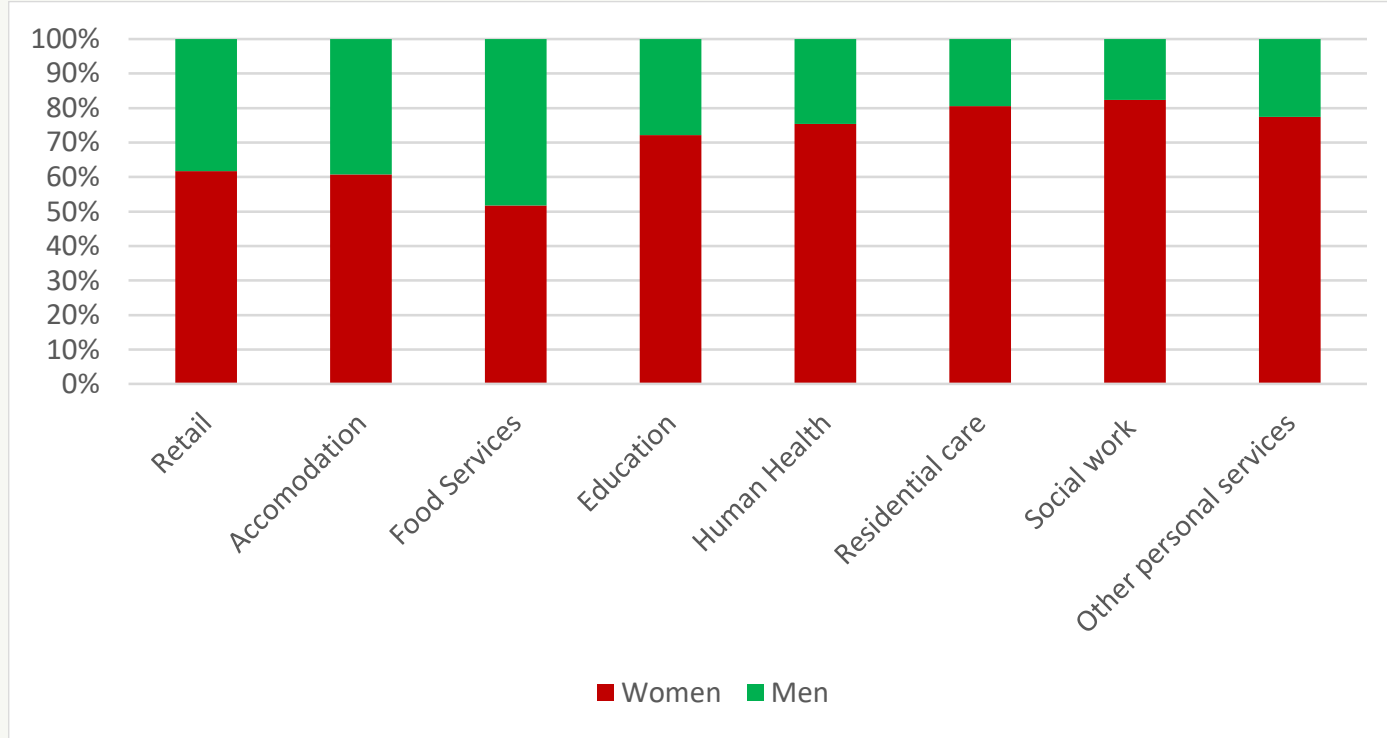


Understanding the socioeconomic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on women

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Employment shares by gender

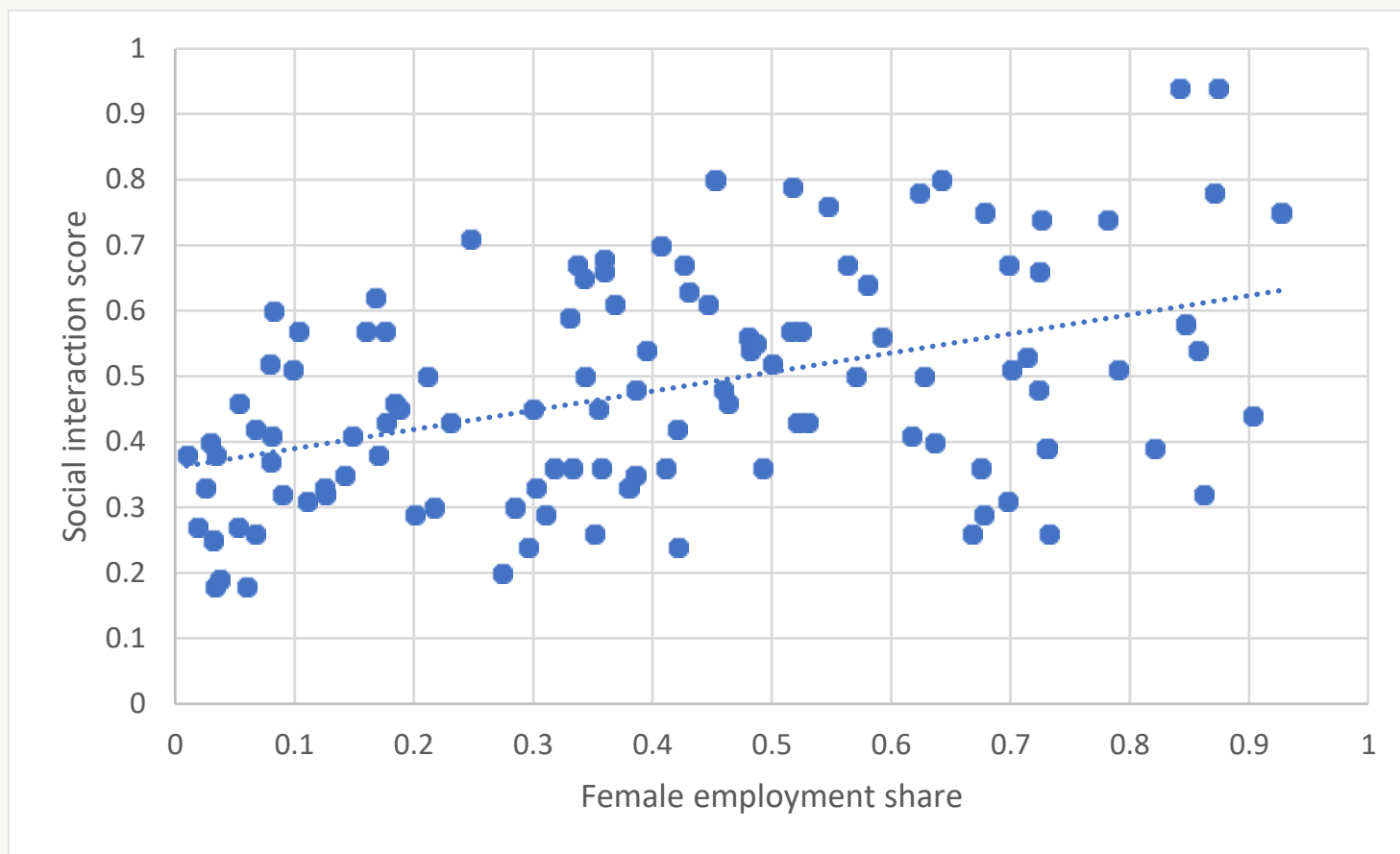
Figure 1: Employment shares by gender in frontline and close contact sectors, EU28



