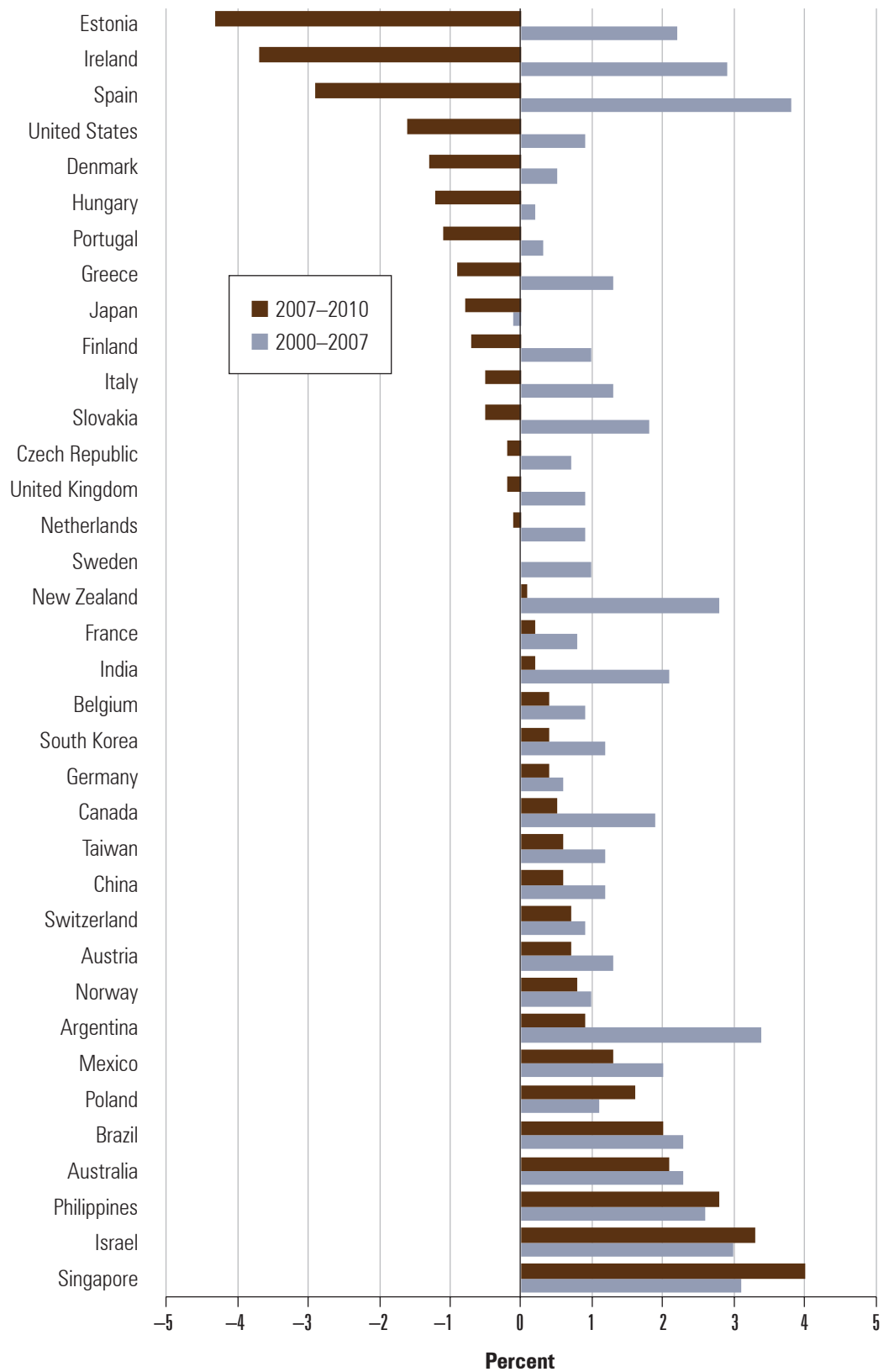


# CHART 2.6

**Between 2007 and 2010, the sharpest declines in employment were in Estonia and Ireland, followed by Spain and the United States.**

- Employment grew from 2000 to 2007 in all selected countries except Japan, but it decreased in almost half of the selected countries from 2007 to 2010, a period of global recession.
- The largest gains in employment between 2007 and 2010 were in Singapore, Israel, and the Philippines. These countries and Poland were the only countries that had more employment growth between 2007 and 2010 than between 2000 and 2007.

## Employment growth, selected countries, average annual rates, 2000–2007 and 2007–2010



**SOURCES:** U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and International Labour Office.