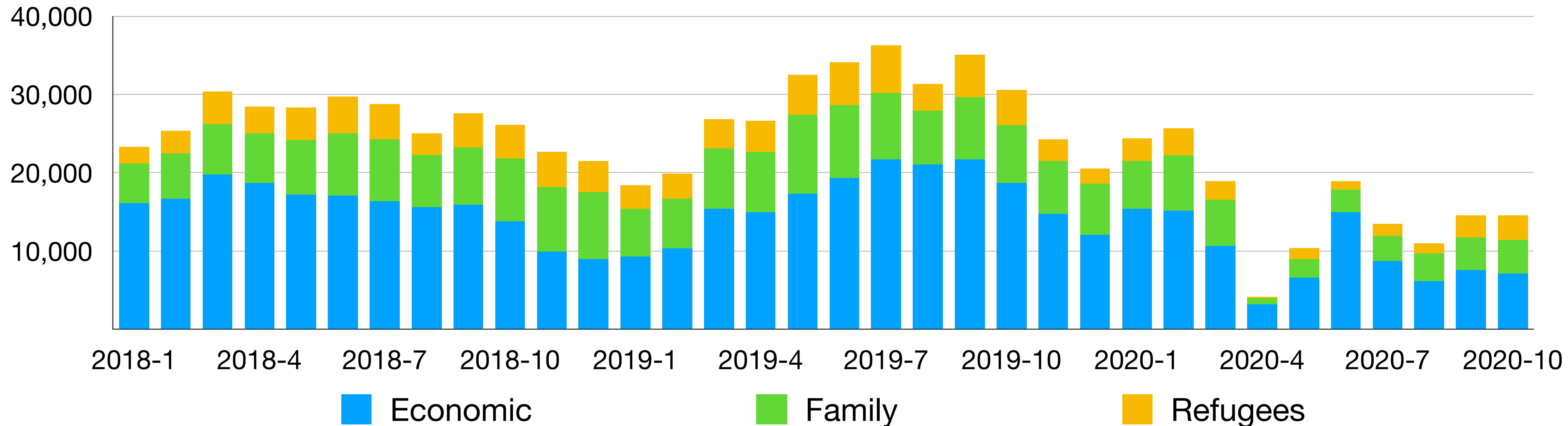


# COVID-19 Immigration Effects

2018 to October 2020  
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# Programs Examined

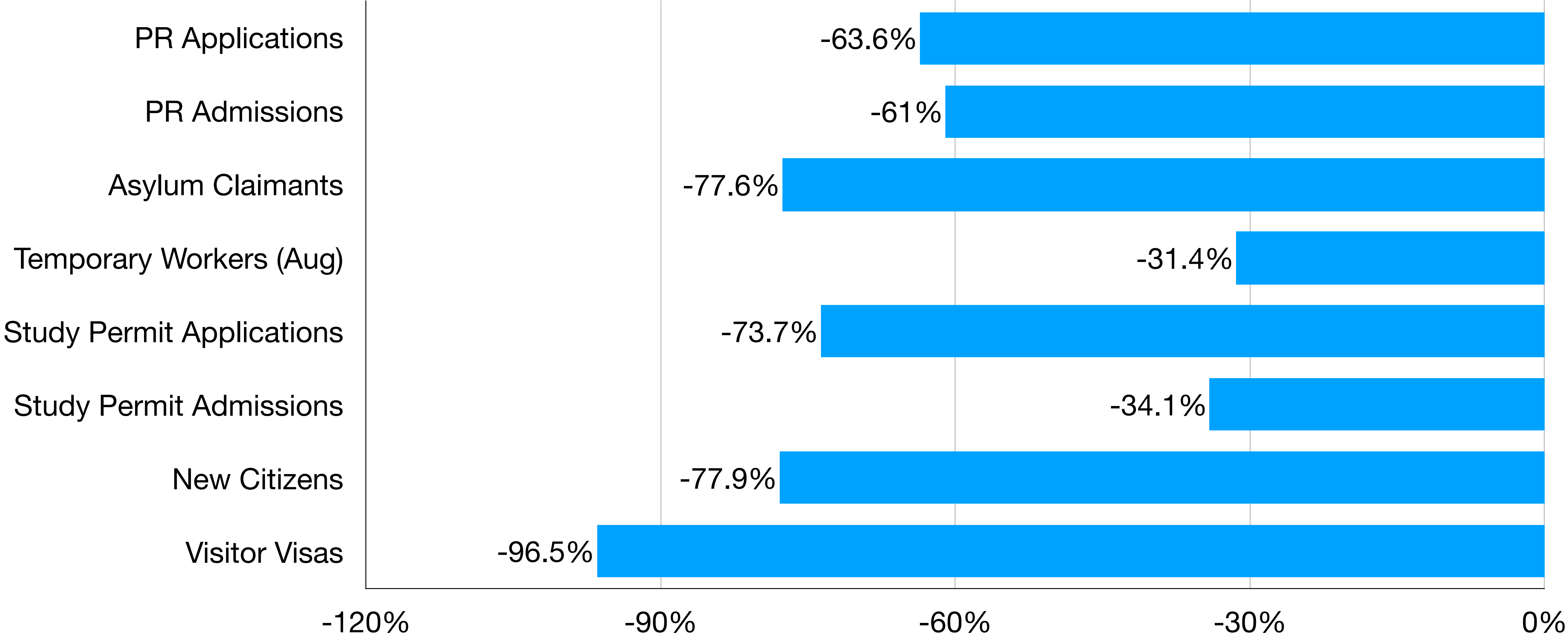
- **Permanent Residents/Immigrants (PRs):** Economic, Family and Refugees
  - TR to Permanent Resident transition
  - Asylum Claimants by Office Type
- **Temporary Residents/International Mobility Program (IMP):** International Agreements (e.g., NAFTA, GATS), Canadian Interests (e.g., intra-corporate transfers, work exchange programs, post-graduate employment, spouses)
- **Temporary Residents/Temporary Foreign Worker Program (TFWP):** caregivers, agriculture workers, other workers with Labour Market Impact Assessment (LMIA)
- **Study Permits** (international students)
- **Asylum Claimants**
- **Citizenship**
- **Visitor Visas**

# October 2020 Highlights

- October immigration numbers largely flat at lower levels compared to September (temporary workers not updated yet)
- PRs: Admissions remained largely flat, from 15,005 in September to 15,070 in October. October Year-over-year decline: Economic 61.6%, Family 42.8%, Refugees 30.3% (smaller decline than September year-over-year)
  - Applications: Decrease from 17,160 in September to 15,468 in October. October year-over-year decrease 52.4%
  - Provincial Nominee Program: Decrease from 4,000 in September to 2,920 in October. October year-over-year decrease: 55.7%
  - TR to PRs transition (i.e., those already in Canada): Small increase from 5,370 in September to 6,395 in October (some double counting). October Year-over-year decrease of 30.1% (less than September)
- Temporary Residents (AUGUST):
  - TRs/IMP: Slight increase from 11,475 in July to 12,565 in August. August Year-over-year decline: Agreements 38.4%, Canadian Interests 49.8%
  - TRs/TFWP: Slight decline from 8,060 in July compared to 7,390 in August. August year-over-year decline: Caregivers 53.4%, Other LMIA 25.2%. Agriculture had a significant increase of 73.8%, perhaps reflecting a later start this year
    - Web “Get a work permit”: From 56,923 in November to 51,674 in December (outside Canada). December Year-over-year decline: 25.1%
- Students: Seasonal drop from 55,360 in September to 15,050 in October. October year-over-year flat: 0.2%
  - Applications: Decrease (seasonal) from 27,141 in September to 21,728 in October. October Year-over-year decrease: 30%
  - Web “Get a study permit”: From 54,735 in November (outside Canada) to 51,556 in December. December Year-over-year decrease: 12.5%
- Asylum Claimants: Slight increase from 1,210 in September to 1,310 in October (about 75% inland). October year-over-year decrease: 79.7%
- Settlement Services (May): Decline from 112,380 in April to 101,415 in May. Year-over-year decrease 9.8 percent
  - Web “Find immigrant services near you”: From 10,601 in November (outside Canada) to 8,333 in December. December Year-over-year decrease: 41%
- Citizenship: Decrease from 13,766 in September to 8,598 in October. October Year-over-year decrease: 56.3%.
  - Web “Apply for citizenship”: From 32,027 in November (outside Canada) to 22,051 in December. December 2020-2018 decrease: 5.6%%
- Visitor Visas: Slight increase from earlier complete shutdown. From 4,184 in September to 6,229 in October. October Year-over-year decrease: 91.3%

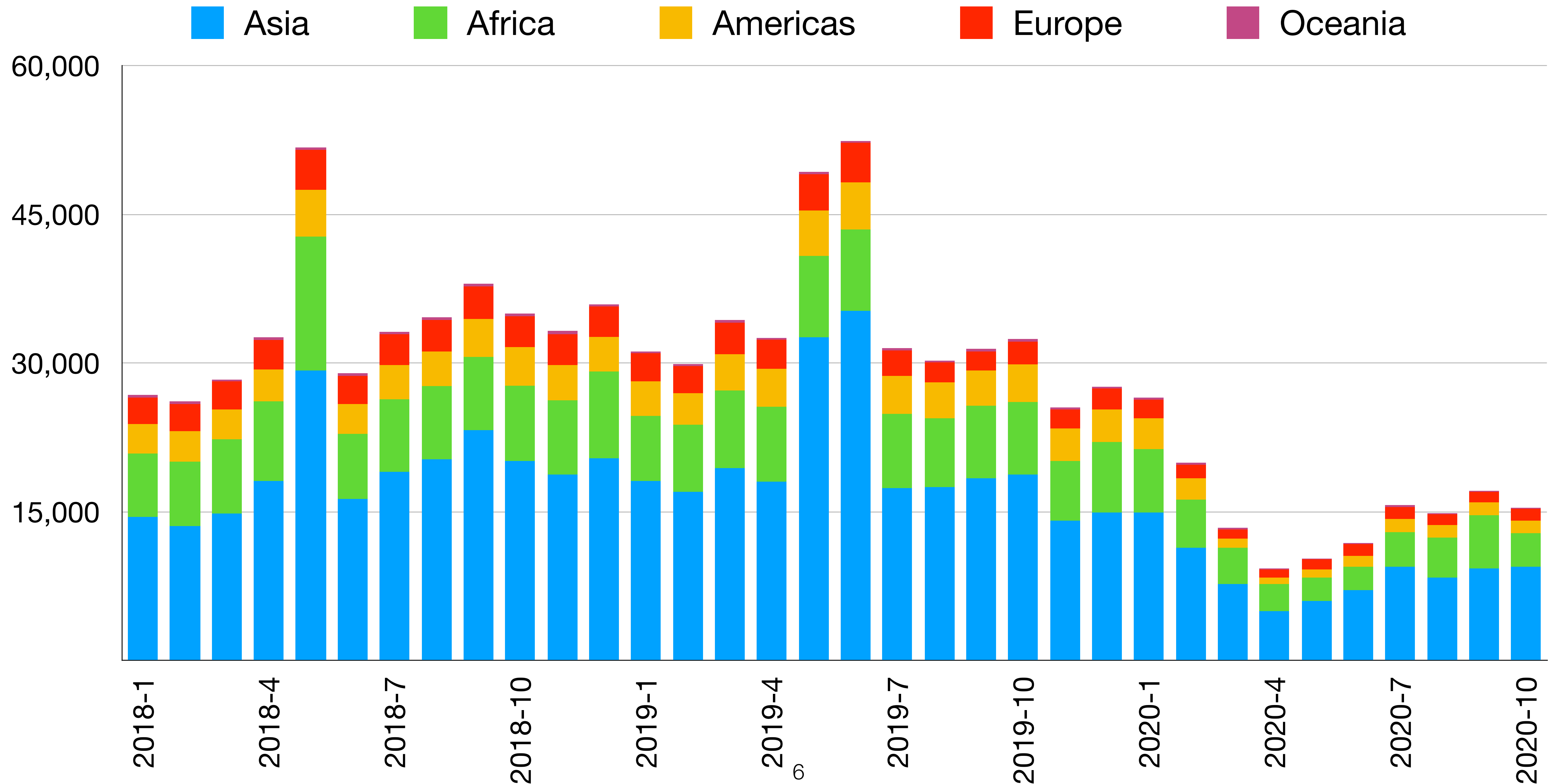
# Overall Decline Across all Programs

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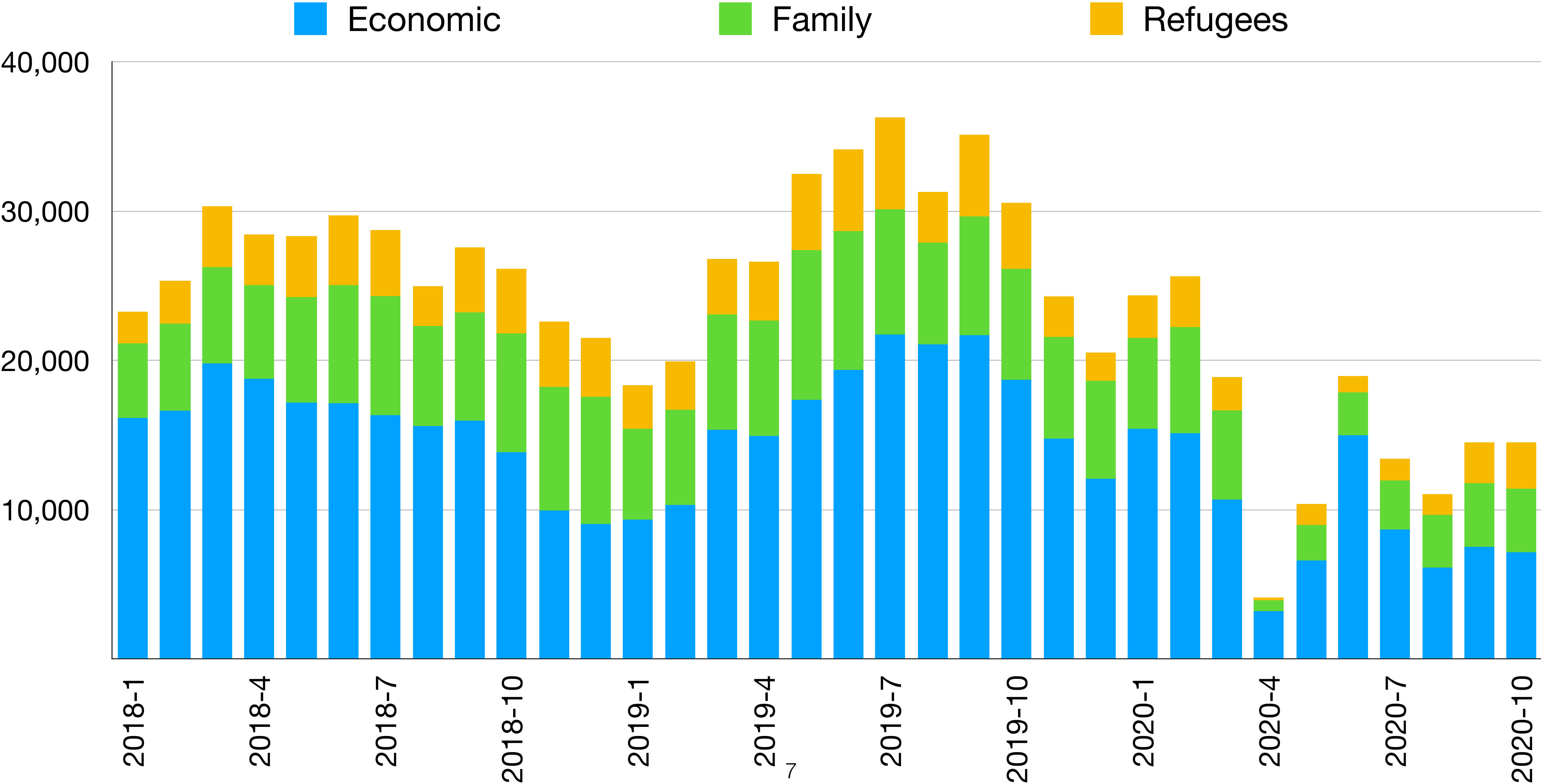


