



# Iceland – facts and figures

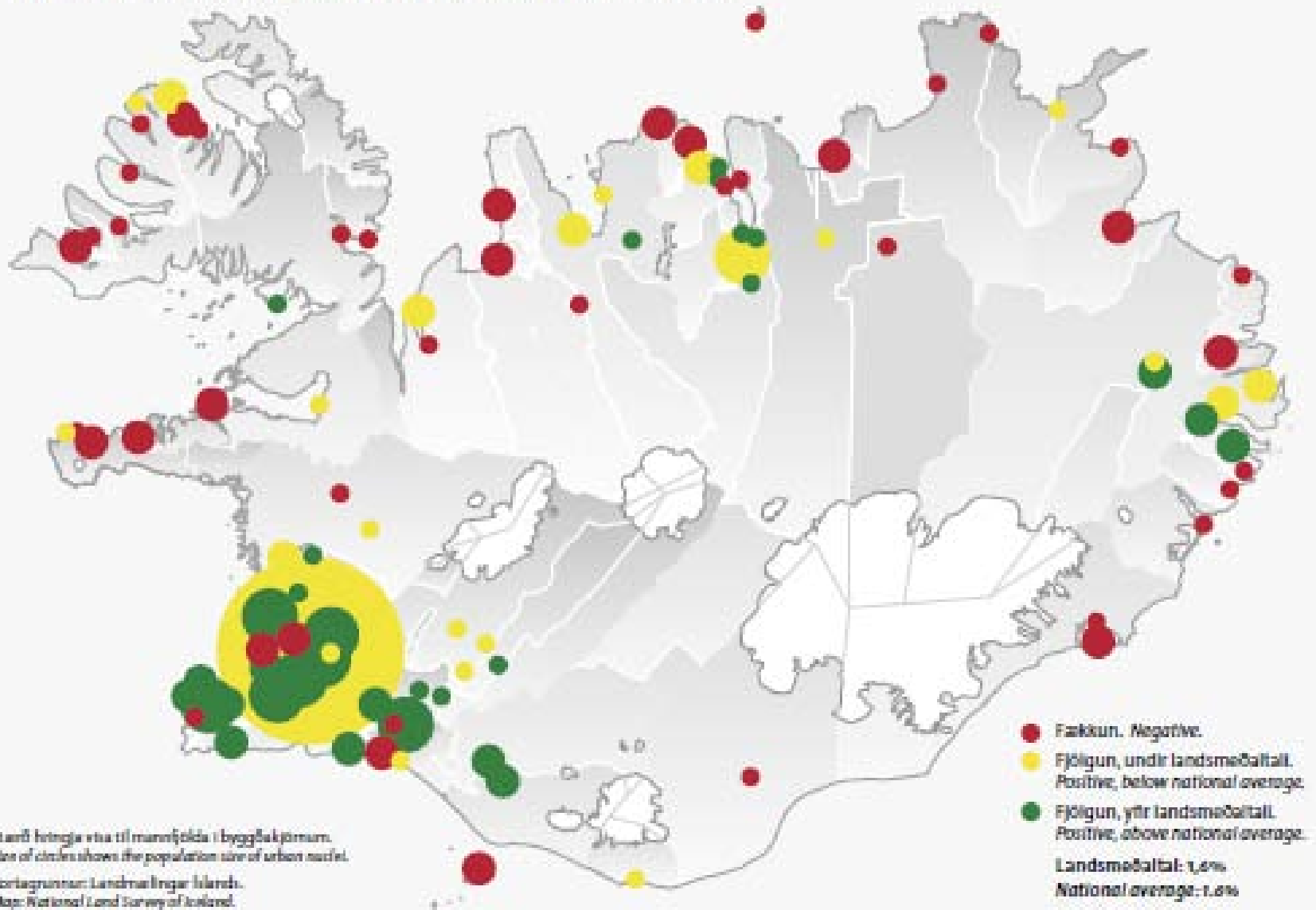
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### Mynd 2.3 Ibúþróun eftir byggðakjörnum, árleg breyting 2005–2009

Figure 2.3 Annual average population change by urban nuclei 2005–2009





# Population: Size

- Homogeneous
- 2011: **318.452 people**
- 2010:
  - 6,8% of the population had foreign citizenship
  - Polish born: 10.091 people

