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***”Sweden’s economy – growing more knowledge intensive by global value chains”***



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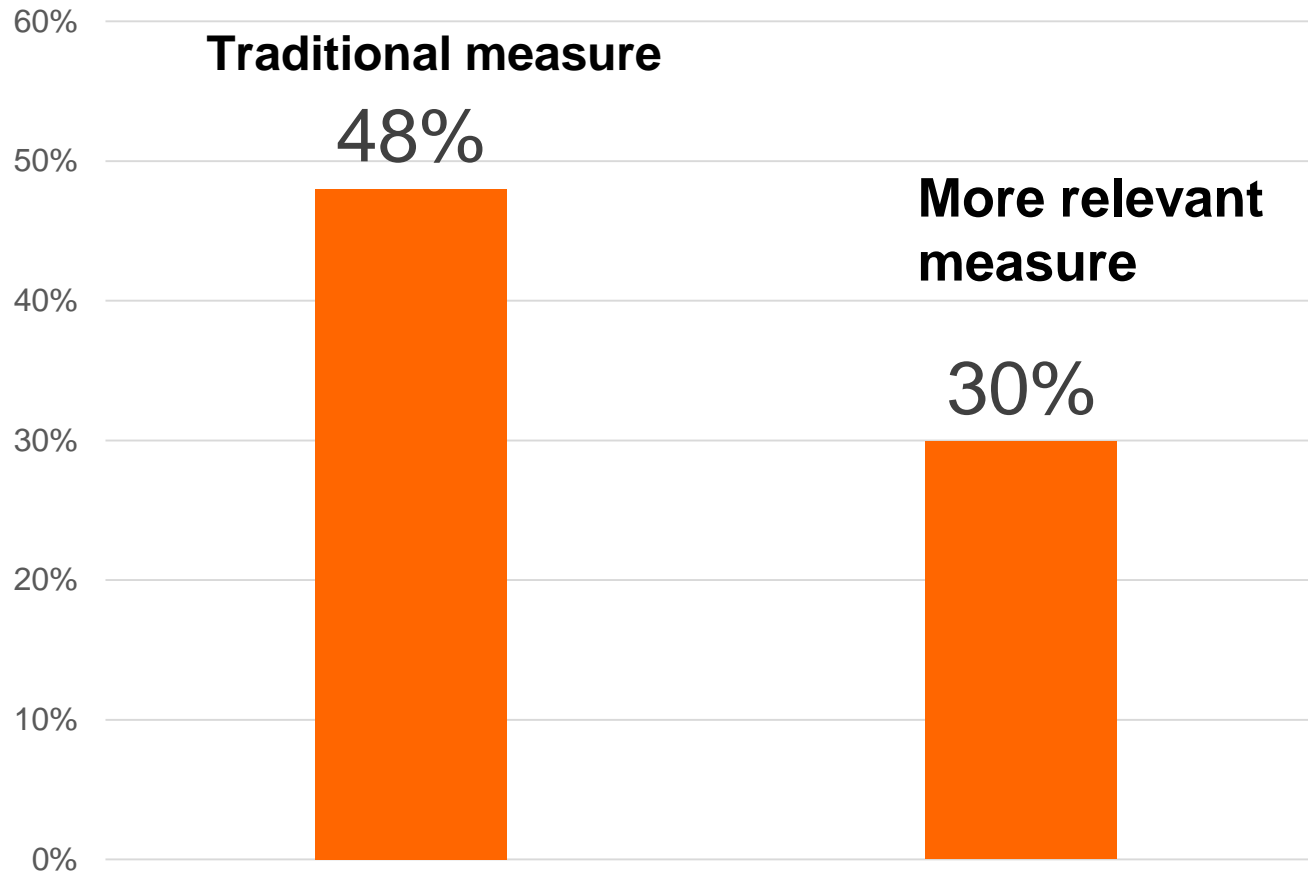
# Time to use GVC-measures of exports and market shares

