

Understanding the Economic Impact of COVID on Women



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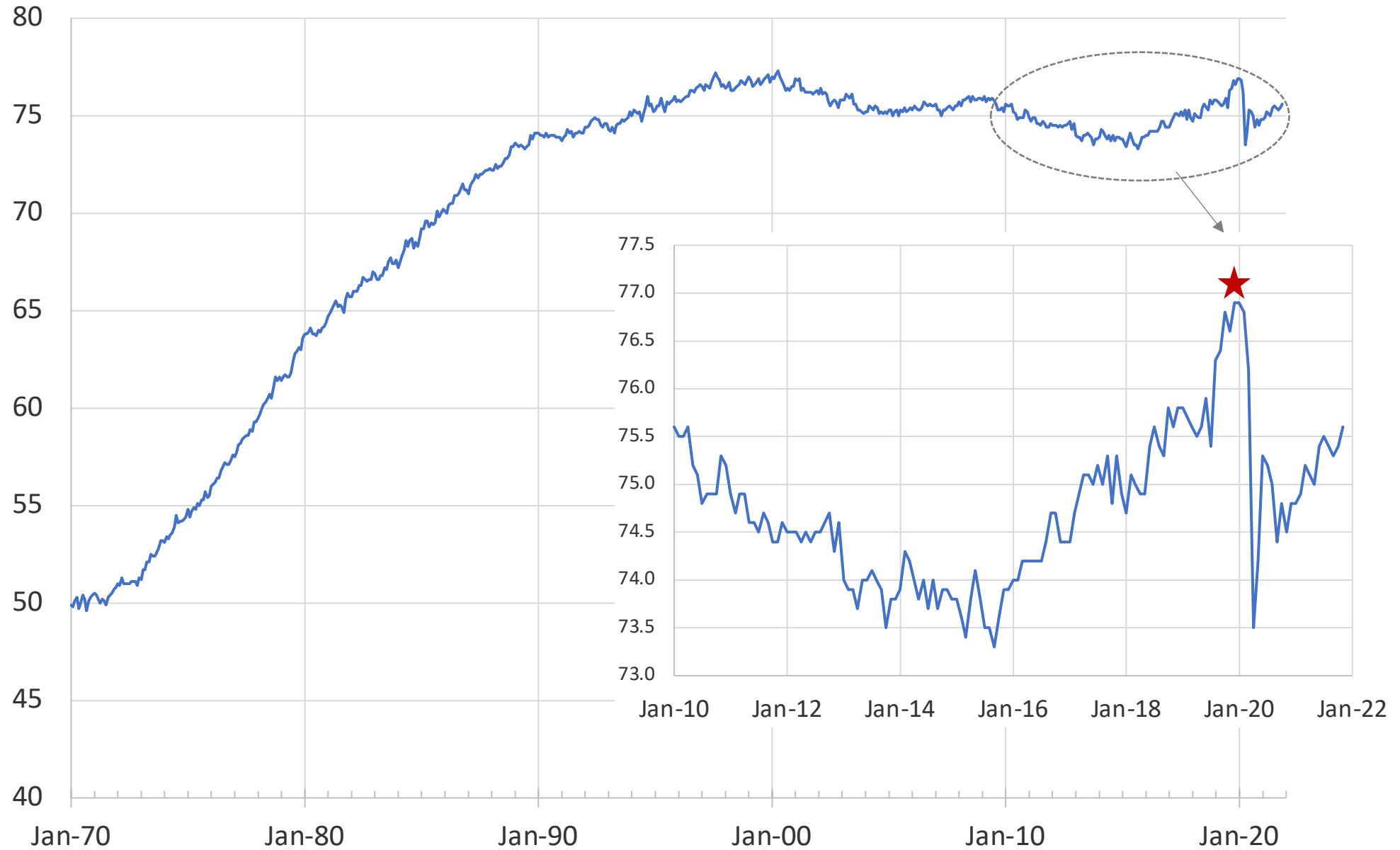
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