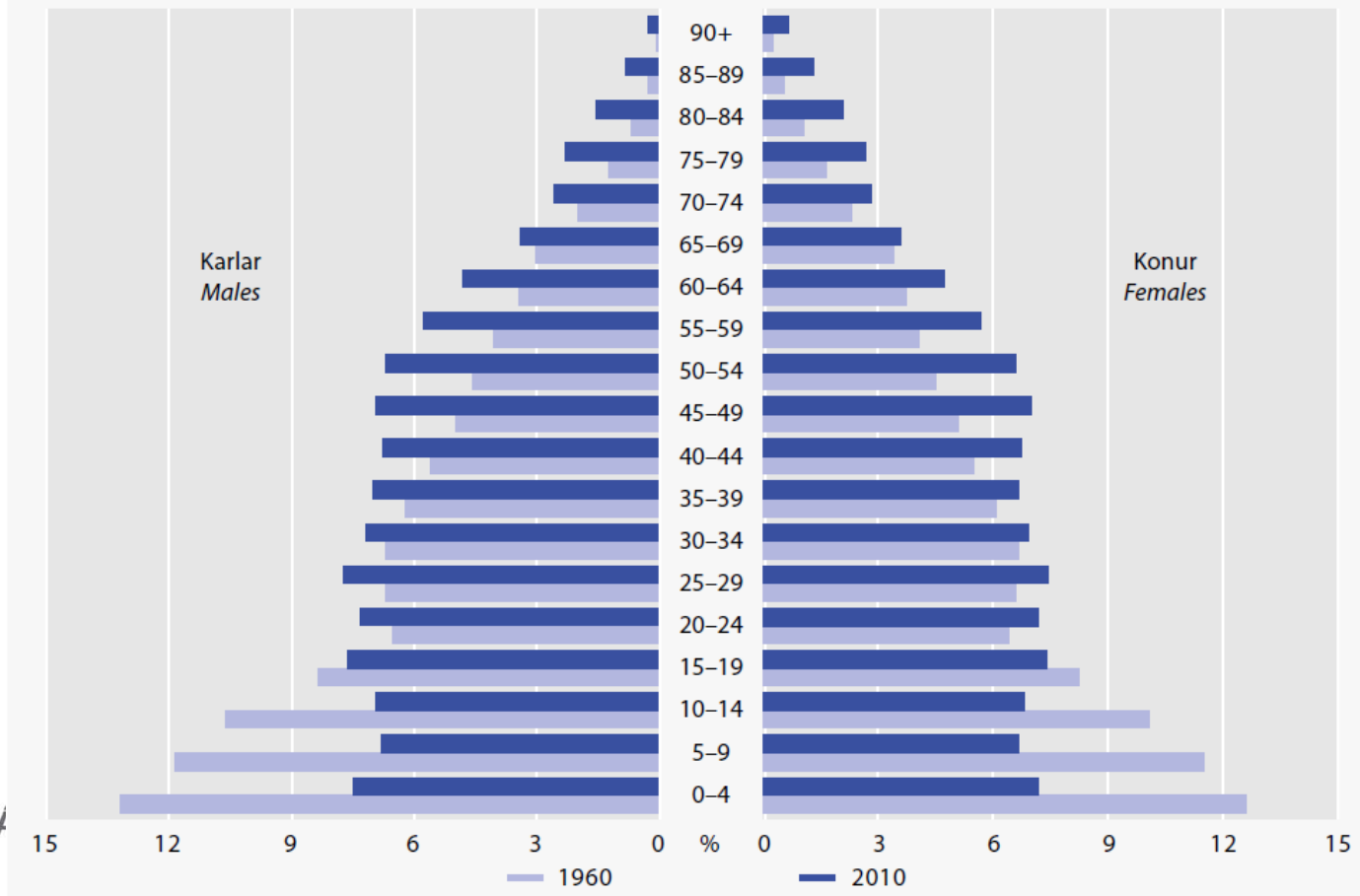




# Population by age and sex 1960 and 2010

Mynd 2.1 Mannföldi eftir aldri og kyni 1960 og 2010

Figure 2.1 Population by age and sex 1960 and 2010



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# Strong Icelandic women: With the world in their hands or juggling multiple roles?





# Paradoxes

- Historically: Strong women's movement
- Global Gender Gap index
  - Iceland ranks highest second year in a row with 85%
- Women in positions of power?



