



WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

How What We Do Changes the World (Slowly)

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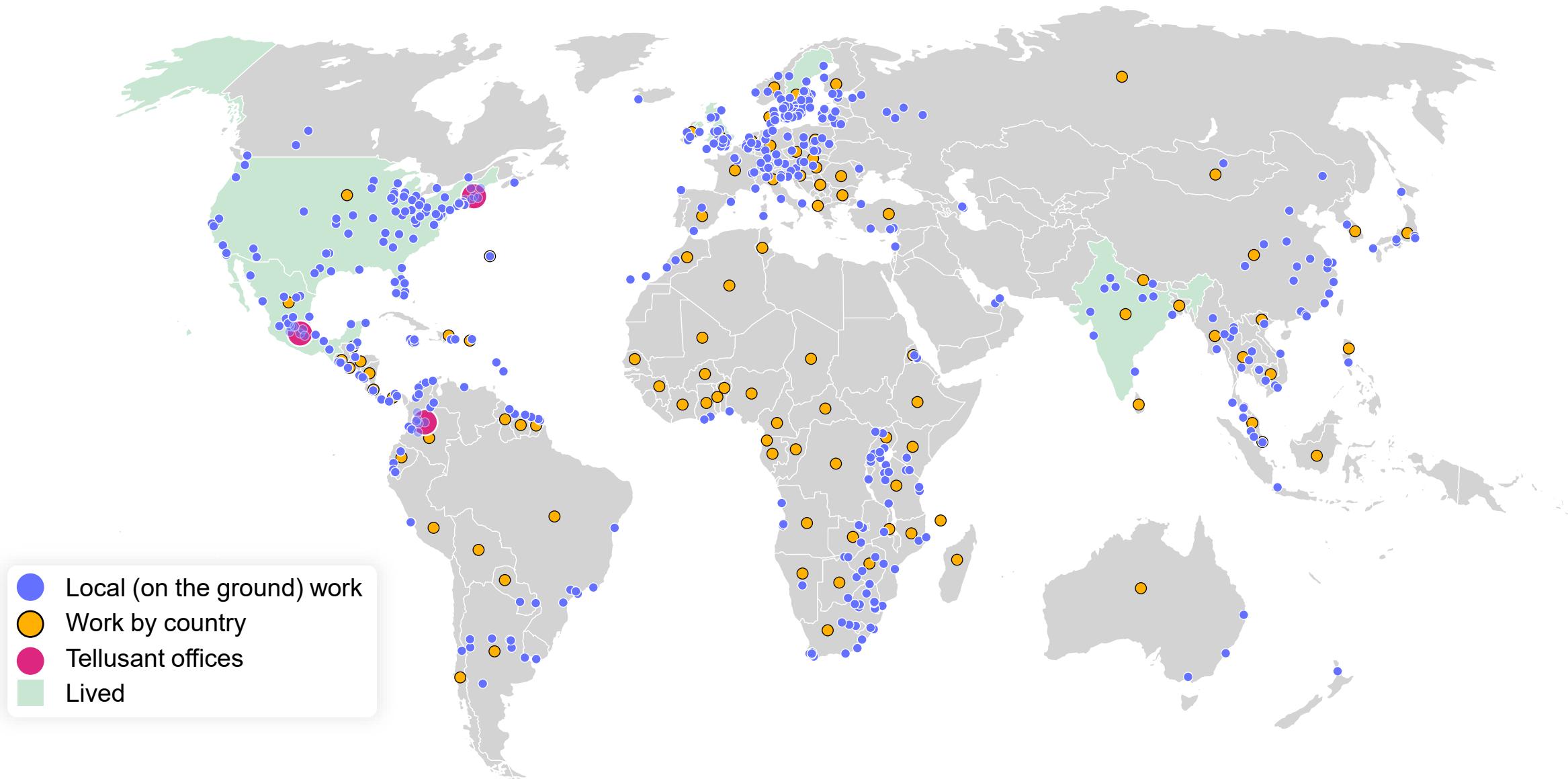
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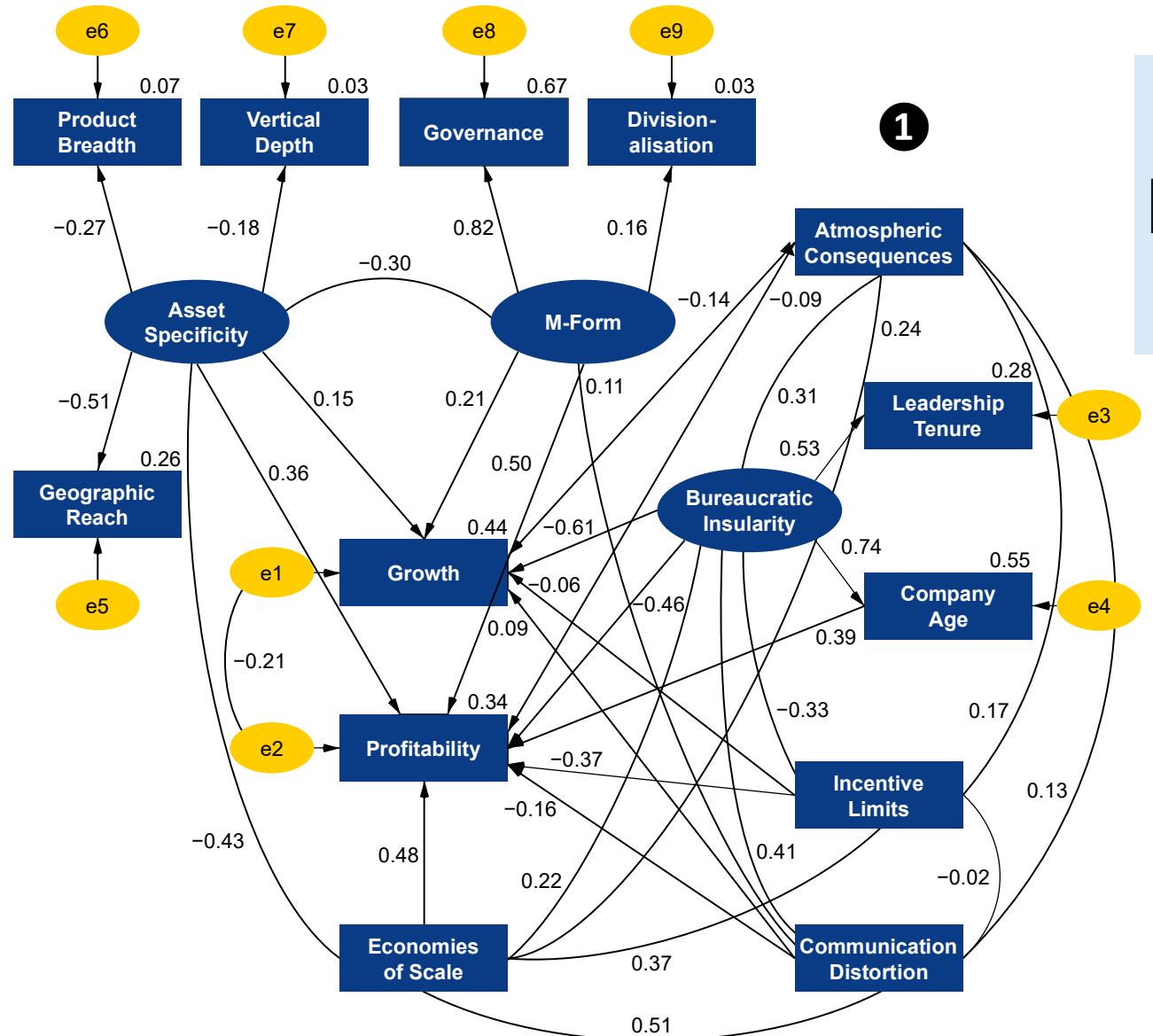