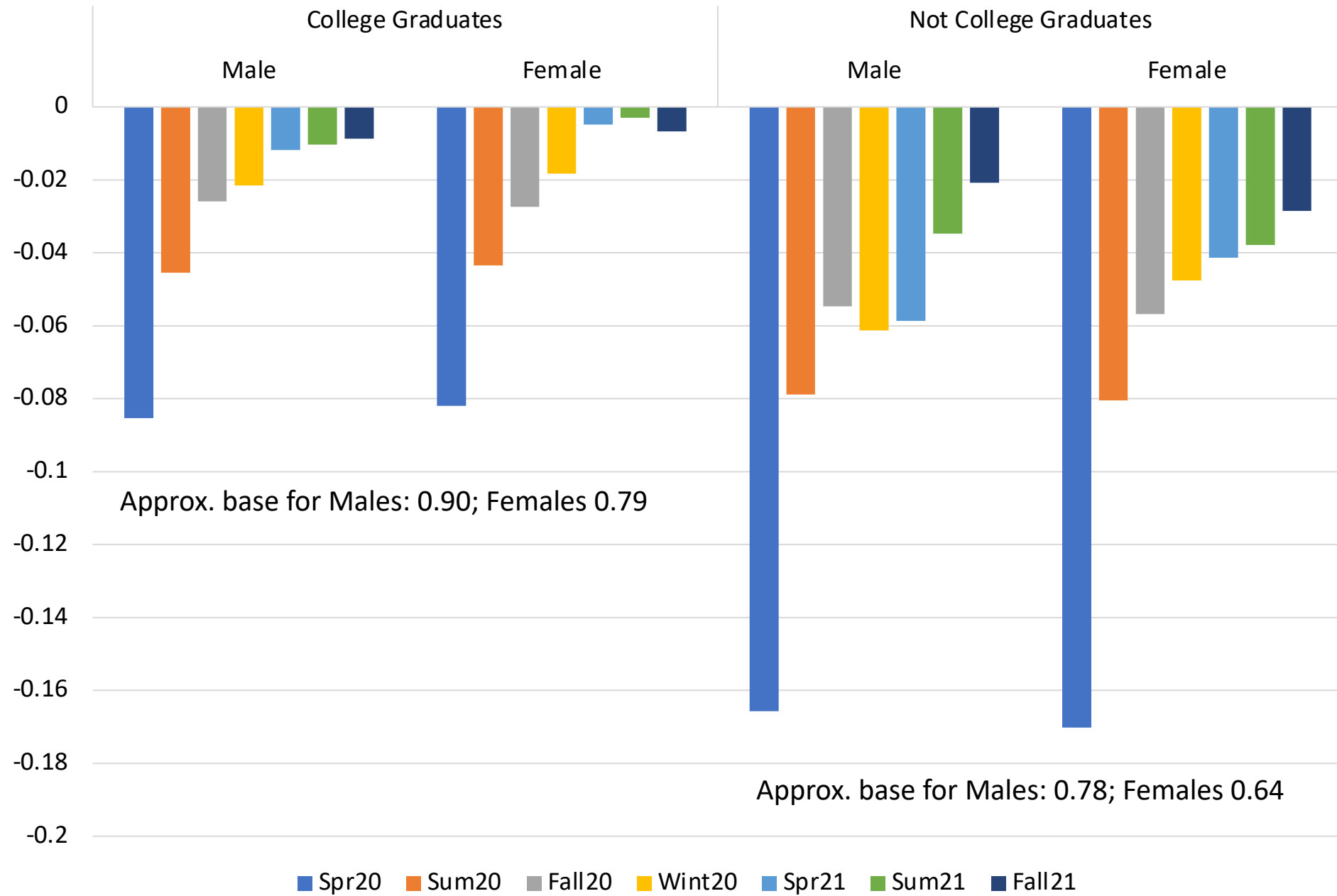
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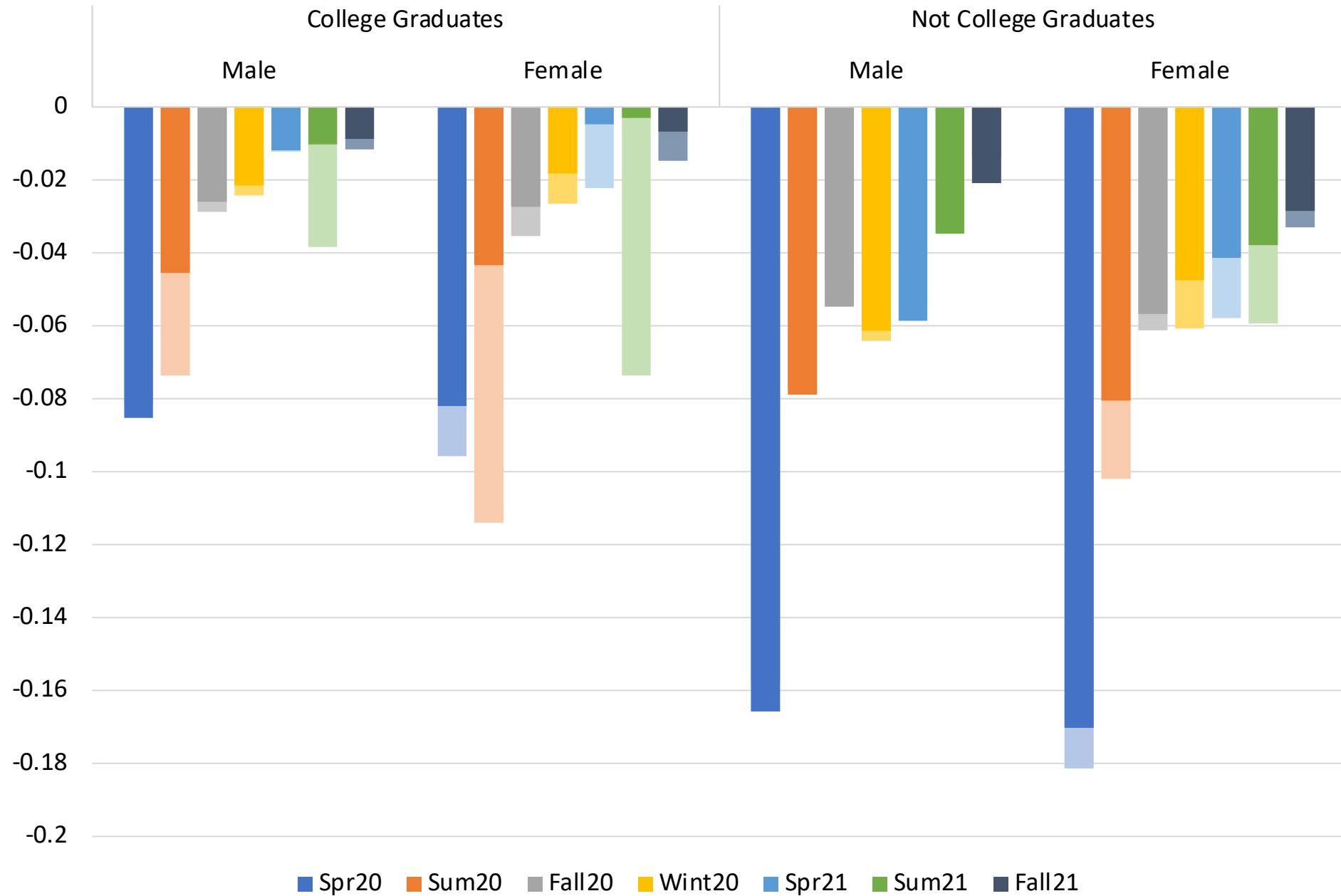
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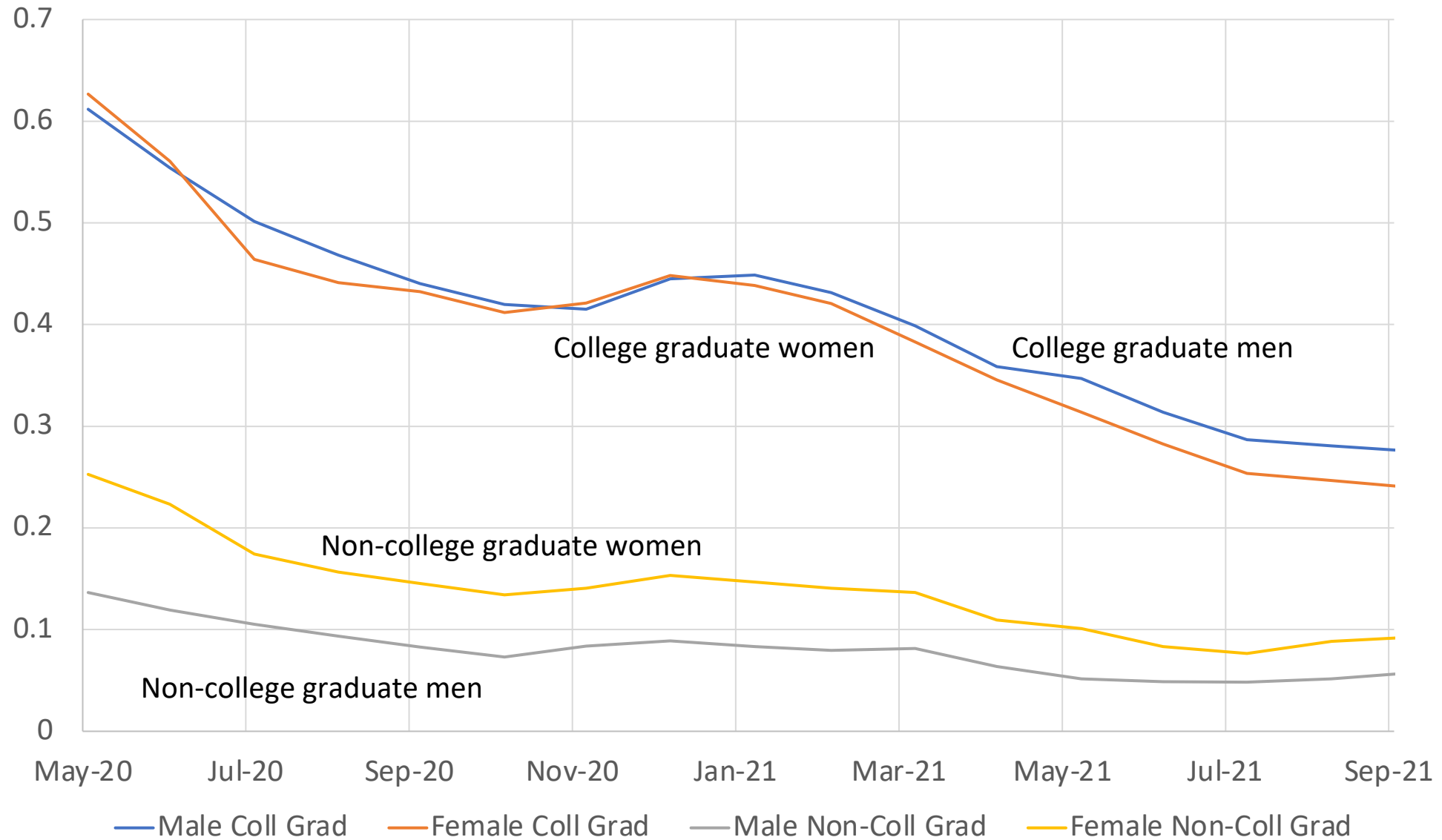
