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Actual and perceived effects of offshoring on economic insecurity: The role of labour market regimes

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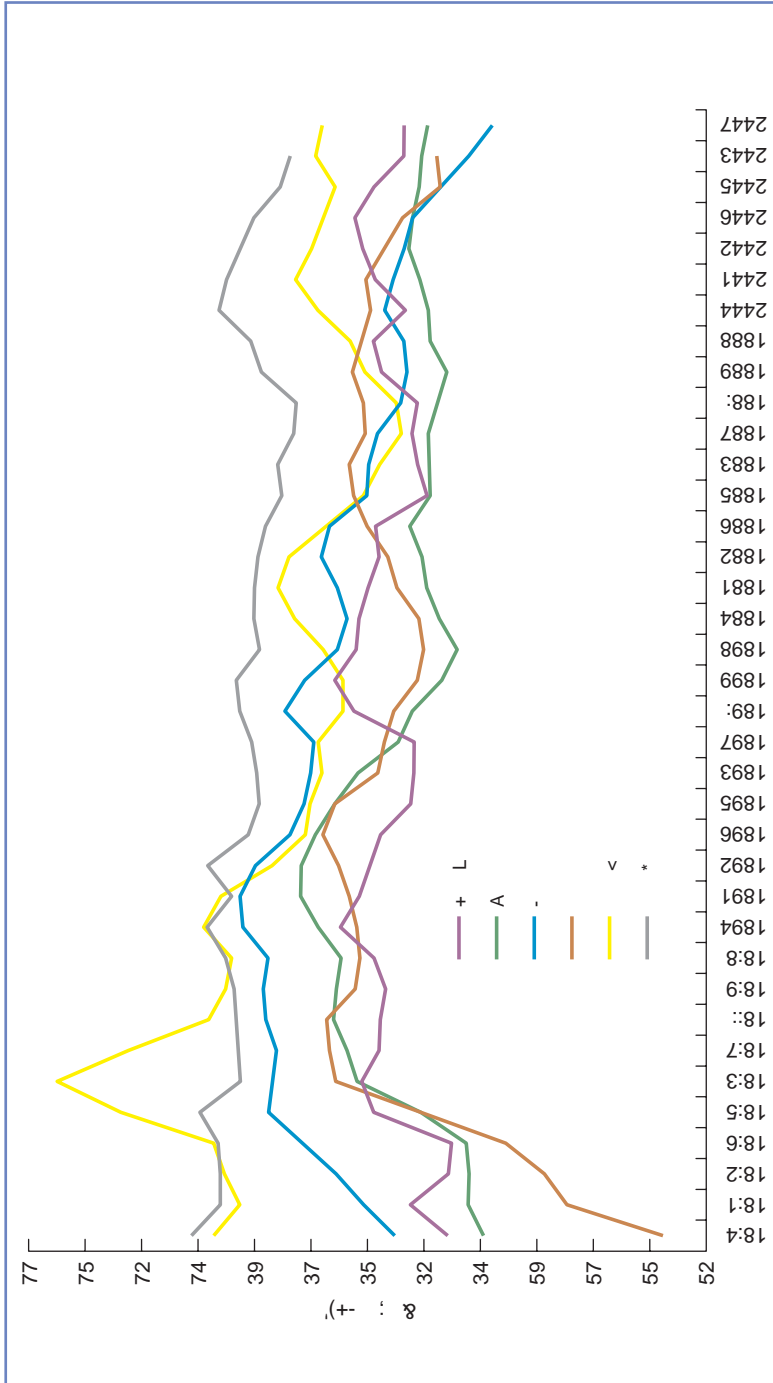
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Figure 