OECD REGIONAL OUTLOOK 2023 The Longstanding Geography of Inequalities 2 October 2023

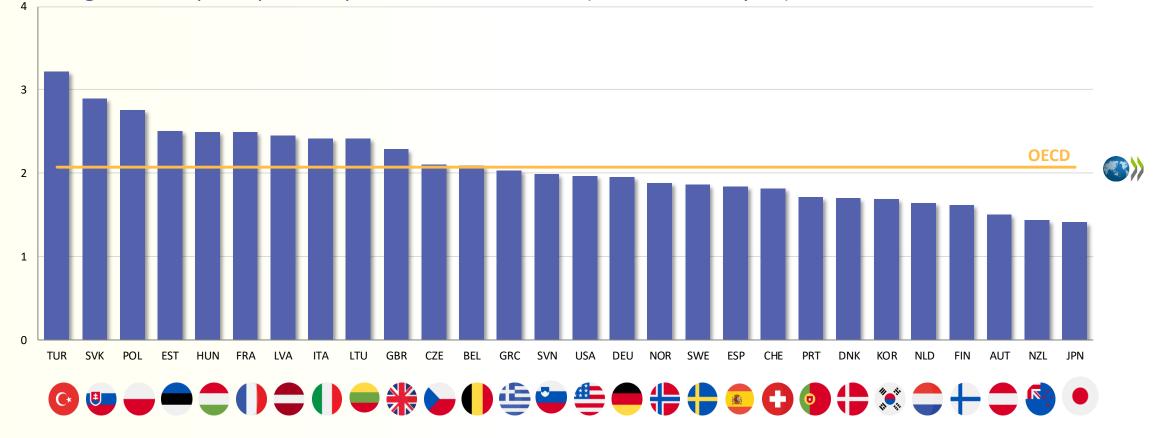
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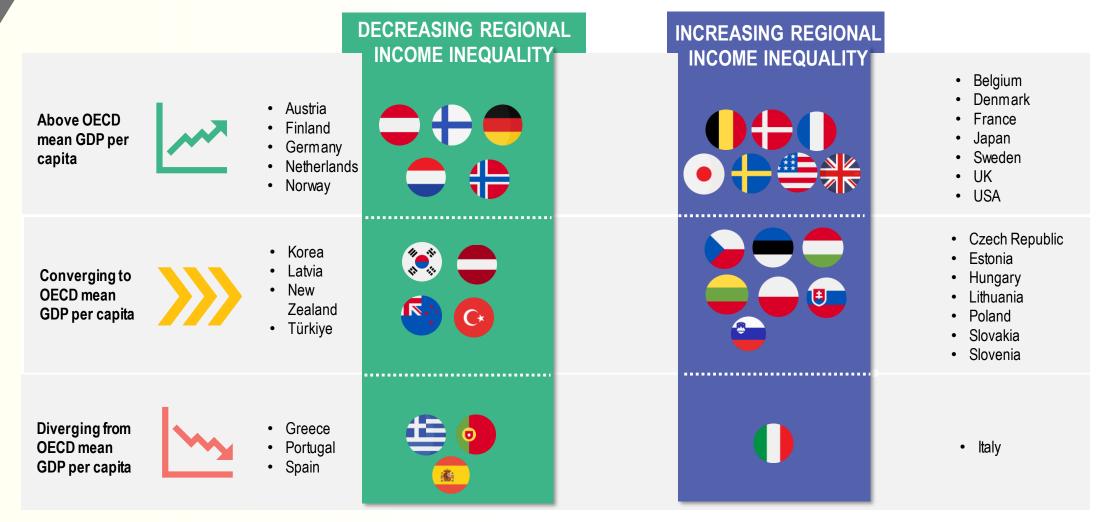
There are wide disparities in regional income across OECD countries

Regional GDP per capita of top 20% over bottom 20% (latest available year)



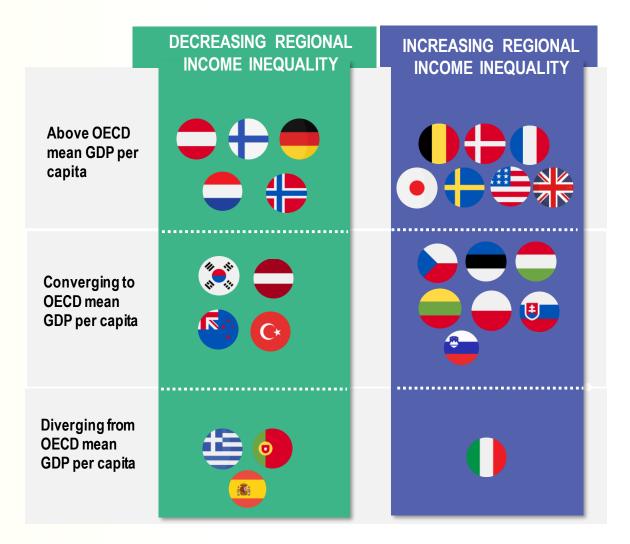
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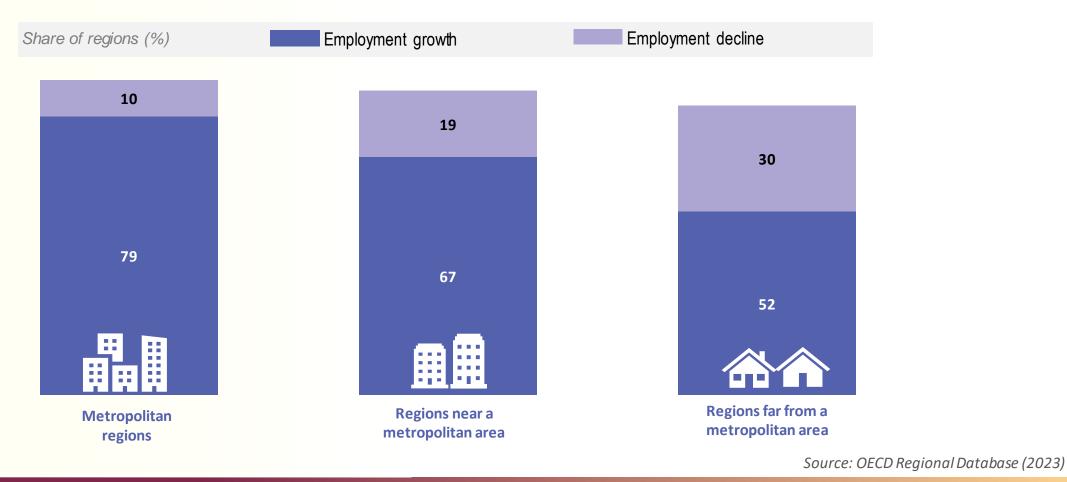
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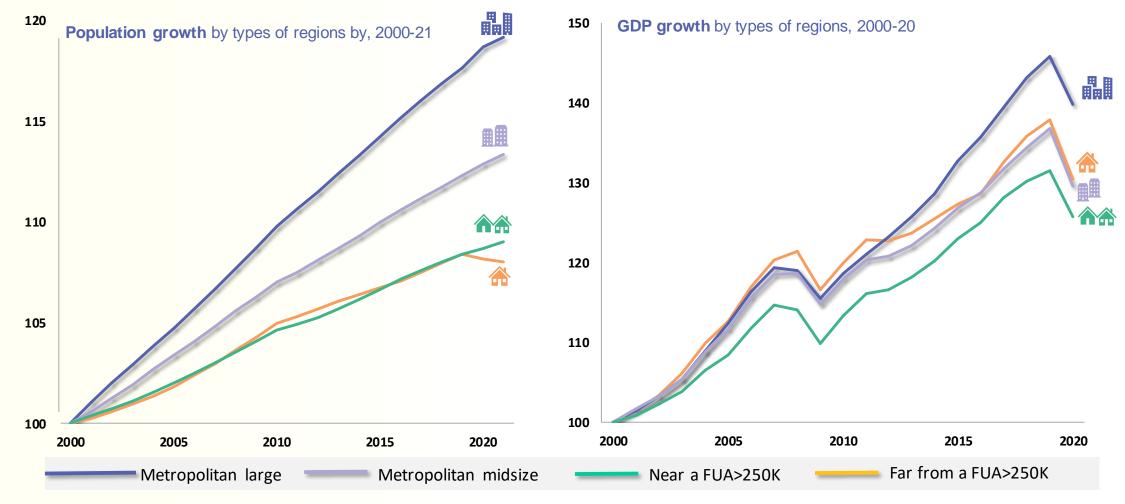