Credentials I: We have seen it all—from the ground



Credentials 2: We know the math



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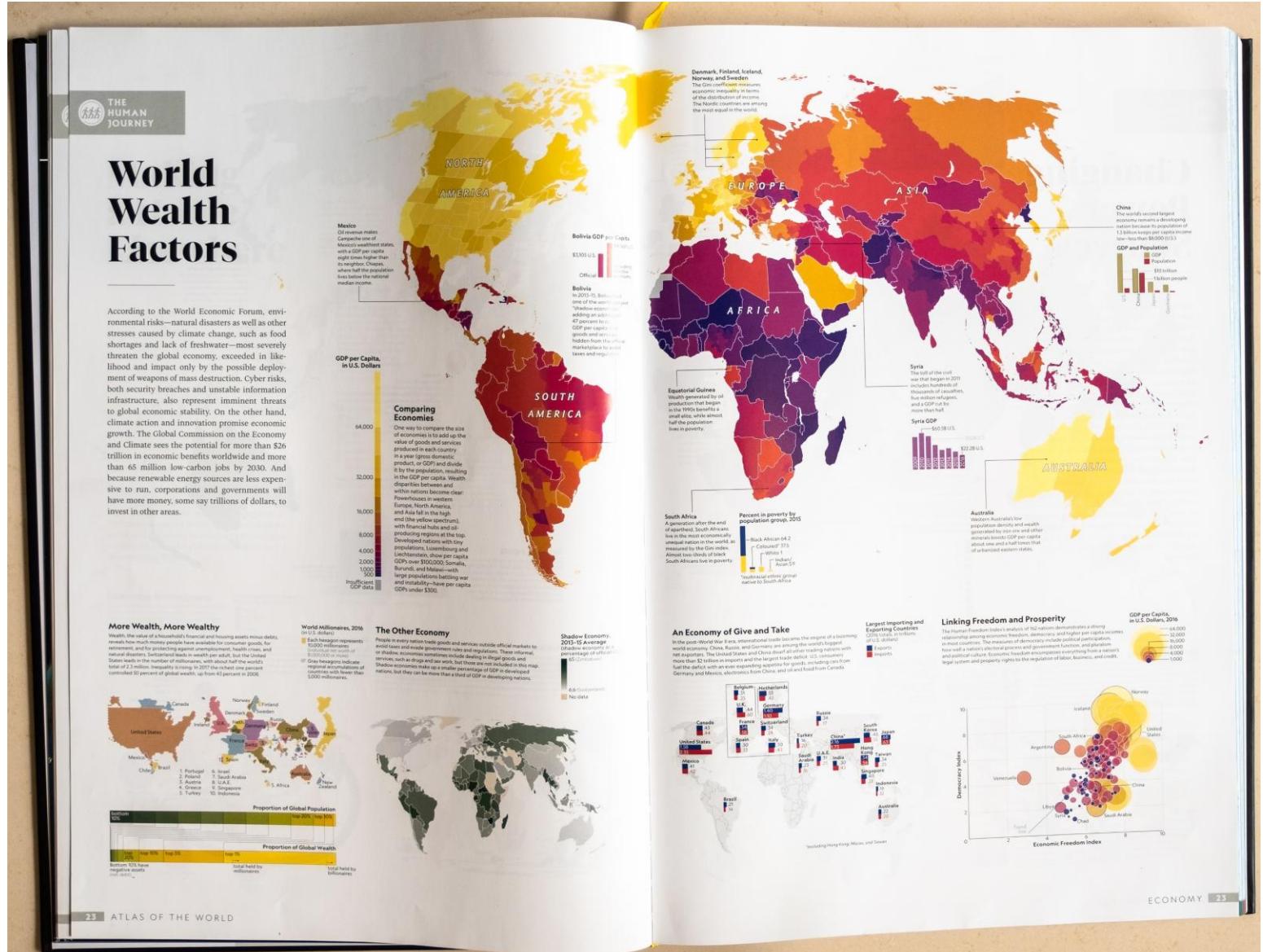
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{H} &= \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Xi} + \mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{X} &= \boldsymbol{\Delta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Xi} + \mathbf{\Delta} \\ \mathbf{Y} &= \mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{H} + \mathbf{E} \end{aligned}$$

