



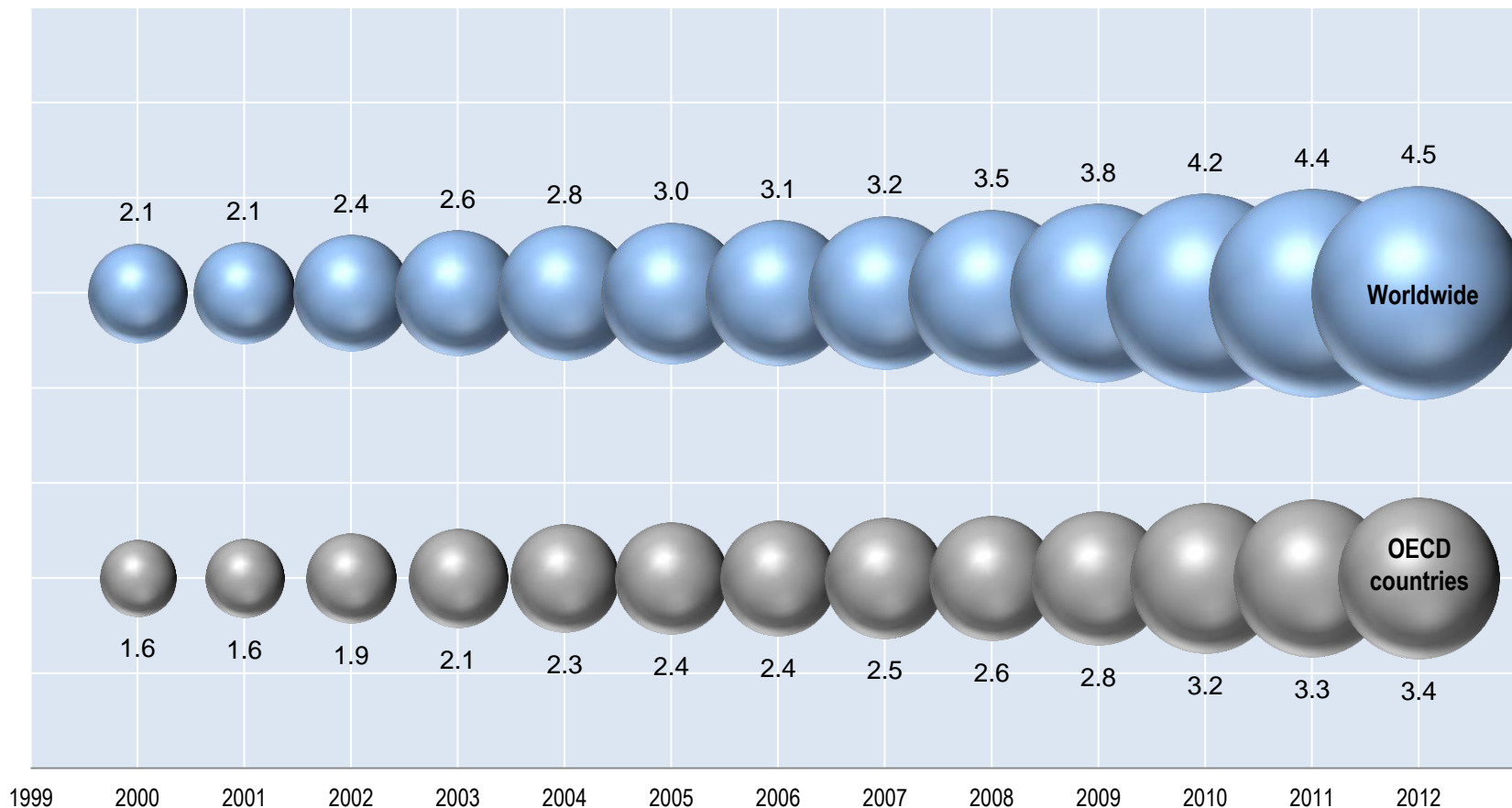
Student and researcher mobility - Panorama and challenges

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The number of mobile students is increasing



