

The effects of investing in early education on economic growth^[1]

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Advocates of early childhood education have only recently stressed the economic benefits of preschool programs, and it has been difficult to win support for these short-term investments given the long-term nature of the benefits to the economy. This policy brief analyzes the impact of a high-quality universal preschool policy on economic growth, concluding that such a policy could add \$2 trillion to annual U.S. GDP by 2080. By 2080, a national program would cost the federal government approximately \$59 billion, but generate enough additional growth in federal revenue to cover the costs of the program several times over.

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