1 = 2 = 3

Credentials 3: We are widely recognized

400 academic, news media, and business citations

National Geographic
Atlas of the World
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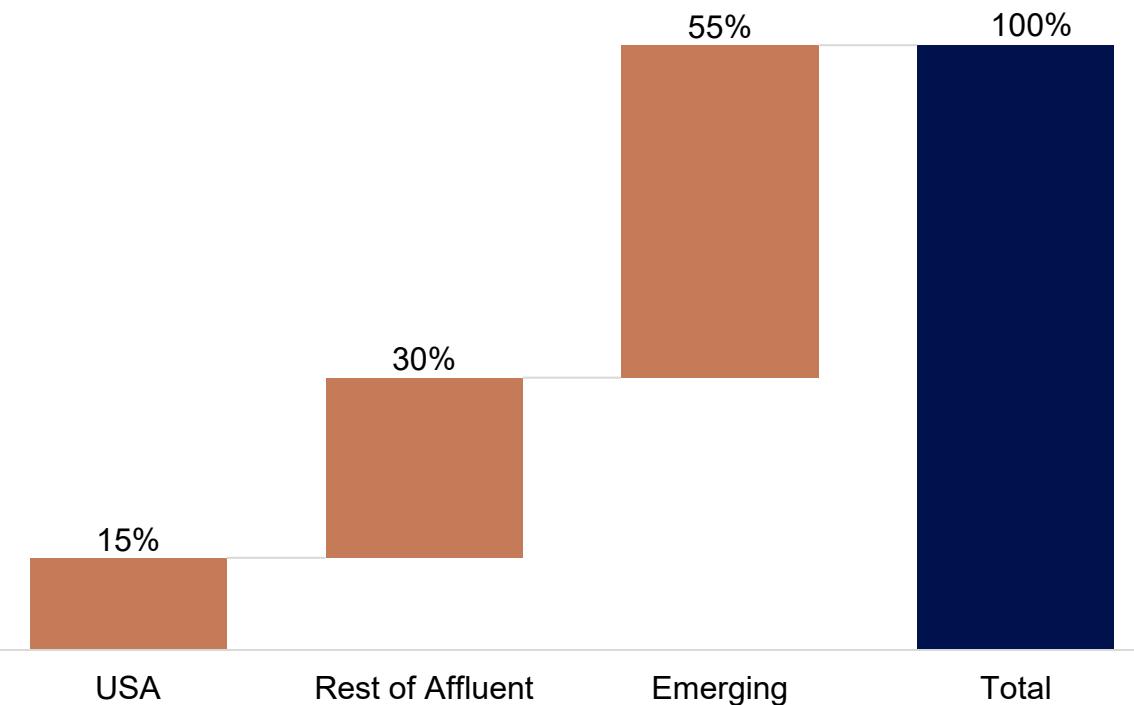
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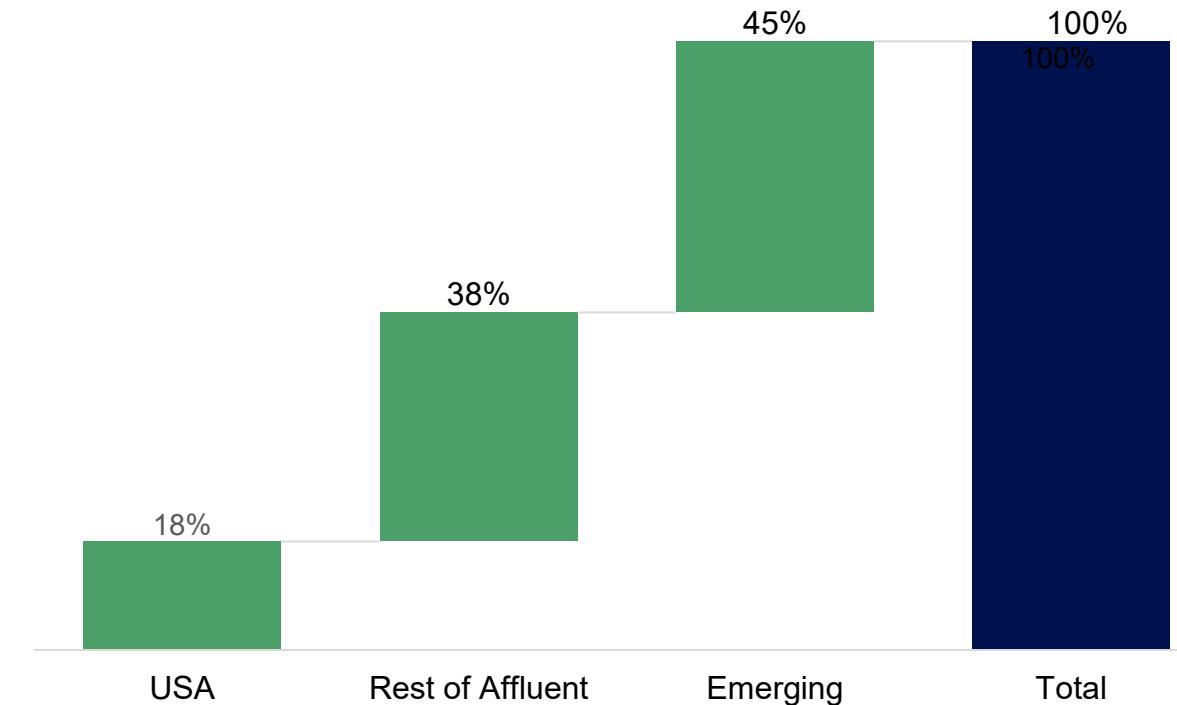
Why? The U.S. is an important, yet small, part of the world economy

U.S. SHARE OF GLOBAL GDP

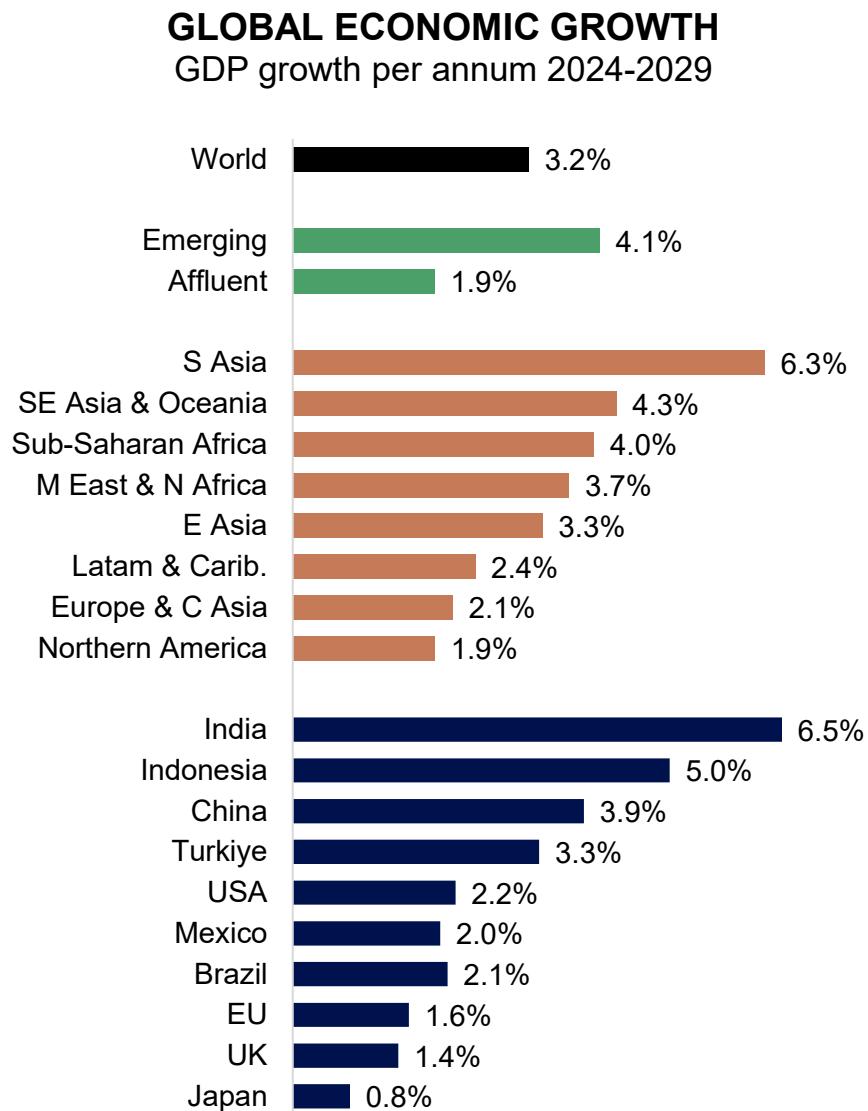
PPP\$, constant 2015 values



U.S. SHARE OF GLOBAL MIDDLE CLASS AND ABOVE



Why? Growth is high in most parts of the world



The major headwind in affluent countries is demographic: Declining and aging populations