Note: Data for 2019Q4. Source: Eurostat LFSQ_EGAN22D

Female employment share and the social intensity of sectors

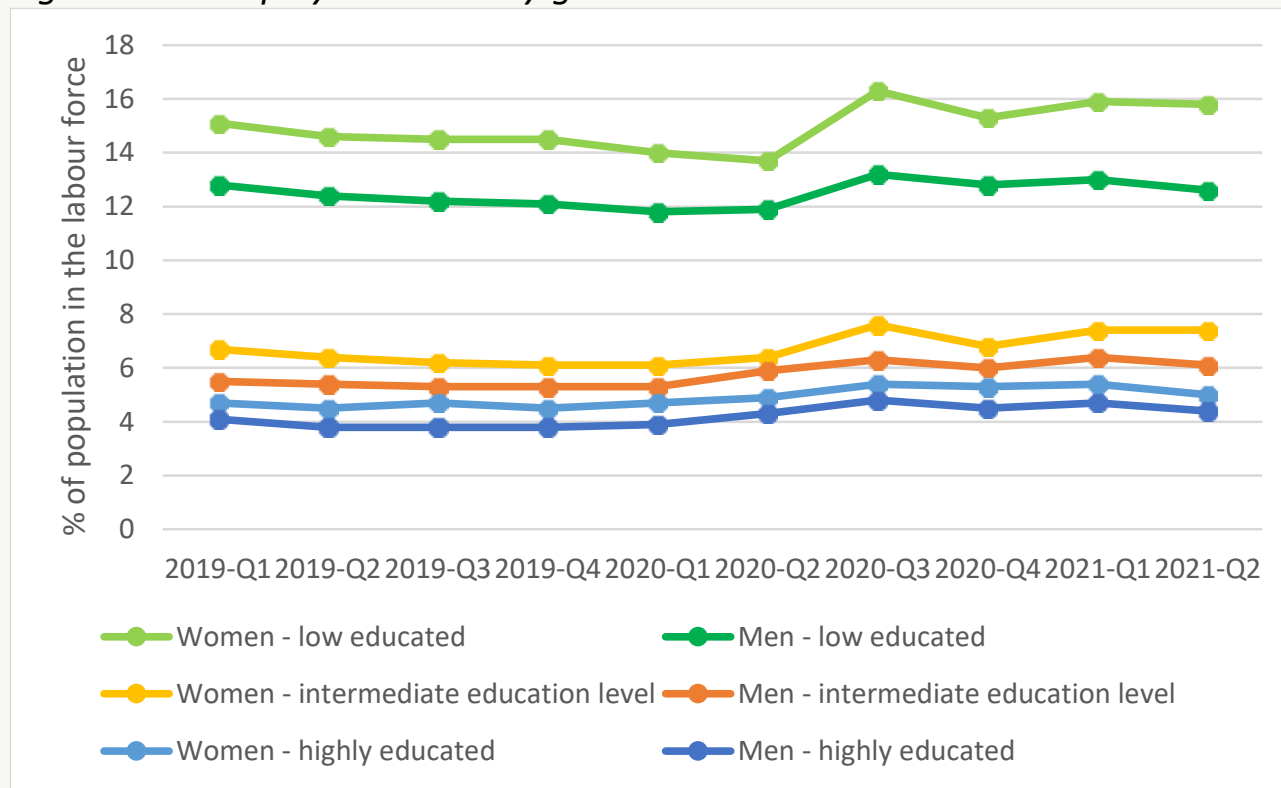
Figure 1: Female employment share and the social intensity of occupations



Note: Occupations at 3-digit ISCO level. Source: Bruegel based on social interaction score for occupations from [Sostero et al. \(2020\)](#) and employment data for 2019Q4 from the Labor Force Survey, Eurostat.

