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Growth in the Face of Headwinds: What to Do?

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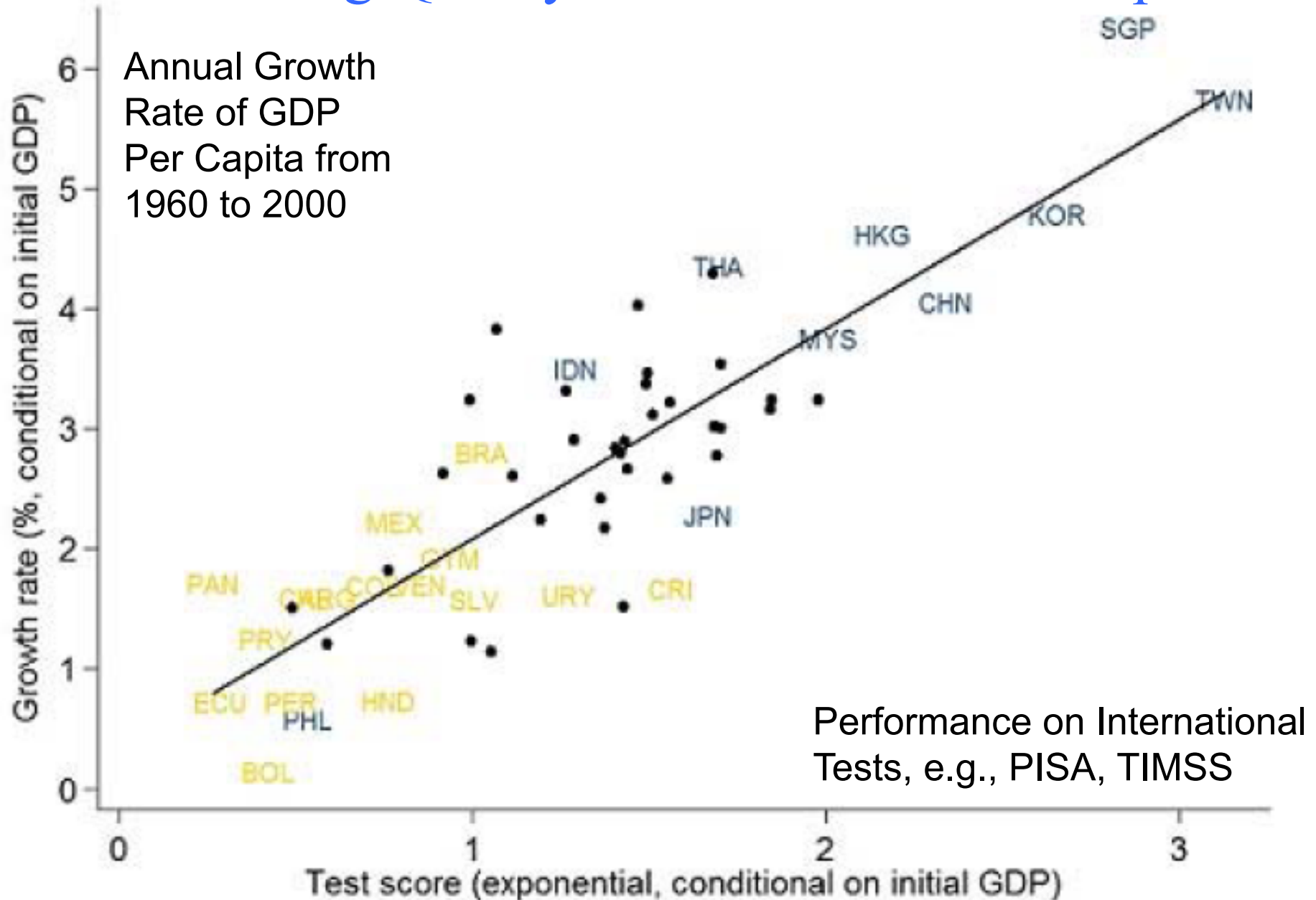
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Every country is inside the economic and policy frontier in key respects.

