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Tackling Infrastructure Bottlenecks

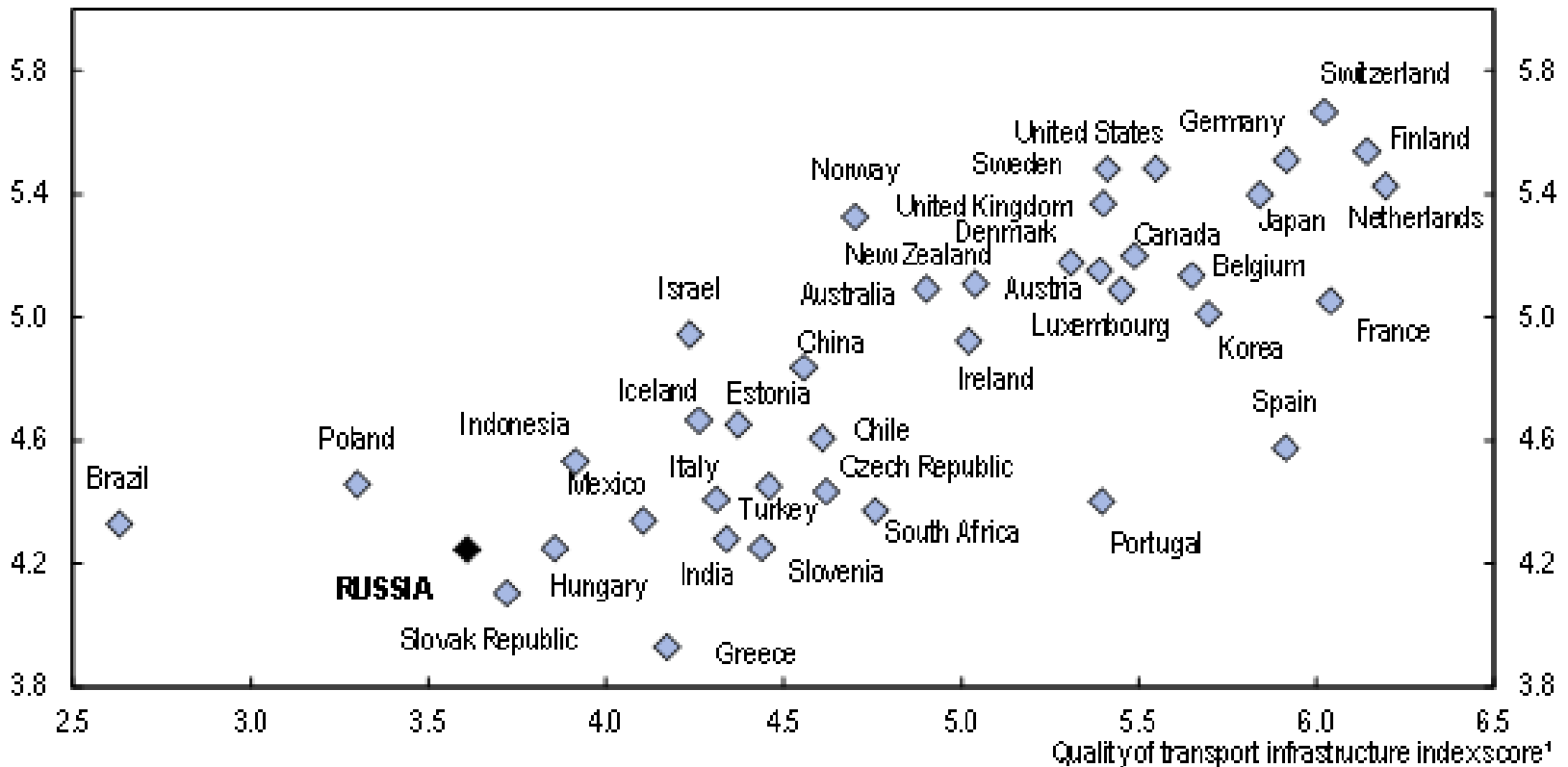
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Transport infrastructure matters for competitiveness....

