



# Uludağ Economic Summit

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# *Outline*

A Decade of Outperformance

Another Decade of Transformation

Long-Term Prospects



# A Decade of Outperformance

# *Key Ingredients of the Successful Transformation*

Improving Social Inclusion

Strong Fiscal Framework

Sound Monetary Framework

Healthy Financial System

Enhancing Role of Private Sector & Improving Investment Environment

Strengthening Institutional Capacity



## Improving Social Inclusion

# *Components of Social Inclusion*

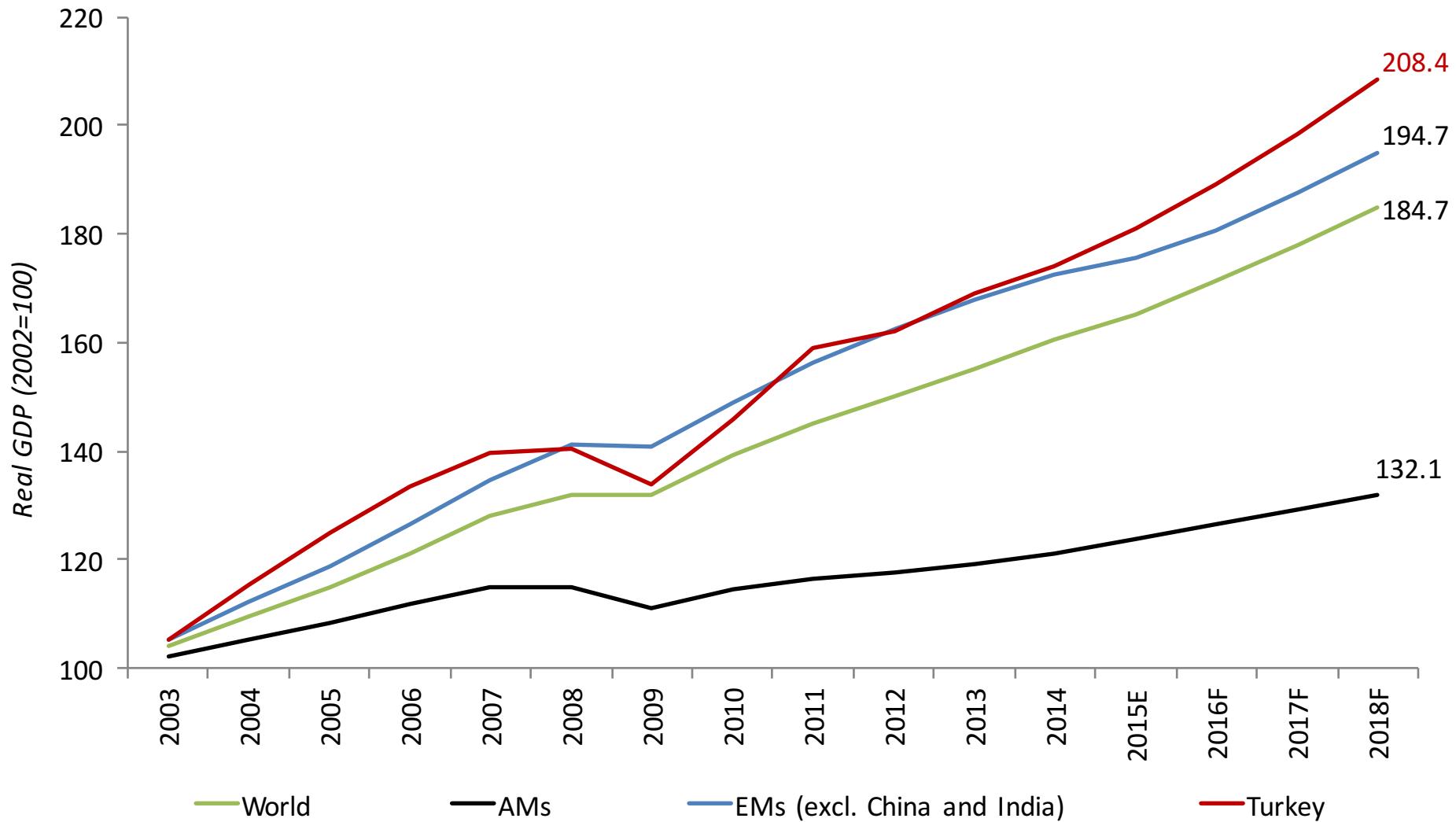
Improved Income  
Distribution

Implemented a  
Healthcare  
Reform

Increased access  
to Education

Social Security  
Reform

# *Growth Outperformance*



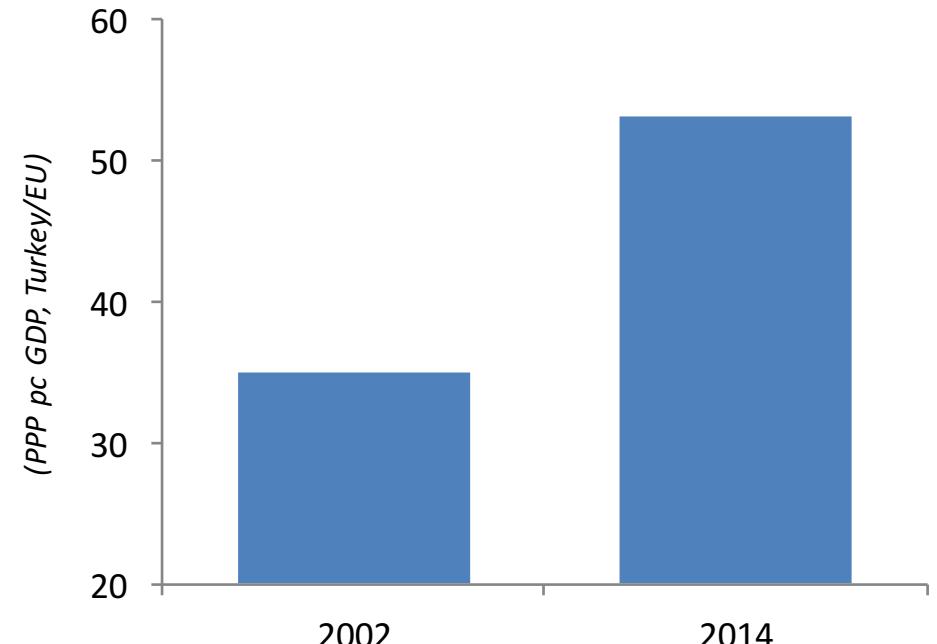
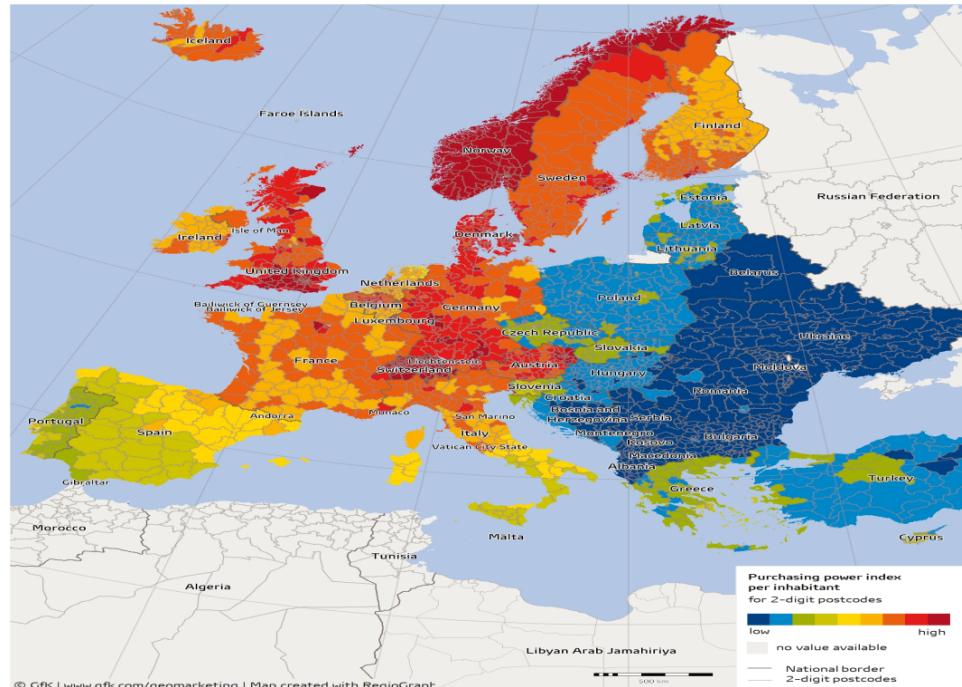
Source: TURKSTAT, IMF, Ministry of Development

E: Realization Estimate

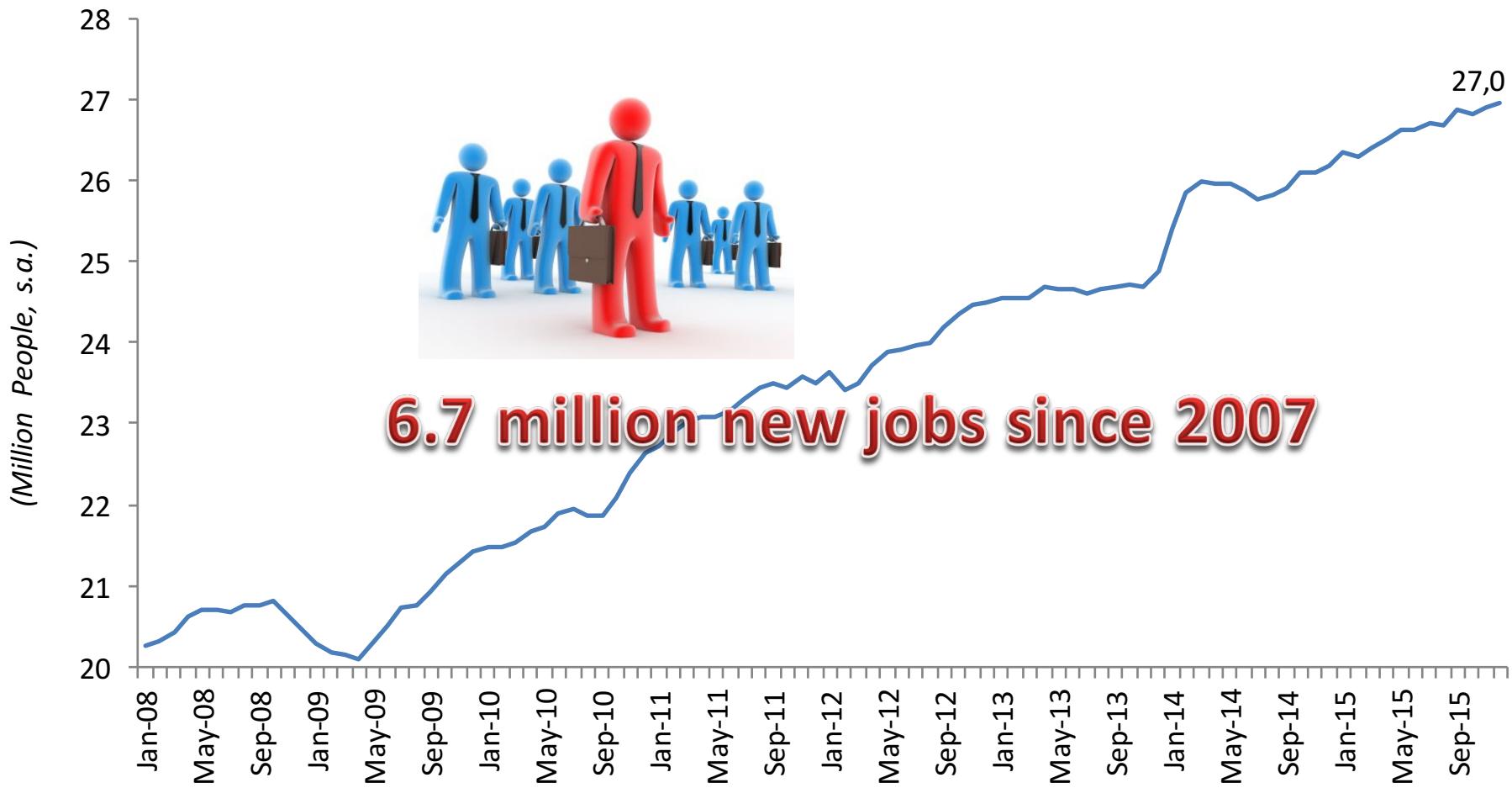
F: Forecast

# *Real Convergence*

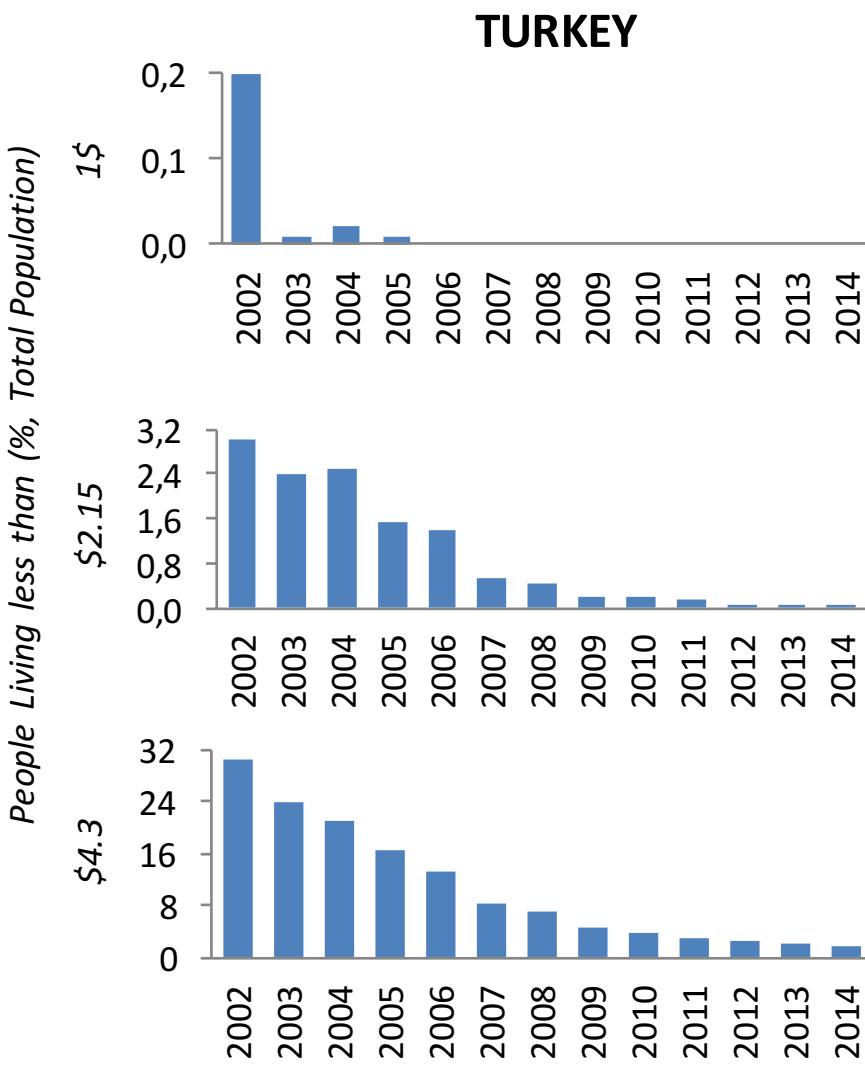
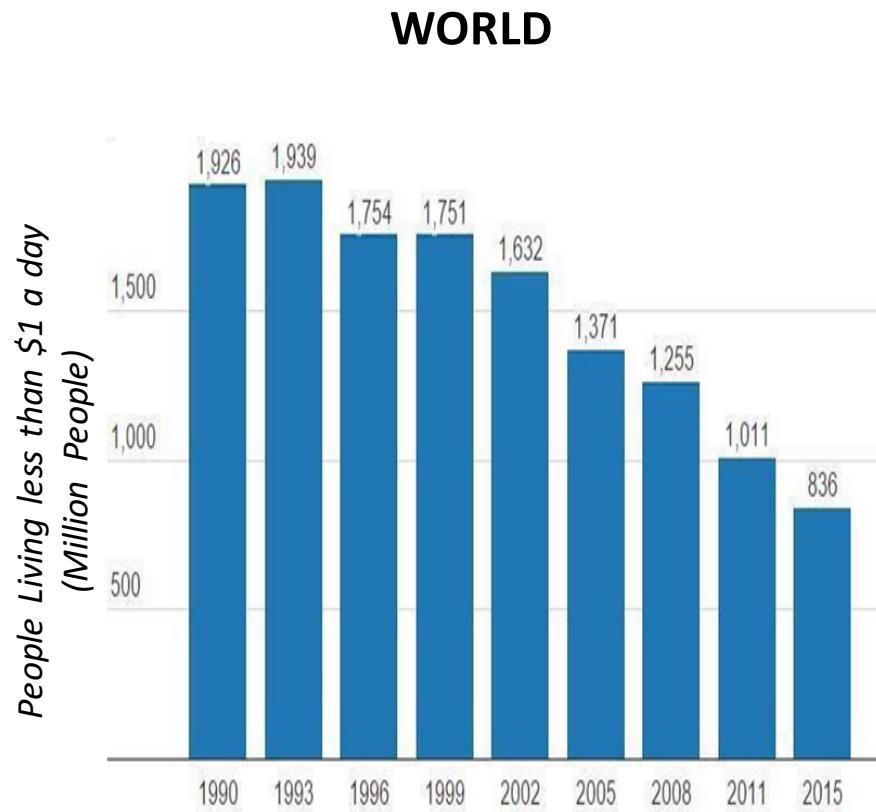
Turkey has narrowed the per capita GDP gap with EU by nearly **20 percentage points**