- Schooling quality
- Labor market adaptability
- Transport infrastructure
- Trade/FDI Openness
- Rule of Law
- Efficiency of legal system
- Tax distortions and compliance burdens
- Regulatory complexity
- Ease of doing business
- Product market competition
- Management practices
- Science & engineering capabilities

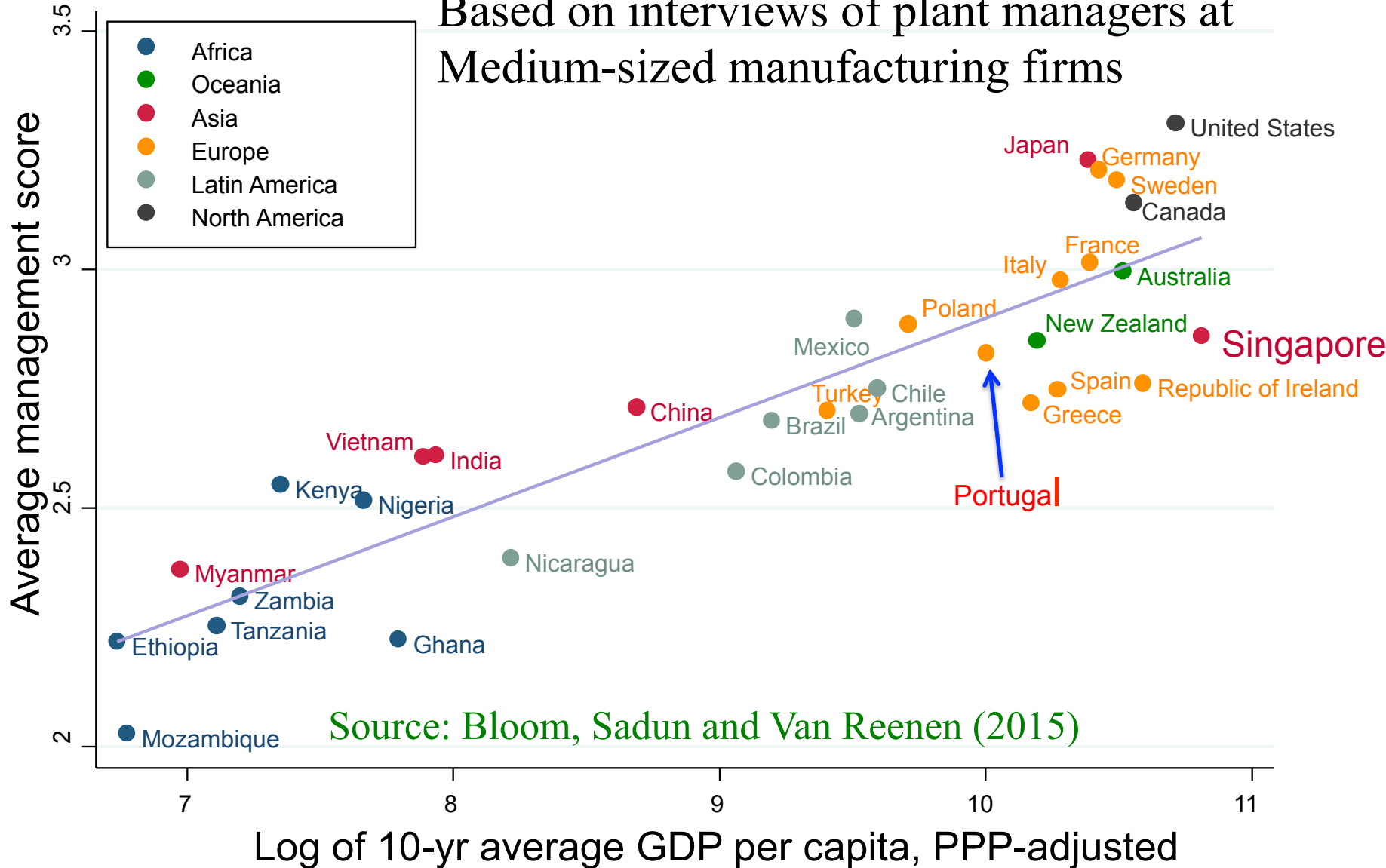
Schooling Quality and Economic Development



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Management Practice Scores and Real GDP Per Capita

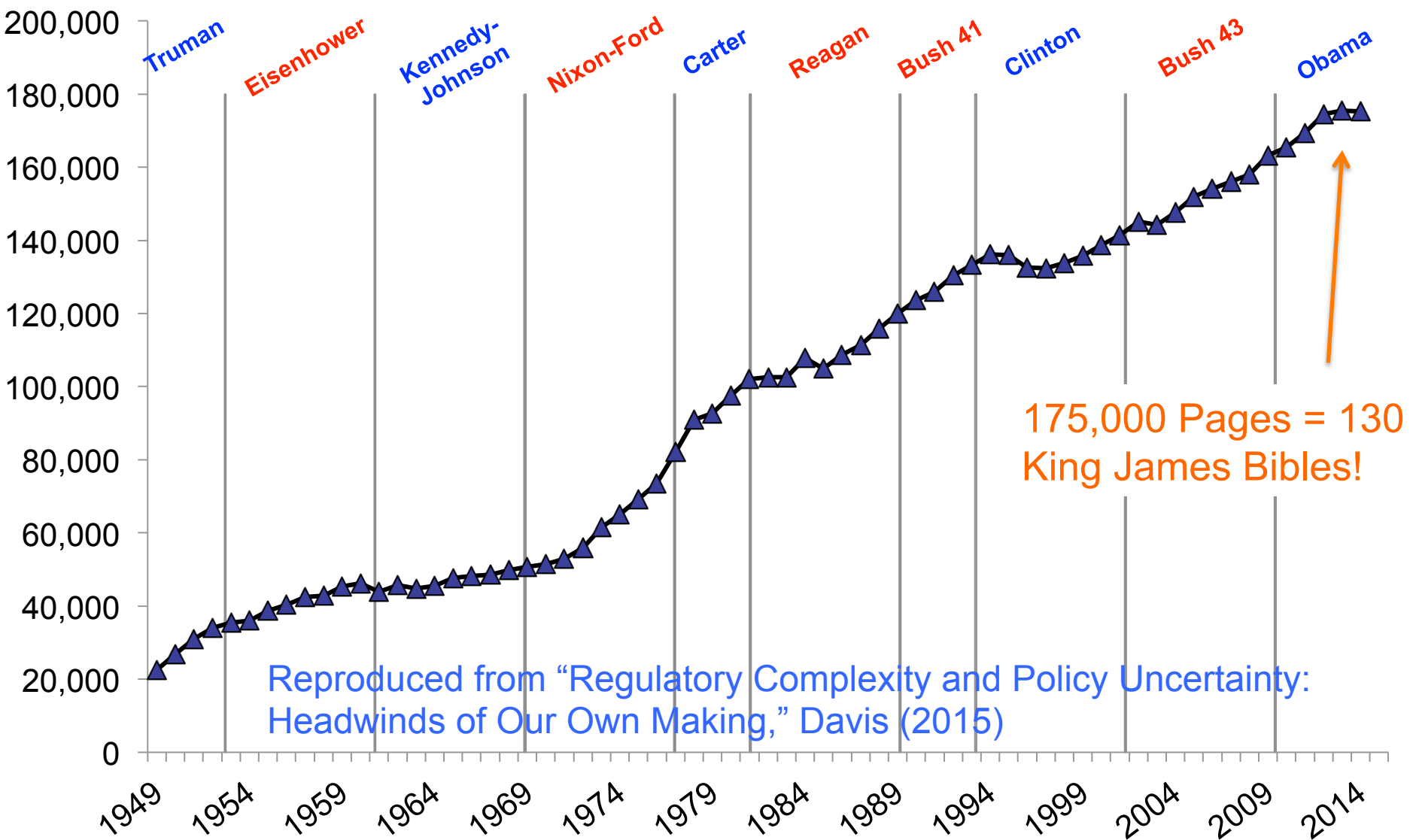
Based on interviews of plant managers at
Medium-sized manufacturing firms



Source: Bloom, Sadun and Van Reenen (2015)

