

Implications of New Research on Poverty and Disability

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53%

Chance of Male Household
Head

Experiencing a Period of
Disability by Age 56.

(Excludes those with onset of
disability under age 18).

Source: Bruce Meyer and Wallace Mok, Disability, Earnings, Income and Consumption, Working Paper, December 2008

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Chance of Male Household Head Experiencing a Period of Disability by Age 56.

37%
Chronic

19%
Chronic and Severe

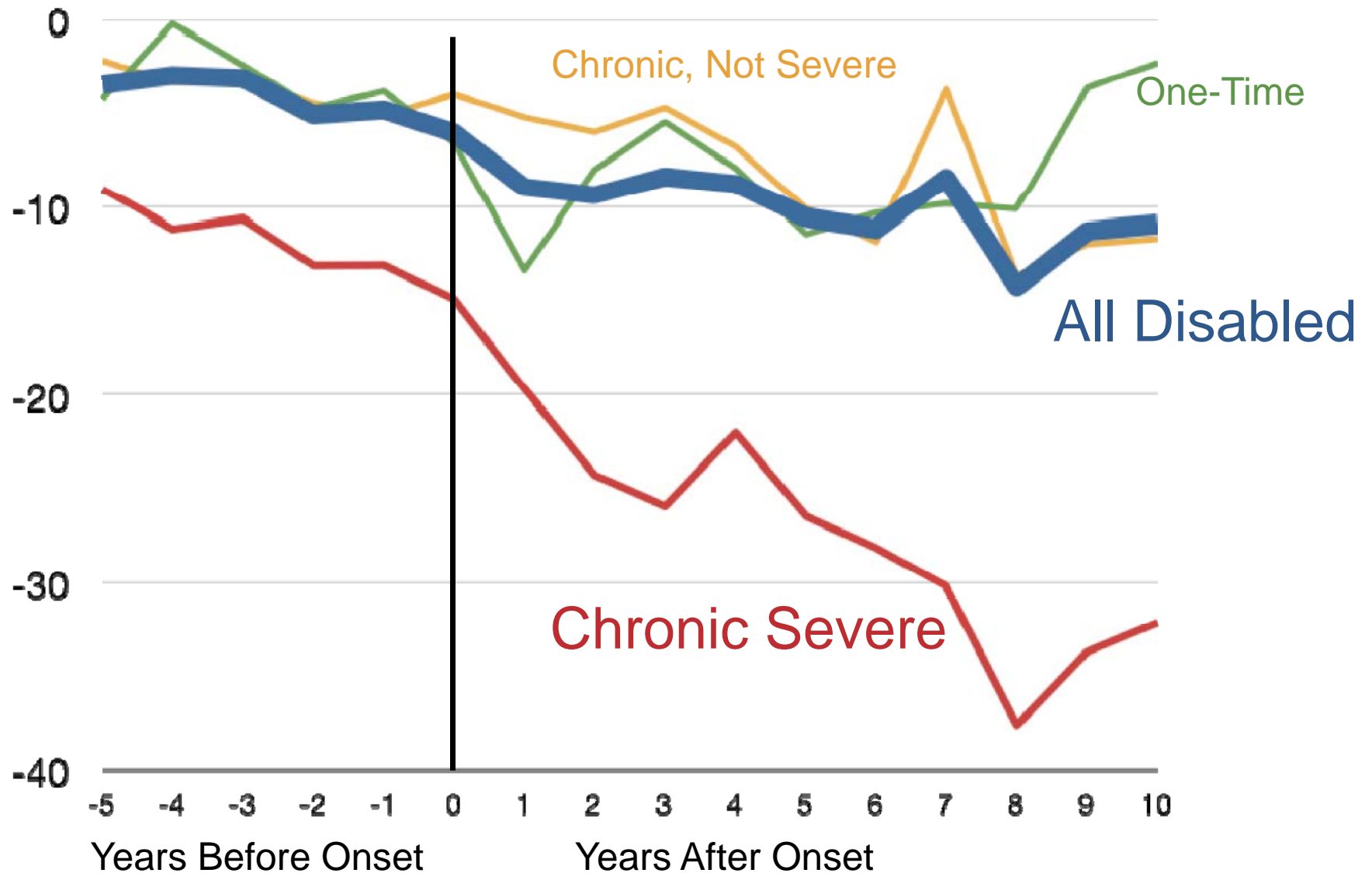
18%
Chronic and Not Severe

16%
Not Chronic

8%
Temporary

8%
One-Time

Change in Income Before and After Disability Onset



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Source: Meyer and Mok (December 2008).

