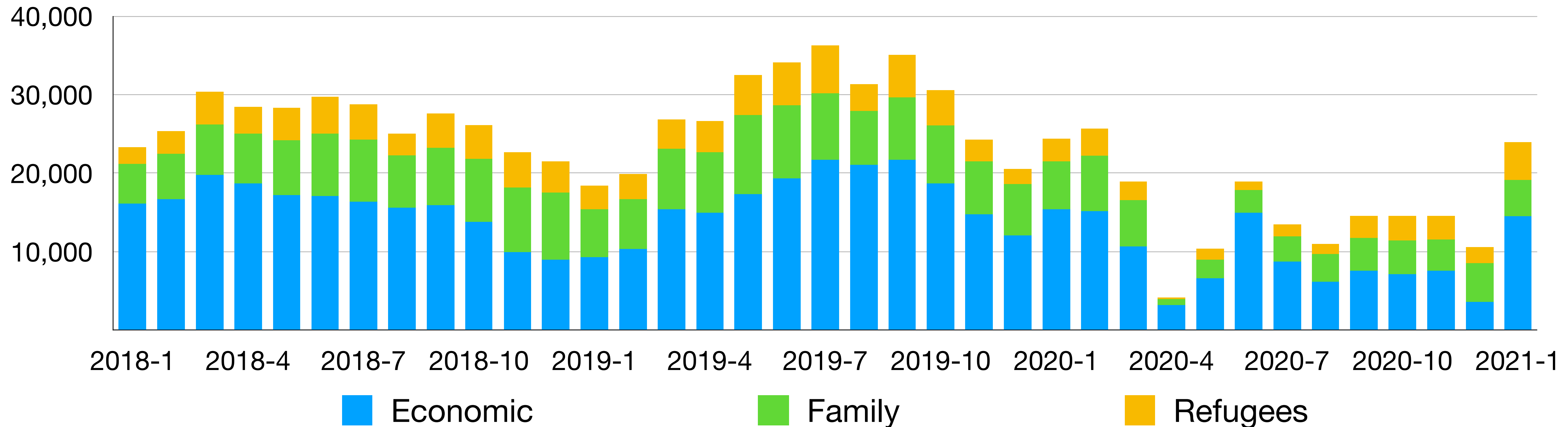


COVID-19 Immigration Effects

2018 to January 2021
Working Draft - Key Slides



Programs Examined

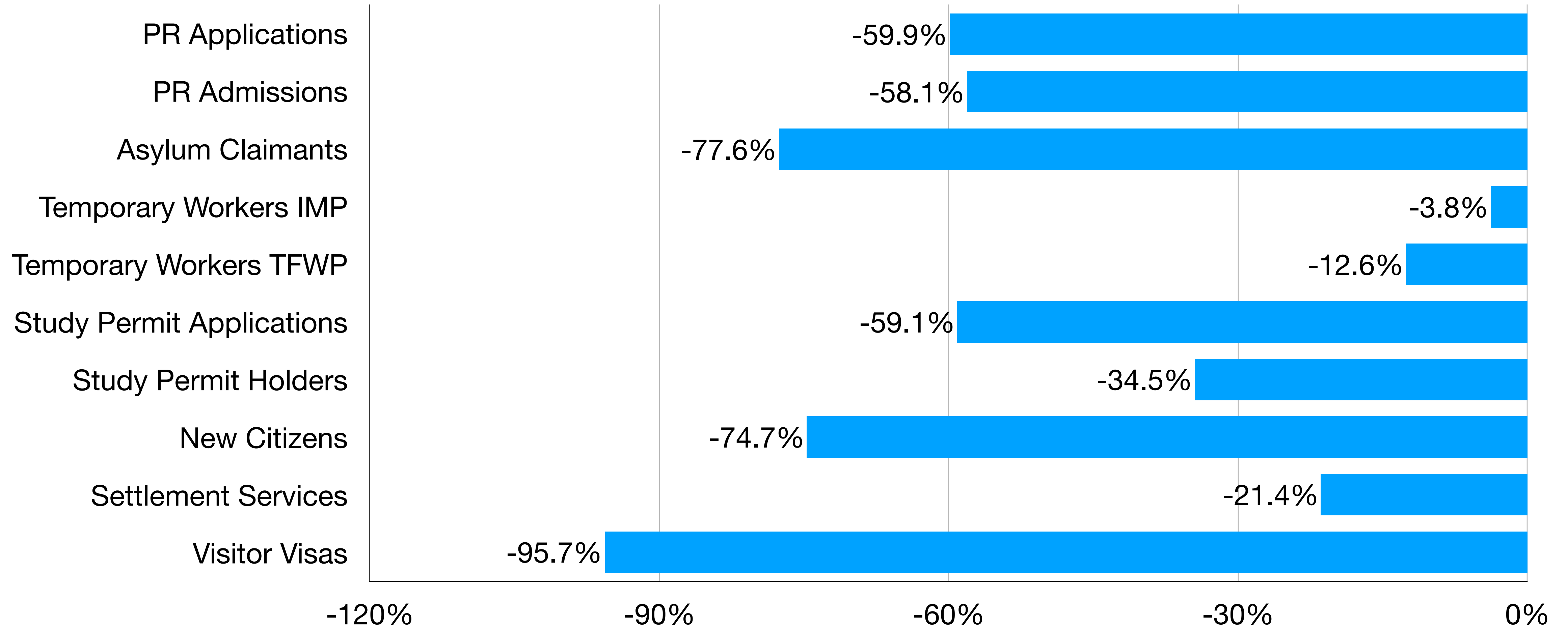
- **Permanent Residents/Immigrants (PRs):** Economic, Family and Refugees
 - TR to Permanent Resident transition
 - Asylum Claimants
- **Temporary Residents/International Mobility Program (IMP):** International Agreements (e.g., NAFTA, GATS), Canadian Interests (e.g., intra-corporate transfers, work 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)
- **Settlement Services**
- **Citizenship**
- **Visitor Visas**

January 2021 Highlights

- January immigration increased, reflecting government decision to use inventory of temporary residents to transition to permanent residency. Reduction of Canadian Experience Class Express Entry minimal score further demonstration of government intent.
- PRs: Admissions increased from 10,070 in December to 24,650 in January. January Year-over-year decline: Economic 5.5%, Family 24.8%. Refugees increase of 68.1 %
 - Applications: Decrease from 17,376 in December to 15,613 in January. January year-over-year decrease 41.3%
 - Web “Immigrate to Canada”: Largely flat, from 62,161 in January to 64,507 in February. February year-over-year increase of 9.3%
 - Provincial Nominee Program: Increase from 1,475 in December to 6,355 in January. January year-over-year increase: 26.72%
 - TR to PRs transition (i.e., those already in Canada): Dramatic increase from 2,725 in December (some double counting) to 12,990 in January. January Year-over-year increase of 41.8%
- Temporary Residents:
 - TRs/IMP: Increase from 29,885 in December (post-grad employment slightly less than half) to 31,605 in January. January Year-over-year change: Agreements increase of 26.9%, Canadian Interests increase of 44.9%
 - TRs/TFWP: Increase from 6,490 in December to 10,695 in January. January year-over-year increase: Caregivers 74.4%, Agriculture 42.8% and Other LMIA 34.6%.
 - Web “Get a work permit”: From 73,343 in January (outside Canada) to 58,958 in February. February Year-over-year decline: 24.9%
- Students: Increase from 24,775 in December to 27,690 in January. January year-over-year increase of 9.1 %
 - Applications: Decline from 36,946 in December to 27,735 in January. January Year-over-year decrease: 9.2%
 - Web “Get a study permit”: From 62,161 in January (outside Canada) to 64,507 in February. Year-over-year increase: 9.3%
- Asylum Claimants: Small decline from 1,240 in December (about 75% inland) to 1,070 in January. January year-over-year decrease: 77.1 %
- Settlement Services (December): Decline from 48,700 in November to 42,890 in December. December Year-over-year decrease 21.6 percent
 - Web “Find immigrant services near you”: From 11,076 in January to 8,201 in February (outside Canada). February Year-over-year decrease: 32.5%
- Citizenship: Small increase from 2,476 in December to 2,689 in January. January Year-over-year decrease: 89.2%.
 - Web “Apply for citizenship”: From 28,179 in January (outside Canada) to 20,965 in February. February Year-over-year decrease: 31.3%
- Visitor Visas: Decrease from 5,237 in December to 3,507 in January. January Year-over-year decrease: 94.4%

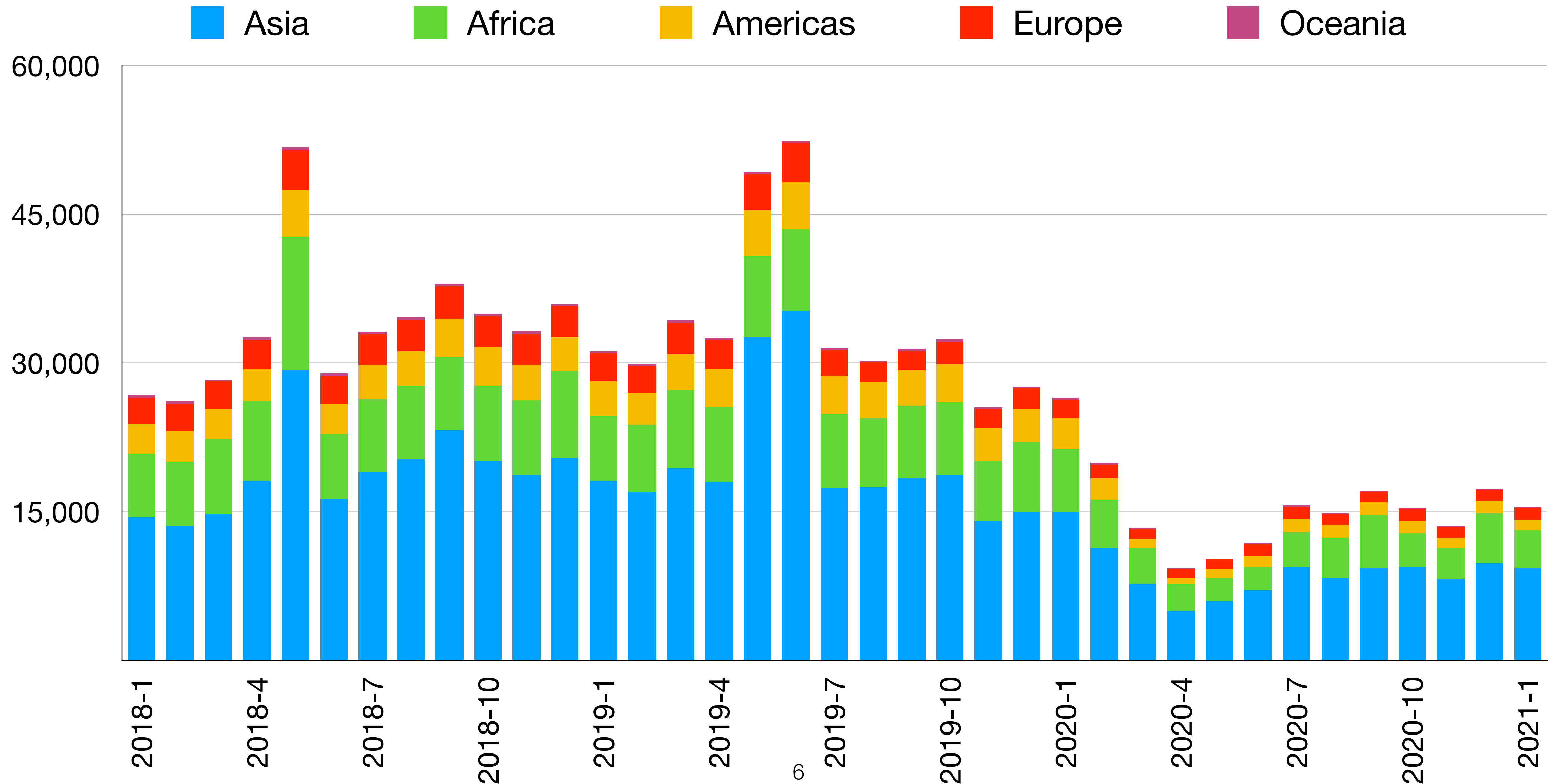
Overall Decline Across all Programs

April-December 2019-20 Comparison

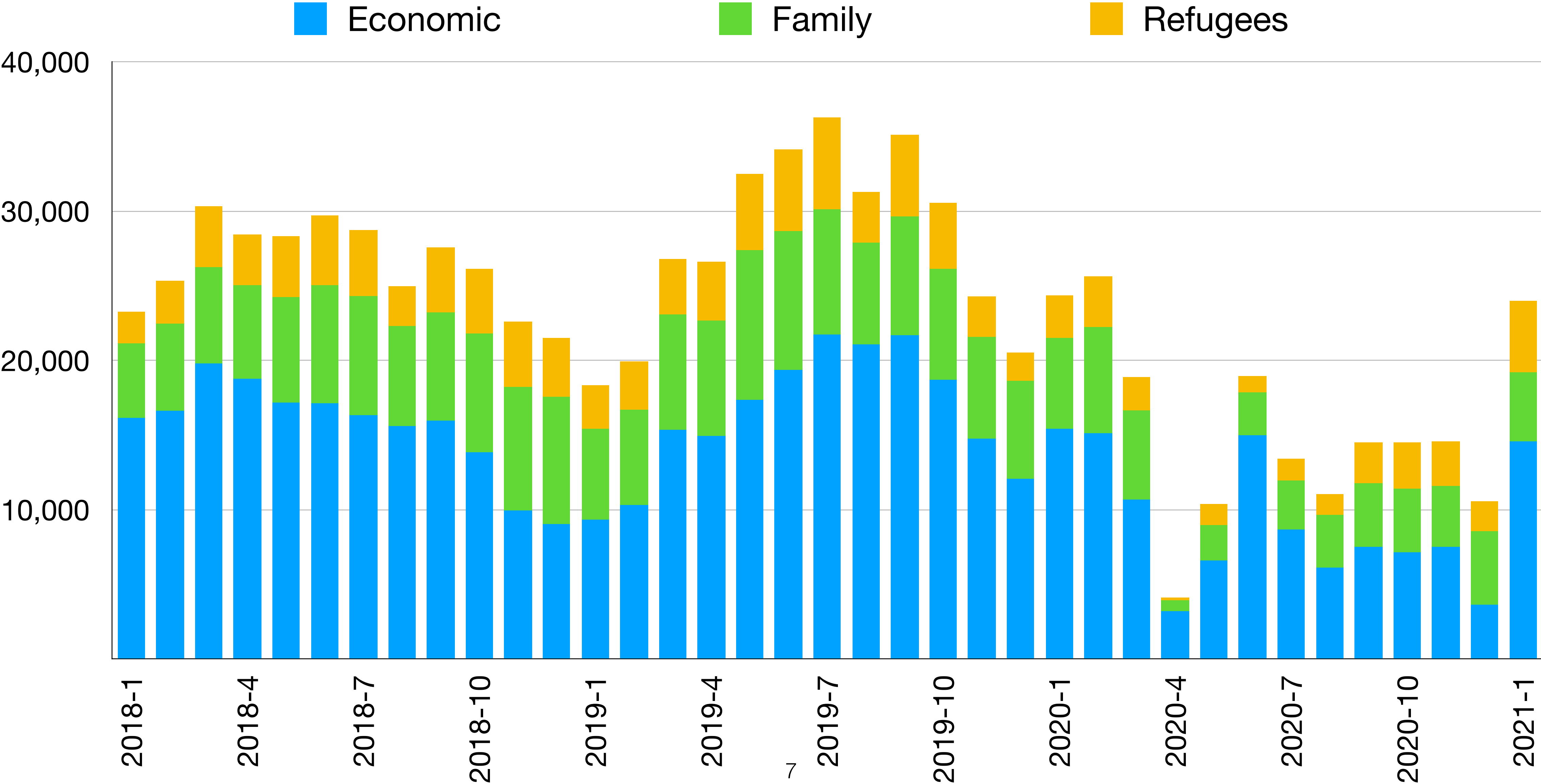


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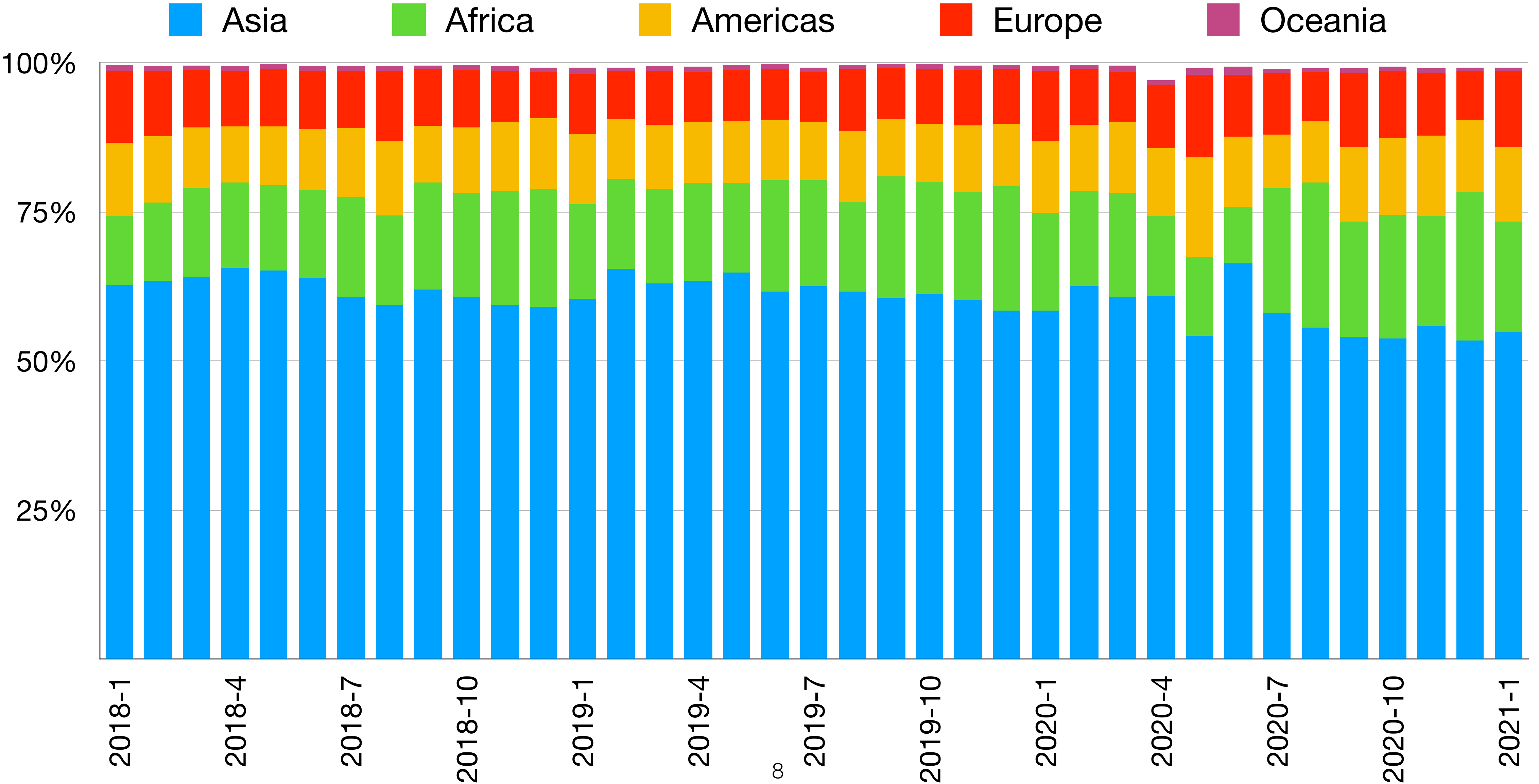
PR Applications: Region of Citizenship – 2018-21