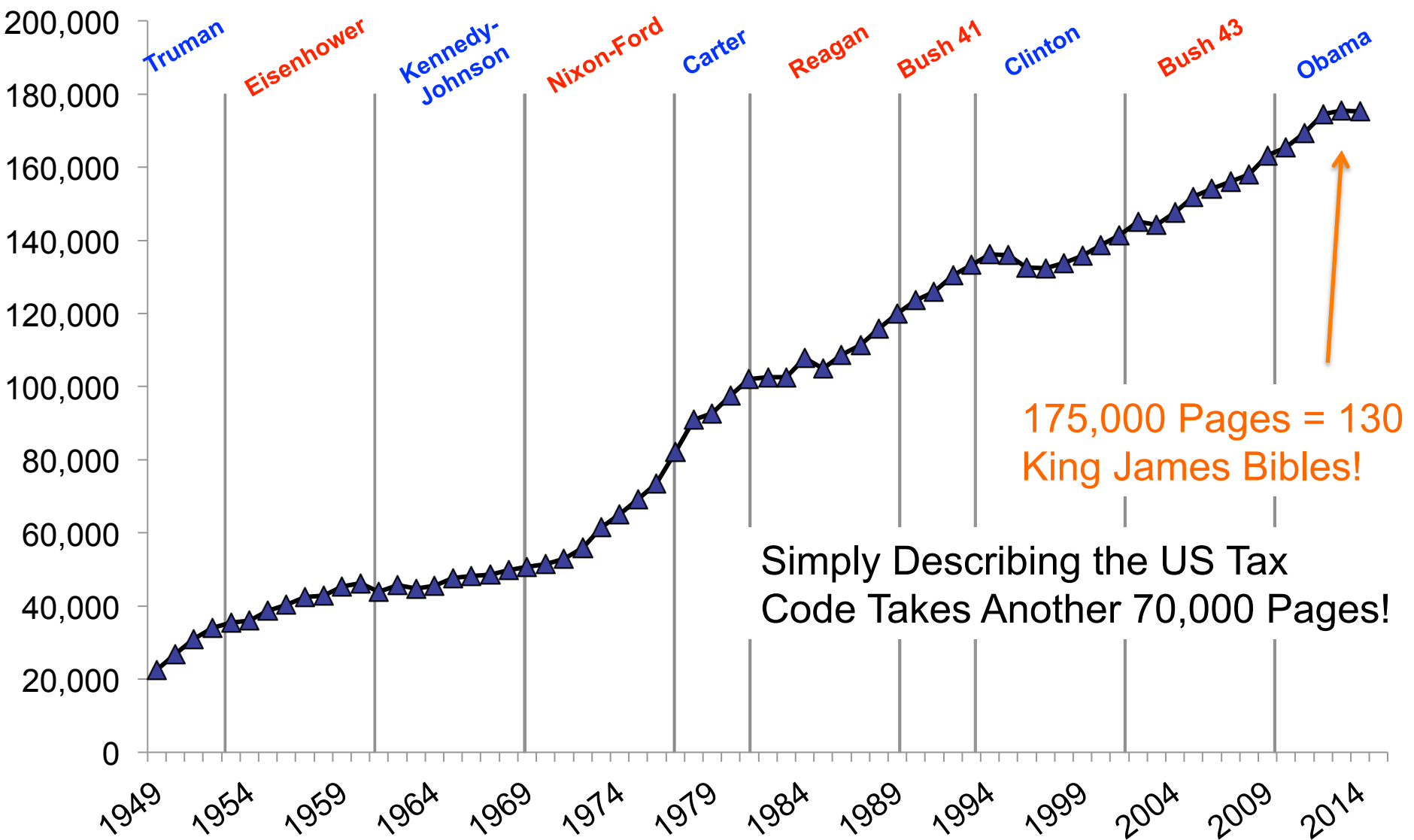
Note: Using management scores from 15,454 interviews in the World Management Survey. Management practices are scored on a 1 to 5 scale for 18 question, averaged over questions for the firm and then across firms for the country. GDP data on a PPP basis for 2013 from the IMF World Economic Outlook.

