



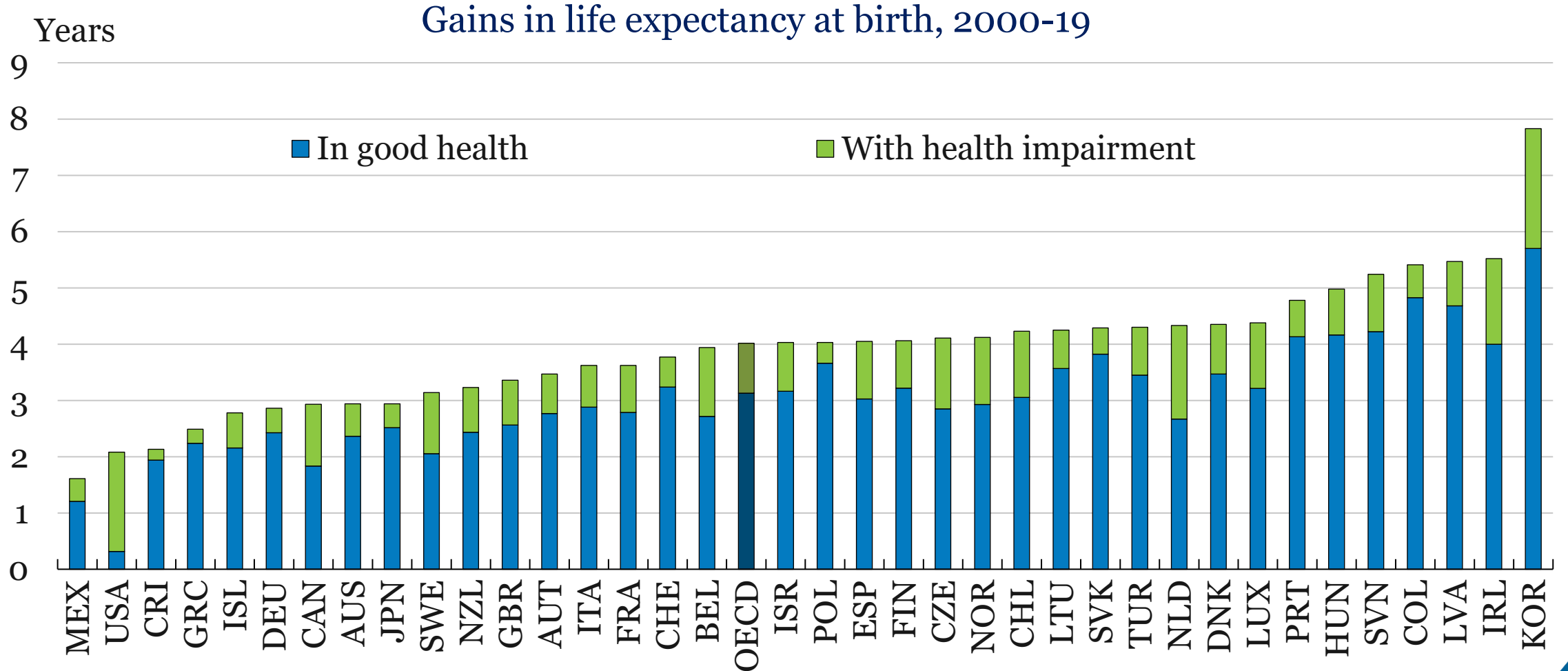
# BETTER POLICIES FOR **LONGER** LIVES

