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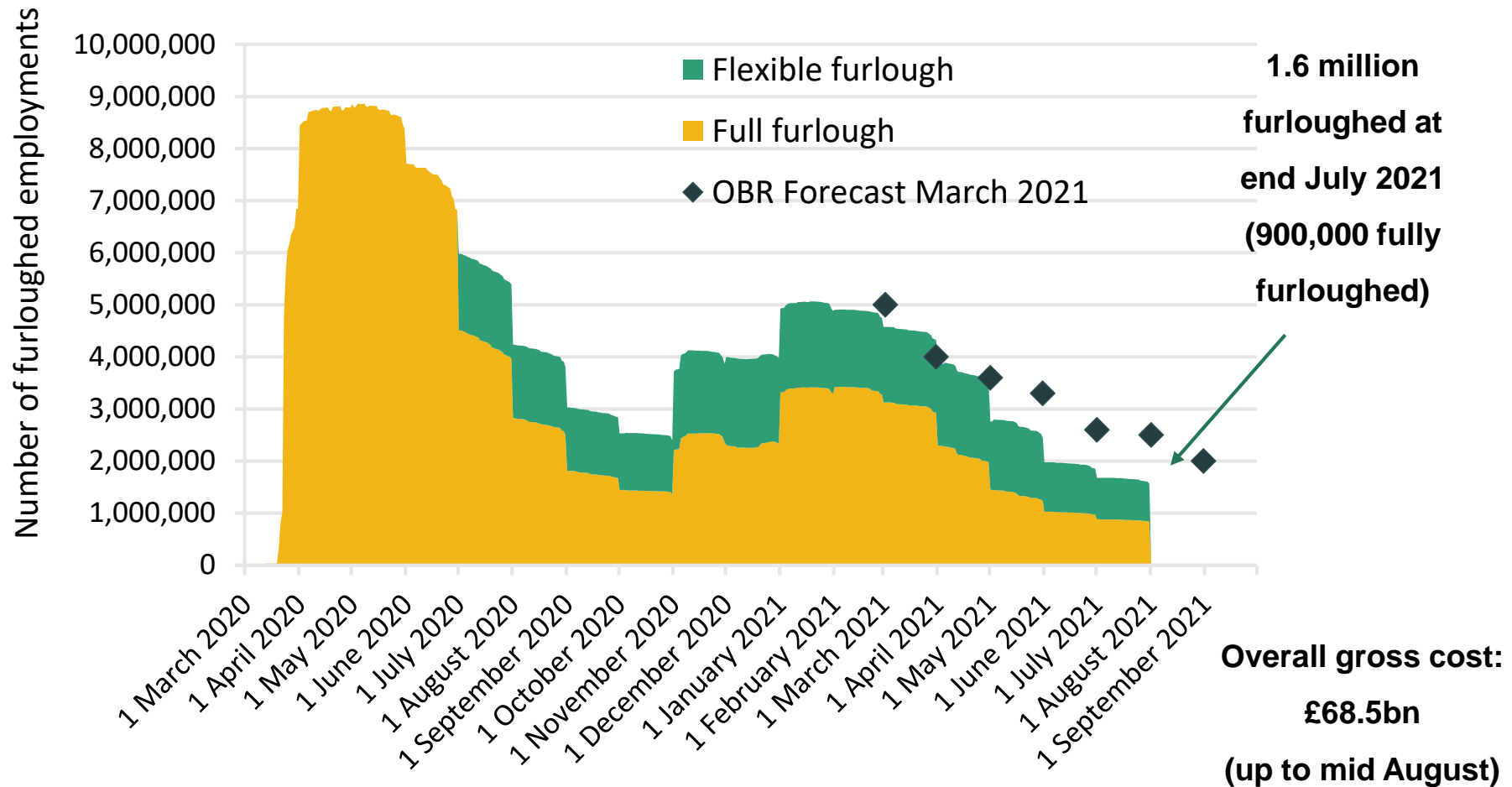
# Employment and the end of the furlough scheme



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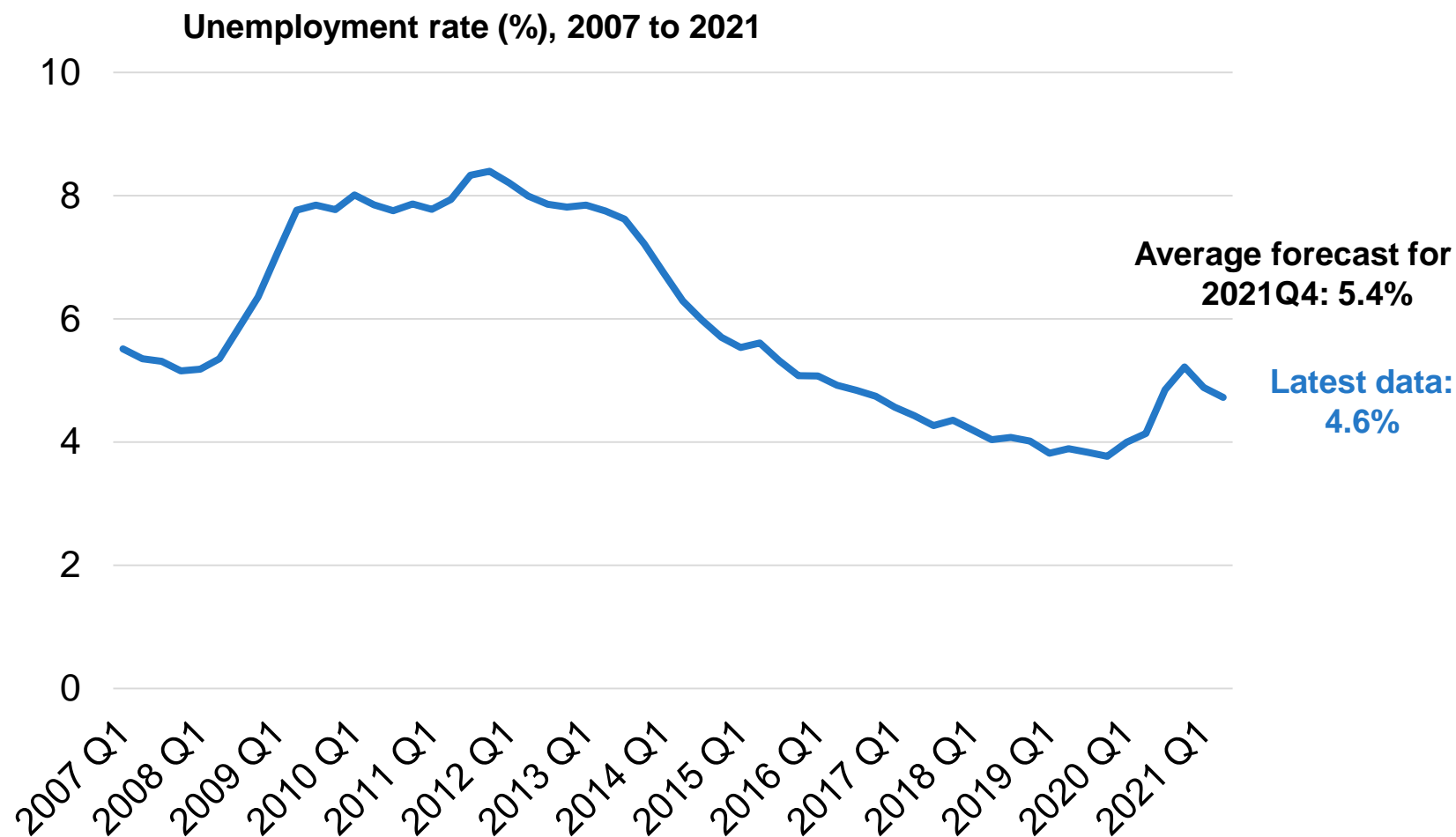


