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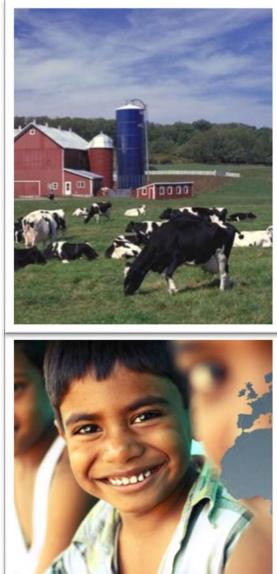
Dairy as an Engine of Economic Growth





Dairy for Global Nutrition

- An initiative of the US Dairy Export Council
- We focus on funding research and projects to advance the science on the management of malnutrition, with a focus on stunting prevention
- Our work: support collaborative trials, communications, technical/R&D and supply chain





Dairy for Global Nutrition supports the International Code of Marketing of Breast-Milk Substitutes and other global nutritional principles set forth by the World Health Organization, the Codex Alimentarius, and UNICEF.



Breastmilk is the best source of nutrition for infants under 6 months. It is recommended that breastfeeding is continued along with appropriate complementary foods up to 2 years of age or beyond.



Major Pillars of Economic Development





Stunting and Economic Growth

All pillars of economic development affected





Nutrition-specific Interventions: Direct Impact

In addition to nutrition-sensitive programs...



