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Monitoring of self-collection in the National Cervical Screening Program

Summary pack

QUARTERLY REPORT – Q2 2025

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SCEE appears to be targeting more vulnerable groups including those under-screened

National SC Uptake: Increased to 46%, despite declining HPV test volumes

By Age: Uptake rose across all age groups, highest in 70–74 years at 53.5%

By State/Territory: Uptake also increased across all S & T; highest in Tasmania at 60.6%

By SEIFA Quintile: Uptake increased across all quintiles; highest in Quintile 2 at 47.5%

By Remoteness (ARIA): Uptake rose in all areas; highest in very remote areas at 66.7%

Never/Under screened (30–74 yrs): Increased uptake in the hard-to-reach groups with the uptake being slightly higher in under-screened at 60.1%

Switching to SC: 38.0% of people who screened in 2025 switched from CC to SC

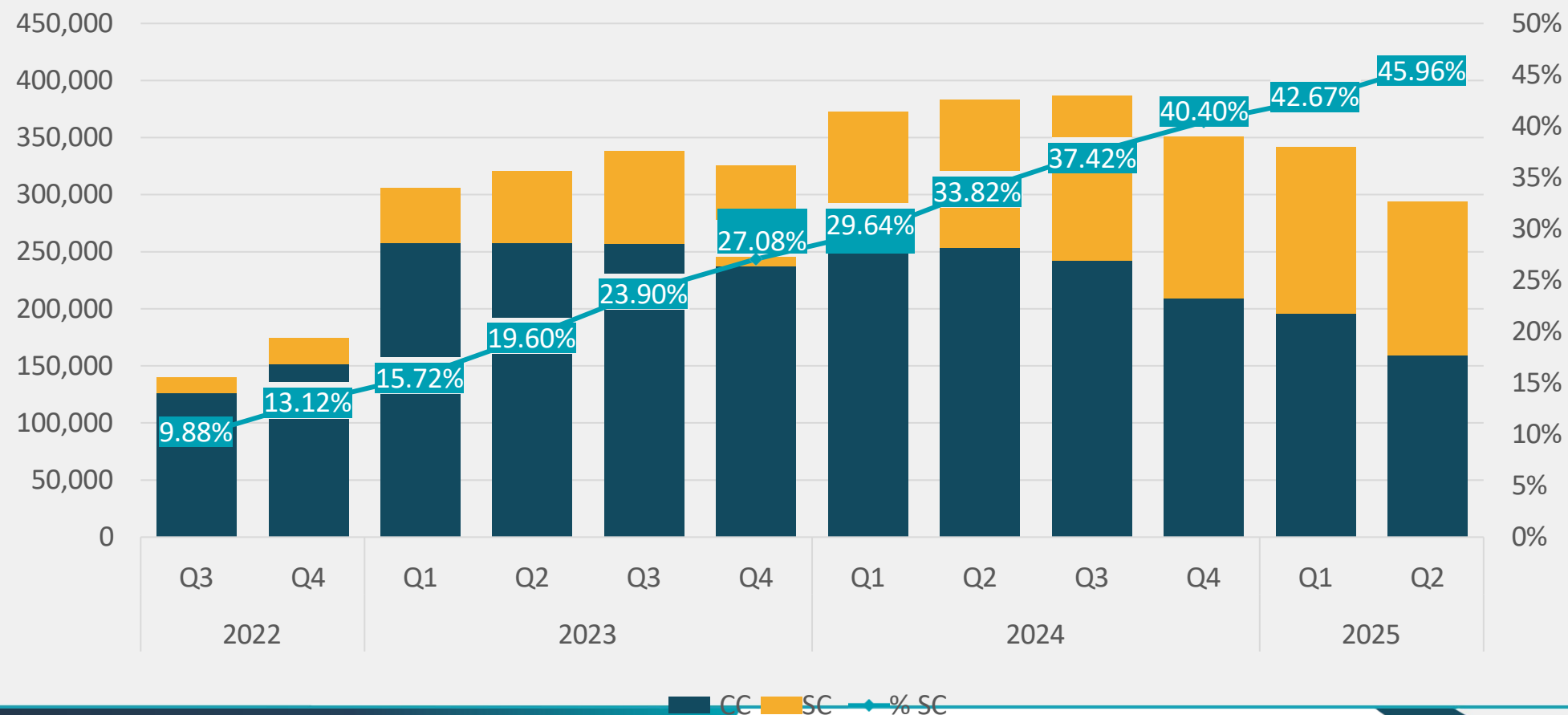


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SELF-COLLECT UPTAKE- SC EE PERIOD

Since the Self-Collection Eligibility Expansion (SCEE) in July 2022, the proportion of self-collected HPV tests has steadily increased each quarter. However, total test volumes—both clinician- and self-collected—declined in Q2 2025.

