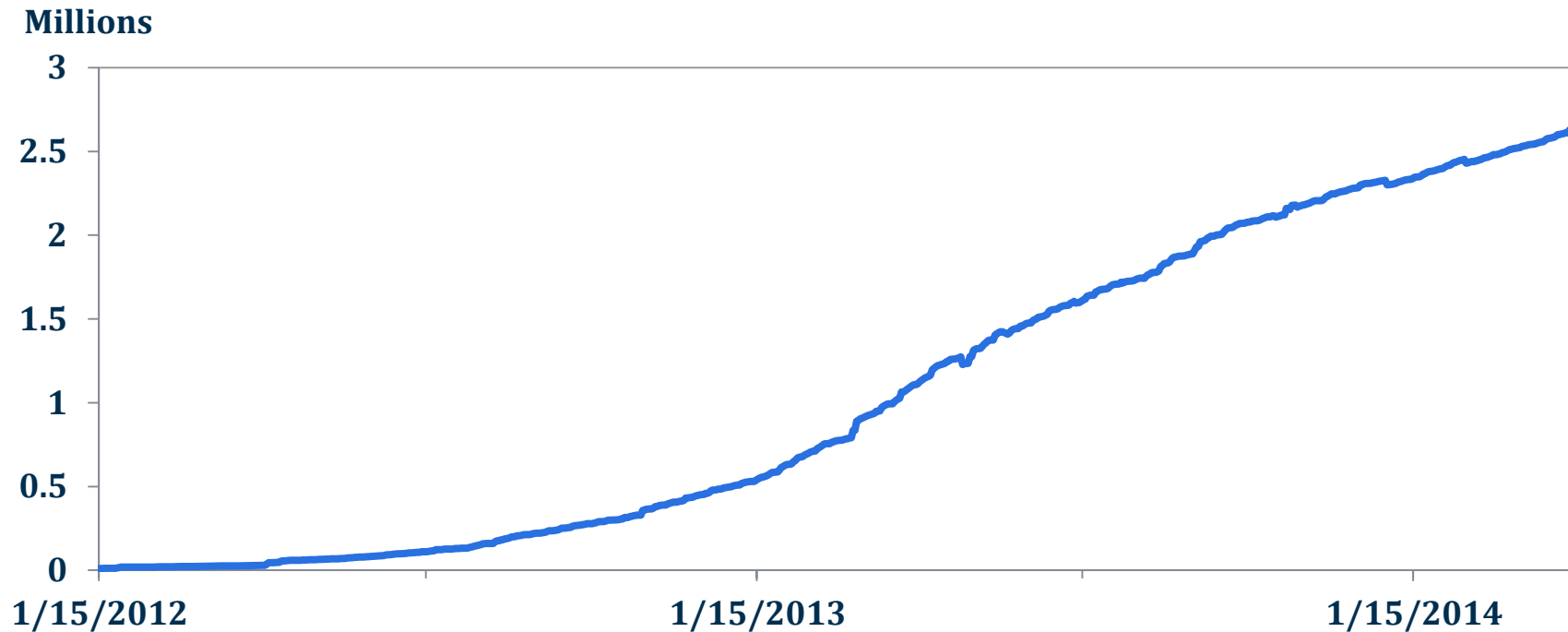


# Growth of Syrian refugees

1/15/2012 to 4/13/2014



Source: UNHCR.

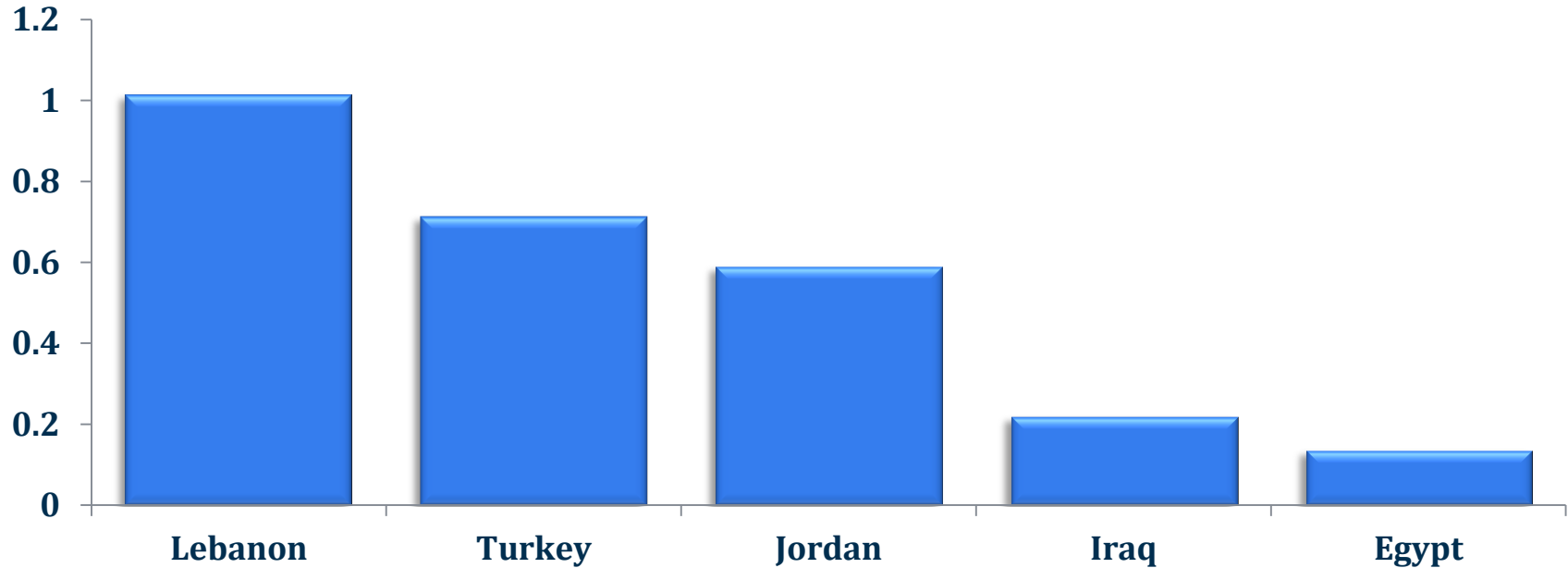
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# Regional distribution of the 2.7 million Syrian refugees

