



Ipsos MORI

TECHNOLOGY TRACKER

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Q1 2019

Areas Covered

Quarterly tracker - trends in internet usage, tech ownership and the connected home

GB face to face survey via Ipsos MORI capibus

**Latest wave quarter 1 2019
(fieldwork conducted 1st – 10th February)**

**Representative sample of c.1000
GB adults ages 15+**



Internet Usage



Connected Home



**Smartphone
Ownership**



Tablet Ownership



Social Networking



**Voice Activated
Speakers**

Summary

This quarter's Tech Tracker shows us the continued rise in popularity for Voice Activated Speakers over the Christmas Period. With penetration now at 14% across GB (significantly higher than this time last year at 8%).

Amazon's Echo line has emerged as the clear market leader with 79% of Voice Activated Speaker owners having one.

Most Voice Activated Speaker owners continue to focus on the traditional functionality of their speaker, primarily using it to listen to audio content (83%).

Personal data security is the largest concern for owners, with almost 1/3rd (30%) concerned their conversations or data is being recorded and stored.

In the broader tech space we have seen internet connectivity remain steady with ~90% of GB adults connected. Connecting using a mobile phone has become as popular as home broadband and looks set to become the primary connection method in the coming year.

The popularity of Smart TVs has continued to rise with ownership now at 41% up 7 percentage points from Q1 2018, while smartphones remain our most owned device.

In the smartphone market, 83% of GB adults own at least one smartphone with iOS and Android phones each having around 40% market share.





