

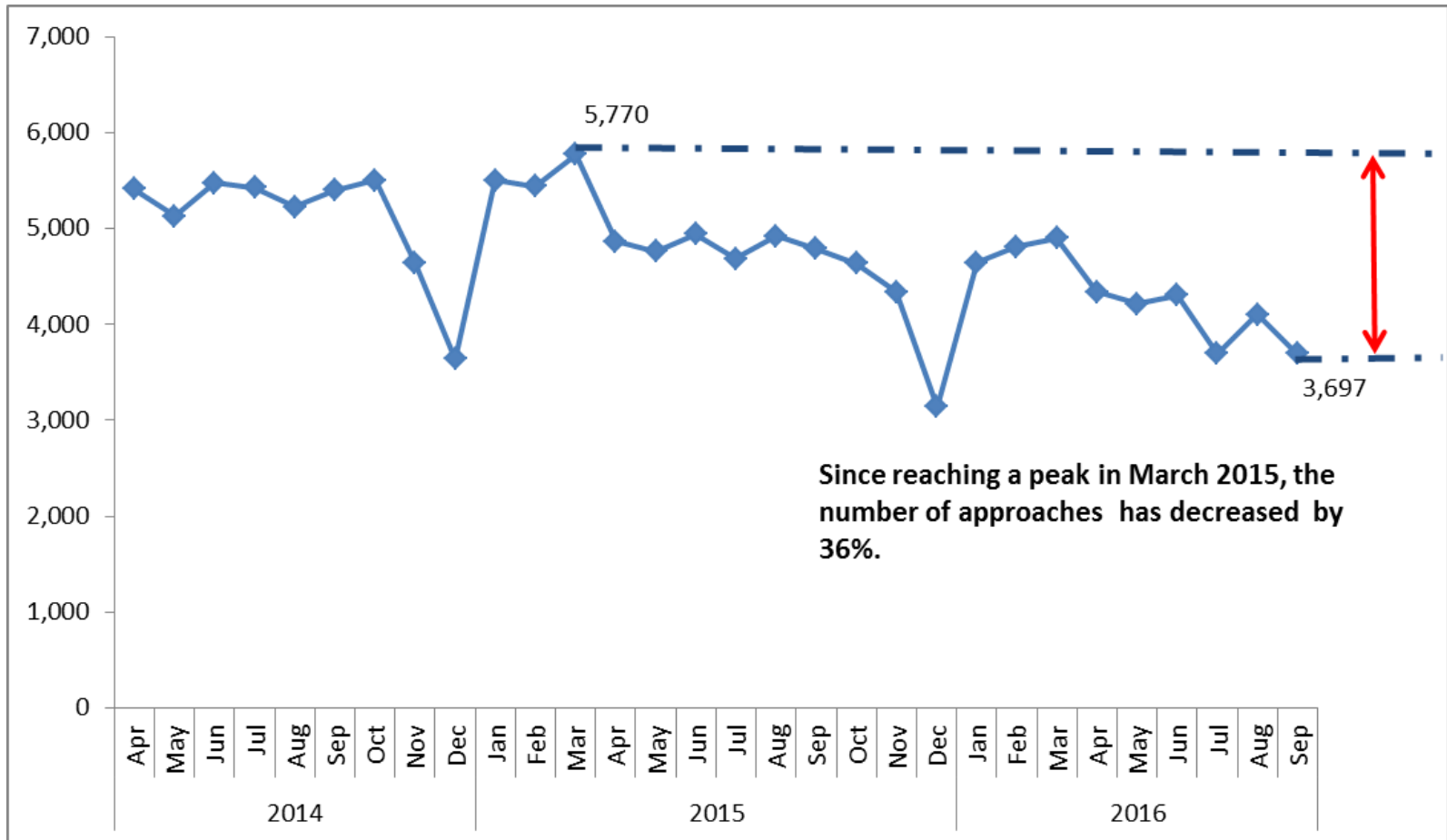
Housing Options (PREVENT1) Statistics in Scotland: Update to 30 September 2016

HSUG meeting 9 May 2017

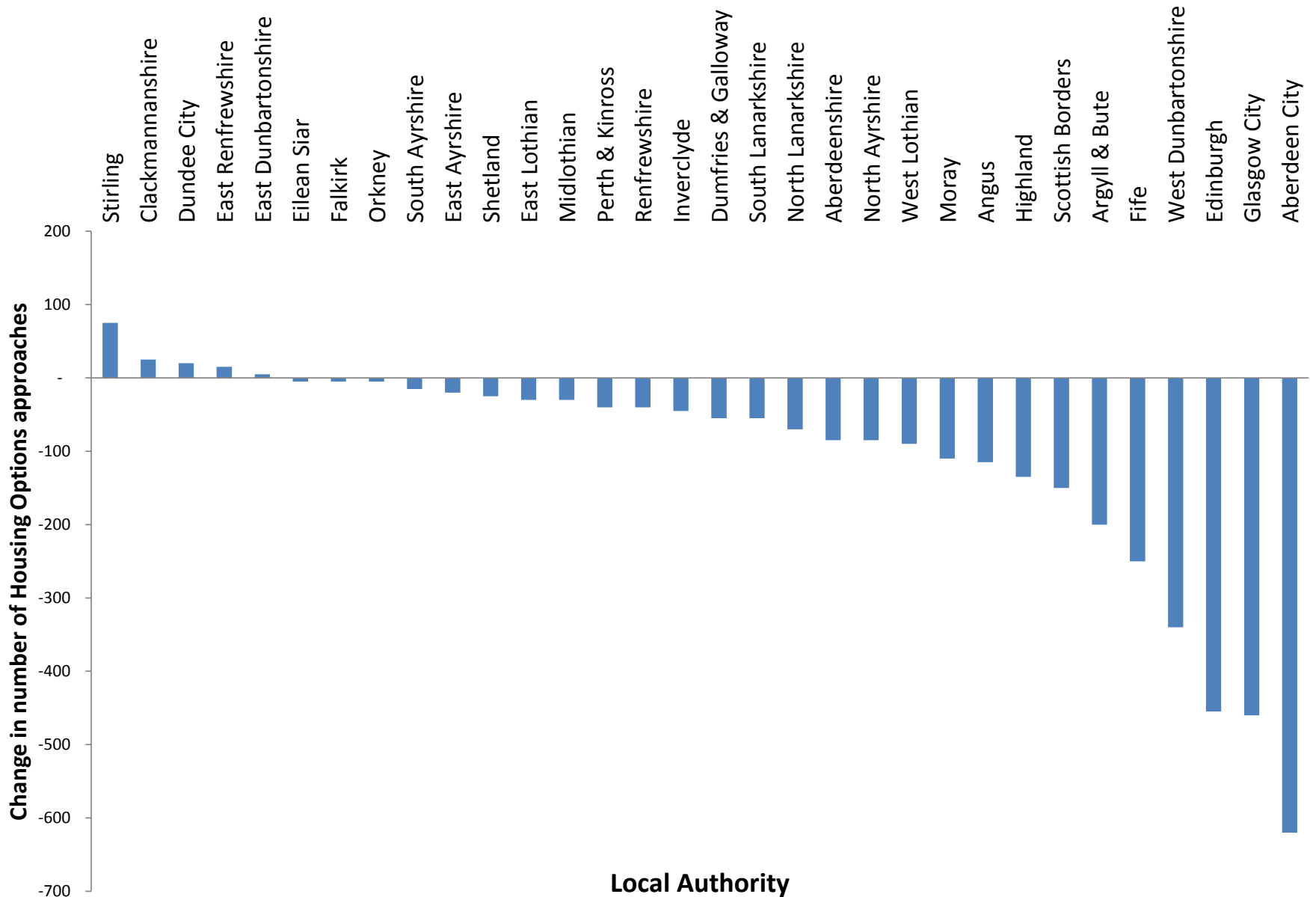
- The latest (published) numbers
- The crossover with HL1

The Latest Numbers...

