

2018 Health Care Reform and E-Health (is ARV initiation at <500 CD4 cell count enough?)

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*Clear Victory to the efforts of
ECDC: Andrew Amato, Teymur Noori
AIDS Action Europe,
CSF 2013-2016
EC members supporting CSF 2013-2016*

2009-2014

(Valdis Dombrovskis

Ingrid Circene)

<200 CD4

2015-2017

(Kuchinsky

Belevics

Chaksha)

<350 CD4

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Action Plan 2018-2020 for the Containment of HIV Infection, STDs, TB, Hepatitis B and C

31st October, 2017

200 more HIV patients will have immediate access to ARVs

HCV 2018 – 700 patients (DAAs); 2019 - 680 patients; 2020 - 680 patients (more patients will have access to DAAs).

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treatment at 500 CD4 cell count is not enough in light of Latvia’s luster GDP%

Latvia must introduce PrEP akin to Germany’s DAKHA model to effectively tackle the endemic

Public health is NOT a priority in Latvia: no head of the state and a prime-minister has ever addressed HIV publicly in the

country with the highest HIV infection rate in EU



2017 OECD ECONOMIC SURVEY OF LATVIA

Boosting productivity and inclusiveness

September 15th 2017, Riga Latvia



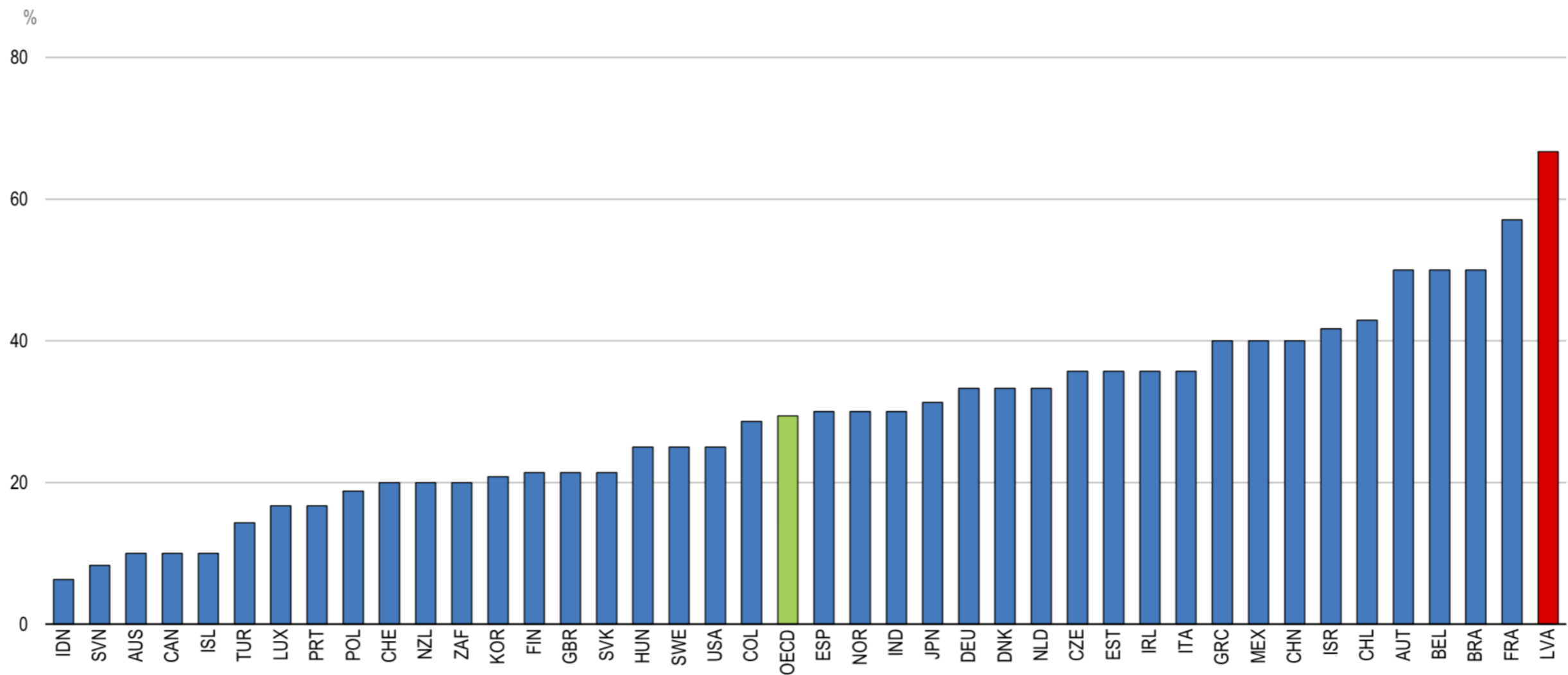
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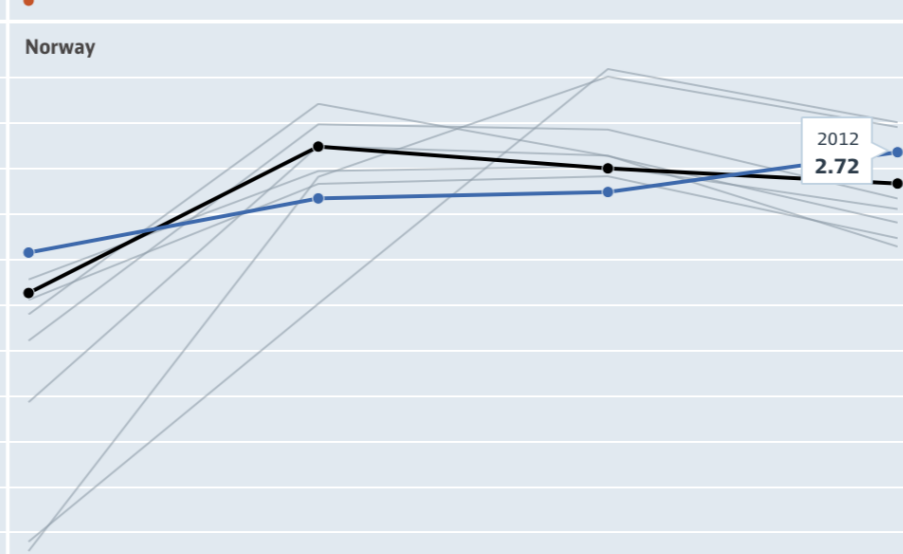
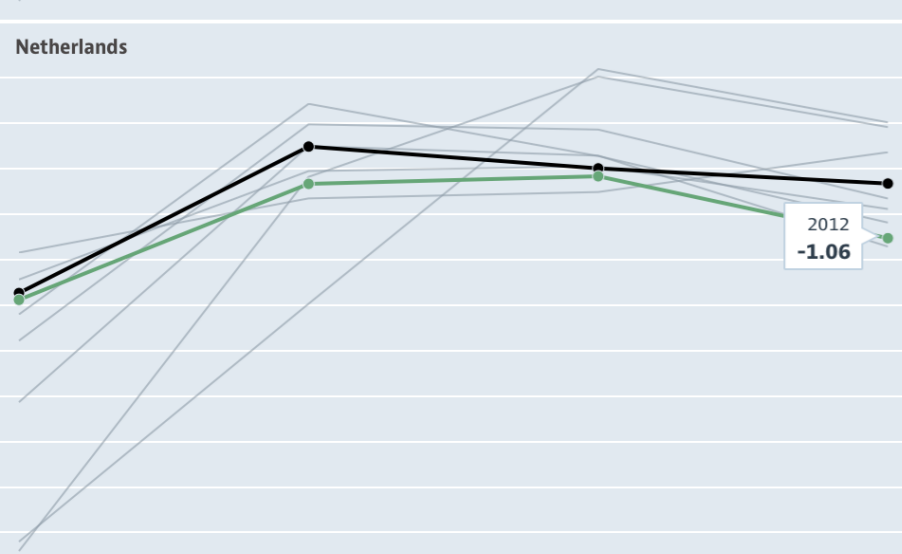
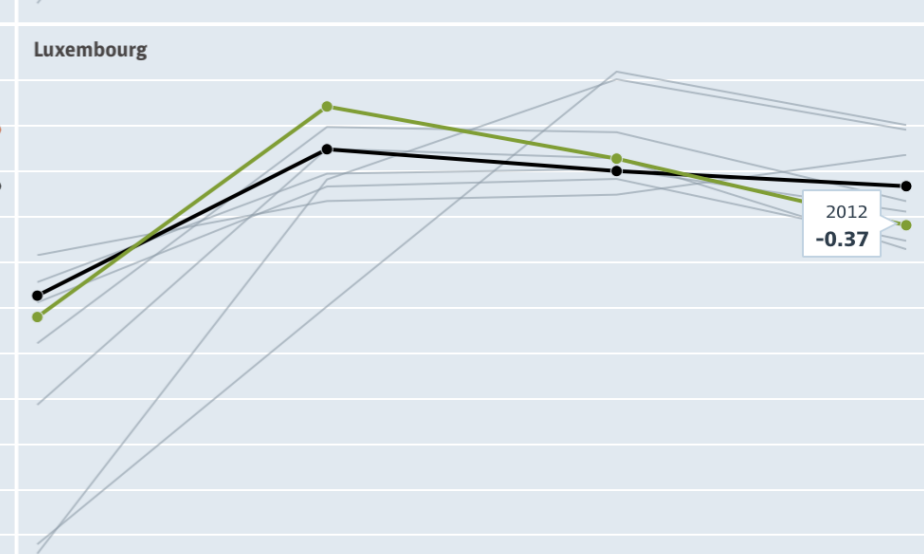
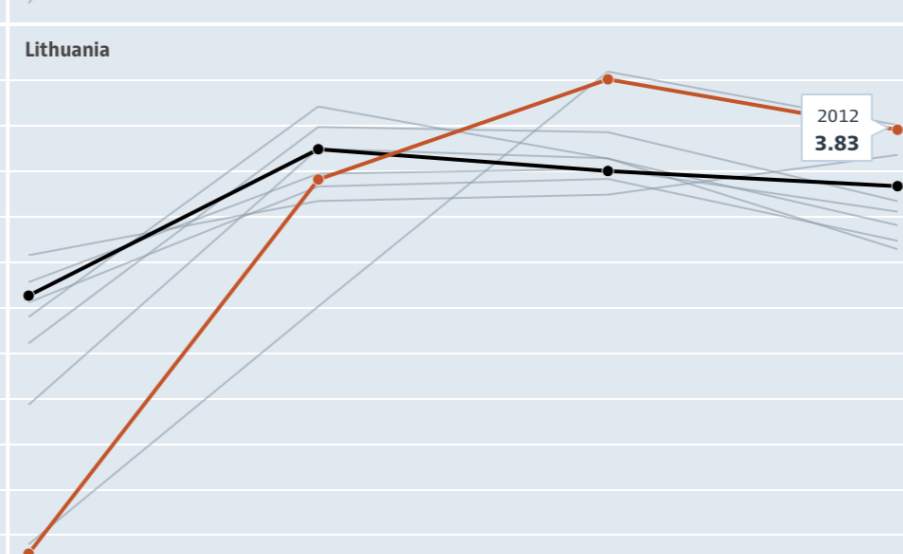
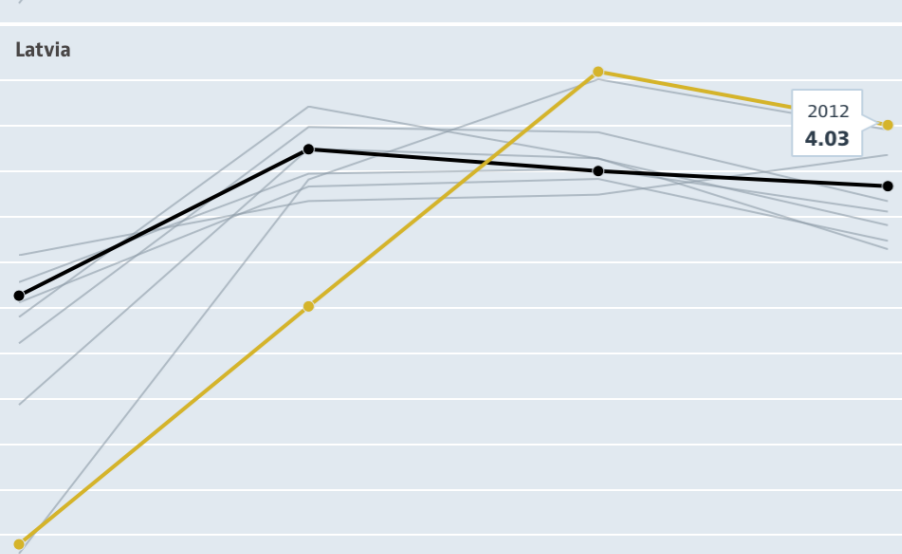
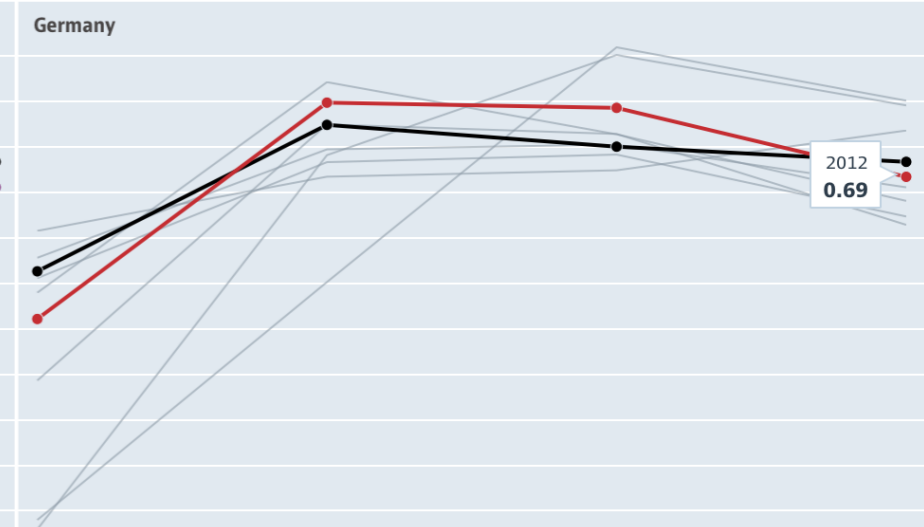
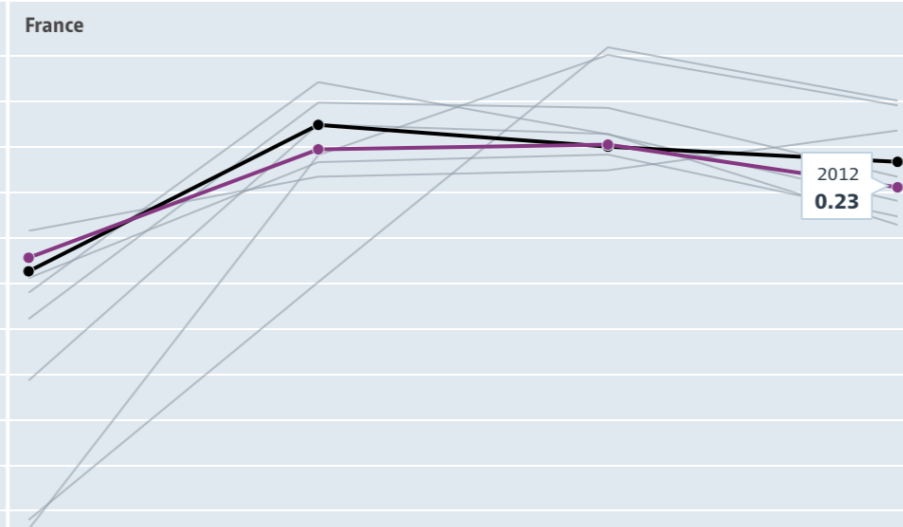
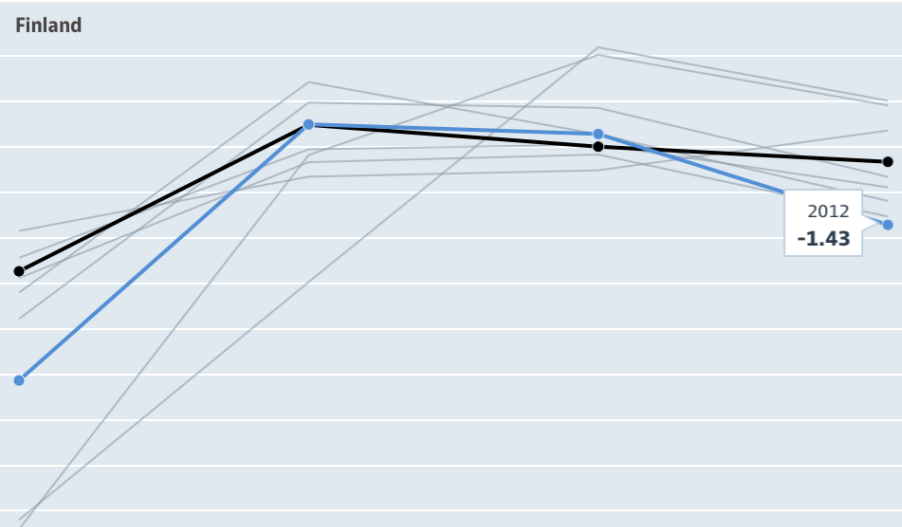


