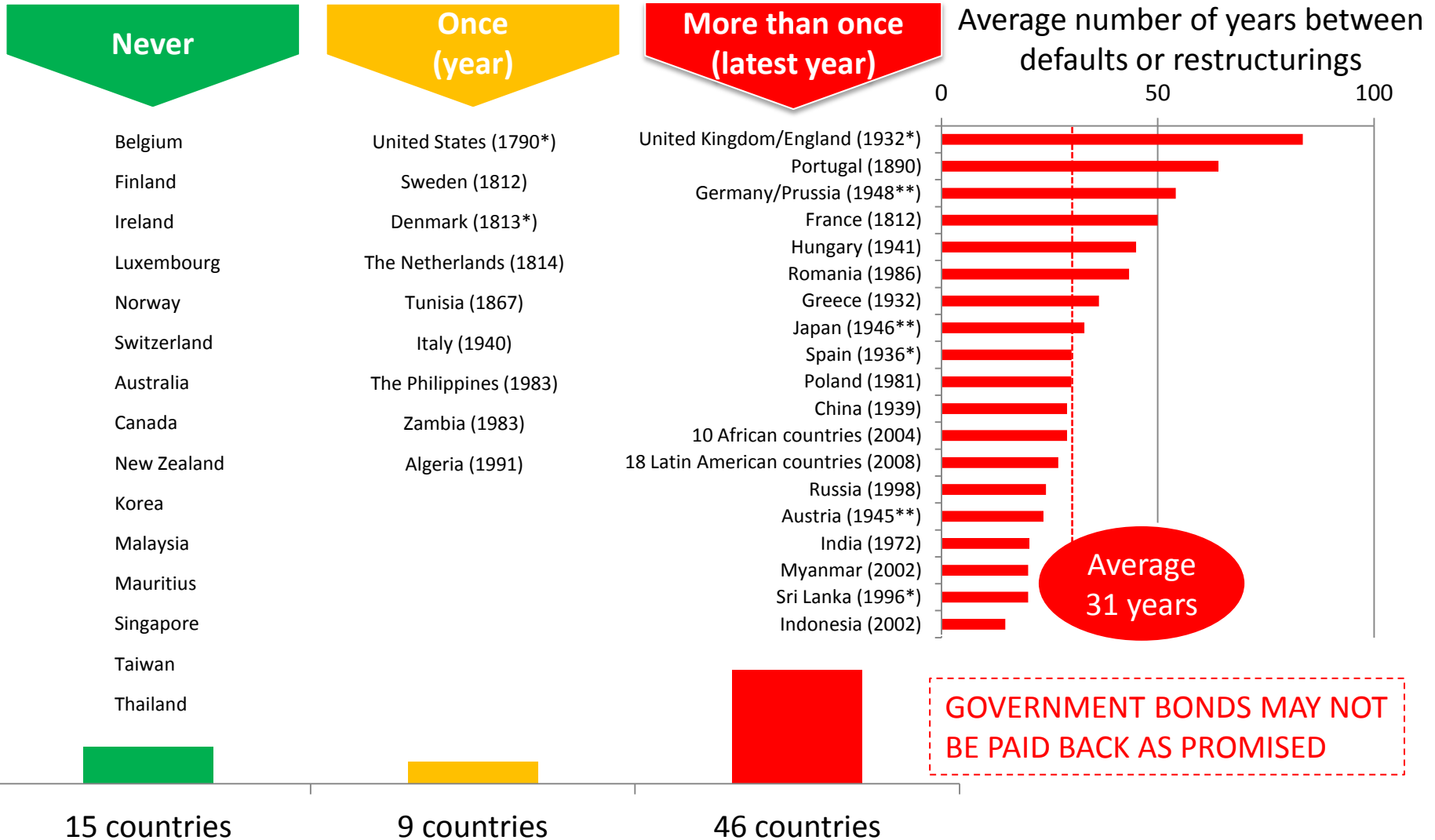


# Most countries have defaulted or restructured their debt at least once

## NUMBER OF DEFAULTS OR RESTRUCTURINGS OF PUBLIC DEBT (EXTERNAL AND DOMESTIC) Until 2008



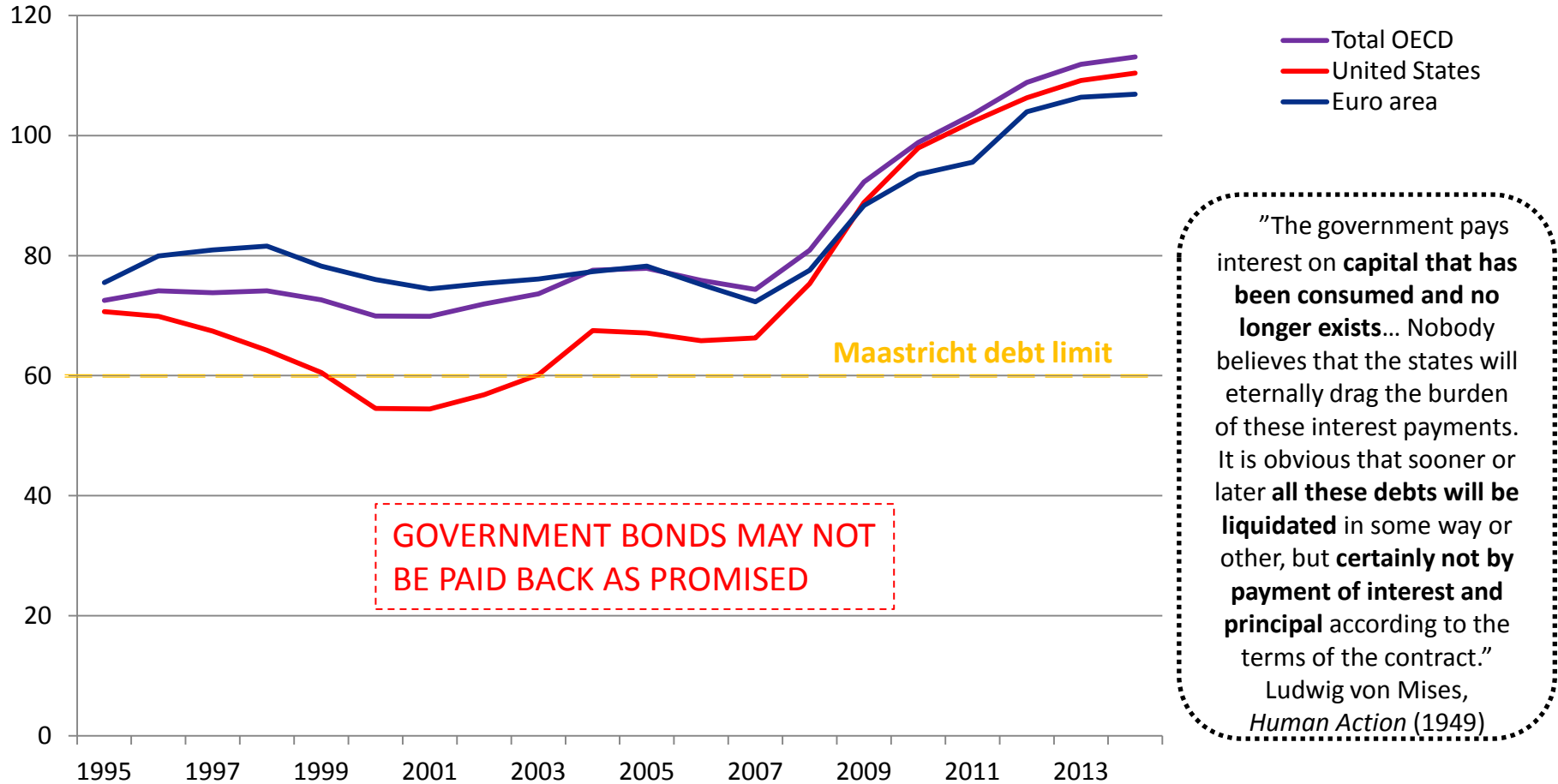
Source: Reinhart/Rogoff (2009, chapters 6,7); own research and calculations

\* Domestic debt only \*\* Currency reform

# Strong growth in government debt makes future defaults more likely

## OECD GENERAL GOVERNMENT GROSS FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

In % of nominal GDP



Source: OECD Economic Outlook database