



# Employment Update

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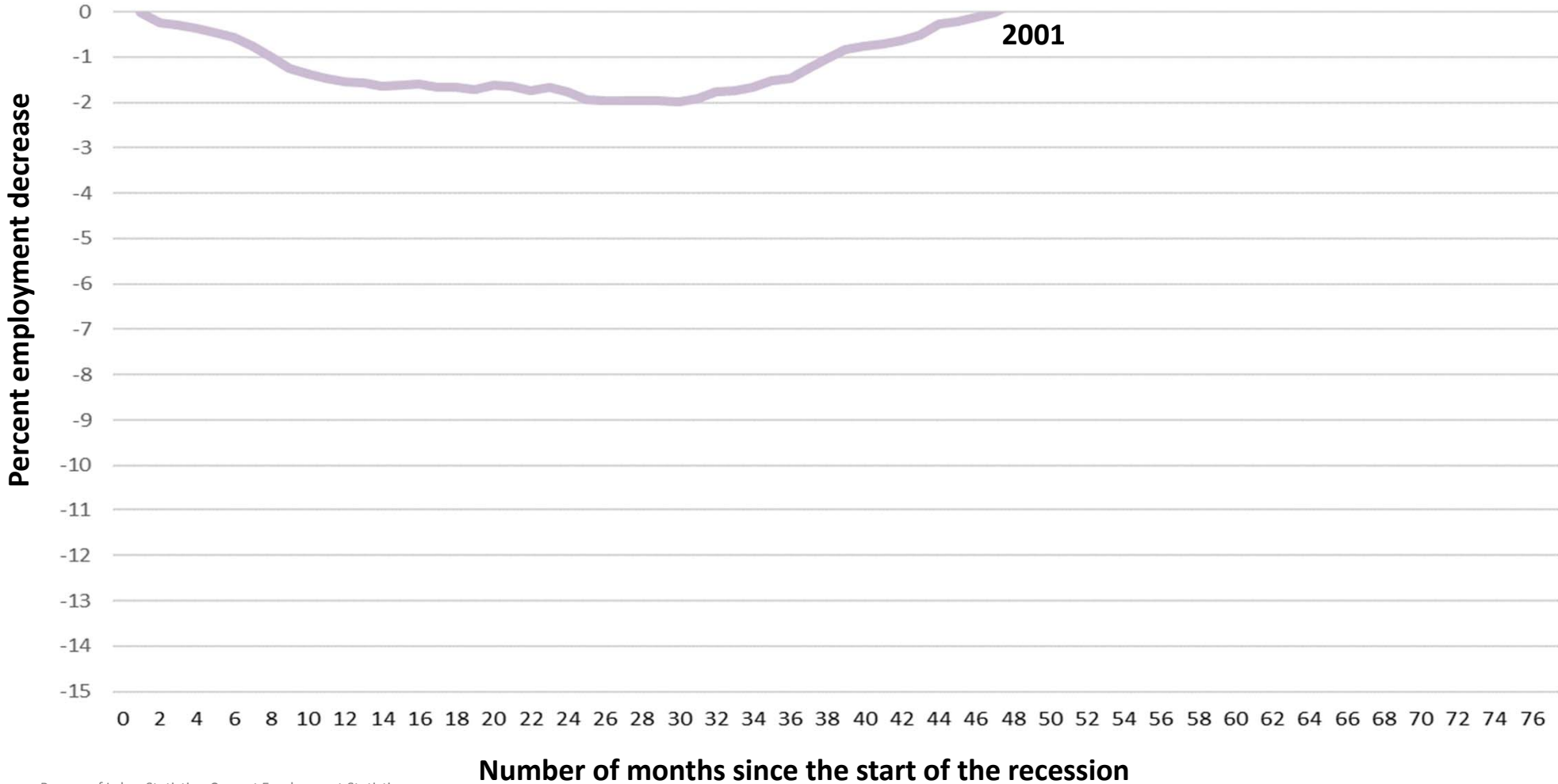
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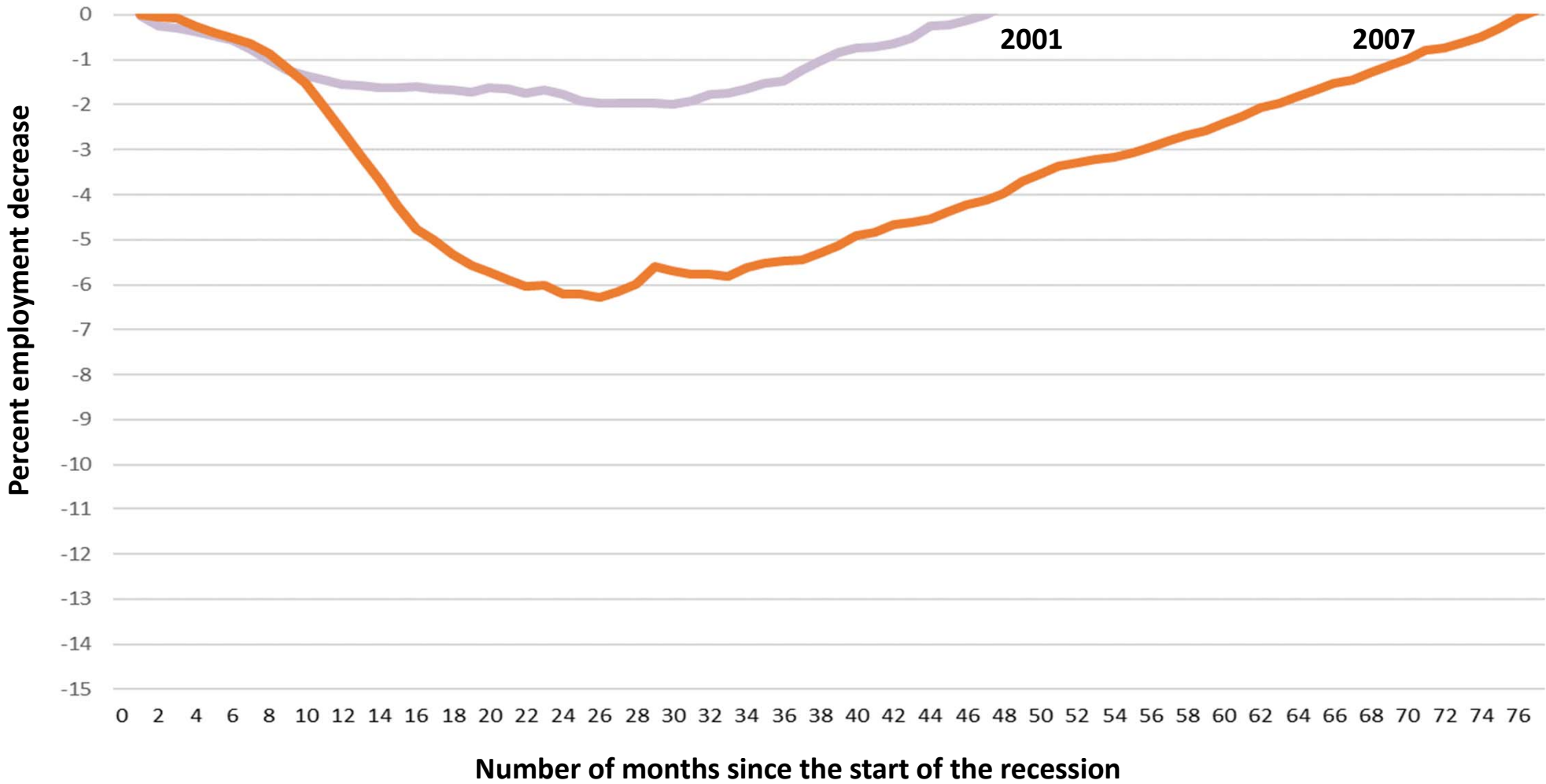