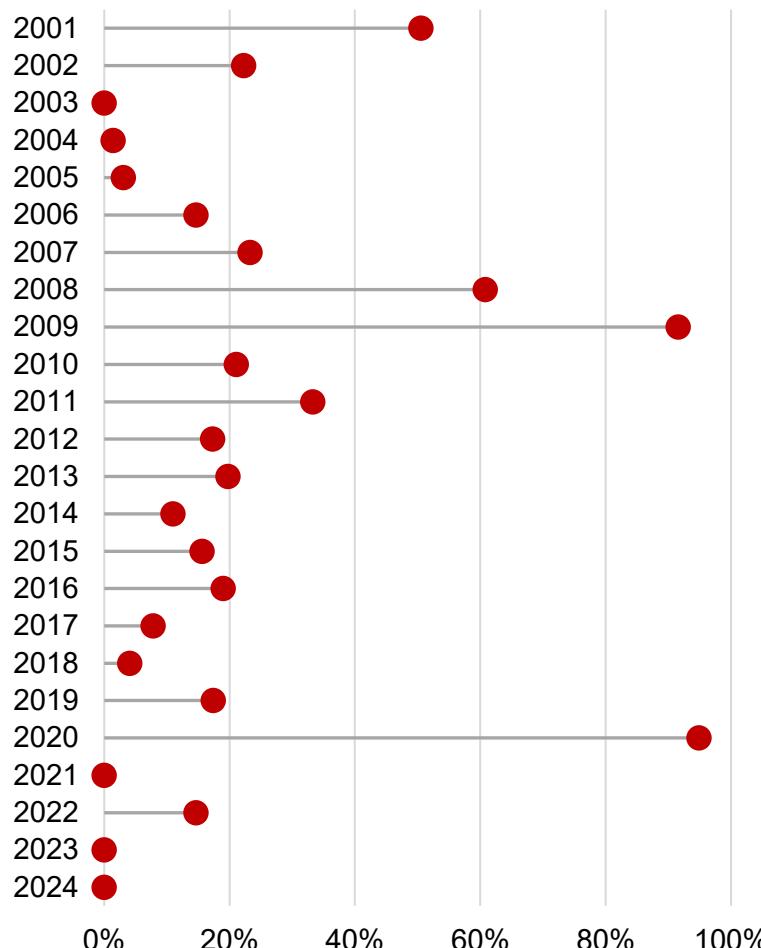
It is largely not an economic issue

Why? Working outside the U.S. in emerging countries also reduces risk

SHARE OF POPULATION IN RECESSION

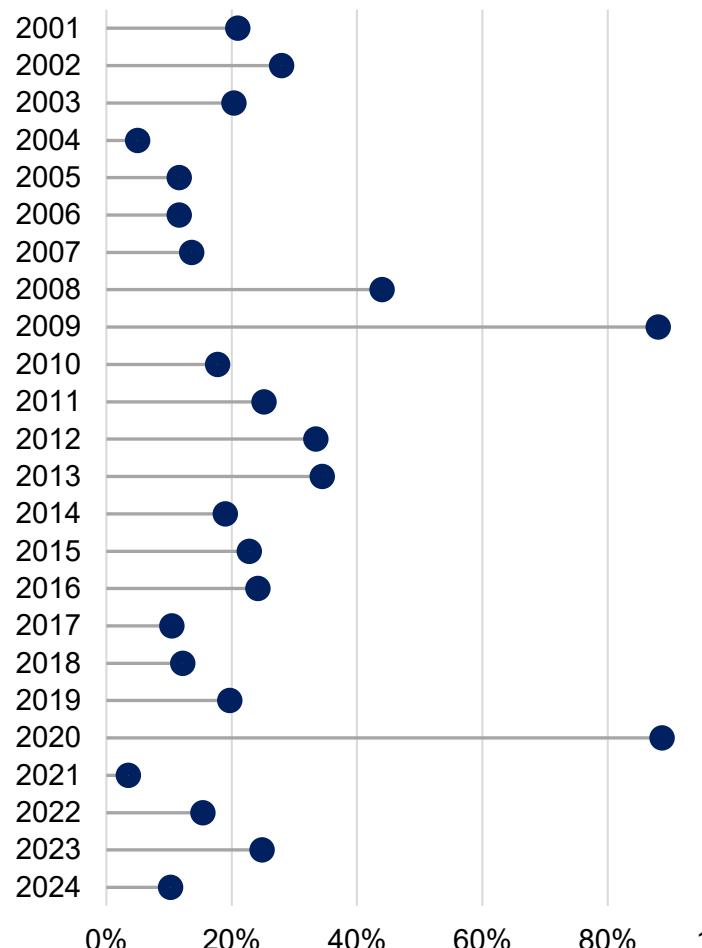
United States

