

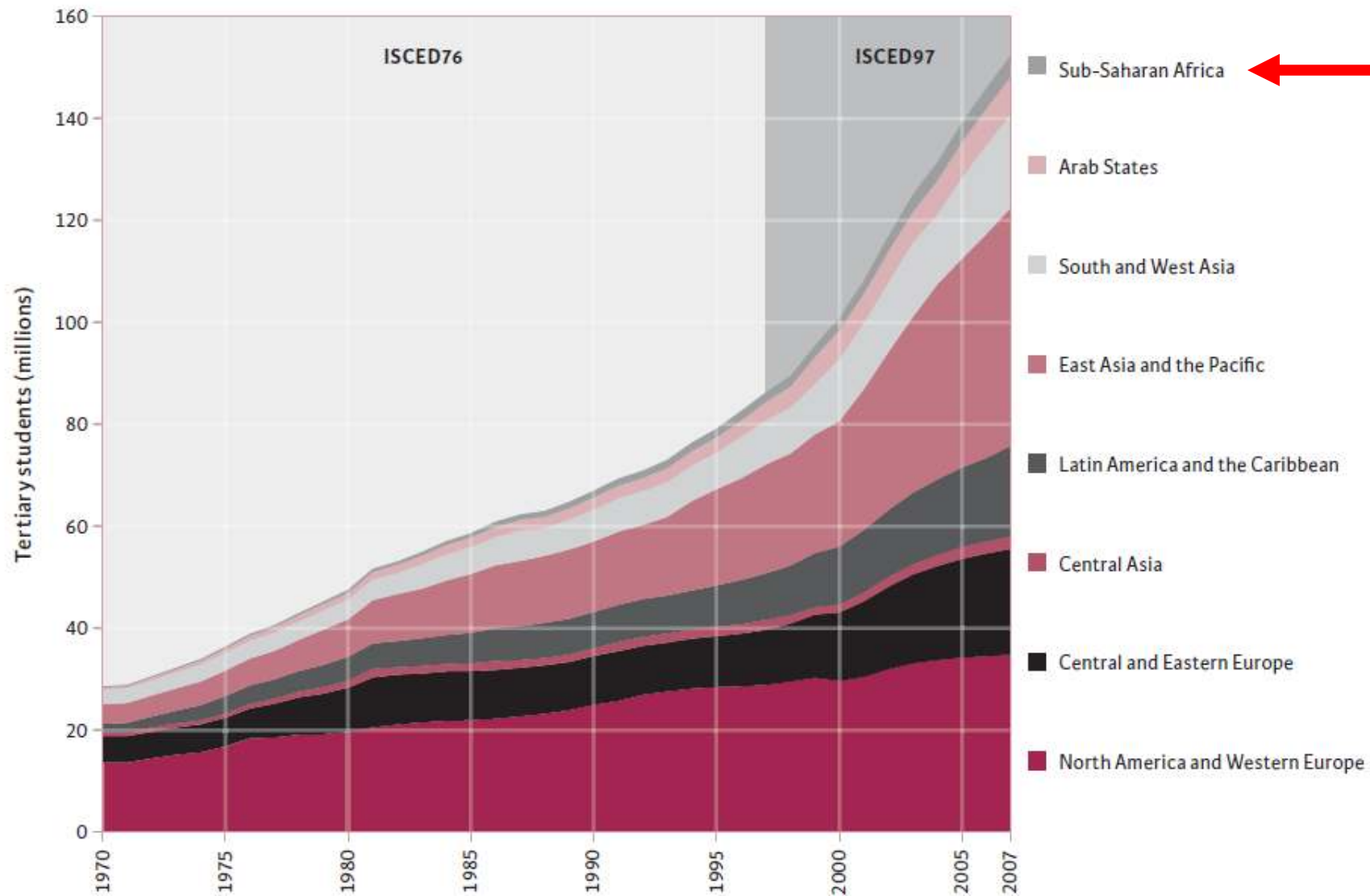
# Higher education in sub-Saharan Africa – A statistical portrait