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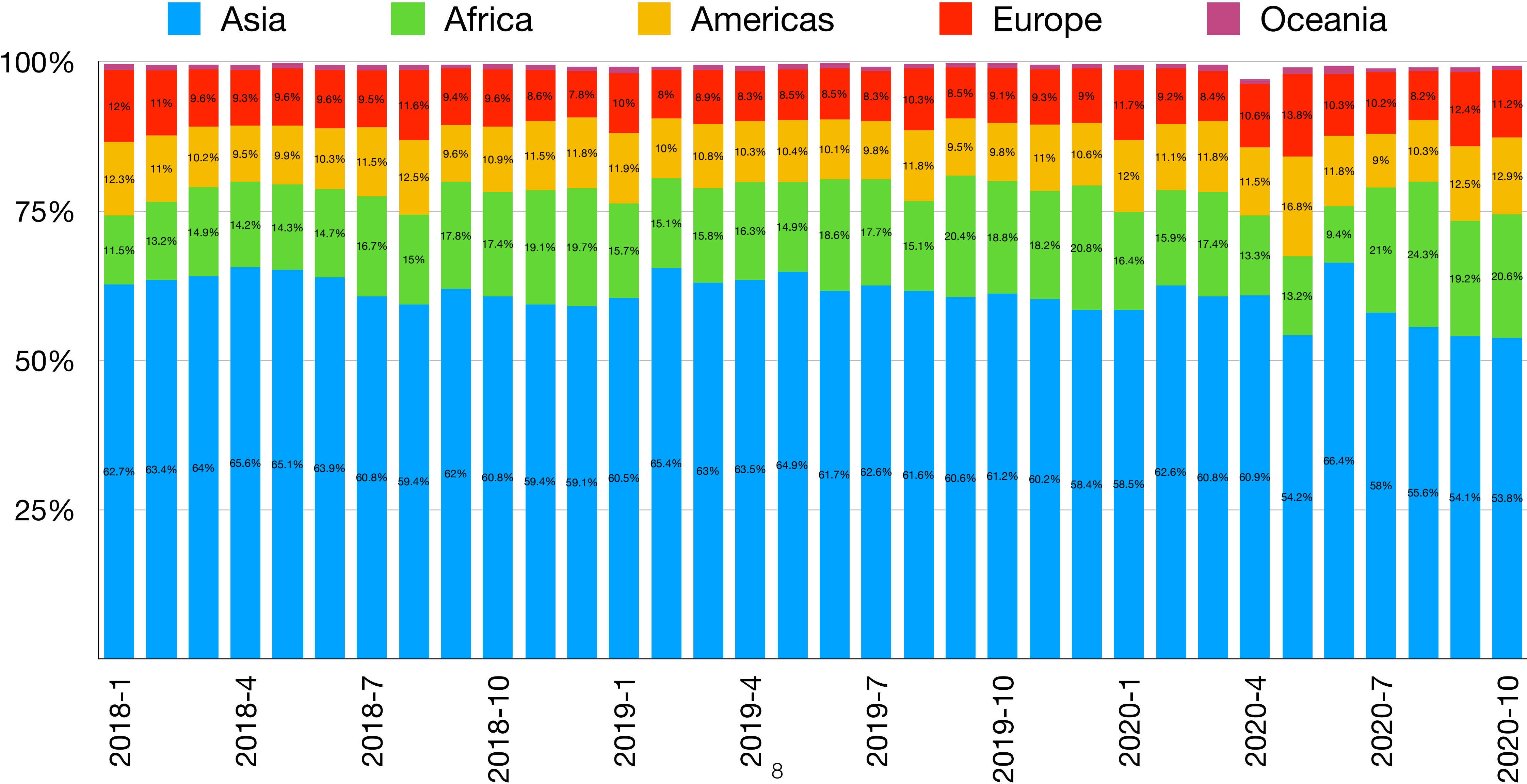
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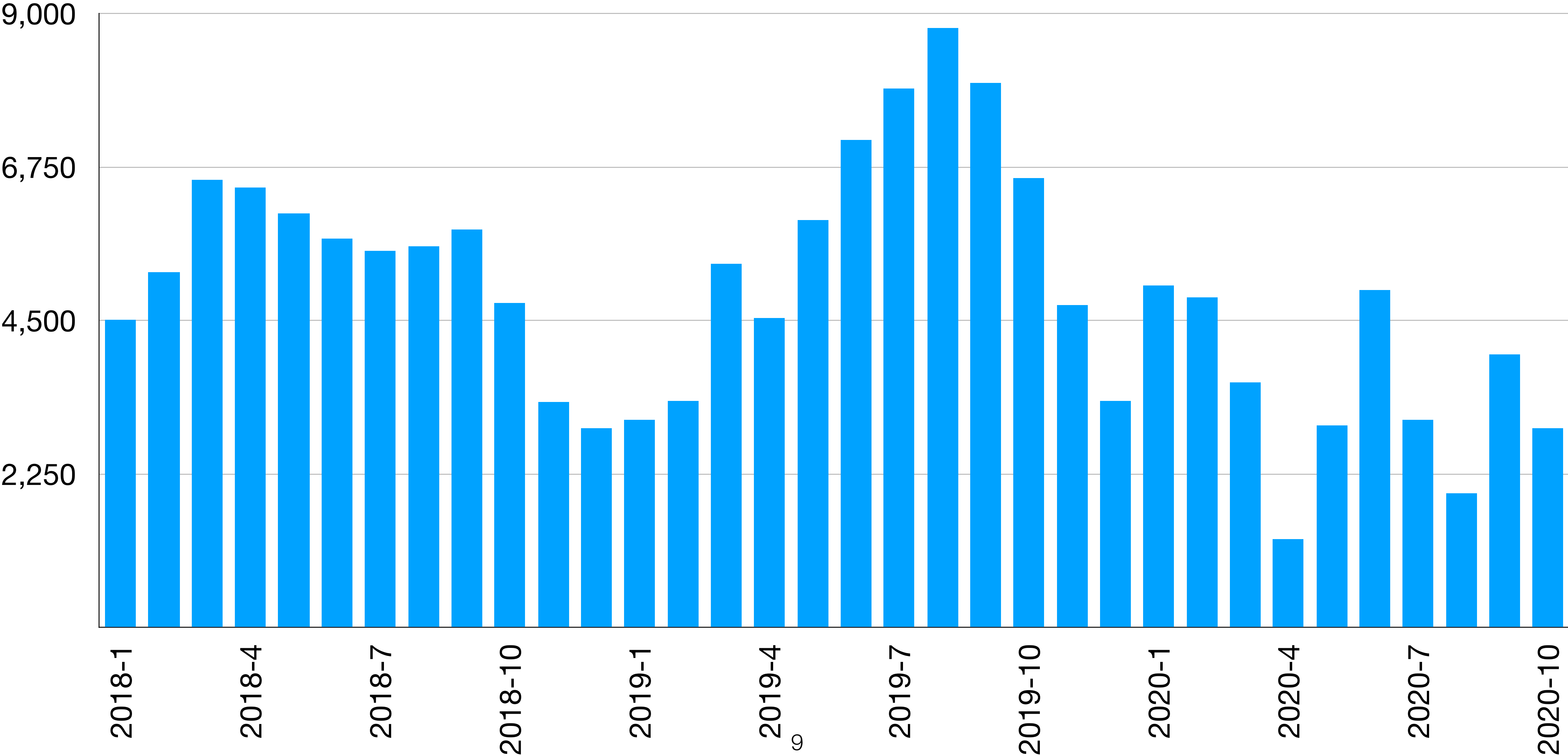
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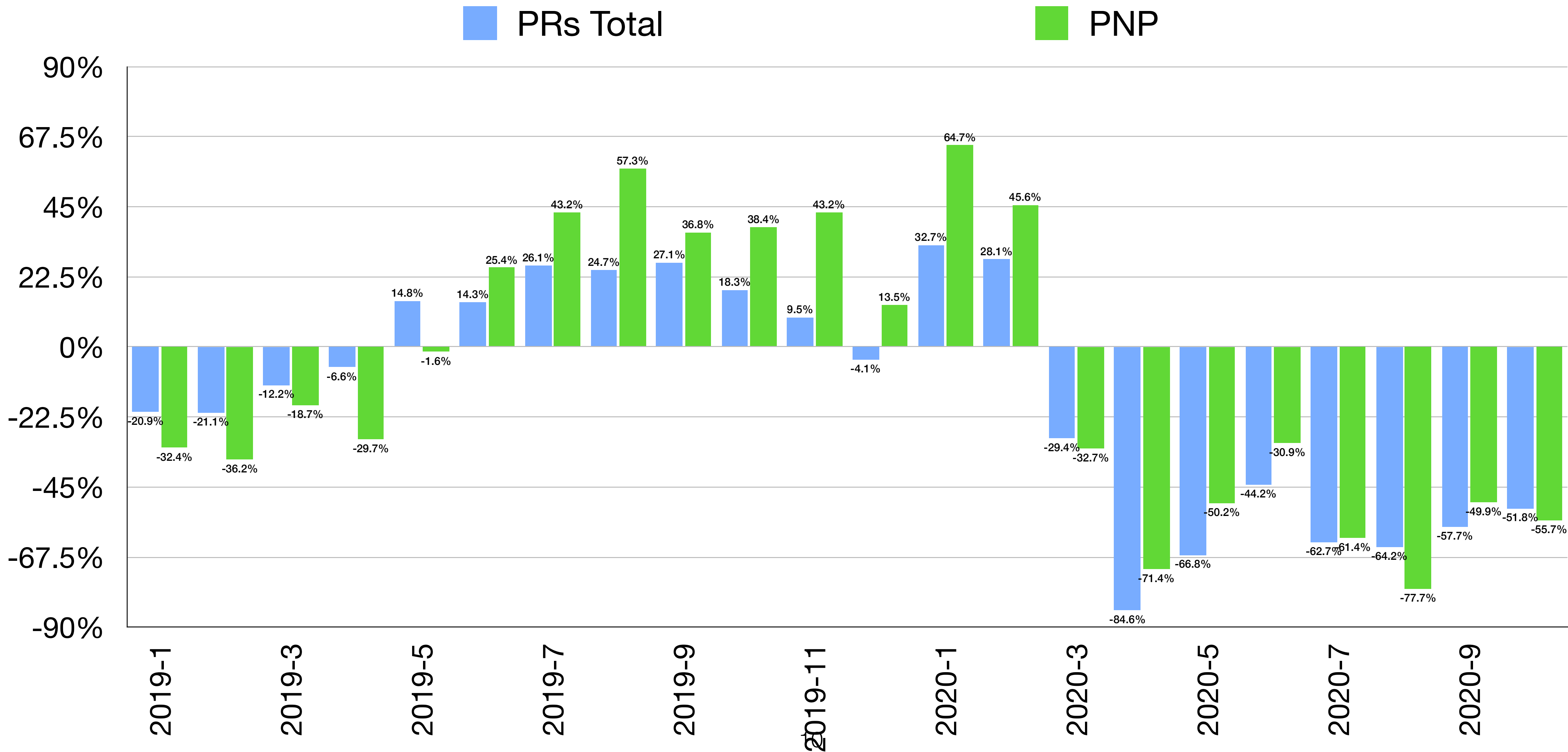


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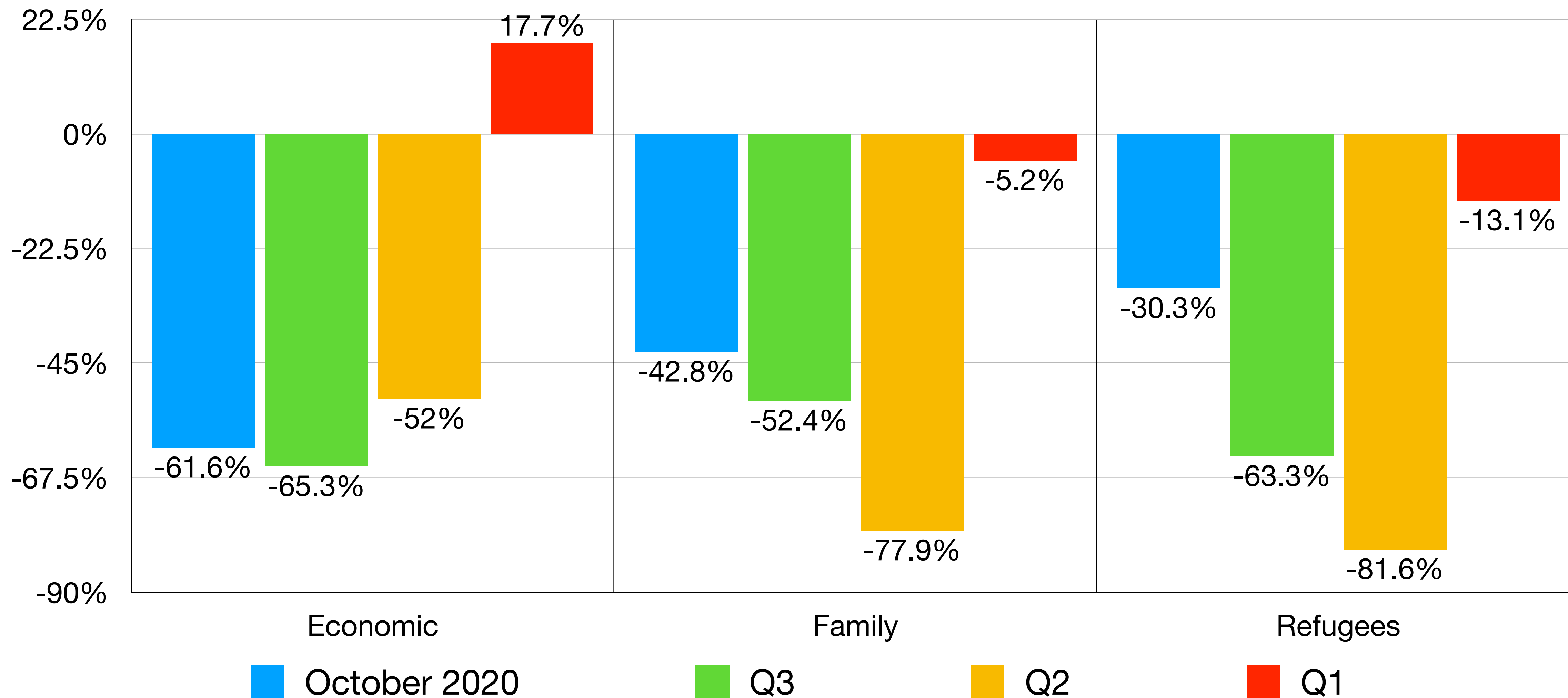
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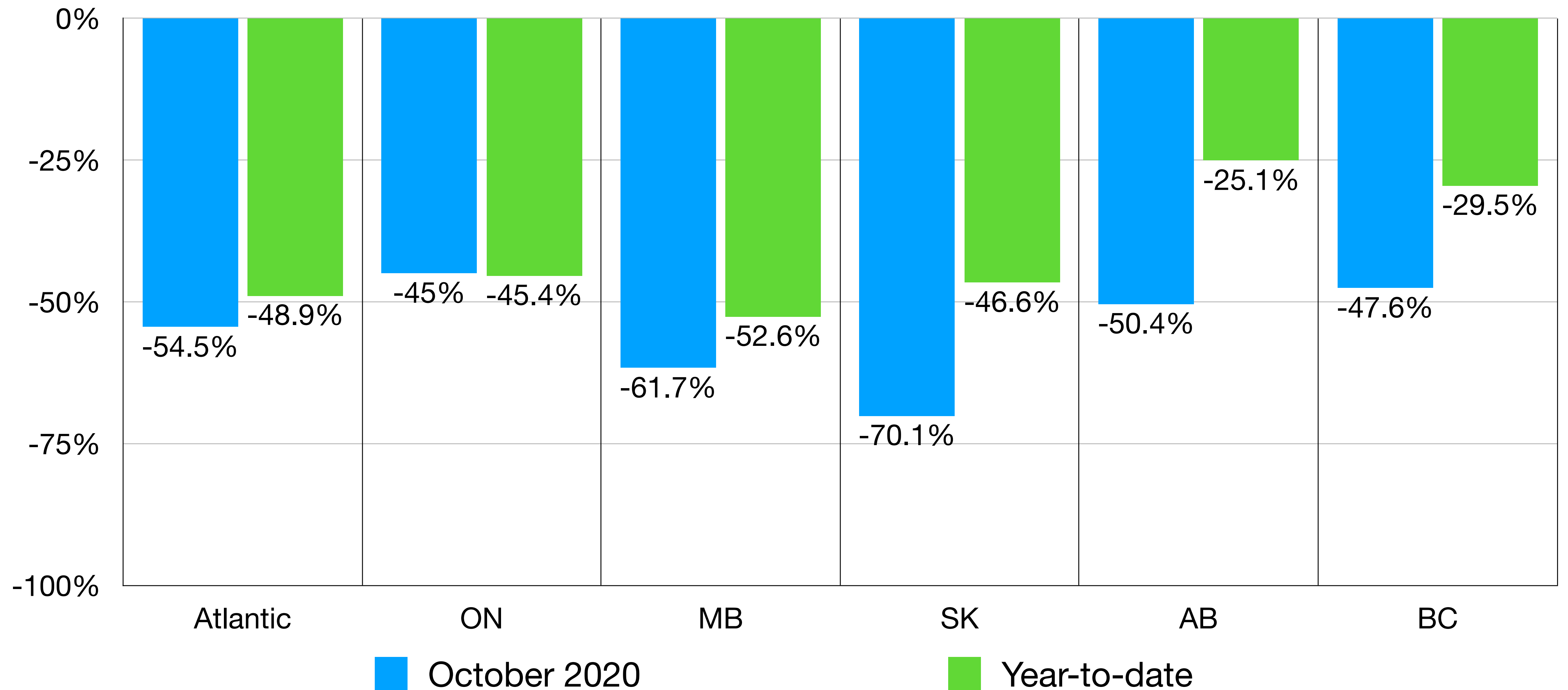
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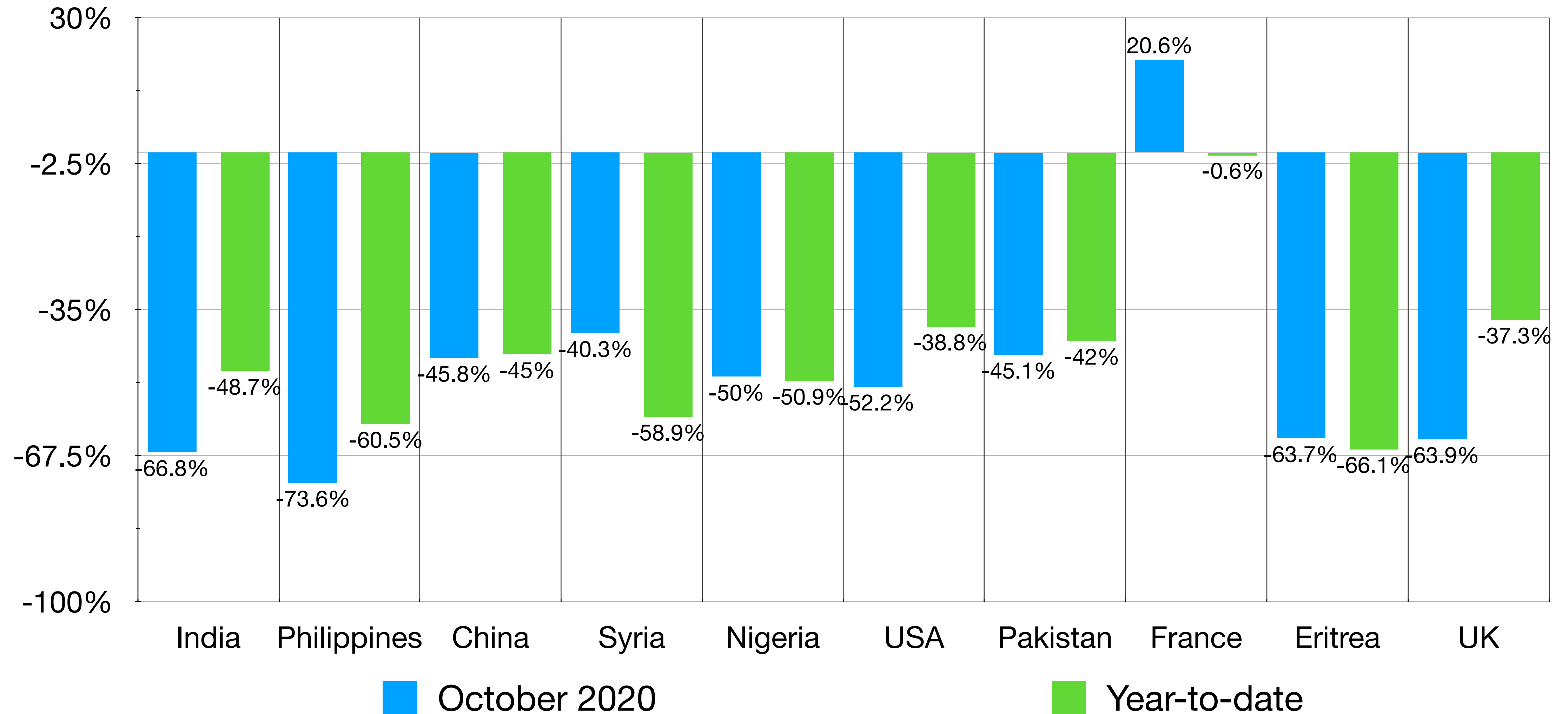
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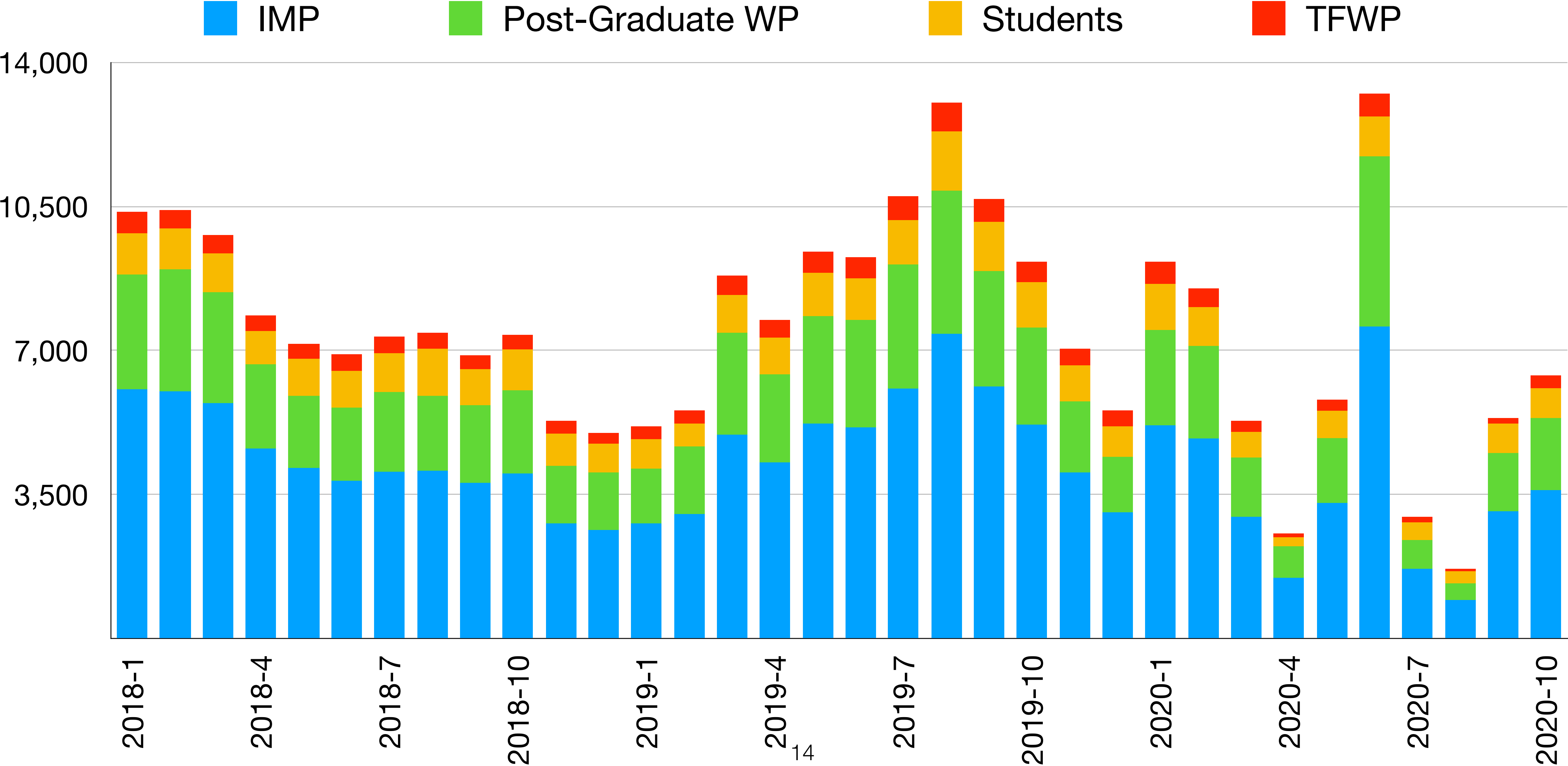
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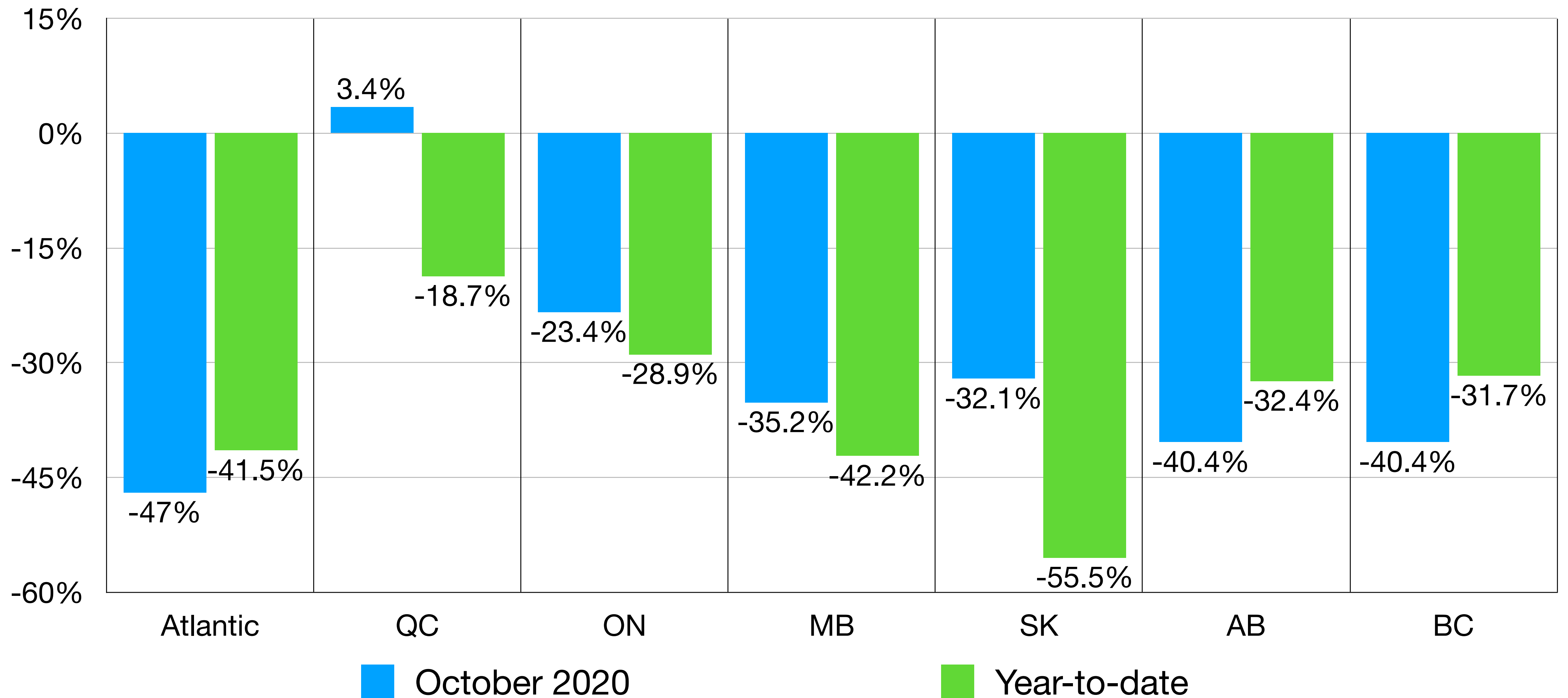
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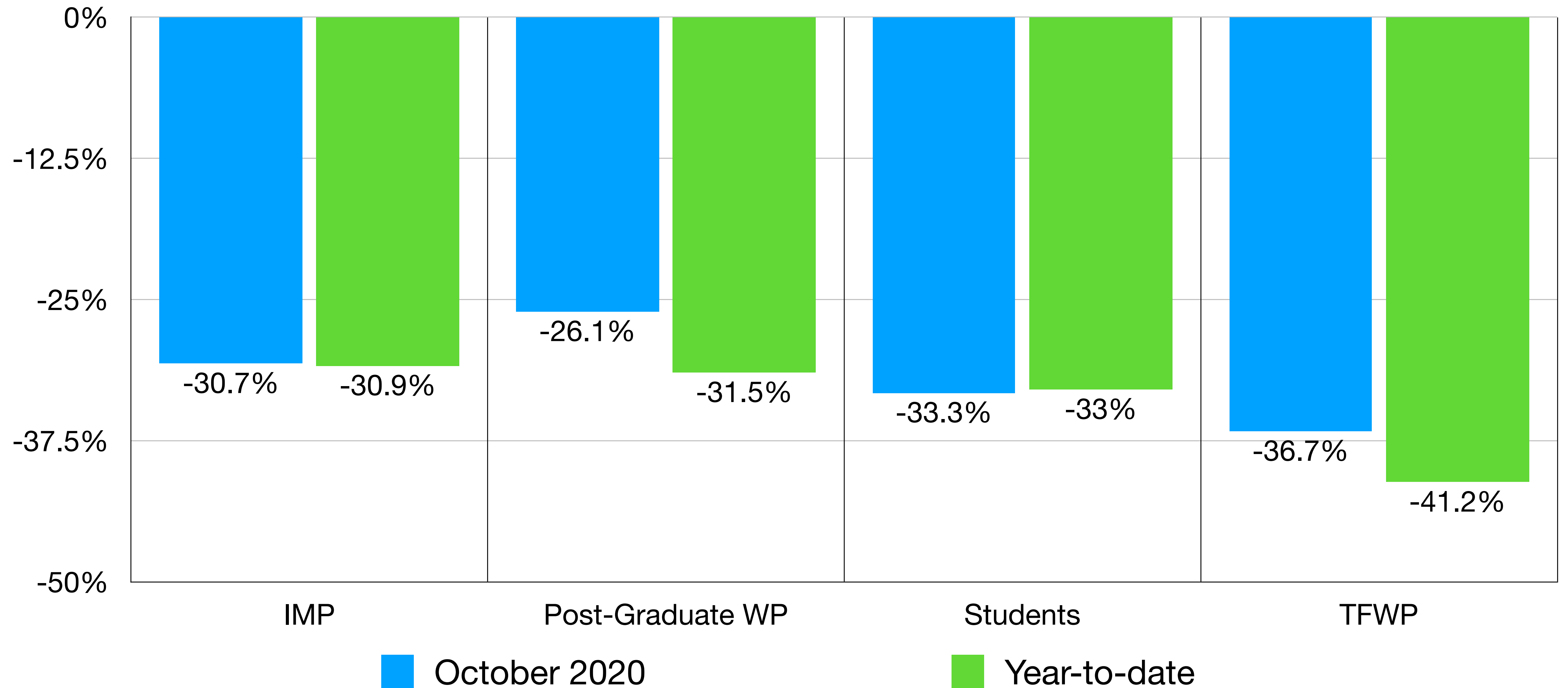
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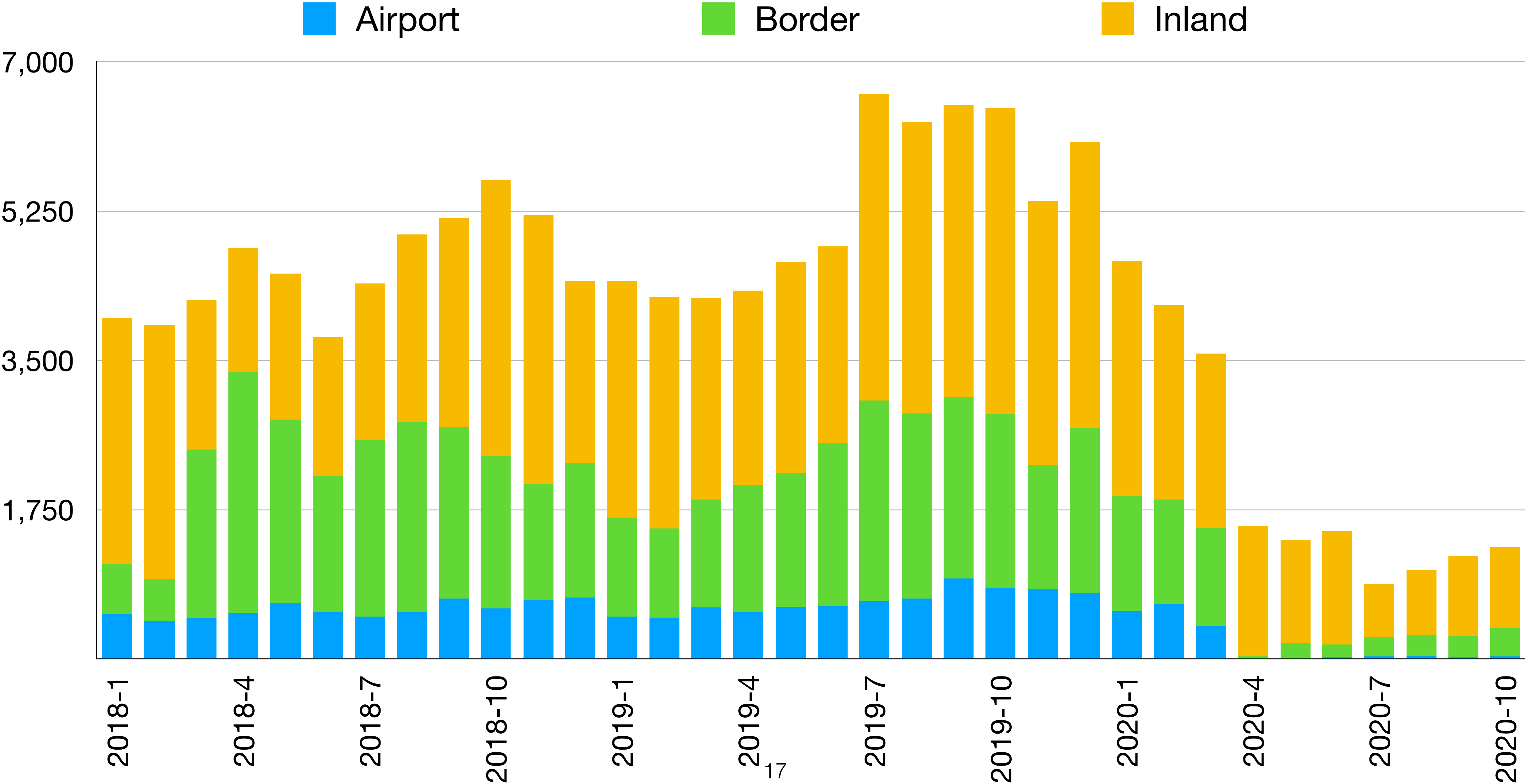