Number of Housing Options approaches by month, 1 April 2014 to 30 September 2016

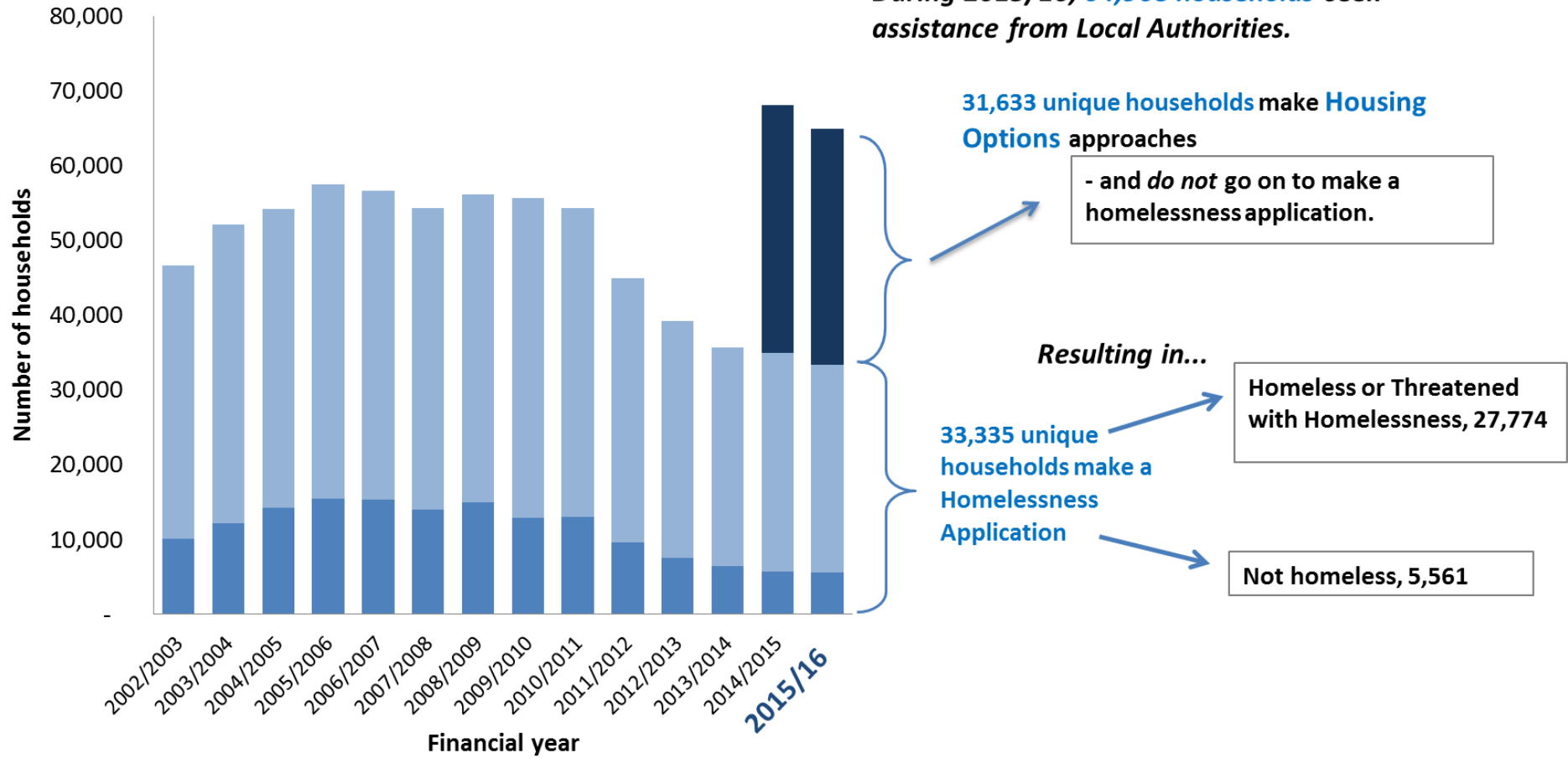


Change in number of Housing Options approaches, comparing April-September 2015 and April-September 2016

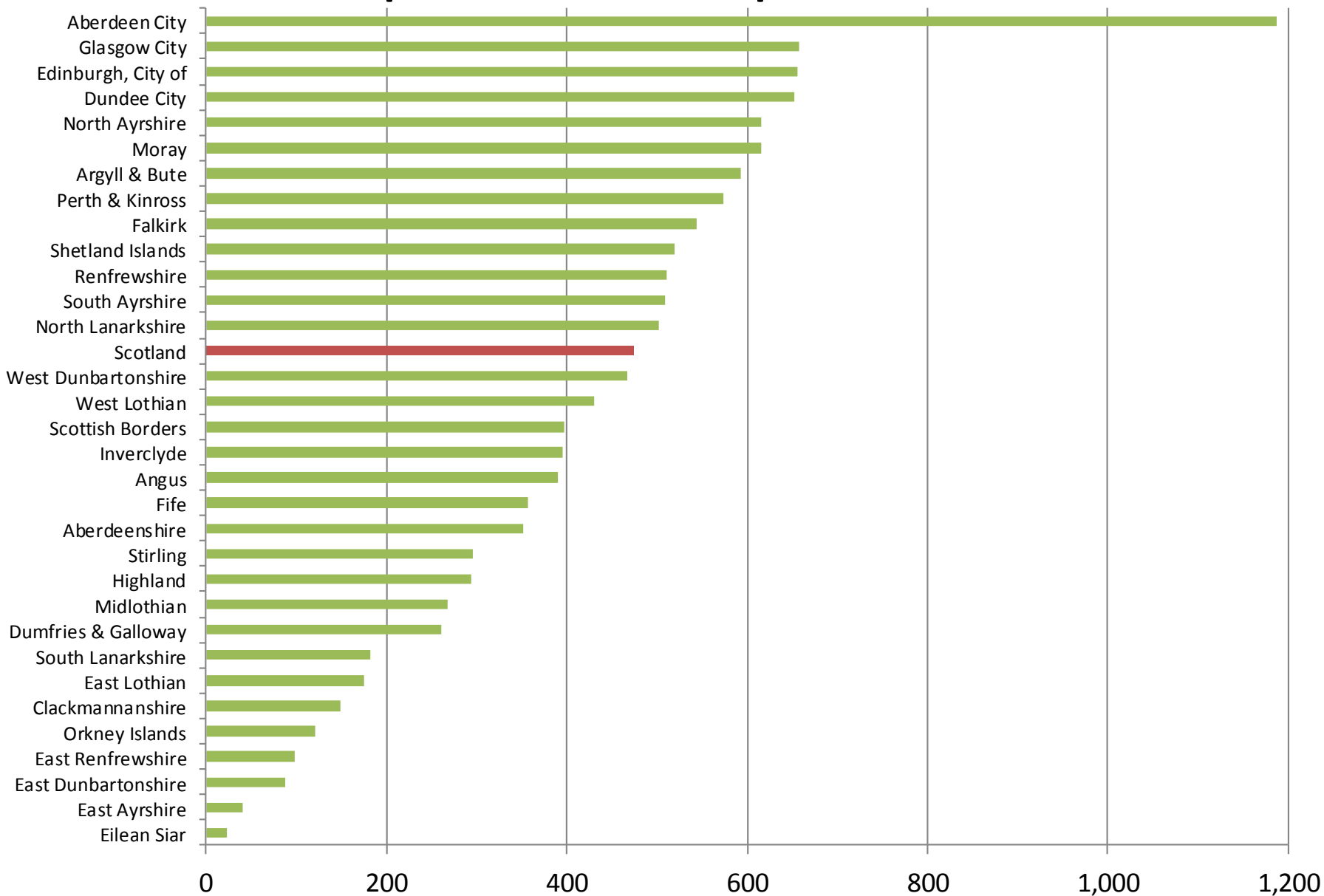


Number of unique households making Housing Options approaches or homelessness applications, 2002/03 to 2015/16

During 2015/16, 64,968 households seek assistance from Local Authorities.