# *Strong Job Creation*



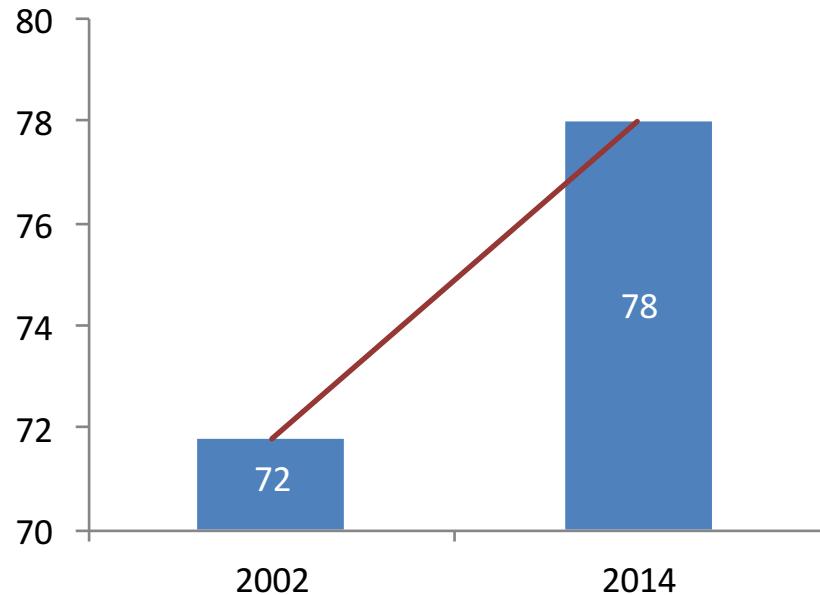
# *Reducing Absolute Poverty*



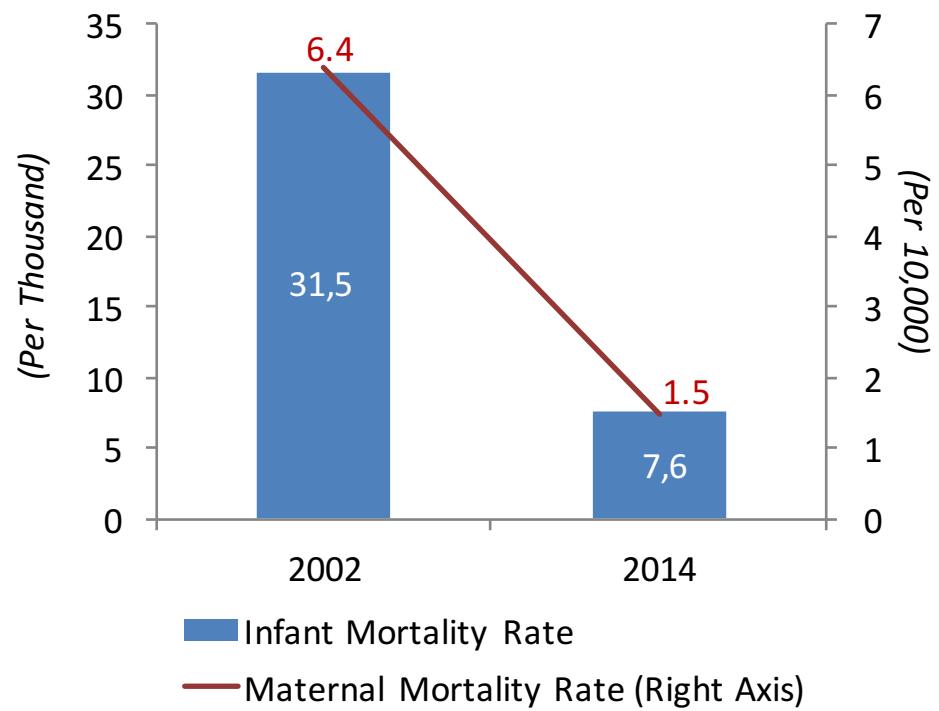
Source: United Nations, TURKSTAT

# *Transformed Turkey's Health System*

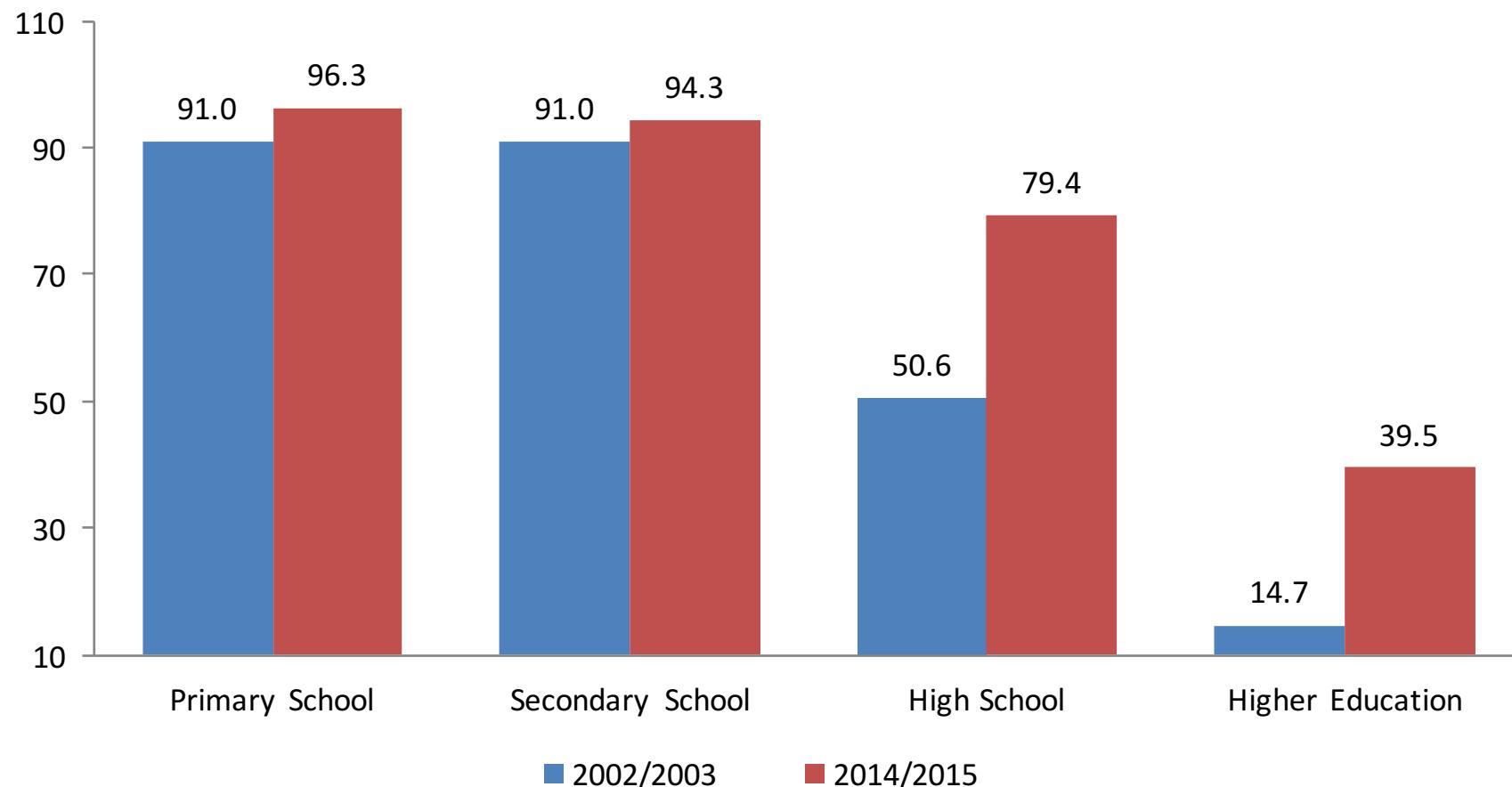
**Life Expectancy At Birth**



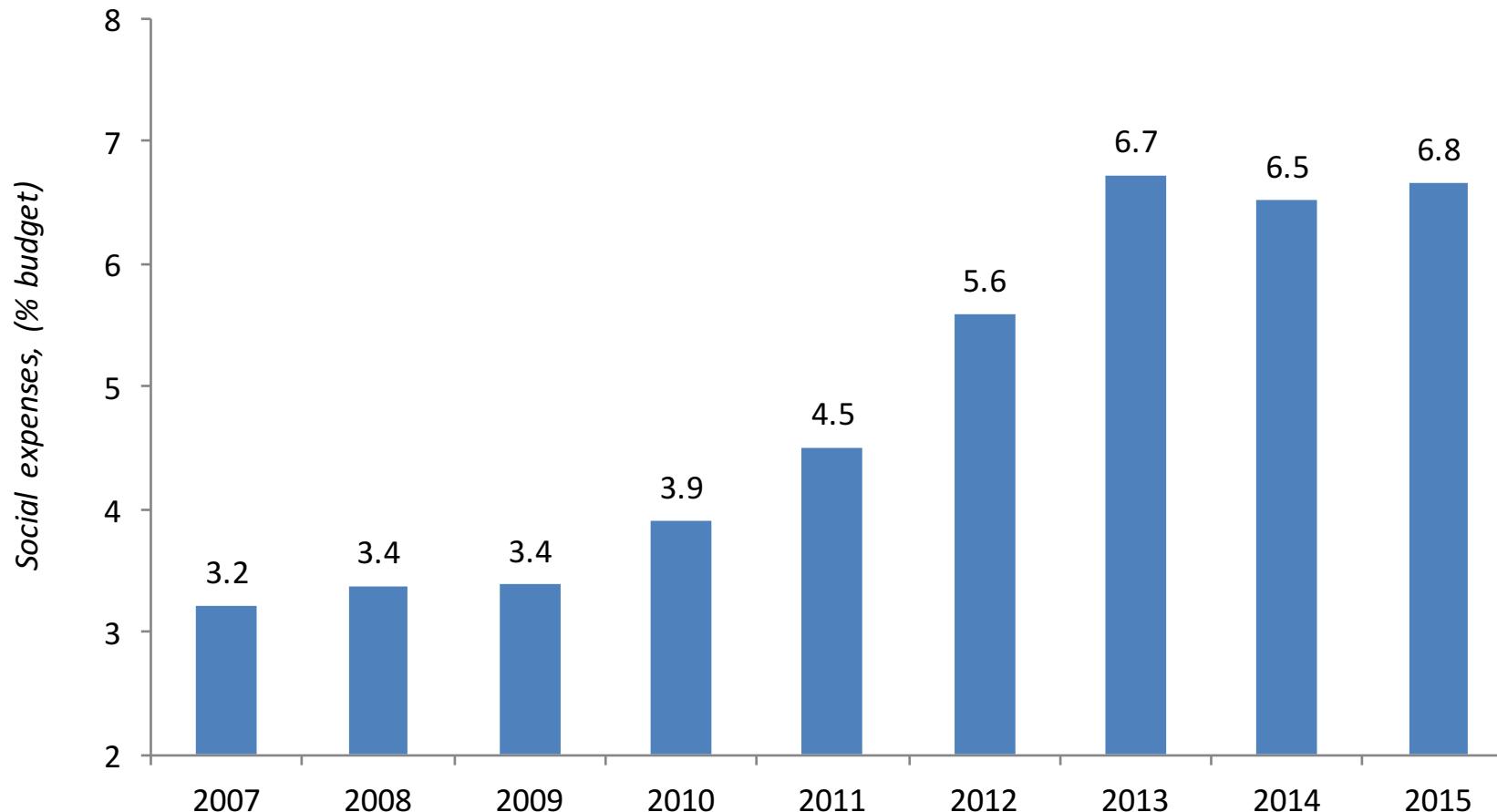
**Infant & Maternal Mortality**



# *Boosted Net Schooling Rates (%)*



# *Beefed up the Social Safety Net*





Strong Fiscal Framework

# *Components of Strong Fiscal Framework*

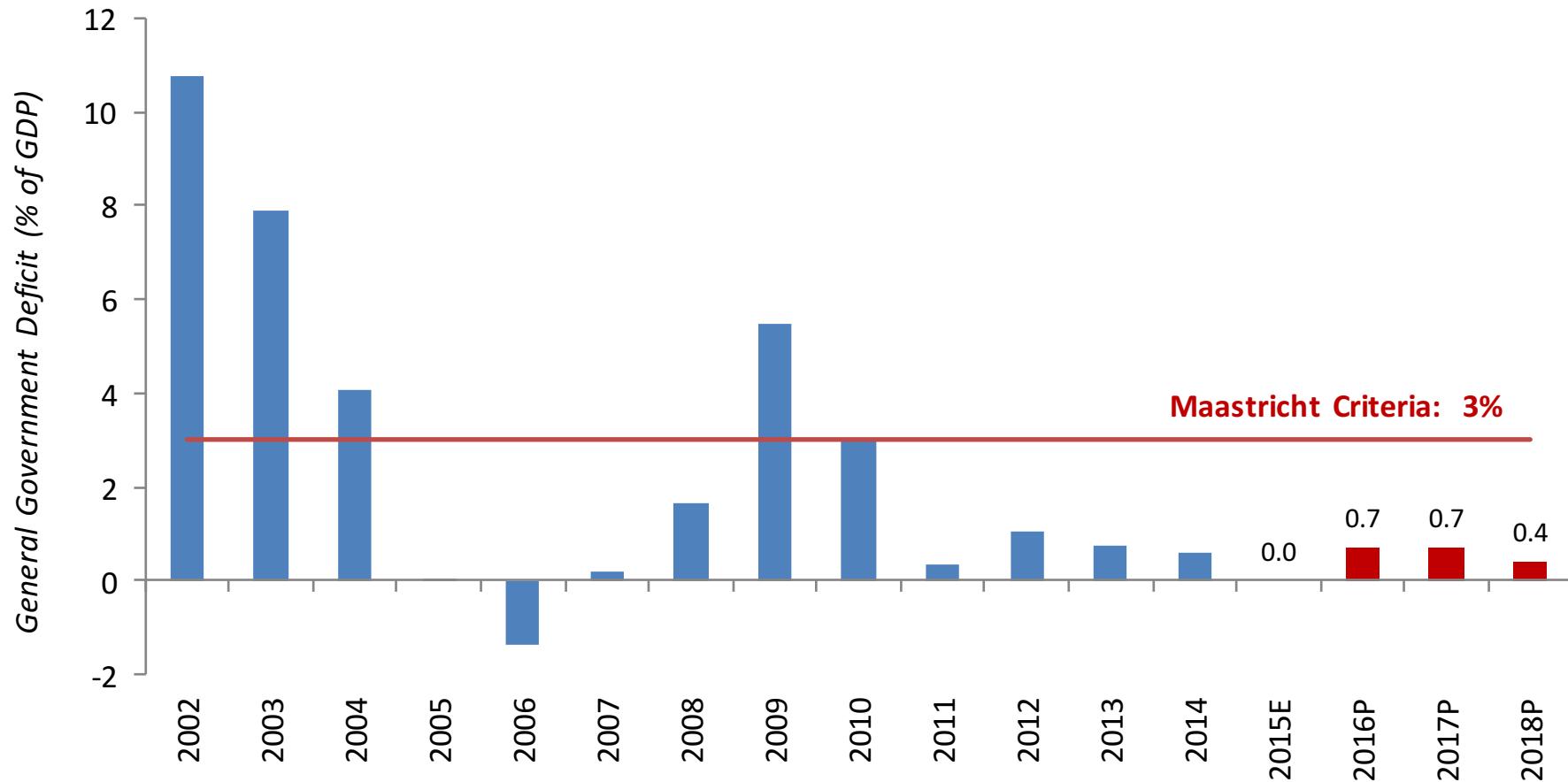
Public Financial  
Management  
Reform

Public Debt  
Management  
Reform

Tax Reform

Social Security  
Reform

# *Strong Fiscal Position*



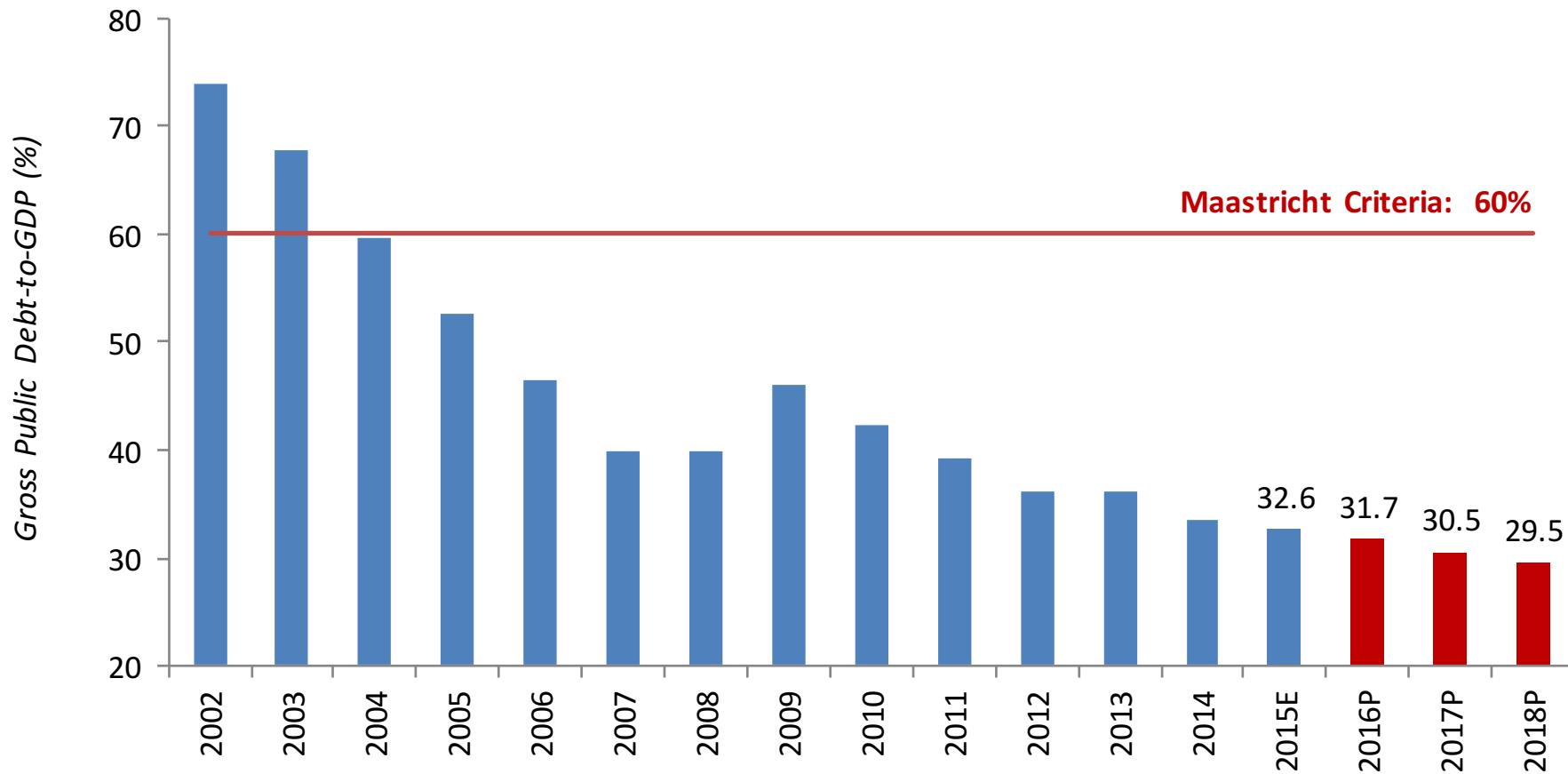
Satisfied Maastricht Criteria except 2009