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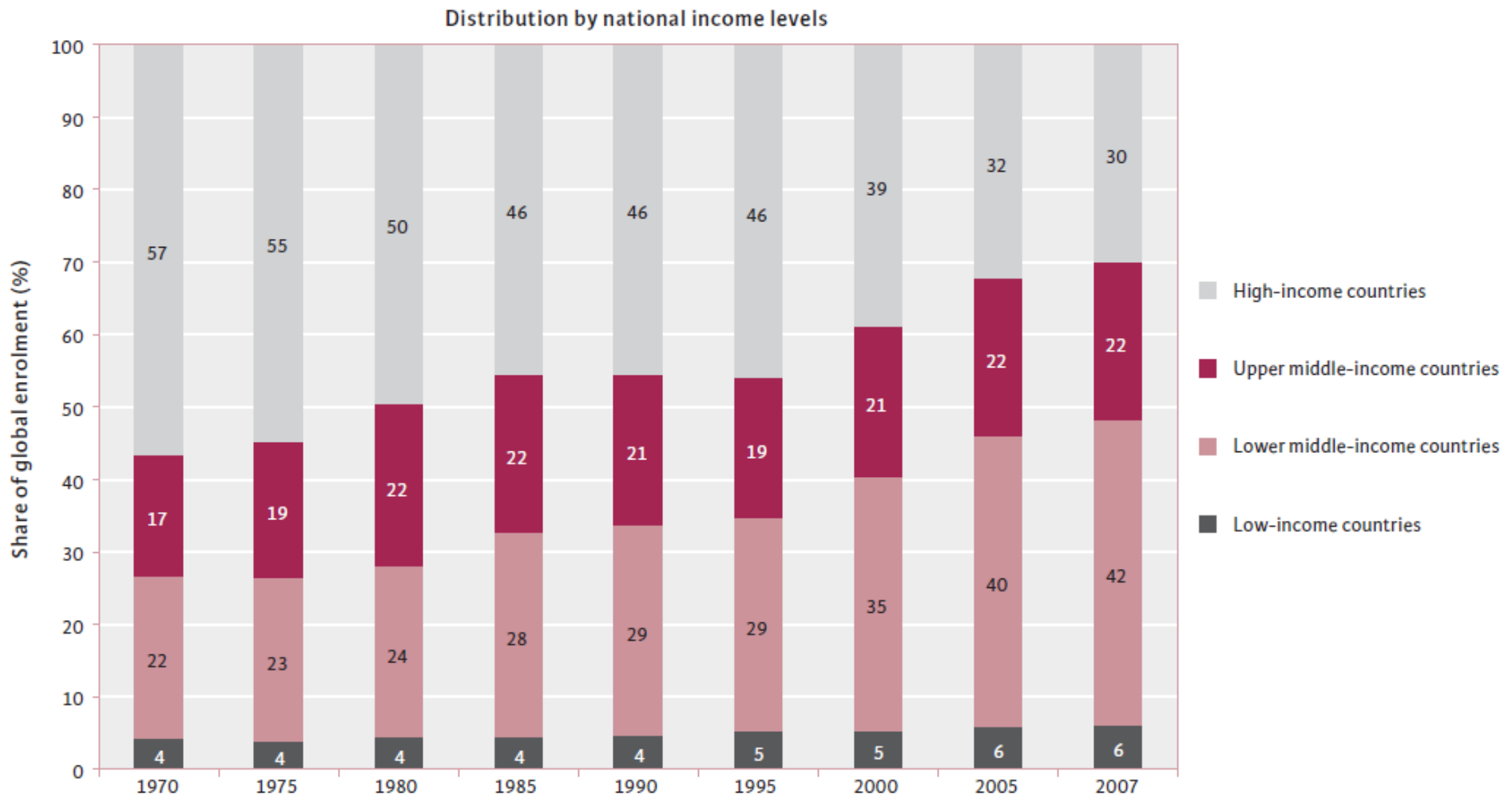
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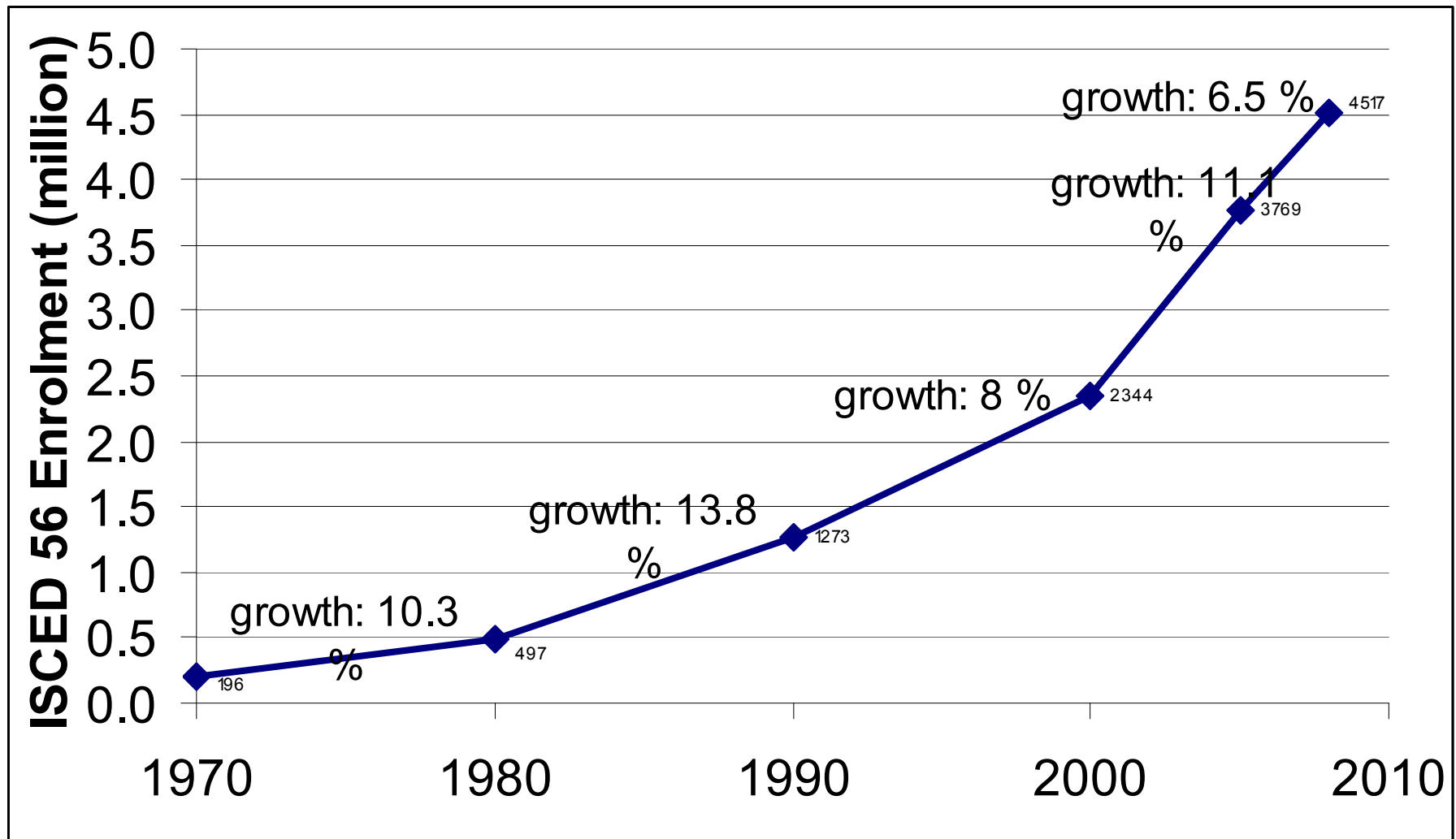
# Explosive growth in the global number of tertiary students ...