Boosting regional productivity is essential but does not always translate into jobs

Productivity growth is more likely to occur along with employment decline in regions far from metro areas

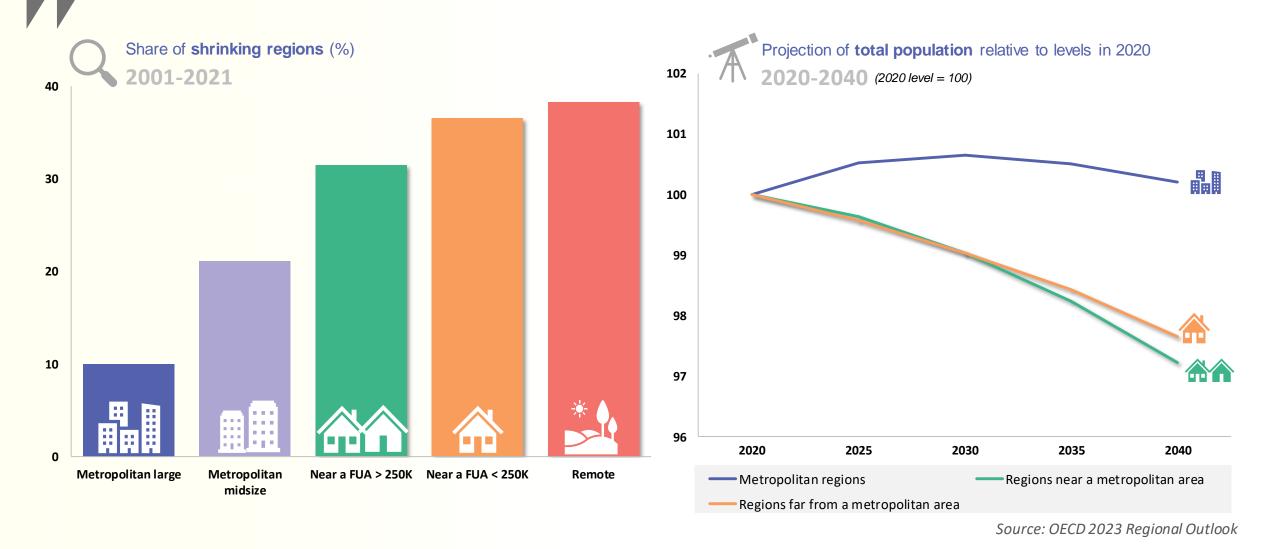


Many metropolitan regions are surging ahead...

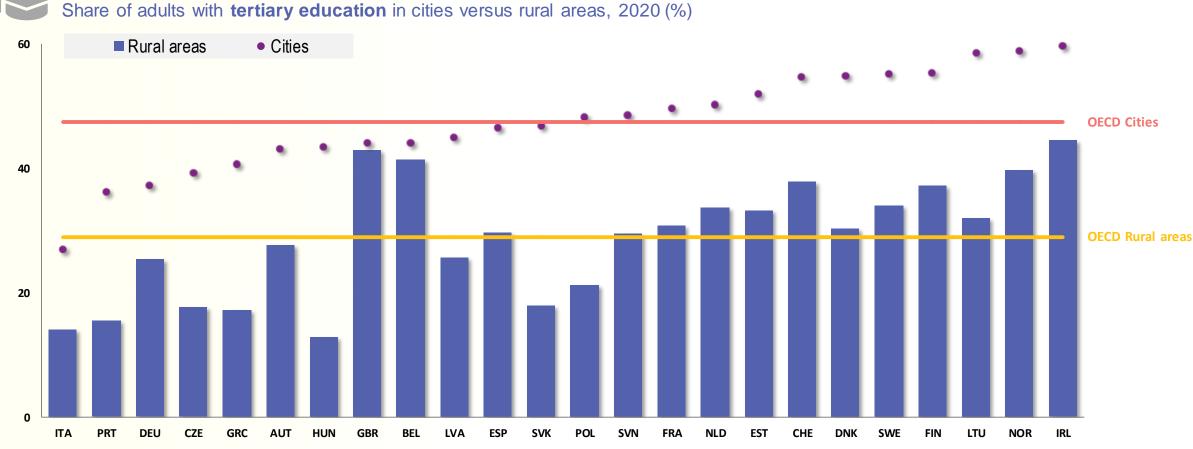


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...while many other regions are shrinking