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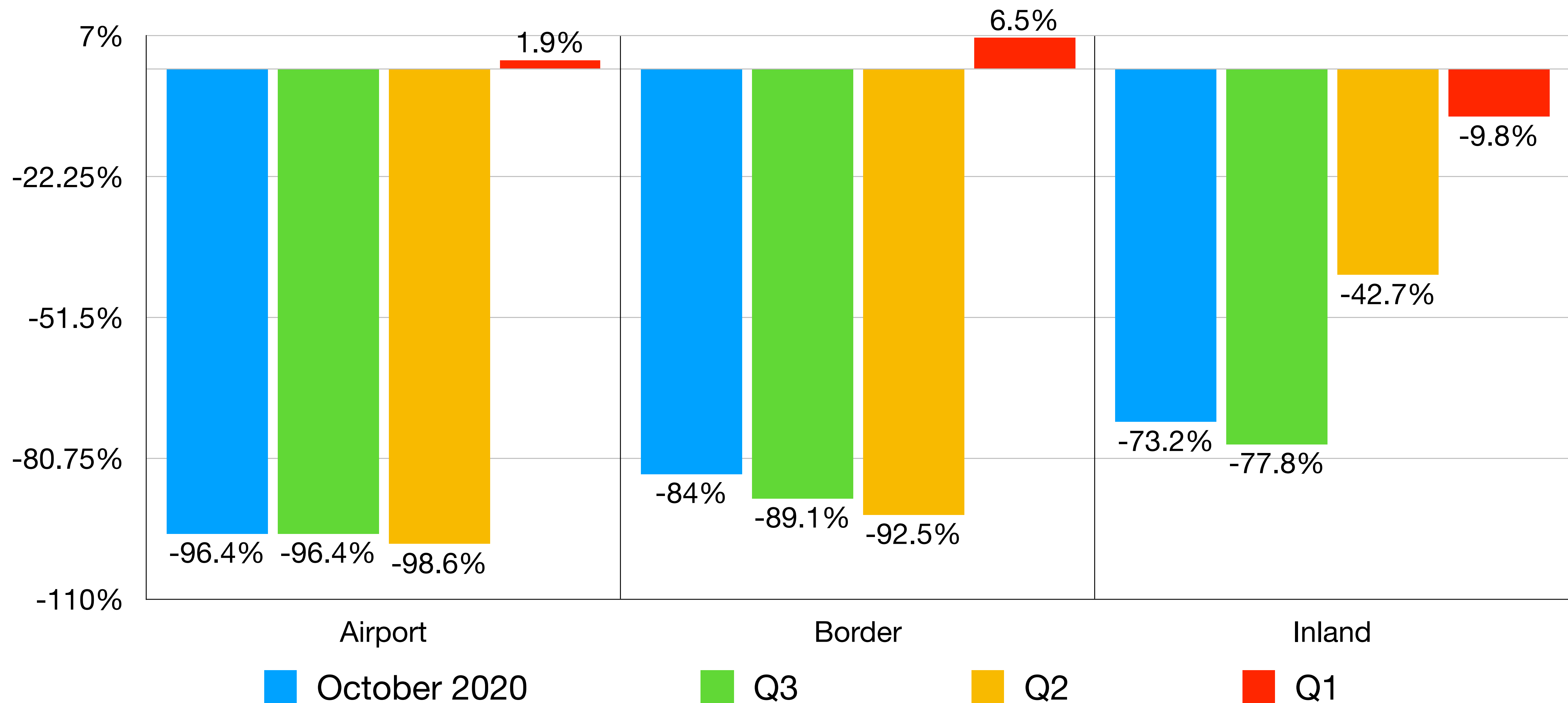


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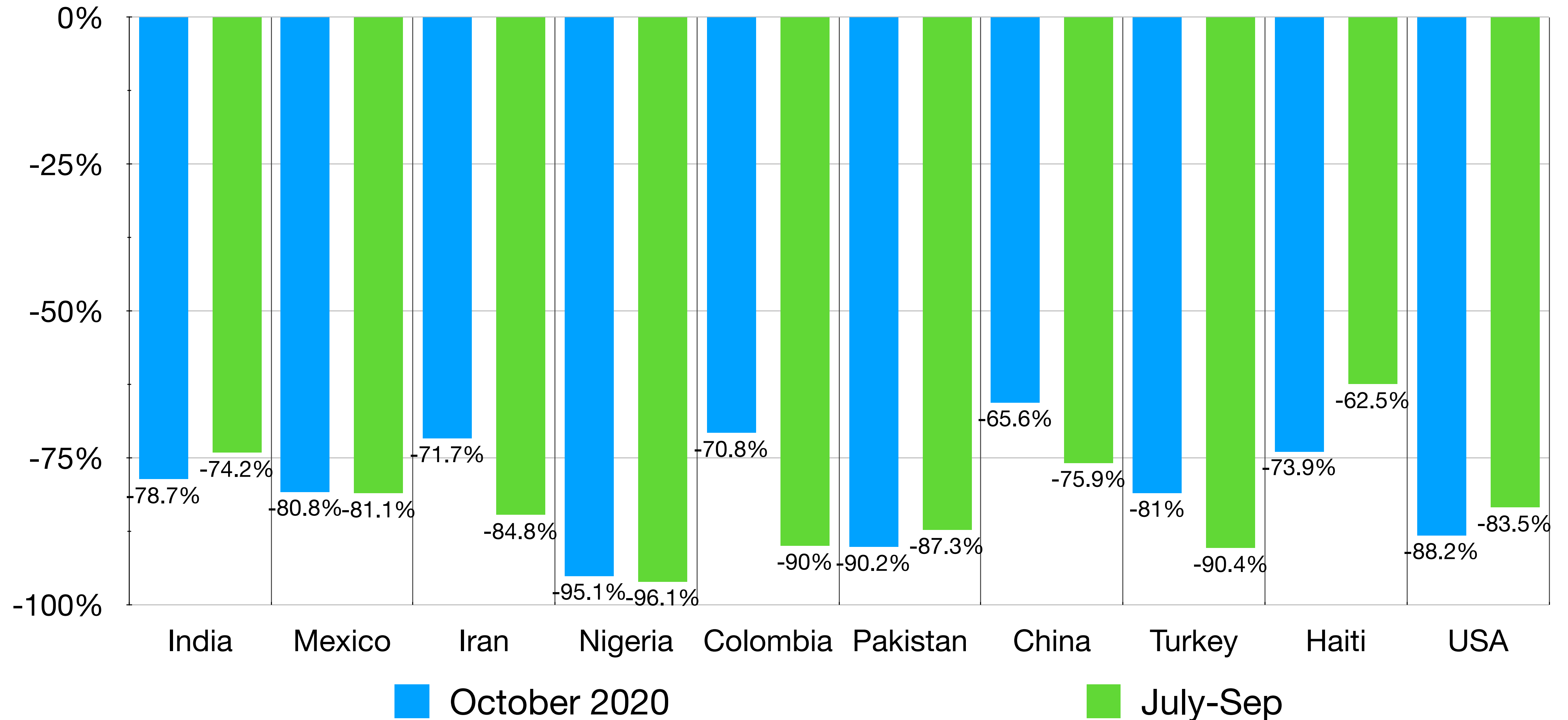
# Asylum Claimants: Year-over-year