Source: Ministry of Development, TURKSTAT

E: Estimate

P: Program

# *Favorable Debt Dynamics*



Satisfying Maastricht Criteria since 2004

Source: Undersecretariat of Treasury, Ministry of Development, TURKSTAT

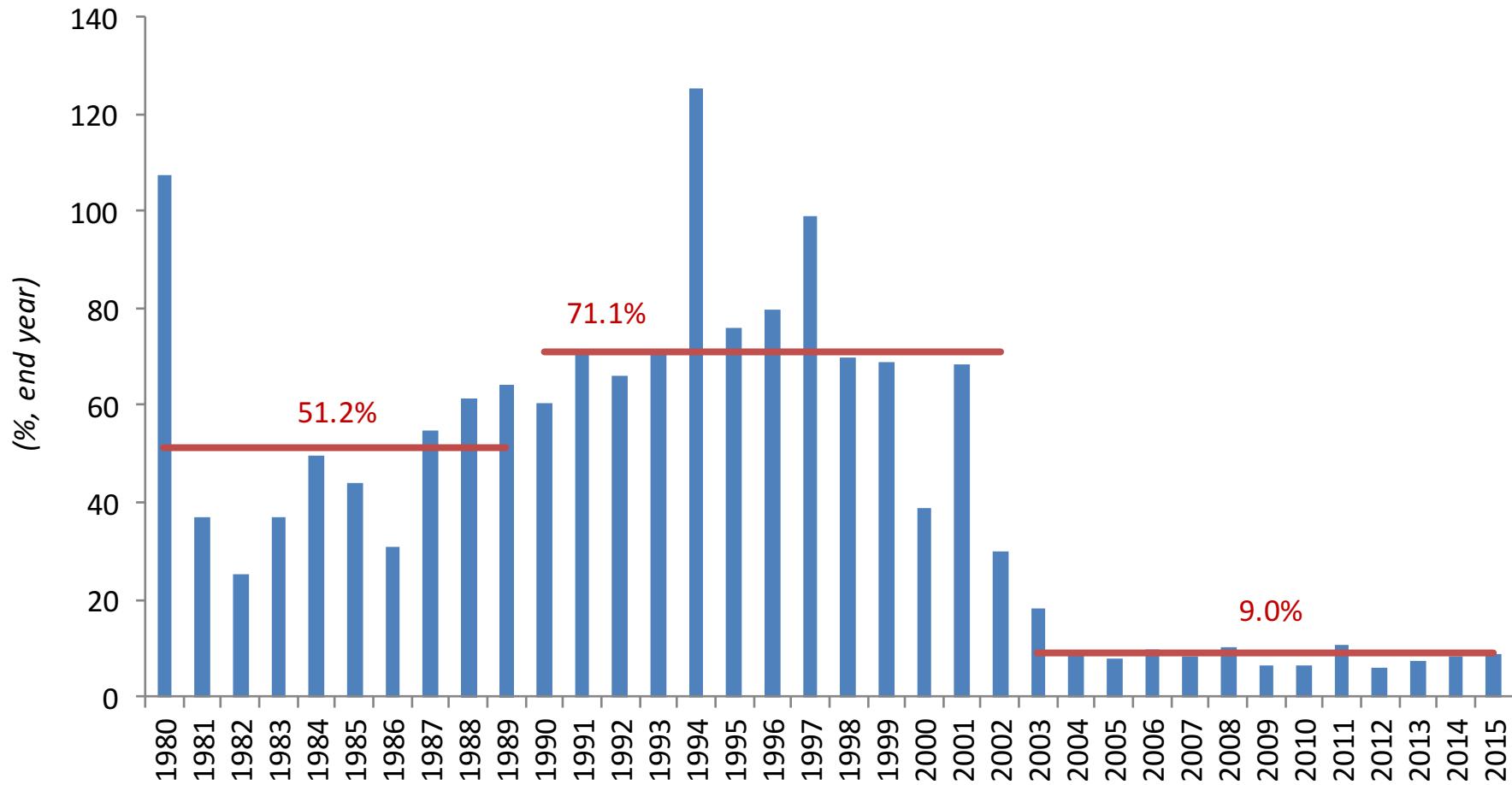
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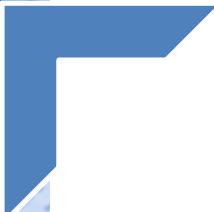
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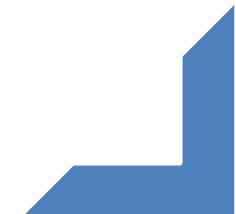
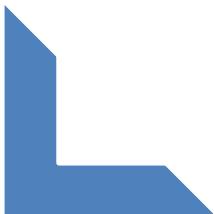
## Sound Monetary Framework

# *A Lasting Reduction in Inflation*





Healthy Financial System



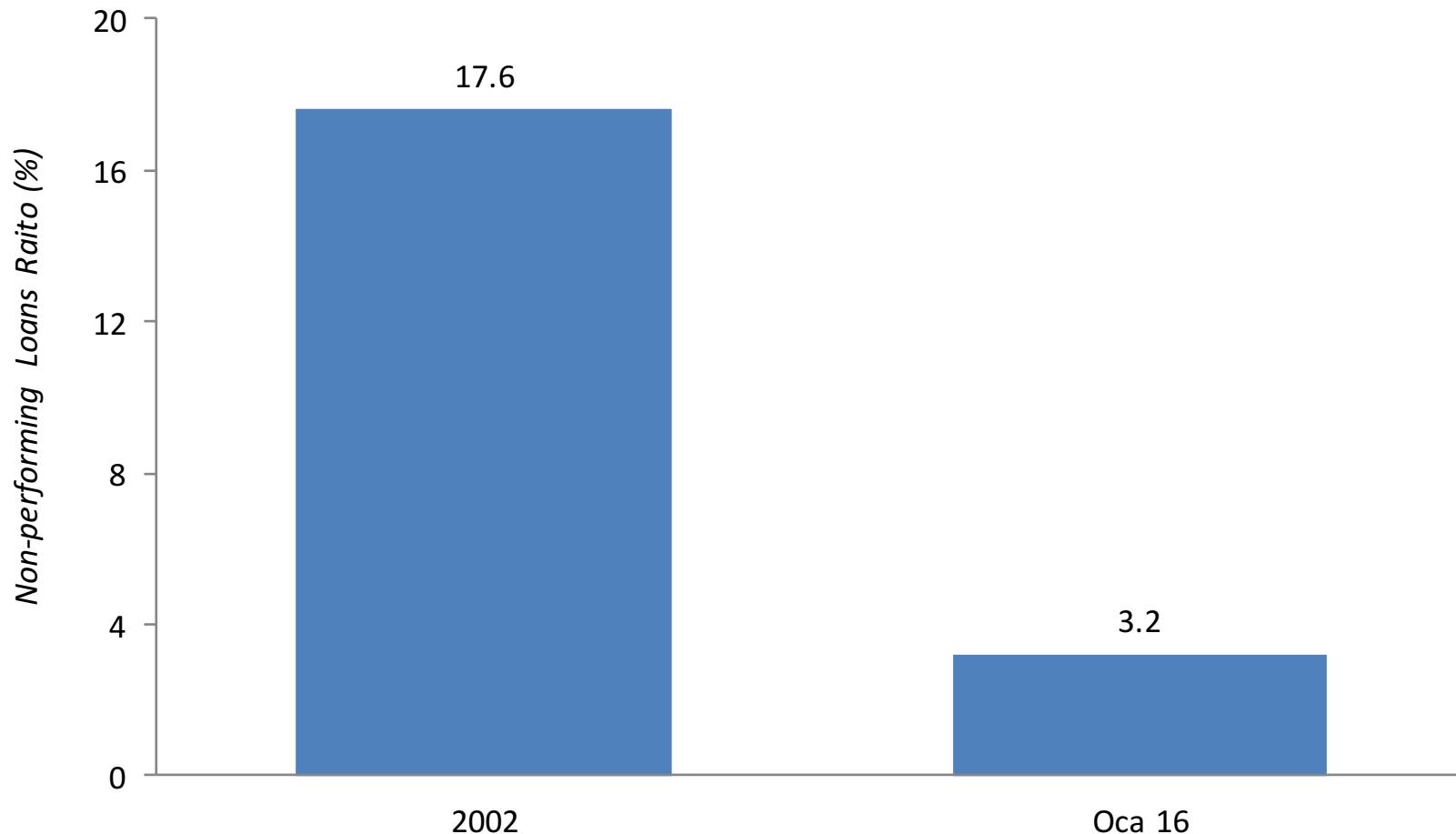
# *Deeping Capital Markets*

Strong Banking Sector

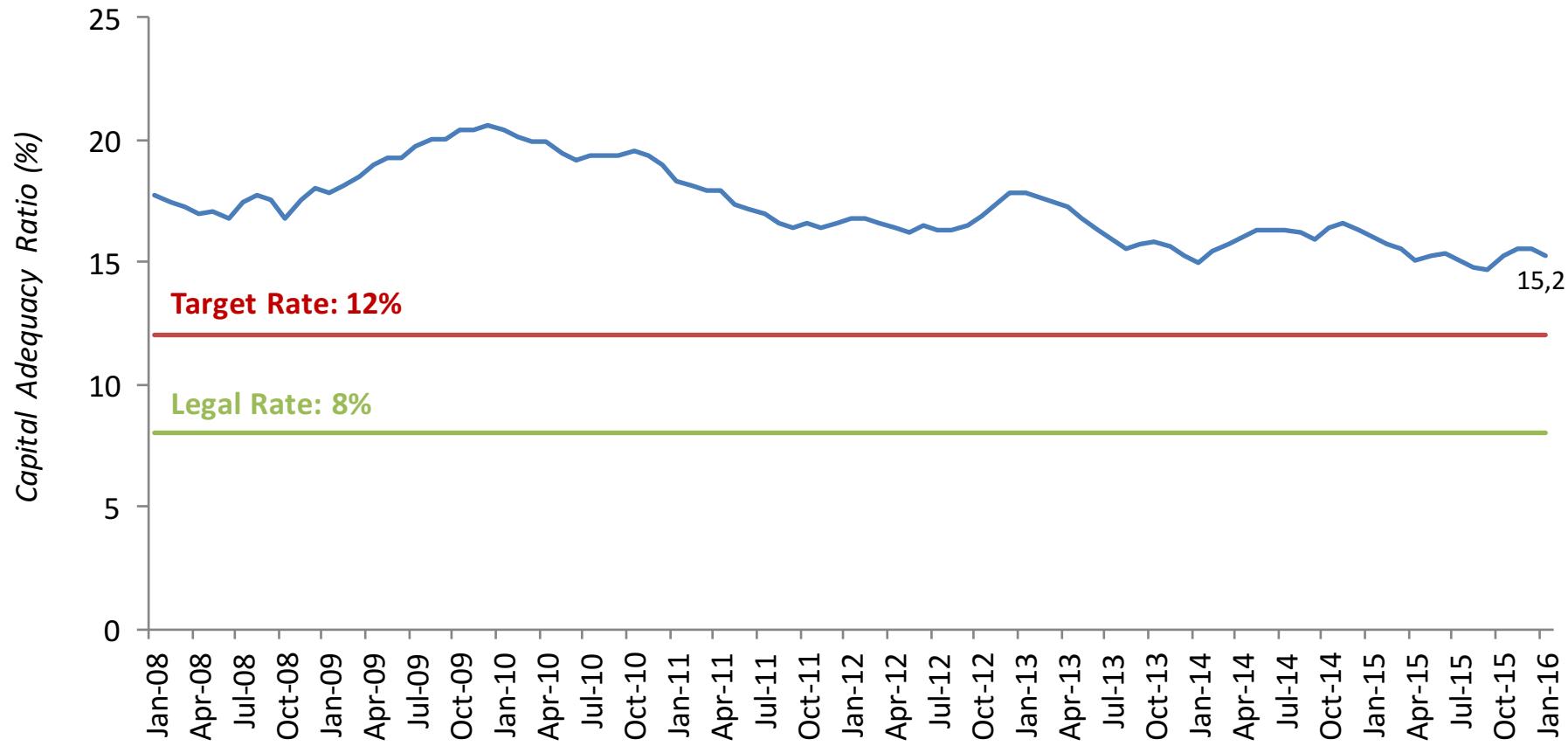
Strengthening  
the Non-Banking Sector

Strengthening Interest-  
free Finance and  
Participation Banking

# *Banking Sector: High Asset Quality*



# *Banking Sector: Strong Capital Adequacy*



# *Private Pension System*



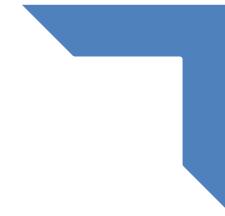
State subsidy  
25 percent

3 million new participants,  
Since the beginning of 2013 and 30.2 billion TL fund rising

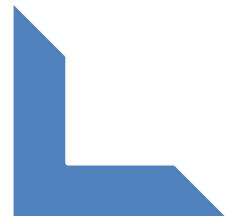
As of March 4, 2016:

Fund Amount: 50.5 billion TL

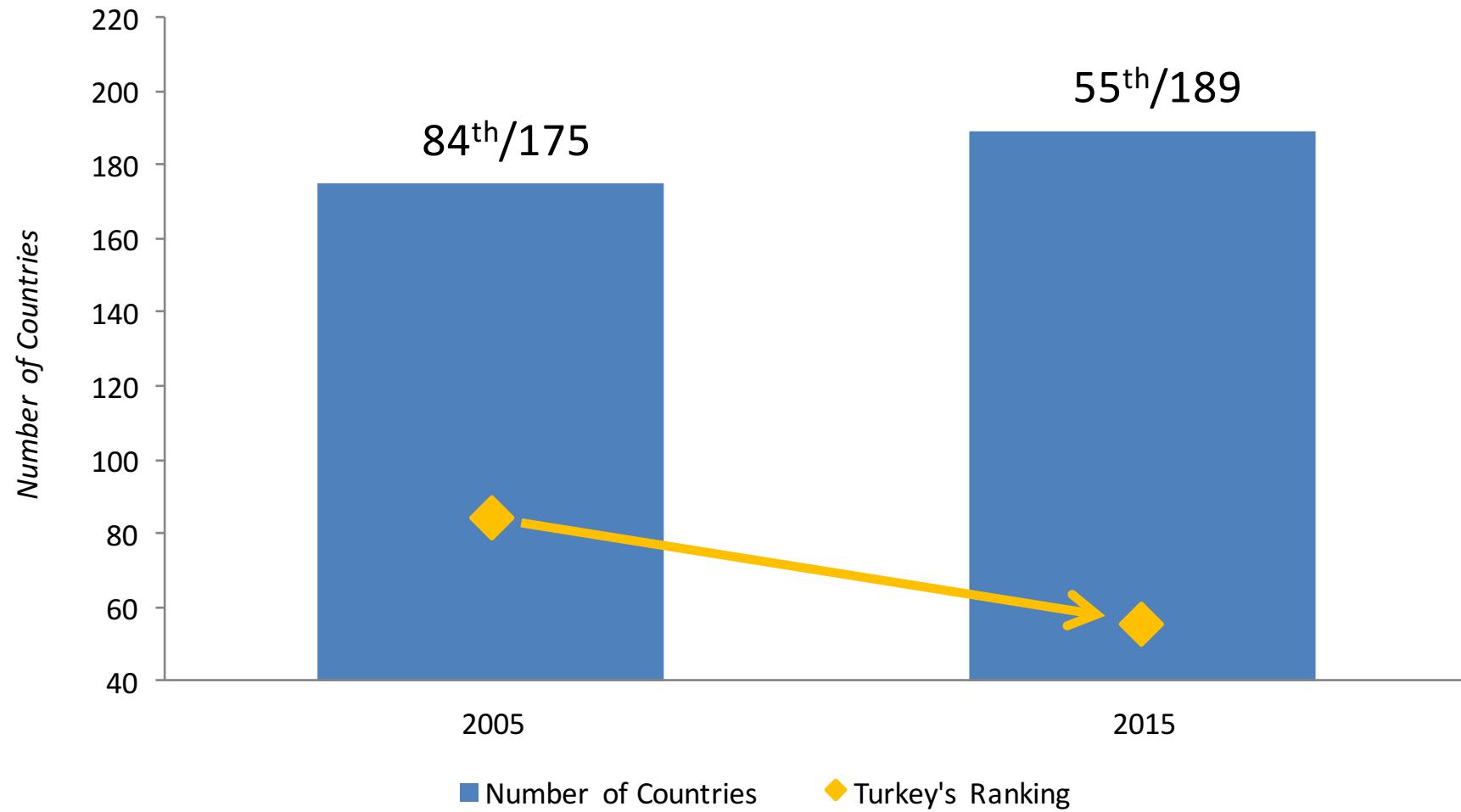
Number of participant: 6.1 million



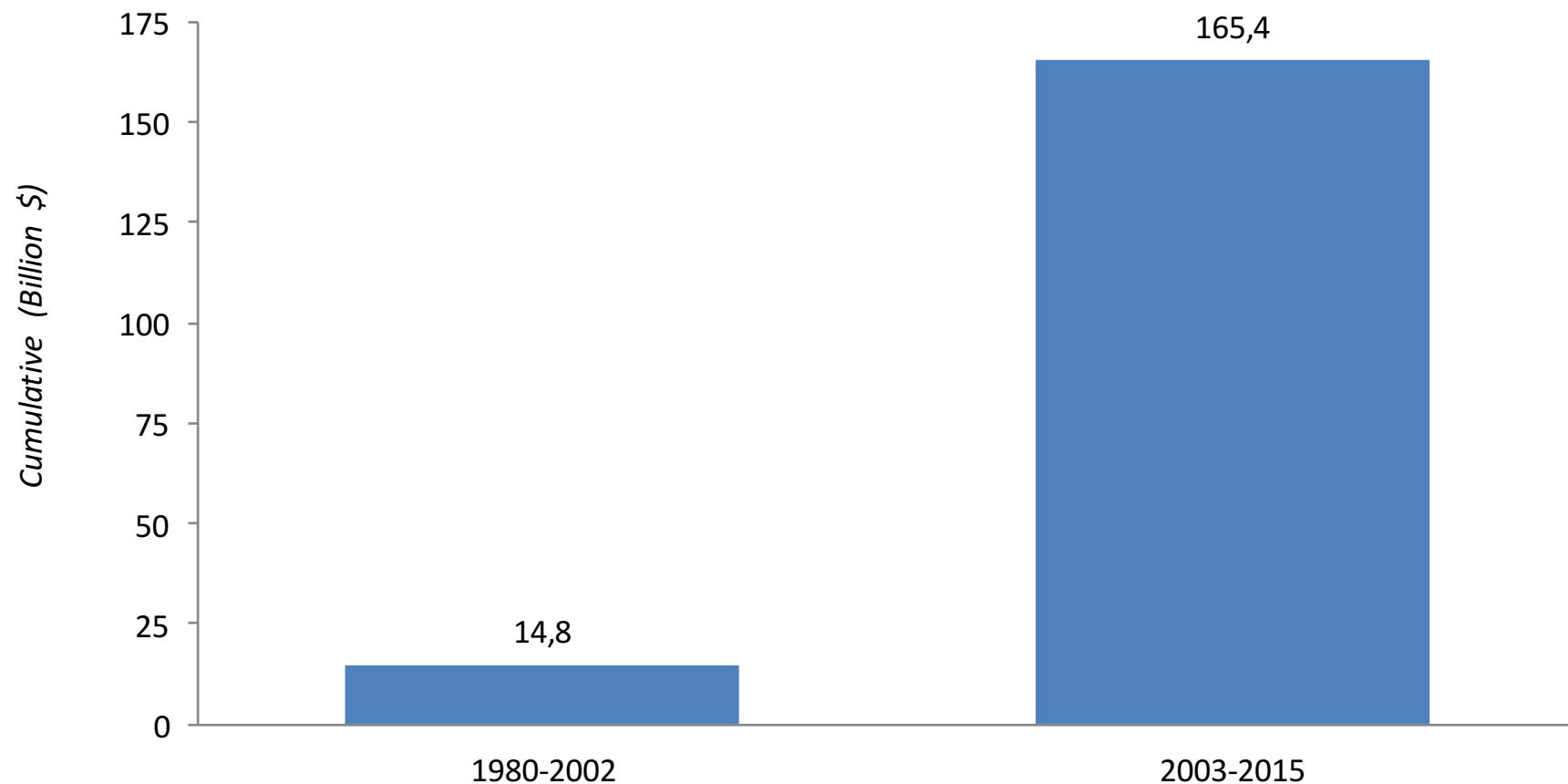
**Increasing Role of Private Sector &  
Improving Investment Environment**