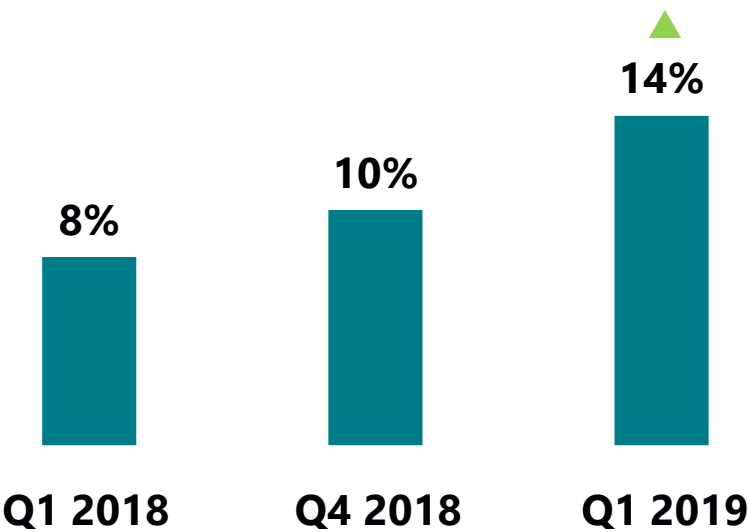
Voice Activated Speakers

Since Q1 2018 ownership of Voice Activated Speakers has almost doubled



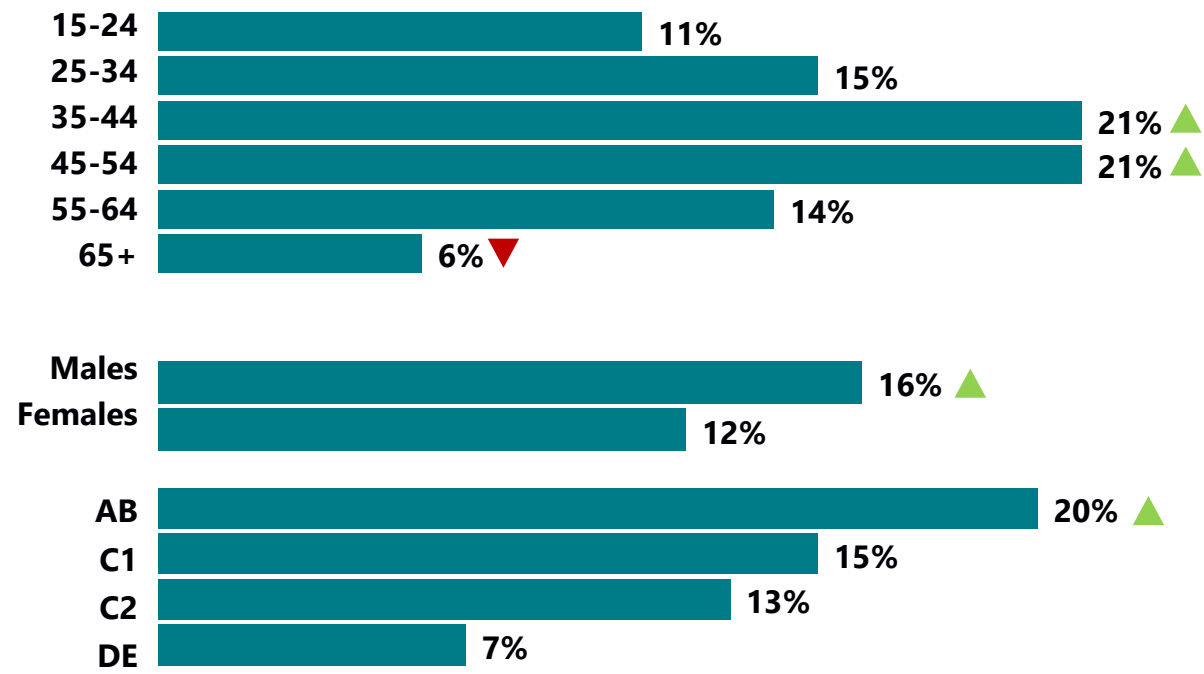
Those aged 35-54 are the most likely to own one

Voice Activated Speaker ownership



Significantly higher / lower @ 95% confidence level vs Q1 2018

Voice Activated Speaker ownership by age



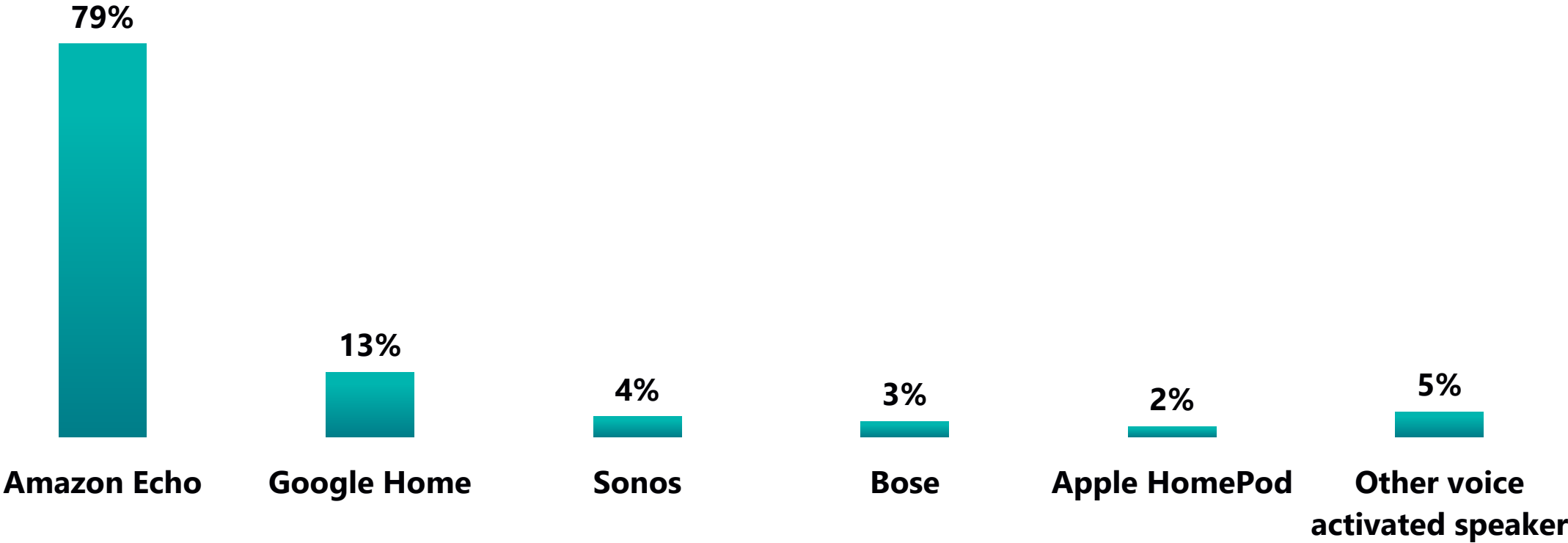
Significantly higher / lower @ 95% confidence level within demographic groups