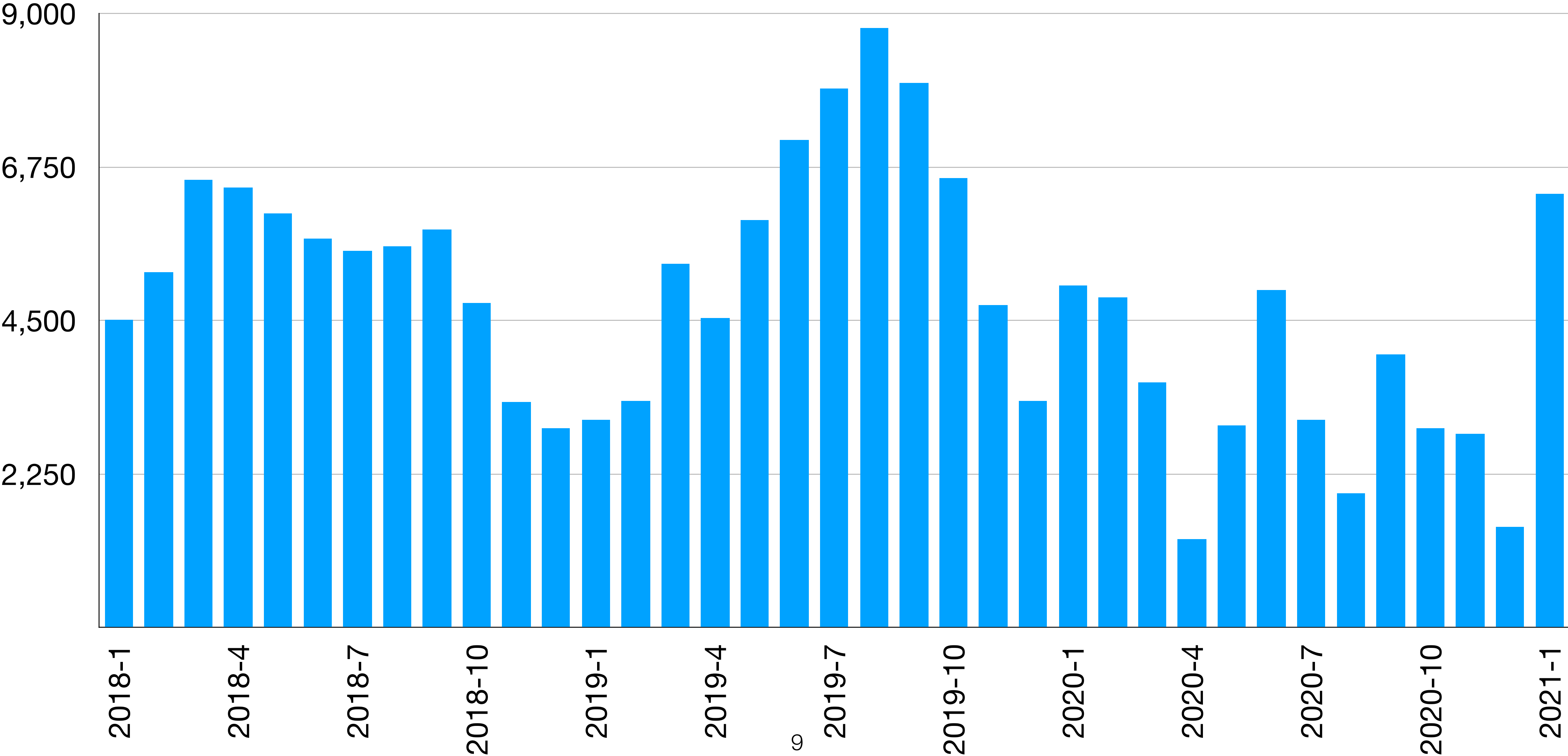
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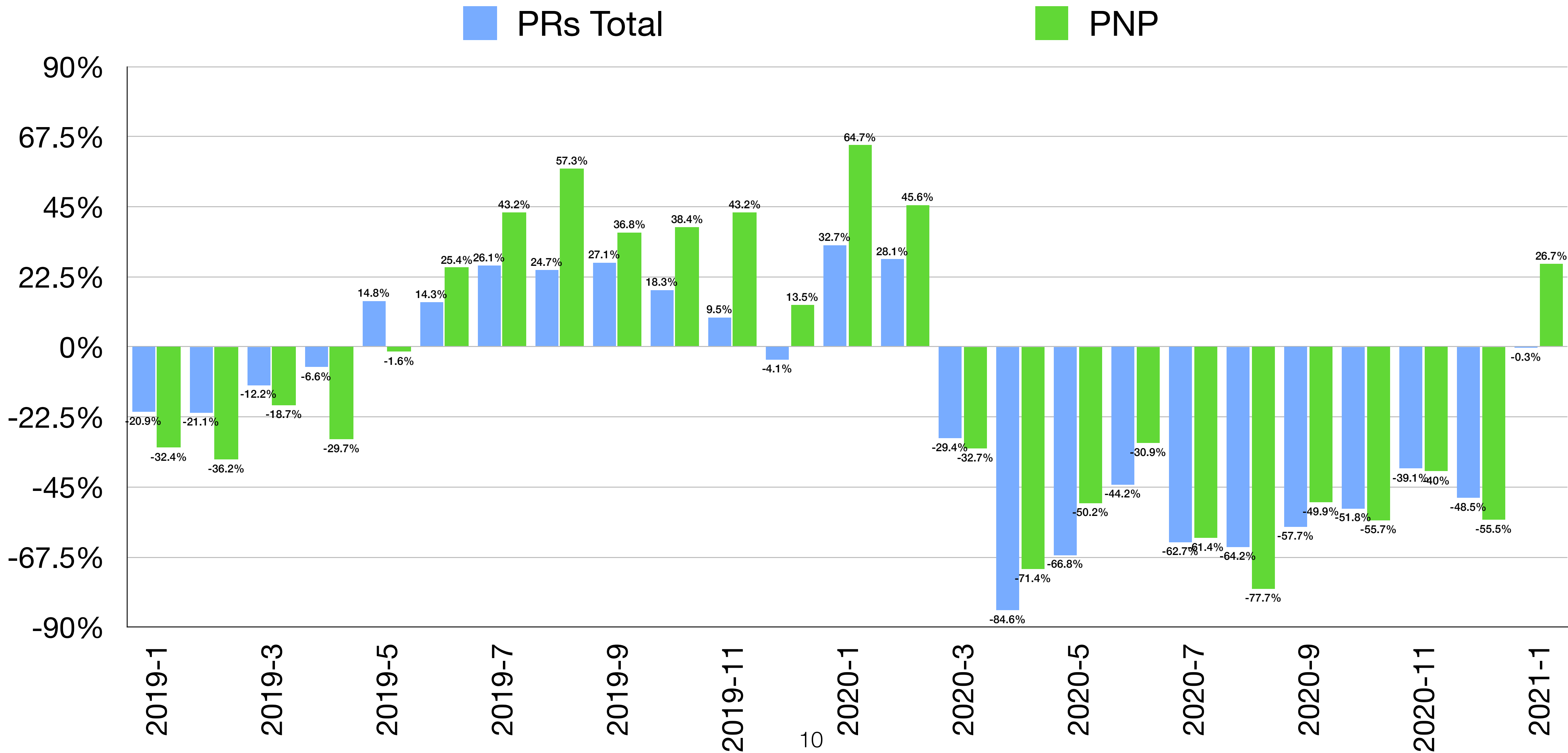


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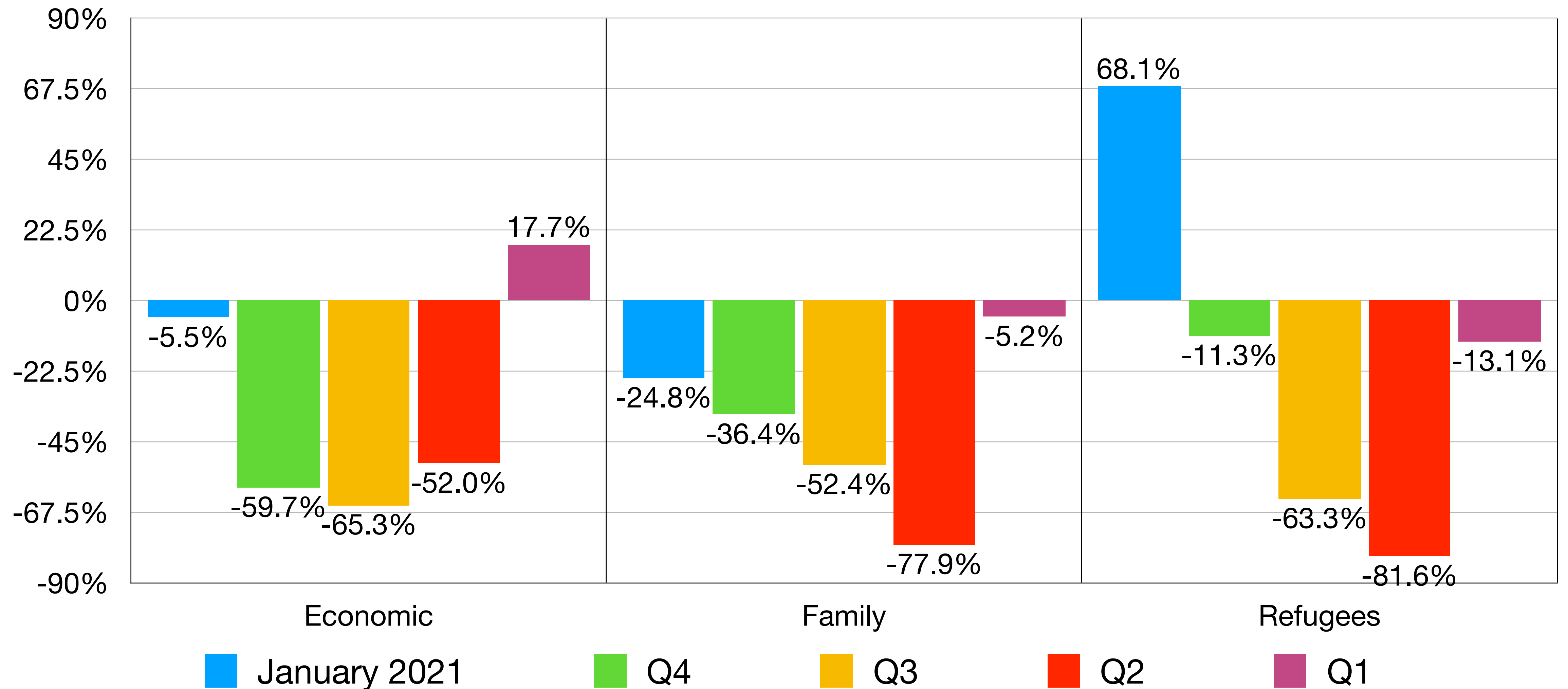
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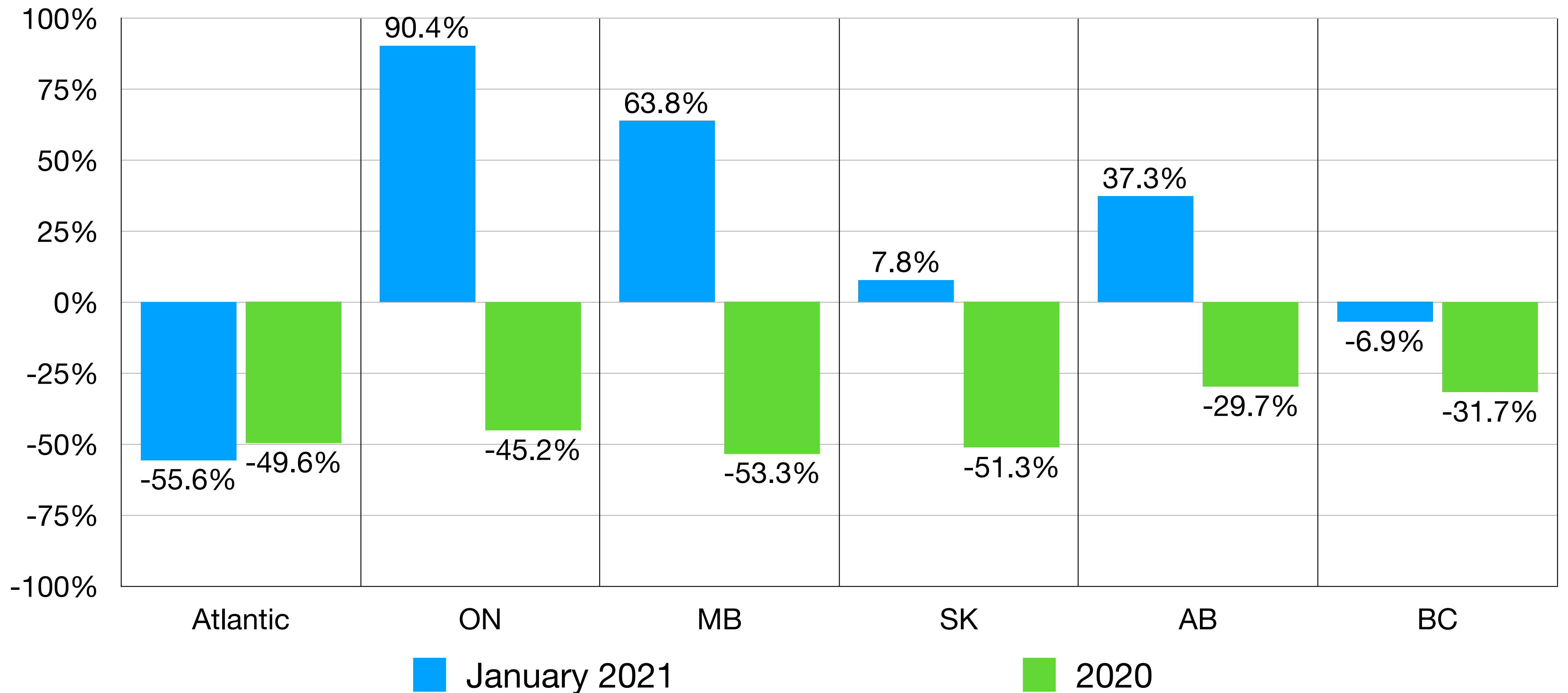
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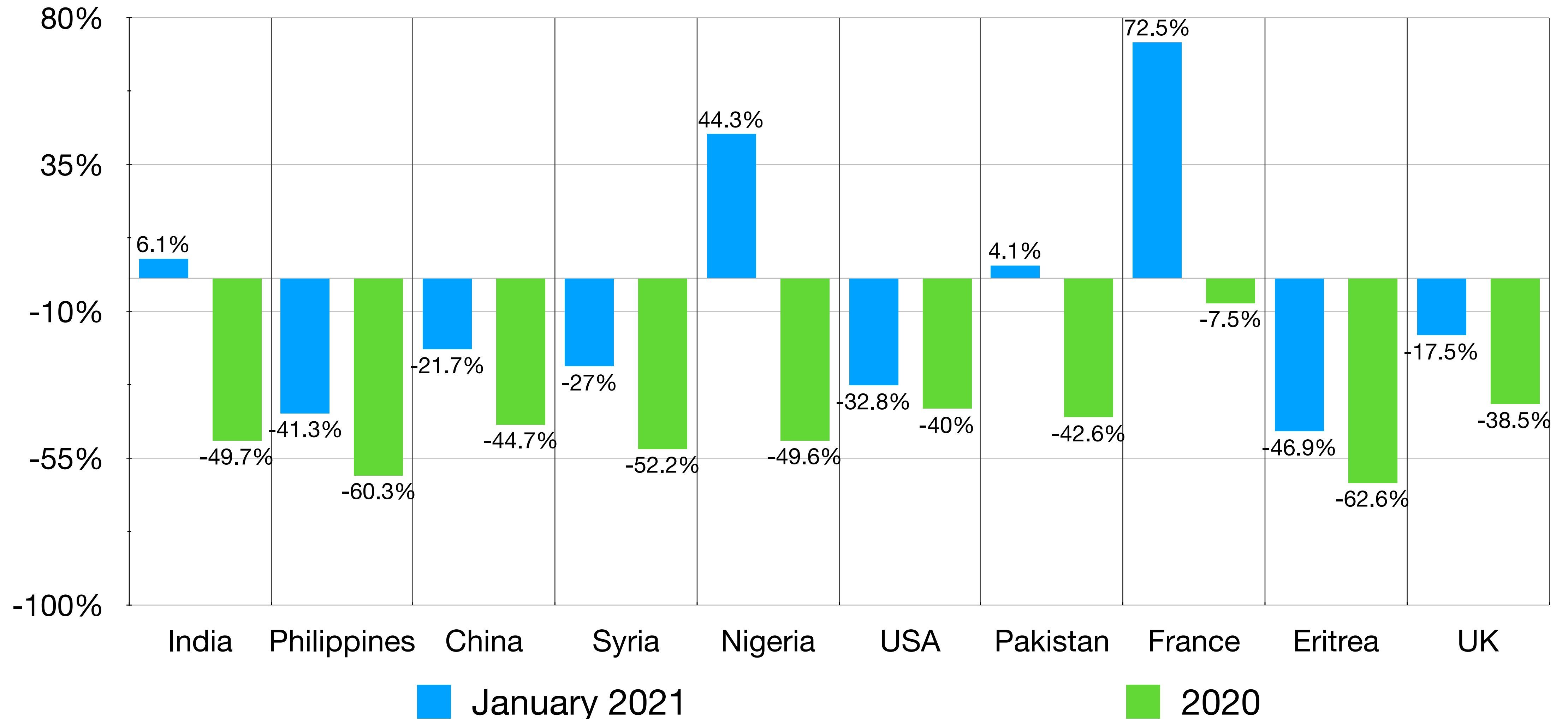
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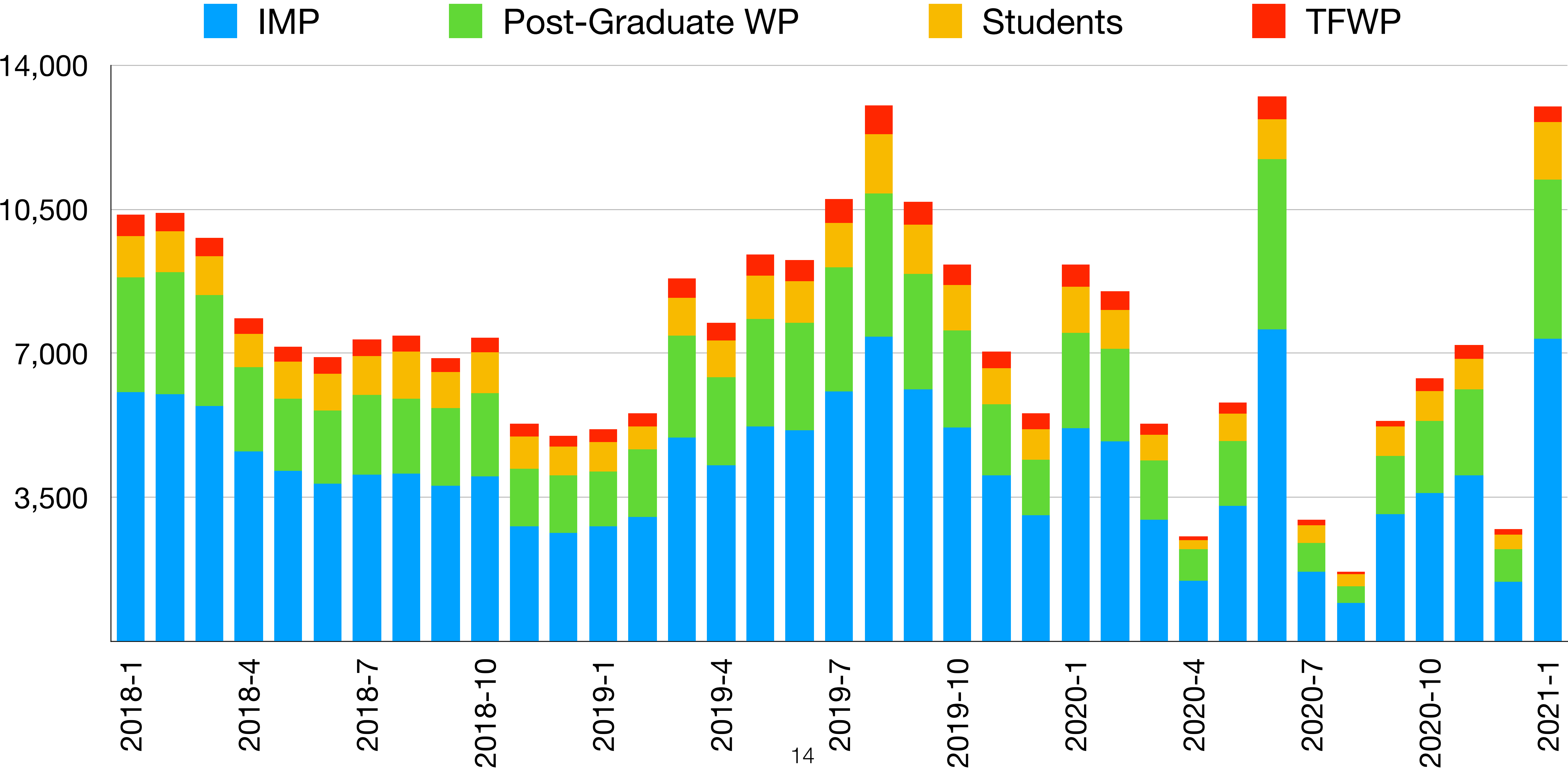
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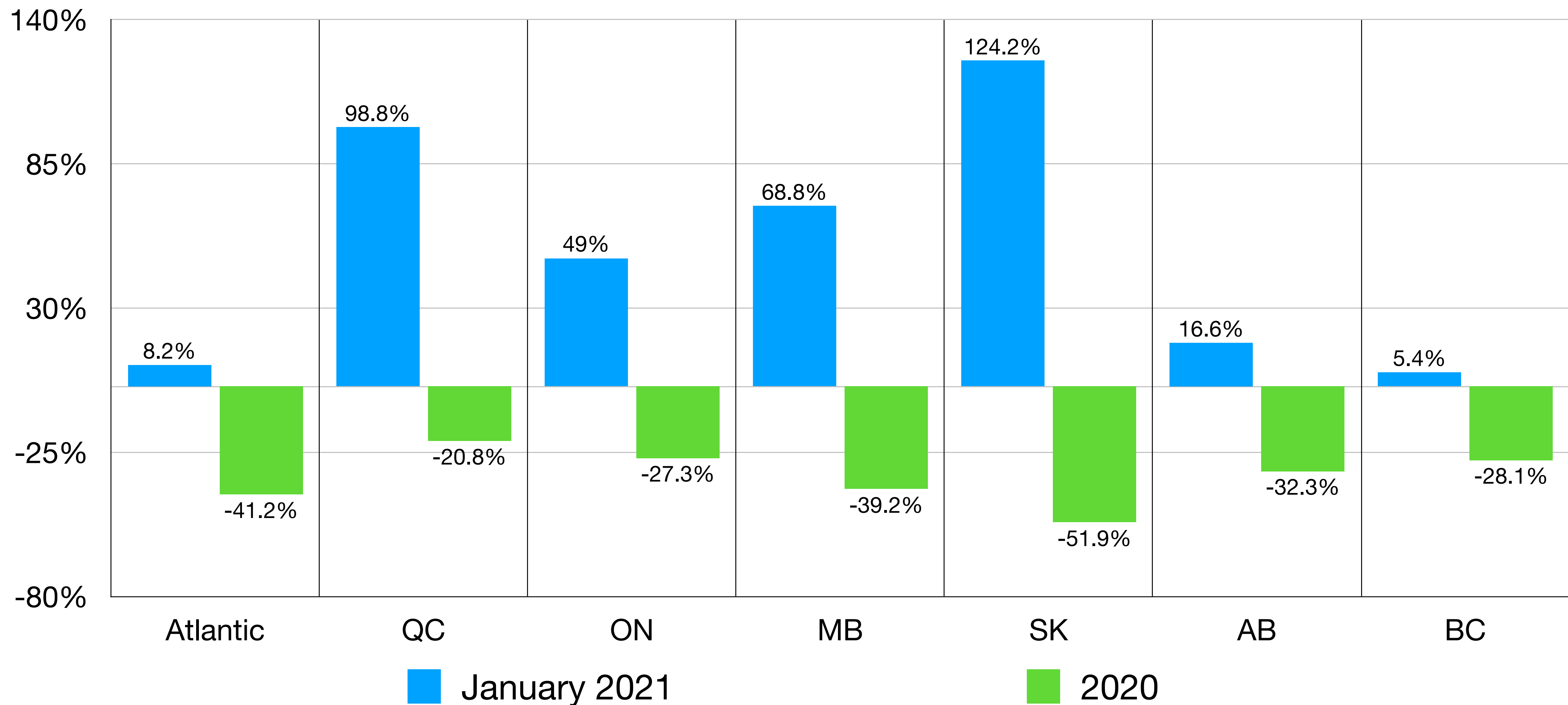
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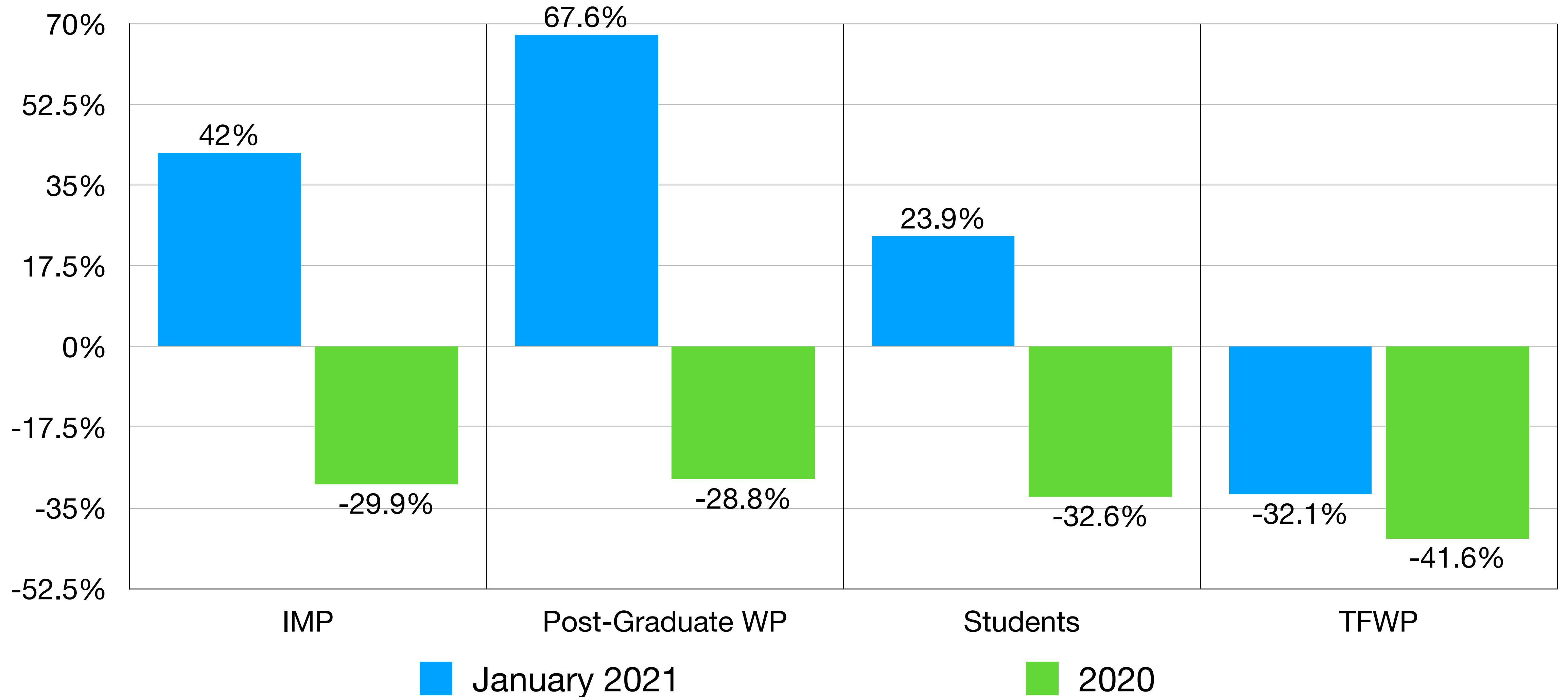
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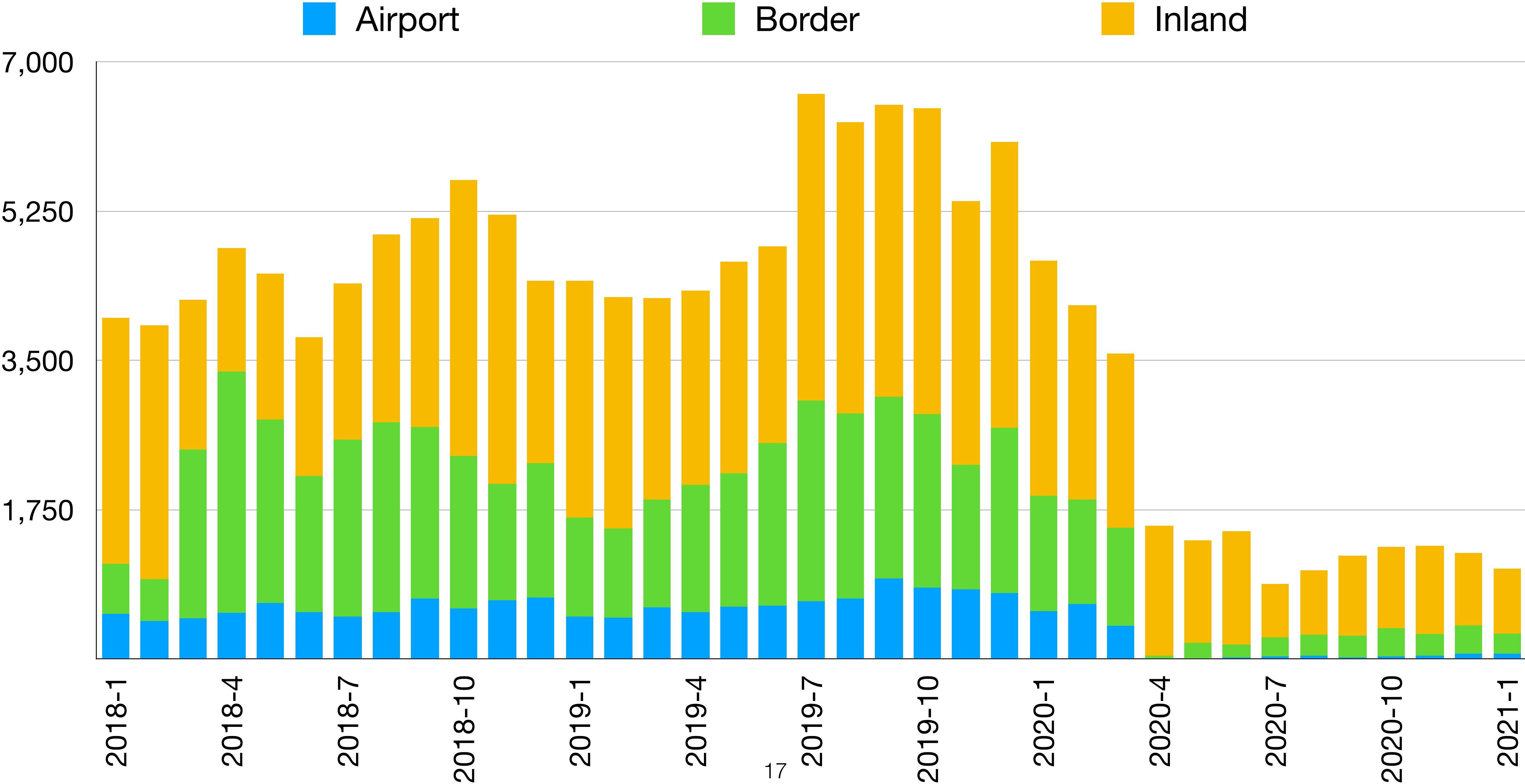