5.2 Labour compensation (as per cent of GDP), 1970 –2005/06, selected countries



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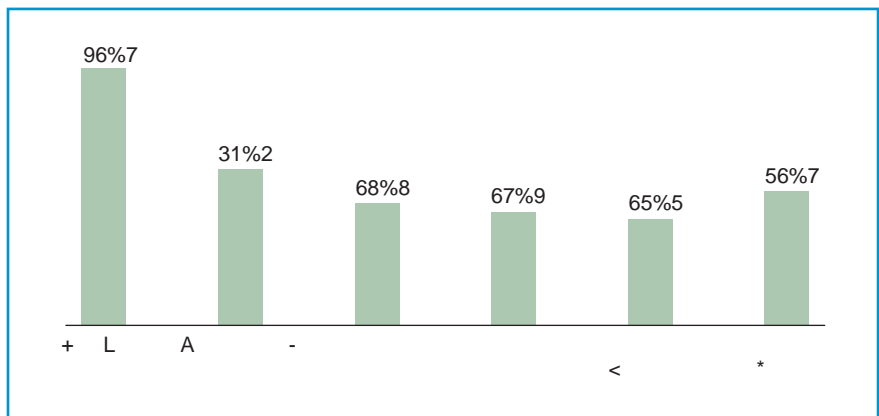
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Figure 5.3 Gross pension replacement rates by earnings based on 2004 rules (per cent of median earnings)



