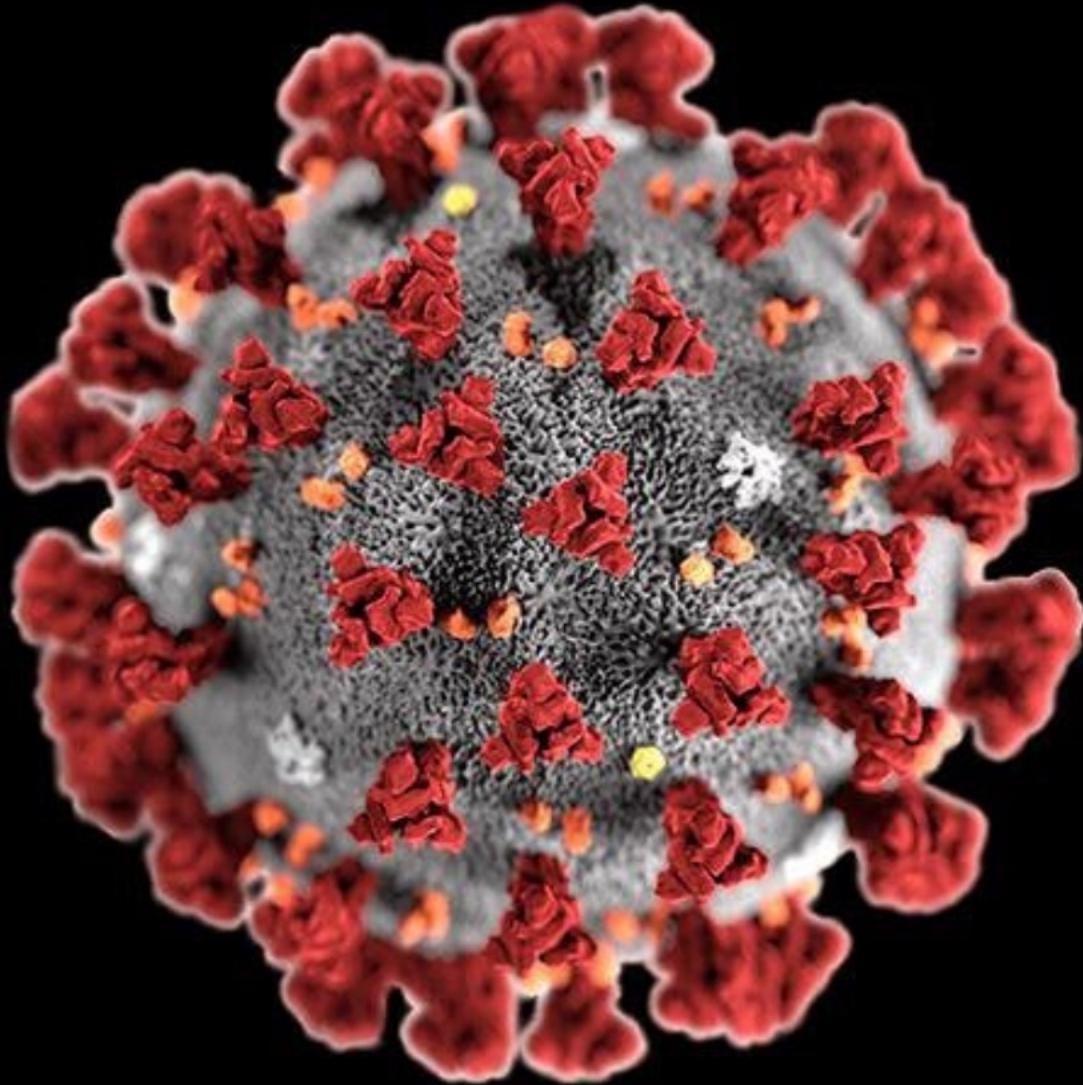


Life expectancy changes in **urban** and **rural** populations of European countries during the **pandemic** years

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Coronavirus COVID-19 Global Cases by Johns Hopkins CSSE



Total Confirmed

43,141

Confirmed Cases by
Country/Region

42,670 Mainland China

135 Others

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28 South Korea

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Country/Region

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Total Deaths

1,018

974 deaths

Hubei Mainland China

1 deaths

Guangdong Mainland China

7 deaths

Henan Mainland China

1 deaths

Hunan Mainland China

4 deaths

Anhui Mainland China

Total Recovered

4,340

2,310 recovered

Hubei Mainland China

270 recovered

Zhejiang Mainland China

247 recovered

Hunan Mainland China

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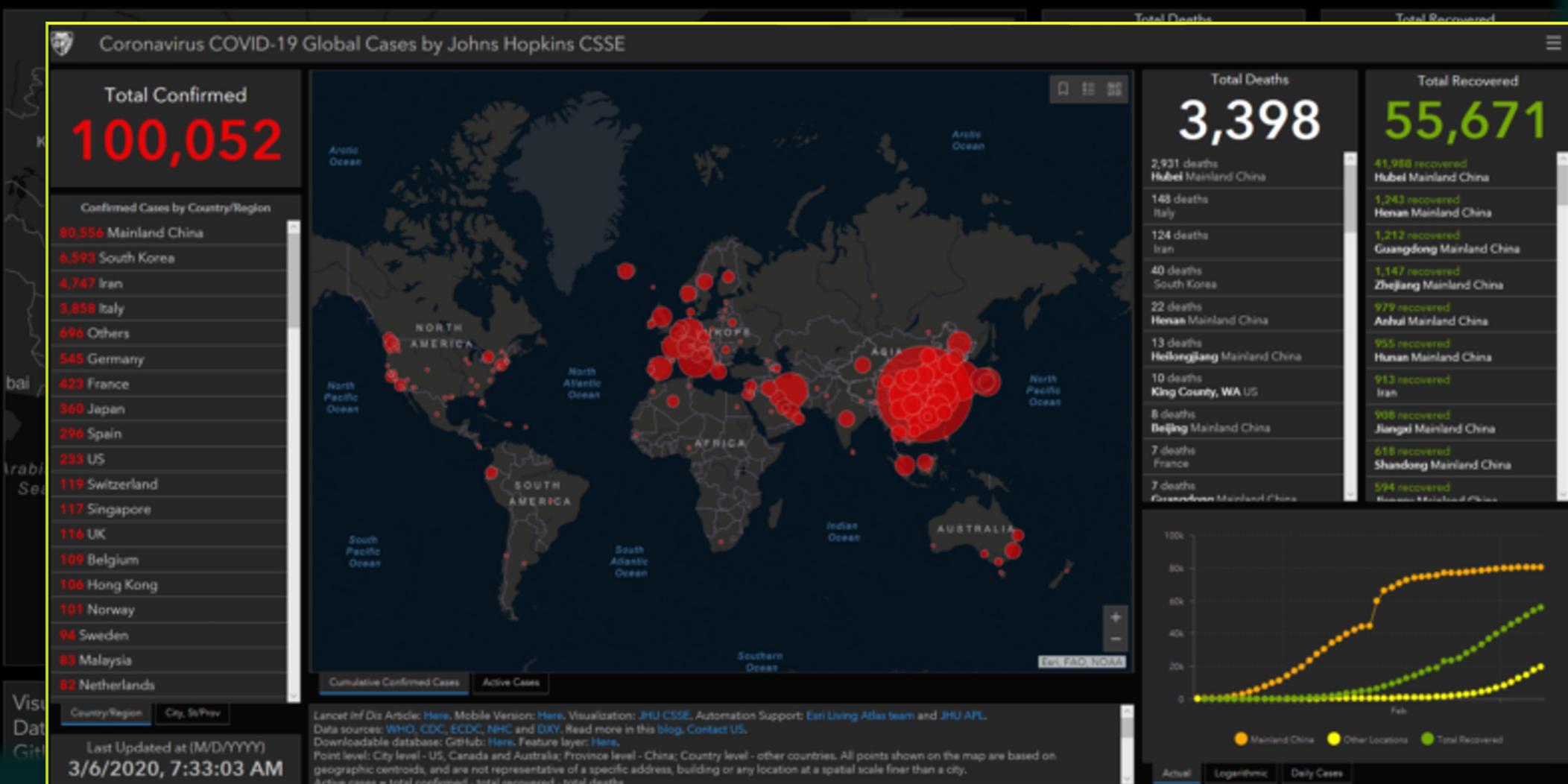
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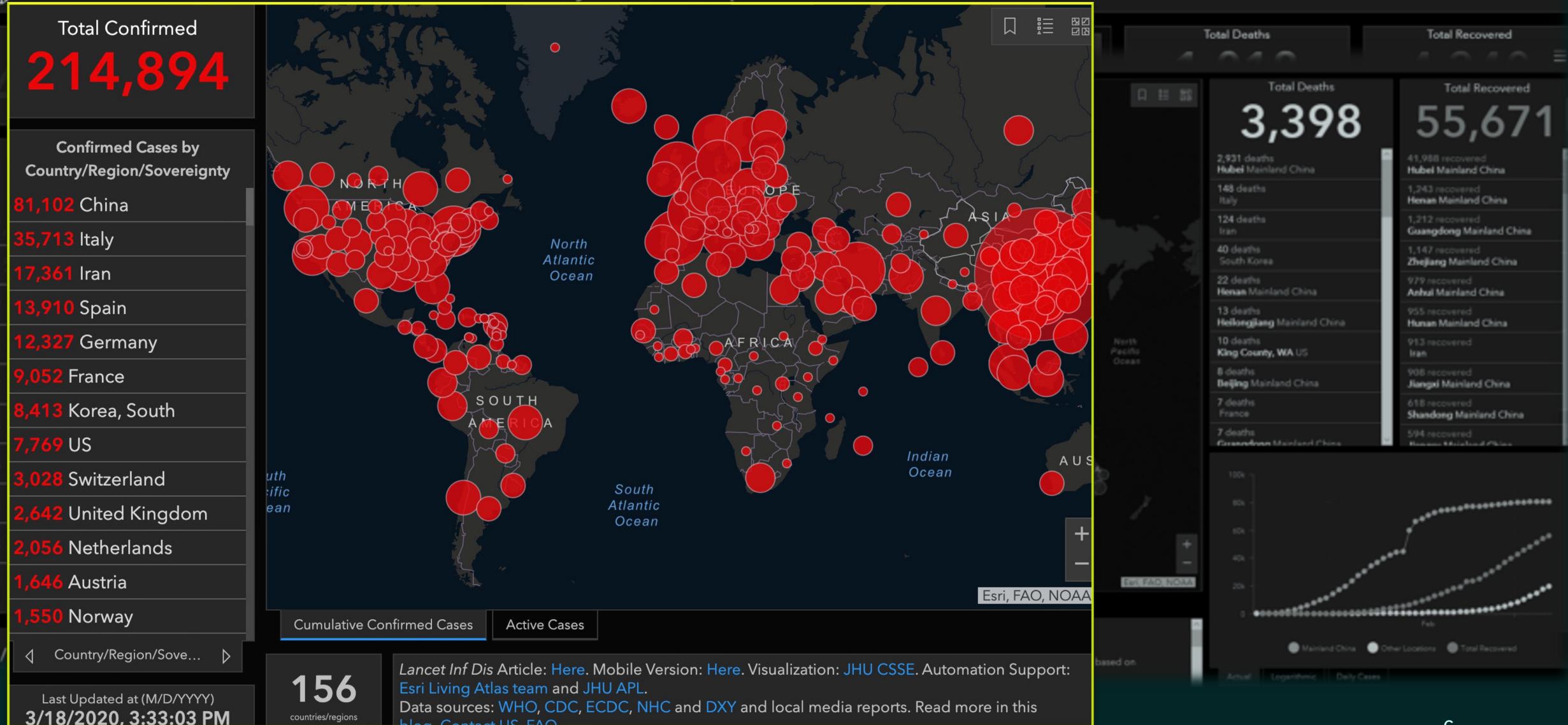
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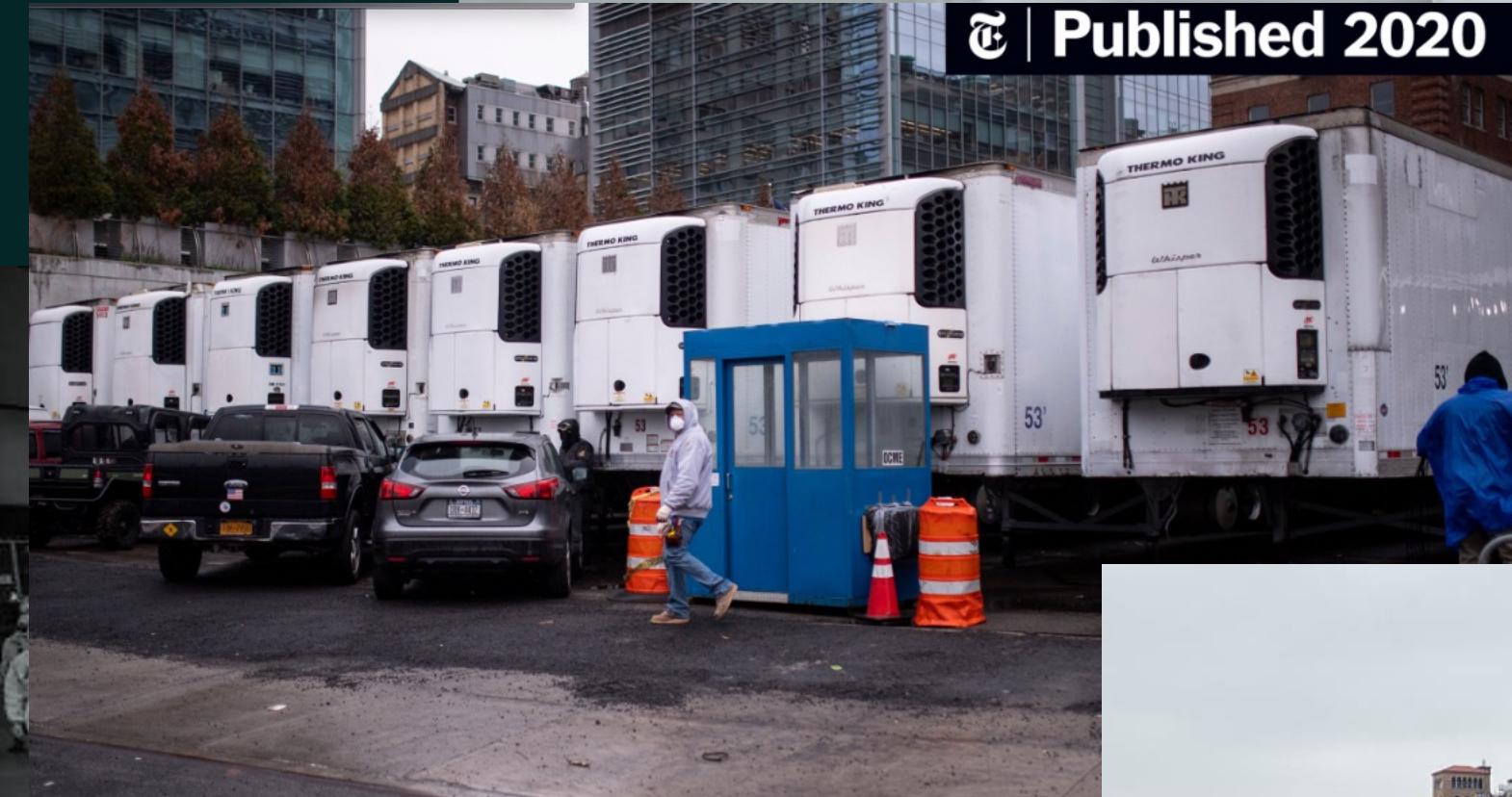


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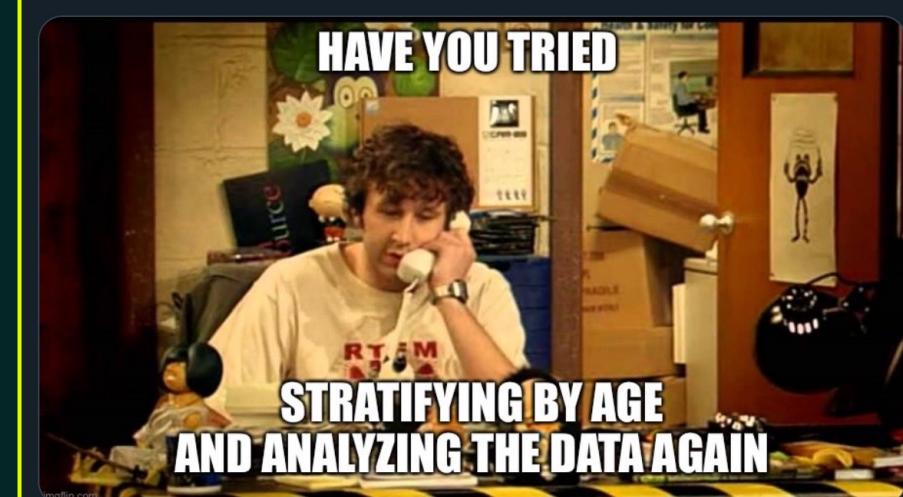