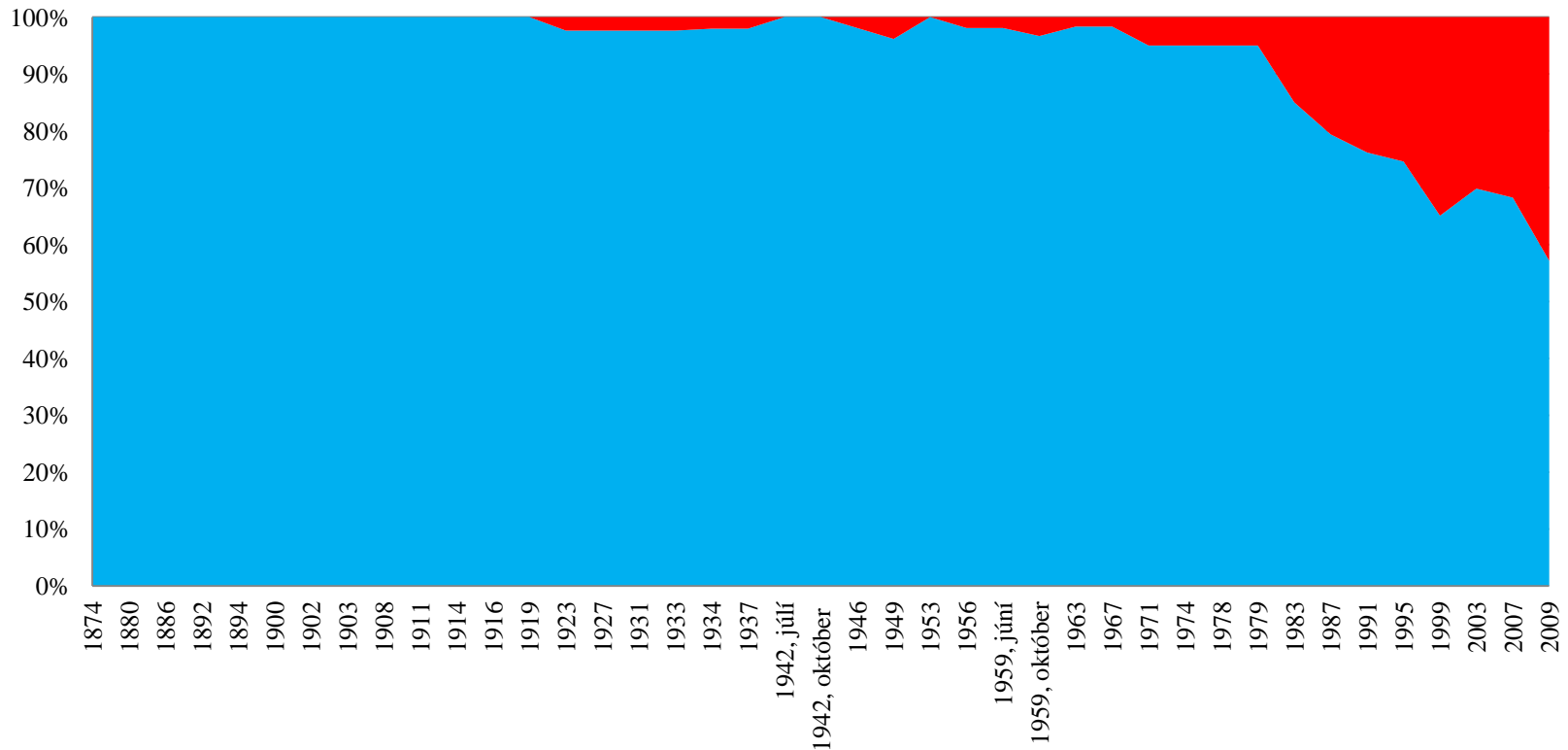
Members of the Women's list in 1987





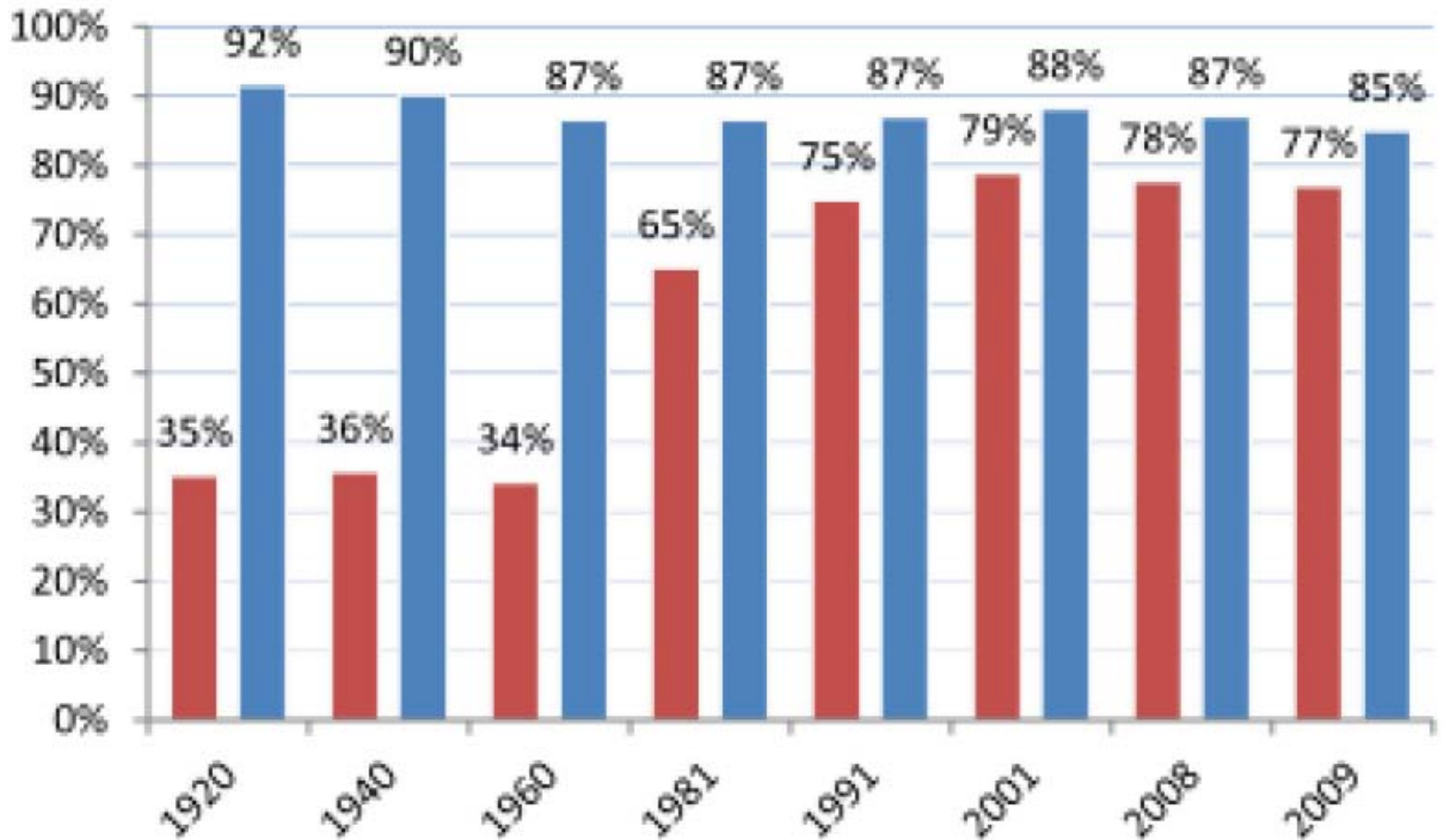
# Parliament members by gender 1874-2009

