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Highlights

- Previous studies have found cognitive test scores and economic growth are positively correlated.
- We decompose test scores into a cognitive- and noncognitive component.
- Both components are positively associated with economic growth.
- The estimated effects of both components are similar in terms of magnitude.
- Noncognitive skills are important for the relationship between test scores and economic growth.

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