





# Action Plan to Strengthen Regional Cooperation on Social Protection in Asia and the Pacific

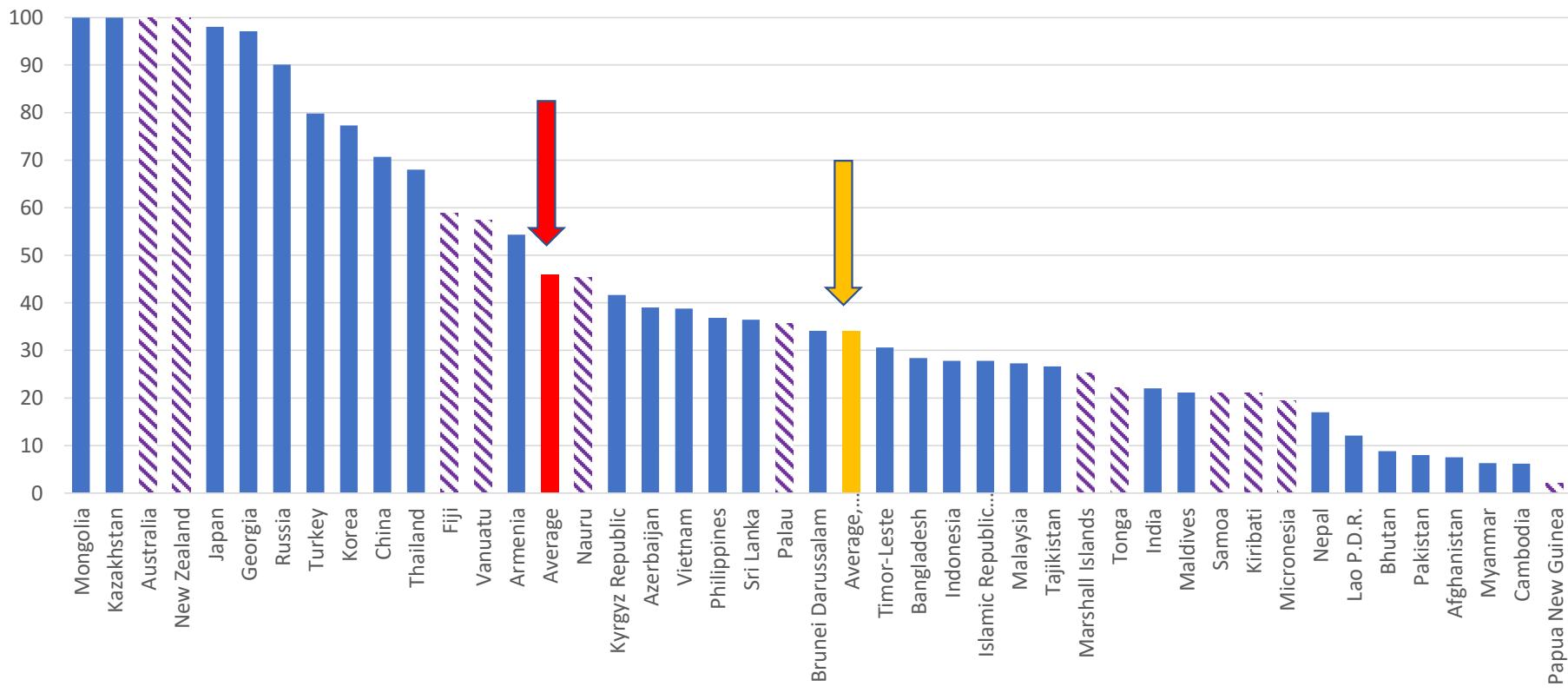
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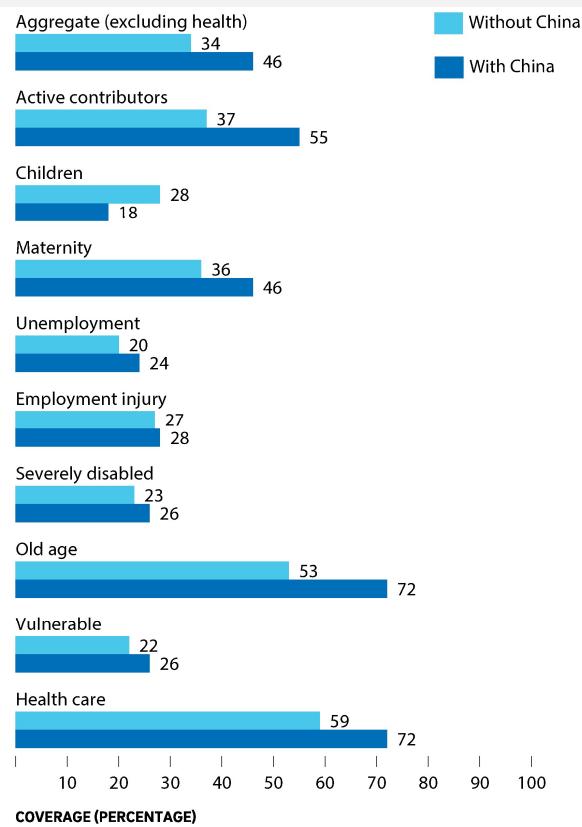