## Comparison by Office Type—October 2020, Quarterly



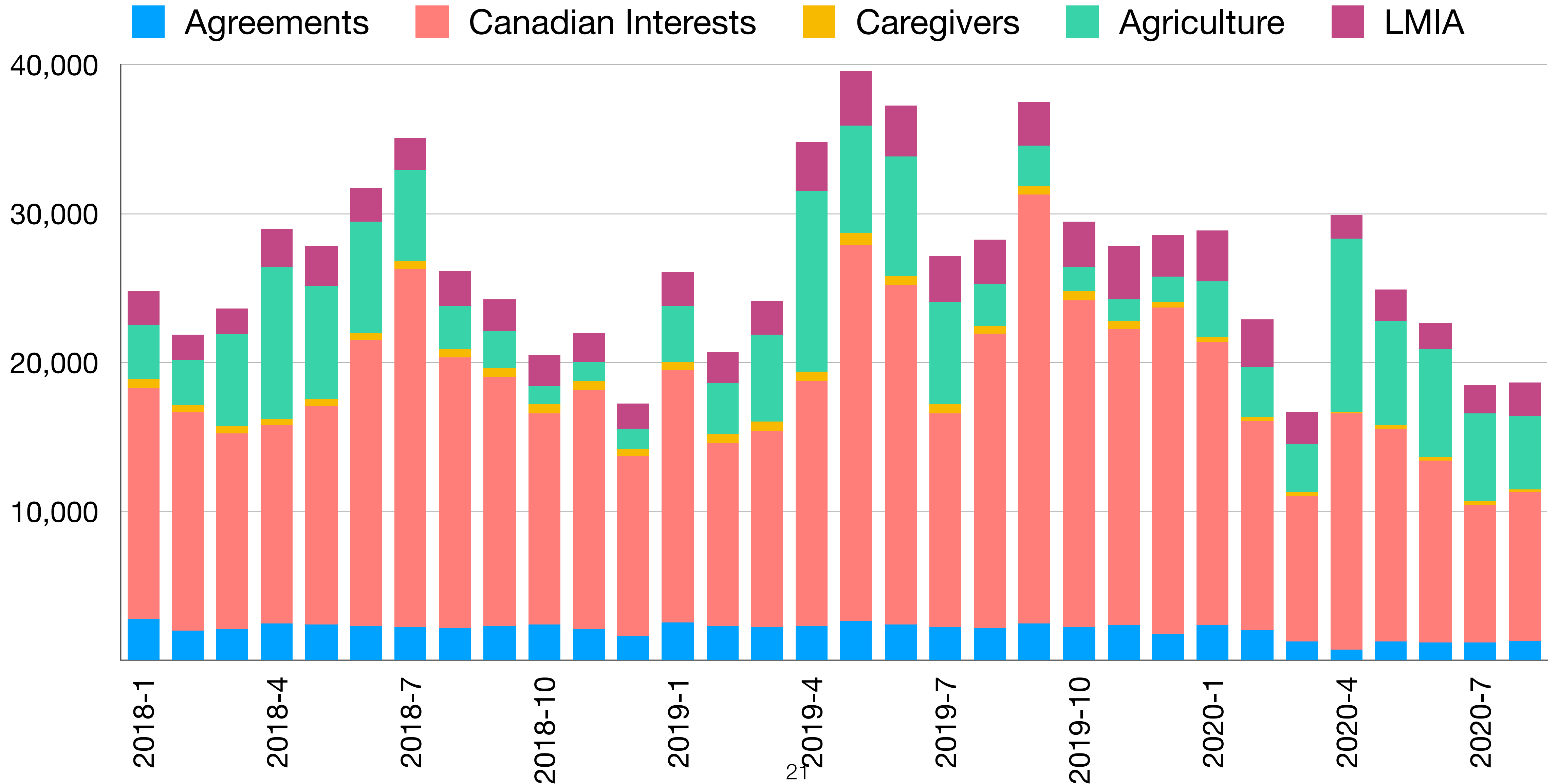
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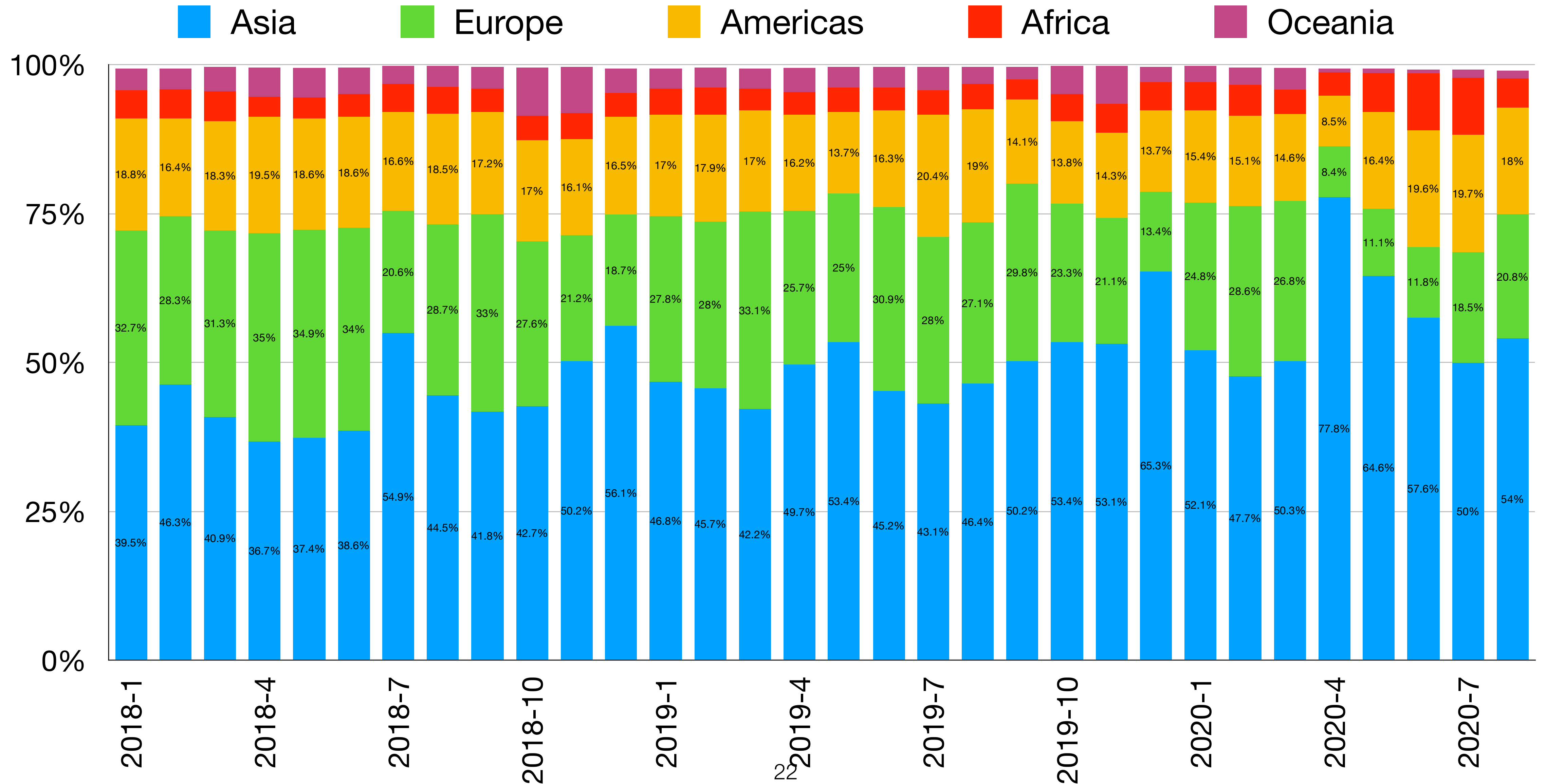


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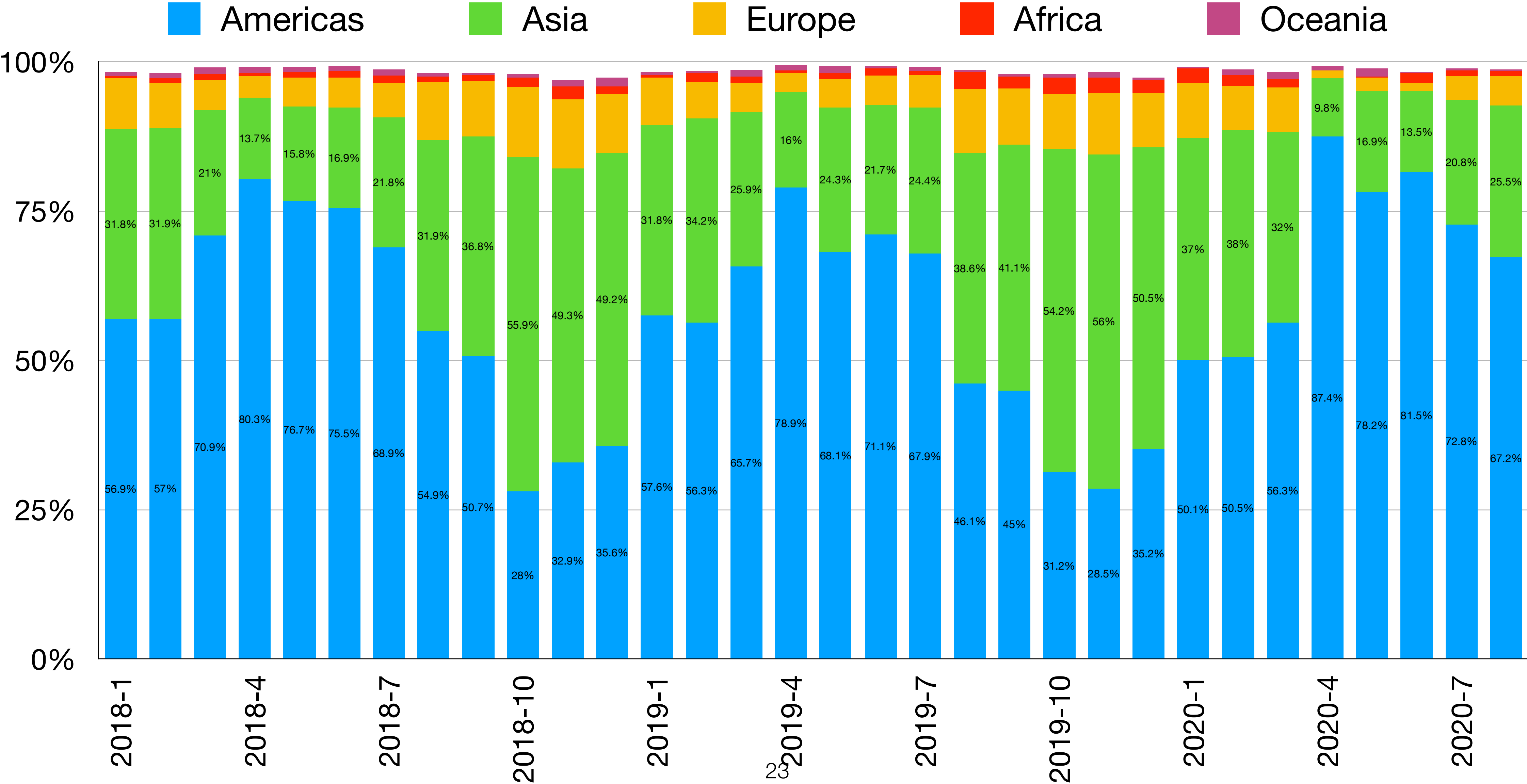
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# IMP by Region of Citizenship – 2018-20



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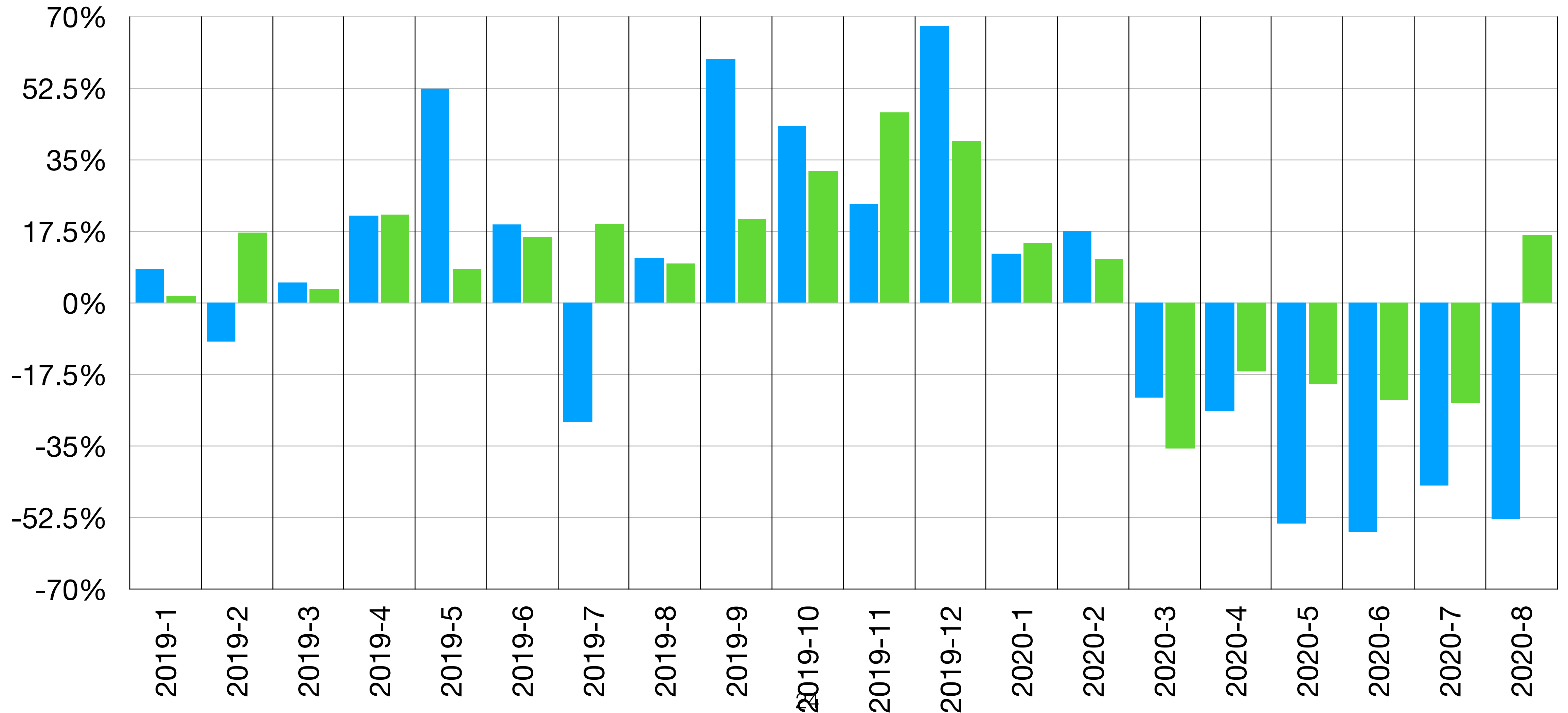