■ Kjörnir þingmenn, karlar ■ Kjörnir þingmenn, konur





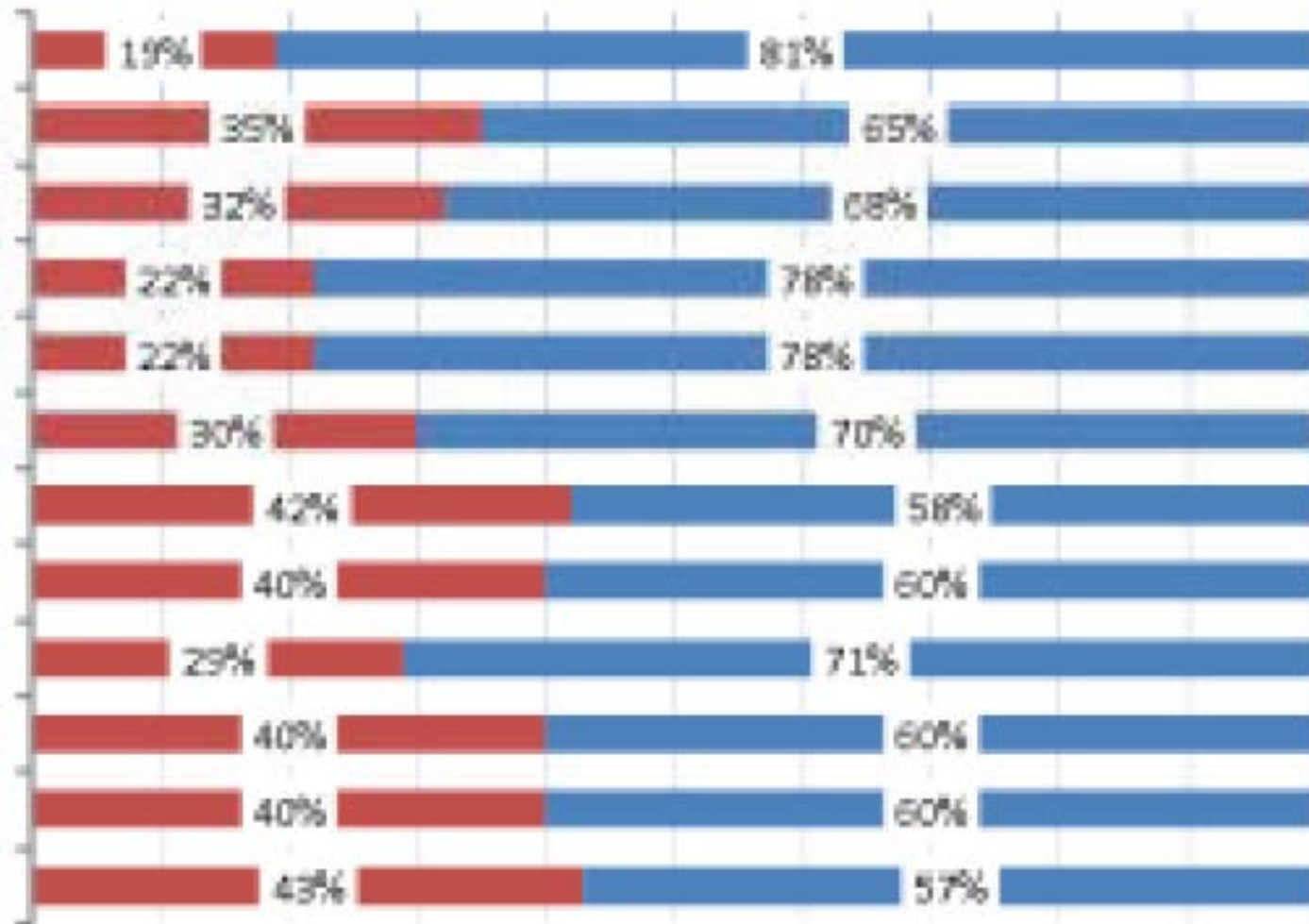
# Employment rate





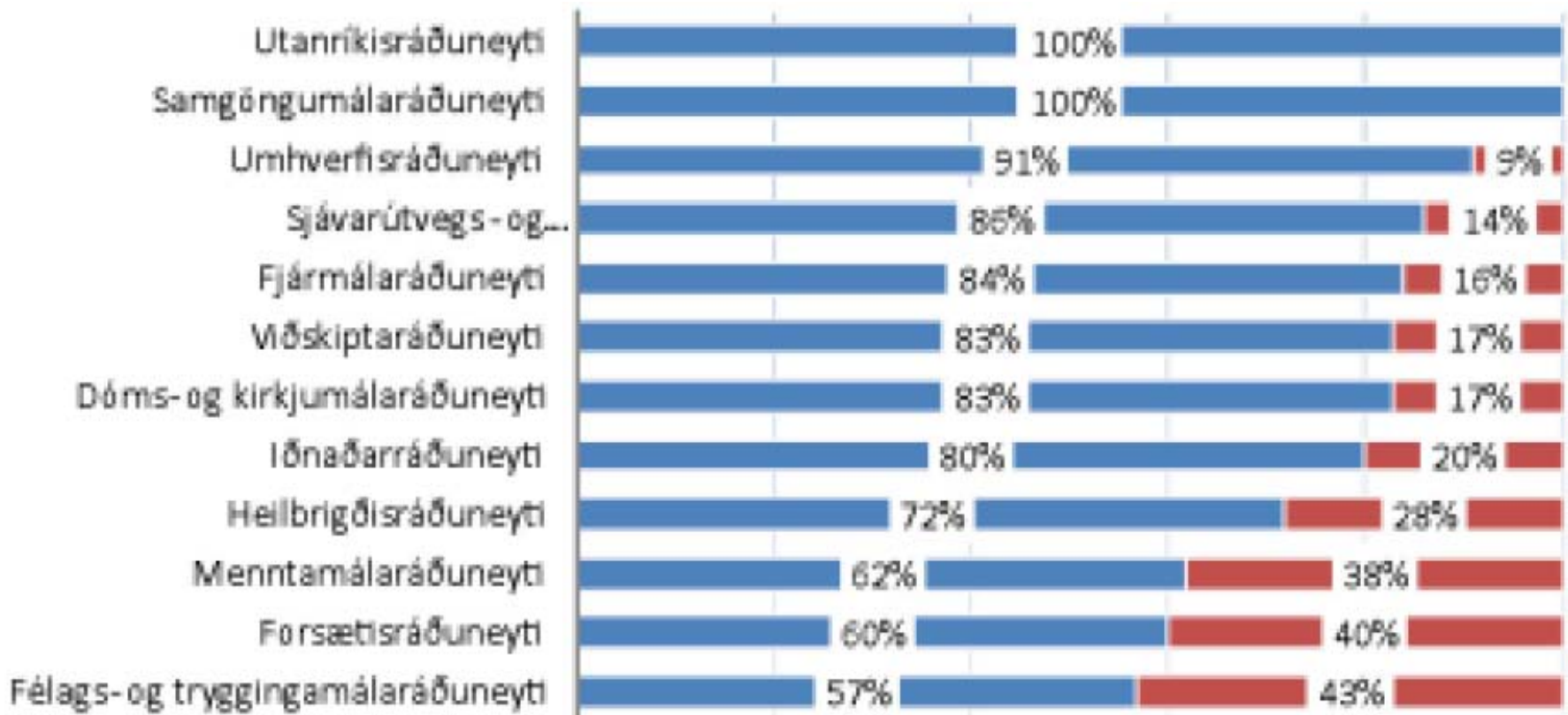


# Positions of power 2009 and 2010



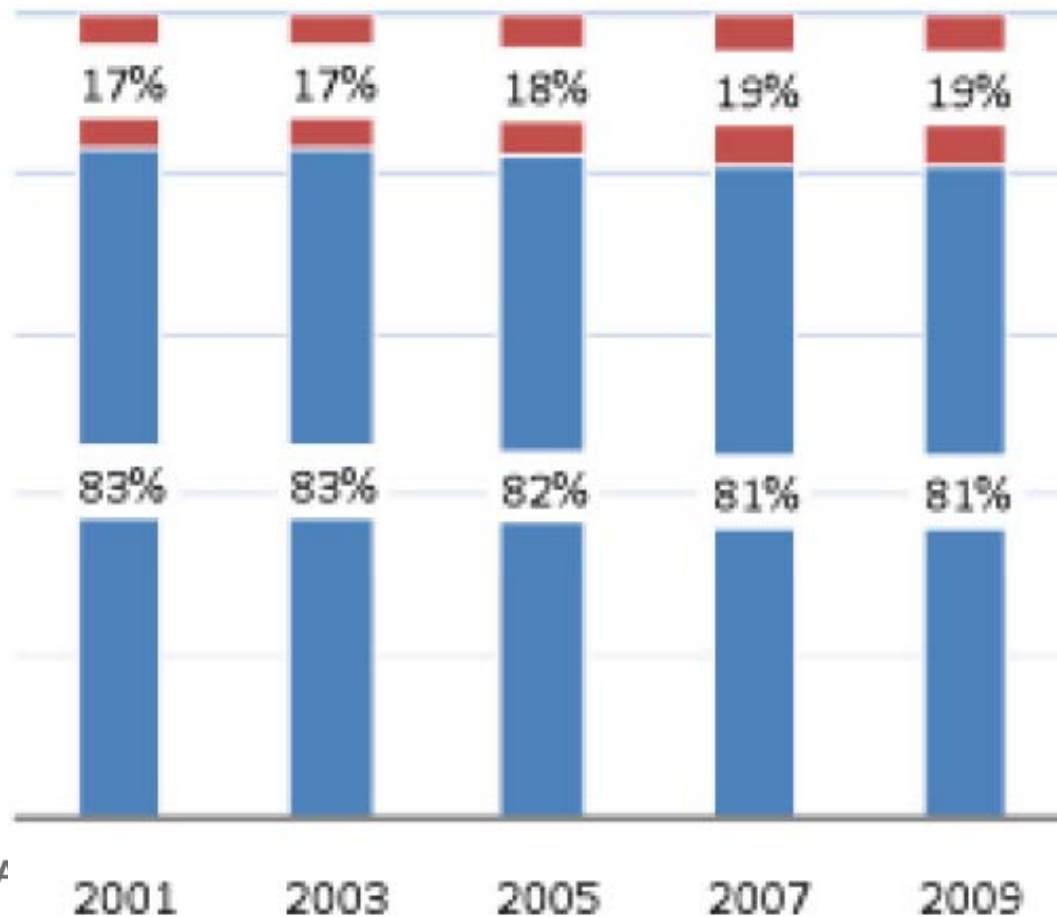


# Heads of state agencies by ministries and gender





# CEO's by gender





# Icelandic women and Norwegian men?

- What do they have in common?
- Average weekly working hours in 2007
  - Icelandic women: 36 hours
  - Norwegian men: 37 hours
- And topping the charts
  - Icelandic men: 47 hours



**NORWEGIAN MEN...**



I'm not saying we're better than you but we ARE the BEST!