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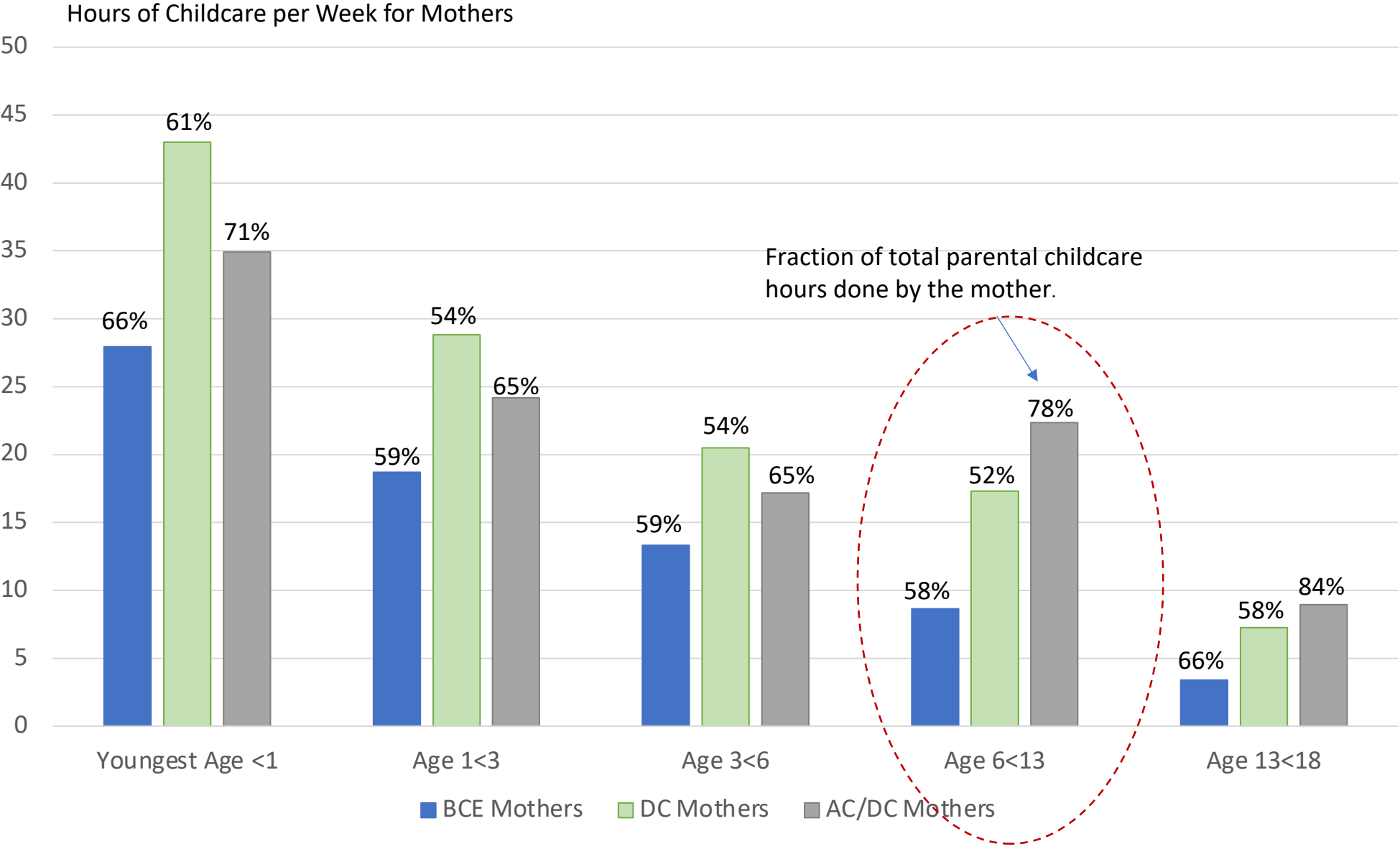
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Working Remotely (due to COVID) among Men and Women