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Ensuring economic recovery and raising living standards

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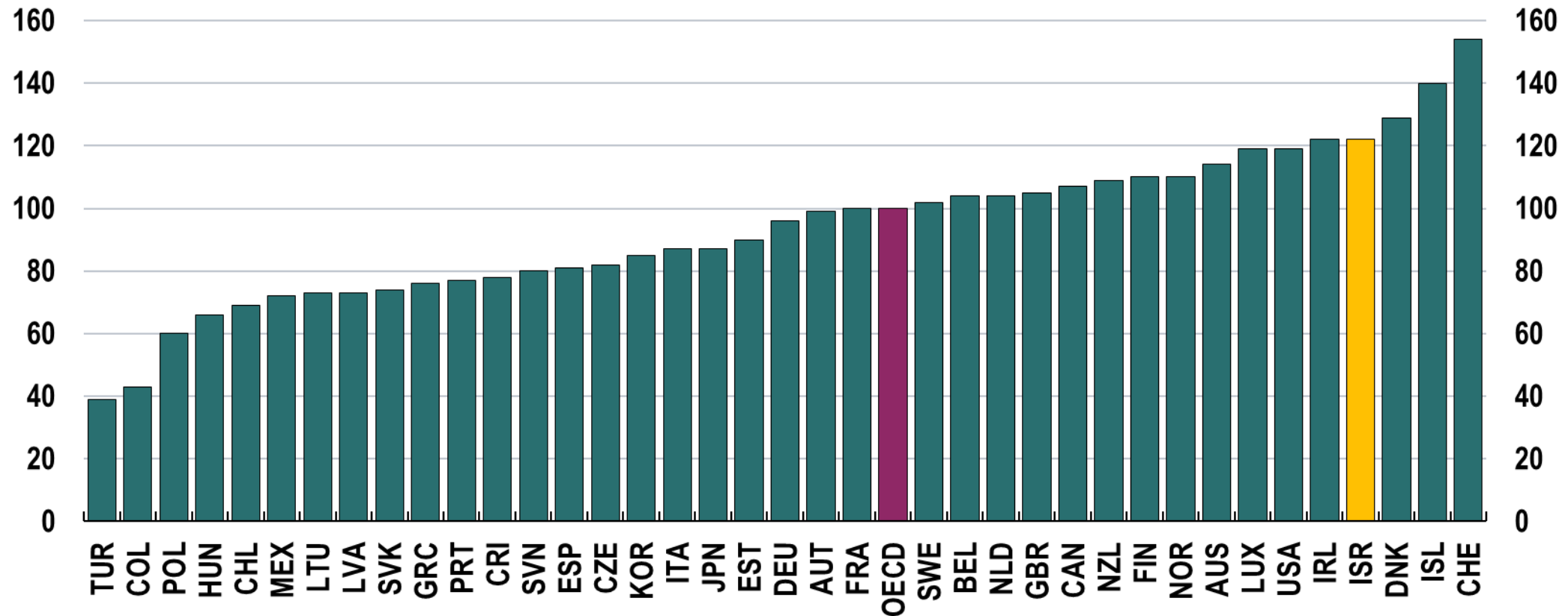