# ... and strong regional shifts

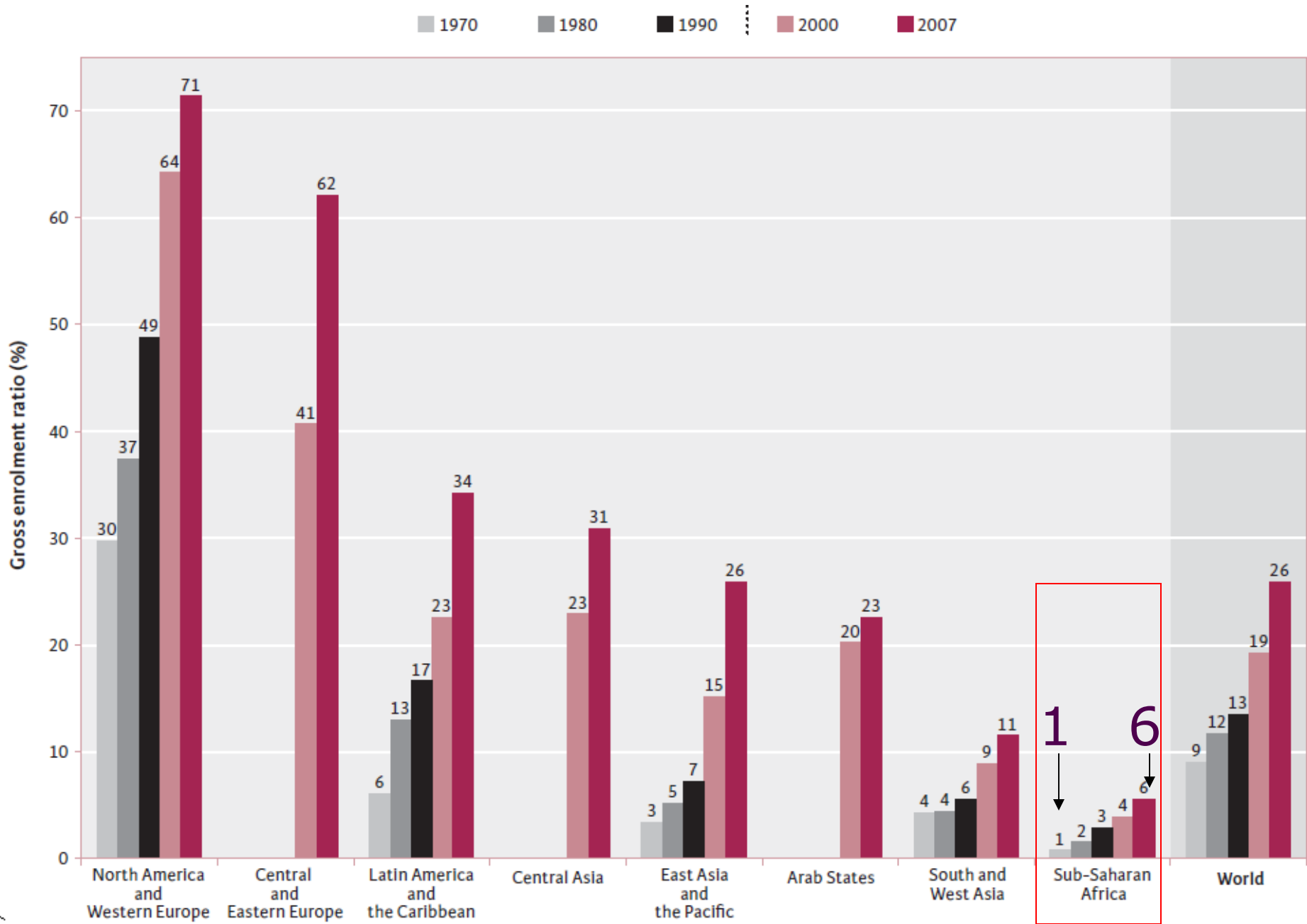


# Explosive growth in SSA

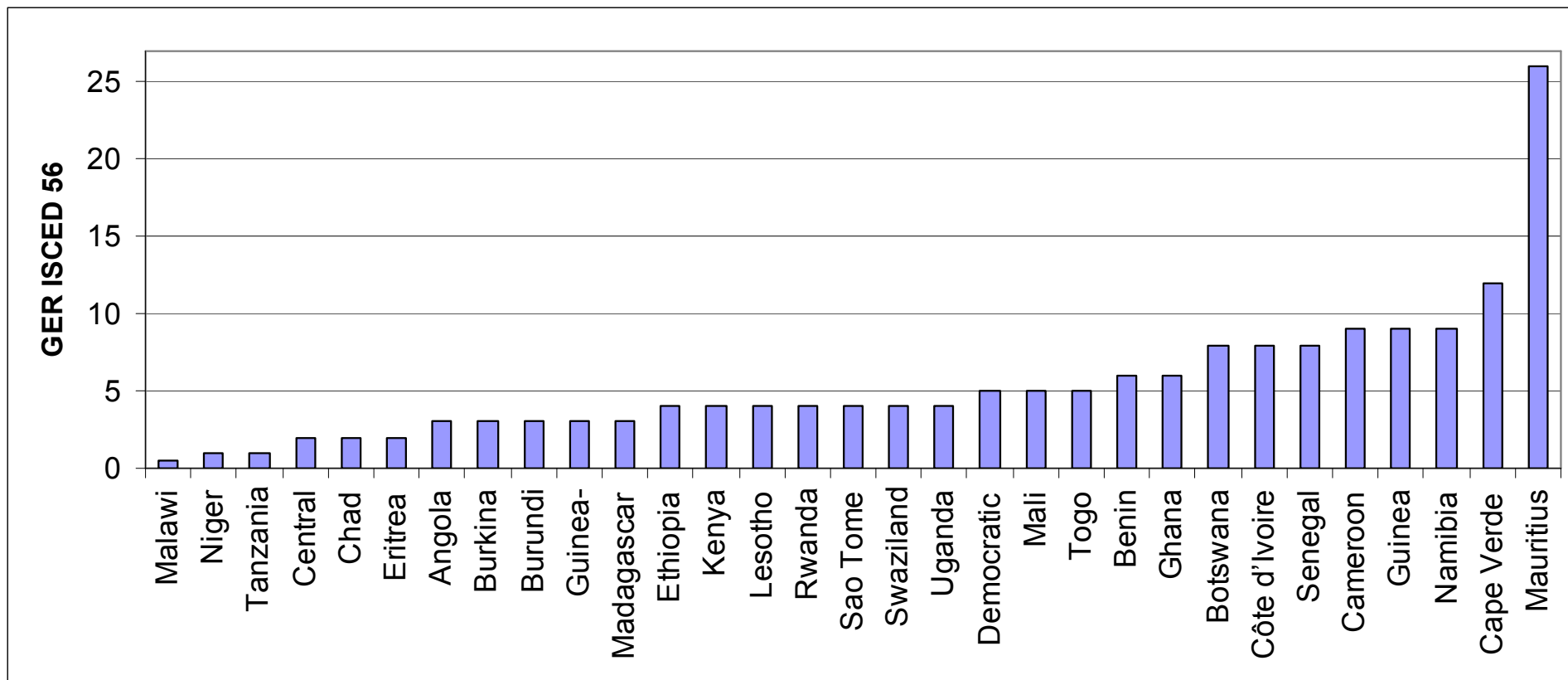


# sub-Saharan Africa: Too slow, right, or too fast?

- For about 4 decades, enrolment grew on average of **8.6% annually**. (196thd to
- Education planners are faced with the challenge of recruiting staff for systems that are doubling in size every 8 years.
- Yet, the absolute size of the system is behind: 3.7 million more students in 40 years, this took two years in China or five years in Latin America and the Caribbean



