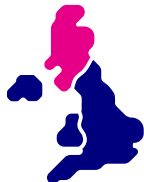


Bowel cancer screening programmes at a glance

September 2025

 Bowel	England 	Scotland 	Wales 	Northern Ireland 
Age	50-74	50-74	50-74	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	120µg/g [a]	80µg/g	80µg/g	120µg/g
Uptake [b]	68% (2023-24)	66% (2022-24)	66% (2023-24)	67% (2023-24)

[a] NHS England is beginning to reduce the FIT threshold to 80 µg/g across several early-adopter sites.

[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.