Addressing the high cost of living



High price levels are a major policy concern

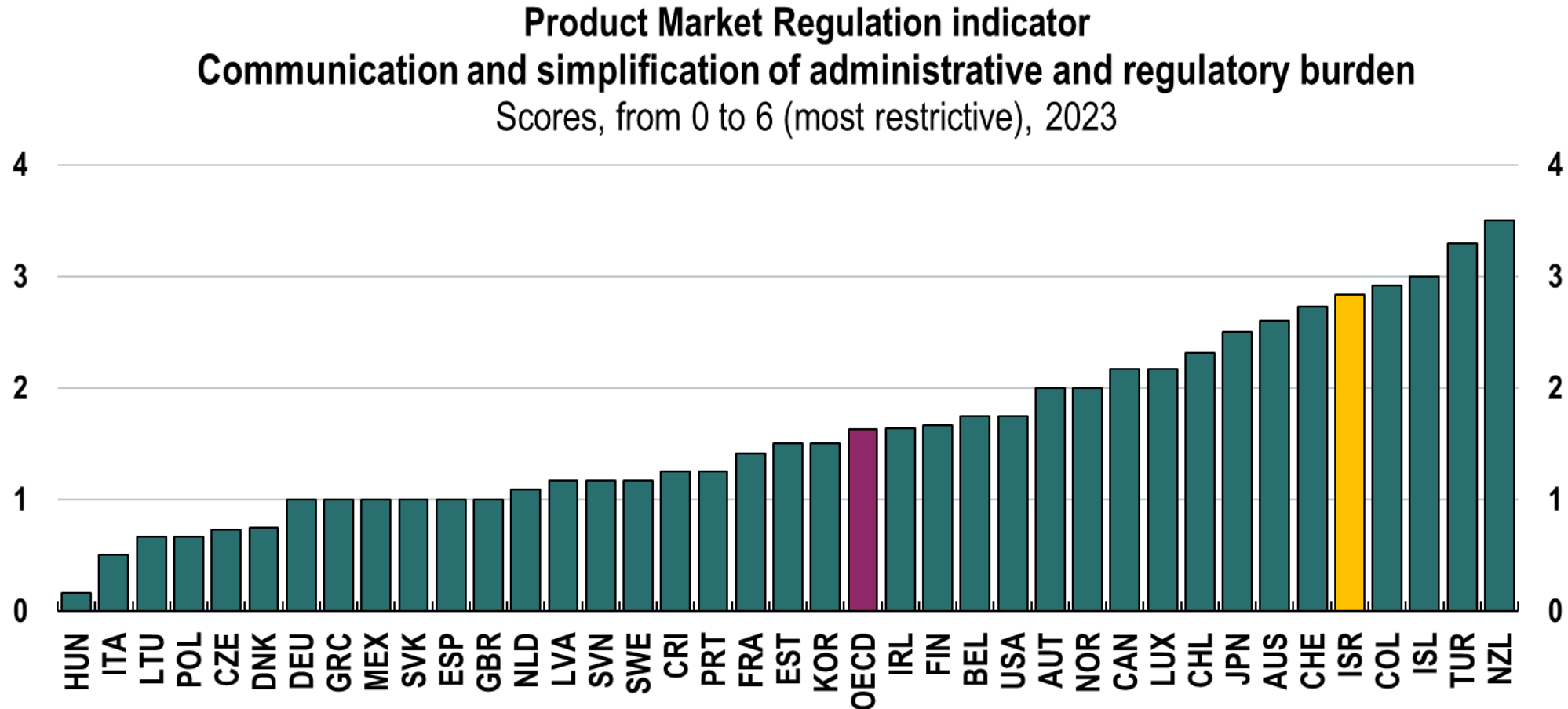
Comparative price levels
Index OECD = 100, 2023



Notes: Comparative Price Levels (CPLs) are defined as the ratios of PPPs for private final consumption expenditure to USD exchange rates. They provide measures of differences in price levels among countries.

Sources: OECD Annual Purchasing Power Parities and exchange rates database; and OECD calculations.