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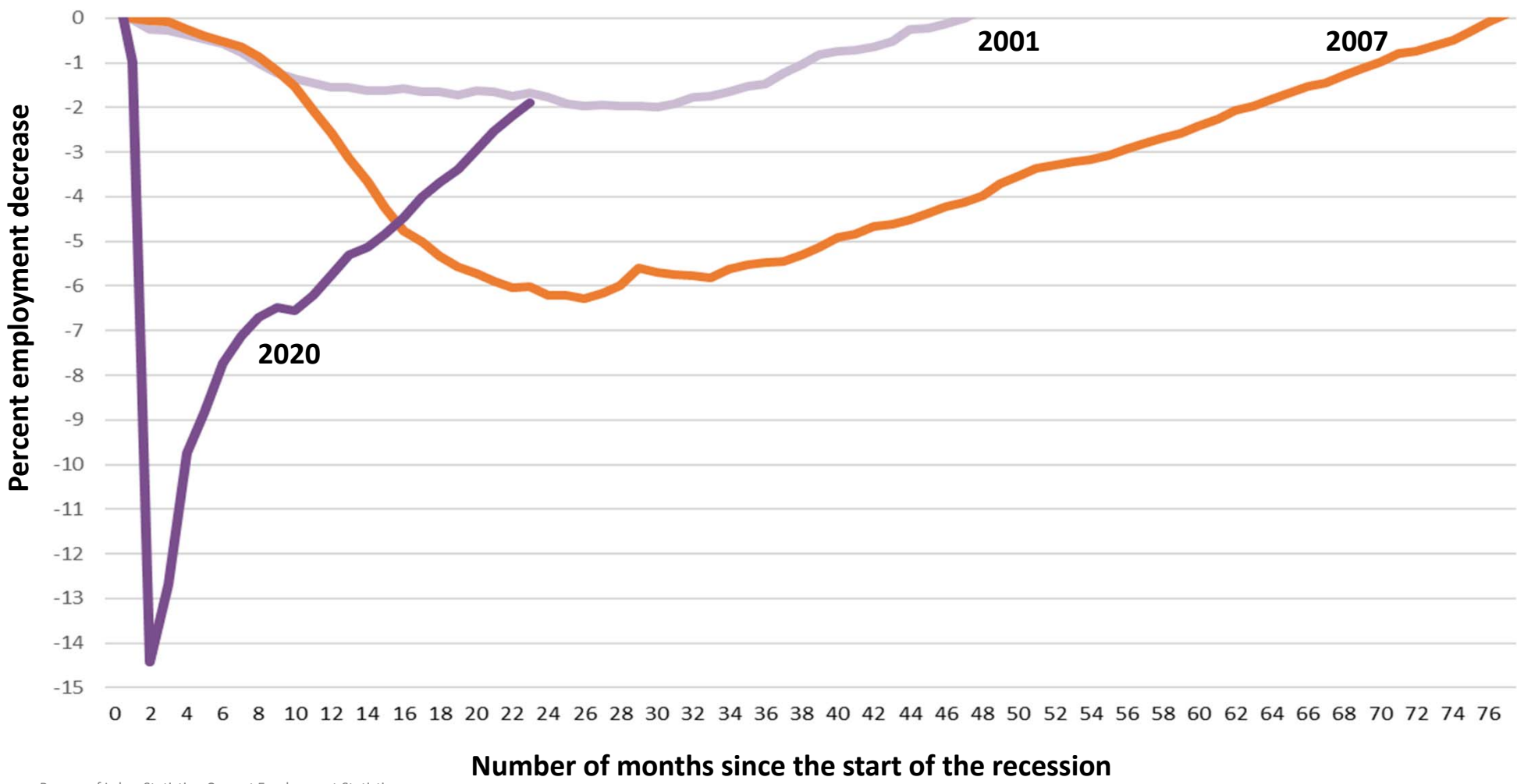
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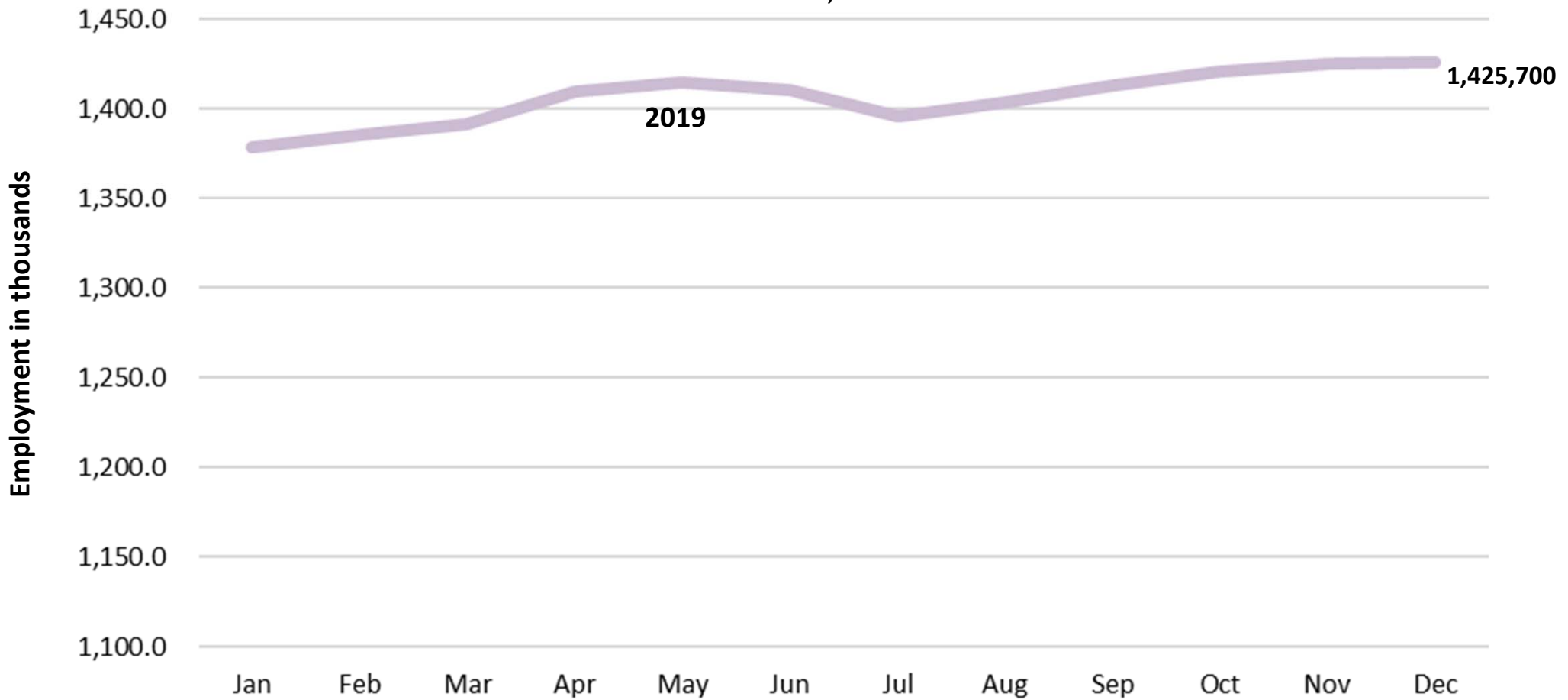
