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# Employment during the lockdowns as captured by CPHS

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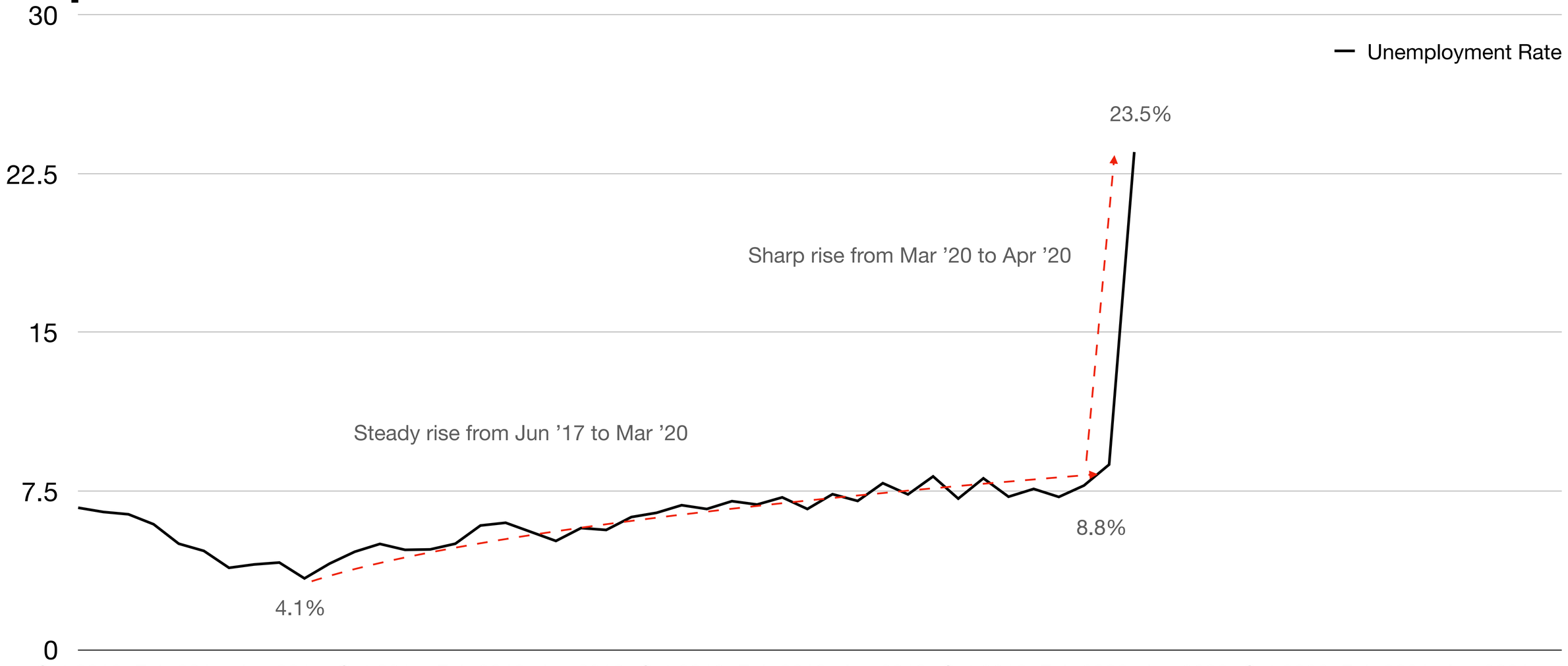

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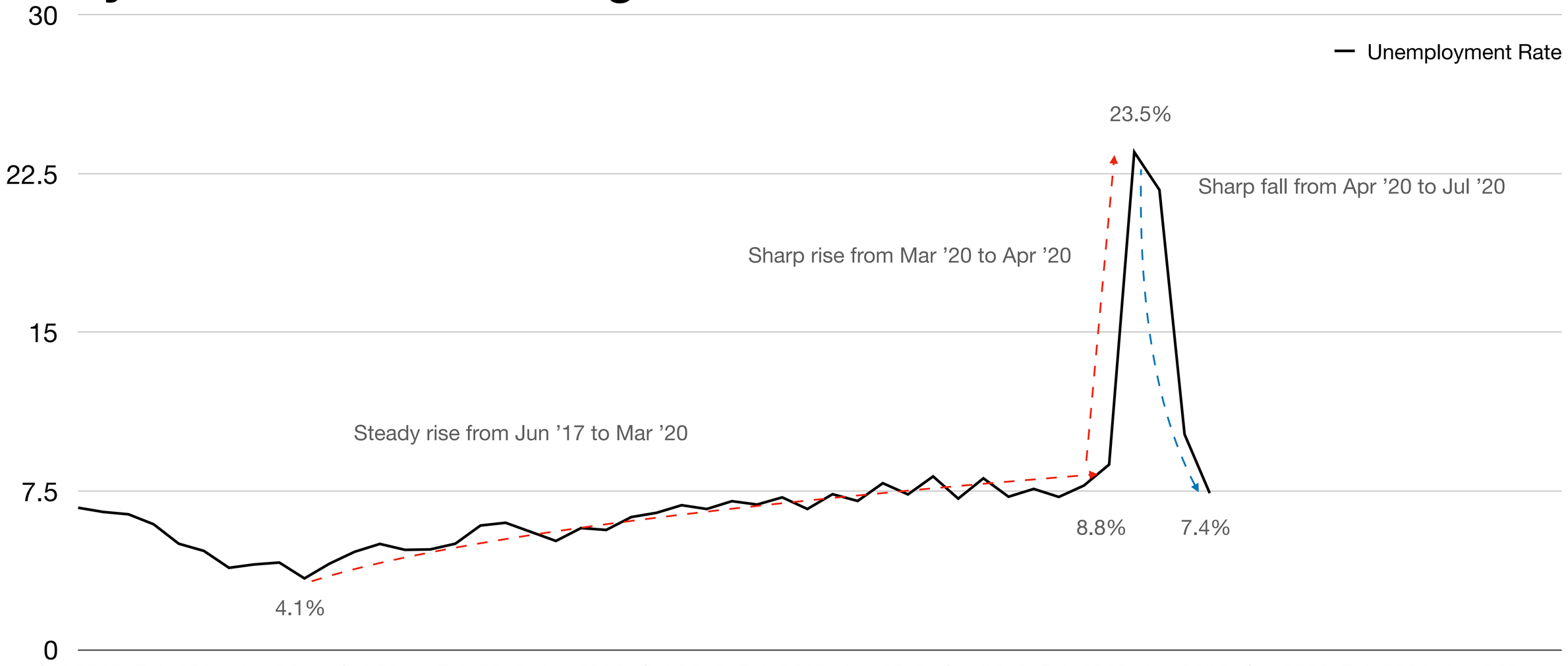

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