by Education: May 2020 to Sept. 2021



Childcare Hours of College-Graduate, Employed Couples, by the Age of Their Youngest Child

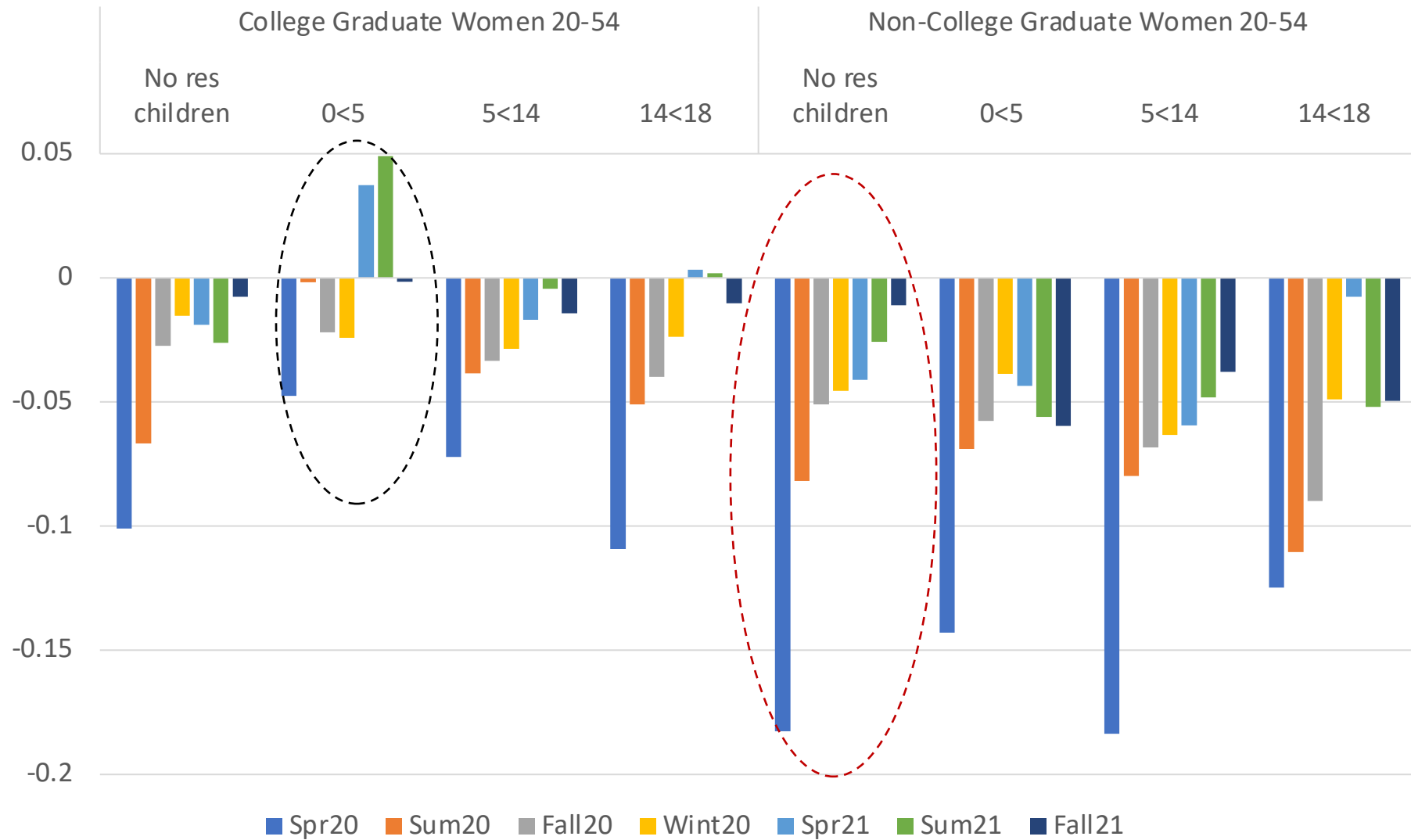


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