



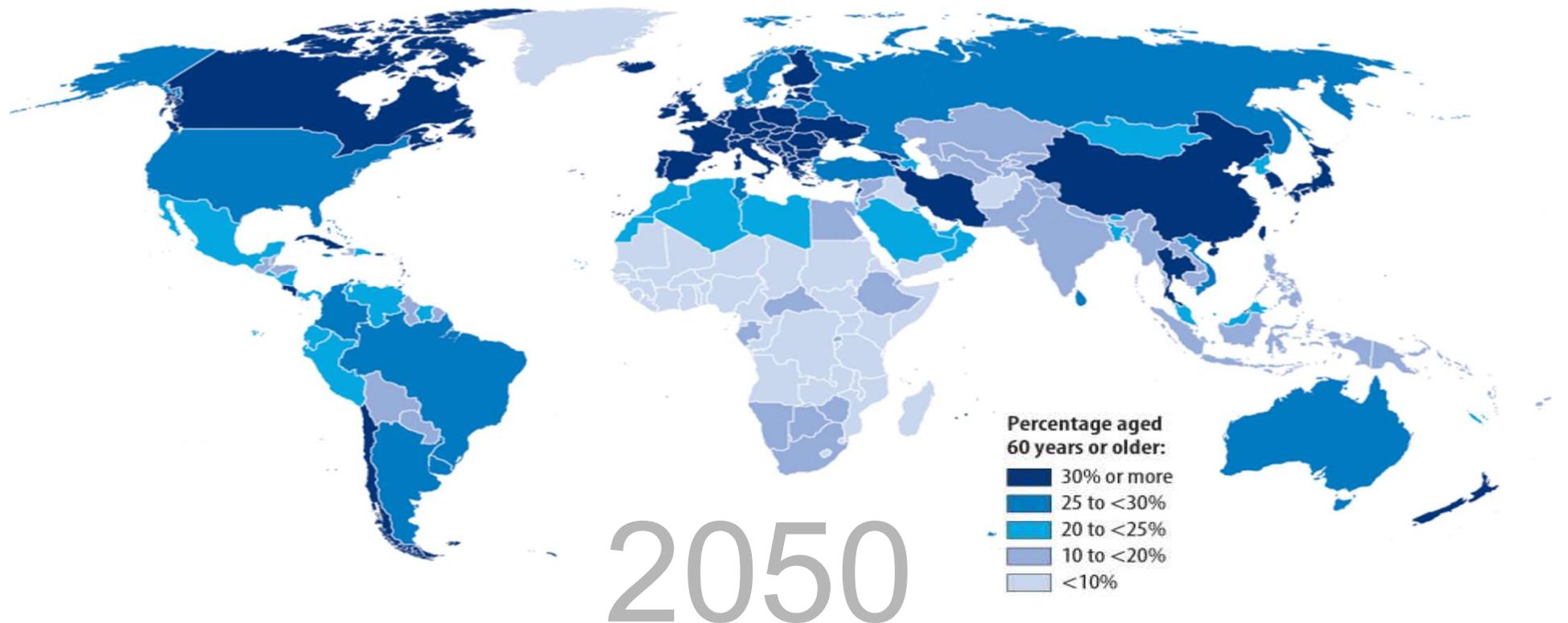
Healthy Ageing in Western Pacific Region

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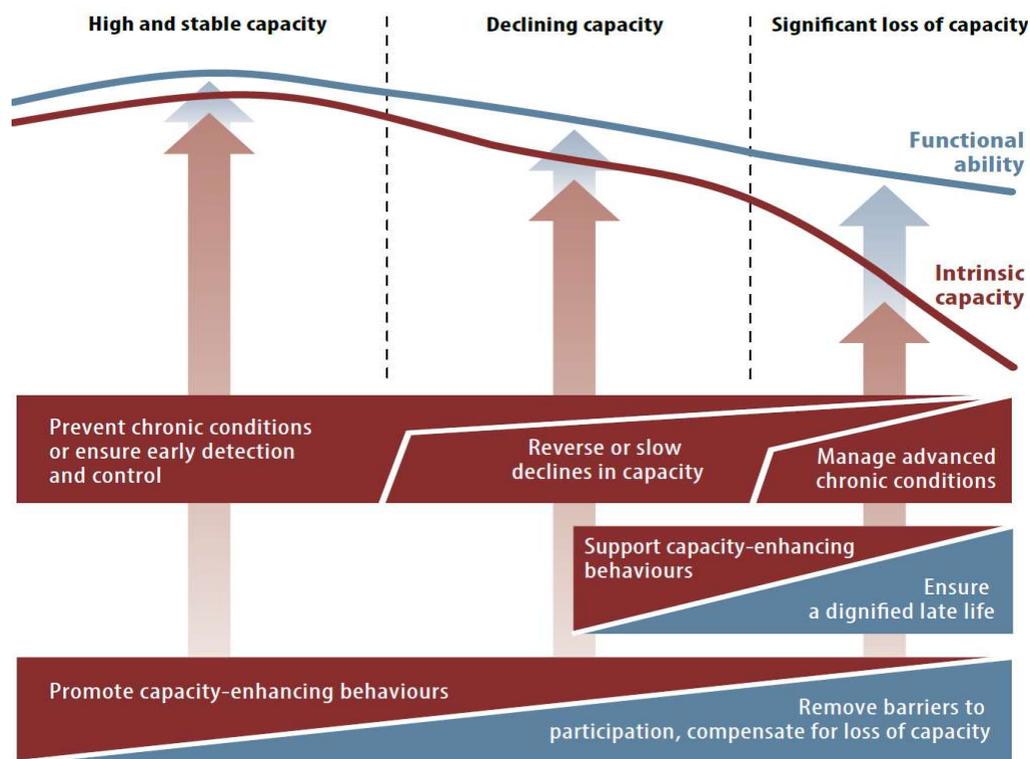
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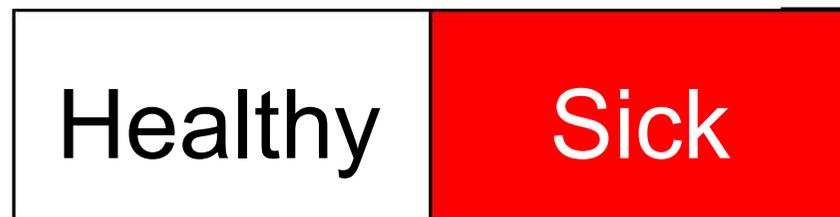
Populations are getting older in **ALL Countries...**