- **Some results from WIOD-research on Sweden:**
  - **Increasing fragmentation benefiting high-skilled workers and capital.**
  - **Increased importance of services activities, blurring the sector-concept.**

# Need of data on Global Value Chains

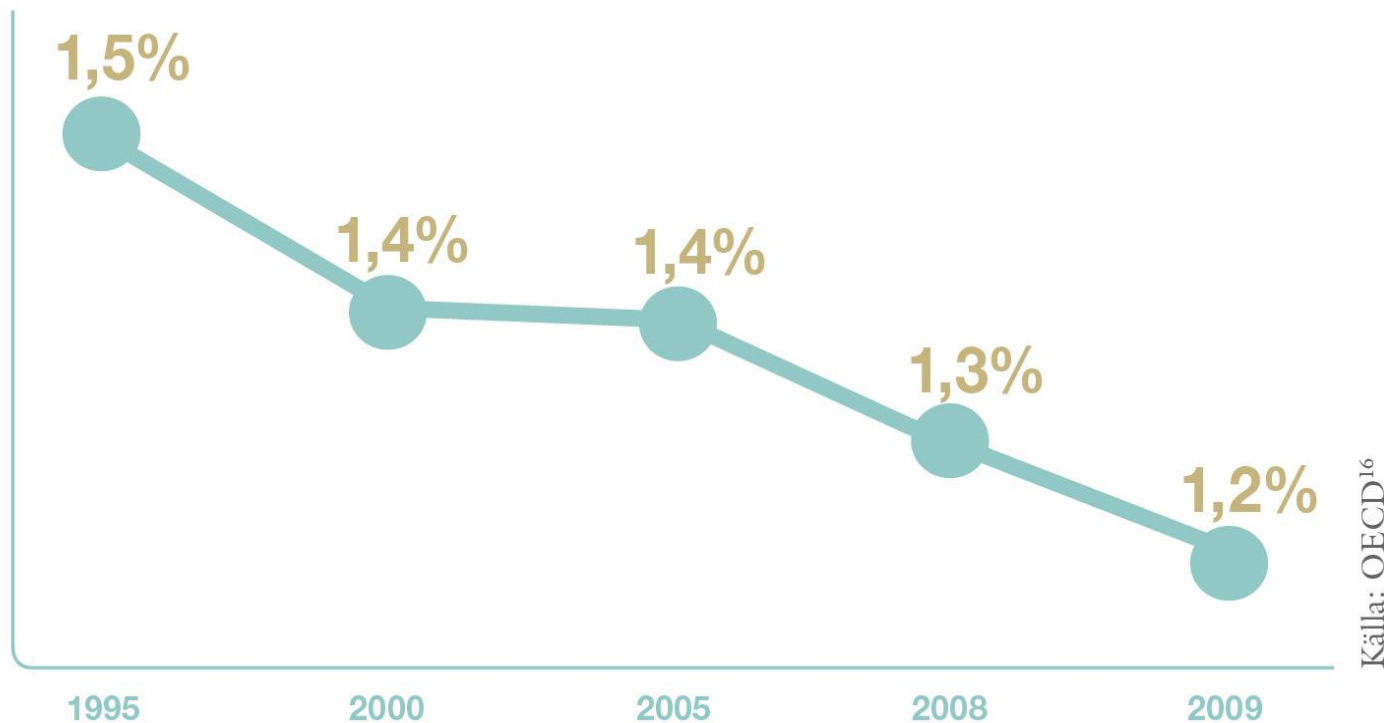
- **Traditional measures of competitiveness - outdated and misleading.**
- **Growing import contents.**
- **Measure market shares with the help of input-output-data.**
- **GVC income.**

