



Future-proofing health systems

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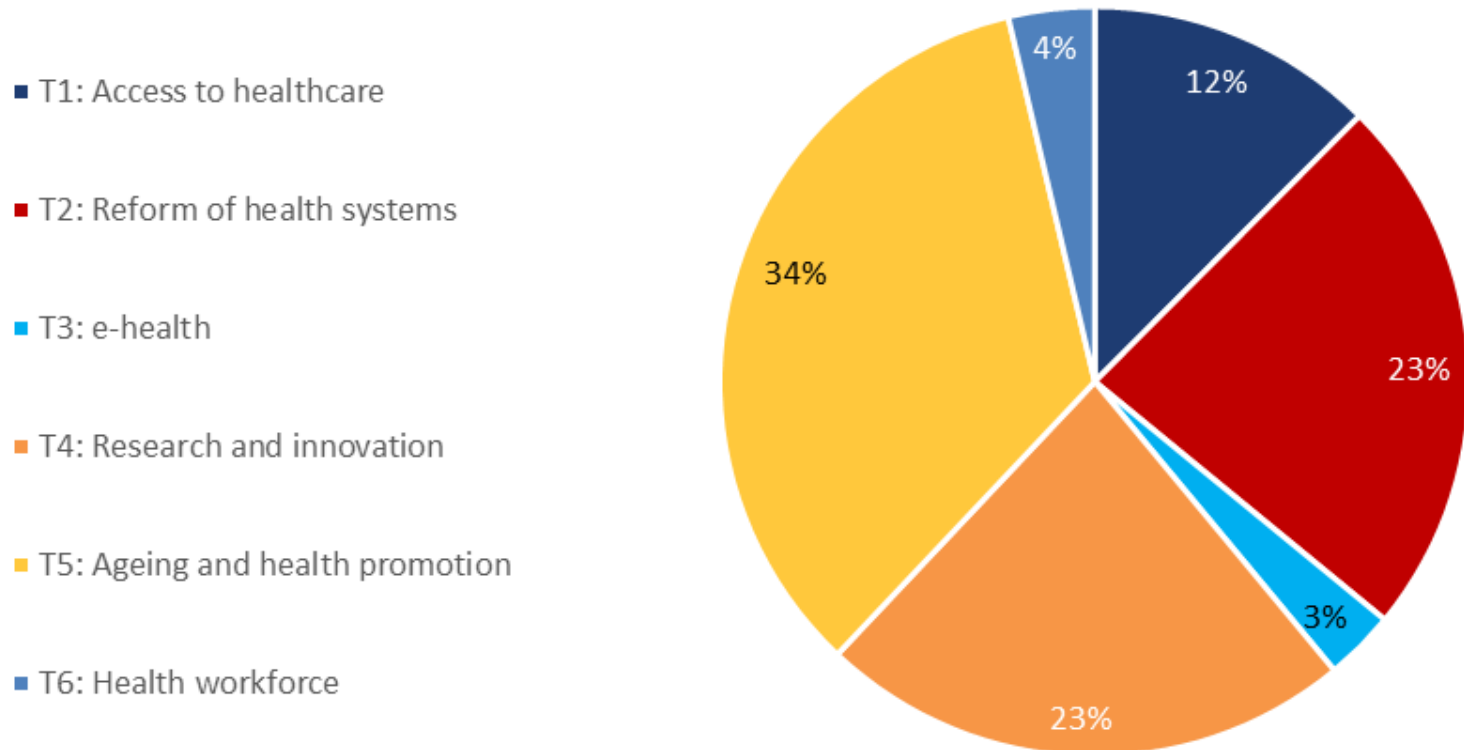
The challenge: Making health systems effective and resilient

- Trends putting pressures on Member State health systems:
 - Population ageing
 - Technological change
 - Growing citizen expectations
- Reforms are needed to secure the effectiveness and accessibility of health care while ensuring health systems are sustainable:
 - Transition away from hospital- and institution-based care
 - Strengthen primary care services
 - Better integration of services
 - Improved efficiency in health care systems and facilities