## Less than half of the region's population is covered by at least one social protection scheme



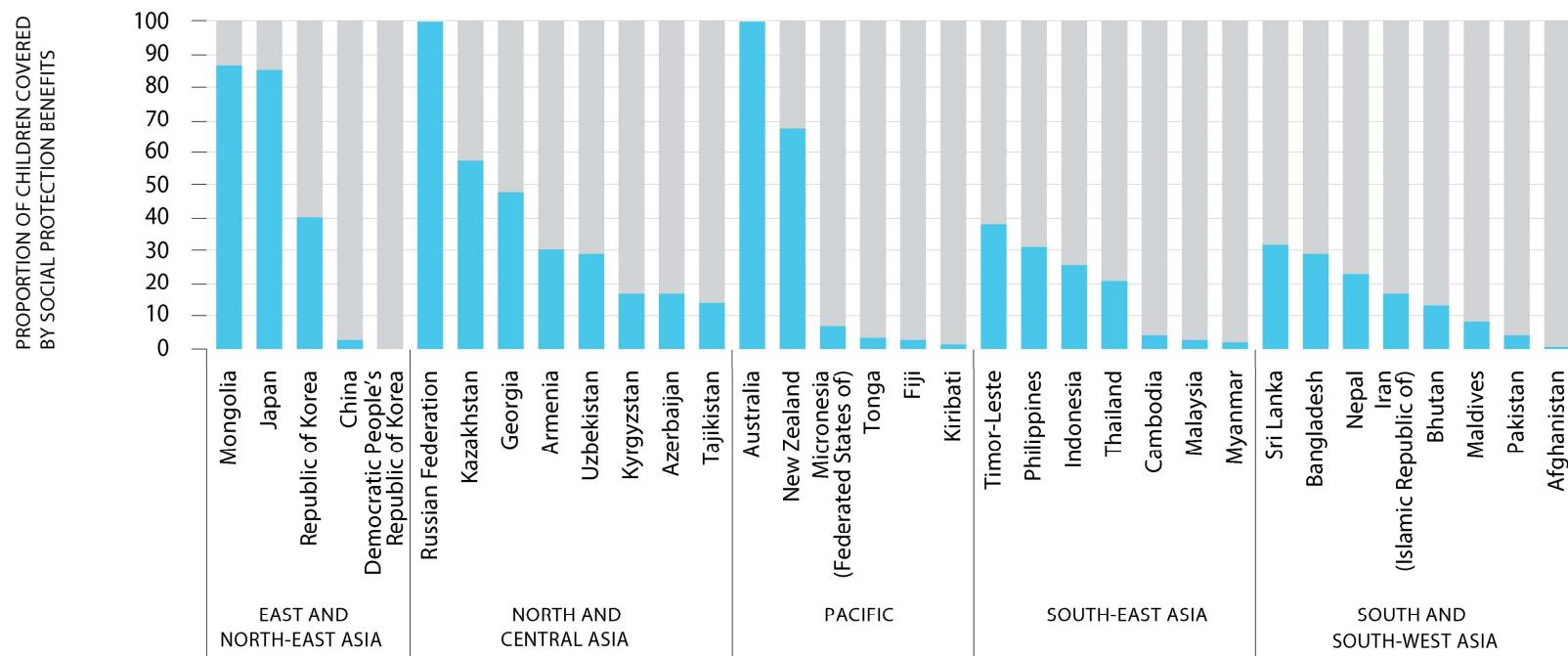
Source: International Labour Organization, World Social Protection Database.