# Sweden's exports, share of GDP



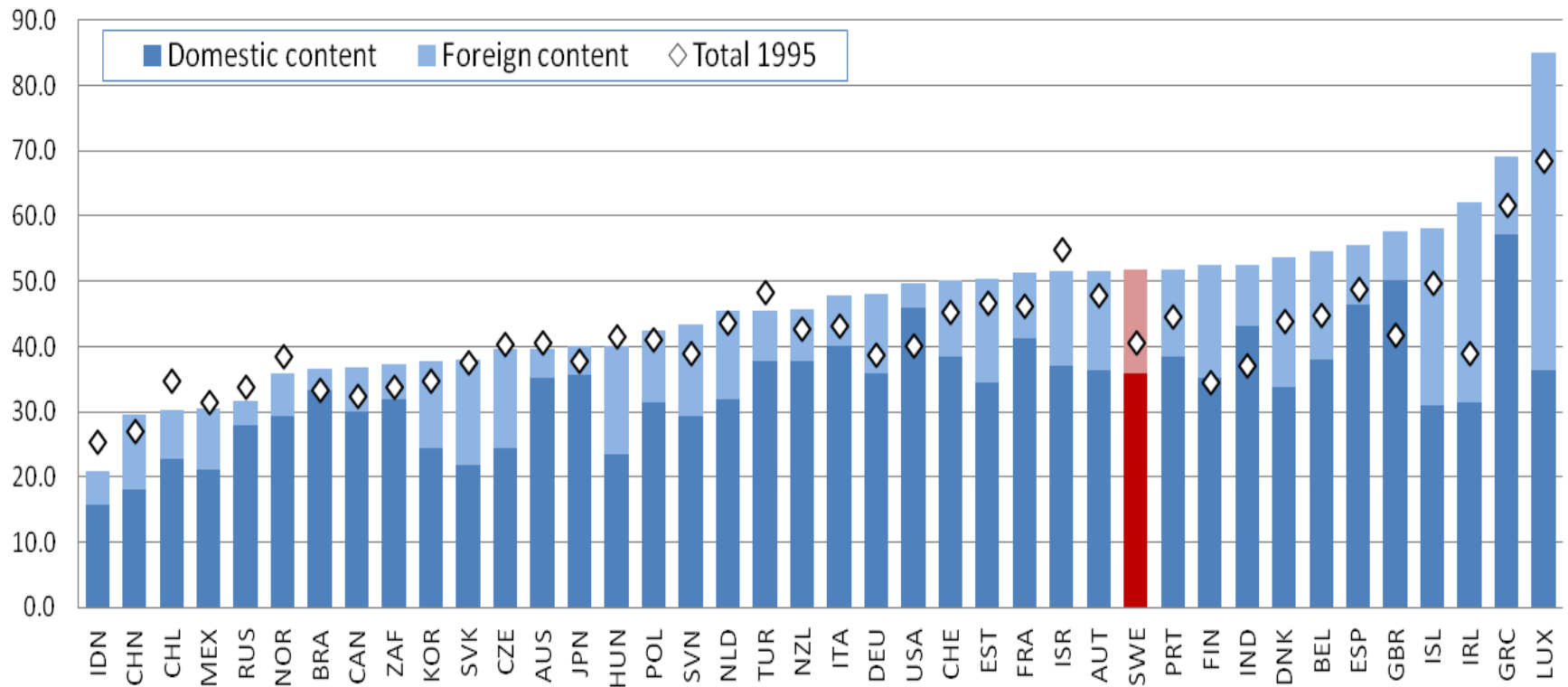
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# Sweden's export market share, measured in value added



