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Decades of research have documented that family economic resources matter for children's and adolescents' development. Economic resources are indispensable to the satisfaction of material needs, providing children and adolescents with food security, safe housing, goods and services that enable them to thrive. Families' economic resources also provide real and psychological security, avoiding stress and fostering parents' capacity for good parenting. Disparities in economic resources are, however, pervasive and growing, and this is especially the case among families with children. Because the consequences of these disparities are multiple and overlapping, it is crucial to examine the different pathways through which they operate. Studying the impact of economic disparities on children's and adolescents' development would help us gain a better understanding of the underlying reasons and improve the design of interventions to reduce the detrimental effects of such inequalities.



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