

# What does Government post-16 data on deaf students tell us?

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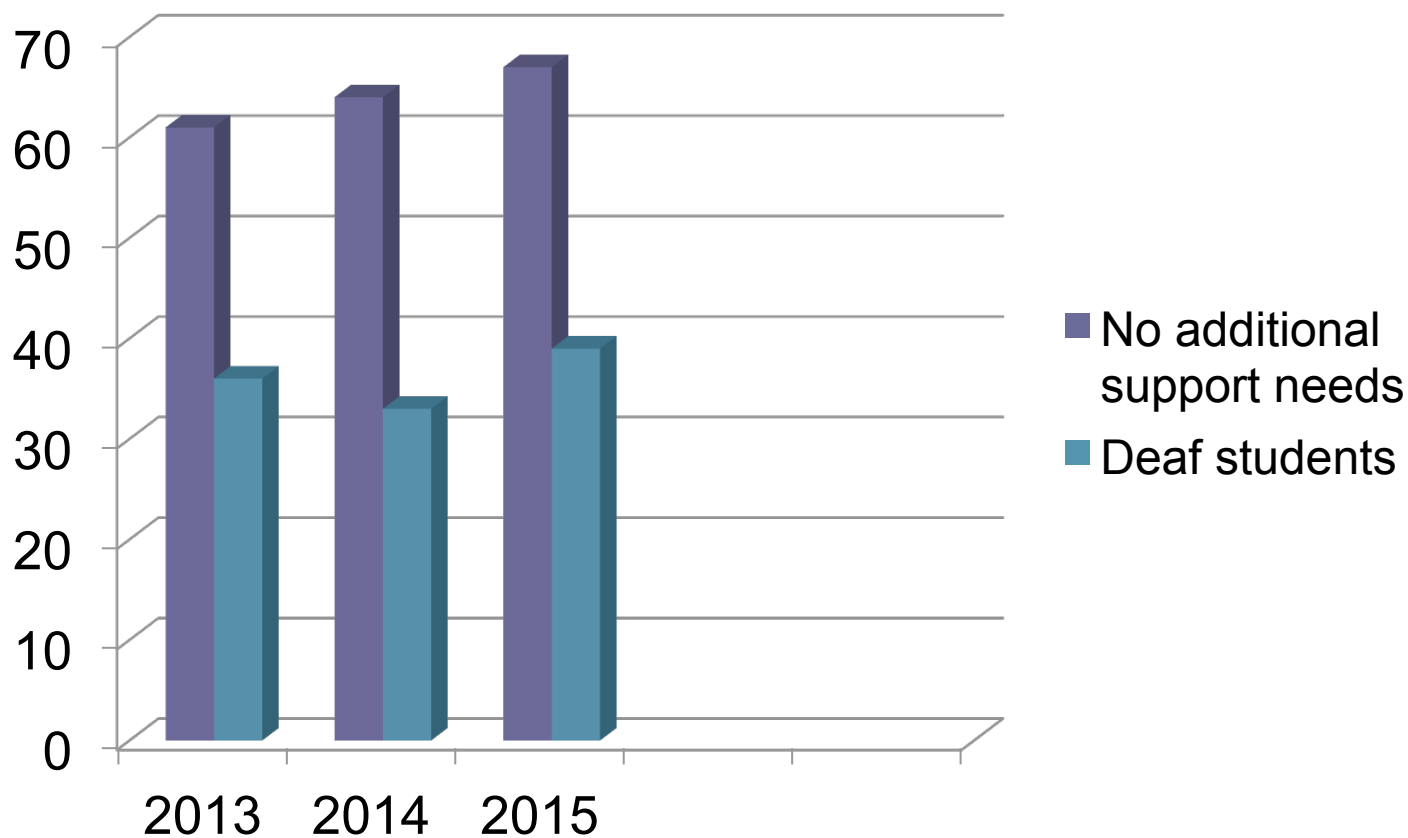
