

# THE STATE OF ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE OIC MEMBER STATES

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OIC Member States**

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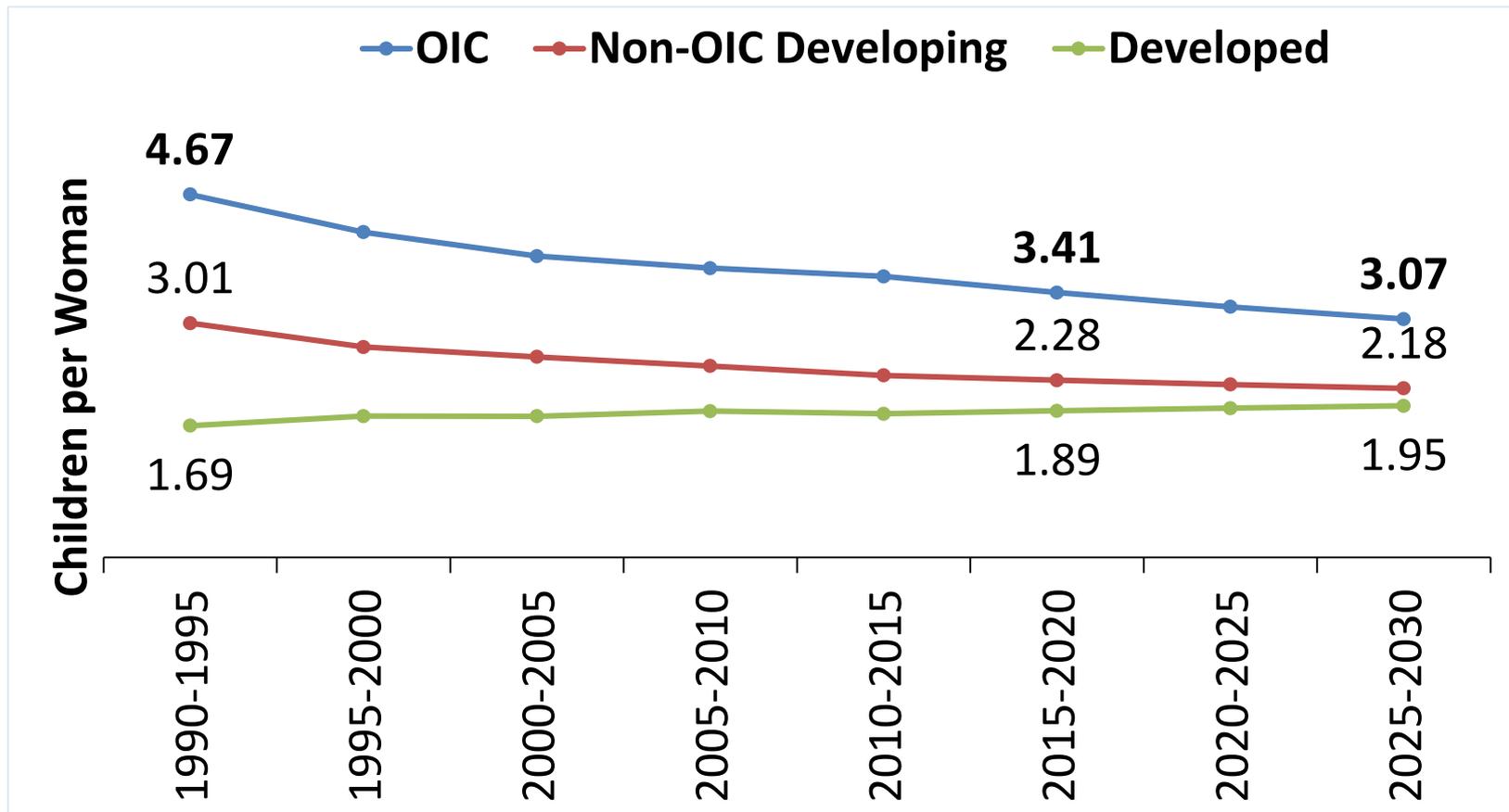


# 1. INTRODUCTION

- The wellbeing of elderly people and persons with disabilities are important for any society for several reasons such as *productivity, employment and inclusiveness*.
- In particular, without their effective contribution it is not possible to achieve sustainable development.
- Increased life expectancy and changing needs in the daily life due to the rapid globalization have resulted in growing demand for improved services for elderly people and persons with disabilities.