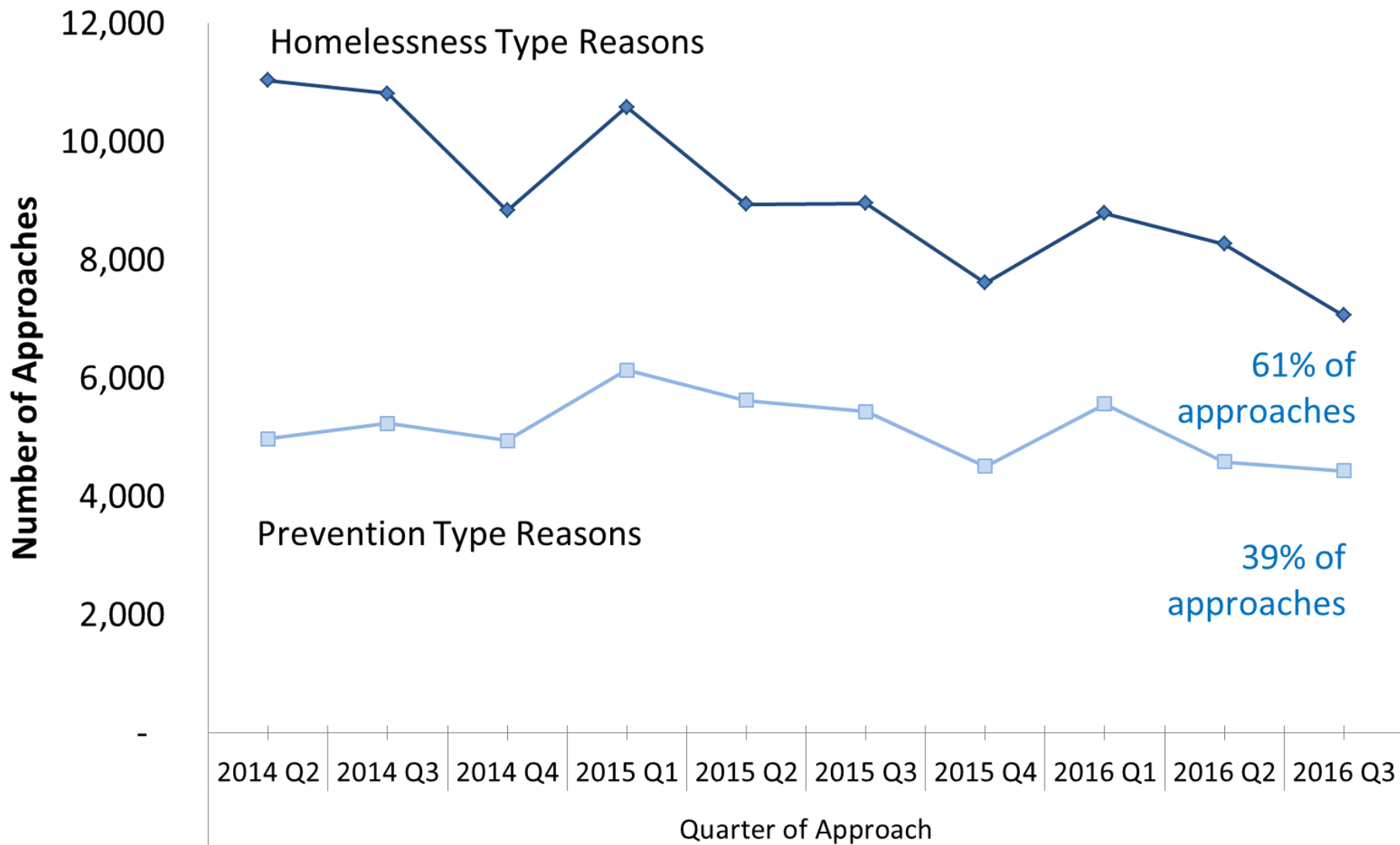


Rates of Housing Options approaches per 10,000 households, 1 April 2014 and 30 September 2016