Competitiveness and quality of transport infrastructure

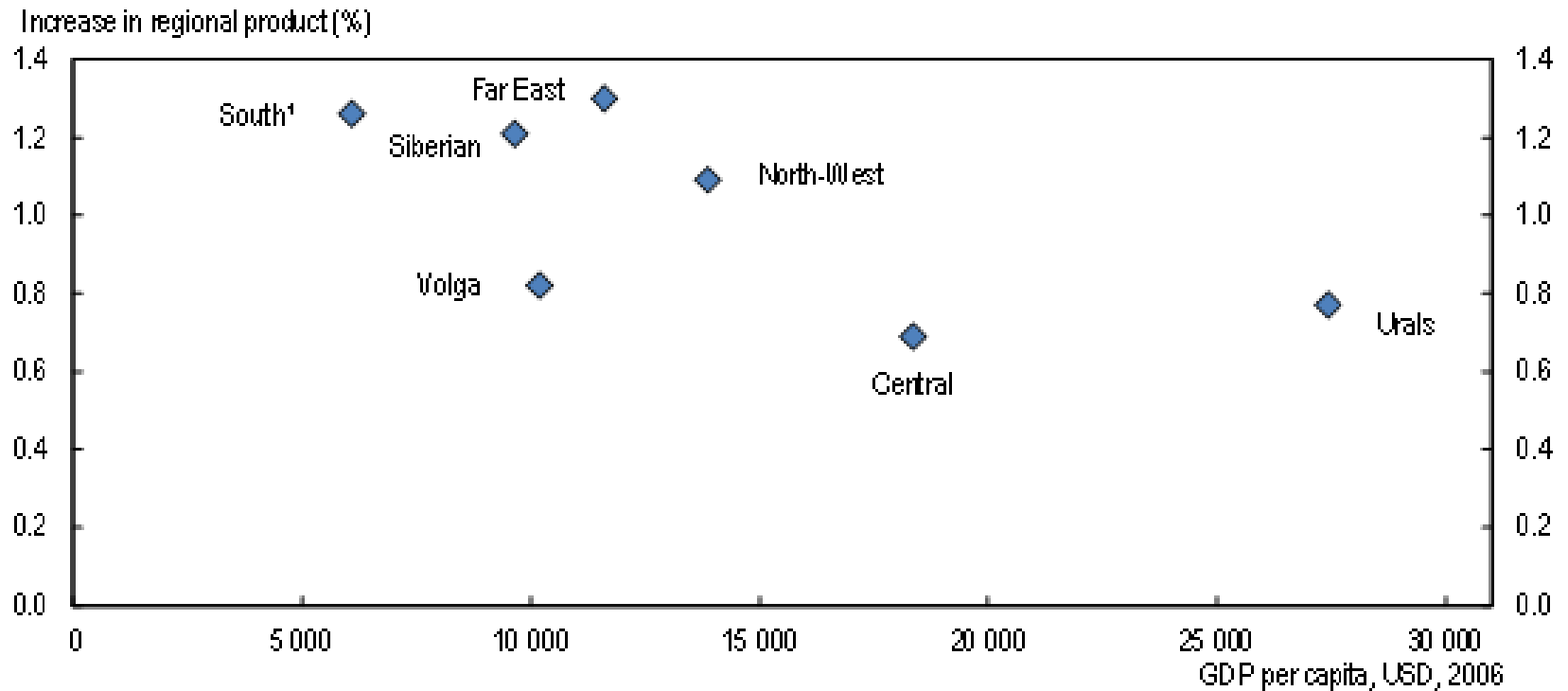
WEF Global competitiveness index score (overall index)





... for regional convergence...