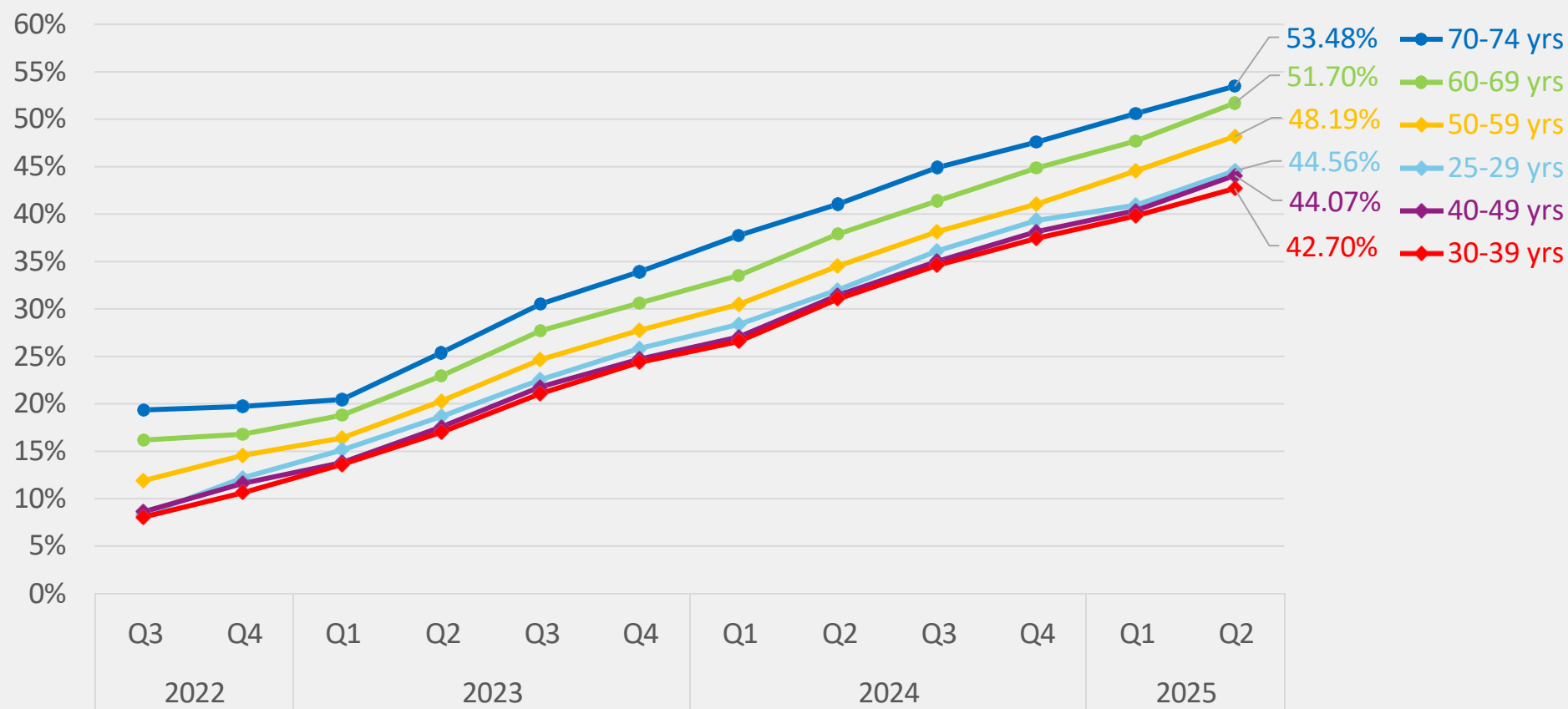




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SELF-COLLECT BY AGE GROUP- SCCE PERIOD

Although self-collected test numbers declined across all age groups except 25–29 years in Q2 2025, the proportion of tests that were self-collected continued to rise.