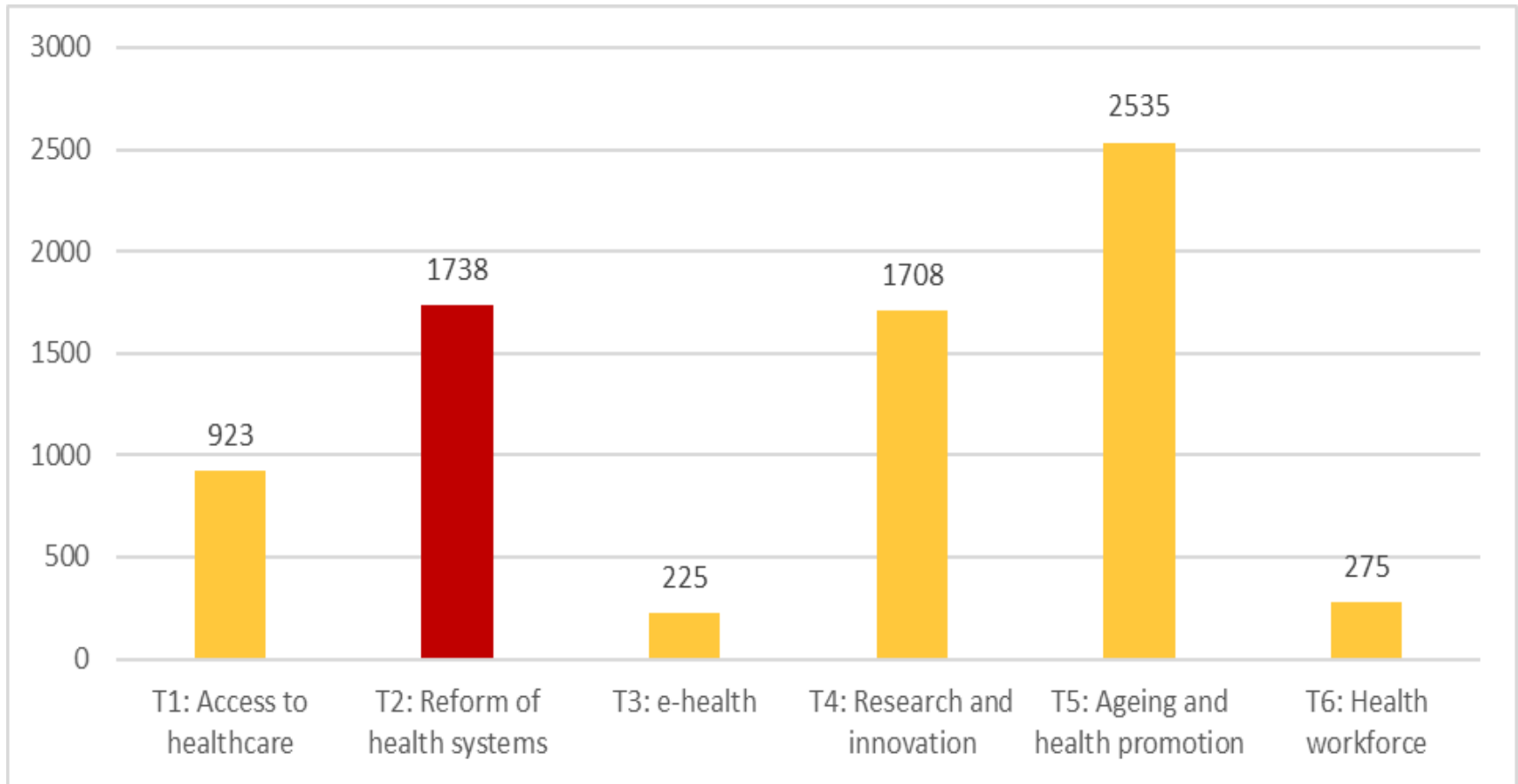
Health system reform

Mapping ESI-funded investments
across the EU