47%

Percent of working-age adults with incomes below annual poverty line who report a disability.

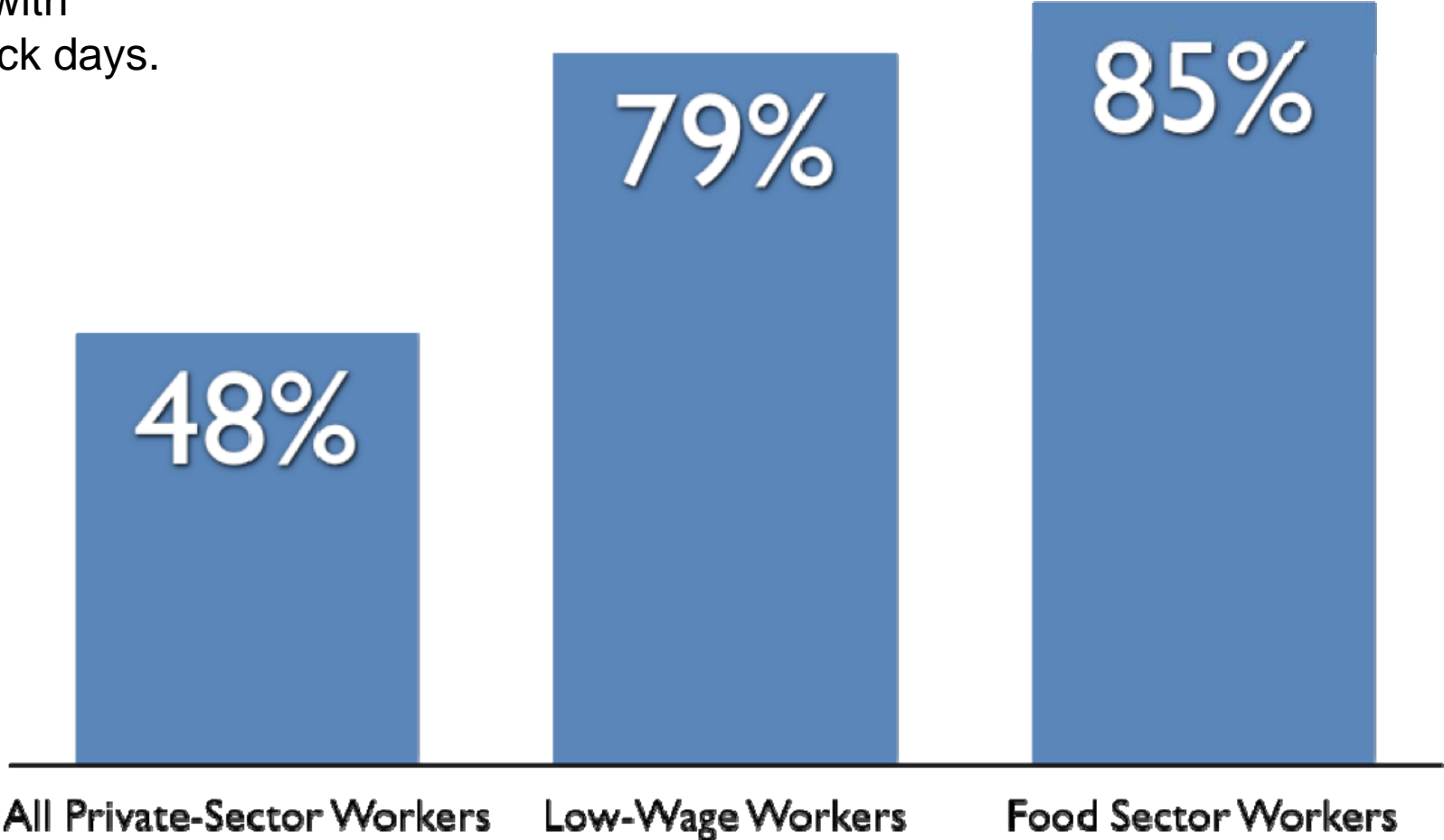
Source: She and Livermore (2009).

