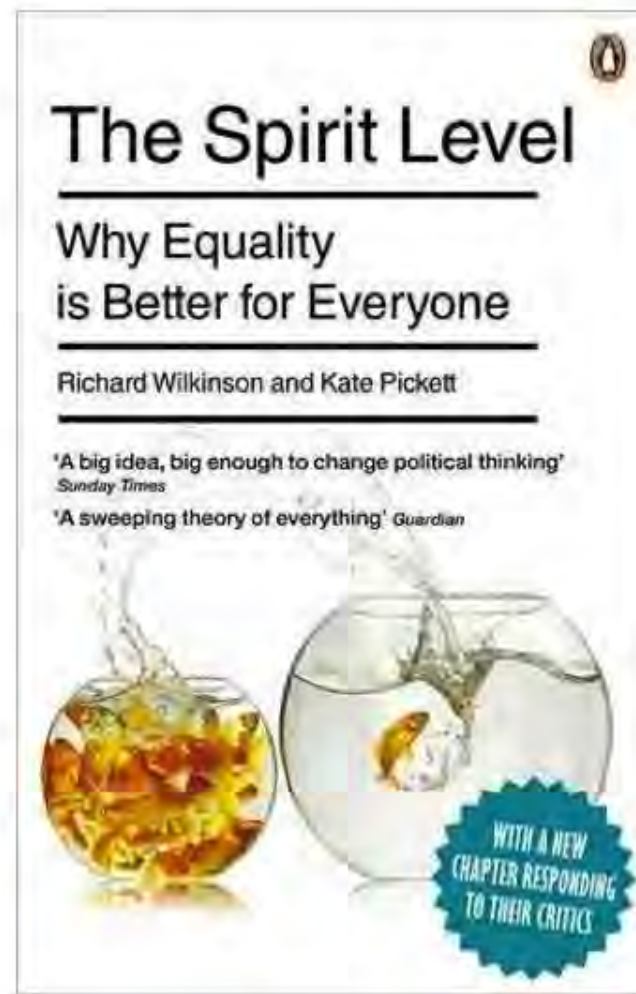


Introduction

- This PowerPoint file contains 35 of the more important graphs shown on The Equality Trust website at www.equalitytrust.org.uk
- The graphs are also published in the book by Richard Wilkinson and Kate Pickett, *The Spirit Level: Why Equality is Better for Everyone* (Penguin, 2010).
- We hope you will use them in talks, lectures or discussion groups to help increase people's understanding of the effects of inequality.
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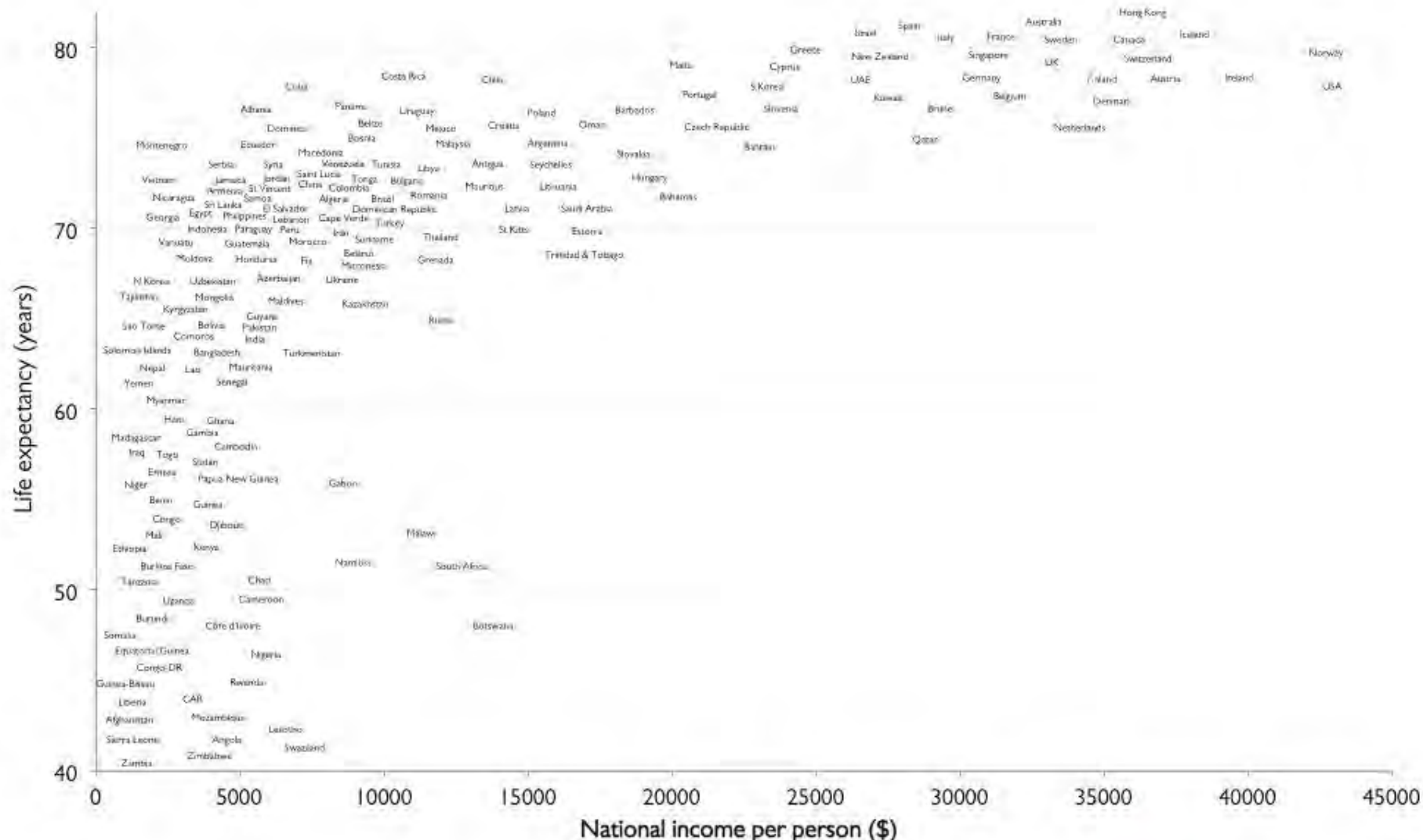
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Income per head and life expectancy: rich and poor countries



