

Influence of Economic and Social factors on the Body Dimensions in Newborns

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Abstract

The anthropological characteristic of the population of each country is a biological reflection of the specificity of the living conditions during its historical development and at present days. The physical development of newborns, children and adolescents is an important indicator for the influence of various biological and socio-economic factors on the growing child's organism still in the mother's womb. The aim of the current review is to summarize the available data for the impact of economic and social factors on the physical development of newborns.

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