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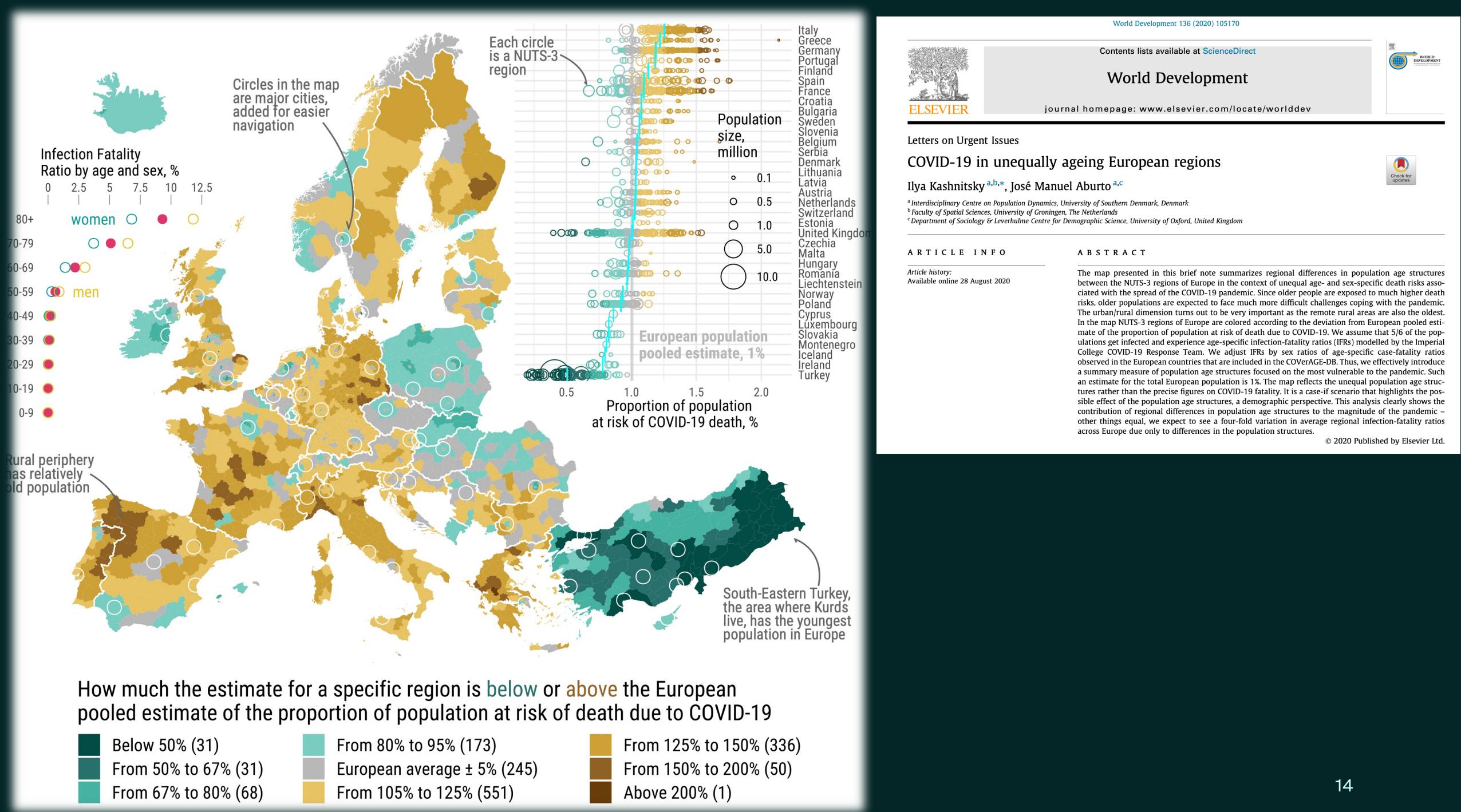
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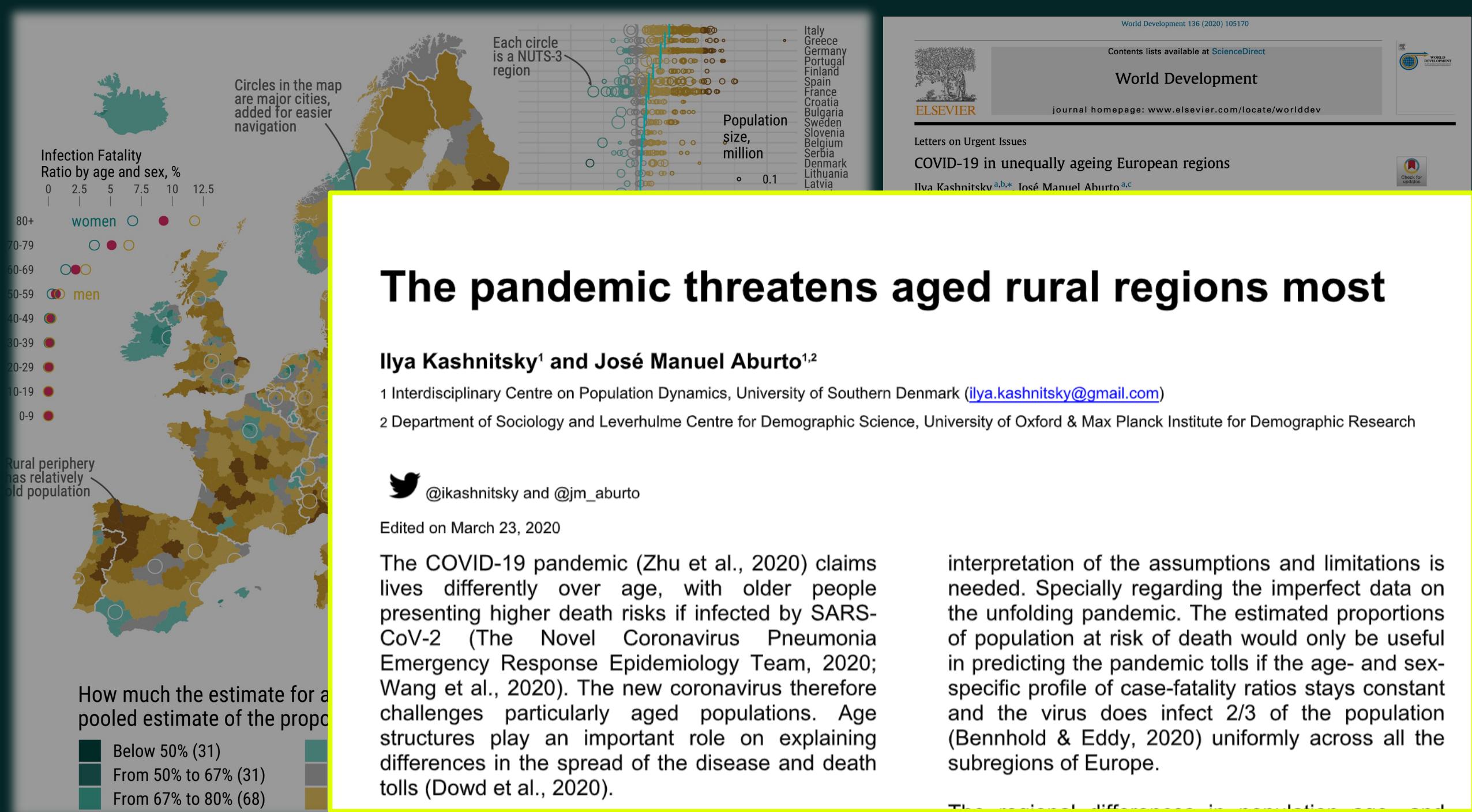


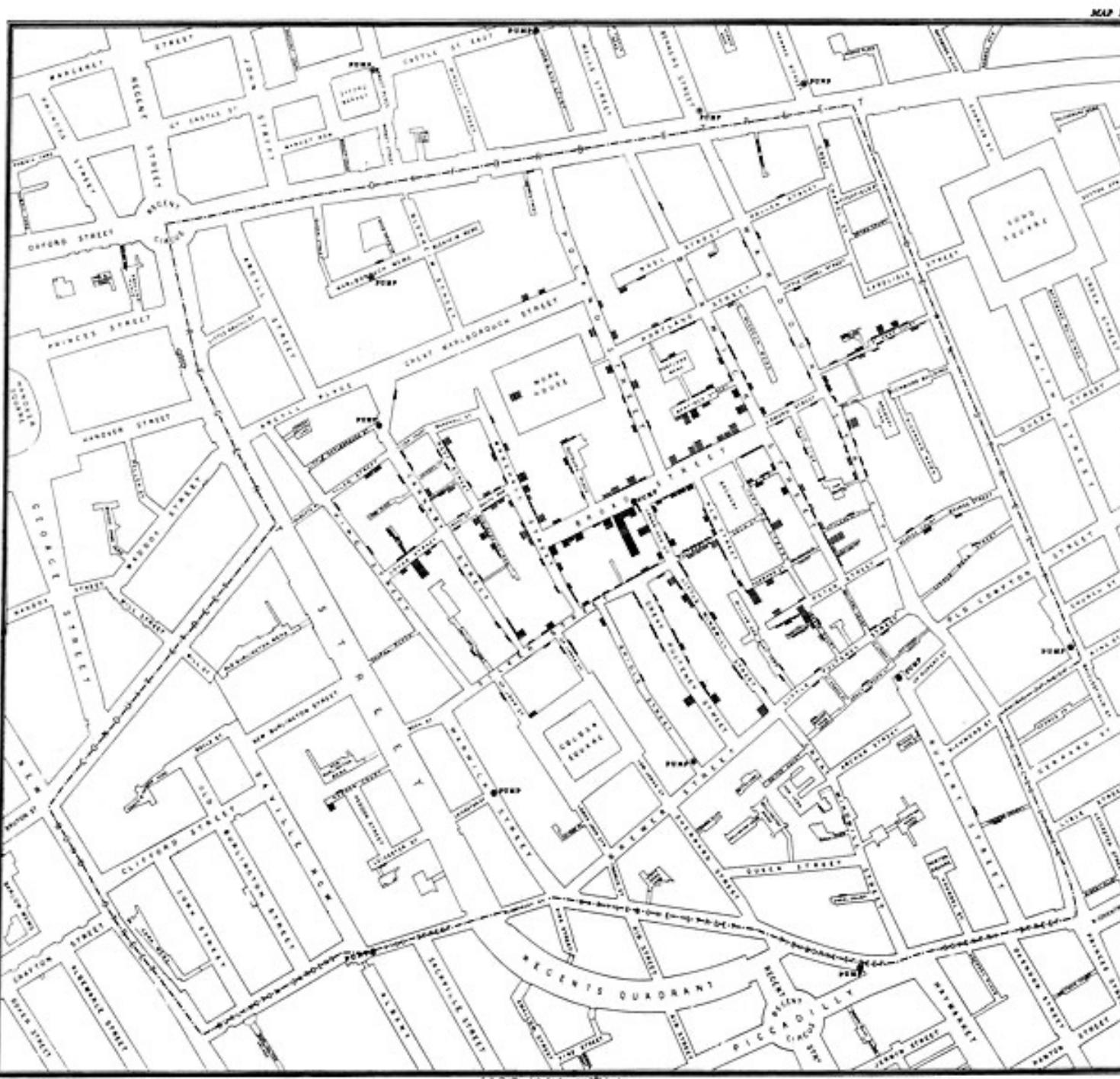


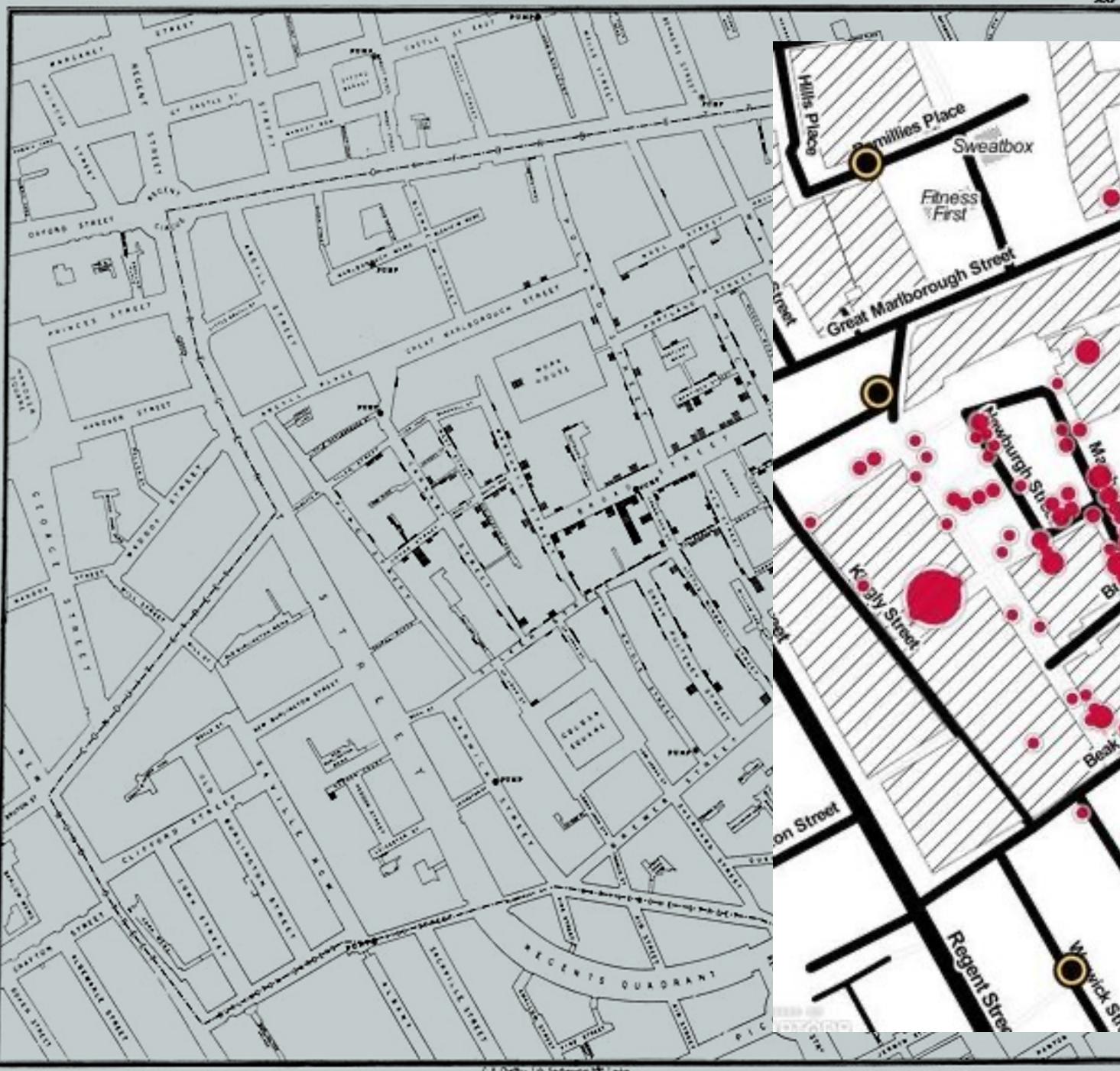
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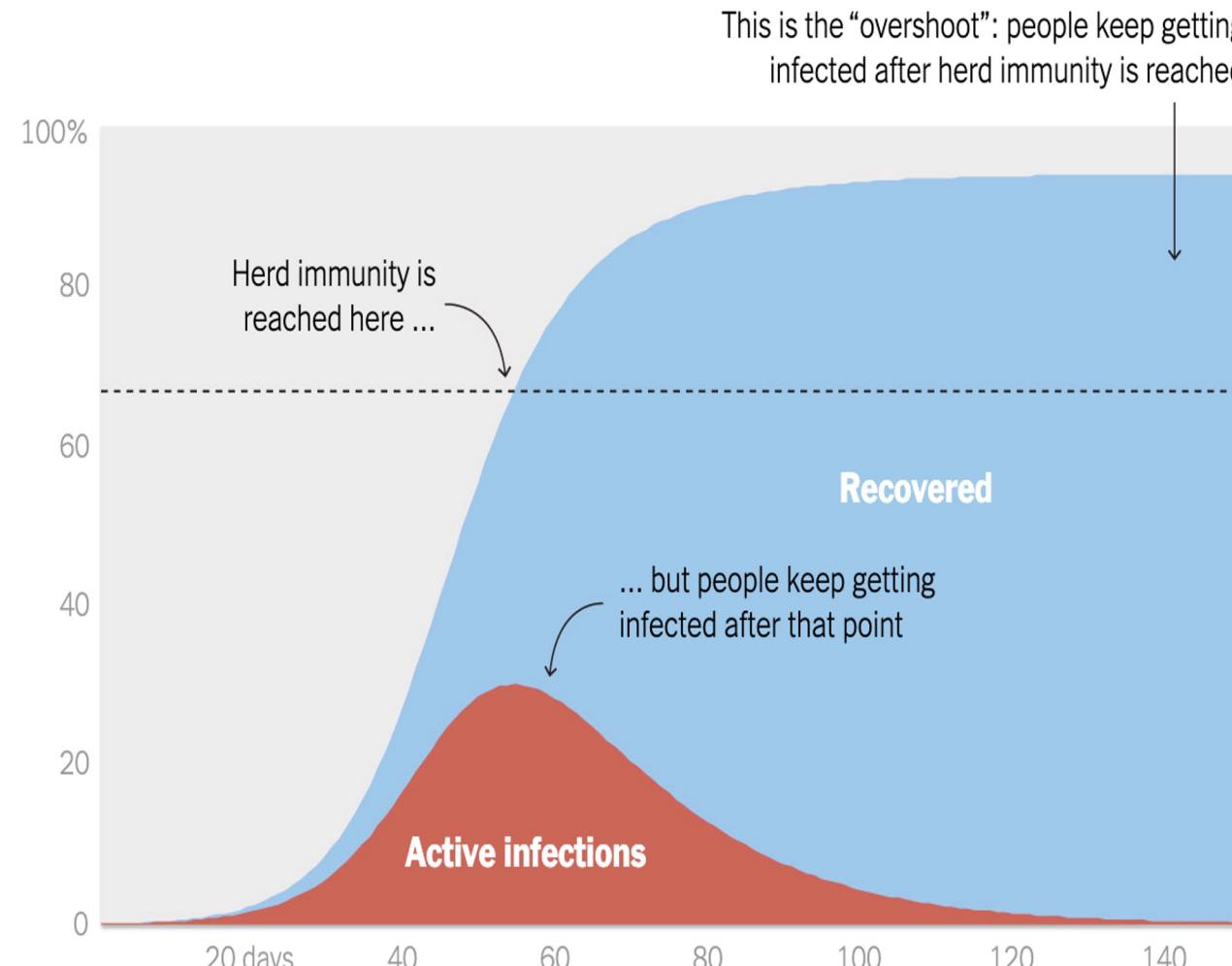






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Herd immunity doesn't stop a virus in its tracks. The number of infections continues to climb after herd immunity is reached.



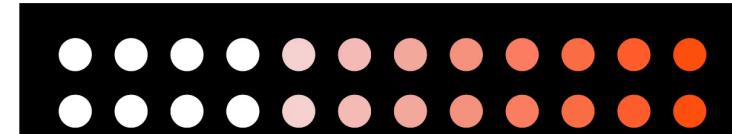
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OPINION

What the Proponents of 'Natural' Herd Immunity Don't Say

Try to reach it without a vaccine, and millions will die.

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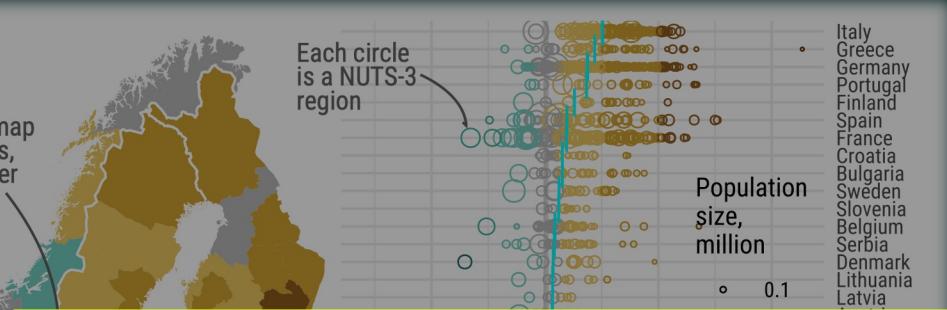
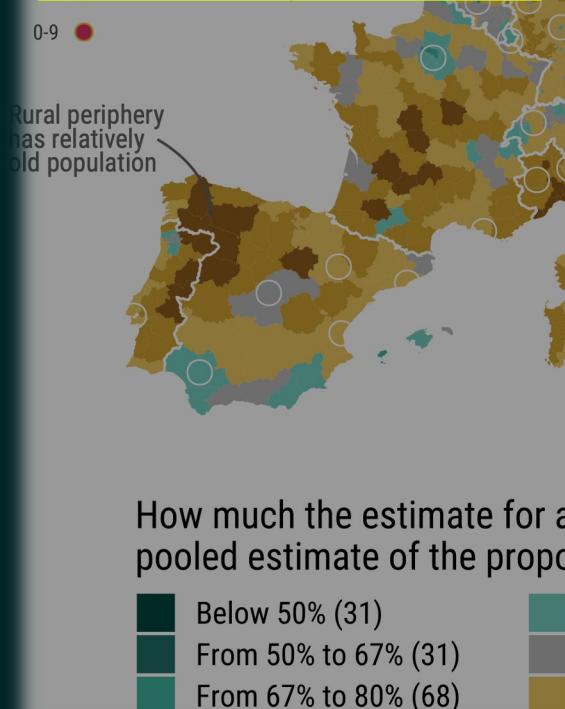
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The pandemic threatens aged rural regions most

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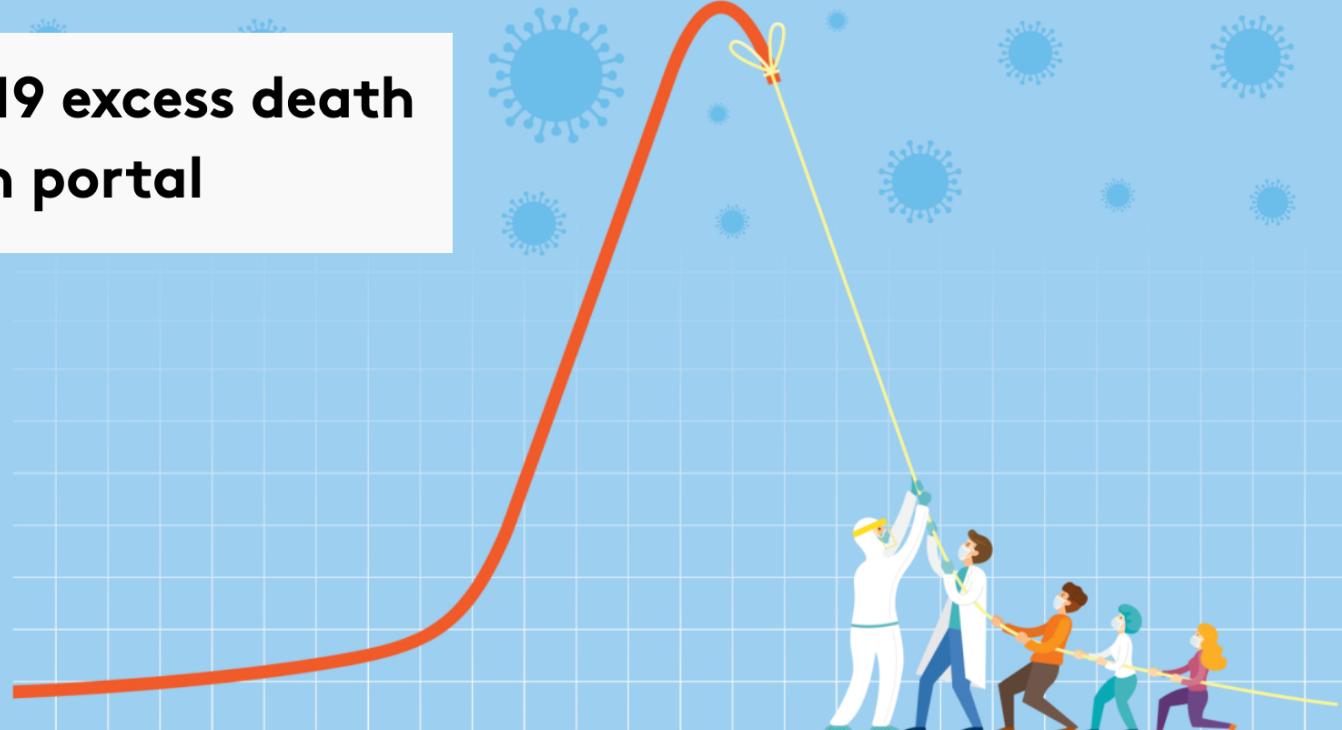
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The COVID-19 pandemic (Zhu et al., 2020) claims lives differently over age, with older people presenting higher death risks if infected by SARS-CoV-2 (The Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia Emergency Response Epidemiology Team, 2020; Wang et al., 2020). The new coronavirus therefore challenges particularly aged populations. Age structures play an important role on explaining differences in the spread of the disease and death tolls (Dowd et al., 2020).

interpretation of the assumptions and limitations is needed. Specially regarding the imperfect data on the unfolding pandemic. The estimated proportions of population at risk of death would only be useful in predicting the pandemic tolls if the age- and sex-specific profile of case-fatality ratios stays constant and the virus does infect 2/3 of the population (Bennhold & Eddy, 2020) uniformly across all the subregions of Europe.