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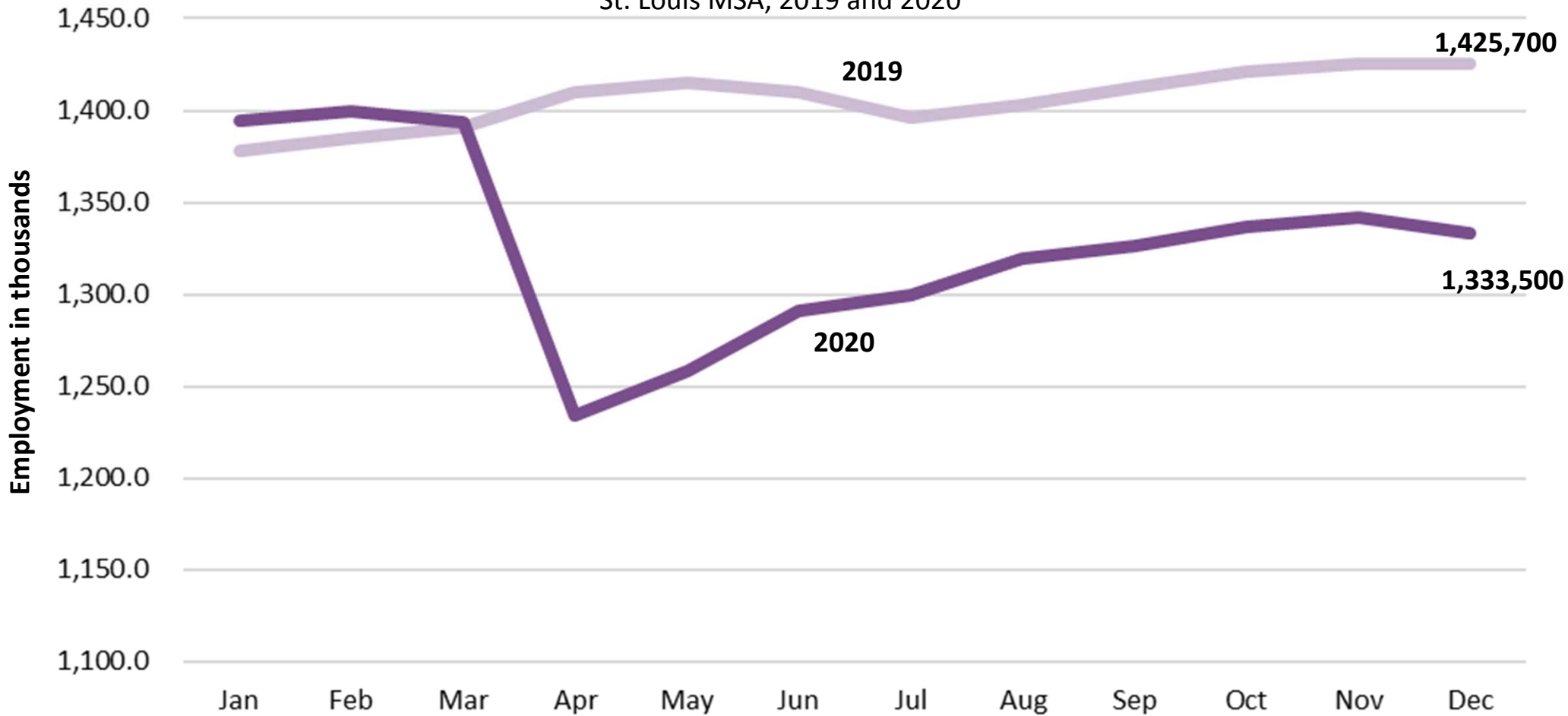
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Seasonally adjusted  
St. Louis MSA, 2019



