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Research question

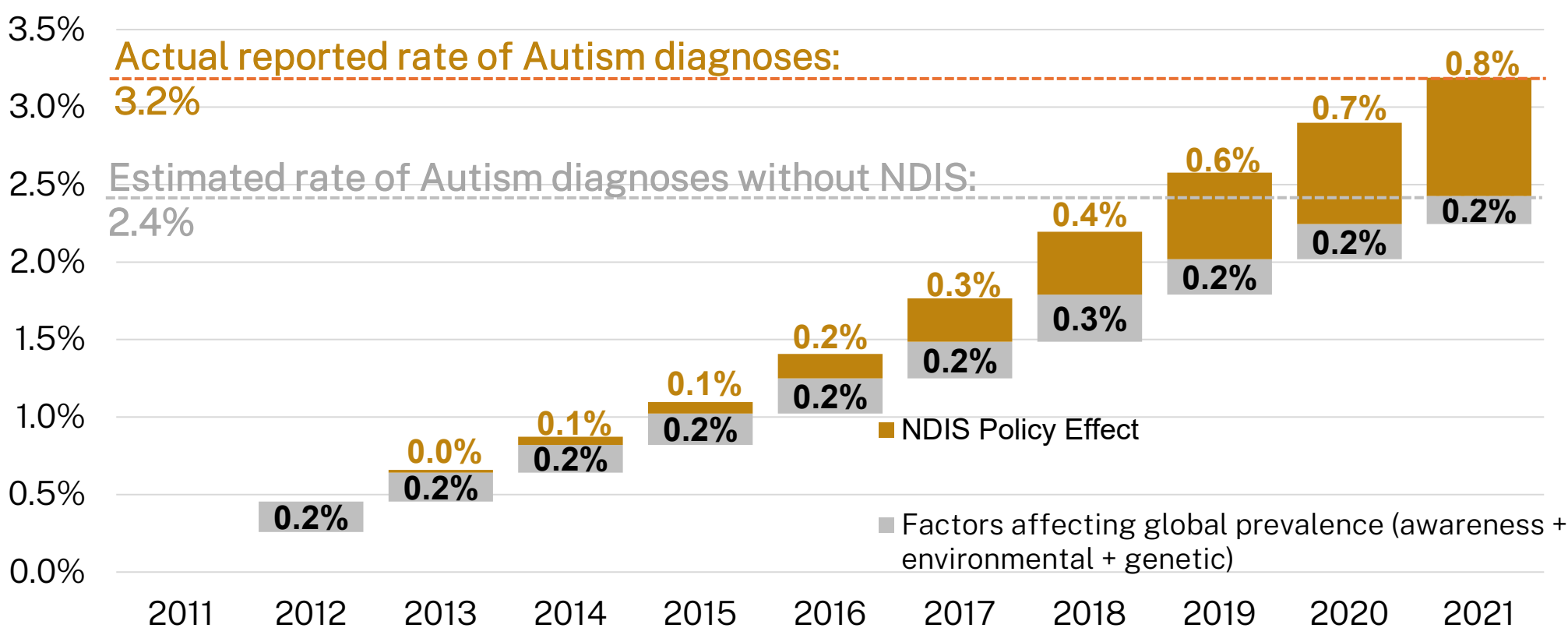
Does personalised disability funding
improve outcomes?

Studies investigating the causal impacts of NDIS on:

- 1) Childhood autism diagnoses
- 2) Carer and recipient employment
- 3) Health and wellbeing in retirement