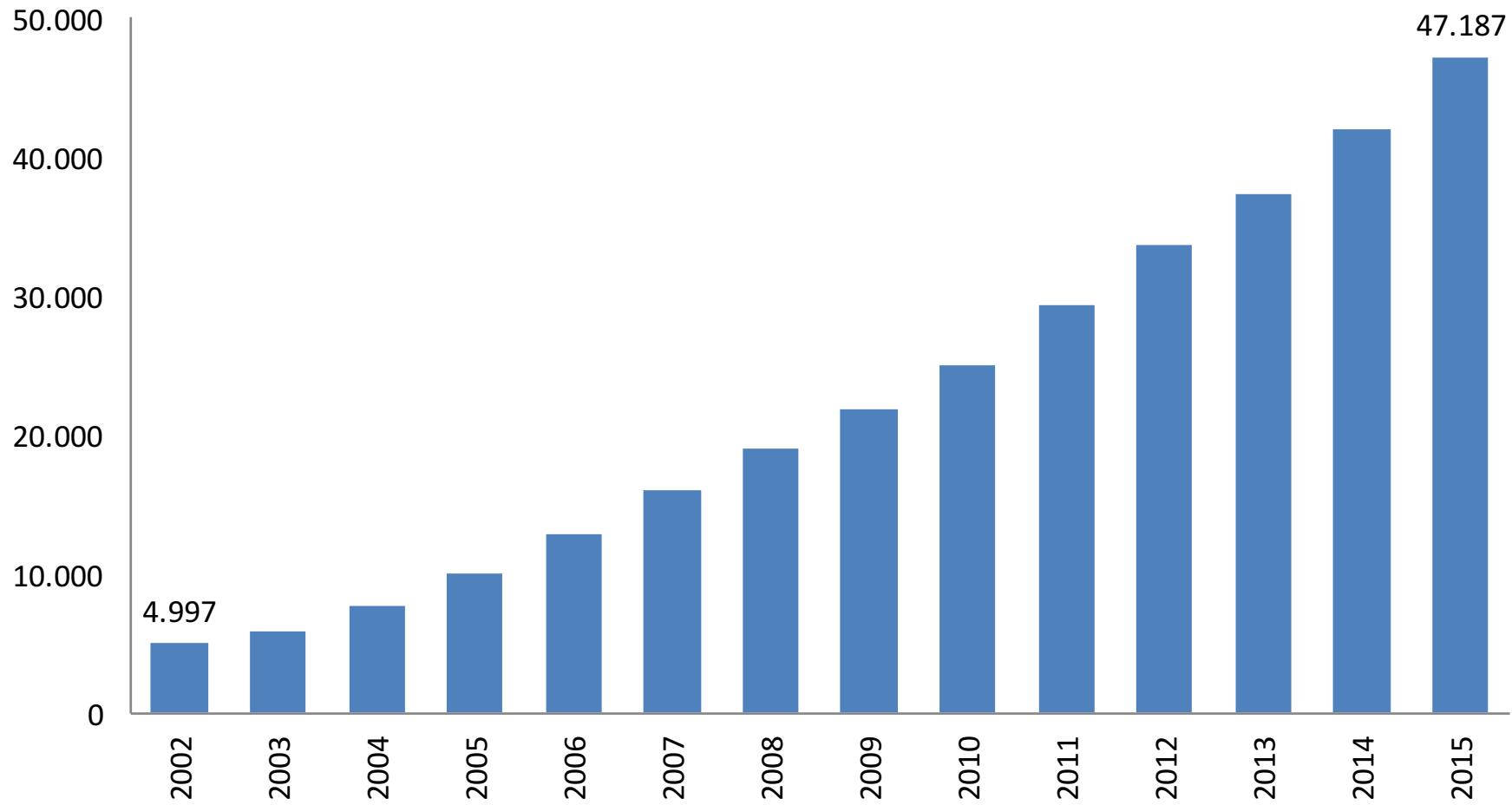
# *Ease of Doing Business*



# *FDI Inflows*



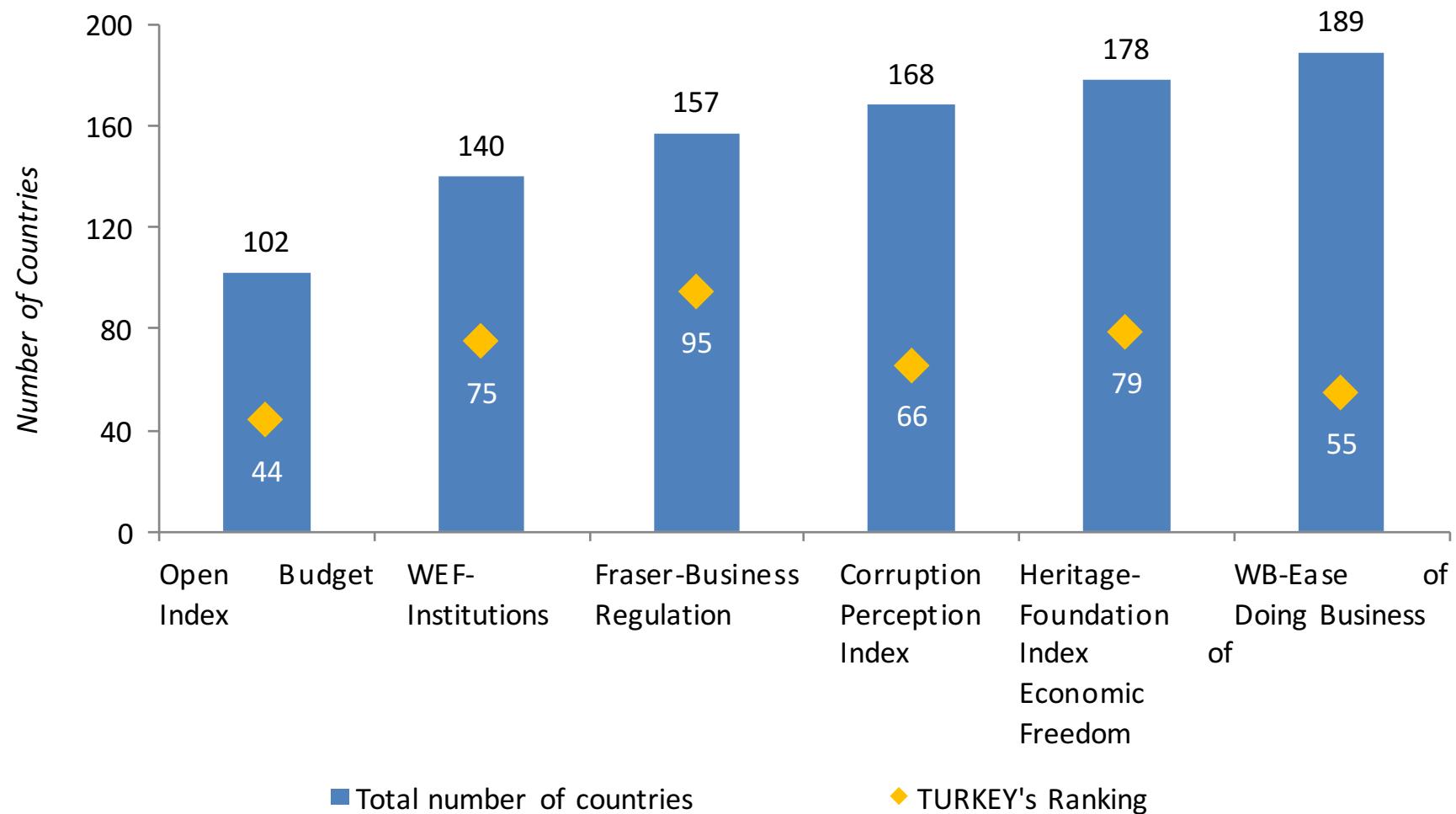
# *Number of Int'l Companies in Turkey*





## Strengthening Institutional Capacity

# *Quality of Institutions*





## Another Decade of Transformation

# *Why Reforms?*

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Avoid middle-income trap

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Increase productivity

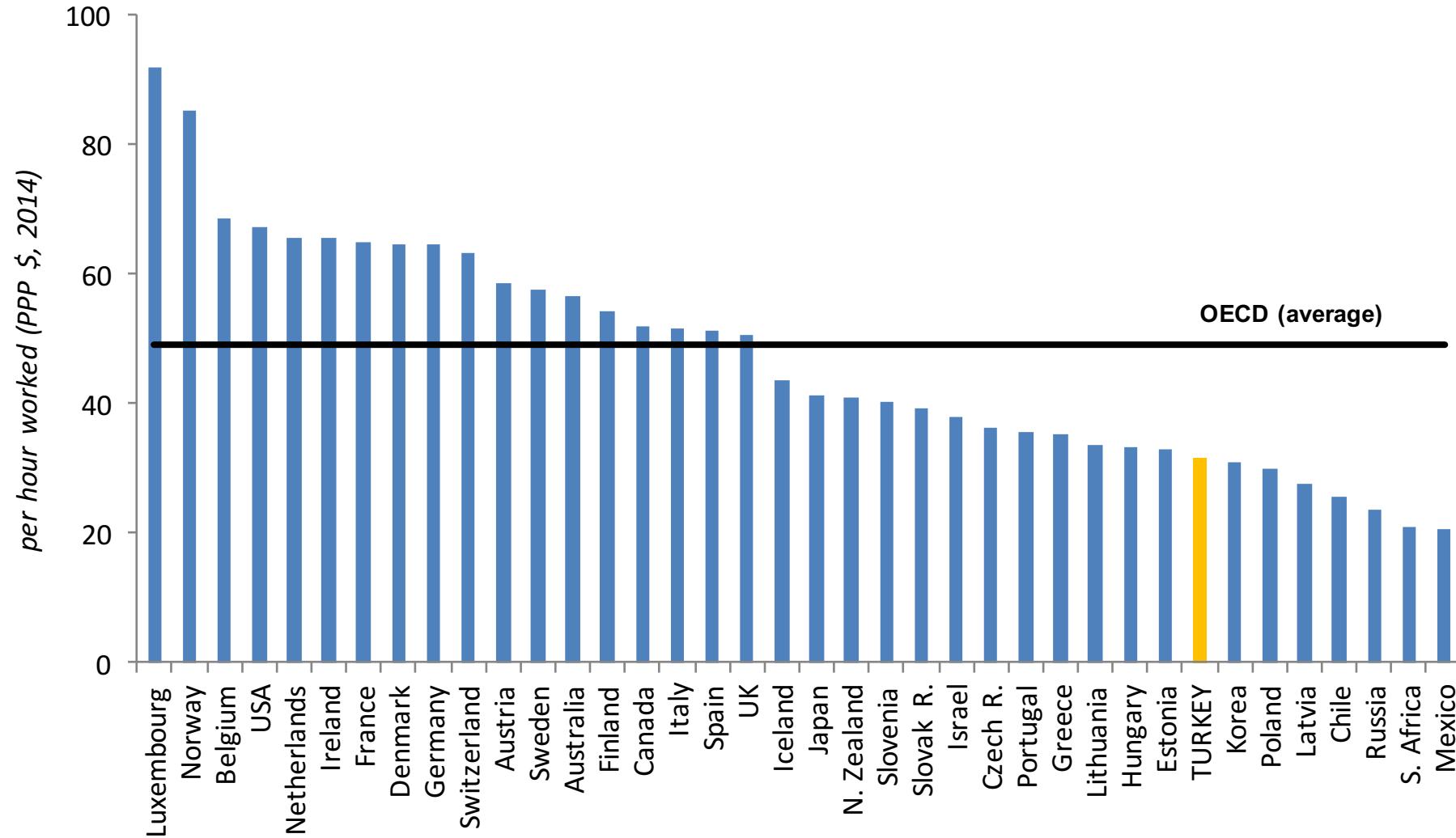
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Move up the value chain

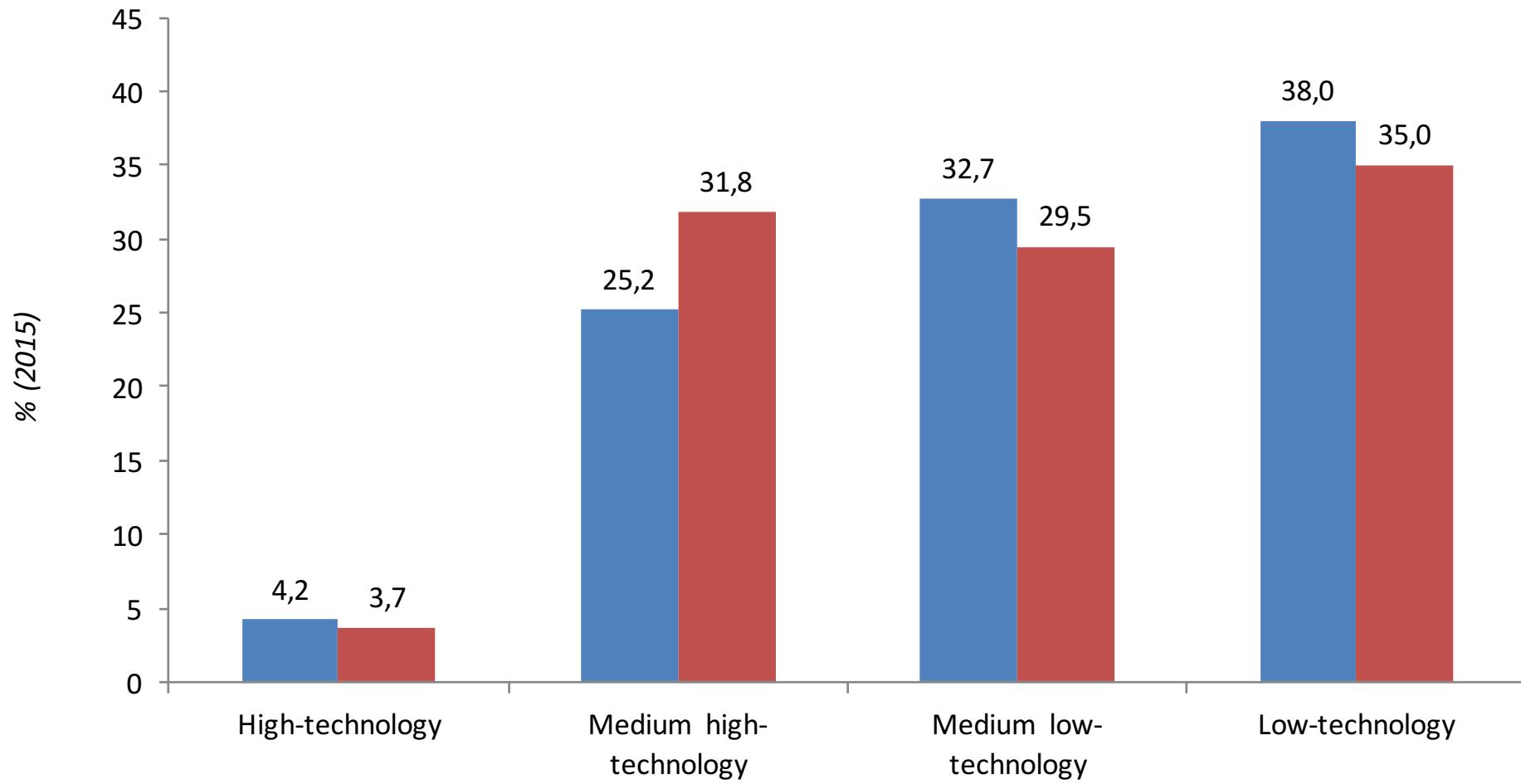
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Improve competitiveness