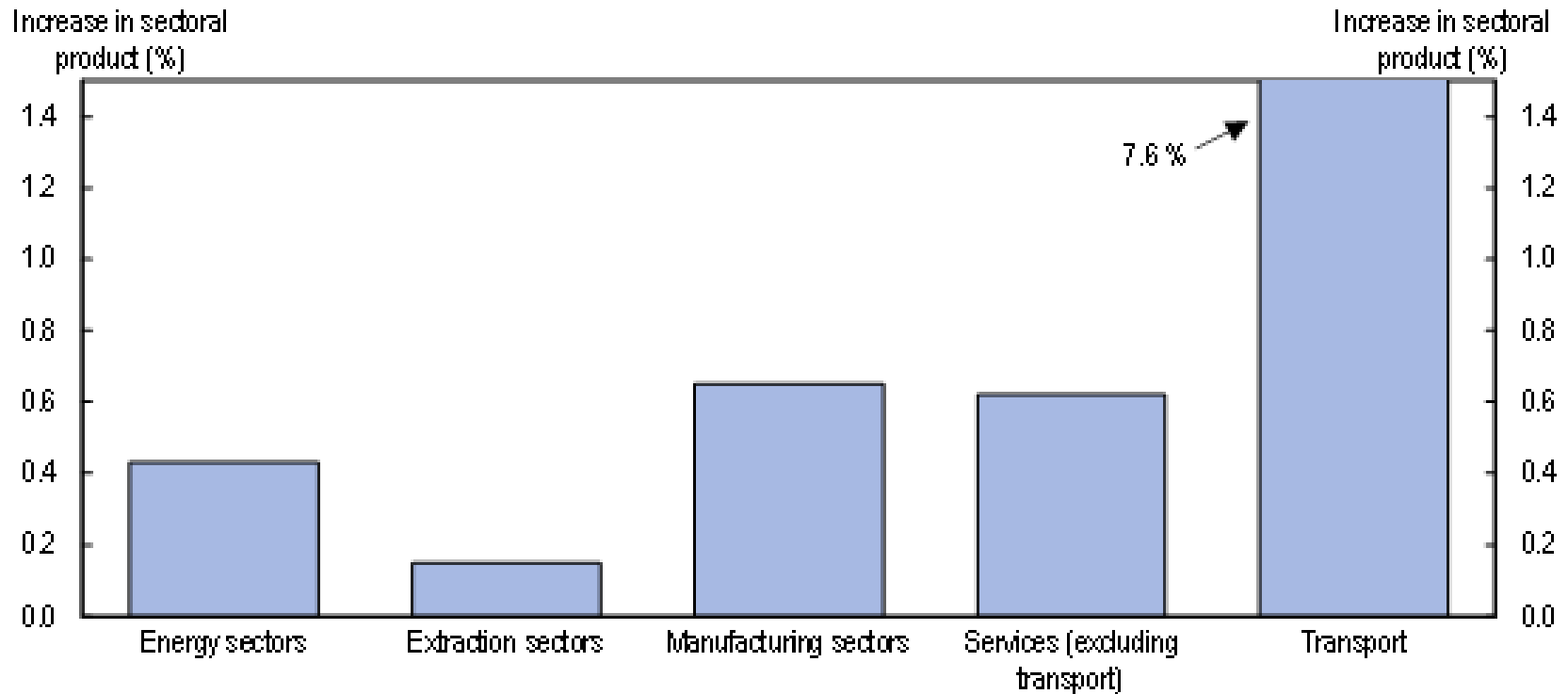
Impact of 10% increase in transport sector efficiency on Federal Districts