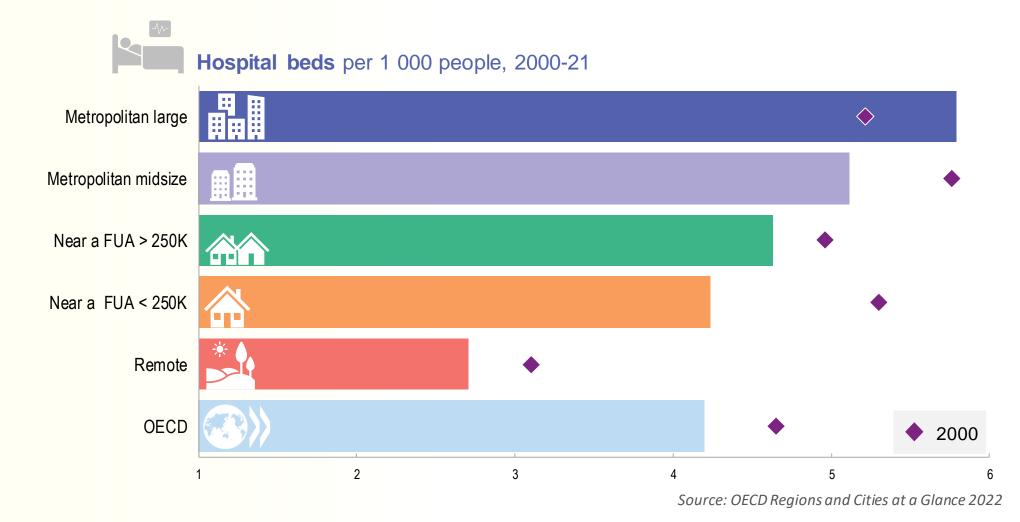


The geography of inequalities is multi-dimensional, including in education...



Source: Eurostat (2022)

There are similar gaps in health...



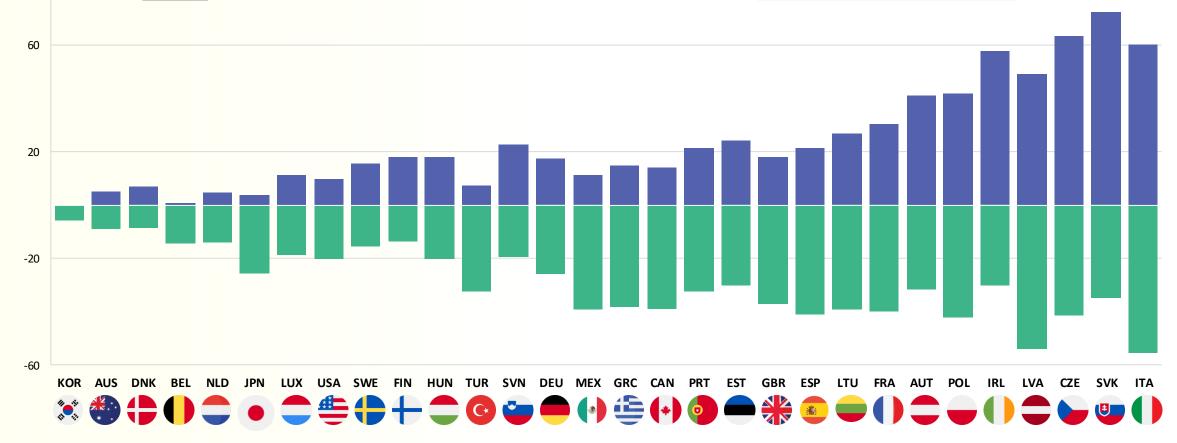
... and in access to digital infrastructure