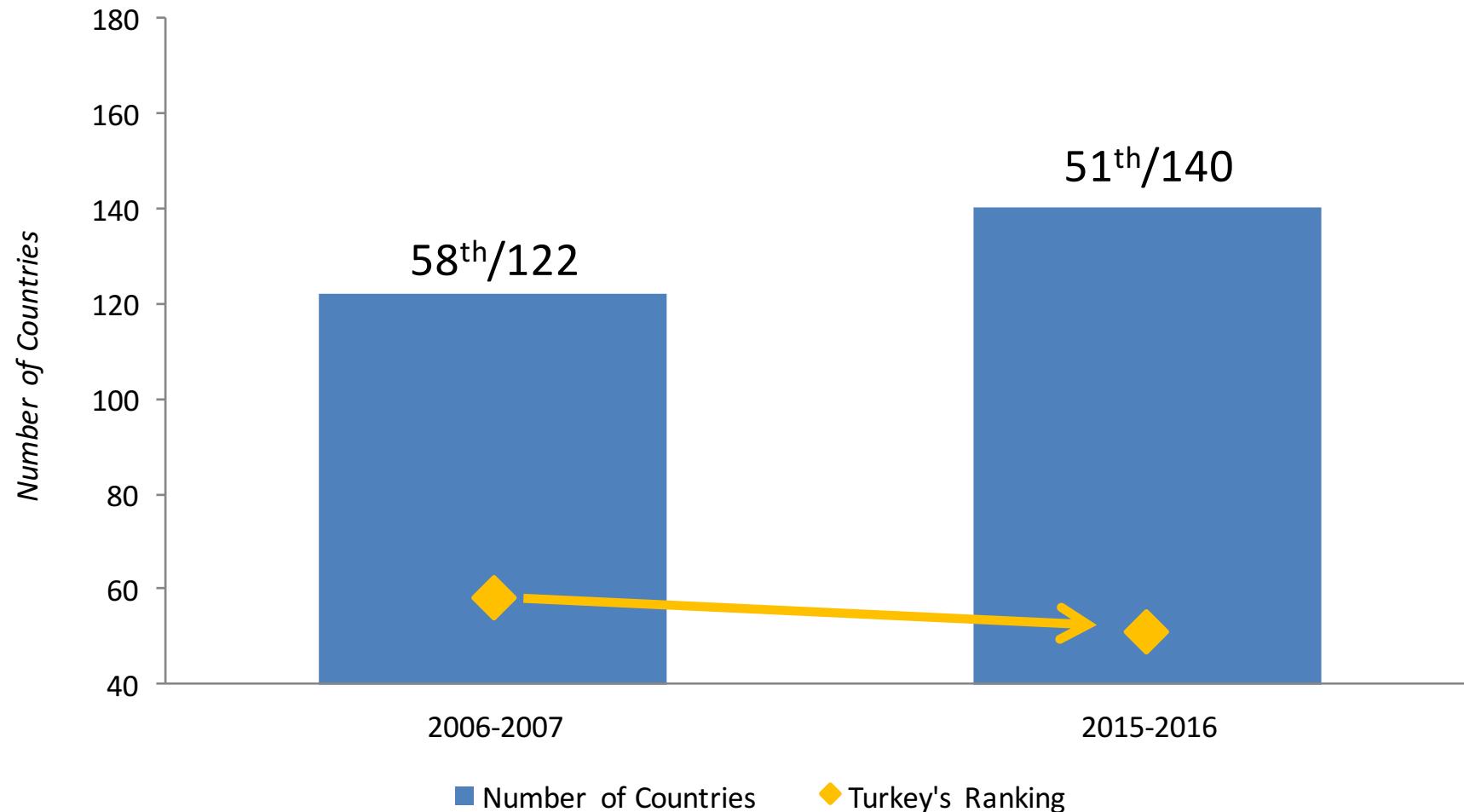
# *More Reforms to Boost Productivity*



# *More Reforms to Move up the Value Chain*



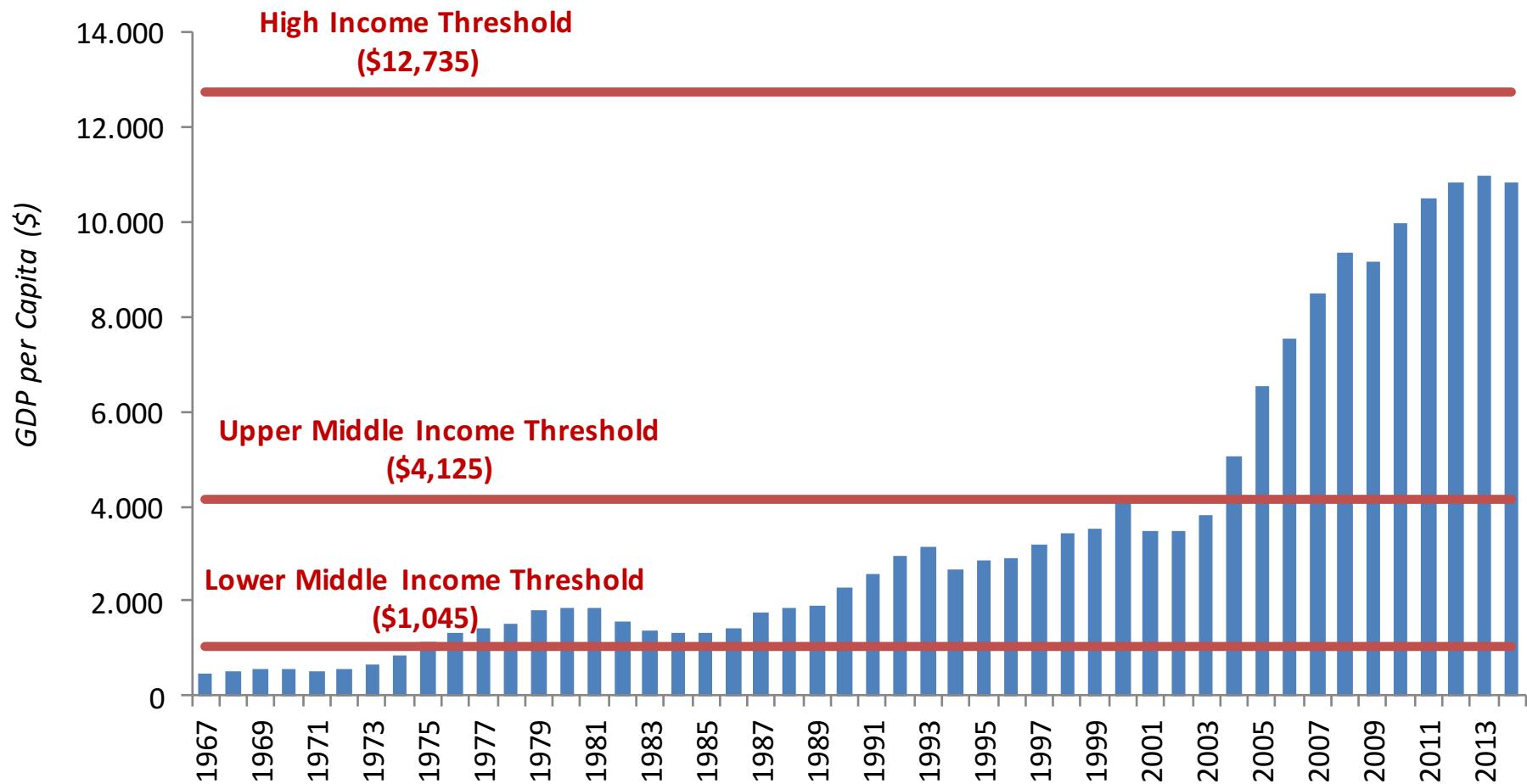
# *More Reforms to Enhance Competitiveness*



Source: WEF, Global Competitiveness Report

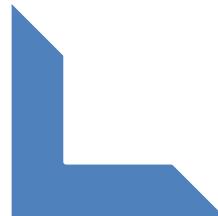
Note: The lower ranks show better performance

# *Reforms to become a High Income Country*





## Medium Term Challenges



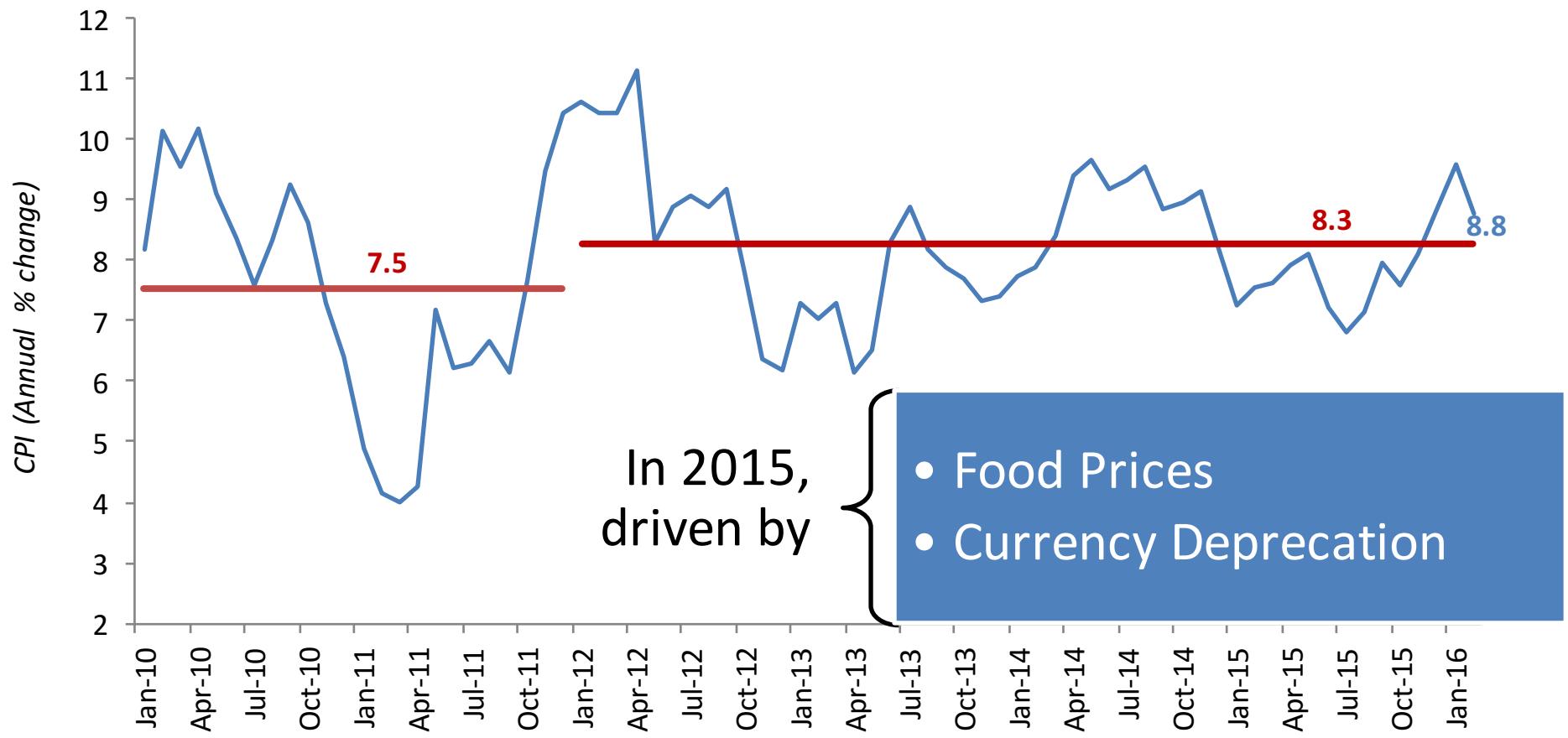
# *Key Macro Challenges*

Inflation

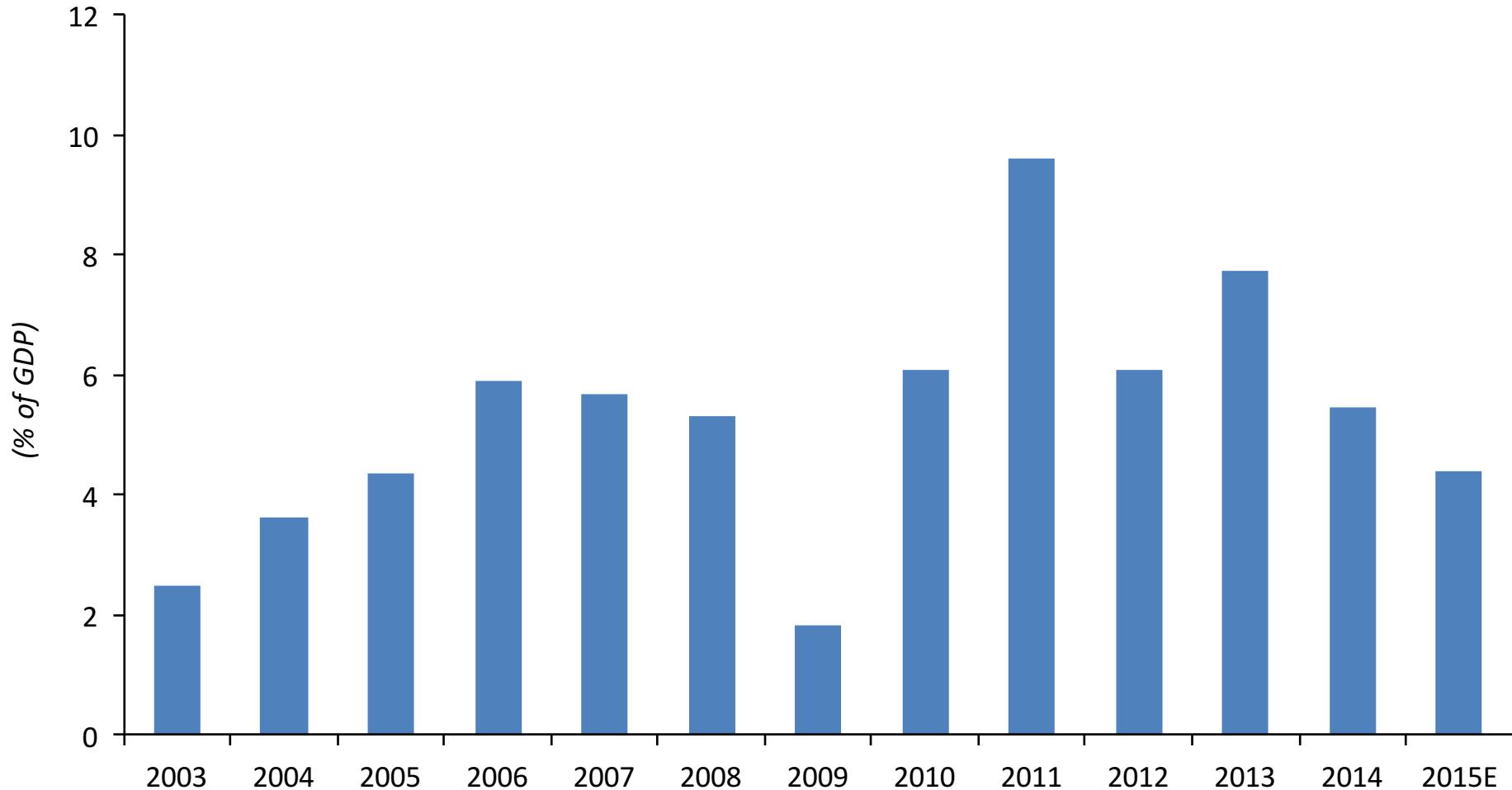
Current Account  
Deficit

Unemployment

# *Further Disinflation is Needed*



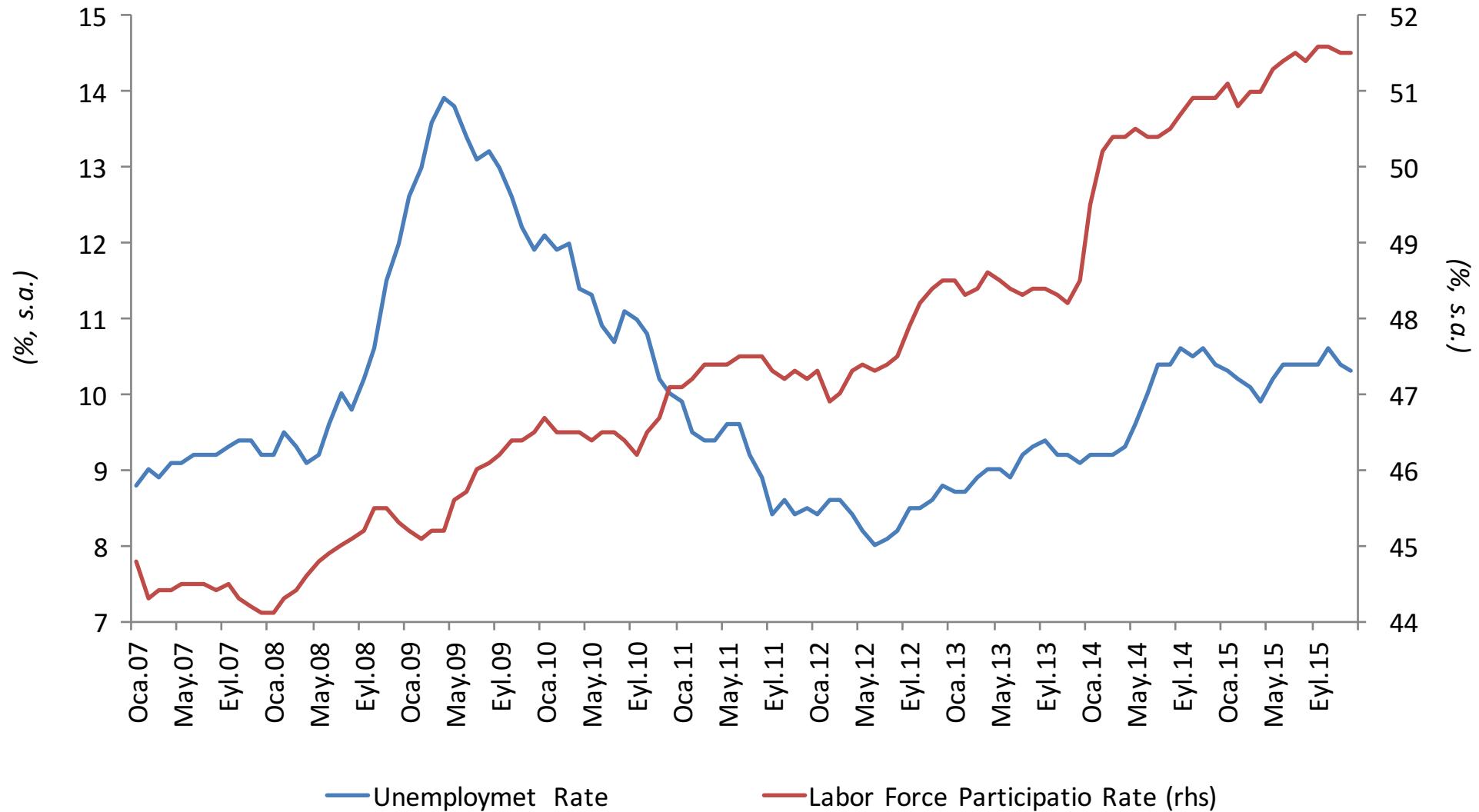
# *Current Account Deficit: High, but Narrowing*



Source: CBRT, TURKSTAT, Ministry of Development

E: Realization Estimate

# *Strong Job Creation, but High Unemployment Rate*





REFORM



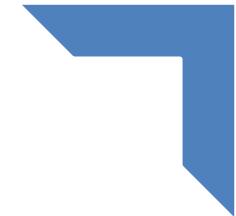
## Turkey's Reform Program

# *Three Pillars*

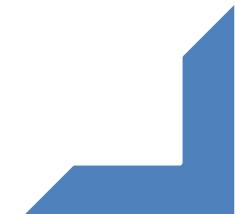
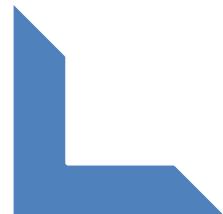
Sectoral  
Transformation  
(Micro Reforms)

Structural  
Reforms  
(Macro)

EU Accession  
Process



## Sectoral Transformation (Micro Reforms)



# *Sectoral Transformation*

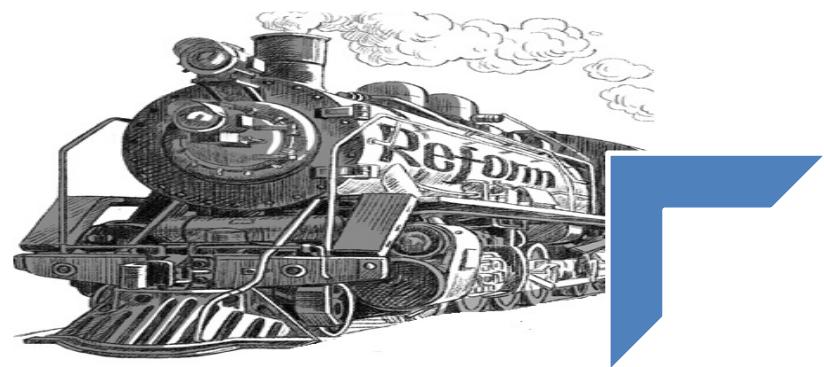


25  
Transformation  
Programs

1,250  
Micro Reforms

# ***Sectoral Transformation: 25 Programs***

Reducing Import Dependency	Commercialization in Priority Technology Areas	Tech. Develop't and Dom. Prod'n through Public Procurement	Domestic Resource Based Energy Production	Energy Efficiency Improvement
Enhancing Efficiency of Water Use in Agriculture	Healthcare Related Industries Structural Transformation	Health Tourism Improvement	Transformation from Transportation to Logistics	Enhancing Productivity In Manufacturing
Increasing Domestic Savings and Avoiding Waste	Istanbul International Financial Center	Rationalization of Public Expenditures	Public Revenue Quality Enhancement	Business and Investment Climate Improvement
Statistical Infrastructure Development	Family and Dynamic Population Structure Conservation	Improving Labor Market Effectiveness	Reducing Informal Economy	Basic and Occupational Skills Development
Attracting Qualified Human Resources	Healthy Life and Mobility	Institutional Capacity Improvement at Local	Competitiveness and Social Cohesion Enhancing Urban Regeneration	Improving the Infrastructure of International Cooperation for Development



## Structural Reforms (Macro Reforms)

# ***Structural Reforms (Macro Reforms)***

Labor Market  
Reforms

Education Reform

Enhancing  
Investment  
Climate

Enhancing  
Transparency &  
Combatting  
Corruption

Judicial Reform

Public Finance &  
Public  
Administration  
Reform

# *Components of Labor Market Reform*

Attracting Global  
Talent  
(Turquoise Card)

