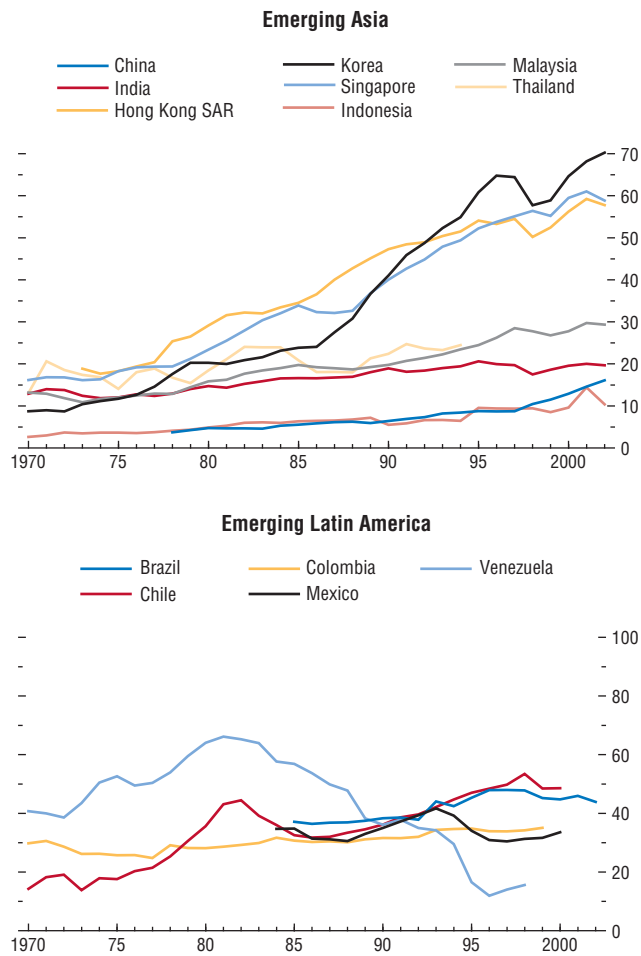


Figure 5.10. Catch-Up by Emerging Markets' Manufacturing Wages

(Percent of U.S. manufacturing wages in constant PPP dollars)

While relative manufacturing wages in emerging Asia are generally increasing, catch-up has been most evident in the newly industrializing economies, such as Korea, Singapore, and Hong Kong SAR. In contrast, Latin American economies have not experienced much convergence.



Sources: UNIDO, Industrial Statistics Database (2006); CEIC Asia Database; Instituto Brasileiro de Geografia e Estatística, *Pesquisa Industrial Mensal*; and IMF staff calculations.