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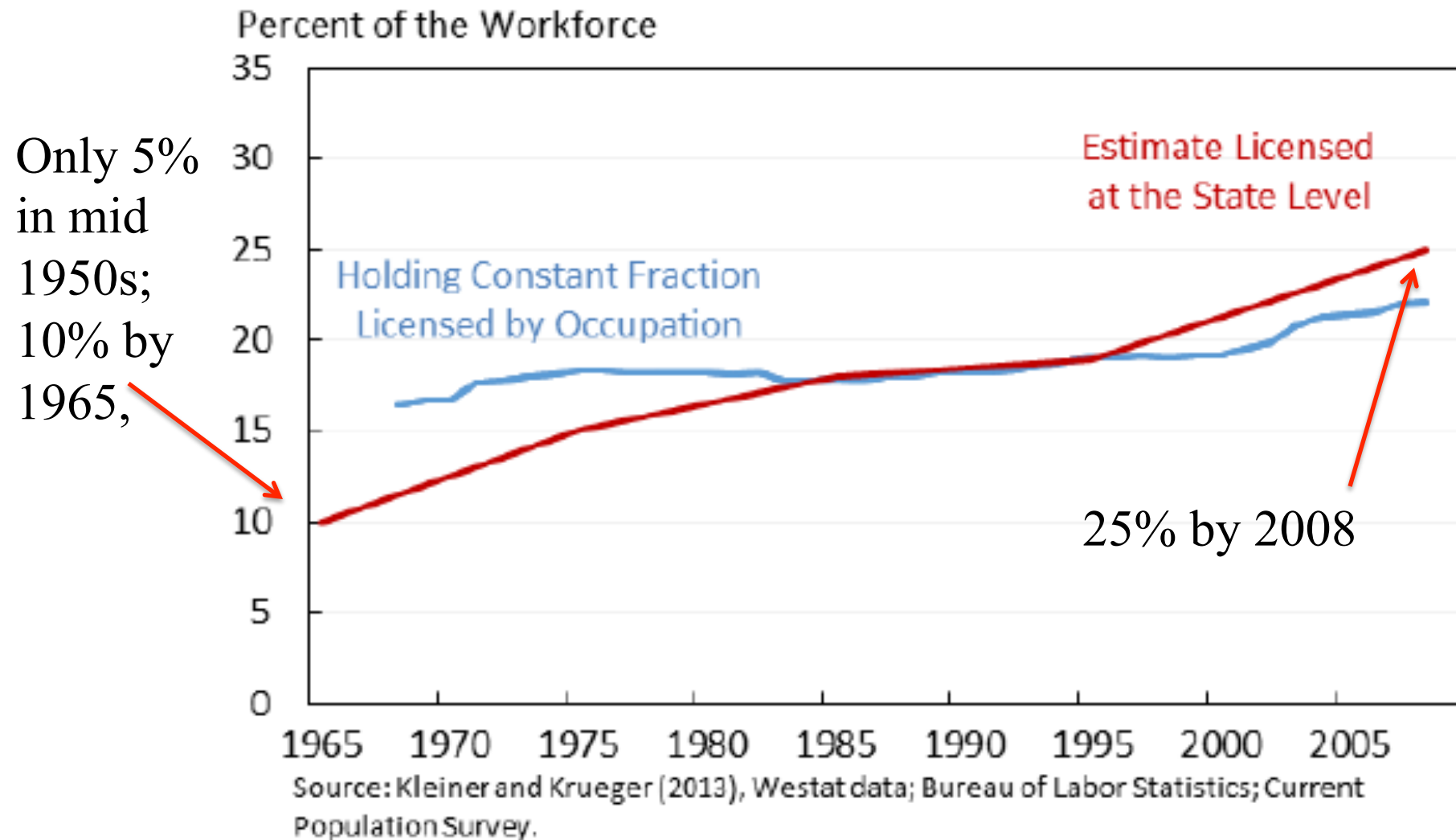
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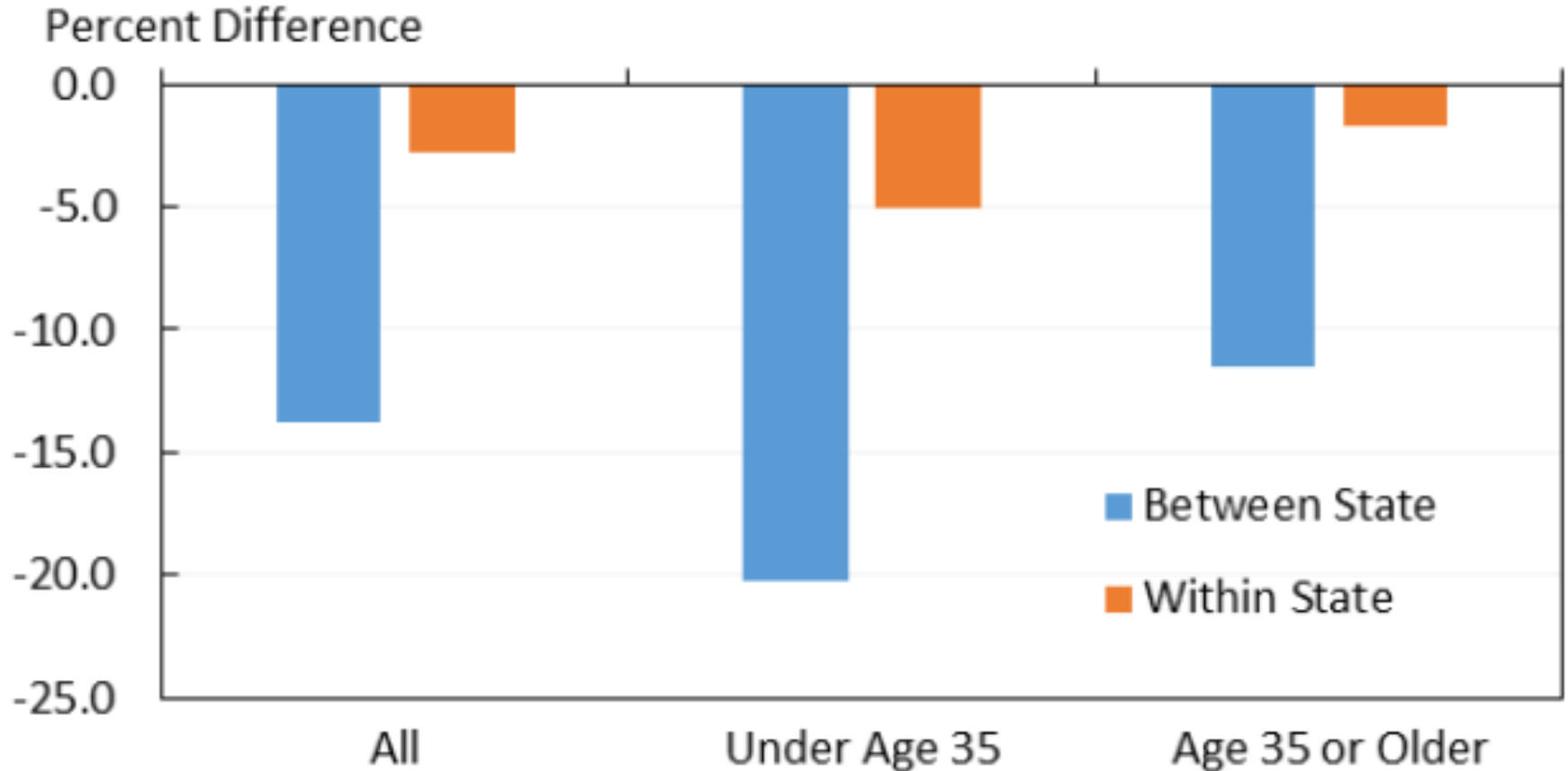
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Figure 5: Percent Licensed Over Time: Estimated and Counterfactual