Unemployment rate by gender and education

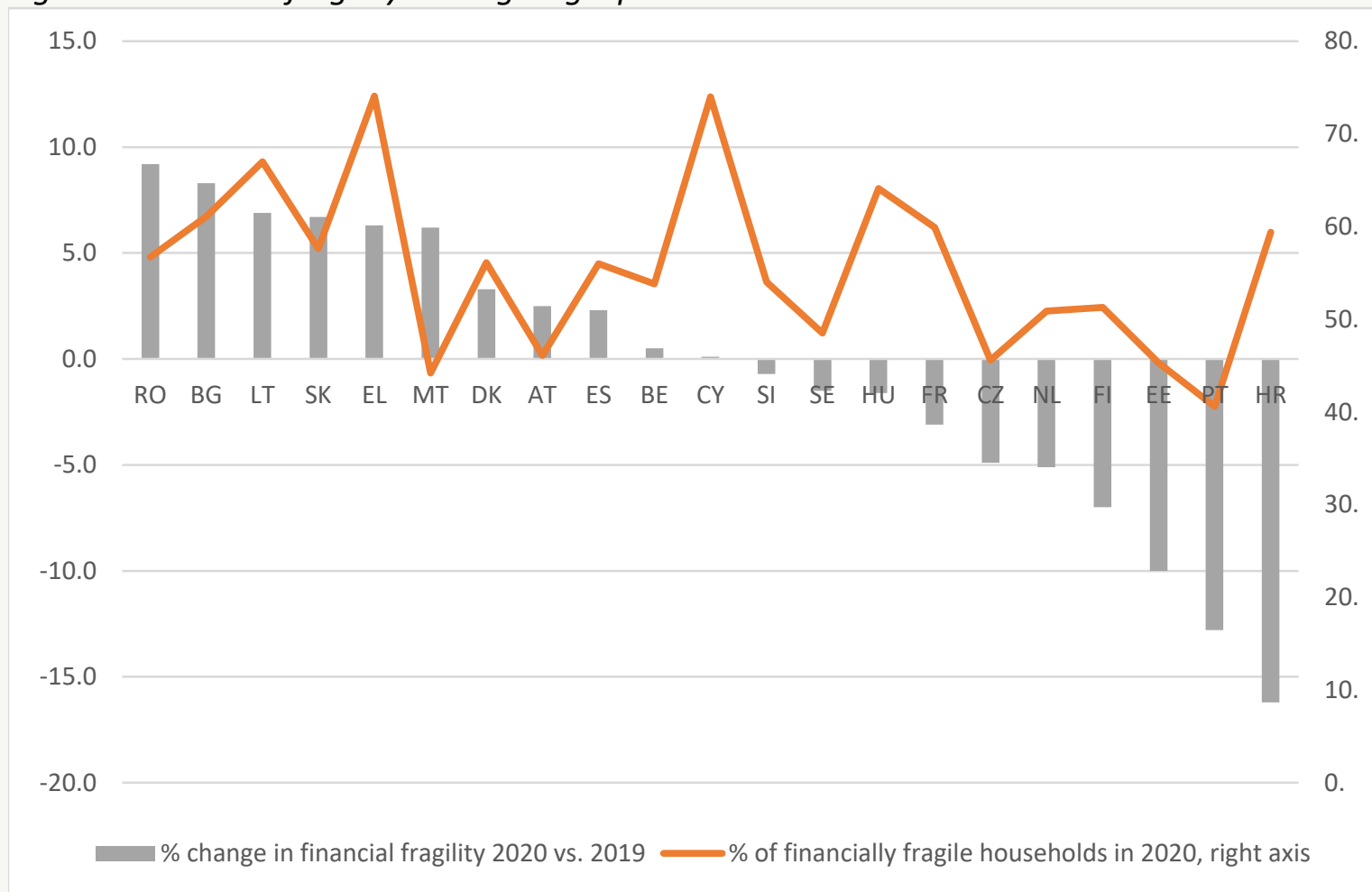
Figure 1: Unemployment rate by gender and educational attainment



Note: Educational attainment levels based on ISCED2011. Low educated means primary or lower secondary education, intermediate education means upper secondary or post-secondary non-tertiary education, highly educated means tertiary education and higher. Source: Eurostat une_educ_q.