# GER for tertiary education in sub-Saharan Africa

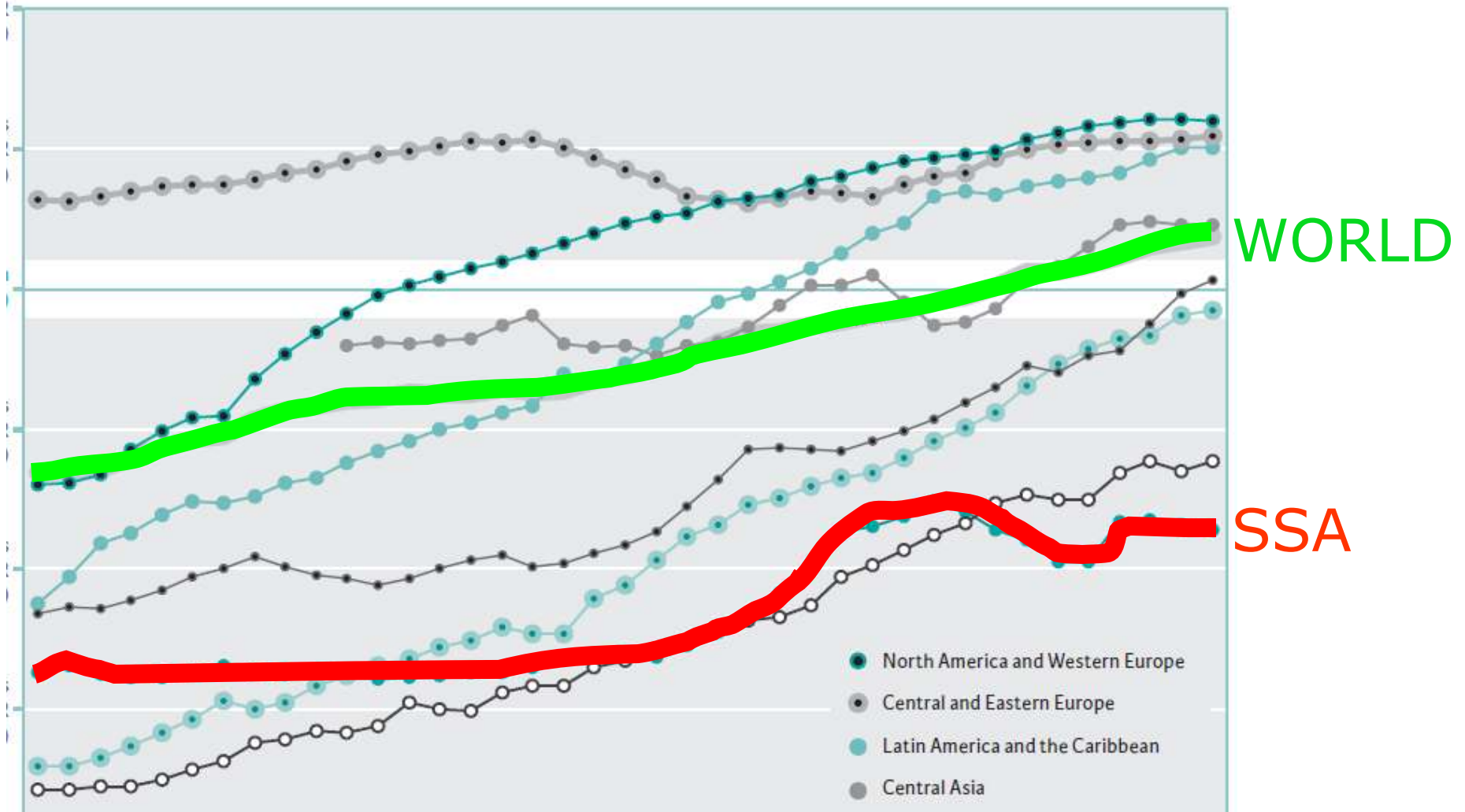


# GER Ratio ISCED 3 to ISCED 56

Region	Ratio of upper secondary gross enrolment ratio over tertiary gross enrolment ratio	
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	1999	2007
Arab States	2.4	2.4
Central and Eastern Europe	2.1	1.4
Central Asia	4.5	3.7
East Asia and the Pacific	3.3	2.4
Latin America and the Caribbean	2.9	2.1
North America and Western Europe	1.6	1.4
South and West Asia	4.2	3.4
Sub-Saharan Africa	5.3	4.7
WORLD	2.6	2.1