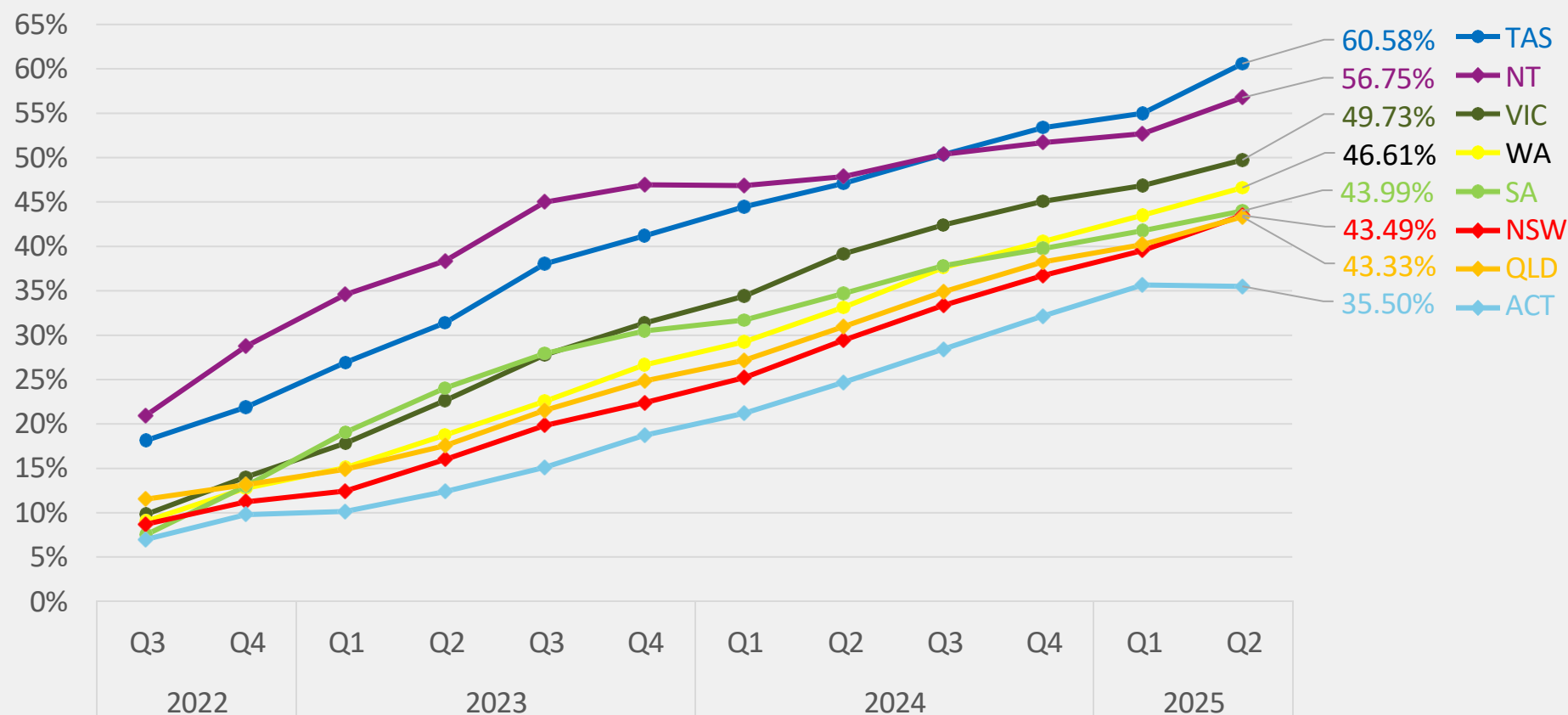




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SELF-COLLECT BY STATE OR TERRITORY- SCCE PERIOD

Although self-collected test numbers declined across all states & territories in Q2 2025, the proportion of tests that were self-collected continued to rise except in ACT which saw a slight decline.



