TITLE: IMPACT OF HIGHER EDUCATION ON THE BRAZILIAN ECONOMY

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## ABSTRACT:

In spite of a long tradition in the international literature of input-output the analysis of the economic impact of universities is rare in Brazil. On the other hand the Brazilian federal system of Higher Education has more than fifty universities. They represent almost a quarter of all national enrolment in tertiary education and the largest share of Ministry of Education budget. The economic impact of this system in the Brazilian Economy is still unknown. This paper will try to dimension this impact (income and employment) using the new Brazilian input-output table and data from the National Higher Education Census (INEP).