46.3 million

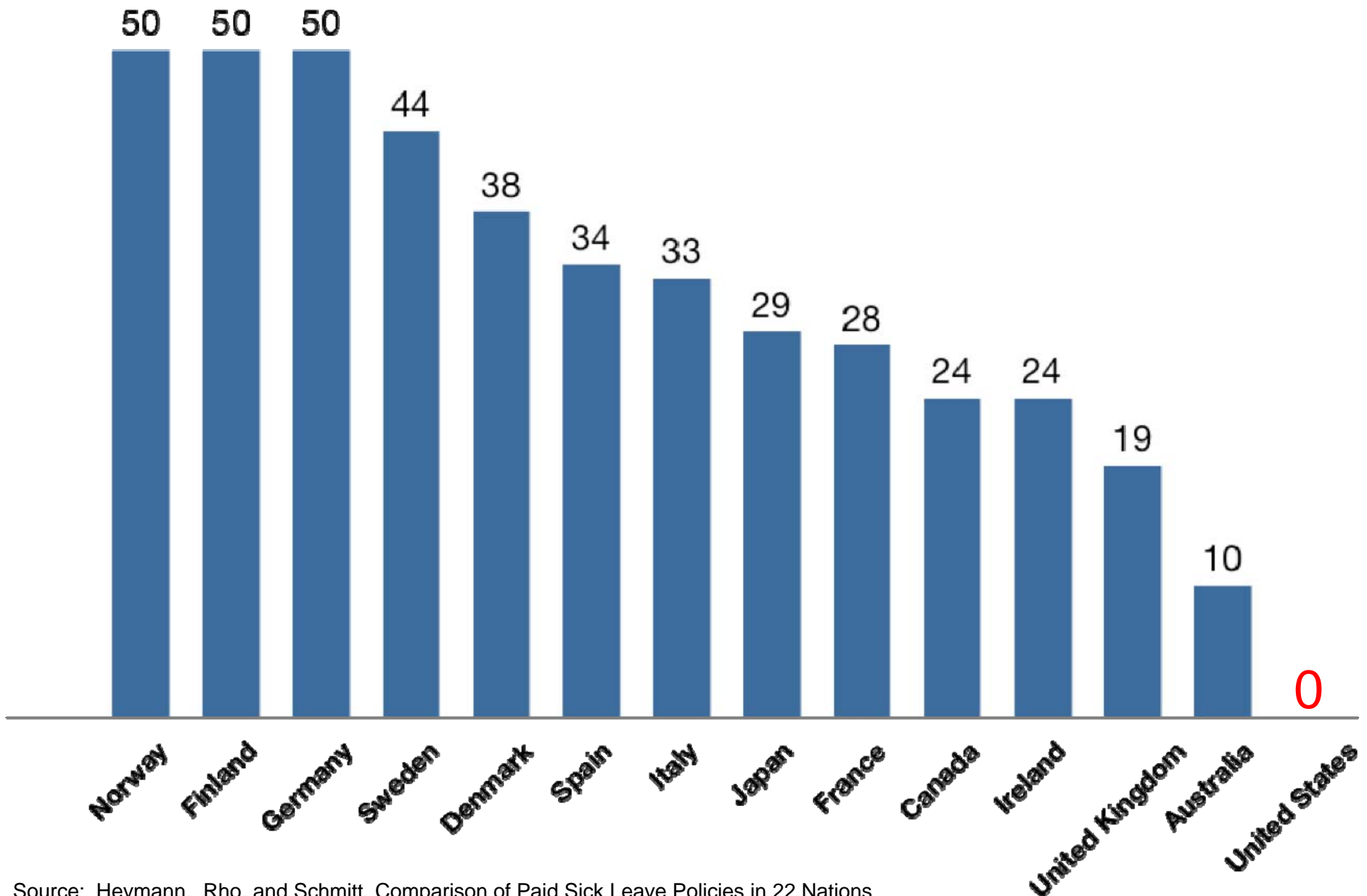
Number of Americans without health insurance.

