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# New Podcast Episode: The Fitch Downgrade and Congress' Must-do List

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- In “[Documented Dreamers: A Case Study for Employment-based Immigration Reform](#),” Labor Market and Immigration Policy Analyst Isabella Hindley explains why creating a legal and permanent pathway to employment for Documented Dreamers may be a good place to start for employment-based immigration reform.
- In “[Fitch Downgrades the U.S.](#),” Holtz-Eakin discusses Fitch's downgrade of U.S. Treasury debt from AAA to AA+.
- In “[Is Fiscal Policy Driving the Economy \(and Fighting the Fed\)?](#)” Holtz-Eakin explores whether federal spending – or fiscal policy more generally – contributes to near-term growth.
- In “[The Fed and the Labor Market](#),” Holtz-Eakin notes what to look for in the upcoming jobs report.
- In “[Video: Weekly Economic Tracker](#),” Holtz-Eakin walks through the latest economic numbers.
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