Latvia is a top reformer

The 2017 Going for Growth reform responsiveness indicator

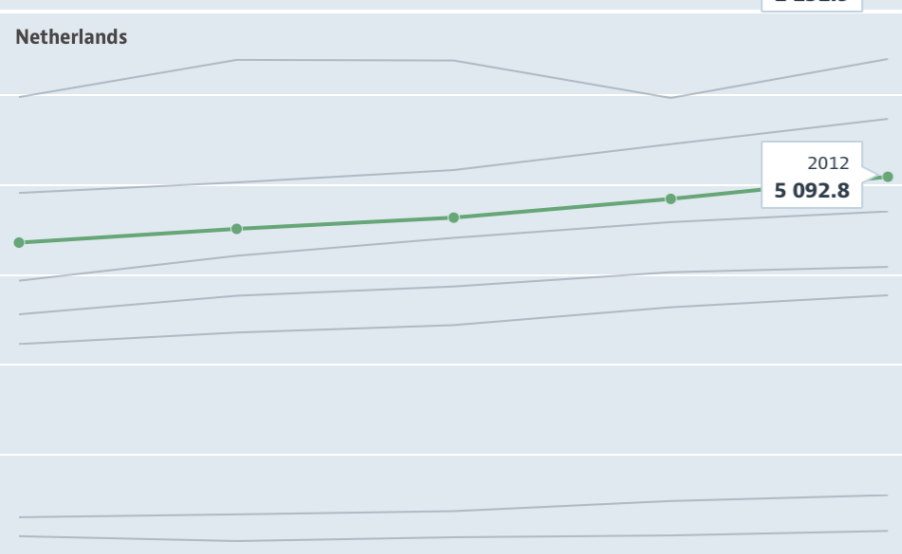
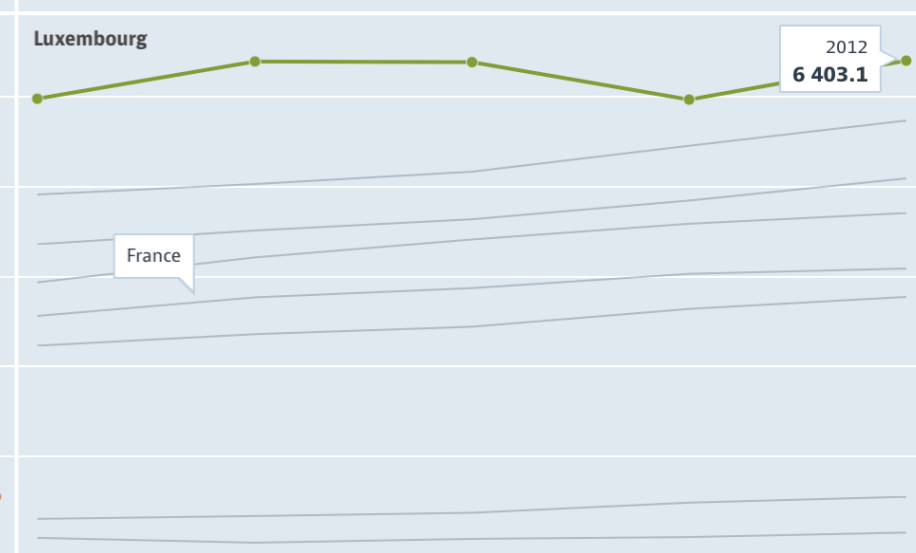
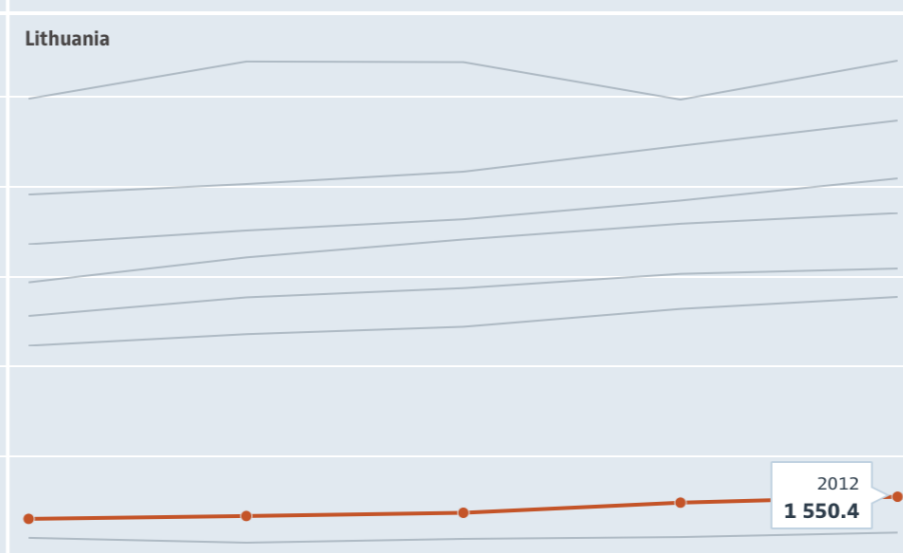
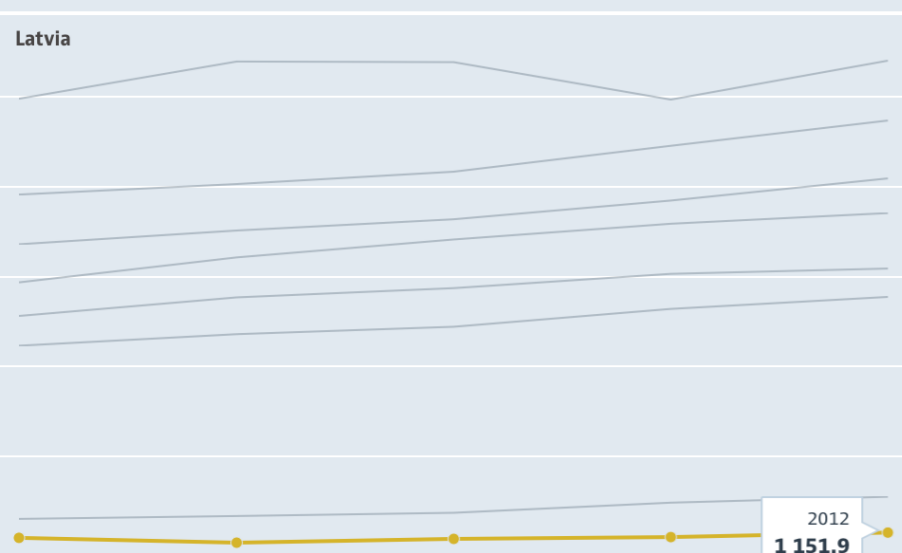
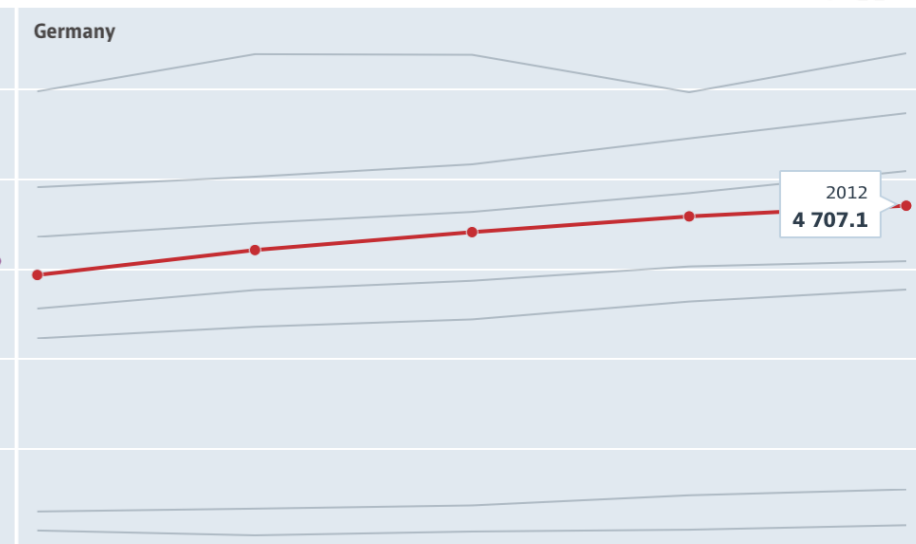
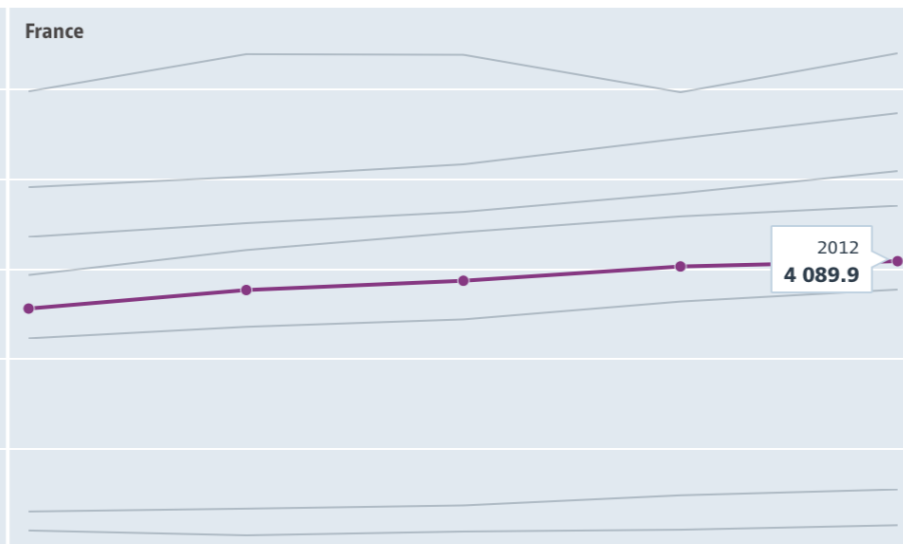
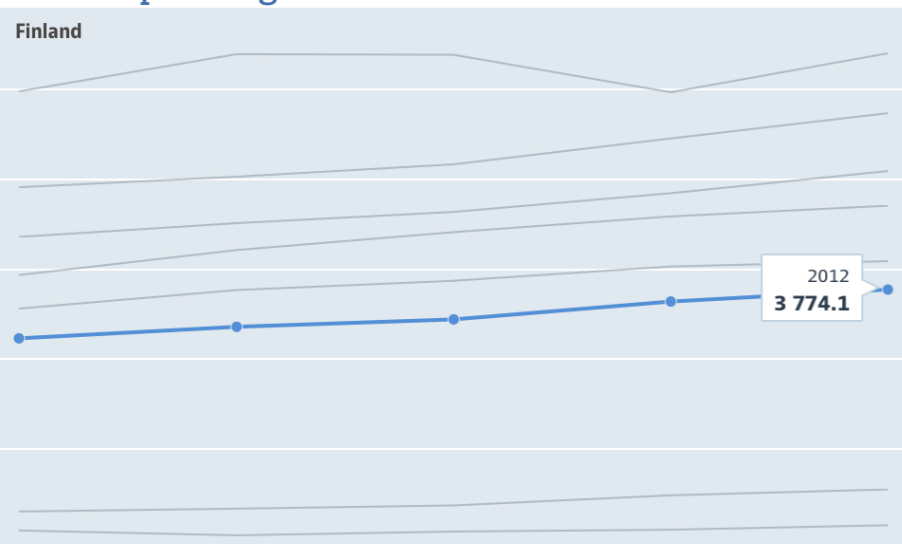