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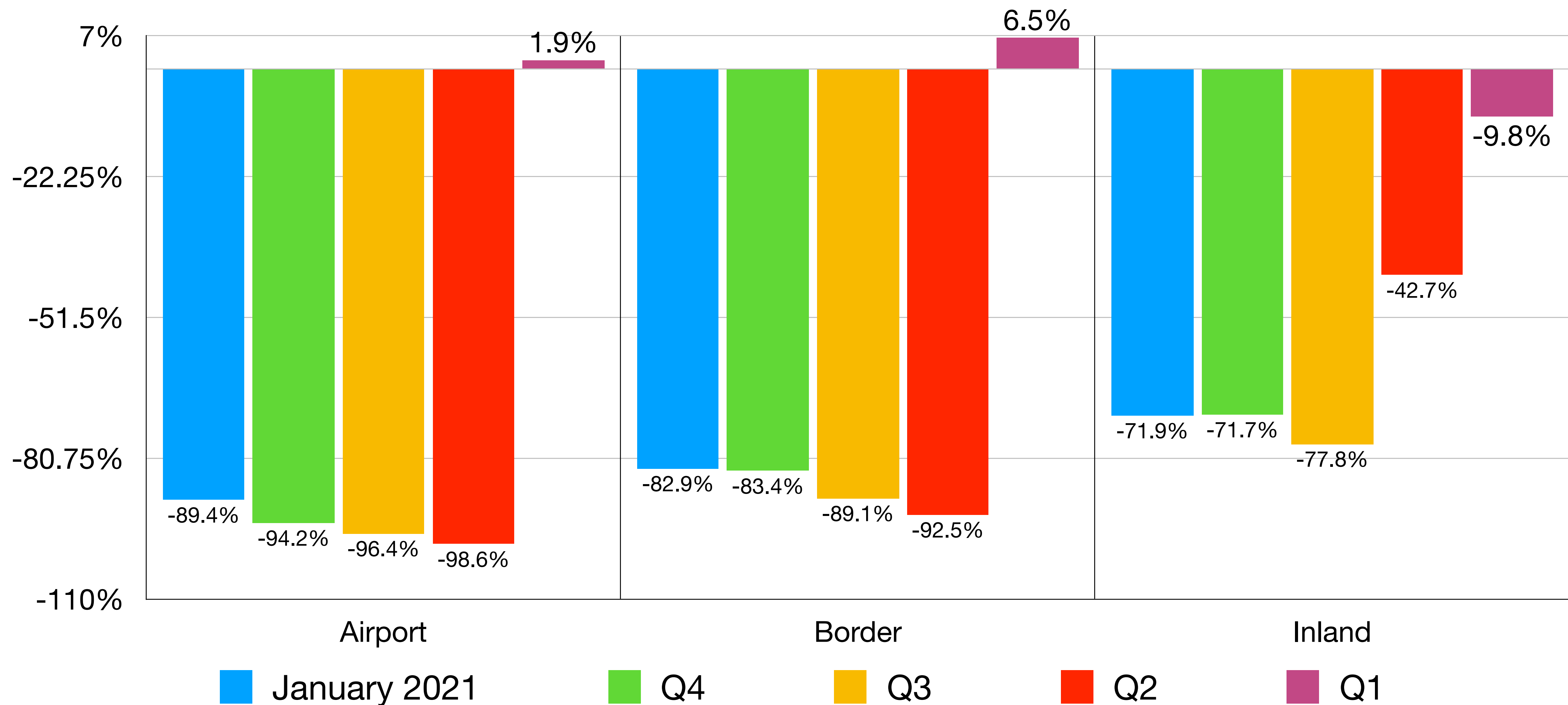


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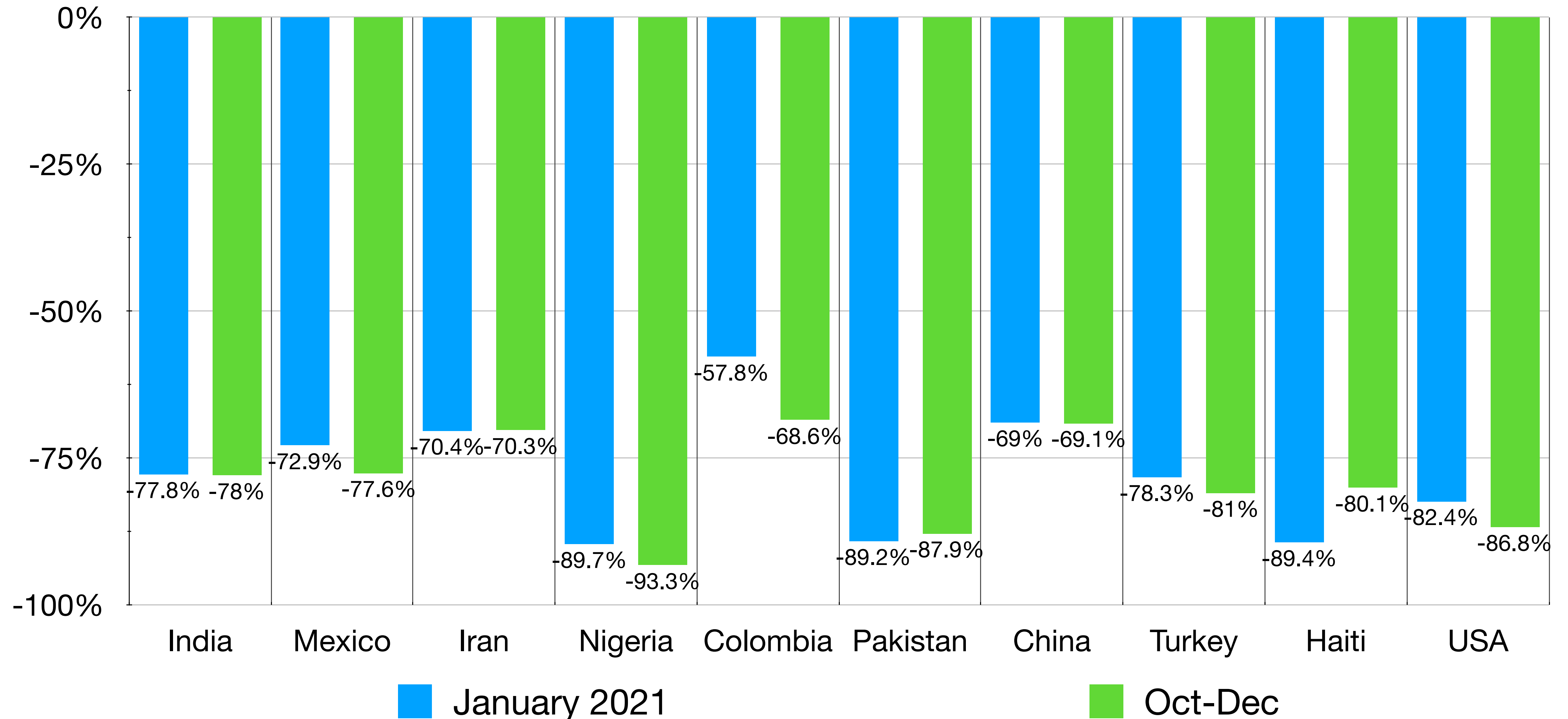
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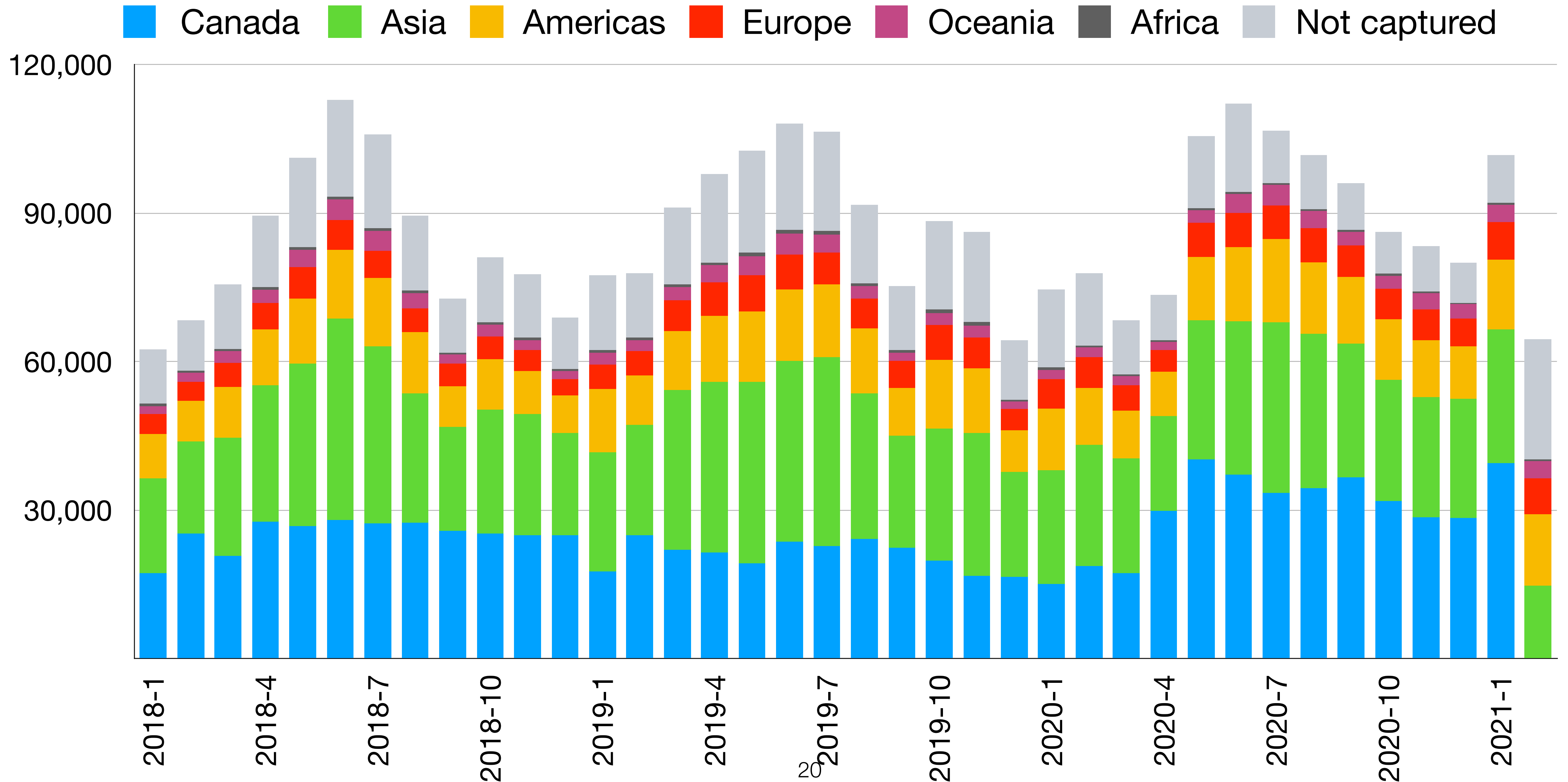


