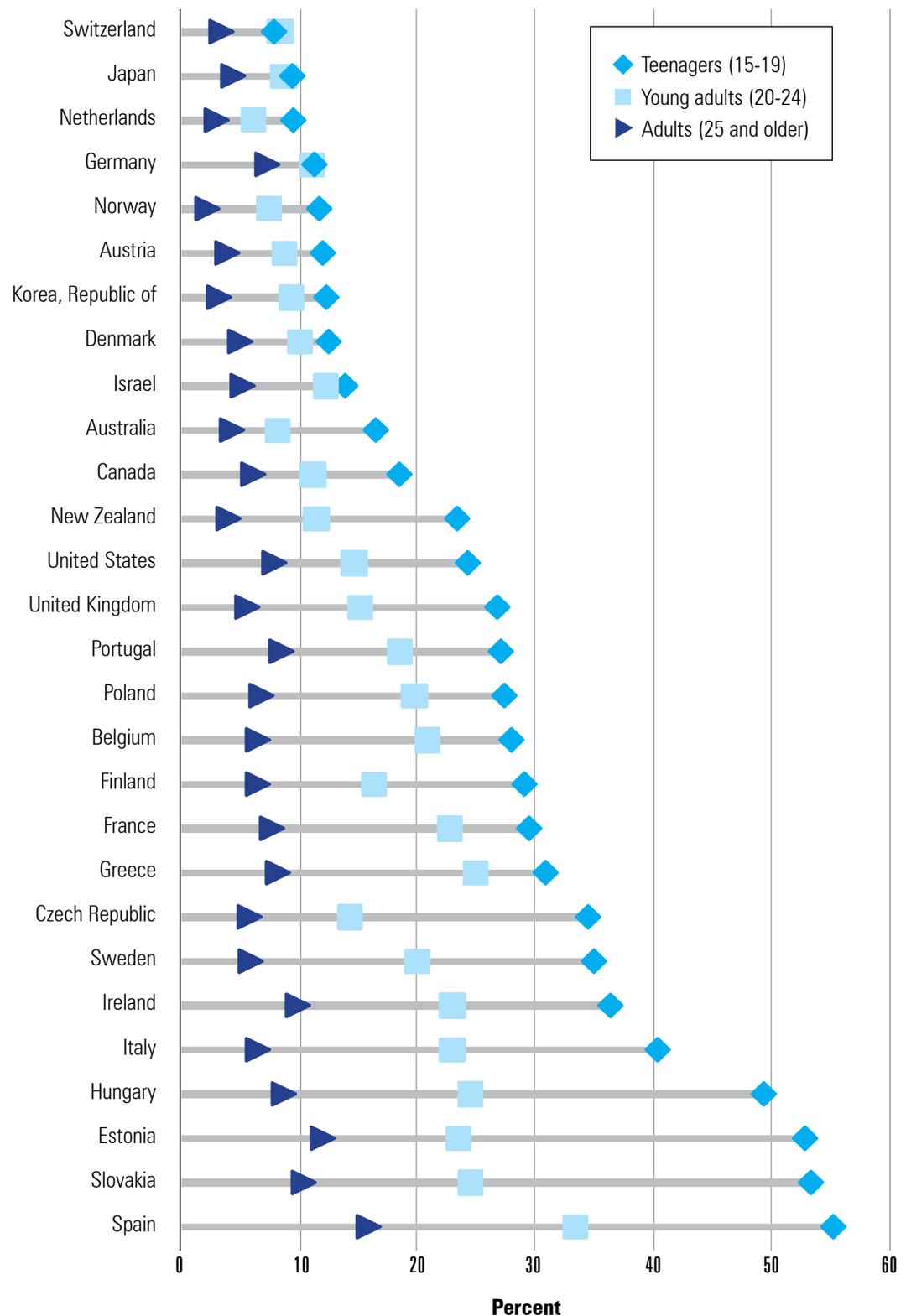


CHART 2.10

Unemployment rates by age, selected countries, 2009

Unemployment rates for teenagers and young adults are generally higher than those for adults, partly due to young people's greater vulnerability to economic downturns and lack of experience.

- Slovakia had the largest difference between rates for teenagers and adults, and Germany had the smallest.
- Only Switzerland had a higher unemployment rate for young adults than for teenagers.



NOTE: 2008 for Israel. Ages 16 to 19 instead of 15 to 19 for Canada, France, Norway, Spain, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

SOURCES: Bureau of Labor Statistics and Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development