# Number of employments furloughed, JIFS March 2020 – July 2021



Source: Cribb and Salisbury (2012), Figure 9.1

# Little increase in unemployment



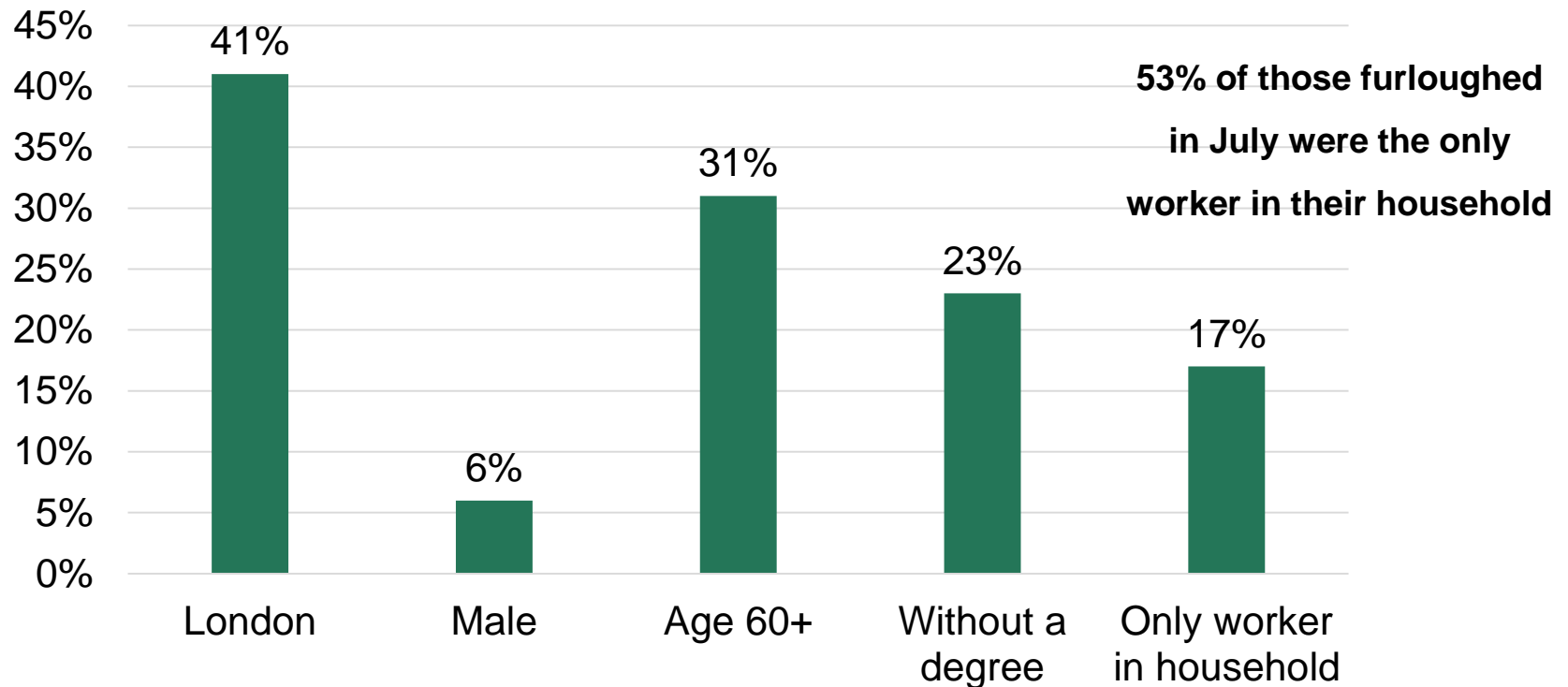
Source: Office for National Statistics

# Key questions

- 1) Who is still on furlough as the scheme comes to an end?**
- 2) How many redundant workers have found new employment?**
- 3) How hard has it been for young adults who left education during the pandemic to find work?**
- 4) What has happened to labour market opportunities?**
  - Covered by Xiaowei in next presentation!**