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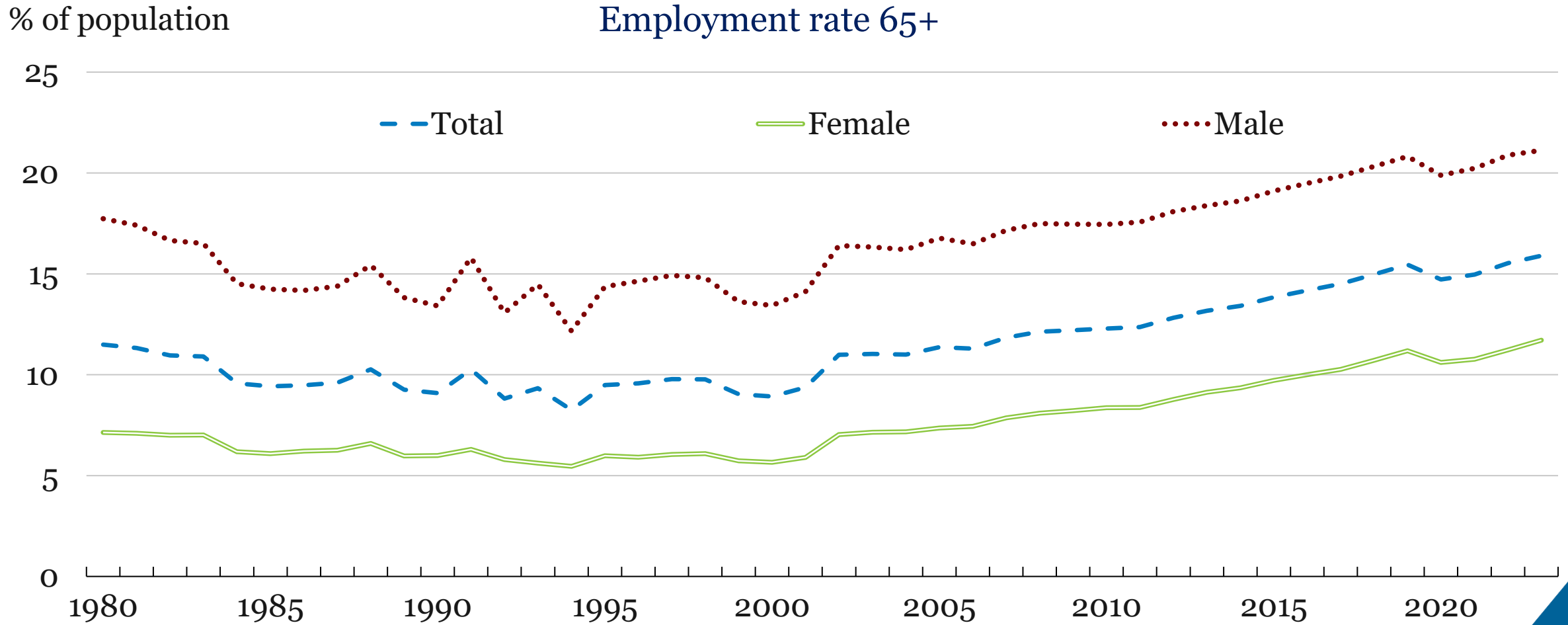