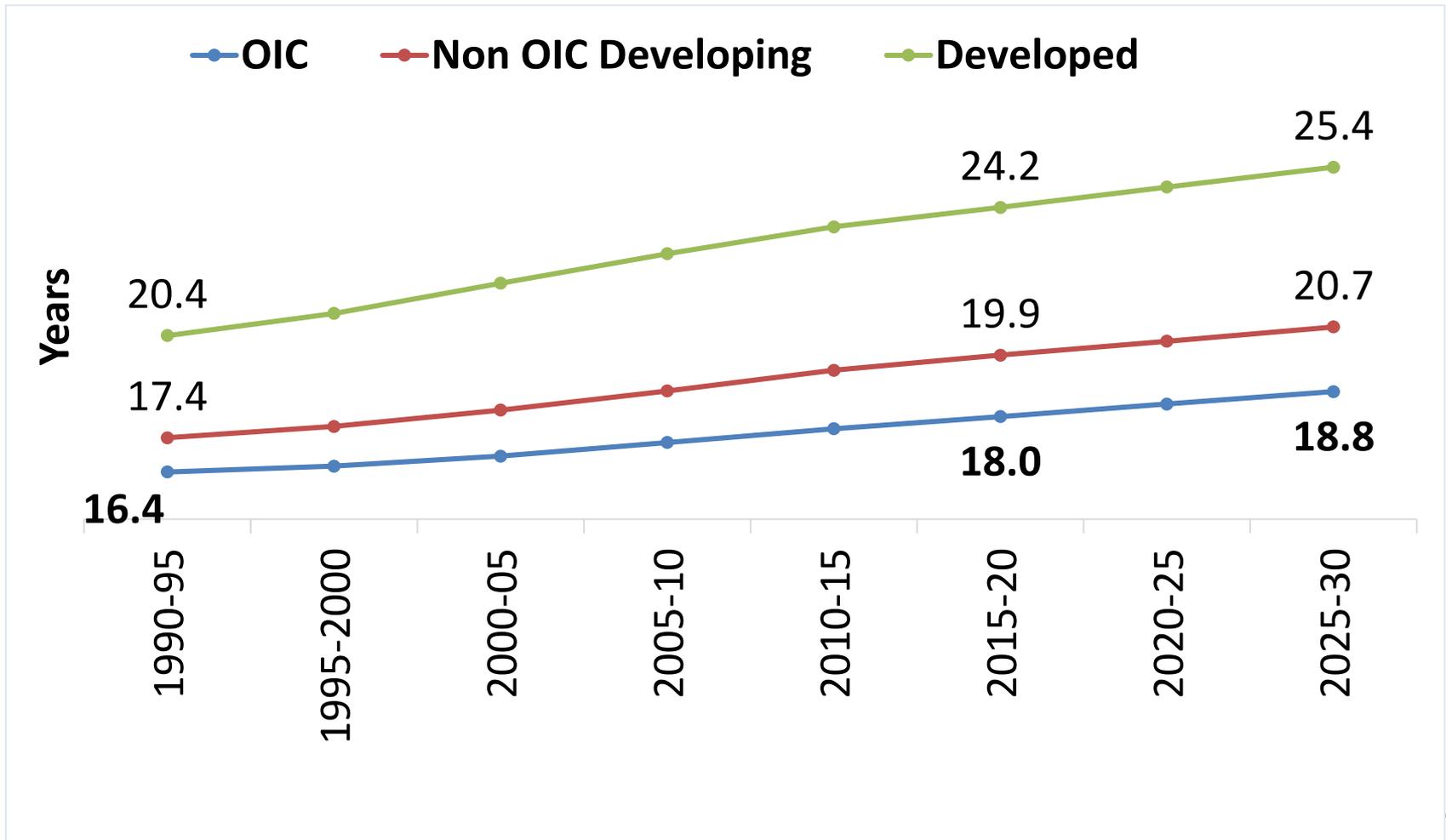
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- Fertility Rates are on the decline.



