

CONCEPT: MULTIPLIER EFFECT AND THE MARGINAL PROPENSITY TO SAVE AND CONSUME

- An increase in **investment spending** causes a chain reaction of spending in the economy
 - When firms increase investment spending, this, in turn, increases _____ of households
 - The increase in household _____, leads to an increase in household _____
 - > Refer to our calculations of the Marginal Propensity to Consume
 - A second round of spending occurs based on the additional consumption, leading to MORE consumption
 - The chain reaction continues...

EXAMPLE: Investmentland has increased investment spending by \$5 billion dollars:

Increase in Investment Spending		\$5 billion
Increase in Consumer Spending	= MPC * \$5 billion	
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- The **multiplier effect** describes how the total increase in spending is more than just the initial boost in spending
 - The actual multiple will depend on the _____

$$Total\ Increase\ in\ GDP = (1 + MPC + MPC^2 + MPC^3 \dots) * Initial\ Spending\ Boost$$

$$Total\ Increase\ in\ GDP = \frac{1}{1 - MPC} * Initial\ Spending\ Boost$$

Note that $(1-MPC) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ →

PRACTICE: Investmentland has increased investment spending by \$5 billion dollars. If $MPC = 0.75$, what is the multiplier and total increase in GDP?