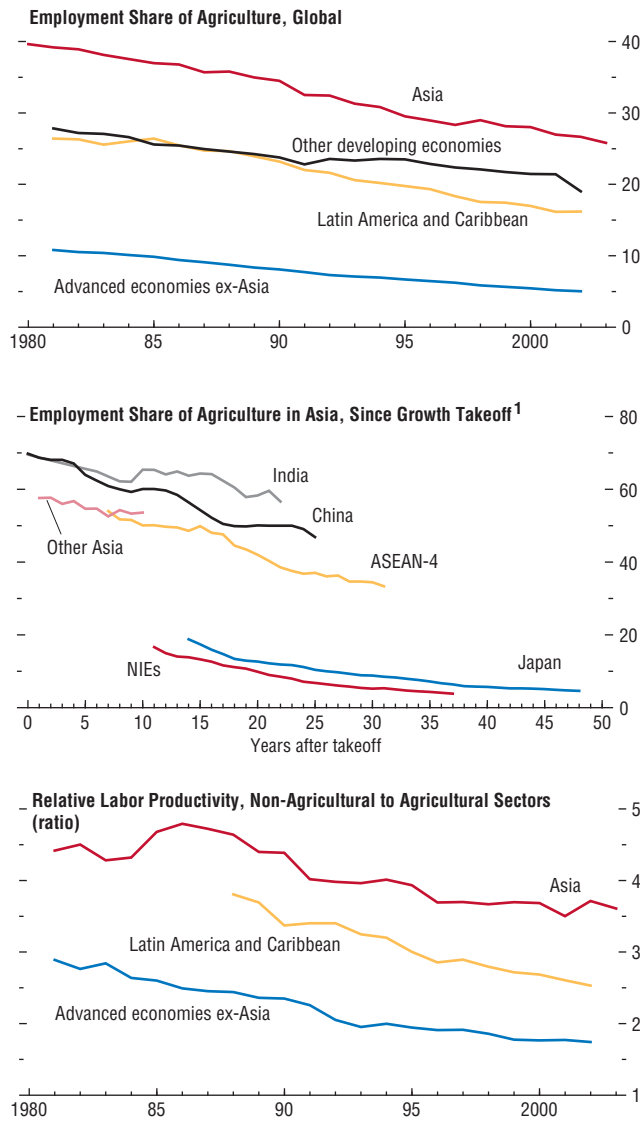


### Figure 3.6. Employment and Labor Productivity in the Agricultural Sector Over Time

(Percent of total employment unless otherwise noted)

The agricultural sector's share of total employment has generally decreased over time in all regions, but the decline has been faster in Asia, which started from a higher level. Despite some convergence, productivity in non-agricultural sectors remains well above that of agriculture, particularly in Asia.



Sources: World Bank, *World Development Indicators* (2006); and IMF staff calculations.

<sup>1</sup>The growth takeoff is defined as occurring in 1955 for Japan, 1967 for the newly industrialized economies (NIEs), 1973 for the ASEAN-4 (Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Thailand), 1979 for China, 1982 for India, and 1990 for other Asian economies.