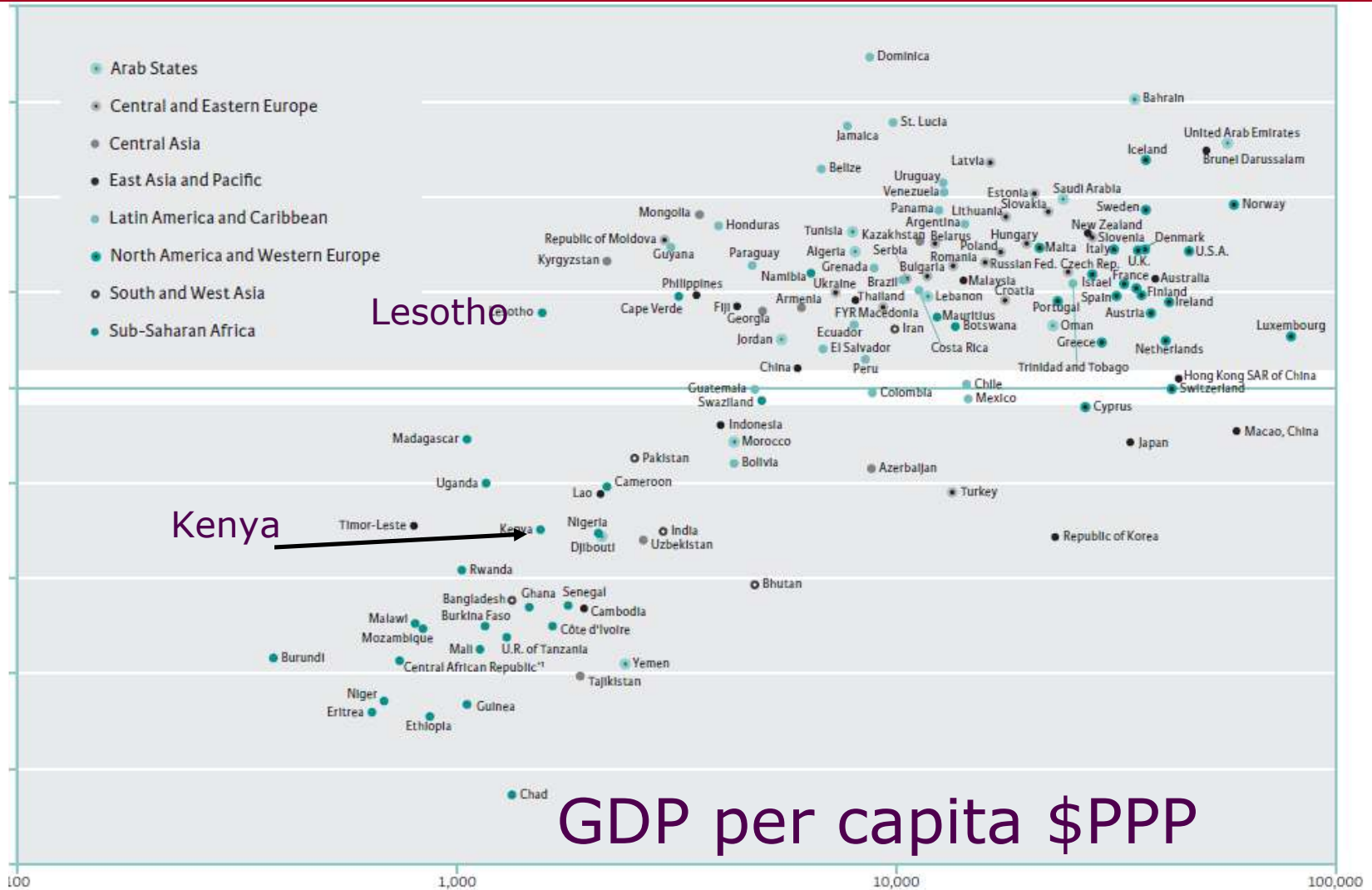


# It WAS a men's world, but it still is in SSA



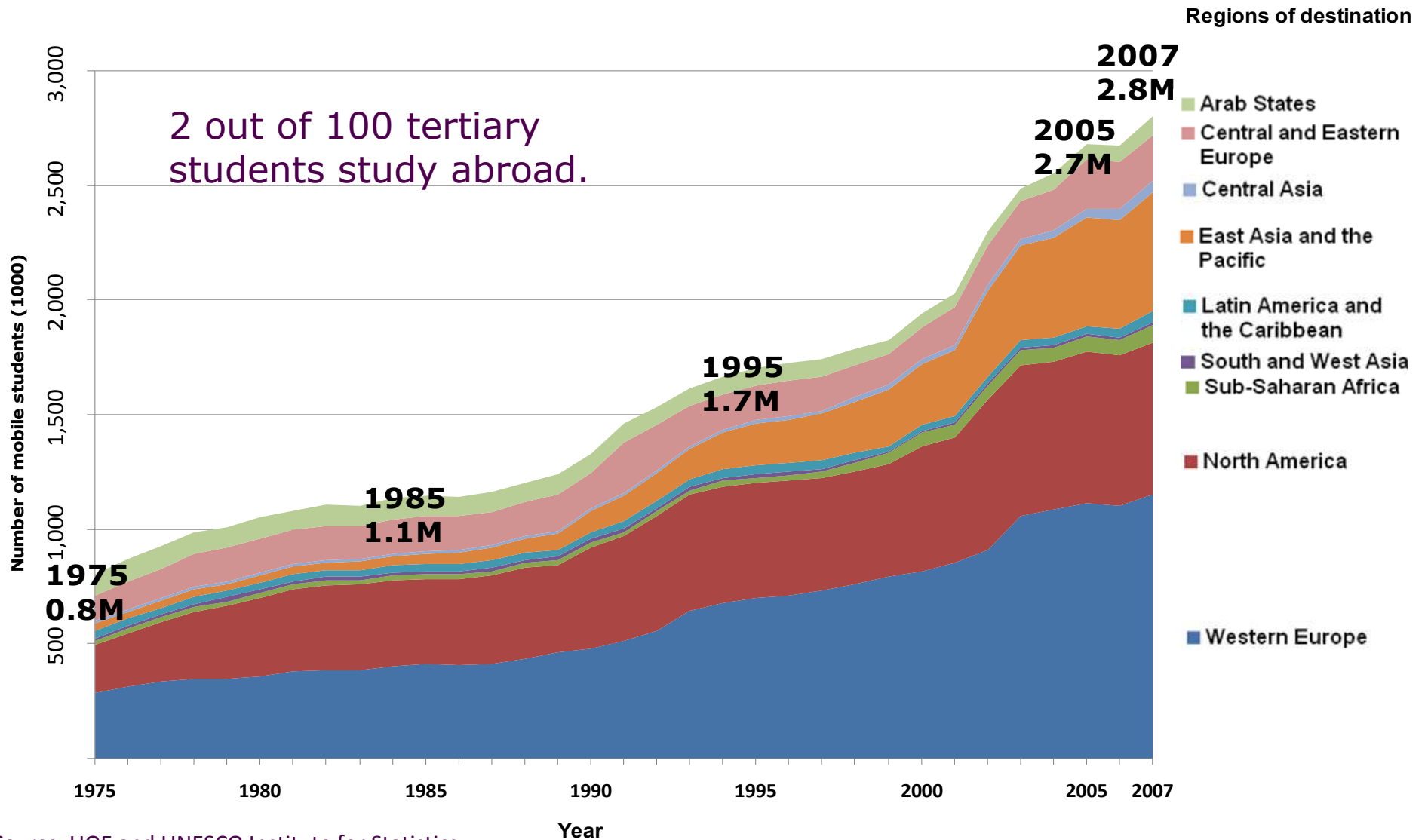
# It IS a men's world where resources are sparse