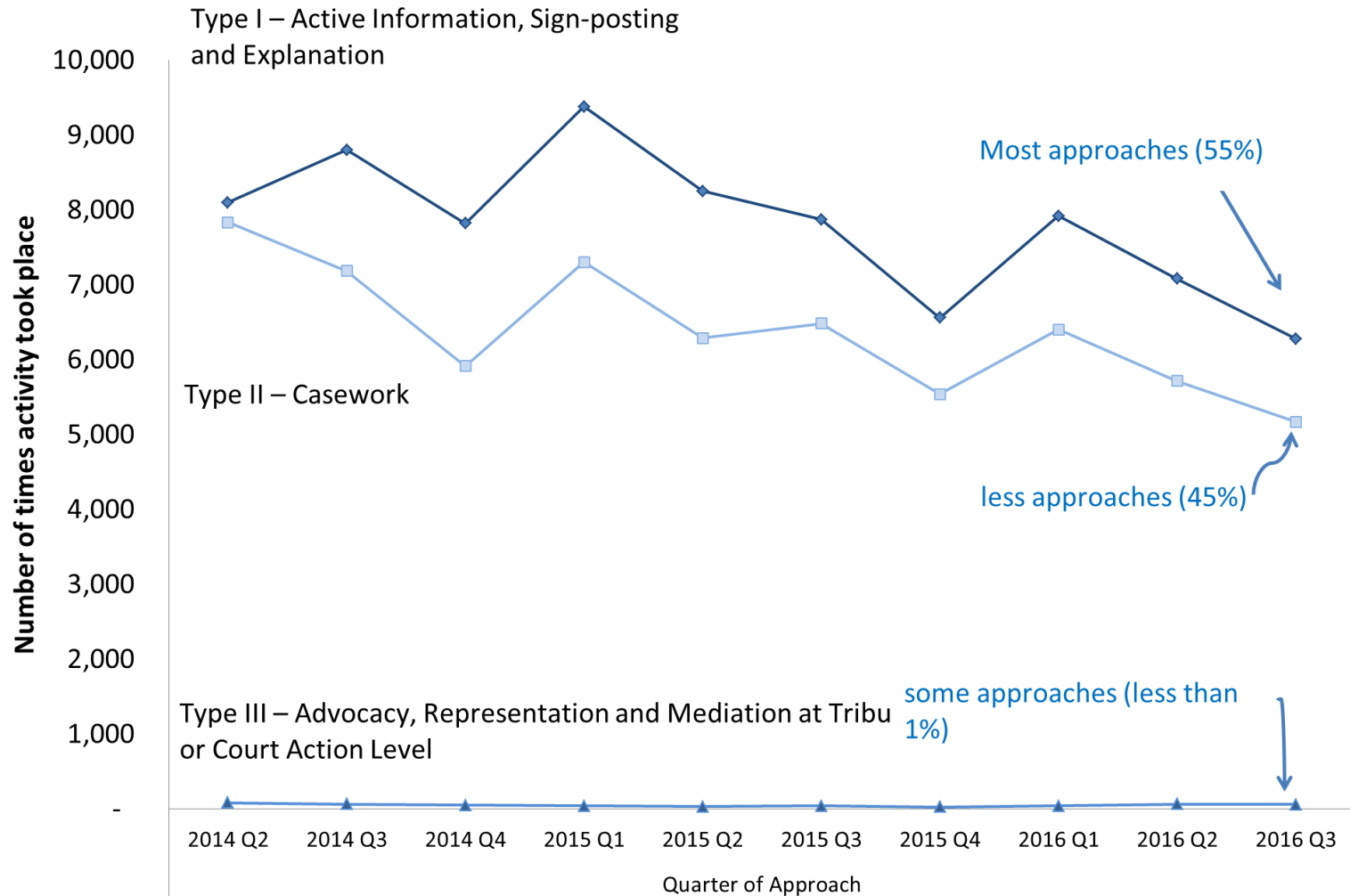
Reasons for approach

Reasons for Housing Options approaches by quarter

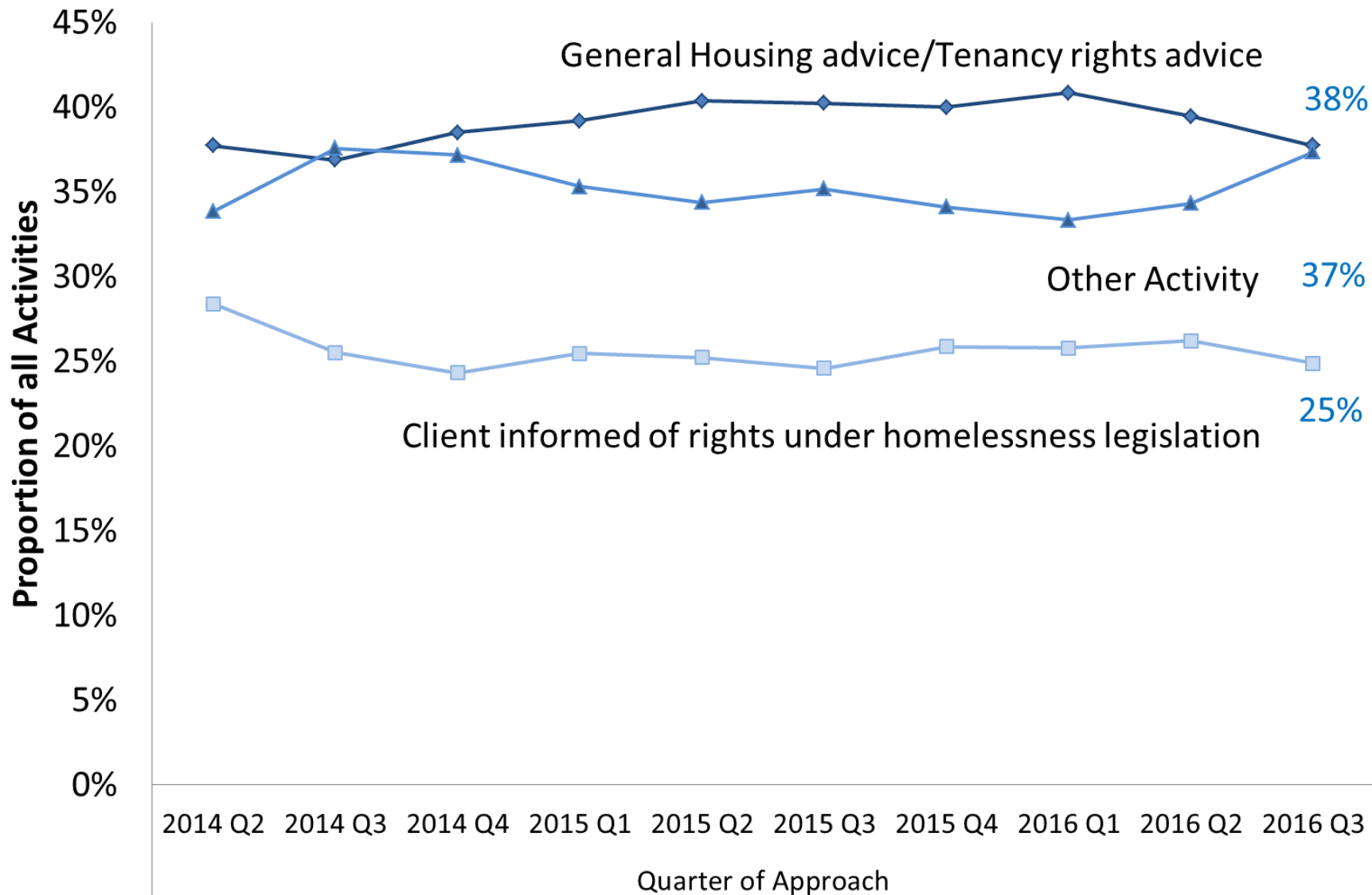


Activities

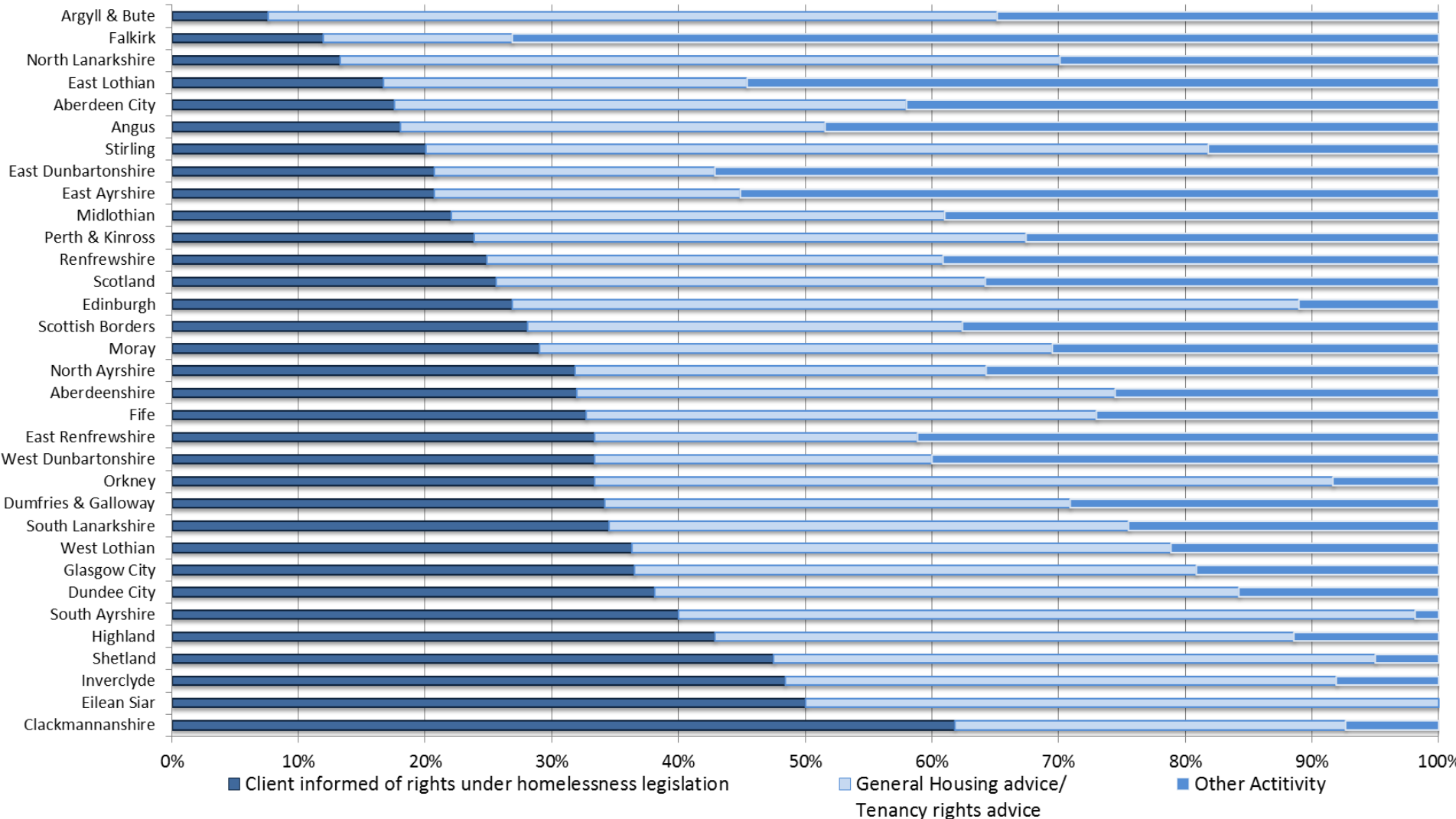
Intensity of activity types completed for Housing Options approaches by quarter