Percentage of Workers without Paid Sick Days

Nearly half of all private sector workers are provided with no paid sick days by their employer. Almost 80 percent of low-wage workers are provided with no paid sick days.



Full-time-equivalent sick leave benefits guaranteed to a worker absent from work for 50 days.



\$457

\$3,053

Worker with No
Children

Worker with One
Child

Maximum EITC Benefits,
2009

Rate of “Any Hardship” by Income/Disability Status

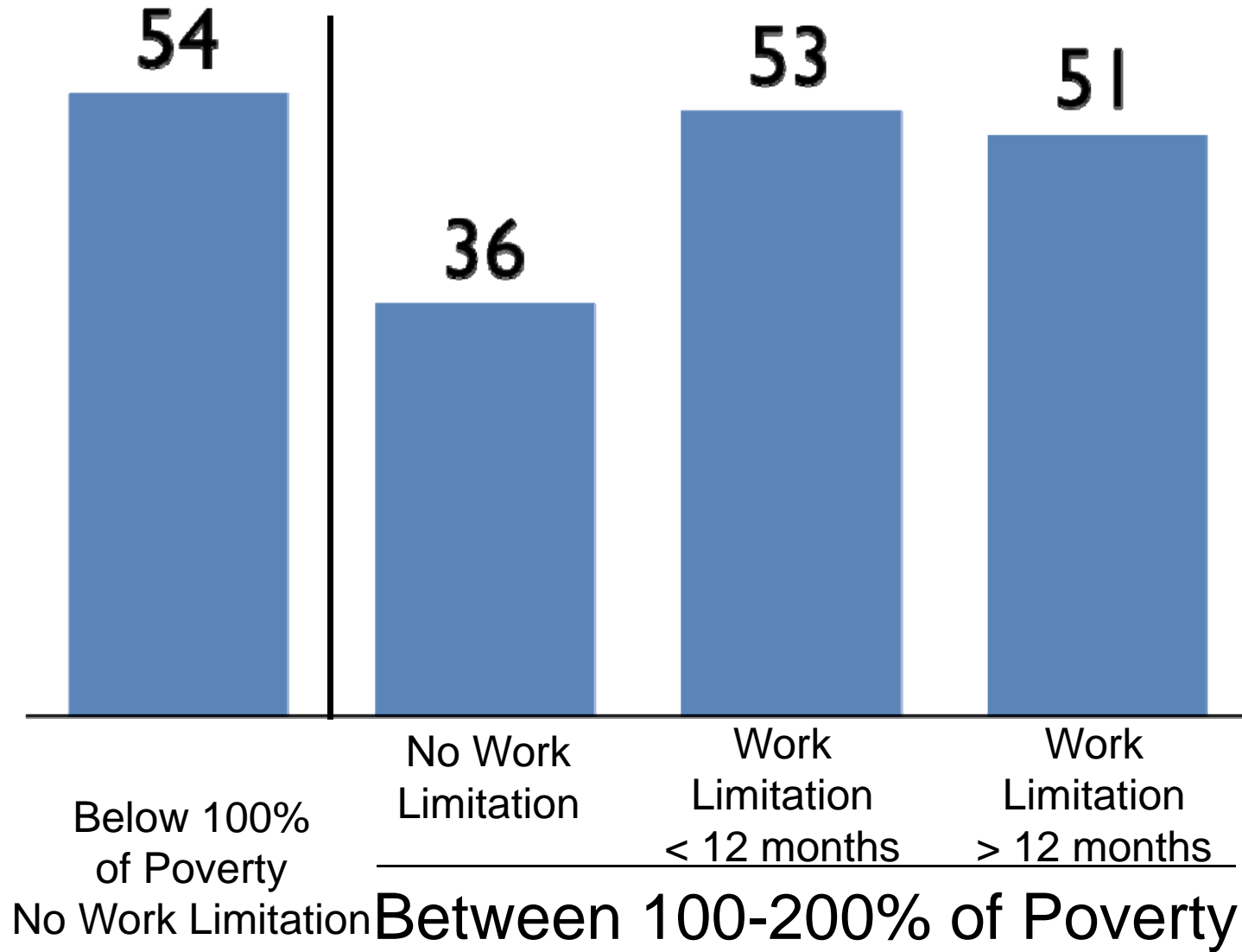
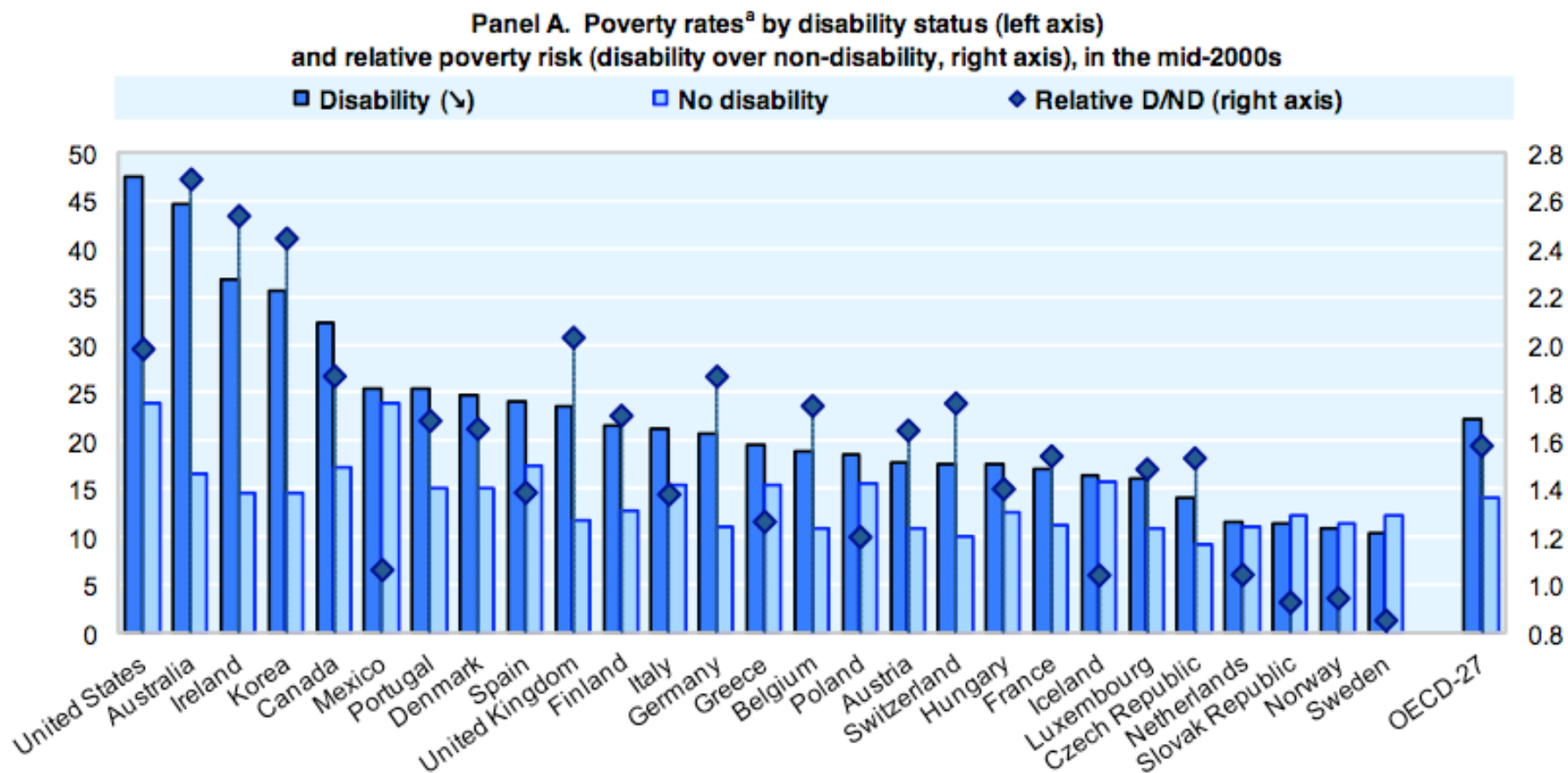


Figure A2.6. **People with disability are at greater risk of living in or near poverty**



Source: OECD, *Sickness, Disability and Work, Background Paper*, May 2009