Amazon's Echo is the clear market leader

Over the Christmas period Amazon announced the Echo Dot was the top seller across the site



Voice Activated Speaker ownership by brand







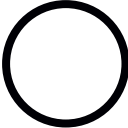


Almost half of Voice Activated Speaker owners received theirs as a gift



The top 3 reasons for owning one remain the same as Q1 2018

Reasons for owning a Voice Activated Speaker

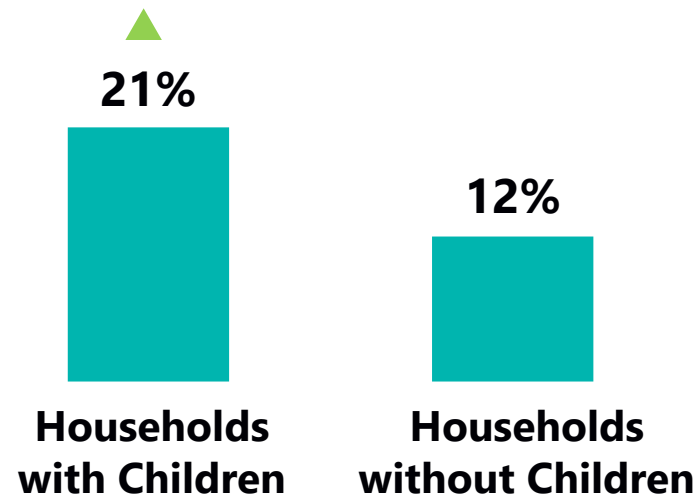
	It was a gift	For music streaming	Listening to the radio	To use as an alarm clock	To find out what it does	For managing smart home appliances	Other
							
Q1 2018	48%	28%	26%	13%	17%	12%	48%
Q1 2019	43%	32%	28%	15%	15%	12%	40%

Households with children are significantly more likely to own a Voice Activated Speaker



