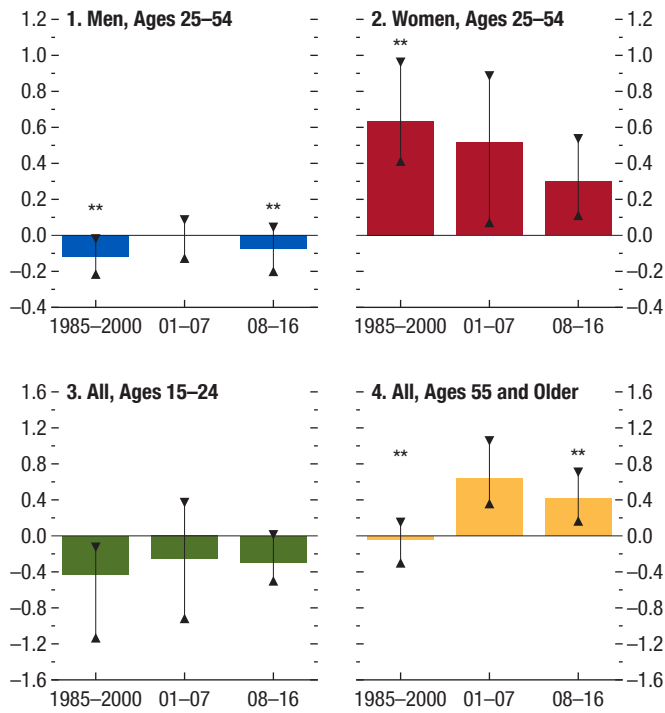


Figure 2.8. Average Annual Changes in Labor Force Participation Rates
(Percentage points)

The decline in prime-age men's participation in advanced economies became more pronounced after the global financial crisis, while gains in prime-age women's participation slowed.



Sources: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; and IMF staff calculations.

Note: Bars denote median; and vertical lines show interquartile range. Asterisks denote statistically significant difference from 2001-07 at the 10 percent level.