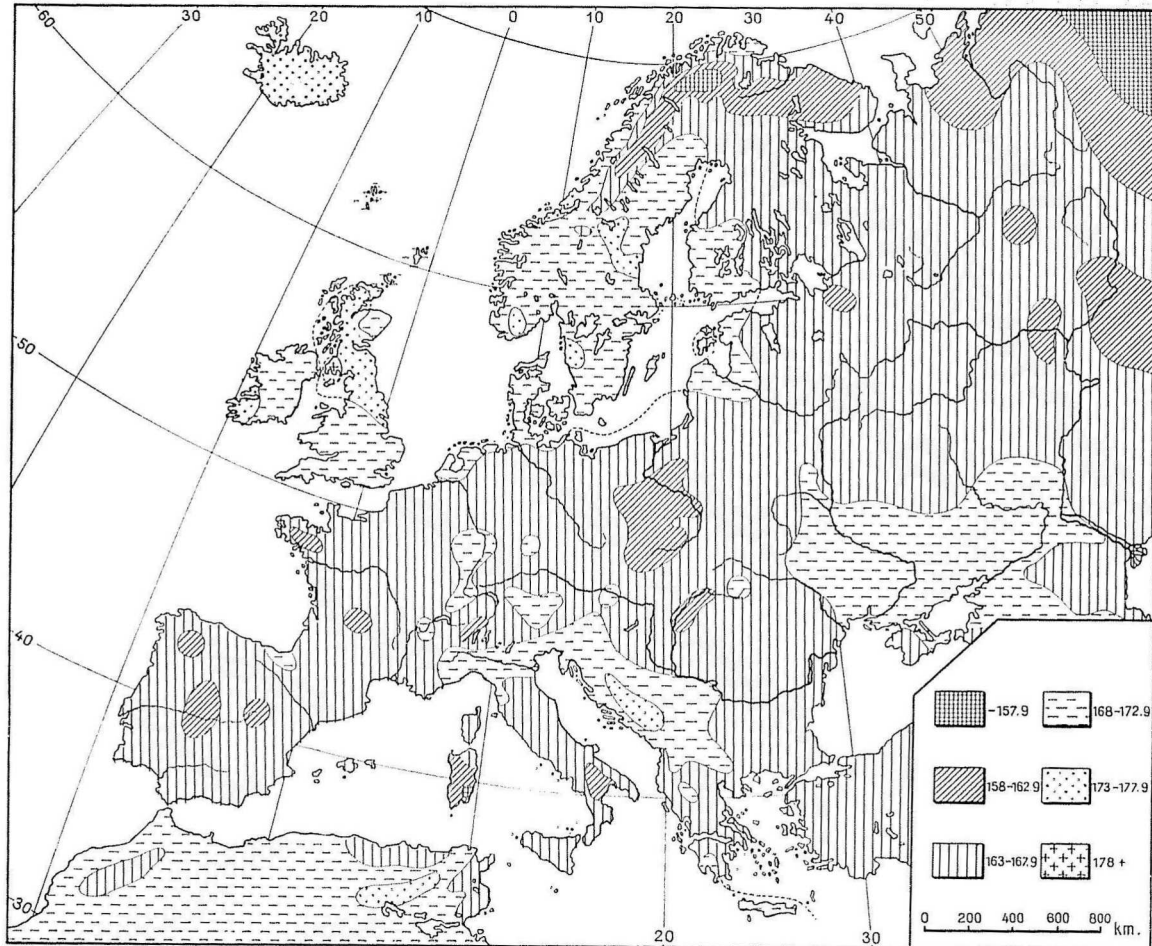
Panel A	
Somatic distance	-0.08*** (0.01)
Religious diversity	0.15* (0.08)
Common language	-0.05 (0.11)
Log (distance)	0.08 (0.05)
Common border	-0.02 (0.05)
Press coverage	-0.33 (0.36)
Transportation costs	-0.34 (0.37)
Same legal origin	0.01 (0.05)
Correlation of consumption between the two countries	-0.18 (0.29)
Exporting country fixed effects*years	YES
Importing country fixed effects* years	YES
Observations	474
R-squared	0.81
Test of excluded instruments:	F(2,349) =59.66