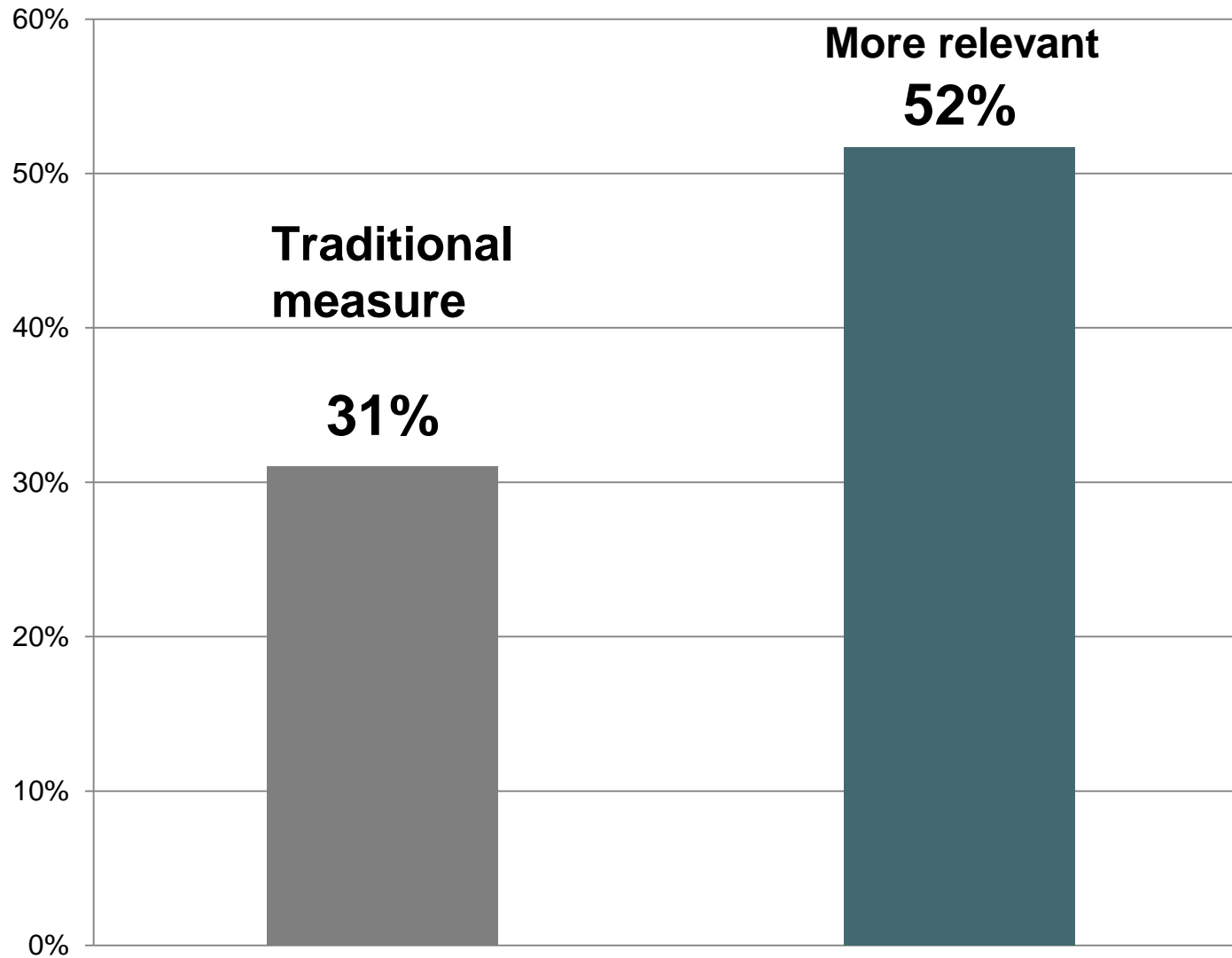
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# Growing share of services in exports