Source: OECD (2017) Going for Growth 2017 edition.



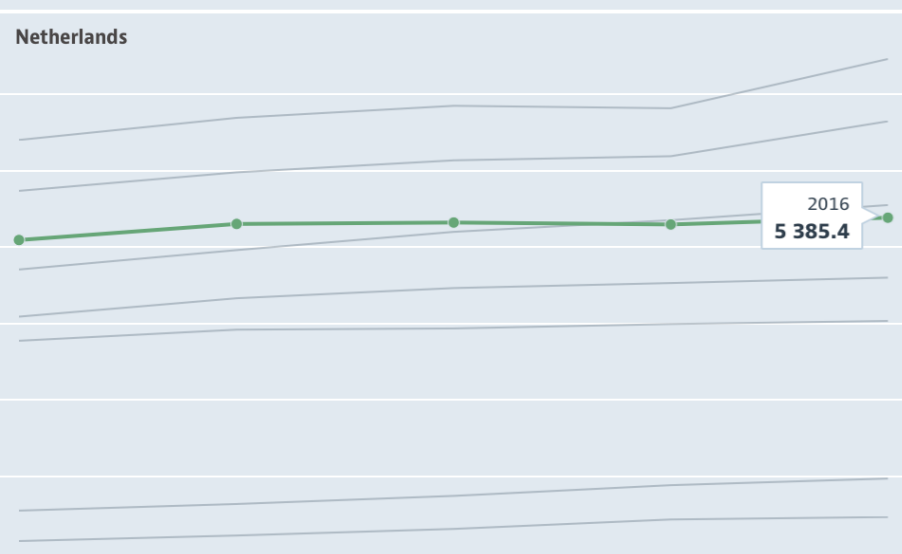
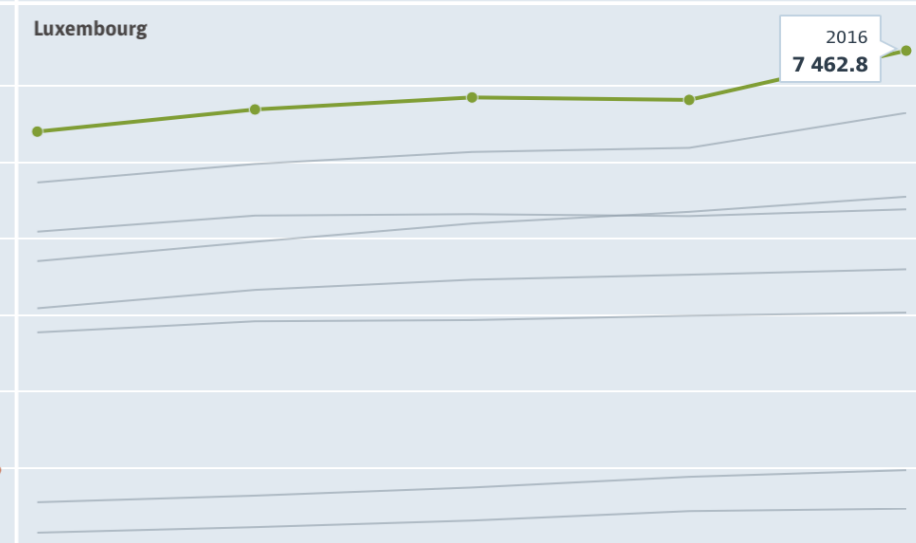
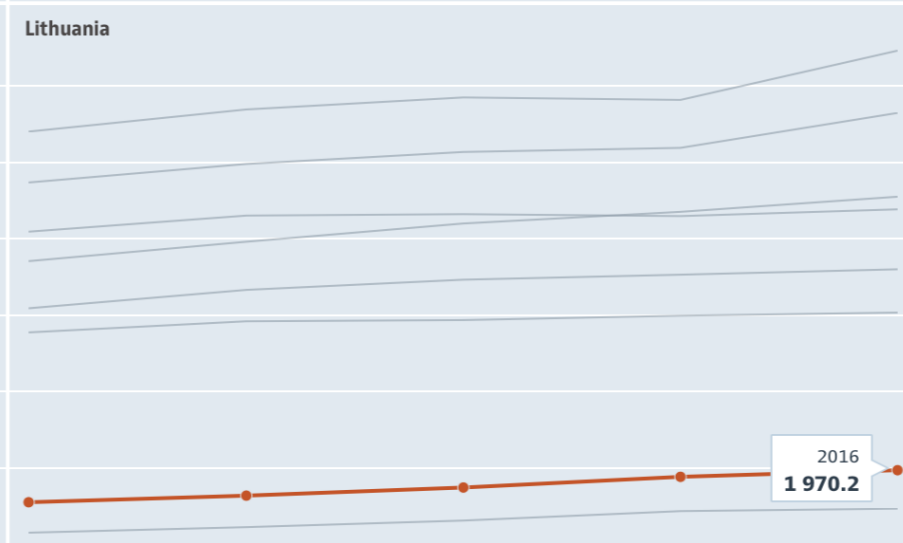
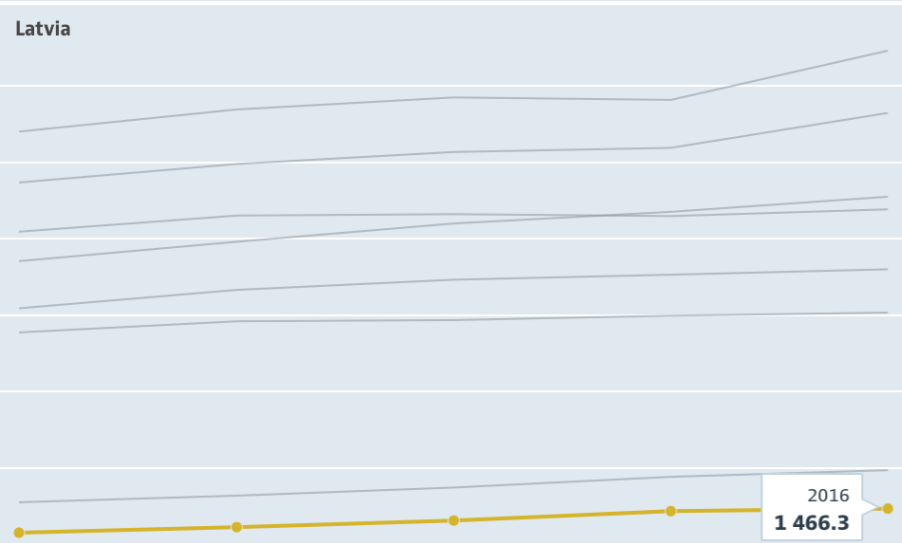
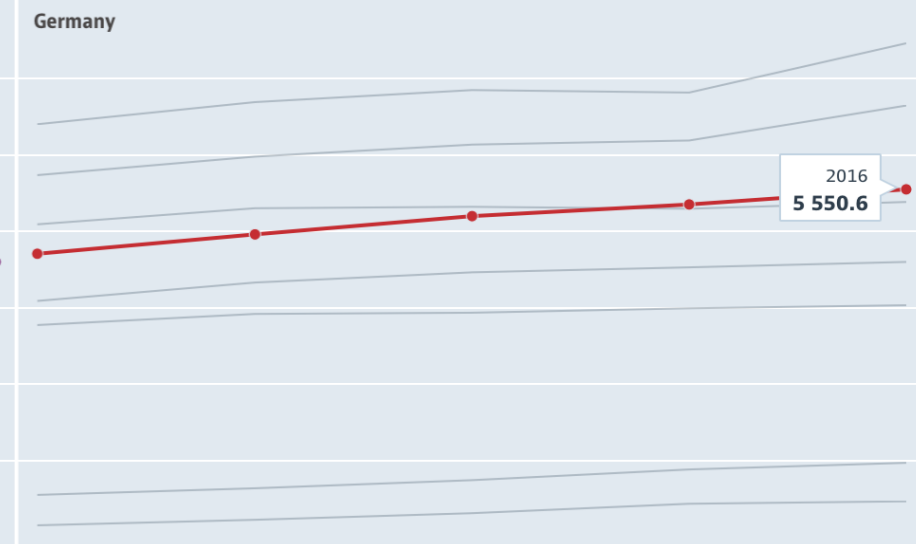
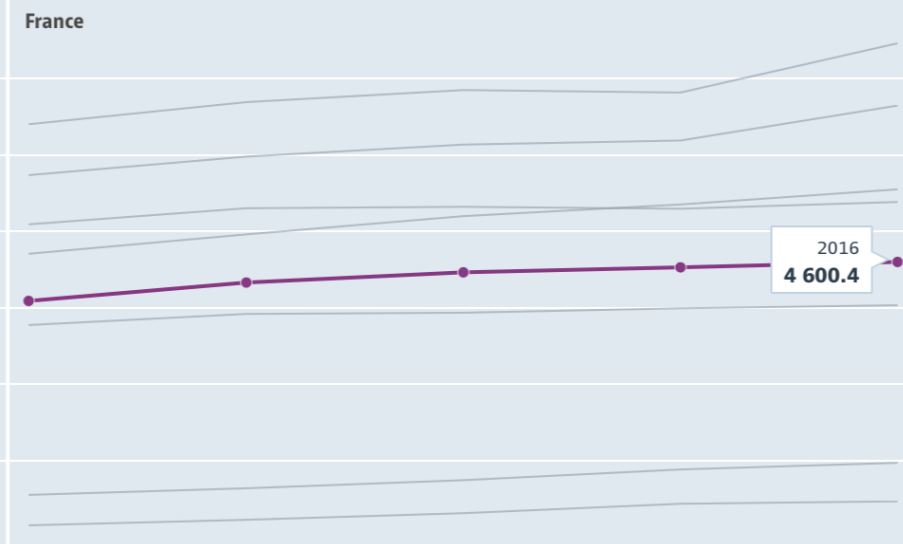
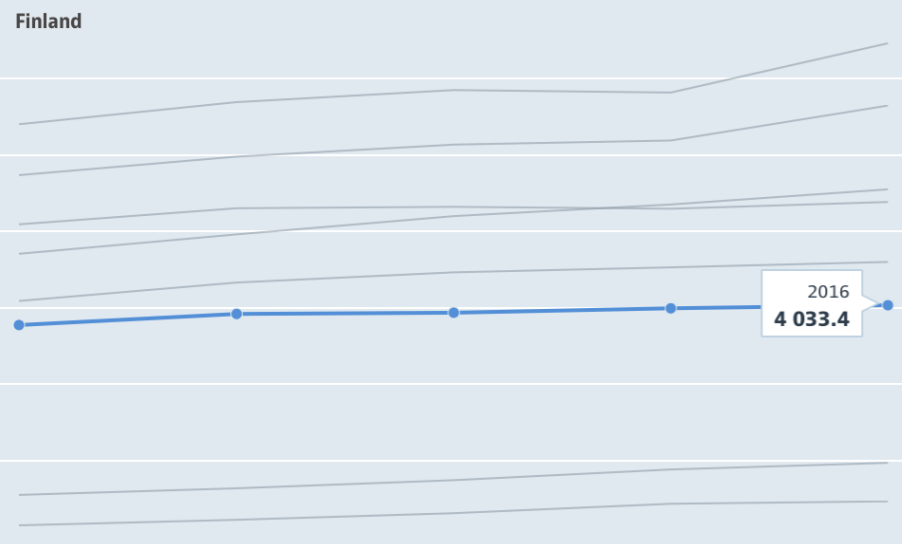
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Total, US dollars/capita, 2008 – 2012