Panel B

Somatic distance	-0.04*** (0.01)
Religious diversity	0.20*** (0.04)
Common language	0.29*** (0.04)
Log (distance)	0.04* (0.03)
Common border	-0.03 (0.02)
Press coverage	-1.11*** (0.21)
Transportations costs	-0.58*** (0.19)
Dummy equal to one if countries have same origin of law	-0.07** (0.03)
Linguistic common roots	0.21*** (0.06)
Investing country fixed effects*years	YES
Destination country fixed effects*years	YES
Observations	419
R-squared	0.87
Test of excluded instruments in first stage:	F(2, 328) = 24.34

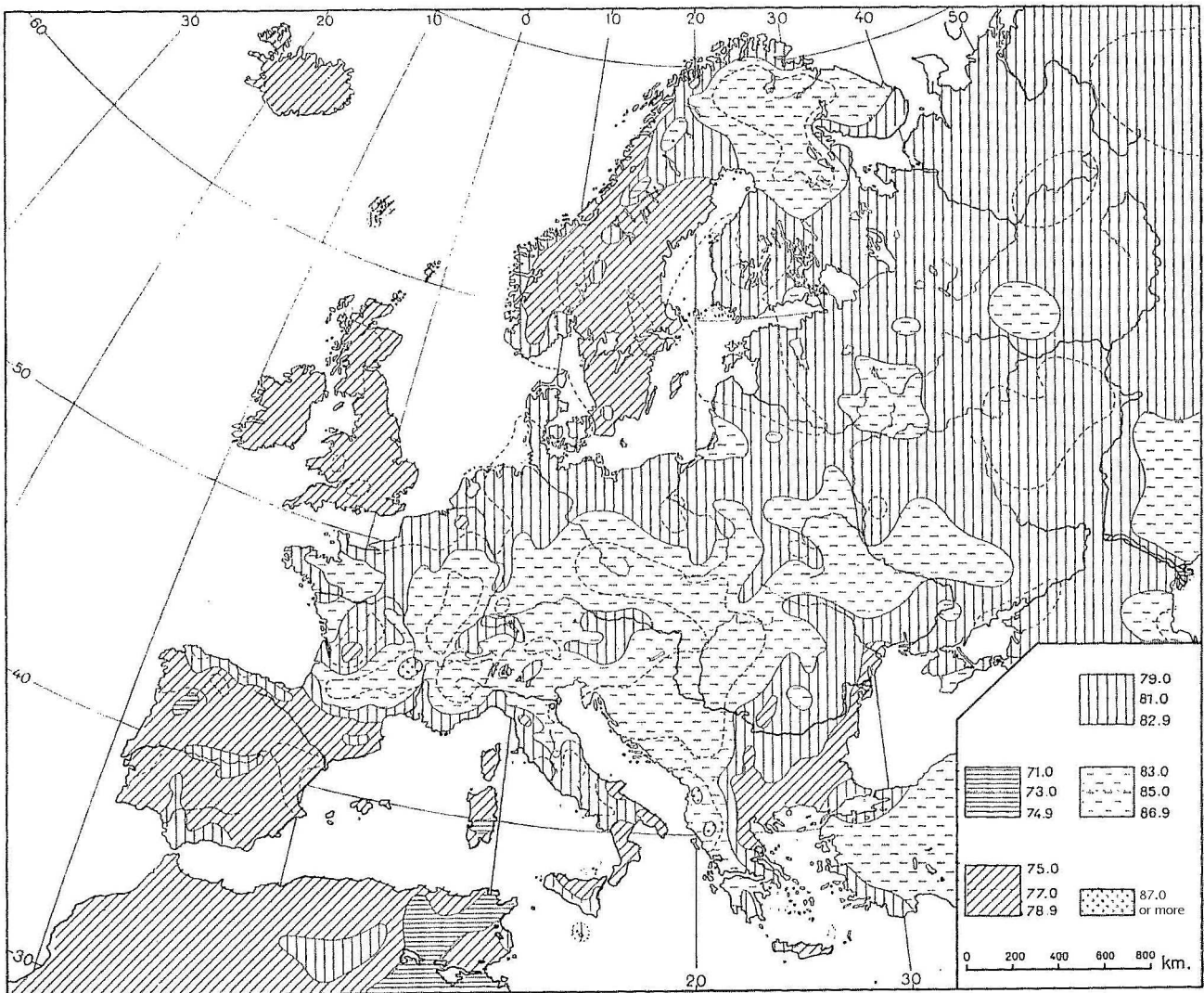
Panel C	
Religious diversity	0.23*** (0.06)
Somatic distance	-0.02 (0.02)
Inverse Cov. of stock market returns of country of origin and destination	-0.29** (0.11)
Common language	0.20*** (0.05)
Log (distance)	0.01 (0.05)
Common border	-0.04 (0.05)
Press coverage	-1.26* (0.67)
Distance in security law regulation*100	0.32 (0.91)
Linguistic common roots	0.27* (0.15)
Observations	80
R-squared	0.898
Test of excluded instruments in first stage:	F(2,44)= 10.18