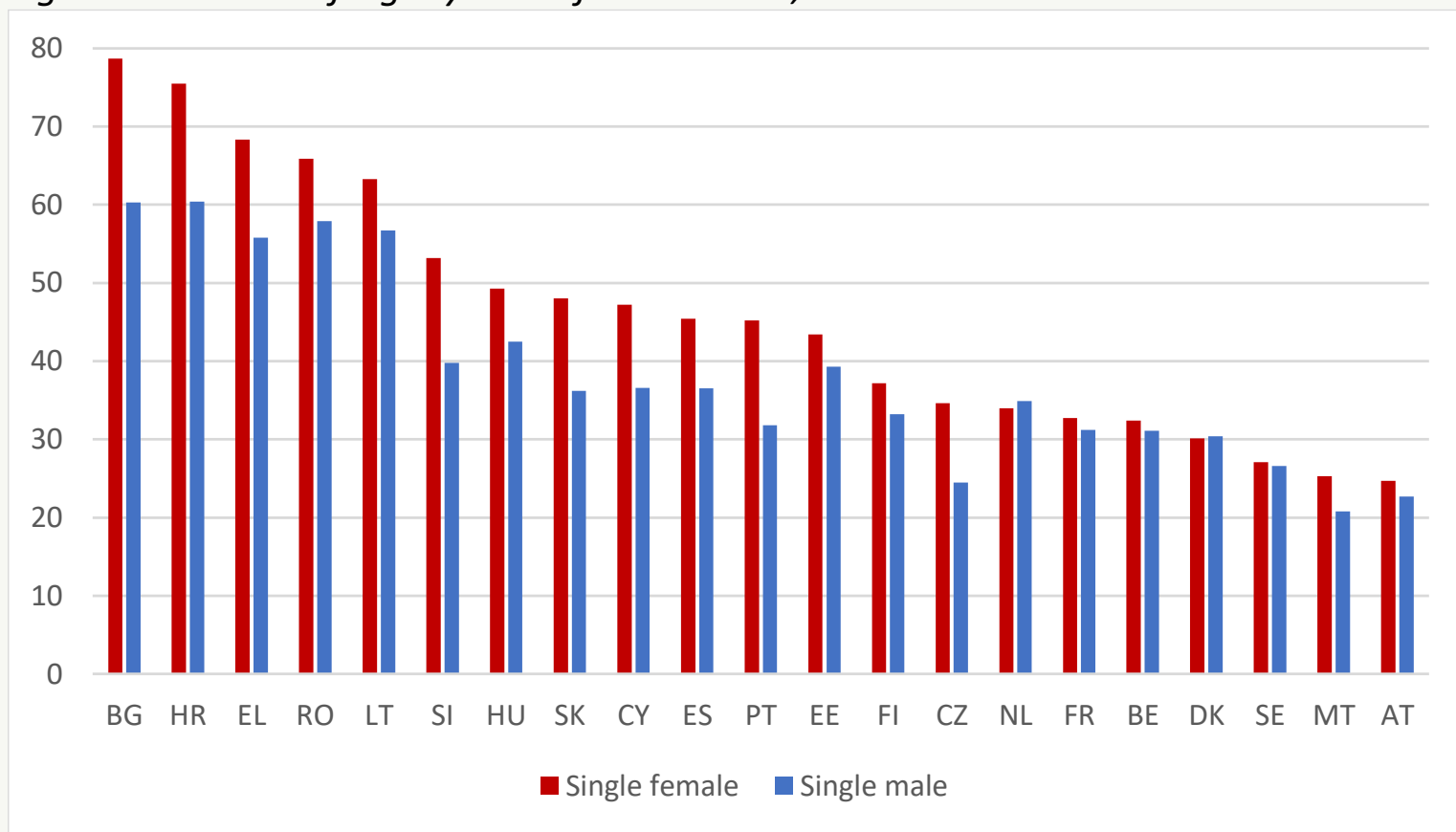
Financial fragility in single parent households

