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Skin color and temperature! While the brown Eskimo of North America and the yellow Brazilians of South America are exceptions, there seems to be a close relation between skin color and temperature. Roughly, people with the darkest skins live in the warmest climates, while those with the whitest skins live in the coldest. At any rate a map of Europe indicates a rather systematic darkening of the skin in going from the extreme north to the extreme south. This is all the more striking when one considers that anthropologists believe that the Nordic and the Mediterranean races are of the same stock.

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