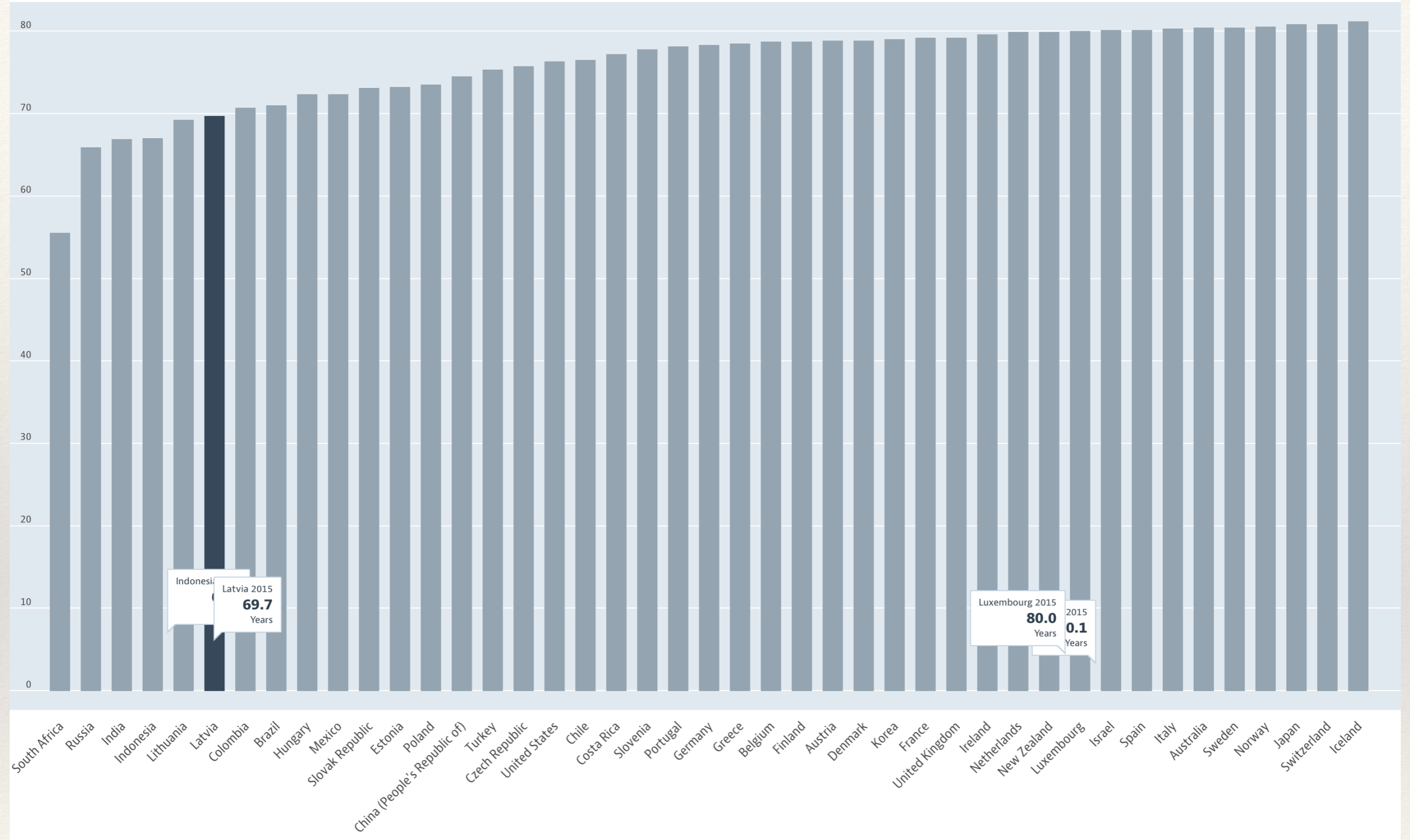


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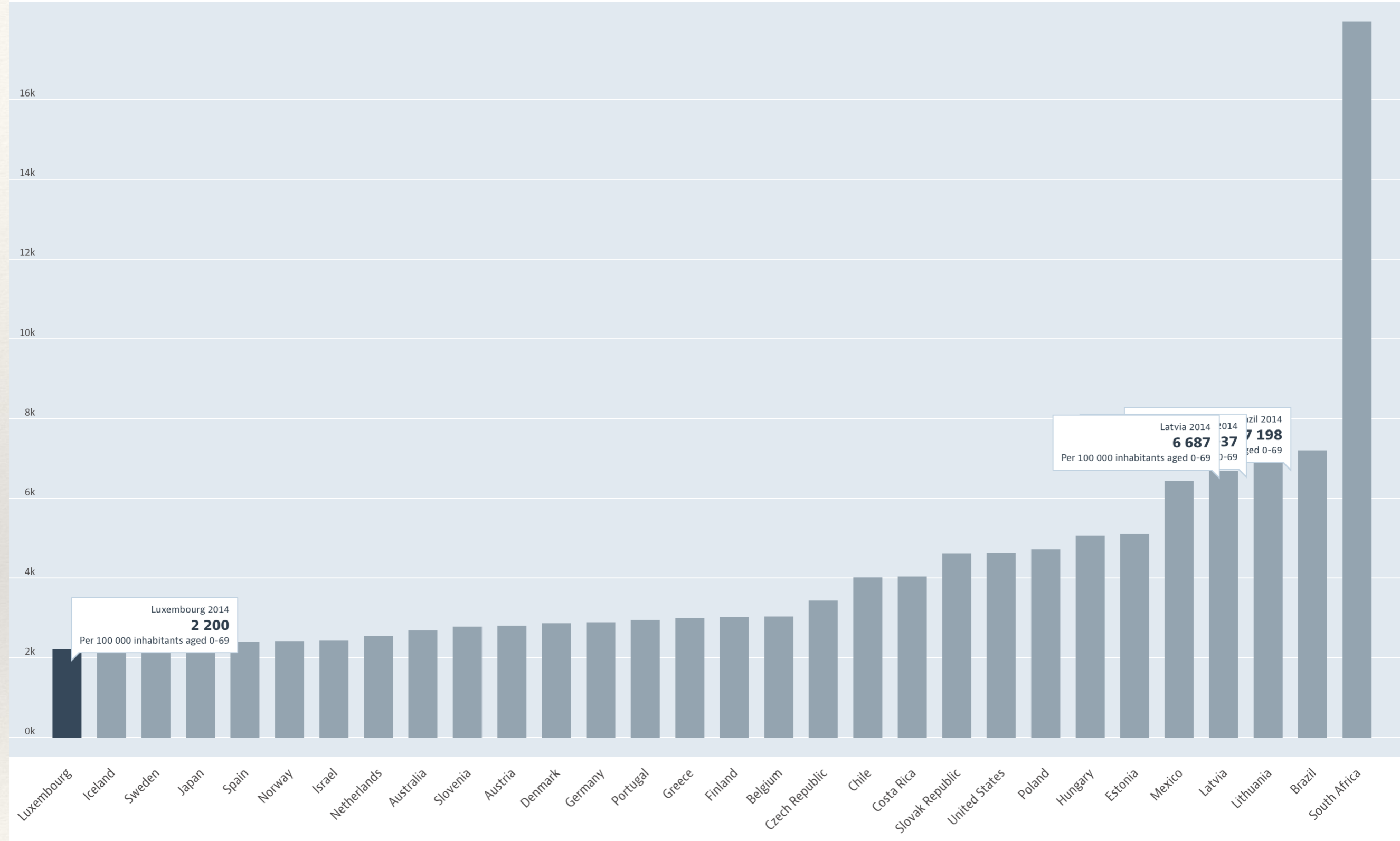
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Life expectancy at birth Men, Years, 2015