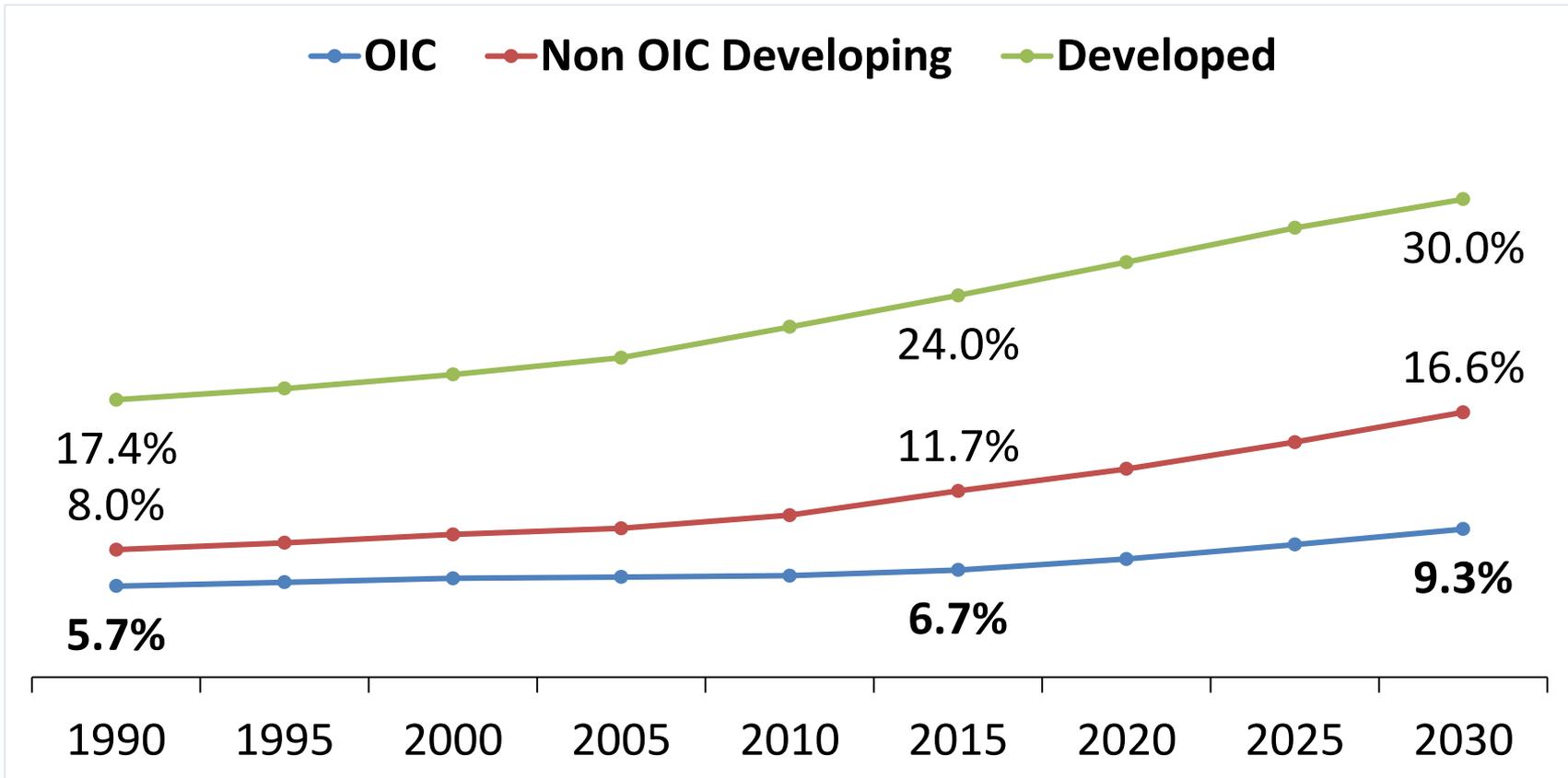
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- Life Expectancy at age 60 is on the rise.



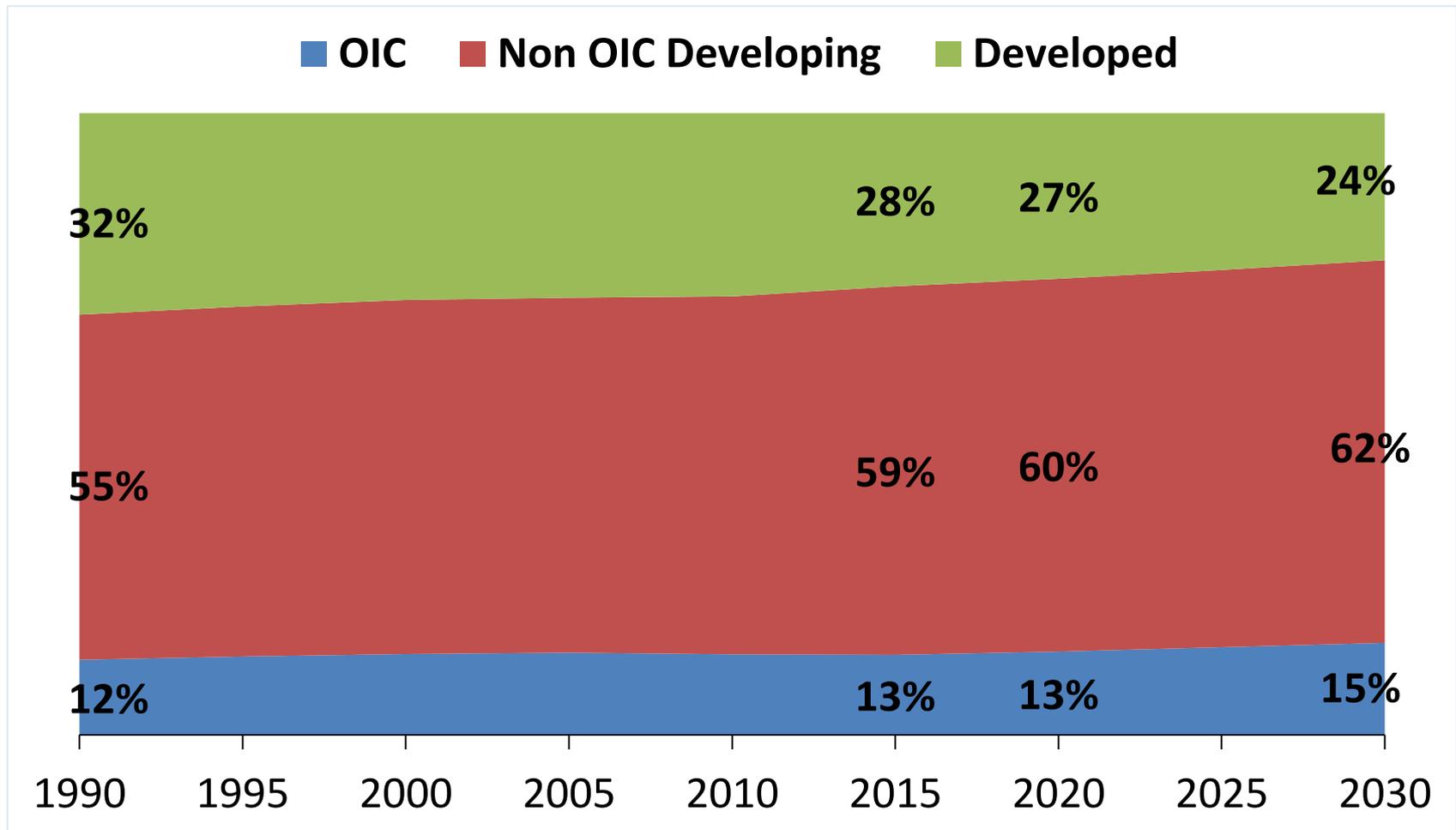
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- The share of elderly people (% population aged 60 or over) in total population has been climbing up.



