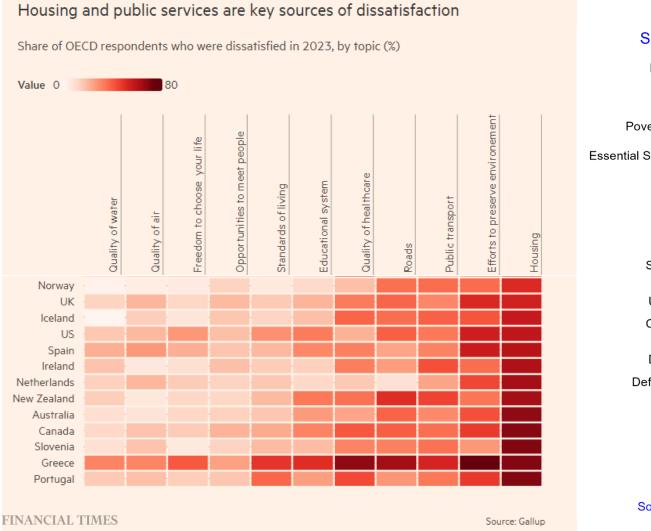


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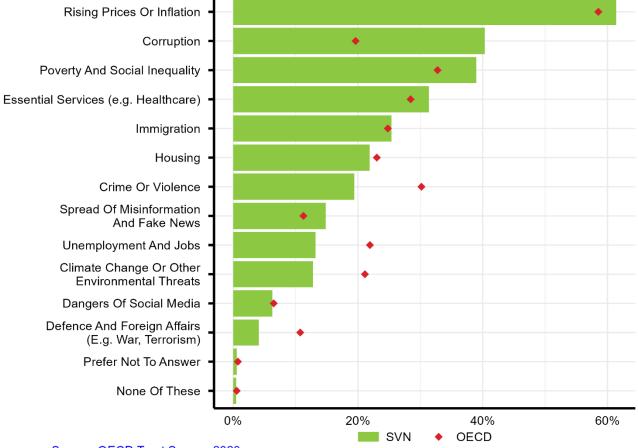
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Housing is main source of people's dissatisfaction but not seen as a policy priority



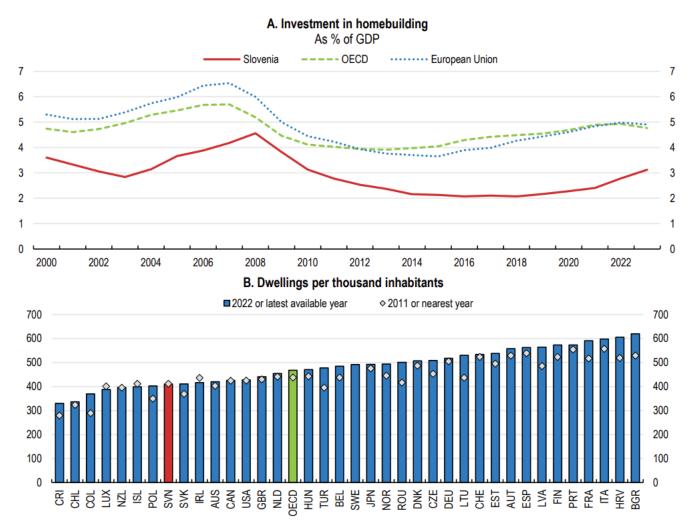
Share of population who view policy issue as among the three most important ones



Source: OECD Trust Survey, 2023



Investment in homebuilding lags behind both the EU and OECD averages



Note: Panel A: Data refers to the European Union, including 27 countries. Unweighted averages for OECD and European Union aggregates. Panel B: 2021 for Slovenia instead of 2022. Source: OECD Economic Outlook: Statistics and Projections database; Eurostat National Accounts database; OECD Affordable Housing database; and OECD calculations.