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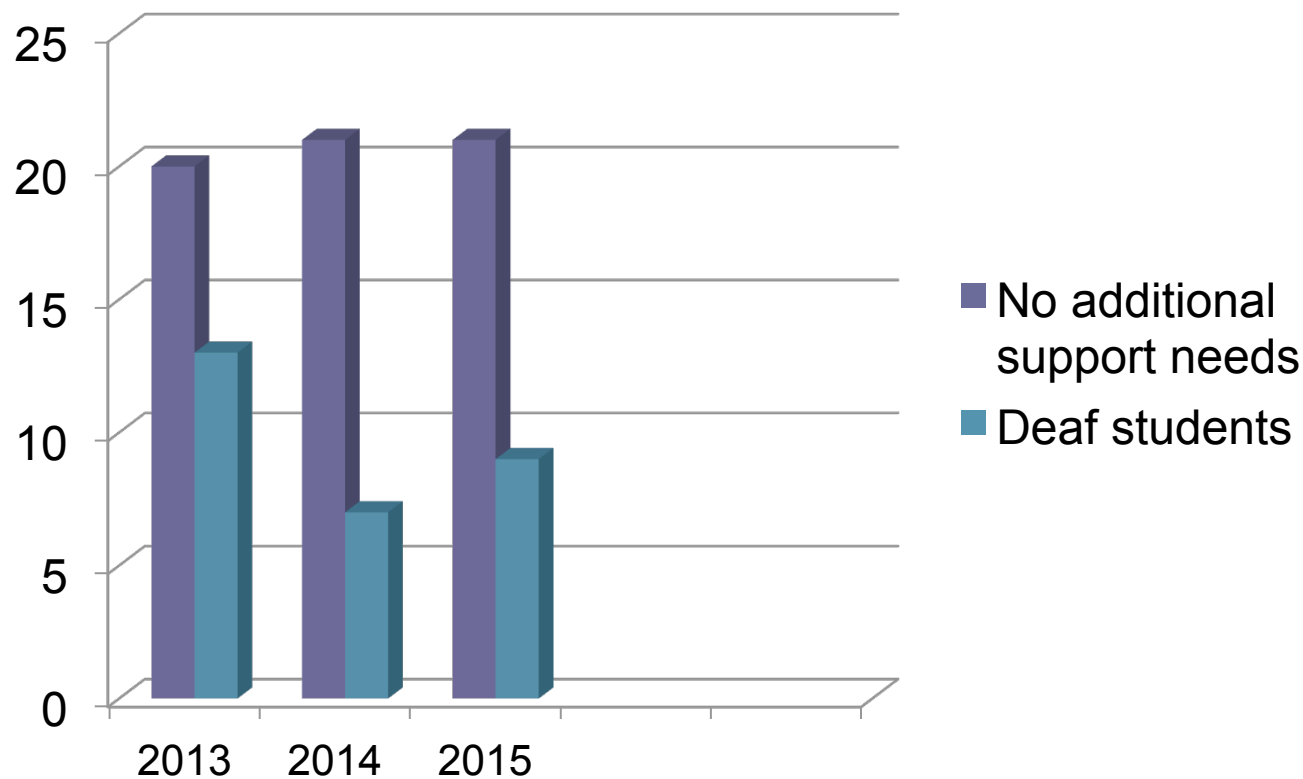
**“It is a capital  
mistake to theorise  
before one has  
data”**