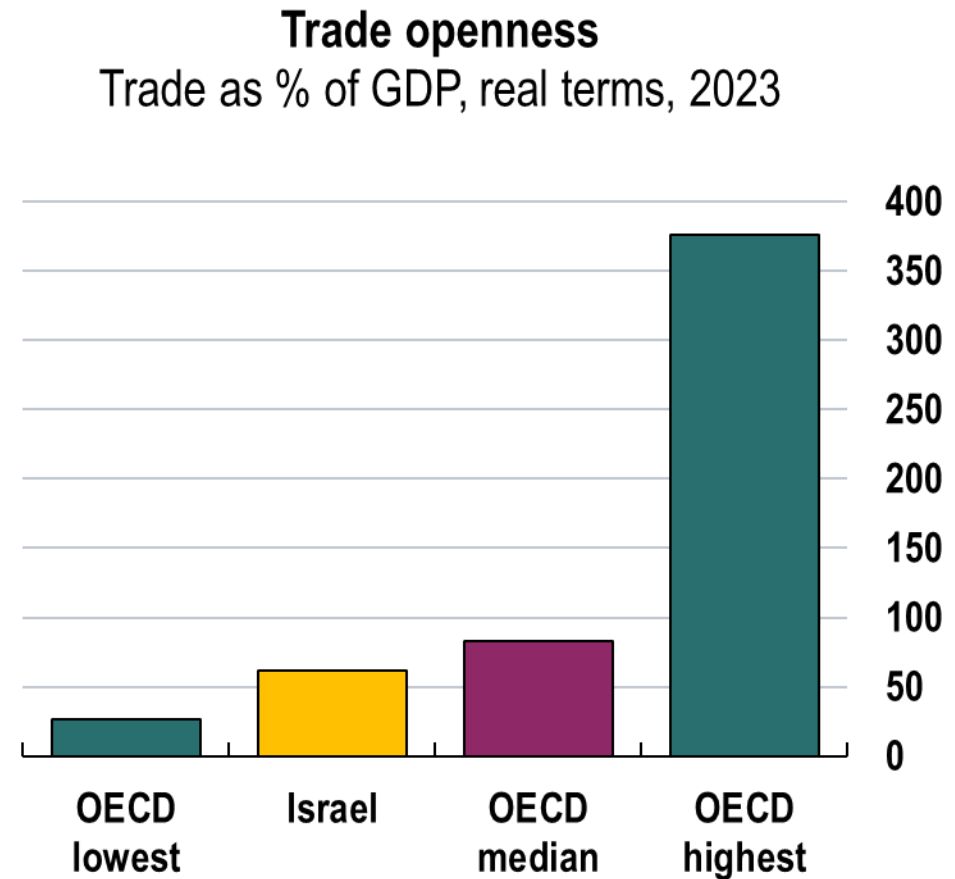
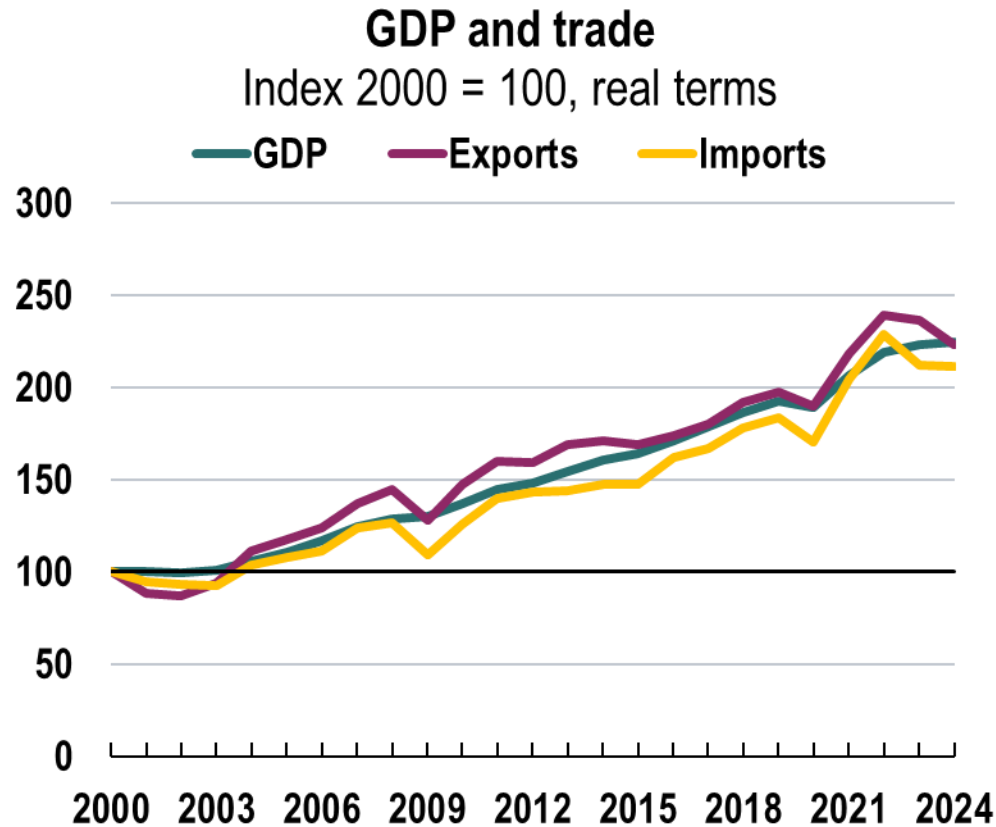
Reducing the administrative burden would lower prices by spurring competition



Note: The Product Market Regulation (PMR) indicator is a composite index that encompasses a set of indicators that measure the degree to which policies promote or inhibit competition in areas of the product market where competition is viable.