COVID-19 excess death research portal



Almost all studies of the health impact of COVID-19 have focused on analyzing incomplete and often inaccurate data on reported infections, hospitalizations and deaths. We are estimating excess deaths by age and sex and over time. We study excess deaths caused directly by COVID-19 or indirectly because of

Publications

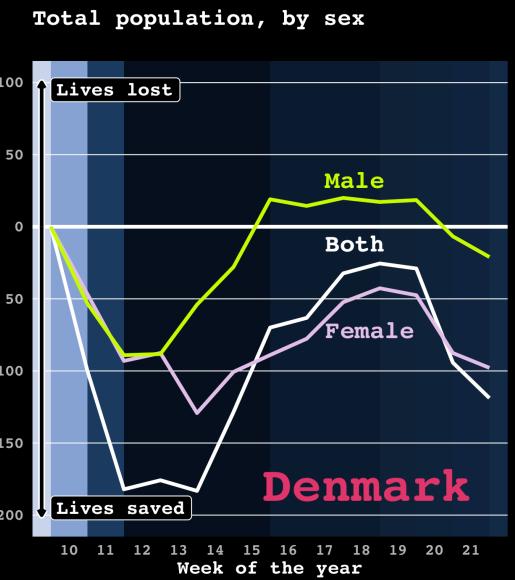
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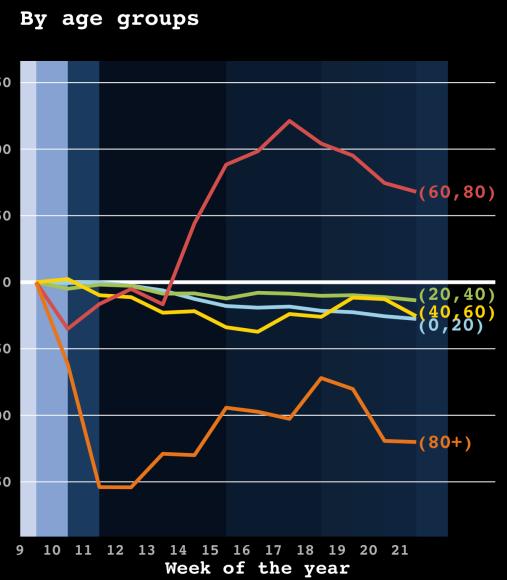


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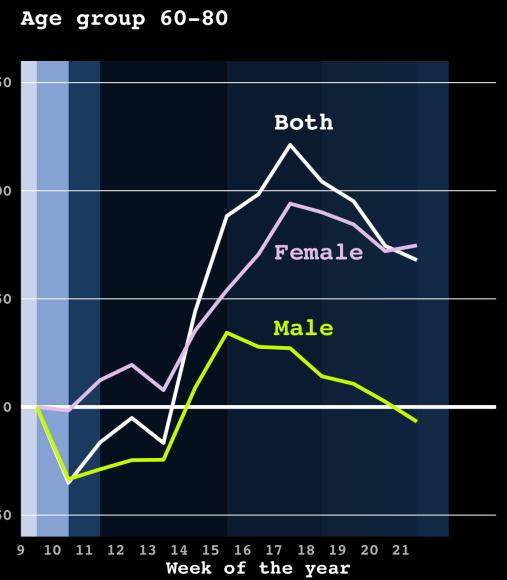
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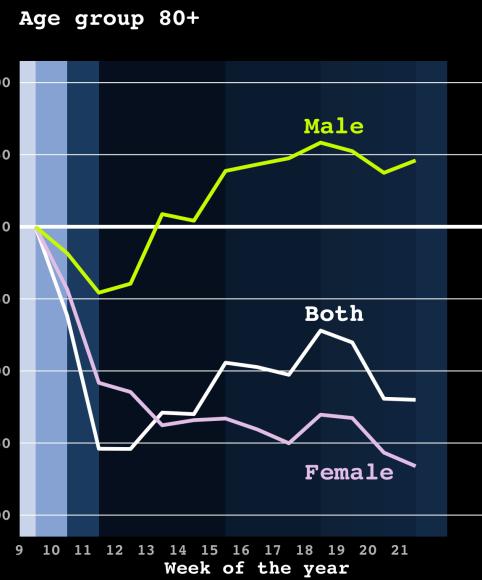
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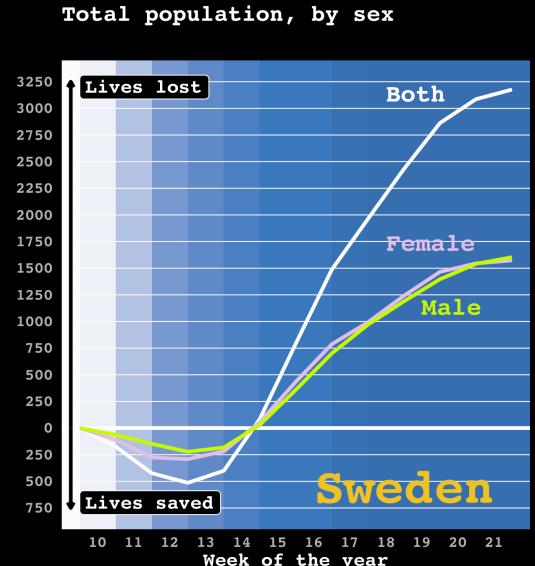
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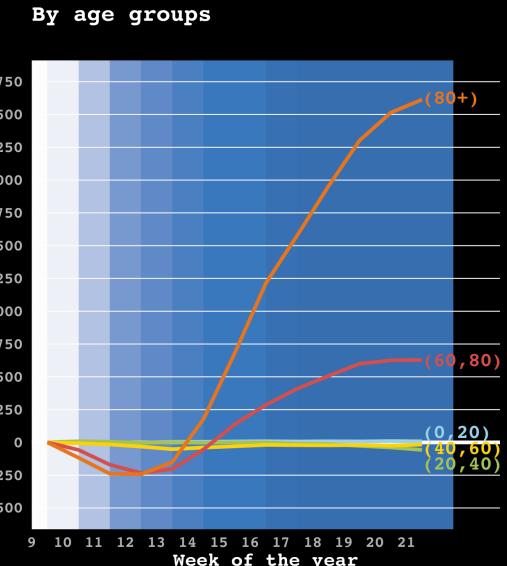
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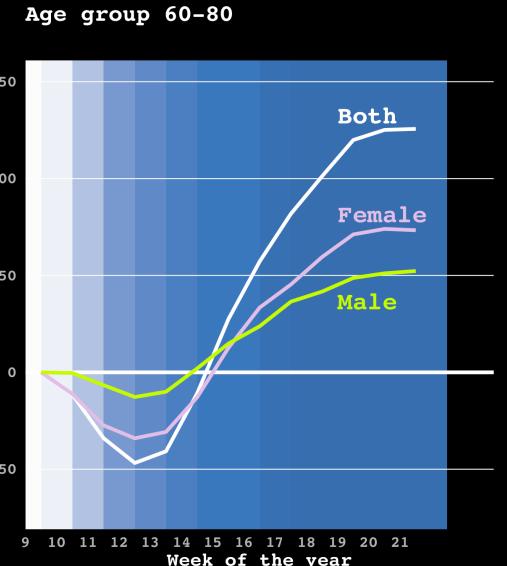
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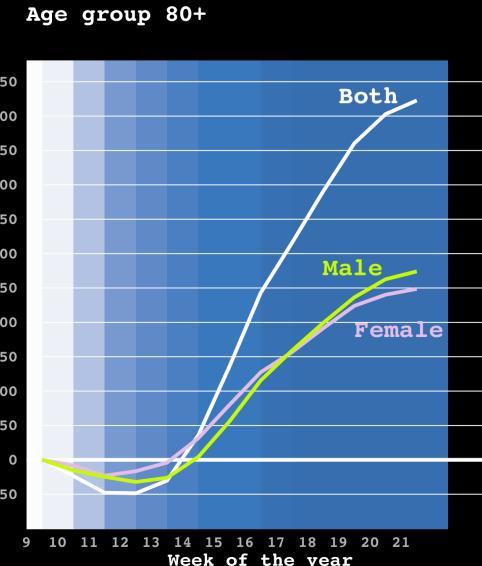
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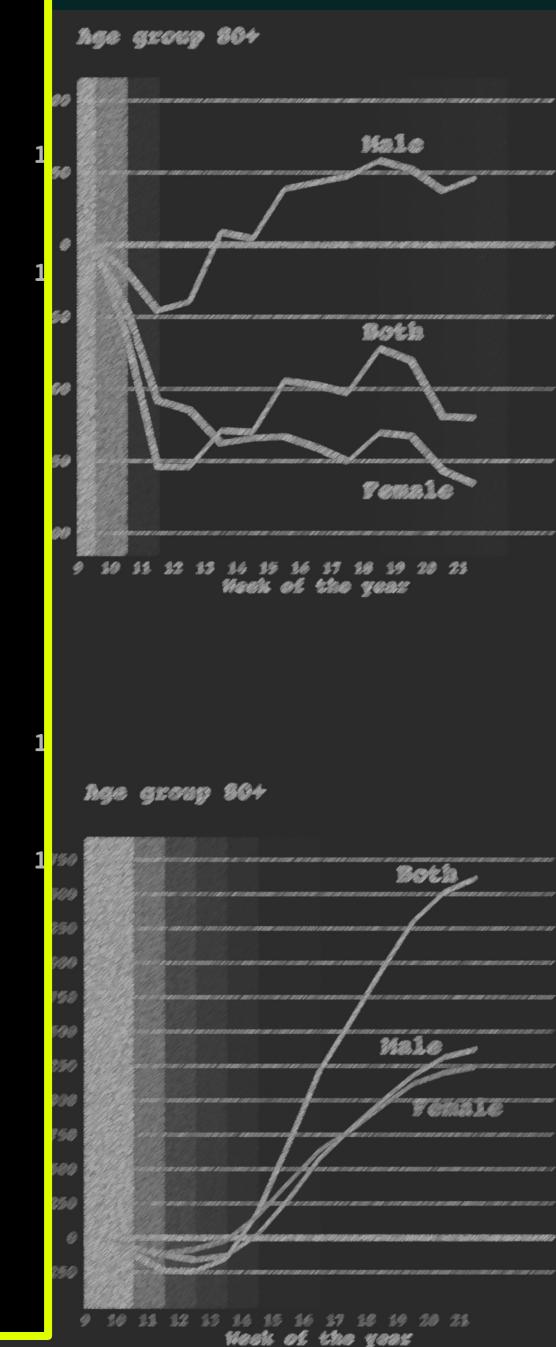
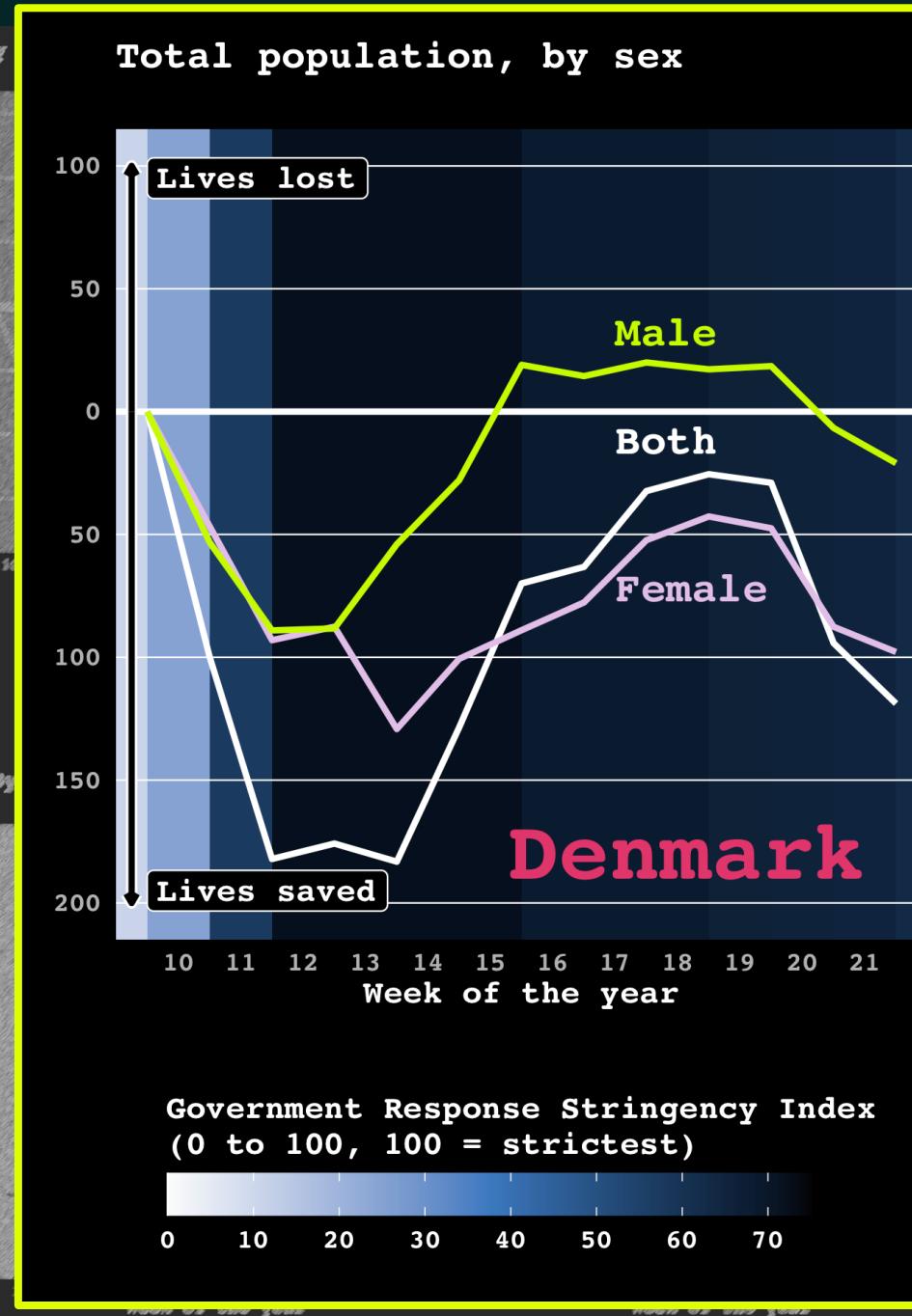
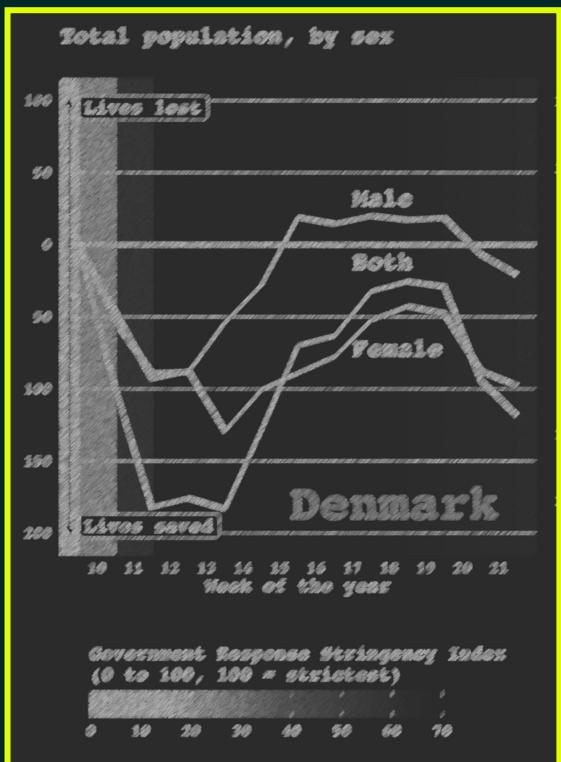


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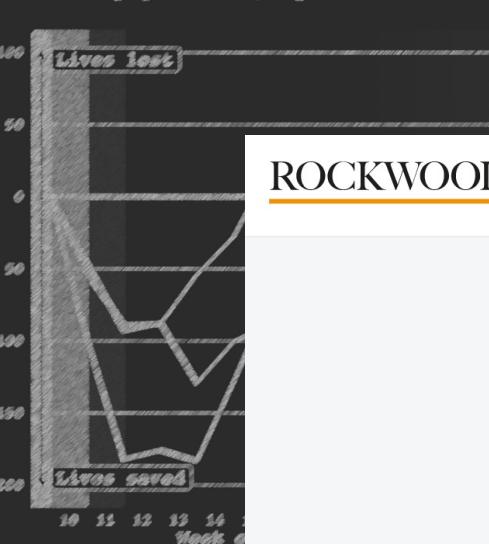


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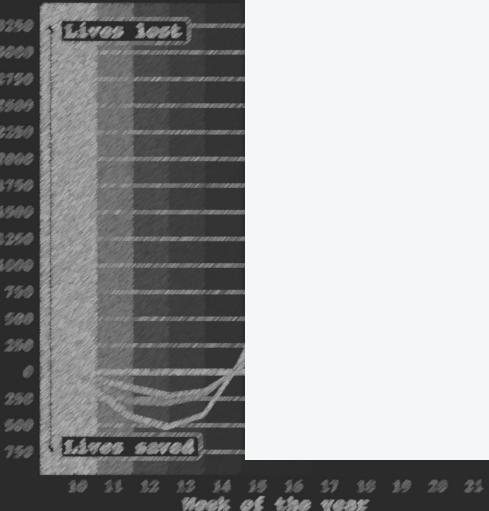




Total population, by sex



Total population



Total population, by sex



Age group 80+



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Danish Covid19 Policies Reduced Overall Mortality

