

Women are Key Drivers of Economic Growth



"Investing in women is not only the right thing to do, but also the smart thing to do."

-Hillary Clinton

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BUSINESSES

Women own nearly 8 million businesses in the United States, accounting for \$1.2 trillion of our GDP

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MORE INCOME

Women tend to spend more of their earned income than men on the health and education of their families

48%

OF ALL JOBS

In the US, women went from holding 37 % of all jobs to nearly 48% over the past forty years

BY ADDRESSING CHALLENGES AND BARRIERS FACING WOMEN, WE CAN TRANSFORM OUR ECONOMIES



Reductions in barriers to **female labor force participation** would increase the size of GDP

+9%

America

+13%

Euro Zone

+16%

Japan



Companies with more **women board directors** outperform those with the least by:

66%

ROI capital

53%

return on equity

42%

return on sales



Reductions in barriers to **women's equal access to productive resources**

Could raise **total agricultural output** in developing countries by 2.5 to 4%



Reduce the number of hungry people in the world by up to **150 million** people