# The gains in healthy living have been very significant





# People are remaining active for longer

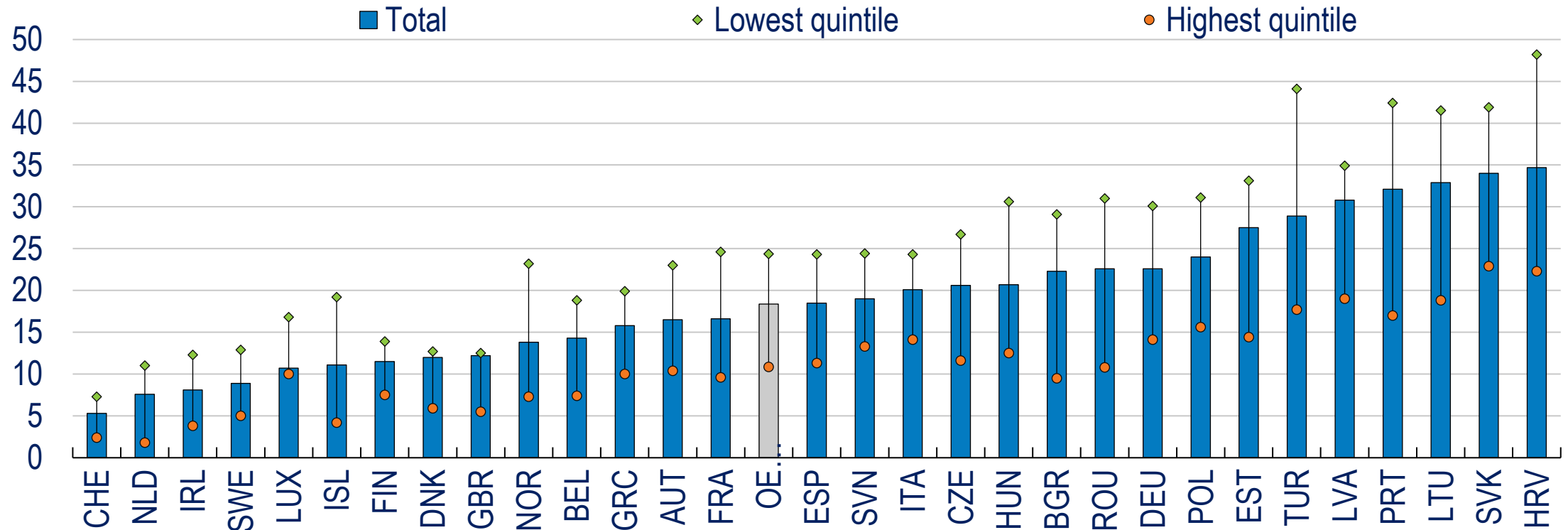




