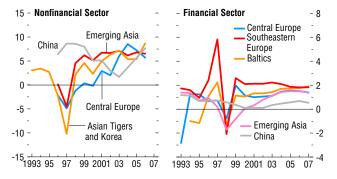
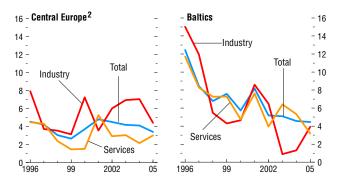
Figure 6.17. Corporate Profitability and Productivity Growth

Corporate profitability is robust in emerging Asia and emerging Europe. However, productivity growth shows signs of slowing in the Baltics.

Profitability¹ (return on assets)



Per-Hour Labor Productivity Growth



Sources: Brooks and Ueda (2005, updated July 2008); and Groningen Growth and Development Centre, 60-industry database, September 2006.

1 Central Europe includes Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, and Slovak Republic. Southeastern Europe includes Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, Macedonia, FYR, and Romania. Baltics are Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania. Emerging Asia includes China, India, Indonesia, Korea Malaysia, Palisiang, and Thailand, Asia, Tigger and and Thailand, Asia, Tig Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, and Thailand. Asian Tigers are Malaysia,

Indonesia, Philippines, and Thailand.

²Central Europe includes Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovak Republic, and Slovenia.