Types of activities completed for Housing Options approaches by quarter

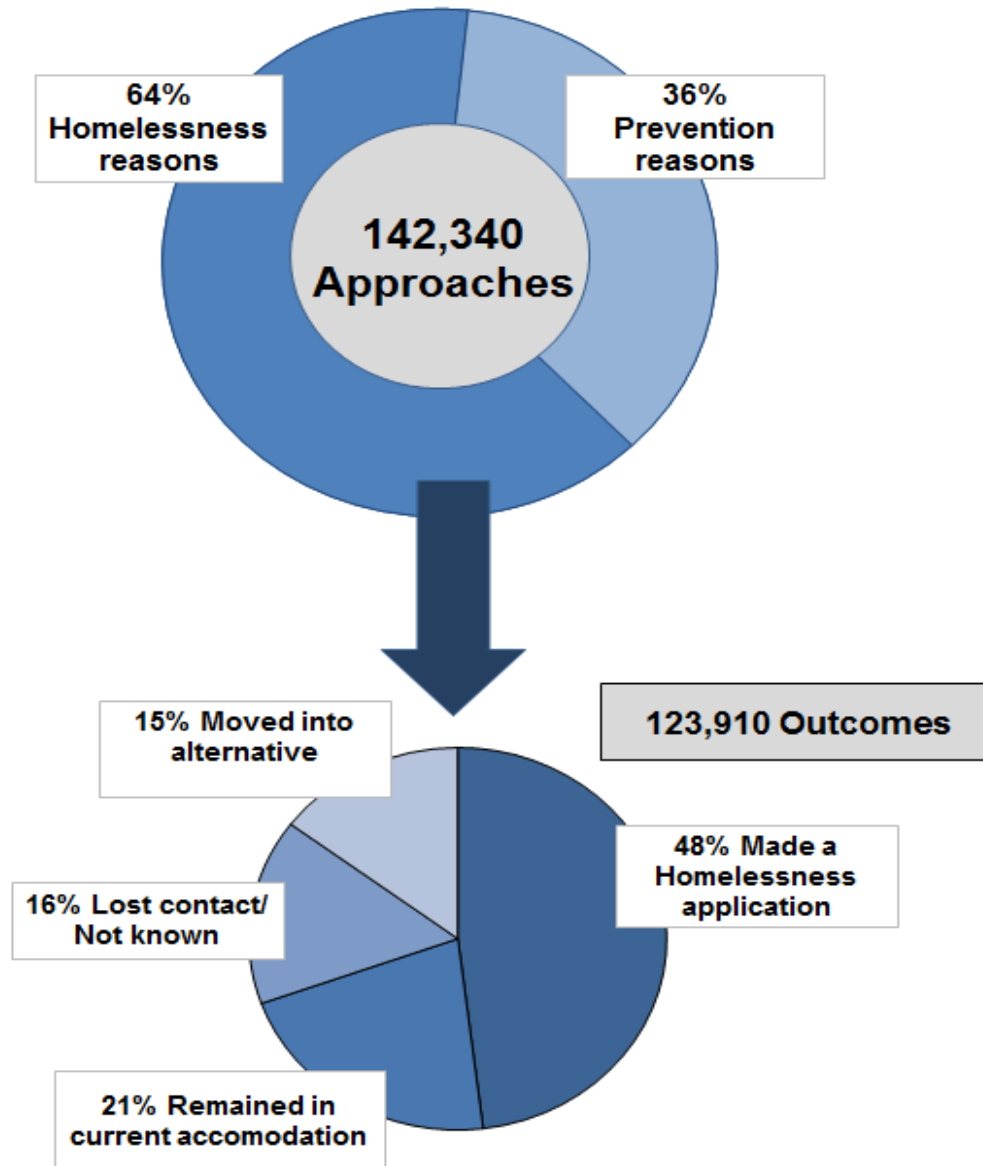


Housing Options activities by Local Authority, 1 April 2016 to 30 September 2016

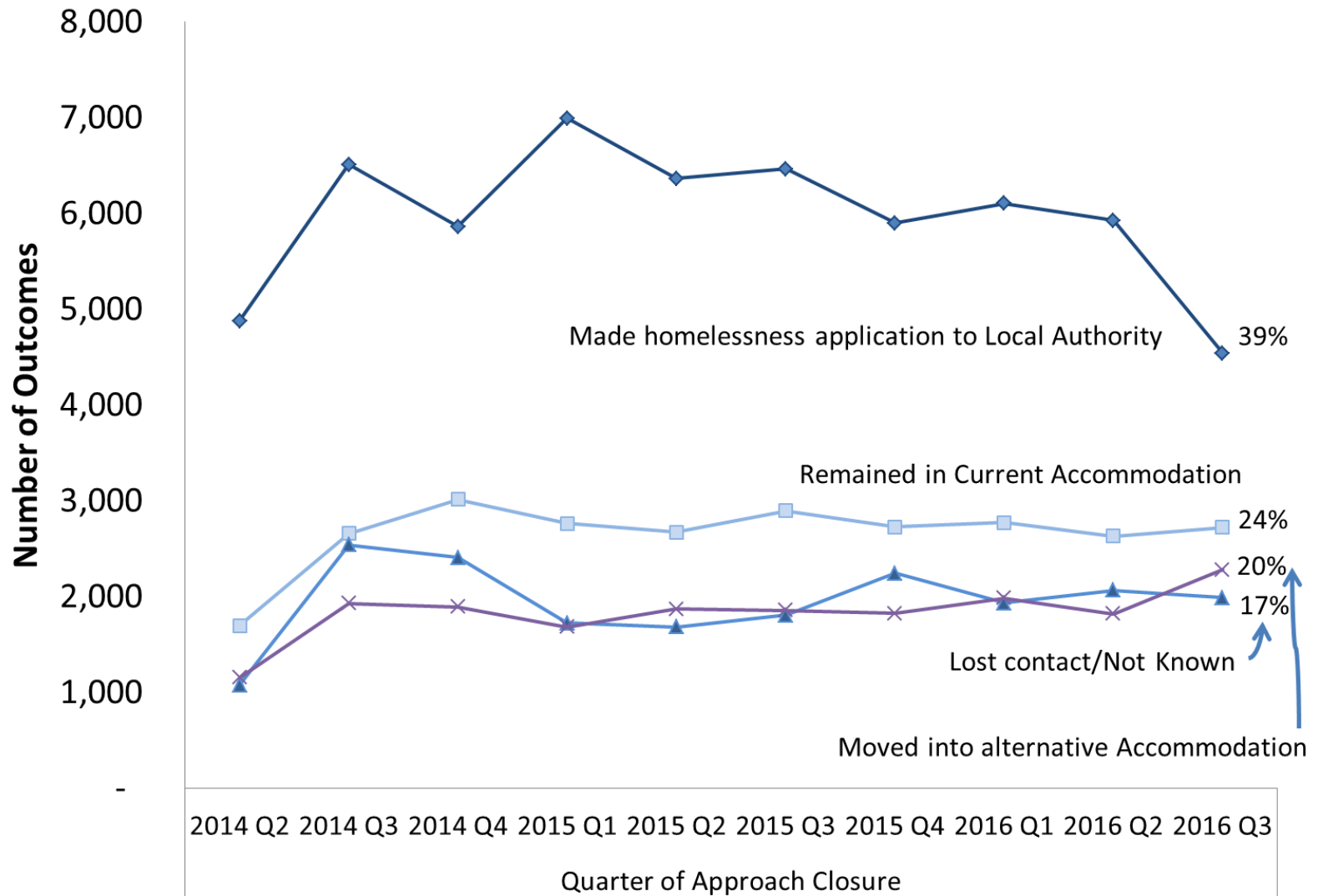


Outcomes

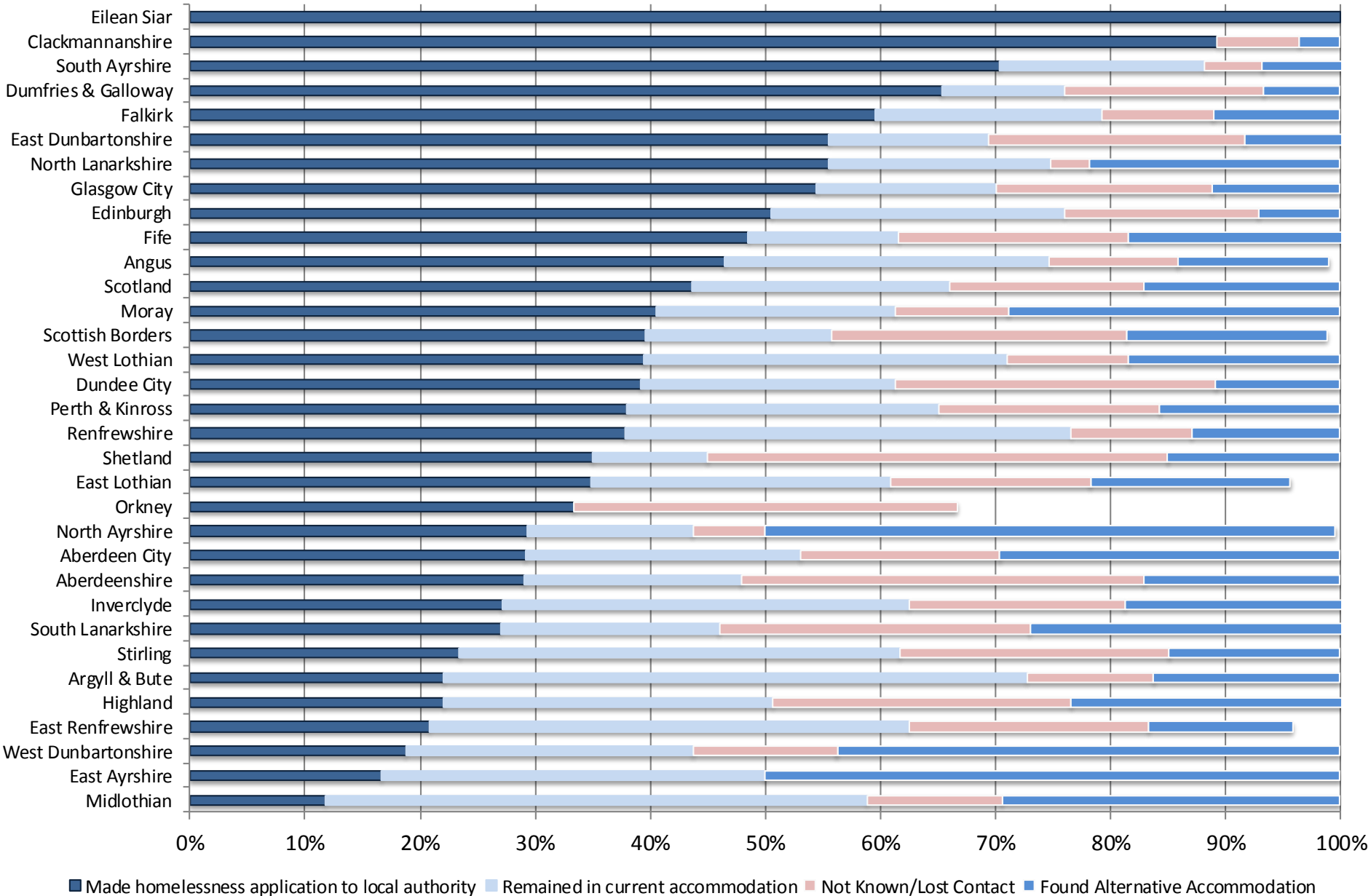