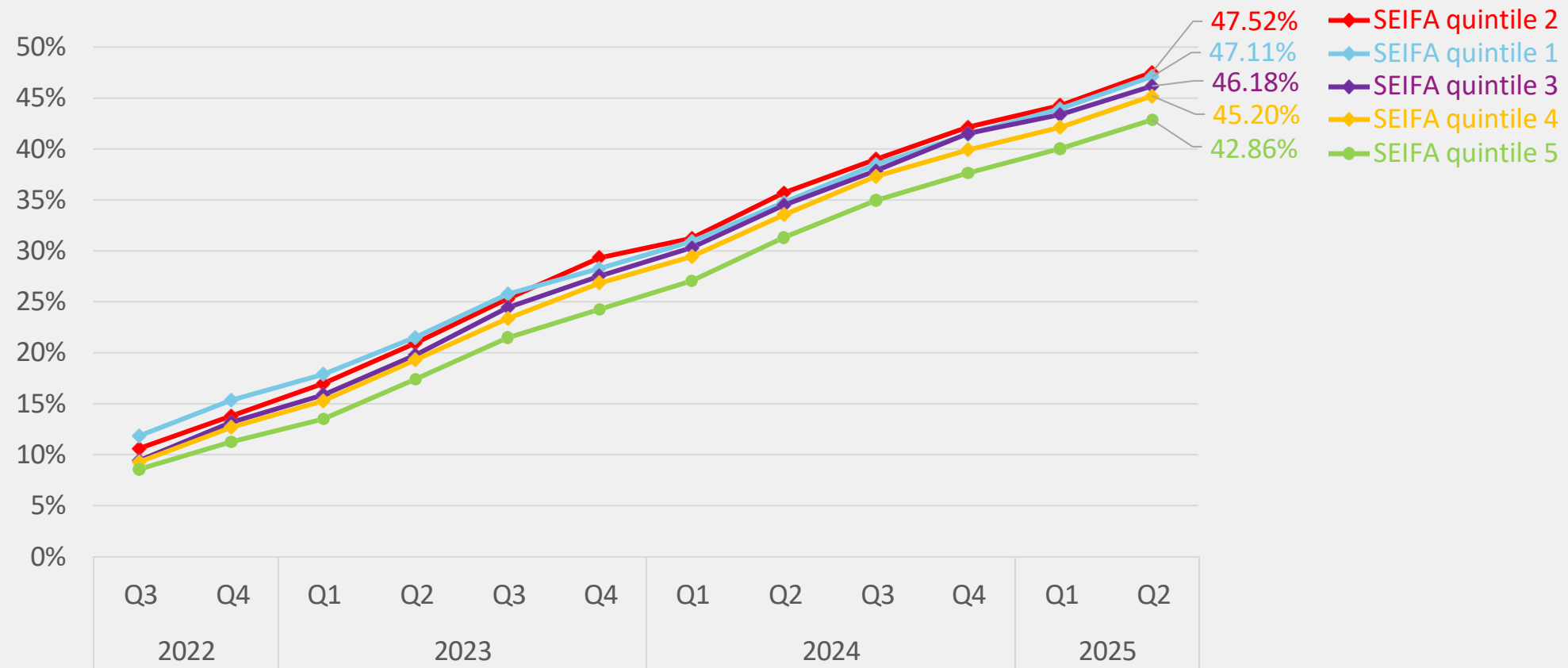


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SELF-COLLECT BY SEIFA QUINTILE- SCCE PERIOD

Although self-collected test numbers declined across all SEIFA quintiles in Q2 2025, the proportion of tests that were self-collected continued to rise except across all quintiles.