Sherlock Holmes, *A Study in  
Scarlett* (Arthur Conan Doyle)

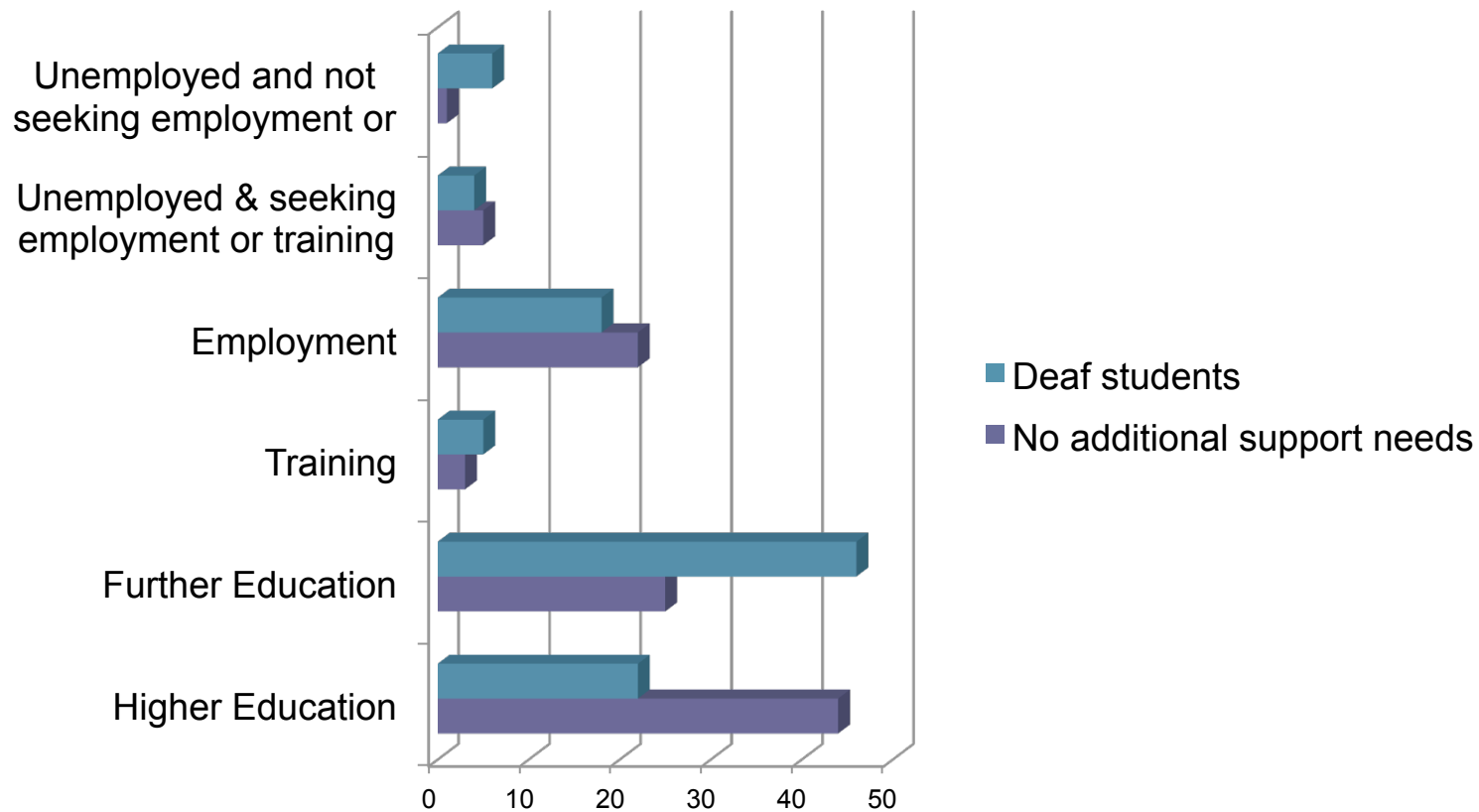
# % of school leavers achieving 1+ @ SCQF Level 6 or better in Scotland



