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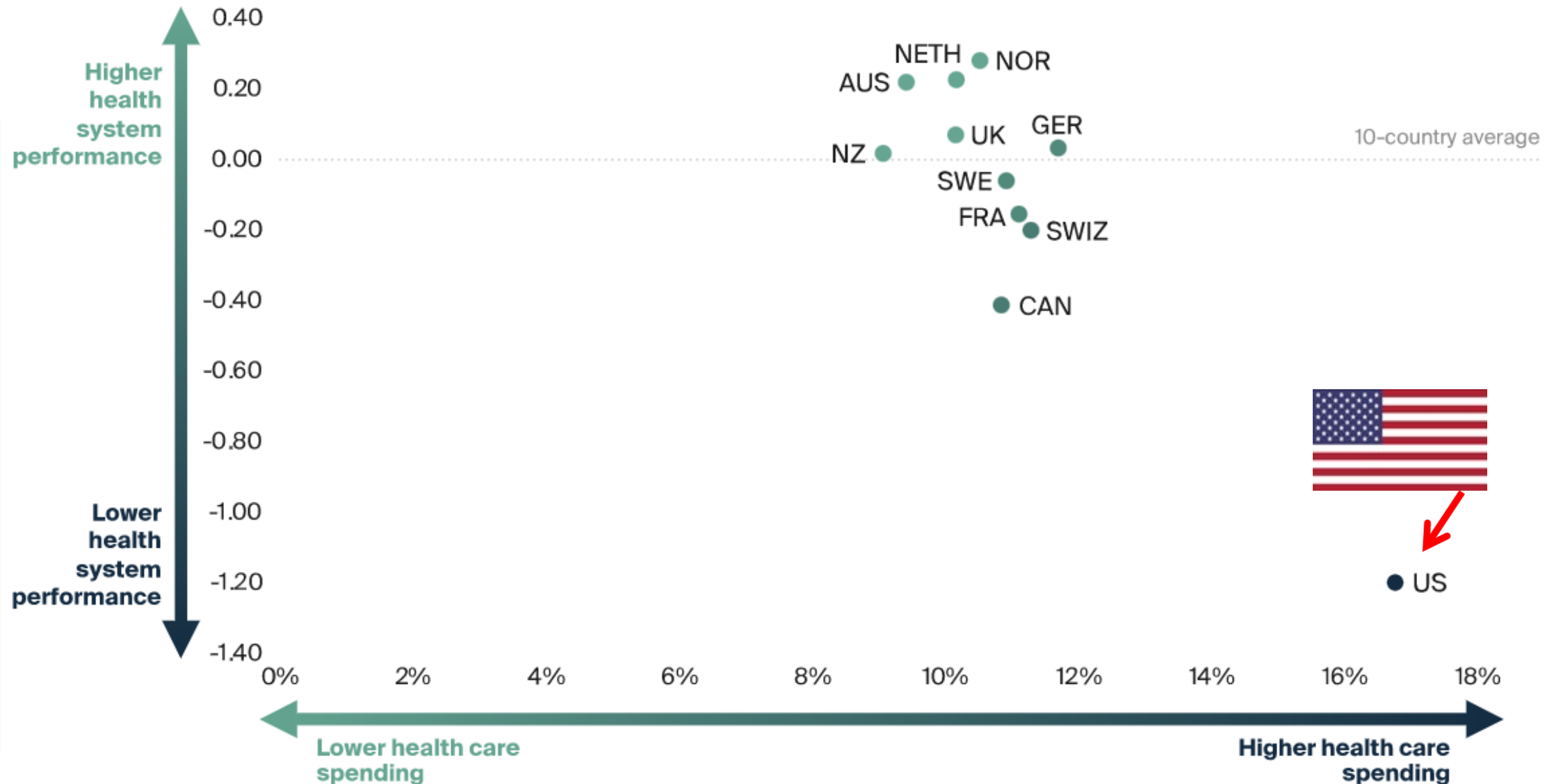
**The U.S. spends more
than other high-quality
healthcare nations.**

**U.S. overall healthcare
quality is not superior
to other OECD nations.**

Wealthy Nations – Health System Performance vs. Healthcare Spending

Source:
Schneider, et al,
Mirror, Mirror
2021: Reflecting
Poorly,
Commonwealth
Fund, Aug. 2021
<https://doi.org/10.26099/01DV-H208>

Note:
Healthcare
spend as a
percent of GDP.
OECD data for
2019.
Performance
scores based on
standard
deviation from
10-country
average.

