



OUR SOCIAL HANDPRINT

UNDERSTANDING THE KIND OF DEMOCRACIES WE ARE CREATING

Democracy, Ethics and the Public Good

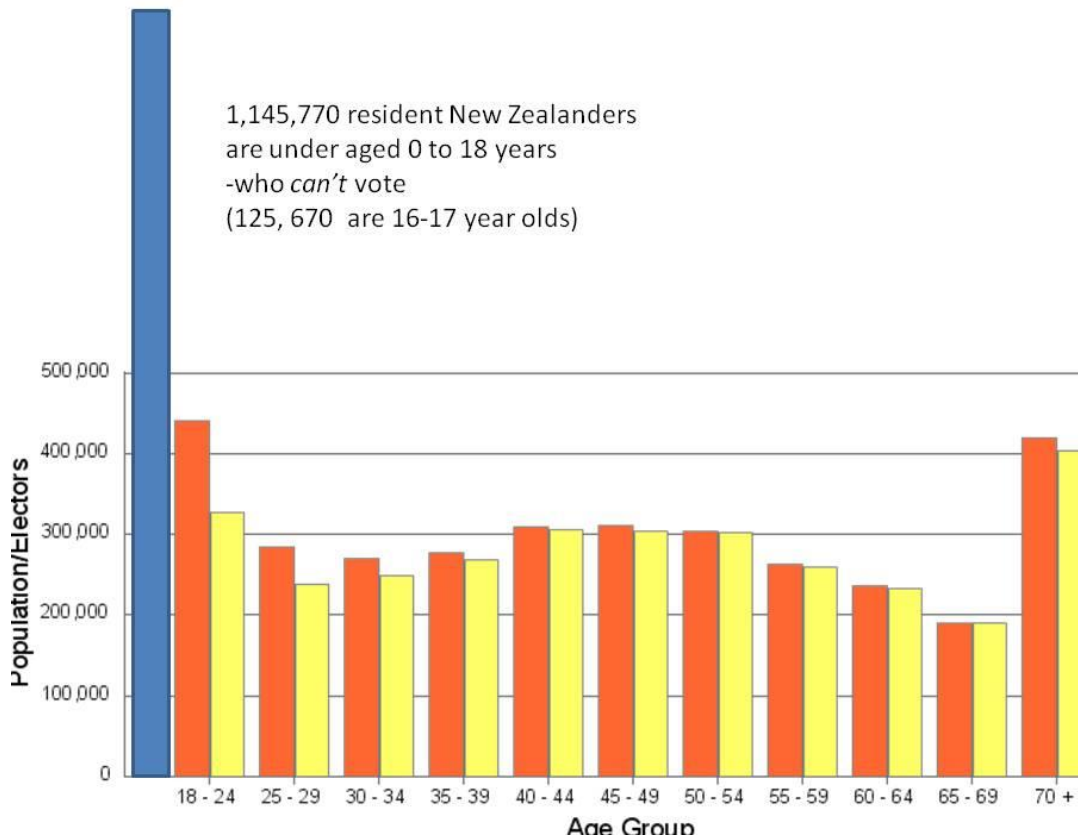


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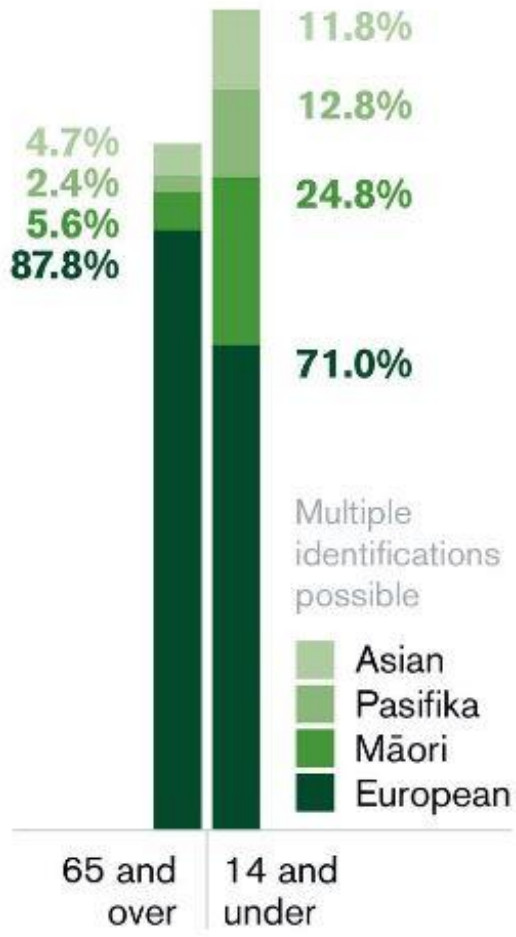
Bronwyn Hayward