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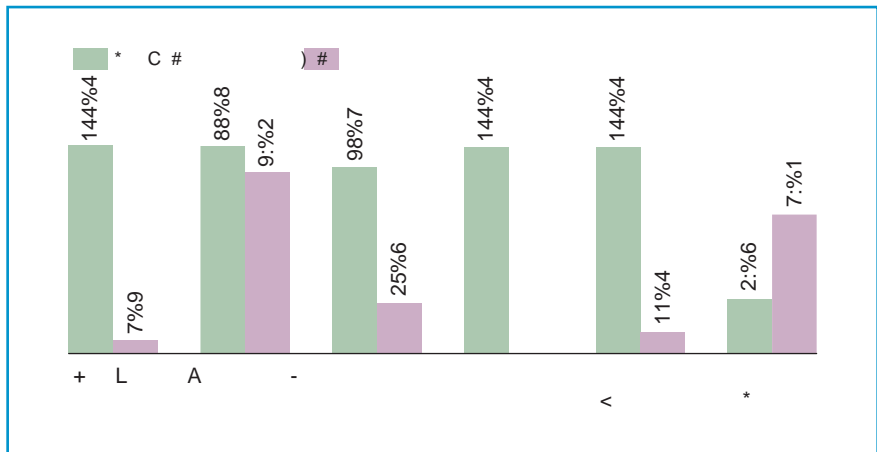
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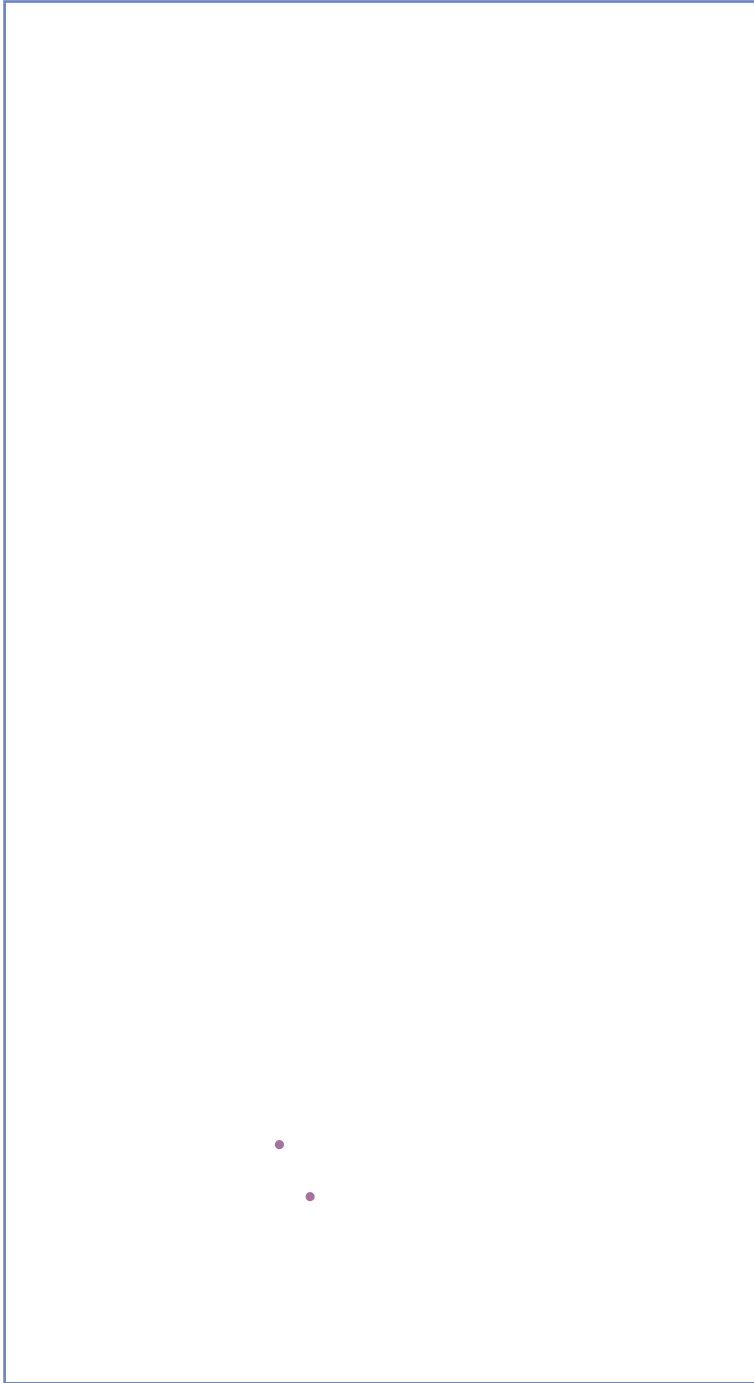
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Offshoring and the labour