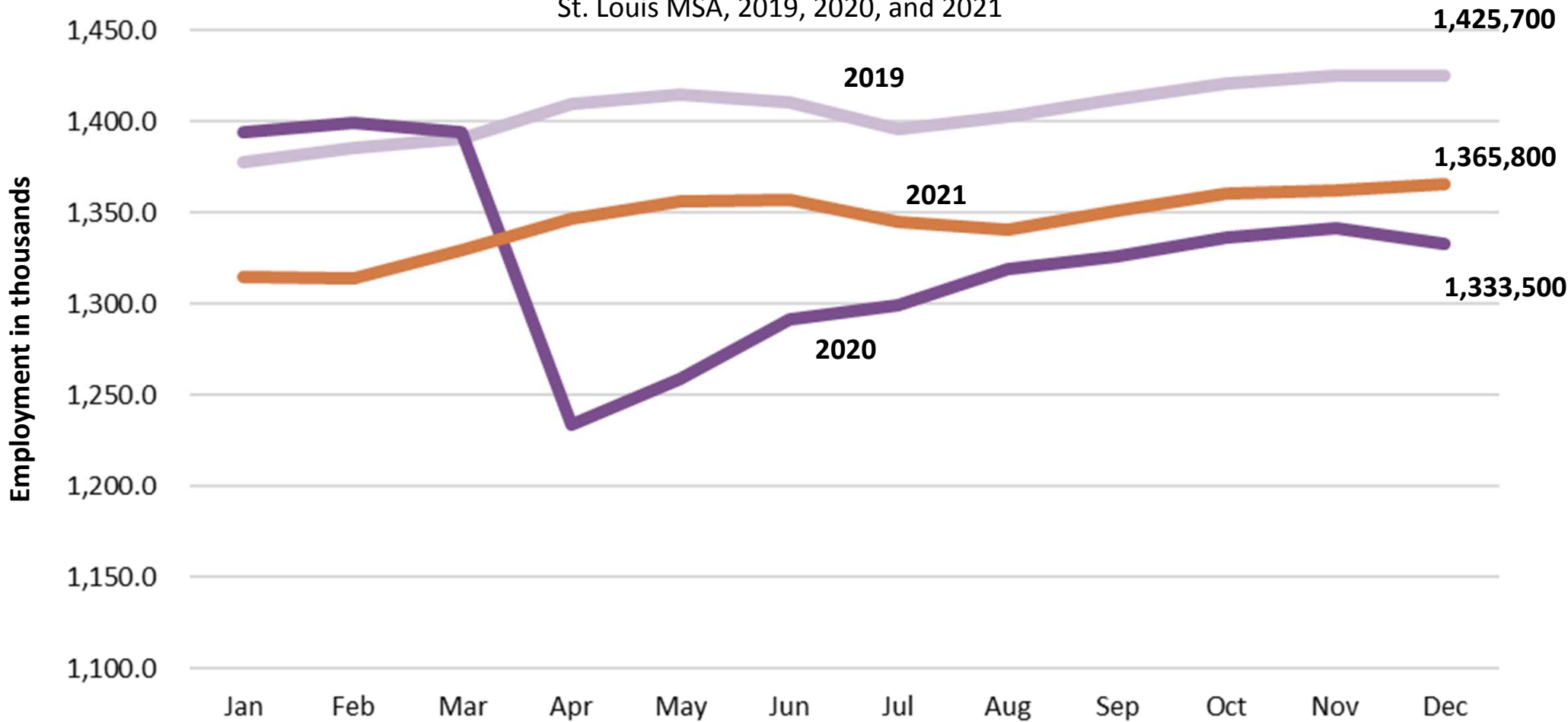
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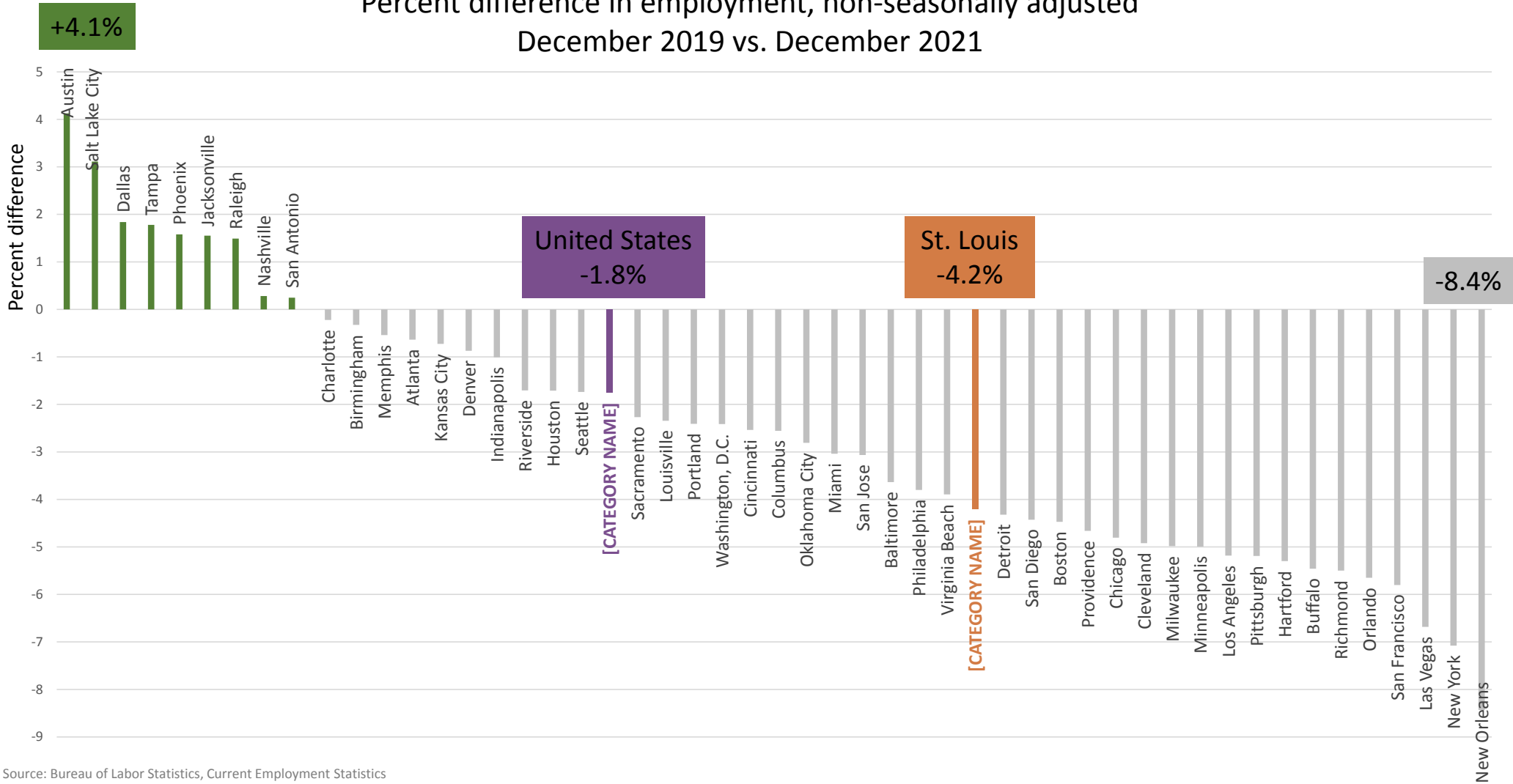
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# Difference in Employment