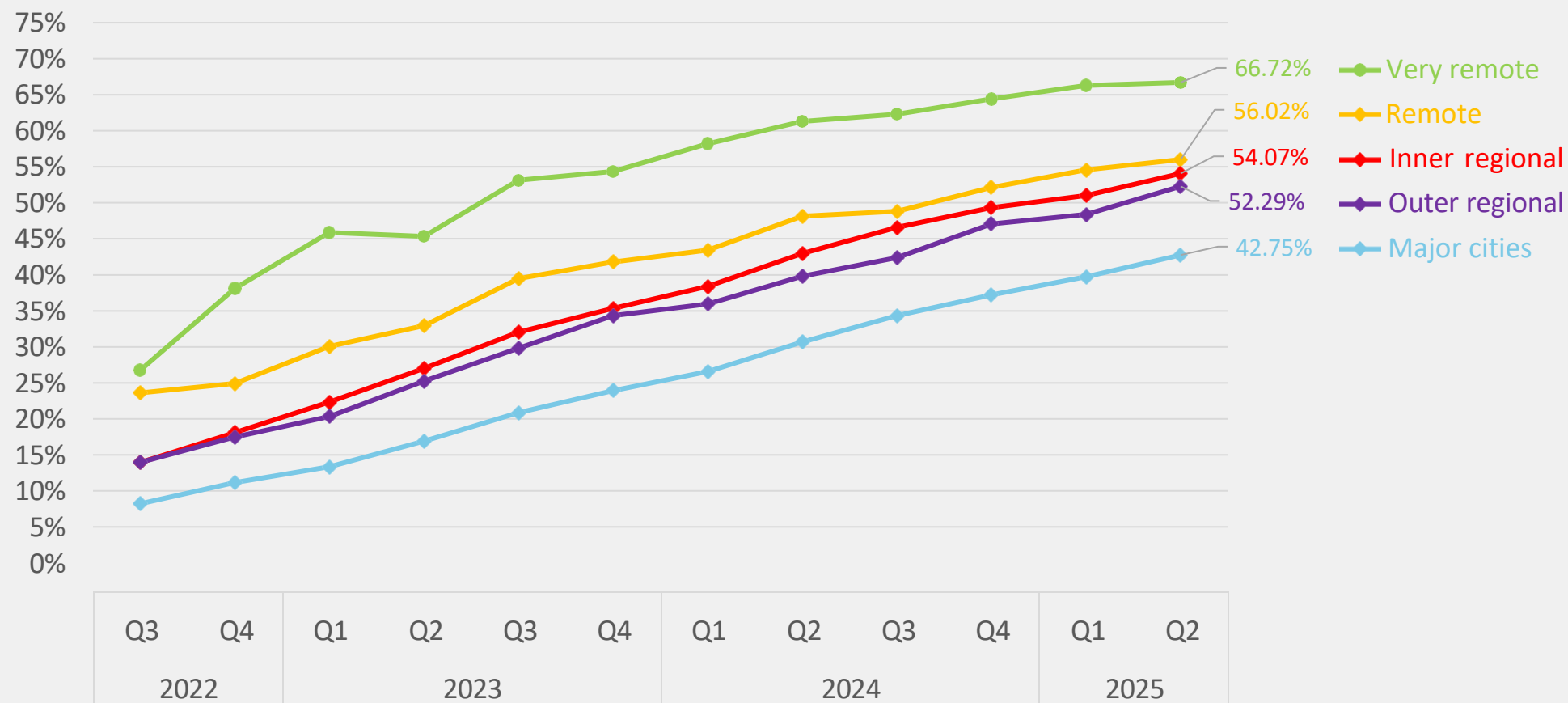
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SELF-COLLECT BY ARIA REMOTENESS INDEX- SCCE PERIOD