# Who is more likely to have still been on furlough in July?

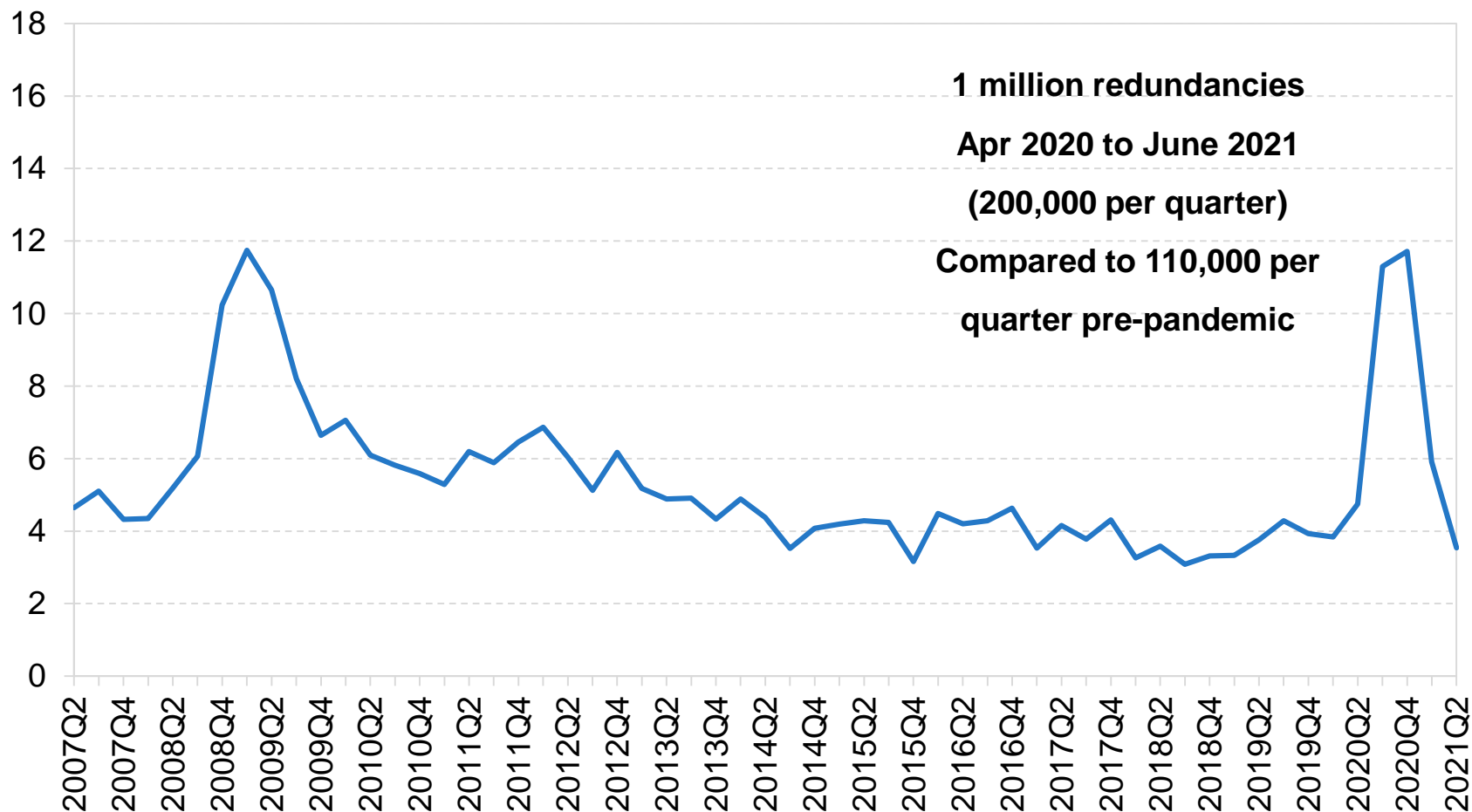
Percent more likely to be furloughed than employees on average