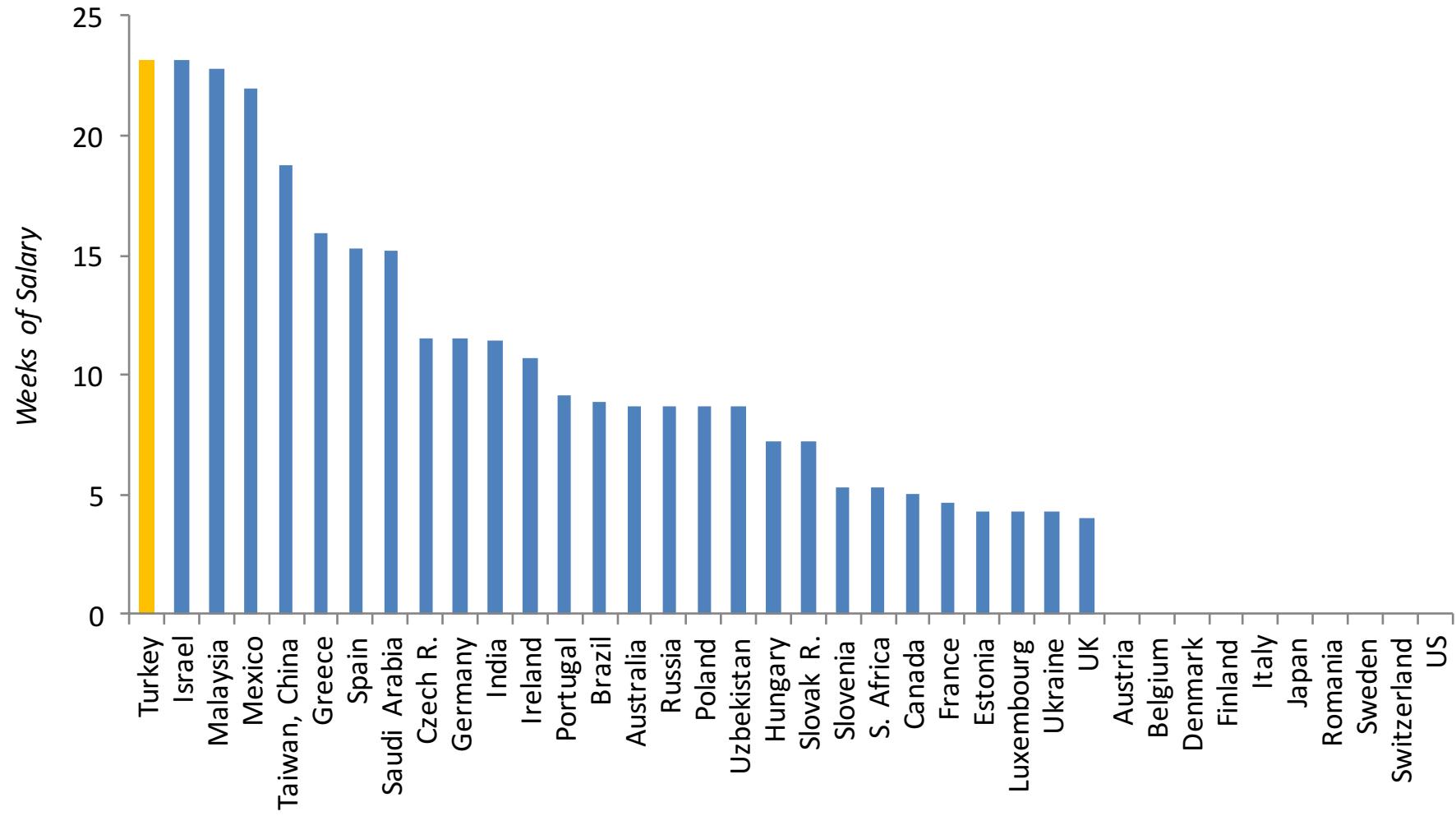
Part-time & Flex-  
Work

Private  
Employment  
Agencies

On-the-Job  
Training

Severance Pay

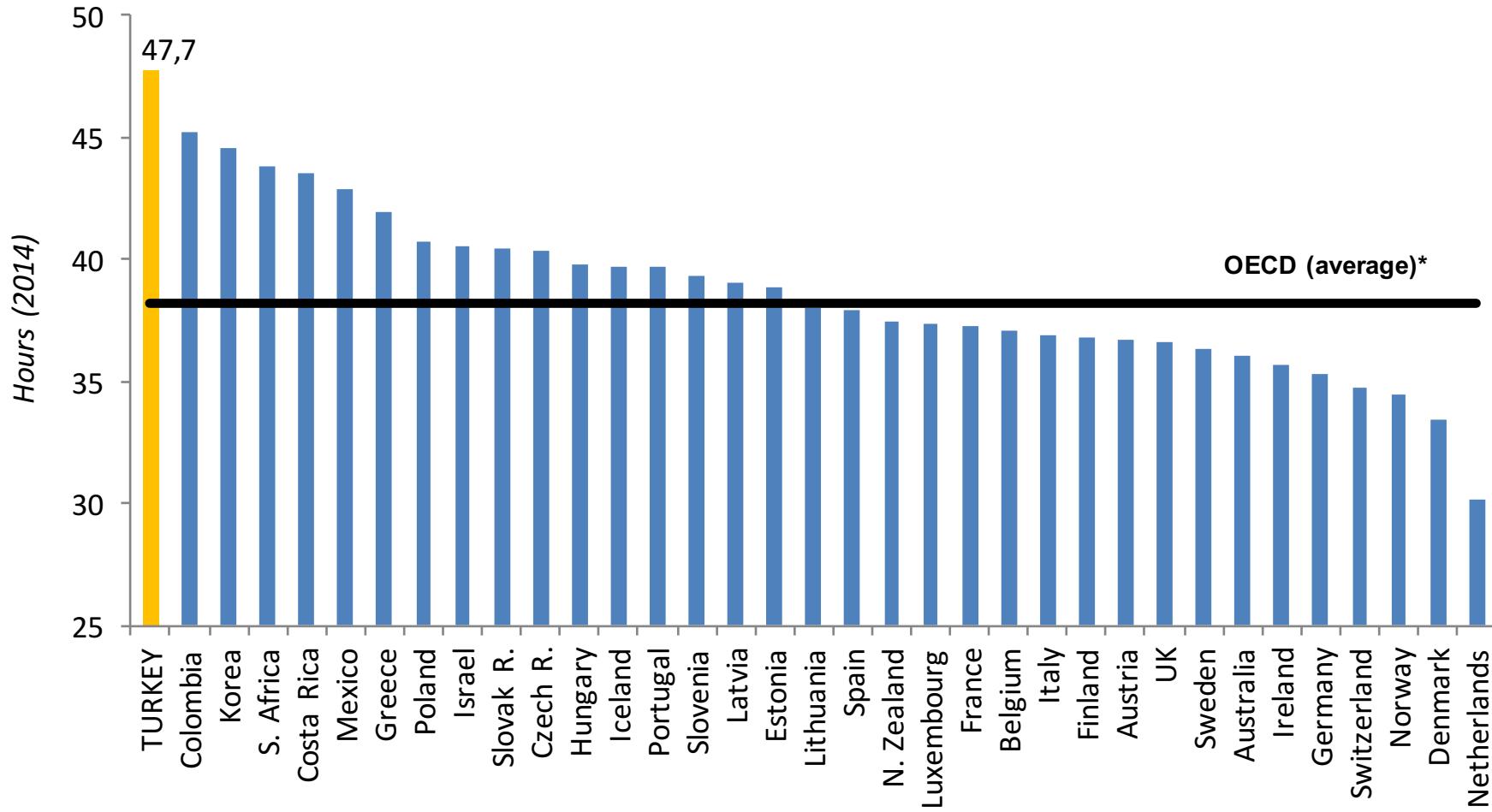
# *Severance Pay*



**Source:** World Bank, Doing Business 2016, labor market regulation data

**Note:** Average for workers with 1 year, 5 years and 10 years of tenure.

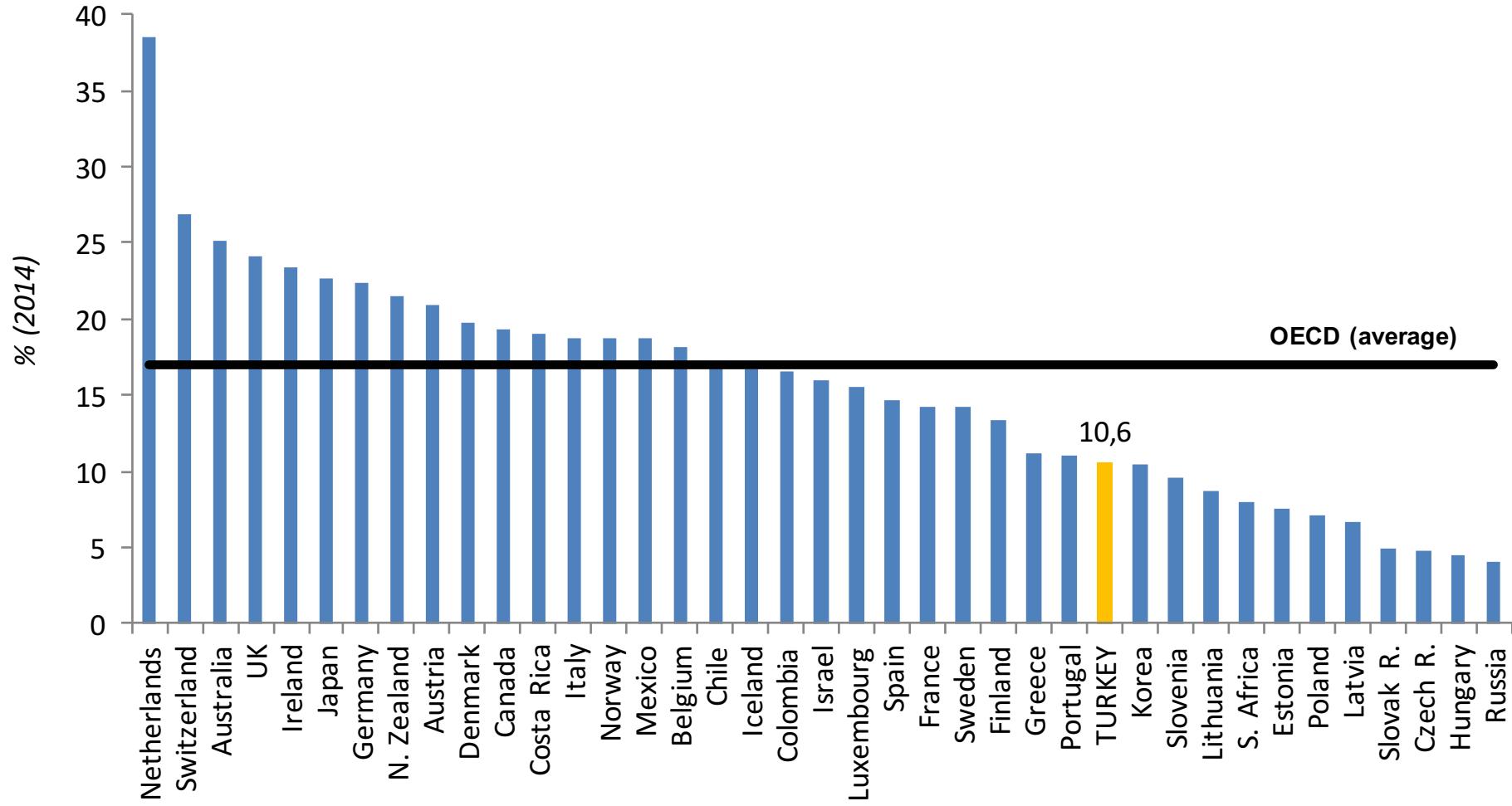
# *Average Weekly Hours Worked on the Main Job*



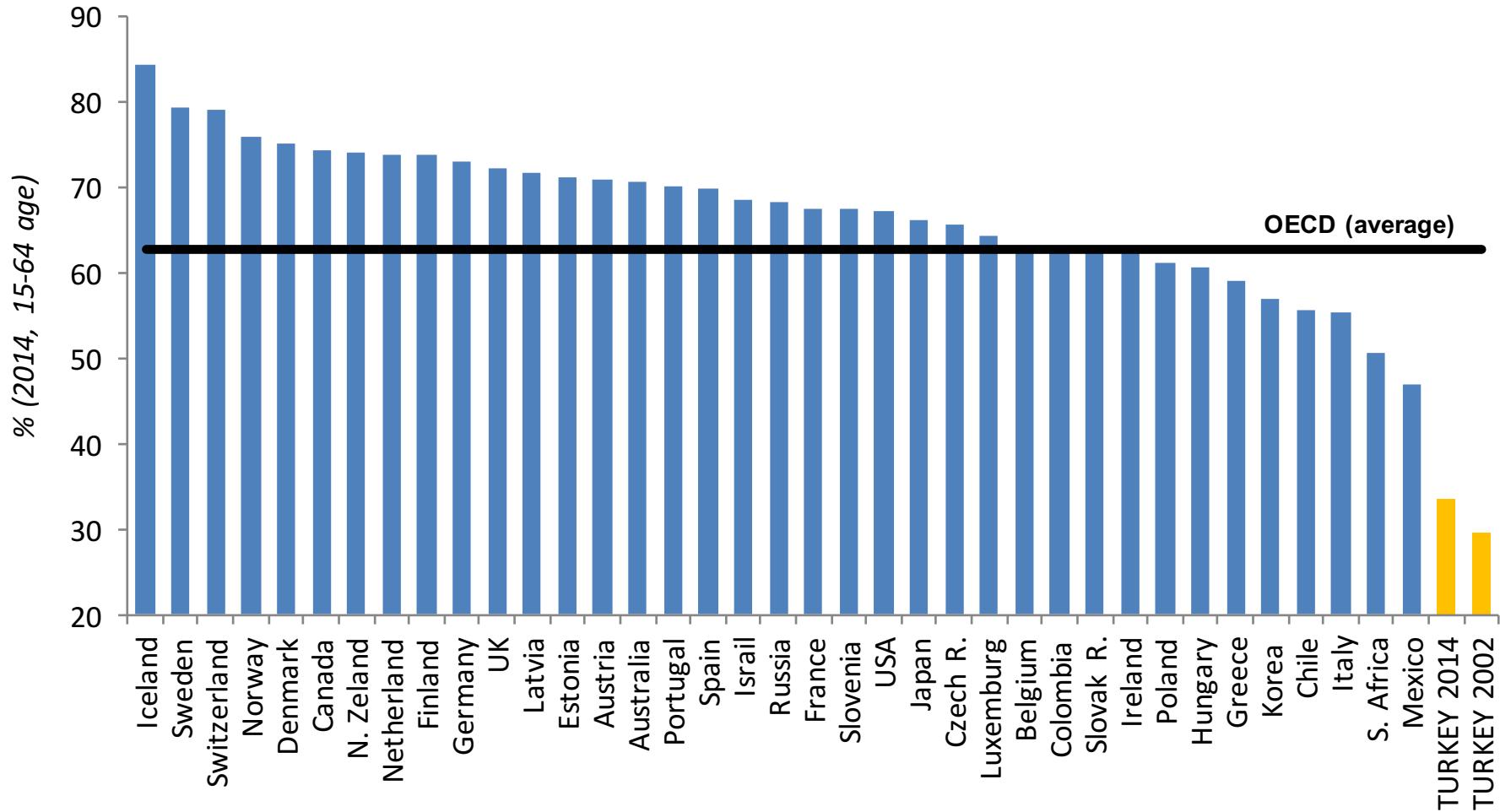
Source: OECD

(\*) Data show average of OECD countries.