Figure 1: Financial fragility among single parent households



Financial fragility by gender

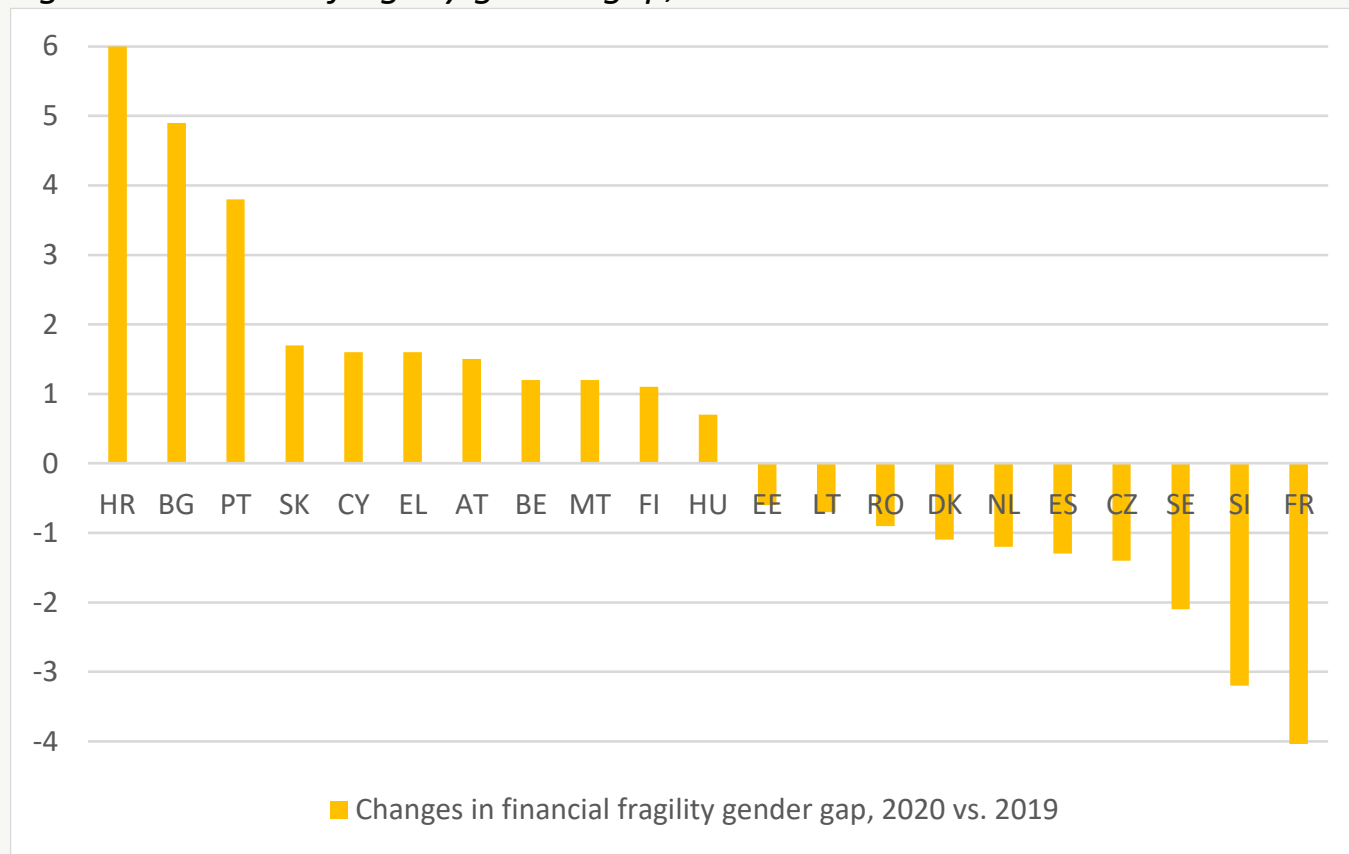
Figure 1: Financial fragility rate of households, 2020