Source: OECD Product Market Regulation database.

Trade has risen significantly alongside GDP

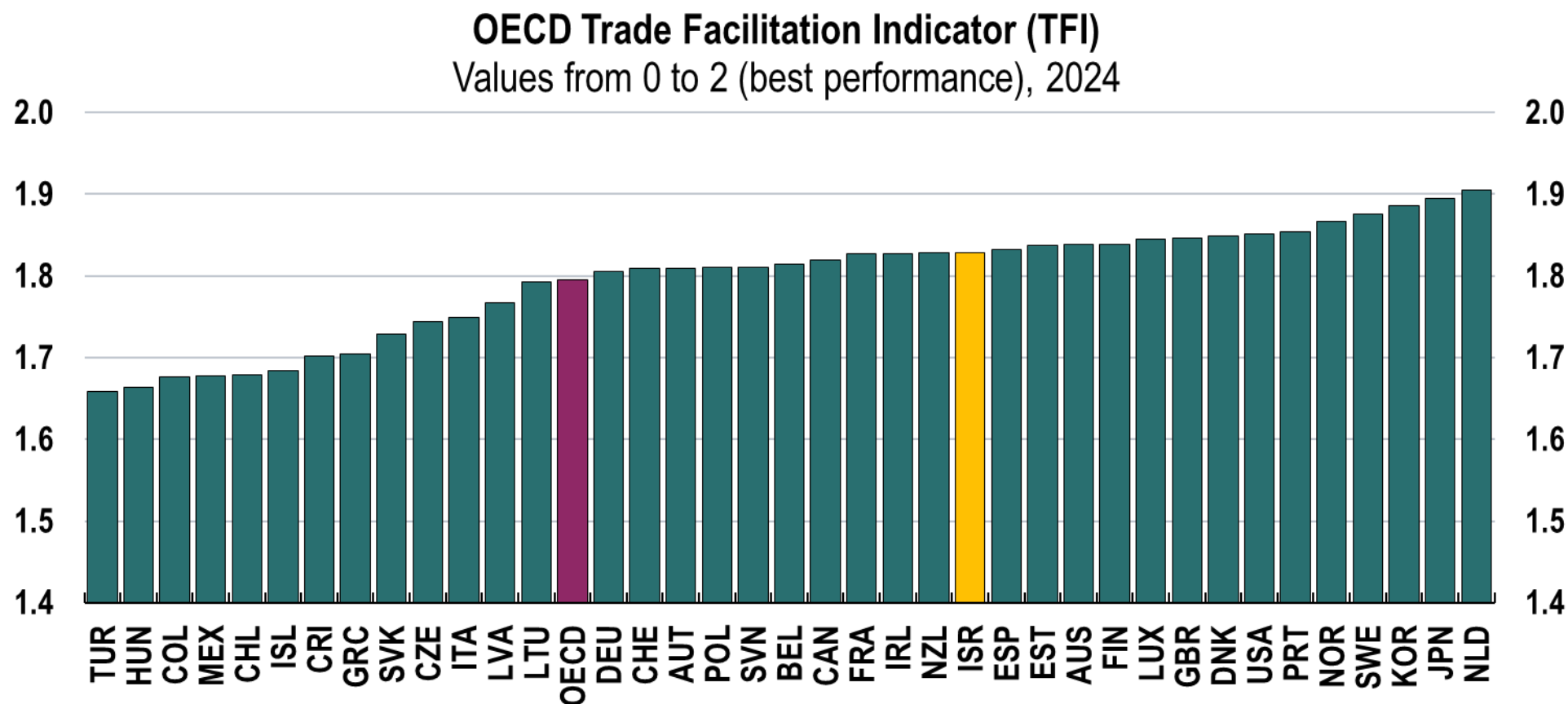


Notes: Real GDP, exports and imports of goods and services. “Trade” refers to exports and imports of goods and services.

Sources: OECD Economic Outlook: Statistics and Projections database; and OECD calculations.