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- By 2030, 15 per cent of the world's elderly will live in OIC Countries.

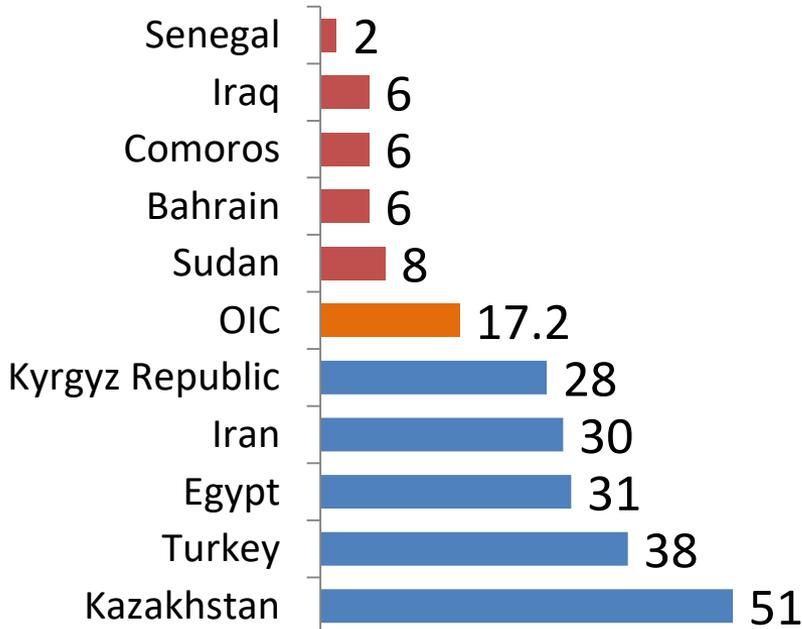


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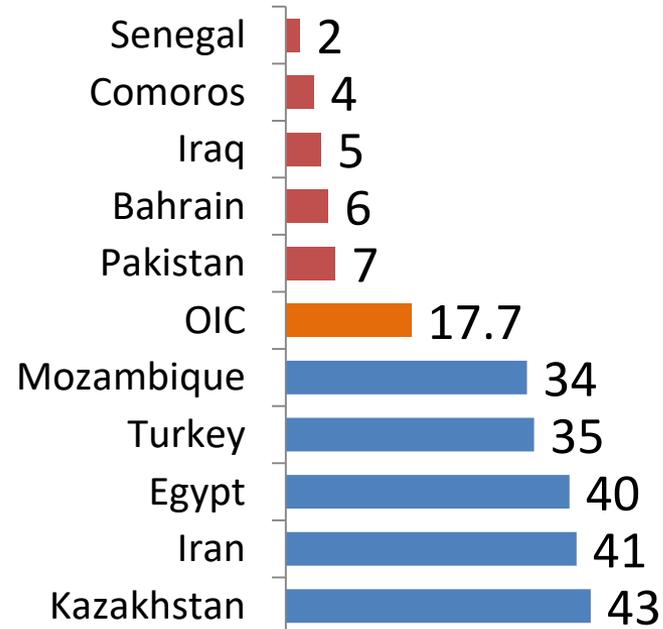
- Around 17 per cent of elderly people live alone in OIC Countries, on average.
- However, wide discrepancies exist at the individual country level.