# % of school leavers achieving 1+ @ SCQF Level 7 in Scotland



# Destinations of school leavers 2015 in Scotland, percentages

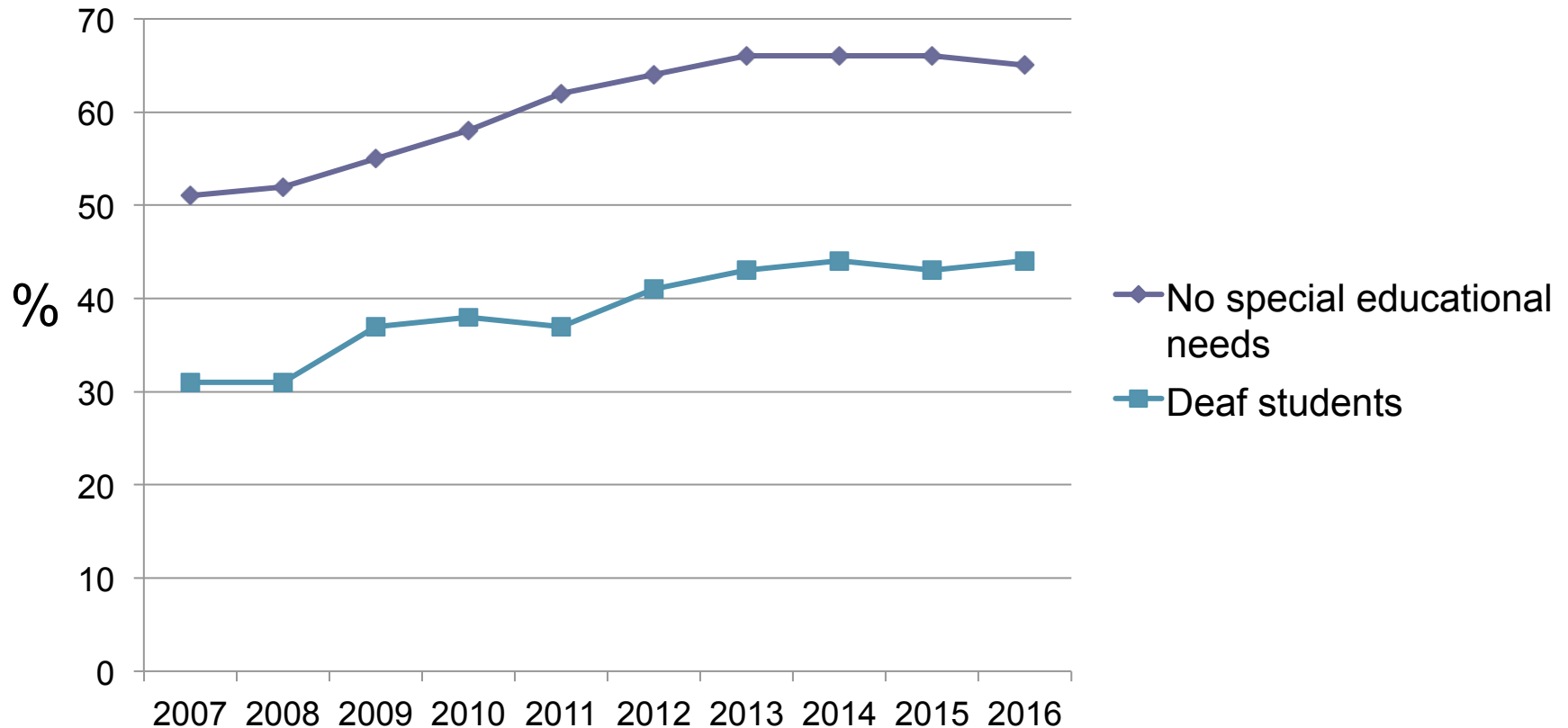