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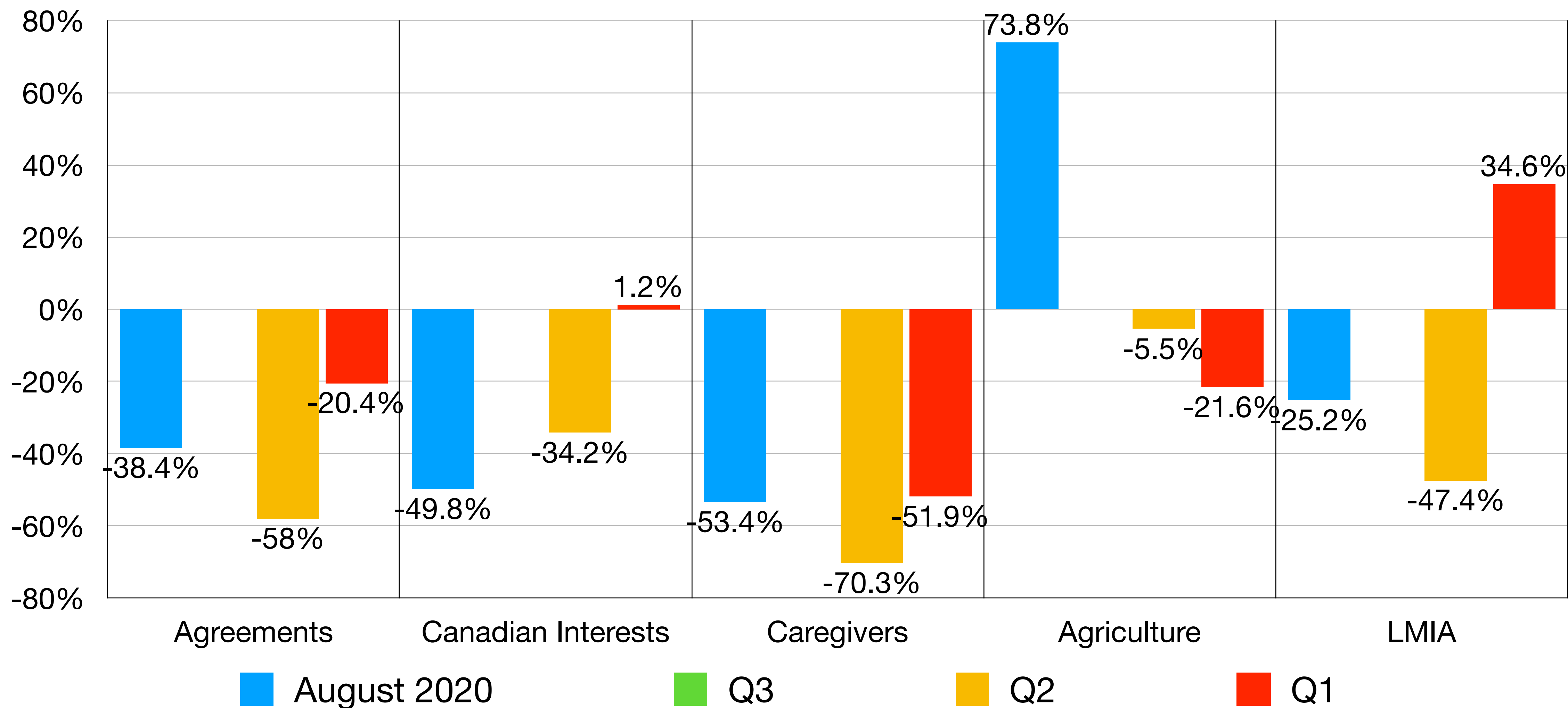
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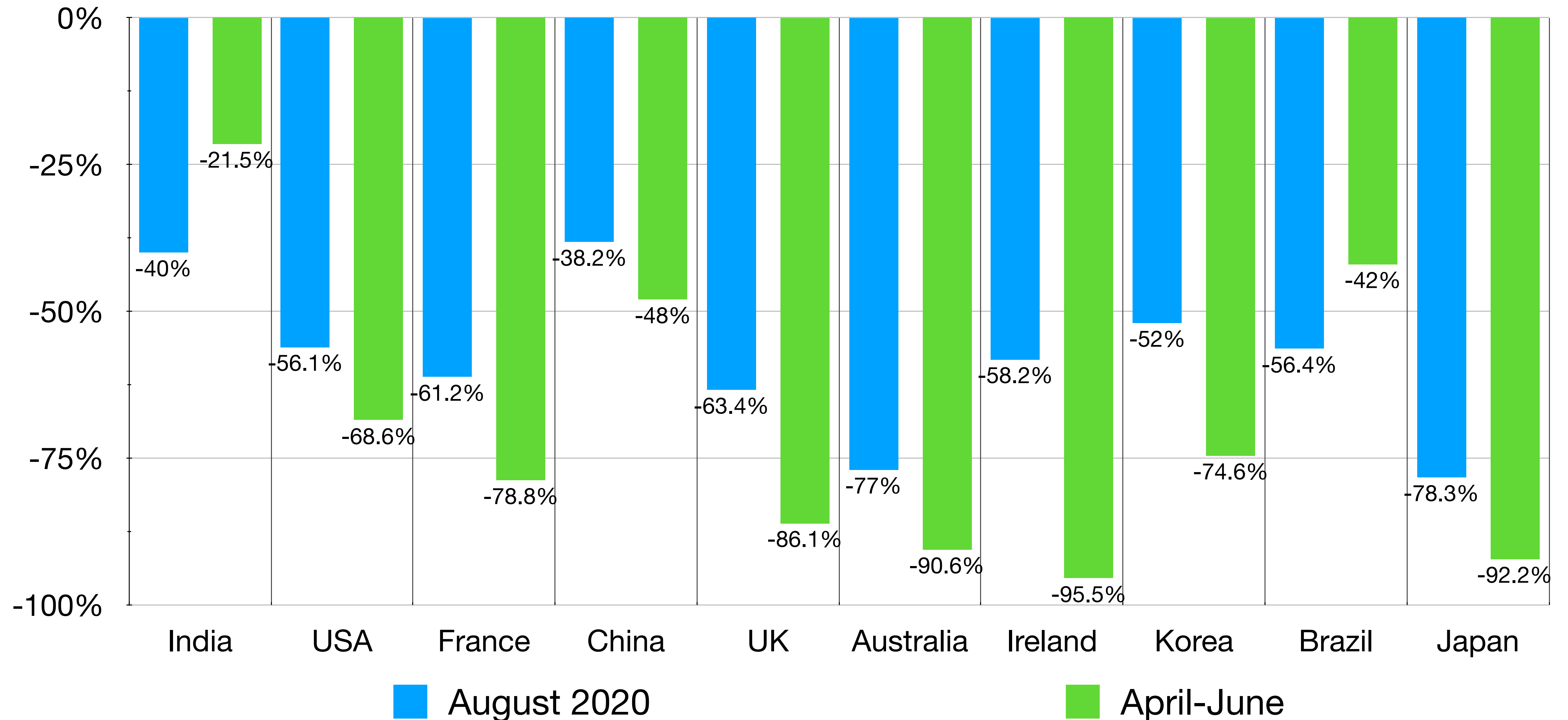
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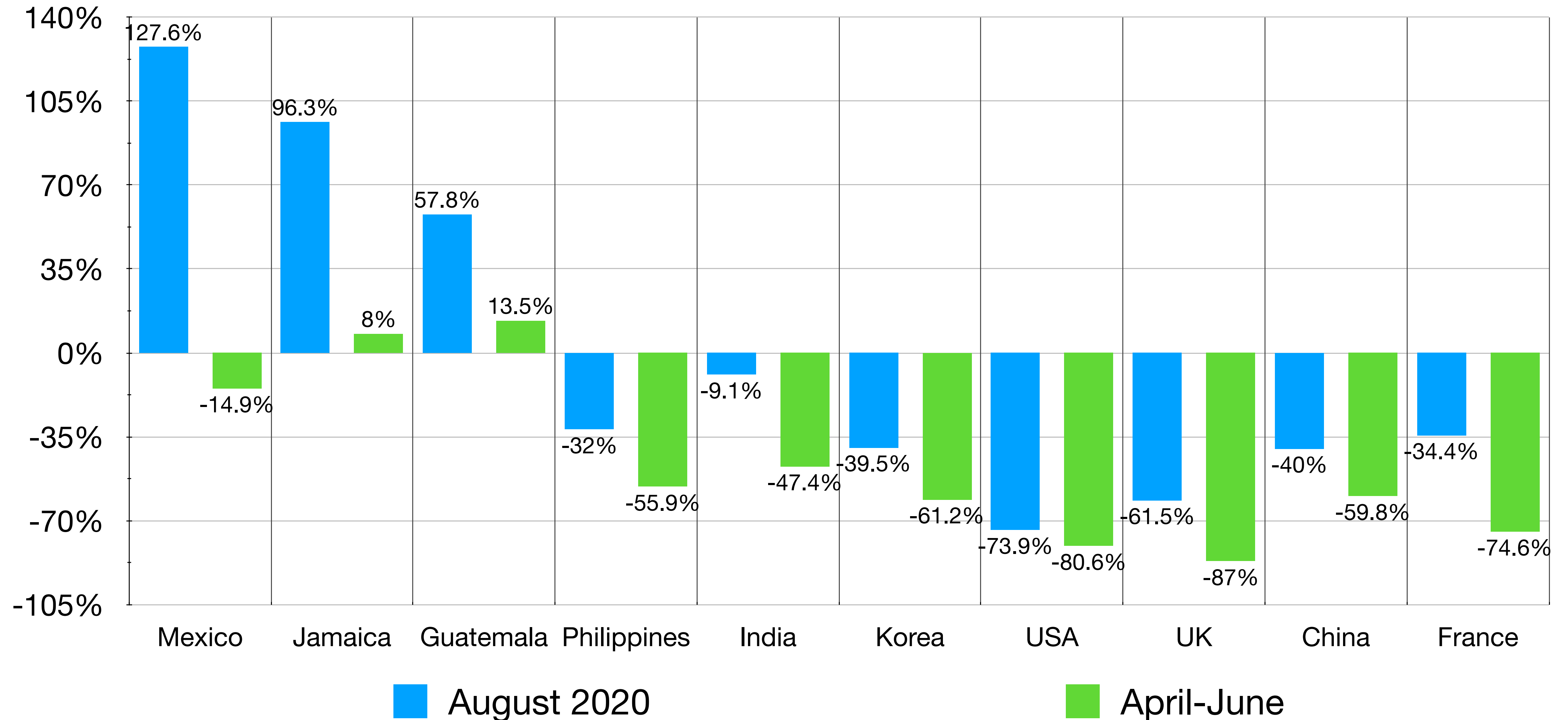
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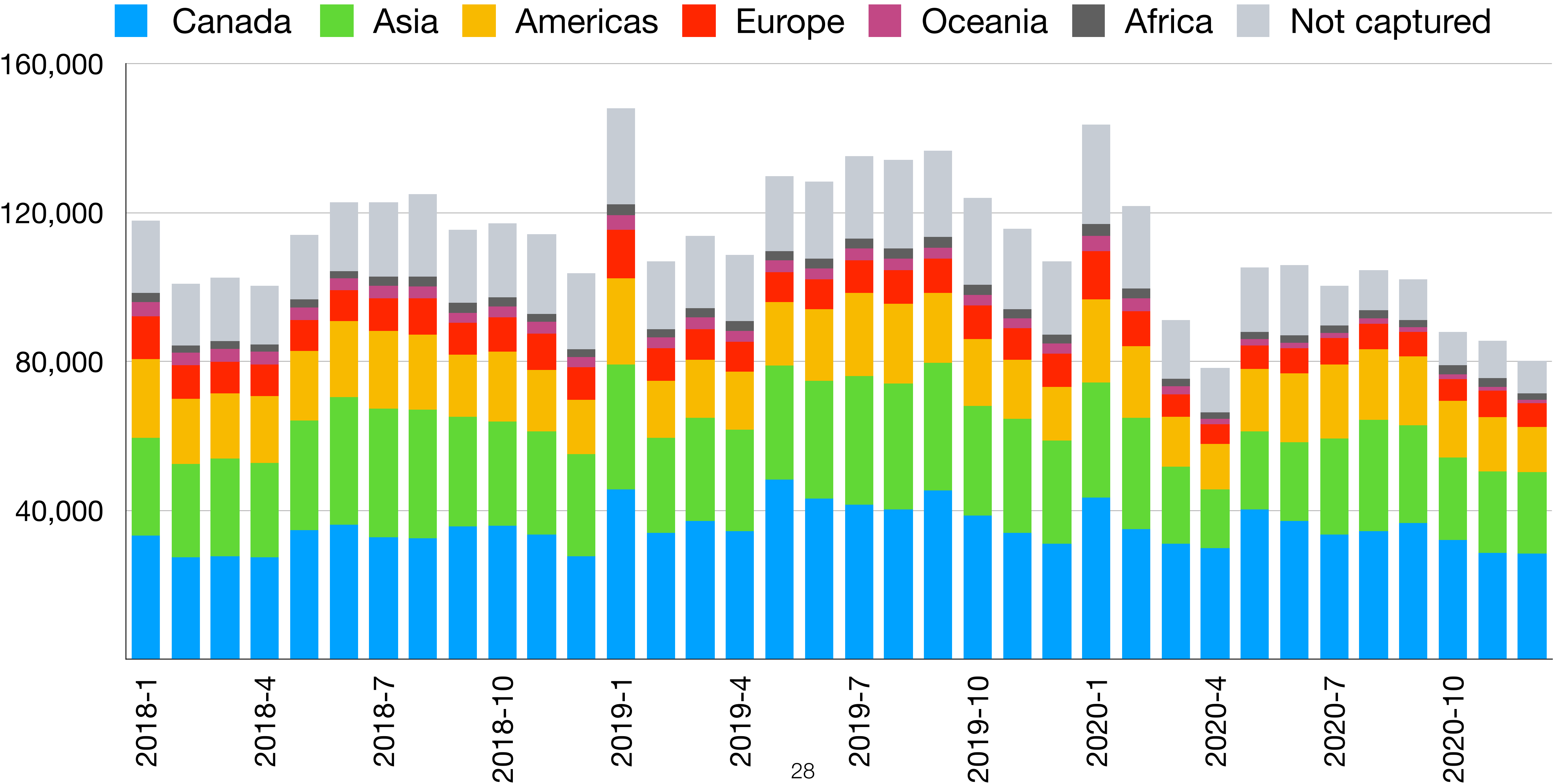
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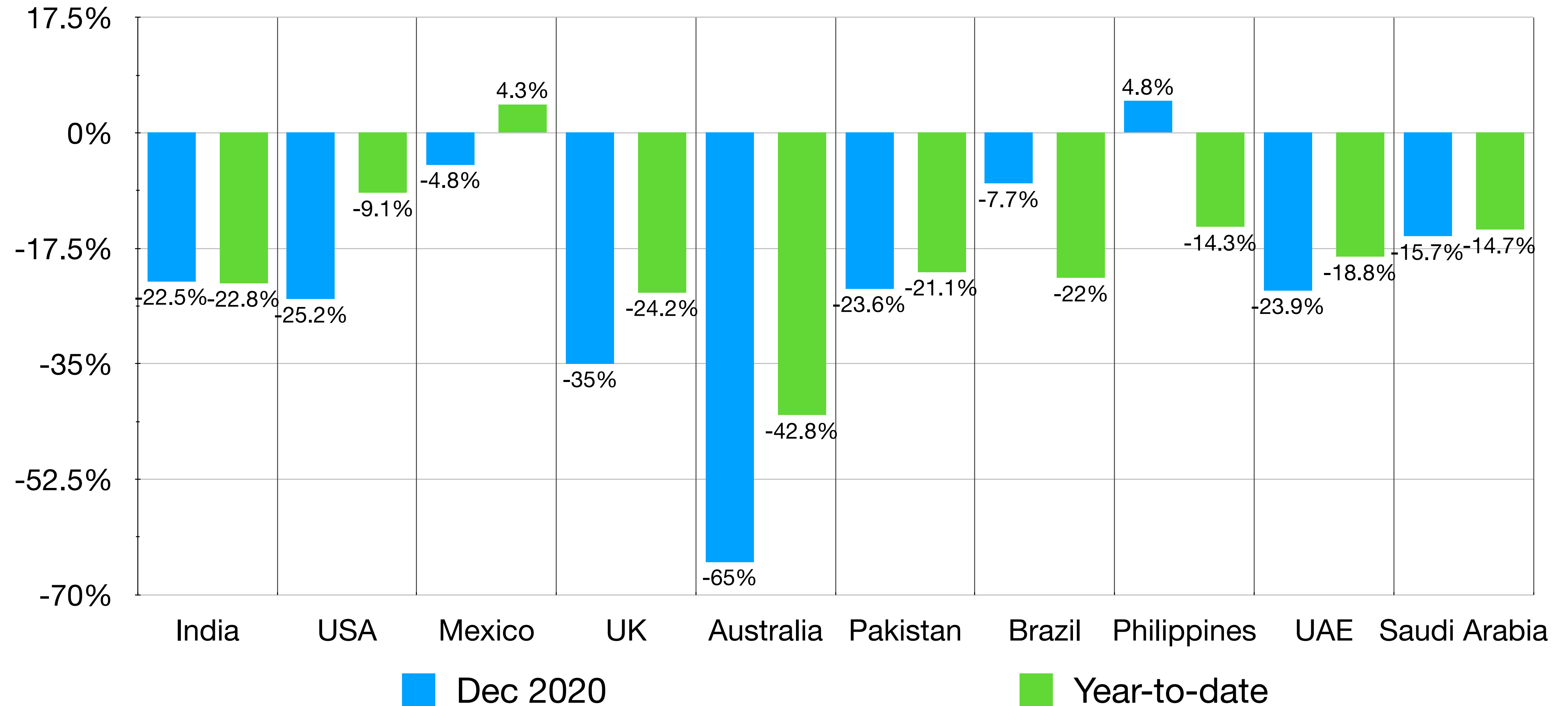
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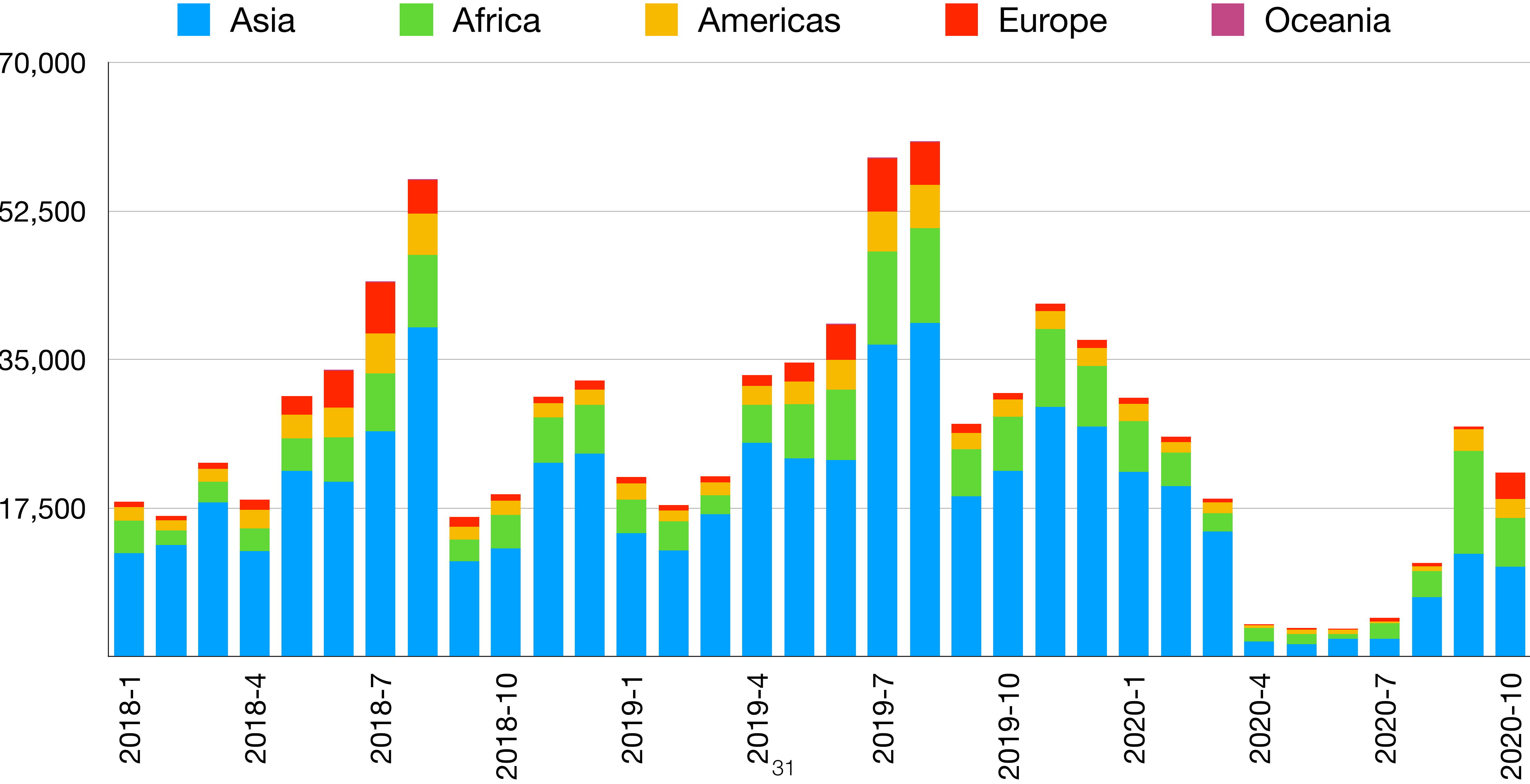
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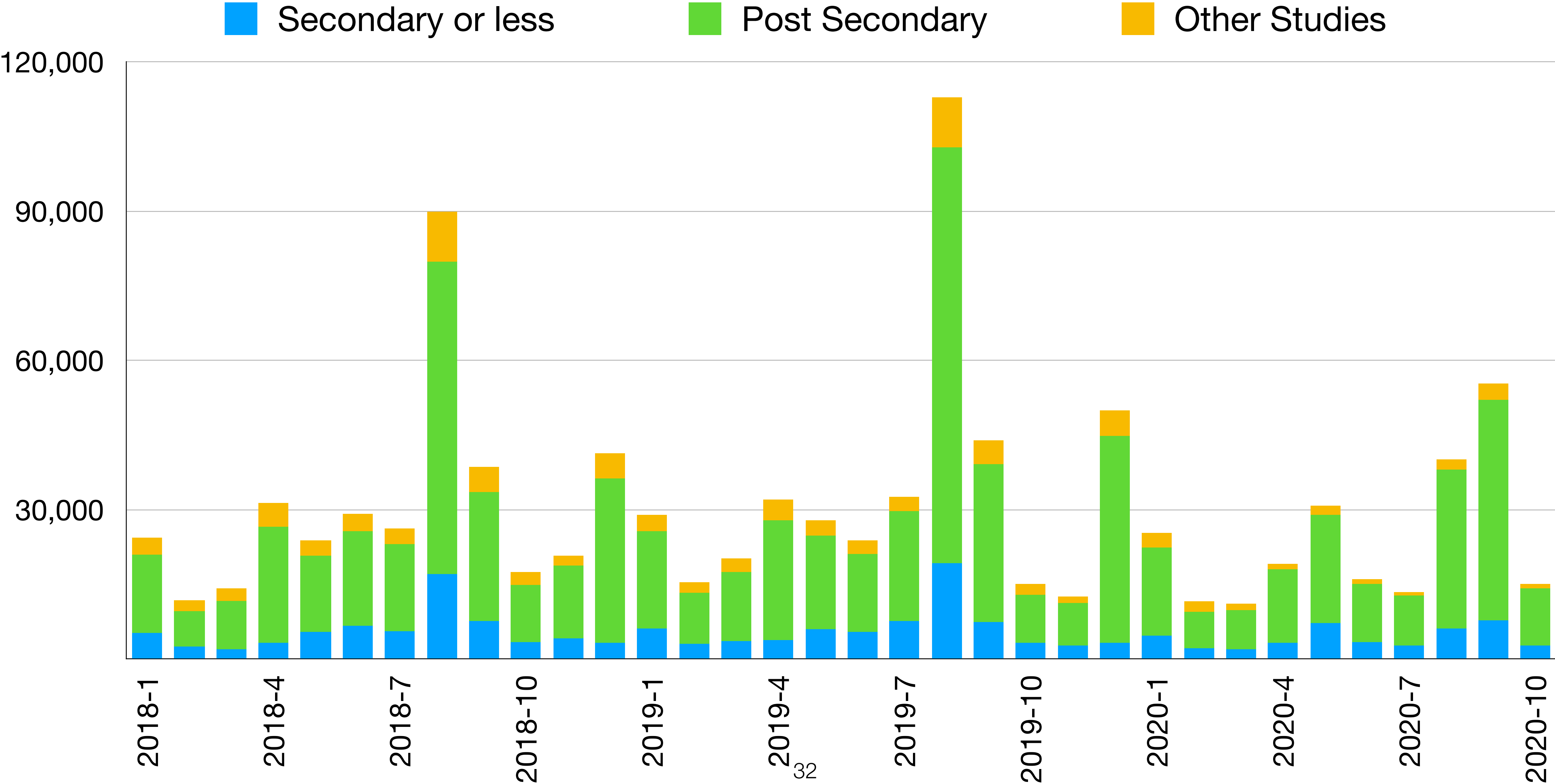