*As of April 10, 2014*



Millions



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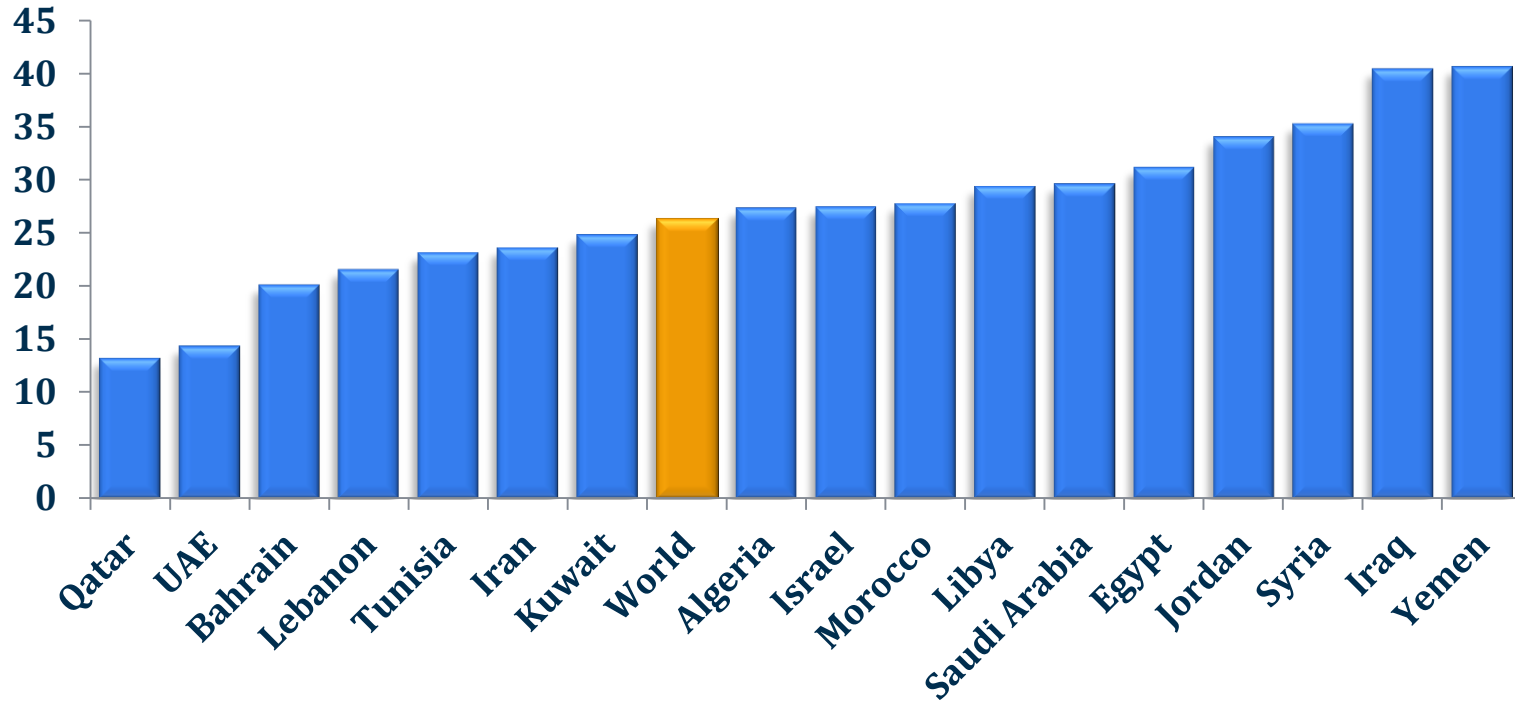
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# Many MENA countries have younger populations