10 OIC Countries with the Highest and Lowest Proportion Living Independently, 60 years or over, (%), 2012

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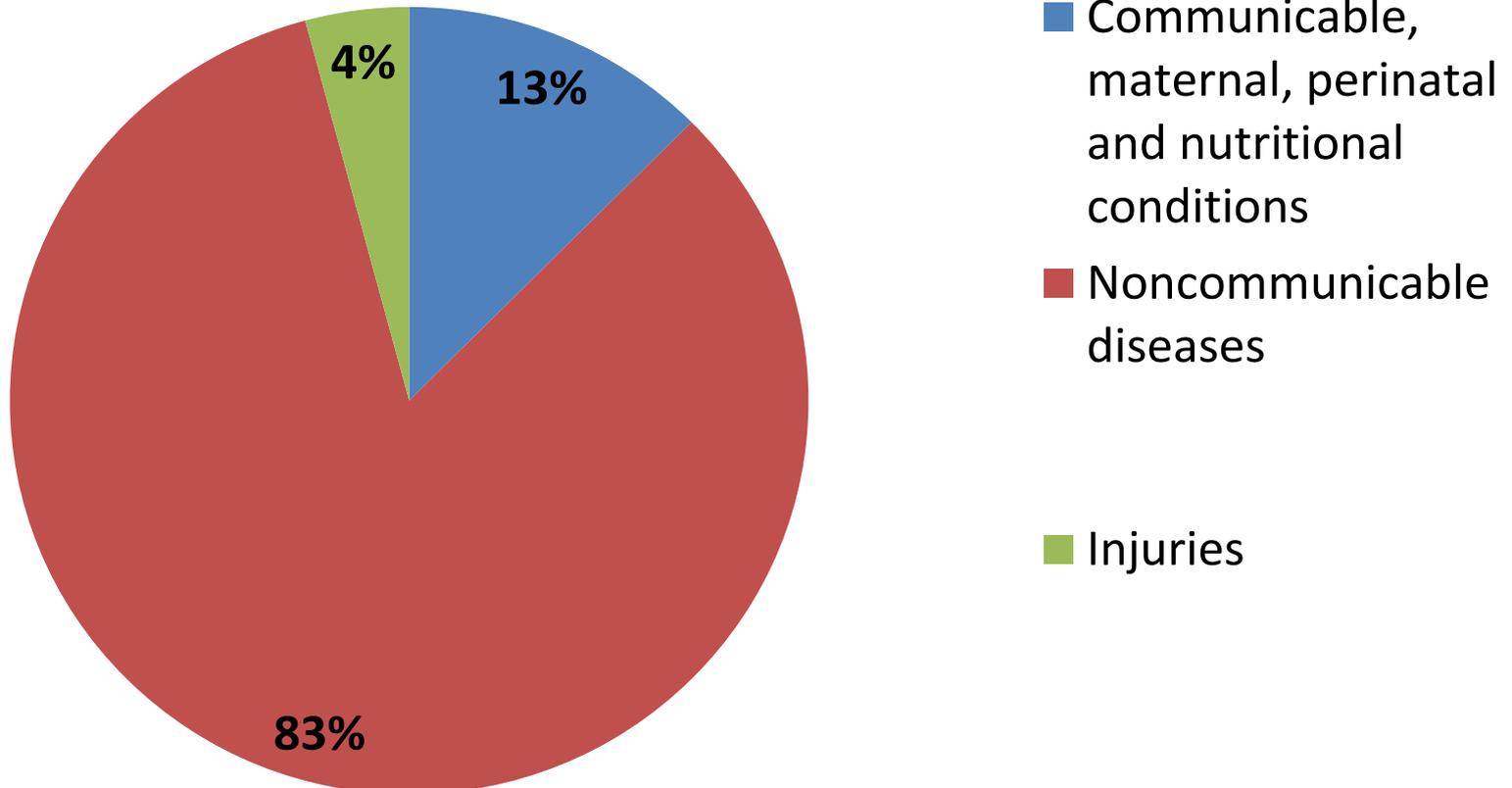