Average = 22%



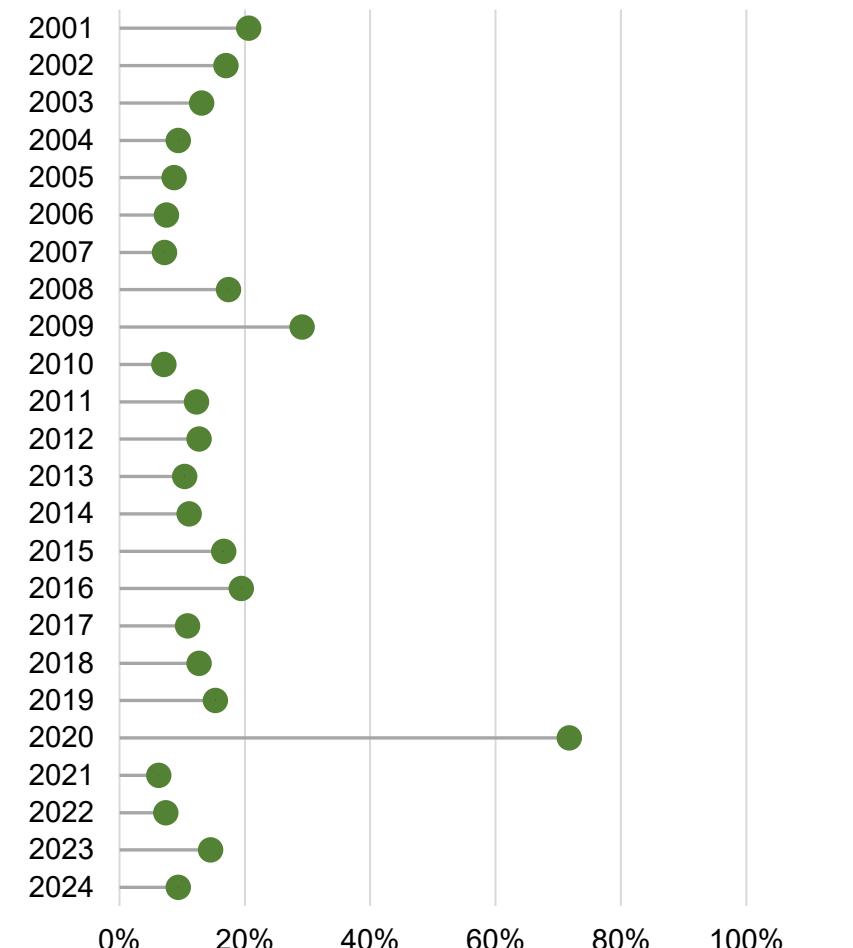
Other Affluent Countries

Average = 25%



Emerging Countries

Average = 15%





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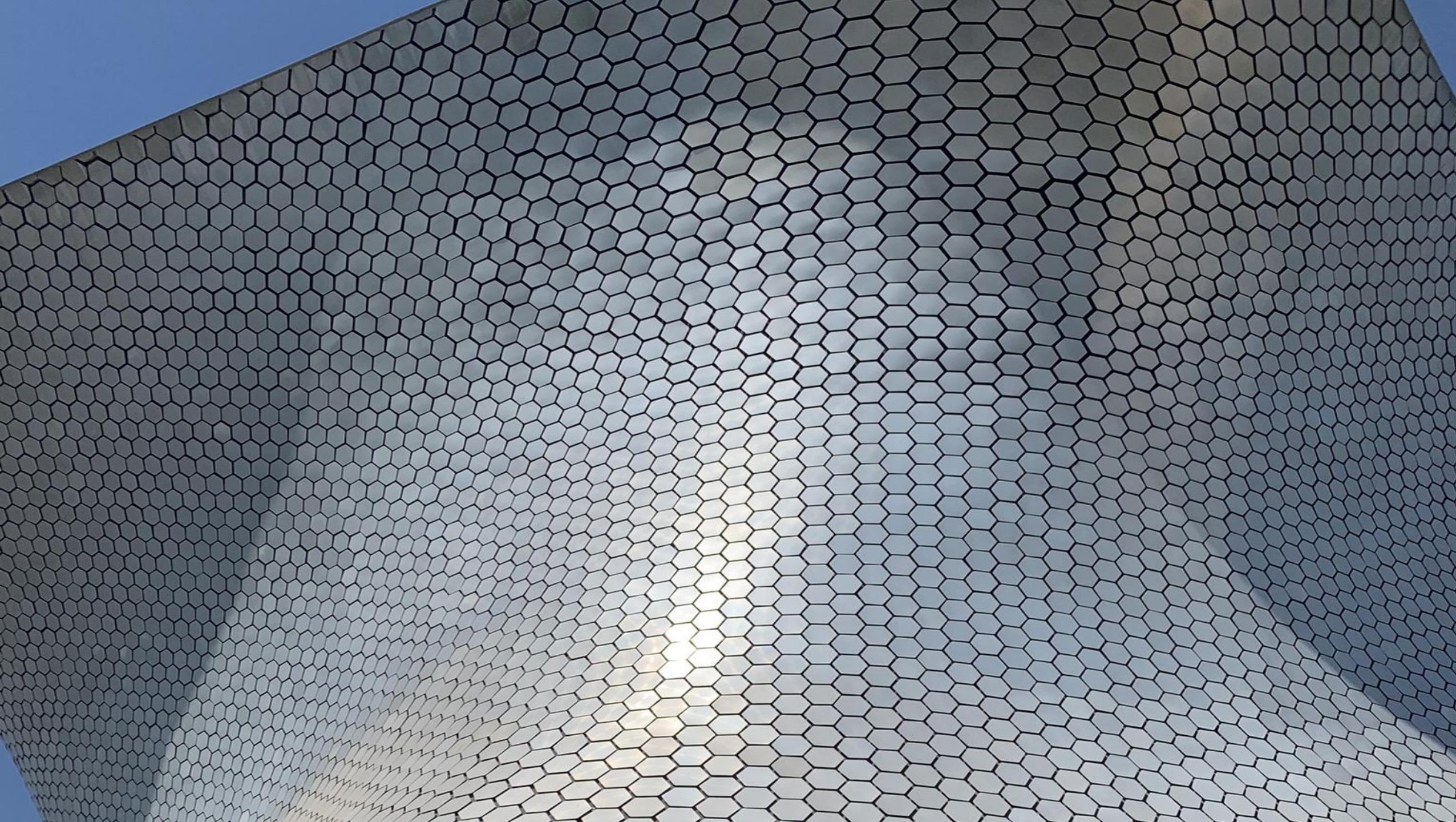