Adjusted Gender Parity of GER



# Long-term growth of mobile students

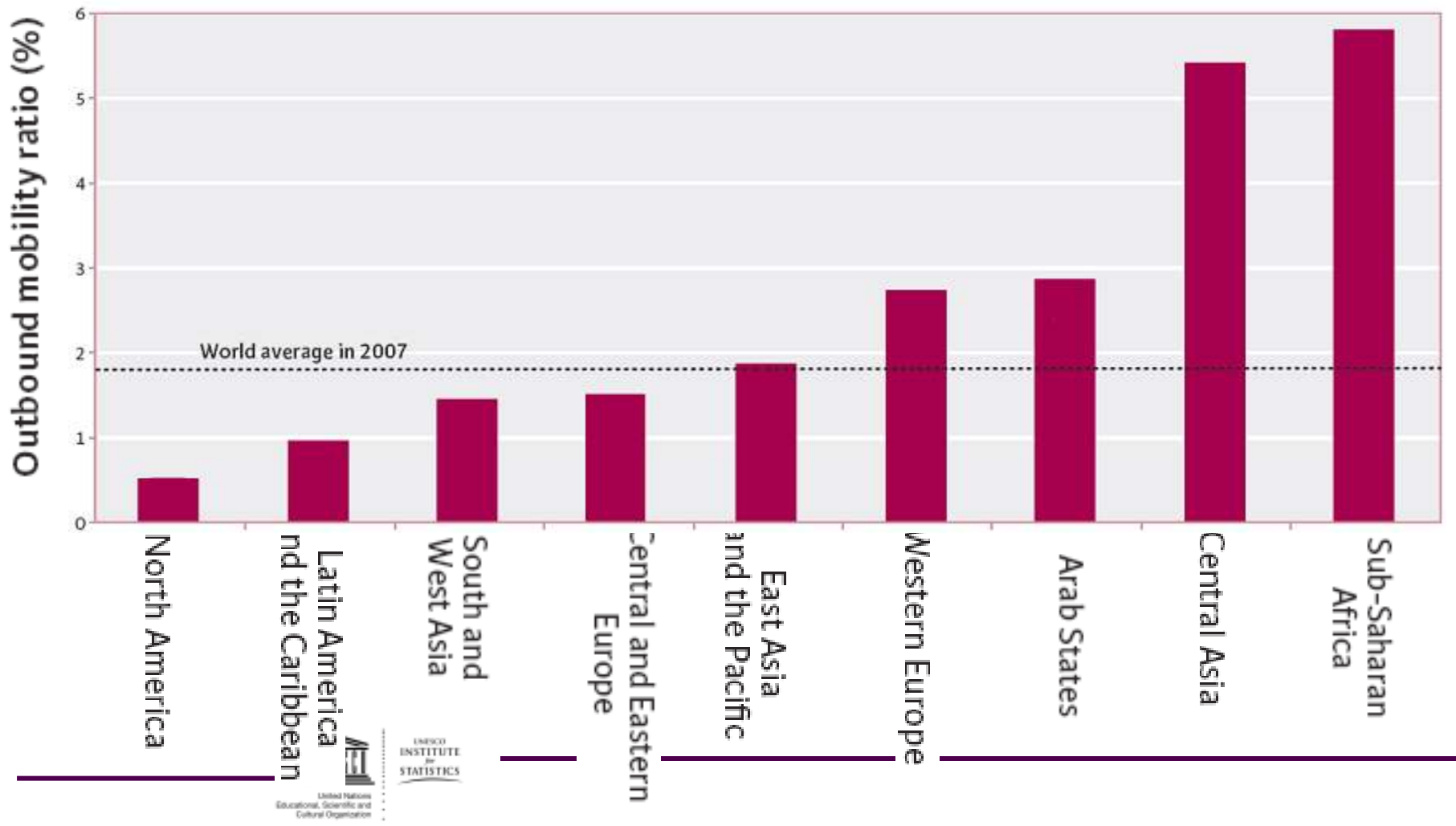
*Since 1975, the number of mobile students has grown by almost 350%*