# Measuring attainment in levels

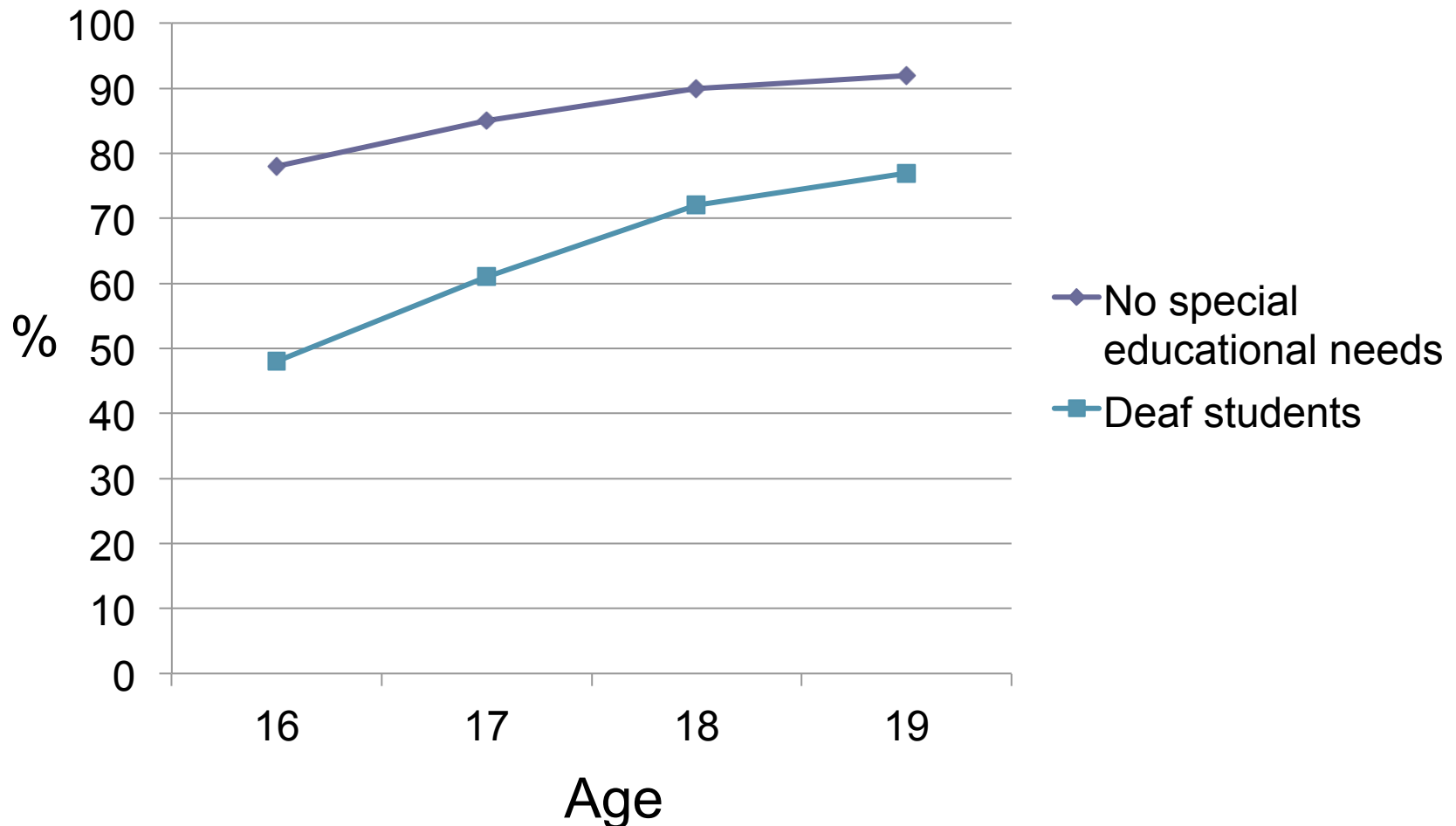
**Level 2** = 5 GCSEs grade A to C or vocational/technical equivalent

