

Table 4 Age distribution of stunted and normal height students according to sex

Sex/age (years)	Total	Height			
		-2 SD		Normal	
		No.	%	No.	%
<b>Male</b>					
7	151	9	6.0	106	70.2
8	355	63	17.7	170	47.9
9	503	87	17.3	224	44.5
10	542	105	19.4	272	50.2
11	596	100	16.8	272	45.6
12	741	164	22.1	307	41.4
<b>Female</b>					
7	200	18	9.0	127	63.5
8	242	24	9.9	128	52.9
9	450	85	18.9	179	39.8
10	444	91	20.5	196	44.1
11	559	126	22.5	256	45.8
12	503	115	22.9	234	46.5
<b>Total</b>					
Male	2888	528	18.3	1351	46.8
Female	2398	459	19.1	1120	46.7
All	5286	987	18.7	2471	46.7

For males:  $\chi^2$  for linear trend = 19.69;  $P < 0.001$ . For females  $\chi^2$  for linear trend = 26.37;  $P < 0.001$ .