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Affordability has evolved differently across countries and types of financing

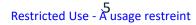


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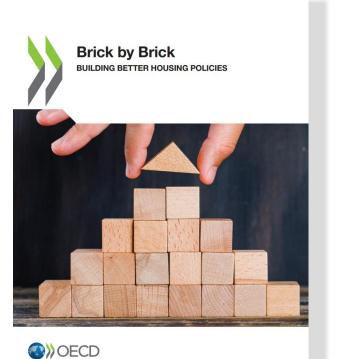


The OECD Agenda For Housing Policy Reform





Take into account the multifaceted nature of housing policies



Sustainability

Pollution & air quality Water & waste management

Environmental amenities Commuting

Efficient material usage Decarbonisation

Economic resilience Compact urban development

Access to quality housing Tenure mix and integration

> Housing affordability Residential mobility

Responsive housing supply Access to housing finance



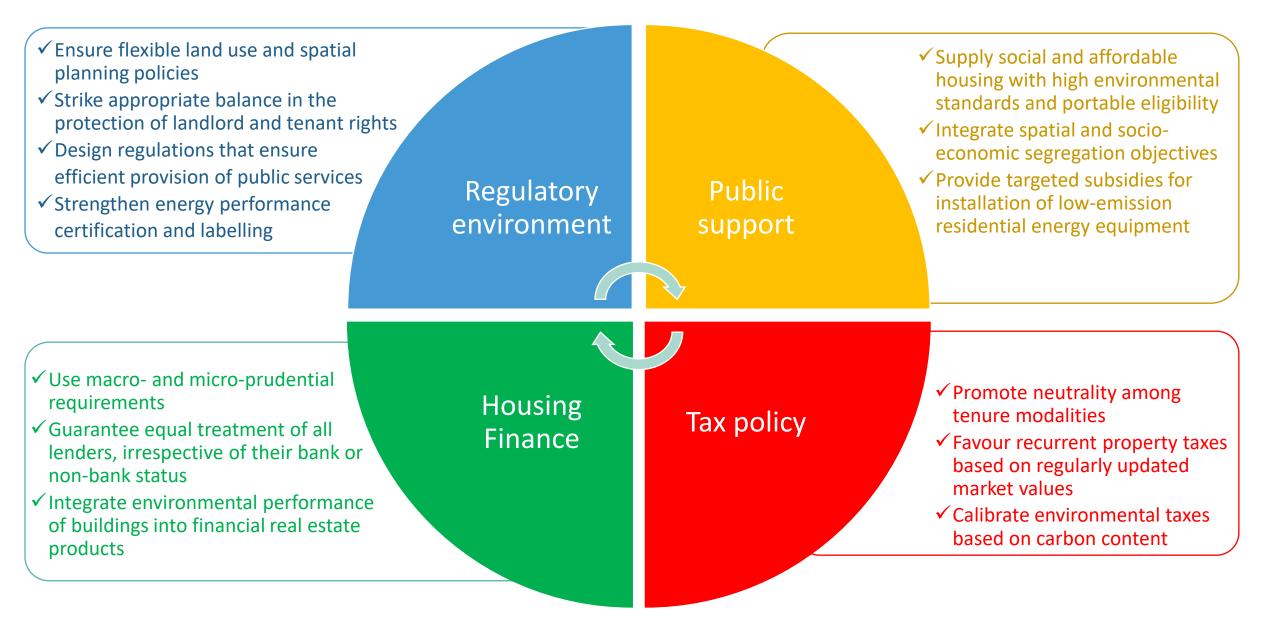
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Inclusiveness

Efficiency









Source: An agenda for housing policy reform (OECD, 2024)

Housing policies often come with trade-offs

	Spatial planning and land use policies	Rental regulation	Property taxes	Promote tenure neutrality
Examples	 Reduce minimum lot size and building height restrictions Land value captures 	 Relaxe rent control Balance tenant and landlord rights 	 Shift from transaction taxes to recurring property taxes 	 Gradually withdrawing mortgage interest relief for homeowners
Objectives	 ✓ Unlock supply ✓ Compact urban develoment 	 ✓ Facilitate mobility ✓ Incentivise housing construction 	 ✓ Facilitate mobility ✓ Provide tax revenues with little economic distortion 	 ✓ Avoid debt build-up ✓ Reduce upward pressure on house prices ✓ Additional tax revenue
Caveats	 Vulnerable to political- economic headwinds Legal and administrative obstacles 	 May put low-income tenants at risk 	 May require gradual phase-in and compensatory measures 	 Increases overall tax burden (temporally) narrows access to homeownership