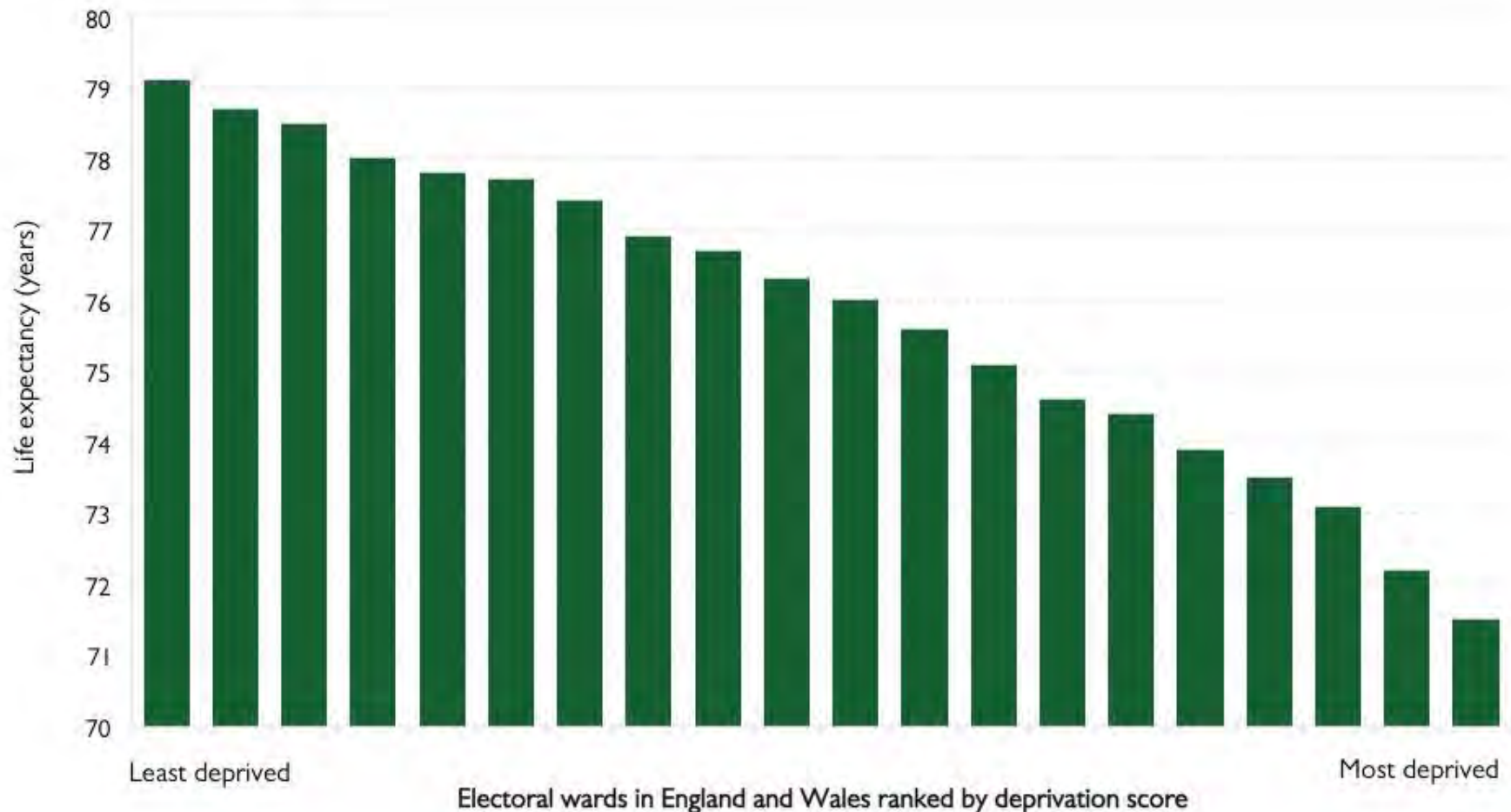
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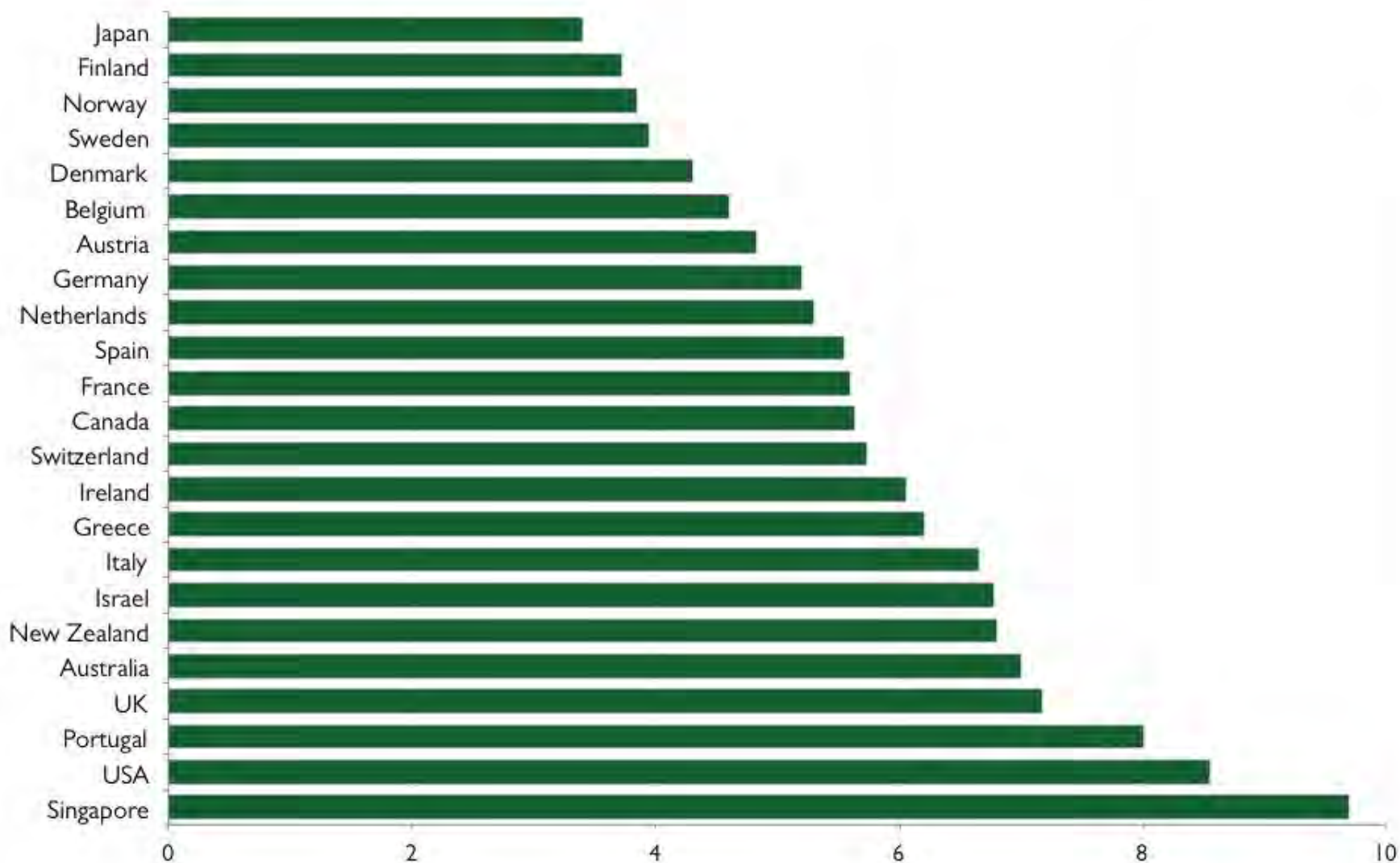


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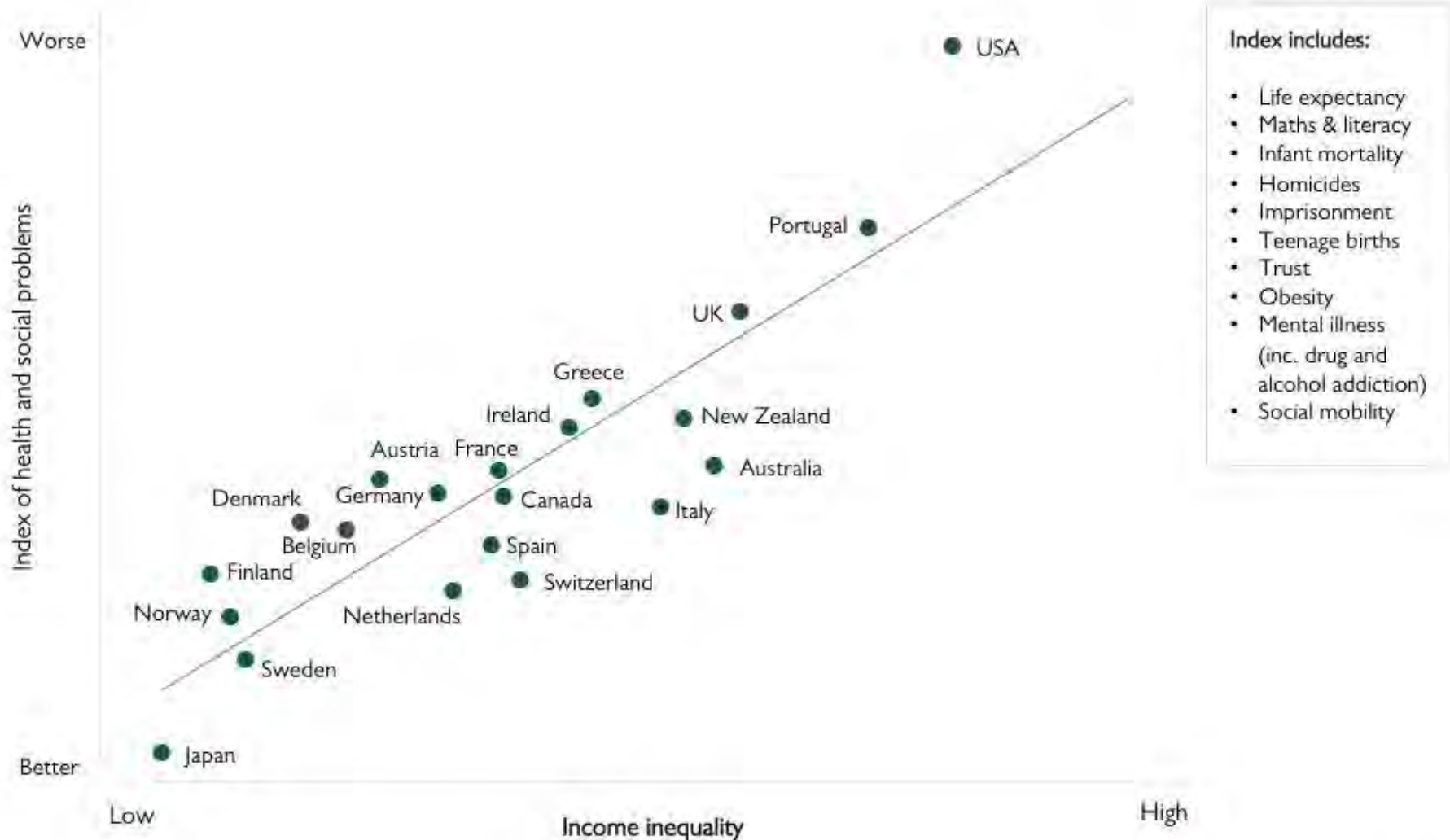
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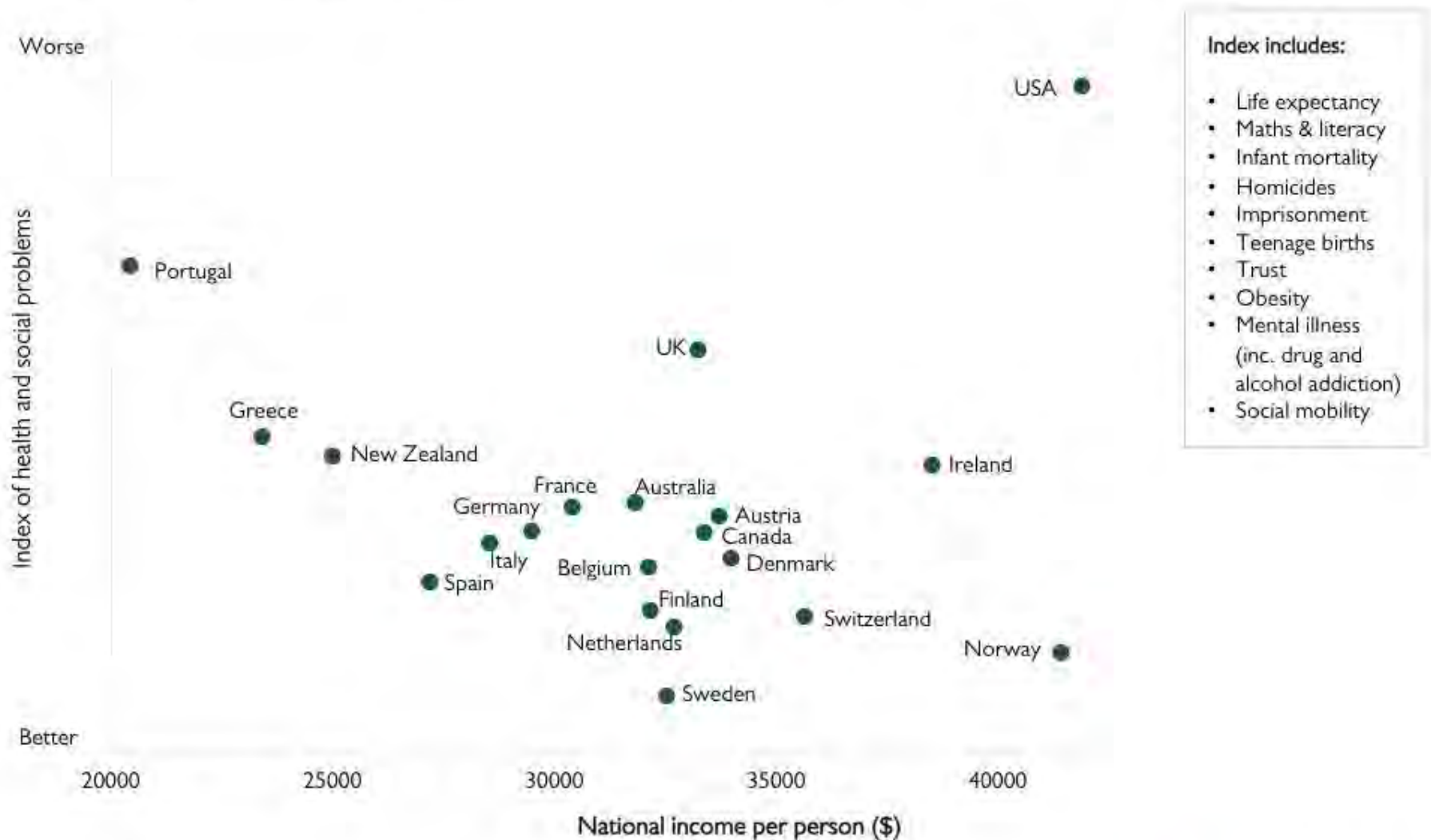
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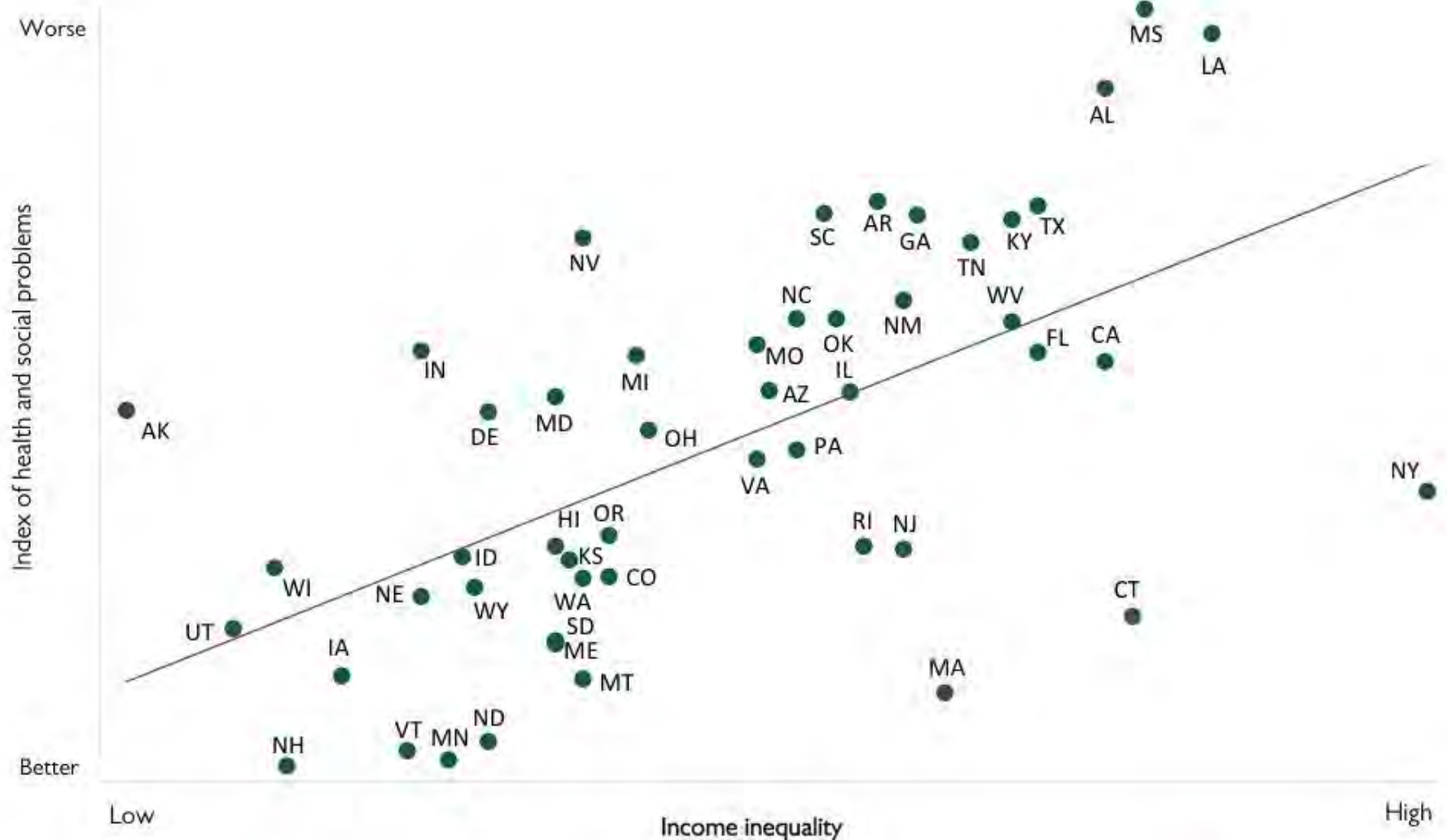
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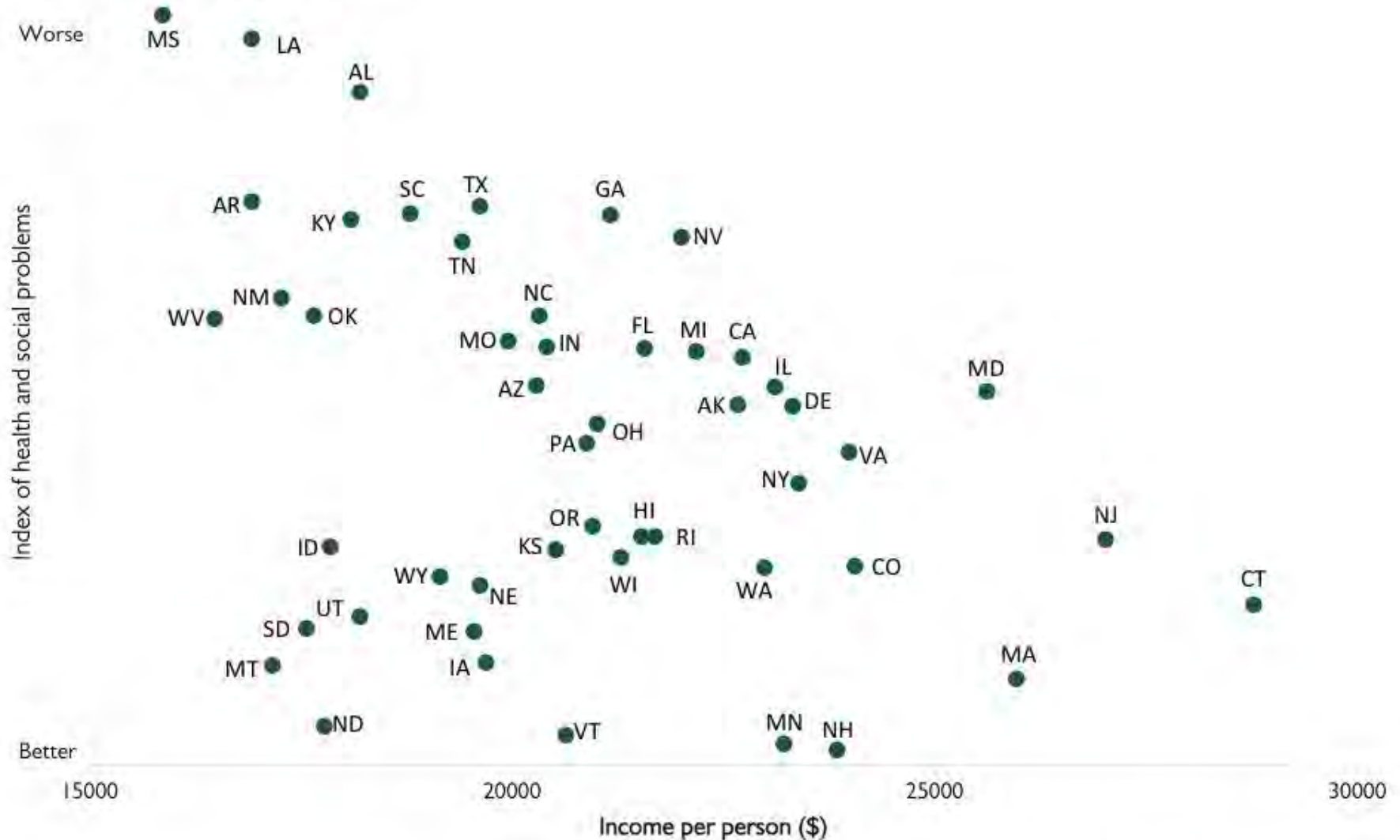
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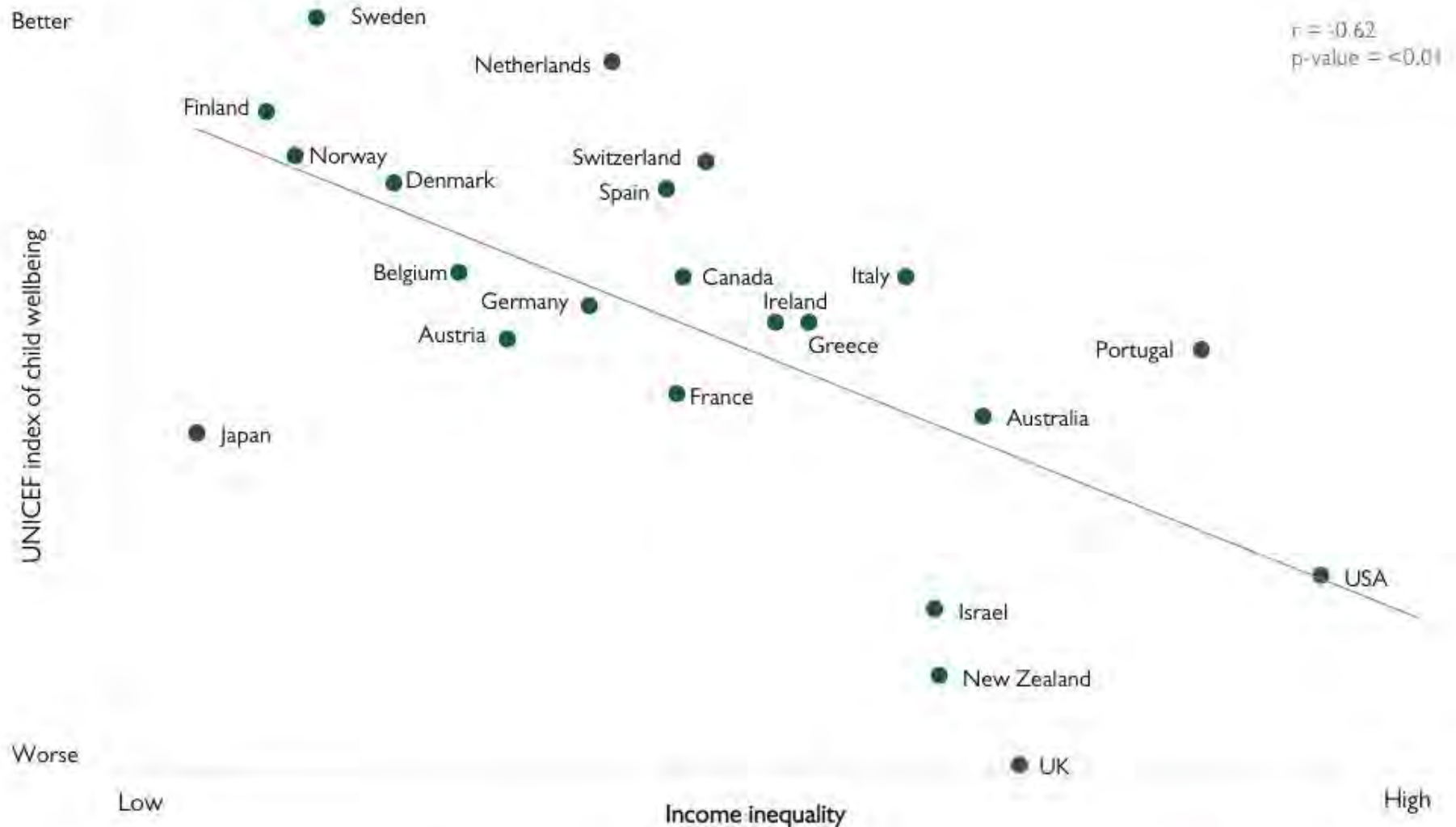
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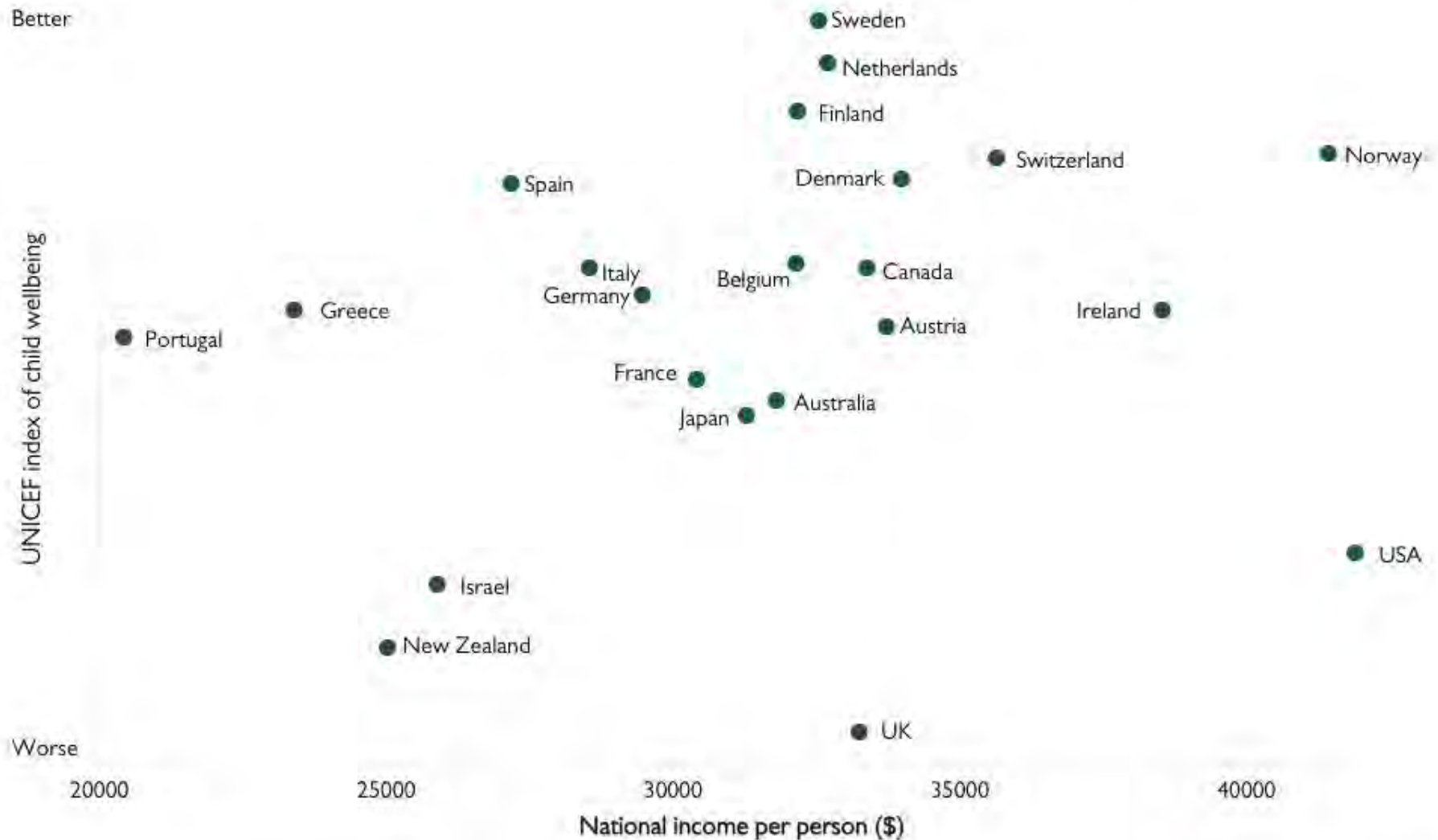