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% of population

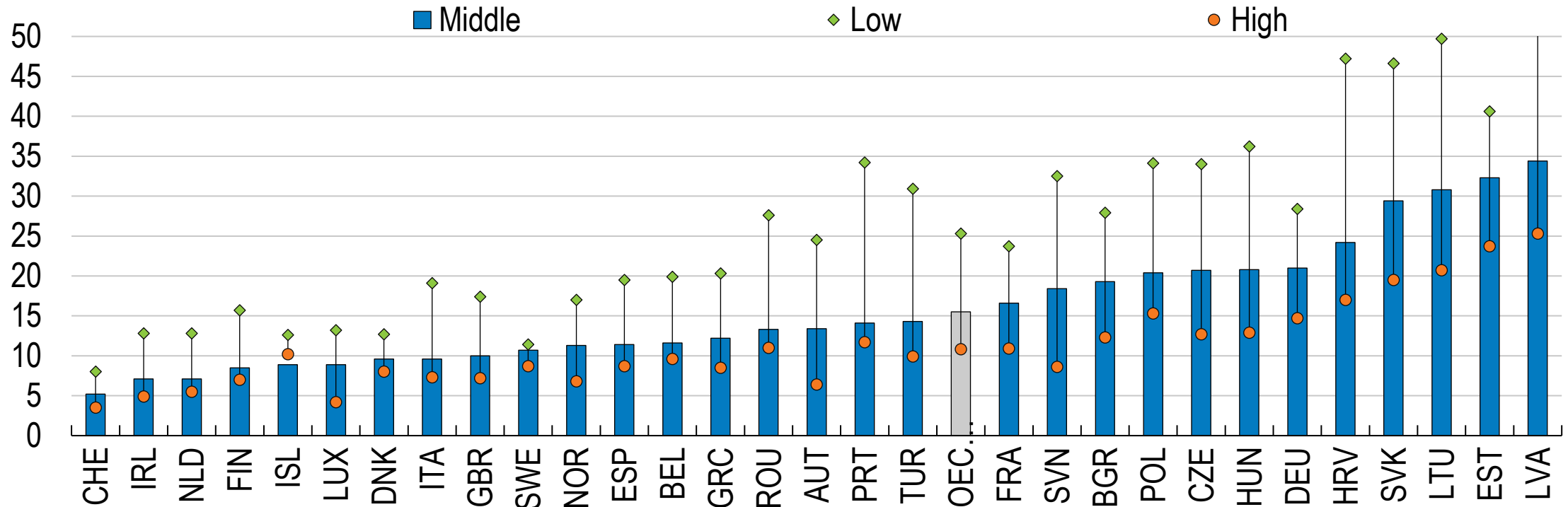




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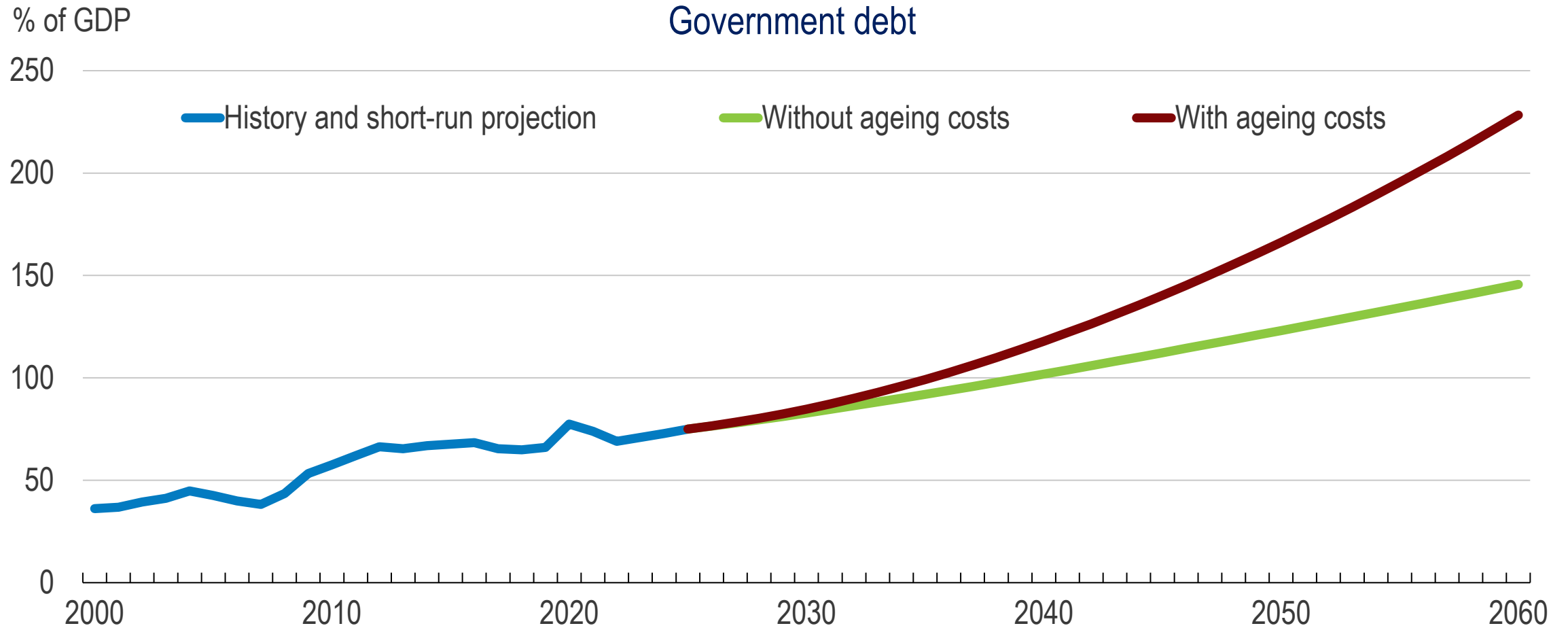