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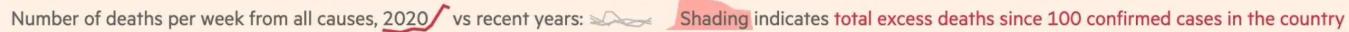
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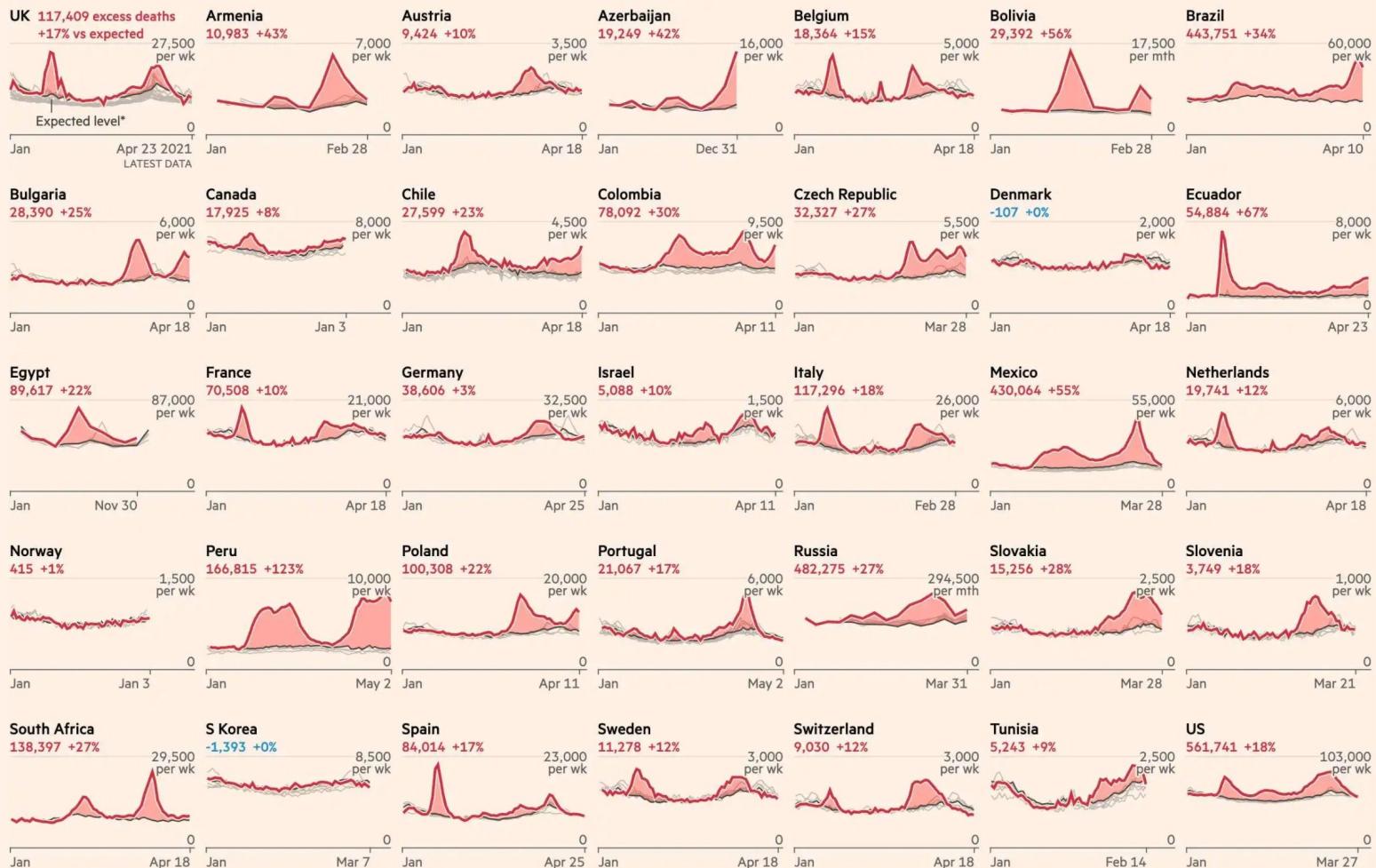
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Measuring the impact of c19

Death rates have climbed far above historical averages in many countries that have faced Covid-19 outbreaks

Number of deaths per week from all causes, 2020 vs recent years:  Shading indicates total excess deaths since 100 confirmed cases in the country



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Sources: FT analysis of national mortality data and Karlinsky & Kobak's World Mortality Dataset. Data updated May 5

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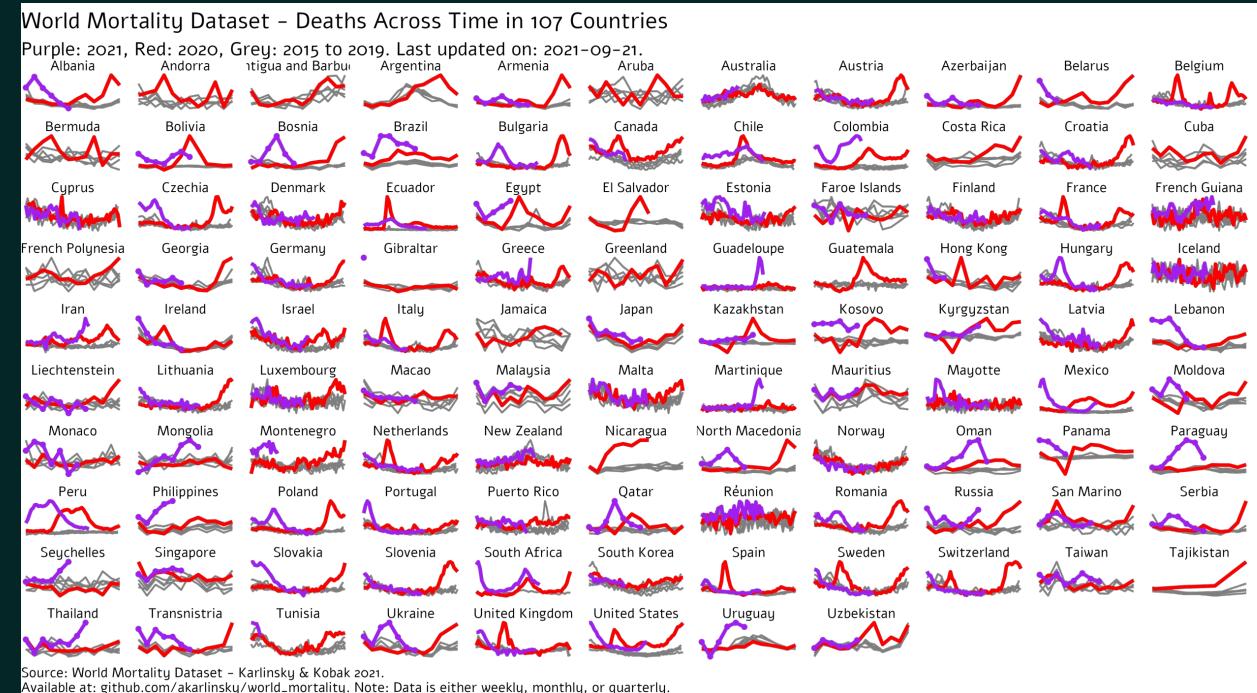
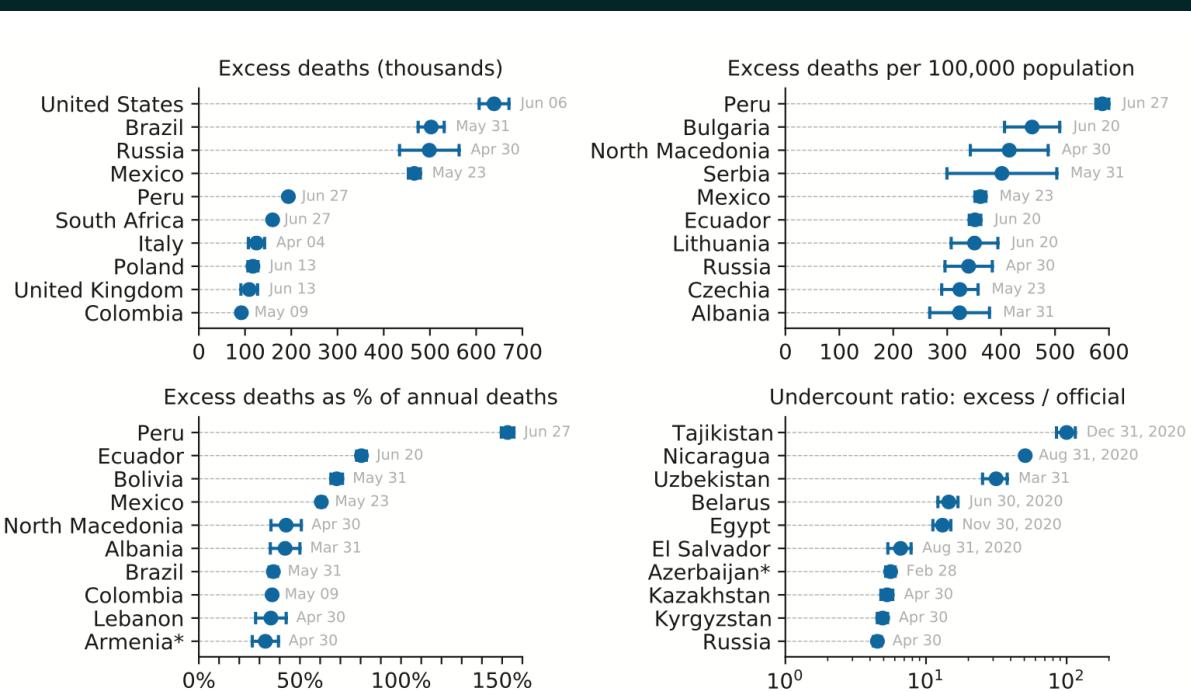
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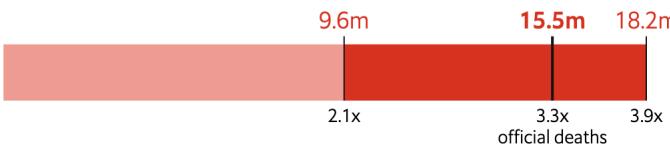
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Estimated global excess deaths
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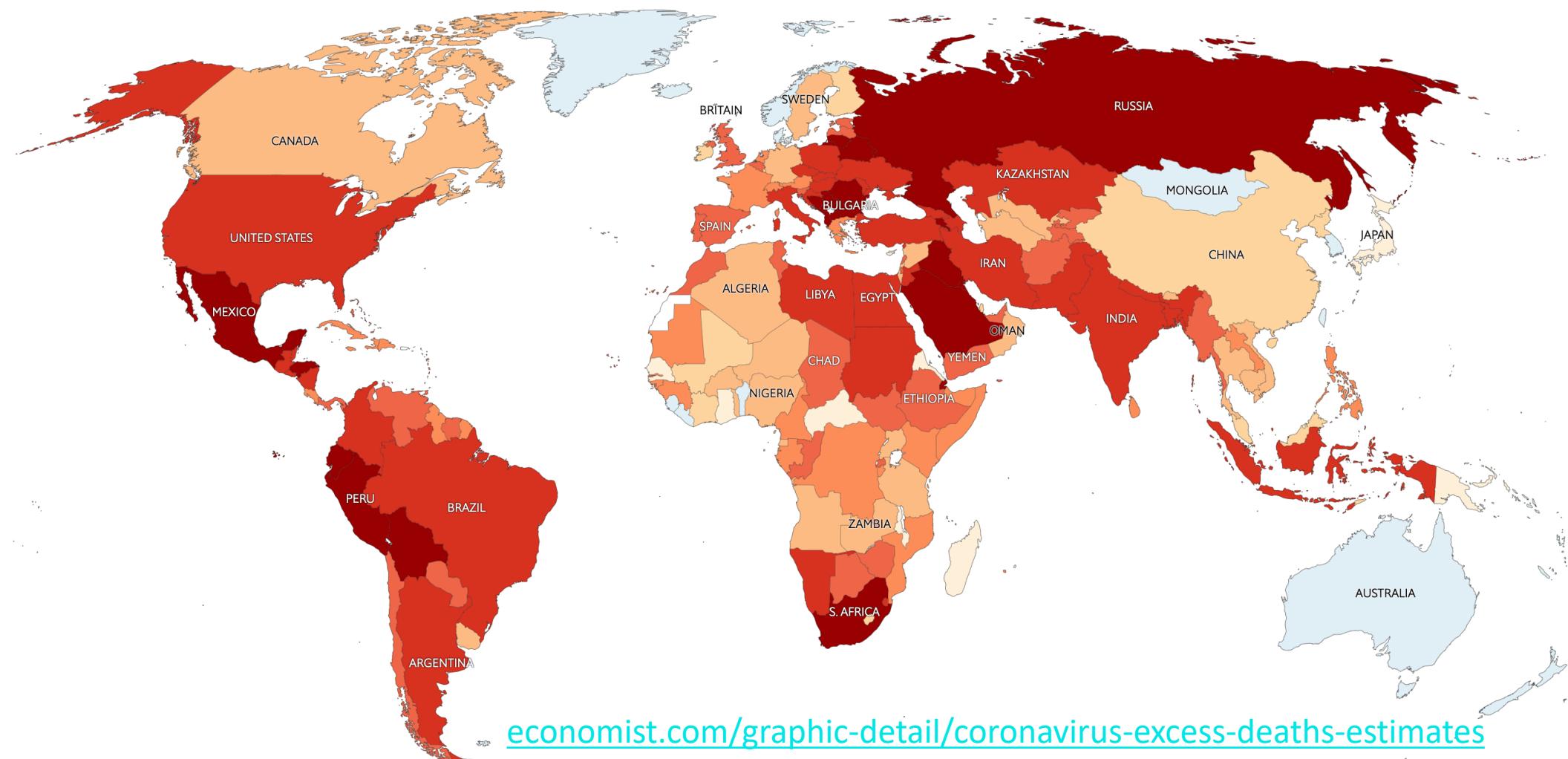
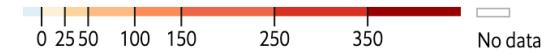
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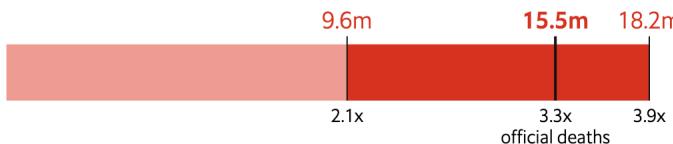
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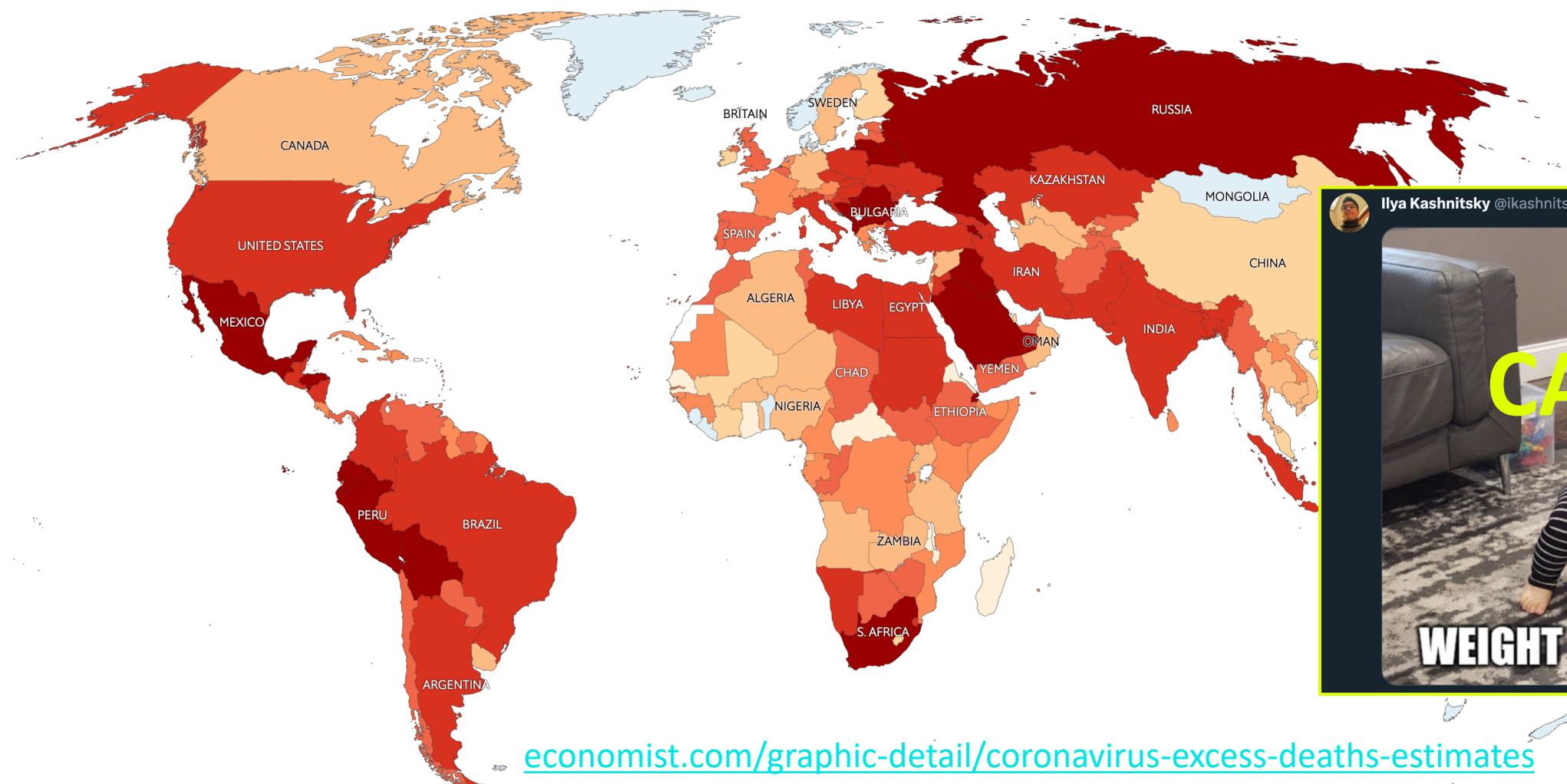
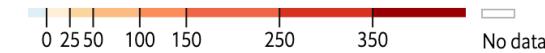
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Life expectancy is the ultimate measure of current mortality

- Free from population age structure effect
- No need to choose a standard
- Comparable across place and time

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Life Expectancy: Frequently Used, but Hardly Understood

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Abstract

Period life expectancy is one of the most used summary indicators for the overall health of a population. Its levels and trends direct health policies, and researchers try to identify the determining risk factors to assess and forecast future developments. The use of period life expectancy is often based on the assumption that it directly reflects the mortality conditions of a certain year. Accordingly, the explanation for changes in life expectancy are typically sought in factors that have an immediate impact on current mortality conditions. It is frequently overlooked, however, that this indicator can also be affected by at least three kinds of effects, in particular in the situation of short-term fluctuations: cohort effects, heterogeneity effects, and tempo effects. We demonstrate their possible impact with the example of the almost Europe-wide decrease in life expectancy in 2015, which caused a series of reports about an upsurge of a health crisis, and we show that the consideration of these effects can lead to different conclusions. Therefore, we want to raise an awareness concerning the sensitivity of life expectancy to sudden changes and the menaces a misled interpretation of this indicator can cause.

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Introduction

Period life expectancy (PLE) is one of the most used summary indicators for the overall health of a population. It is based on the set of observed age-specific death rates, i.e., the number of deaths in a certain year and age group divided by the average number of people alive in this year and age group. These death rates are then transformed into probabilities of dying and connected to a survival function from birth to the highest age in which people are living. The mean age at death derived from this survival function is the PLE. It can be interpreted as the average number of years that newborns of a certain period would live under the hypothetical scenario that the prevailing age-specific death rates remain constant in the future [1].

The period perspective must be strictly distinguished from the cohort perspective. The latter is the more intuitive and more clearly interpretable analytic concept. It connects the age-specific death rates experienced by a cohort longitudinally over its entire life course. Thus, cohort life expectancy (CLE) reflects the actual mean age at death of real people who were born at the same time. Naturally, CLE can only summarize past mortality experiences, whereas PLE reflects the most current death rates cross-sectionally across all ages. This is why PLE is of higher relevance for most practical purposes and more frequently used than CLE.