Figure A.1: Average Heights in Europe



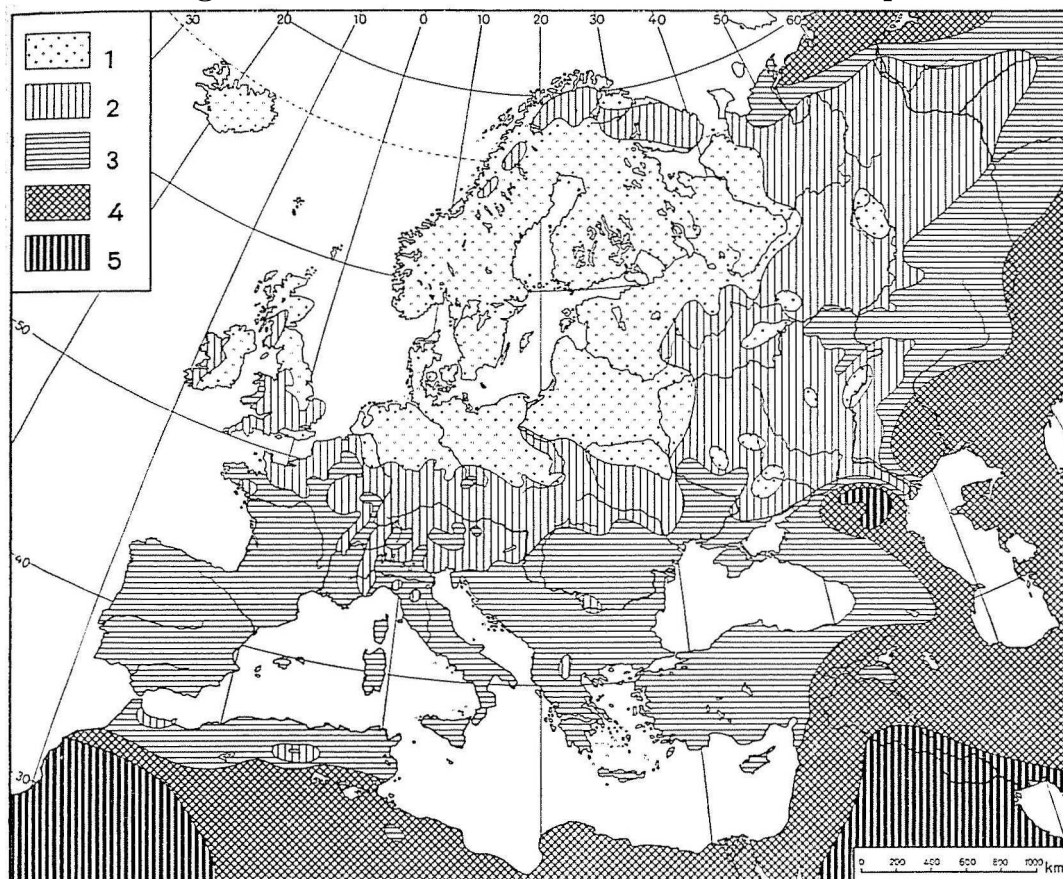
Distribution of average heights in Europe. Source Biasutti (1954).

Figure A.2: Average cephalic index in Europe



Average cephalic index in Europe. Source Biasutti (1954).

Figure A.3: Distribution of hair color in Europe



Distribution of hair color in Europe: 1 = Blond prevails; 2 = Mix of blond and dark; 3 = Dark prevails; 4 = Sporadic presence of blond; 5 = Exclusively dark. Source Biasutti (1954).

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