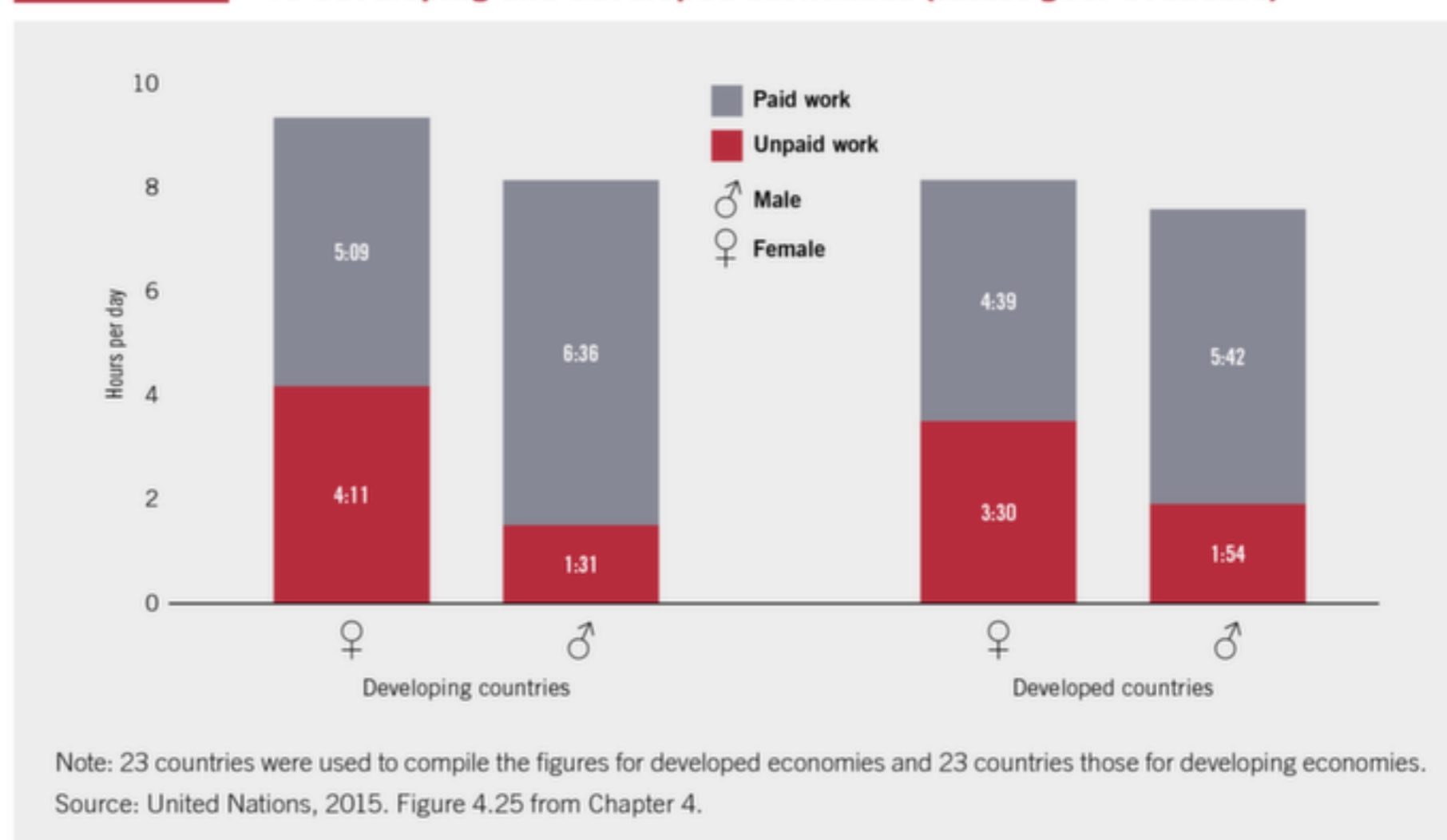


Figure 11

Time spent on paid and unpaid work for employed persons by sex, 46 developing and developed economies (latest year available)