# Average weekly working hours 2009

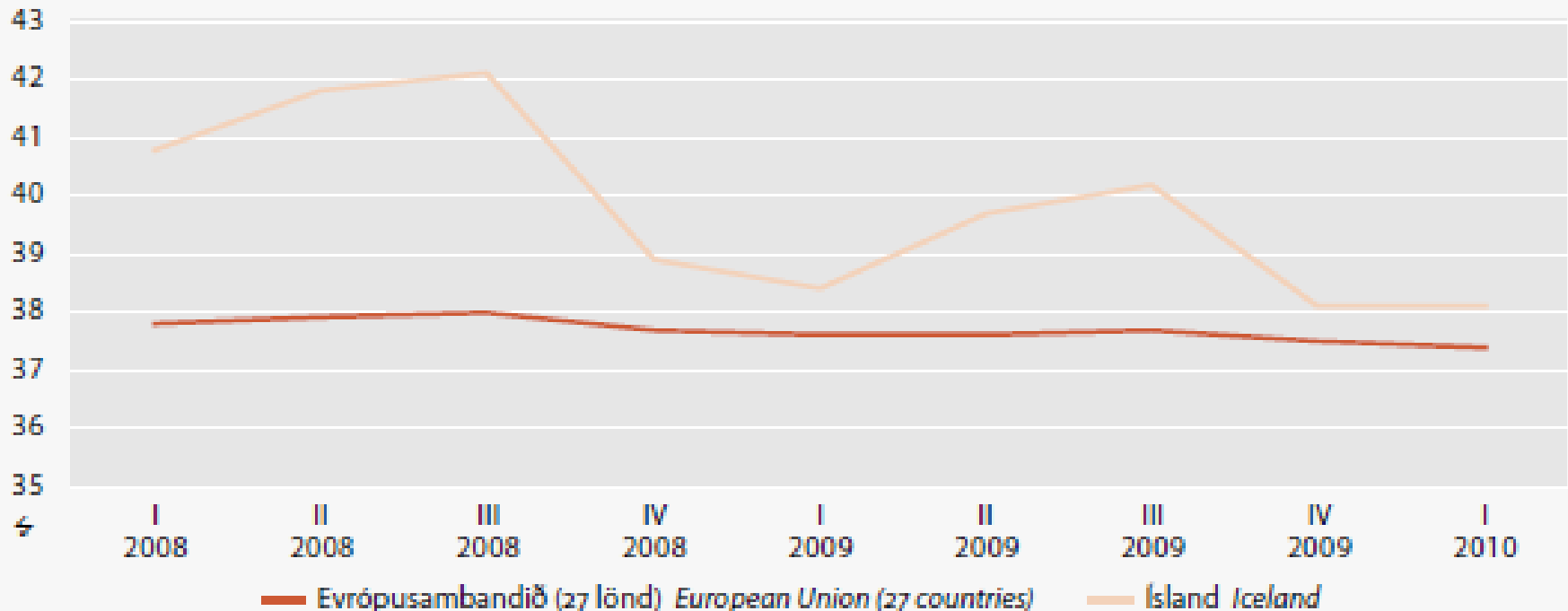
- Men: 43.8 hours
- Women: 34.9 hours



# Average number of usual weekly hours of work in main job 2008-2010

Mynd 3.2 Meðalföldi vinnustunda á viku eftir ársfjórðungum 2008–2010

Figure 3.2 Average number of usual weekly hours of work in main job 2008–2010





# Above replacement level

- 2009: Total fertility rate 2.2
- European champions?
  - The Faroe Islands: total fertility rate 2.5 in 2009