*Population ages 0-14 (% of total population)*

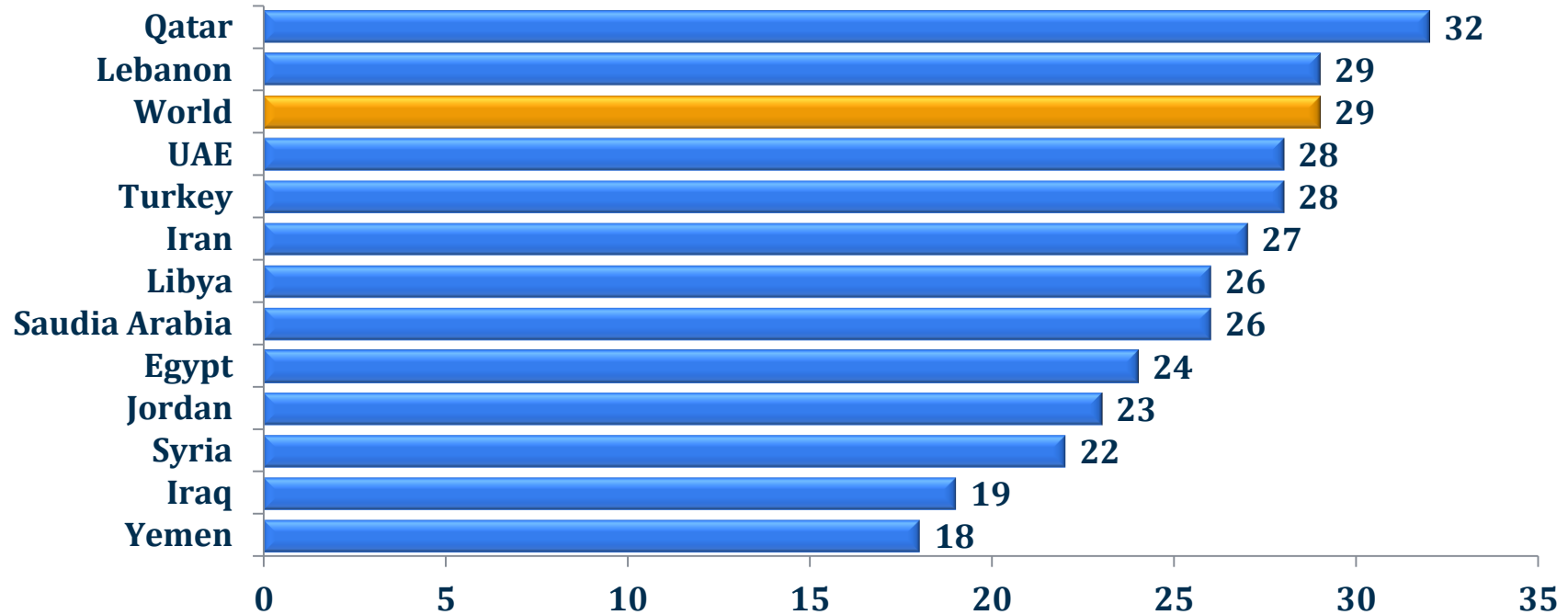


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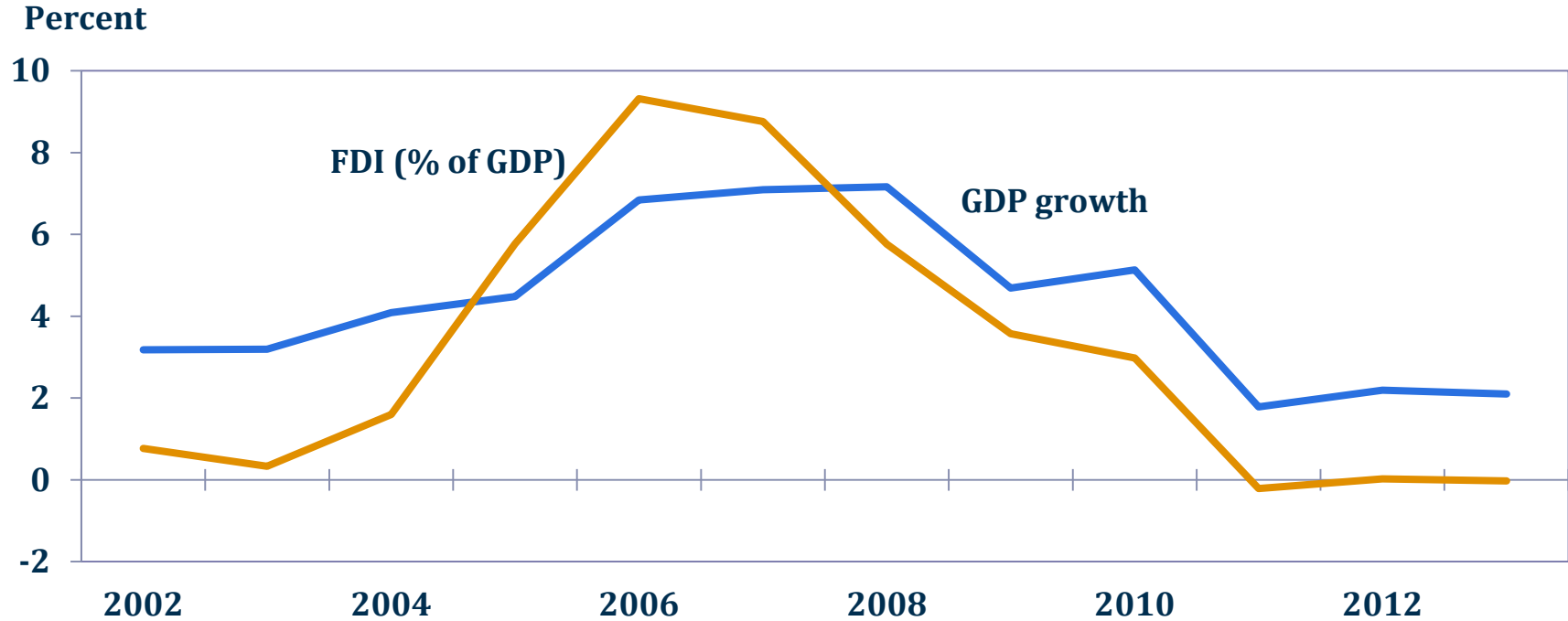


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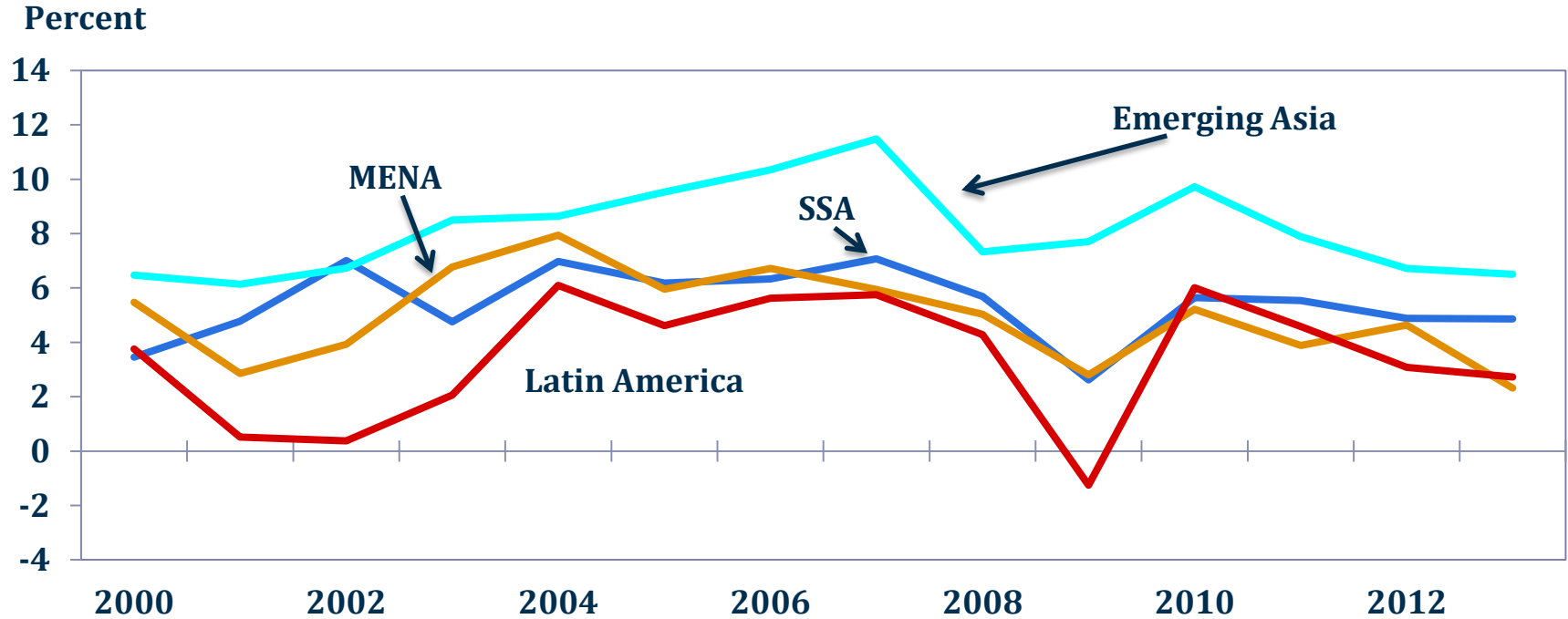
*Median age in 2010 by select countries*



# Egypt's economic uncertainty

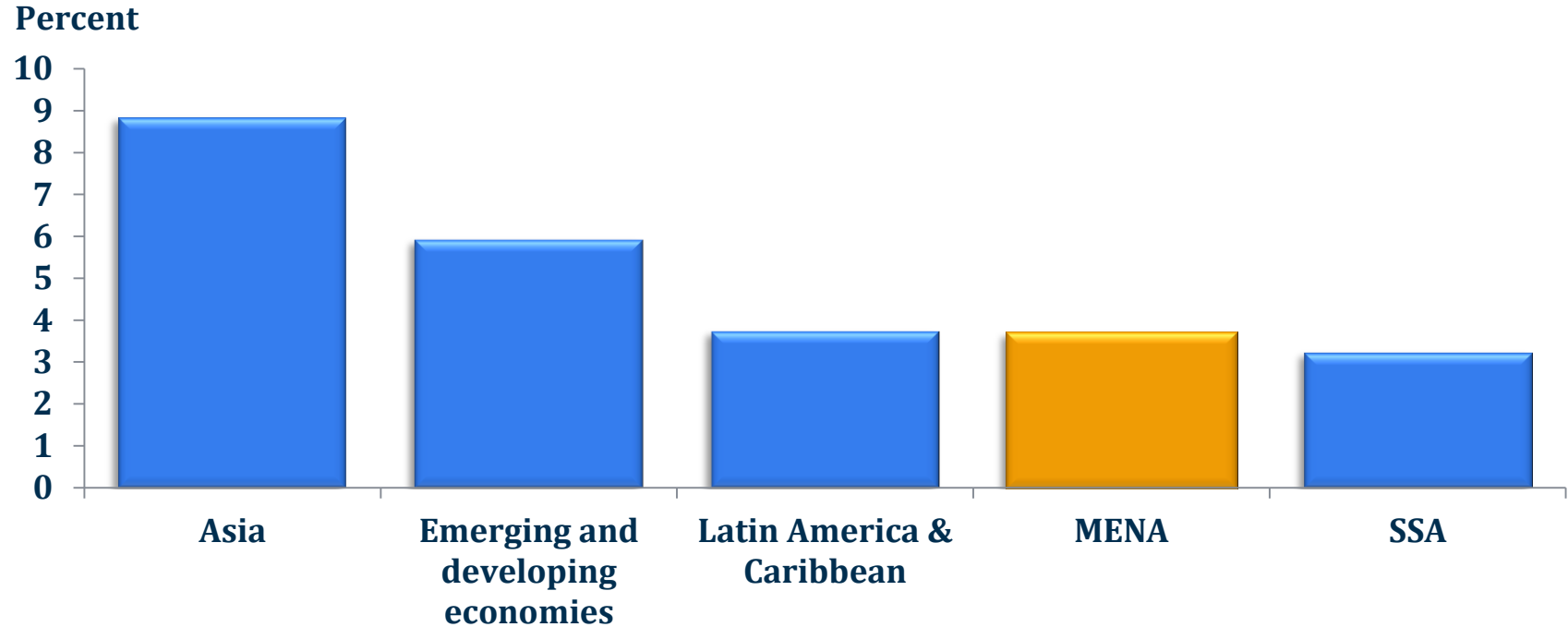


# MENA GDP growth rate in comparison



# Regional per capita growth in comparison

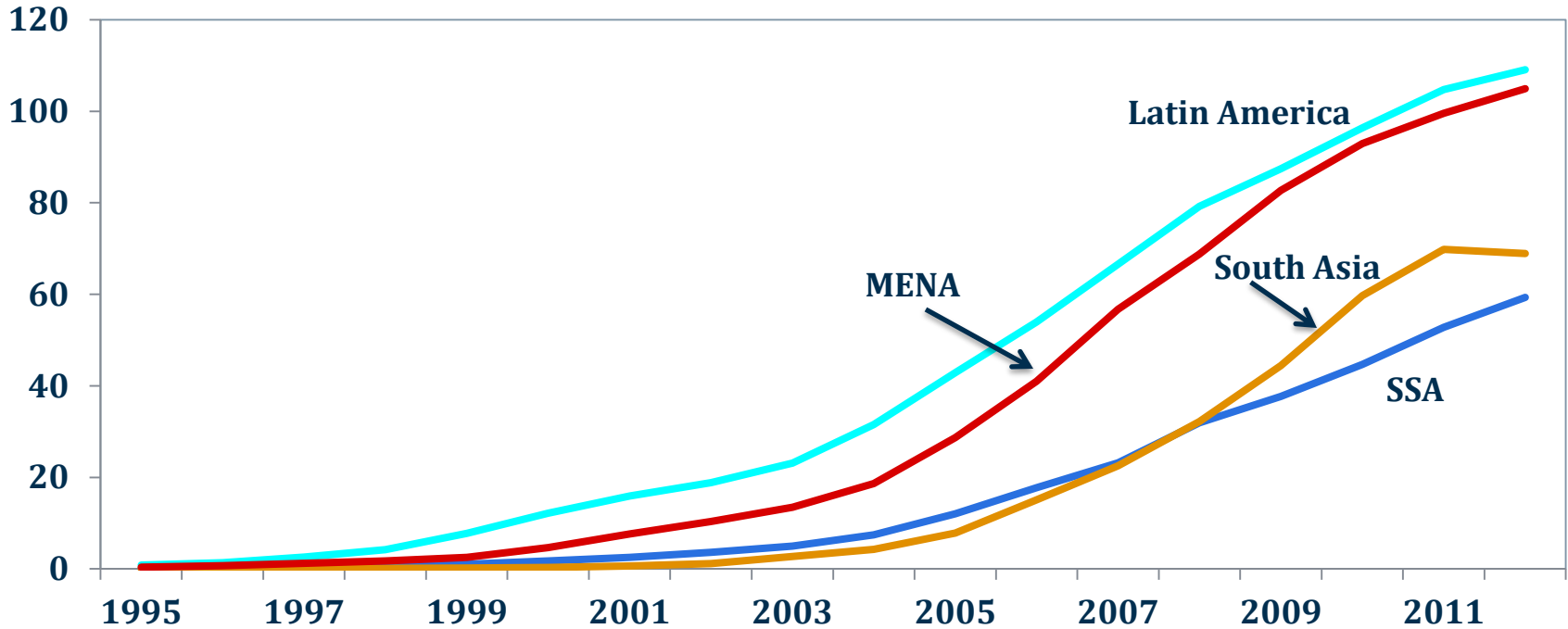
*GDP (PPP) per capita growth, average 1980-2012*