## Social protection coverage remains low across different schemes



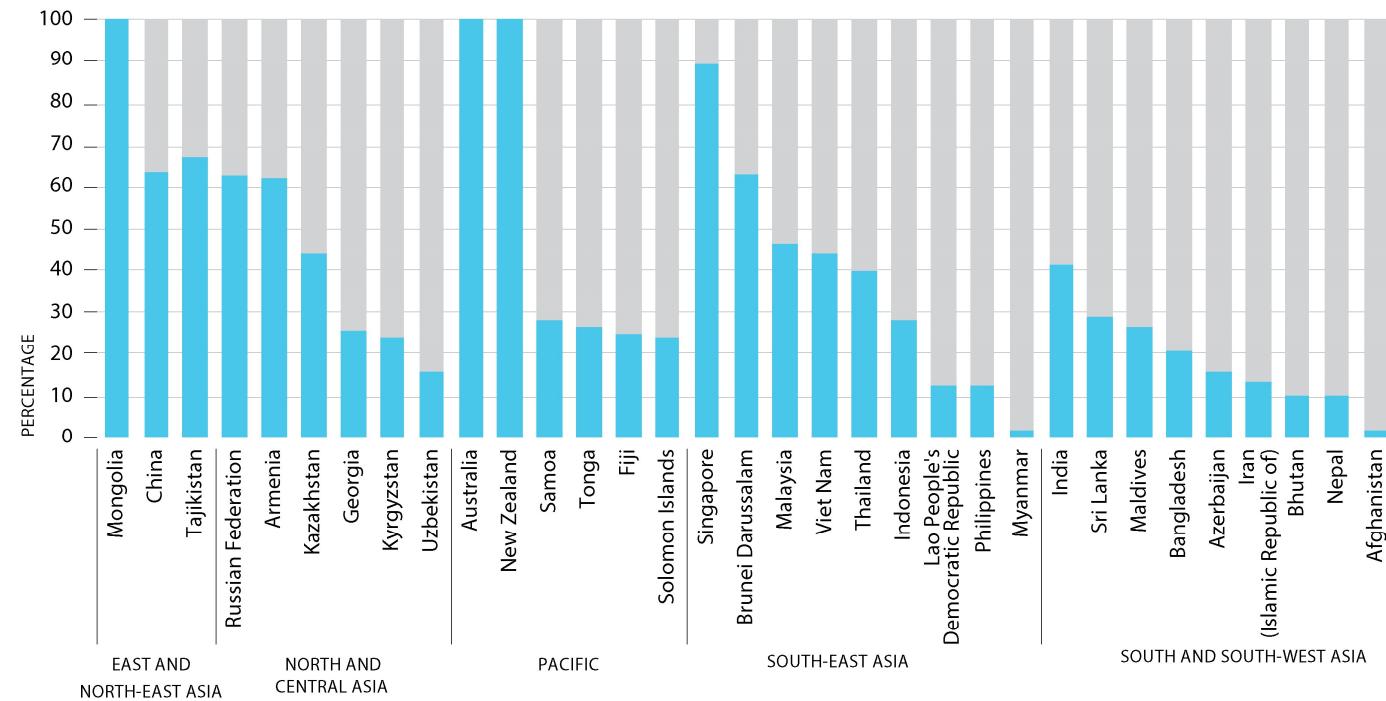
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## Percentage of children and households receiving child and family benefits, by country, latest year available