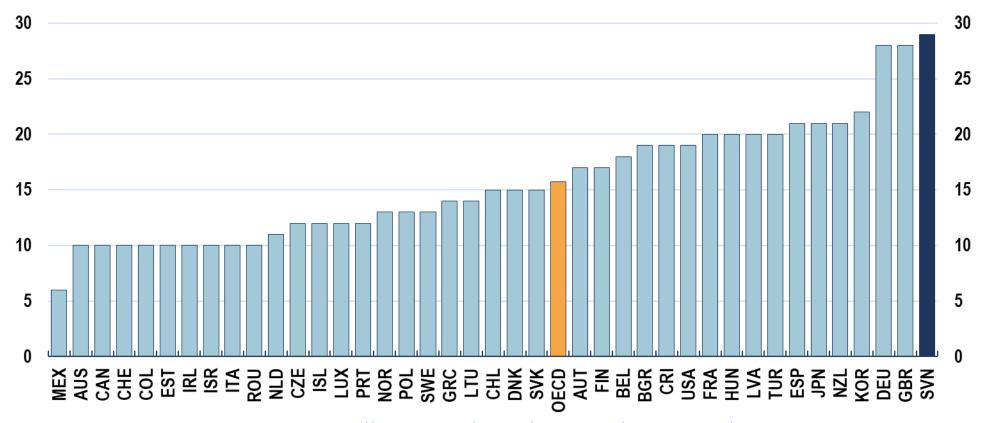
Addressing housing market challenges

in Slovenia

Housing governance can be improved by establishing regional spatial plans and one-stop shops for building permits

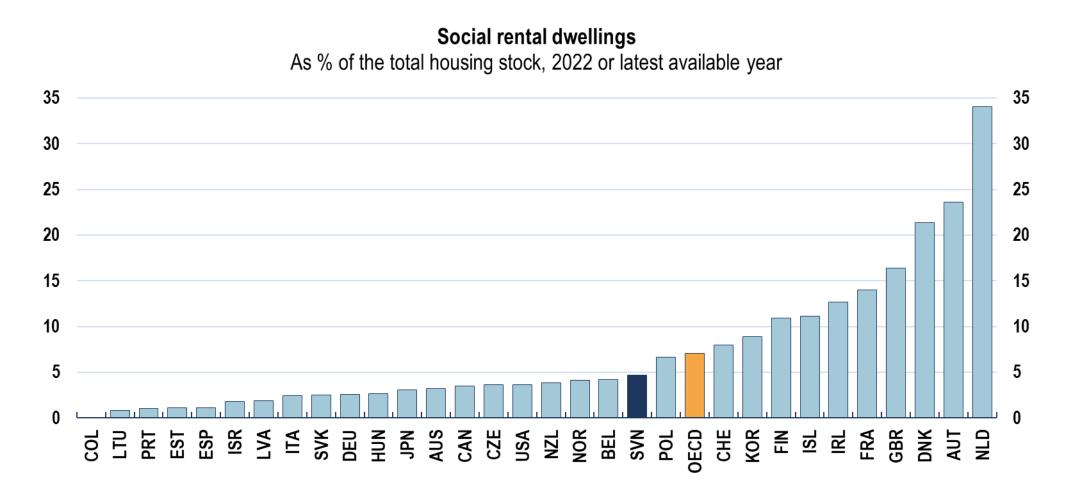
Land-use governance

OECD land-use governance indicator (a higher value means more overlap and fragmentation), 2021



Source: OECD Housing Governance Indicators Dashboard, https://www.oecd.org/housing/policy-toolkit/data-dashboard/housing-governance.

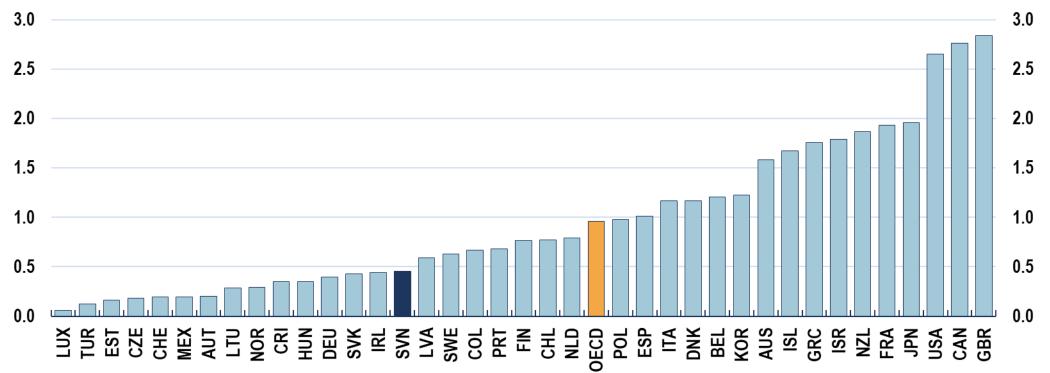
The social housing stock could be expanded