Percent difference in employment, non-seasonally adjusted  
December 2019 vs. December 2021



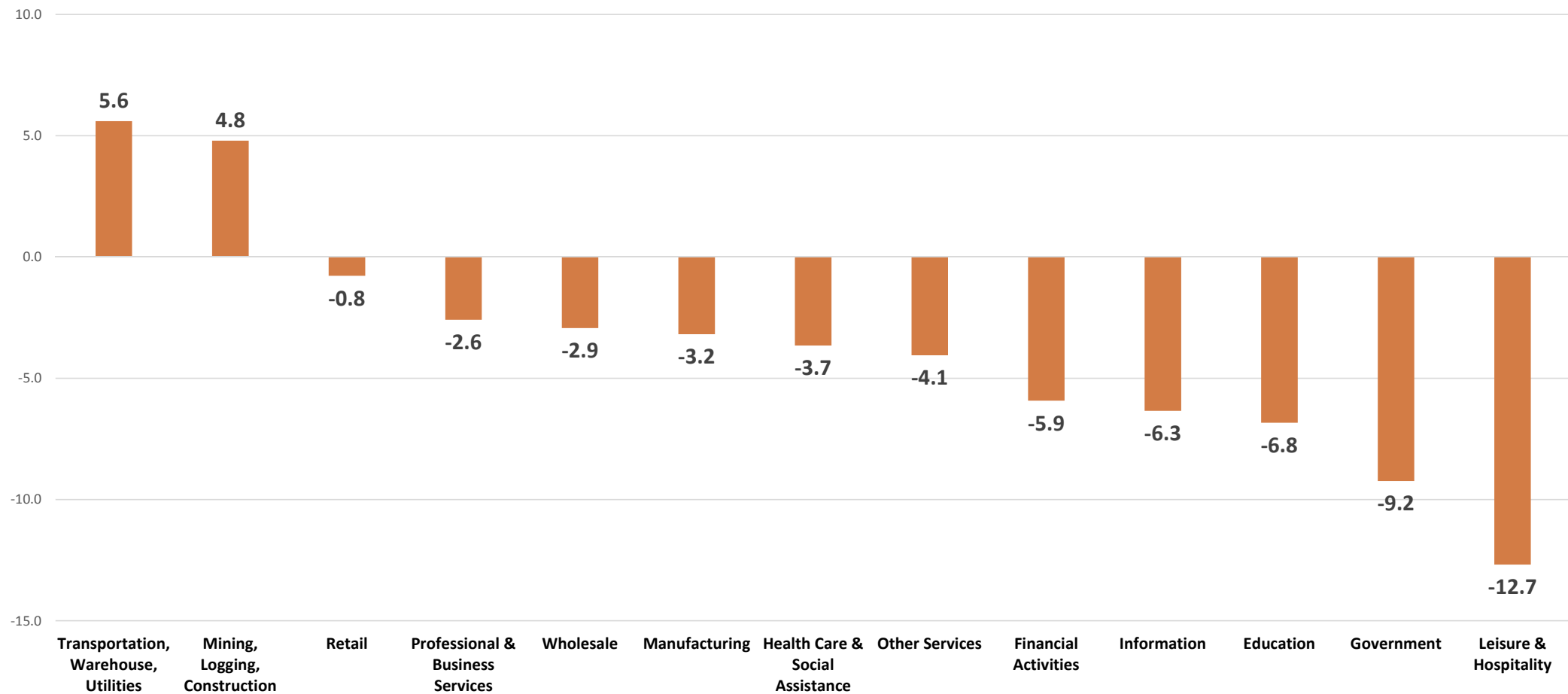
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# Percent