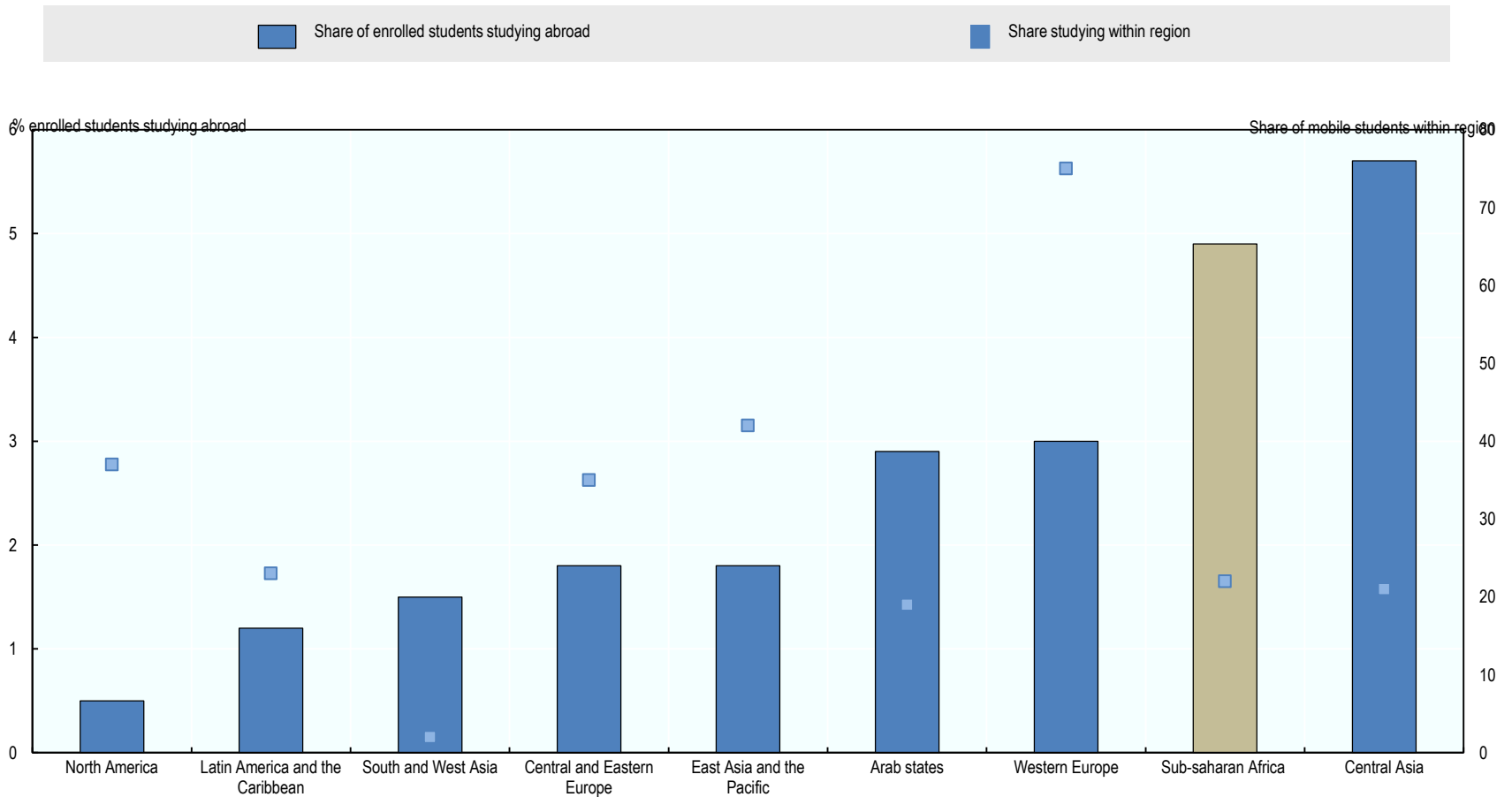
Foreign students worldwide and in OECD countries, 2000-12 (Millions)



Source: OECD (2015). *International Migration Outlook*.