City-rural gap in access to high-speed internet

Fixed internet speed, % deviation from country average, 2020

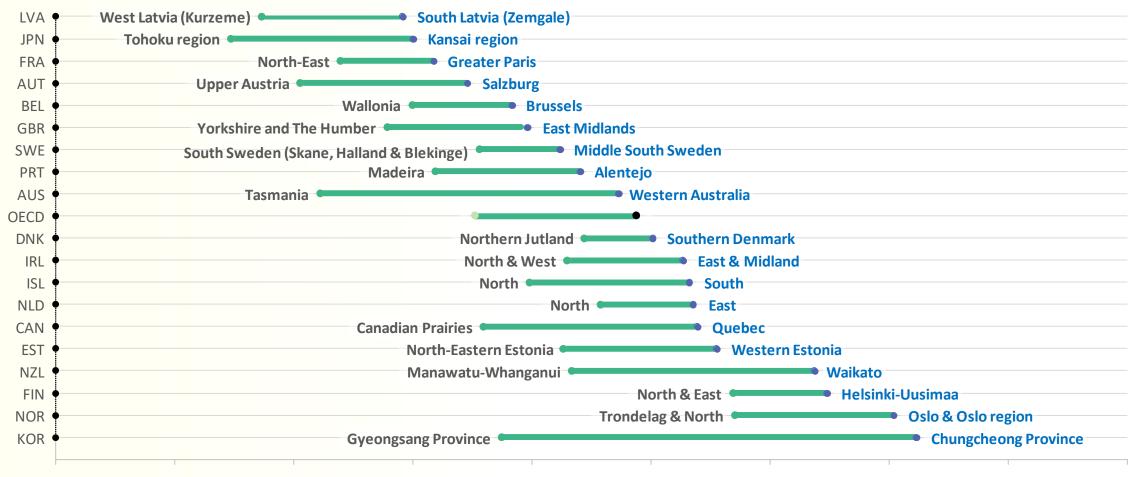




Source: Speed test data from Ookla

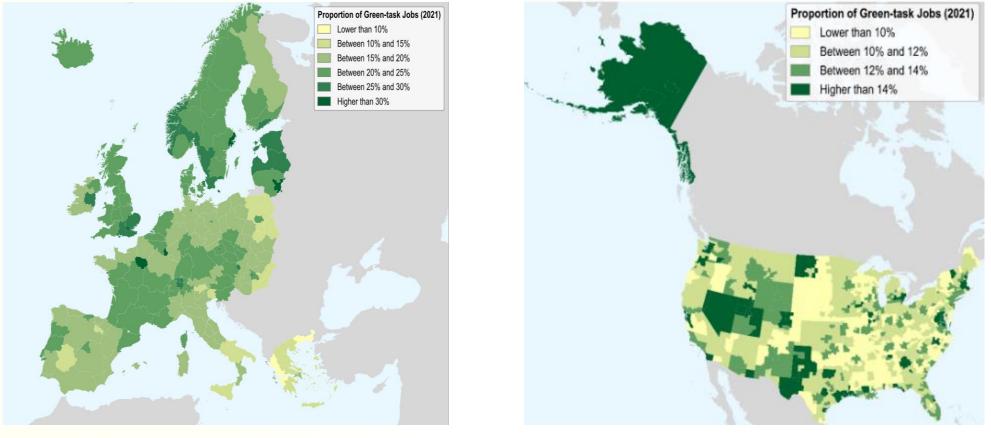
The geography of inequalities is too costly to ignore

Trust in national governments in OECD regions | % with the highest and lowest level of trust by country



Source: OECD (2022), Building Trust to Reinforce Democracy: Main Findings from the 2021 OECD Survey