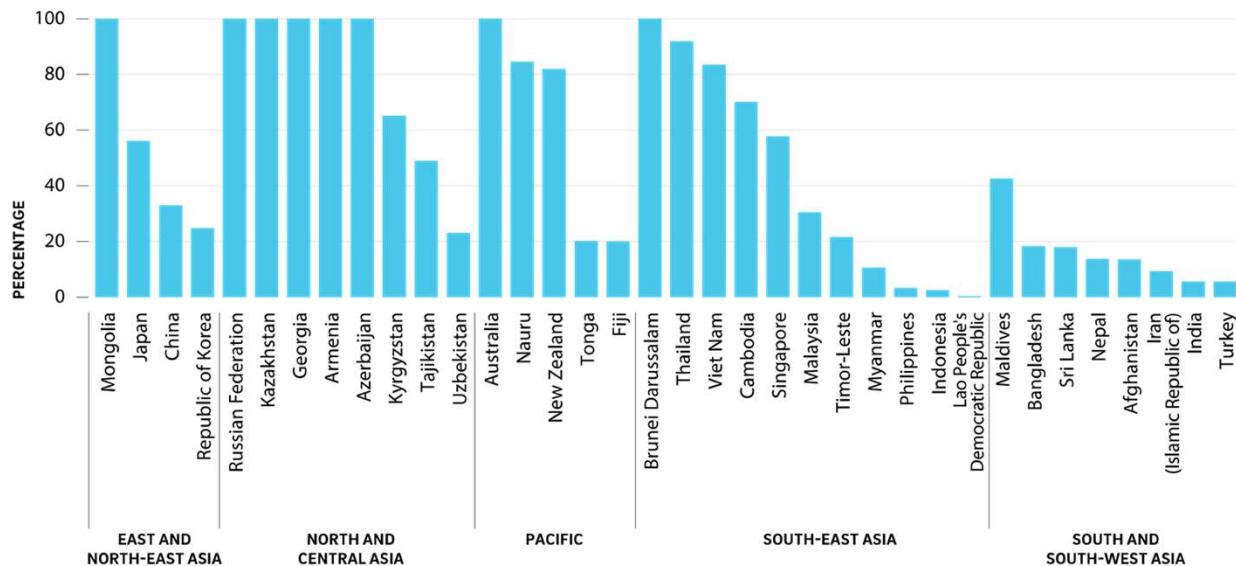
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## Percentage of women giving birth and receiving maternity cash benefits, by country, latest available year



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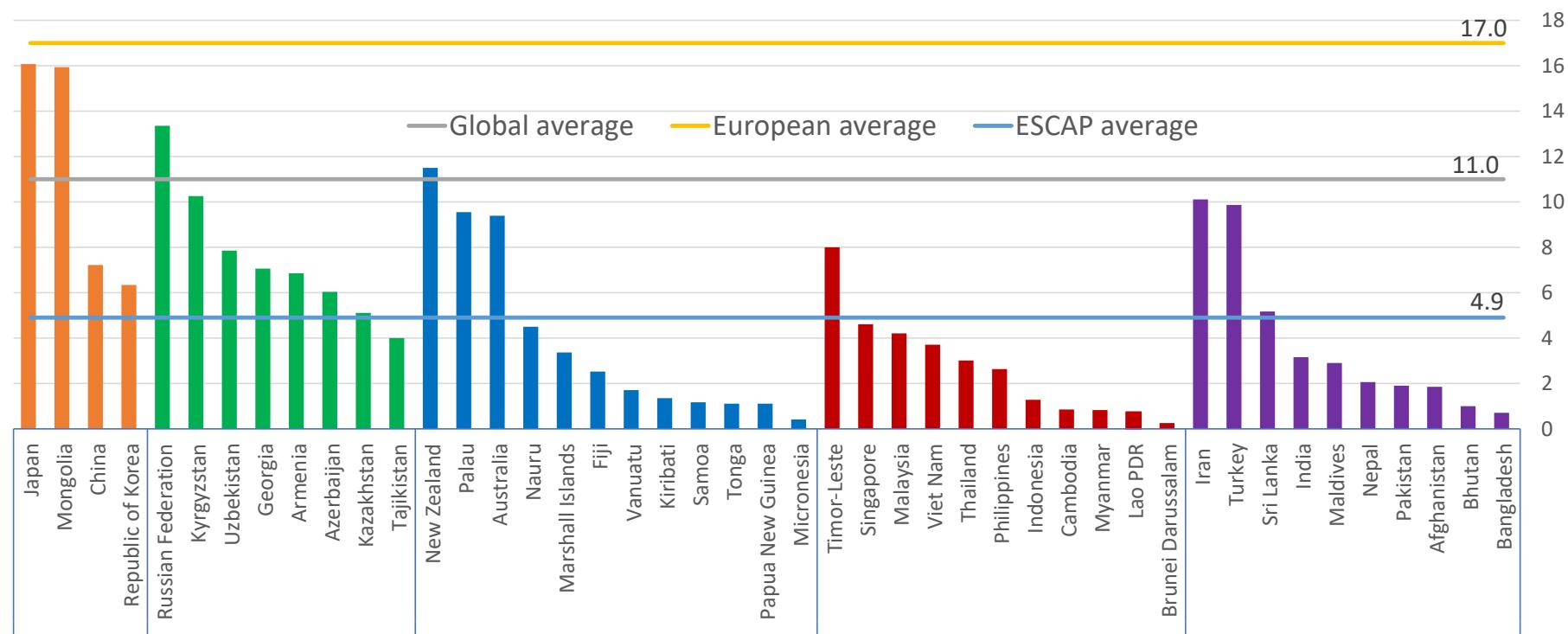
## Percentage of persons with severe disabilities receiving disability cash benefits, by country, latest year available