share: Combining employment and earnings effects

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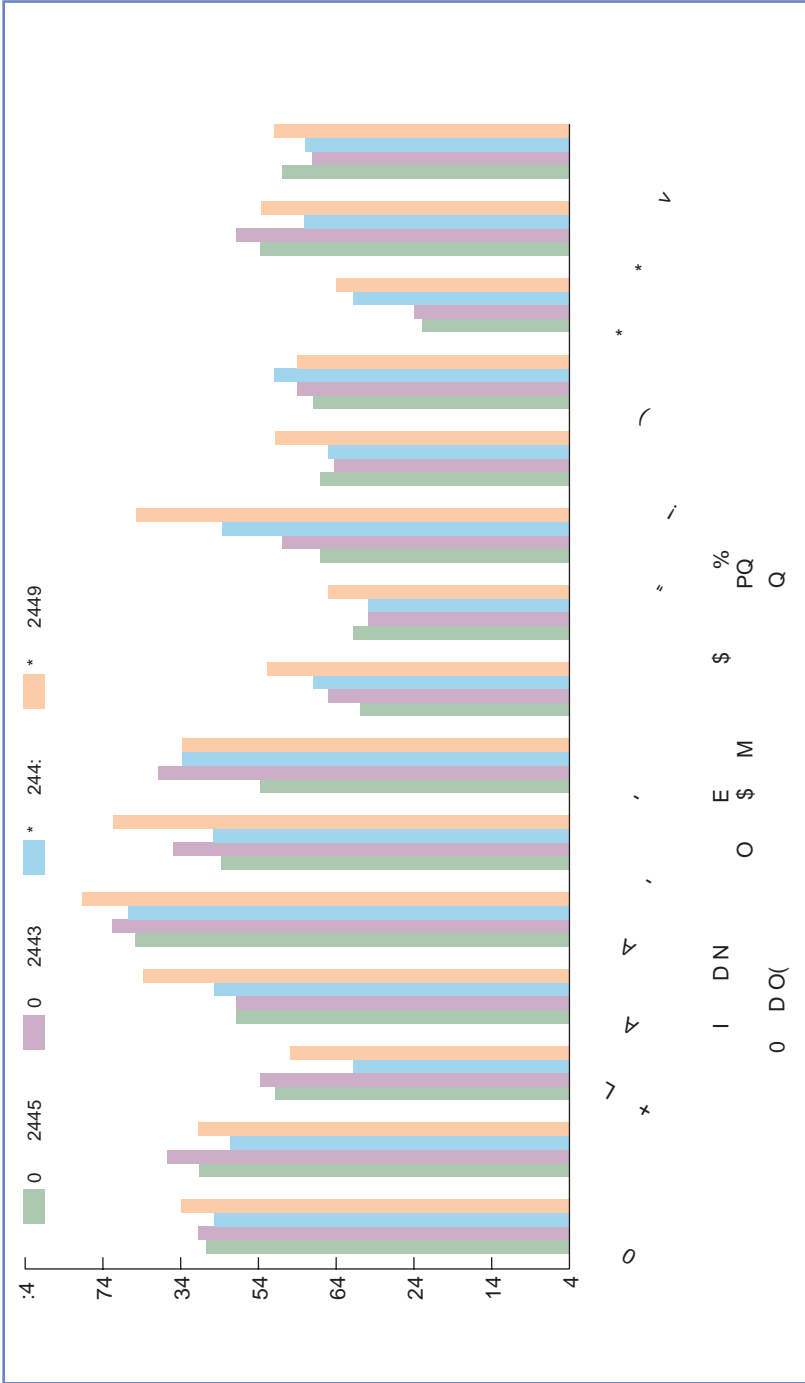
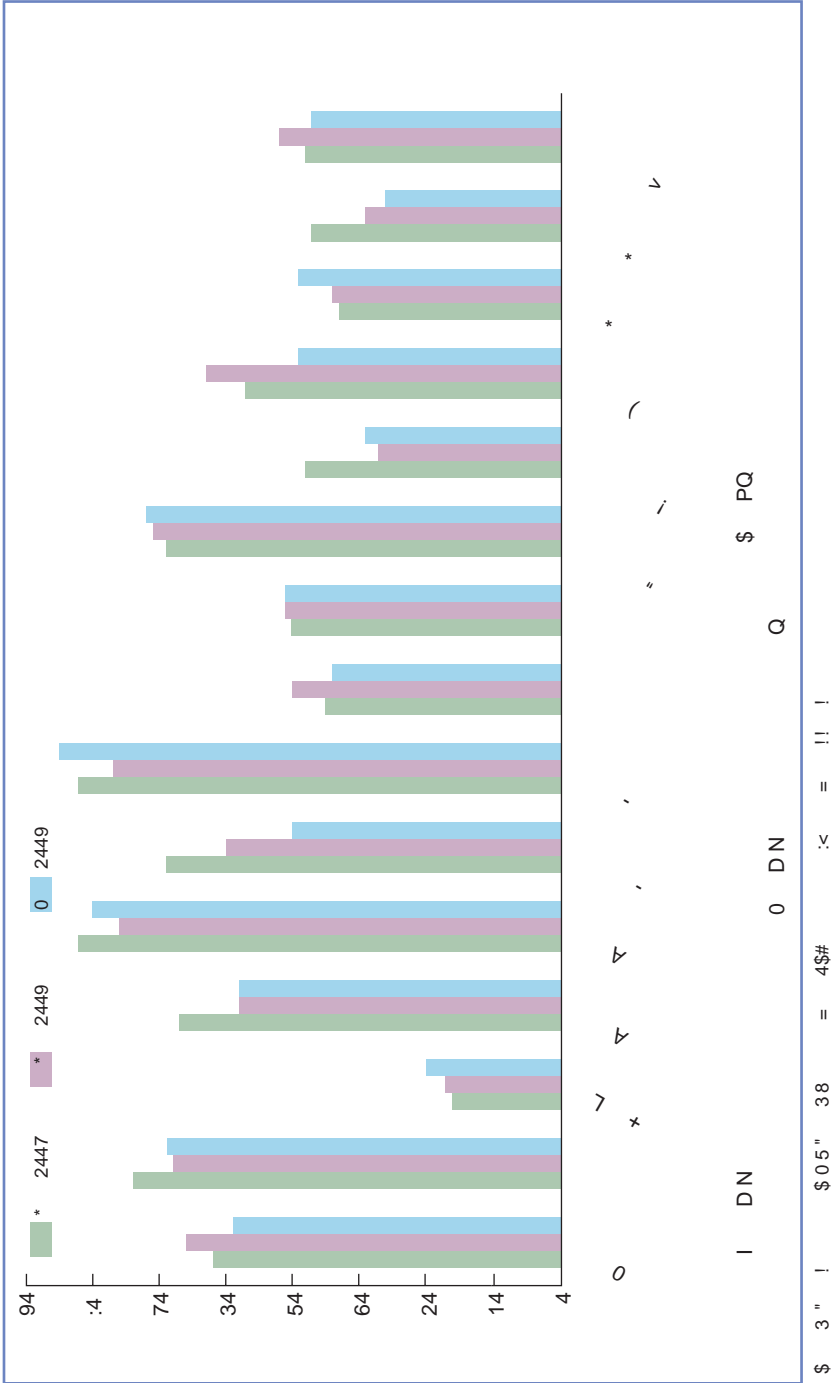


Figure 5.9 Perceptions of globalization (per cent of respondents)



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