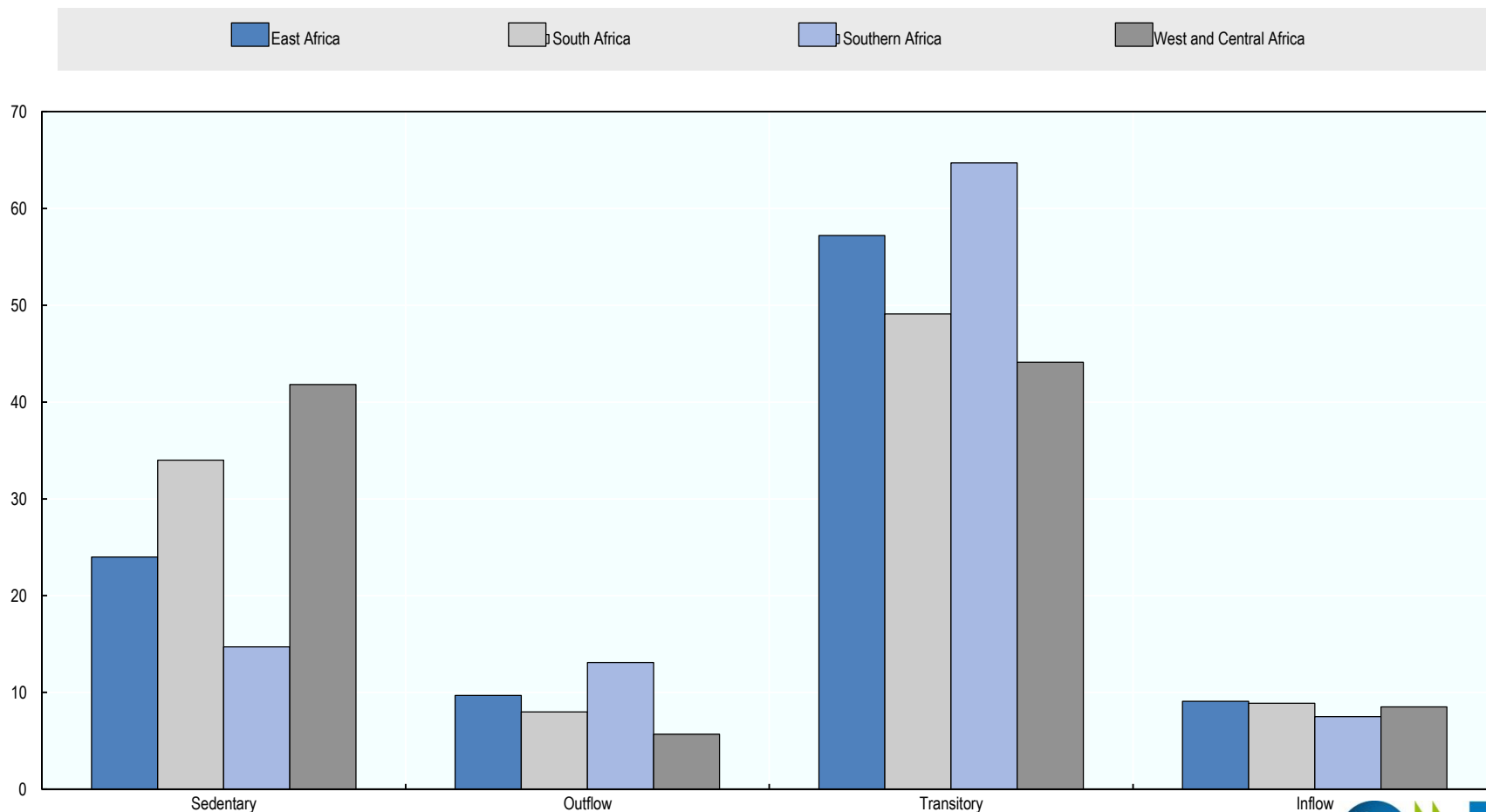
Underlying data Source: OECD Online Education Database, www.oecd.org/education/database.htm.

Africa's students are highly mobile



Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics

... and researchers are highly mobile as well



Source: Blom, Lan and Adil. *Sub-Saharan African Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Research – A decade of development*. World Bank: 2016.

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- However, studying abroad may be the only possibility rather than an active choice for some

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- Several countries with large scientific diasporas provide career planning and financial incentives for return



Thank you for your attention

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