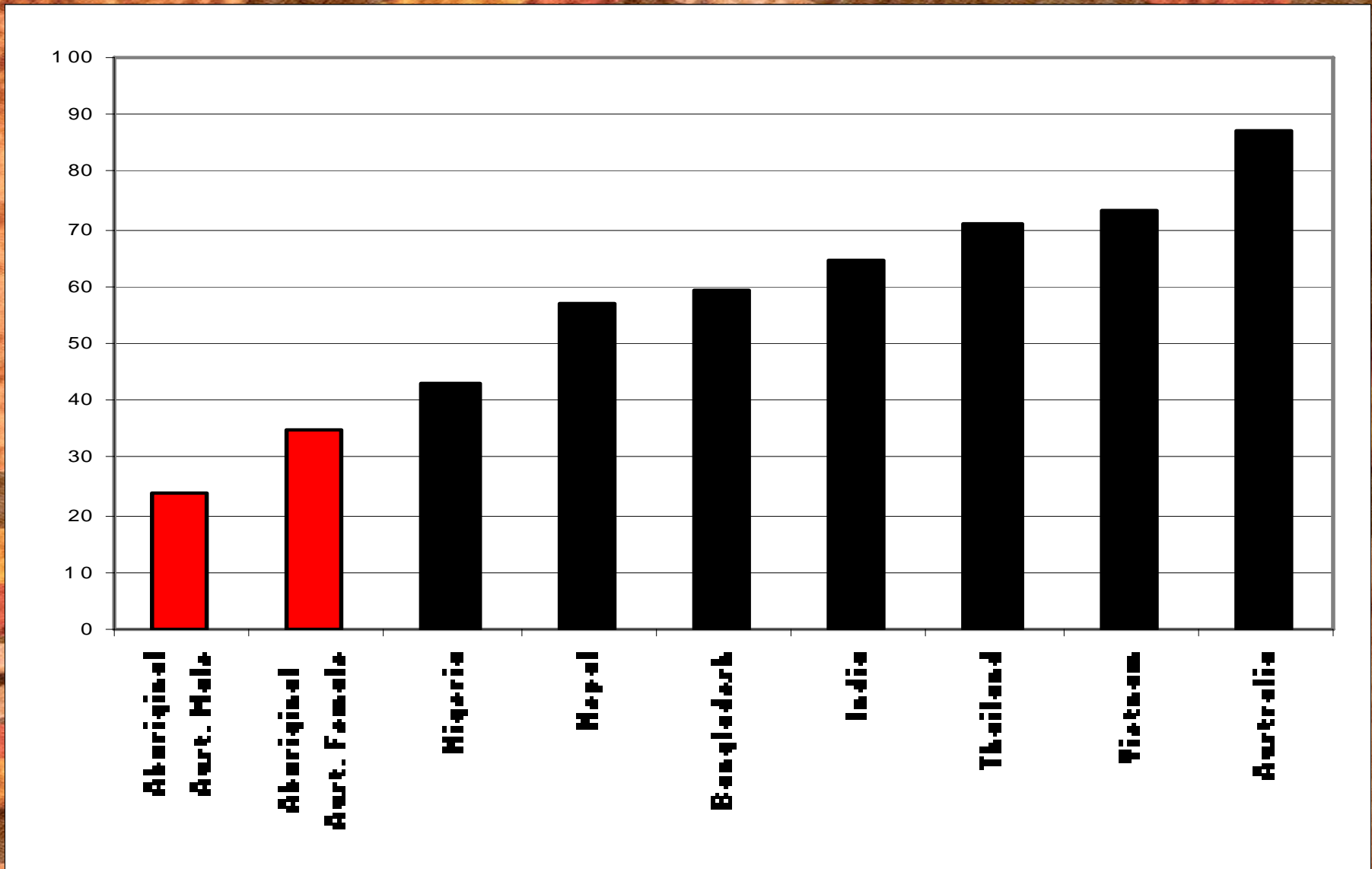


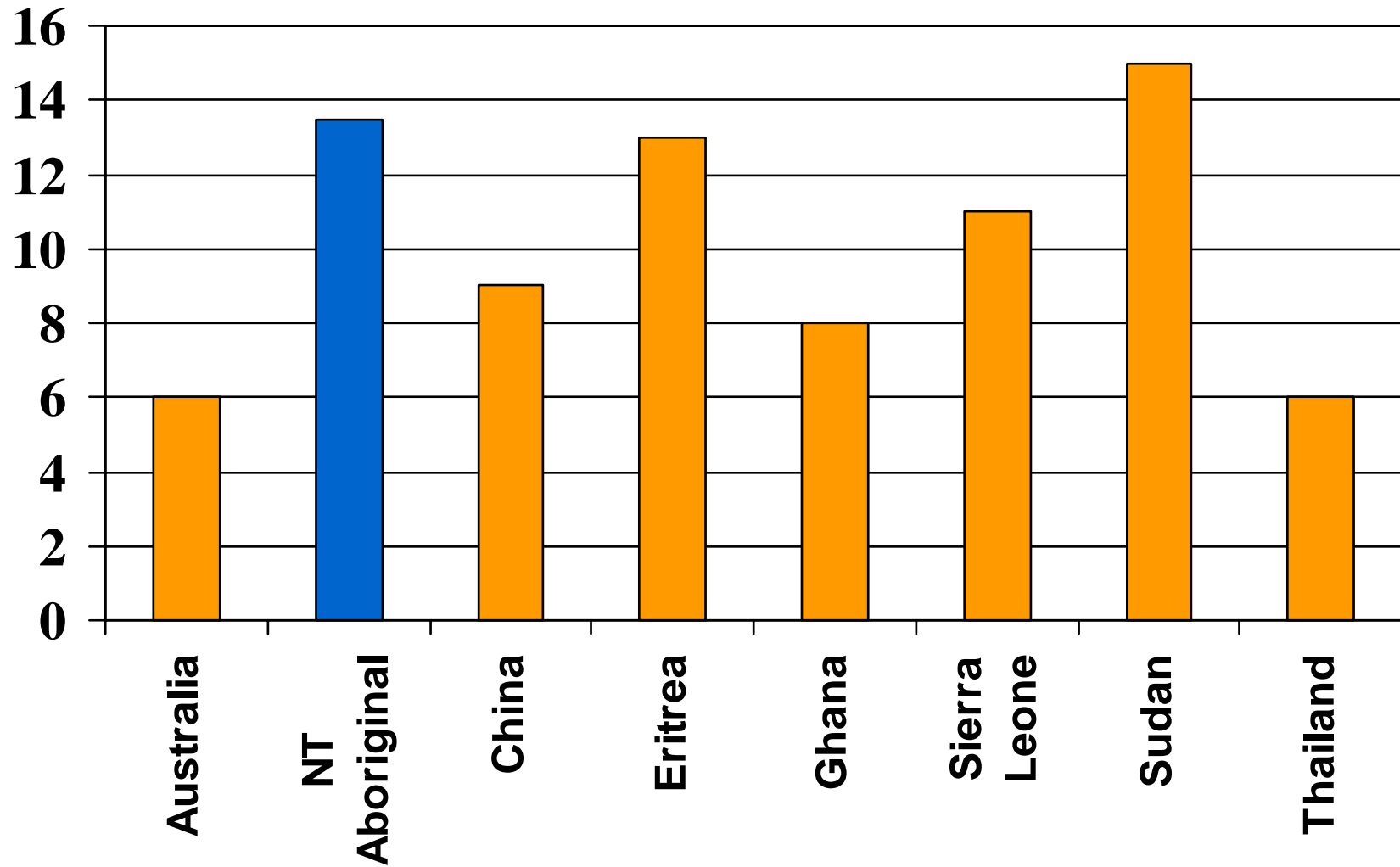
% of Population Expected to Live to Age 65



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

- **The “social gradient”**
- **Stress**
- **The effects of early life**
- **Social exclusion**
- **Unemployment and job insecurity**
- **Social support**
- **Addiction**
- **Food**
- **Transport**

% of Infants with Low Birthweights 1990 ~ 1997



HUMAN RIGHTS

- **Are guaranteed by international standards**
- **Are legally protected**
- **Focus on the dignity of the human being**
- **Protect individuals and groups**
- **Oblige states parties (governments)**
- **Cannot be waived or taken away**
- **Are interdependent and interrelated**
- **Are universal**

TREATIES RATIFIED BY AUSTRALIA

- **International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights**
- **International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights**
- **Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination**
- **Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women**
- **Convention on the Rights of the Child**

RIGHT TO HEALTH

- **Standard of living:** Everyone has the right to an adequate standard of living, including adequate food, clothing, housing, and medical care and necessary social services

Article 25 UDHR and Article 11 ICESCR

- **Food and nutrition:** "The right of everyone to adequate food and the fundamental right of everyone to be free from hunger..."

Article 11, ICESCR

Article 12, CEDAW

Article 27 of the CRC

RIGHT TO EDUCATION

- **Education:** The right to education, including access to education in support of basic knowledge of child health and nutrition, child care and safety

**Article 13, ICESCR
5 of CERD and
Articles 10 & 15 of CEDAW,
Articles 19, 24, 28 and 33 of the CRC**

RIGHT TO PARTICIPATION

- **Participation:** The right to... active, free and meaningful participation

ICCPR, ICESCR, CRD, CEDAW AND CRC

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC & SOCIAL RIGHTS

General Comments

Availability - Functioning public health and health-care facilities, services and programs have to be available in sufficient quantity

Accessibility to health care has four overlapping dimensions:

- **Non-discrimination**
- **Physical accessibility**
- **Economic accessibility/affordability**
- **Information accessibility**

GENERAL COMMENTS

Acceptability - must be respectful of medical ethics and culturally appropriate

Quality - health services and care must be medically appropriate and of good quality.