**Level 3** = 2 A-level passes or equivalent

# Attainment at Level 3 by age 19 in England

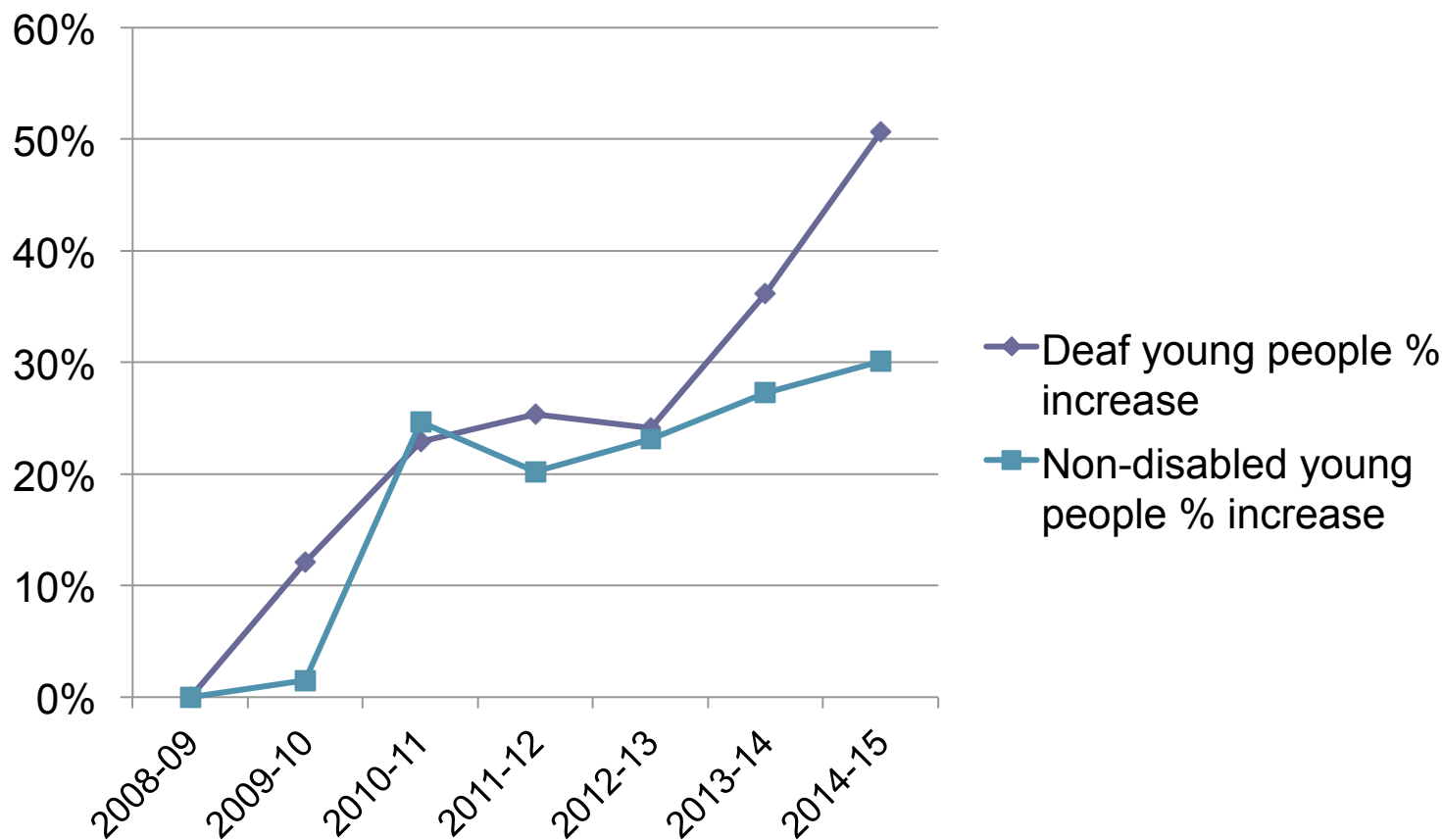


# Progress in achieving Level 2 from 16 to 19 in England





# Young people on apprenticeships (England)



# Undergraduate degree attainment (2015)



Class	Percentage deaf 1 <sup>st</sup> degree undergraduate qualifiers	Percentage non-disabled 1 <sup>st</sup> degree undergrad qualifiers
1 <sup>st</sup> / 2.1	71% (550)	72% (235,420)
2.2/3 <sup>rd</sup> /pass	29% (230)	28% (92,865)



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# What does Government data tell us?

- Attainment gaps across all settings with the largest seen with Level 3 qualifications & Maths & English at Level 2
- In England students make progress at Level 2 post-16 to narrow the attainment gap
- Attainment has improved in past 10 years in England

# What data do we need for a better picture?

- Tracking of progress to employment destinations through all settings
- Data on drop-out rates
- Breakdown of more datasets by type of disability (e.g. on types of qualifications achieved)
- Data on the full cohort of deaf students
- Longitudinal research

# How is this achieved?

- Working together with other disability organisations to highlight shortfalls in data
- Requesting data that is collected but not published by Government
- Establishing research projects

**“If we have data, let’s  
look at data. If all we  
have are opinions,  
let’s go with mine”**

**Jim Barksdale, former CEO,  
Netscape**

Questions?