... and economic diversification

Impact of 10% increase in transport sector efficiency on sectors

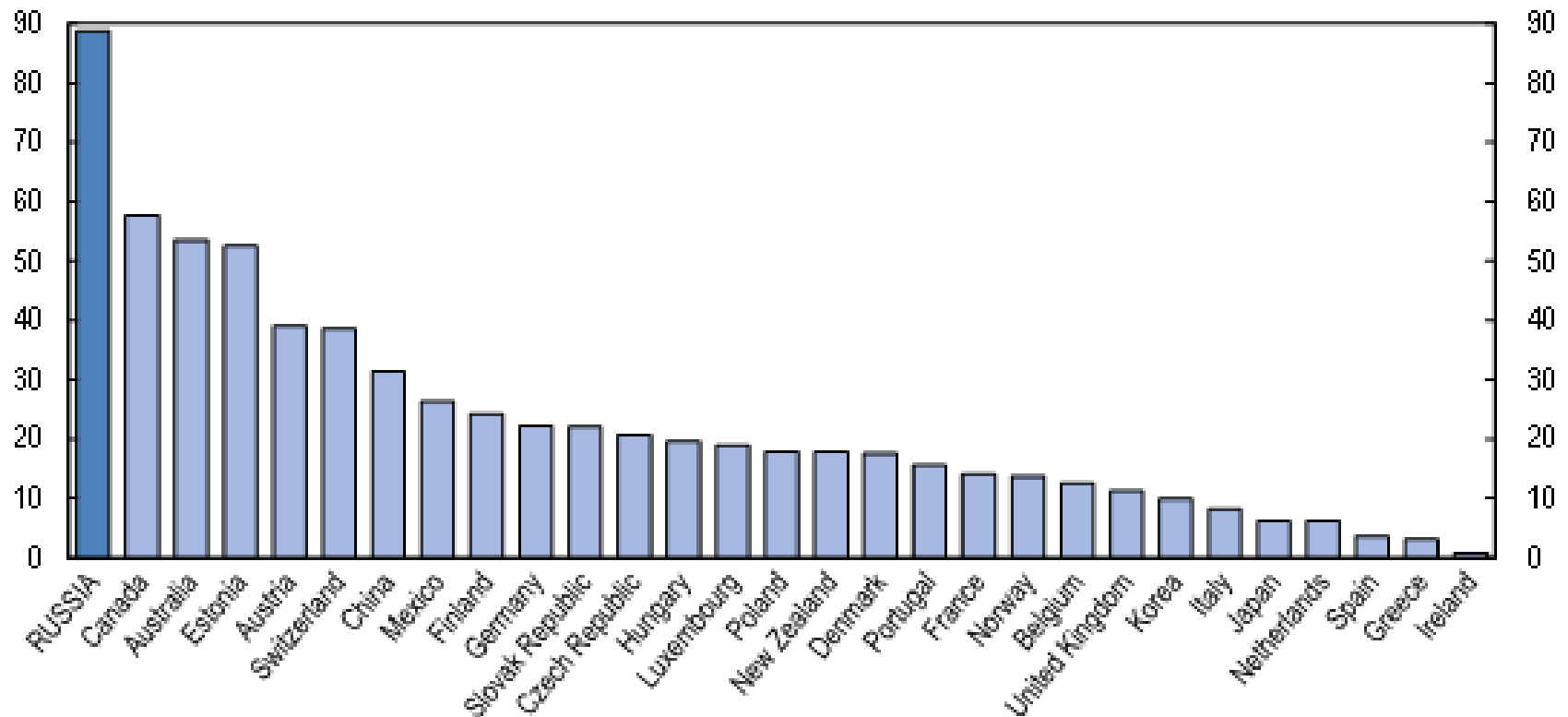