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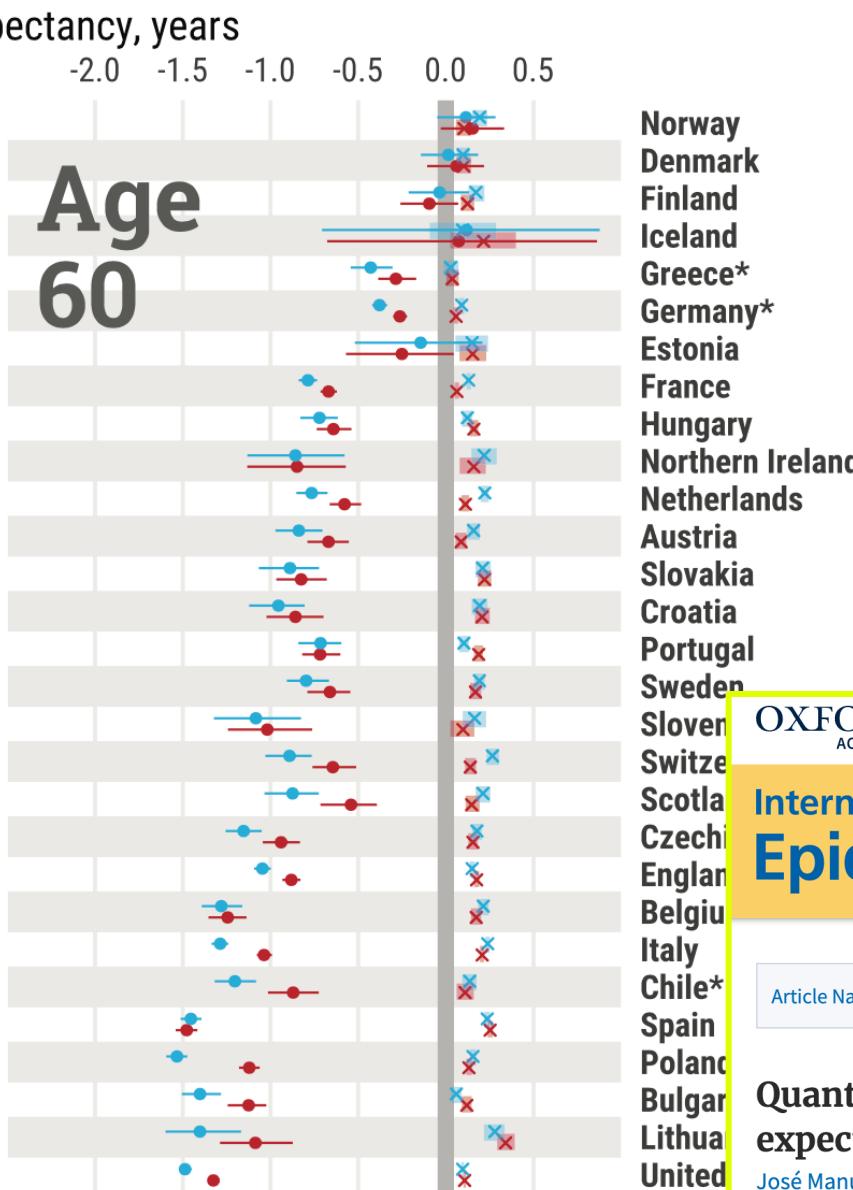
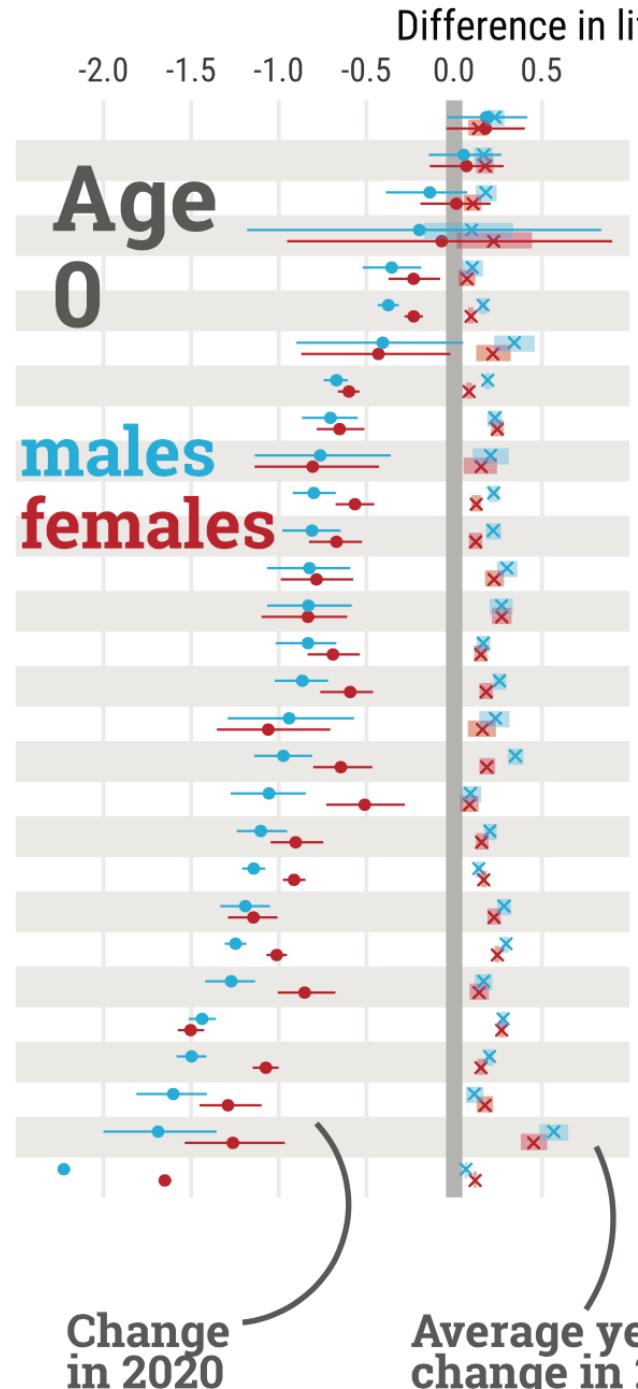
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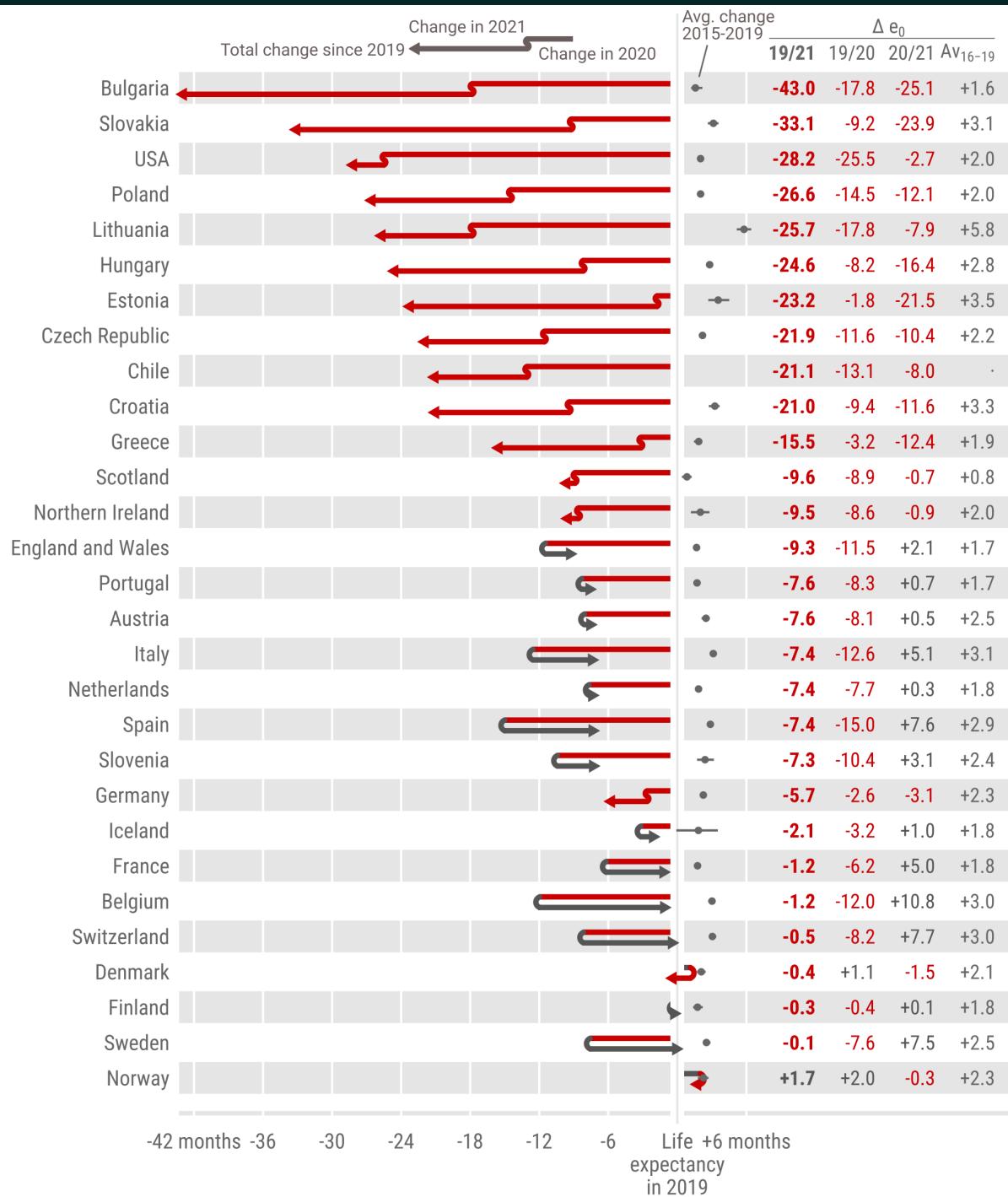
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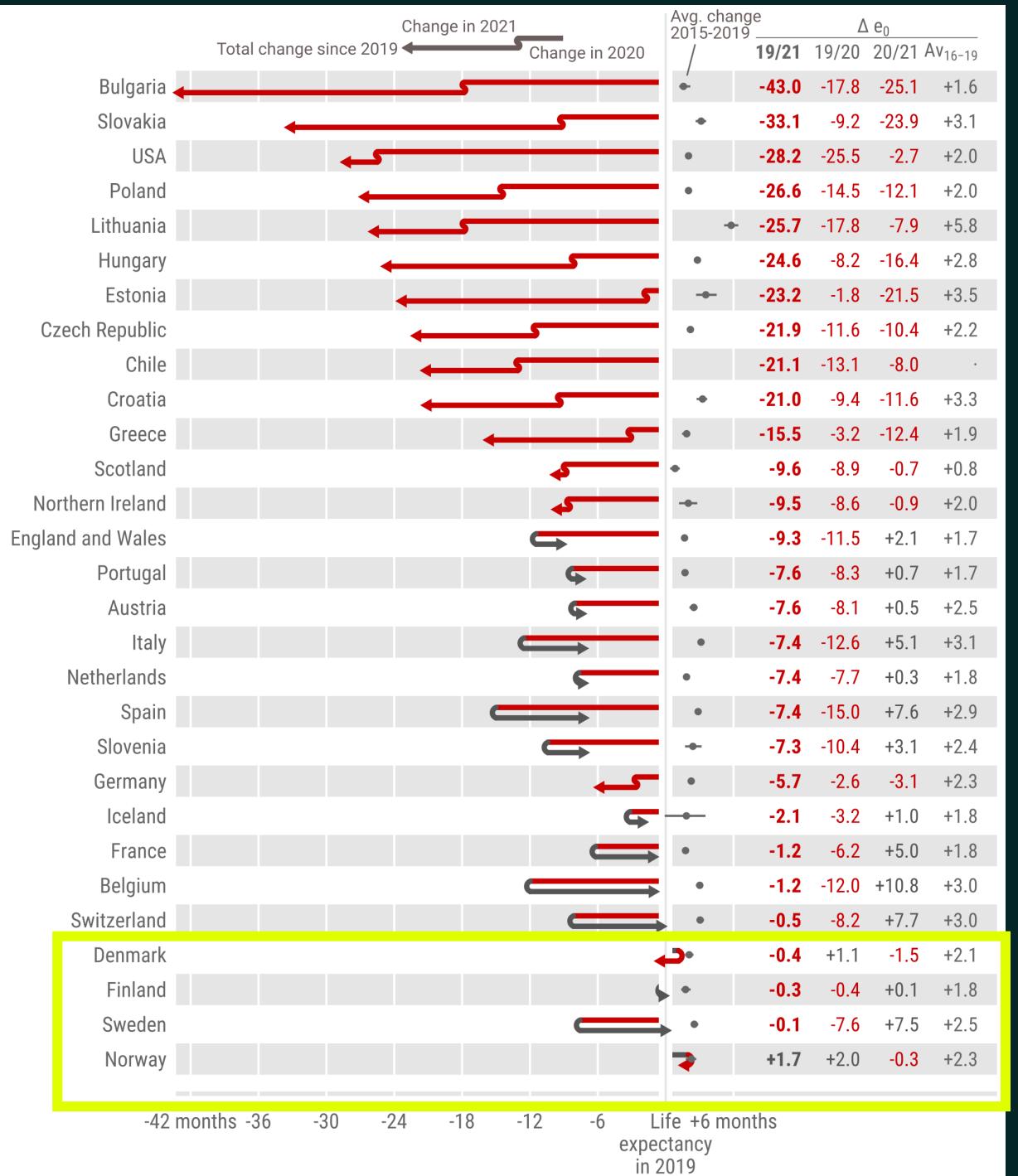
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The COVID-19 pandemic triggered an unprecedented rise in mortality that translated into life expectancy losses around the world, with only a few exceptions. We estimate life expectancy changes in 29 countries since 2020 (including most of Europe, the United States and Chile), attribute them to mortality changes by age group and compare them with historic life expectancy shocks. Our results show divergence in mortality impacts of the pandemic in 2021. While countries in western Europe experienced bounce backs from life expectancy losses of 2020, eastern Europe and the United States witnessed sustained and substantial life expectancy deficits. Life expectancy deficits during fall/winter 2021 among people ages 60+ and <60 were negatively correlated with measures of vaccination uptake across countries ($r_{60+} = -0.86$; two-tailed $P < 0.001$; 95% confidence interval, -0.94 to -0.69 ; $r_{<60} = -0.74$; two-tailed $P < 0.001$; 95% confidence interval, -0.88 to -0.46). In contrast to 2020, the age profile of excess mortality in 2021 was younger, with those in under-80 age groups contributing more to life expectancy losses. However, even in 2021, registered COVID-19 deaths continued to account for most life expectancy losses.

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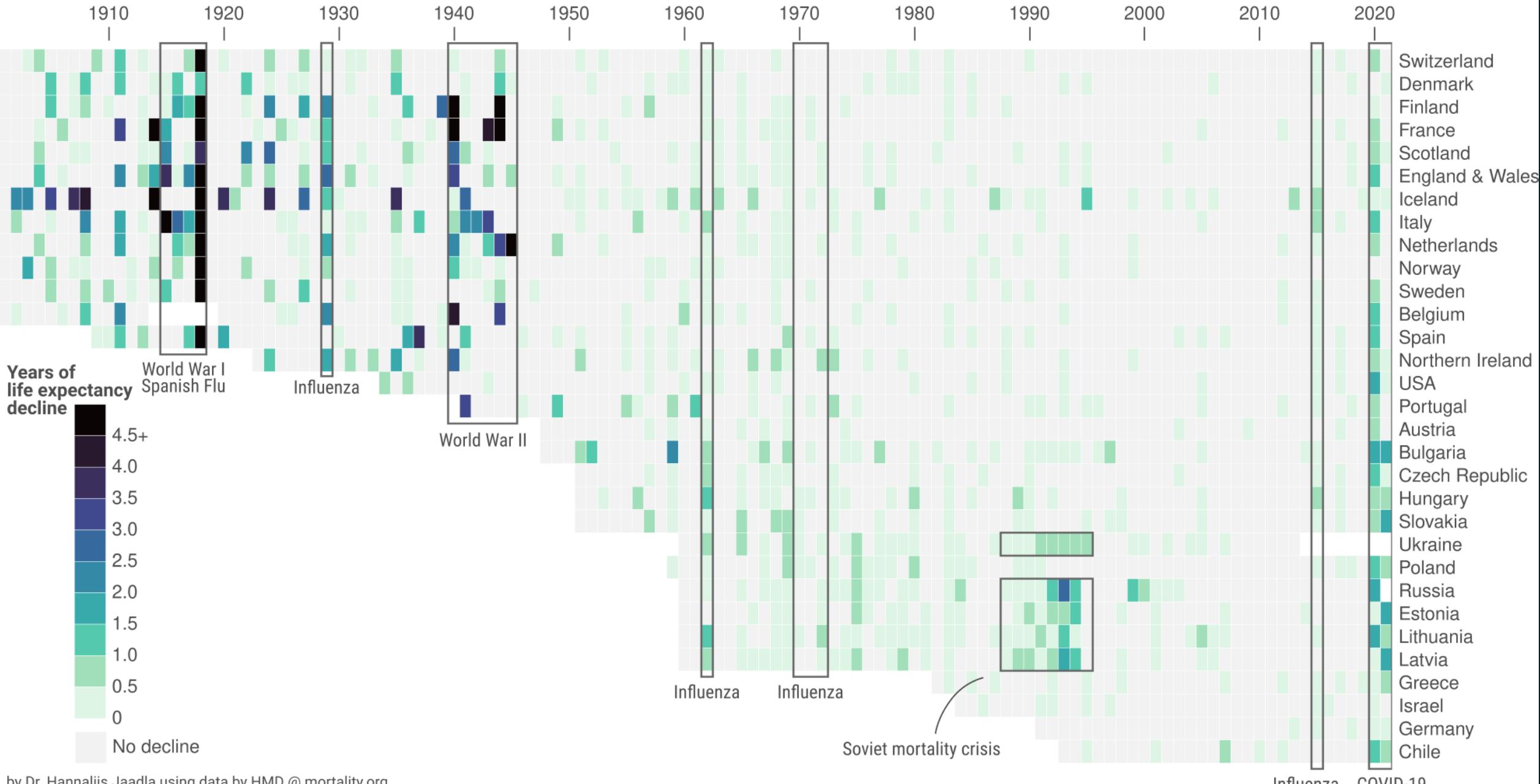
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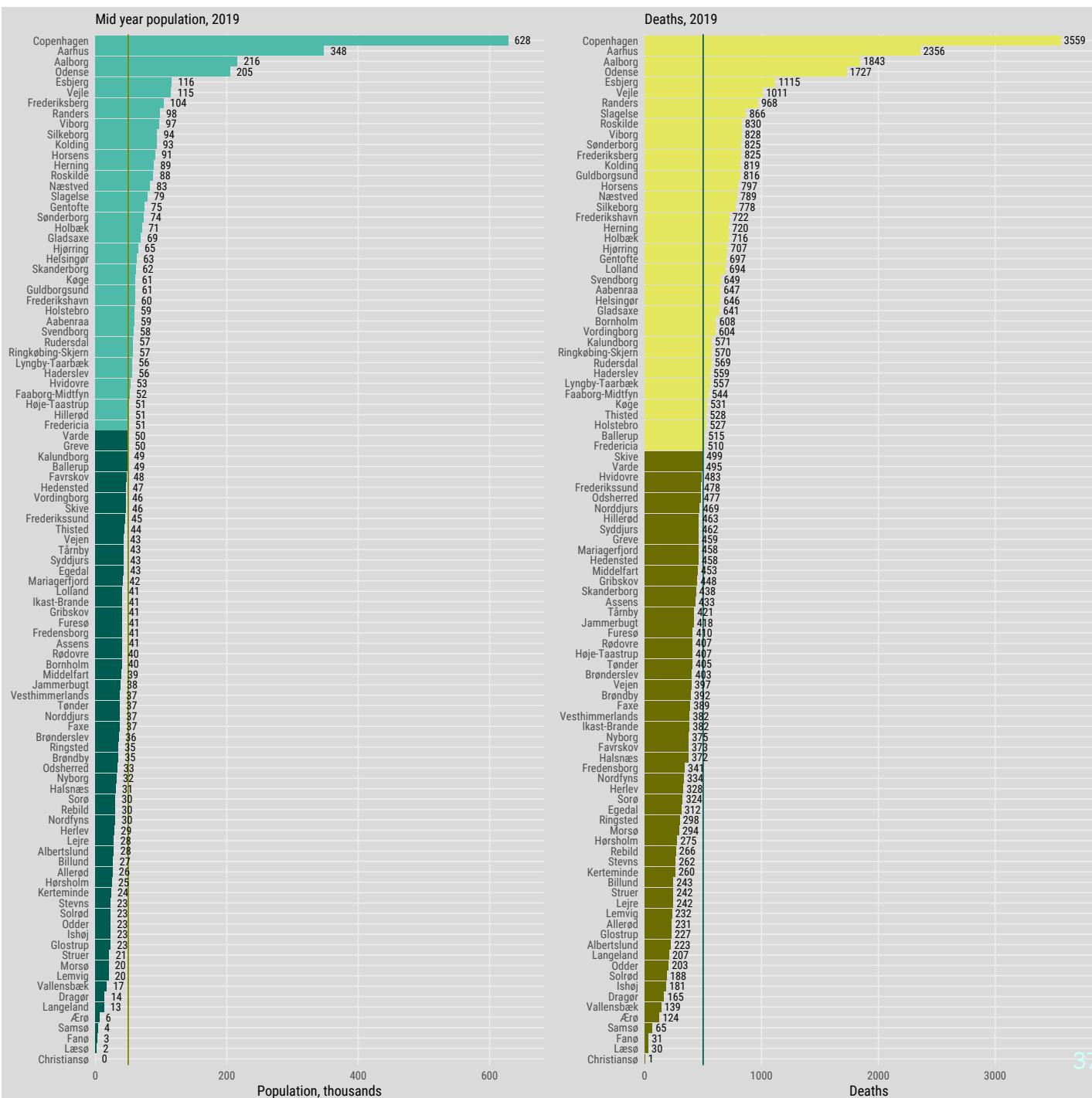
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Years where life expectancy declined across 31 countries going back to 1900