All approaches to Housing Options services in Scotland, 1 April 2014 to 30 September 2016



Outcomes of Housing Options approaches by quarter

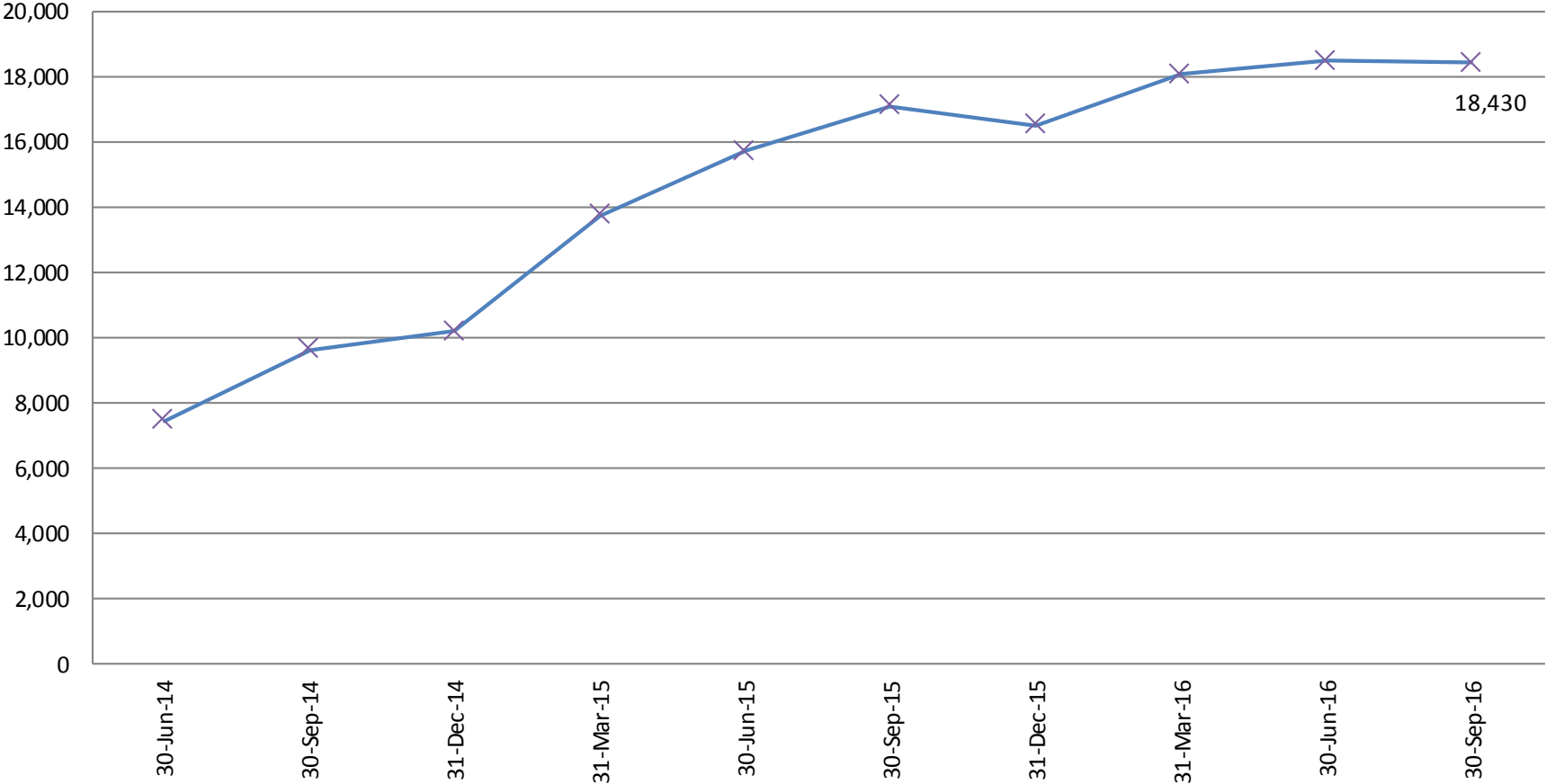


Variation in Housing Options outcomes for each Local Authority, for approaches closed between 1 April 2016 to 30 September 2016