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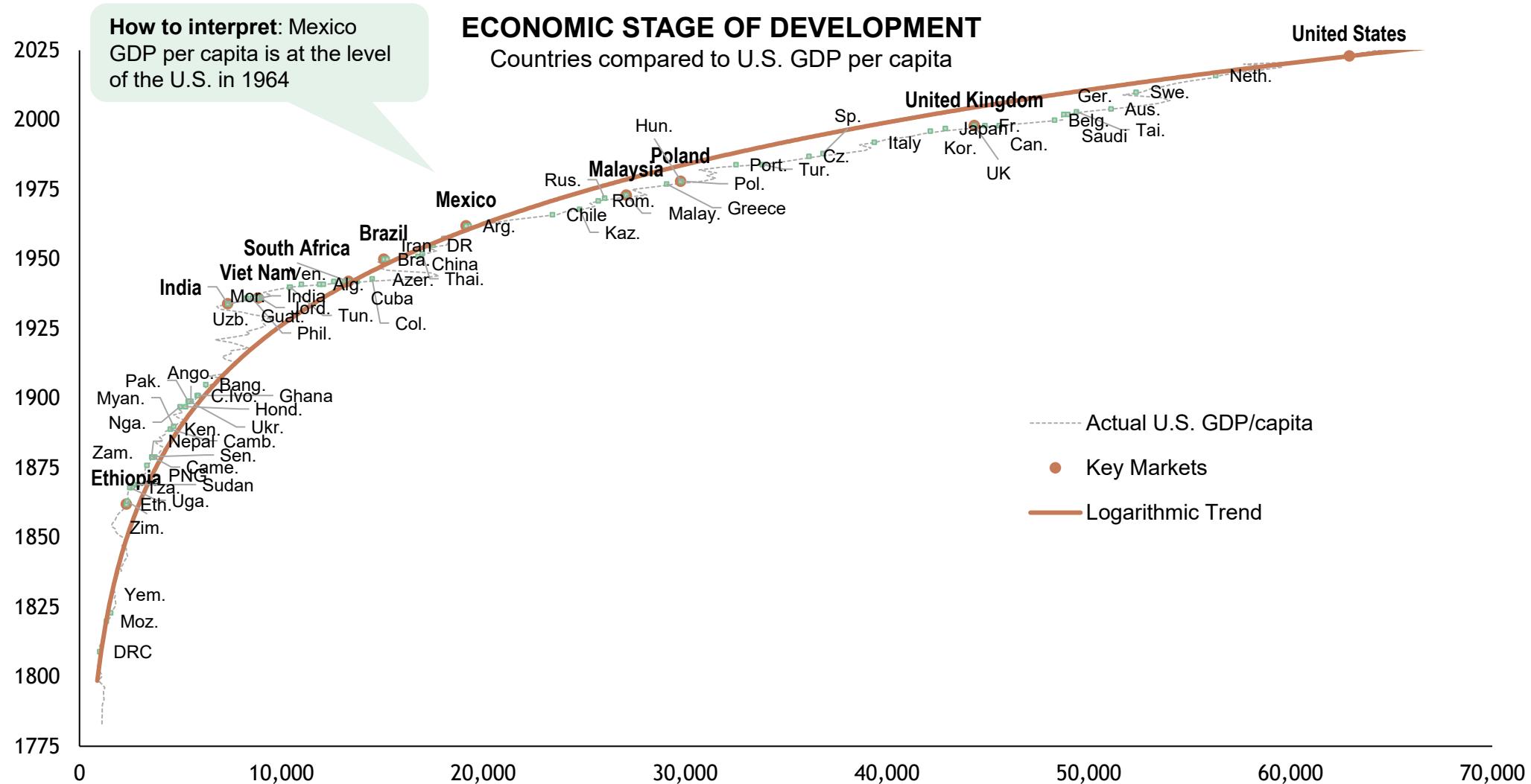
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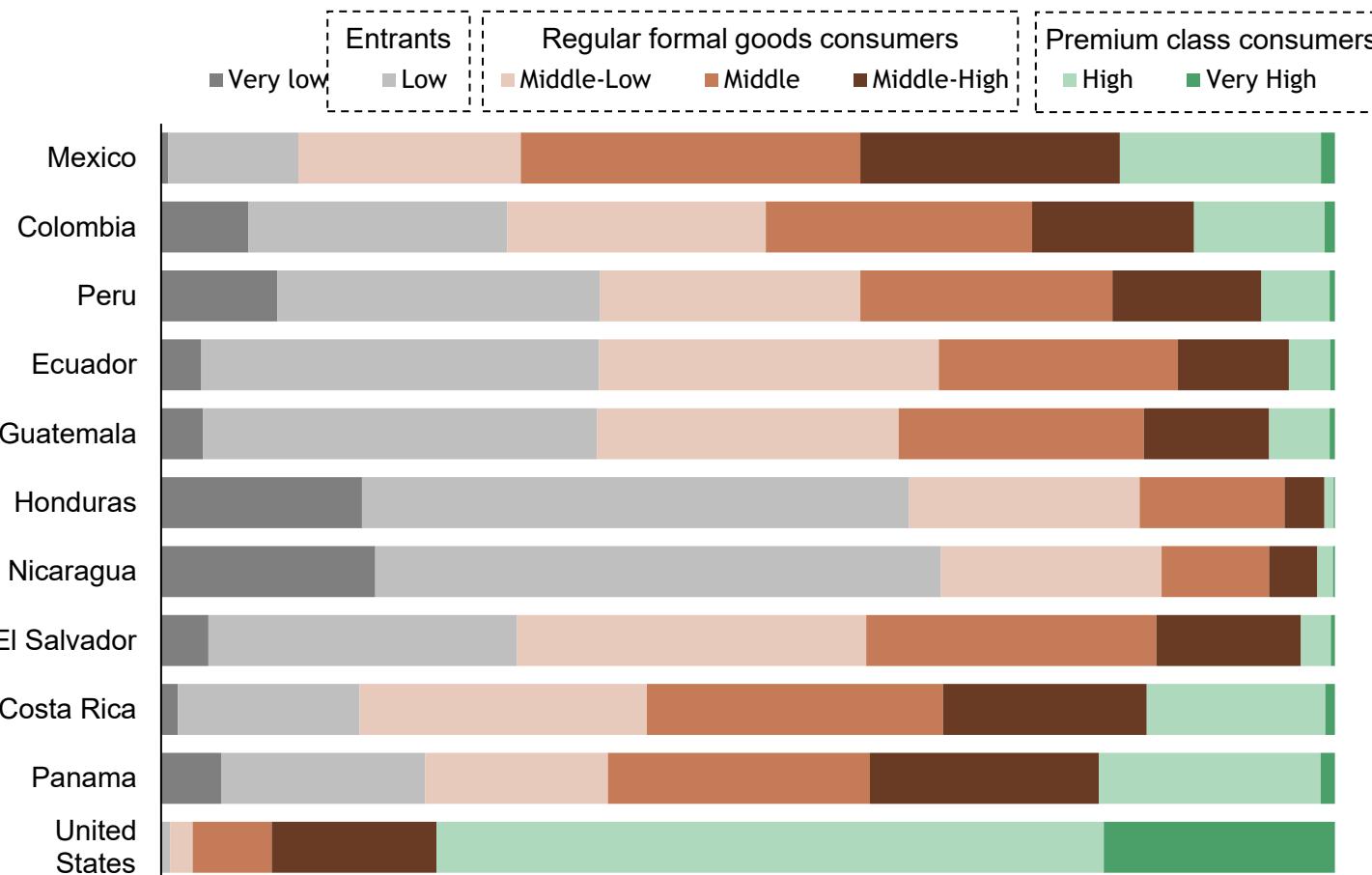
Where? Recognize that countries live in different eras compared to the U.S.