Danish municipalities are small

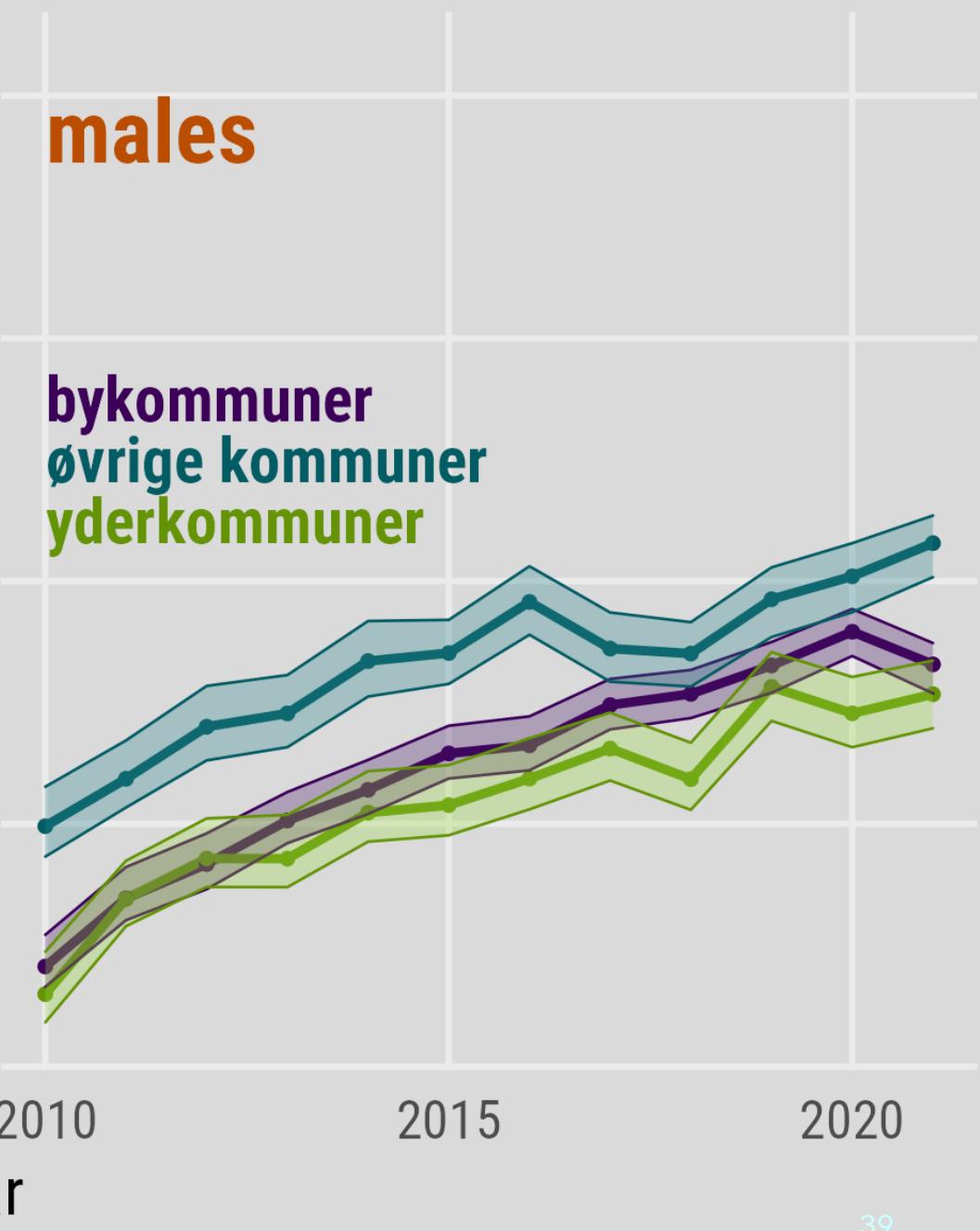
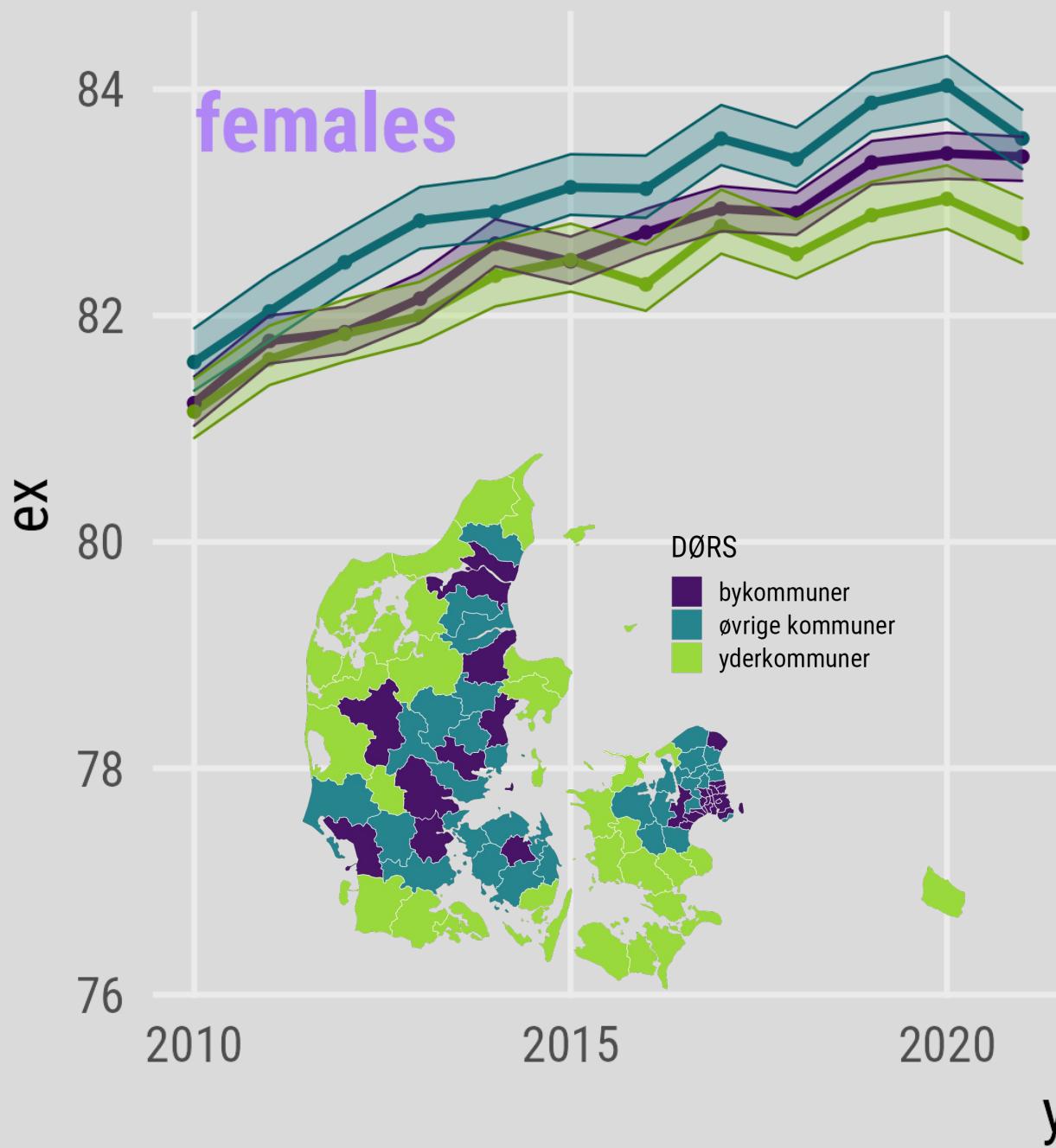
About half of them are less than **50K** people
and see less than **500** deaths per year



The main message of Figs. 9 and 10 lies in the very high overlap between the posterior distributions of many of the microregions. These are not especially small areas: Livramento do Brumado was the least-populous microregion in Bahia, but it had a total population of 97,786 in 2010, and the median total population of Bahian microregions was slightly below 290,000.

Despite these fairly large areas, however, uncertainty dominates most pairwise comparisons. It is clear that at this geographic level, researchers and policy makers should not rely on point estimates to distinguish high- and low-mortality areas—especially if differences in best-guess estimates of median e_0 are less than one year. That result applies even more strongly to smaller areas, such as municipalities.

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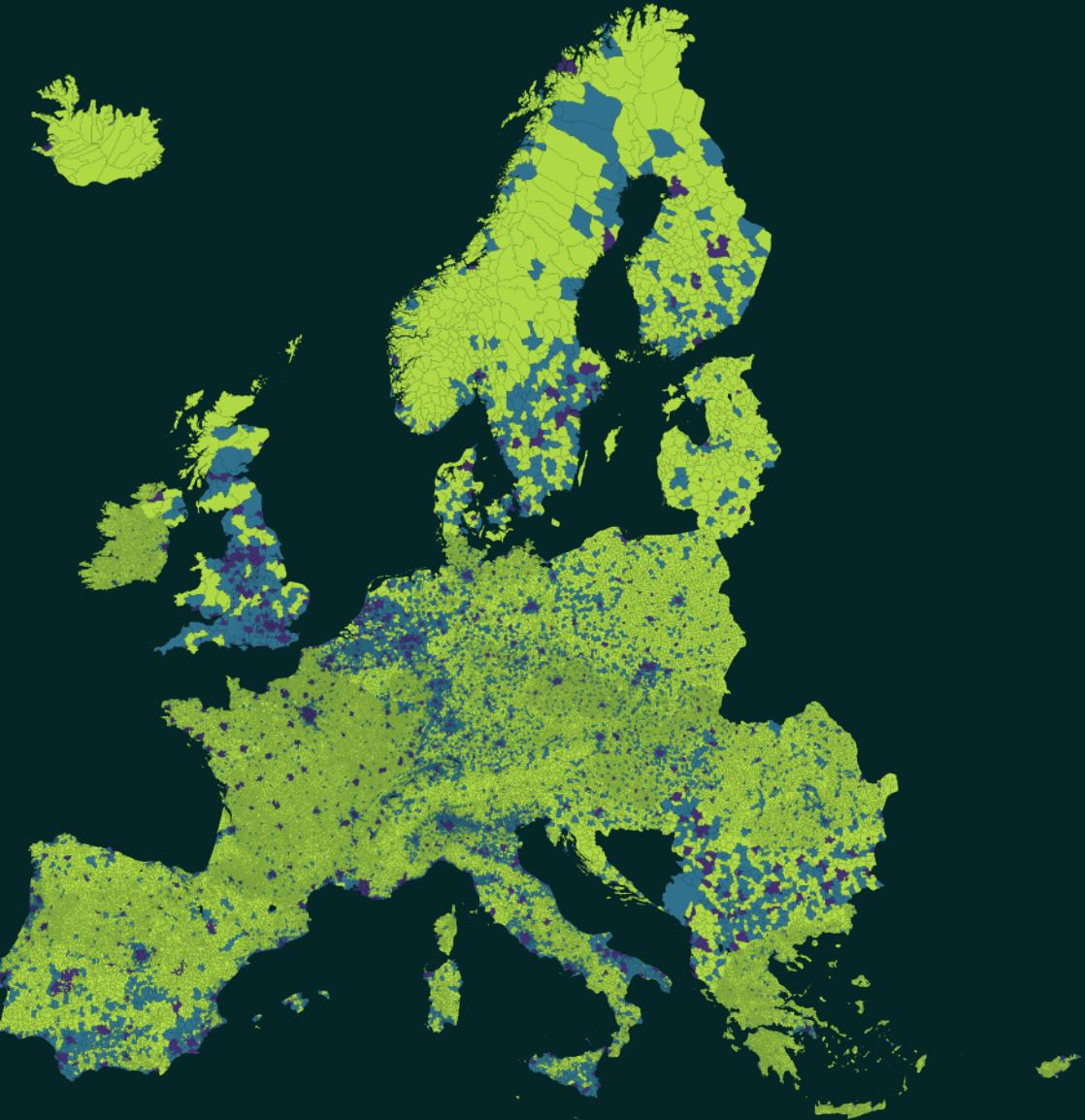
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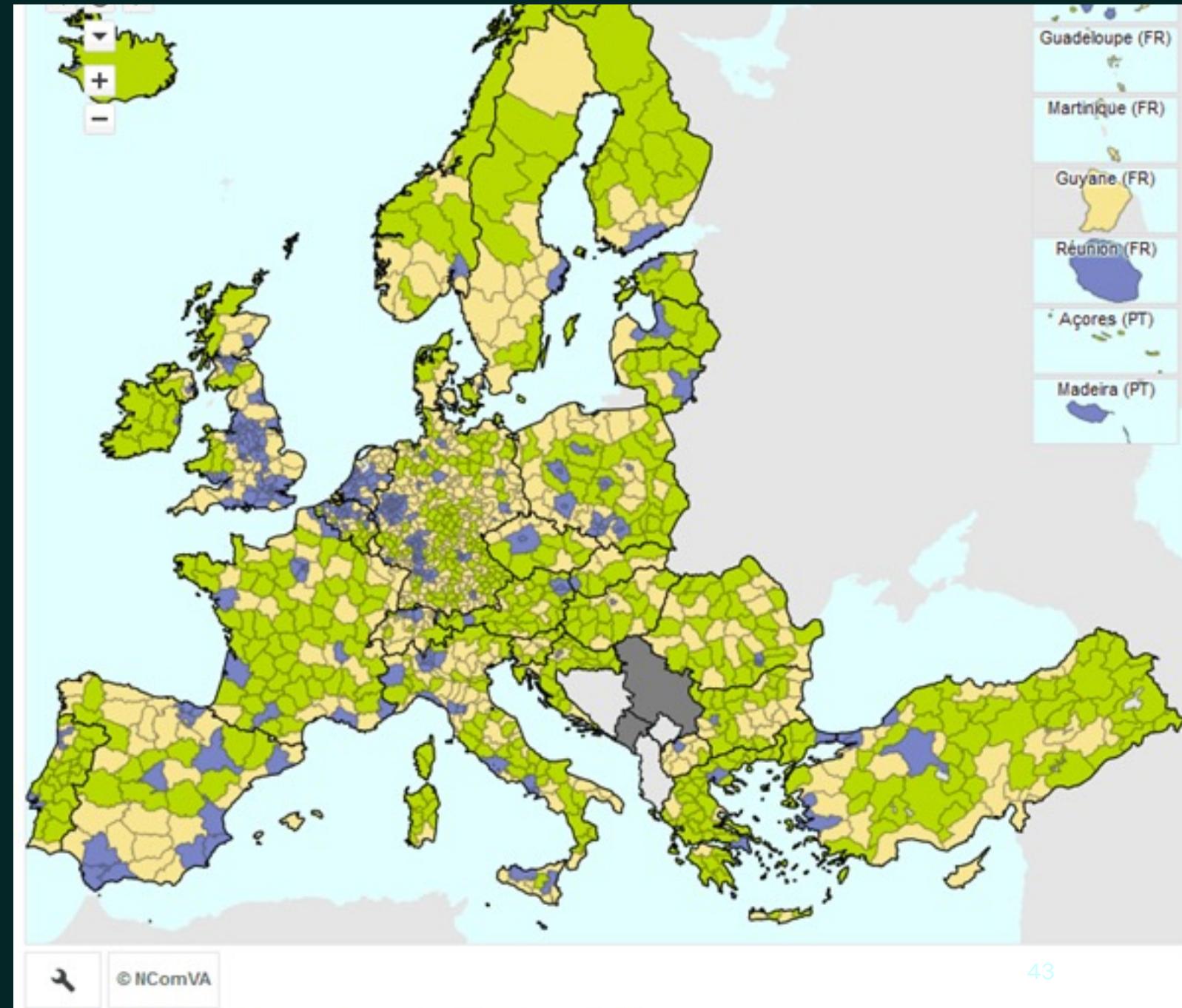
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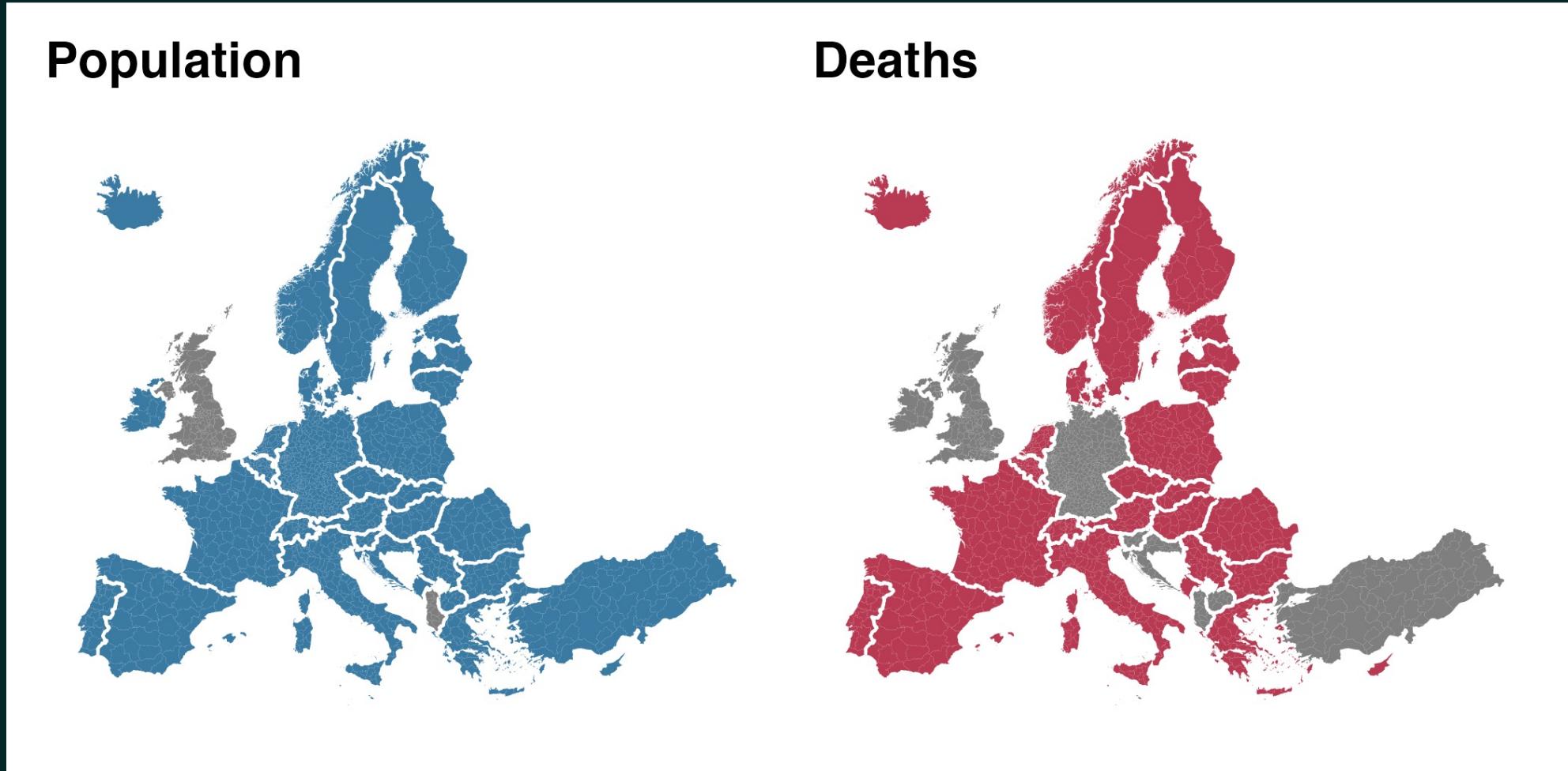
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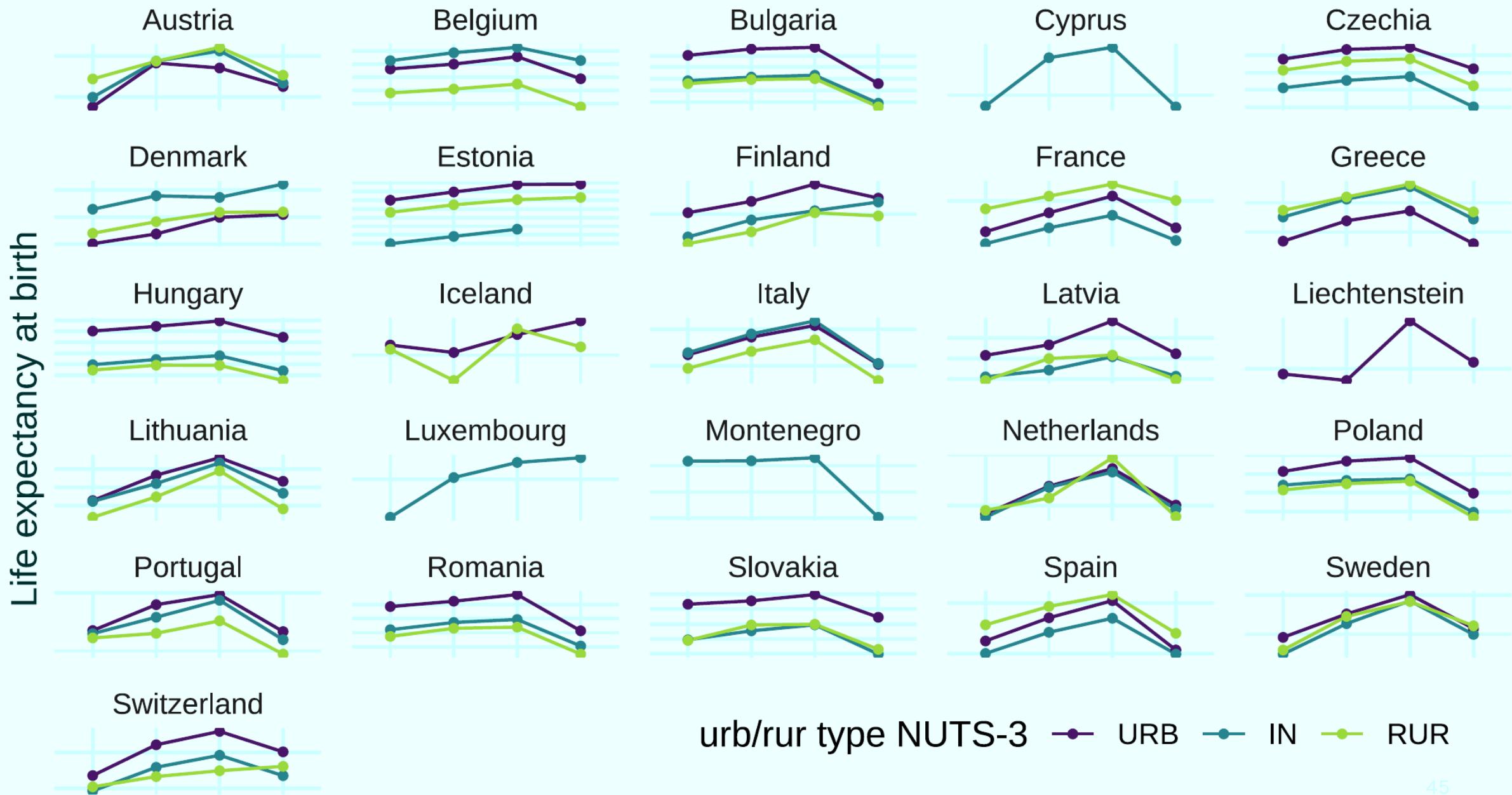
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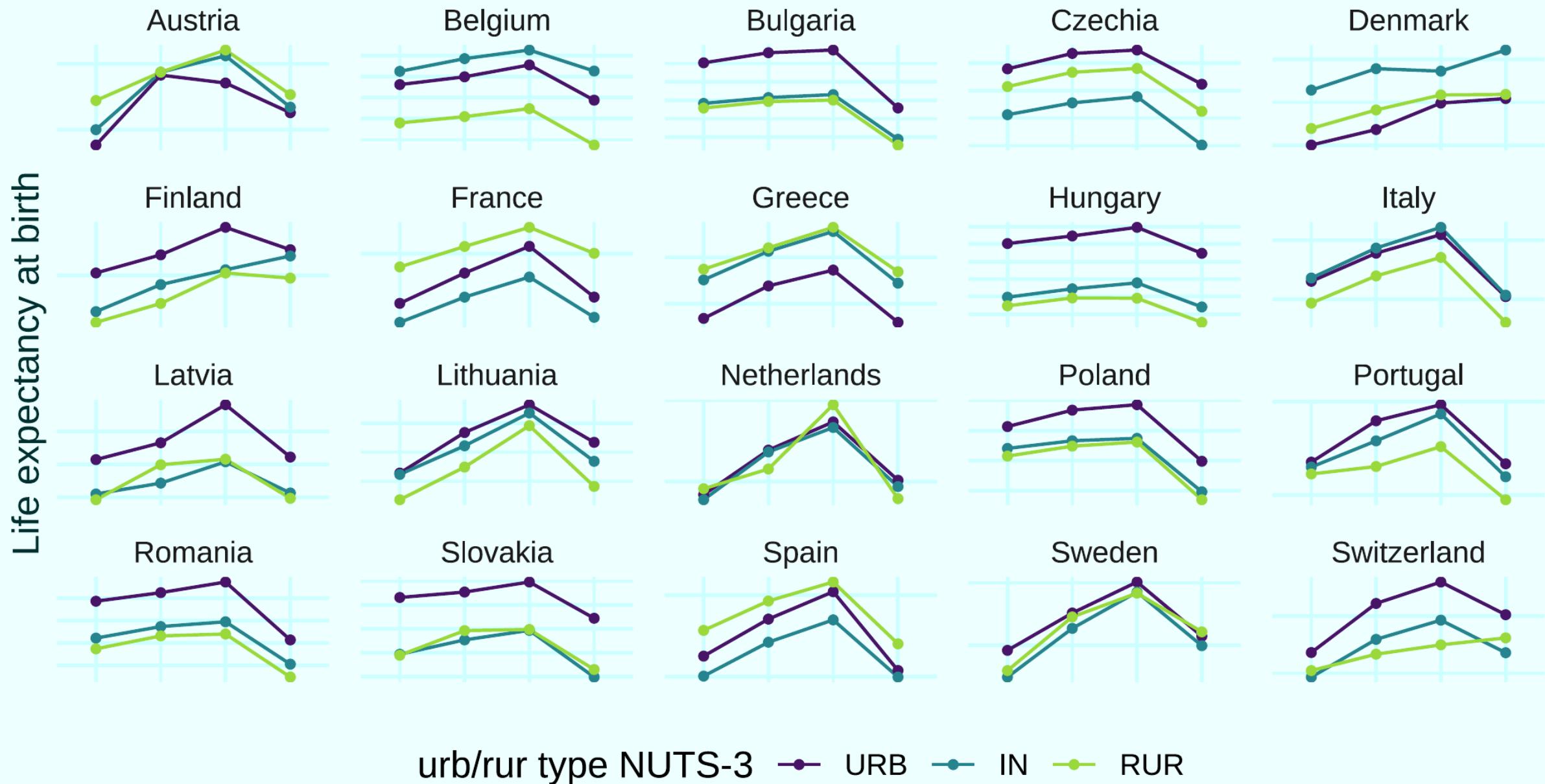