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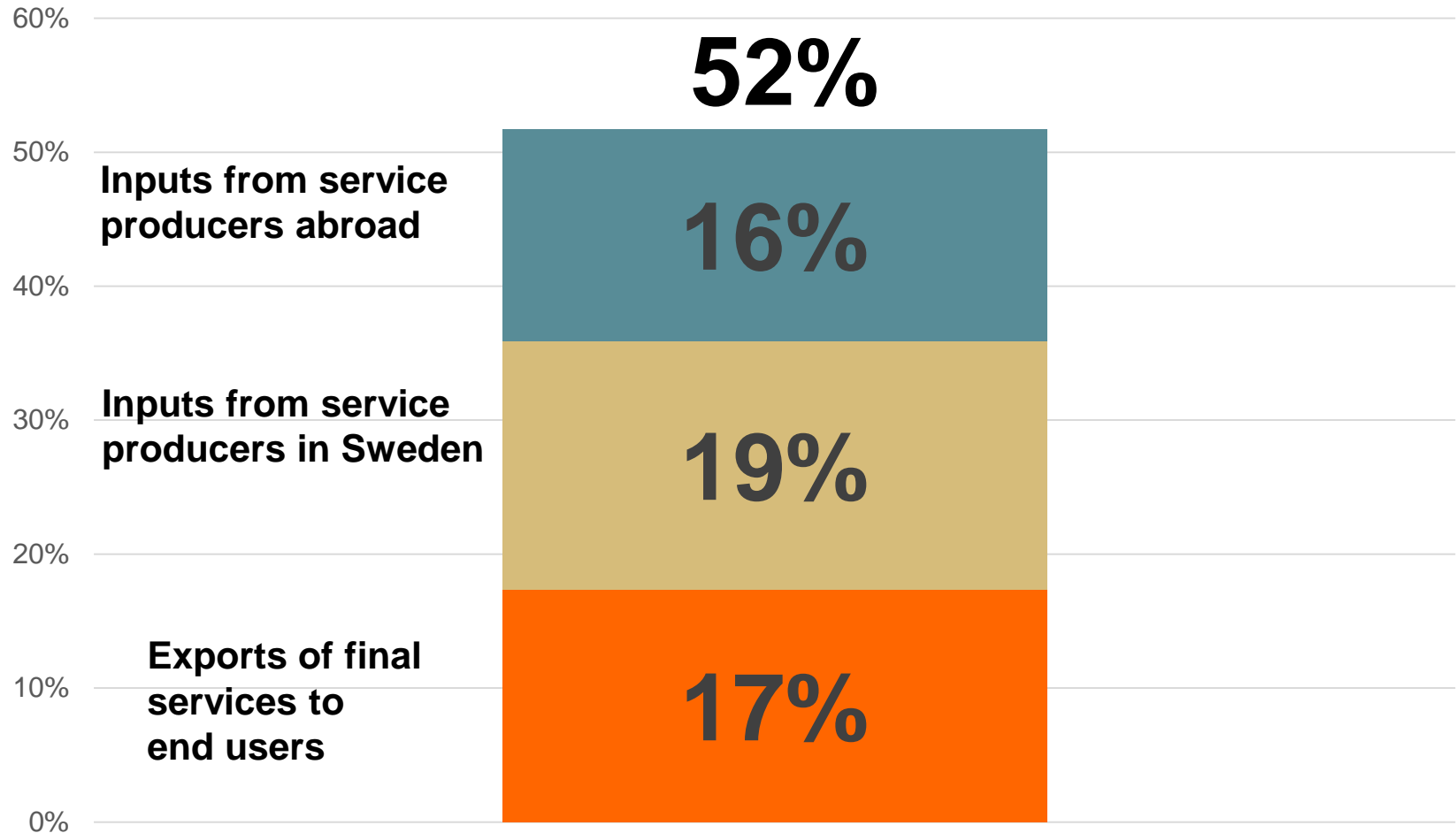
# Sweden's exports of services



Source: OECD-WTO, Trade in Value Added database



# The service contents in Sweden's exports



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# Trends for Sweden's economy

- Increasing use of knowledge-intensive service inputs.
- Increasing demand for high-skilled labor.
- Increasing dependence on imports.
- Large dependence on foreign demand.
- A growing share of services in exports.
- Service industries meet growing competition from abroad.
- Service production is also getting more fragmented.

# Data reflecting MNE:s production

- R&D, design, software etc. remain while the production of the final product is abroad.
- Growing income from “merchanting”.
- Effecting GDP- and productivity growth.
- Disguised for users of National Accounts.
- Leading to wrong conclusions and policy decisions.
- Need help from NA to present and explain effects on VA from merchanting.

## **Main conclusion:**

**Crucial for policy makers to gain increased knowledge about the importance and impact of the ongoing development of global value chains.**

**Therefore we need World I/O-data, and of good quality.**