Source: Cribb and Salisbury (2012), Table 9.1

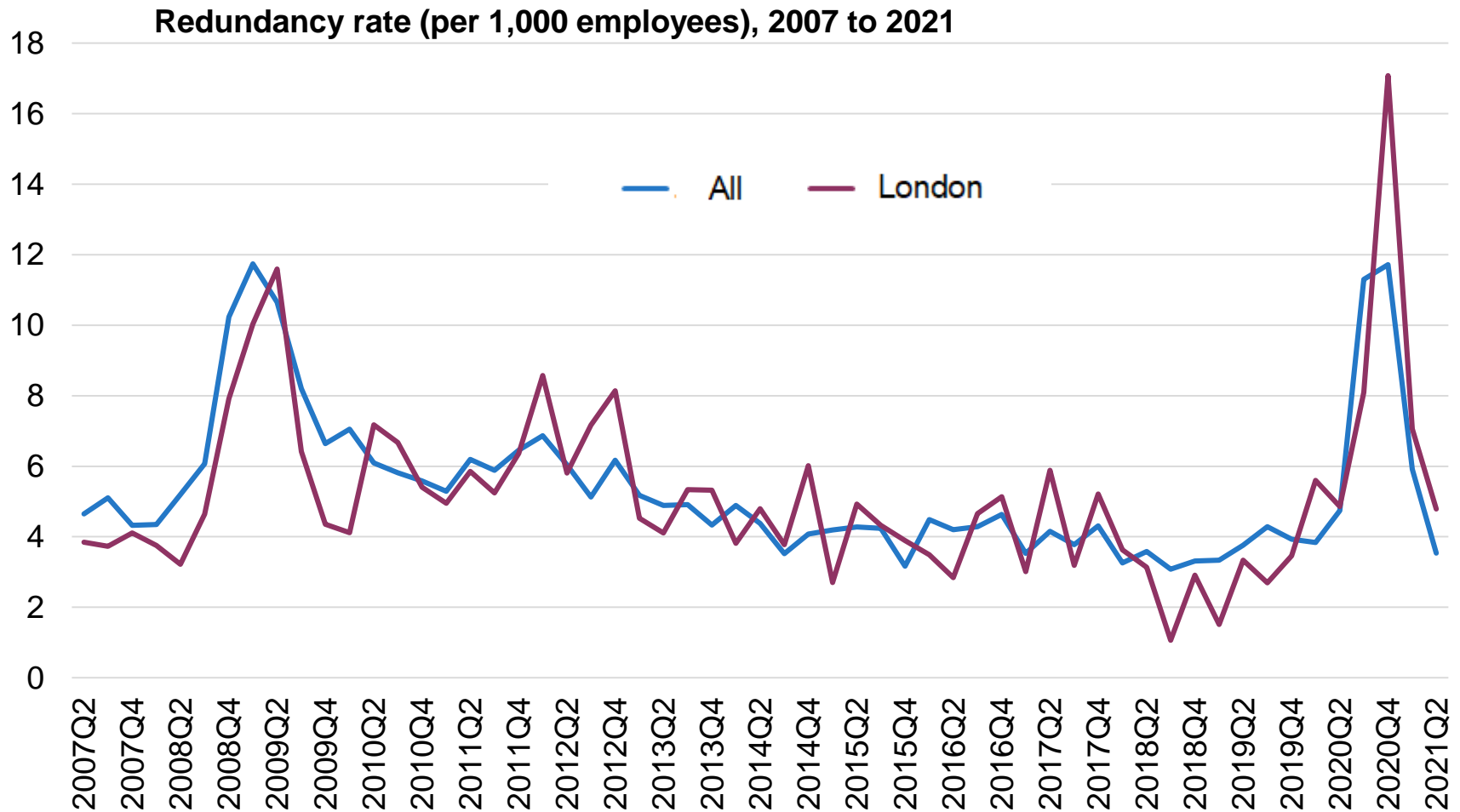
# Redundancies during the pandemic

Redundancy rate (per 1,000 employees), 2007 to 2021



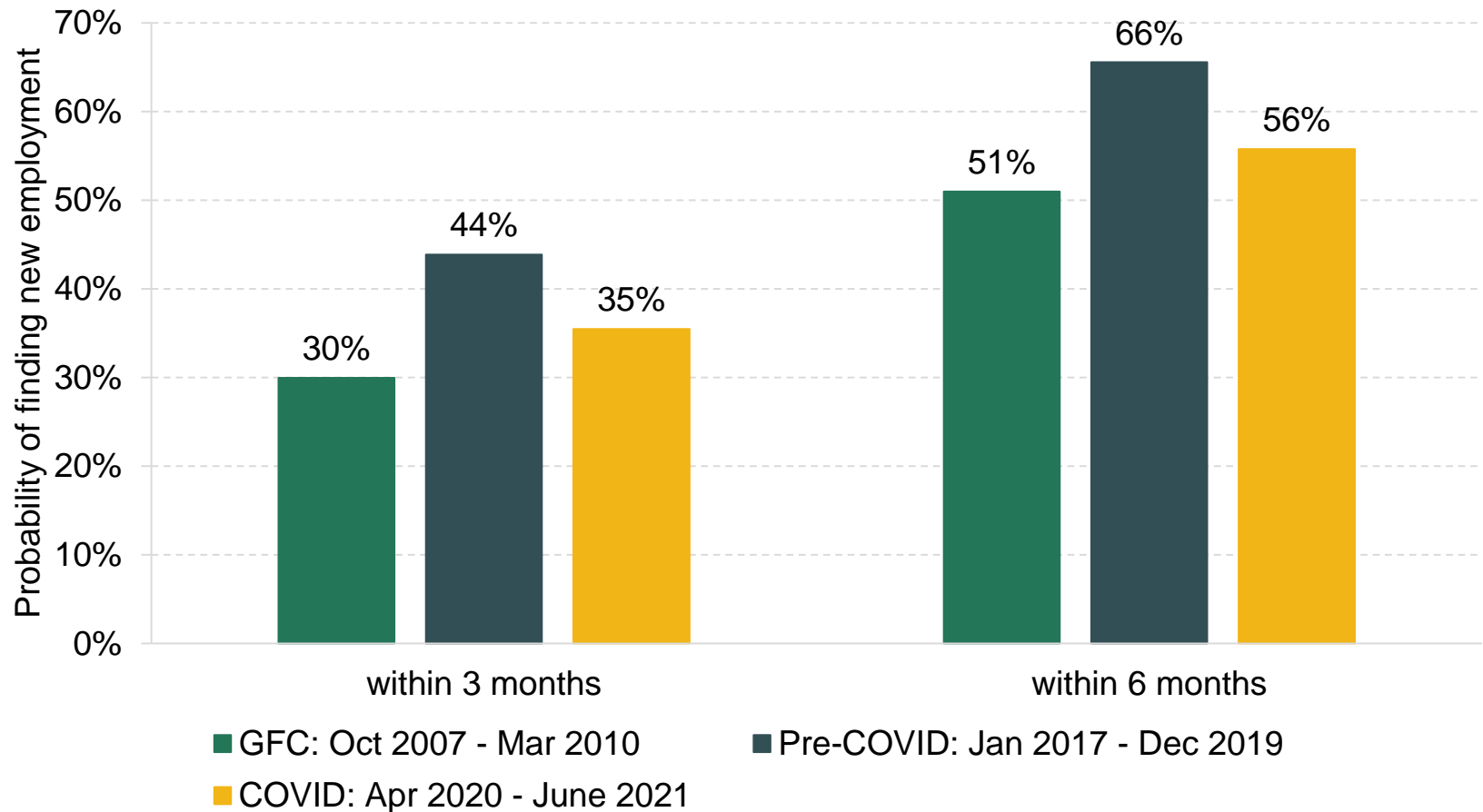
Source: Cribb and Salisbury (2012), Figure 9.2, Table 9.3

# Redundancies more common in London



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# Re-employment of those made redundant