Potential years of life lost Total, Per 100 000 inhabitants aged 0-69, 2014





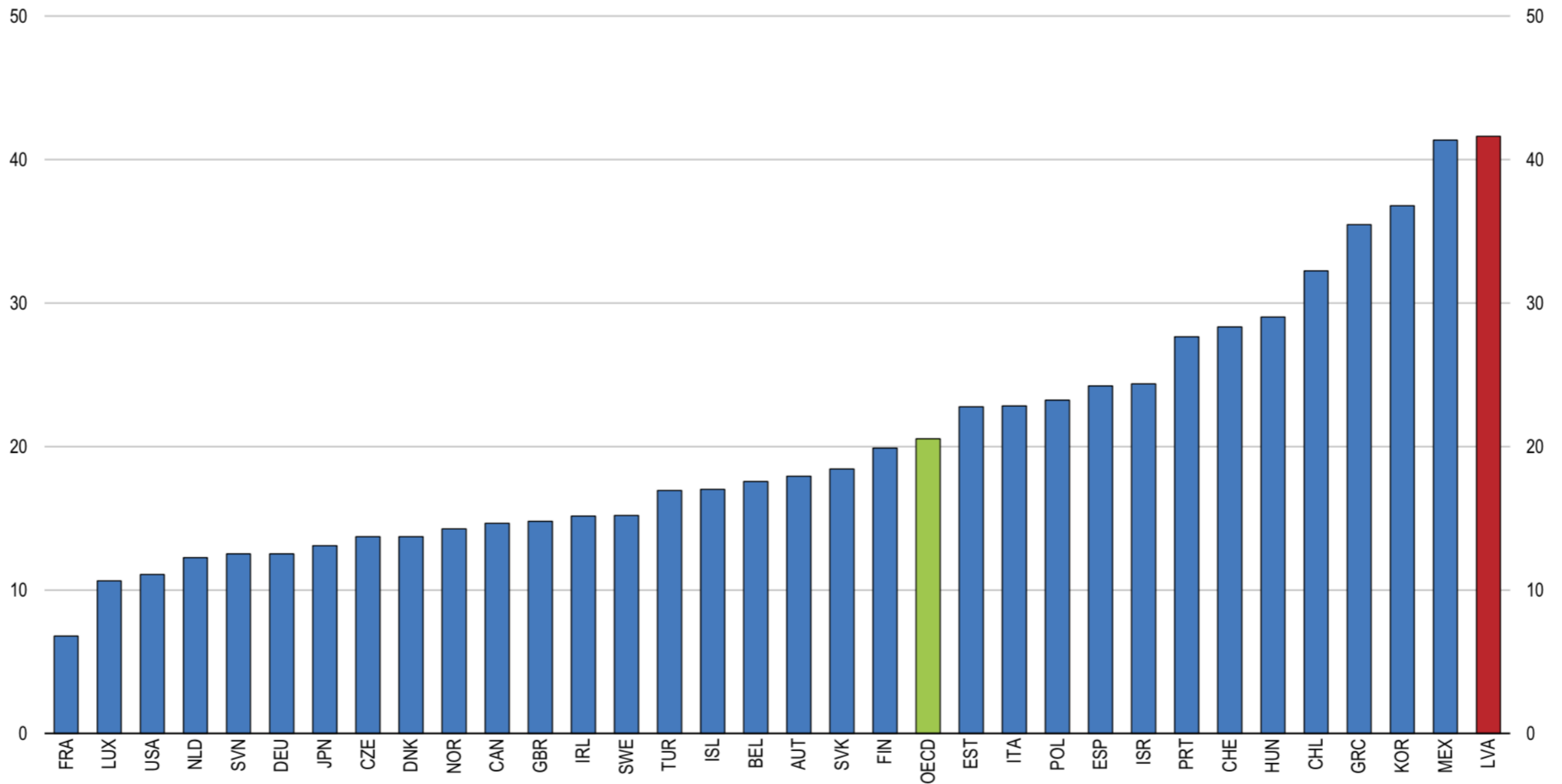
Main messages

- The Latvian economy is growing strongly, underpinned by progress with economic reforms.
- Deeper integration into international trade is necessary to catch up with high-income countries.
- Poverty and unemployment are still high. Access to jobs, housing and health services need to improve.