Railway plays a crucial role for freight transport

Railways share of freight transport

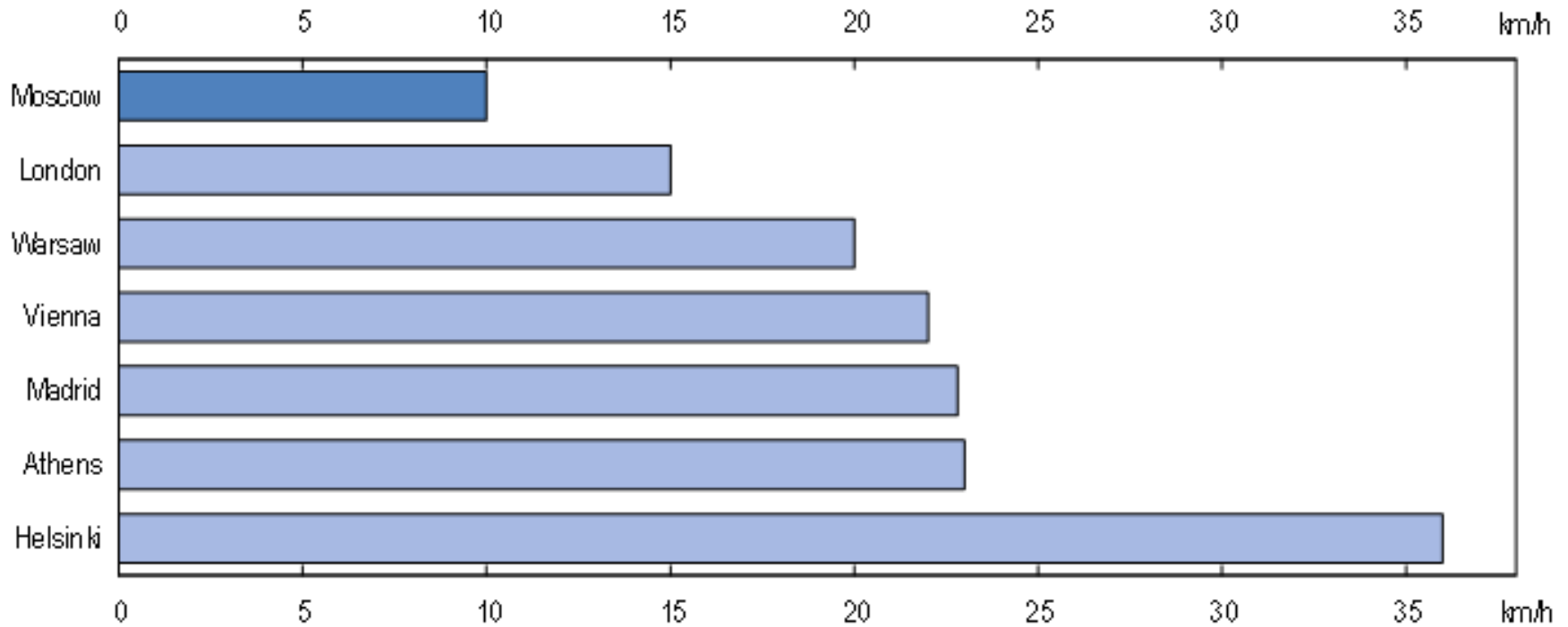
2010, % in total inland freight tonne-km





