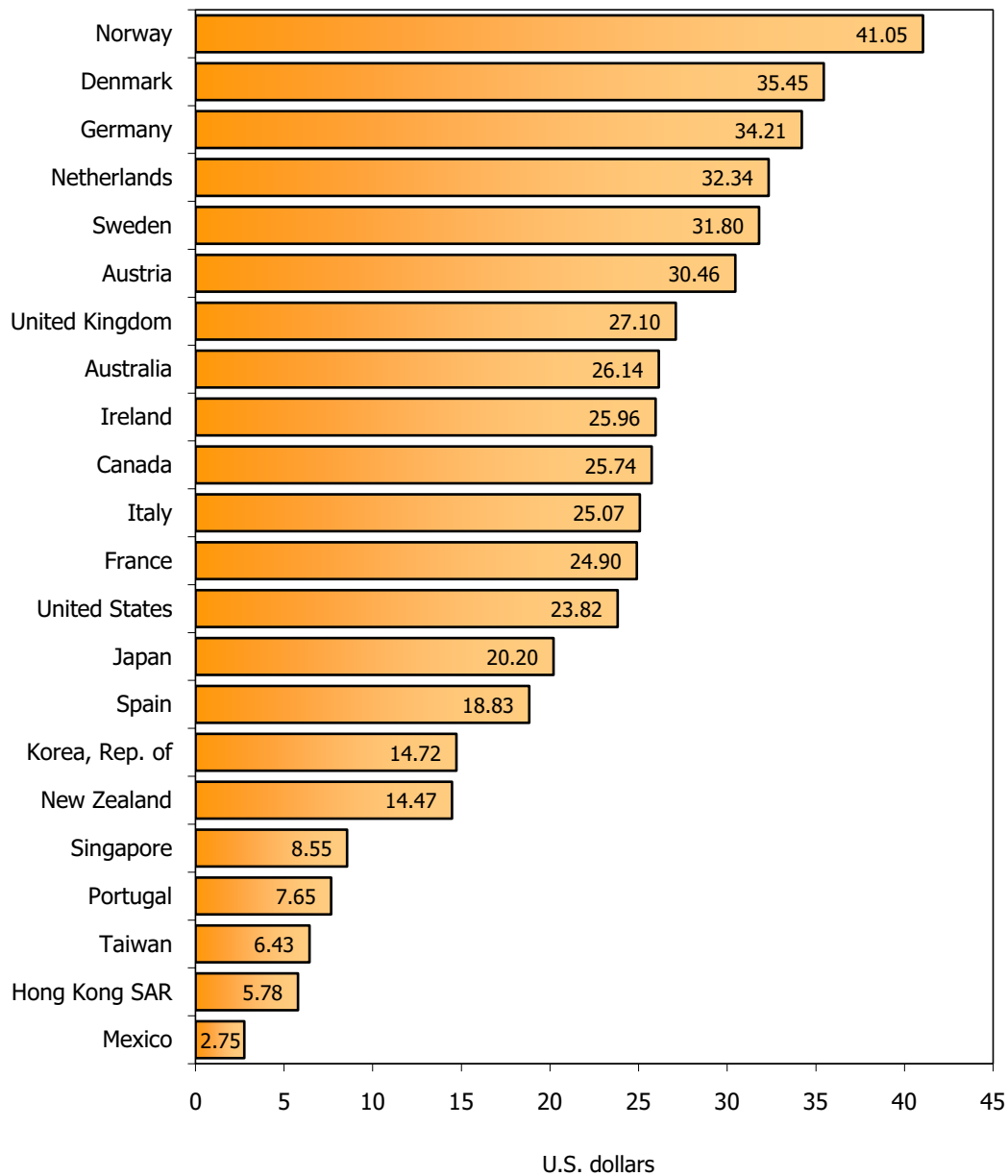


3.1 Hourly compensation costs, 2006 for production workers in manufacturing in U.S. dollars

- Ten of the 12 European countries, as well as Australia and Canada, had higher hourly compensation costs than the United States.
- Hourly compensation costs were under \$10 in Mexico, Hong Kong SAR, Taiwan, Portugal, and Singapore.



NOTE: Hong Kong SAR stands for Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of China.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics.