

# Highlights from the OECD Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard 2017 - The Digital Transformation: Denmark

## Science, innovation and the digital revolution

- **Denmark** has particularly high mobile broadband penetration - more than 1.2 subscriptions per inhabitant in 2016 [[Scoreboard fig. 1.2 - see below](#)].
- With 15 researchers per thousand in employment, **Denmark** and Finland had the second highest shares, behind Israel (17), but ahead of Korea and Sweden (both 14) [[fig. 1.10 - see below](#)].
- The 50 largest R&D performers accounted for around 70% of BERD in **Denmark** in 2014 [[fig. 1.17](#)].

## Growth, jobs and the digital transformation

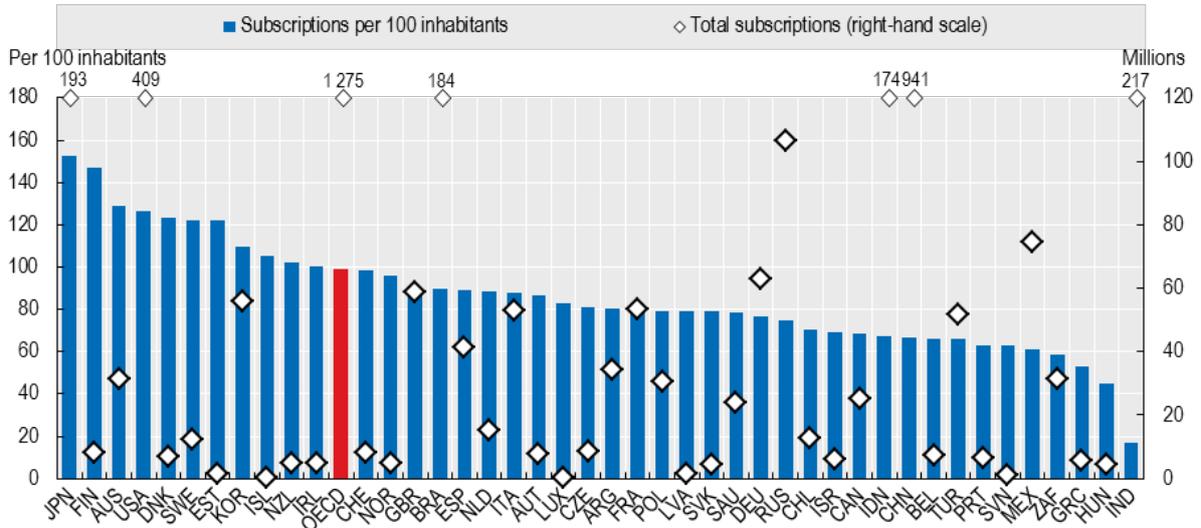
- Manufacturing jobs in **Denmark** are among the most ICT-intensive in OECD countries [[fig. 1.29](#)].
- The financial rewards for roles with higher ICT task intensity are markedly lower in **Denmark** than in all other countries except Israel [[fig. 1.42 - see below](#)].
- With around 9 robots per thousand workers in 2012, the “robot intensity” of the manufacturing sector in **Denmark** is above the OECD average (6.2) and in Europe only Germany and Sweden are higher [[fig. 1.29](#)].
- **Denmark** has very high levels of firm-based training; 76% of workers received some training from their employers in 2012 [[fig. 1.40](#)].
- The gender wage gap is comparatively very low in **Denmark**, though men still earned 6.6% more than women in 2012 [[fig. 1.41](#)].
- ICT equipment and knowledge-based capital are estimated to have contributed 11% of labour productivity growth in **Denmark** from 2000-2014 [[fig. 1.50](#)].
- **Denmark** saw the greatest increase of any OECD country in the influence (“centrality”) of the ICT Services sector in domestic production networks over the period 1995-2011 [[fig. 1.55](#)].

## Innovation today: Taking action

- Internet usage is very high in **Denmark**; 97% of people aged 16-74 were internet users in 2016 [[fig. 1.57 - see below](#)]. The gap between use rates for those aged 55-74 (92%) and those aged 16-24 (100%) is small by international standards - only Iceland, Luxembourg, and Sweden have a smaller gap [[fig. 1.58](#)].
- Over 2012-15, 7.6% of patents with inventors resident in **Denmark** listed women inventors resident in **Denmark** - compared to 10% listing women in the United States and 7.1% in the EU [[fig. 1.61](#)].
- Over half (55%) of venture capital investment in **Denmark** in 2016 flowed to the ICT sector [[fig. 1.73](#)], while equity funding focussed on “data & analytics” as well as “apps” [[fig. 1.76](#)].