Source: EU SILC

Financial fragility gender gap 2020 vs 2019

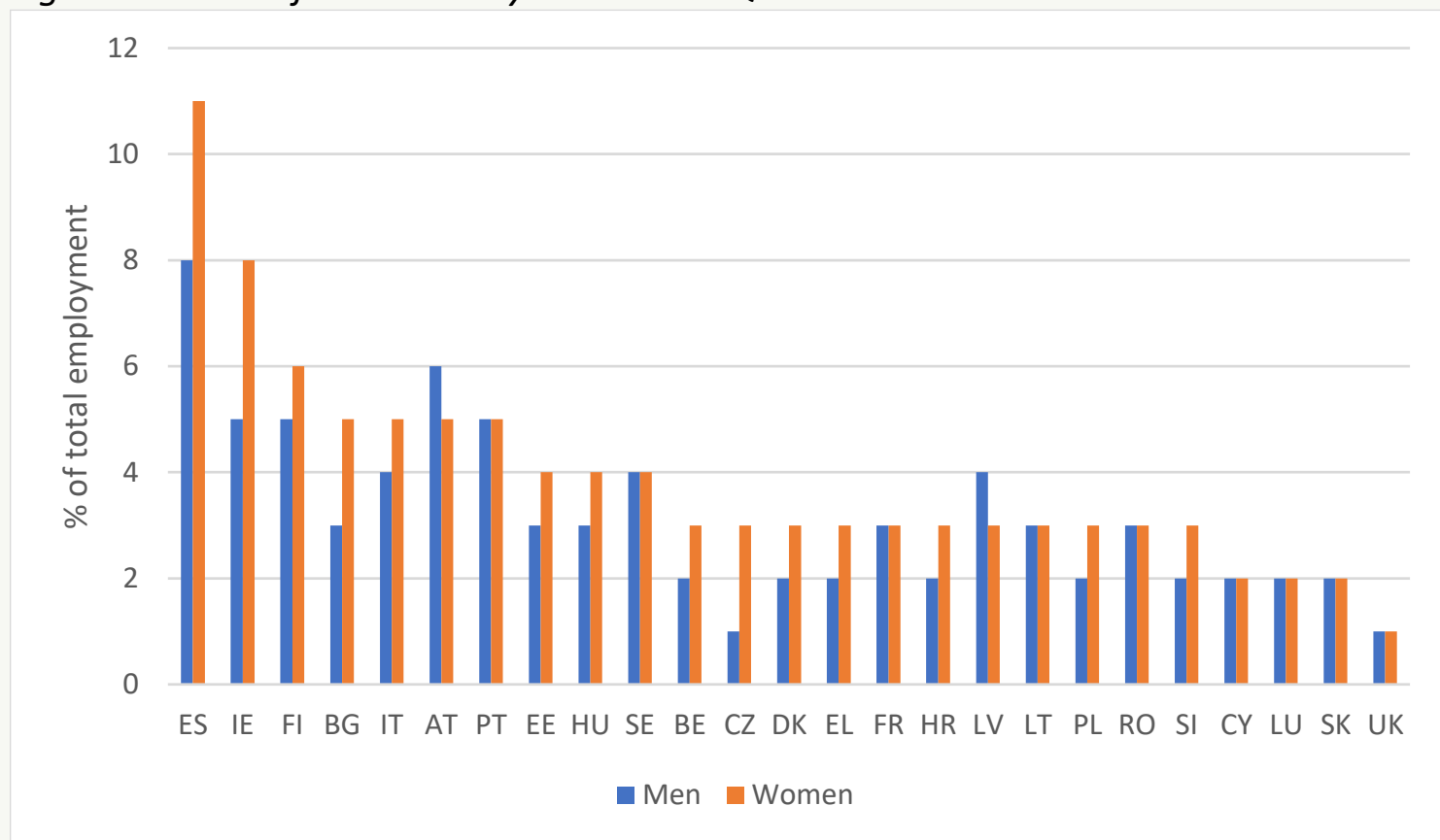
Figure 1: Financial fragility gender gap, 2020 vs. 2019



Note: the gender gap is derived by subtracting the financial fragility rate of single male households from financial fragility rate of single female households. A positive (negative) change therefore indicates a widening (narrowing) of the gender gap between 2019 and 2020. Source: Bruegel based on EU SILC.