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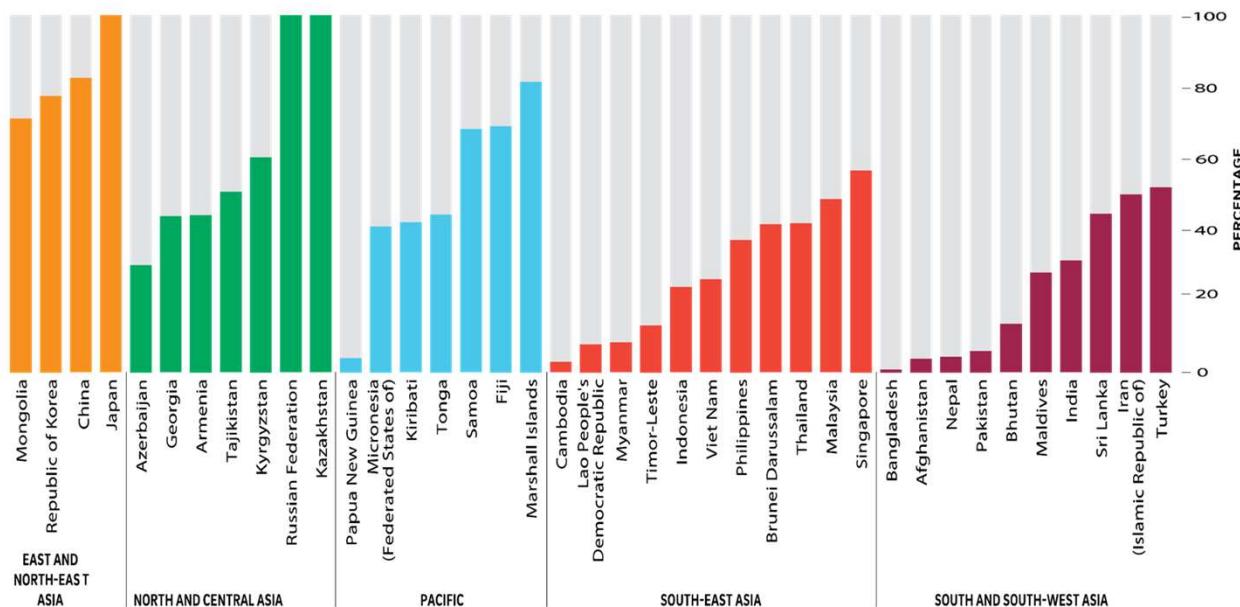


## Investments are low in social protection across Asia-Pacific



Source: International Labour Organization, World Social Protection Database.