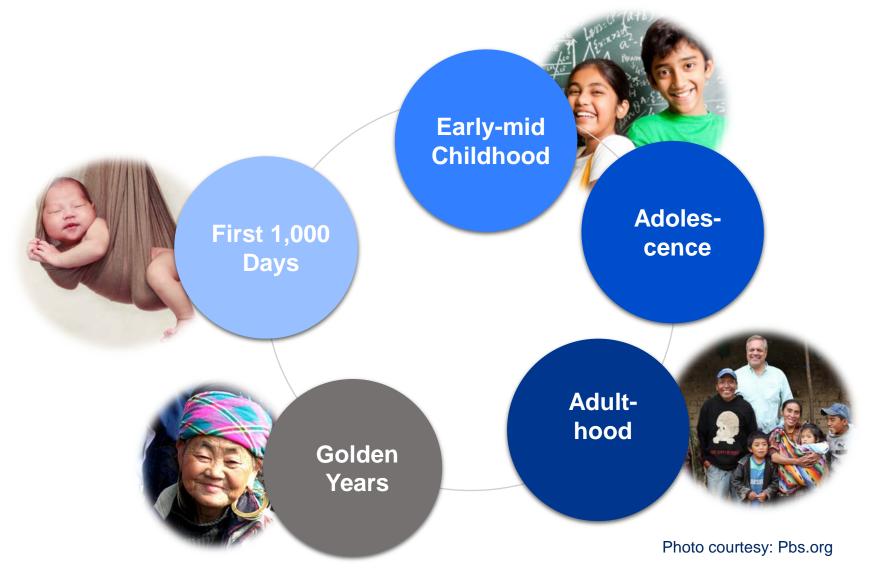


Dairy, Stunting Prevention and Economic Growth





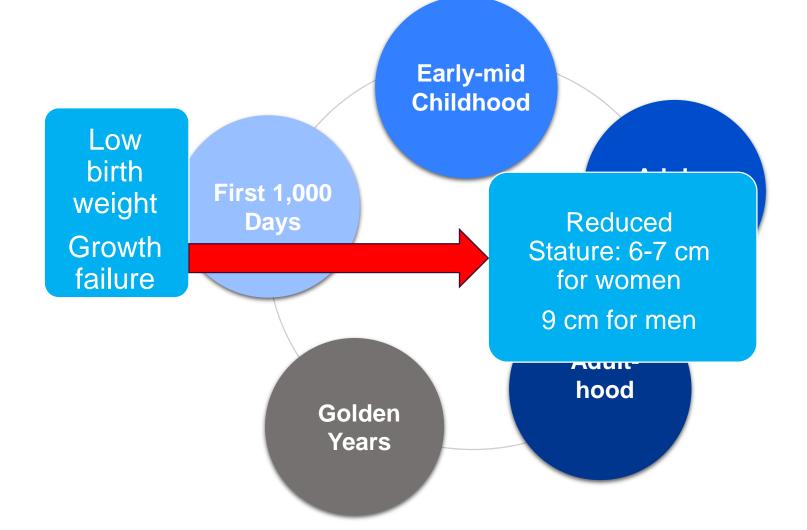
Stunting: A Life Cycle Approach



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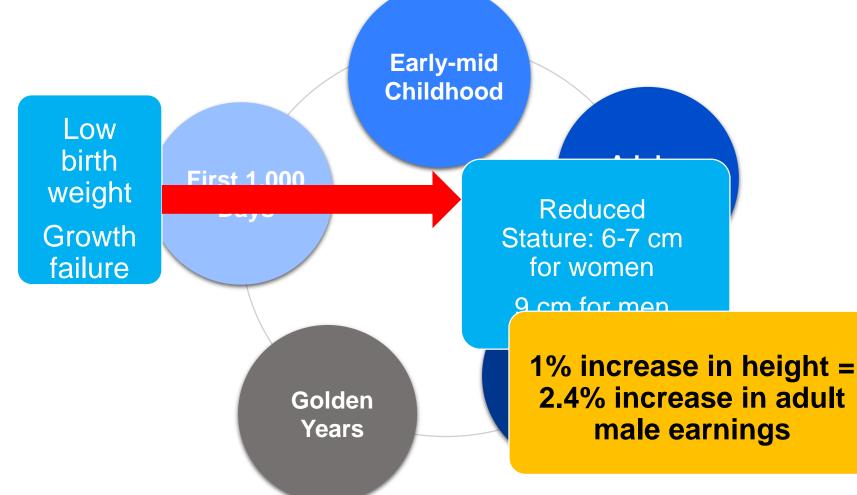