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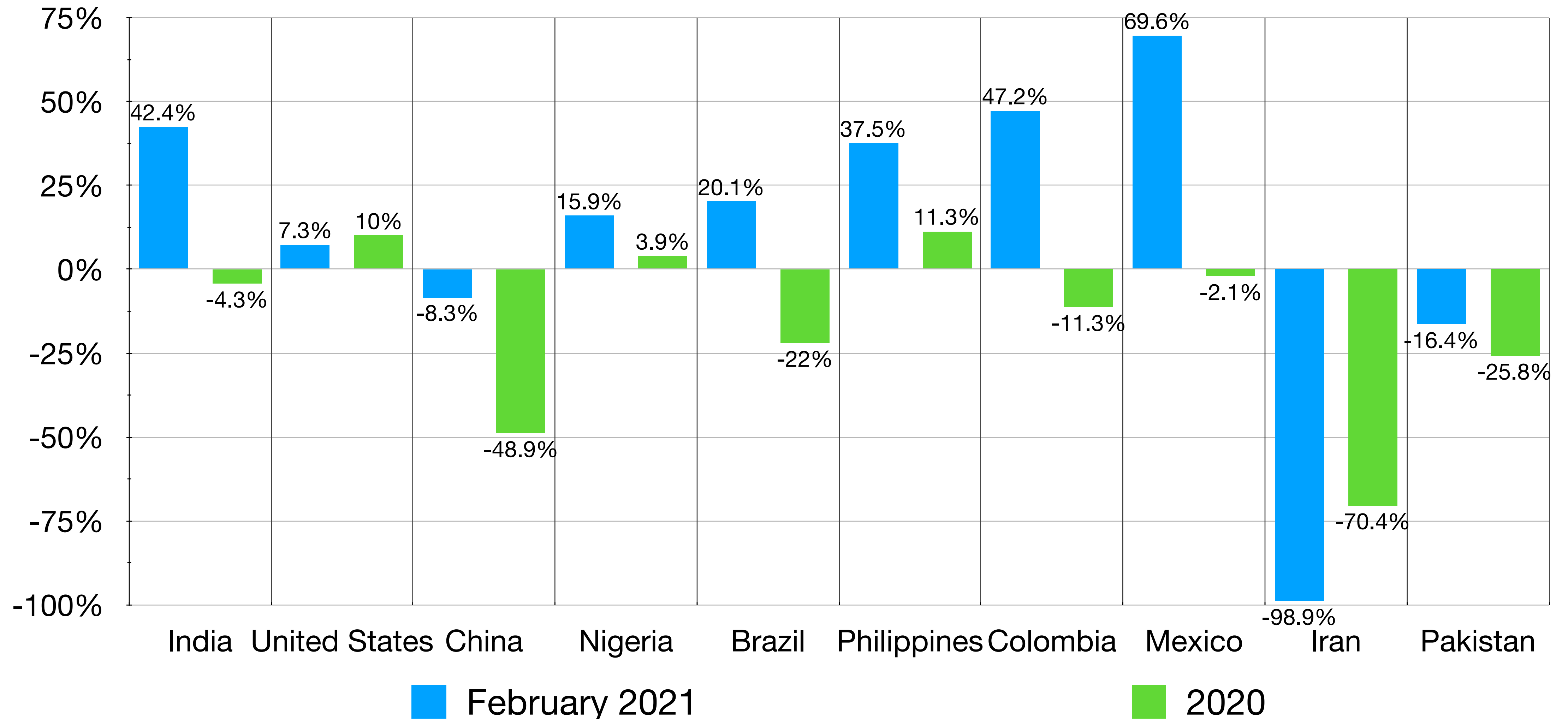
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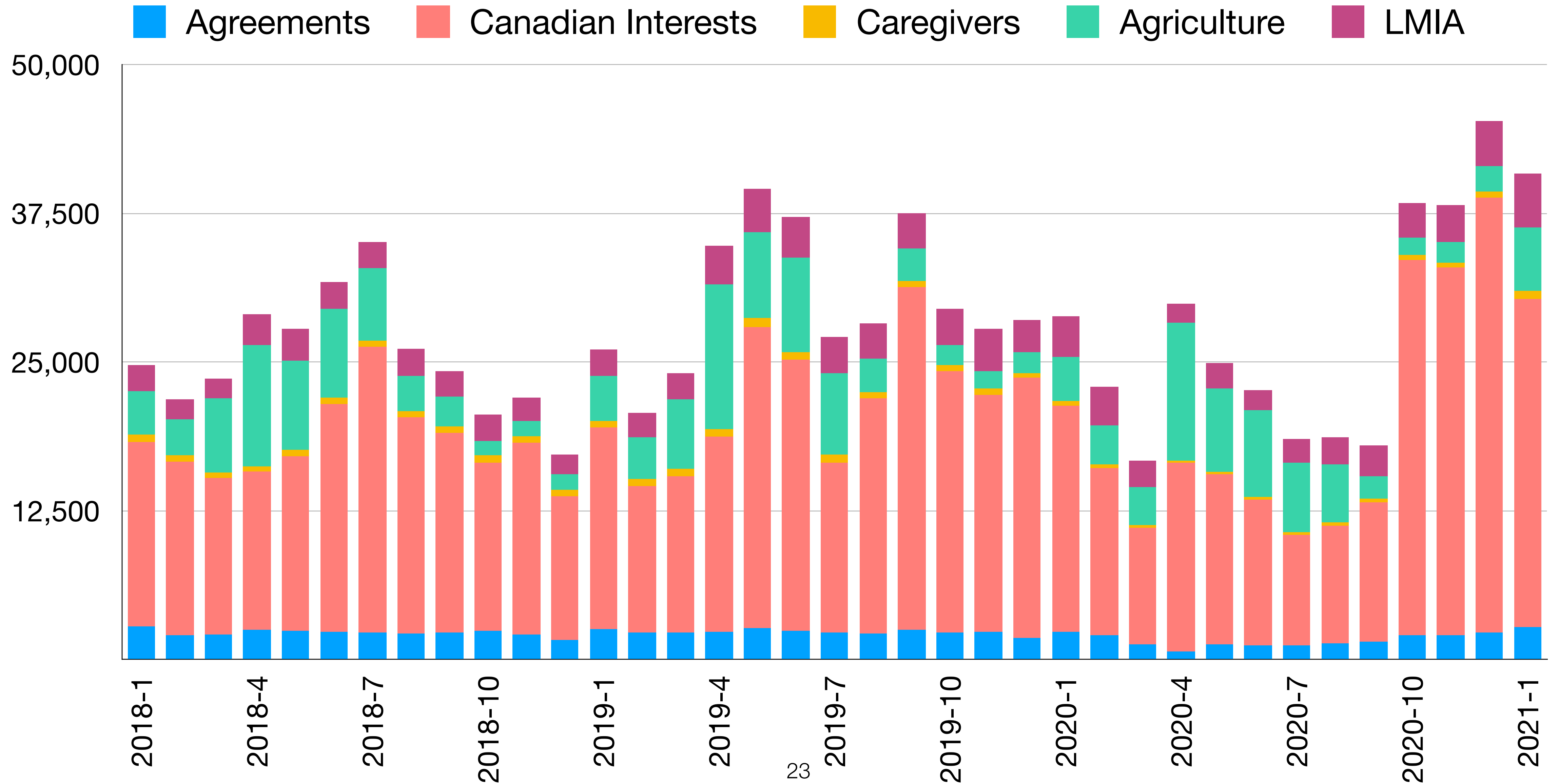
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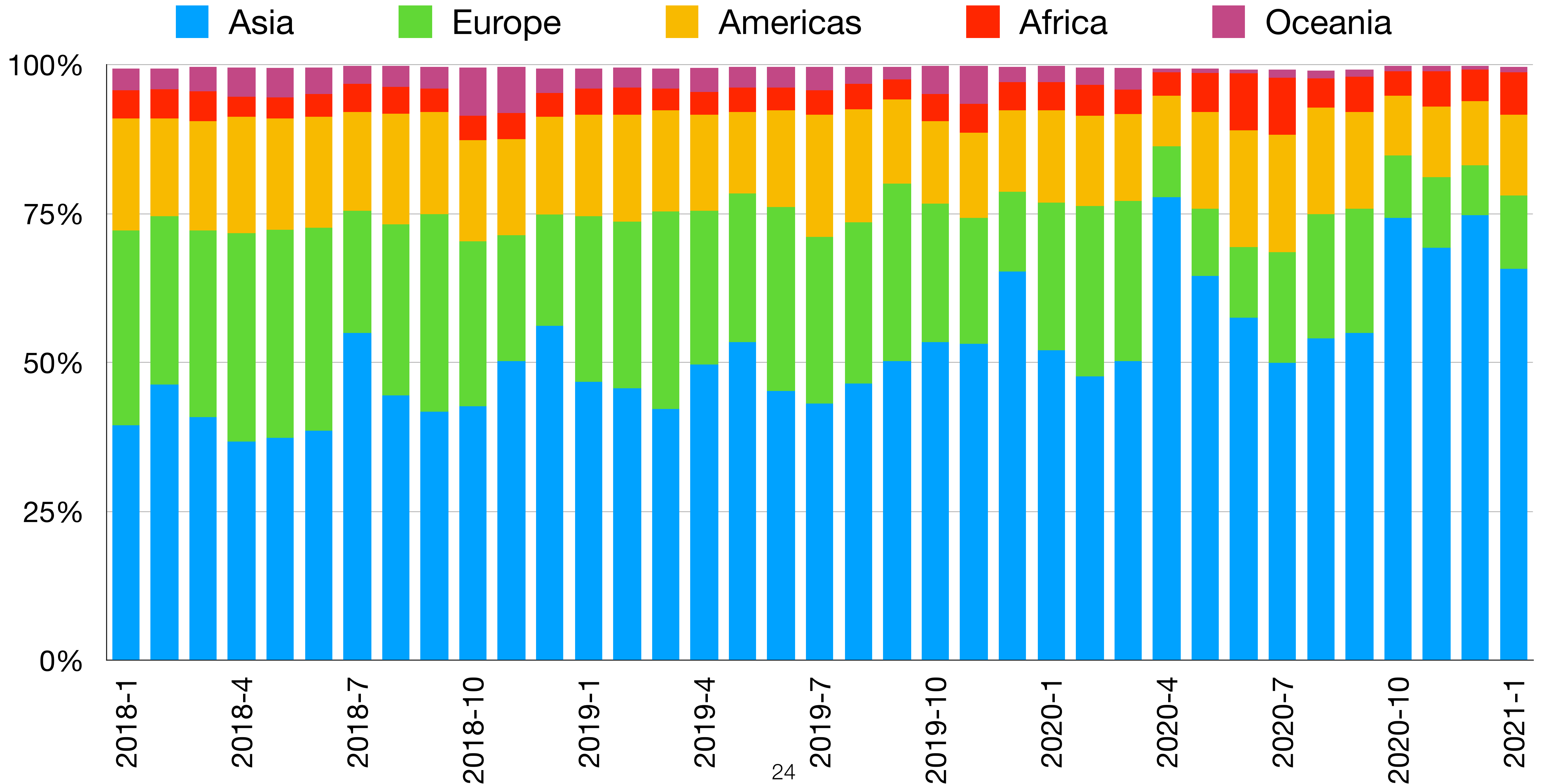


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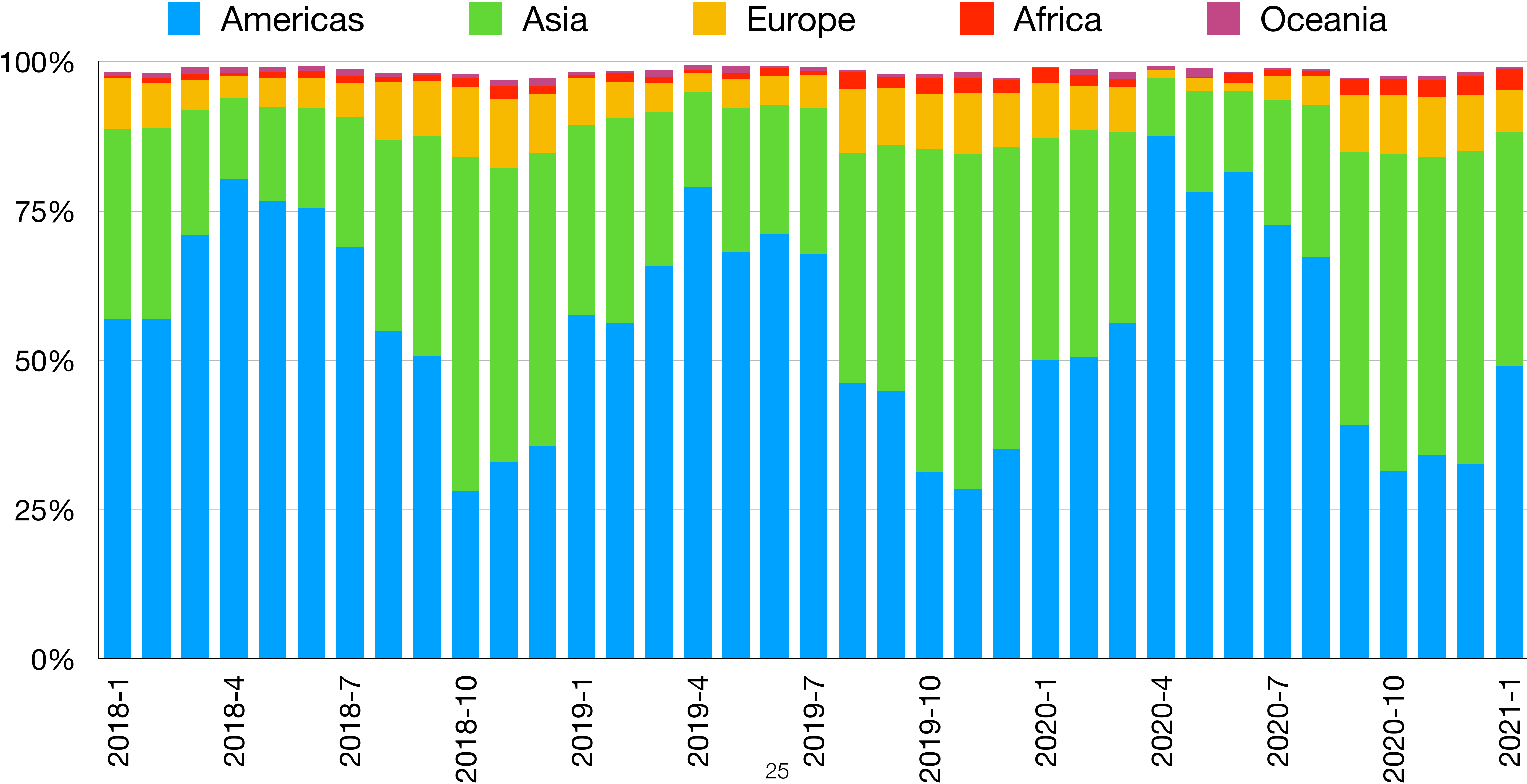
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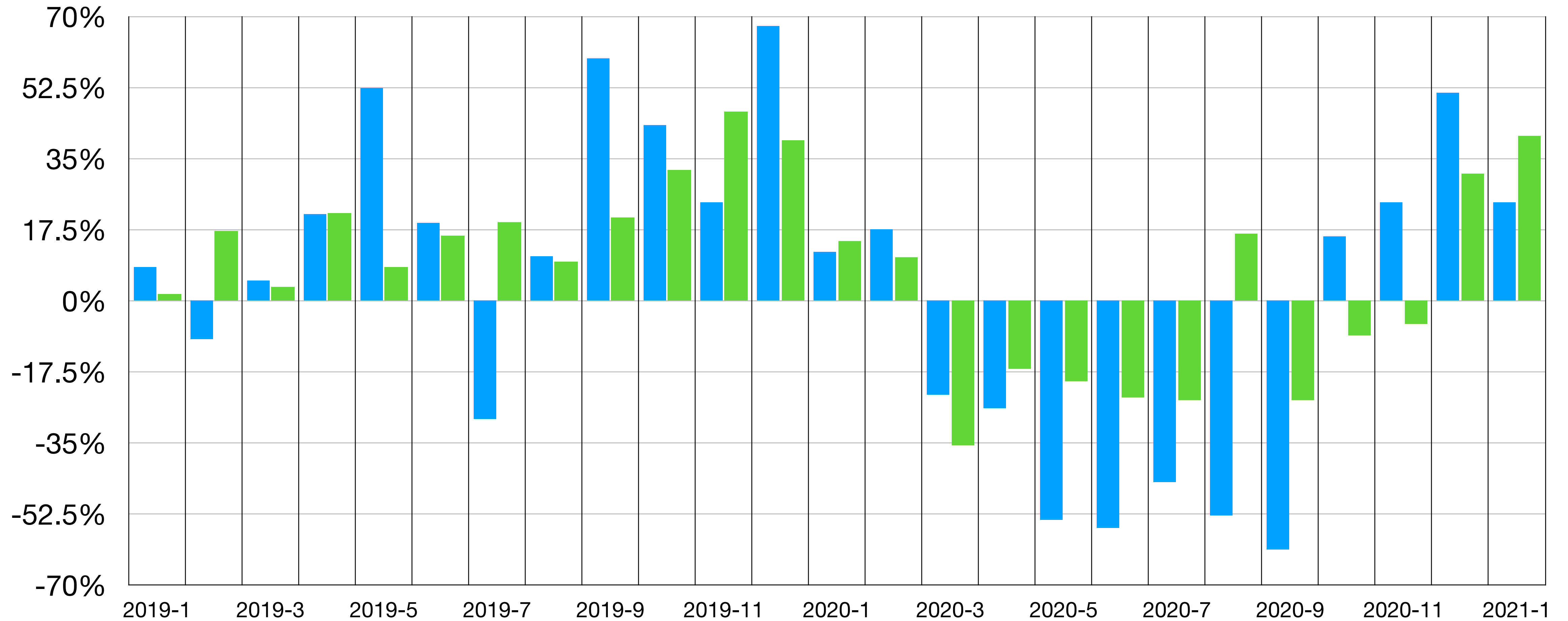