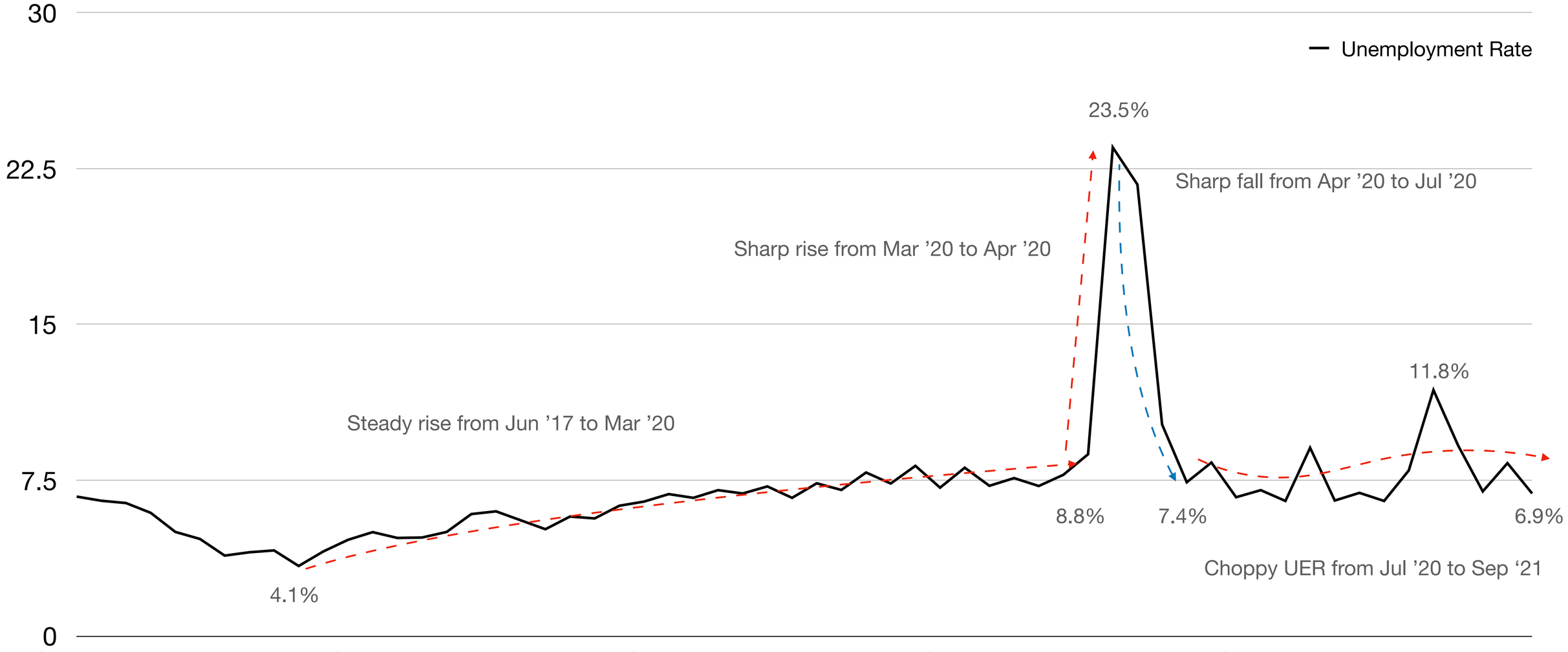

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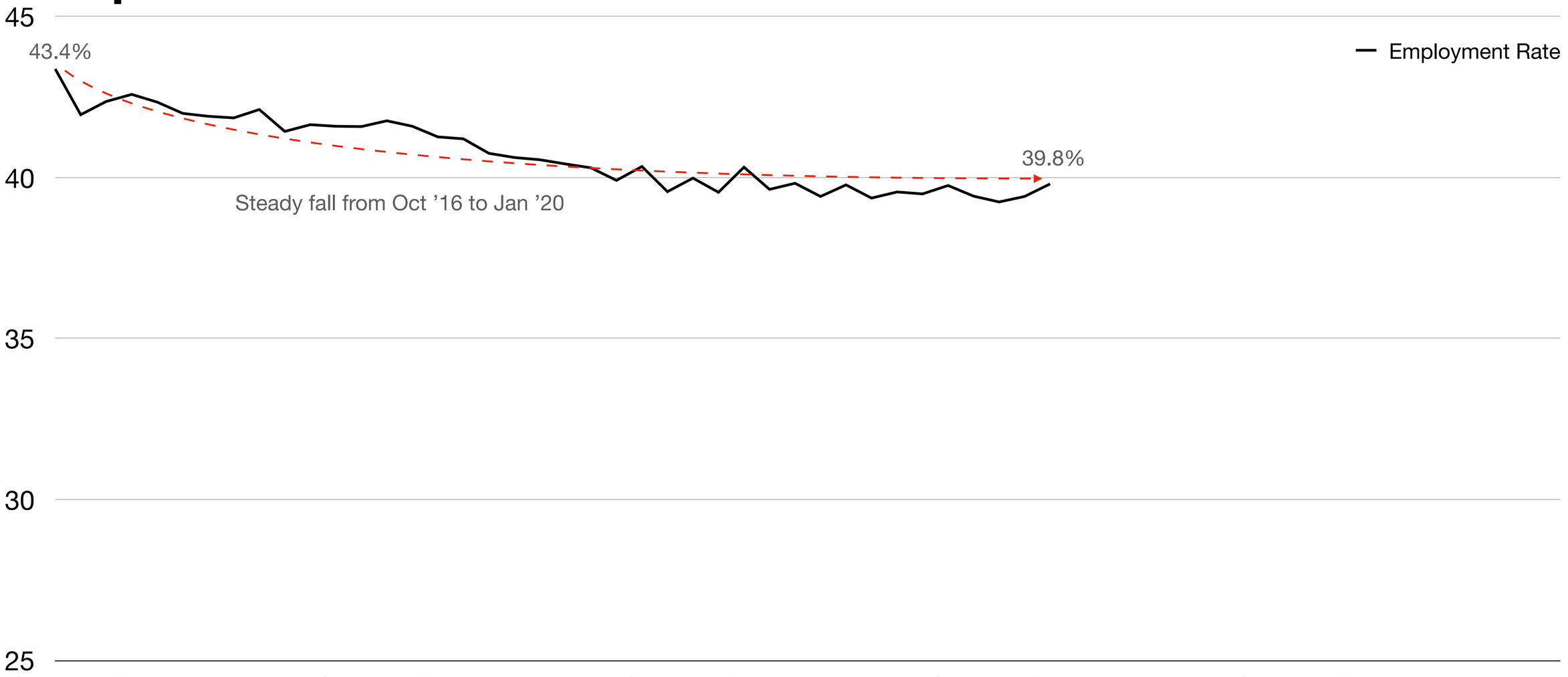