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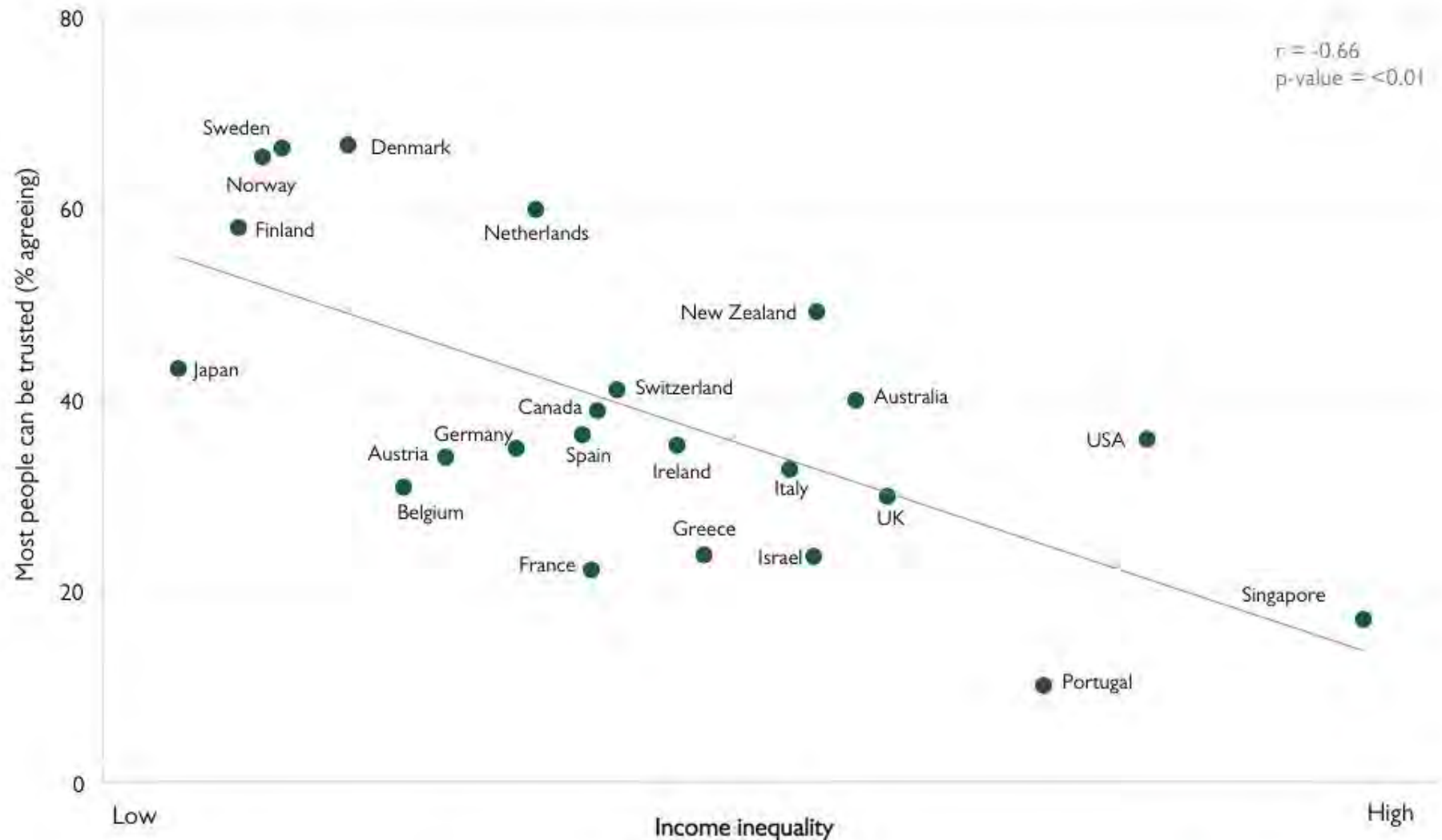
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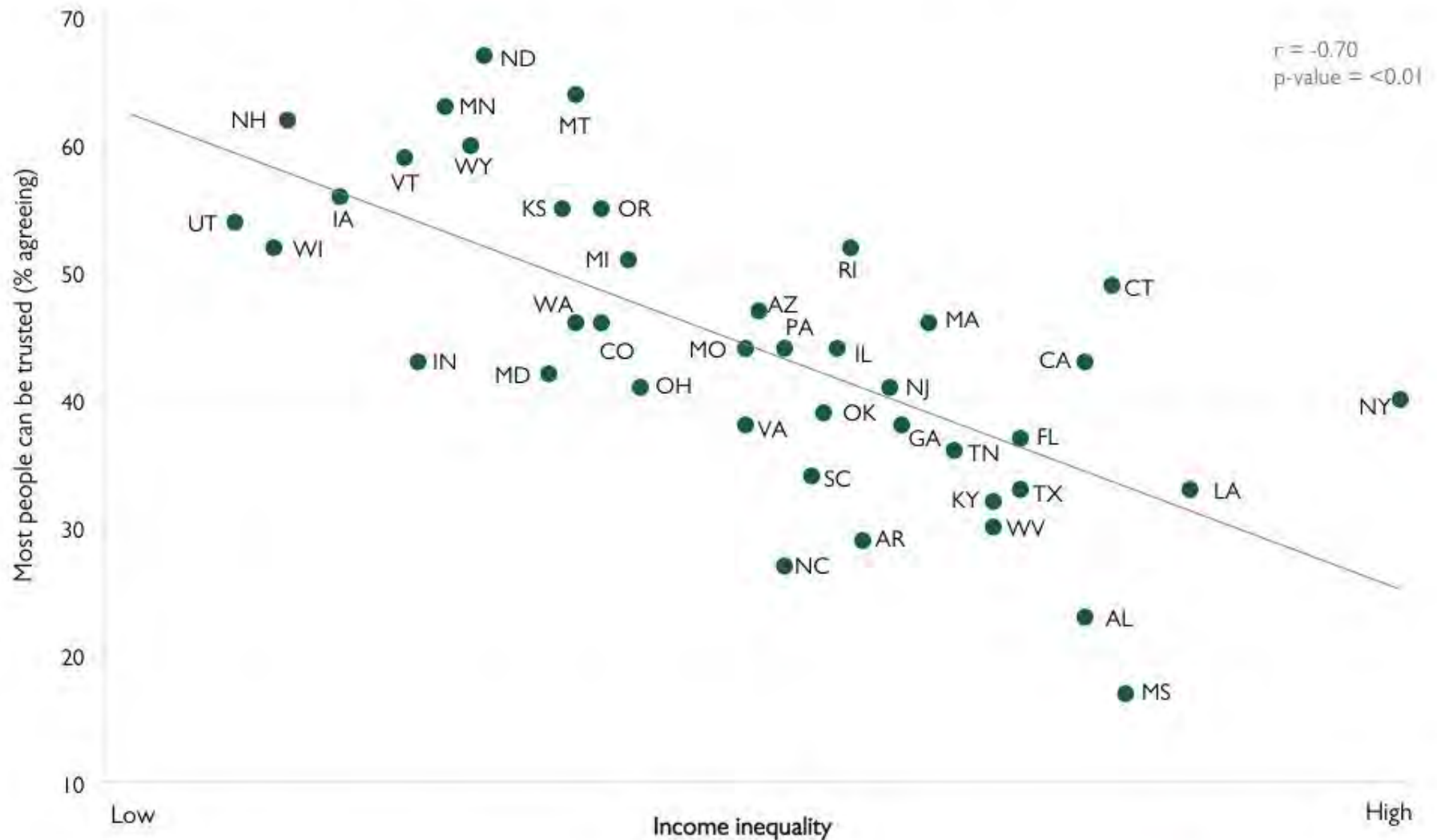
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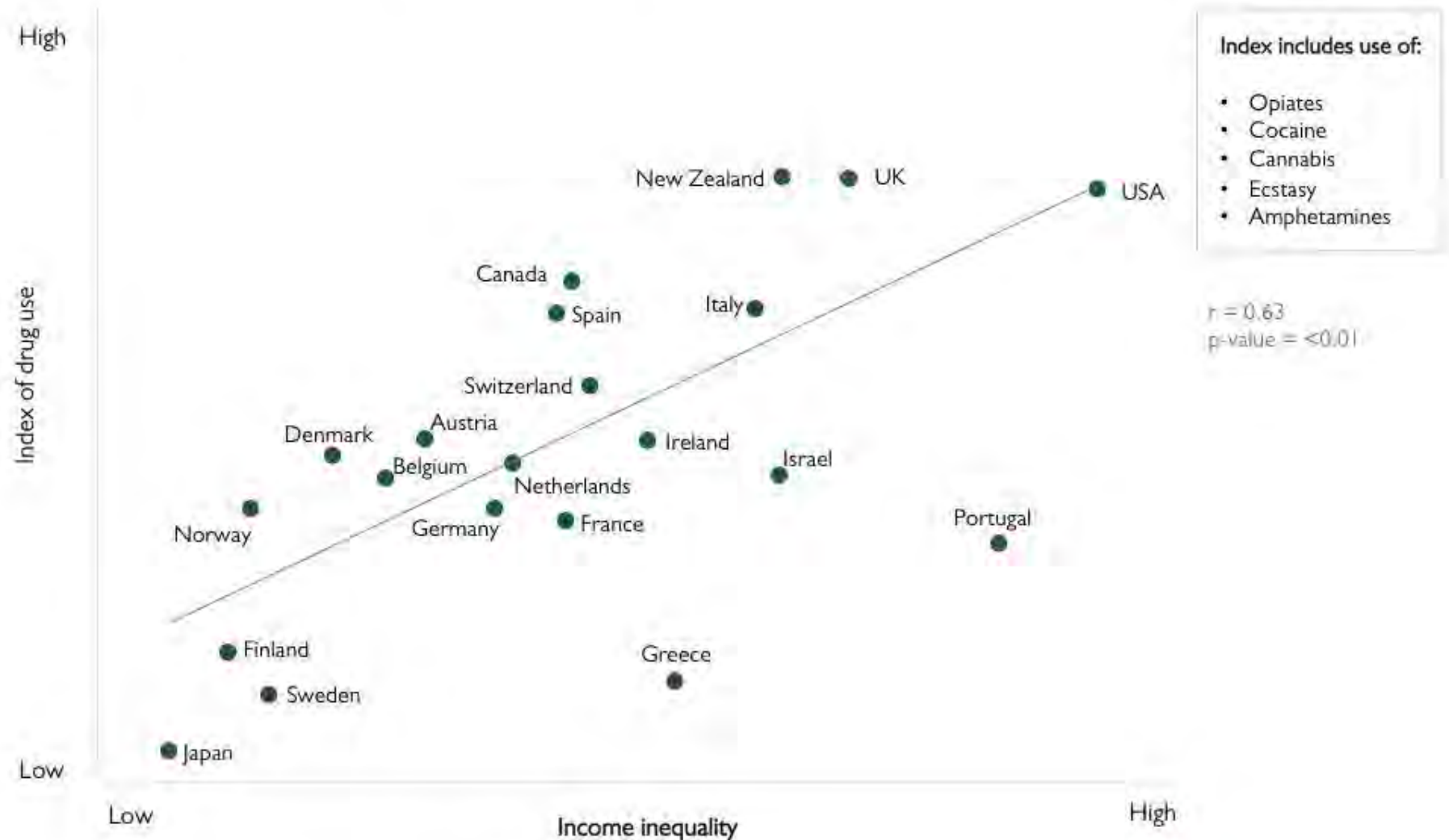
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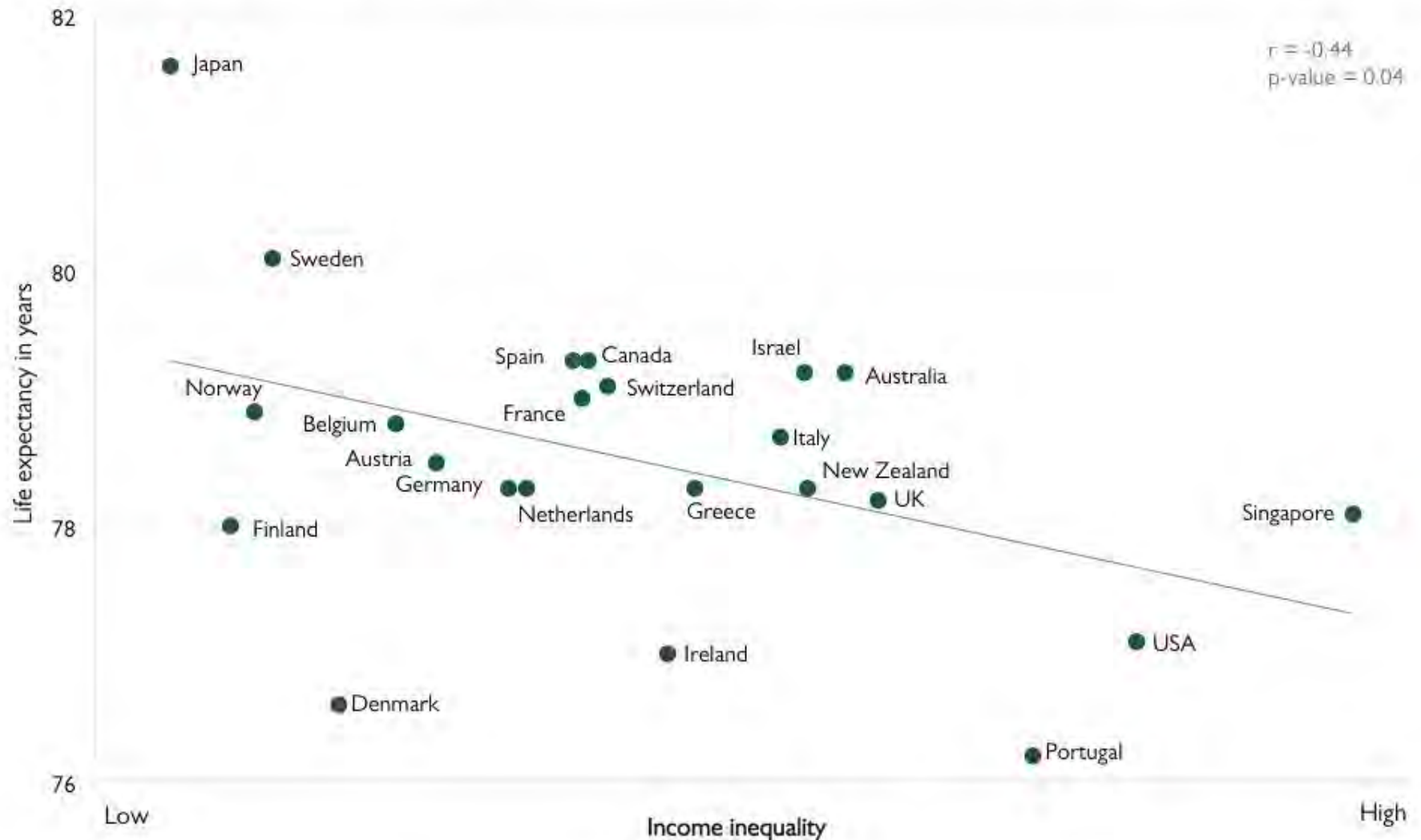
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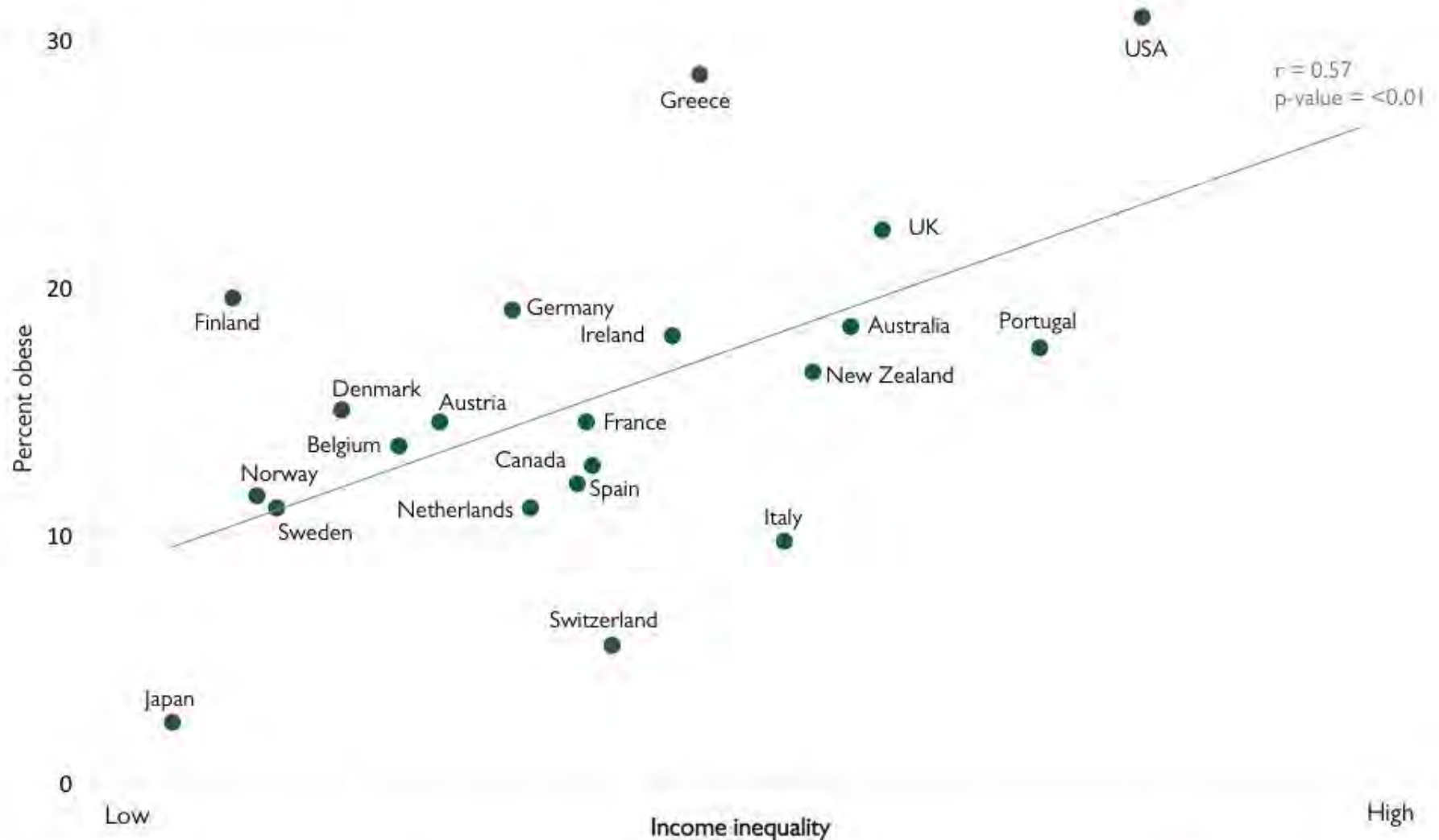
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Infant mortality rates are higher in more unequal countries