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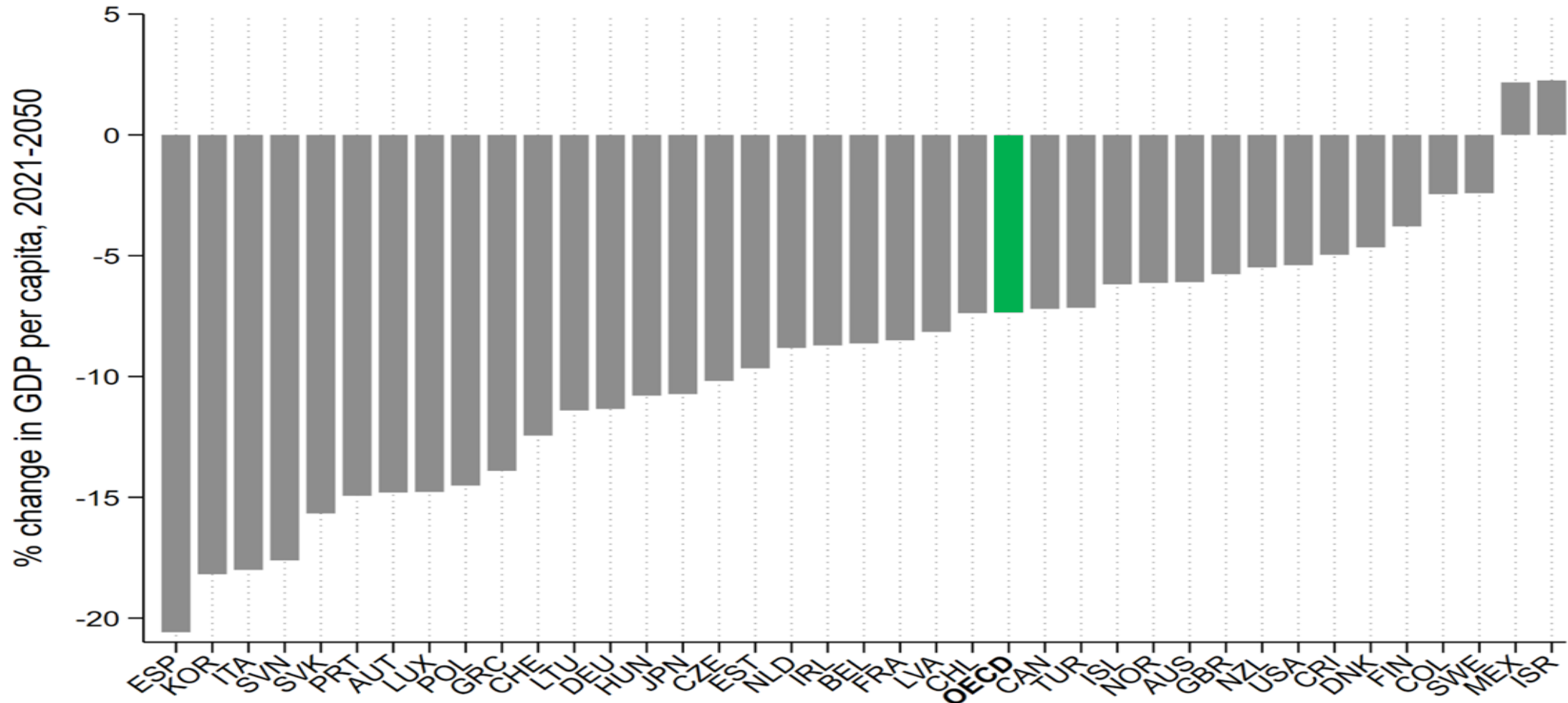
# Without policy action, debt ratios will rise sharply