1.145 million...resident NZers under 19

1,145,770 resident New Zealanders
are under aged 0 to 18 years
-who *can't* vote
(125,670 are 16-17 year olds)



Identified ethnicity for different generations



Democracies fit for the future



Dangerous environmental change



99% of climate change related deaths are in developing countries

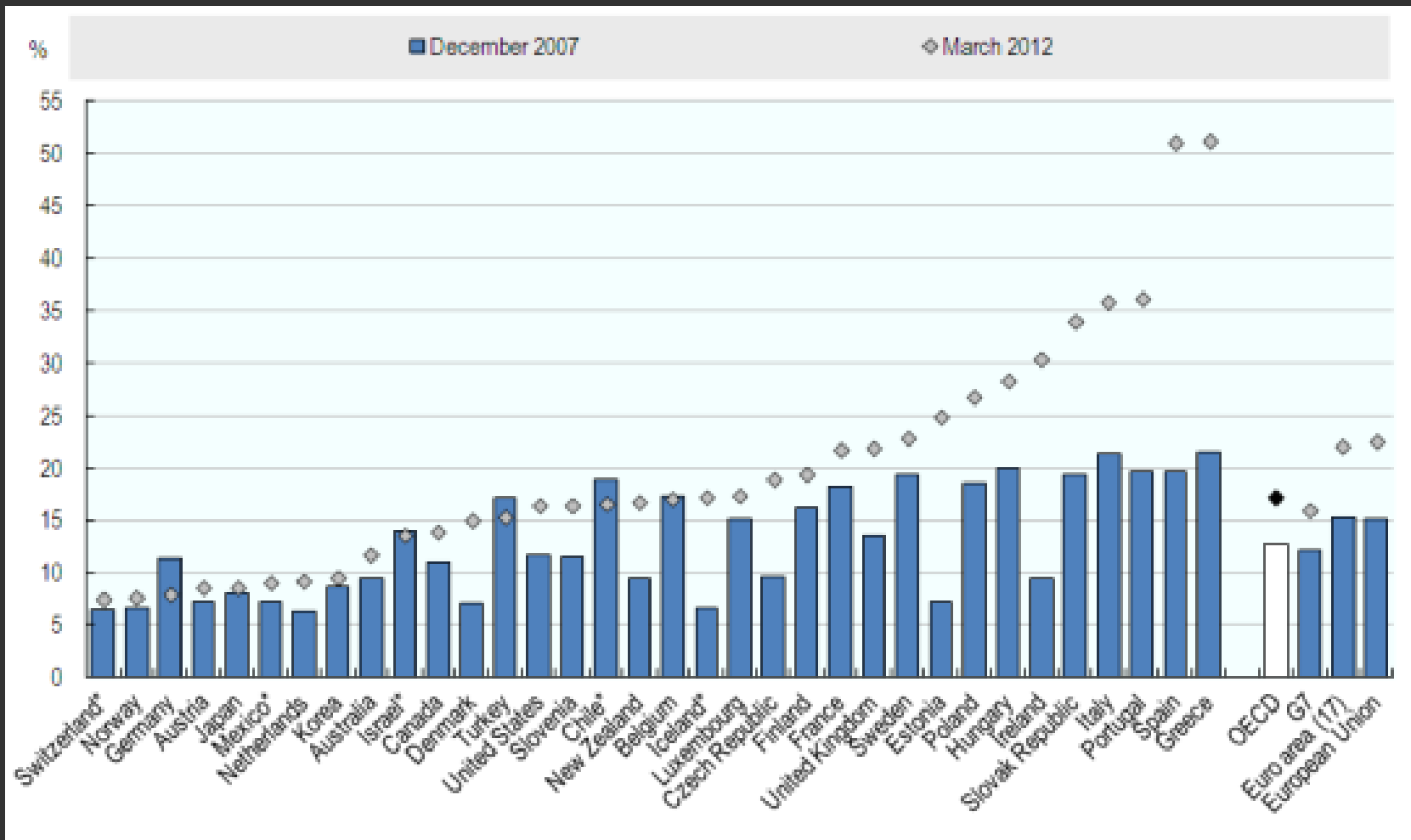
80% of them are children

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Read: *The Challenges of Climate Change: Children on the Front Line*