# *Share of Part Time Employment*



# *Female Labor Force Participation*



# ***Education Reform***

Teachers  
Training

Performance  
Measurement &  
Quality Index

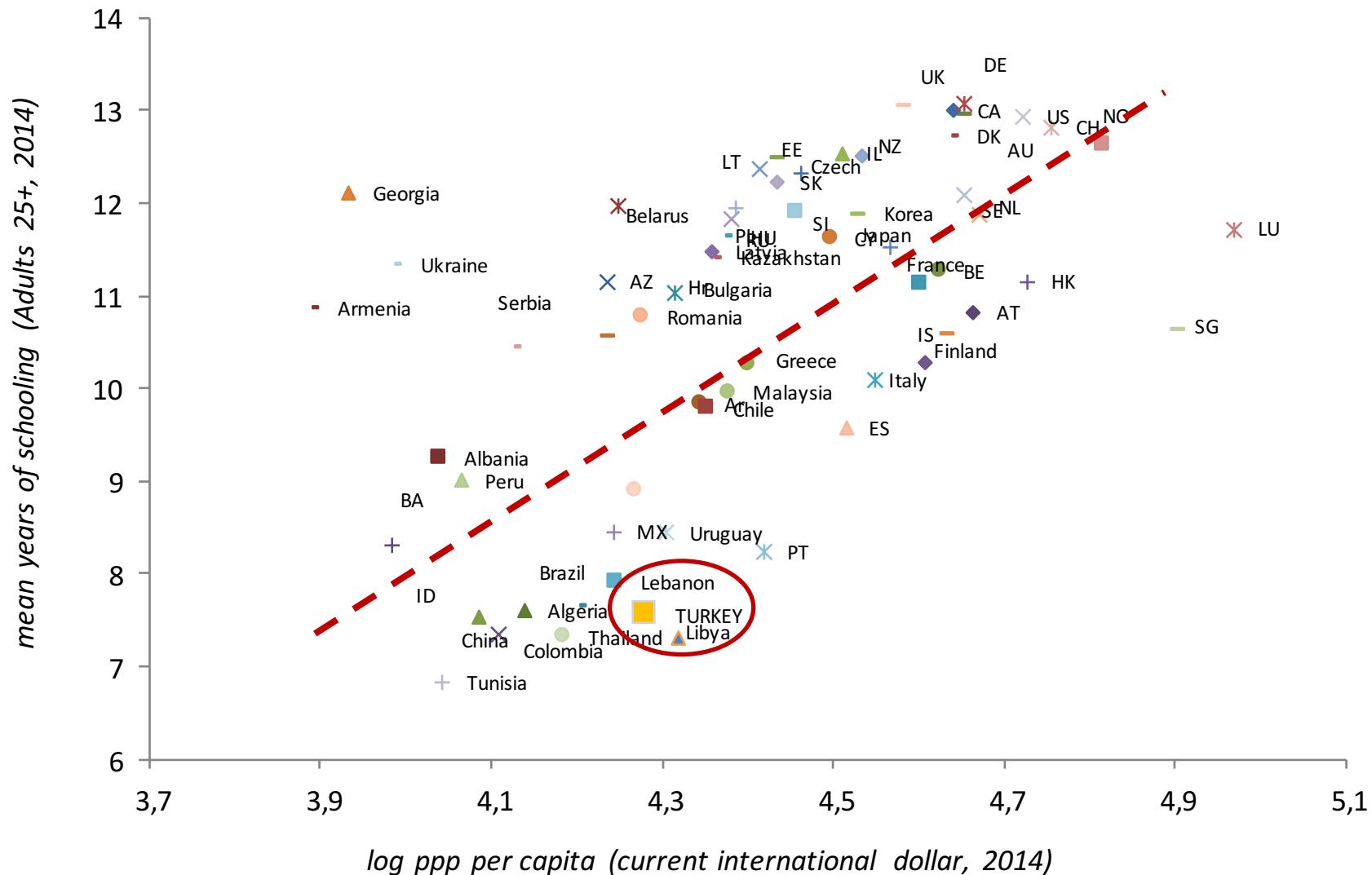
Vocational &  
Technical  
Training

School-Based  
Budgeting

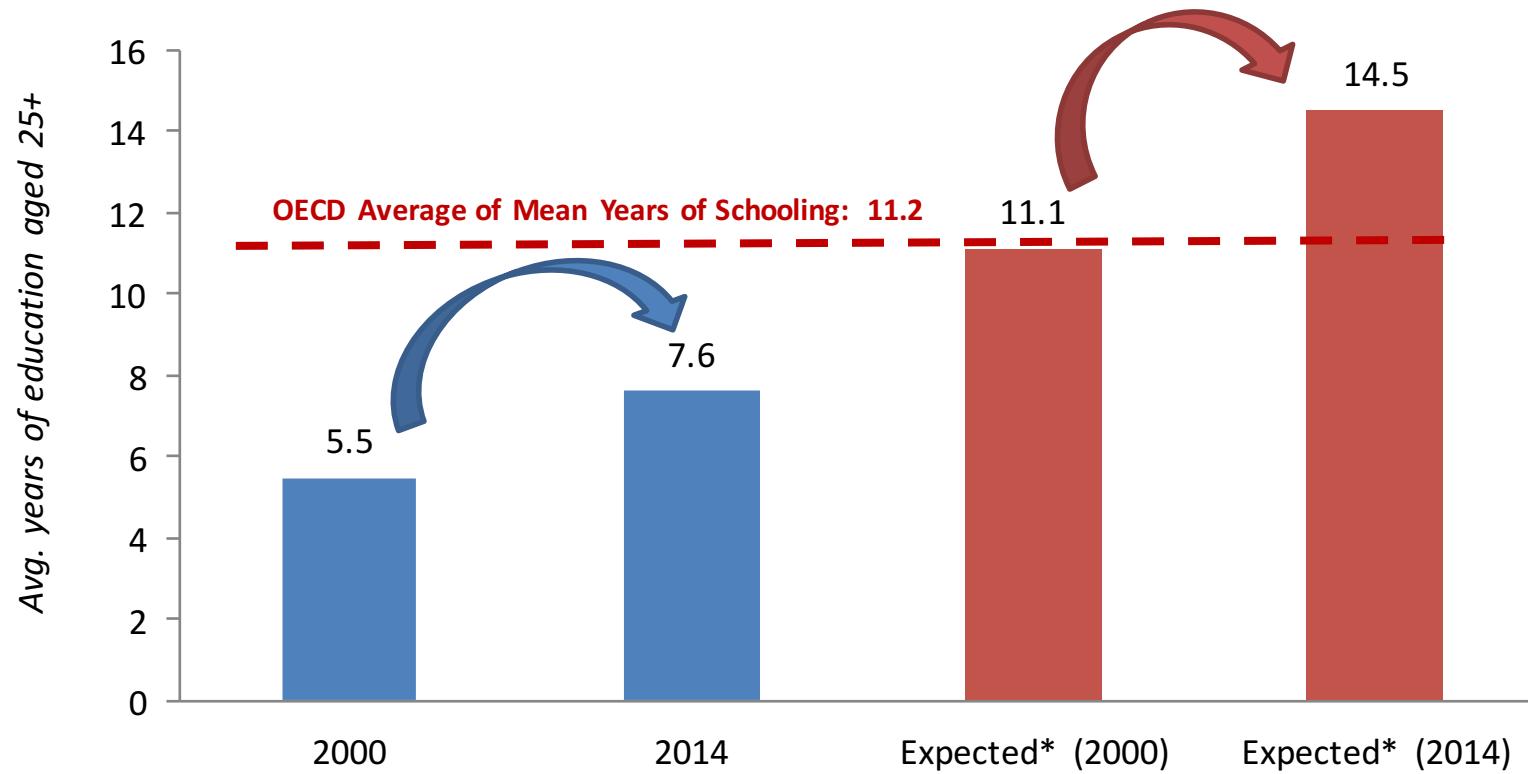
Foreign  
Language  
Education

Life-Long  
Learning

# *Education matters*



# *Quality of Human Capital Stock is rising*



Source: UNDP, Human Development Reports.

(\*) Number of expected years of schooling for children of school entrance age.

# *Enhancing Investment Climate*

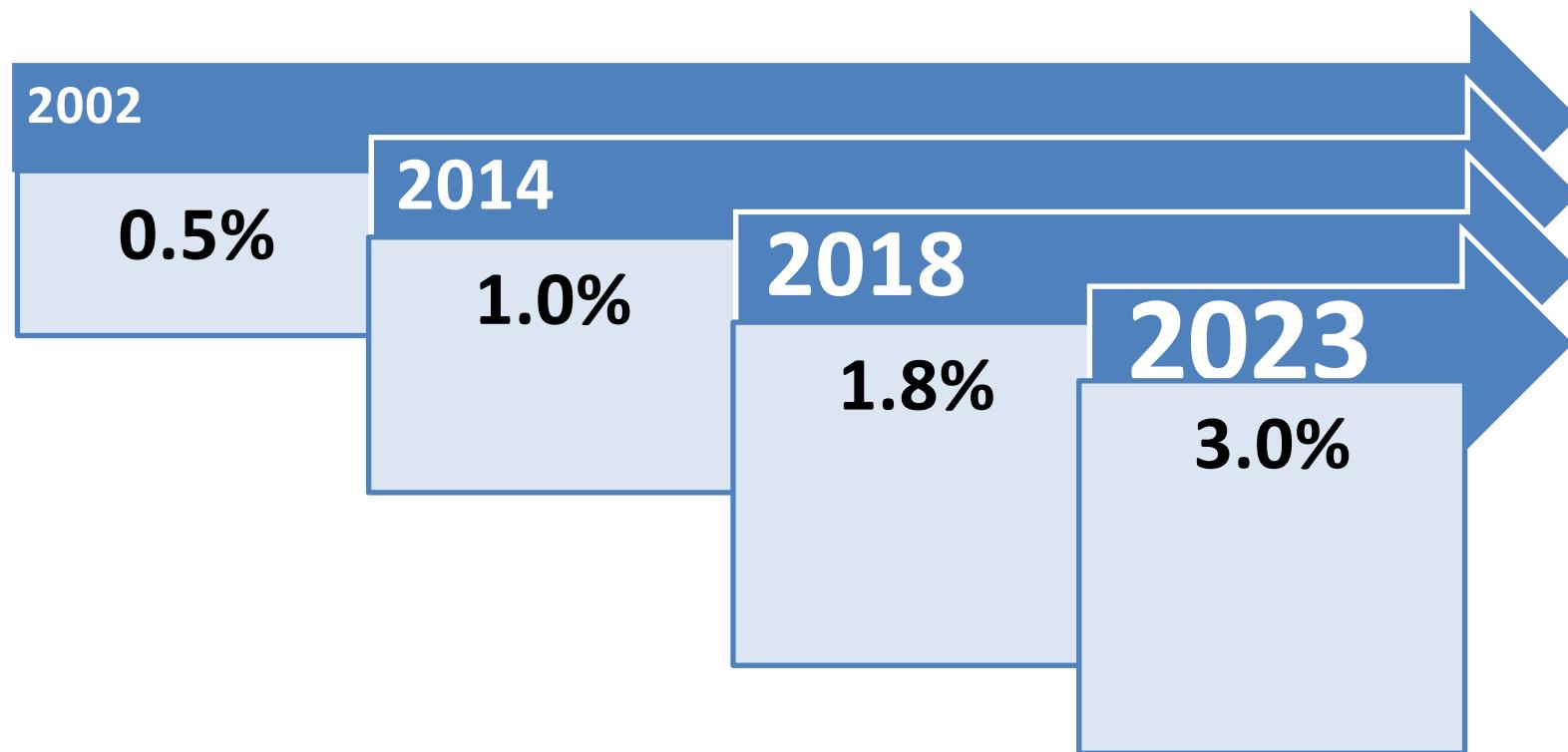
A New  
Patent Law &  
R&D Package

Reducing Red  
Tape

Specialized Courts

Incentives for  
Medium- & High-  
Tech Production

## *R&D Spending (% of GDP)*



# *Enhancing Transparency & Combating Corruption*

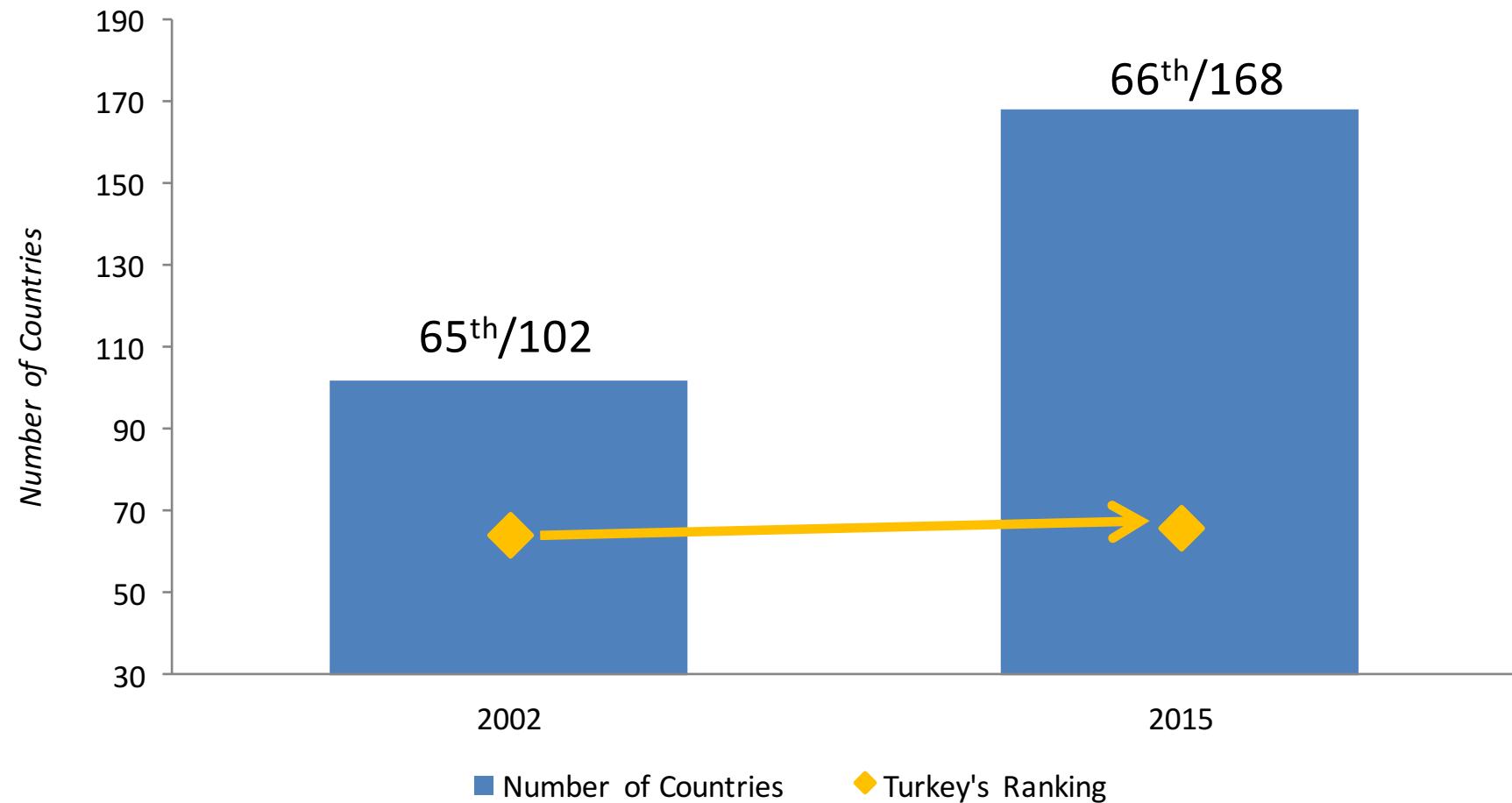
Ethics, Integrity,  
& Accountability  
in Public Sector

Public  
Procurement

Campaign Finance  
Disclosure

Rule-Based  
Zoning  
Regulations

# *Corruption Perception*



# *Reforming Judicial System*

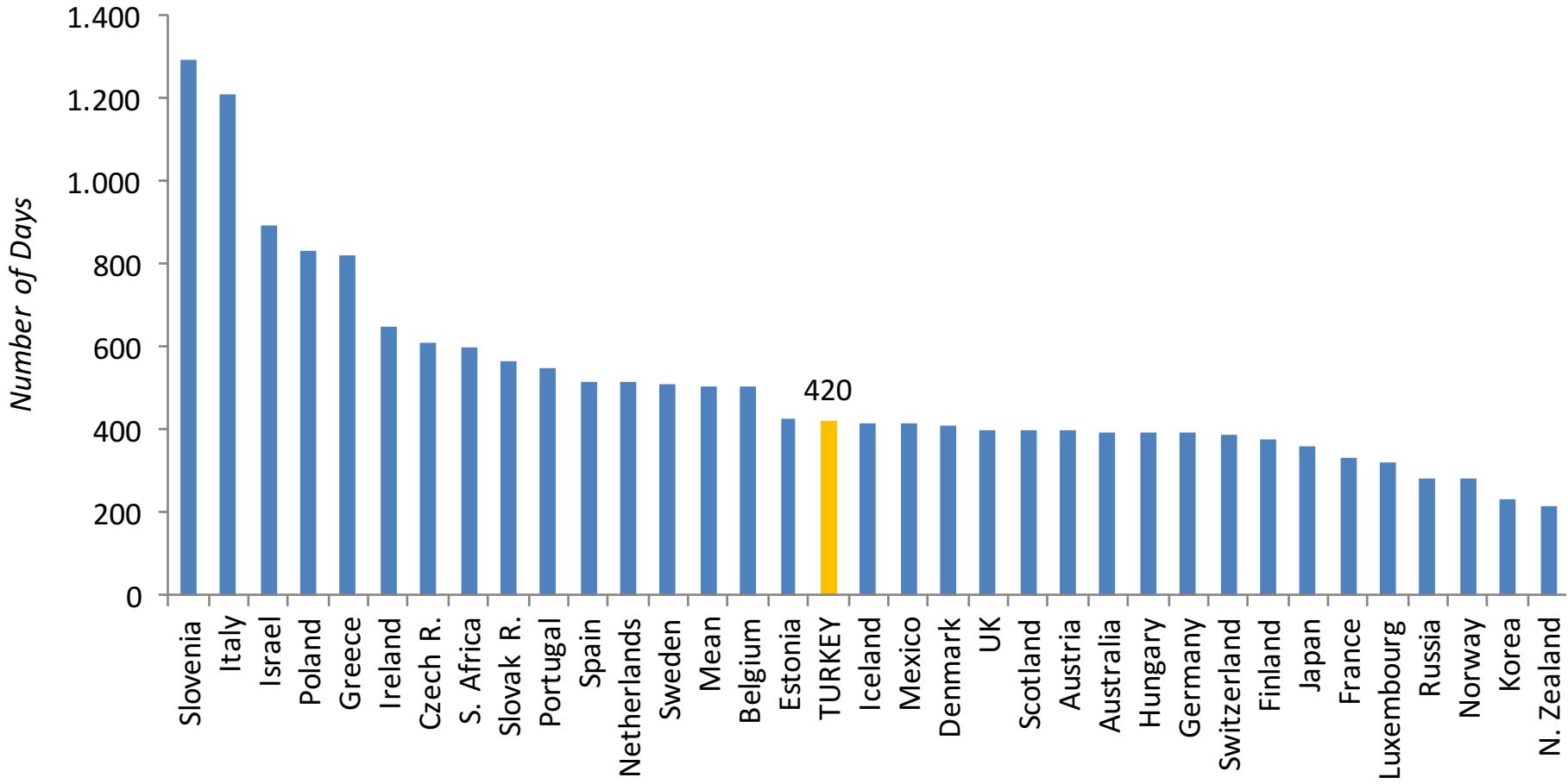
Modern  
Arbitration  
System

Specialized Courts

Expert Witness  
Mechanism

Creation of New  
Appeals Court

# *Trial Length (Business Cases)*



# ***Public Finance Reform***

Income Tax  
Reform

Enhancing Tax  
Payers' Right (Tax  
Procedures Code)