Source: Updated version of Guillemette, Y. and Turner, D. (2021), "The long game: Fiscal outlooks to 2060 underline need for structural reform", based on OECD Economic Outlook No. 115, May, 2024.



# Population ageing will depress GDP per capita without policy changes

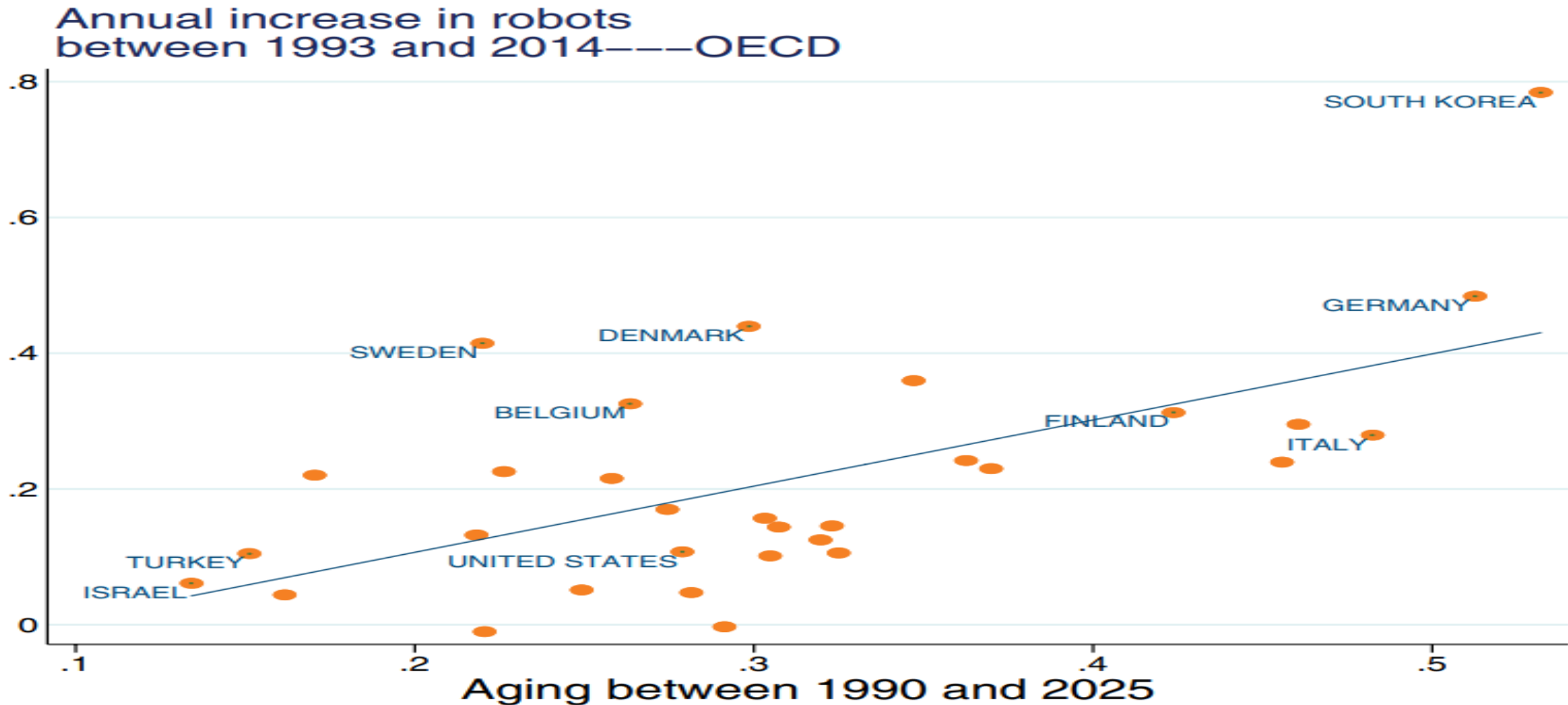


Source: André, C., P. Gal and M. Schief (2024). OECD Economics Department Working Papers, No. 1807.

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# Ageing may speed up the adoption of technology

