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Contribution of investments to a competitive Europe

Opportunities and restrictions

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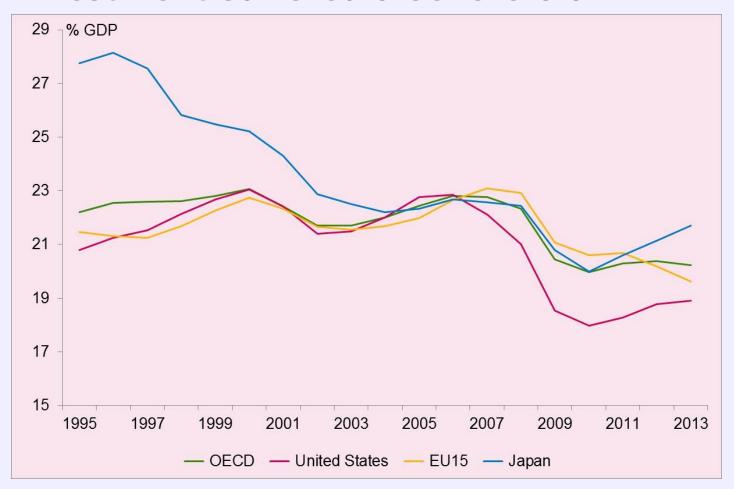


Sluggish Growth



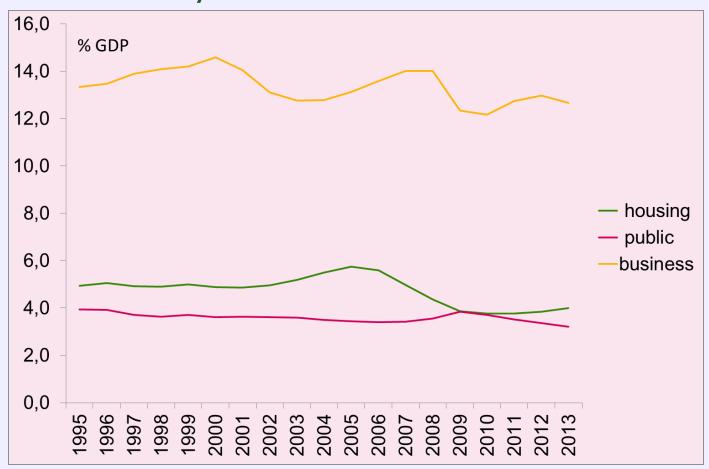


Investment suffered a severe blow



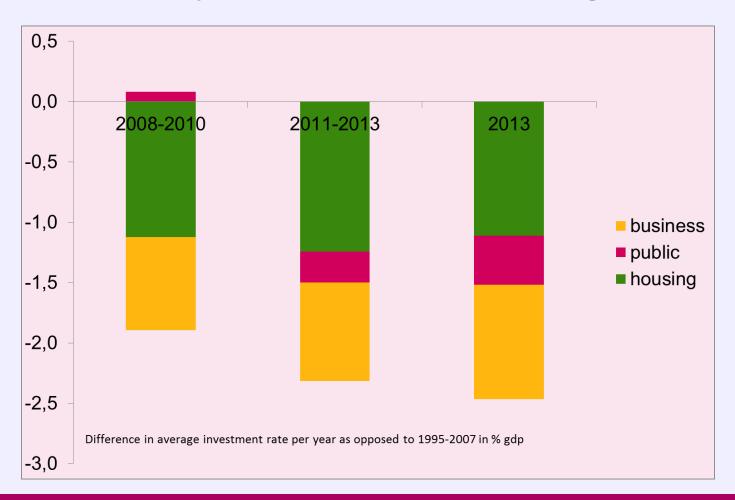


Different dynamics in investment rates



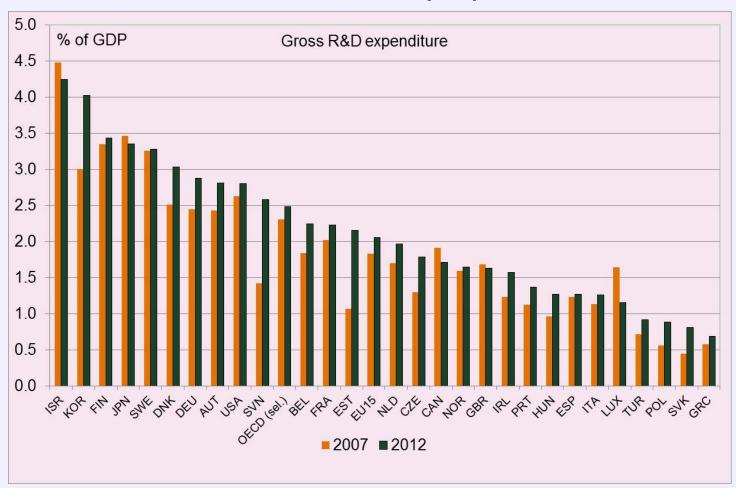


Decline mainly due to business and housing investment





R&D investments relatively spared





Private Investment: Quo Vadis?