## Percentage of the labour force actively contributing to a social protection scheme, by country, latest year

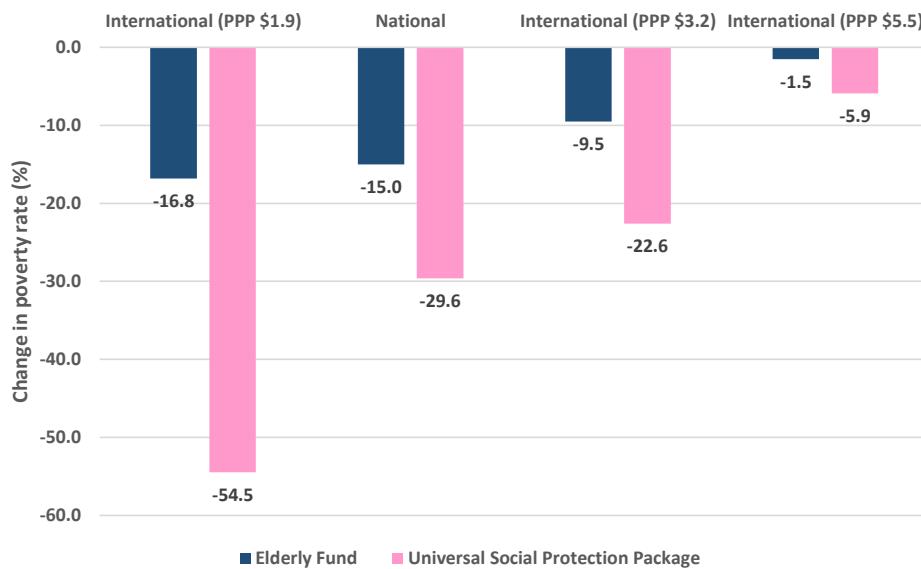


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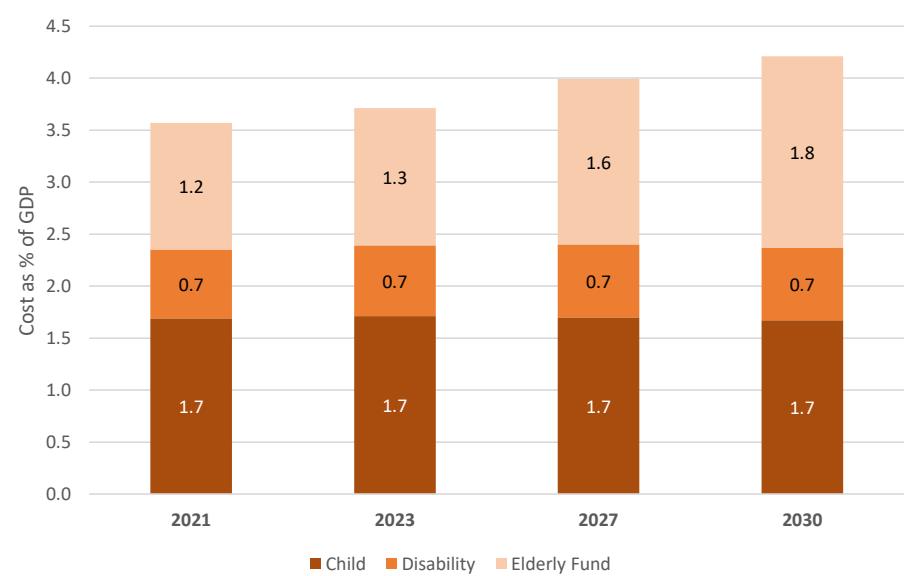
## Investments in social protection can impact poverty reduction and are within reach



### Impact of Universal Social Protection Package on Poverty Reduction in Kiribati



### Cost of Universal Social Protection Package (as % of GDP) from 2021 to 2030 in Kiribati



- Universal social protection package includes universal child and disability benefits at the global average benefit level, and old age benefits equivalent to the existing elderly funds

Source: ESCAP Social Protection Simulator using 2019 Kiribati HIES





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