## **Supplementary Information**

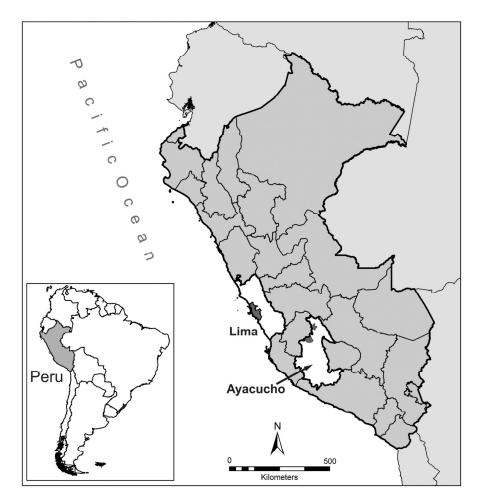
Supplementary Table 1. Sample size and summary statistics by age and study site for height-, weight- and BMI-for-age z scores (WHO Multicentre Growth Reference Study Group 2006; de Onis and others 2007) and WCHtR.

Age (years)		Lowland				Highland			
		Height z score	Weight z score	BMI z score	WCHtR	Height z score	Weight z score	BMI z score	WCHtR
0.5-1.99	Mean	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.6	-1.9	-1.1	0.0	0.6
	<b>SD</b> <sup>a</sup>	1.02	0.9	0.84	0.04	0.78	0.6	0.85	0.02
	n	44	44	44	35	43	43	43	7
2.0-8.5	Mean	-0.4	0.4	0.8	0.5	-2.1	-1.3	0.2	0.5
	SD	0.81	1.05	1.07	0.05	0.96	0.84	0.7	0.04
	n	139	137	137	130	118	118	118	104
9.5-14.5	Mean	-0.6	0.8	1.0	0.5	-1.8	-1.1	-0.3	0.5
	SD	0.97	1.09	0.98	0.05	0.64	0.63	0.75	0.03
	n	60	15	60	60	37	12	37	30

<sup>a</sup> SD = standard deviation.

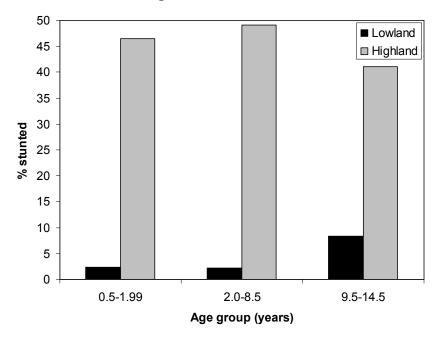
Sample sizes vary for individual measurements due to missing data points. Data are for combined sexes.

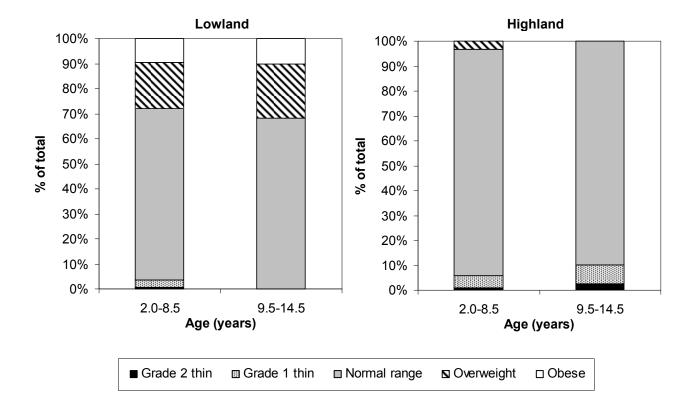
## **Supplementary Figures**



Supplementary Figure 1. Map of Peru showing location of study communities

Supplementary Figure 2. Stunting rates by sample and age according to WHO criteria and growth standards/references





## Supplementary Figure 3. Percentage of children in each IOTF BMI-for-age category from the age of 2 years in the lowland and highland samples

Supplementary Figure 4. Proportion of lowland and highland children with waist circumference: height ratio over 0.5 by age group