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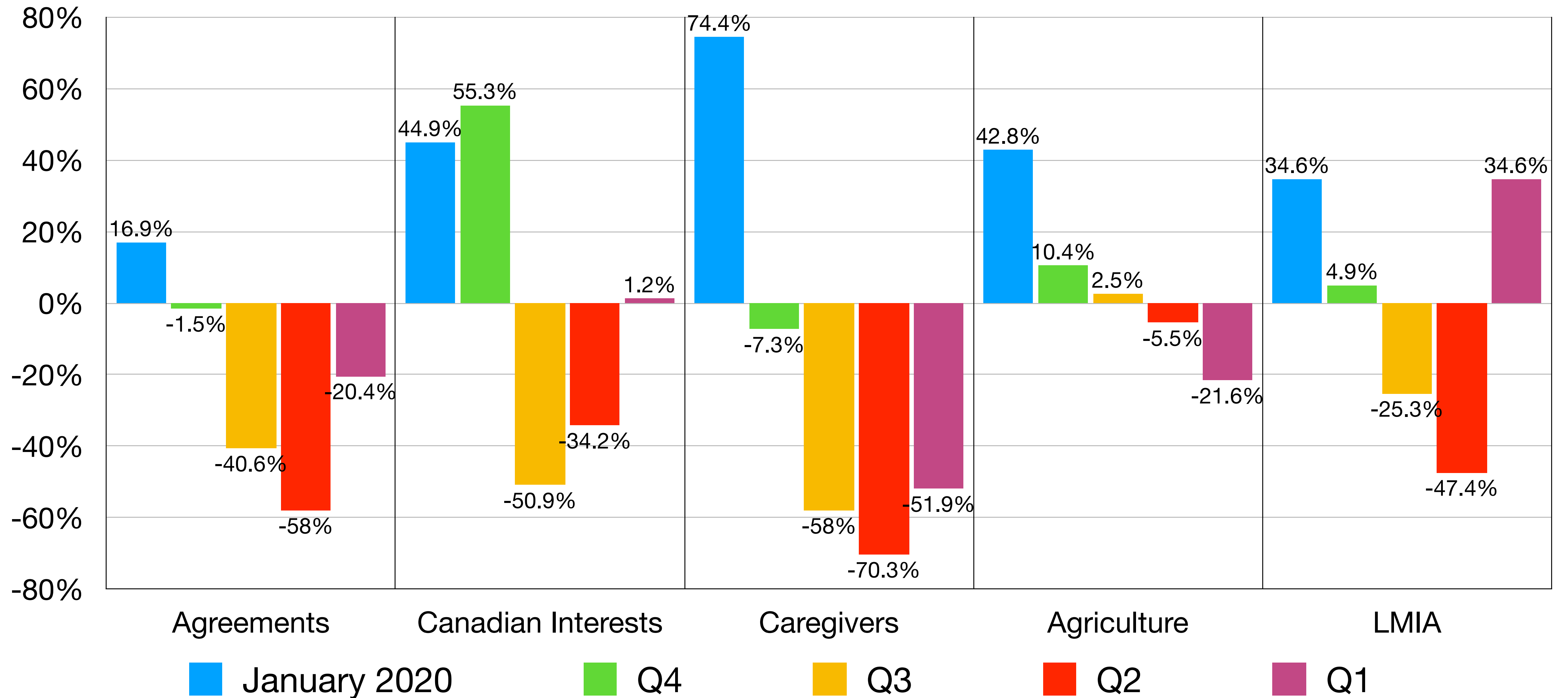
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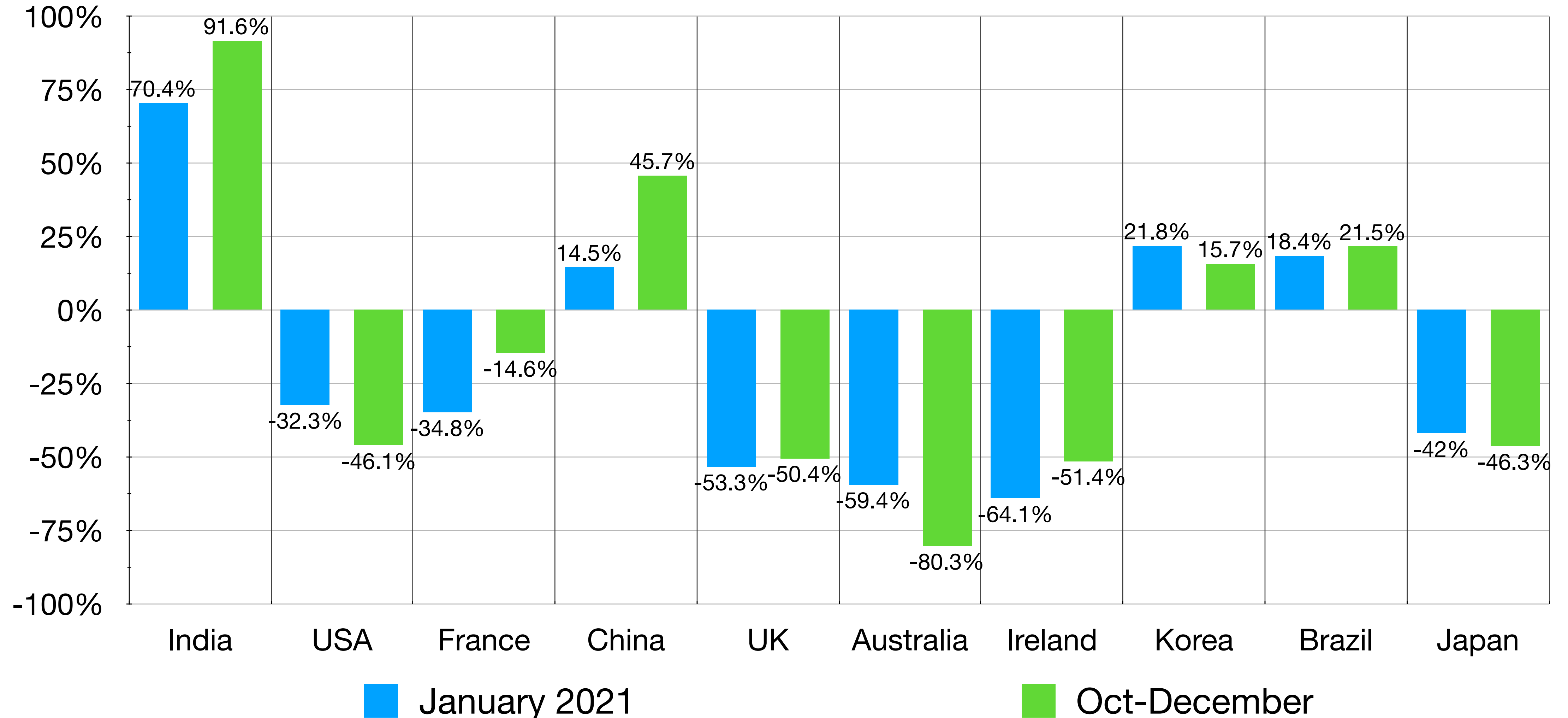
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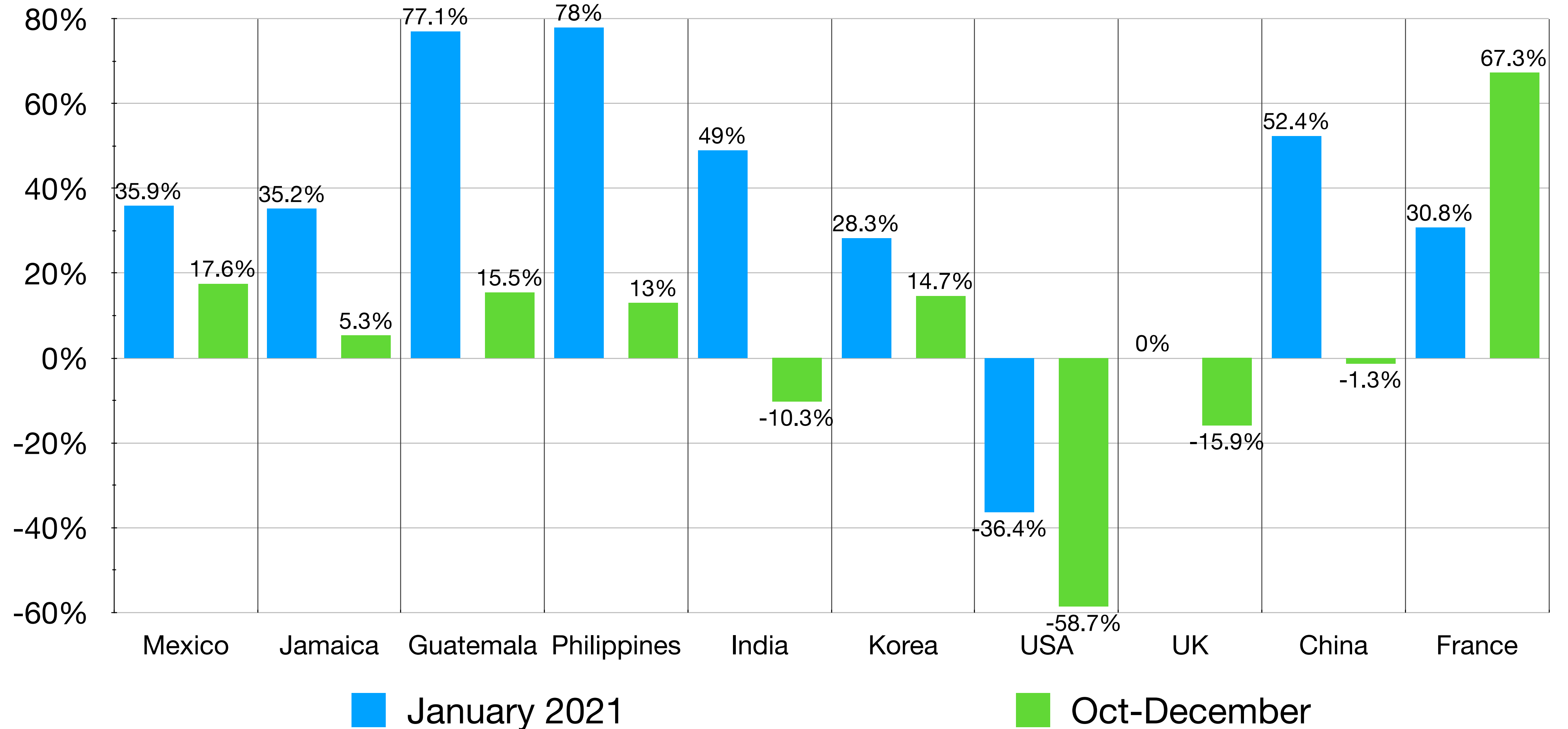
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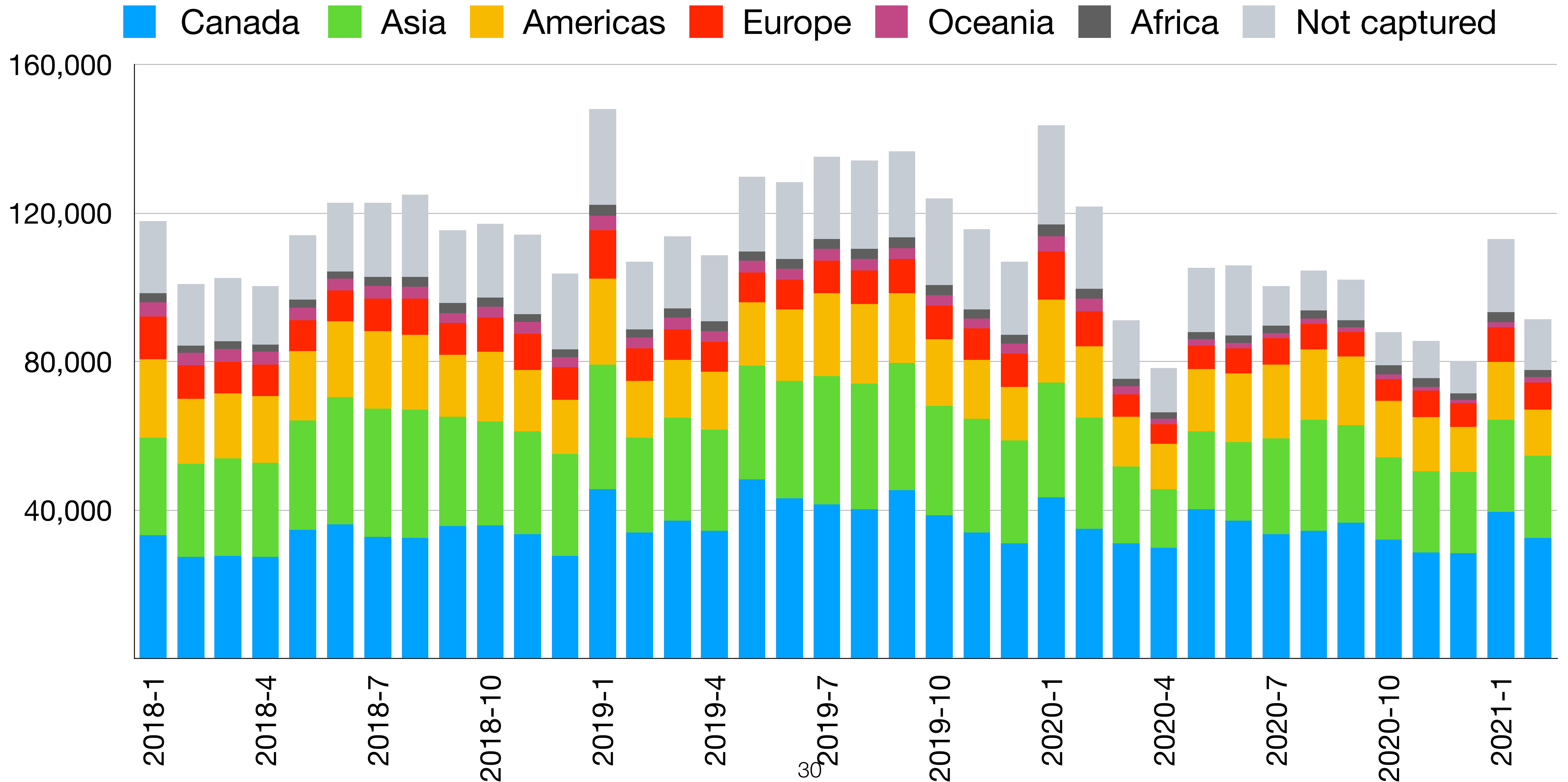


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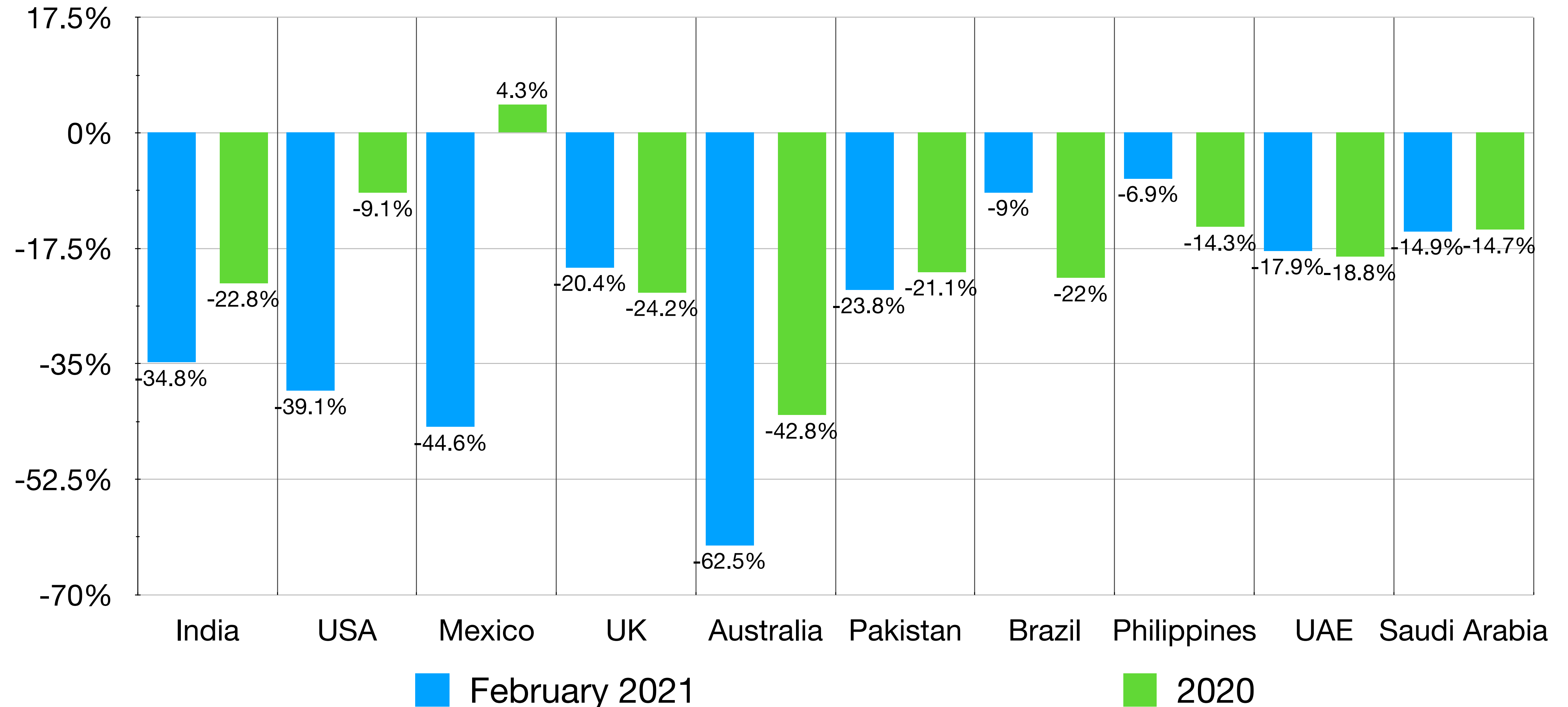
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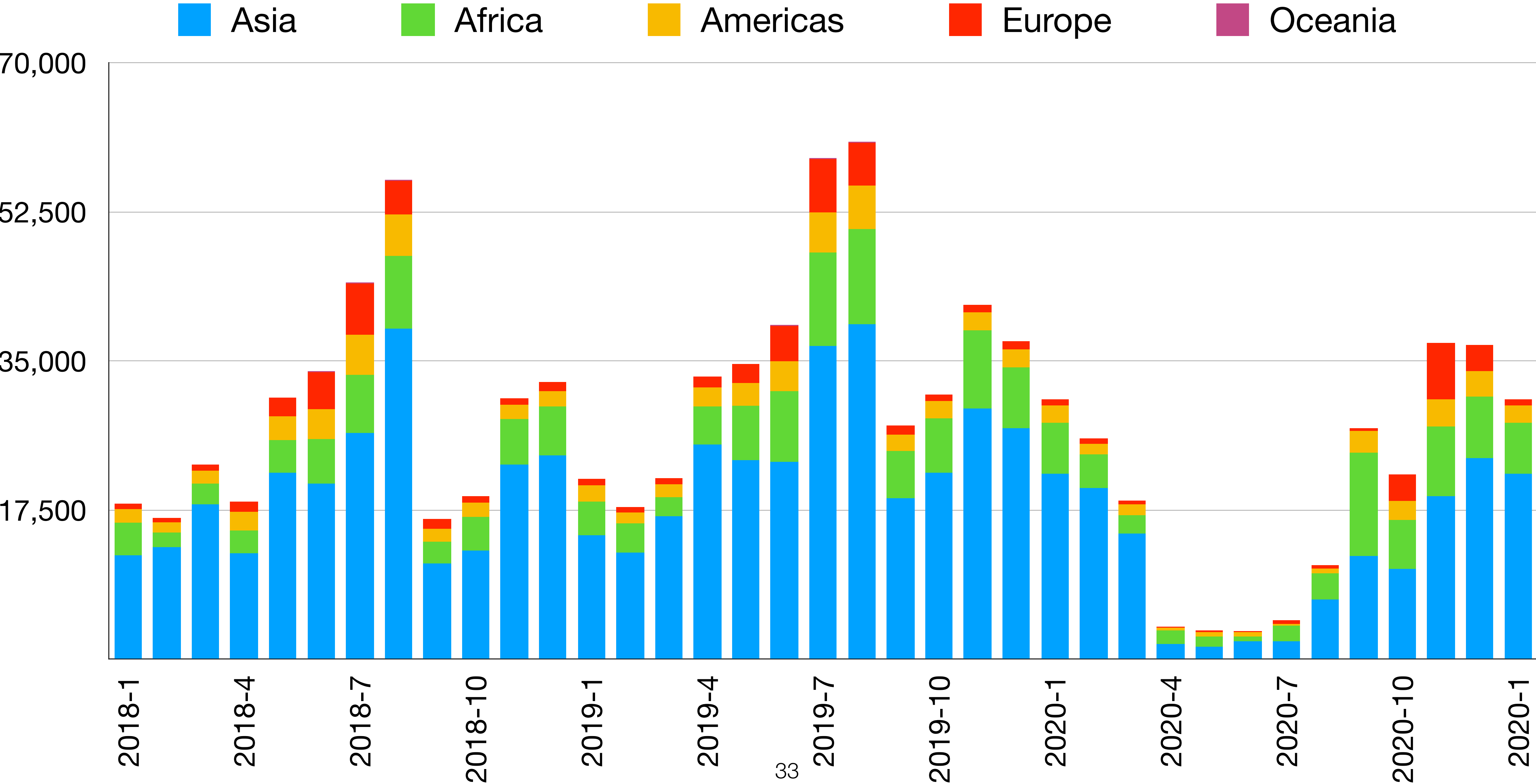
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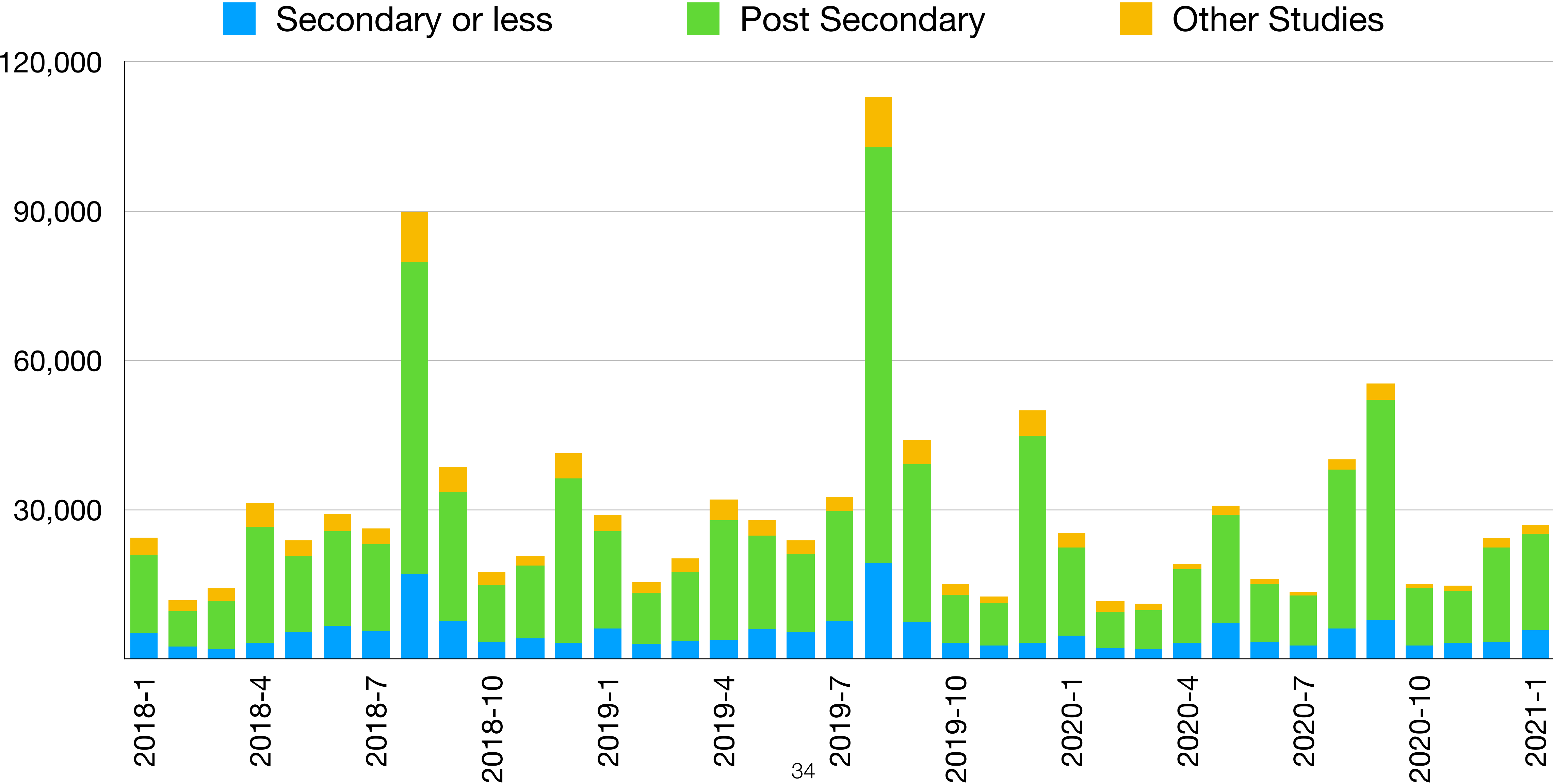