# Use of mobile technology has surged in the past decade



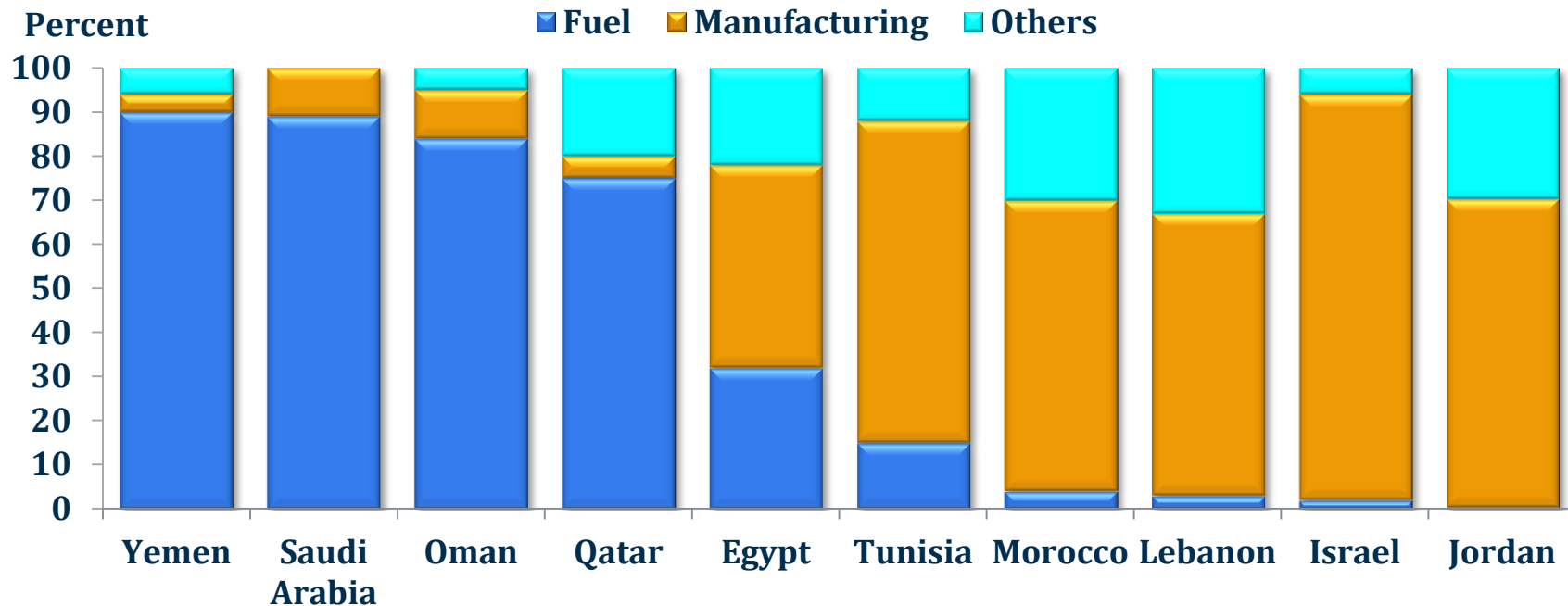
Subscriptions per 100 people





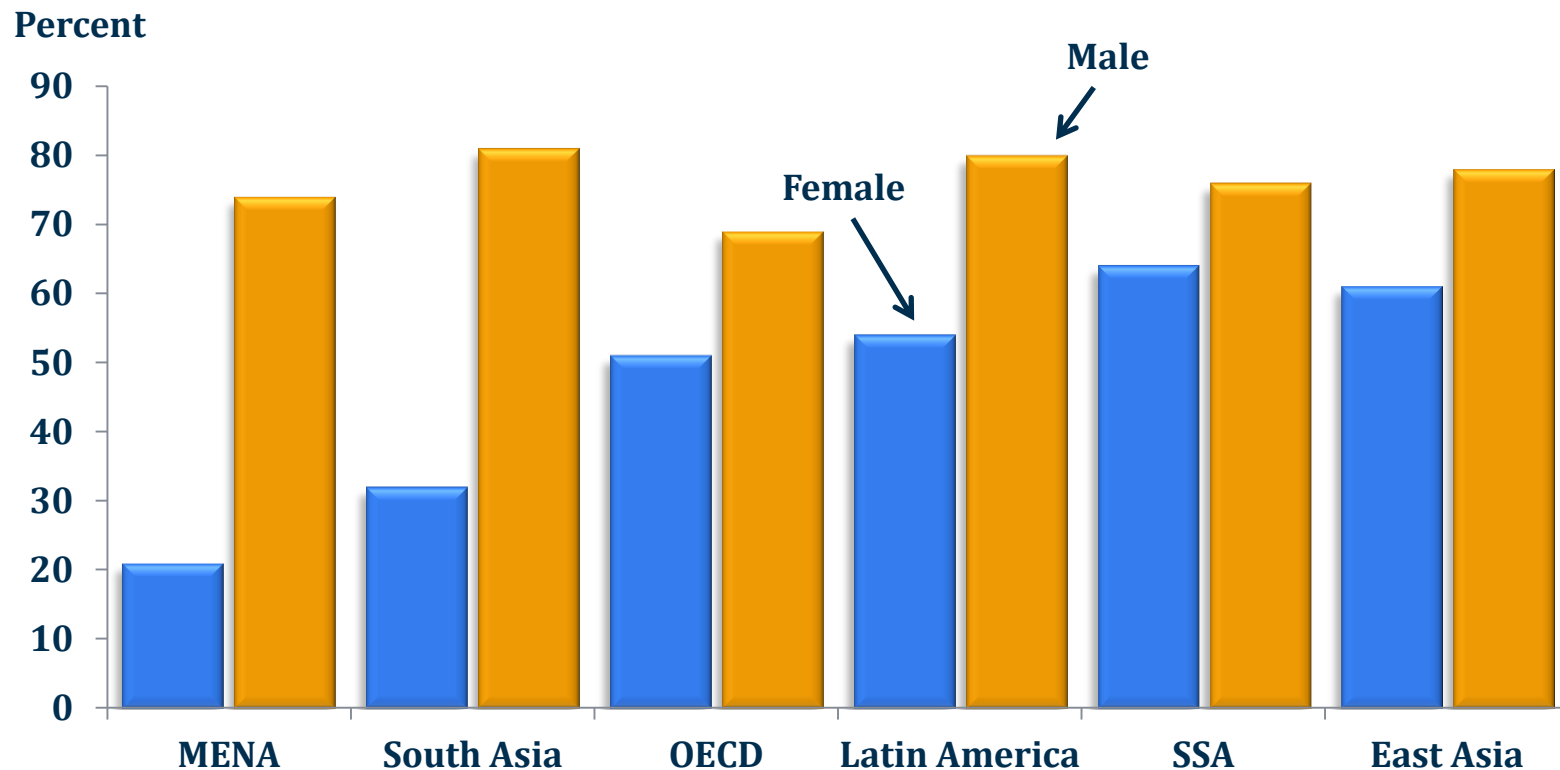
# Export diversification in North Africa and Levant