Physical Growth Impairment's Consequences



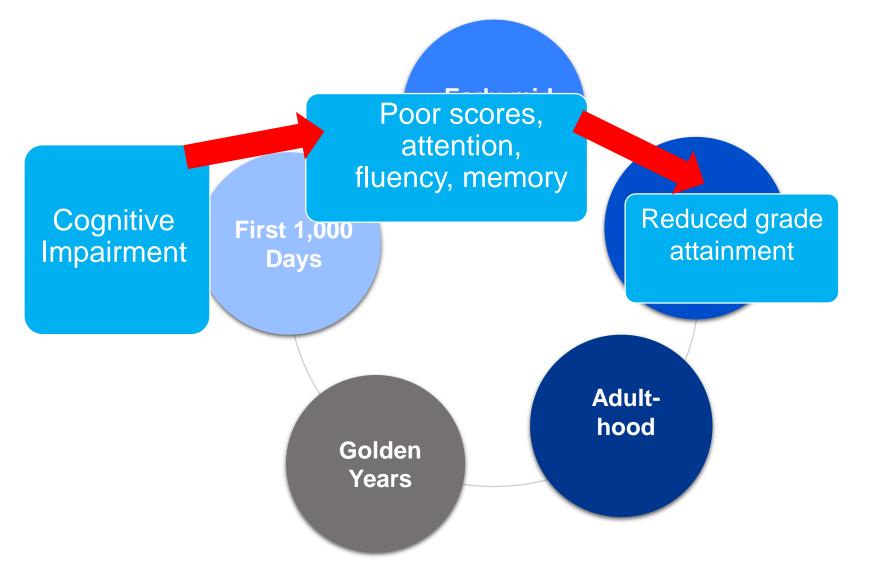


Stunting: Cost to individuals



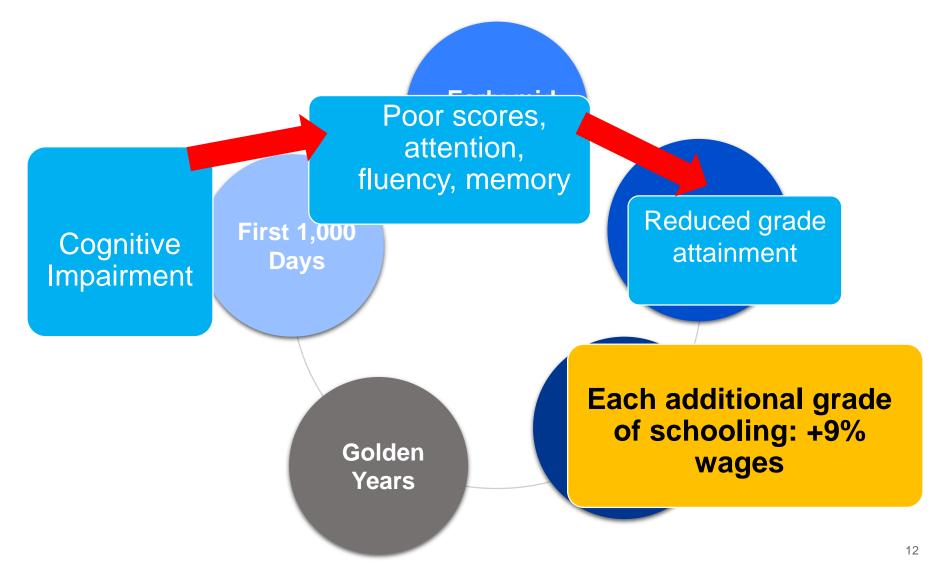


Cognitive Growth's Consequences



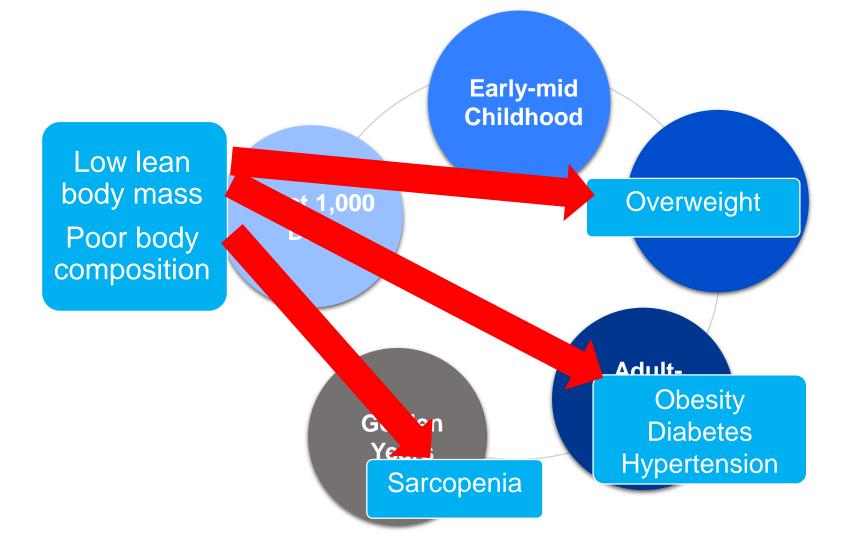


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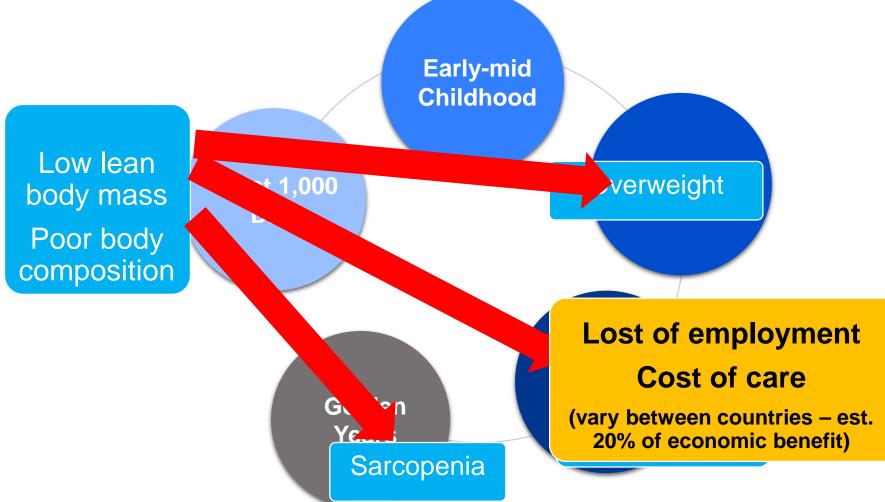


Stunting: Long-term Impacts





Long-term costs of stunting





Investments in Stunting Reduction: High Returns

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Every \$ invested in reduction of stunting generates ~\$18 in economic returns



In East Asia: Benefit Cost Ratios Even Higher

Vietnam1: \$35.5Philippines1: \$43.9Indonesia1:\$47.9Burma1:\$17.7

Bangladesh 1:\$18.4



Source: FantaProject.org



How Do Dairy Nutrients Impact Economic Growth in Emerging Economies?