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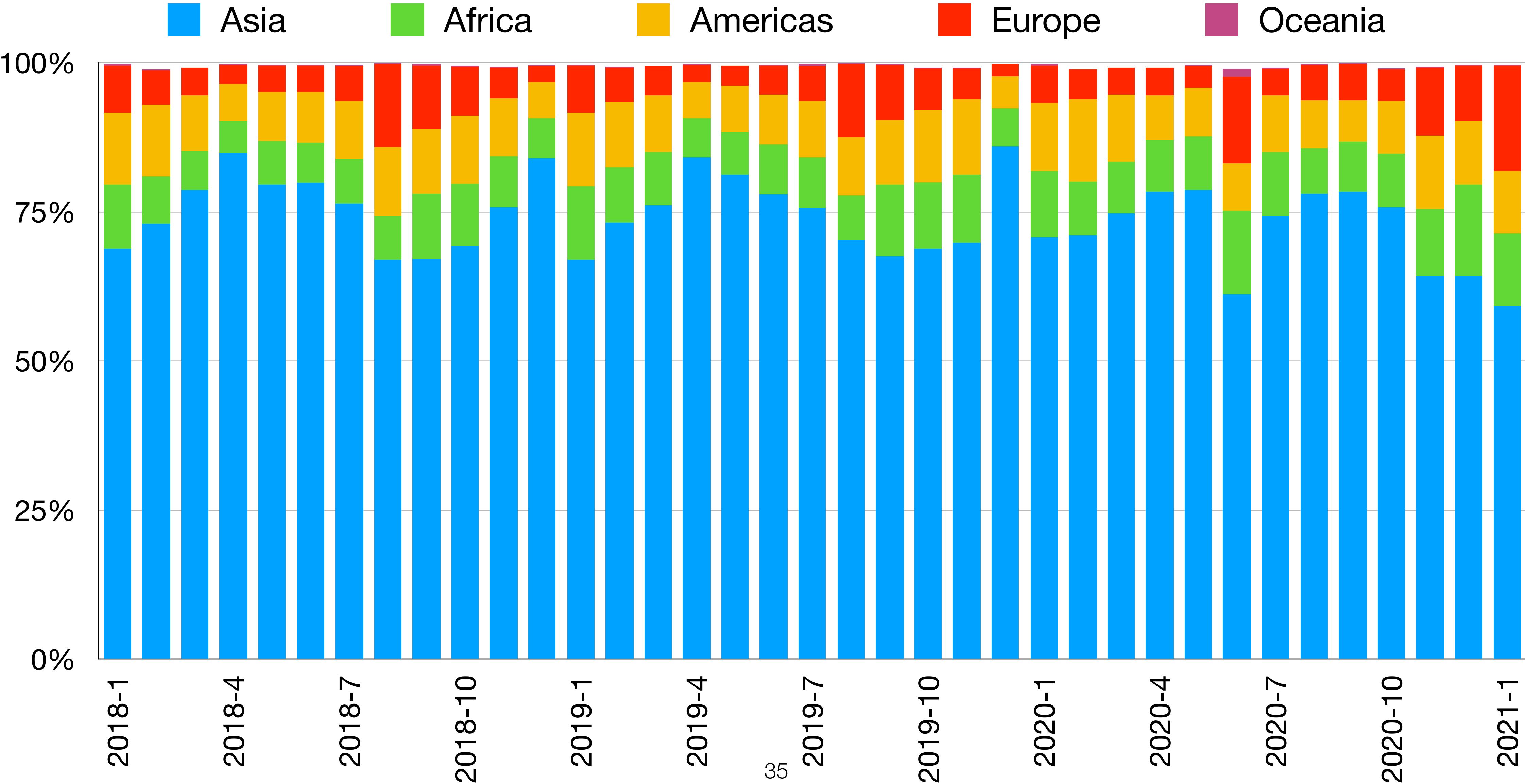
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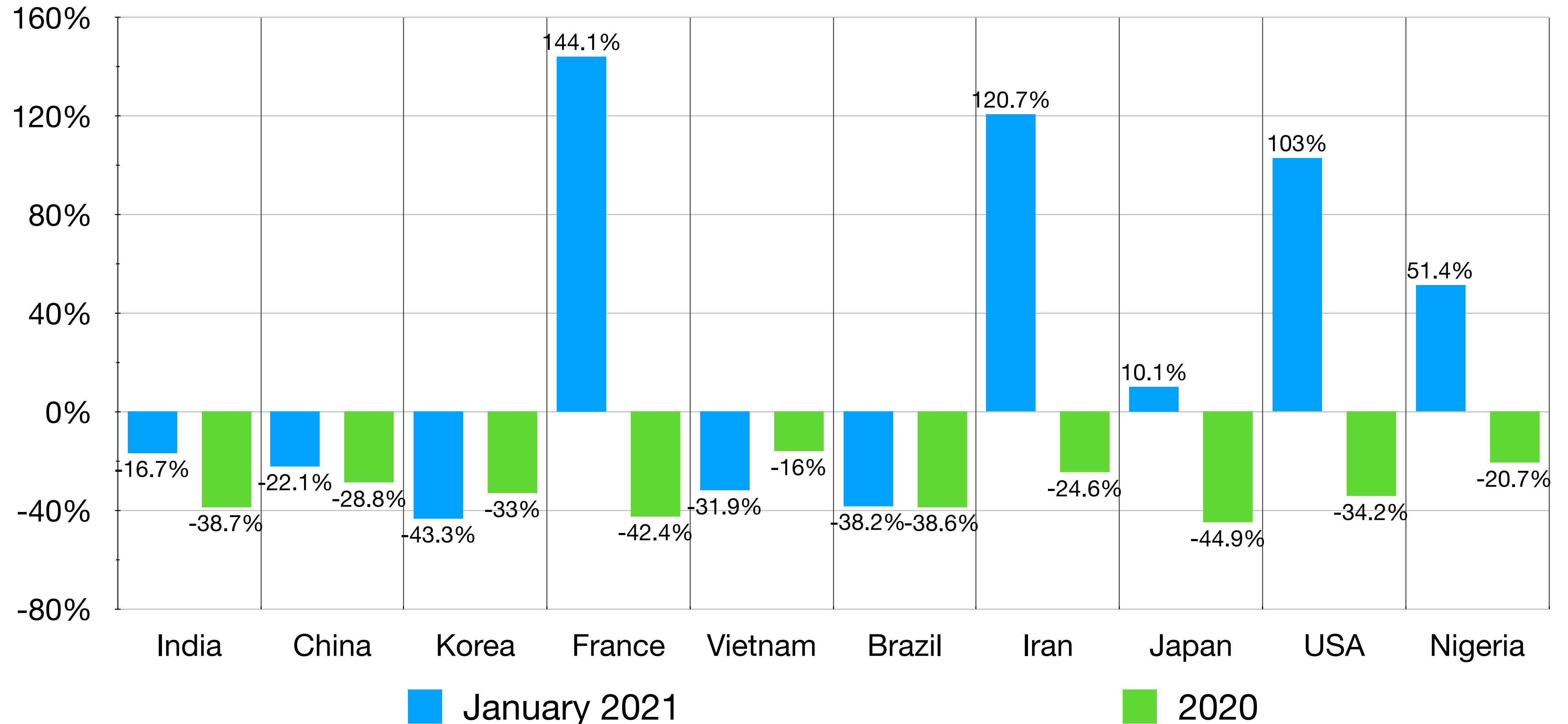
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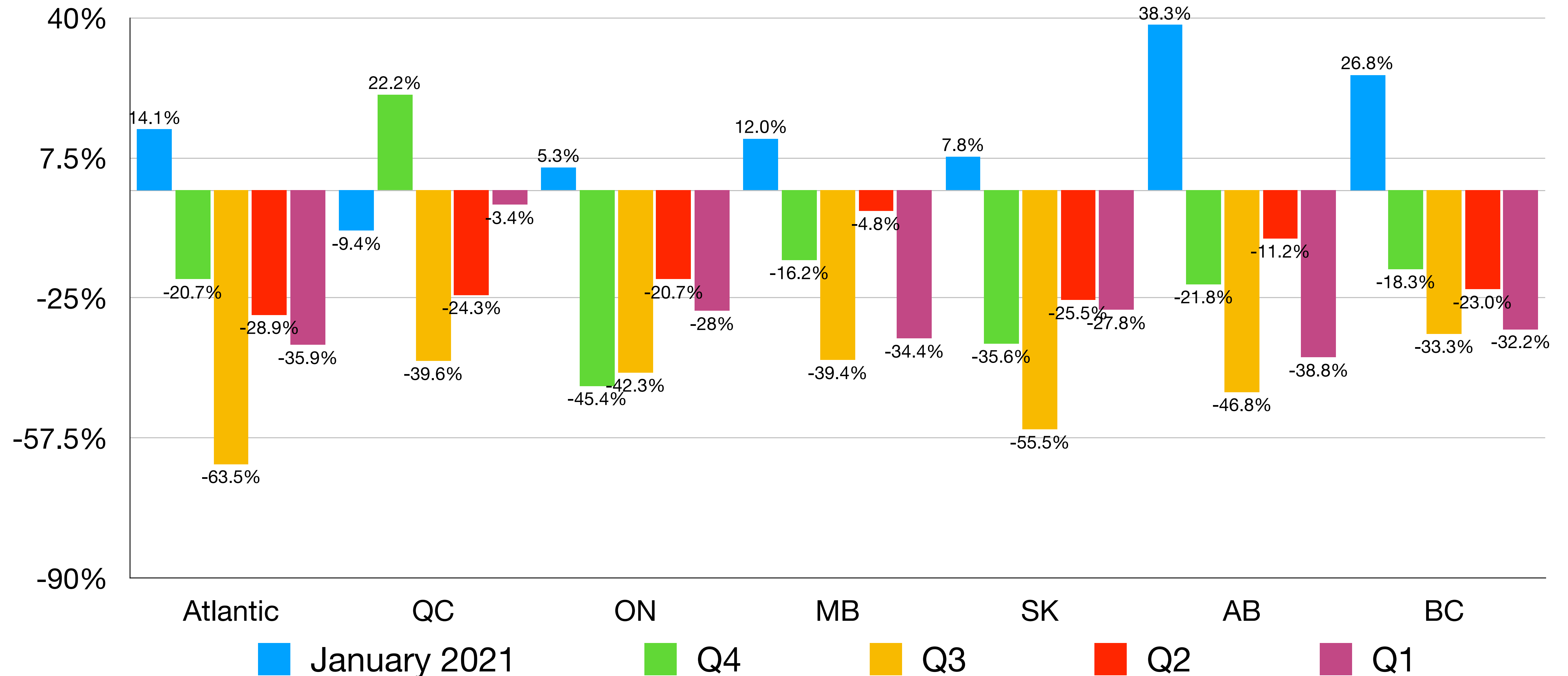
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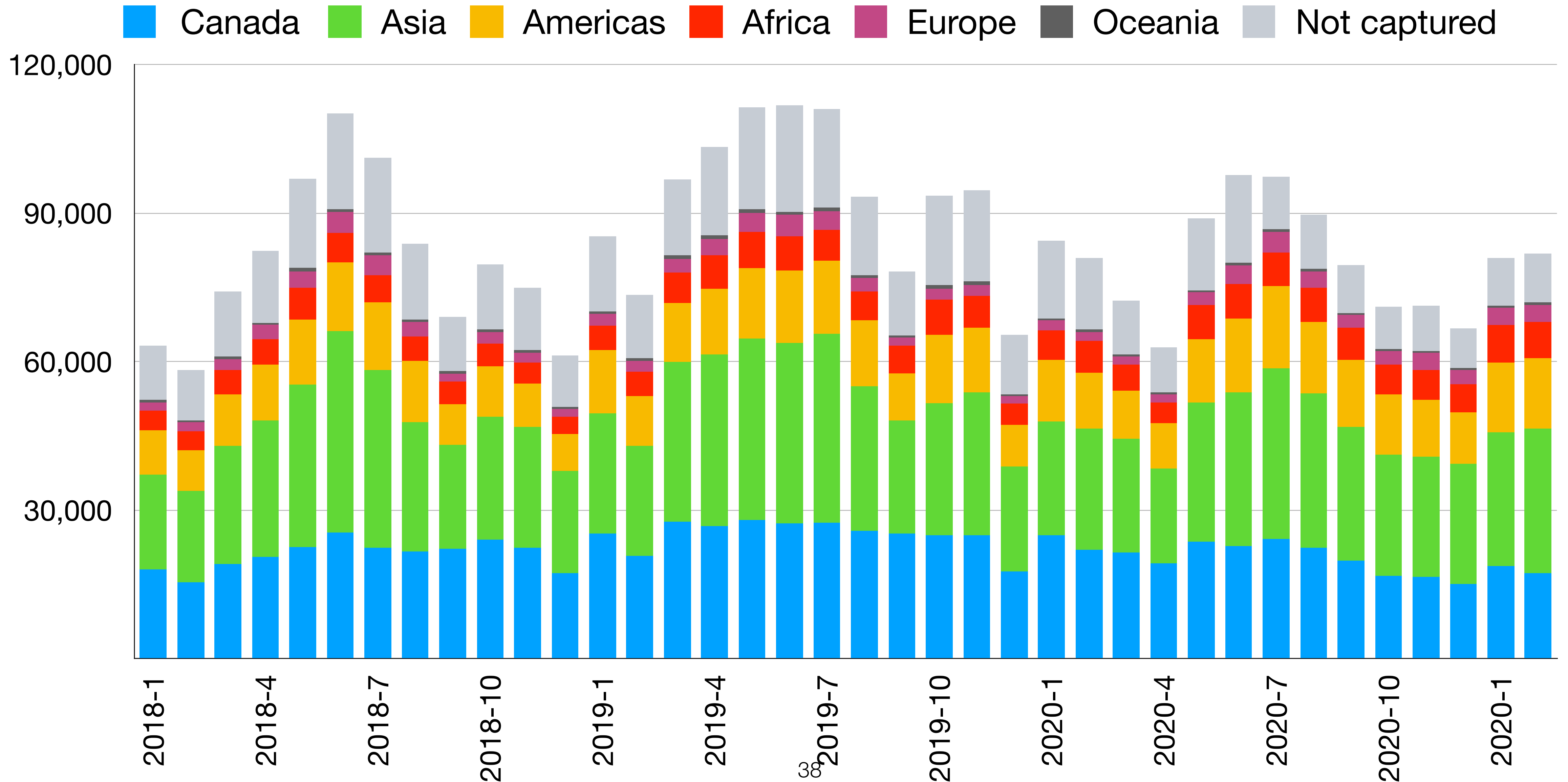