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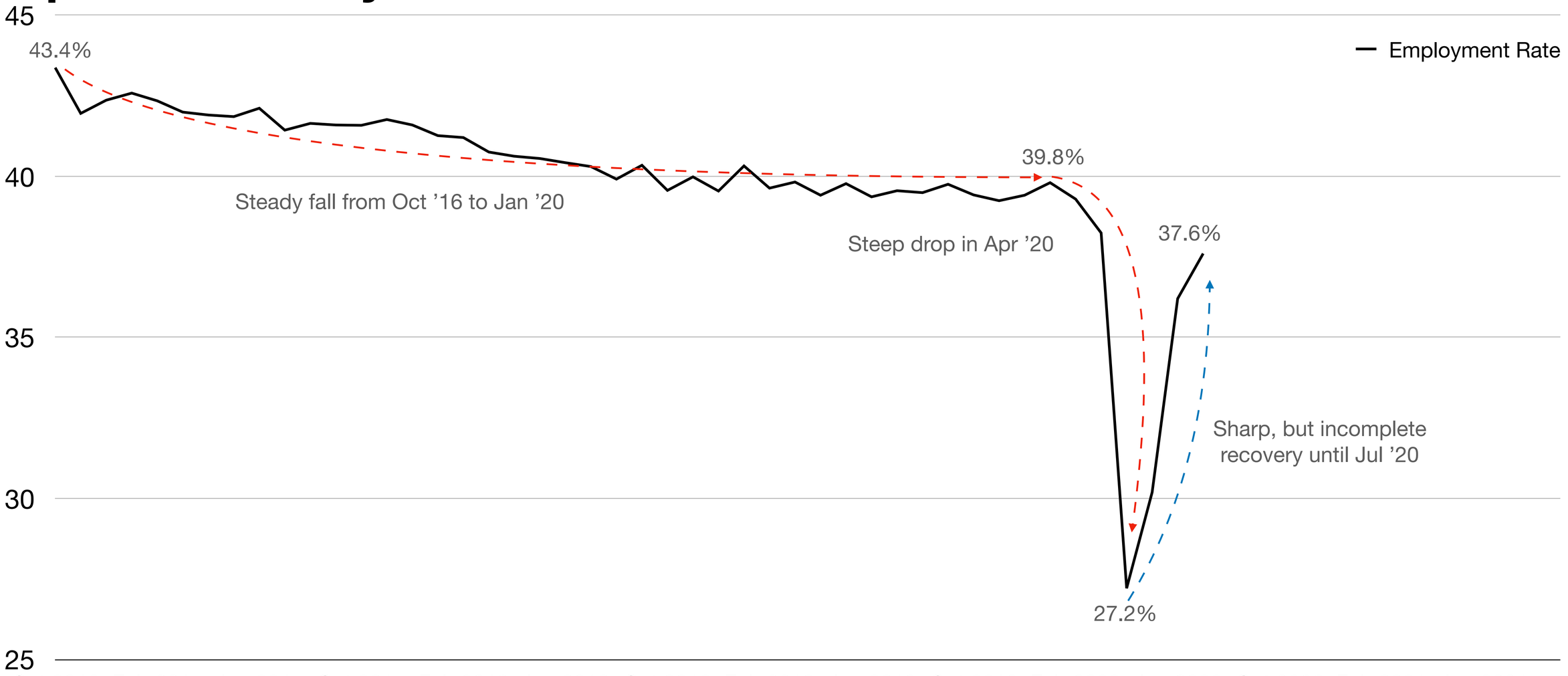

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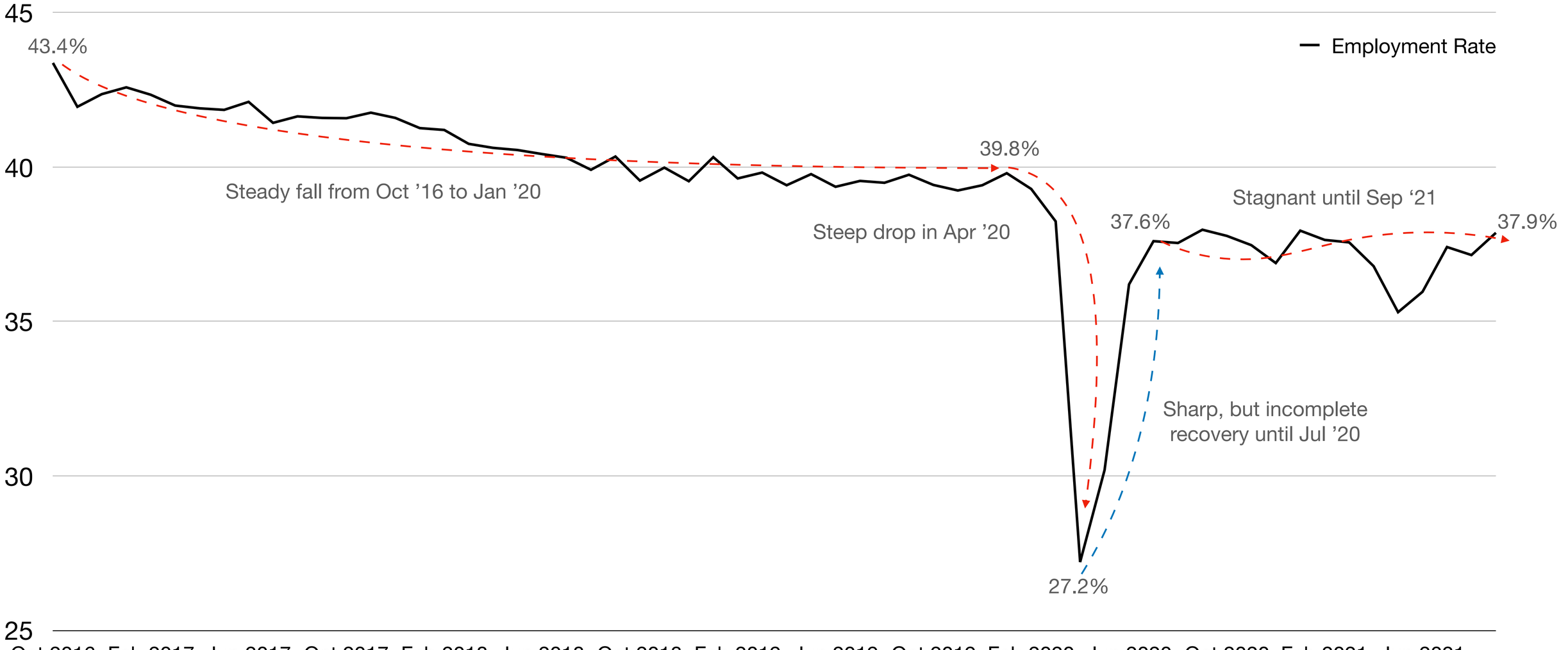