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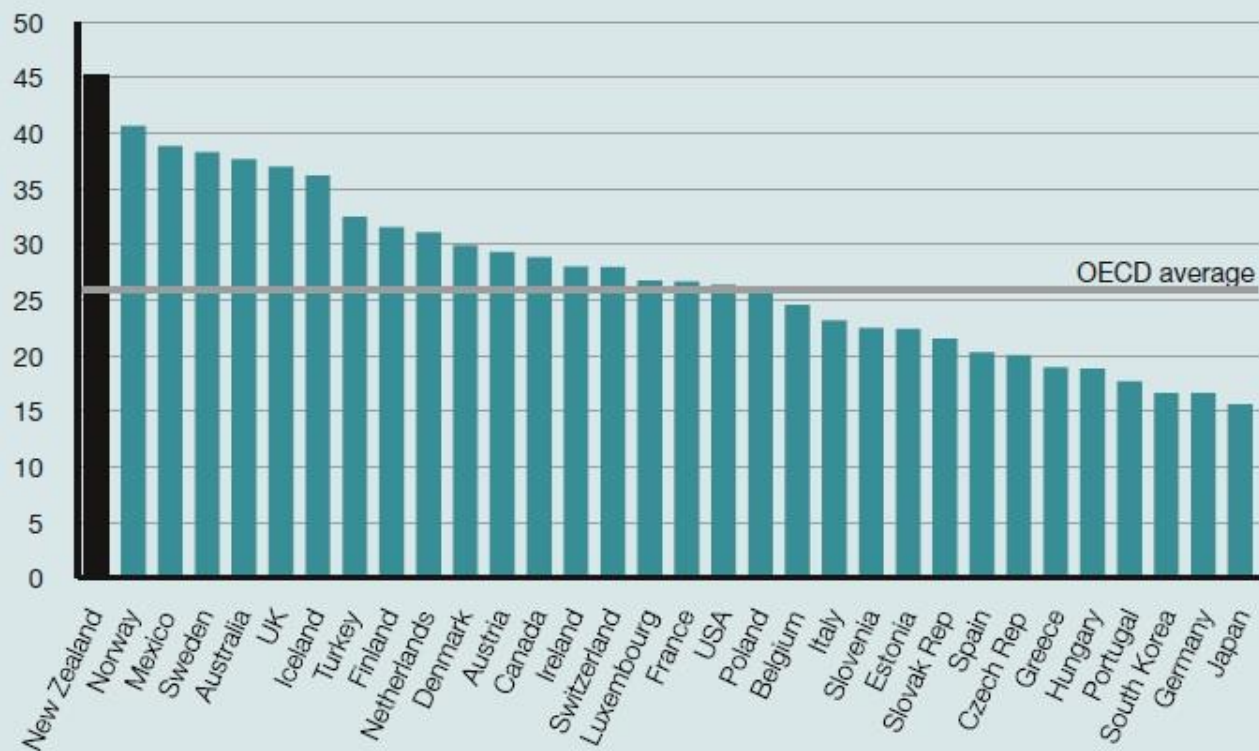




Youth unemployment & unsustainable economies



FIGURE 4: YOUTH AGED 15-24 AS PERCENT OF TOTAL UNEMPLOYED, 2009



Source: OECD (2010c).



NZ rich-poor gap widens faster than rest of world

By Simon Collins
5:30 AM Wednesday Dec 7, 2011

The gap between rich and poor has widened further in New Zealand – and in Sweden – than in any other developed countries in the past 25 years.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development says the income gap widened in 17 out of 22 developed countries between the mid-1980s and the late 2000s, and has widened further in most countries during the past three years of recession.