- ✓ Moderate malnutrition recovery
- Linear growth and related cognitive development
- ✓ Reduction of stunting in-utero
- ✓Catch-up growth
- ✓Improvement of lean body mass
- ✓ Reduction of obesity risk
- Reduction of chronic diseases risk later in life



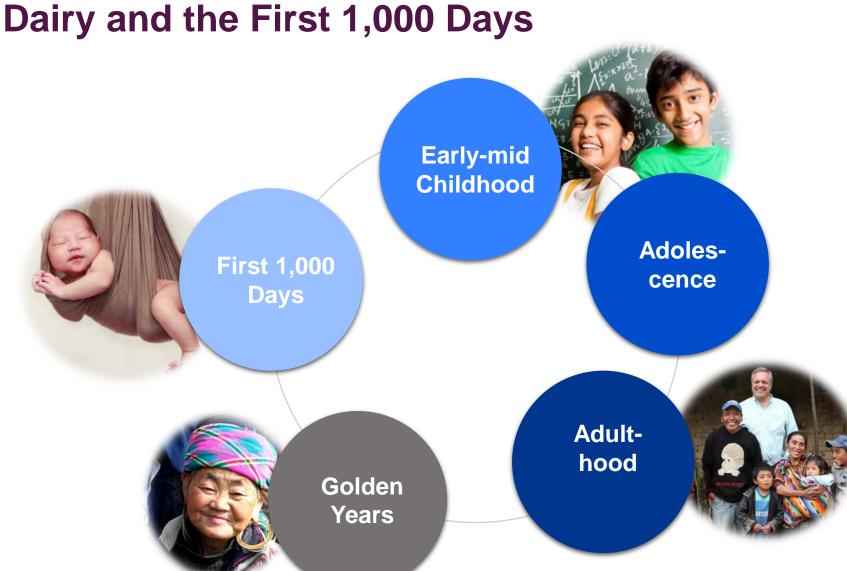


Photo courtesy: Pbs.org



Recent Studies: Dairy Effective for MAM, Growth

- Dairy ingredients recognized as superior to plant proteins, even at lower inclusion rates:
- "There is a consistent benefit of FBF that include dairy in treatment of children with MAM" (Suri et al. 2016)
- ✓ Dairy vs. soy: Higher recovery rates and improved growth (Stobaugh et al. 2016)
- ✓ "Superior performance of dairy protein in the treatment of acute malnutrition" (Batra et al, 2016)



Protein Quality and Growth

- Effect of using proteins of different quality on recovery
- DIAAS Food Aid Score associated with recovery
- "When looking at all the protein quality scores, dairy protein is likely to be higher, and particularly for malnourished children, dairy proteins are associated with higher growth"



Current USDA Standards (December 2015)

- Therapeutic foods: 50% of protein from dairy
- Supplementary foods: 33% of protein from dairy

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USDA COMMODITY REQUIREMENTS

RUF READY-TO-USE NUTRITIONAL FOOD

FOR USE IN INTERNATIONAL FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Source: https://www.fsa.usda.gov/Assets/USDA-FSA-Public/usdafiles/Comm-Operations/pdf/ruf.pdf