Healthy Ageing and Health Systems



Communicable Diseases



Non-communicable Diseases

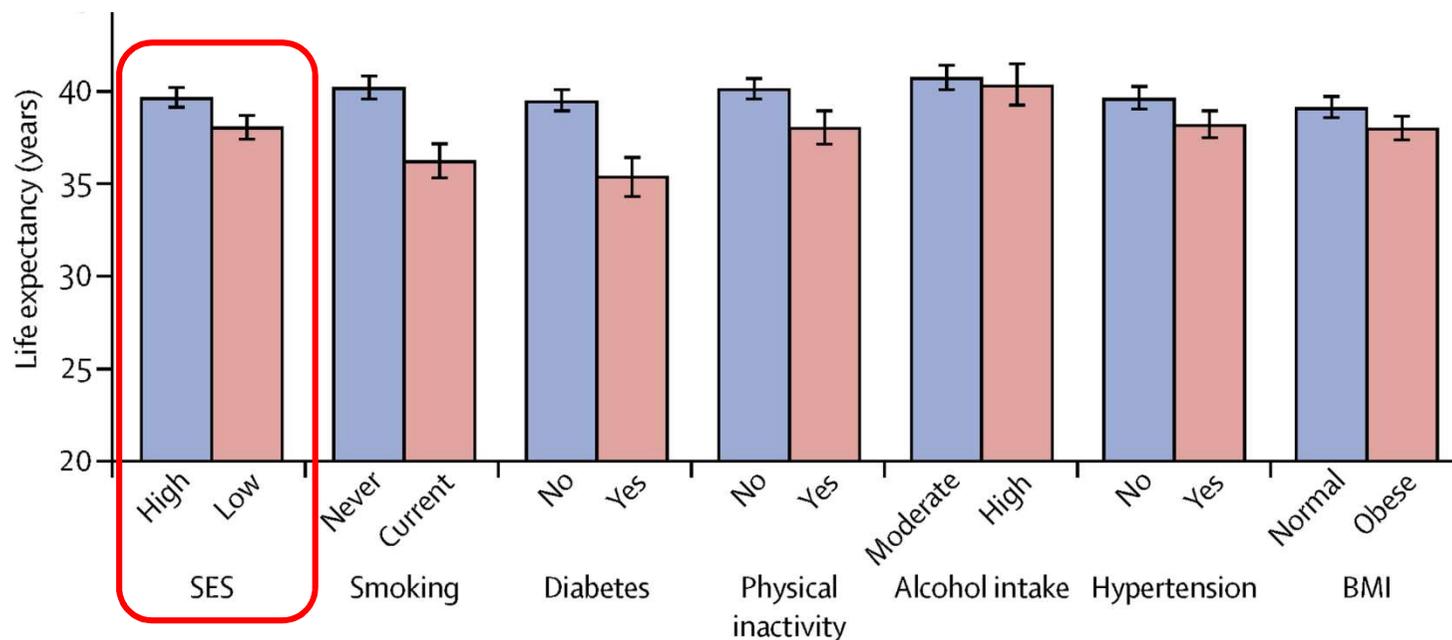


➔ A health system that cares for older people also helps manage NCDs

Social Determinants of Health

Life expectancy at age of 40 and risk factors

(48 independent prospective cohort studies from Europe, the USA, and Australia)



Source: Stringhini S. Lancet [Volume 389, Issue 10075](#), 25–31 March 2017, Pages 1229-1237

Discussion at Regional Committee (Last Week)

(October 8 2019)



- Current Regional Framework for action on ageing and health in the Western Pacific (2014-2019) coming to an end
- Regional Committee reviewed progress, share experiences and discuss ways forward, recognizing early action in preparation for ageing population is an opportunity to transform health systems today.
- Over the next 12 months, WHO/WPRO will develop a new regional action plan in collaboration with experts in different sectors.



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