

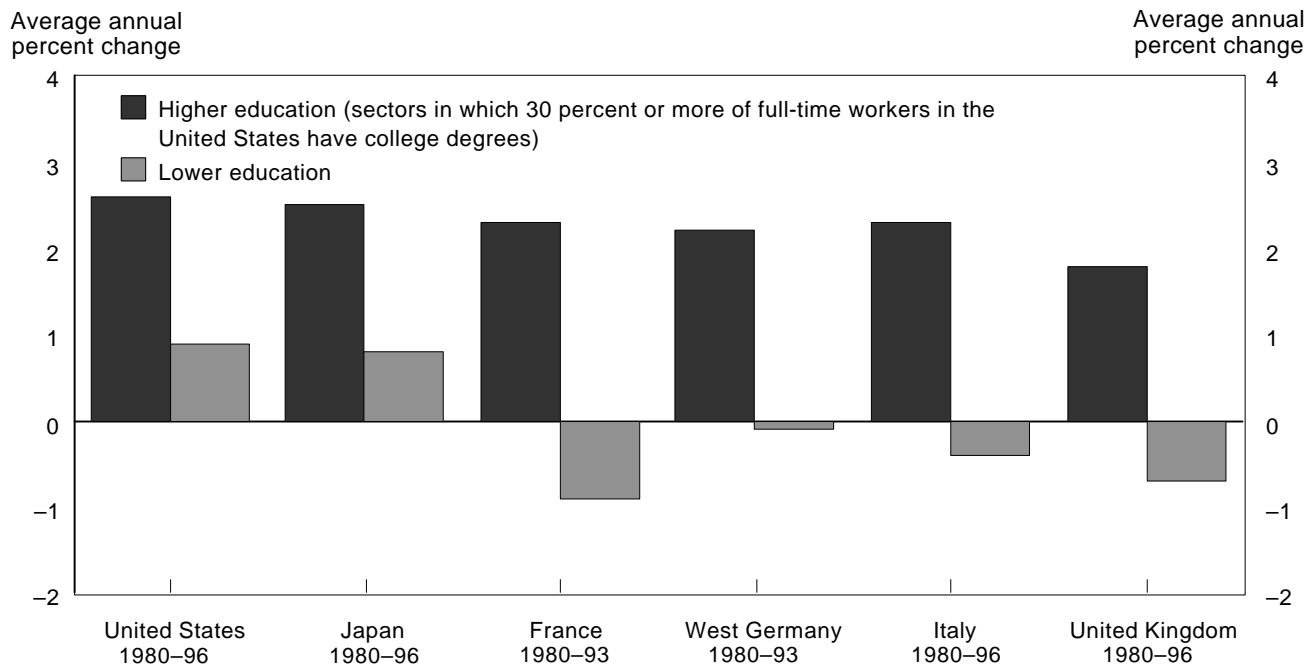
**Table 1. Employment in the United States, Japan, and Europe, 1980-96**

(In thousands)

Year	United States	Japan	Europe <sup>1</sup>
1980 .....	99,303	54,600	92,800
1981 .....	100,397	55,060	91,860
1982 .....	99,526	55,620	91,350
1983 .....	100,834	56,550	90,920
1984 .....	105,005	56,870	91,250
1985 .....	107,150	57,260	91,800
1986 .....	109,597	57,740	92,530
1987 .....	112,440	58,320	93,360
1988 .....	114,968	59,210	94,920
1989 .....	117,342	60,500	96,170
1990 .....	118,793	61,710	97,680
1991 .....	117,718	62,920	97,910
1992 .....	118,492	63,620	97,420
1993 .....	120,259	63,810	95,730
1994 .....	123,060	63,860	95,260
1995 .....	124,900	63,890	95,680
1996 .....	126,708	64,200	95,720

<sup>1</sup> France, West Germany, Italy, and the United Kingdom.

**Chart 1. Employment growth by higher and lower educational attainment sectors**



**Slower employment growth in Europe was accompanied by declining employment in lower educational attainment sectors.**