

Explaining Poverty

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"The crucial questions for a life-cycle view of the genesis of poverty (or of any other position on a scale of income or level of living) are, therefore, (i) what factors, conditions circumstances, and choices observable at one stage of the life cycle are determinative or prognostic of outcomes to be observed at later stages? (2) How predictable are the conditions at later stages from the information available at the earlier ones? (These are questions, obviously, that have to do with who becomes rich or poor, not with what determines the aggregate income in a society.)

Otis Dudley Duncan in Mayhew JP (ed) Understand Poverty pp 88-89. (He does not seem to see the importance of finding out what determines the structure)