### Female



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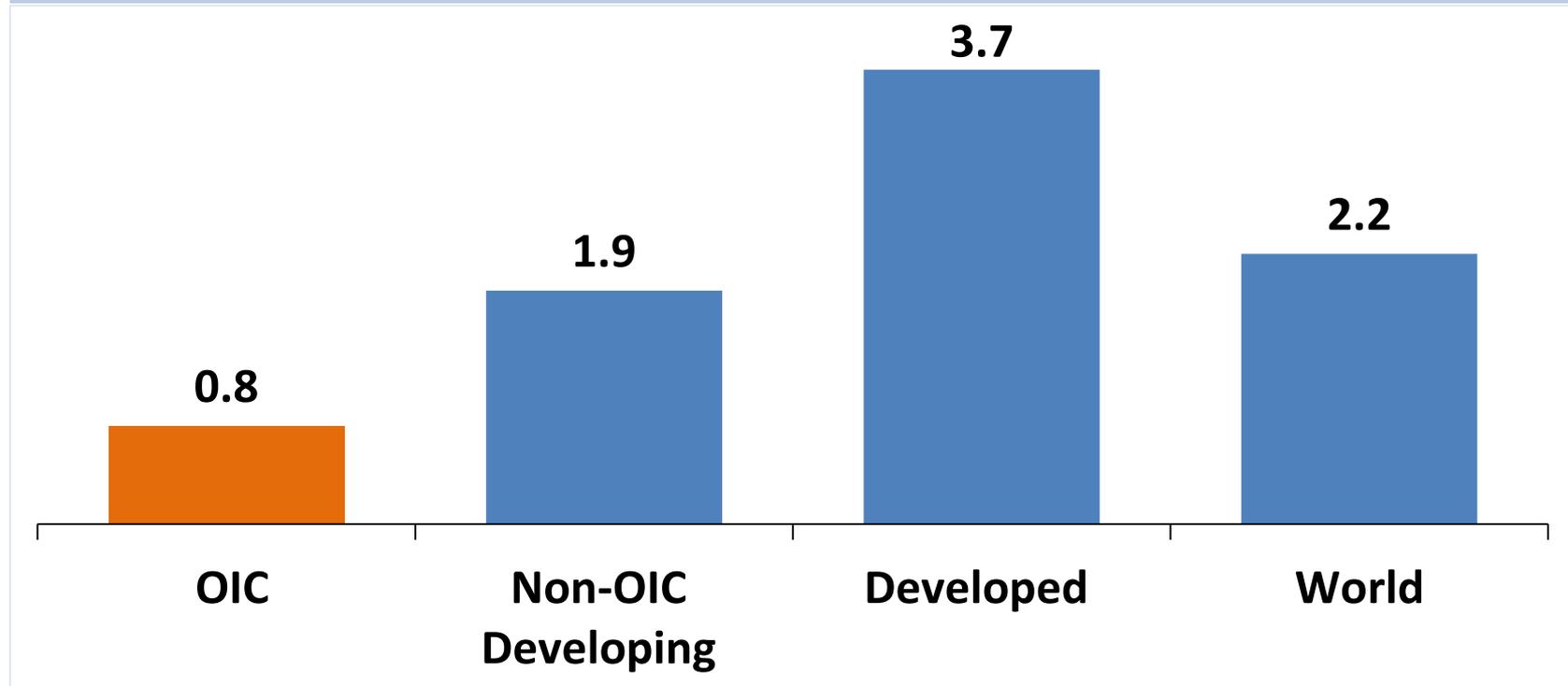
- **Non-communicable diseases remained as the leading cause of moderate and severe disability among persons aged 60 years or over in OIC countries in 2015.**



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- Relatively limited public social protection expenditure for elderly people in OIC Countries remains as a challenge.

