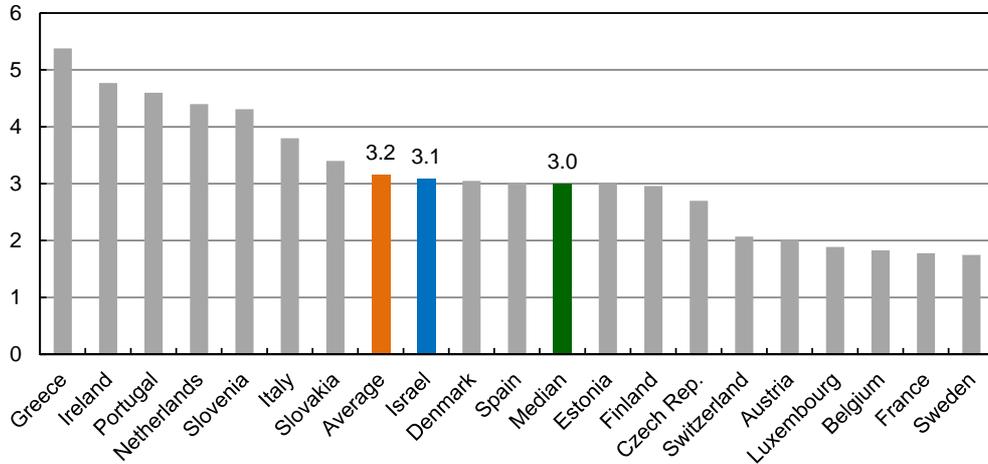


The interest rate on credit to small and medium businesses in Israel is similar to the average rate in the advanced economies.

Figure 5
Interest Rate on Credit to Small and Medium Businesses (SMEs), Israel and Countries with a Similar Interest Rate Environment^a, December 2015^b (percent)



^a Countries where the central bank interest rate is similar to the rate in Israel (equal to or lower than 0.1 percent).

^b Due to lack of data for 2015, the data for Israel are from 2016.

SOURCE:OECD and based on reports to the Banking Supervision Department.