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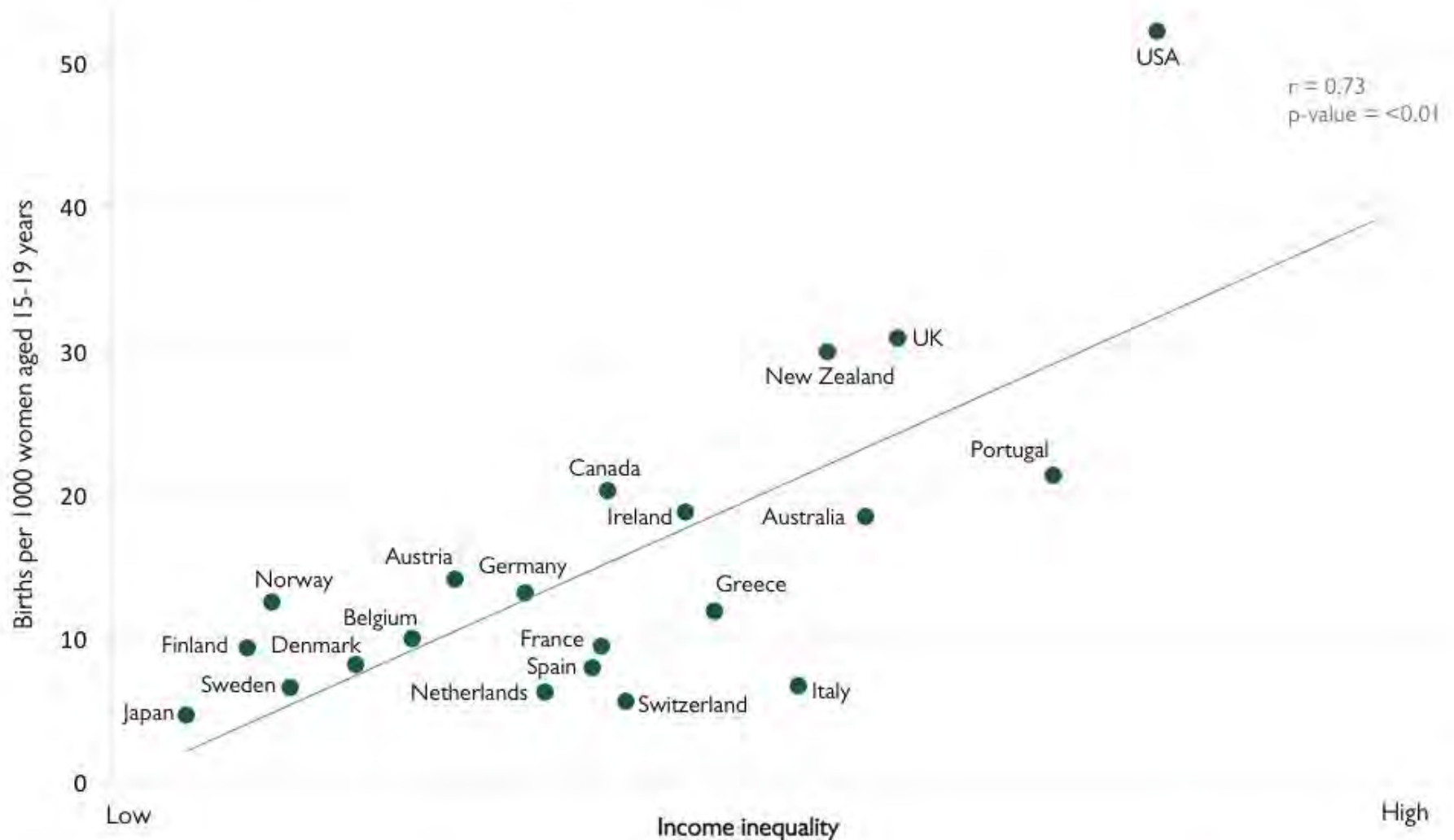
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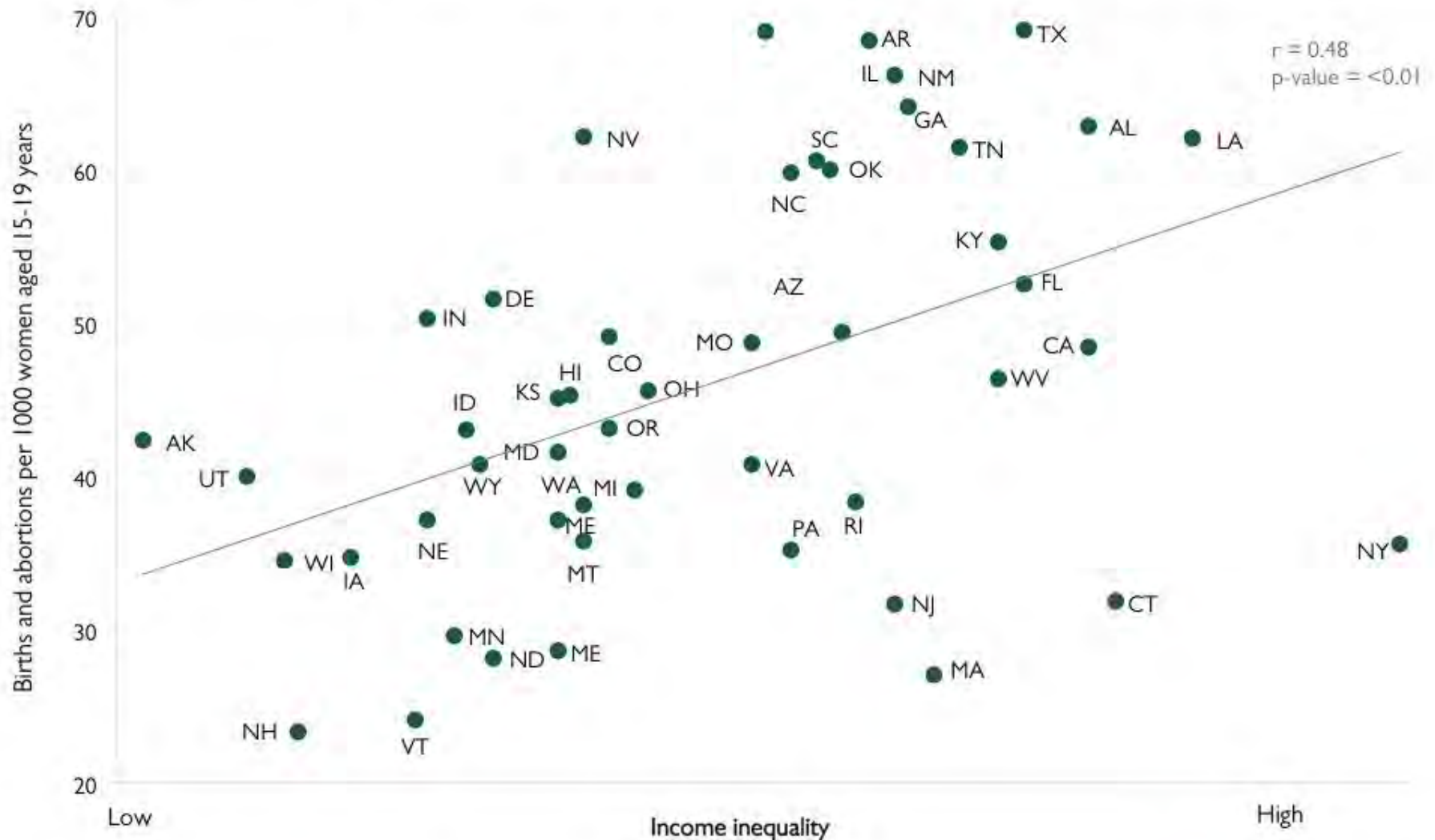
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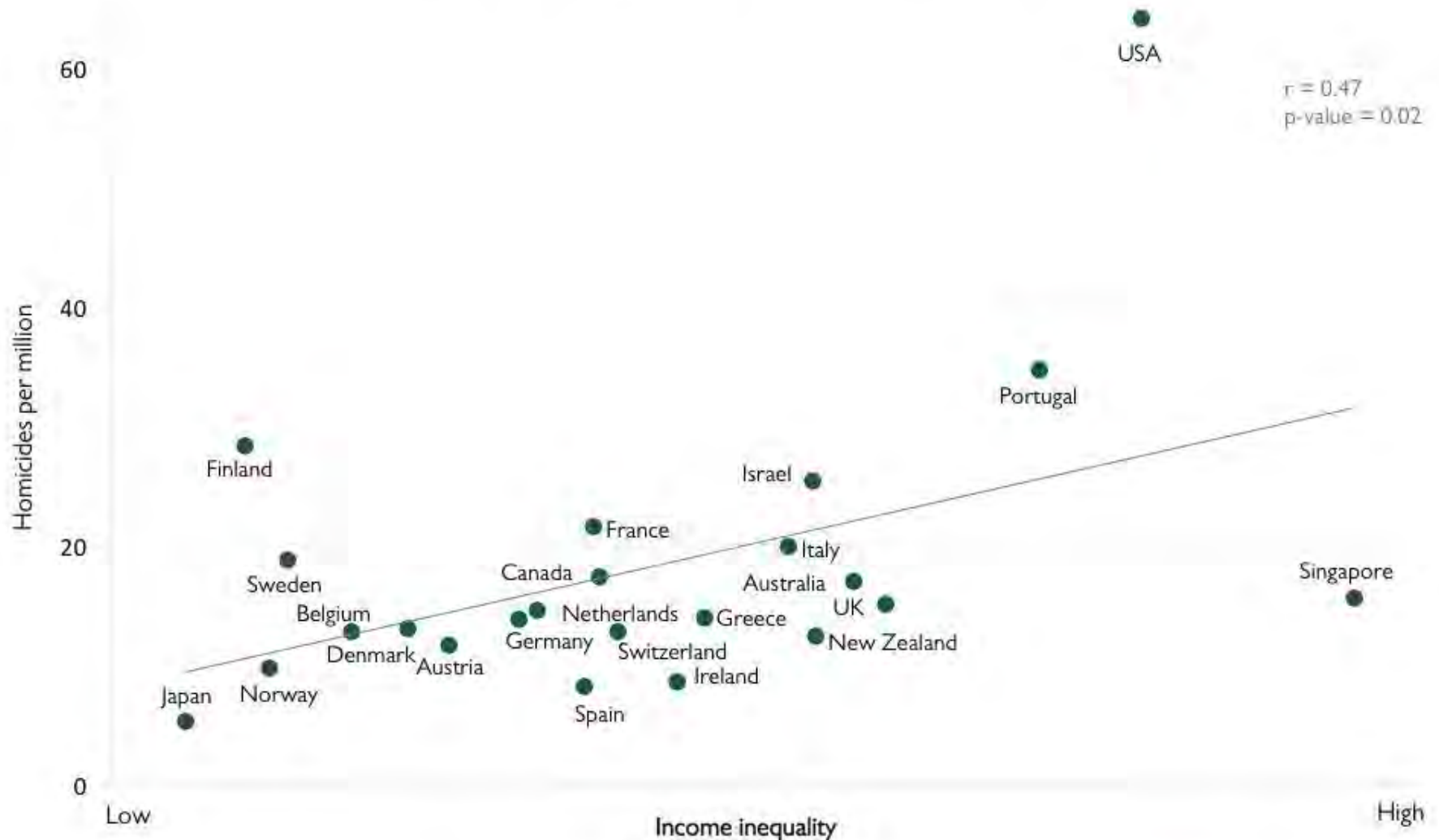
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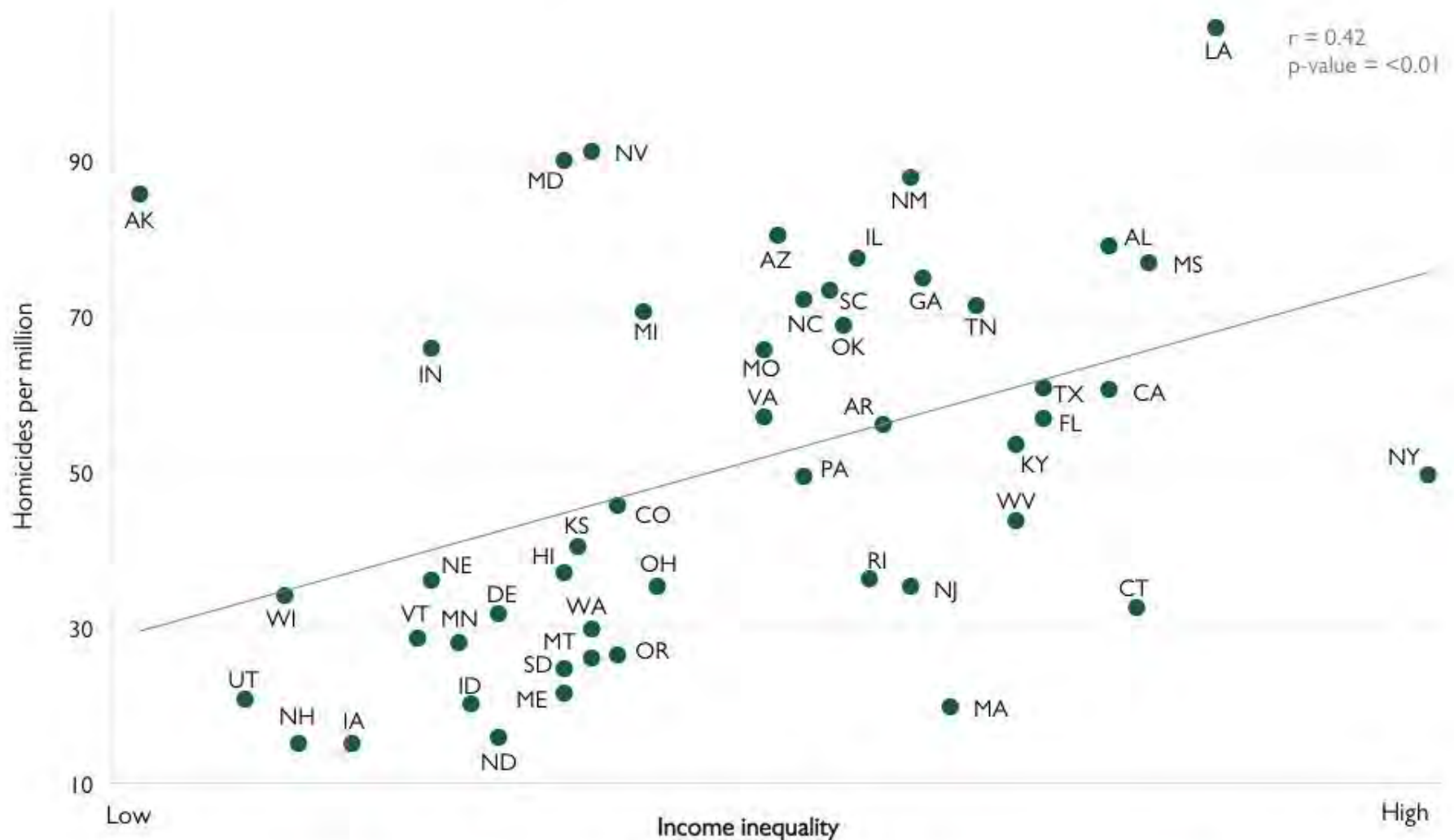
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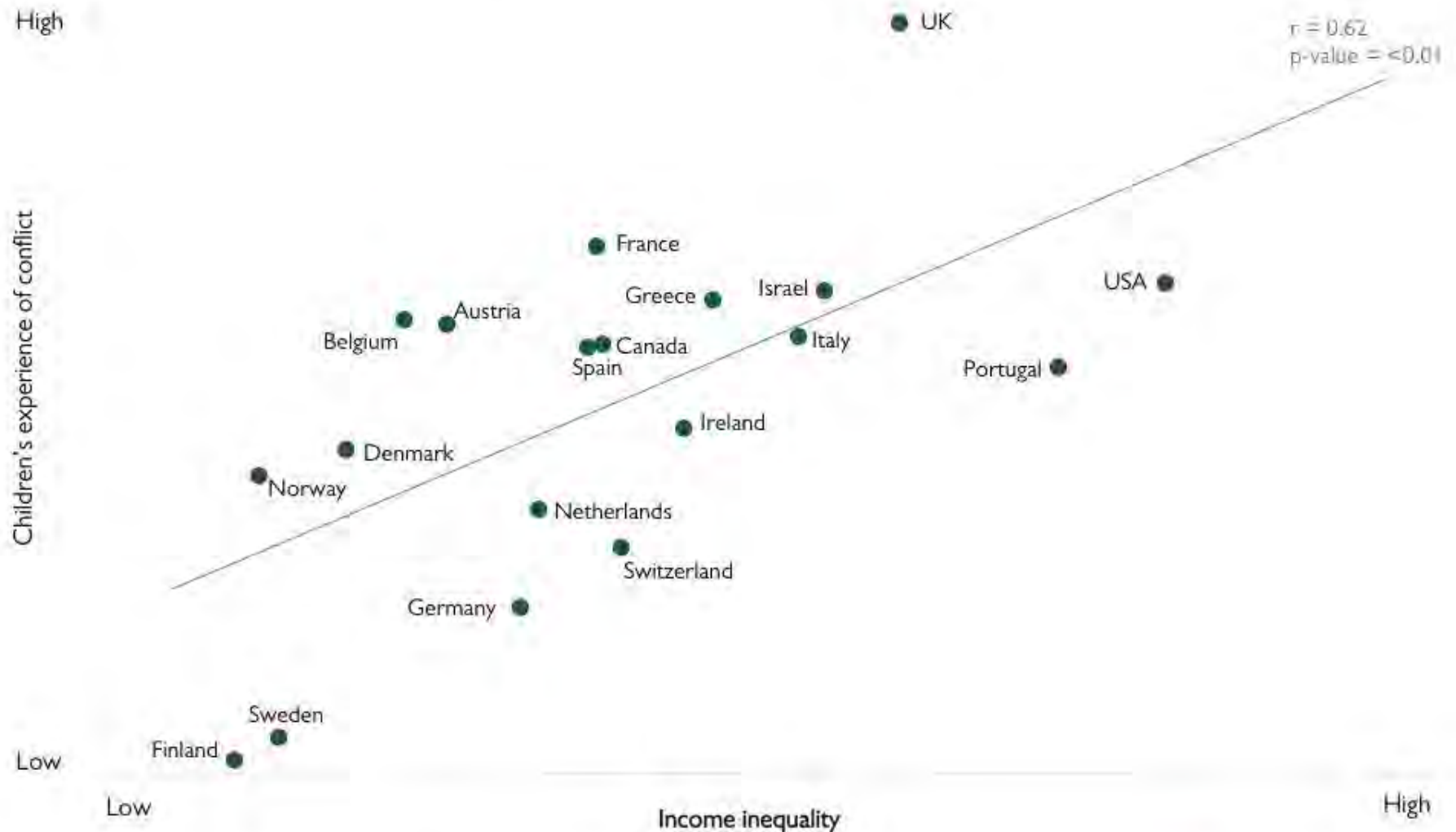
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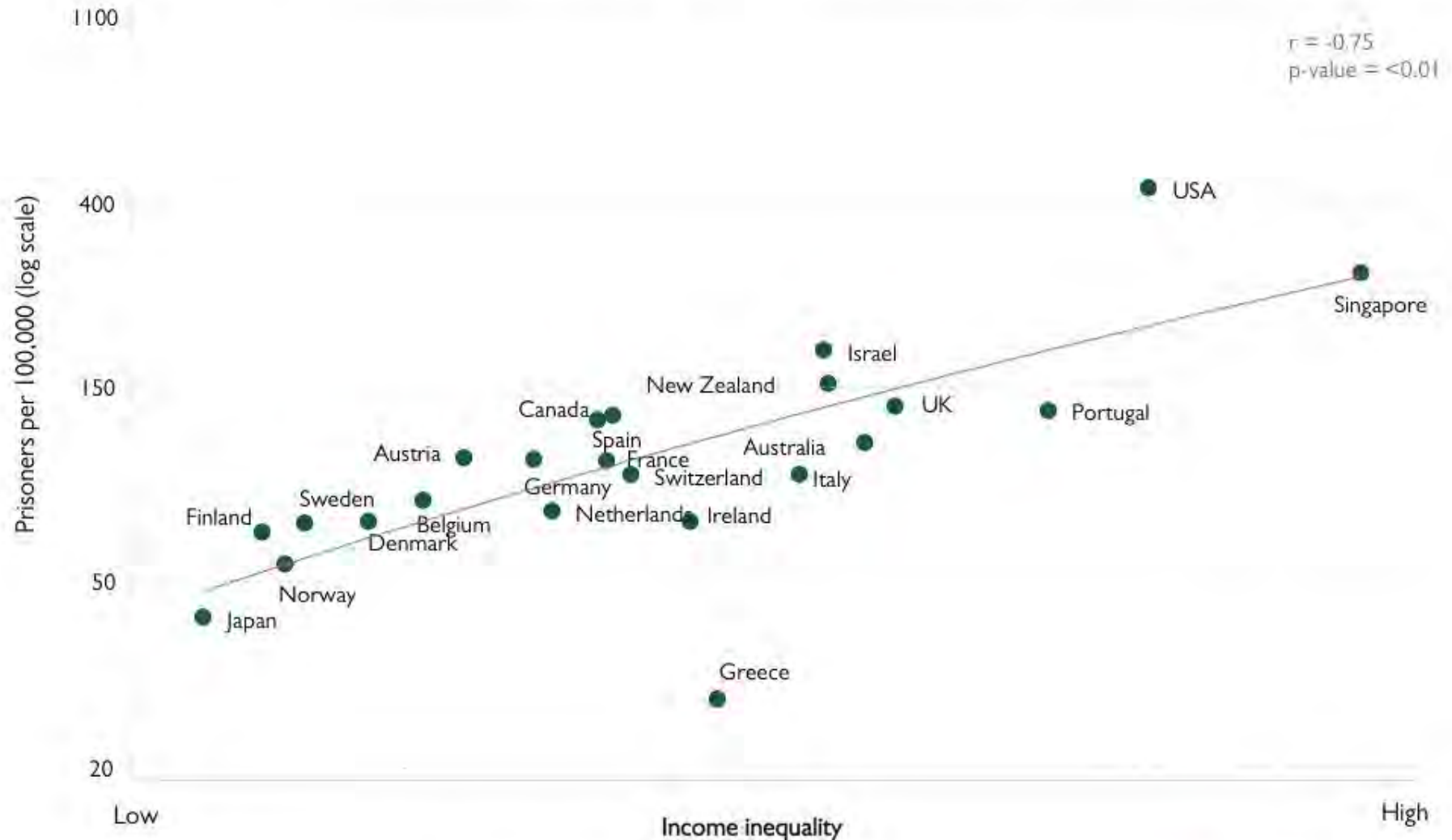
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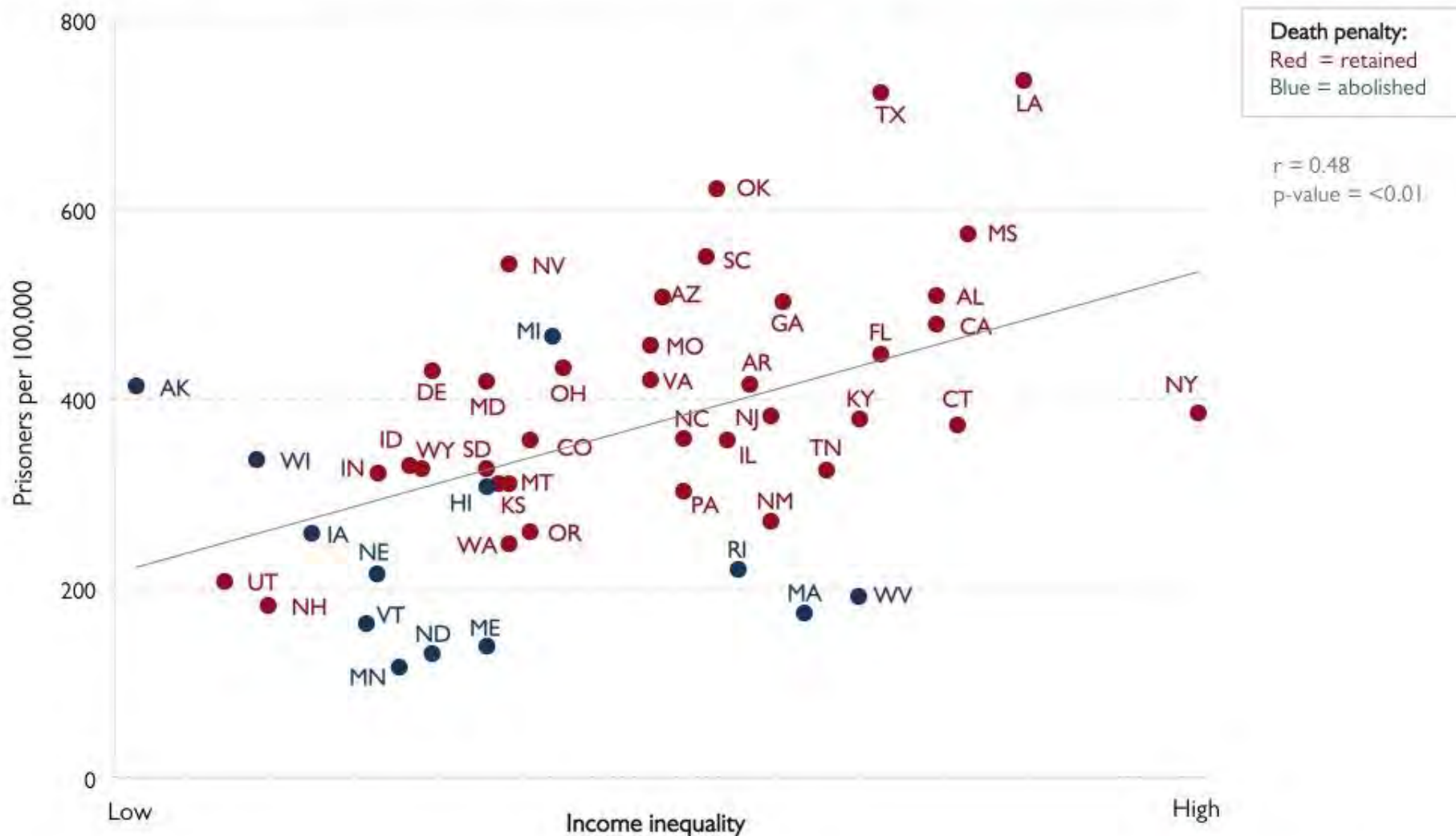
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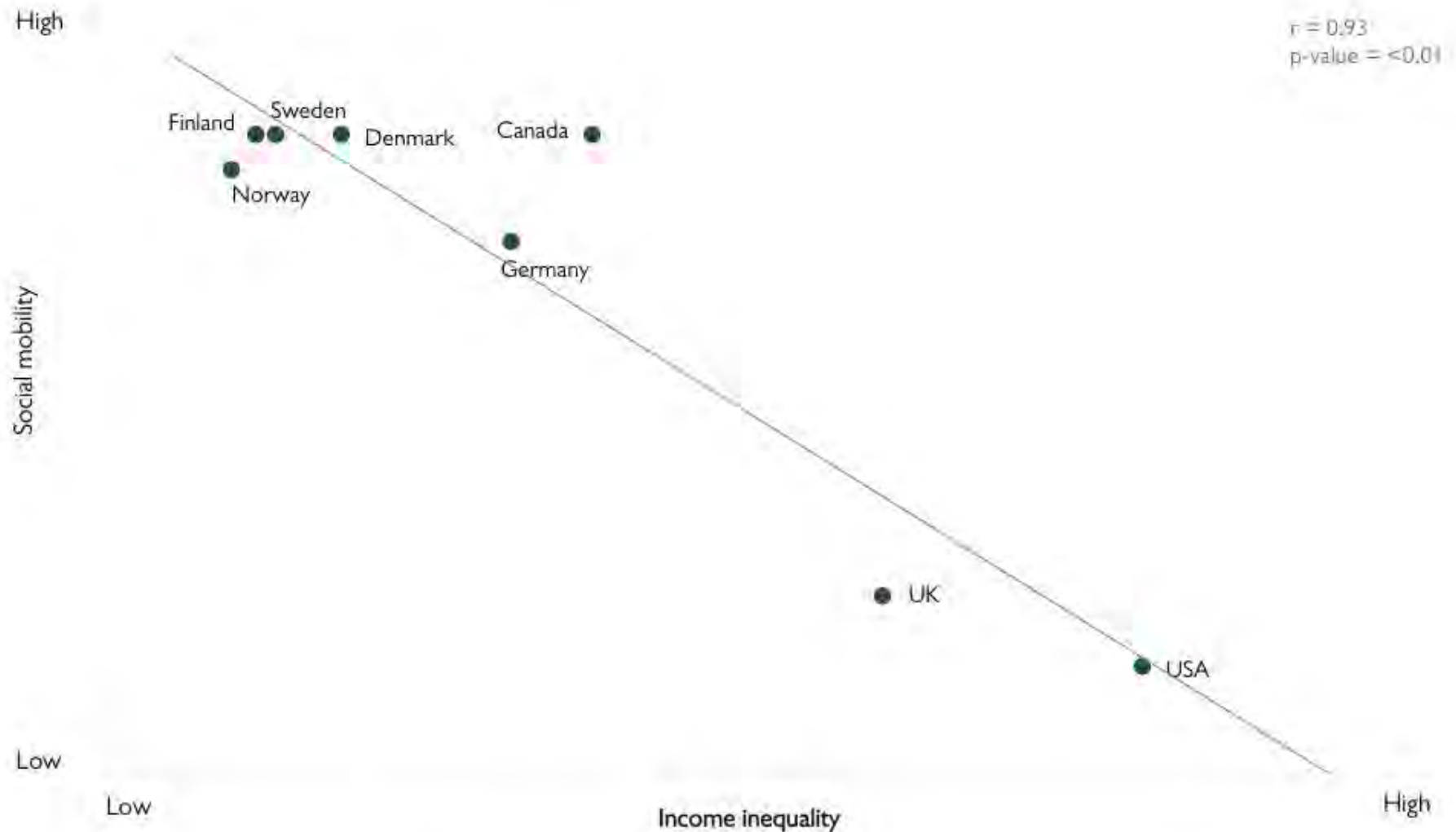