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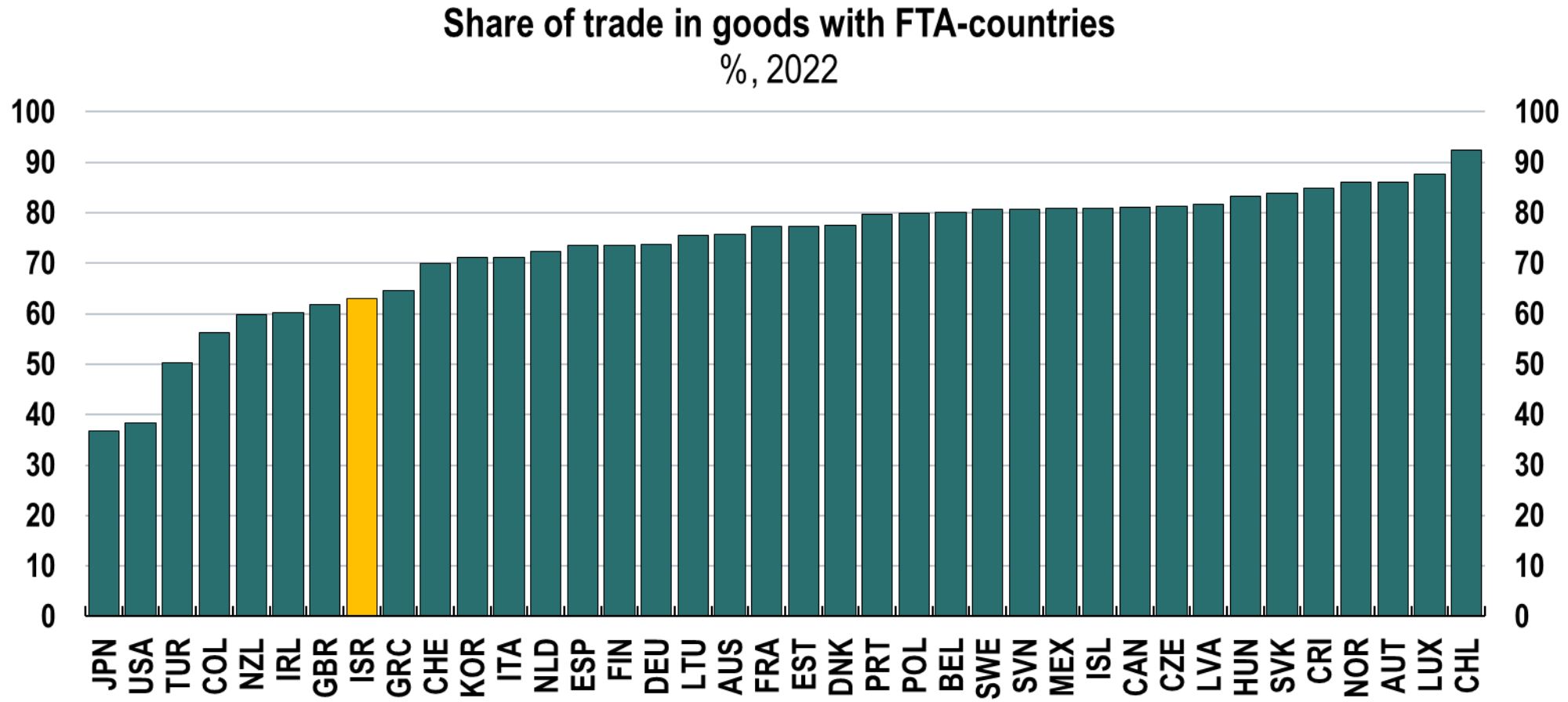
Lowering trade restrictions further will reduce import costs



Notes: “Trade facilitation” refers to a specific set of measures that streamline and simplify the technical and legal procedures for products entering or leaving a country to be traded internationally. Trade facilitation covers the full spectrum of border procedures, from the electronic exchange of data about a shipment, to the simplification and harmonisation of trade documents, to the possibility to appeal administrative decisions by border agencies.

Source: OECD Trade Facilitation Indicators (TFIs) database.