**Figure 1.2 Mobile broadband penetration, OECD, G20 and BRICS, 2016**

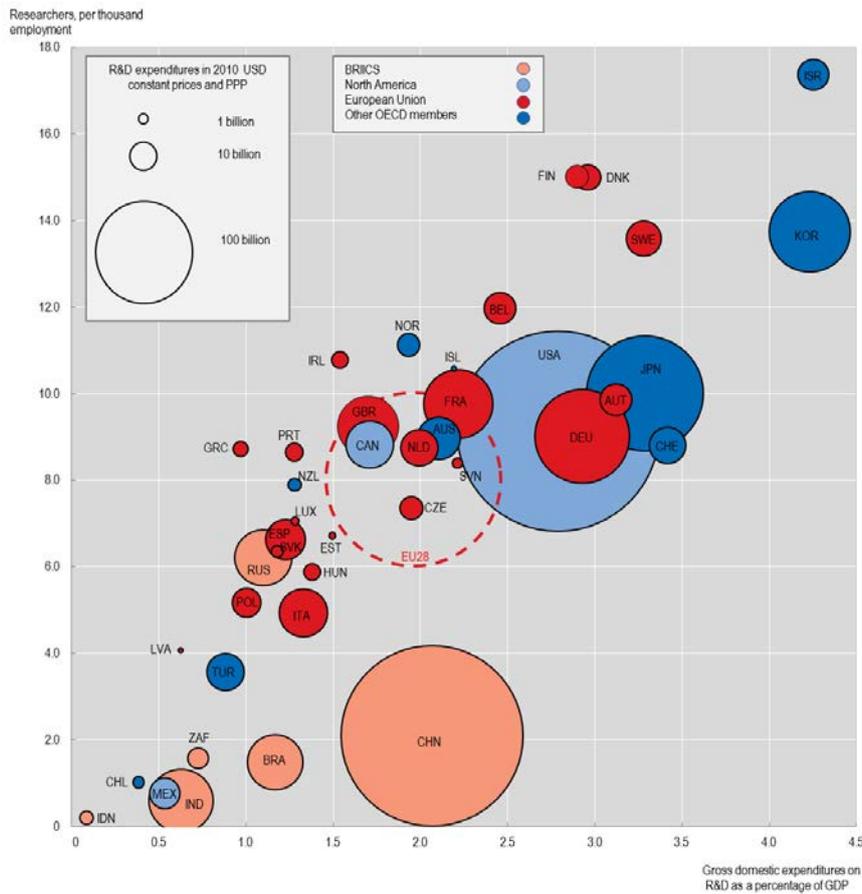
Total subscriptions and per 100 inhabitants



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**Figure 1.10 R&D in OECD and key partner countries, 2015**



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**Figure 1.42 Labour market returns to ICT tasks by gender, 2012 or 2015**

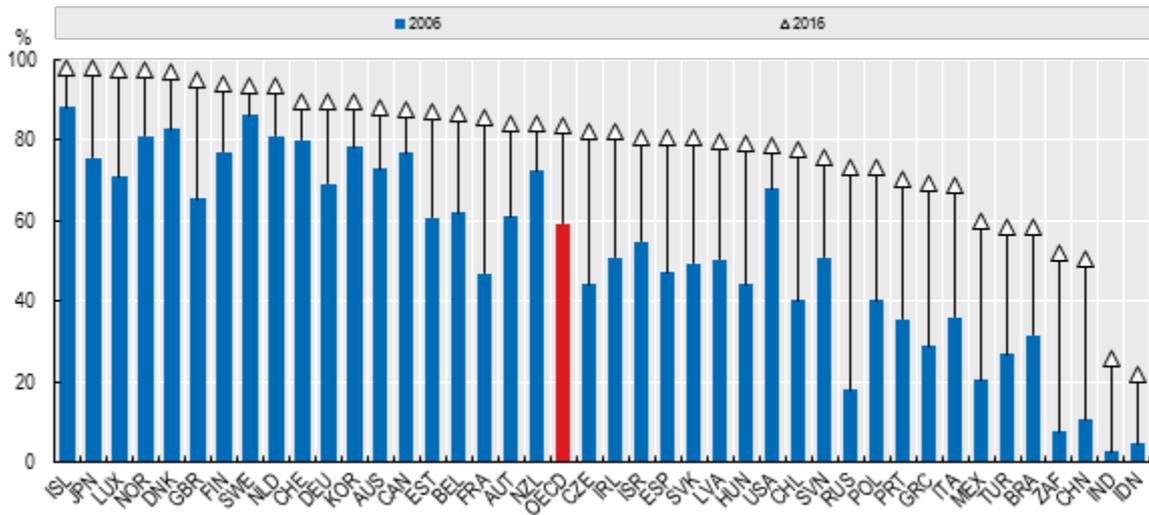
Percentage change in hourly wages for 10% increase in ICT task intensity (at the country mean, by gender)



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**Figure 1.57 Internet users, percentage of individuals aged 16-74, 2006 and 2016**



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## The OECD Science, Technology and Industry Scoreboard 2017: The Digital Transformation



The 2017 edition of the Scoreboard contains over 200 indicators showing how the digital transformation affects science, innovation, the economy, and the way people work and live.

The aim of the STI Scoreboard is not to “rank” countries or develop composite indicators. Instead, its objective is to provide policy makers and analysts with the means to compare economies with others of a similar size or with a similar structure, and monitor progress towards desired national or supranational policy goals.

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## Further reading

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