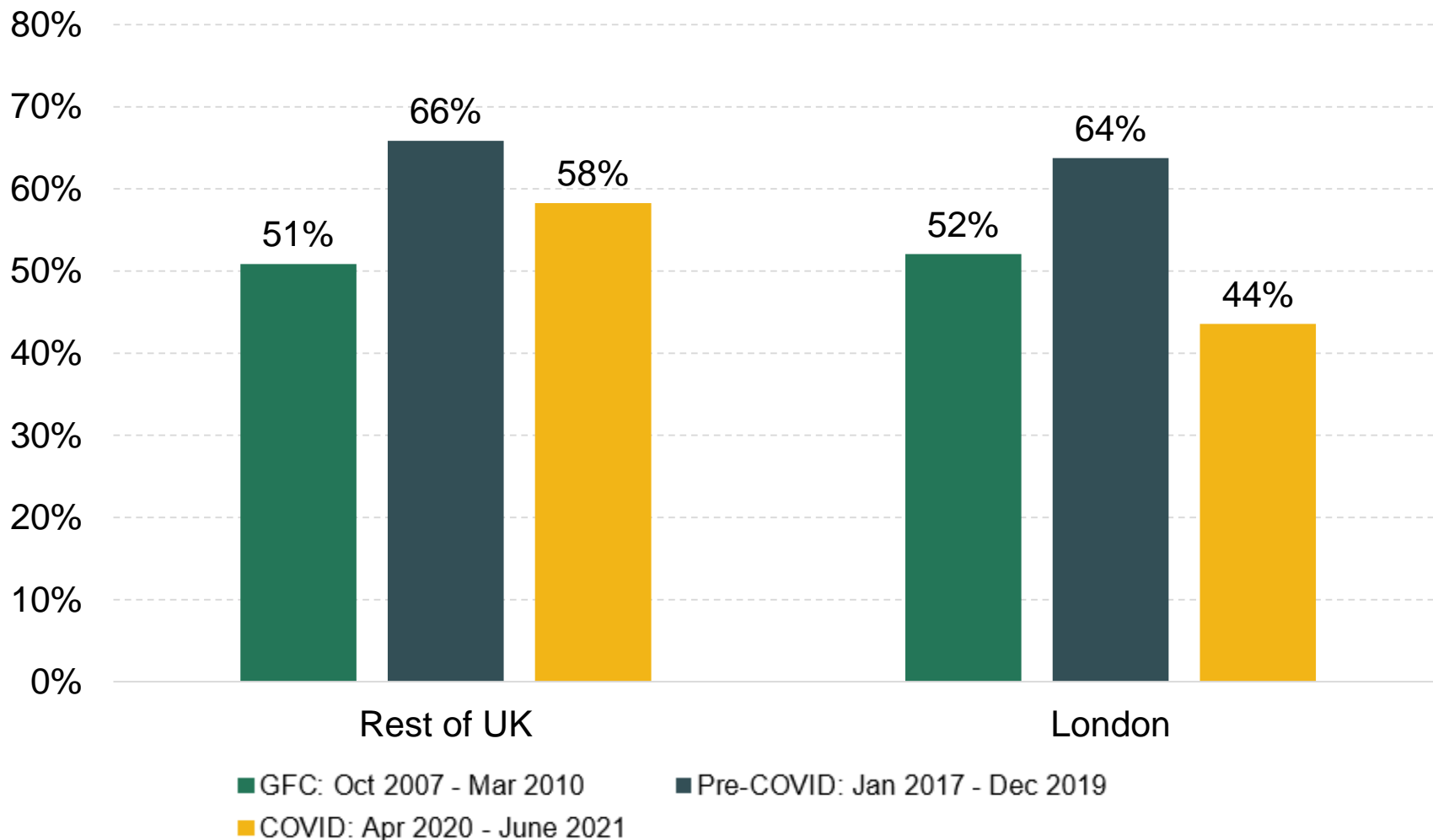


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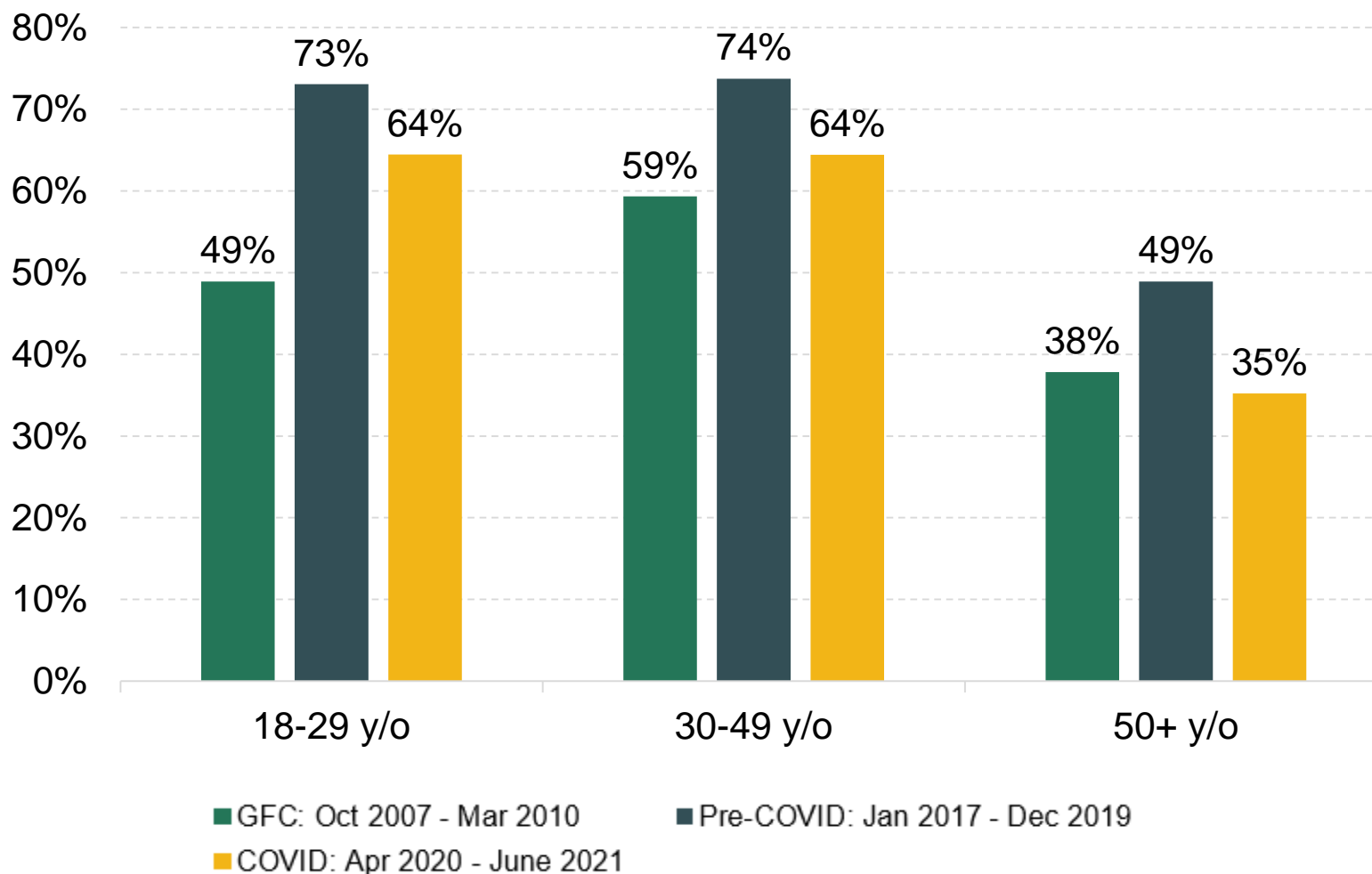
# Re-employment by region