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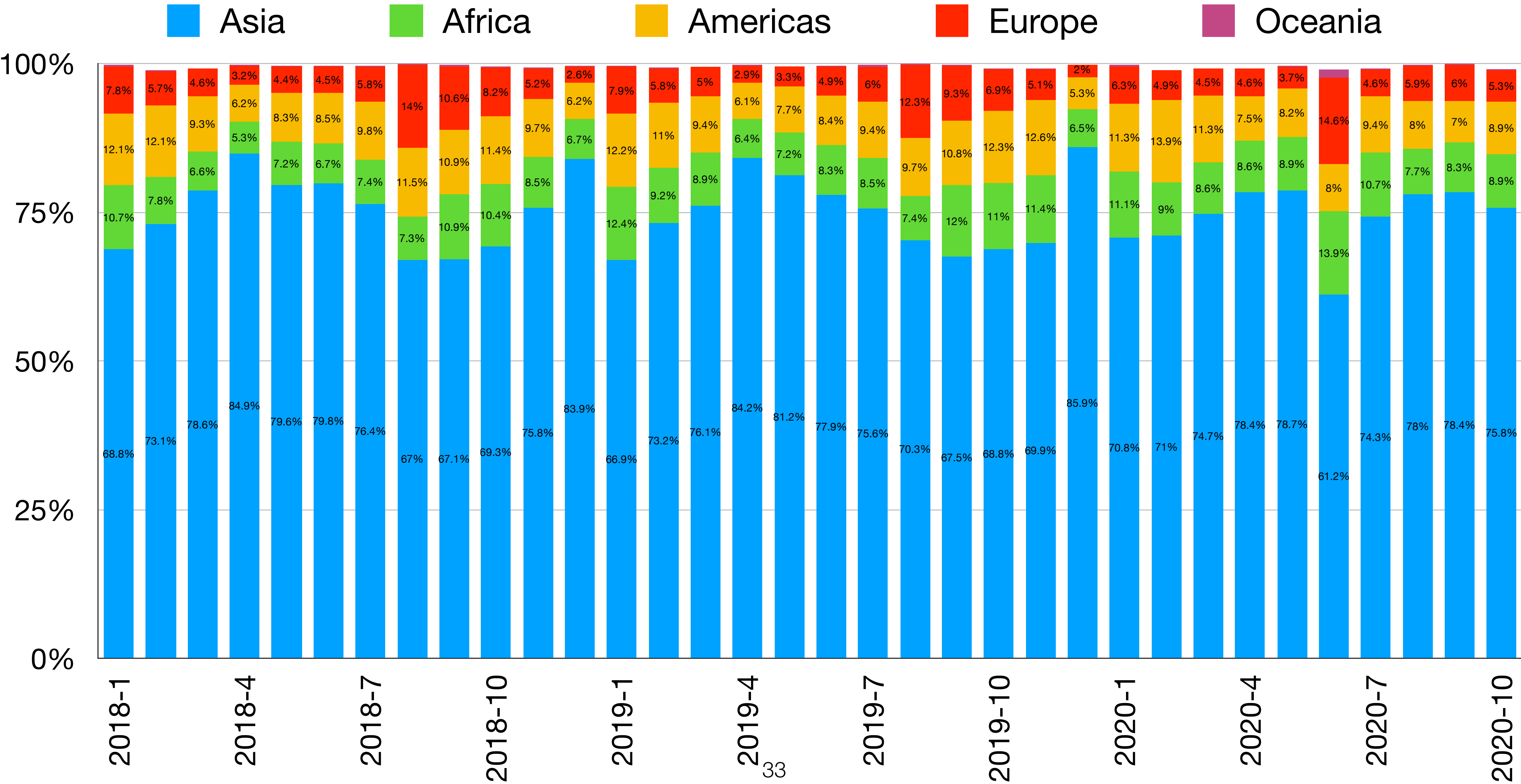
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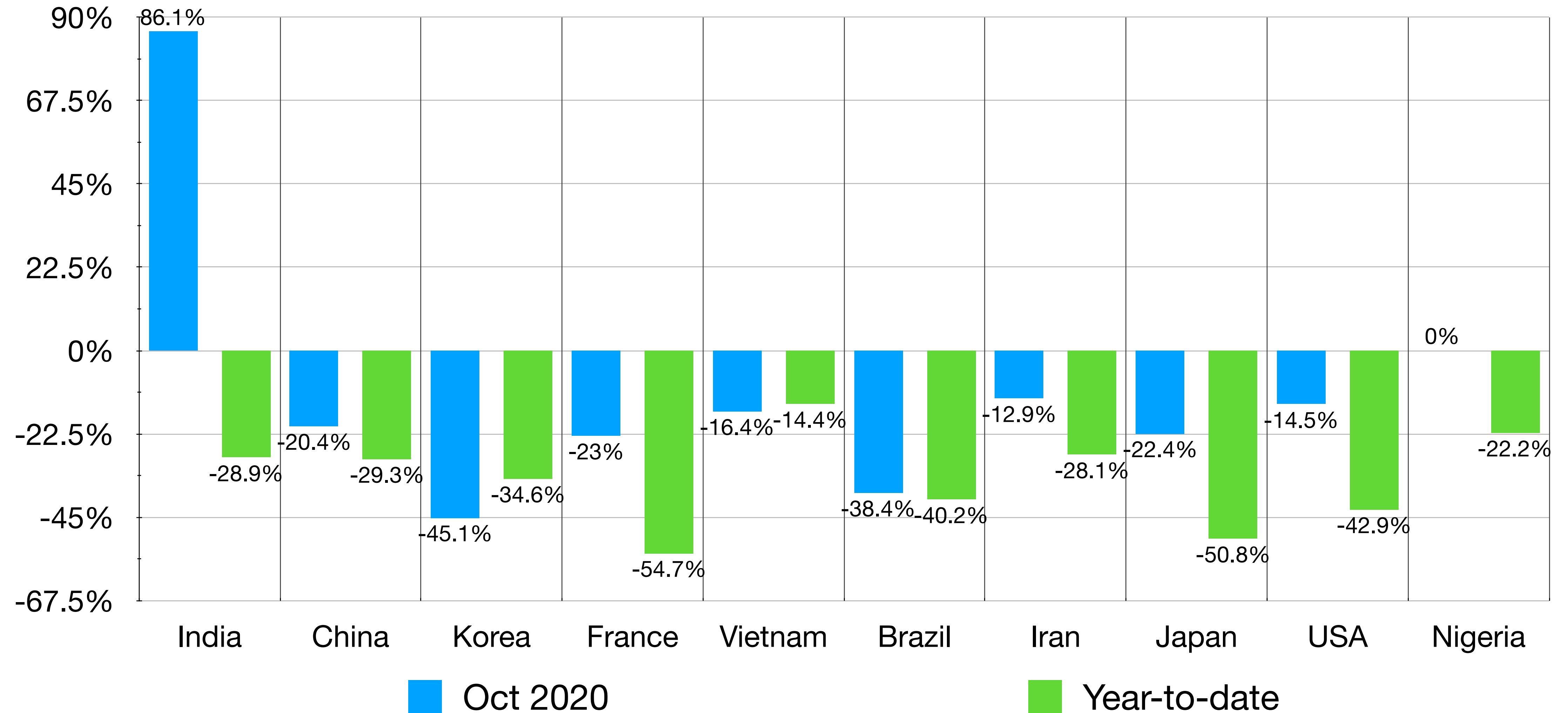
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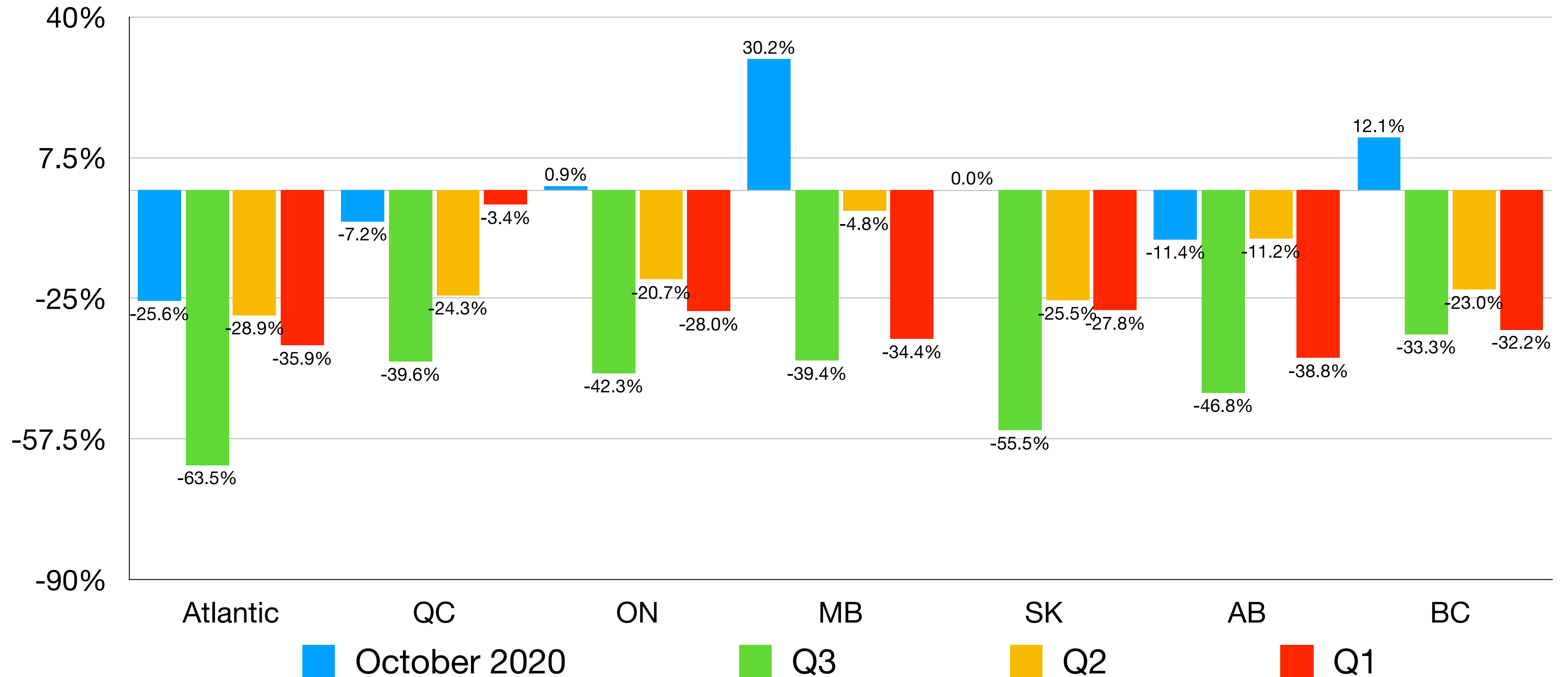
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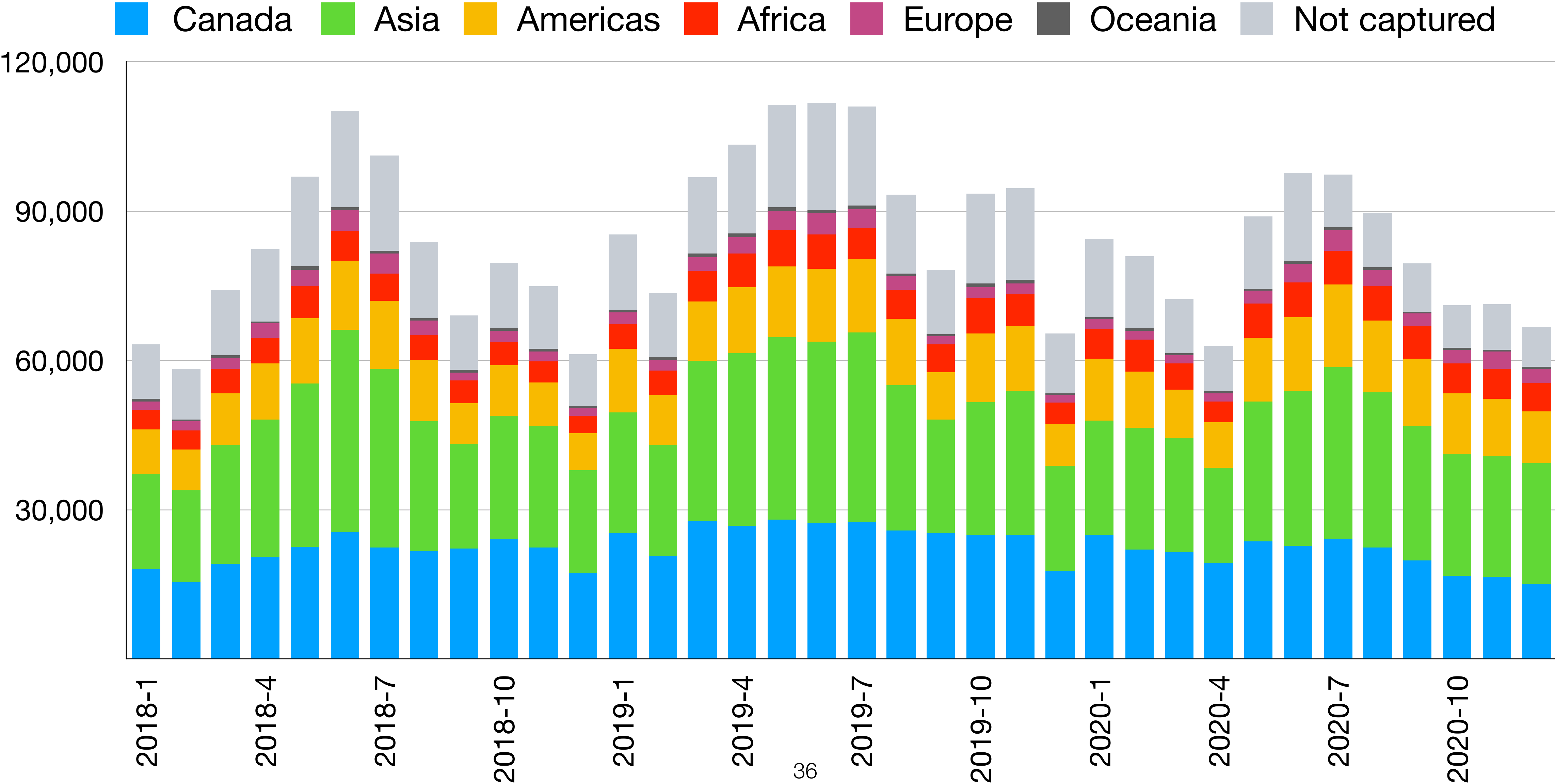