*Export composition (% of merchandise exports)*



# MENA: large gender gap in workforce participation

*Labor participation rate, % of female and male population 15+ in 2012*

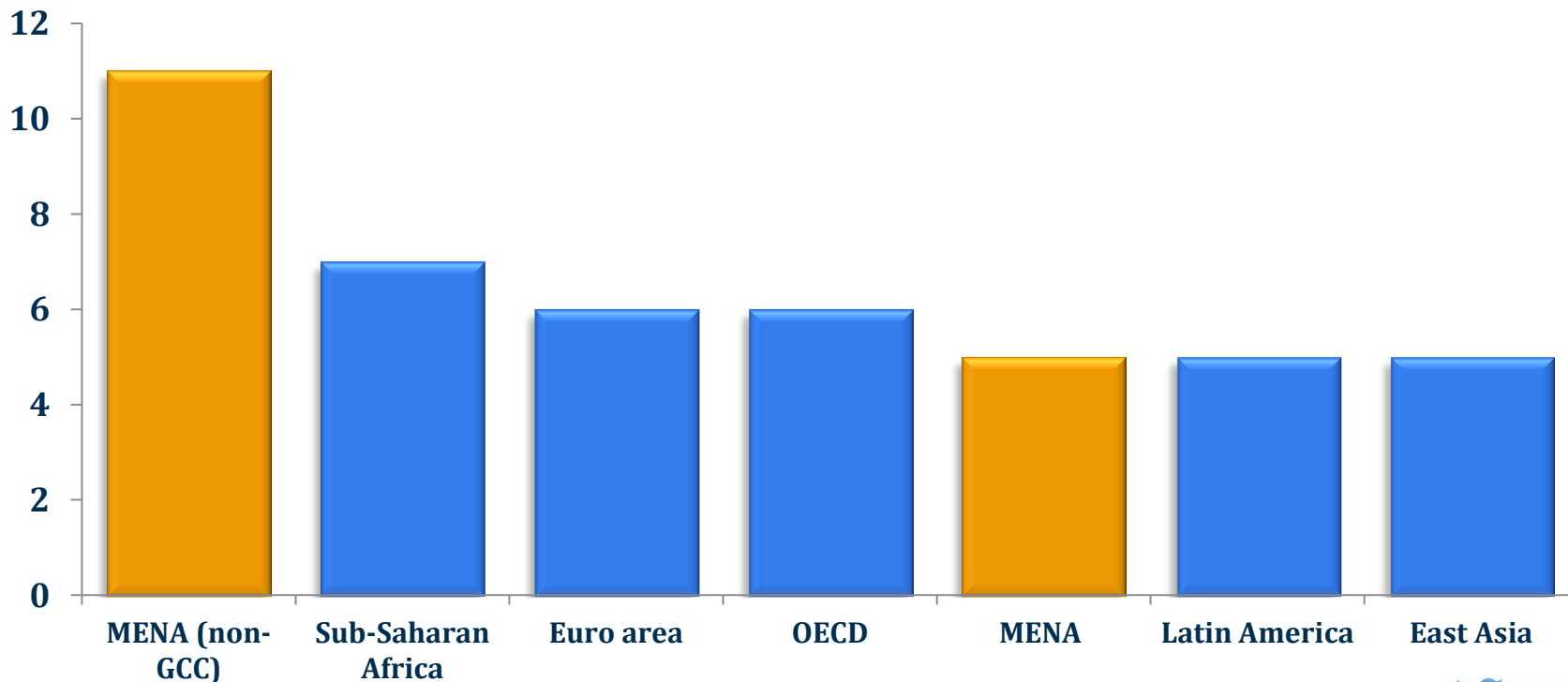


# The region is more dependent on tourism than others

*International tourism, receipts (% of total exports), 2012*



Percent



Source: World Bank.