Recent job leavers by gender

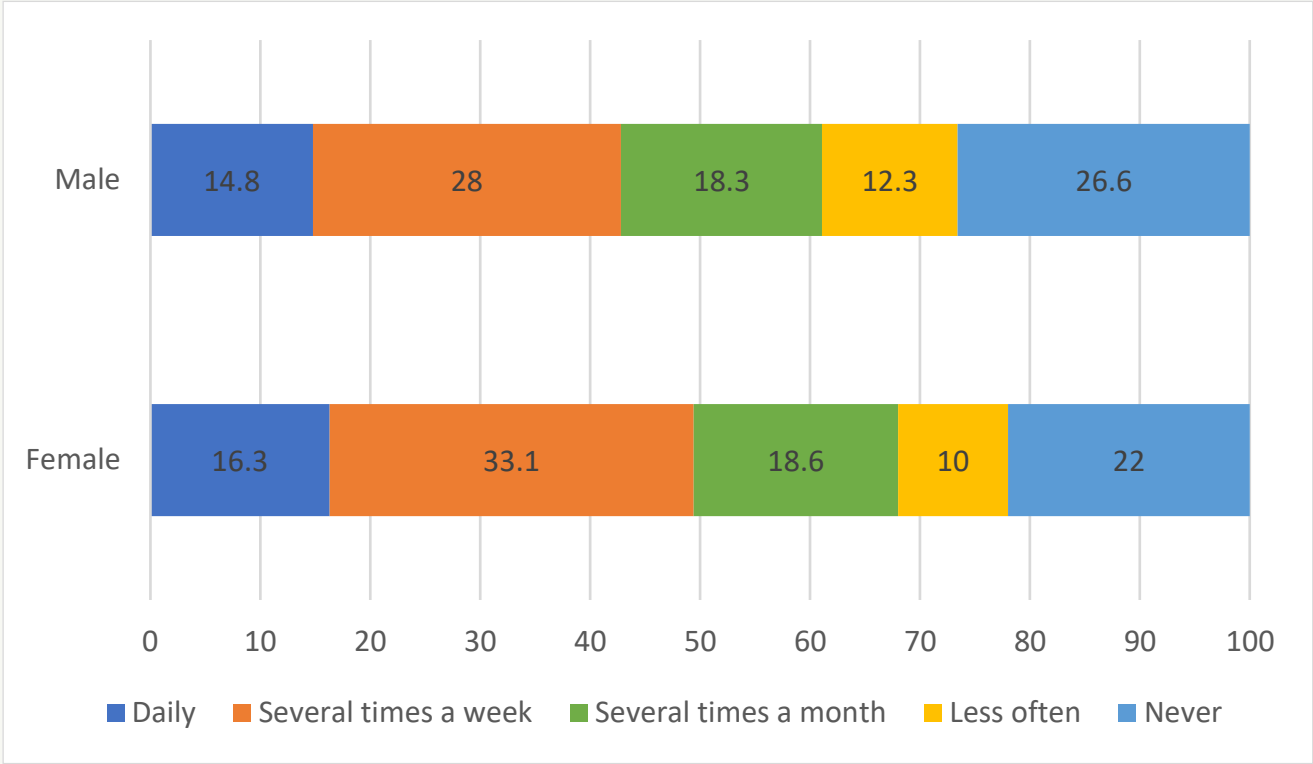
Figure 1: Recent job leavers by sex in 2020Q2



Source: Eurostat lfsi_lea_q.

Teleworking as the future

Figure 1: Remote work preferences by gender



Note: Data from survey round 3 (Feb/Mar 2021). Respondents were asked: "If you had the choice, how often would you like to work from home if there were no restrictions due to COVID-19?". Source: [Eurofound \(2020\), Living, working and COVID-19 dataset](#)