



Today, 128 million boys and 122 million girls do not attend school.  
57% of pupils lack basic skills and socio-emotional skills.

**If we carry on like this, by 2030 the costs will be enormous.**

### USD 6 trillion

The overall annual costs of children dropping out of school



### USD 10 trillion

The overall annual costs of a lack of basic skills



### USD 7.4 trillion

The overall annual costs of children with weak socio-emotional skills



### USD 470 billion

Annual global gain every time the number of children not attending school declines by 1 percentage point



### USD 650 billion

Annual global gain every time the number of children without basic skills declines by 1 percentage point



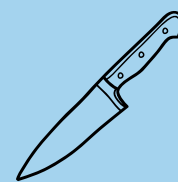
**38%**

Increase in the number of inactive young people



**69%**

Increase in the number of teenage pregnancies



**57%**

Increase in the number of homicides

Reducing the proportion of young people leaving school prematurely and of children lacking basic skills increases annual GDP growth by 1 to 2 percentage points per year.

Investing in quality education is a cost-effective strategy for economic development.

UNESCO calls on governments and partners to urgently invest in education to ensure that every child completes a full cycle of basic education by 2030



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