Raising revenues from property taxes can improve the tax mix

Revenue from recurrent taxes on immovable property

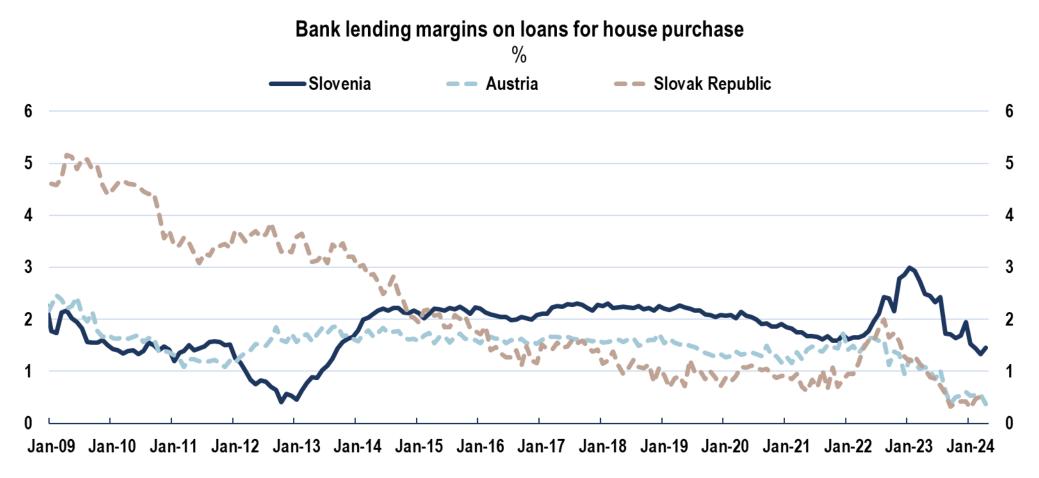
As % of GDP, 2022 or latest available year



Note: OECD unweighted average.

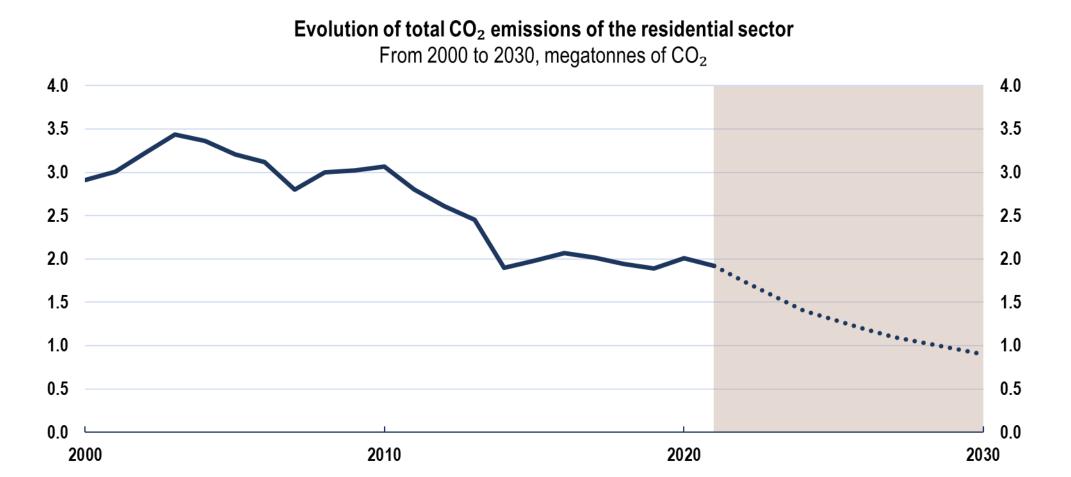
Source: OECD Revenue Statistics database

Fostering competition and efficiency in the banking sector would lower lending margins and help develop mortgage financing



Note: Data refers to lending margins of Monetary Financial Institutions (MFIs). Source: European Central Bank (ECB).

Greater use of energy efficiency certificates and incentivising renovation would accelerate the decarbonisation of homes



Note: Dotted line refers to projections.

Source: IEA Energy Efficiency Indicators, 2023.

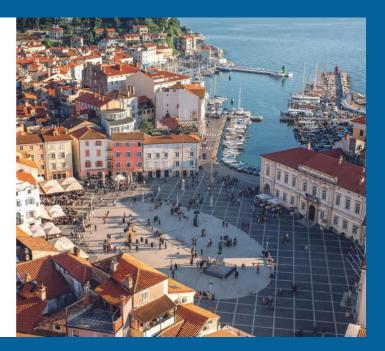
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