Photo / James Dixon

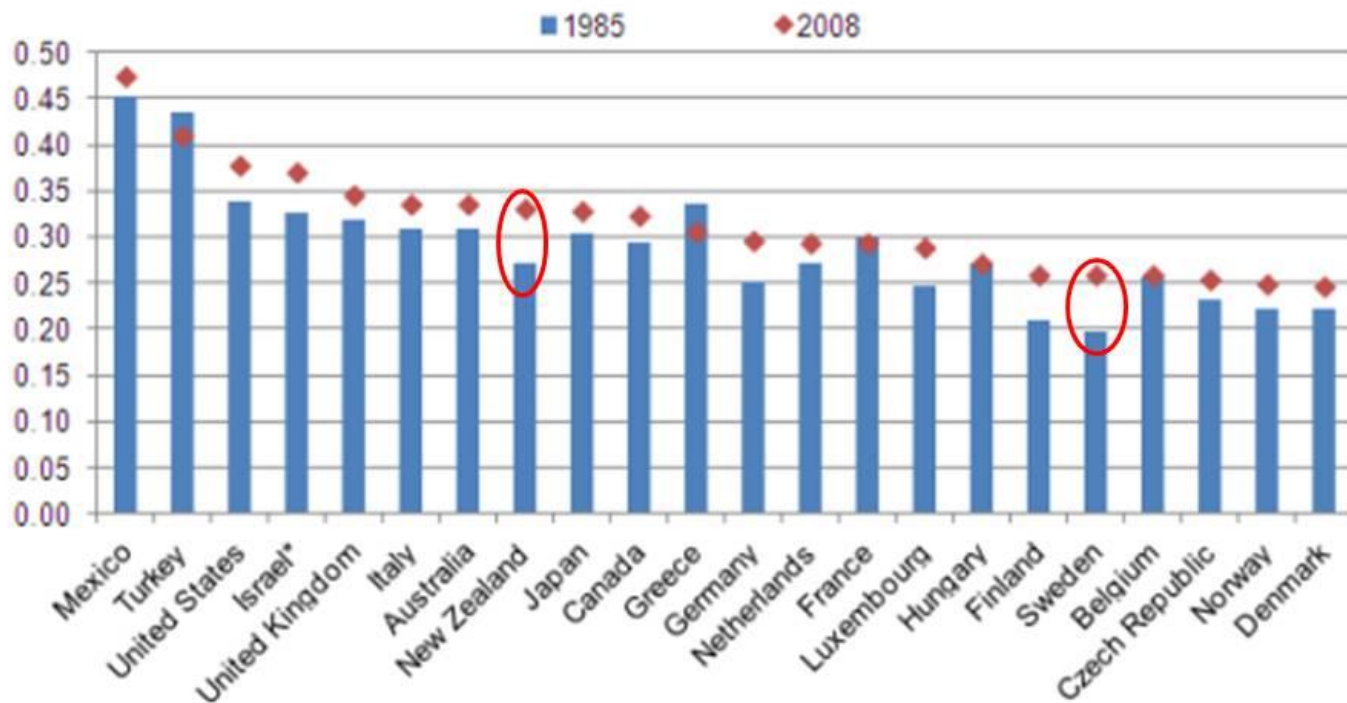


- Strong reaction to damning TV child poverty doco
- Herald on Sunday editorial: Rich-poor gap is NZ's shame
- Election 2011: Mana Party does tiki tour to show up poor 'parasites'