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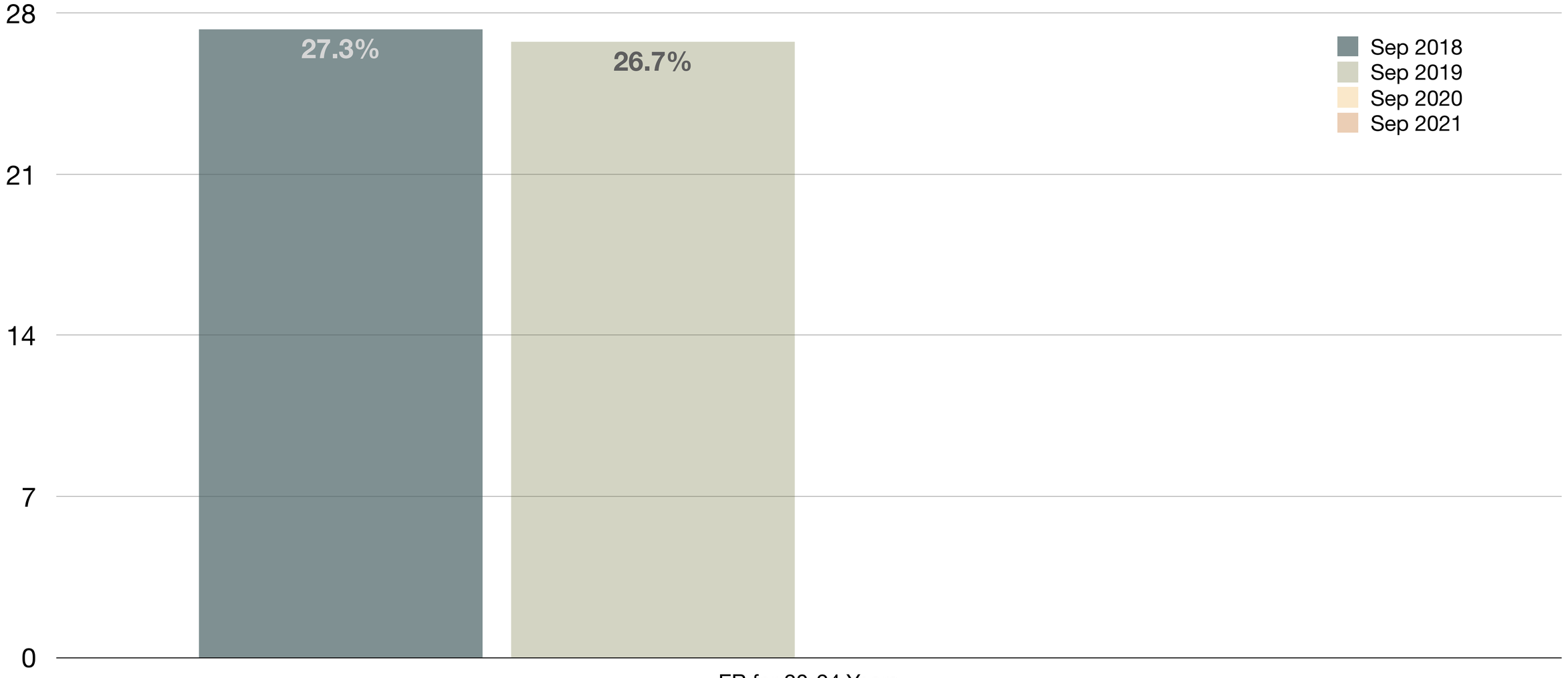

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