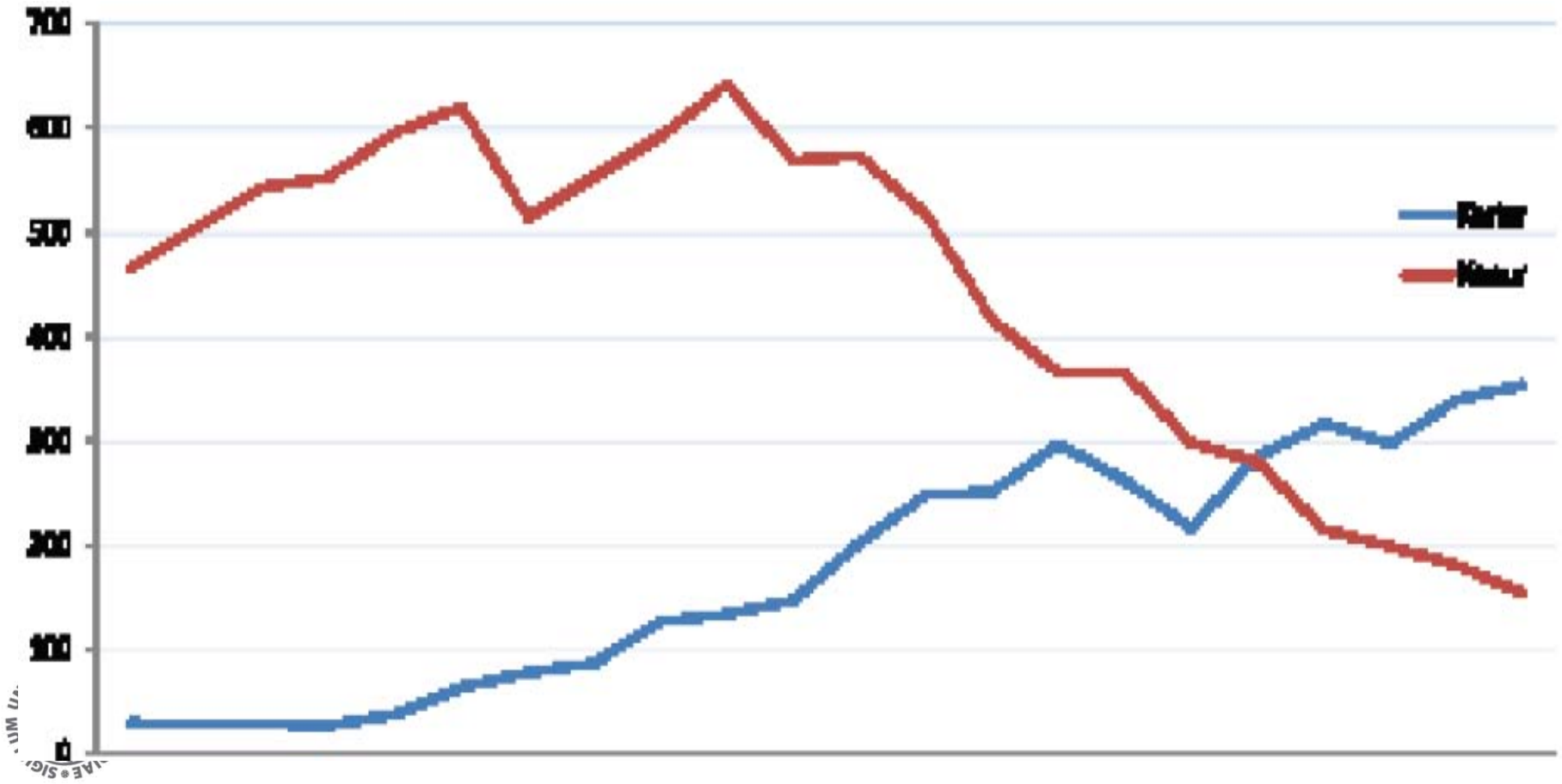


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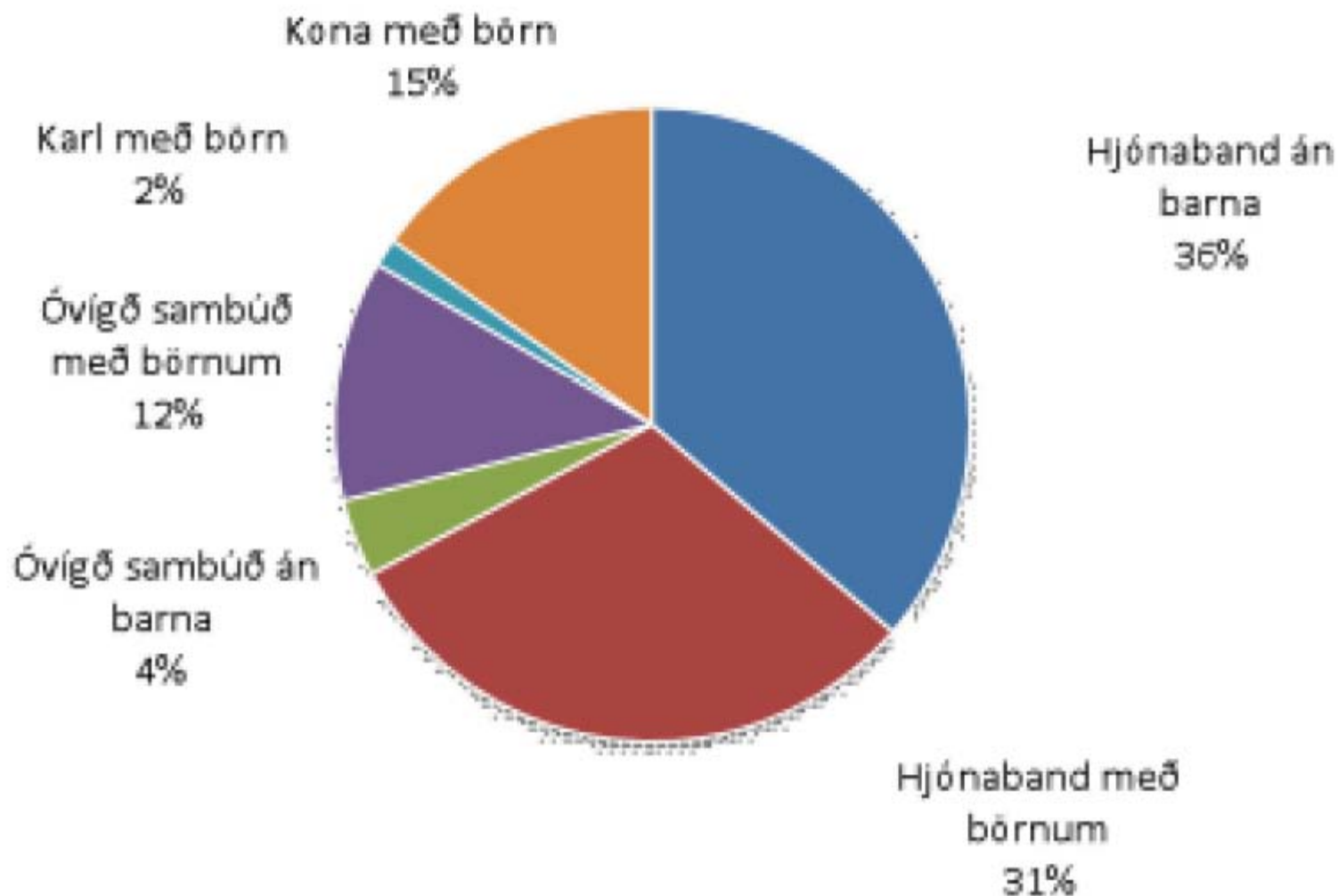
# More catholic than the pope? Sterilization operations 1988-2009