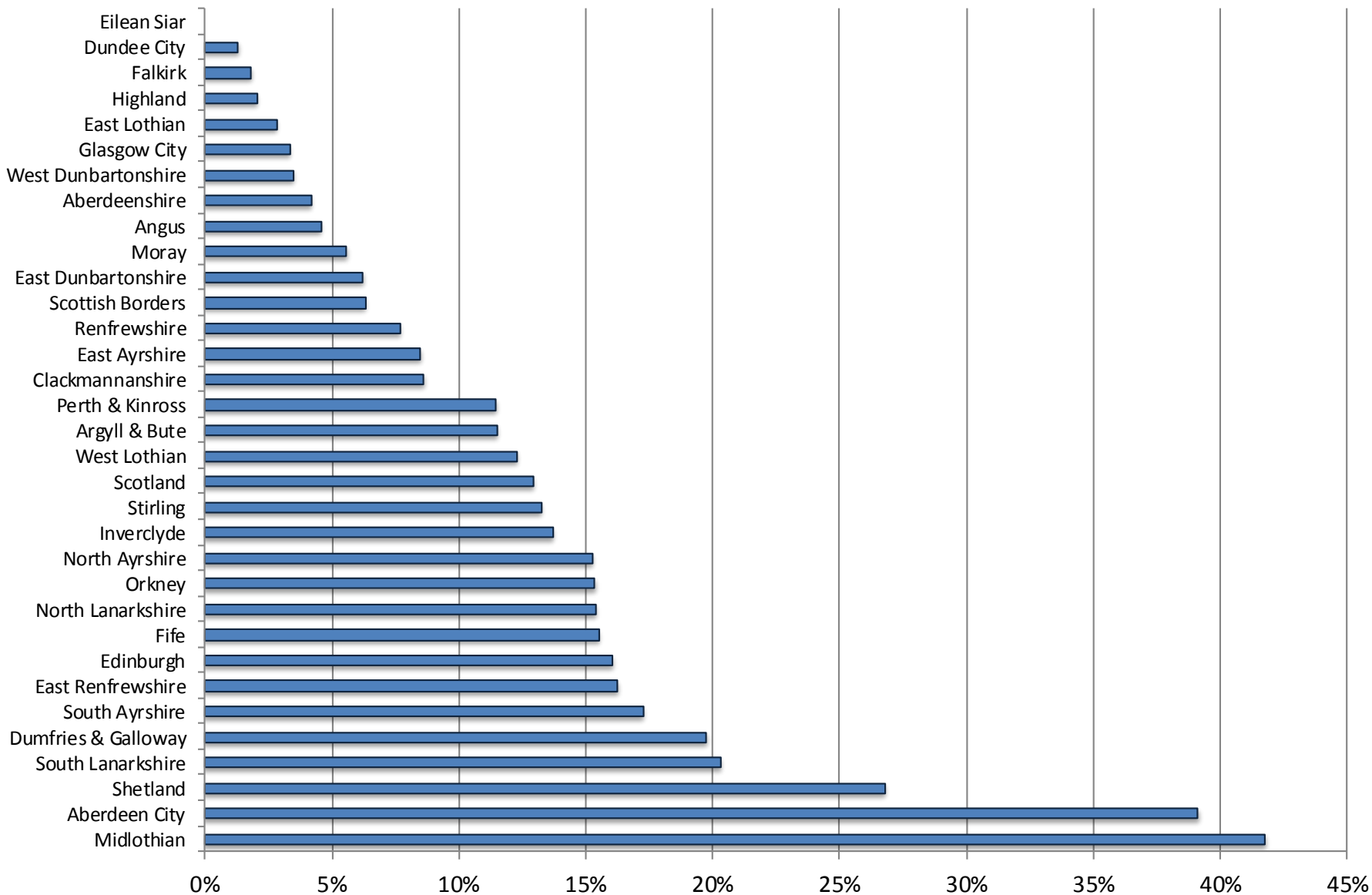


Open Approaches
(still awaiting an outcome...)

Approaches that were still open at the end of the quarter, by quarter

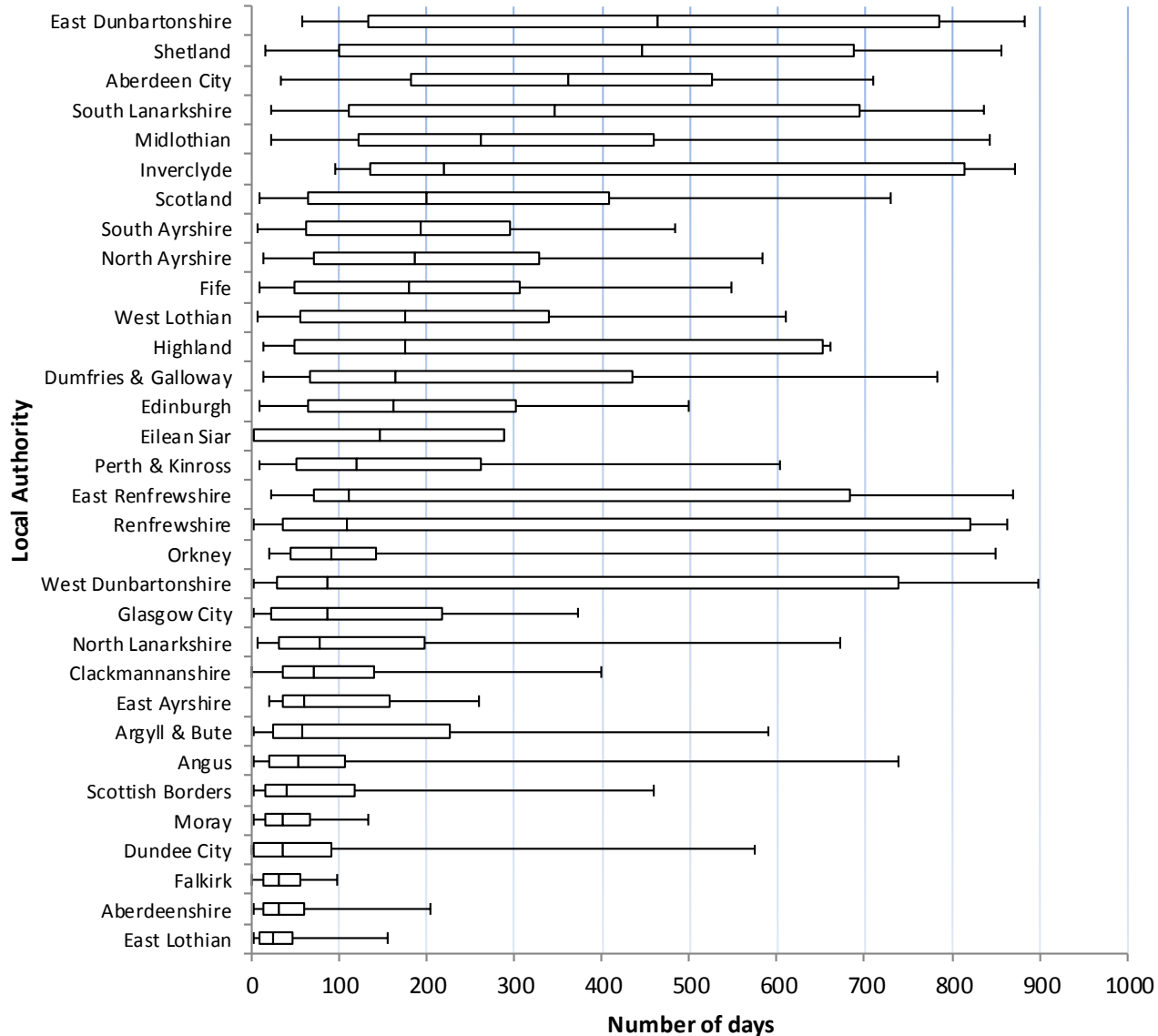


Percentage of Housing Options approaches that were still open by Local Authority, of those approaches made between 1 April 2014 and 30 September 2016

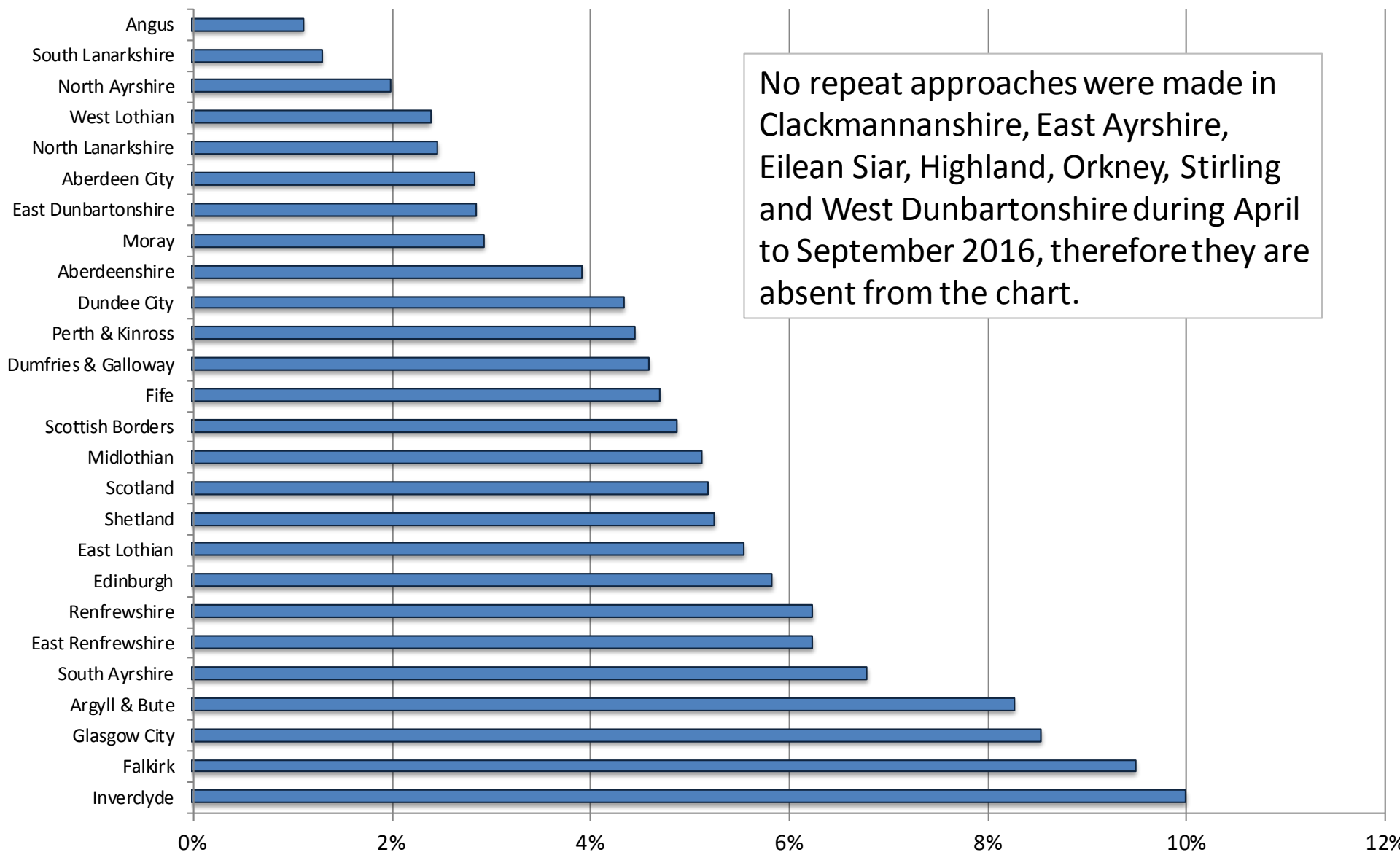


How long have approaches been open for?

Distribution of the number of days Housing Options approaches have been open, between approach date and 30 September 2016



Proportion of Unique Households in each LA area making Repeat Approaches, All Households making approaches between 1 April and 30 September 2016



Questions...

The crossover between HL1 and PREVENT1

HL1

- An HL1 is compulsory for anyone you have reason to believe is homeless (or will be in 56 days)
- This is a statutory requirement
- With a lot of associated obligations

PREVENT1

- There is no statutory requirement to fill in a PREVENT1 application
- It is up to a LA if they want to record a PREVENT1 case
- Can be recorded alongside an HL1 application but not compulsory

Using the HL1 and PREVENT1

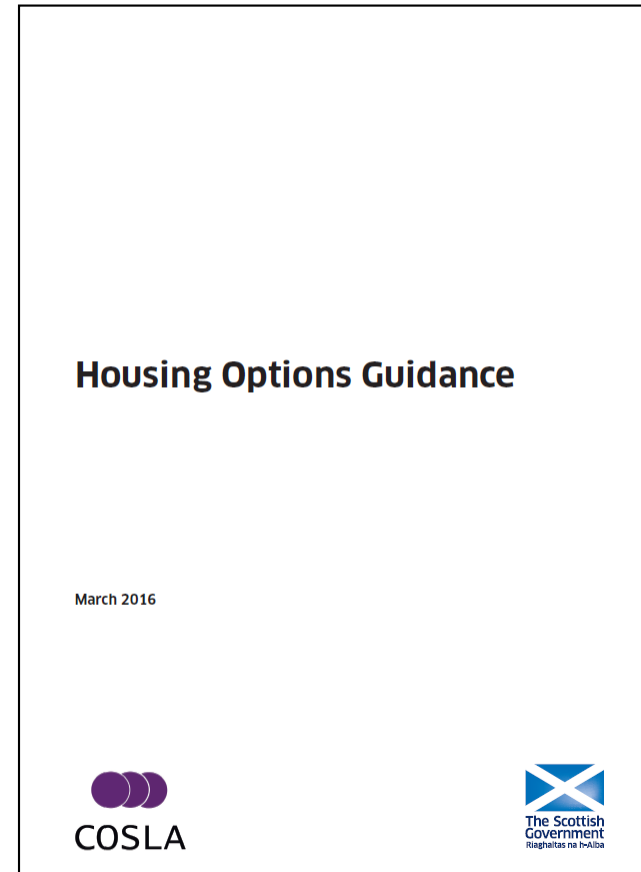
	Section 28(1) applies	
	Yes	No
HL1 Return	Must be completed.	Not applicable
PREVENT1	Where appropriate	Where appropriate

Regardless as to how the [homelessness] duty is triggered the local authority should:-

- Record the application on the HL1 system;
- Undertake the homelessness assessment / investigation;
- Progress the homelessness application until the duty is discharged or the individual / household withdraws the application; and
- Where appropriate, progress housing options (PREVENT1).

Monitoring of Housing Options

- Housing Options Guidance published 2 Mar 2016:
- <http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0049/00494940.pdf>
- Consistent with monitoring guidance [25 June 2013]
- <http://www.gov.scot/Resource/0042/00426098.pdf>



Purpose of Guidance

- Recognised that housing pressures vary across the country
- The guidance was designed to establish the principles on which an effective Housing Options service should be based but not to be prescriptive.
- Individual LA's should design their Housing Options services to reflect local circumstances.

Questions/ Discussion

