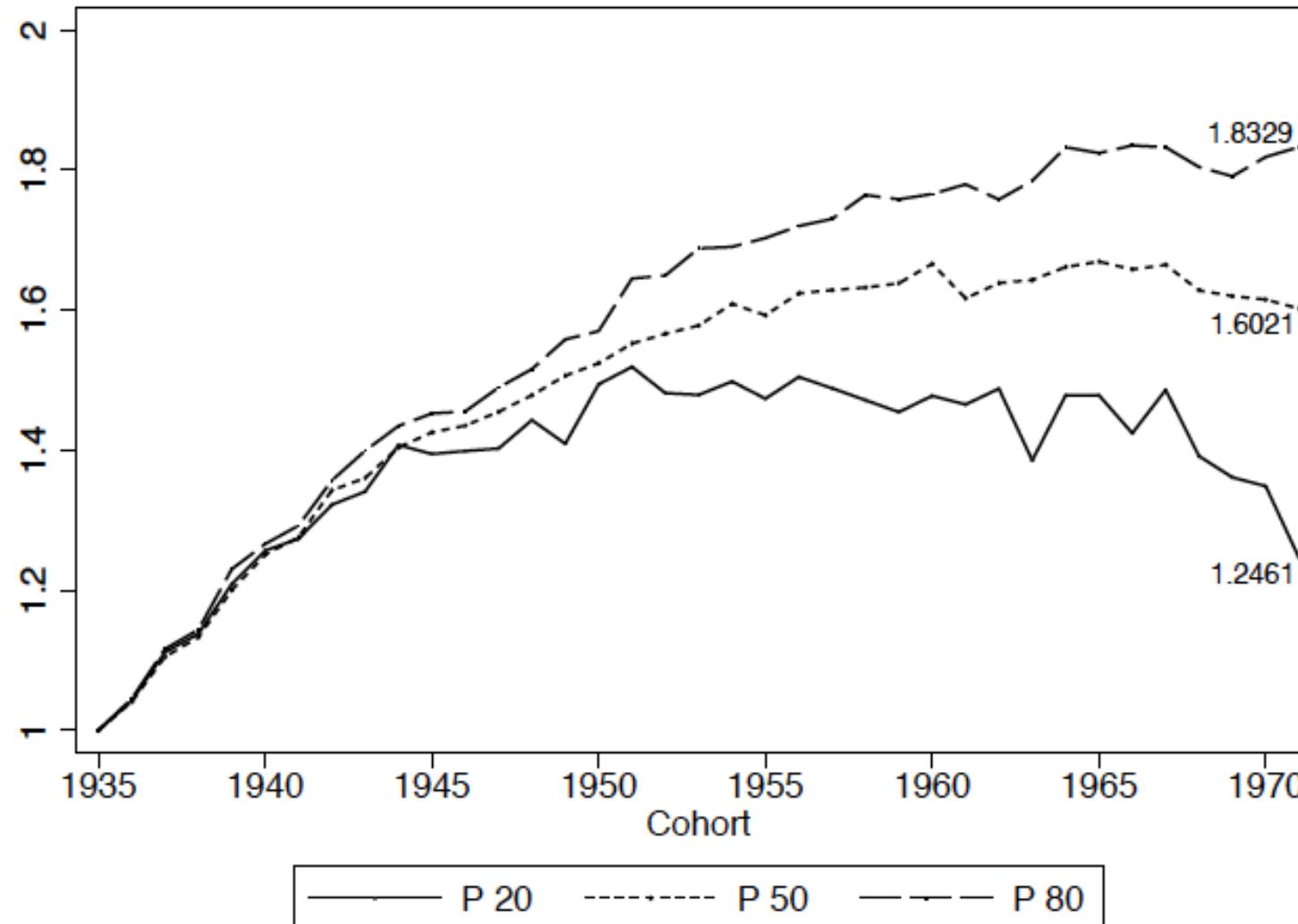


“Lifetime” earnings inequality

Germany and the United States

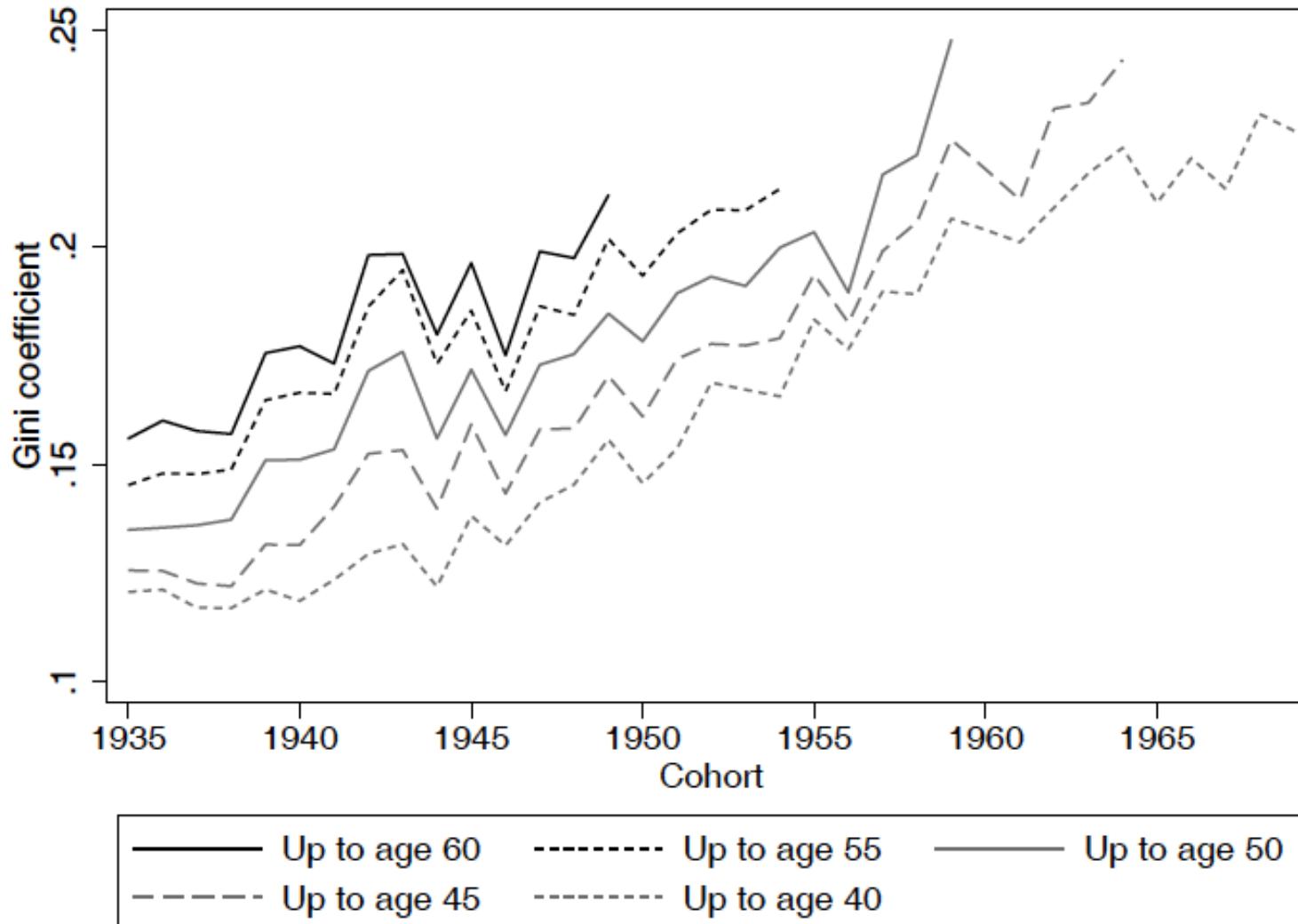
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Distribution of lifetime earnings up to age 40, by birth cohort (West German males born between 1935 and 1972)