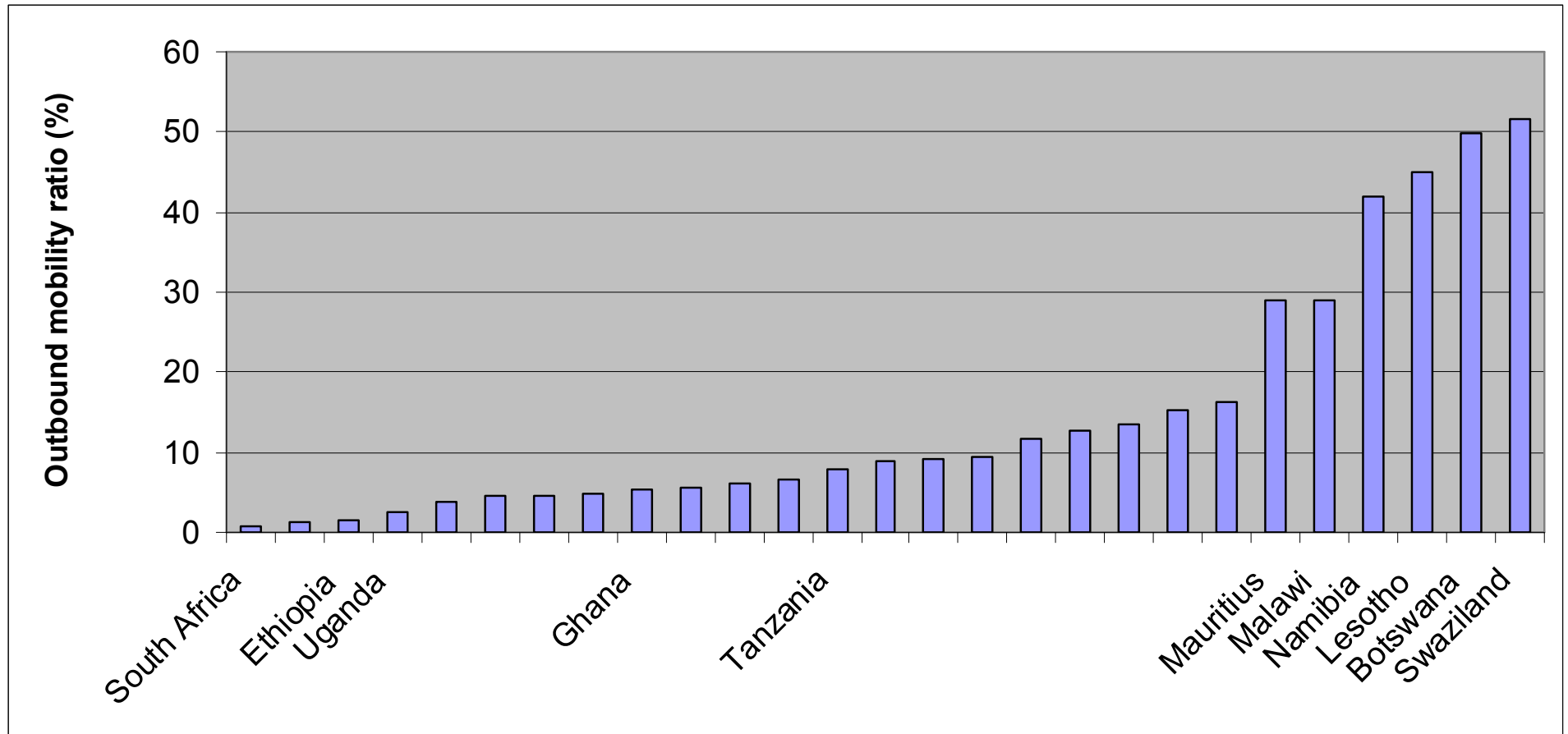
Source: UOE and UNESCO Institute for Statistics.

# The global share of mobile students is relatively stable

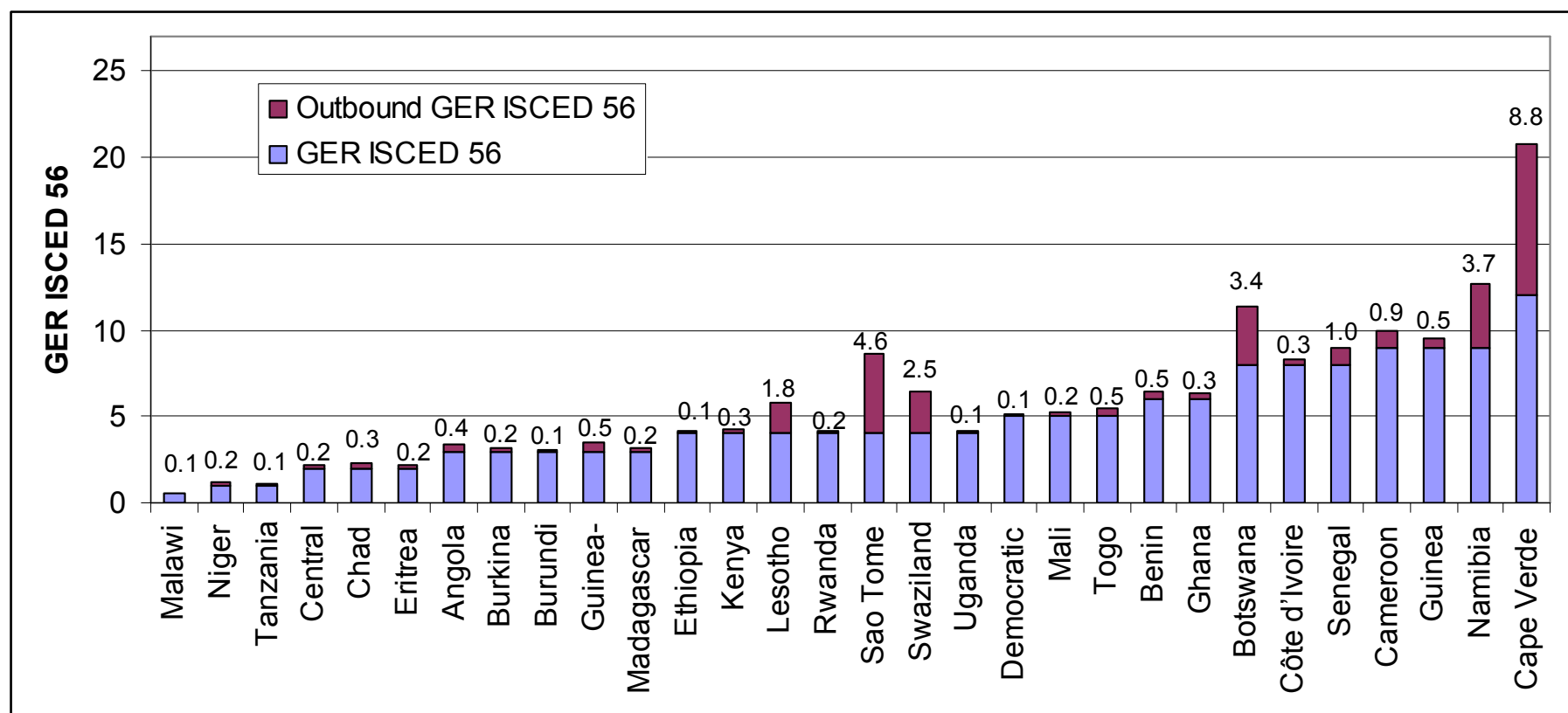
Number of mobile students from a given region as a percentage of tertiary enrolment in that region (outbound mobility ratio), 1999 and 2007