Where? The size of consumer classes is the right metric to understand opportunity

CONSUMER CLASSES BY COUNTRY

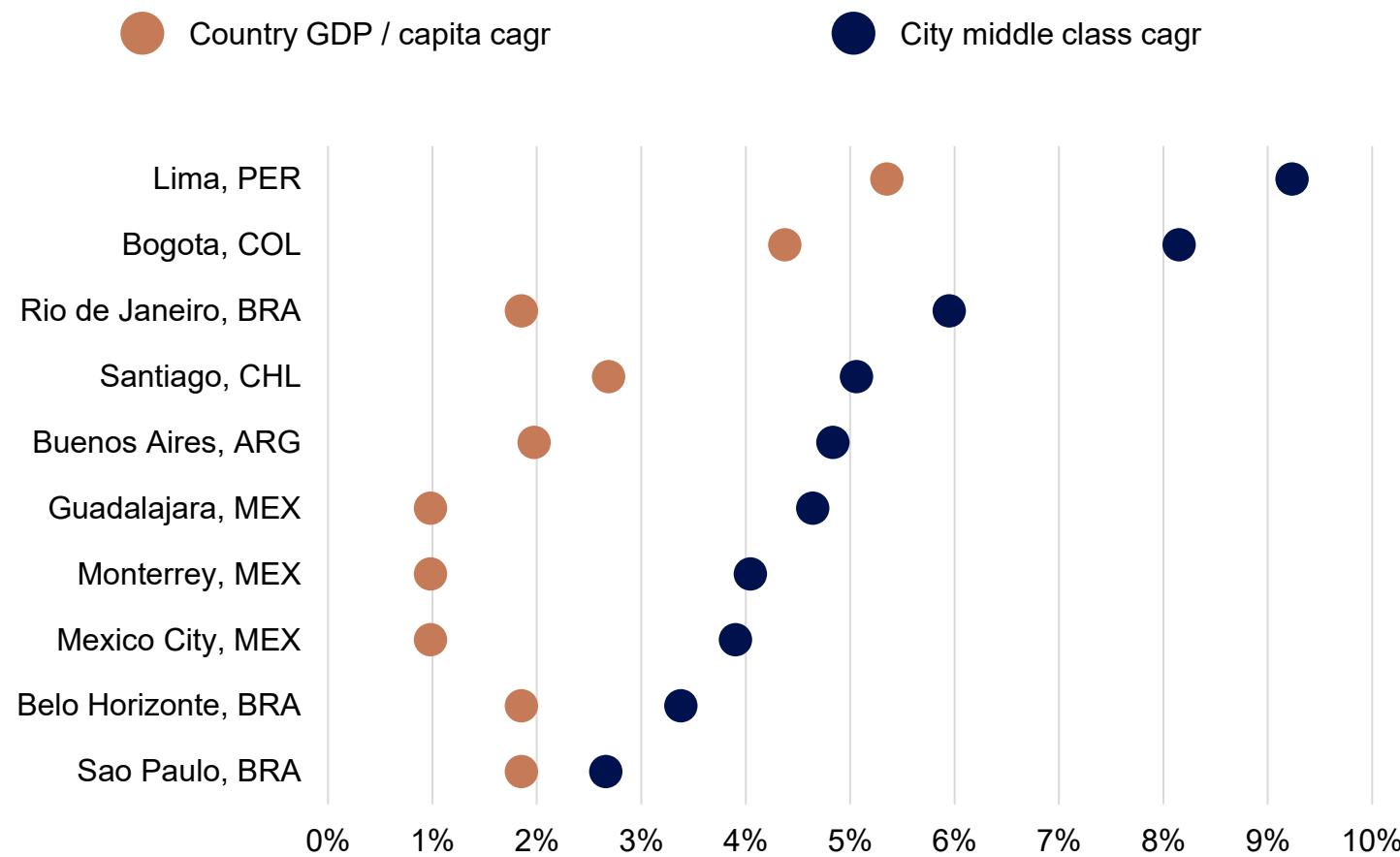
Percentage of total population, 2023



Where? Keep in mind that cities always outperform the country

MIDDLE CLASS ANNUAL GROWTH RATE 2003-2023

10 largest Latin American cities



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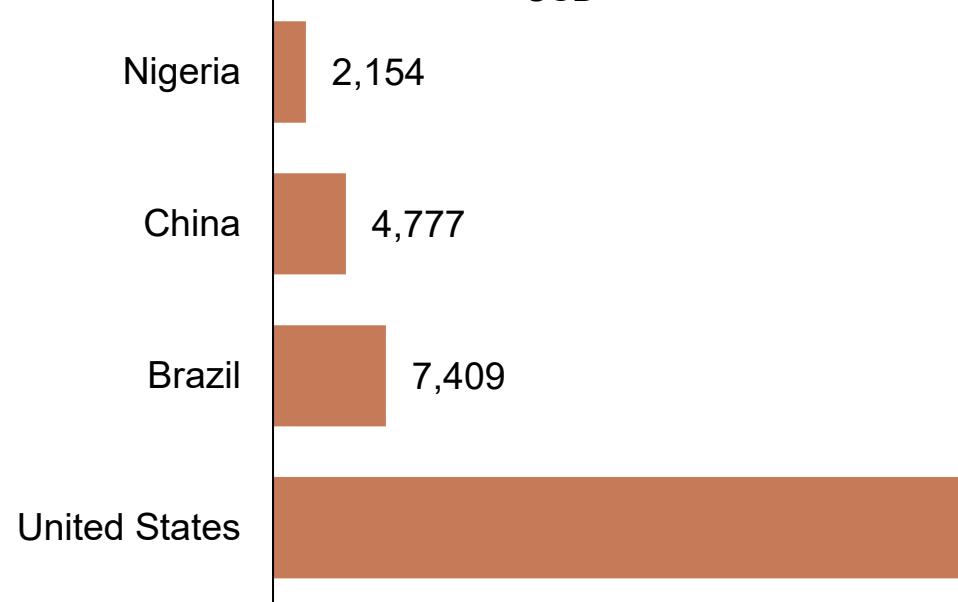
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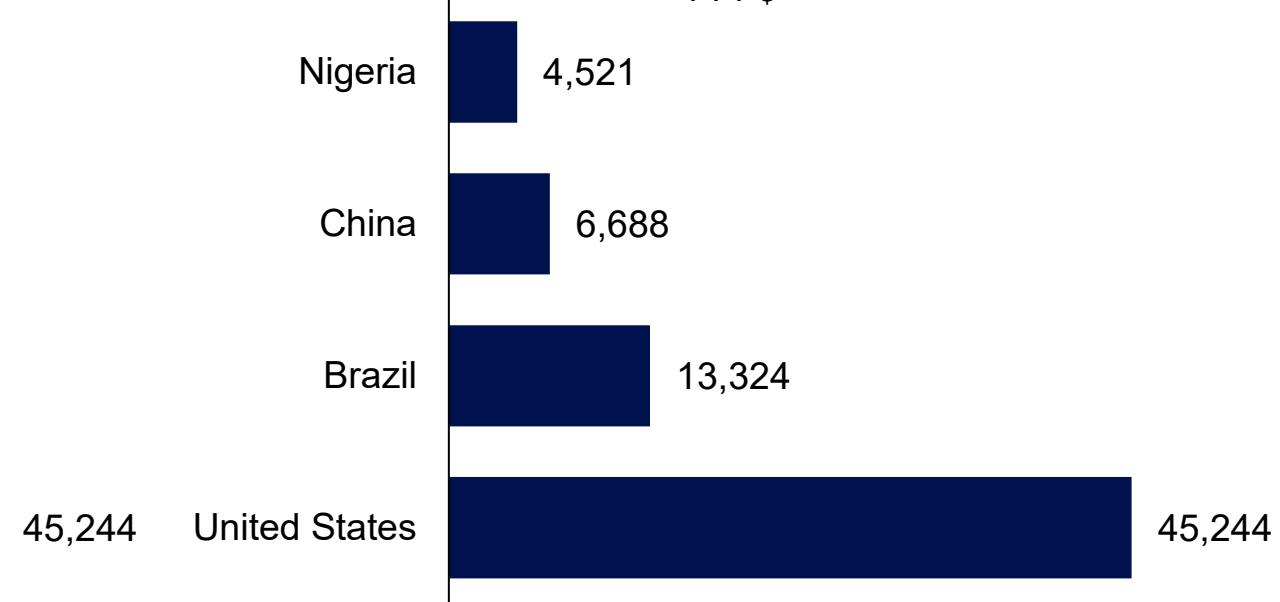


How: Work with purchasing power parity values or you will underestimate opportunity and be late