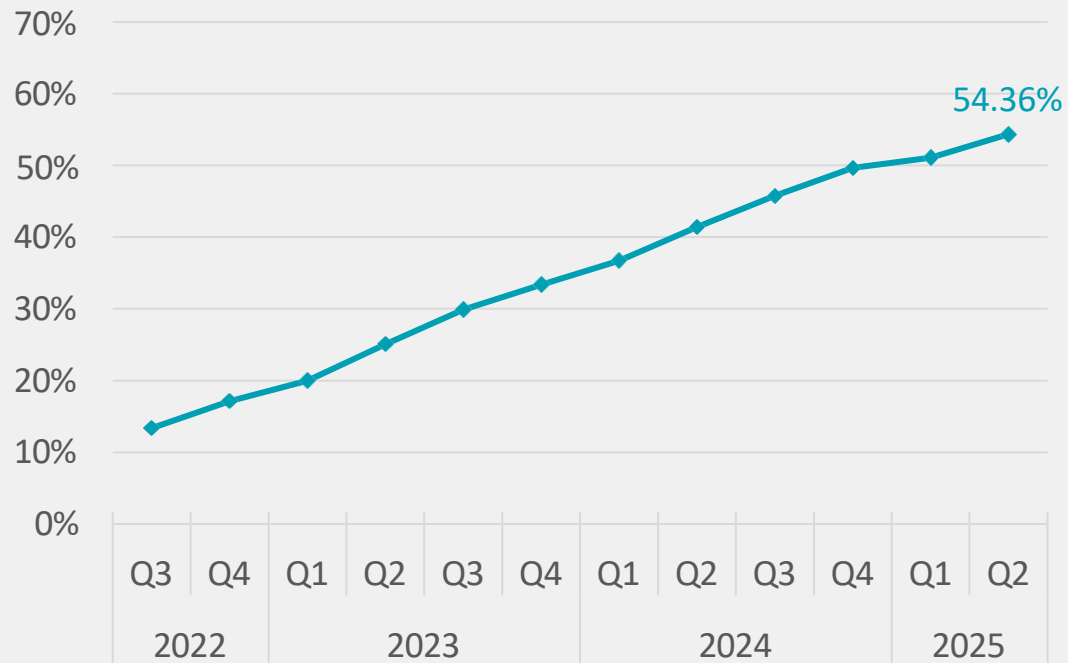
Although self-collected test numbers declined across all ARIA remoteness areas in Q2 2025, the proportion of tests that were self-collected continued to rise for all remoteness areas.



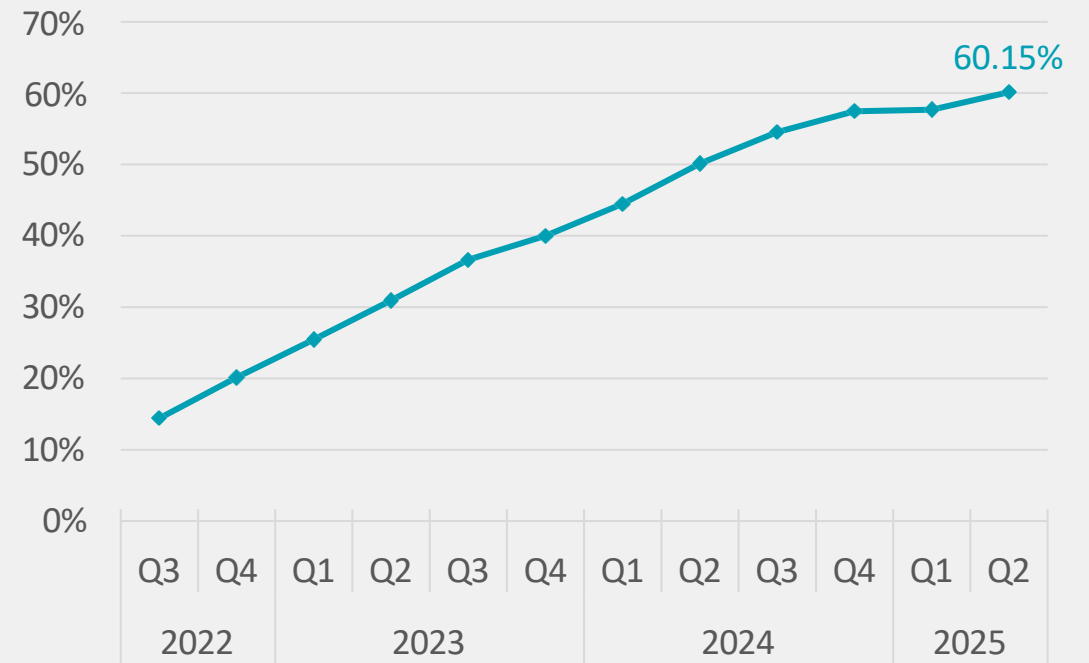
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SELF-COLLECT BY SCREENING HISTORY- SCIE PERIOD