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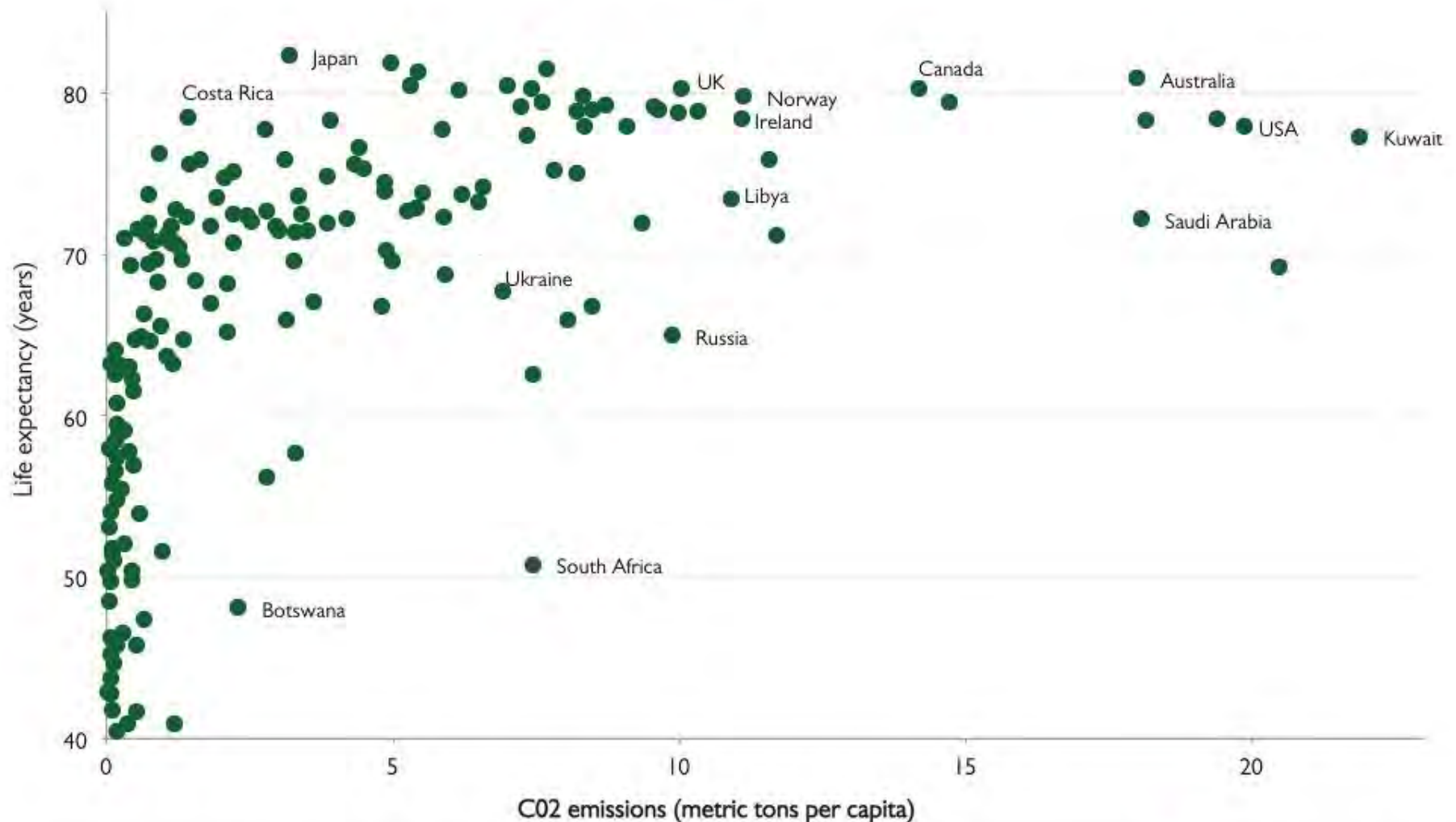
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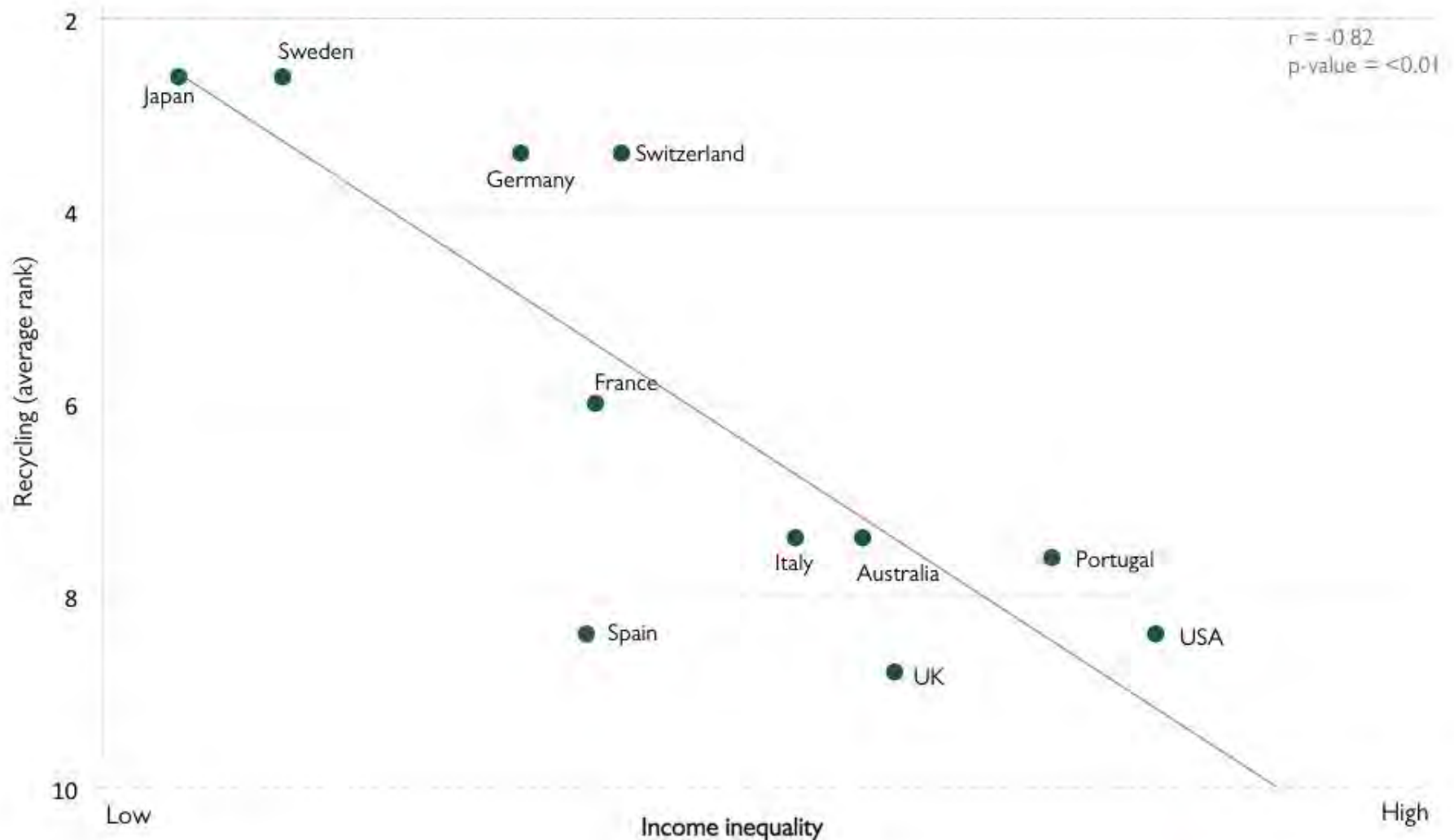
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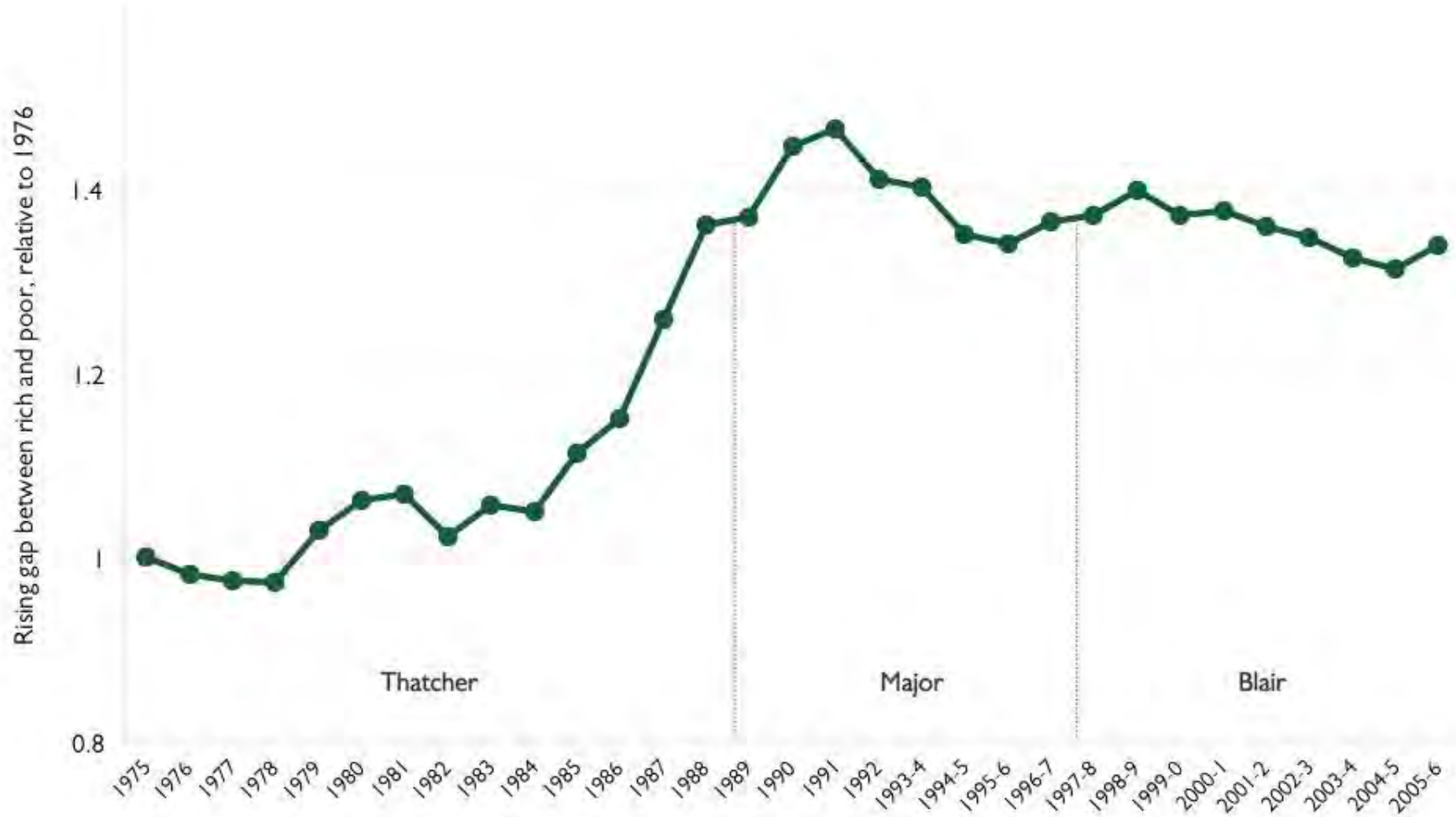
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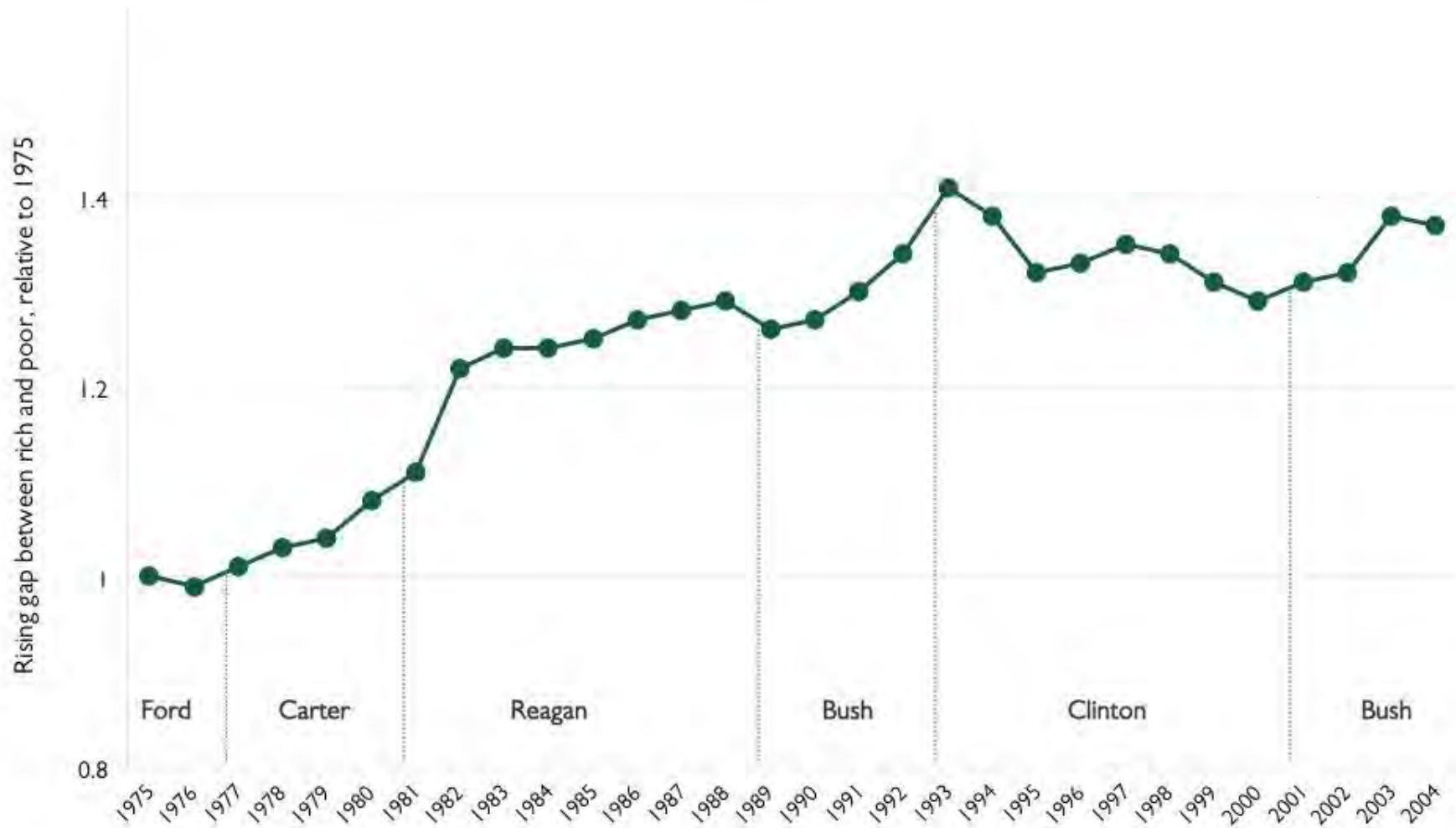
More equal countries rank better (1 is best) on recycling



Trends in UK income inequality 1979 – 2005/06



Trends in US income inequality 1975 – 2005



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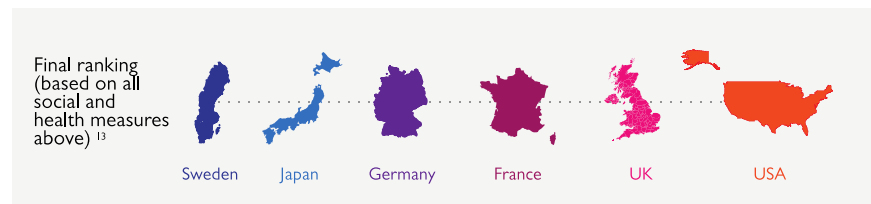