HOUSEHOLD DISP. INCOME PER CAPITA
USD



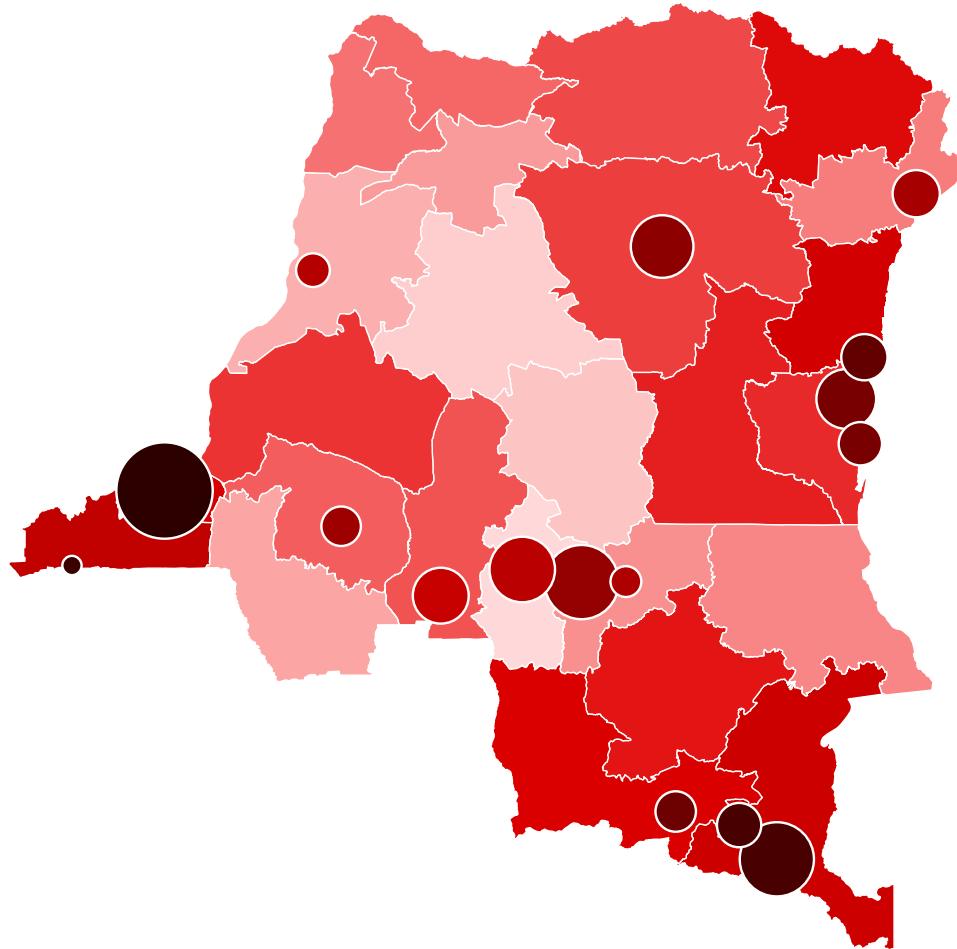
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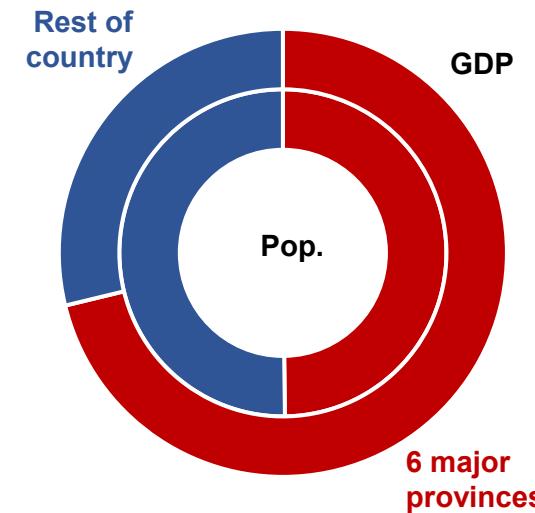
How? Have a detailed subnational understanding. The DRC is an opportunity despite war in the east

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO INCOME LEVELS

Cities and rural part of provinces colored by income/capita



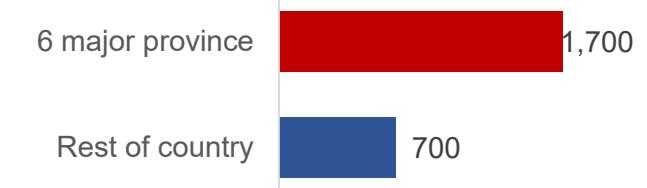
SHARE OF CONGOLESE ECONOMY



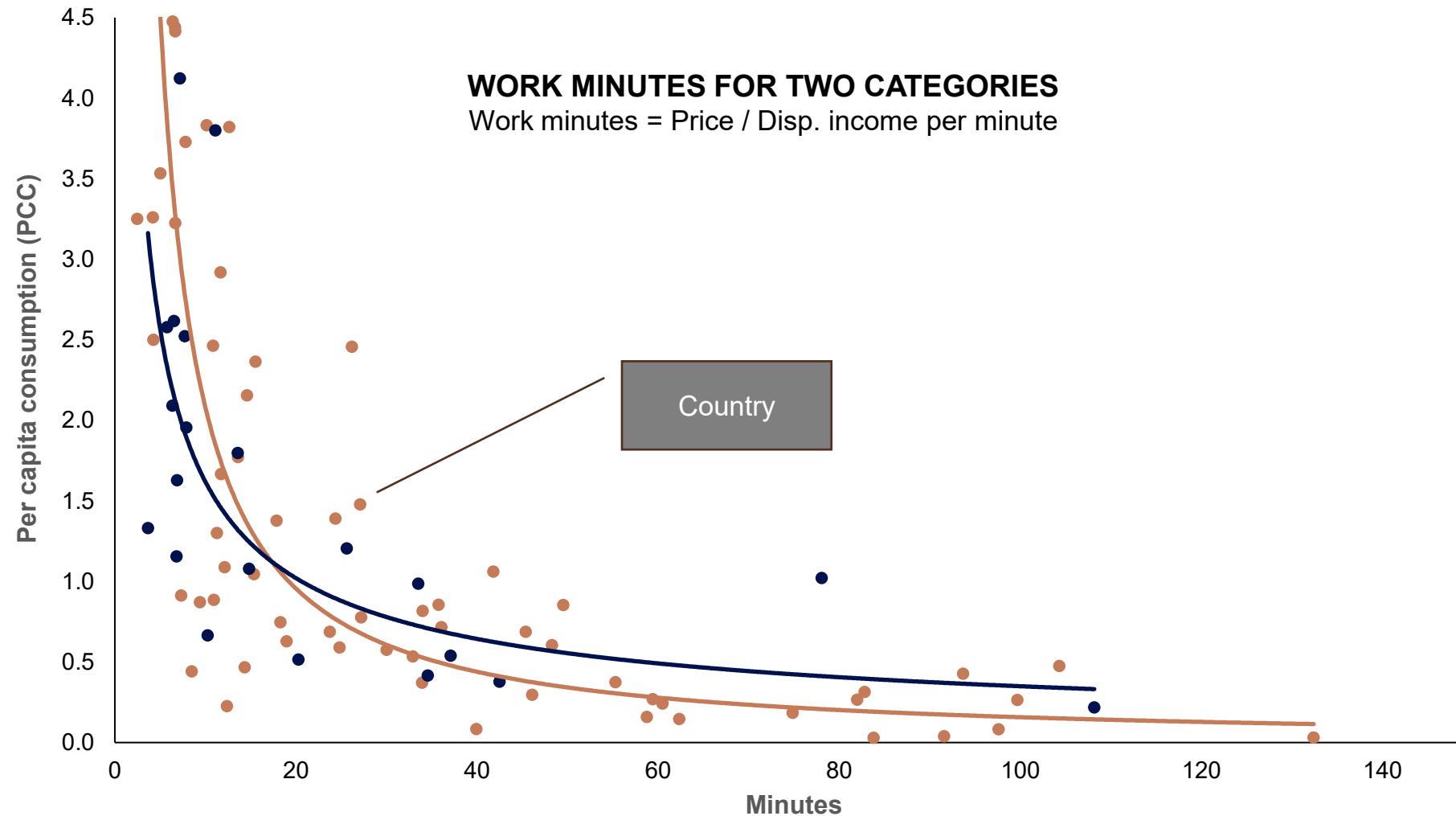
DRC ANNUAL GDP GROWTH '10-'22



DRC GDP PER CAPITA



How? Track affordability by measuring the effort required to buy a product





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