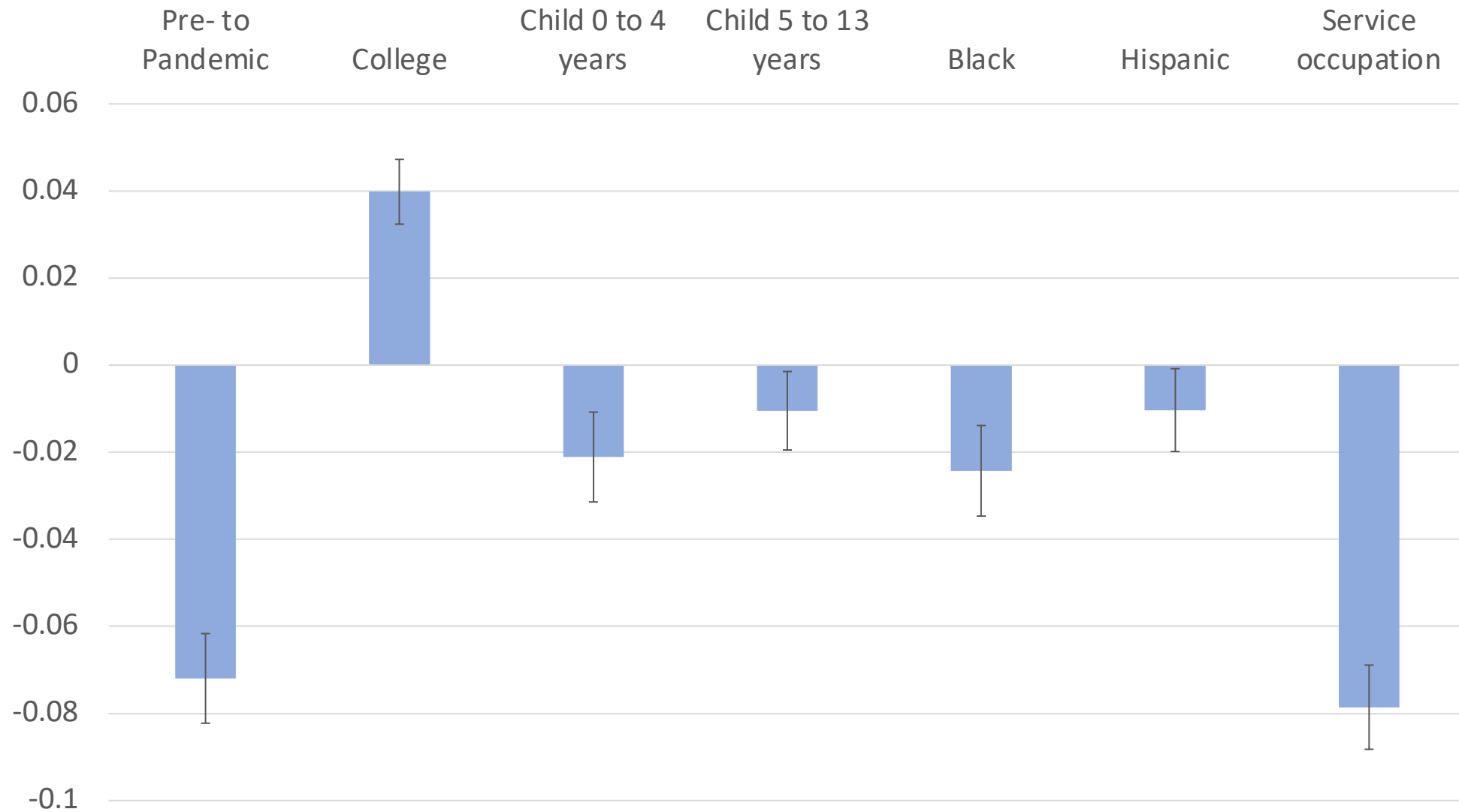
A photograph showing a woman in a grey hoodie and black leggings helping a young child in a pink potty chair in a bathroom. The woman is seen from behind, leaning over the child. The bathroom has white subway tile walls and a white door. To the right, through the doorway, a man with glasses and a dark shirt is sitting at a wooden desk in an office, working on a laptop. The office has a grey tufted chair, framed certificates on the wall, and a wooden floor.

“Mercedes helps Mila go to the bathroom while on a call for work. Her husband works from the office next door.”