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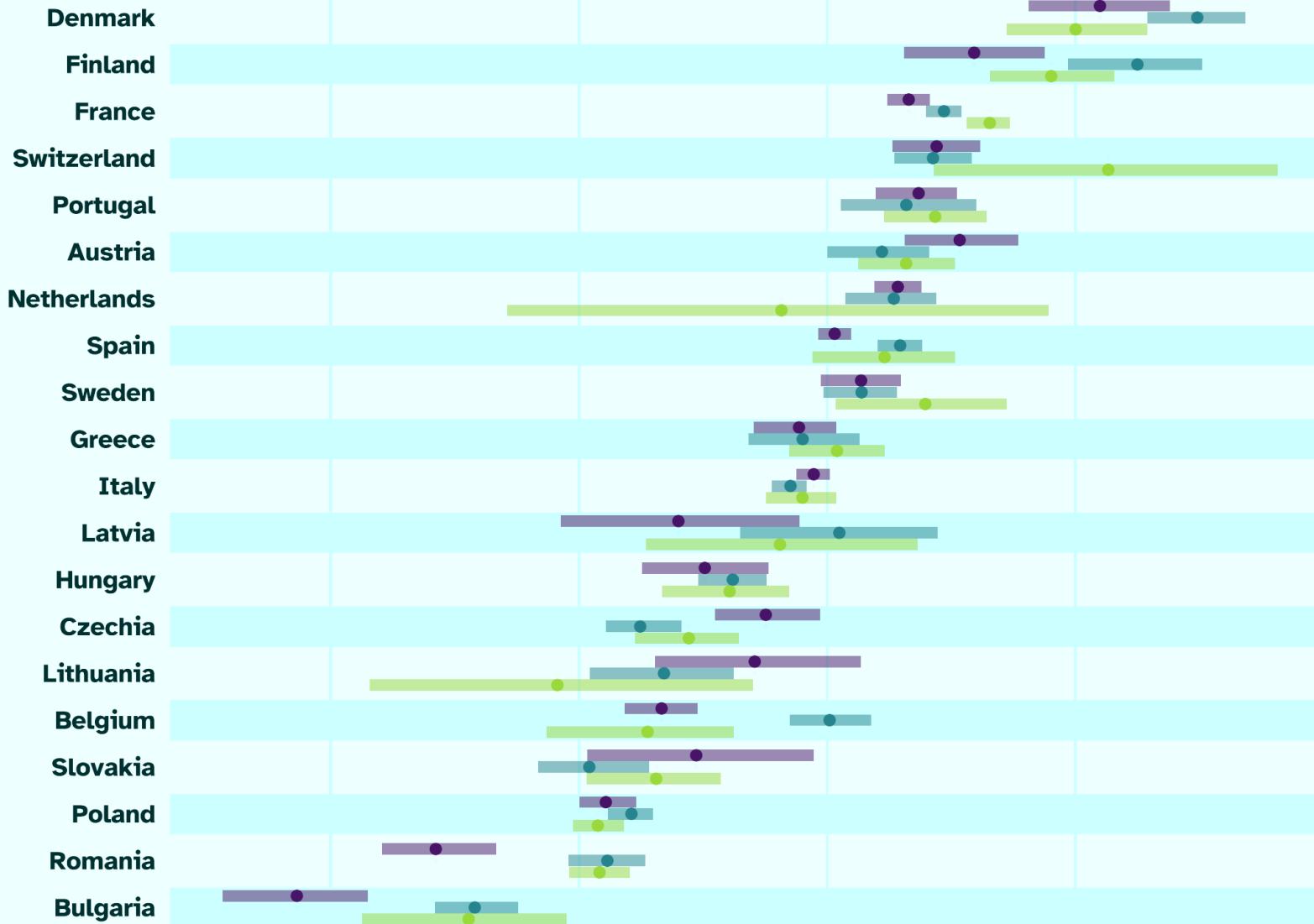
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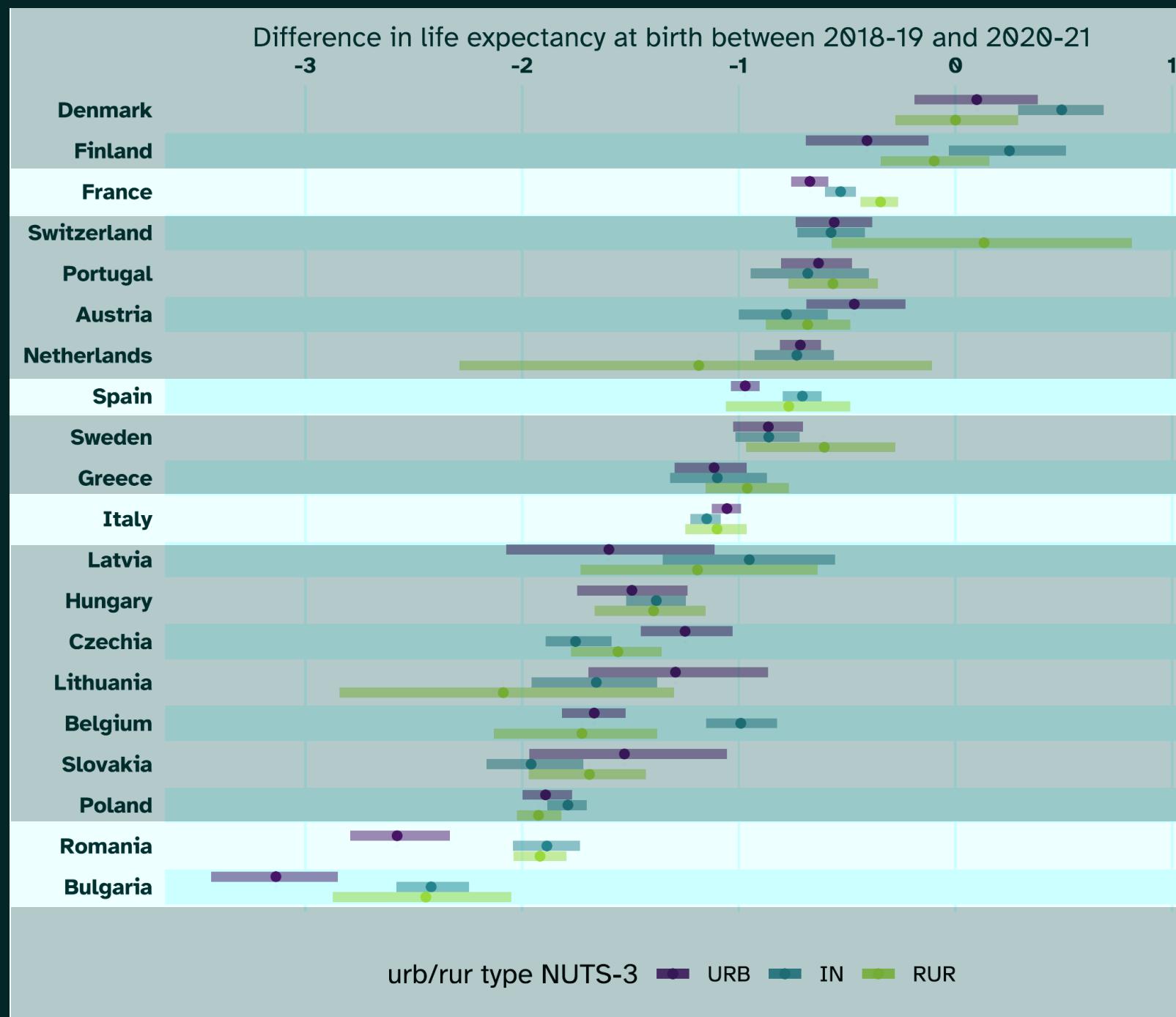


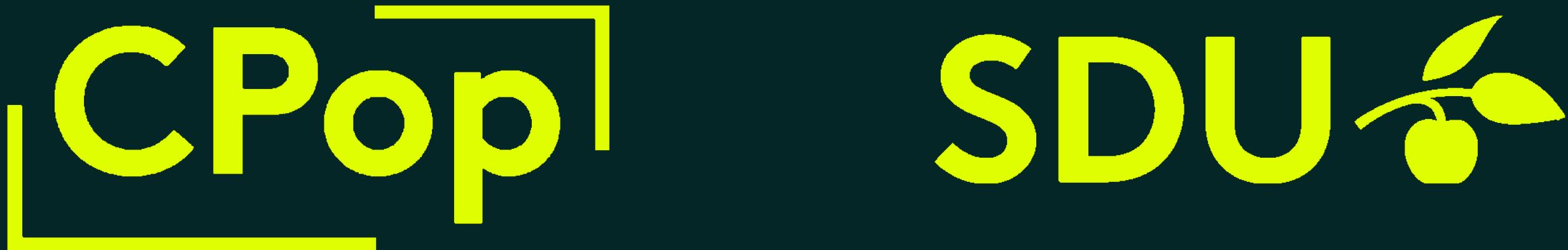
Difference in life expectancy at birth between 2018-19 and 2020-21

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Thank you!

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Period life table survival, I_x