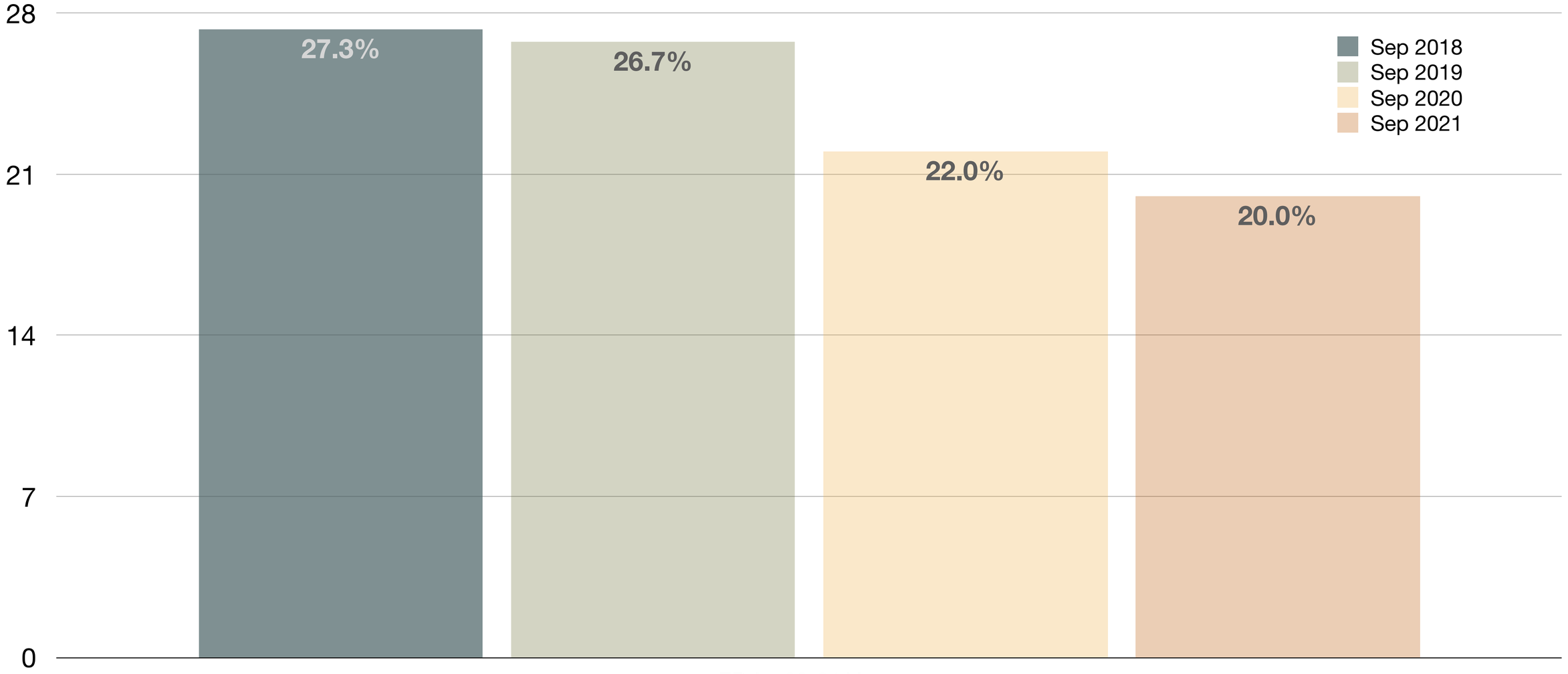

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**Q: “*What does our data collection experience over the past 18 months