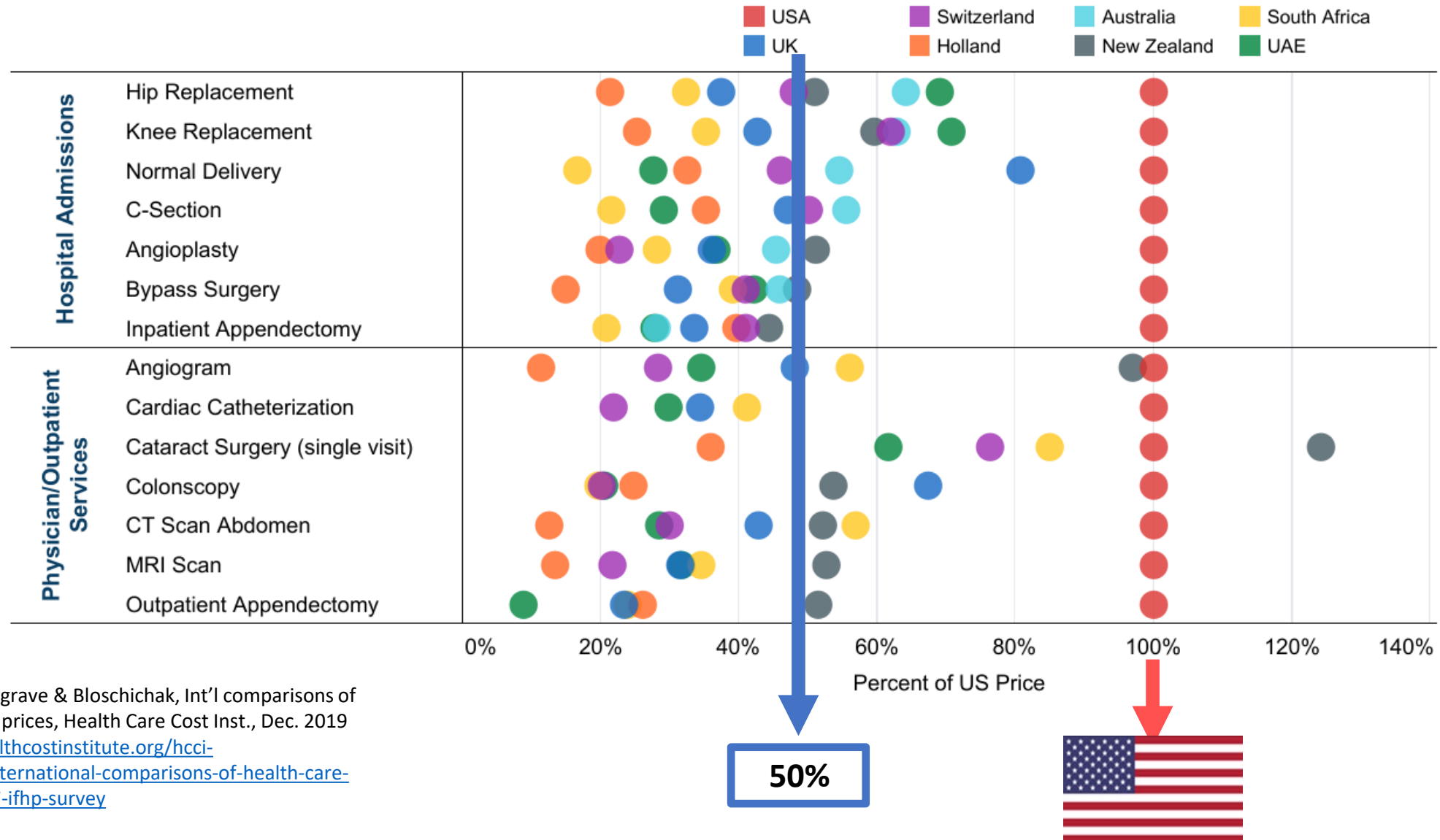


**The U.S. does not use more
healthcare services than
other wealthy nations.**

U.S. healthcare is more expensive because the underlying prices are higher.

Private Health Insurance Prices in 8 Countries

Figure 1: Medical Prices in 2017 as a Percent of US Prices



Source: Hargrave & Bloesch, Int'l comparisons of health care prices, Health Care Cost Inst., Dec. 2019
<https://healthcostinstitute.org/hcci-research/international-comparisons-of-health-care-prices-2017-ifhp-survey>