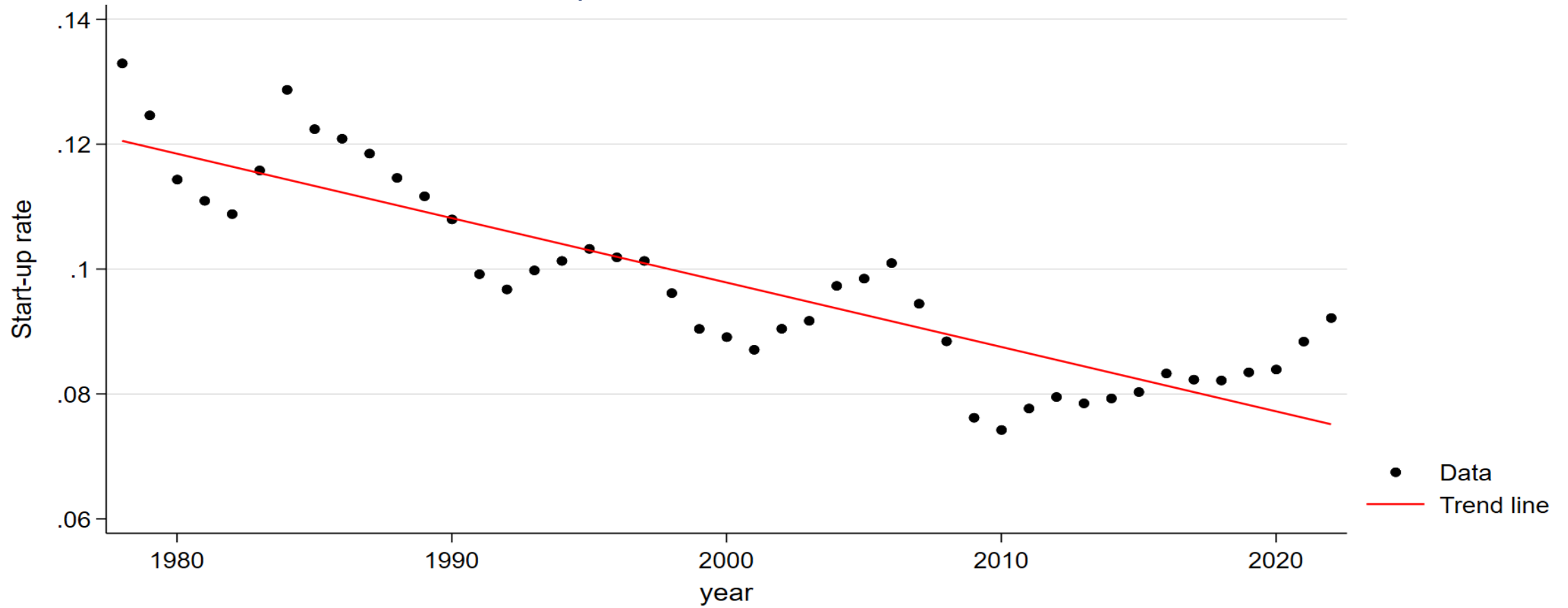


Source: Acemoglu and Restrepo (2022).