Difference in Employment by Industry

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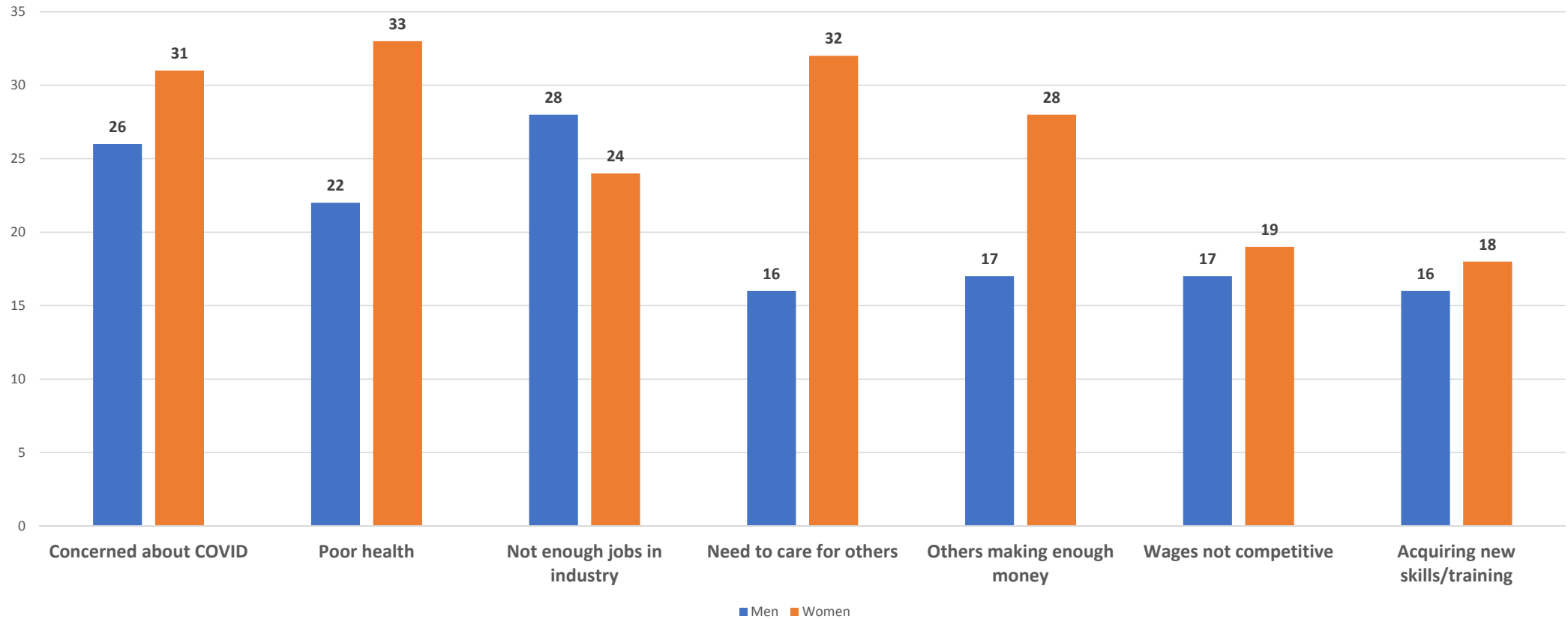
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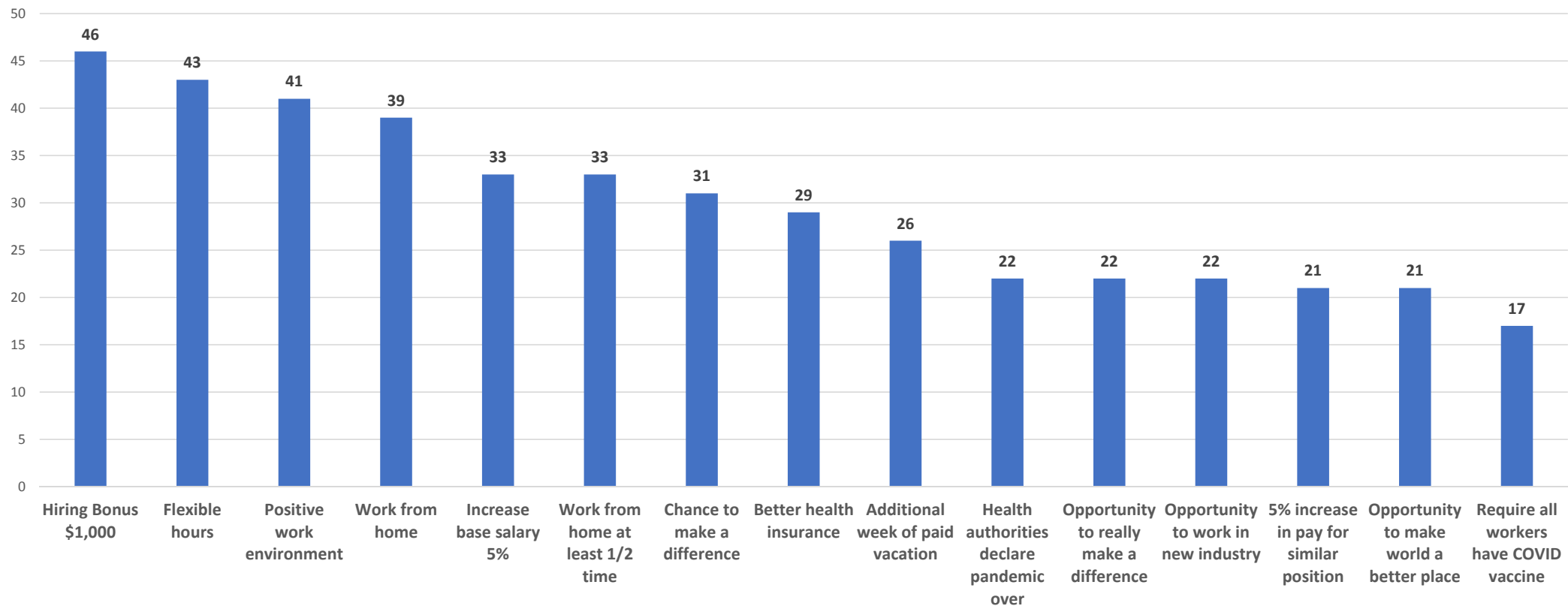
# Reasons for Not Working

Percent of unemployed



Source: US Chamber of Commerce: Survey of 529 adults who became unemployed during pandemic and have not returned to full-time work, November 2021.  
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# What would increase the urgency of finding full-time employment?



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