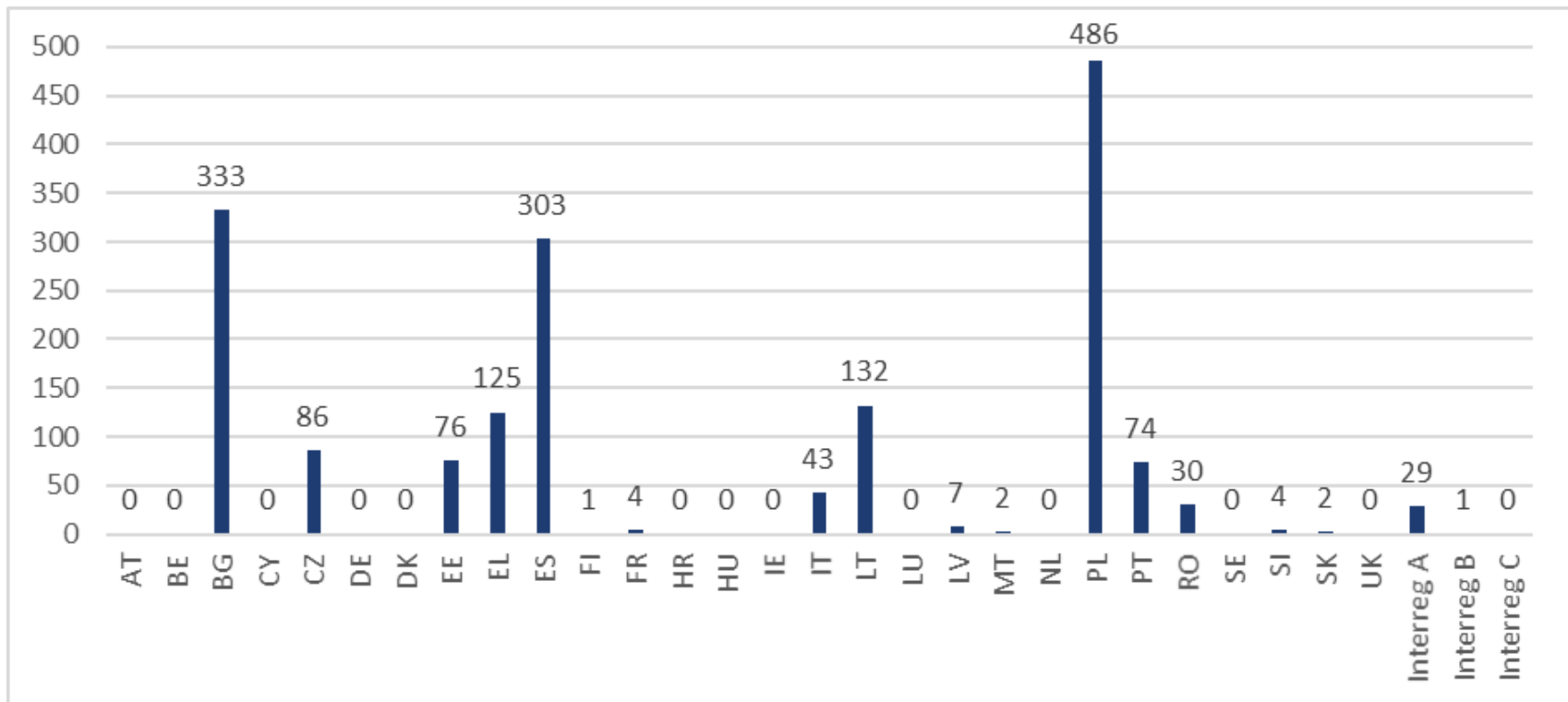
Investments in health system reform amounted to almost a quarter of ESI health spending...