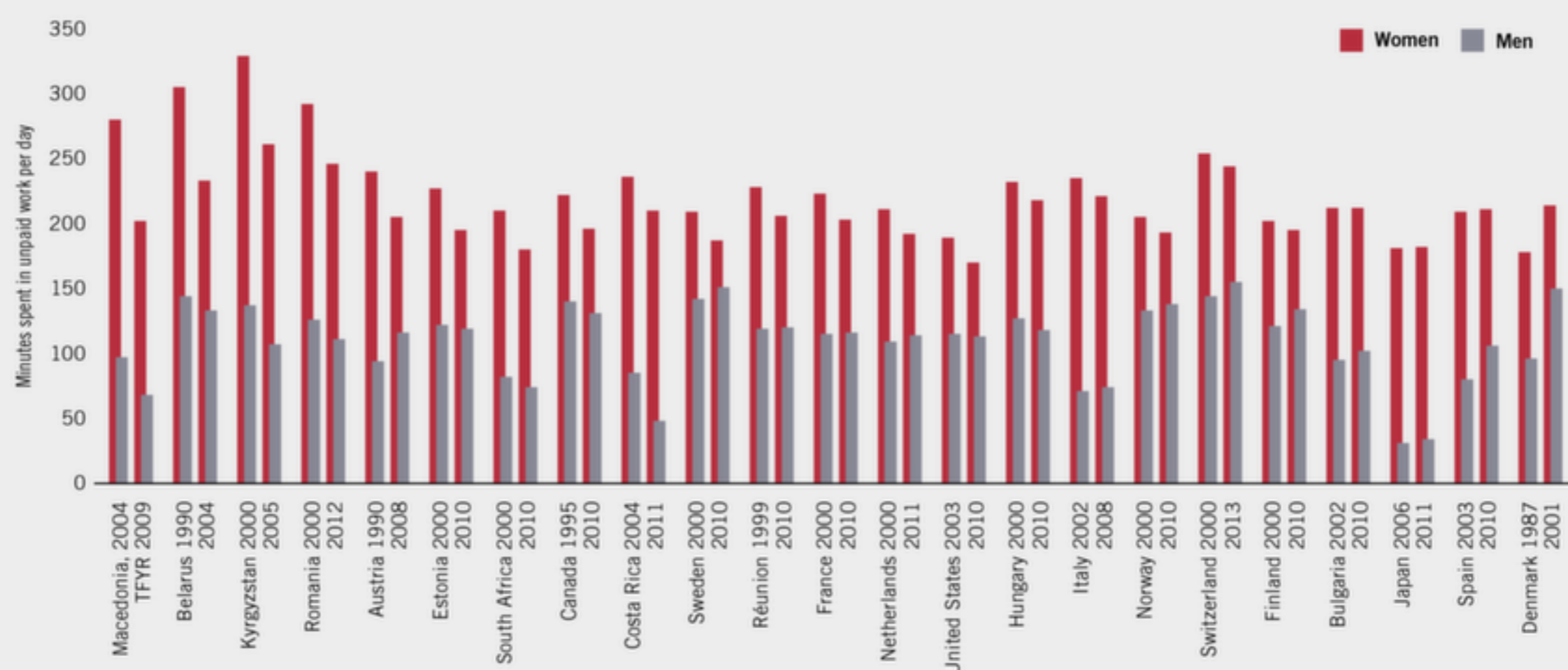


More specifically, in 19 countries, women are spending less time on unpaid work. For instance, in Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Romania and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, women have reduced their unpaid work time by over 40 minutes per day. In 12 countries, measured over periods of between 5 and 12 years, women have increased their time spent on paid work. Thus, in South Africa, women have increased the average time spent on paid work by just under two hours (110 minutes per day).

The gender difference in the hours per day spent in total work has narrowed. In the majority of countries, this is due to the larger decrease in time spent on unpaid work, which more than compensates for the increased time spent on paid work. For instance, in the United States, women spend 19 minutes less per day on unpaid work, while they have increased their paid working time by 9 minutes. By contrast, in 13 countries, men have increased their share of unpaid work. Meanwhile, in six countries, men are spending more time in paid work. This means that, in some countries, men's working day has gradually become longer.

Figure 12

Daily time spent on unpaid work for employed persons by sex, 23 countries and territories (earliest and latest years available)



Source: ILO calculations based on United Nations, 2015.