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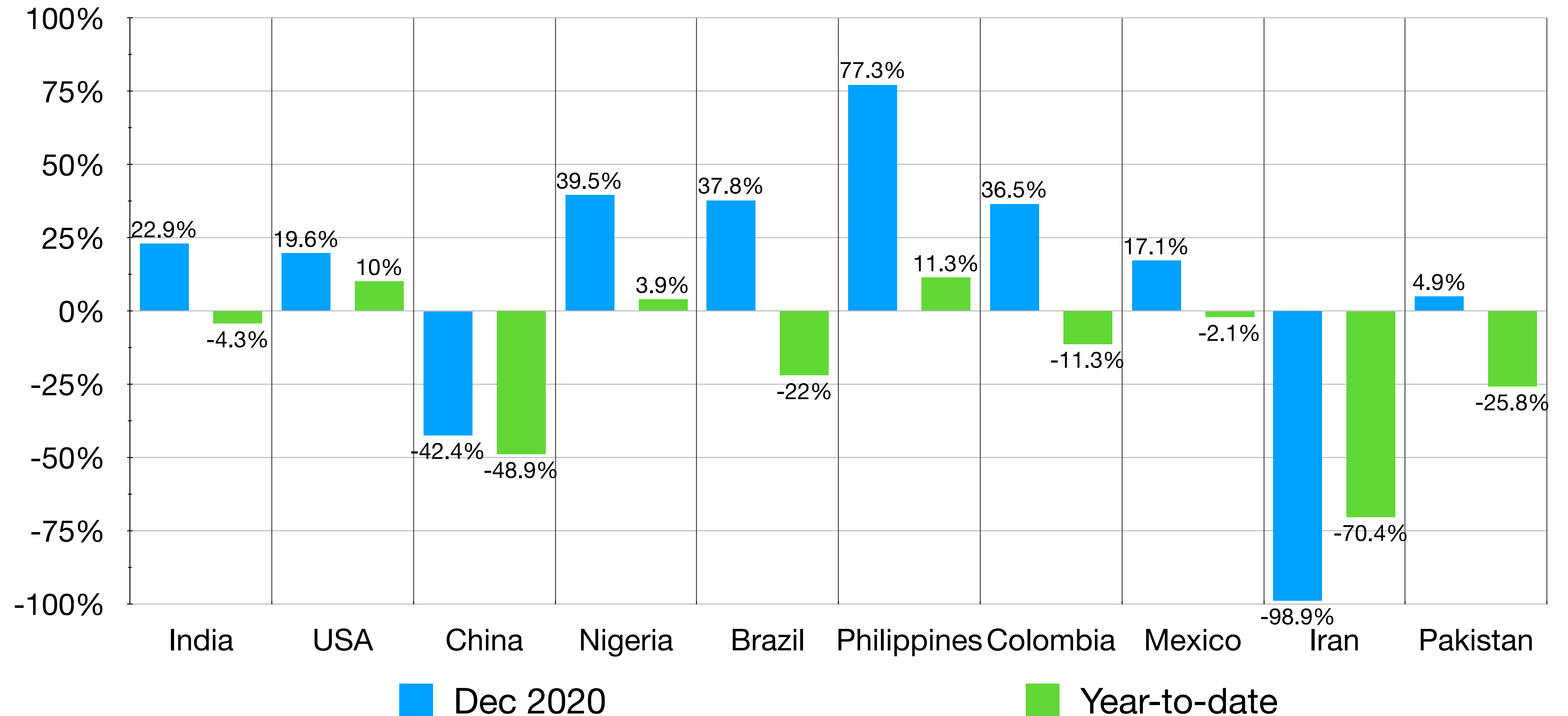
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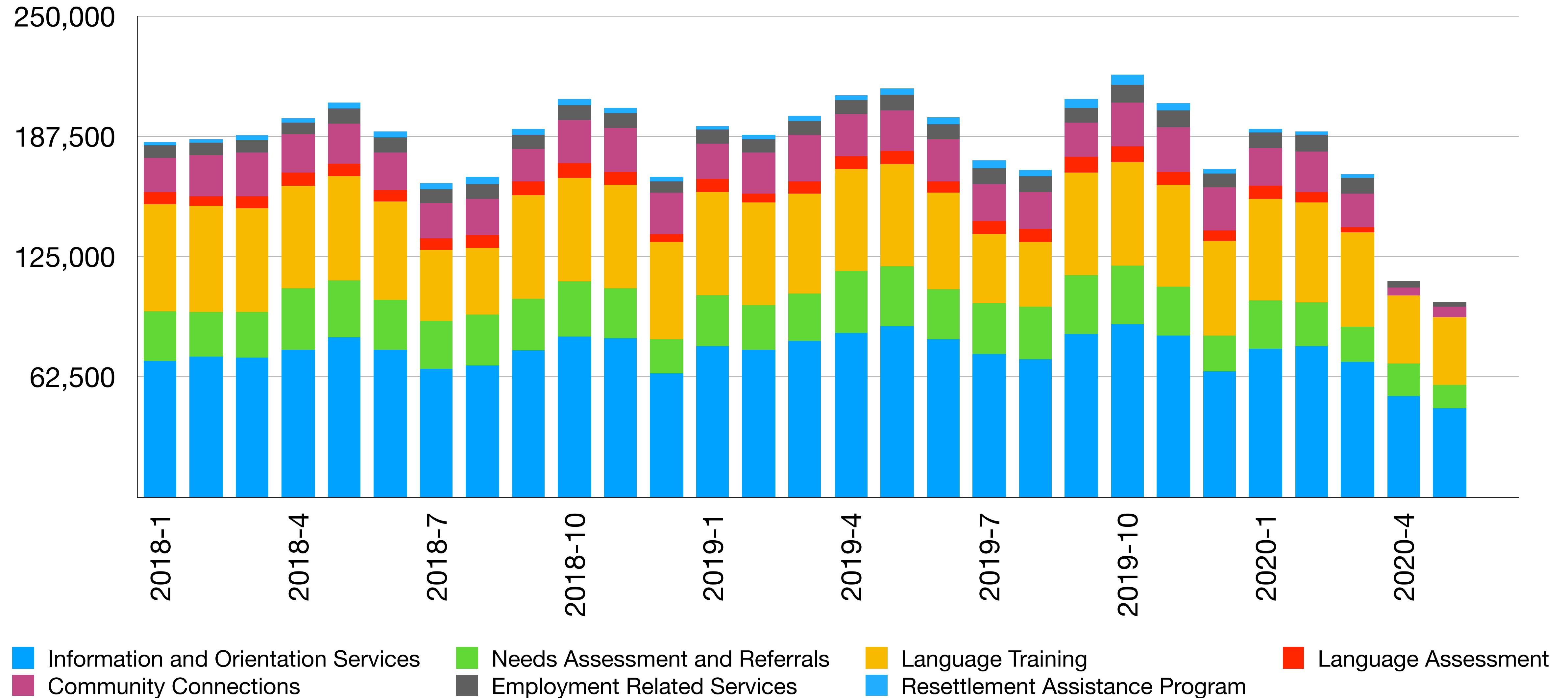
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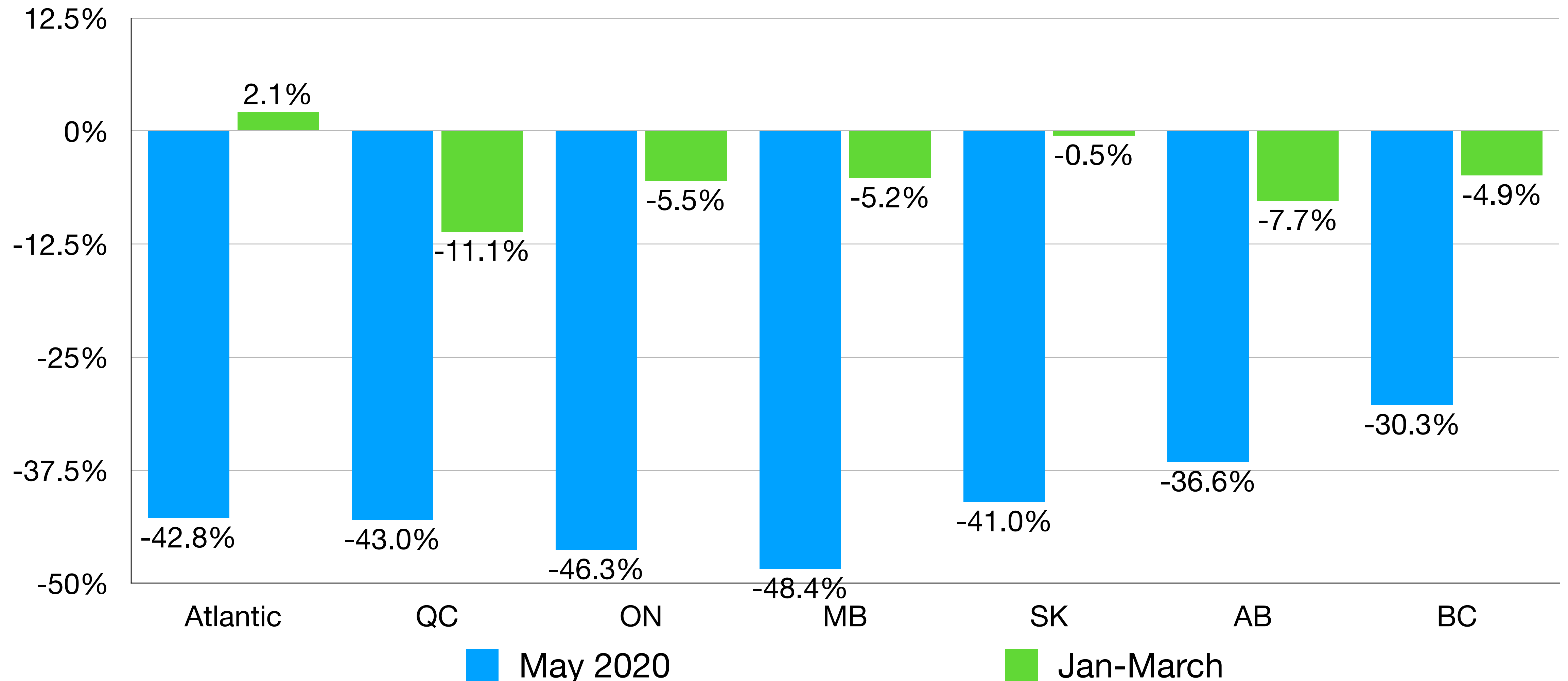
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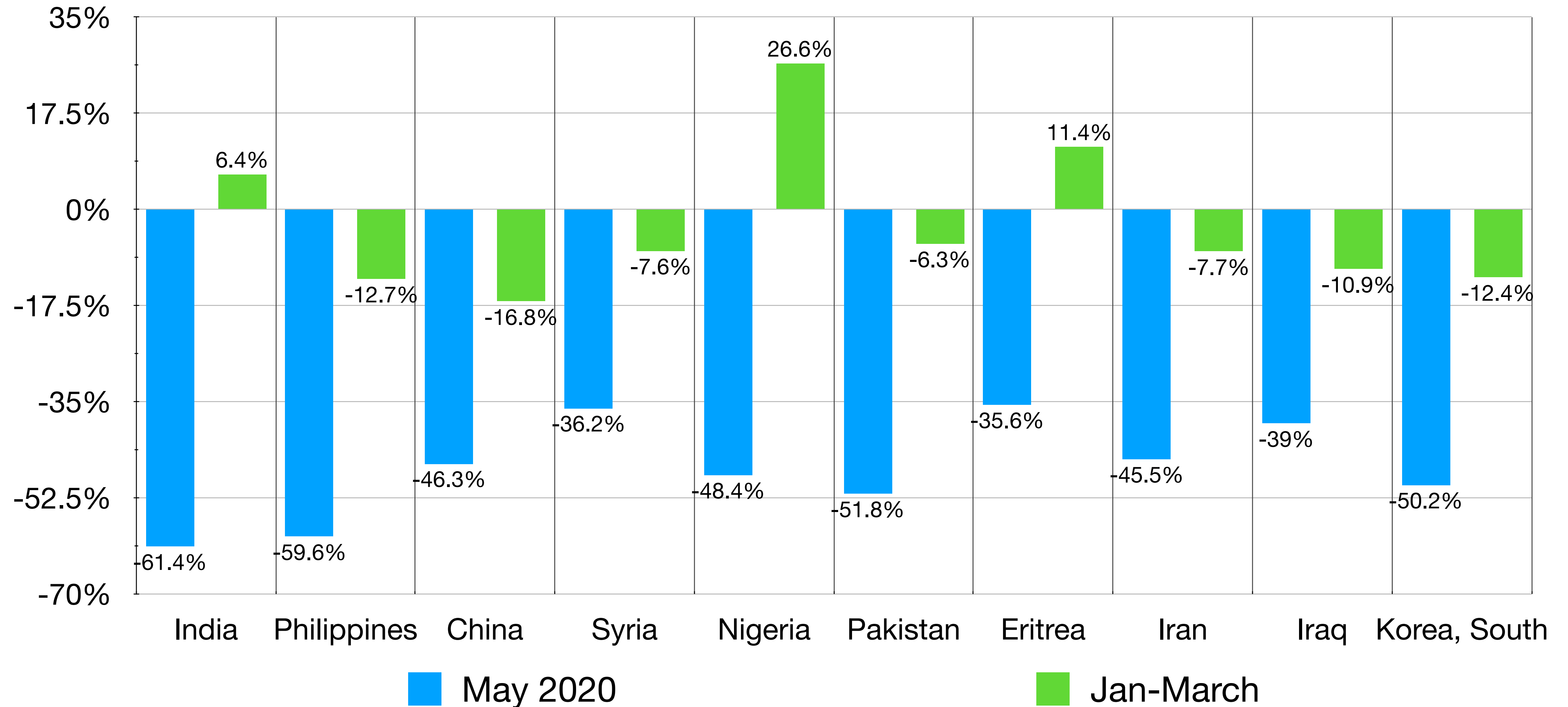
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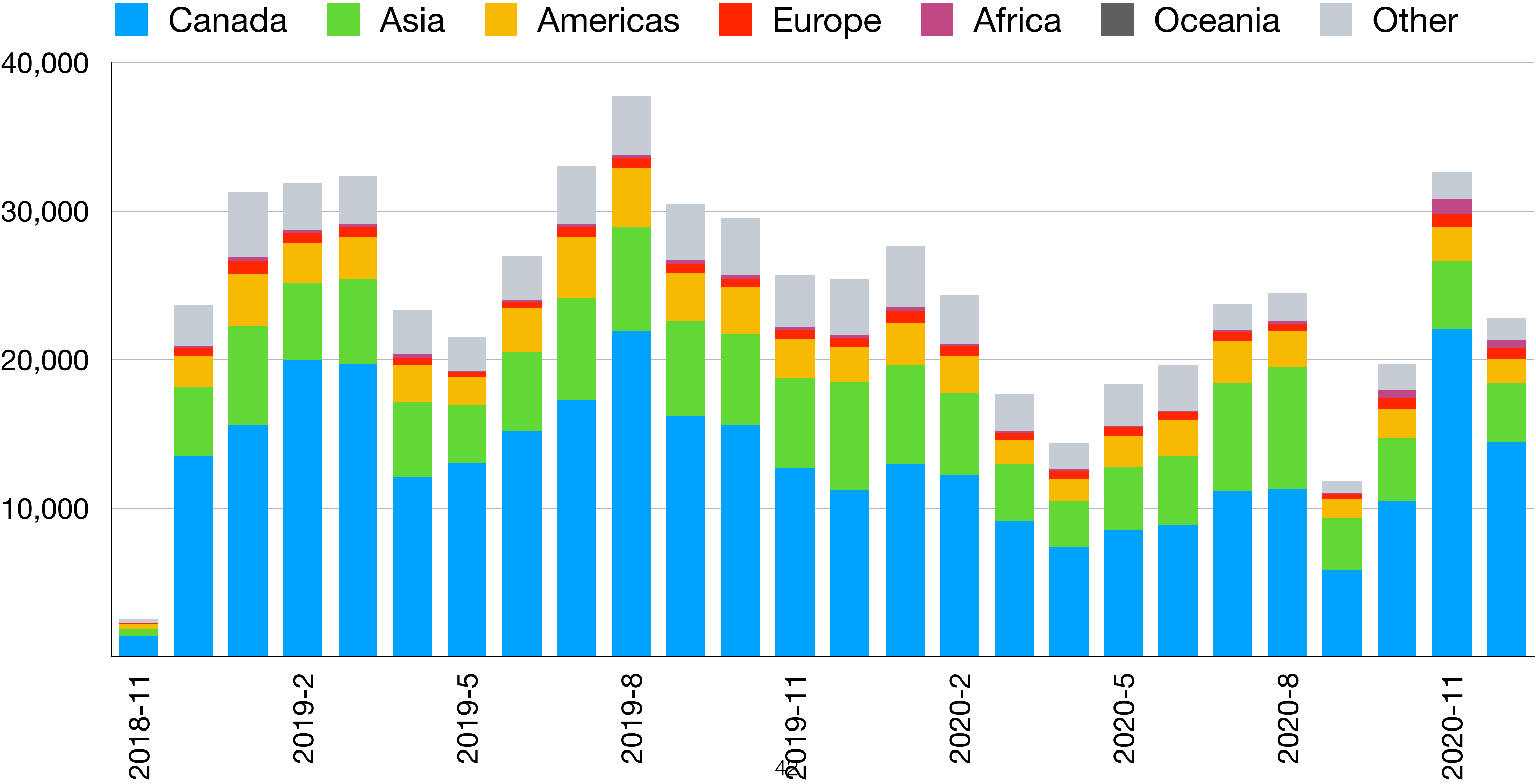
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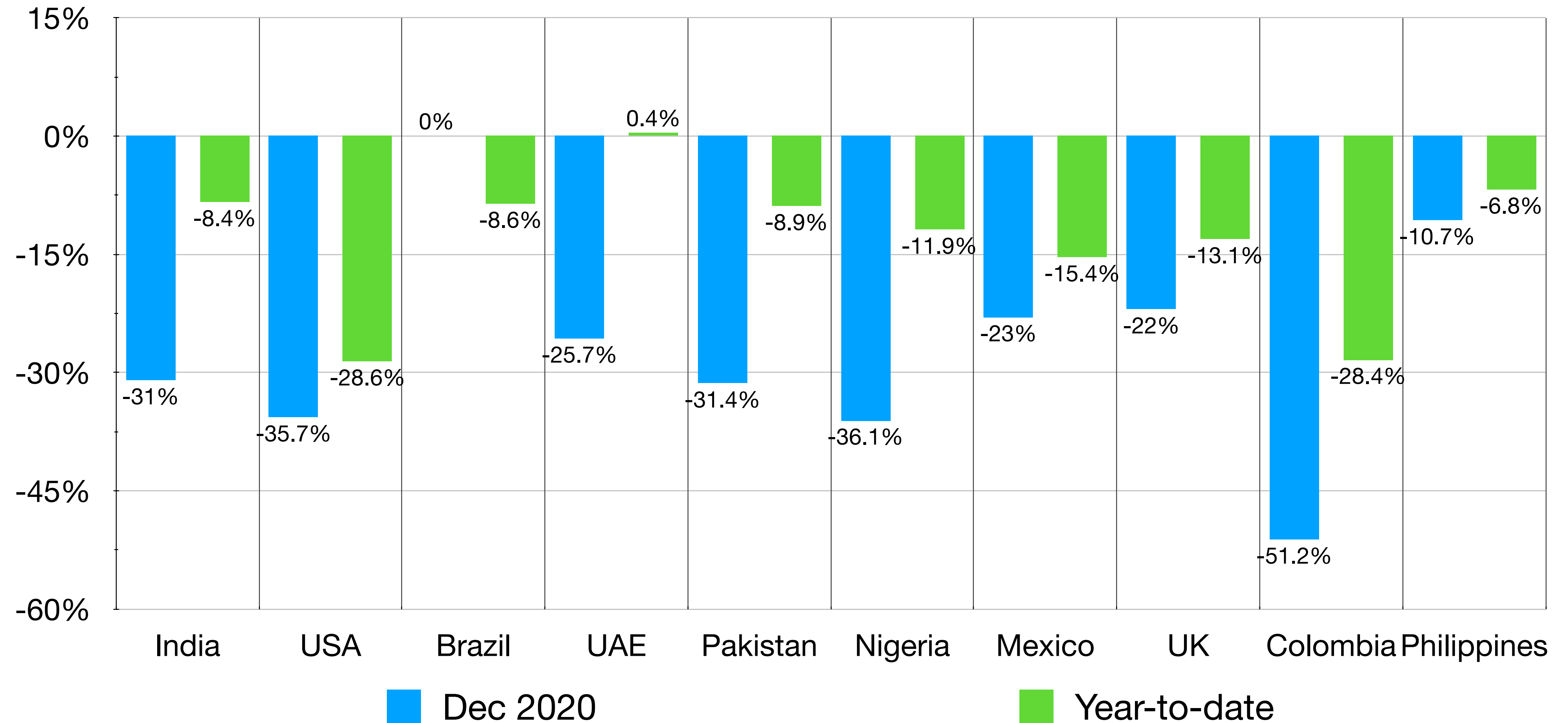
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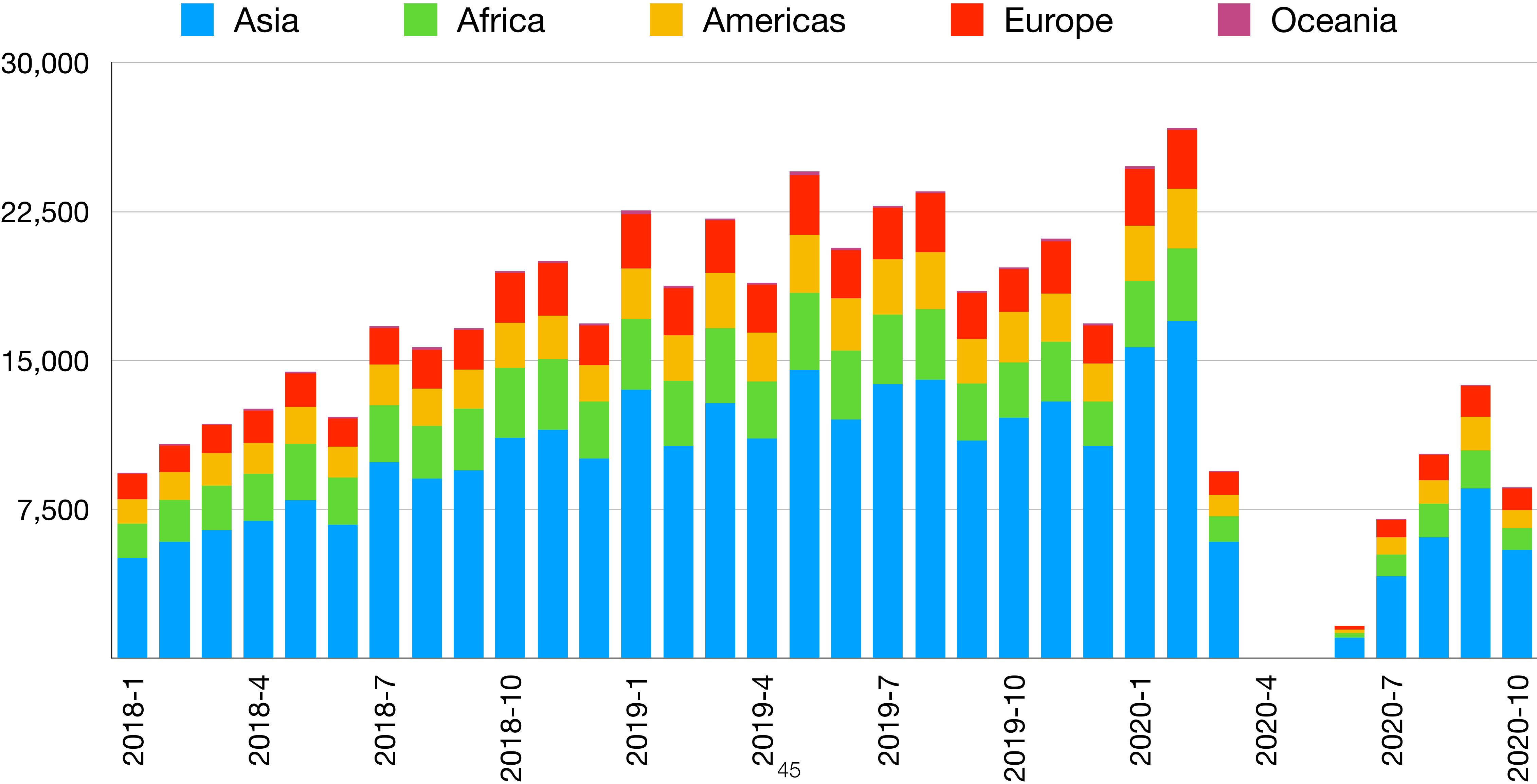
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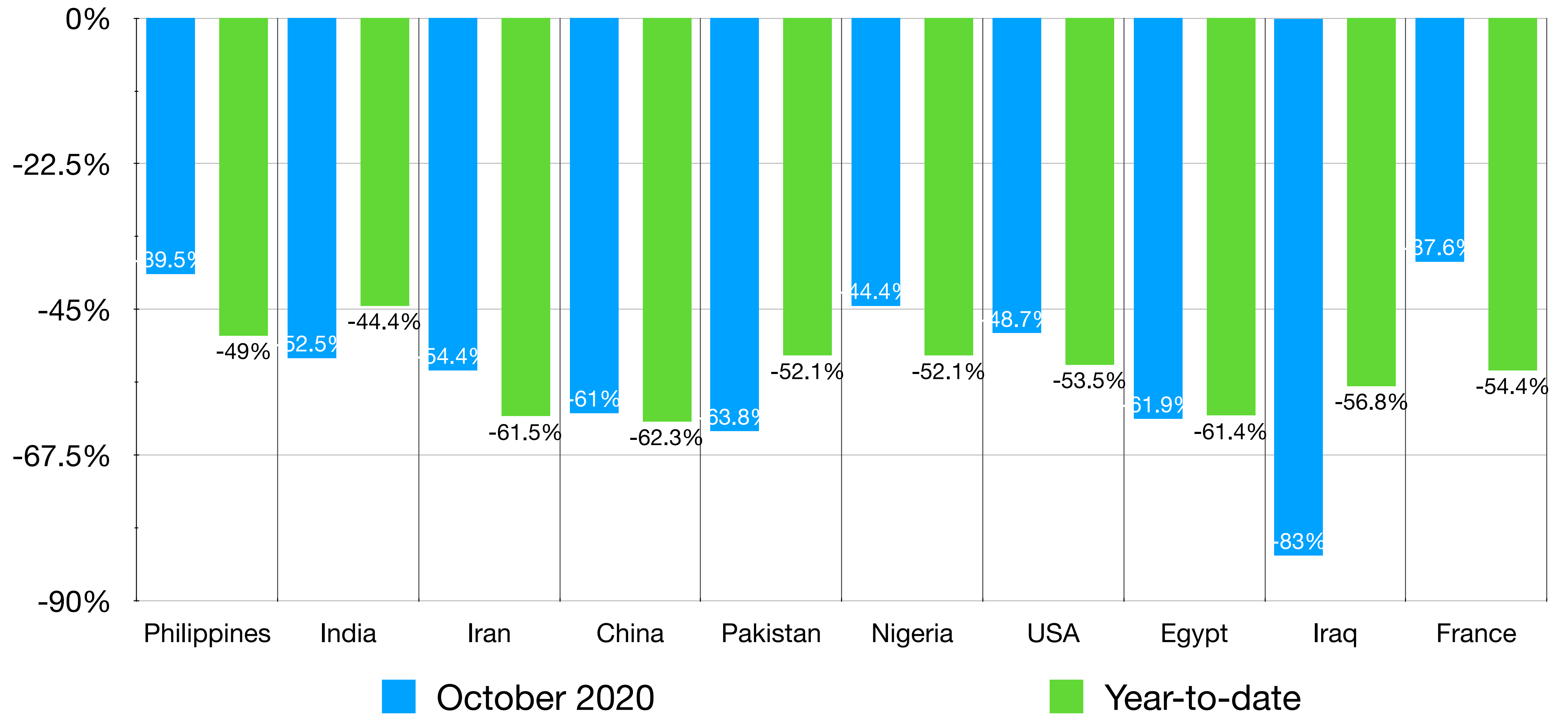
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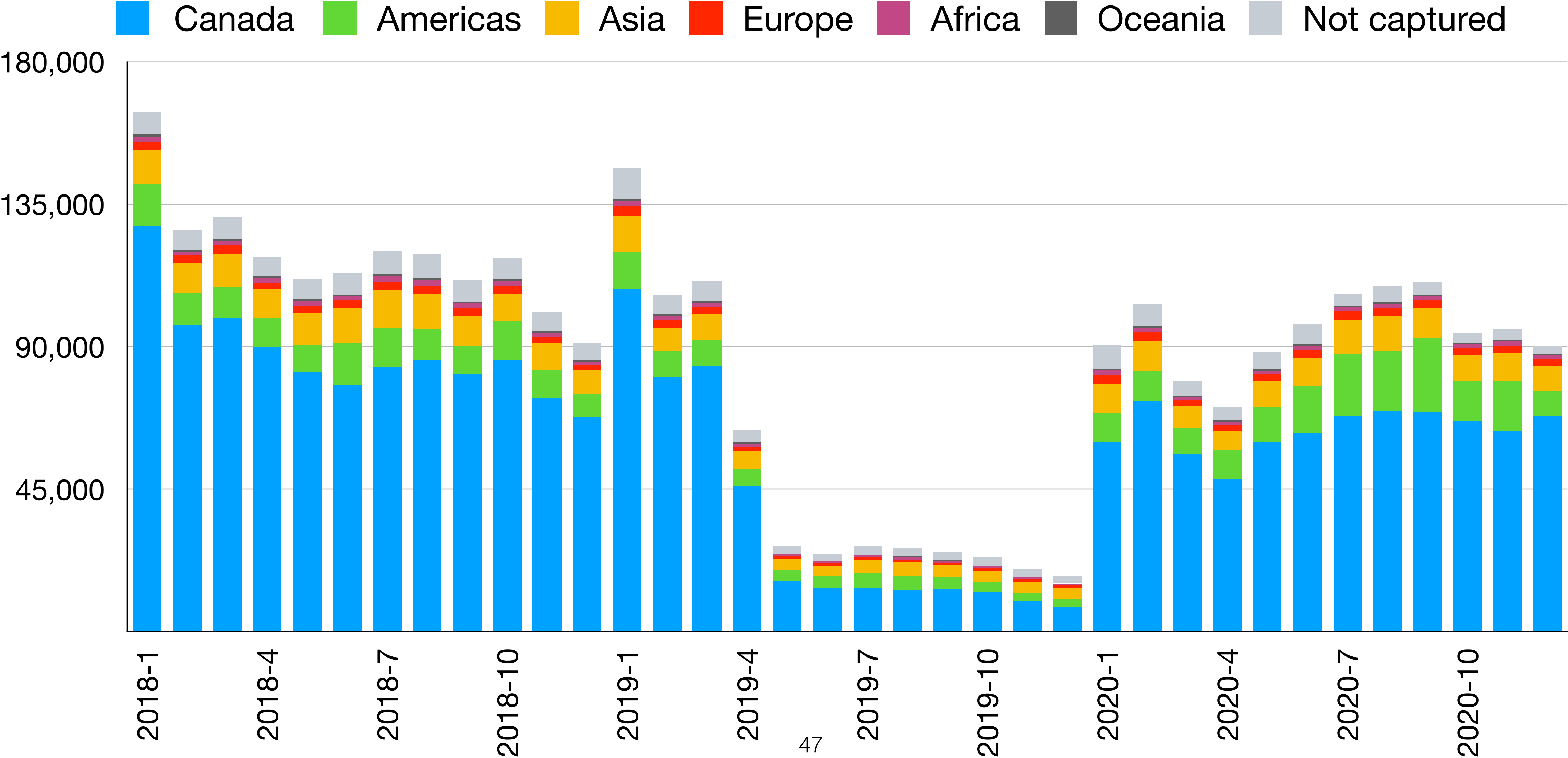
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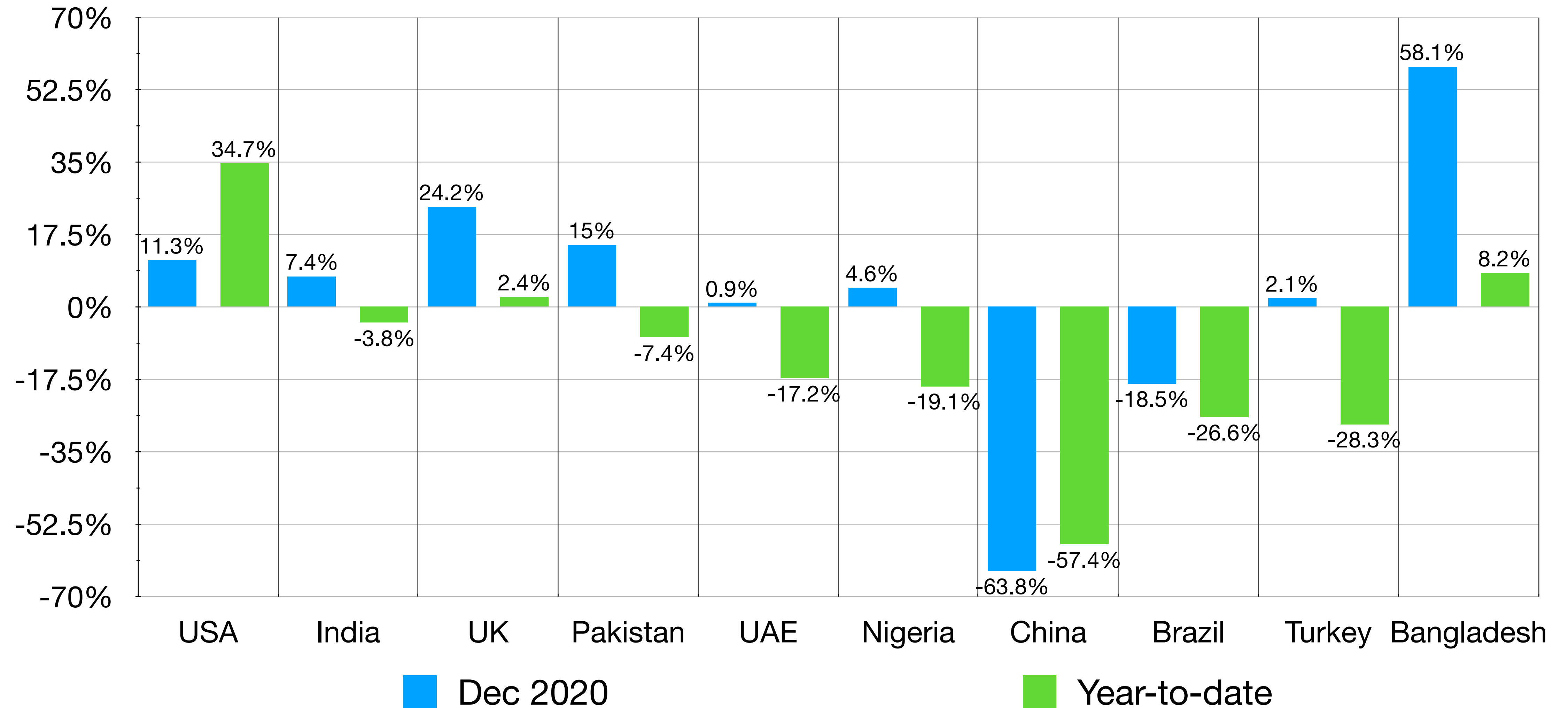
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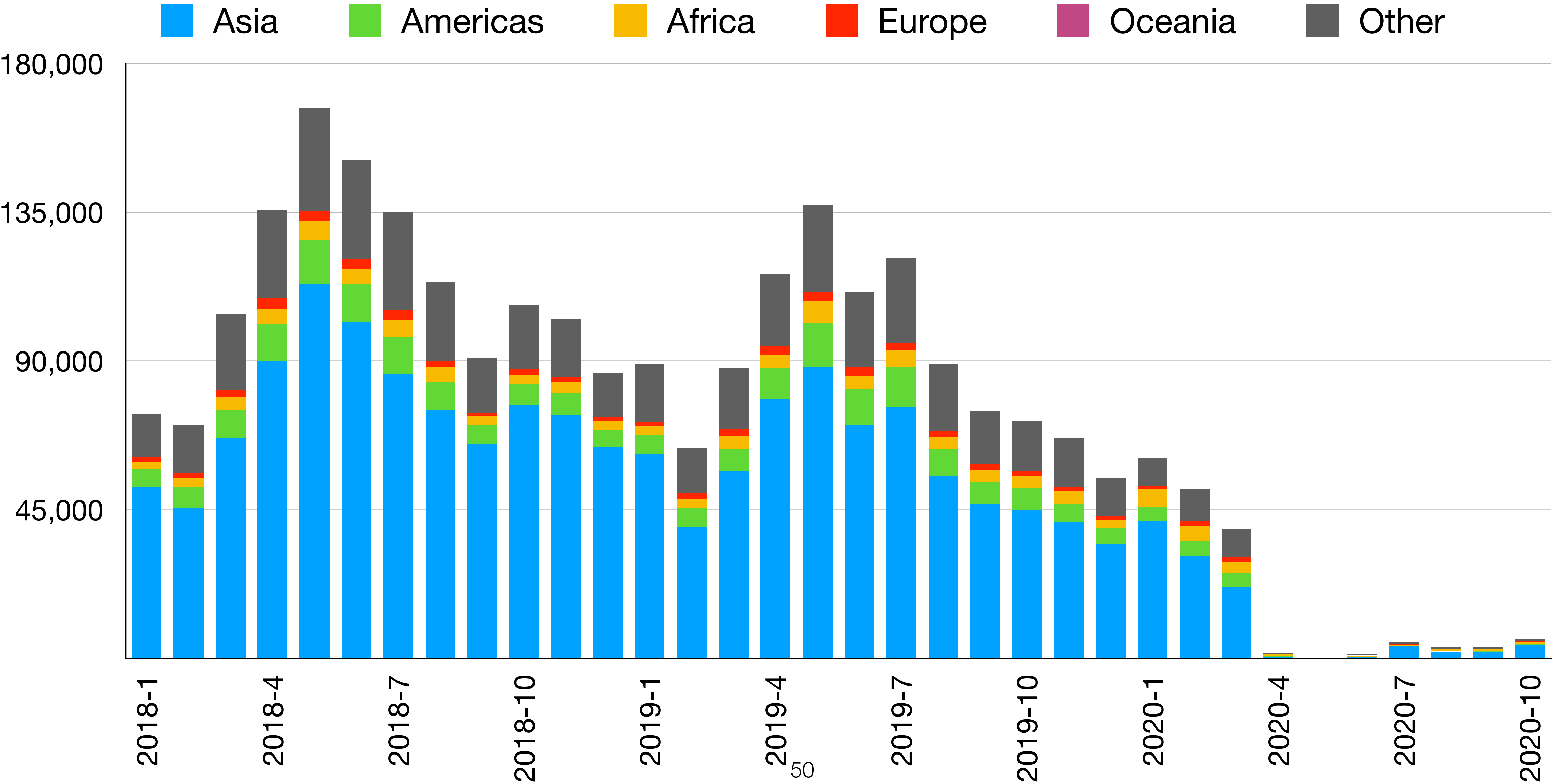
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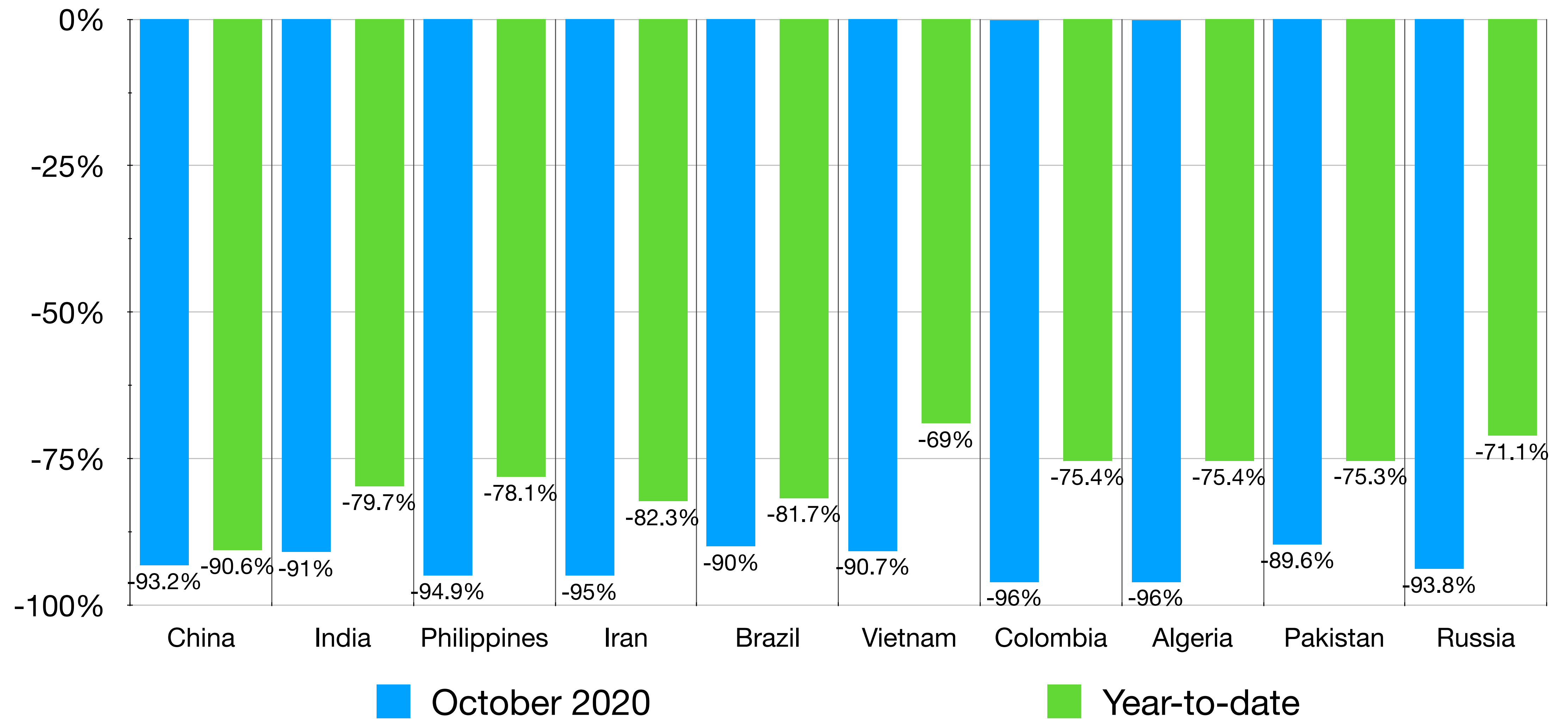
# Visitor Visas — By Source Country — 2018-20