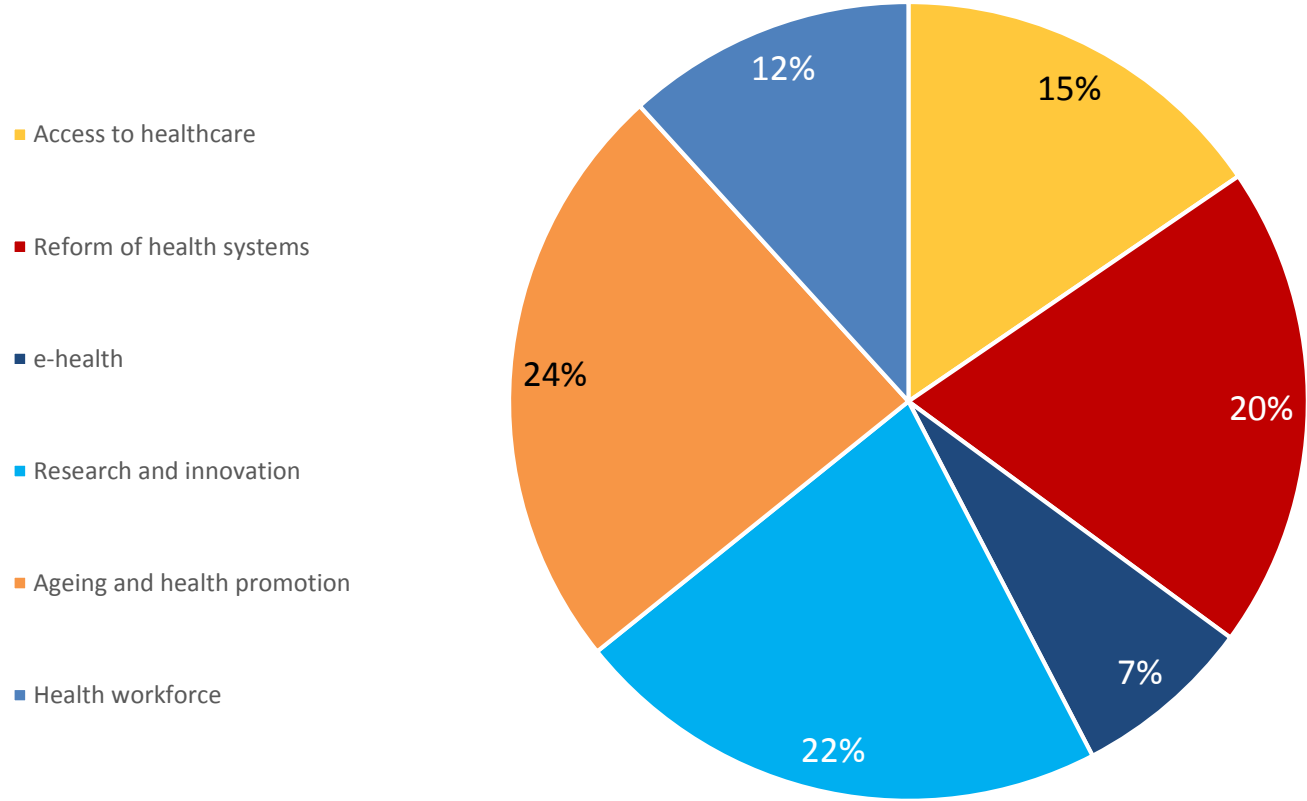
... or 1738 individual projects.