New York Times, Jessica Bennett, “The Primal Scream,” Feb. 4, 2021

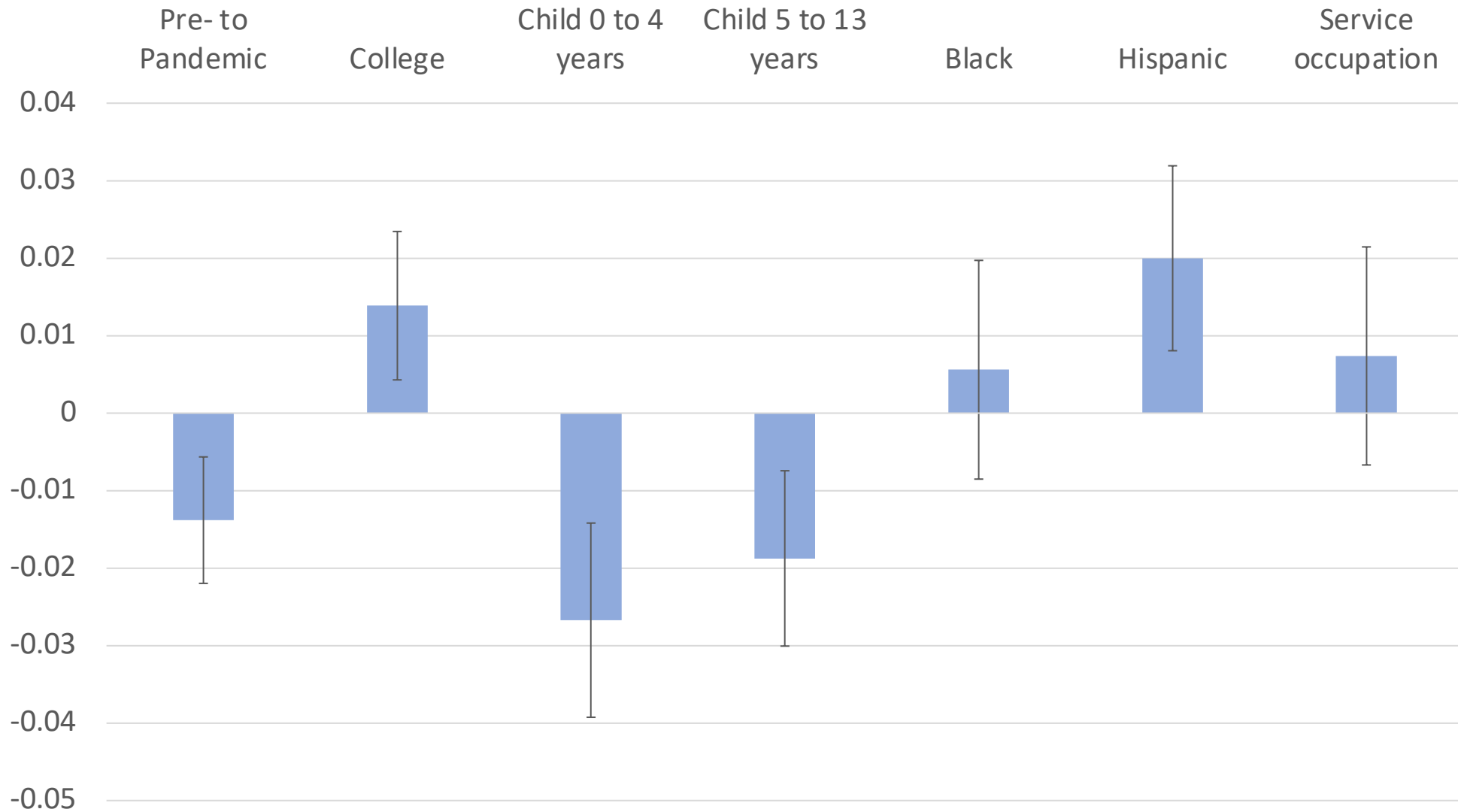
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Pandemic Impact on "At Work" Rates of Women 20 to 54 Years Old by Various Factors



Pandemic Impact on “At Work” Rates of Women Relative to Men 20 to 54 Years Old by Various Factors



The New York Times

“In the Covid-19 Economy, You Can Have a Kid or a Job. You Can’t Have Both.” **But they did.**

But what about my future promotion?