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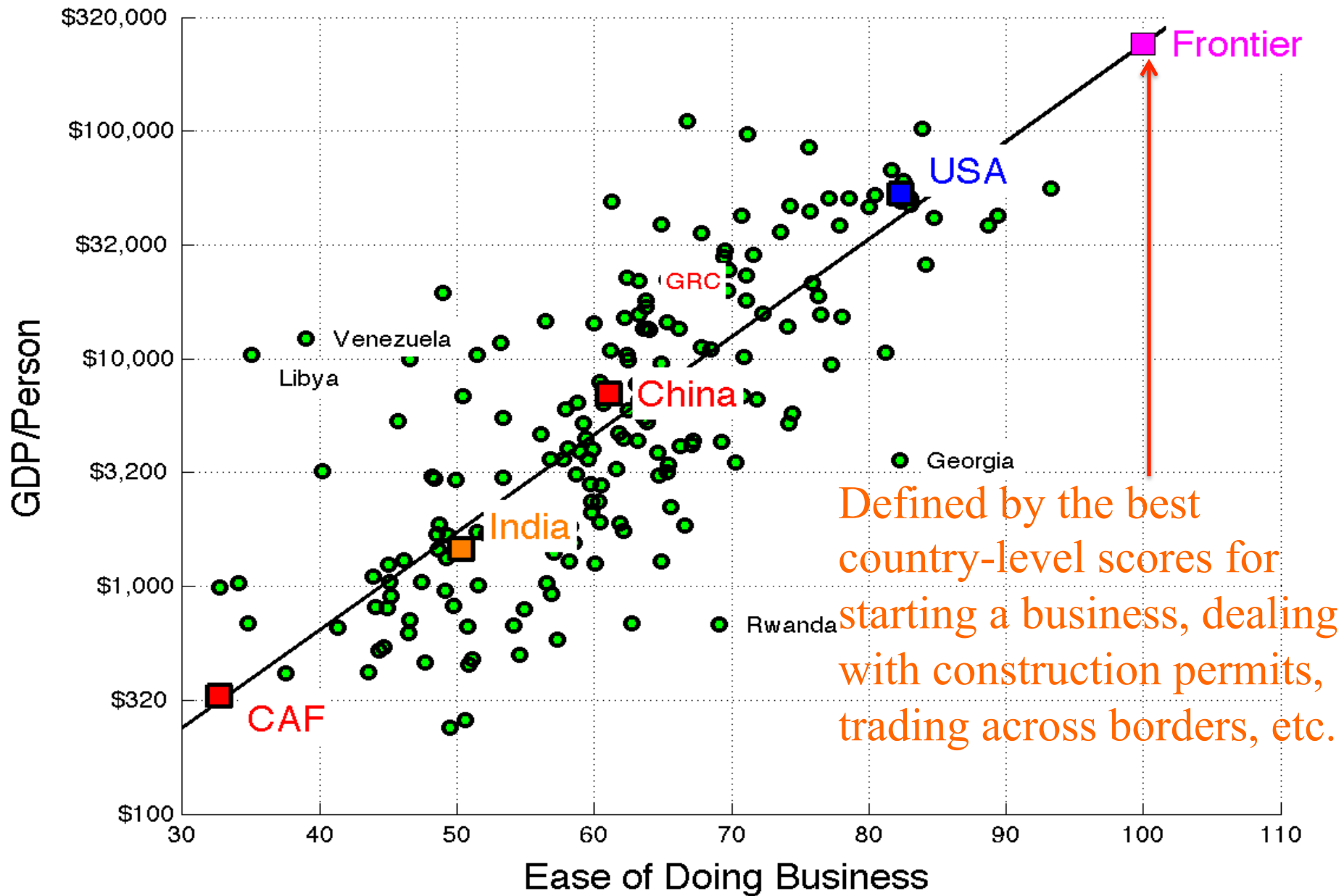
**Figure 1: Difference in Migration Rates of Workers
in Most vs. Least Licensed Occupations**



Source: Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2010-2013 ; CEA Calculations. Number is calculated from an OLS regression controlling for race, citizenship, sex, citizenship, number of children, marital status, education, income, year, and state. Ages 25 to 65 were included.

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Distance from World Bank's Ease-of-Doing-Business Frontier



From “Ending America’s Slow-Growth Tailspin,” Cochrane, WSJ, 2 May 2016