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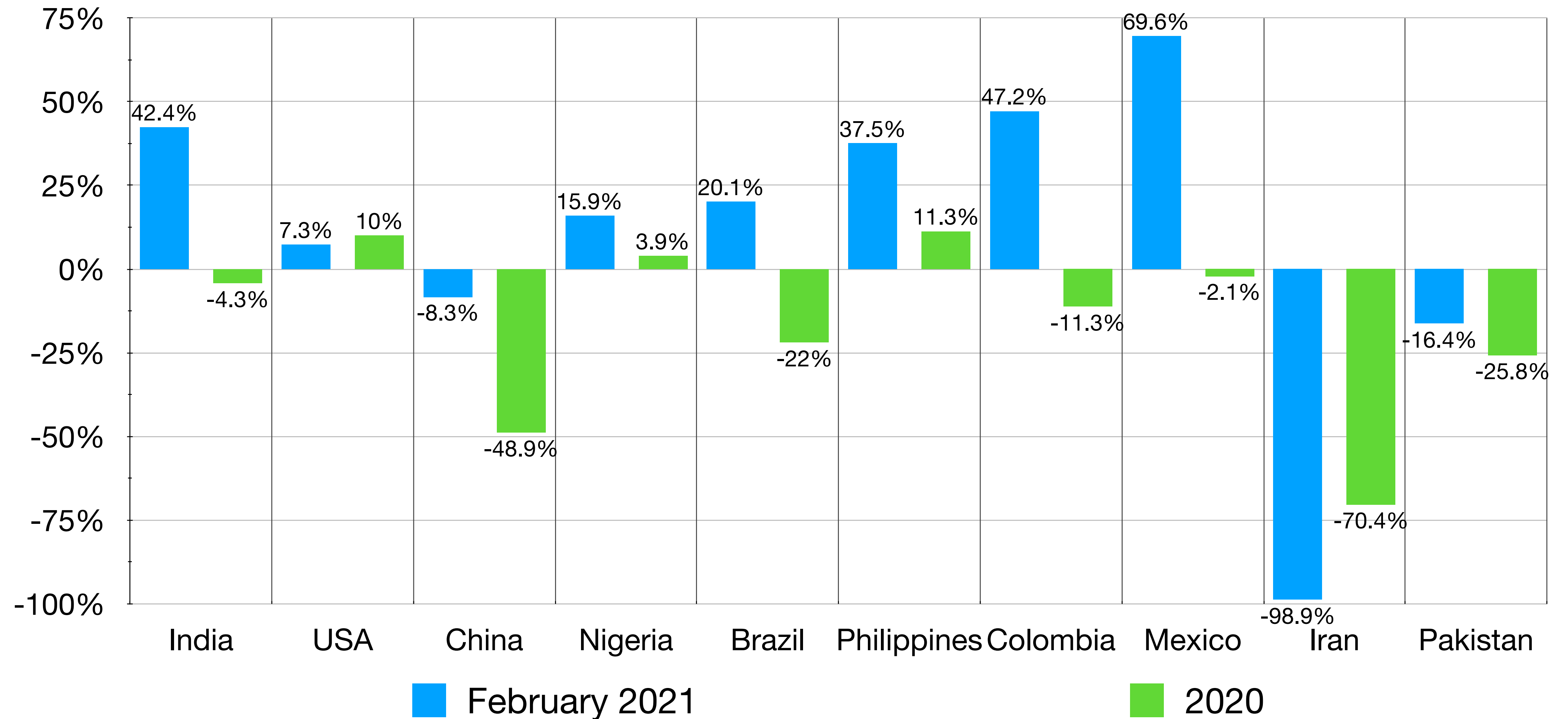
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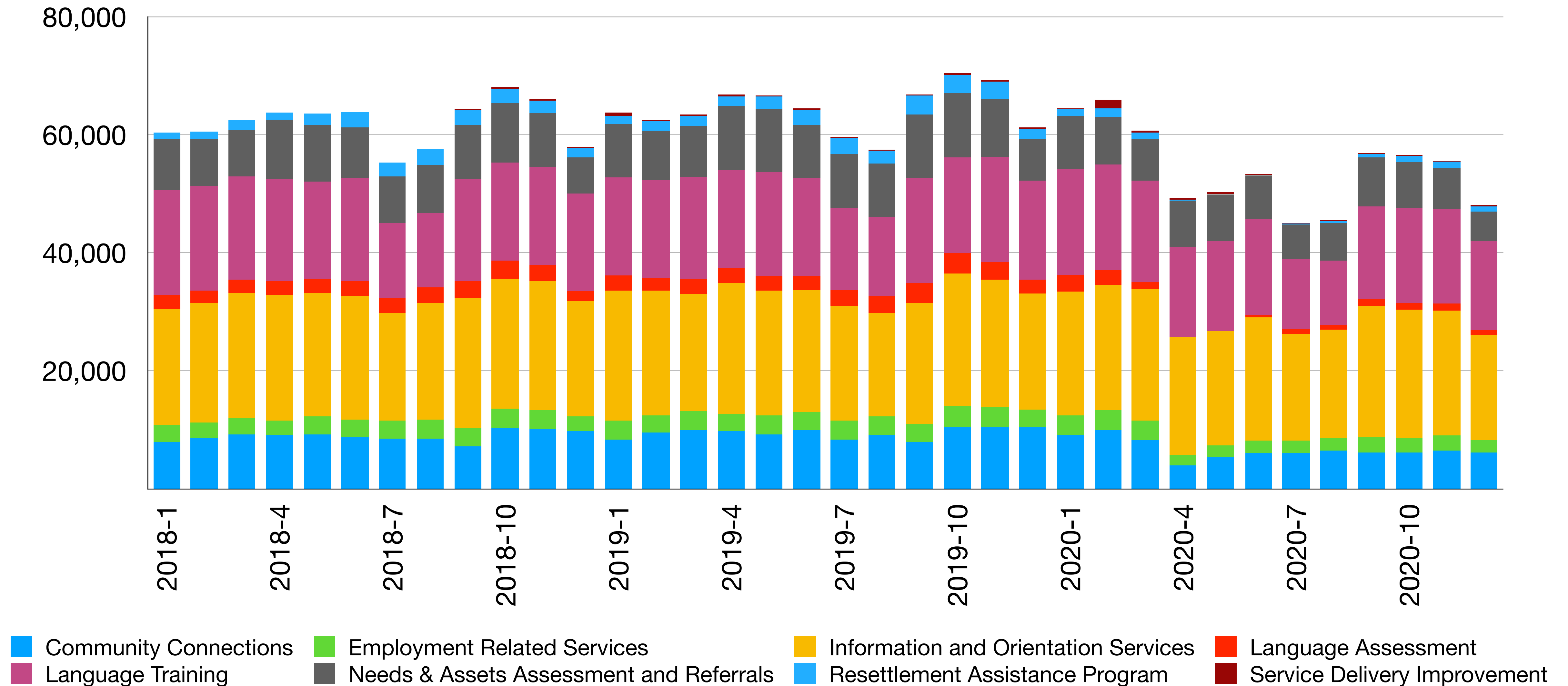
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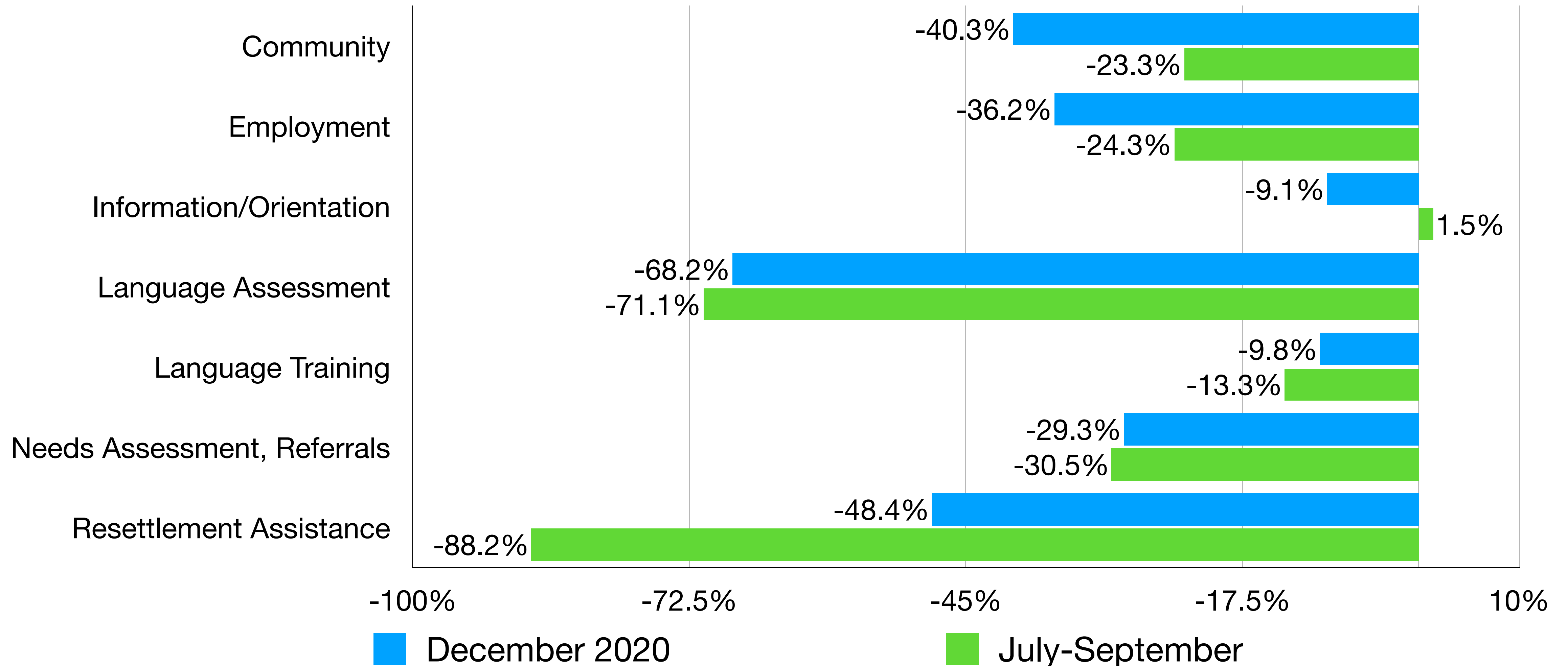
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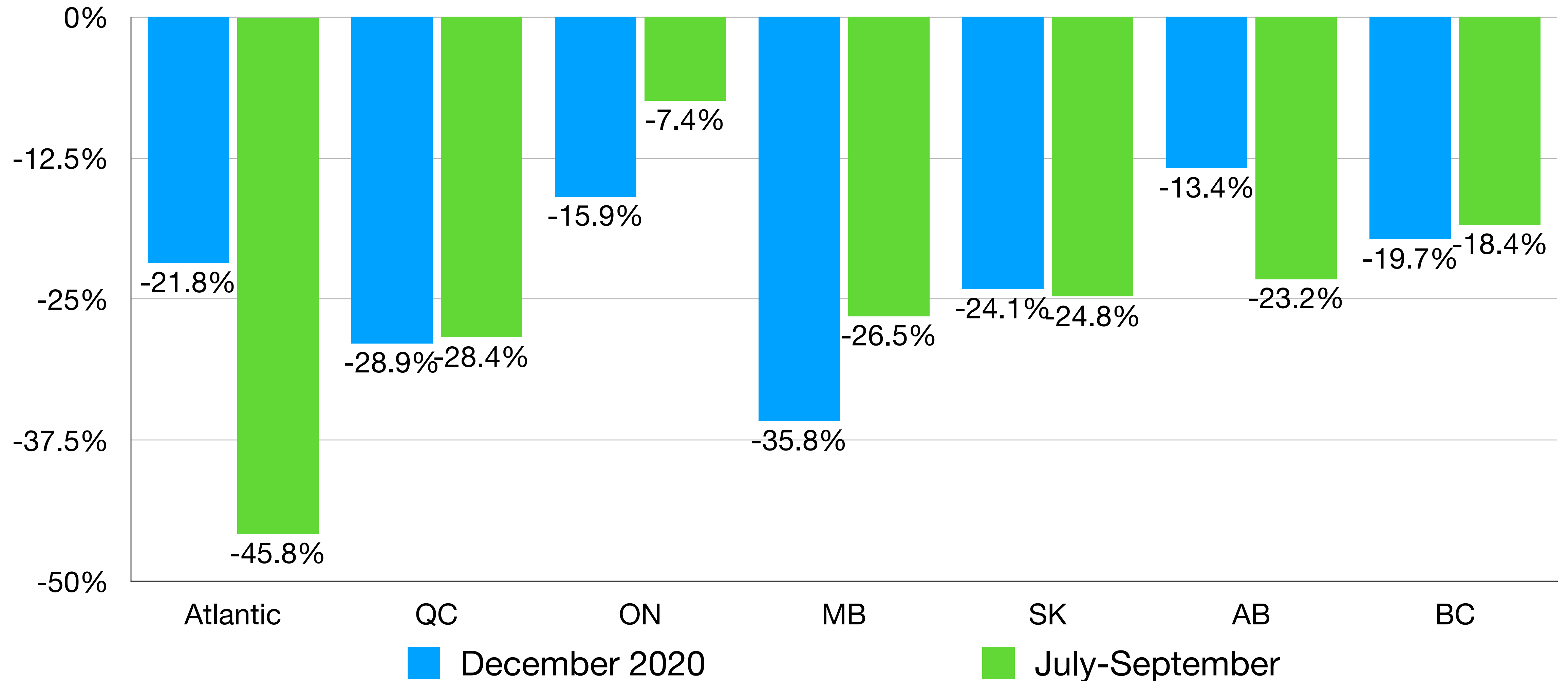
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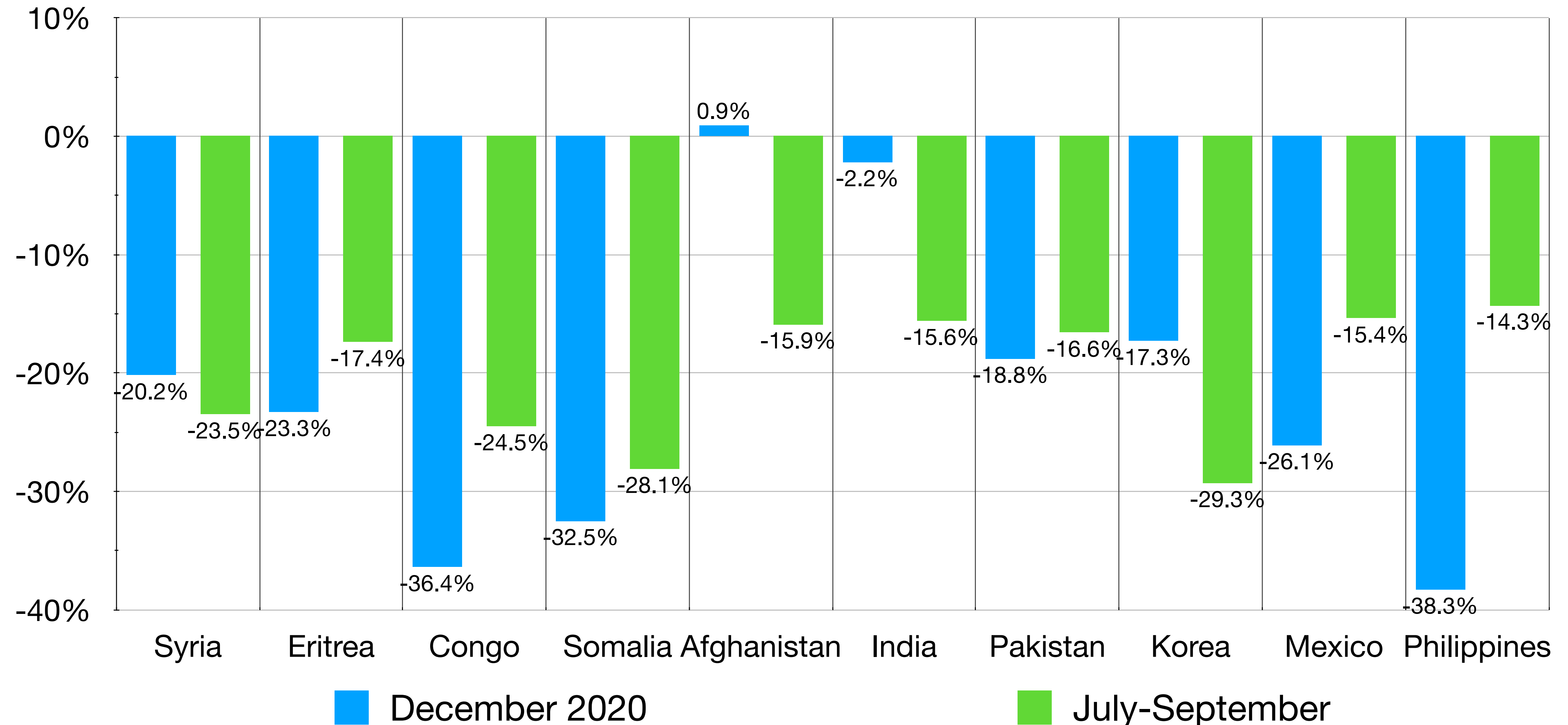
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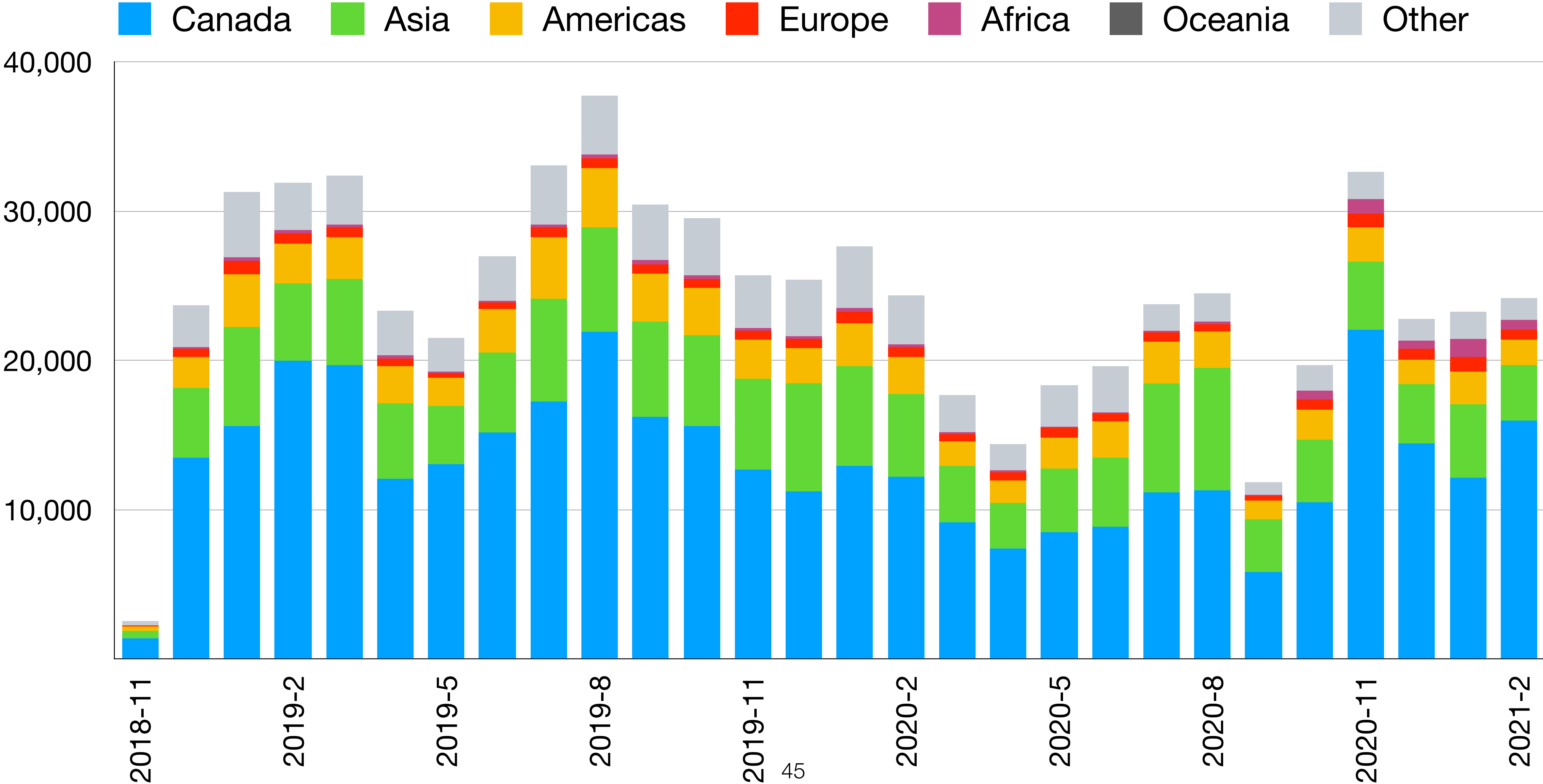
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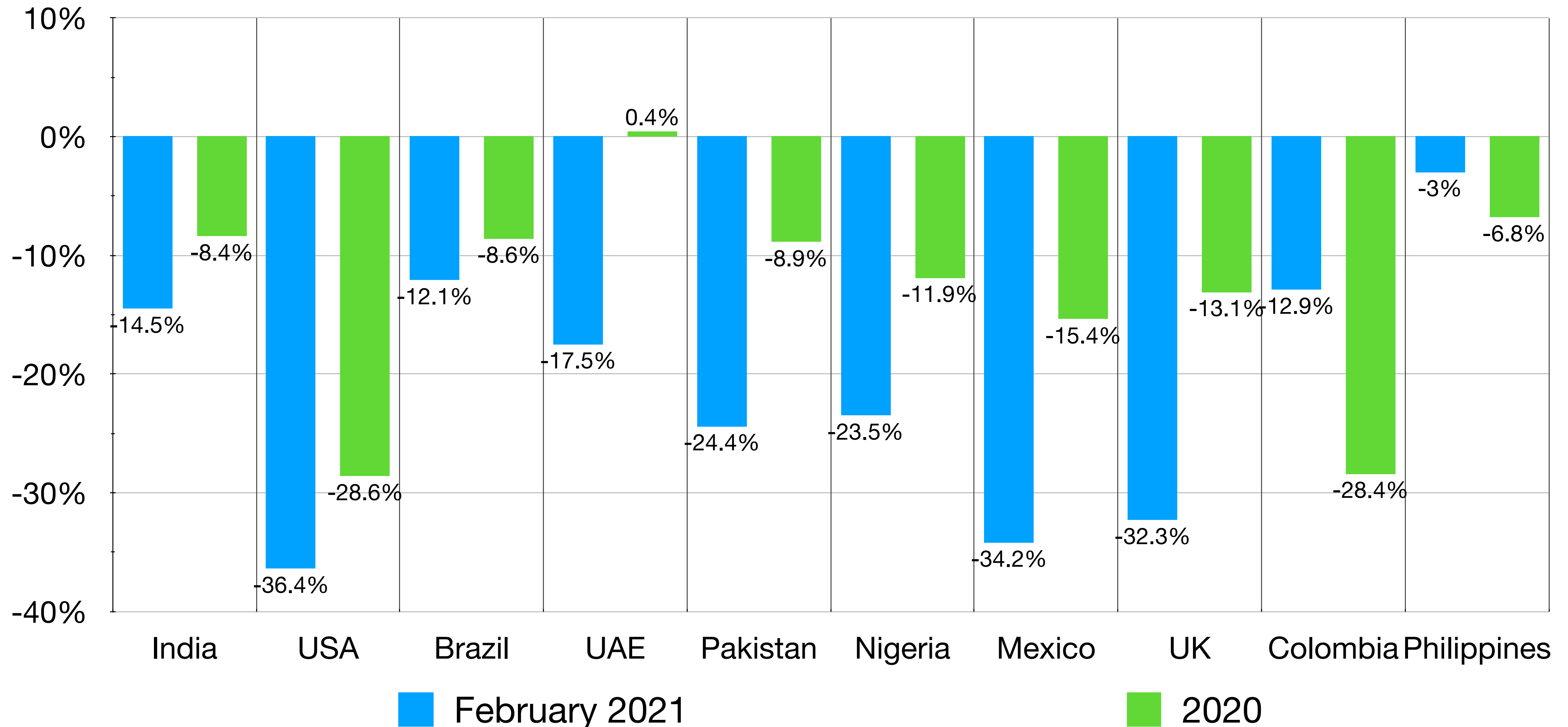
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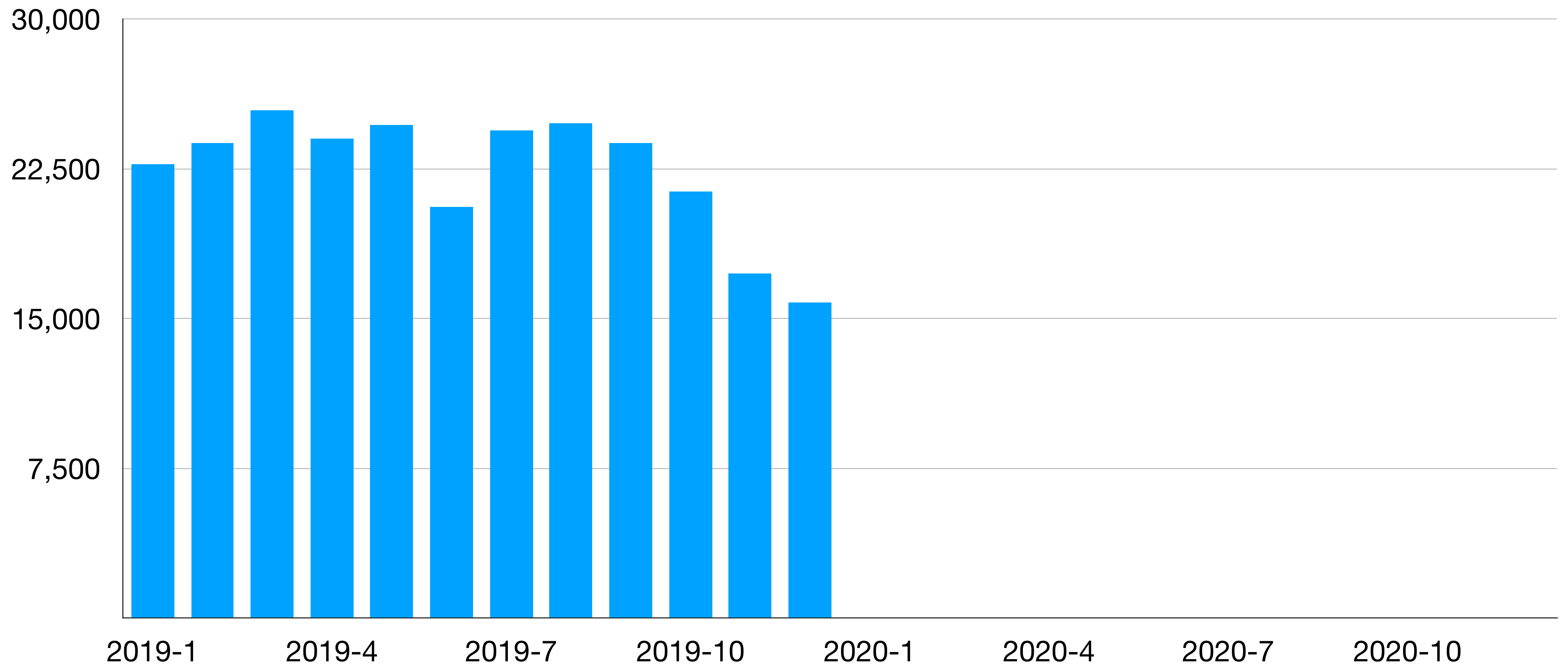
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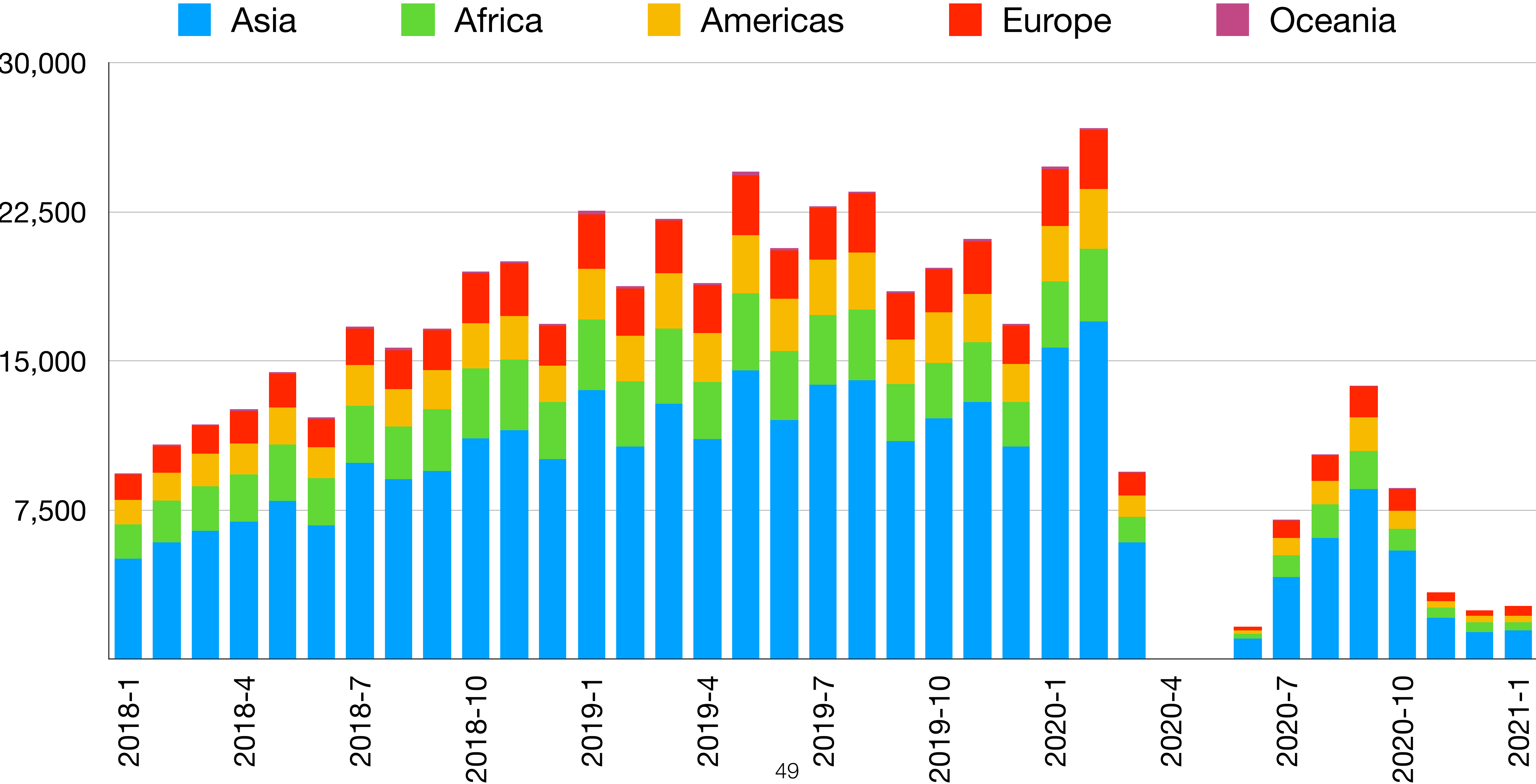
Citizenship

