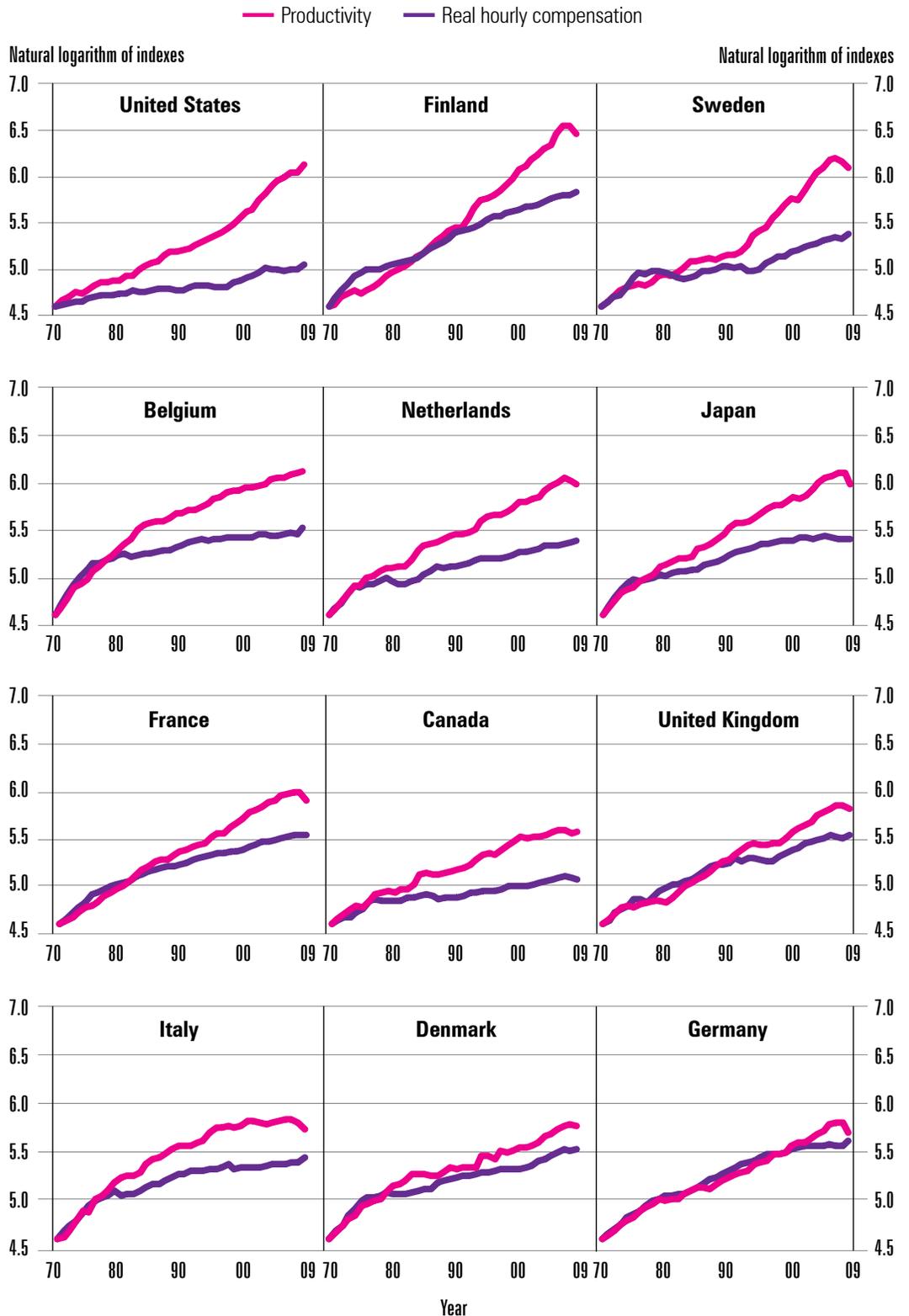


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Gap between productivity and real hourly compensation in manufacturing, selected countries, 1970–2009

In most countries, the growth of productivity outpaced the growth of real hourly compensation in manufacturing throughout much of the period from 1970 to 2009, creating a compensation-productivity gap.

- By 2009, the gap was largest in the United States, Finland, and Sweden. The gap was smallest in Germany, Denmark, and Italy.



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics