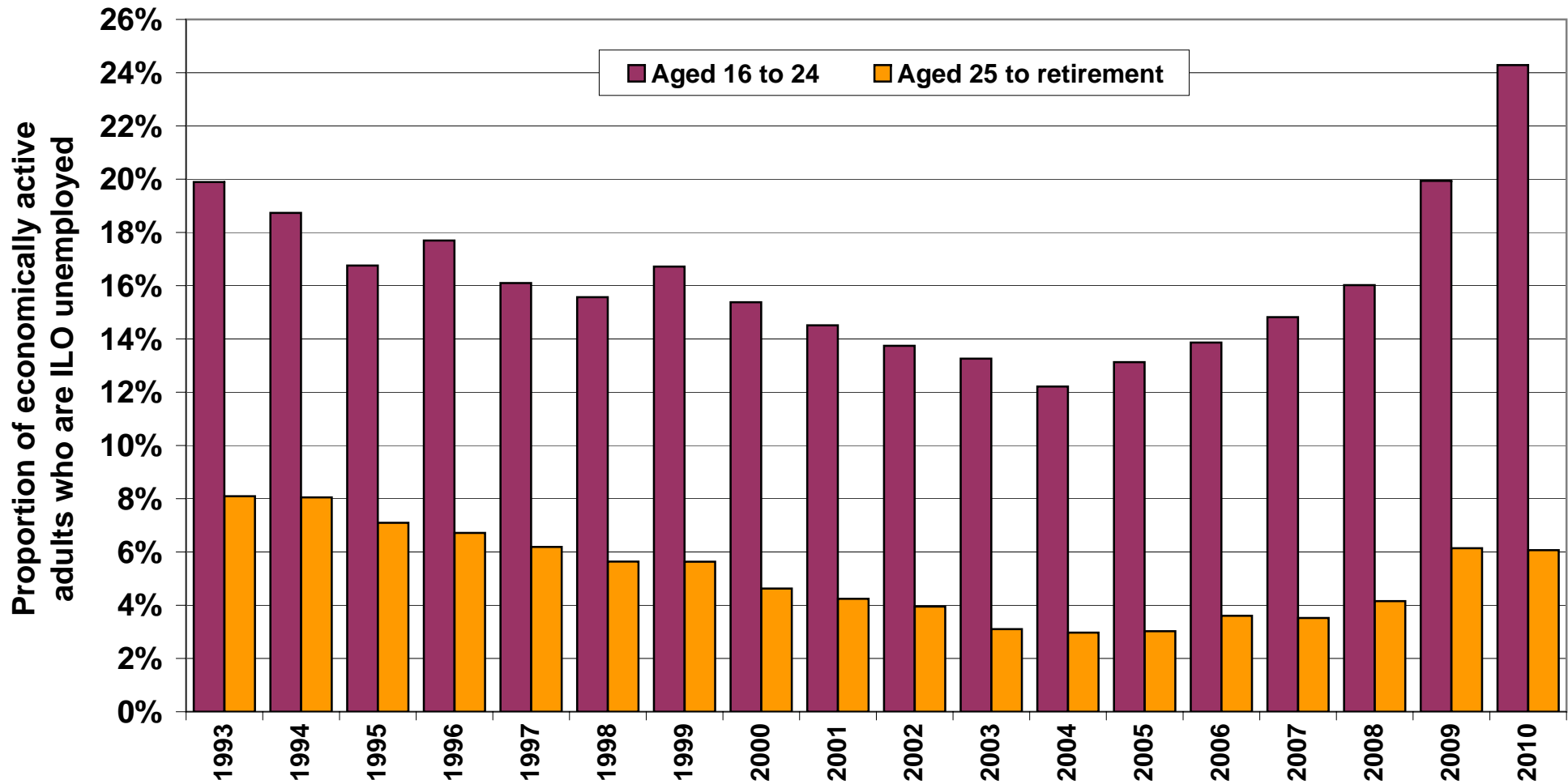


**At 24%, the unemployment rate for 16- to 24-year-olds has doubled since 2004 and is now much higher than the previous peak in the early 1990s. It is more than three times the rate for older workers.**



Source: Labour Force Survey, ONS; updated Mar 2011