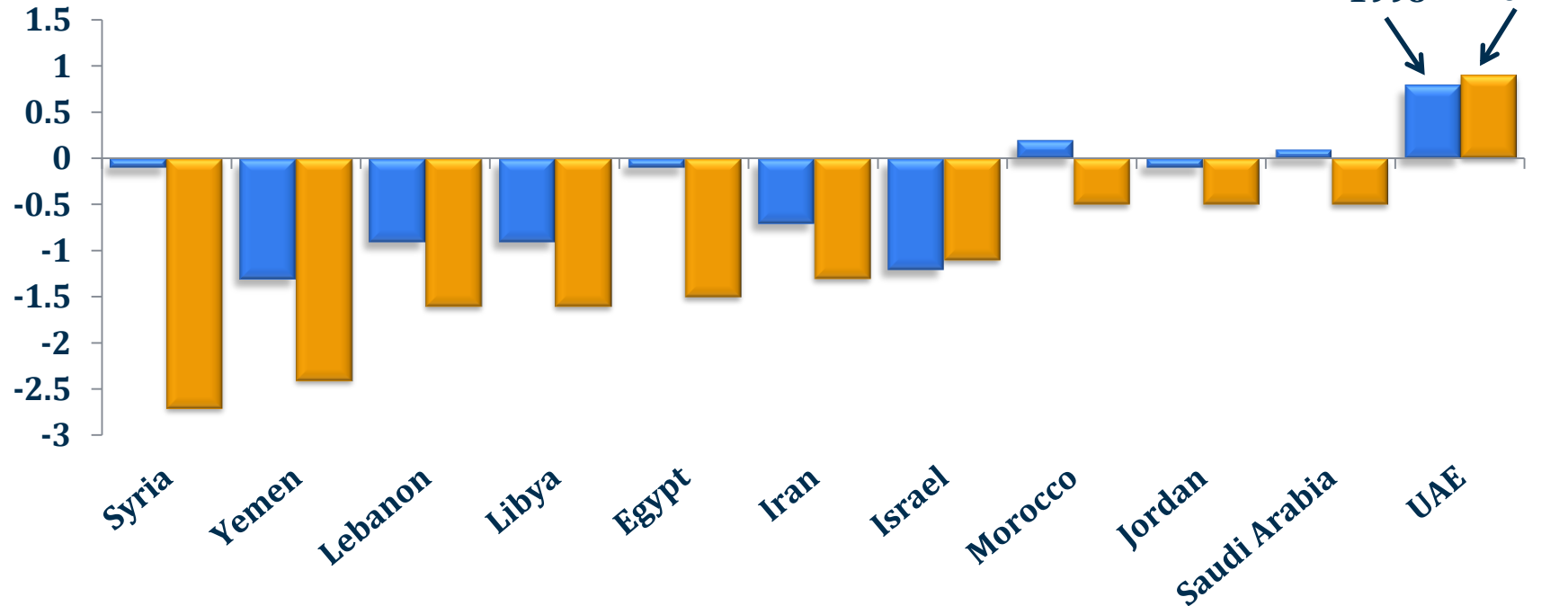
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# Instability is increasing in many MENA countries

*Political stability and absence of violence/terrorism index (negative = greater instability)*



