






Bowel cancer screening programmes at a glance

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 Bowel	England 	Scotland 	Wales 	Northern Ireland 
Age	50-74 [a]	50-74	50-74 [a]	60-74
Frequency	2 yearly On request from 75	2 yearly On request from 75	2 yearly	2 yearly
Test	Faecal Immunochemical Test (FIT)			
Threshold	120 µg/g	80 µg/g	80 µg/g	120 µg/g
Uptake [b]	71% (2023-24)	66% (2023-24)	66% (2022-23)	58% (2022-23)

[a] People aged 50 are gradually being invited using a phased approach, due to be completed in 2025.

[b] Caution should be taken when making comparisons across countries due to differences in time periods of data, changes to age ranges and/or differences in the definitions of coverage and uptake of screening.