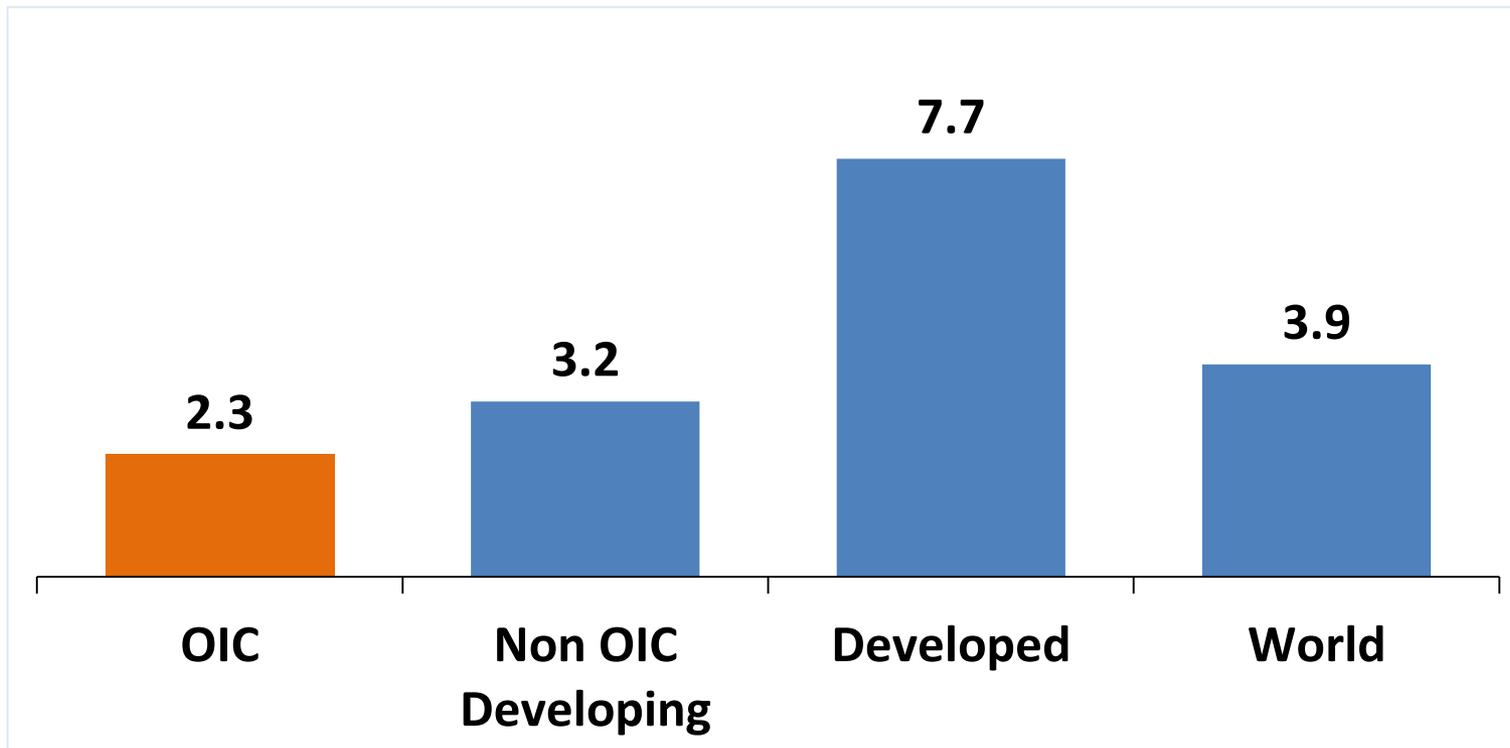
Public Social Protection Expenditure on Benefits  
as a percent of GDP by 65+, 2008-2012



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- **Limited pension spending in OIC Countries is also another common challenge.**

Pension spending as a share of GDP (%), 2006-2016



## 3. STATE OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE OIC MEMBER STATES

- **More than one billion people experience some form of disability across the globe that 1 out of 7 persons has a disability.**
- **Around 80 per cent of people with disabilities live in developing countries including OIC countries.**
- **Conflicts, disasters, and ageing population tend to increase the number of people with disabilities.**

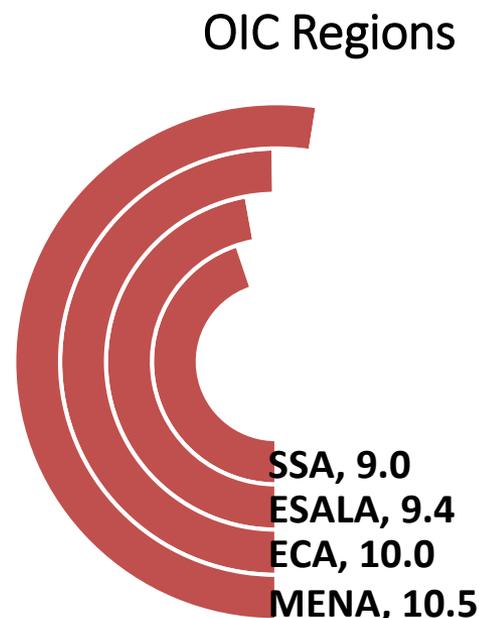
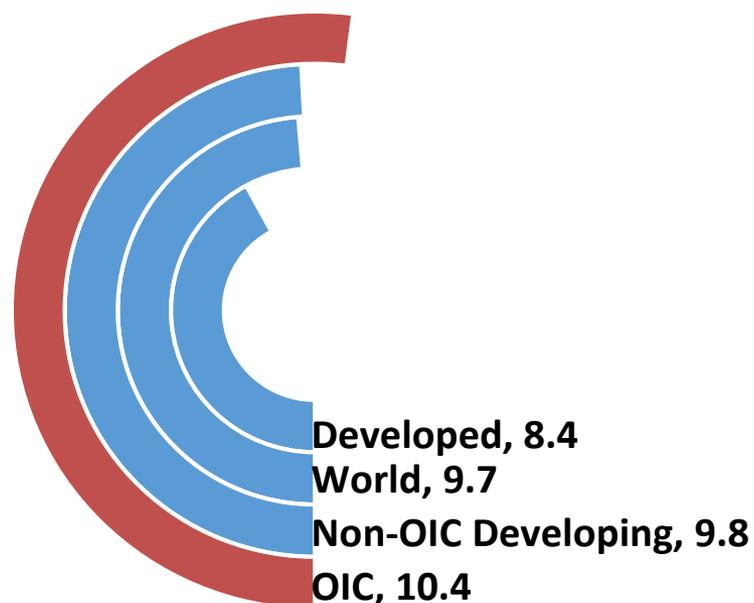
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- According to the WHO and World Bank (2011), disadvantages experienced by Persons with Disabilities:
  - a. Poor health outcomes
  - b. Lower educational achievements
  - c. Less economic activity
  - d. Higher rates of poverty
  - e. Limited independence
- In case of a shock like the COVID-19 pandemic, such outcomes tend to **get worse!**