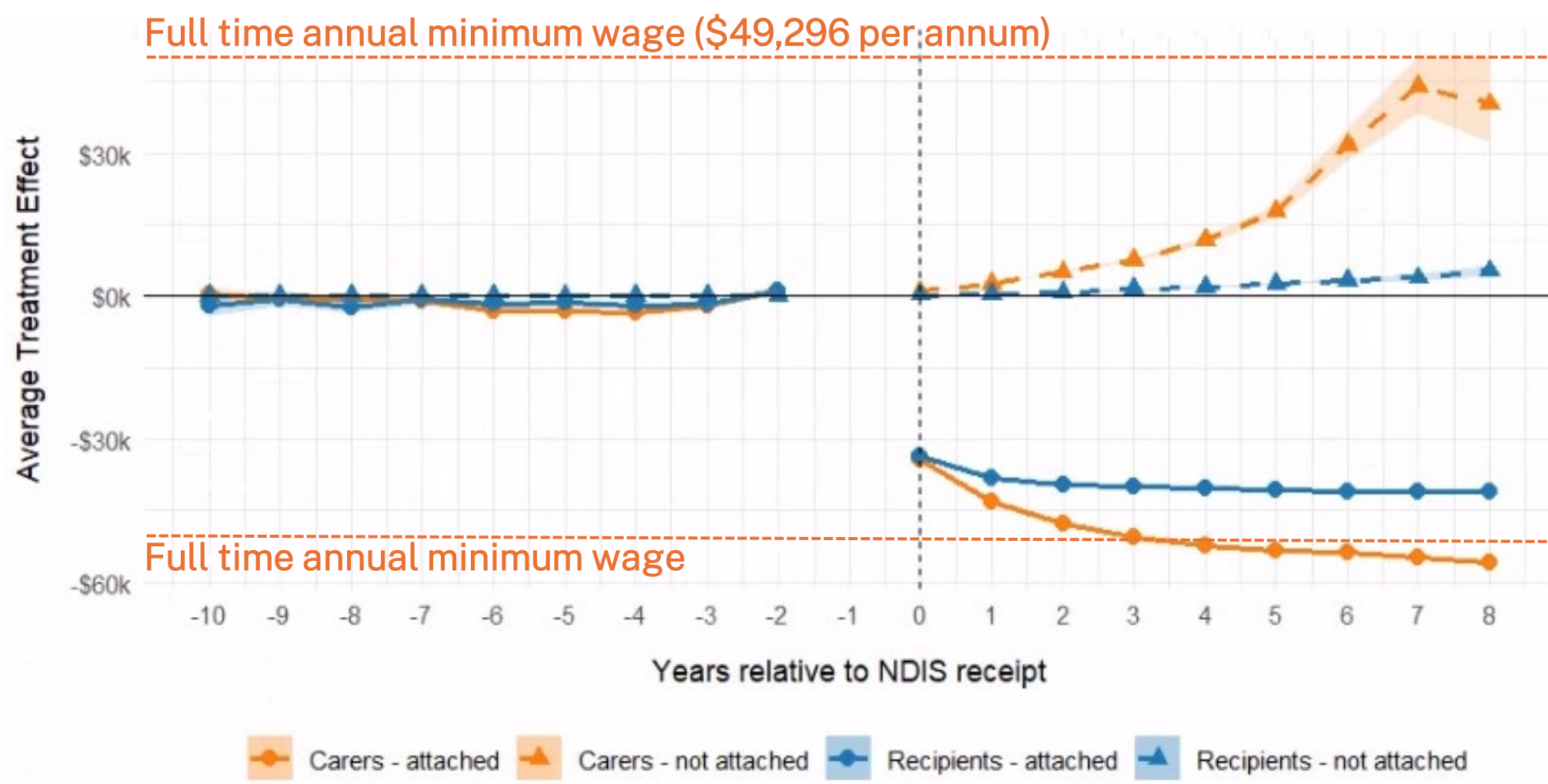
NDIS Effect on Child Autism Diagnoses

NDIS incentives account for 47% of autism diagnoses since 2013



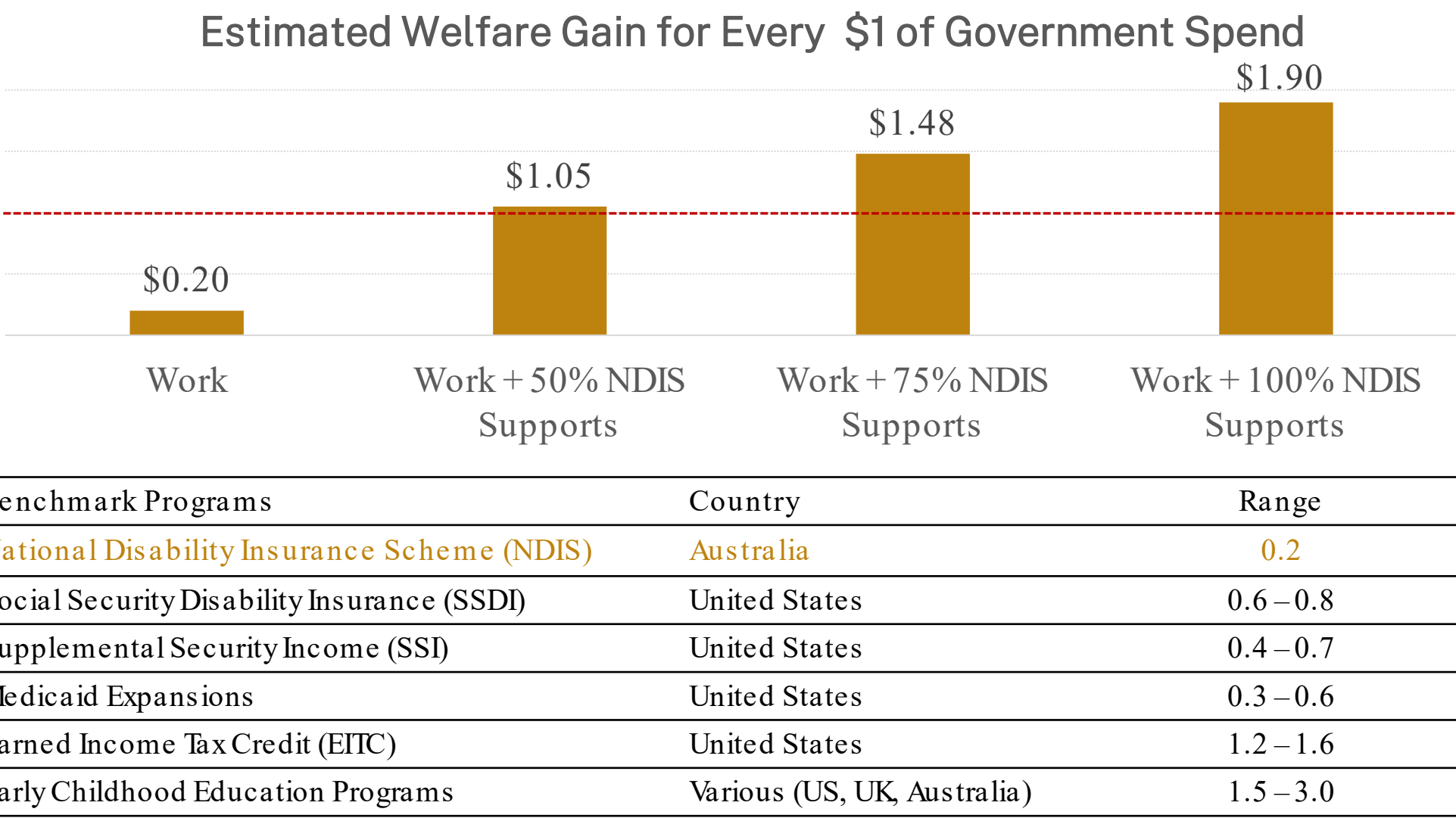
NDIS Effect on Income for Carers & Recipients

NDIS receipt boosts job entry for carers, not recipients,
and reduces earnings among those already employed.



Value of a Public Dollar for Disability

NDIS gains fall below international benchmarks, but its value is in protection, not productivity.
This highlights the need for targeted eligibility and broader community support.



Benefits and future impact

Thriving Kids Program - balancing fiscal
sustainability and child development outcomes

Employment Policy - enhancing effectiveness of
tailored support and addressing systemic barriers

Overlap in Disability & Aged Care - addressing
future fiscal pressure through policy design

In five years

Continue turning
complexity into clarity,
research into reform,
and insight into inclusion...



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