Never screened:
No prior screening test and aged 30-74 years

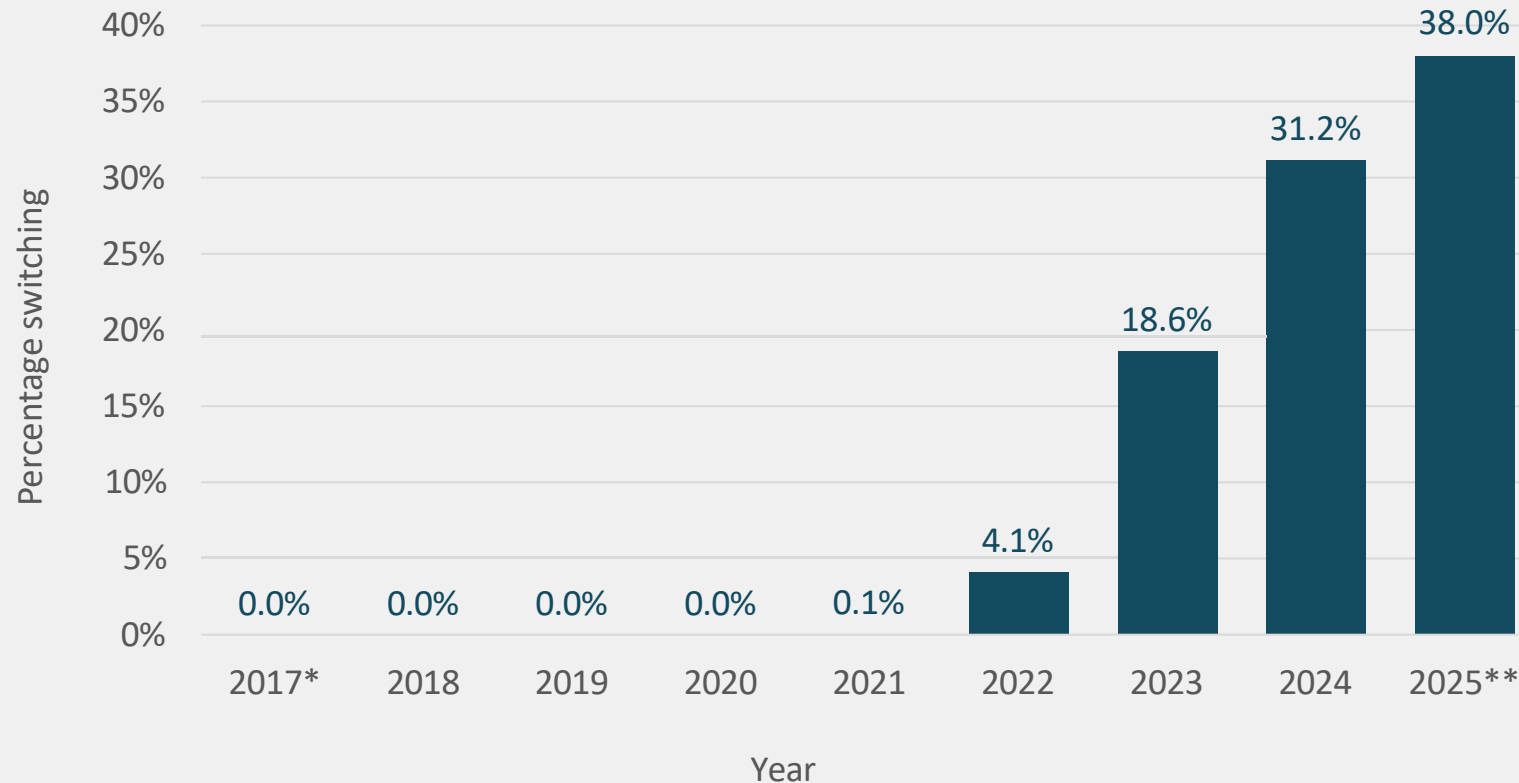


Under screened:
>2 years overdue and aged 30-74 years



There was a consistent increase in uptake in both never-screened and under-screened individuals.

SWITCH FROM CLINICIAN-COLLECTION TO SELF-COLLECTION FOR EACH CALENDAR YEAR



The proportion of participants with at least two HPV screening tests where a switch was made from clinician-collected to self-collected increased from 4.1% in 2022 to 38.0% for the first half of 2025.

2017* includes only December 2017

2025** includes quarters 1 & 2

Denominator: Count of all participants with two HPV screening tests with the more recent HPV test reported in the year that it was performed.

Numerator: Count of all participants with two HPV screening tests where the collection method in the most recent HPV test was SC and the collection method in the prior screening test was CC.