Expenditure  
Reform

Performance  
Based Budgeting

# ***Public Administration Reform***

Public Personnel  
Reform

Productivity,  
Accountability &  
Transparency

e-State

Performance  
Based Culture



# ***EU Accession Process: The Main Agenda***

Enhancing Customs Union Agreement

Implementation of Readmission  
Agreement

Finalizing the Efforts on Visa Exemption

# *Why do we need EU?*

Strengthening Rule of Law

Enhancing Standards of Democracy

Improving Quality of Institutions

# *Why does EU need Turkey?*

Improved Economic Dynamism

A Greater Say in International Affairs

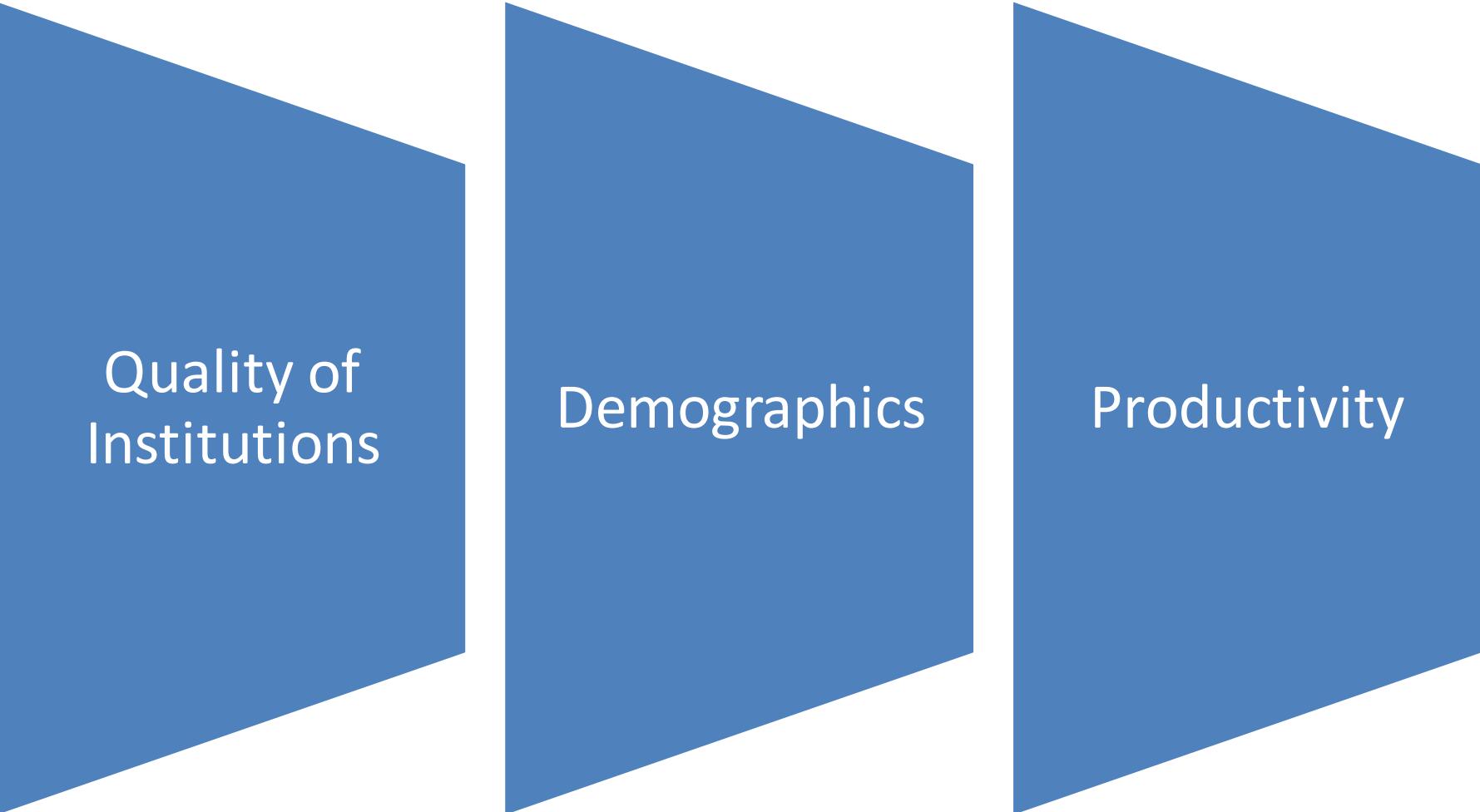
Enhanced Dialogue between Civilizations

Energy Supply Security



## Long-Term Prospects

# *Determinants of Long-Term Growth*

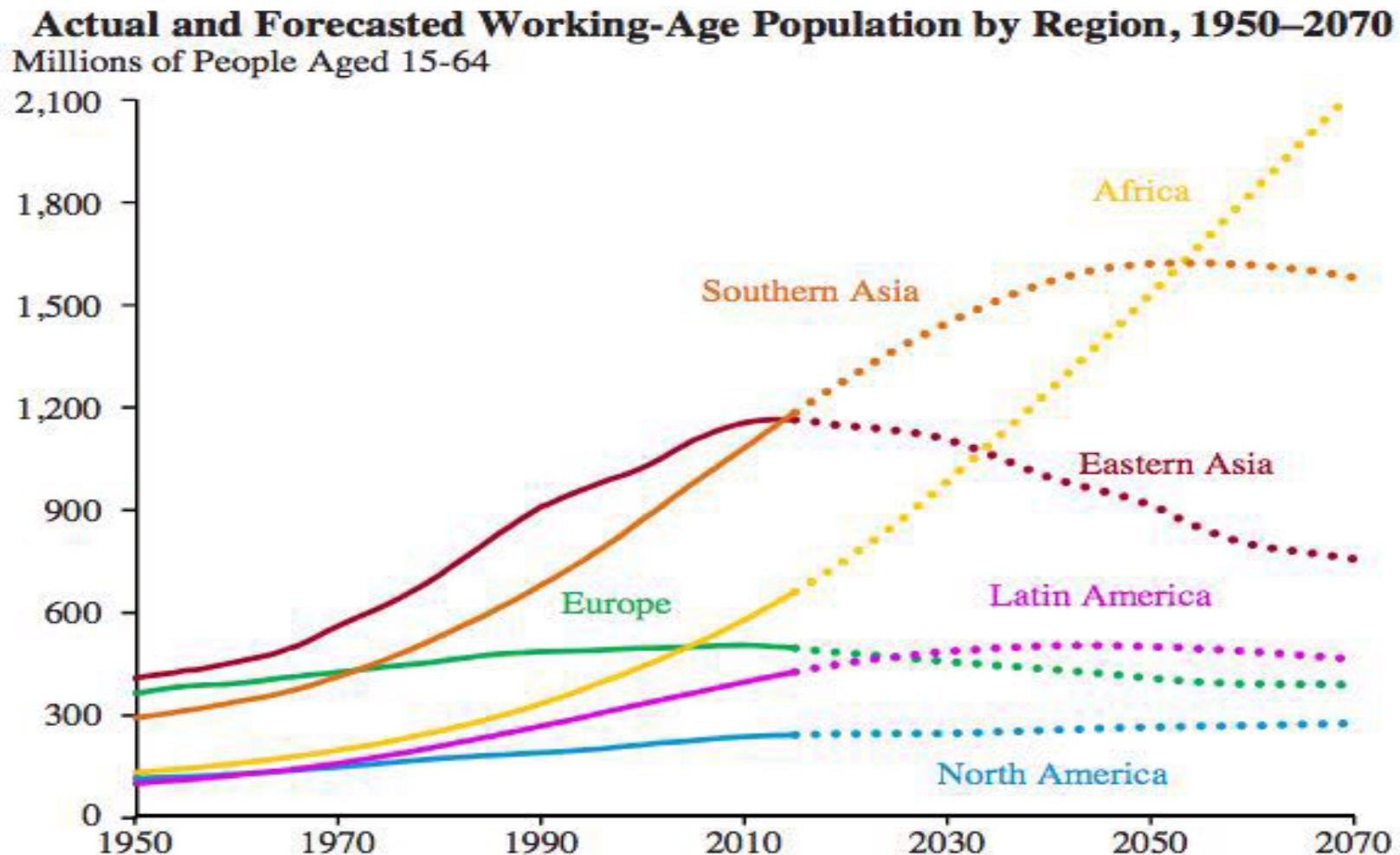


Quality of  
Institutions

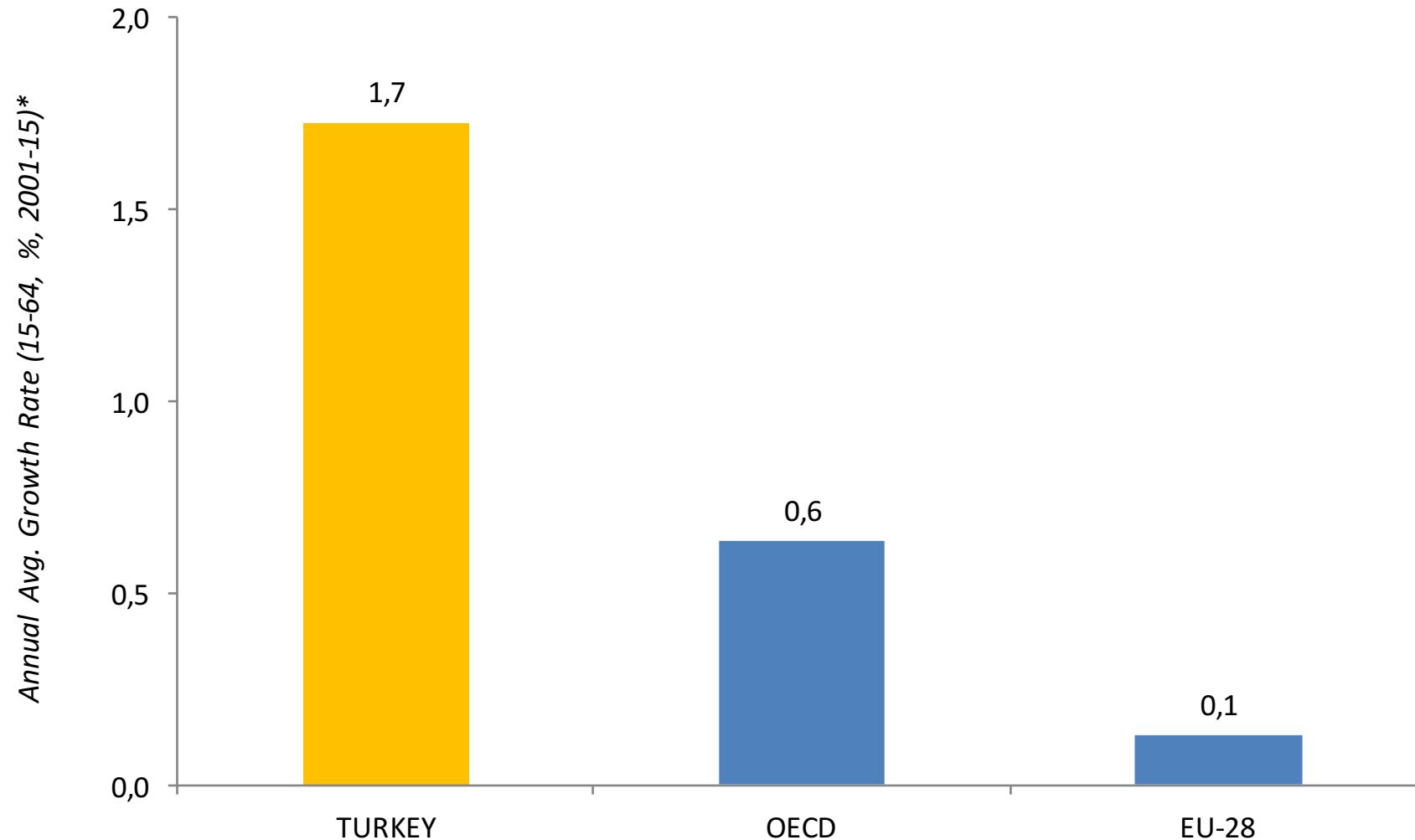
Demographics

Productivity

# *Working-Age Population by Regions*



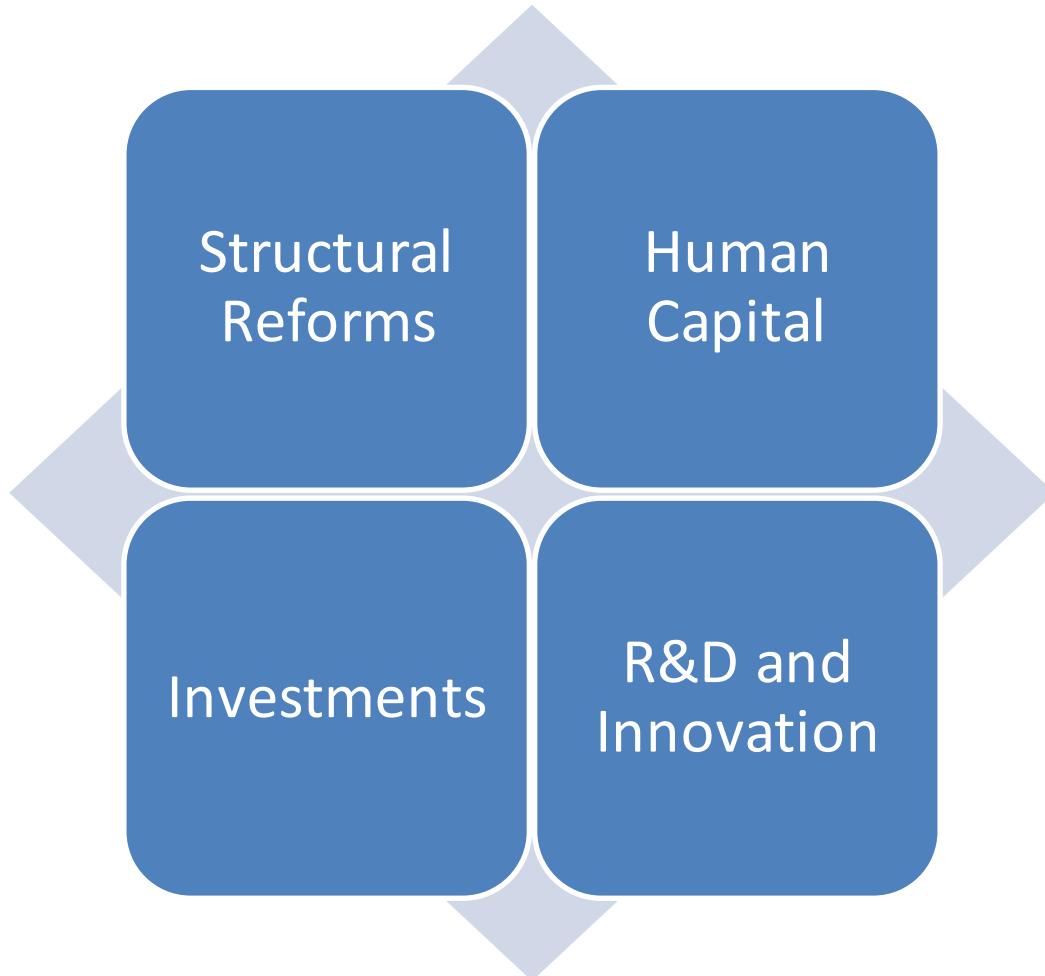
# *Working Age Population Growth in Turkey*



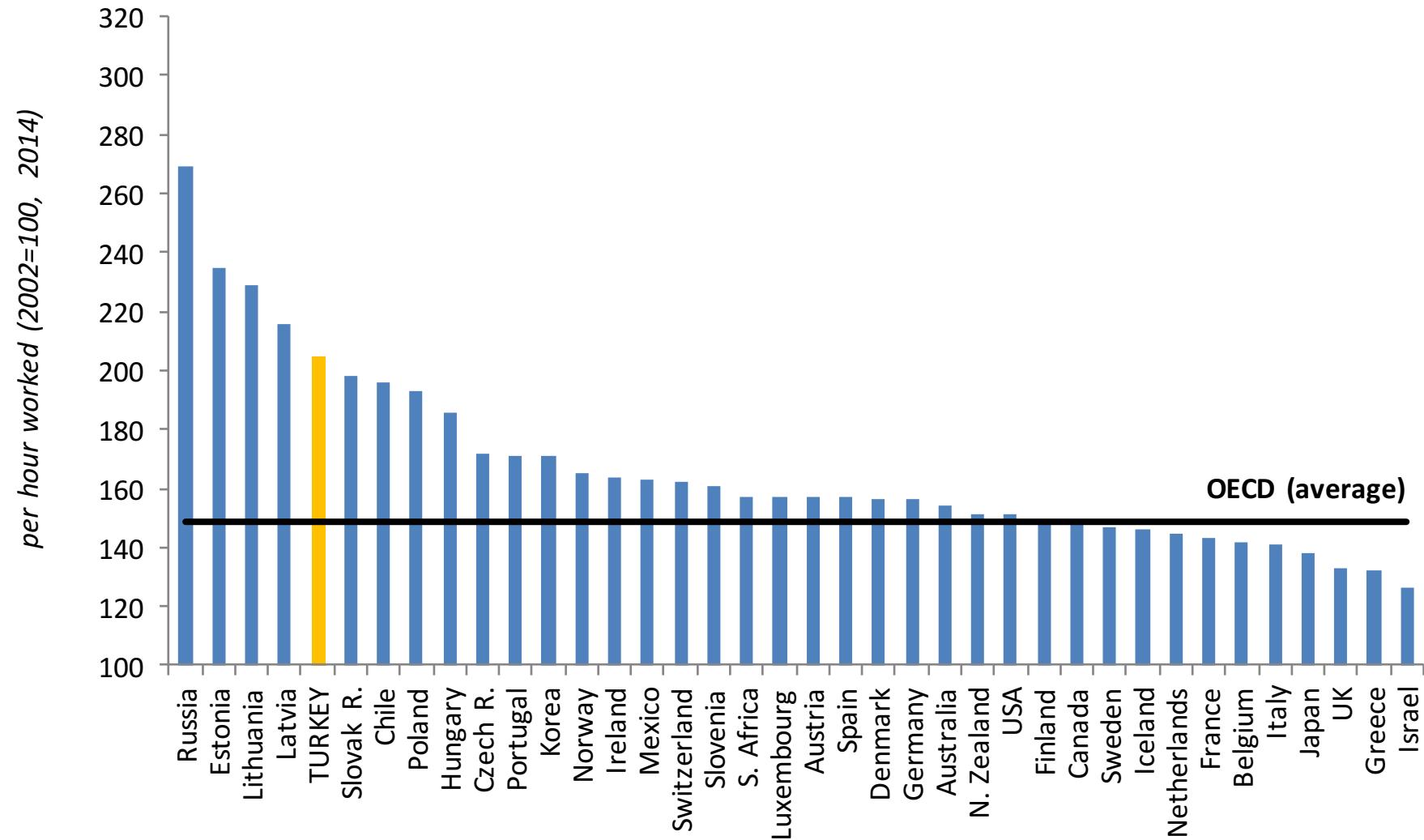
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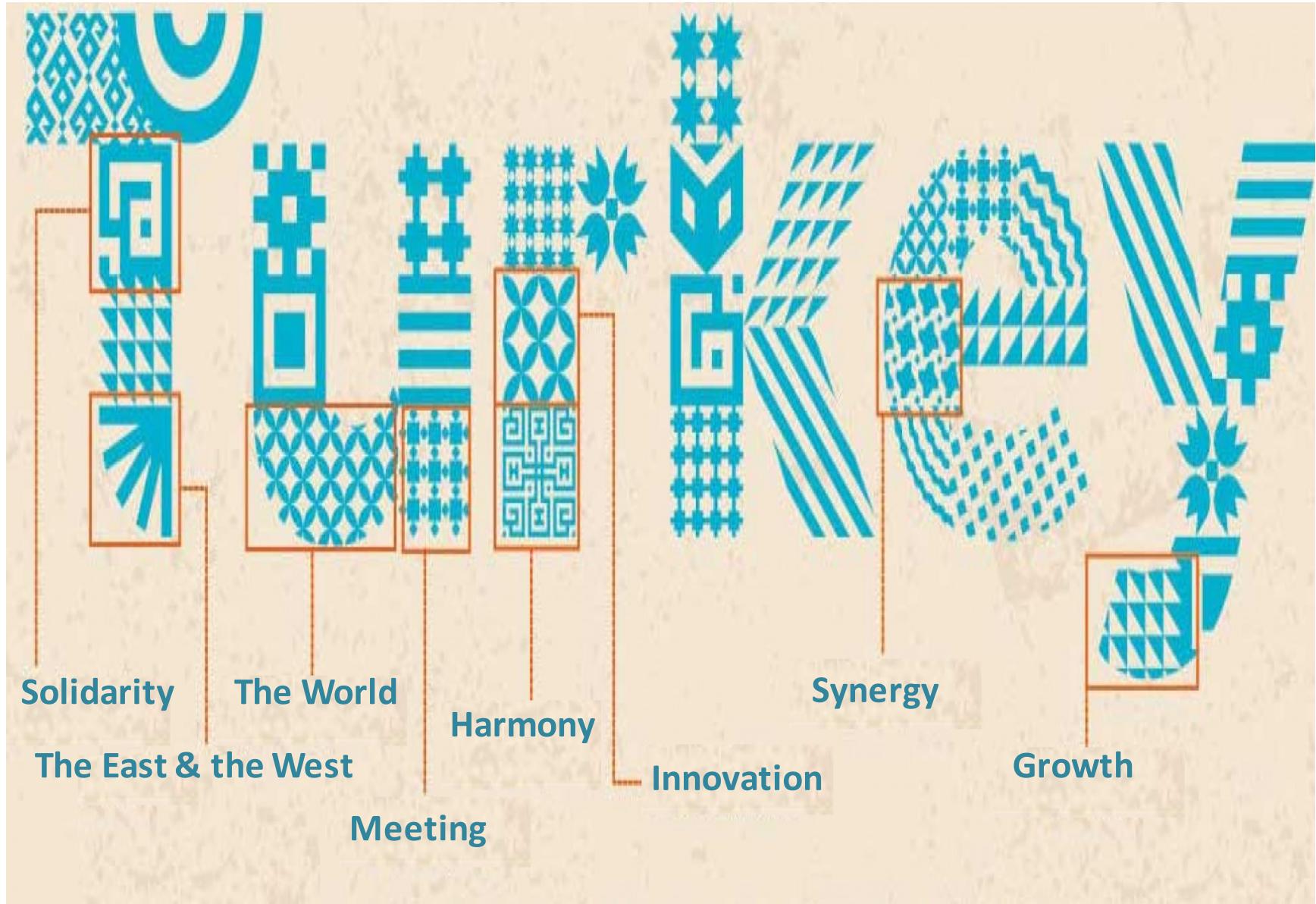
(\*) The latest data available

# *Determinants of Productivity*



# *Change in Productivity Index*





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