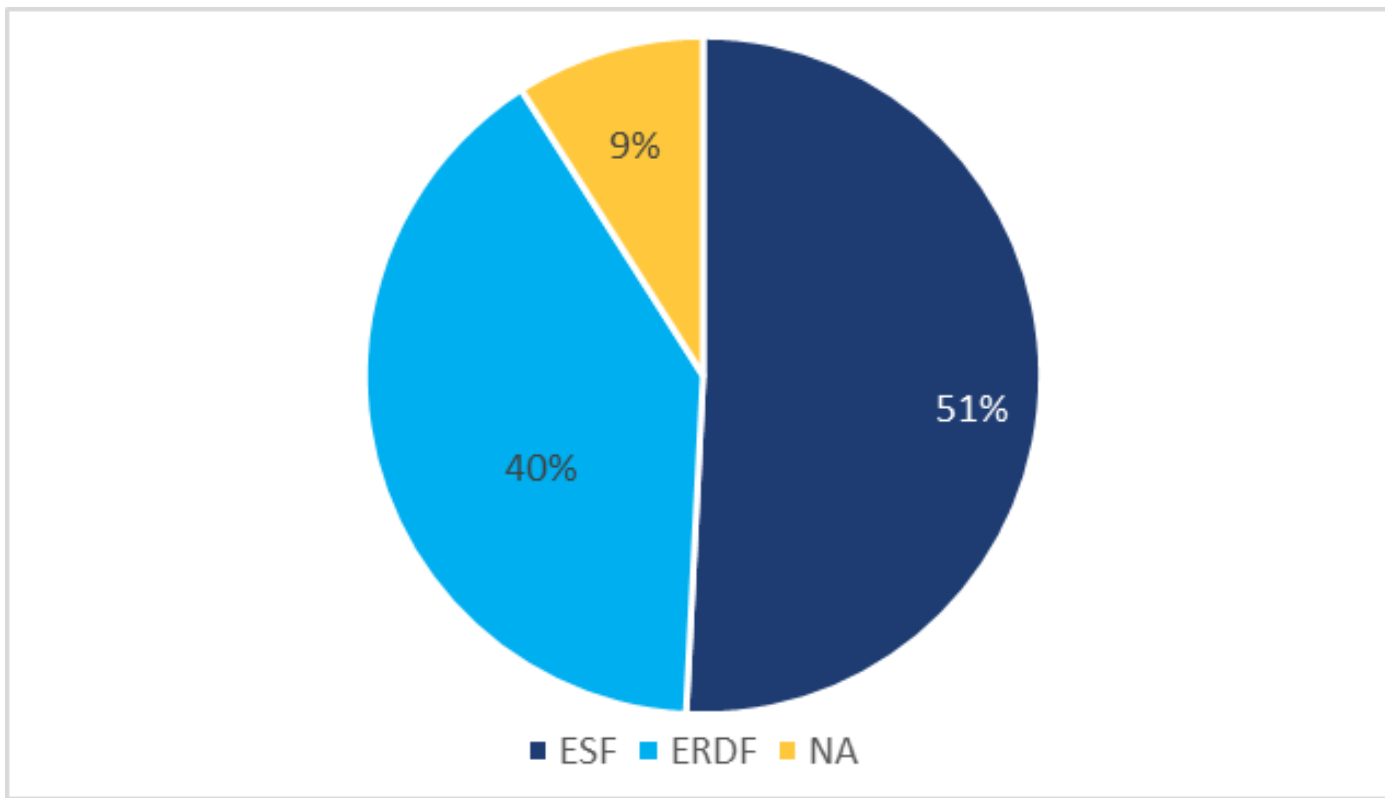
Health system reform projects were identified in 16 Member States



Around EUR 1.6 billion is invested in health system reform under ESI funds



Most funding for health system reform projects comes from the ESF



ESI Funds are supporting complex reforms in the Member States

Czech Republic

- Mental Health Centres project establishing seven centres that will provide integrated, community-based care to people who might otherwise be institutionalised

Latvia

- Development of a social services support system, as part of a broader reform programme

Finland

- PoPSTer project supporting nationwide reform to health and social services within one region, Northern Ostrobothnia

Interreg (Slovenia and Croatia)

- STAR project aims to coordinate care services for elderly people in border area

Using ESI Funds to future-proof health systems

Main lessons

Projects that align with national and EU policy priorities are more likely to secure political and financial support

- Linking health policy goals to broader policy priorities at the national level – such as population ageing – can help build support for proposed reform investments.
- The availability of ESI Funds for reforms can also be useful in overcoming resistance to reform at the national level. Linking investments to EU policy goals and the European Semester process can be useful here.

A strategic approach is important to ensuring the long-term impact of investments

- Strategic investments can involve linking with other investments or using pilots or studies to test approaches that can later be rolled out on a larger scale.
- Effective monitoring can also help to progressively improve interventions and build the case for broader reforms.
- Infrastructure (or 'hard') investments need to be balanced with 'soft' investments to secure reforms.

ESI Funds for Health outputs and website

www.esifundsforhealth.eu



The European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF) support local and regional projects that contribute to job creation and a sustainable European economy.

This website shows examples of ESIF-funded health projects and provides information on the implementation of projects that contribute to wider health policy goals.

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Panel discussion

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