Urban congestion is becoming a binding constraint on growth

Average traffic speed in peak hours in selected cities

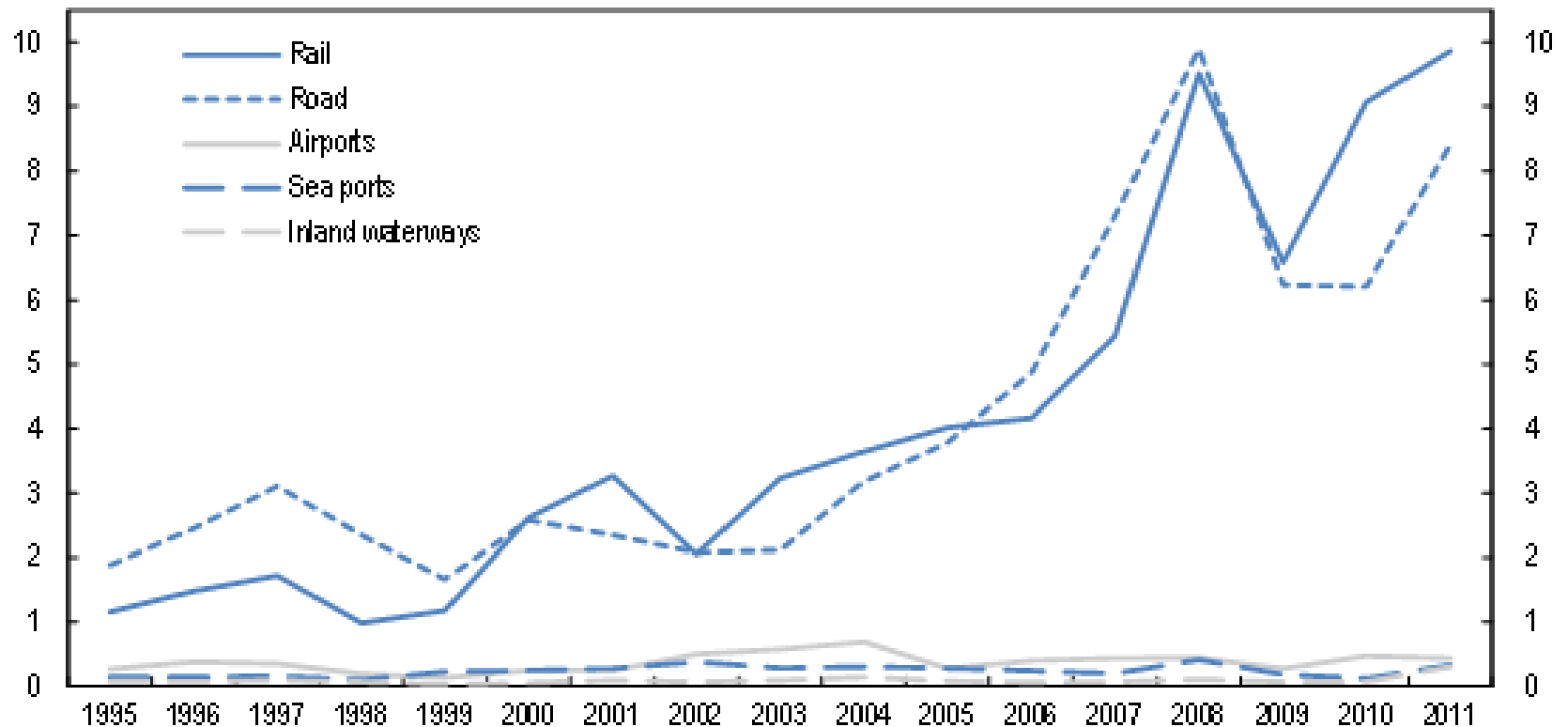




Transport infrastructure investment increased...

Transport infrastructure: gross investment spending in Russia

Current prices and exchange rates, billion euros





... but the scale of the challenge is enormous

Transport infrastructure networks scale comparison, 2009

Thousand km

	EU27	USA	CHINA	RUSSIA
Roads	5 000	4 400	3 056	776
Railways	212	202	86	86
Inland waterways	41	41	117	102



Recommendations for tackling transport bottlenecks

- Ensure that Transport Strategy provides a clear and binding guidance to executive documents.
- Prioritise, when possible, maintenance and modernisation of existing infrastructure over large and expensive new construction projects.
- Prioritise “smart” solutions, intermodal complementarities and efficiency improvements to minimise investments needs.
- Improve the quality of transport statistics related to road freight transport, coach passenger transportation, and in particular to private passenger car usage.



Increasing efficiency of transport infrastructure spending

- Fight corruption in the implementation of large investment projects.
- Improve evaluation methodologies.
- Improve the legal framework to increase the use of public private partnerships.
- Strengthen standards and their enforcement to minimise the health and environmental impact of transport.



Promoting competition in the transport sector

- Choose and start implementing a preferred model of competition in railway freight transport.
- Stimulate on tracks competition and competition for exclusive concession in passenger train transport.
- Finalise separation between airlines and airports and remove legal barriers for lowcost operators.



Better policy co-ordination to address urban transport challenges.

- Finalise the reform of local railways to allow for integration with other elements of urban transport infrastructure.
- Improve transport demand and traffic management, including by introduction of congestion charges and strict parking policies.
- Develop a modern legal framework for integrated urban transport planning, removing obstacles for contracting private transport operators.
- Better co-ordinate transport policies with territorial development planning.