Social Inequality

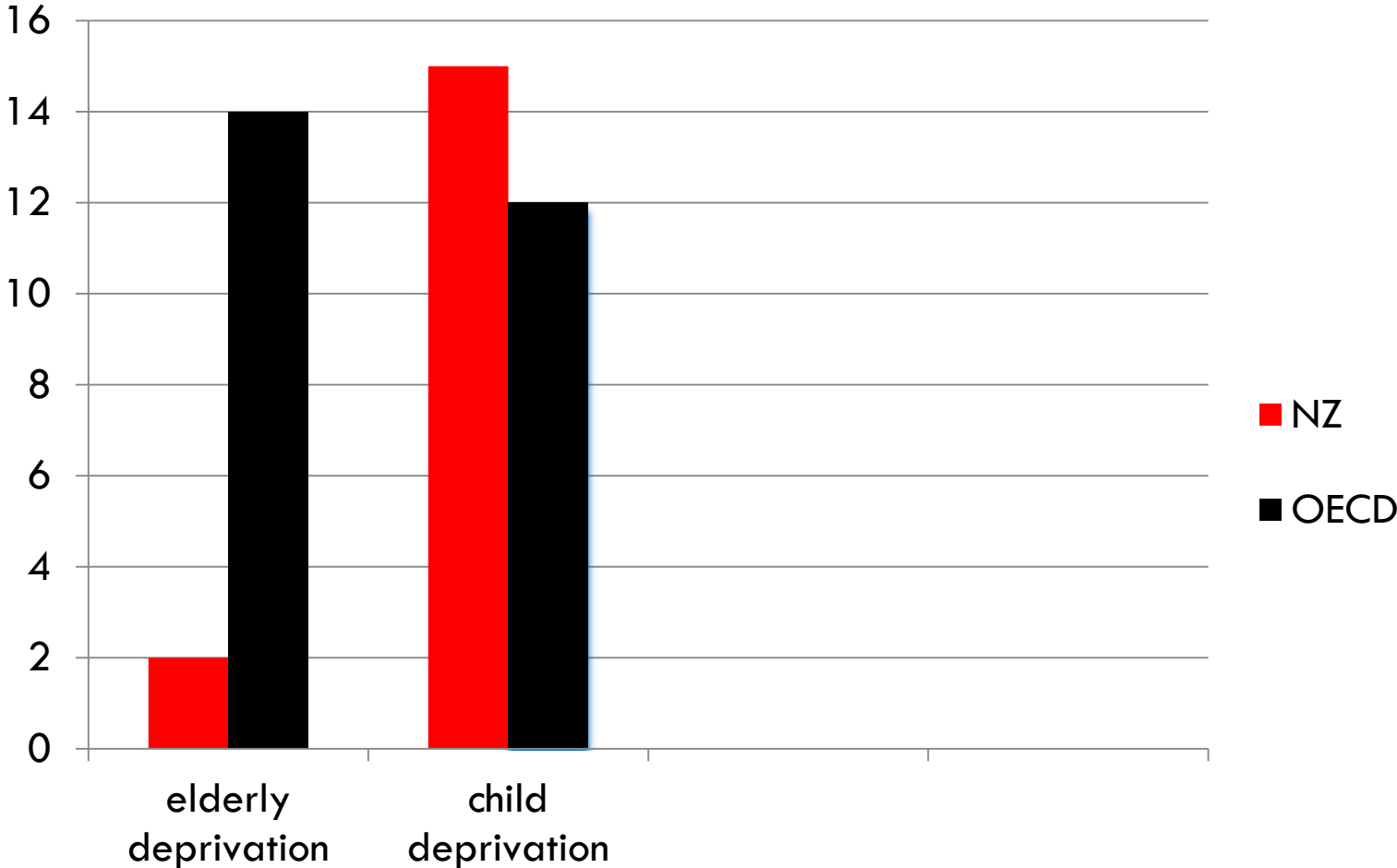
Income inequality increased in most, but not all OECD countries