6-month re-employment rates of redundant workers

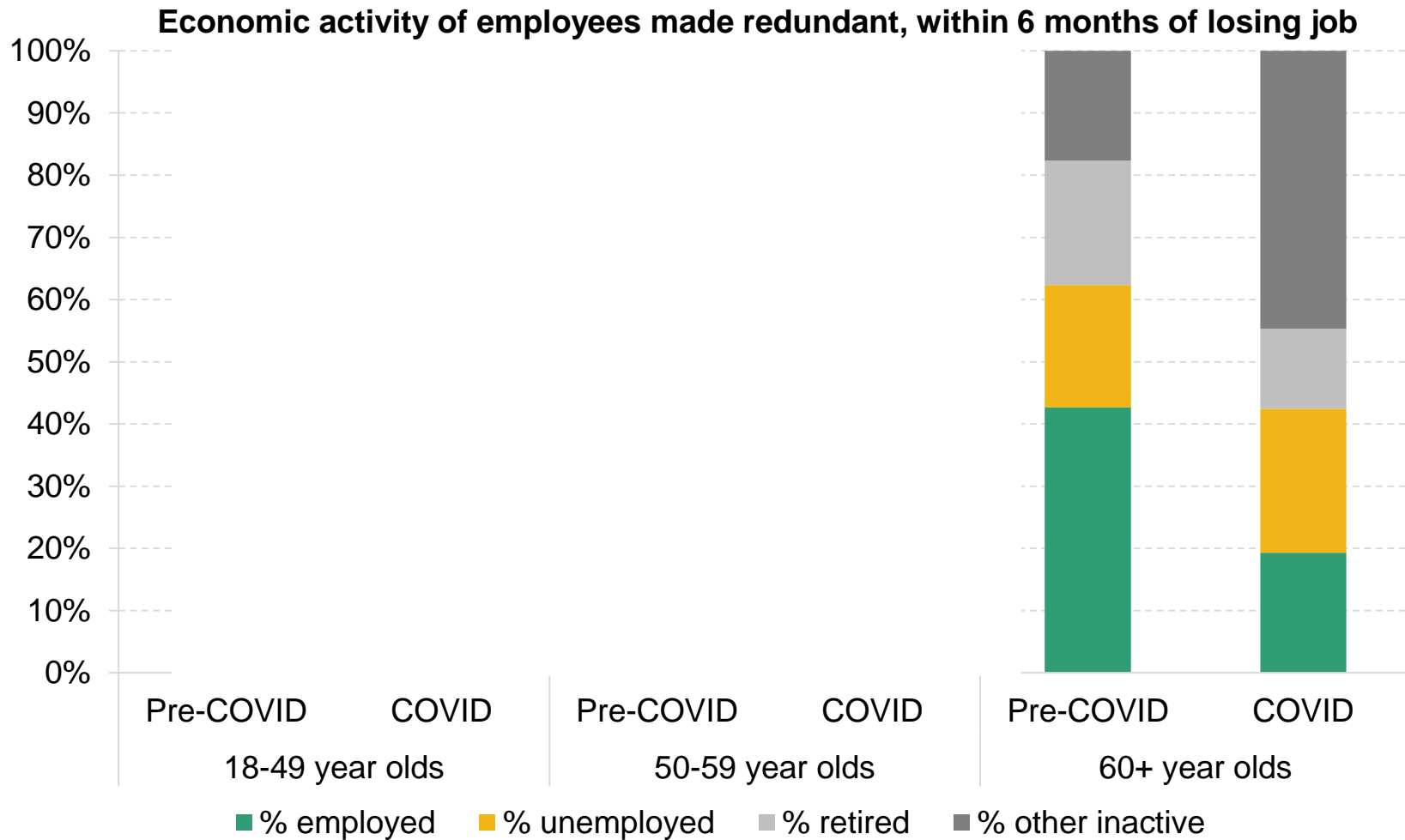


# Re-employment by age

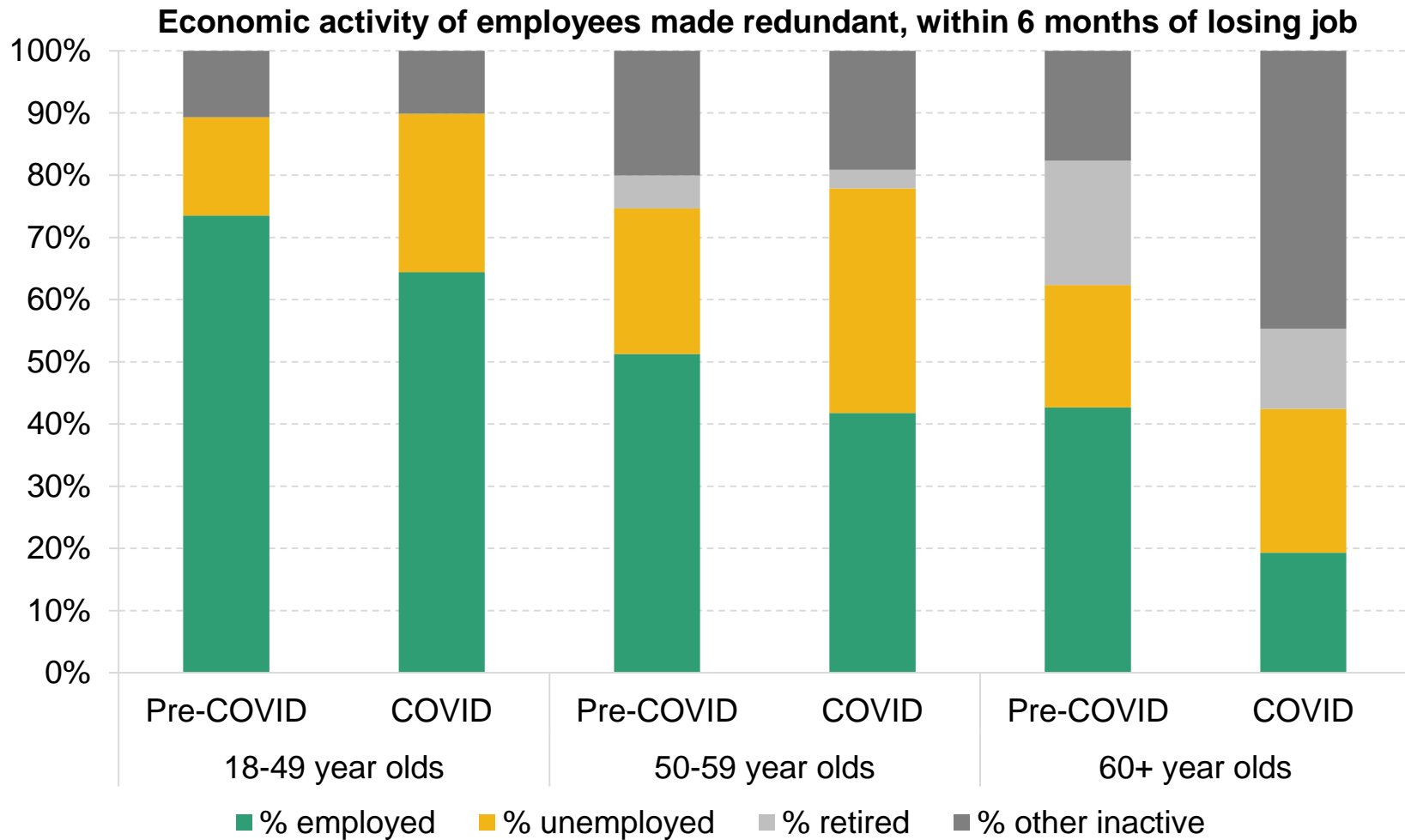
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