

## Employment growth, 1979-2006

Country	Annual growth rate (%)		
	1979-89	1989-2000	2000-06
<i>United States</i>	1.7%	1.4%	0.9%
<i>Japan</i>	1.1	0.5	-0.2
<i>Germany</i>	0.5	2.6	0.3
<i>United Kingdom</i>	0.6	0.2	0.7
<i>France</i>	0.2	0.8	0.7
<i>Italy</i>	0.4	0.0	1.4
<i>Canada</i>	2.0	1.2	1.9
<i>Australia</i>	2.4%	1.4%	2.1%
<i>Austria</i>	0.9	1.0	0.8
<i>Belgium</i>	0.0	1.1	0.6
<i>Denmark</i>	0.7	0.3	0.4
<i>Finland</i>	1.1	-0.6	0.8
<i>Greece</i>	1.0	1.0	1.4
<i>Ireland</i>	-0.5	3.8	3.2
<i>Netherlands</i>	2.3	2.4	0.7
<i>New Zealand</i>	2.0	1.5	2.7
<i>Norway</i>	0.8	1.0	0.7
<i>Spain</i>	0.4	1.9	4.1
<i>Sweden</i>	0.6	-0.6	0.7
<i>Switzerland</i>	1.8	0.9	0.8
<i>Average excluding U.S.</i>	1.0%	1.1%	1.3%

Source: Authors' analysis of OECD statistics.

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