Political stability index

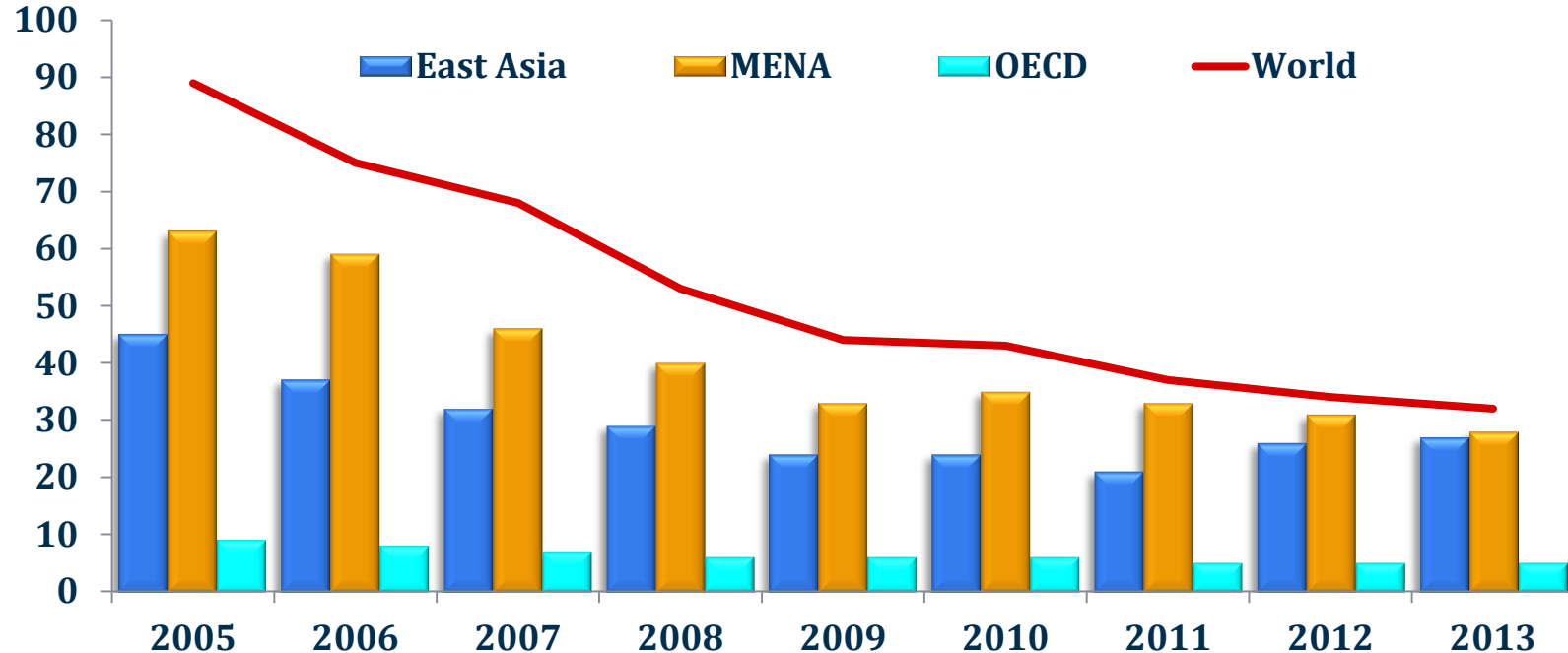


# Cost of doing business in MENA is steadily decreasing

*Cost of business start-up procedures, % of GNI per capita*

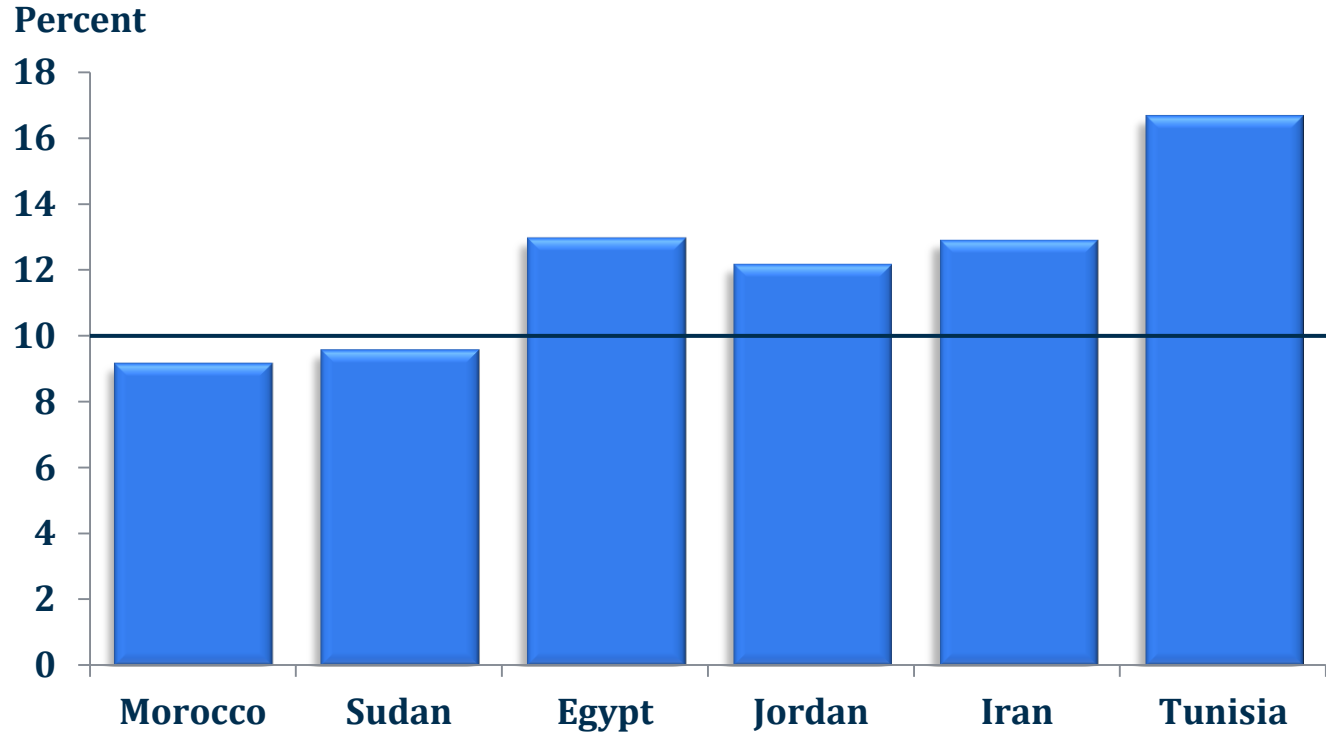


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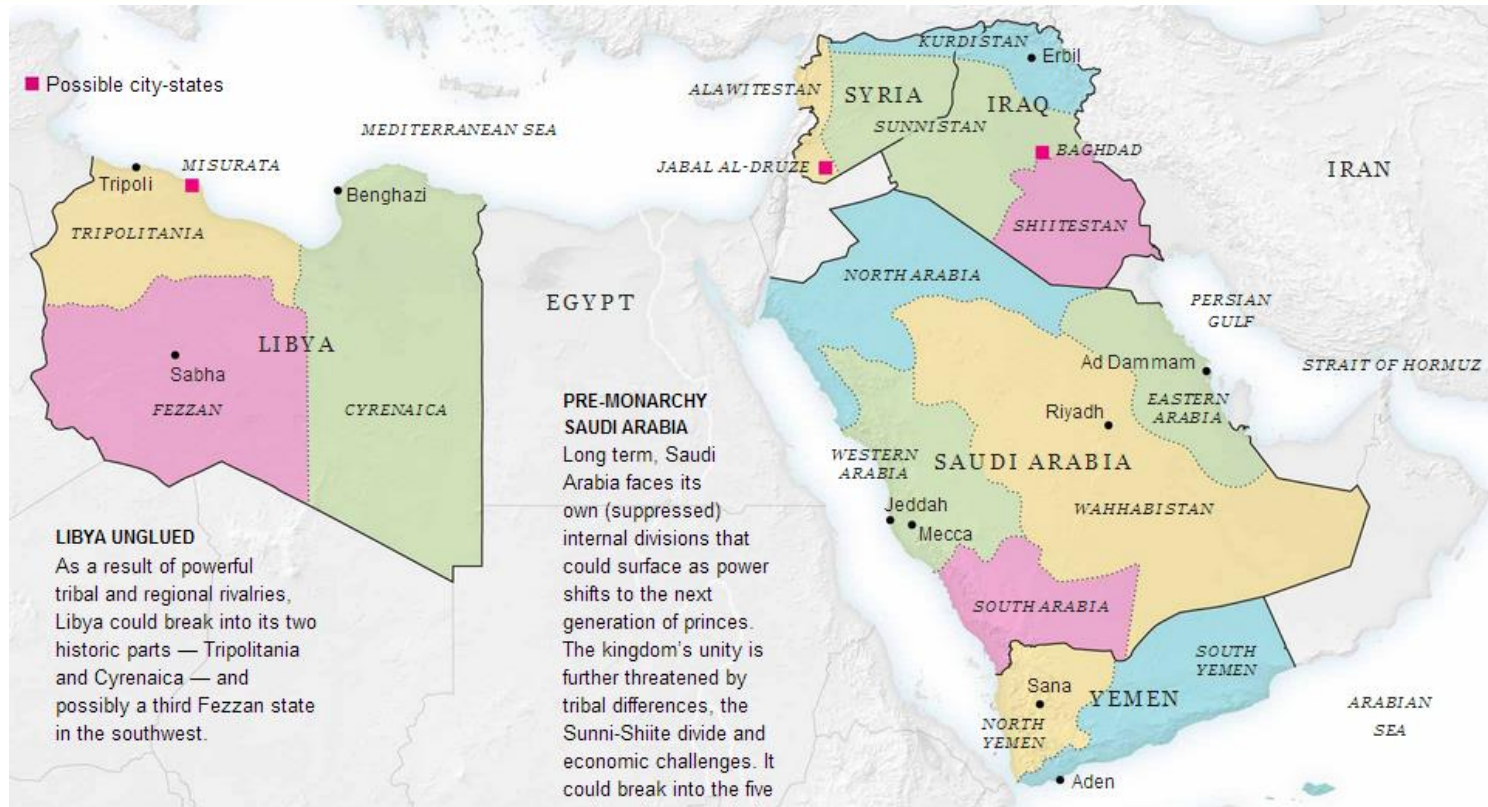


# Many MENA countries have unemployment rates over 10%

*Unemployment as a percentage of total labor force, 2013*



# How five countries could become 14



# Sunni and Shia distribution