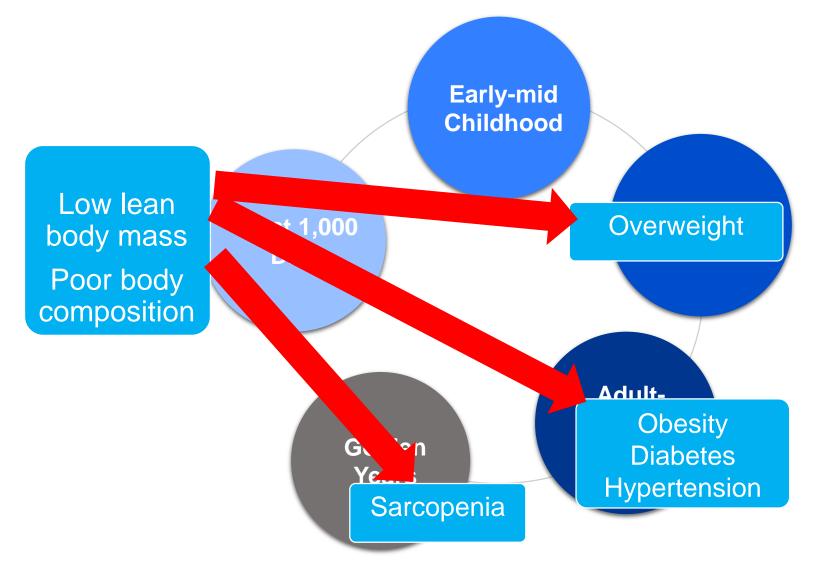
Pregnant Mothers and Malnutrition

- Positive association between maternal dairy intake and birth weight
- >3 glasses per day = larger head circumference, femur length
- Supplementation of mothers: micronutrients alone not sufficient
- Small doses with dairy = 25-31% reduction in stunting, small head size

(Mridha et al. 2016)



Stunting: Long-term Impacts





Managing Double Burden of Malnutrition

- Legitimate concern about longterm impact of supplements provided to manage malnutrition
- Treatment is usually only a few weeks long, but broader use (adolescent mothers, catch-up growth/ school meals) could become more common





Beyond 1,000 Days: Dietary Patterns Studies

Dairy dietary pattern is positively associated with changes in length for age scores

"Introduction of animal source foods such as dairy is important...high quality protein, bioactive components essential for growth"

 ✓ Important to introduce dairy products as part of complementary foods to optimize linear growth

(Arsenault, et al. 2016. Peru)



Dairy is Associated with Lean Body Mass

- Reports of lean body mass increases in a number of studies with children receiving milk (Kulkarni et al. 2014)
- Substantial evidence that higher intake of milk is positively associated with lean body mass in infancy, childhood and adolescence in low income Countries (Kulkarni et al. 2014, Hoppe et al. 2006, Allen 2011)



Dairy Reduces Obesity Risk

Long-term association between dairy consumption and reduced risk of child obesity

- Meta analysis (>46,000 children): children in highest dairy intake group 38% less likely to be obese
- Risk of childhood obesity 13% lower with each serving per dairy increment dairy intake
- Effect is through lean body mass increases/ fat mass decrease
- Key: dairy proteins (leucine) + minerals

(Lu et al. 2016. Developed countries)



Pregnant Mothers and Overnutrition

 Higher maternal protein intake at the expense of carbohydrate or fat intake at 26–28 wk gestation associated with lower abdominal internal adiposity in neonates.

(Chen et al. 2016, Singapore)





Dairy Reduces Risk of Chronic Diseases

Meta-analyses and systematic reviews support a negative relationship between the consumption of dairy products and the risk of the metabolic syndrome and Type 2 diabetes

(Chen et al. 2015)



Photo courtesy: Whey Protein Research Consortium, USA



Prevention of Obesity; Role of Whey

- Study in China: 200 ml of milk/day + 1 egg to decrease malnutrition
- Boys' lean body mass increased and no difference in obesity/overweight group vs. control (no supplement)
- Dairy proteins, in particular BCAAs in whey, play a key role
- "Dairy proteins have a high potential of improve metabolic disturbances due to their amino-acid composition"

(Bjornshave et al. 2014)

(Lin et al. 2015)



Dairy and Economic Growth: Emerging Science





In Summary

- Each \$ invested in malnutrition yields high economic returns
- Dairy nutrients are now proven to help manage undernutrition, prevent stunting
- The "extra cost" of dairy is small: less than \$1.36 per child who recovers from malnutrition, \$0.0017/ration
- Dairy nutrients can also provide life-long protection from chronic diseases in developing countries

Thank you

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