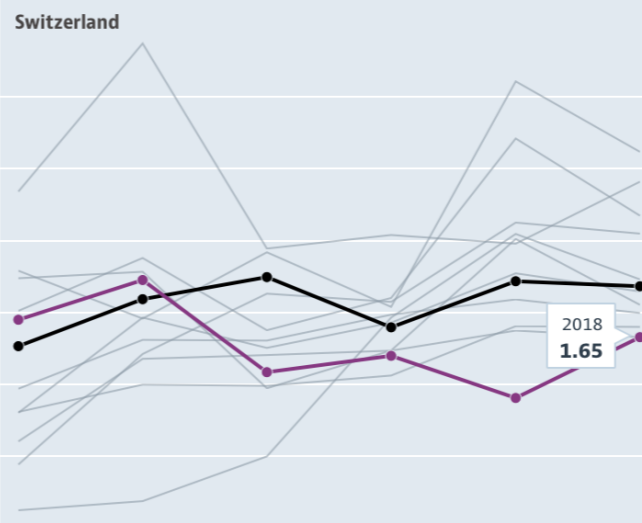
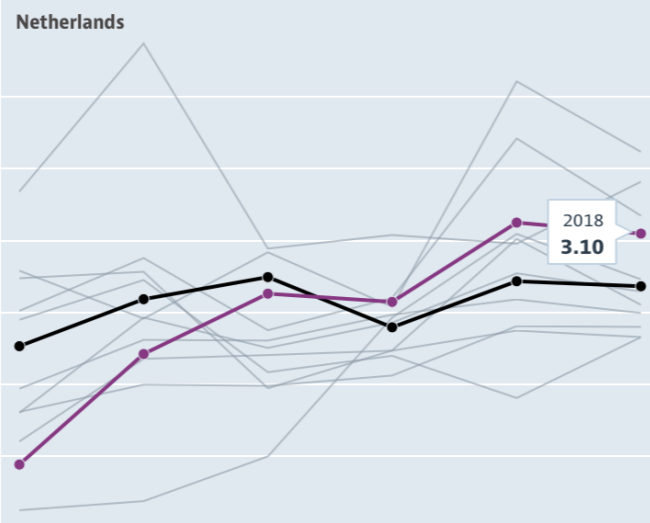
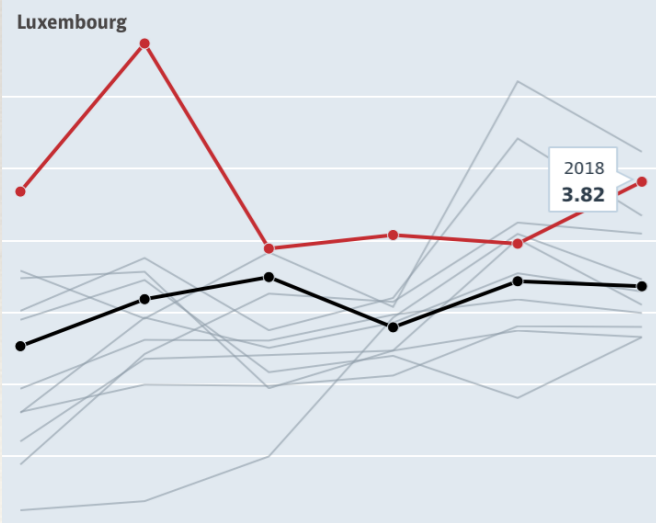
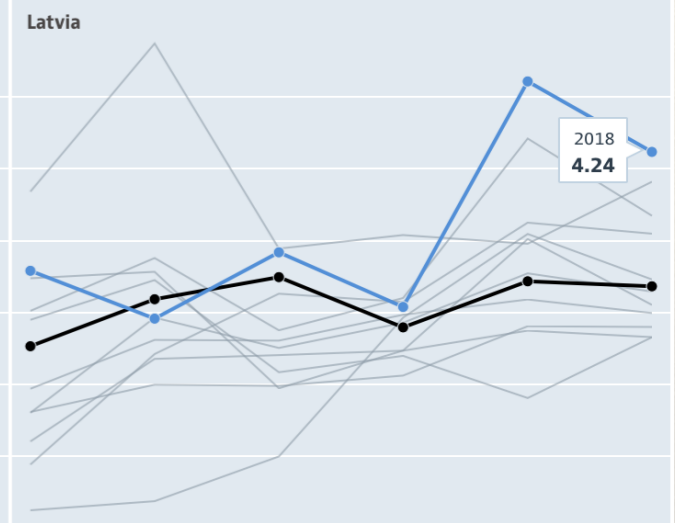
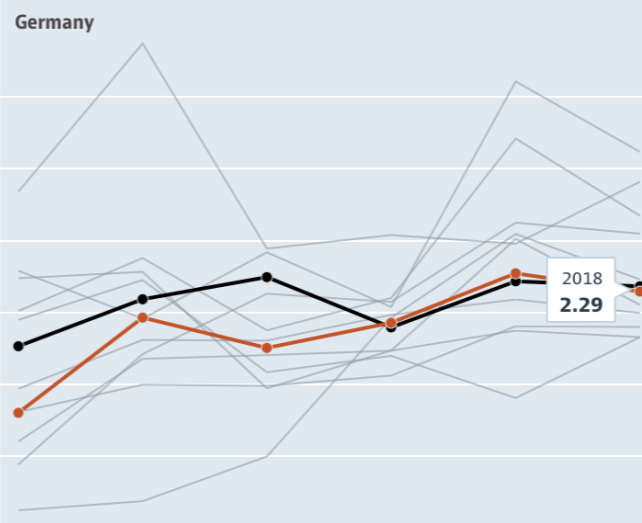
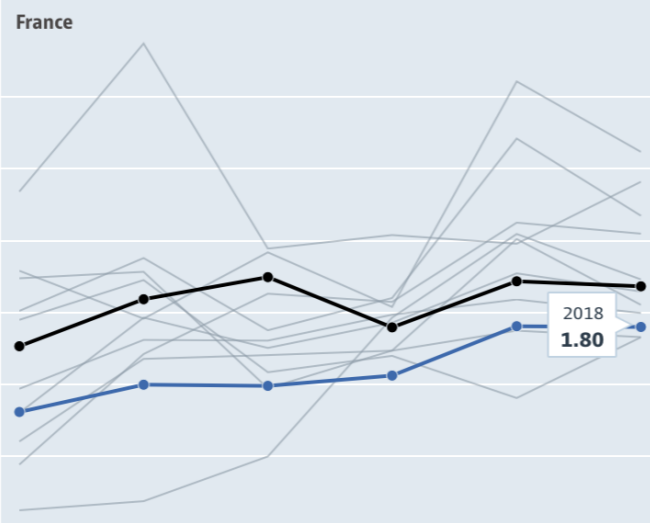
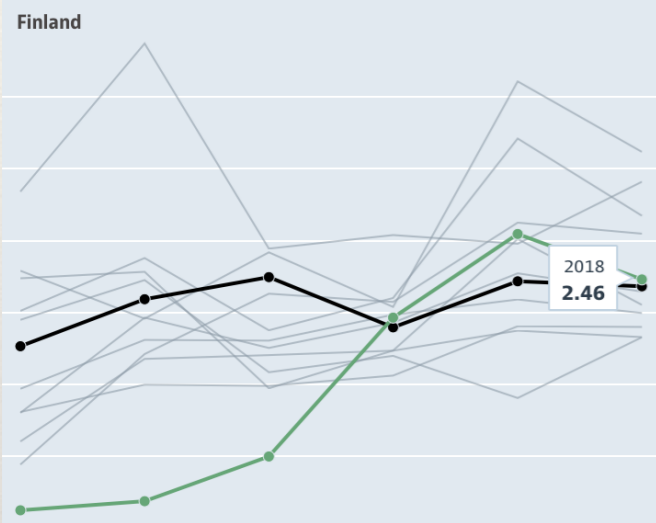
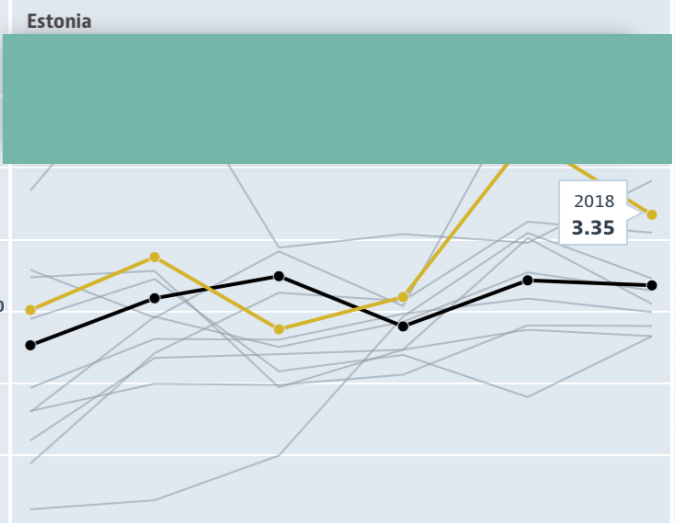
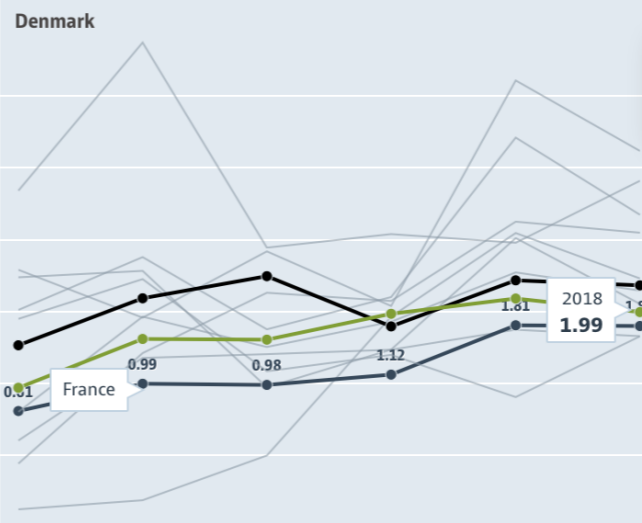
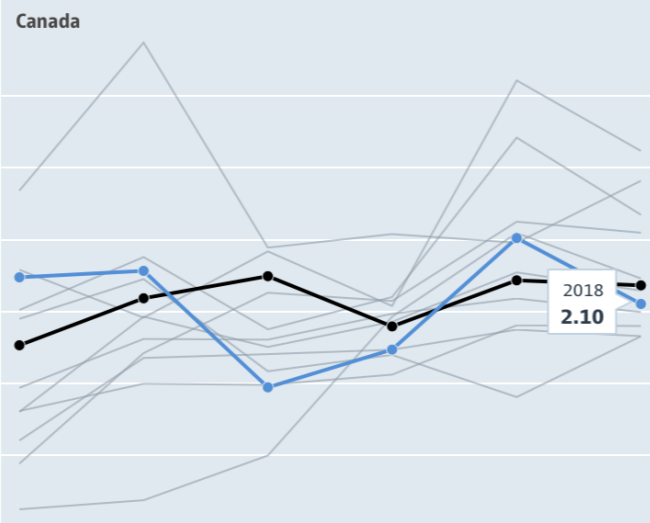
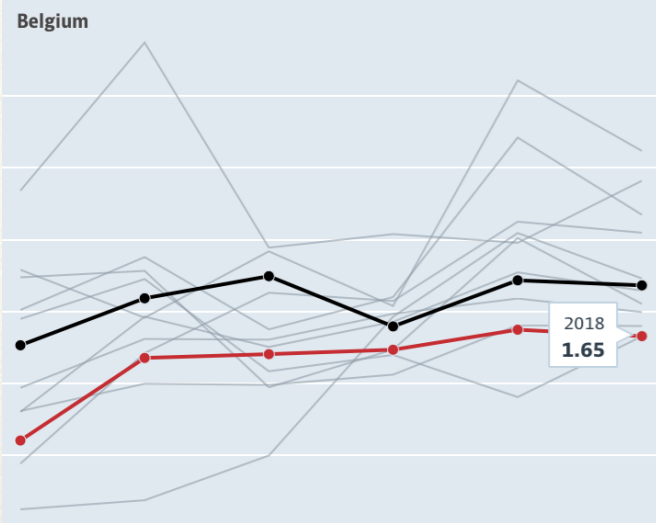


Out-of-pocket payments in healthcare are high

Household out-of-pocket expenditure, % of total current expenditure on health care, 2015



Source: OECD (2017), OECD Health Statistics (database)



KEY ARGUMENT for EC

Latvia is fiscally solvent to treat HIV/ AIDS, Hep C, and TB according to the latest WHO and ECDC guidelines

It is the question of political will and NOT budgetary concerns

Latvia's NGOs currently are not keen on PrEP, as they believe it would take away resources from Test and Treat allocations

PrEP in Latvia must be introduced via “DAKHA model”

Health officials from the Ministry of Health were willing to discuss the option further,

although they never heard of PrEP before.

CHALLENGES: E-Health

As a part of 2018 Health Care Reform, all medication prescriptions will be distributed electronically directly to the pharmacies

HIV patients who have used recently electronic prescriptions complained that, at the current stage, the E-Health system does not post 100% reimbursement and is slow

Some doctors are concerned with security issues pertinent to the data on HIV, TB, and Hep C patients. While, officially bulletproof, in light of Latvia's low corruption score, the system may be prone to breaches by insurance companies and employers

2018 Health Care Reform, before it has even taken an effect, is continuously attacked by opposing political parties, who do not want the current MoH Andra Chaksha to succeed in order to pay a way to a private insurance based model

Stay Tuned!