# Increases in inactivity for 60+



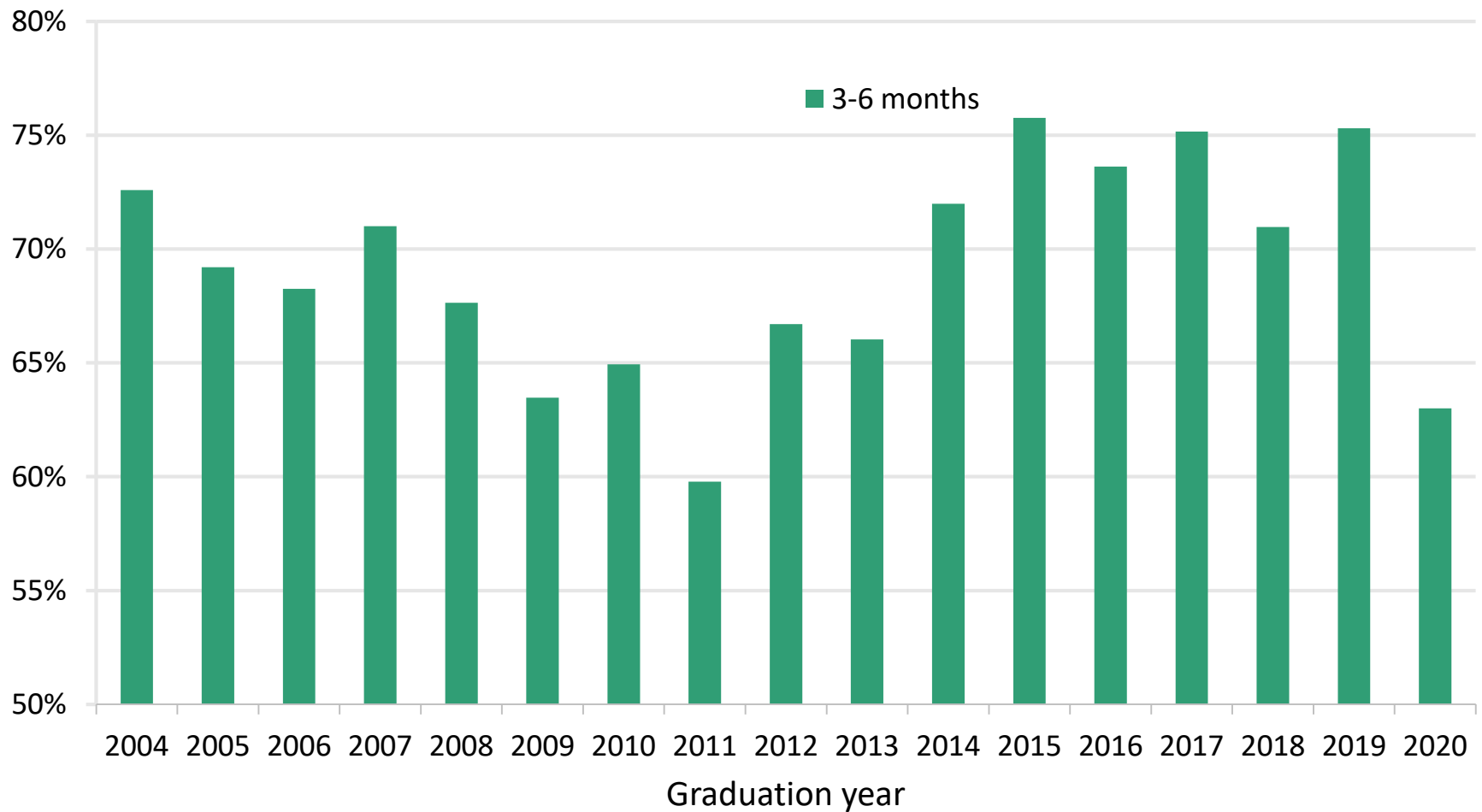
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# Education leavers initially struggled