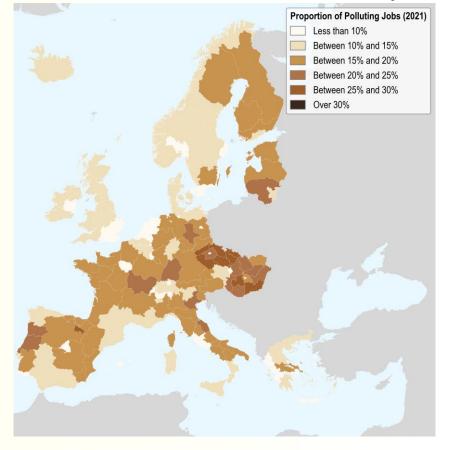
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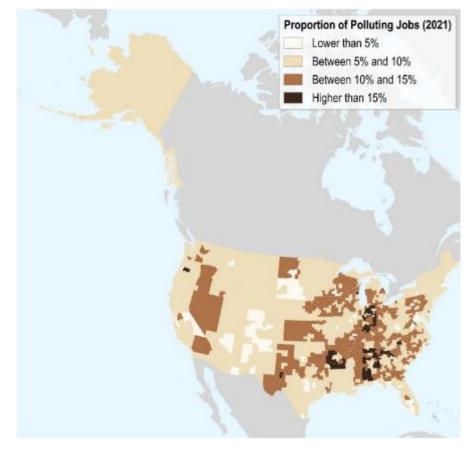
Share of green-task jobs, % of total, 2021

Source: OECD Job Creation and Local Economic Development 2023

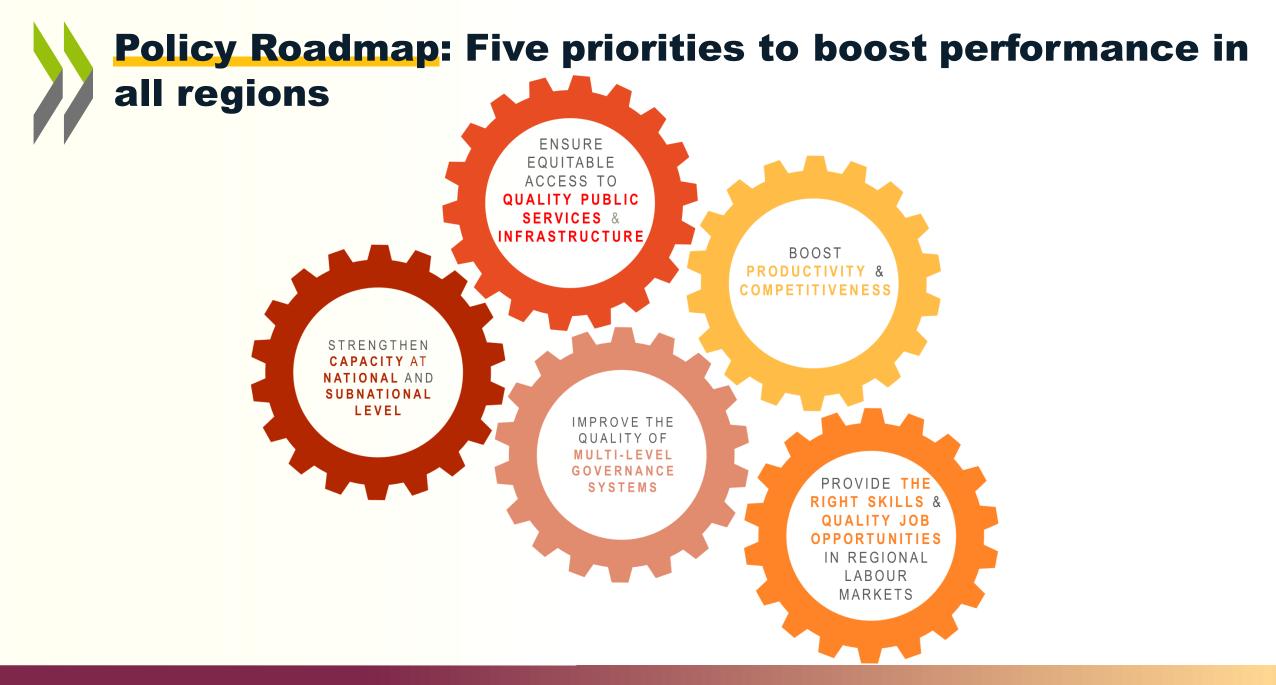
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Share of polluting jobs, % of total, 2021



Source: OECD Job Creation and Local Economic Development 2023



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