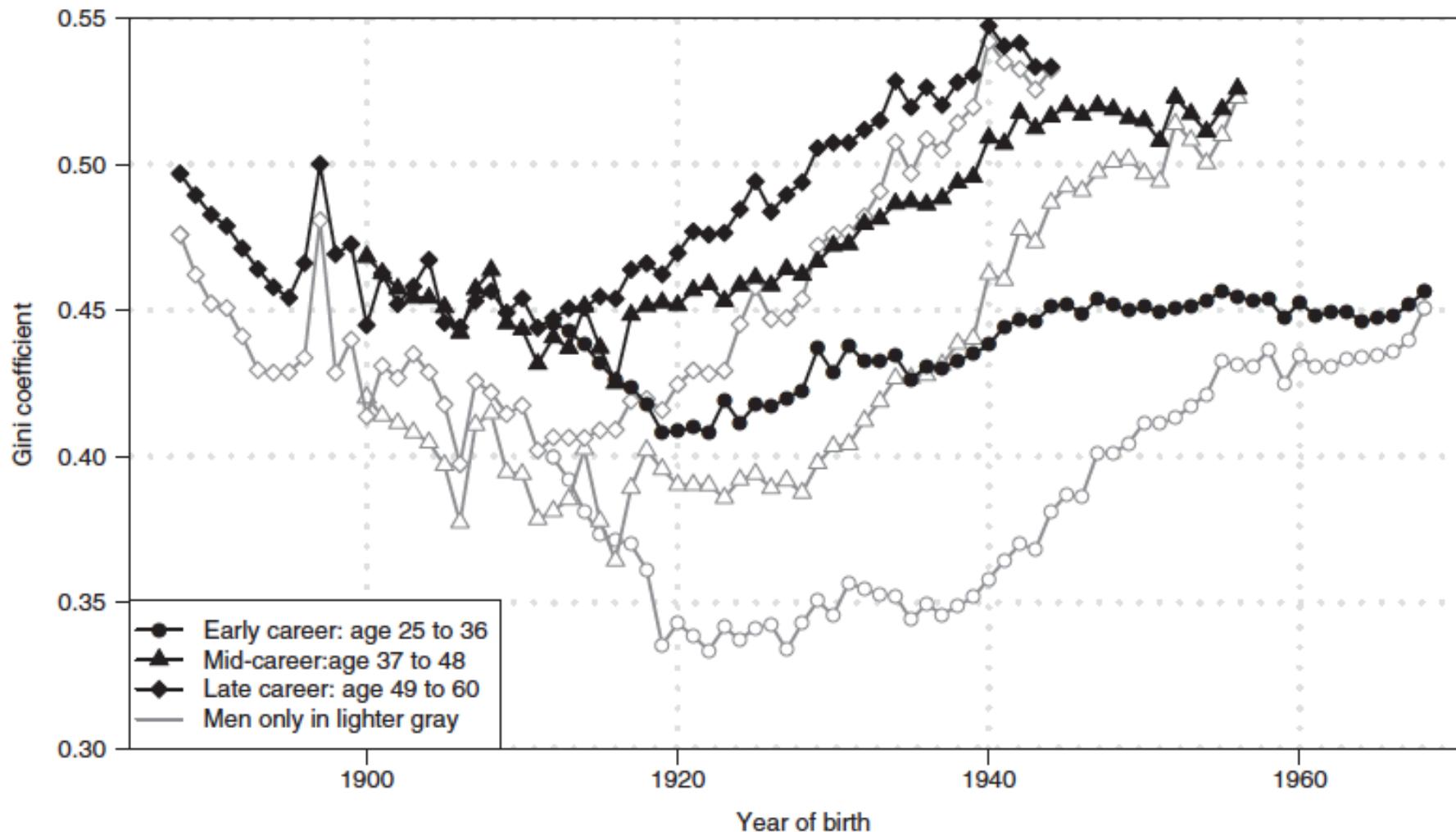
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Gini coefficient of lifetime earnings up to age X, by birth cohort (West German males born between 1935 and 1972)



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Gini coefficient of earnings over three 12-year periods of working life, by birth cohort (US employees born between 1888 and 1968)



Source: Kopczuk
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