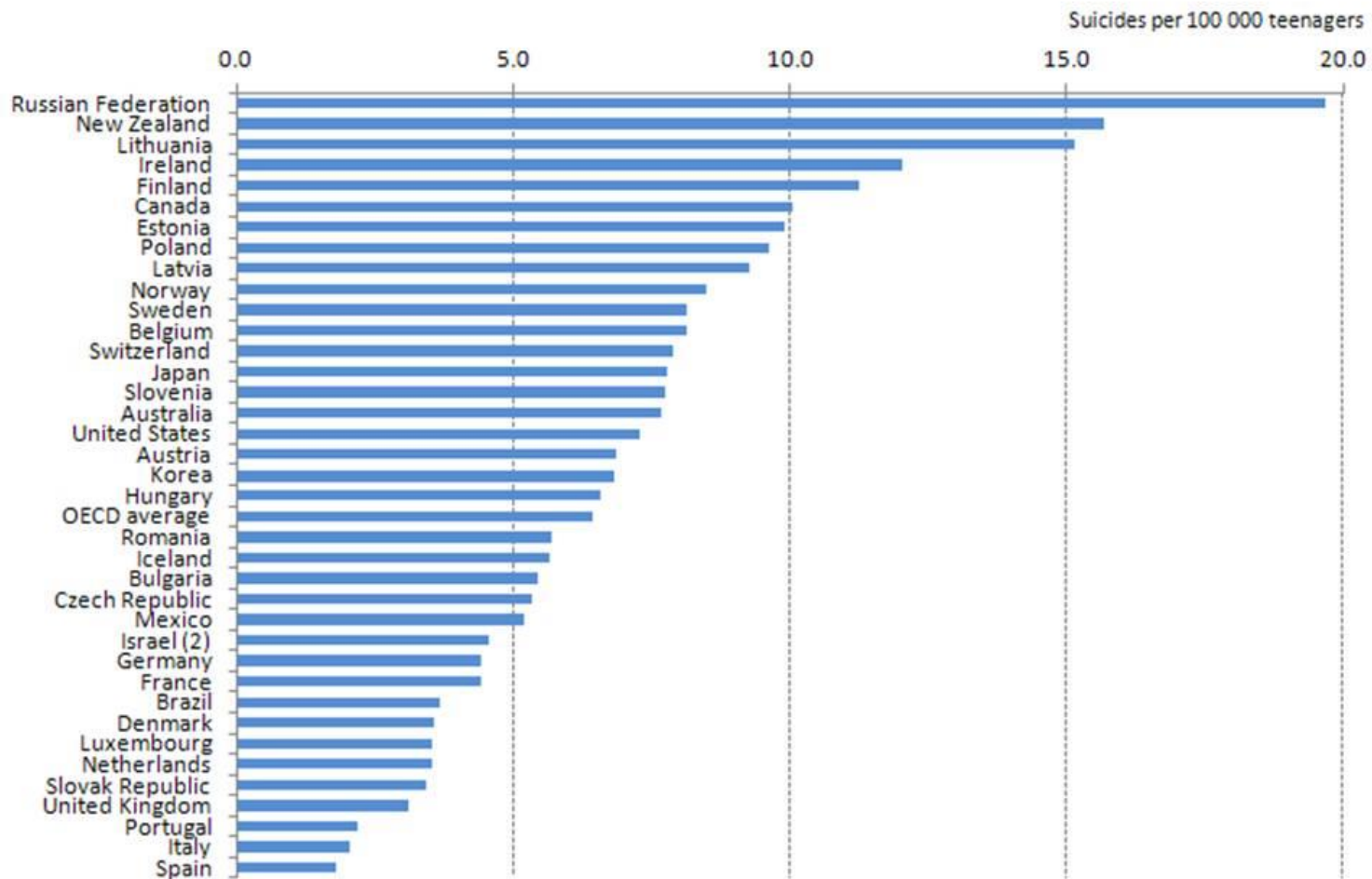
Gini coefficients of income inequality, mid-1980s and late 2000s



“The gap between material deprivation of children and old people is the biggest in NZ of 27 countries”

Dr Monika Queisser (OECD, Dec 2011)





OECD and WHO rankings 2010



Weakening democracies



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DEMOCRACIA REAL YA
NO SOMOS MERCANCIA EN MANOS DE POLÍTICOS Y BANCUERS



AUTHORITARIAN HANDPRINT OF FEARS

Frustrated agency

Environmental Exclusion

Authoritarian decision making

Retributive Justice

Silenced imagination

From Hayward, Bronwyn (2012)
Children, Citizenship and Environment
(Earthscan, Routledge; London)

FEARS of Authoritarianism



Social handprint of **SMART**
thin/environmental democracy

Self-help agency

Market participation

A priori, universal justice

Representative decision making

Technological transformation

Hayward, Bronwyn 2012
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SMART handprint of thin environmental democracy



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Your Handprint is what you do about it

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THE SOCIAL HANDPRINT AND SEEDS OF ECOLOGICAL CITIZENSHIP

Social Agency

Environmental Education

Embodied Justice

Decentred Deliberation

Self-Transcendence

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SEEDS of ecological democracy





In 1965 Rachel Carson wrote..... about nurturing a child's sense of wonder about their natural world

We also need to nurture a child's sense of wonder about their democratic world, and the extra-ordinary possibilities of ordinary people acting together to effect change for a more just and sustainable common future

<http://www.routledge.com/books>

Children, Citizenship and Environment

Nurturing a Democratic Imagination in a Changing World



Bronwyn Hayward