# Family types 2010

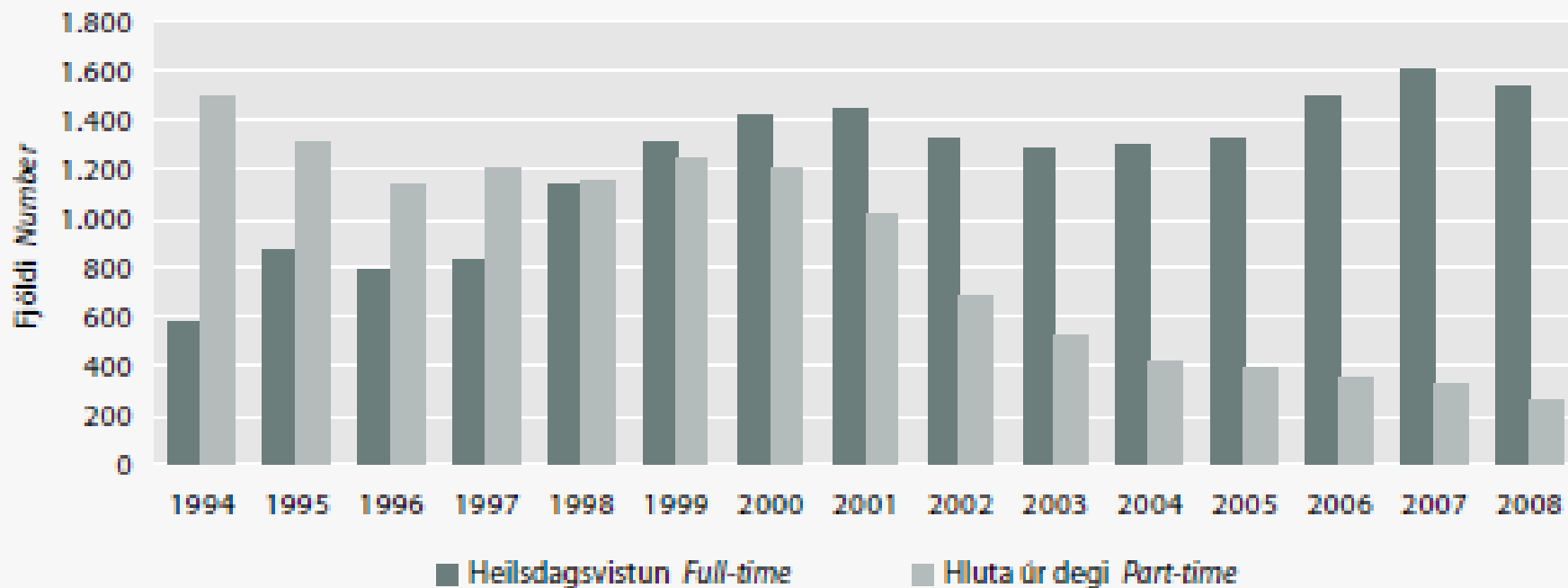




# A bridge between parental leave and daycare: Daycare in private homes

Mynd 17.1 Dagvistun barna á einkaheimilum 1994–2008

Figure 17.1 Daycare in private homes 1994–2008

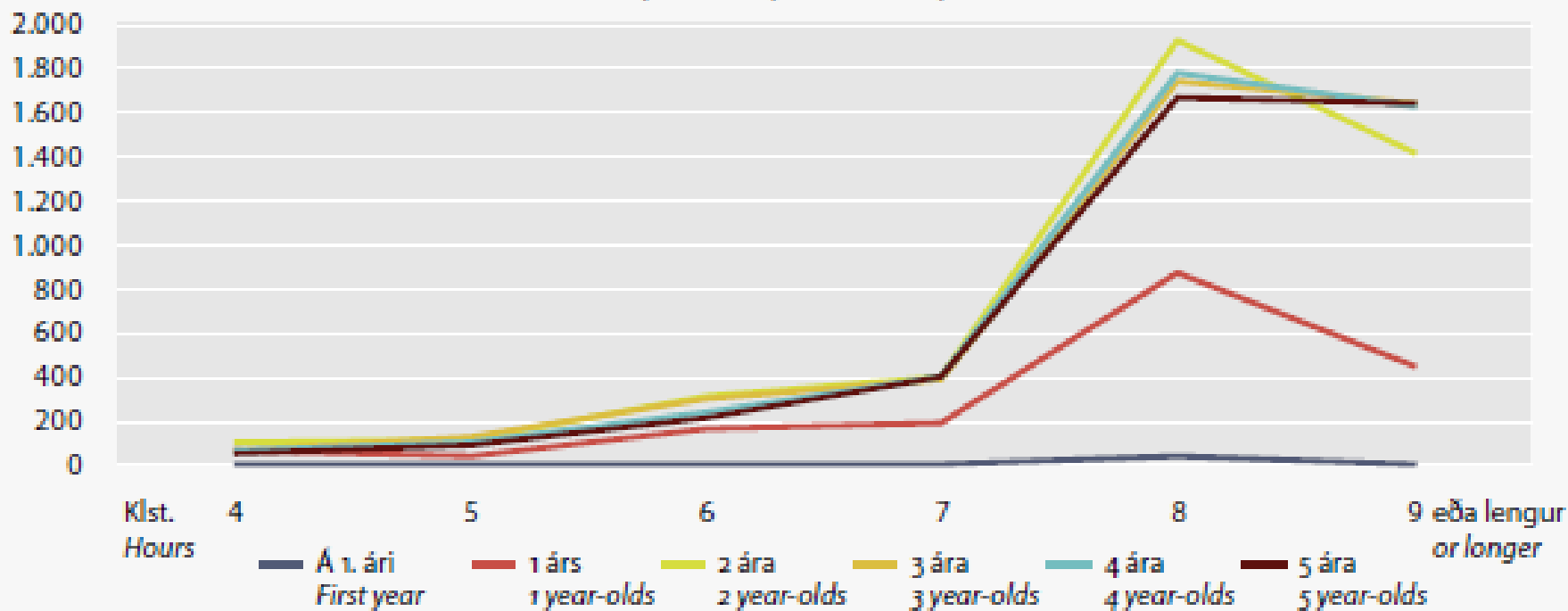




# Children in pre-primary schools

Mynd 19.1 Fjöldi barna í leikskólum eftir aldri og lengd daglegrar viðveru 2009

Figure 19.1 Number of children in pre-primary schools by age and daily attendance 2009





# Older people?

- 2010: 22.6% of people aged 80 years and over are residents in retirement and nursing homes