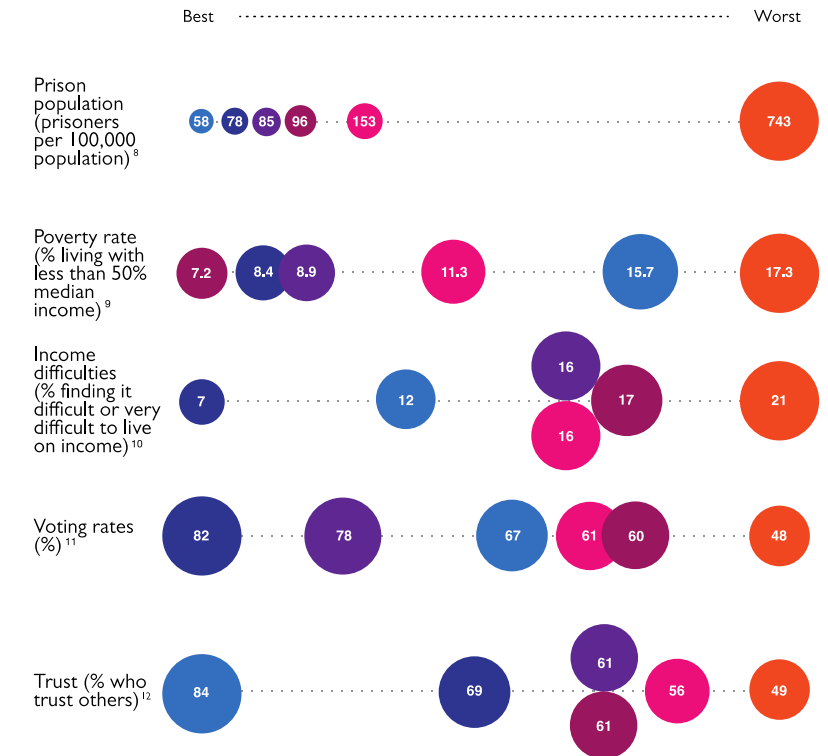
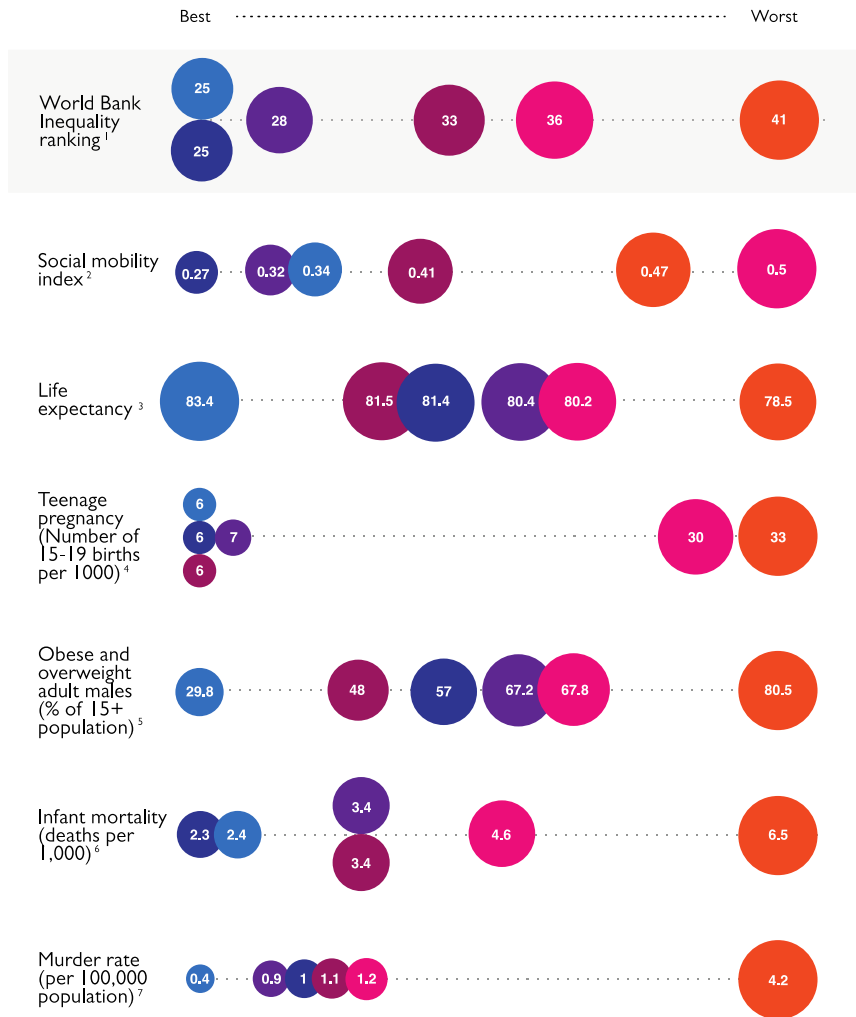
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Component	International data	US state data
Trust	Percent of people who respond positively to the statement "most people can be trusted" 1999-2001 World Values Survey <i>Reverse-coded</i>	Percent of people who respond positively to the statement "most people can be trusted" 1999 General Social Survey <i>Reverse-coded</i>
Life expectancy	Life expectancy at birth for men and women 2004 United Nations Human Development Report <i>Reverse-coded</i>	Life expectancy at birth for men and women 2000 US Census Bureau, Population Division <i>Reverse-coded</i>
Infant mortality	Deaths in the first year of life per 1000 live births 2000 World Bank	Deaths in the first year of life per 1000 live births 2002 US National Center for Health Statistics
Obesity	Percentage of the population with BMI >30, averaged for men and women 2002 International Obesity TaskForce	Percentage of the population with BMI >30, averaged for men and women, 1999-2002 Estimates from Prof Ezzati, Harvard University, based on NHANES and BRFSS surveys
Mental health	Prevalence of mental illness 2001-2003 WHO	Average number of days in past month when mental health was not good 1993 – 2001, BRFSS
Education	Combined average of maths literacy and reading literacy scores of 15 year olds 2000 OECD PISA <i>Reverse-coded</i>	Combined average of maths and reading scores for 8+ graders 2003 US Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics <i>Reverse-coded</i>
Teenage birth rate	Births per 1000 women aged 15-19 years 1998 UNICEF	Births per 1000 women aged 15-19 years 2000 US National Vital Statistics
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Social mobility	Correlation between father and son's income 30 year period data from 8 cohort studies London School of Economics	N/A

The price of inequality

● Japan ● Germany ● UK
● Sweden ● France ● US



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