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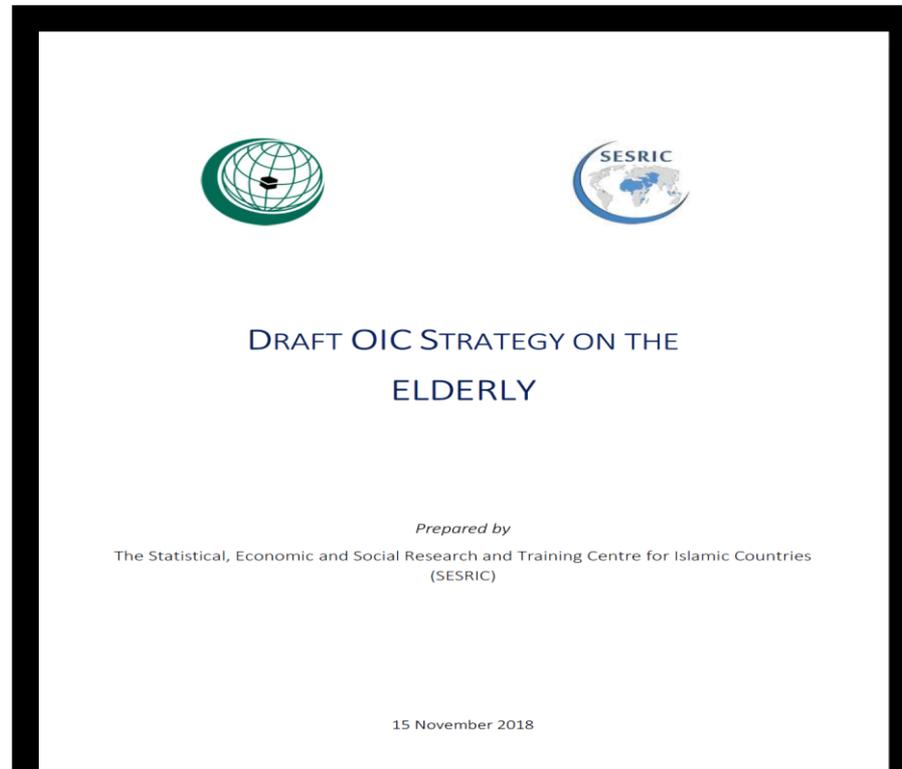
- **Years of Healthy Life Lost Due to Disability (YLDs) in OIC Countries was the highest as compared to other country groups.**

Years of Healthy Life Lost Due to Disability (YLDs) in the World (left) and OIC Regions (right); per 100 people, 2016



## 4. INITIATIVES OF THE OIC

- In order to address the issues related with elderly, the OIC has started a conversation on ageing and **adopted the OIC Strategy on the Elderly** at the First Session of OIC Ministerial Conference on Social Development that was held on 7-9 December 2019 in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey.



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- In order to address the challenges of persons with disabilities and have a joint response, the OIC has started preparations to develop an action plan titled **“the draft OIC Plan of Action on People with Disabilities”**.
- The framework of the plan was presented by SESRIC at the First Session of OIC Ministerial Conference on Social Development, which was held on 7-9 December 2019 in Istanbul, Republic of Turkey.
- It is expected that the plan will be adopted in the next OIC Ministerial Conference on Social Development.

## 5. CONCLUDING REMARKS

- **A) OIC countries, on average, are ageing.**
- **B) The pace of ageing will bring new challenges such as on healthcare systems, social security systems, labour markets and even on family relations.**
- **C) The growing concern is two-fold:**
  - **How to improve the well-being of elderly and persons with disabilities? and**
  - **How to maximize their contribution to the development of their societies?**
- **D) The social and economic status of elderly and persons with disabilities in OIC countries are heterogeneous and differ remarkably.**

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- **E) On average, institutional arrangements (e.g. pensions, elderly care systems, rehabilitation units) in many OIC Countries are not as advanced as seen in developed countries. But there are many successful initiatives and best-practices that should not be neglected.**
- **F) Some major challenges faced by the OIC Member States in addressing the needs of elderly and persons with disabilities:**
  - underinvestment into social security
  - lack of data and information
  - insufficient number of trained health professional
  - limited rehabilitation units
  - cultural barriers and stereotypes

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- **G) COVID-19 hit the OIC Member States in a situation where elderly people and persons with disabilities have already been facing a set of enormous challenges from social security to labour market practices.**
- **H) Good news is that some OIC Member States have developed and implemented some quick and effective policy responses in 2020 to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on those vulnerable groups.**

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