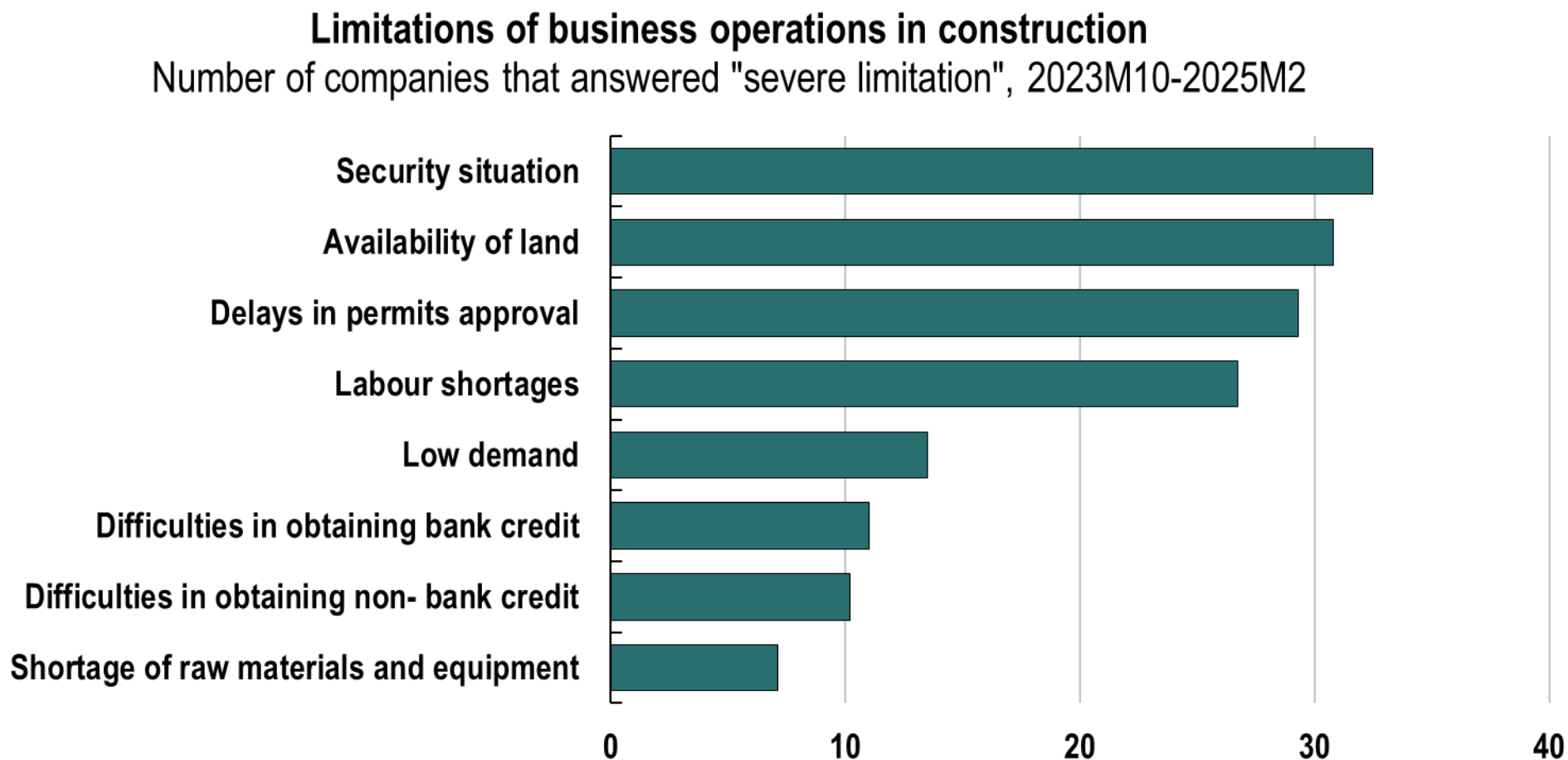
Negotiating free trade agreements and updating existing treaties will increase trade



Note: The figure shows the share of goods trade within FTAs as a share of total goods trade.

Sources: BACI and Gravity database from CEPII.

Streamlining building permitting procedures would help boost housing supply



Notes: Data refers to the number of answers of companies participating in the Business Tendency Survey conducted by the Israel Central Bureau of Statistics (CBS). Labour shortages values are an average of values for labour shortages for wet-work, non-wet work and non-skilled work.

Source: Israel Central Bureau of Statistics.

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