tell us about enhancing future data collection strategies?*”**

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A: “*Migration and Health*”

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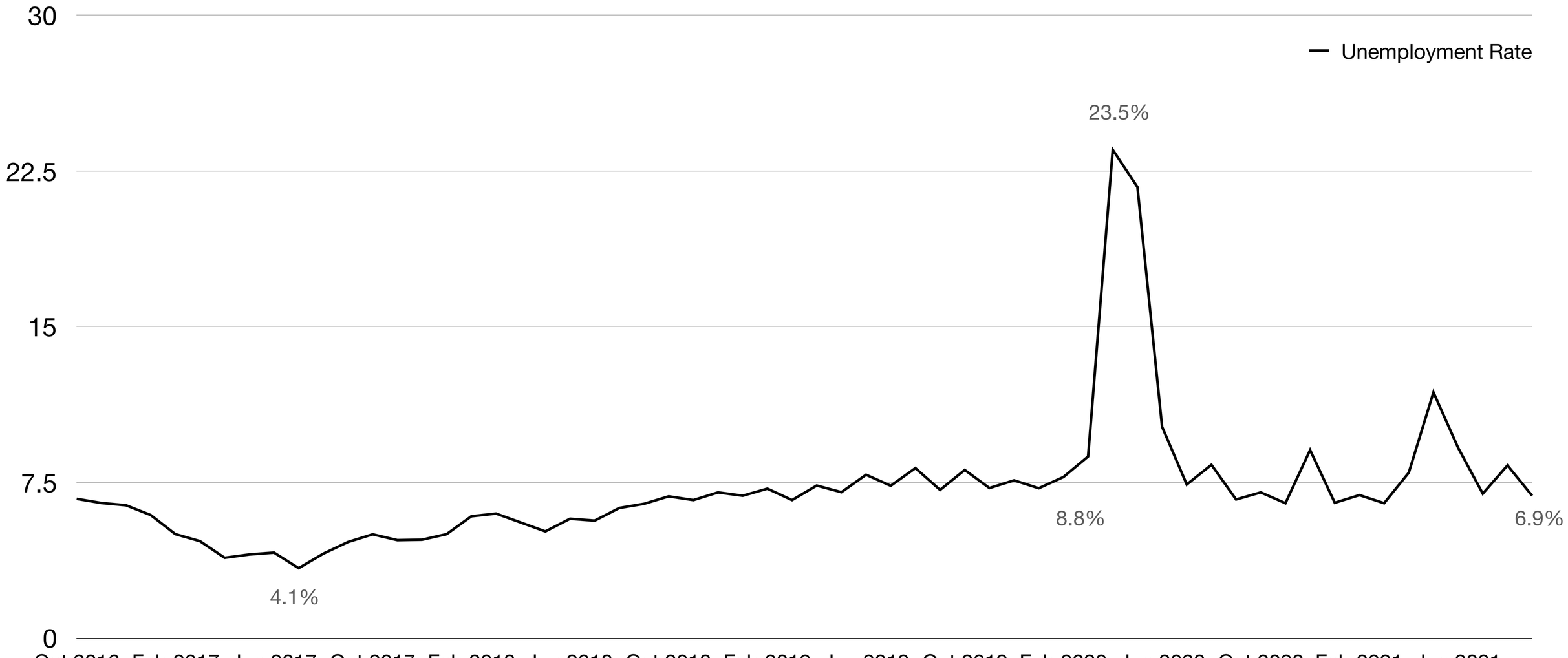
# You can’t predict catastrophes



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