Public Investment





Beyond Investment



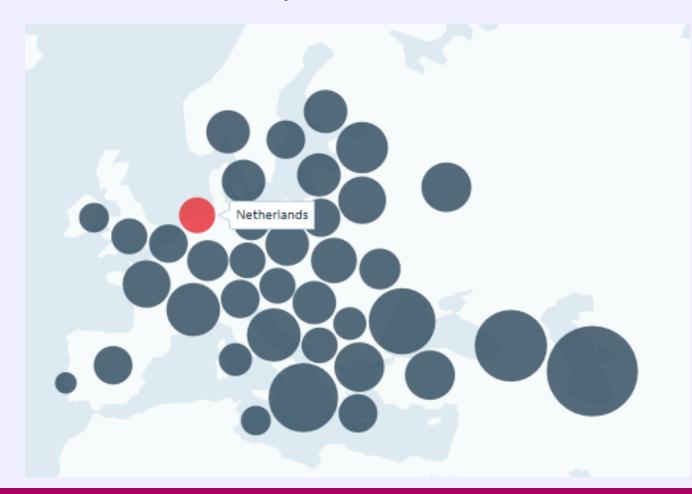


One Size Fits All?



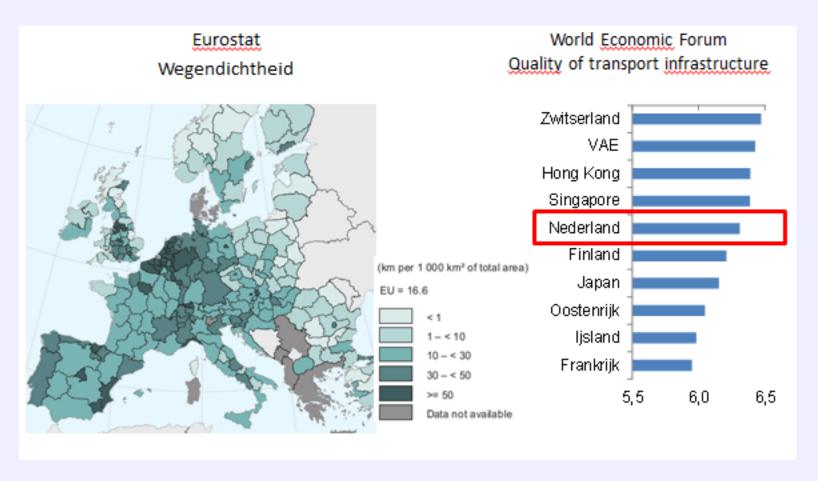


Expenditures on transport infrastructure in %GDP



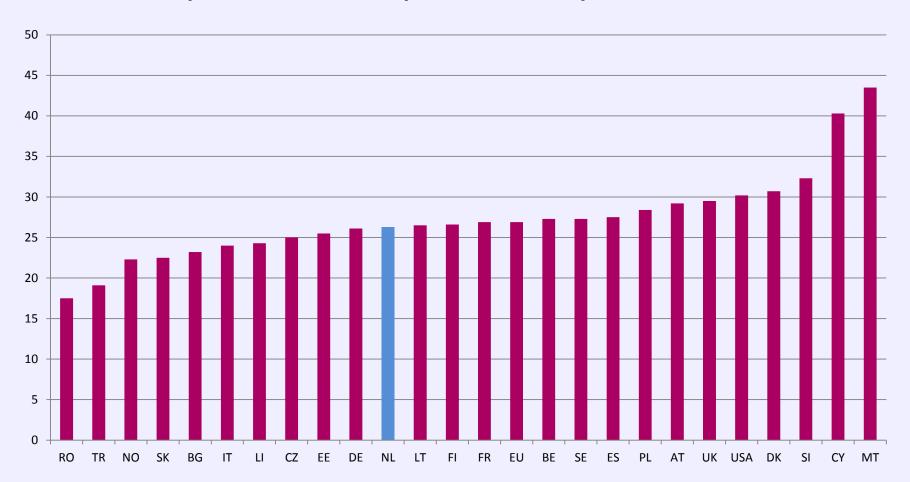


Transport infrastructure of excellent quality



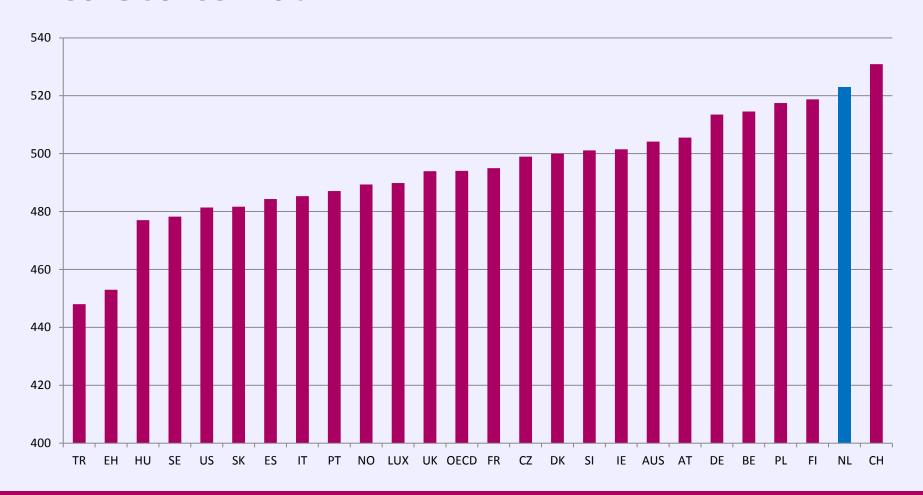


Annual expenditure on public and private education





Pisa Scores Math





Some Obstacles to Overcome in Short Term





There is more to enhancing growth...

- Investment is just one of them
- Other ingredients:
 - Innovation and education (partly by means of investment)
 - Structural reforms:
 - > Labour and housing market
 - > Pension systems
 - > Product markets
 - Demography
 - **–** ...