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Top 1% share: English Speaking countries (U-shaped), 1910-2010
Top 1% share: Continental Europe and Japan (L-shaped), 1900-2010

Top Percentile Share (in percent)

- France
- Germany
- Netherlands
- Switzerland
- Japan
- Sweden
Top 1% share: Continental Europe, North vs South (L-shaped), 1900-2010

Top Percentile Share (in percent)

- France
- Germany
- Spain
- Italy
- Sweden
Top 1% share: Developing and emerging countries, 1920-2010