# Firm dynamism has been declining

Business start-up rates in the United States, 1978-2022

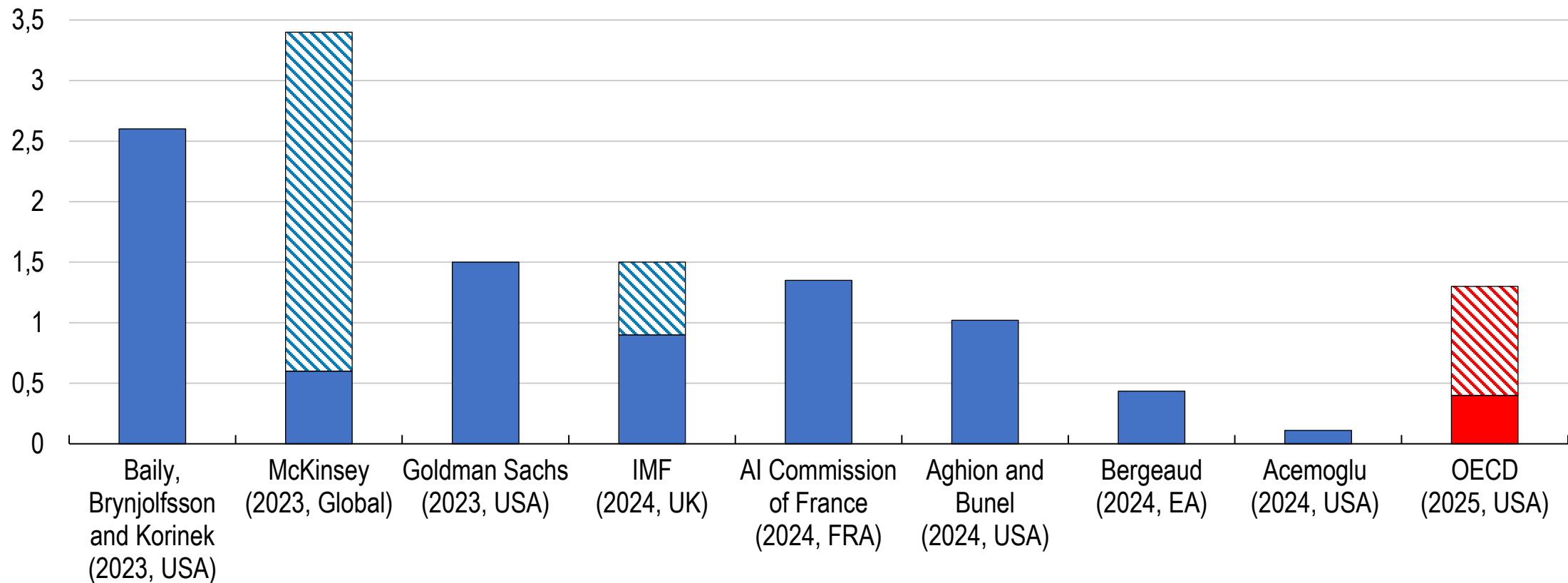


Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Business Dynamics Statistics (BDS)



# Artificial Intelligence will boost productivity growth in ageing societies

Predictions for aggregate labour productivity growth due to AI over 10 years  
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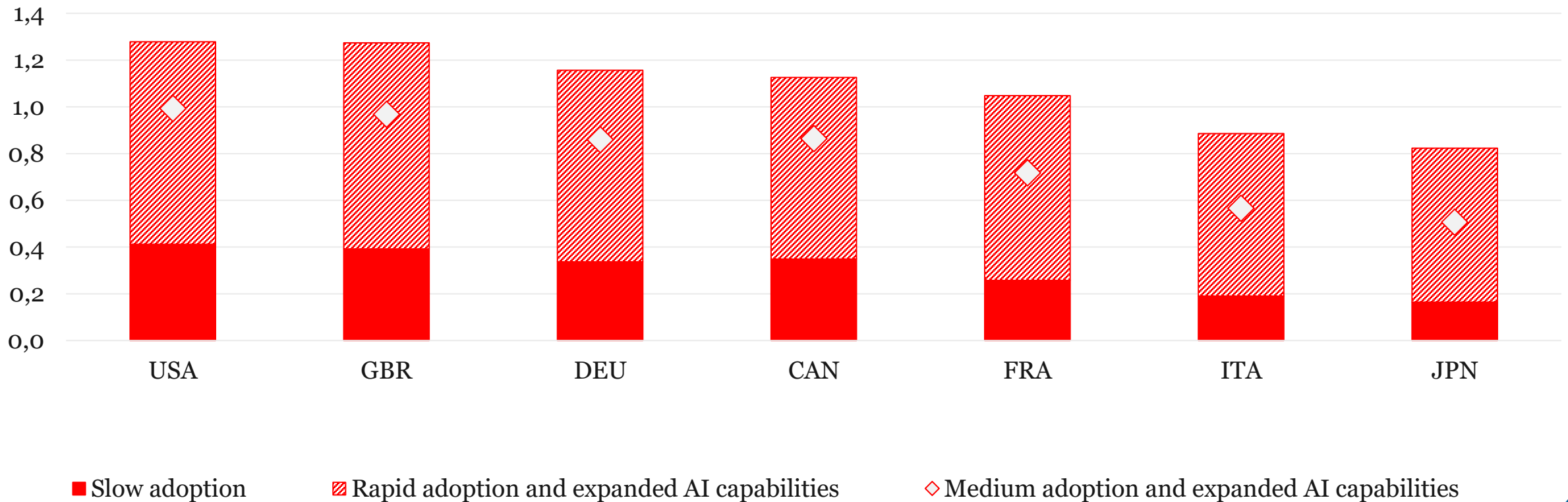


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# The productivity impact of AI varies across countries

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# Policies can help harness the longevity dividend

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- Promote healthy ageing to enable longer working lives
- Link retirement to life expectancy
- Contain rapidly rising long-term care spending by promoting home care
- Tackle barriers to employment of older workers
- Foster age-friendly working conditions
- Ensure continuous up- and re-skilling through effective lifelong learning
- Promote adoption of productivity enhancing technologies



# Recent OECD country work on ageing and fertility

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