# Outbound mobility ratio by country



# The full picture: GER and outbound GER

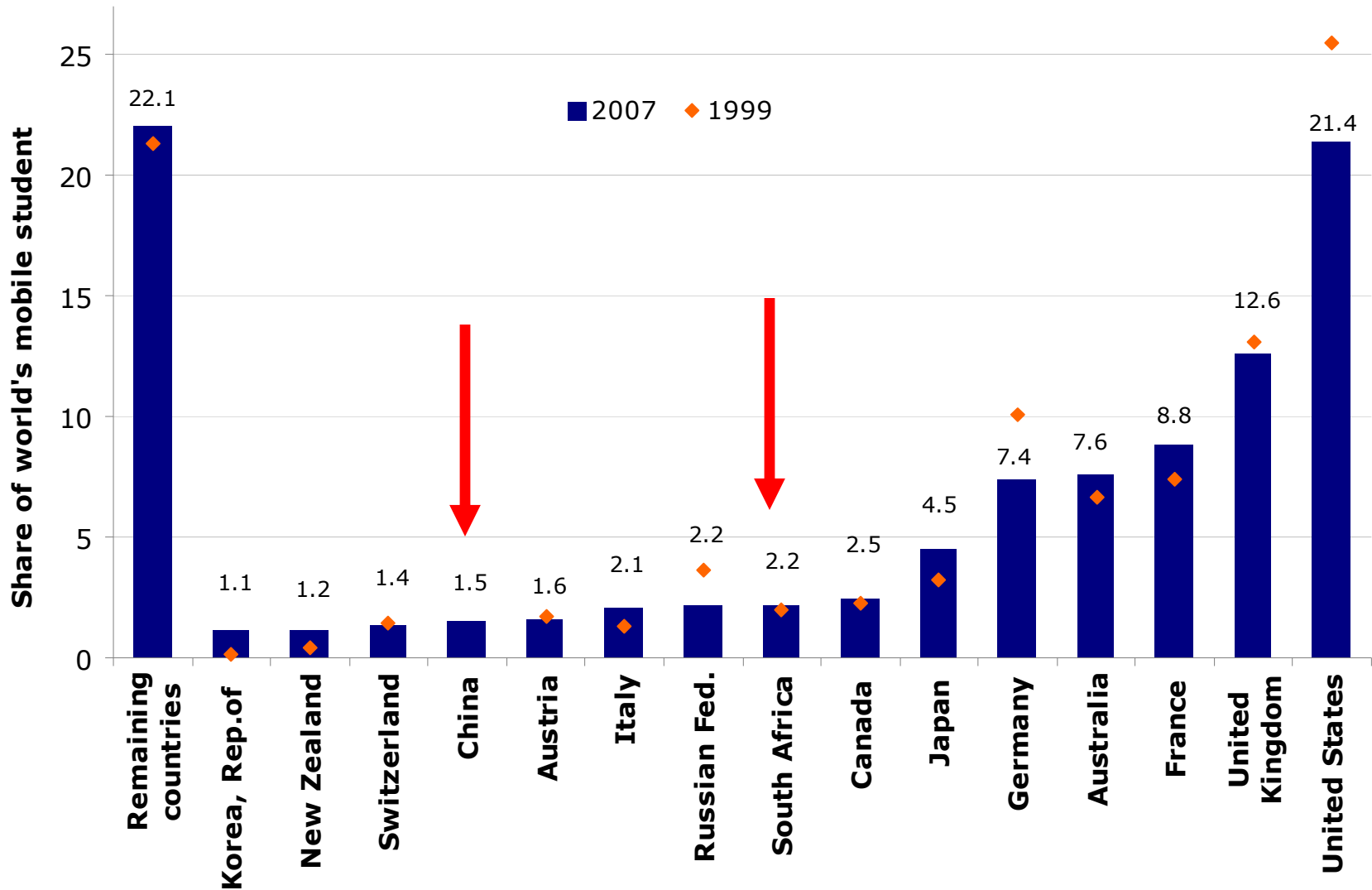


Adding the outbound students to the domestic GER provides a full picture of tertiary education in a country.

Source: GED 2010 Statistical Tables 8 and 10.

# Which are the major host countries?

*The top six countries hosted 62% of the world's mobile students in 2007, with some changes since 1999*



# Where do mobile students study?