Elliheimilið Grund  
established in 1930



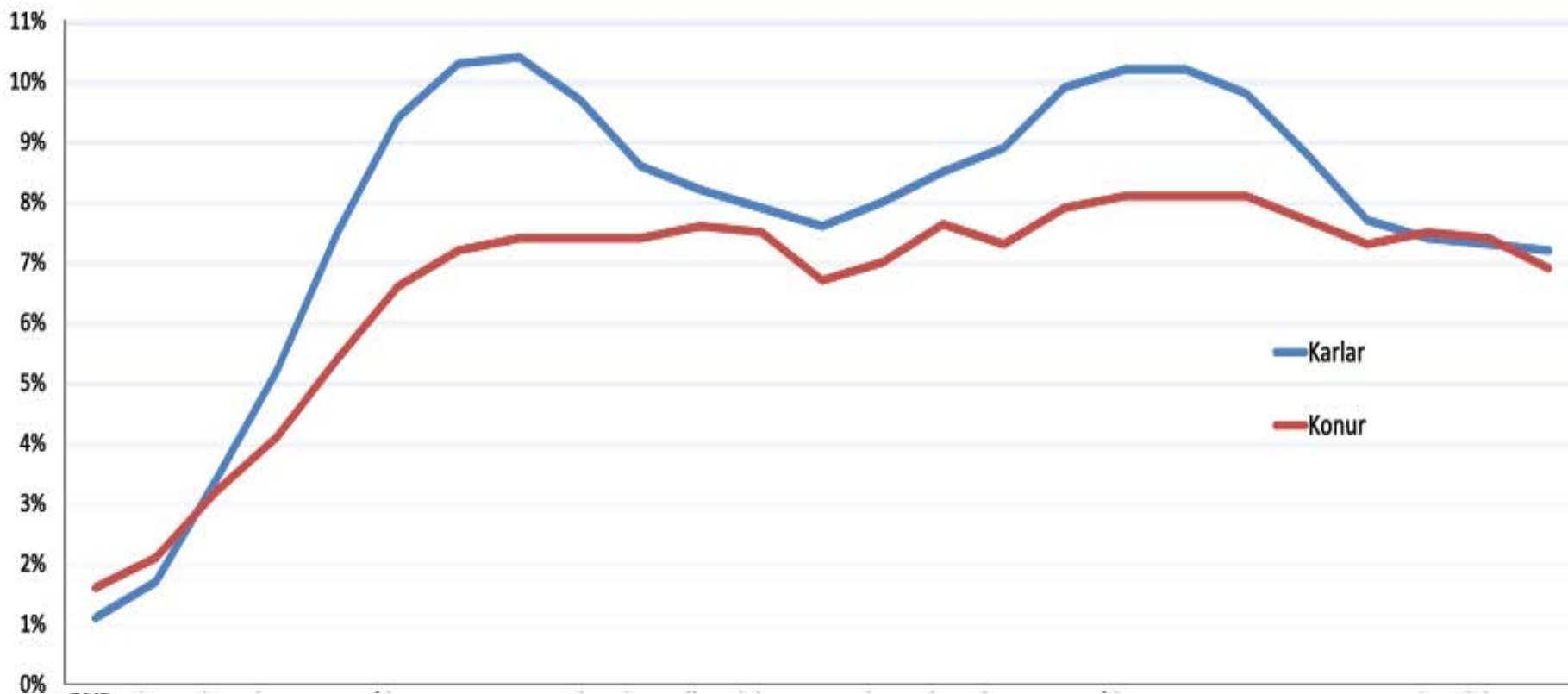


# October 2008: 'Game Over'





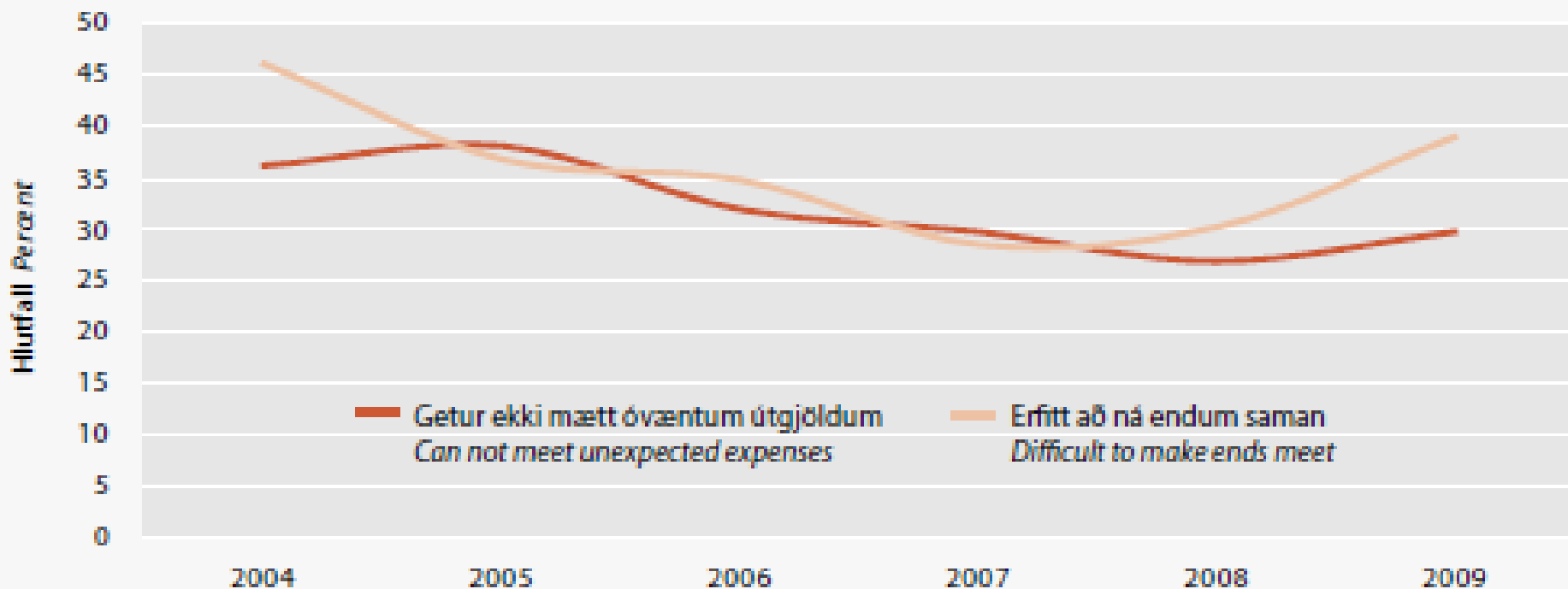
# Unemployment September 2008- September 2010





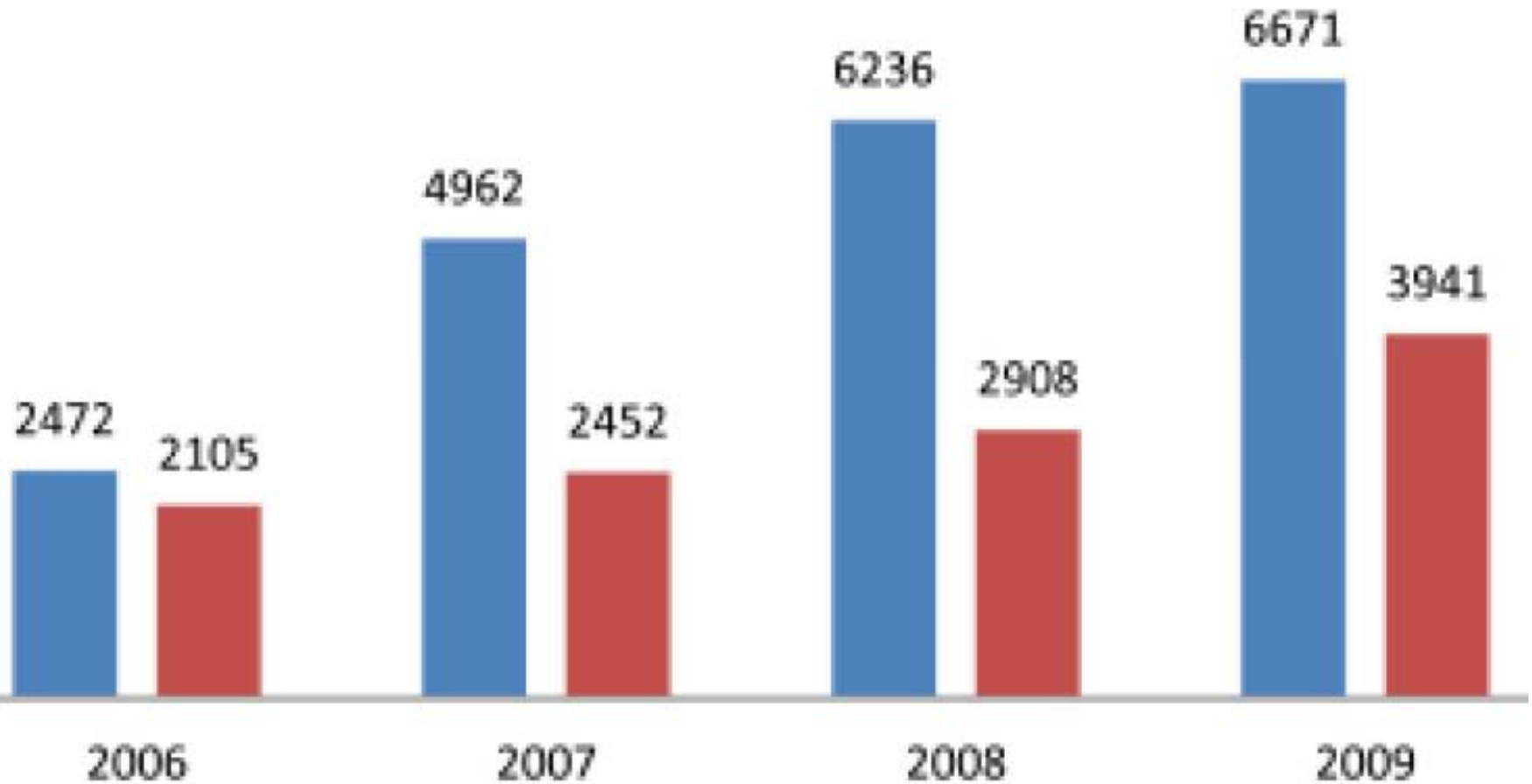
# Flexibility of households to meet expenses 2004-2009

Mynd 3.6 Svigrúm heimila til að standa undir útgjöldum 2004-2009  
Figure 3.6 Flexibility of households to meet expenses 2004-2009





# Let's get out of here!?







# Or stay put on the top of the globe?

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