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50,000

25,000

0

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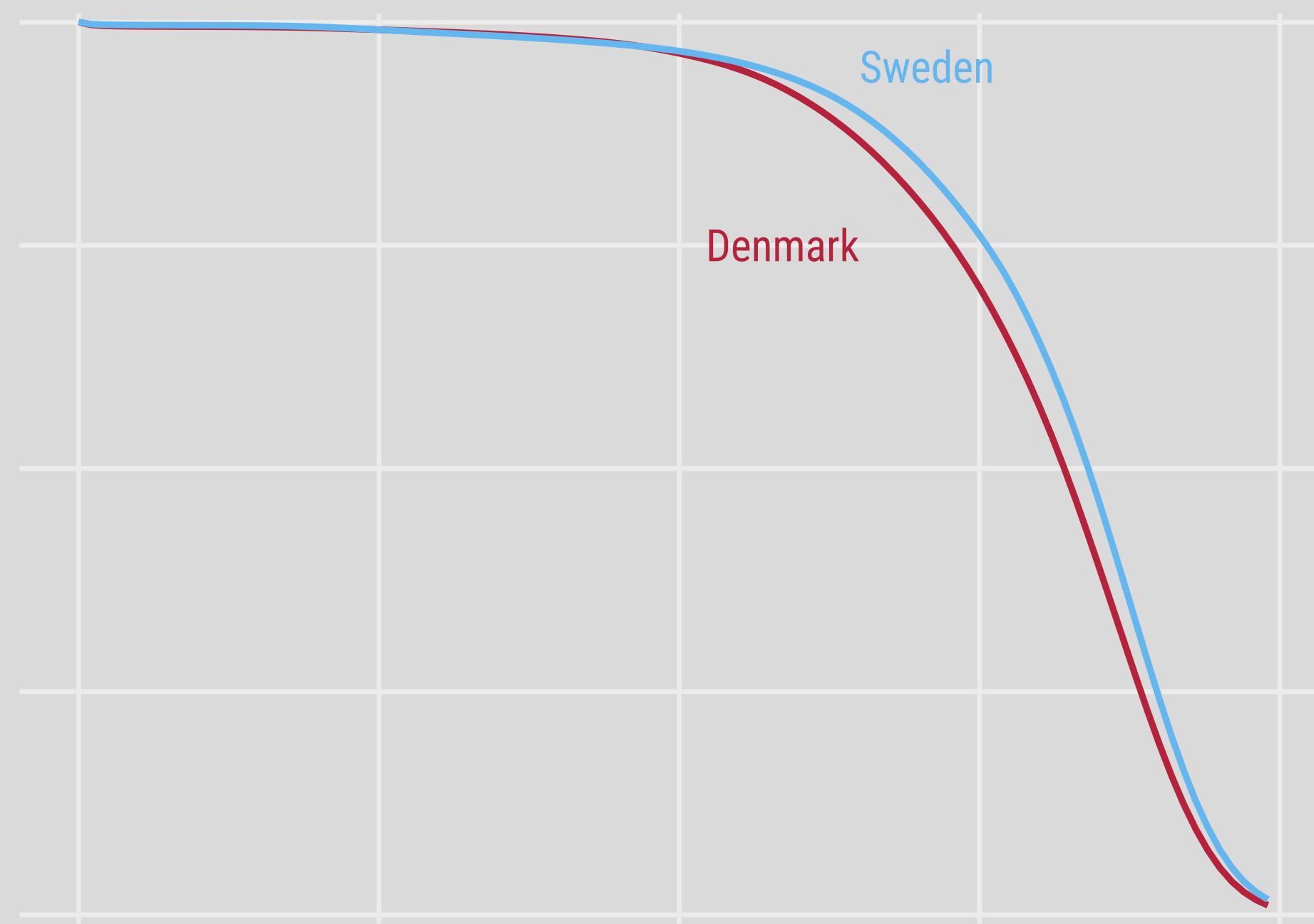
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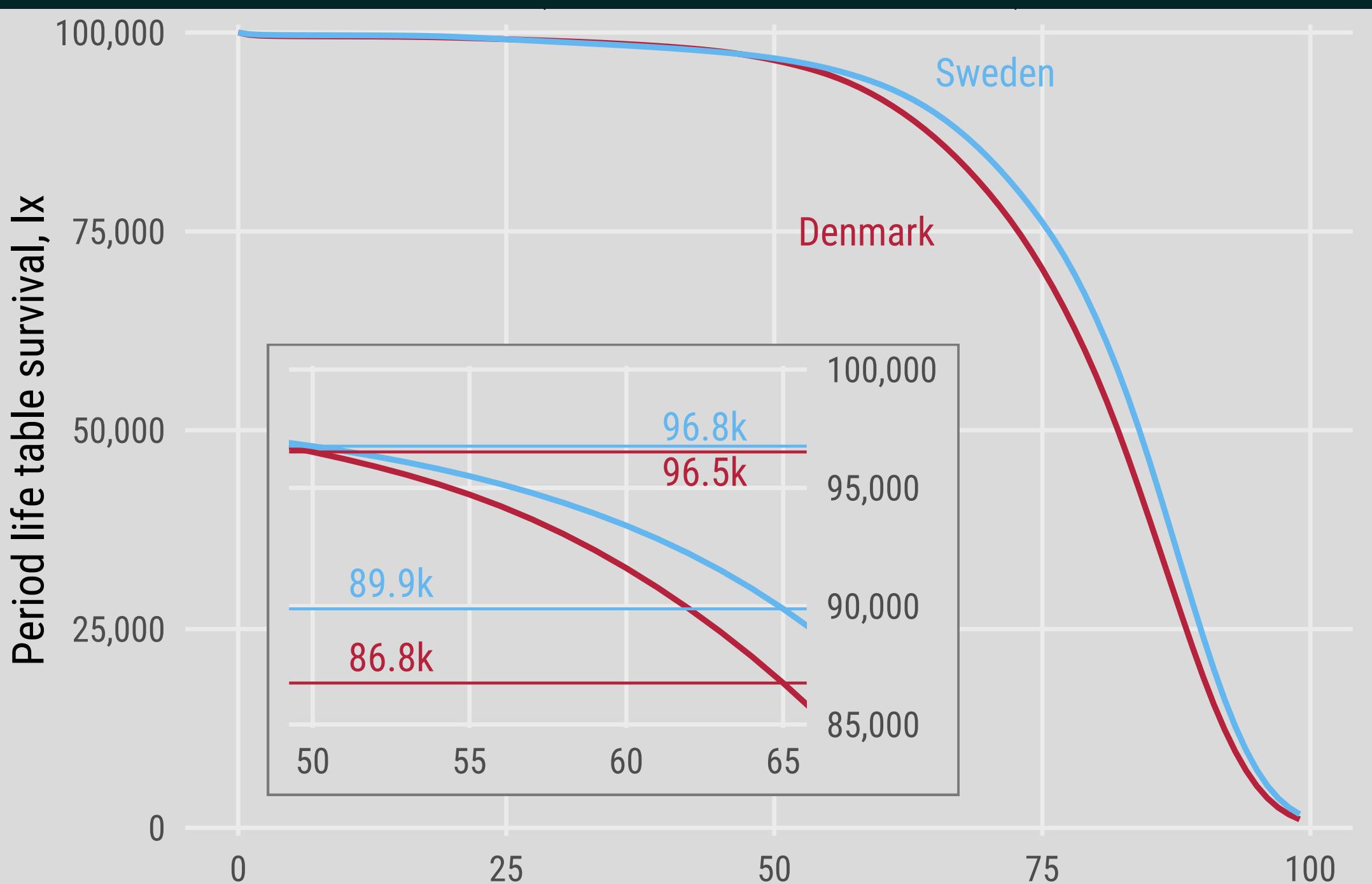
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Sweden

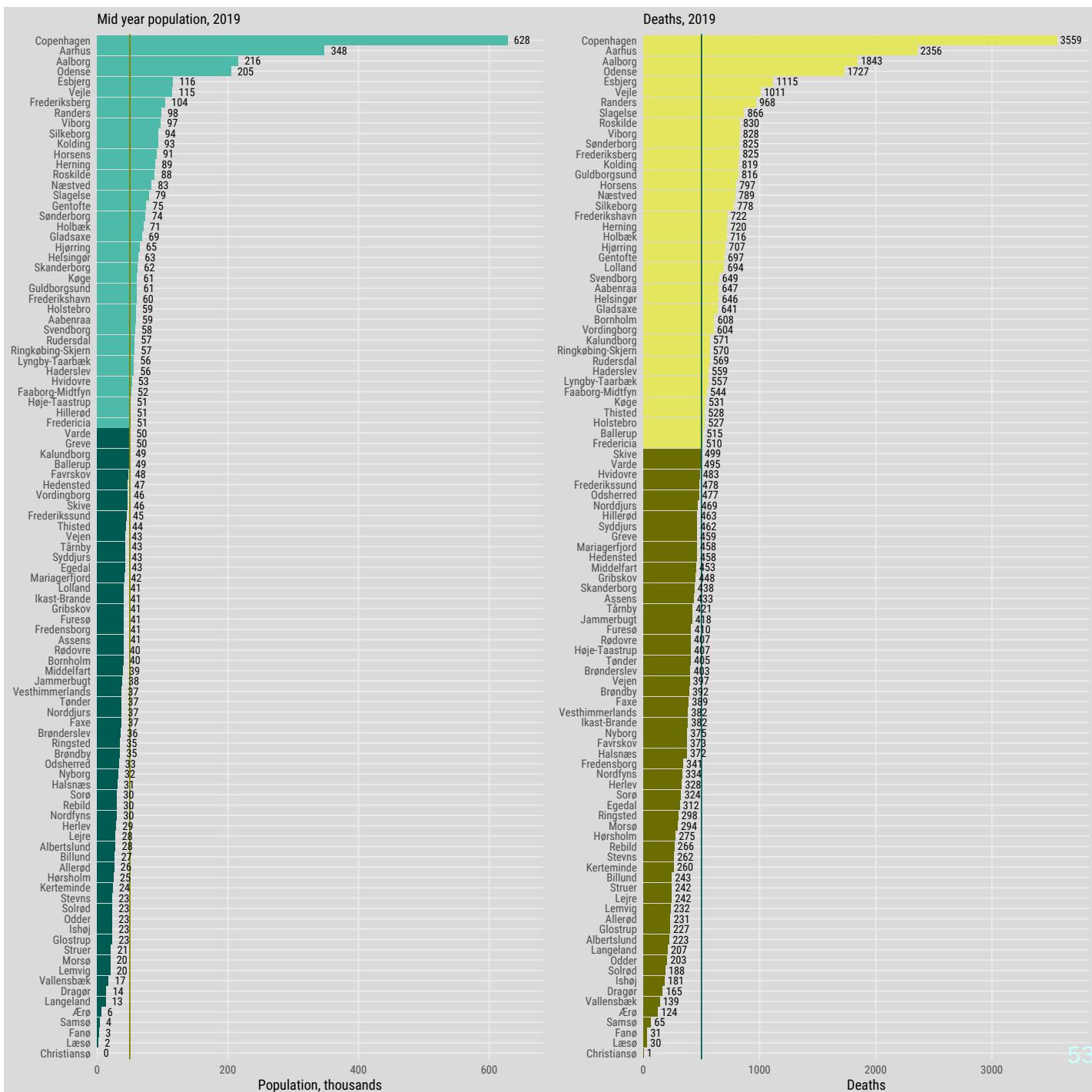
Denmark





Danish municipalities are small

About half of them are less than **50K** people
and see less than **500** deaths per year



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Table 2: Goodness of fit (measured by root mean square error, RMSE) of the logarithms of age-specific probabilities of death in 26 European countries, 2006

	Men			Women		
	TOPALS RMSE ($\times 10^{-3}$)	Heligman- Pollard	Brass	TOPALS	Heligman- Pollard	Brass
Austria	191	184	197	223	255	232
Belarus	144	255	284	214	192	249
Belgium	157	154	164	208	248	218
Bulgaria	164	145	206	255	184	353
Czech Republic	145	260	167	231	244	229
Denmark	201	190	207	232	234	271
Estonia	319	355	347	427	418	417
Finland	334	283	343	307	319	296
France	67	136	133	95	212	135
Germany	91	95	117	100	176	132
Hungary	143	433	324	232	327	302
Ireland	275	247	297	341	306	330
Italy	105	108	118	106	172	112
Latvia	364	343	408	411	369	419
Lithuania	188	201	308	222	222	265
Netherlands	148	110	222	173	192	184
Norway	268	268	291	360	362	350
Poland	67	171	162	116	170	159
Portugal	128	170	200	210	214	247
Russia	72	126	255	93	88	246
Slovakia	232	236	246	262	235	322
Spain	129	131	130	106	214	142
Sweden	188	292	221	228	298	229
Switzerland	196	217	214	274	299	282
Ukraine	126	102	251	122	92	253
United Kingdom	76	91	94	90	116	117
Average	174	204	227	217	237	250

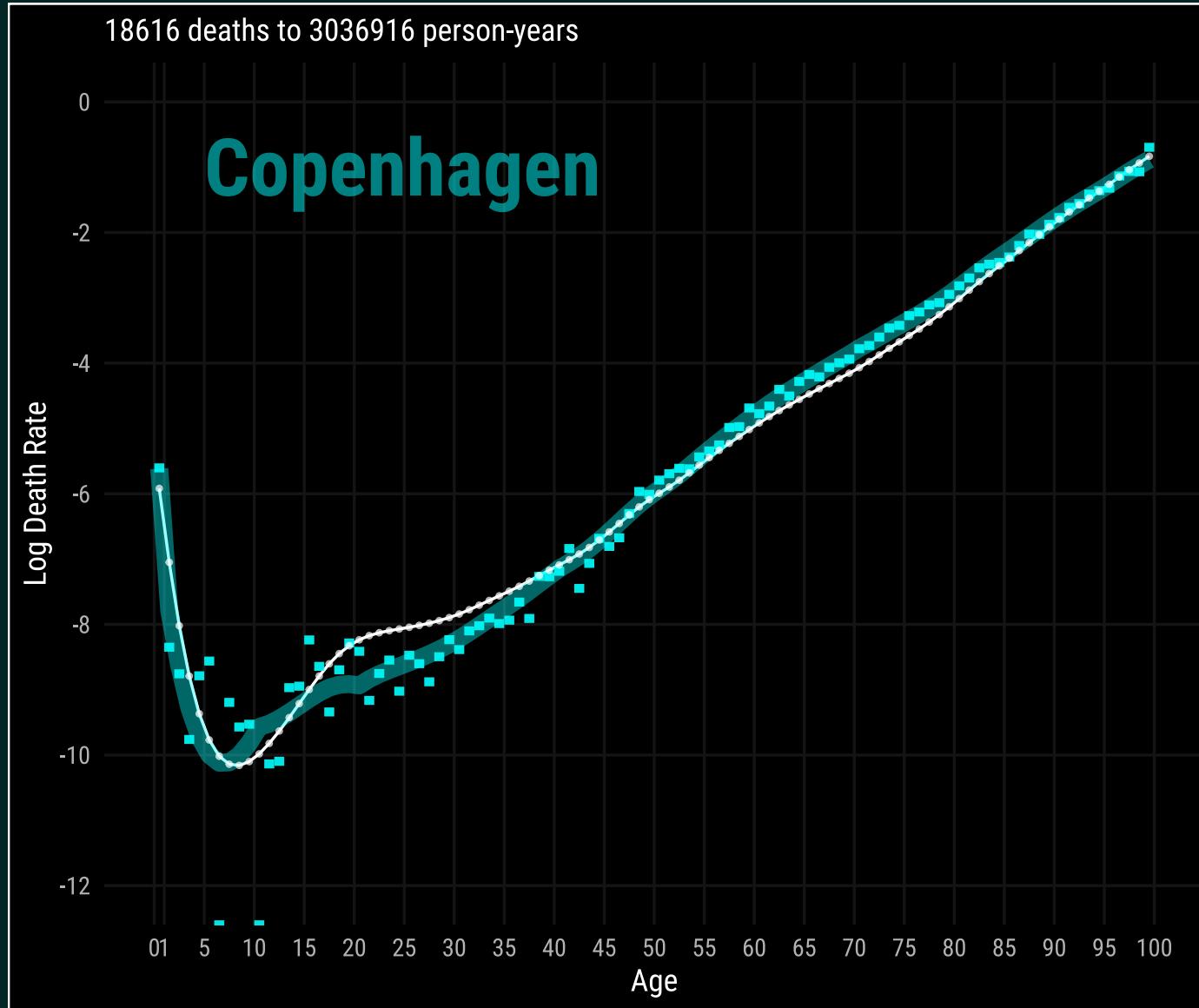
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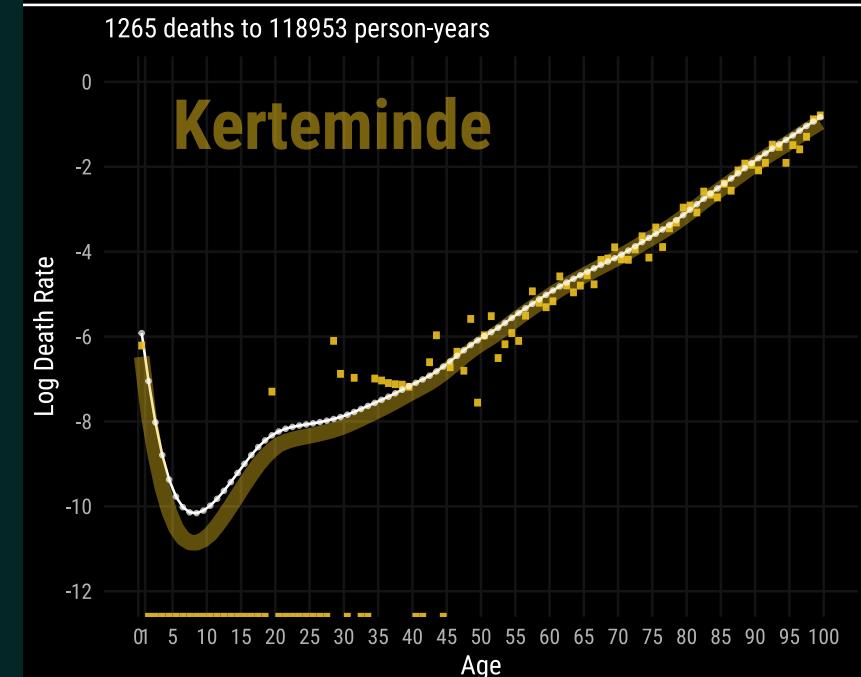
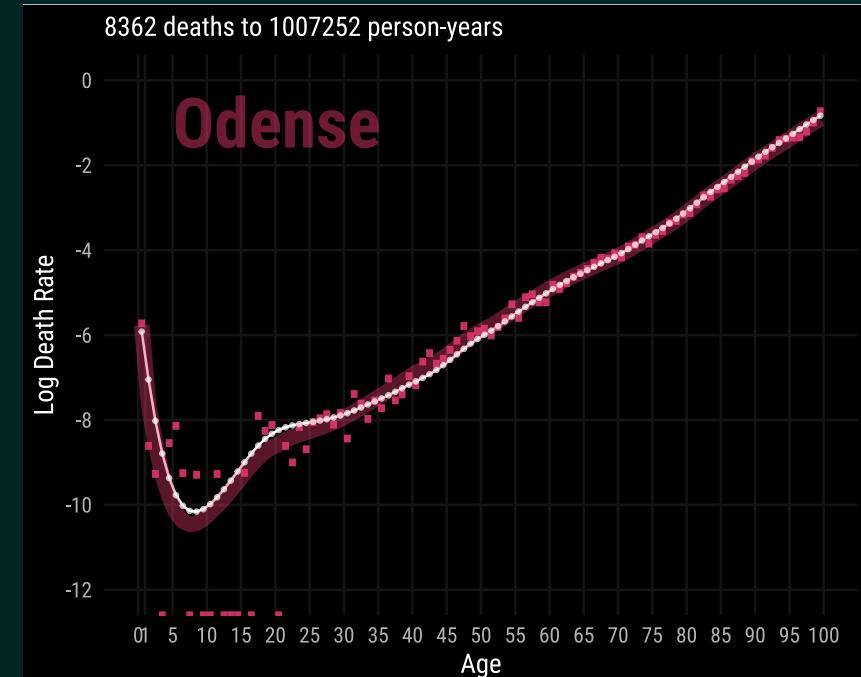
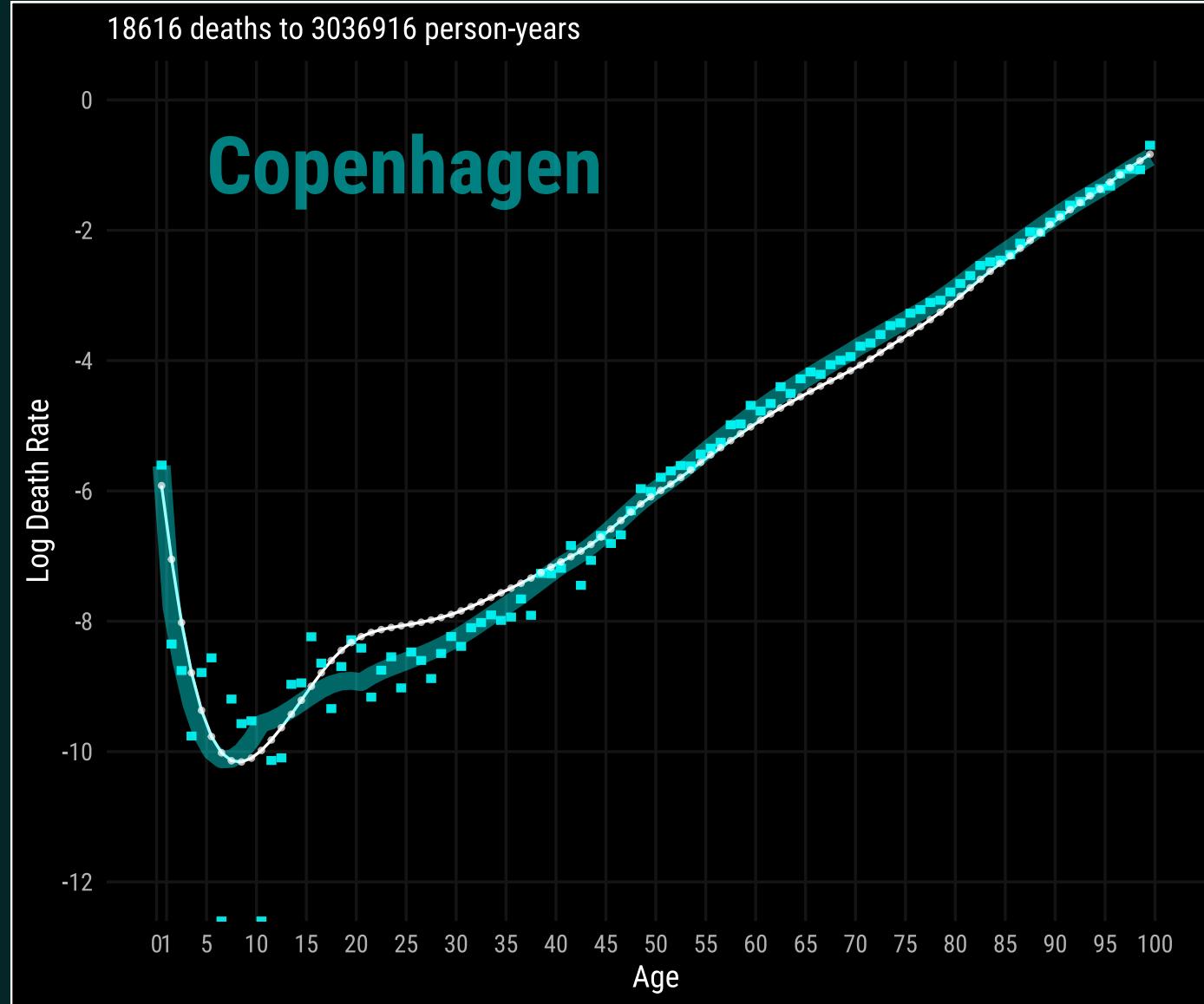
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