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# Research Questions

- Which programs contracted most quickly and which source countries were most affected? Similarly, which programs and source countries recovered more quickly?
- Did application success rates vary pre and post-COVID by source country?
- Were exogenous factors such as US immigration restrictions or tensions with China a factor?
- Did interest in immigrating to Canada increase or decrease and for which countries?

# Annex

# Top Countries Share of Total (2018)

|                     | 10 Countries | 25 Countries |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Permanent Residents | 60.9%        | 77.7%        |
| IMP                 | 70.8%        | 86.4%        |
| TFWP                | 85.2%        | 93.2%        |
| Study Permits       | 70.3%        | 73.8%        |
| Asylum Claimants    | 57.4%        | 77.4%        |
| Citizenship         | 50.3%        | 71.5%        |

# Top Countries (2018)

| Permanent Residents |        | IMP       |        | TFWP        |        | Students     |         | Citizenship |        |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|--------|-------------|--------|--------------|---------|-------------|--------|
| India               | 69,980 | India     | 55,610 | Mexico      | 28,860 | India        | 107,105 | Philippines | 19,647 |
| Philippines         | 35,050 | USA       | 26,540 | Jamaica     | 10,200 | China        | 85,100  | India       | 19,486 |
| China               | 29,710 | Finland   | 23,445 | Guatemala   | 9,810  | Korea        | 16,875  | Iran        | 10,037 |
| Syria               | 12,045 | China     | 21,910 | Philippines | 8,750  | Vietnam      | 12,370  | PRC         | 9,718  |
| Nigeria             | 10,920 | UK        | 11,205 | India       | 7,380  | Iran         | 7,040   | Pakistan    | 9,406  |
| USA                 | 10,905 | Australia | 8,850  | Korea       | 1,960  | Japan        | 6,685   | Nigeria     | 4,398  |
| Pakistan            | 9,490  | Ireland   | 8,675  | USA         | 1,850  | Bangladesh   | 4,155   | USA         | 4,229  |
| France              | 6,175  | Korea     | 8,105  | UK          | 940    | Philippines  | 4,075   | Egypt       | 4,115  |
| Eritrea             | 5,695  | Brazil    | 8,080  | China       | 935    | Taiwan       | 3,160   | Iraq        | 3,951  |
| UK                  | 5,660  | Japan     | 7,250  | France      | 915    | Saudi Arabia | 2,870   | France      | 3,836  |

# Data Sources

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