Citizenship Applications—2019-20

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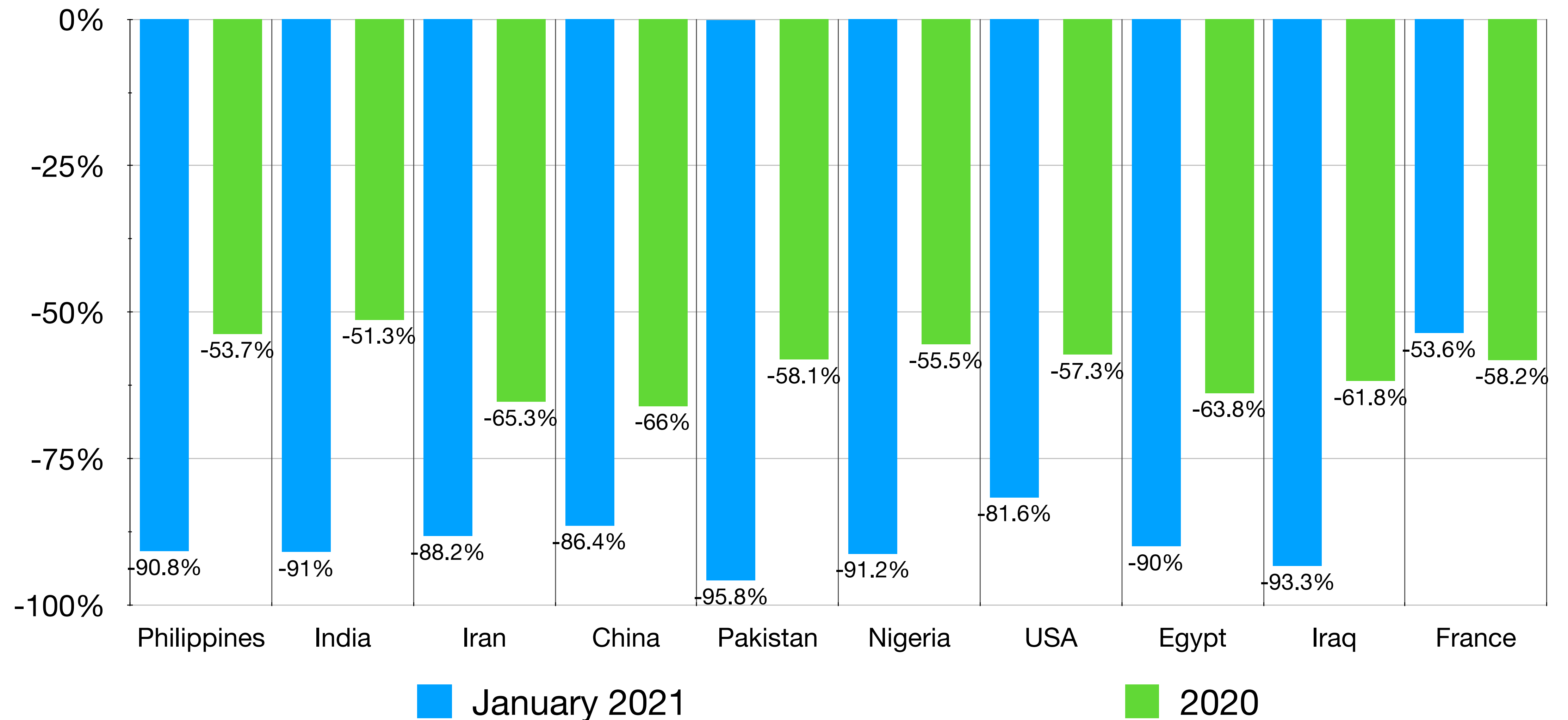
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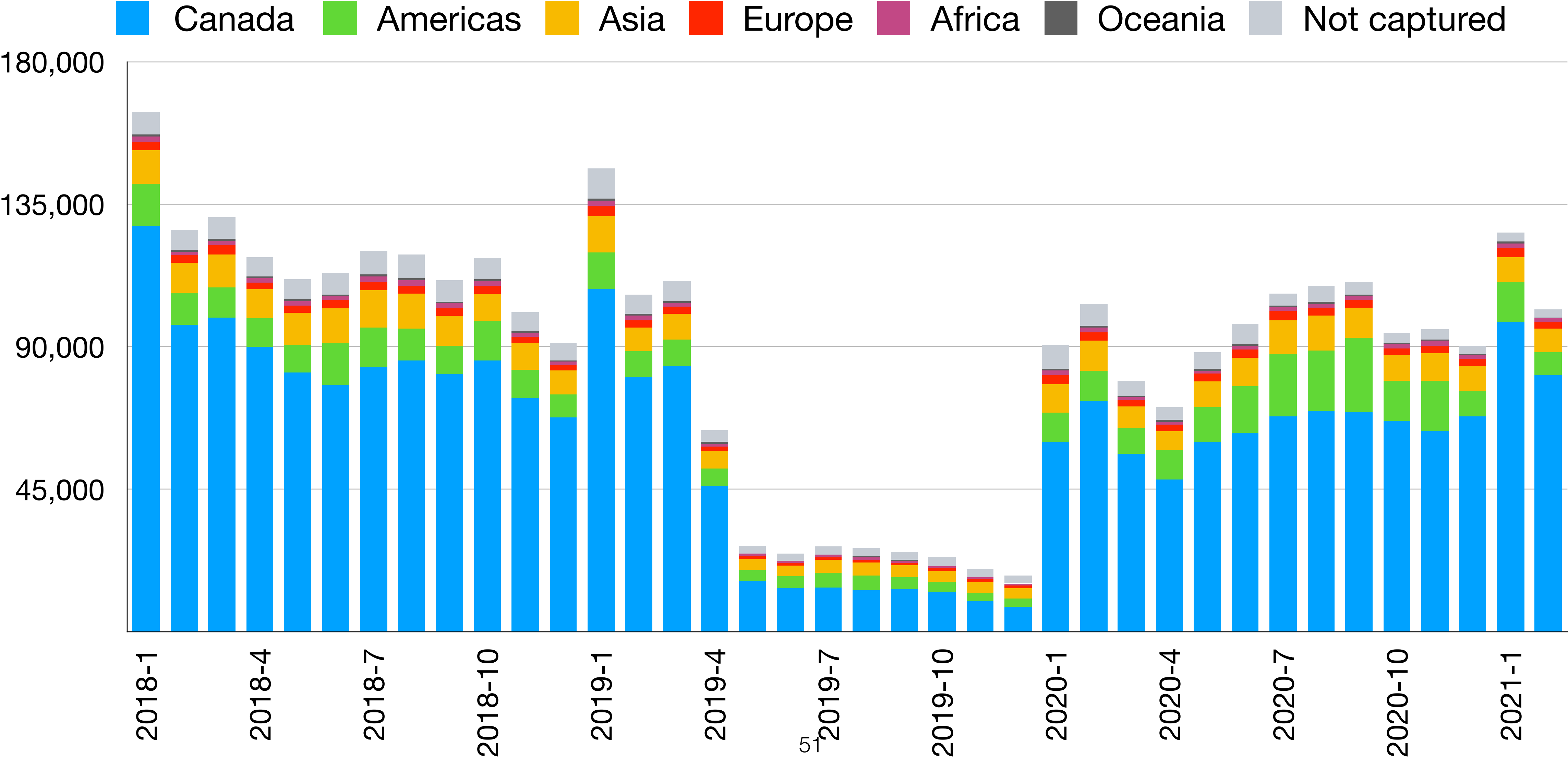
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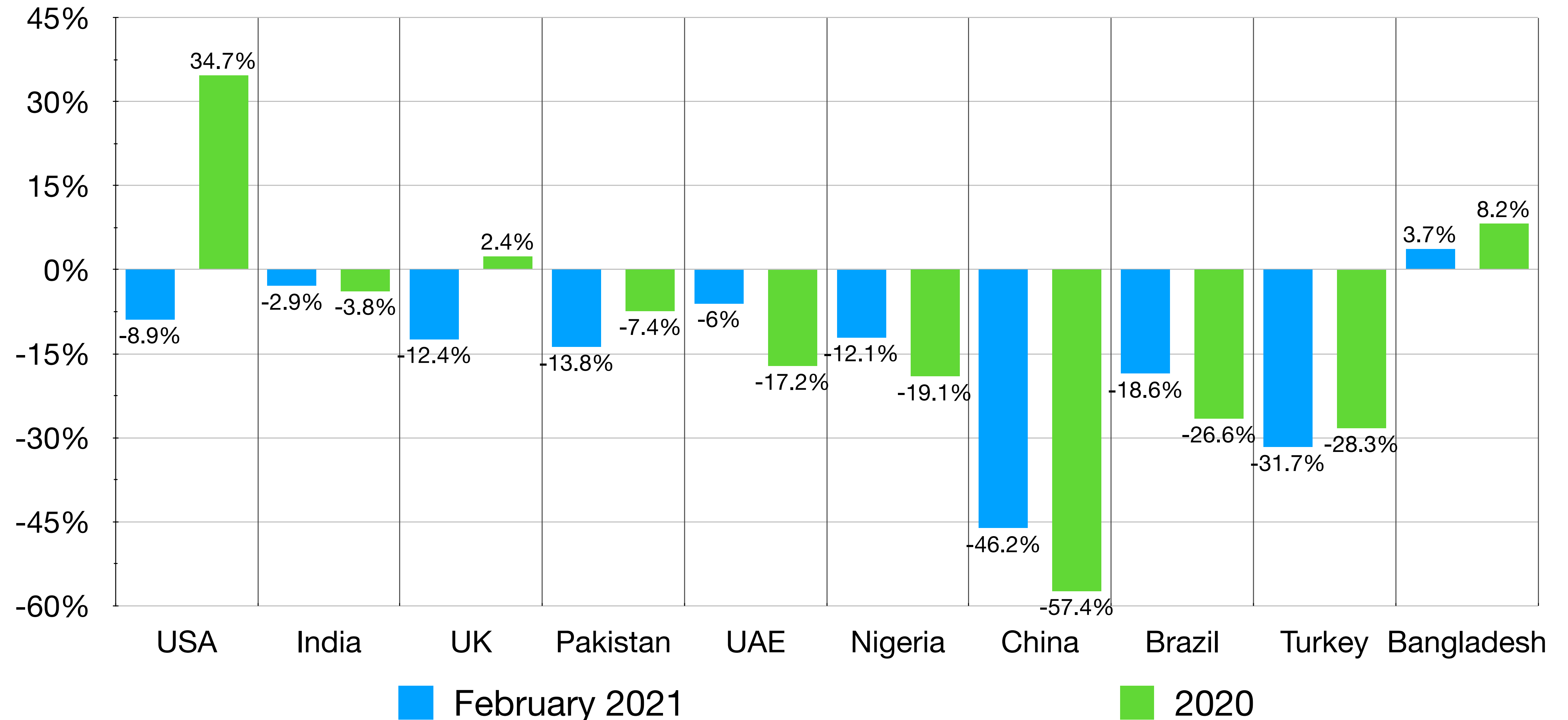
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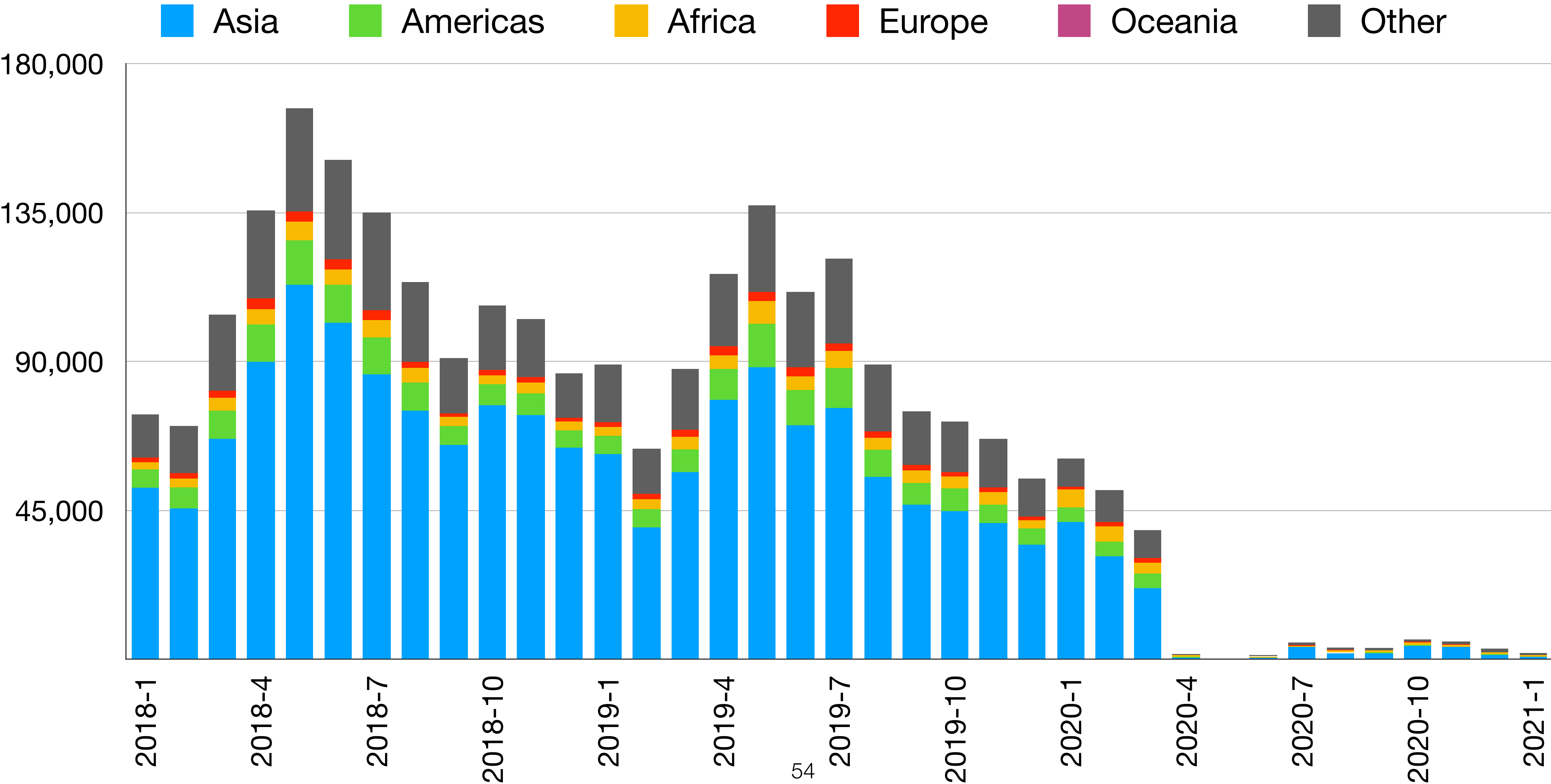
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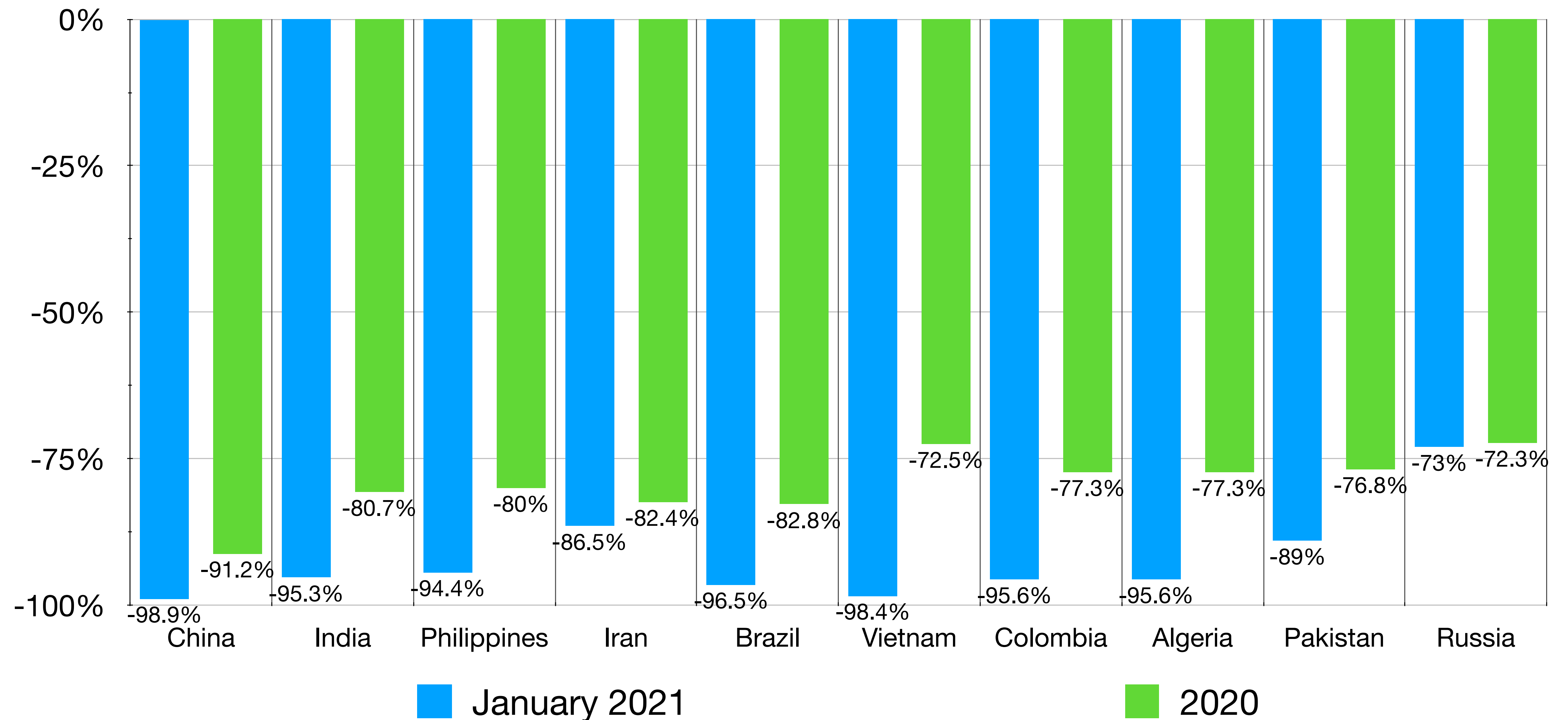
Visitor Visas — By Source Country — 2018-21



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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		Settlement		Citizenship	
India	69,980	India	55,610	Mexico	28,860	India	107,105	Syria	15,530	Philippines	19,647
Philippines	35,050	USA	26,540	Jamaica	10,200	China	85,100	Eritrea	11,865	India	19,486
China	29,710	Finland	23,445	Guatemala	9,810	Korea	16,875	Congo	11,355	Iran	10,037
Syria	12,045	China	21,910	Philippines	8,750	Vietnam	12,370	Somalia	10,785	PRC	9,718
Nigeria	10,920	UK	11,205	India	7,380	Iran	7,040	Afghanistan	9,550	Pakistan	9,406
USA	10,905	Australia	8,850	Korea	1,960	Japan	6,685	India	9,035	Nigeria	4,398
Pakistan	9,490	Ireland	8,675	USA	1,850	Bangladesh	4,155	Pakistan	8,360	USA	4,229
France	6,175	Korea	8,105	UK	940	Philippines	4,075	Korea of	7,775	Egypt	4,115
Eritrea	5,695	Brazil	8,080	China	935	Taiwan	3,160	Mexico	7,640	Iraq	3,951
UK	5,660	Japan	7,250	France	915	Saudi Arabia	2,870	Philippines	6,995	France	3,836

Data Sources

- **PRs:** [Canada - Admissions of Permanent Residents by Province/Territory of Intended Destination and Immigration Category](#), [Canada - Admissions of Permanent Residents by Country of Citizenship](#), [COVID Immigration Impact - PR Applications Source Countries](#)
 - TR to Permanent Resident transition: [Canada – Admissions of Permanent Residents with Prior Post-graduate Work Permit Holder Status by Province/Territory of Intended Destination and Immigration Category](#), [Canada – Admissions of Permanent Residents with Prior International Mobility Program Work Permit Holder Status by Province/Territory of Intended Destination and Immigration Category](#), [Canada – Admissions of Permanent Residents with Prior Study Permit Holder Status by Province/Territory of Intended Destination and Immigration Category](#), [Canada – Admissions of Permanent Residents with Prior Temporary Foreign Worker Program Work Permit Holder Status by Province/Territory of Intended Destination and Immigration Category](#)
 - Asylum Claimants: [Canada - Asylum Claimants by Claim Office Type, Province/Territory* of Claim and Claim Year](#), [Canada - Asylum Claimants by Top Twenty-Five Countries of Citizenship \(2019 ranking\)](#), [Claim Office Type and Claim Year](#)
- **TRs:** [Canada - International Mobility Program \(IMP\) work permit holders by province/territory of intended destination, program and year in which permit\(s\) became effective](#), [Canada - Temporary Foreign Worker Program \(TFWP\) work permit holders by province/territory of intended destination, program and year in which permit\(s\) became effective](#), [Canada – International Mobility Program work permit holders by country of citizenship and year in which permit\(s\) became effective](#), [Canada – Temporary Foreign Worker Program work permit holders by country of citizenship and year in which permit\(s\) became effective](#)
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- Settlement Services: Special request IRCC data table
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