

Bowel Screening - 2020/2021

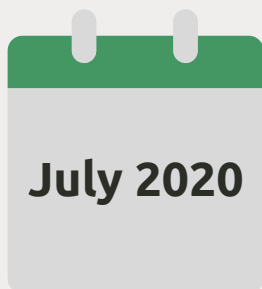
Inequity Key Messages

This information will help screening and our partners work towards improving uptake and reducing inequities.



People aged 60-74 were invited to take part in bowel screening.

Due to the pandemic, screening paused in March 2020.



Screening started to invite people again.

Fewer people were invited to take part in bowel screening.

Uptake = the proportion of eligible invited participants screened within six months of invitation, making this the latest available data as of **October 2021**.

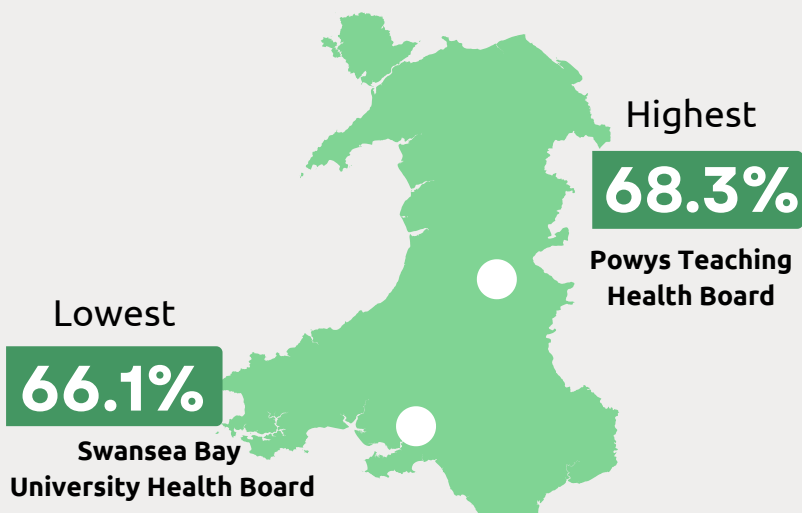
Screening uptake

2020/2021 67.1%

Compared to

2019/2020 61.5%

Geographical variation in uptake between Health Boards



Uptake by deprivation

Most deprived

58.9%

Least deprived

73.4%

Variation in uptake by gender

Men 66.1%

Women 68.1%

Uptake by age

60 to 64 years

65.8%

65 to 69 years

69%

70 to 74 years

68.1%

People taking part for the **first time** had a lower uptake compared with those who had **previously** taken part in screening.

First timers 65.9%

Compared with

Previous attenders 90.8%

Uptake of screening was lowest in those who had previously not responded to their invite.

Previously not responded 25.5%



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