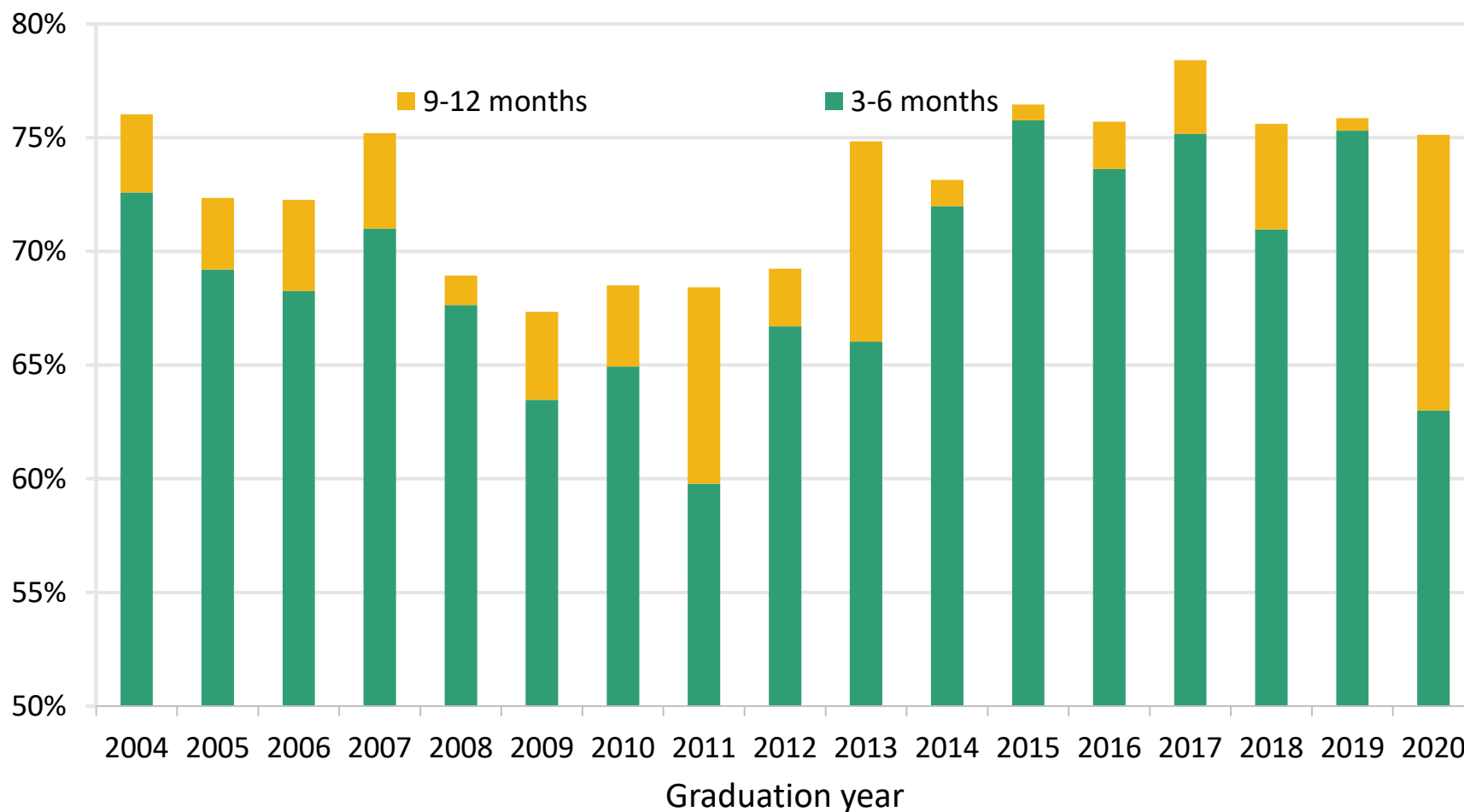


Employment rate of education leavers, 3-6 and 9-12 months after leaving education



# But increasingly found jobs in 2021

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# Conclusion



- **Furlough scheme has prevented widespread rises in unemployment over the course of the pandemic**
  - Though likely small rise in unemployment as scheme ends
- **Re-employment rates of redundant workers are better than seen during the financial crisis**
- **Londoners look hard hit on multiple fronts**
  - More likely to be furloughed; higher redundancies; lower re-employment rates
- **Particular challenges for older workers who are leaving the labour force rather than actively searching for work**