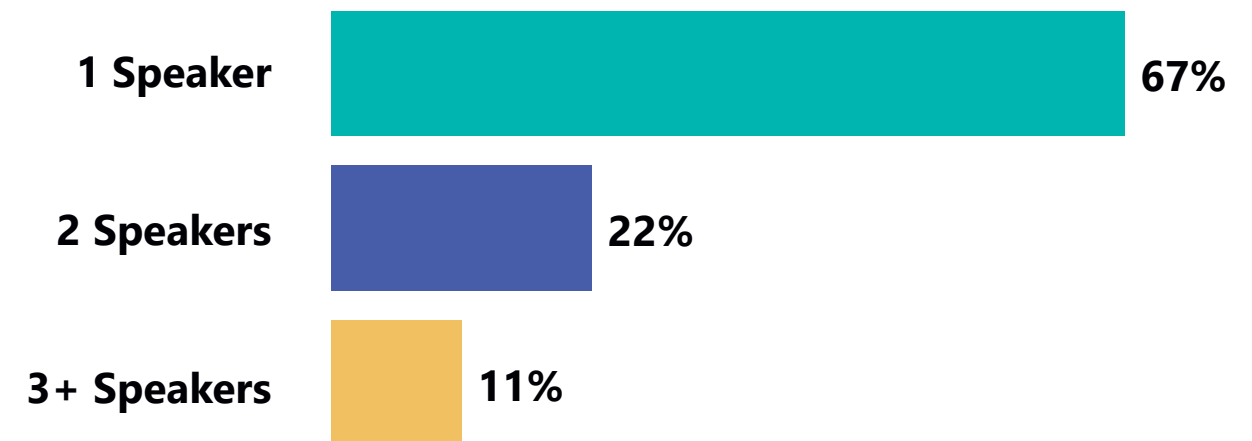
The average owner has 1.5 speakers

Voice Activated Speaker ownership across households



Number of Voice Activated Speakers owned

1.5 is the average number of Voice Activated Speaker an owner will have



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Base: circa 250 GB adults aged 15+ who own Voice Activated Speaker

Source: Ipsos MORI

Most owners use their Voice Activated Speaker for its “traditional” speaker functions

Less than half use them for “smart” speaker functions



Functions they have used Voice Activated Speakers for

“Traditional” Functionality “Smart” Functionality

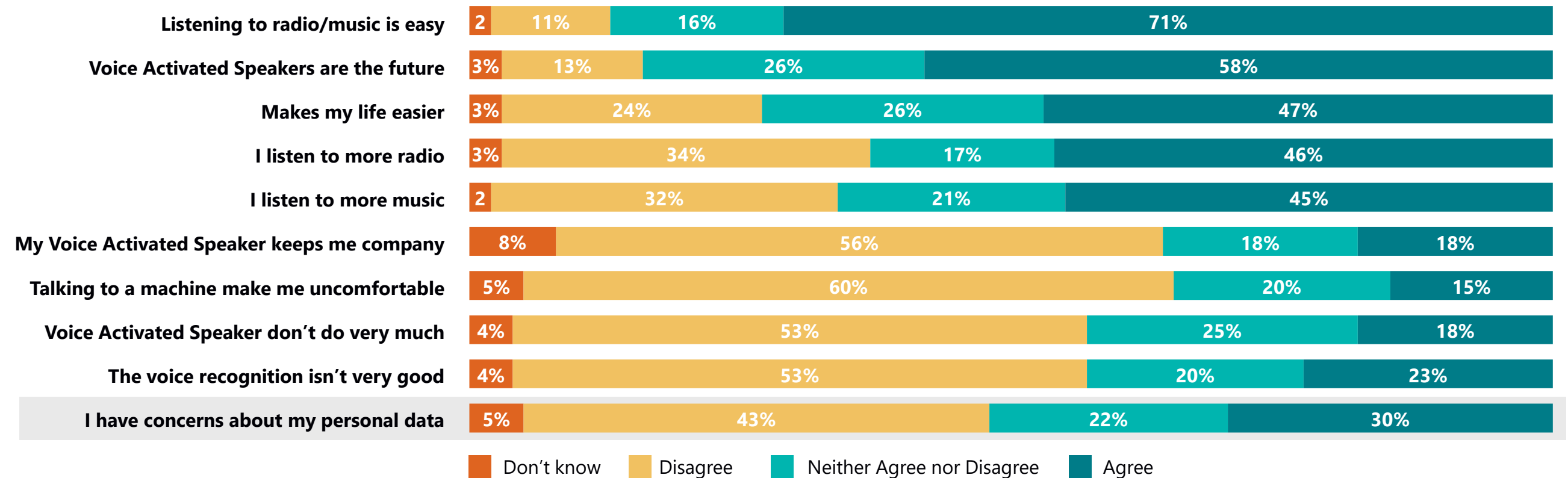
83%
Of owners are using their Voice Activated Speaker for any audio content/ service and this is similar across all age groups



Owners of Voice Activated Speakers see them as the future for speakers, though security remains a concern for some



Statements about Voice Activated Speakers usage





Internet Usage

How, When, Where

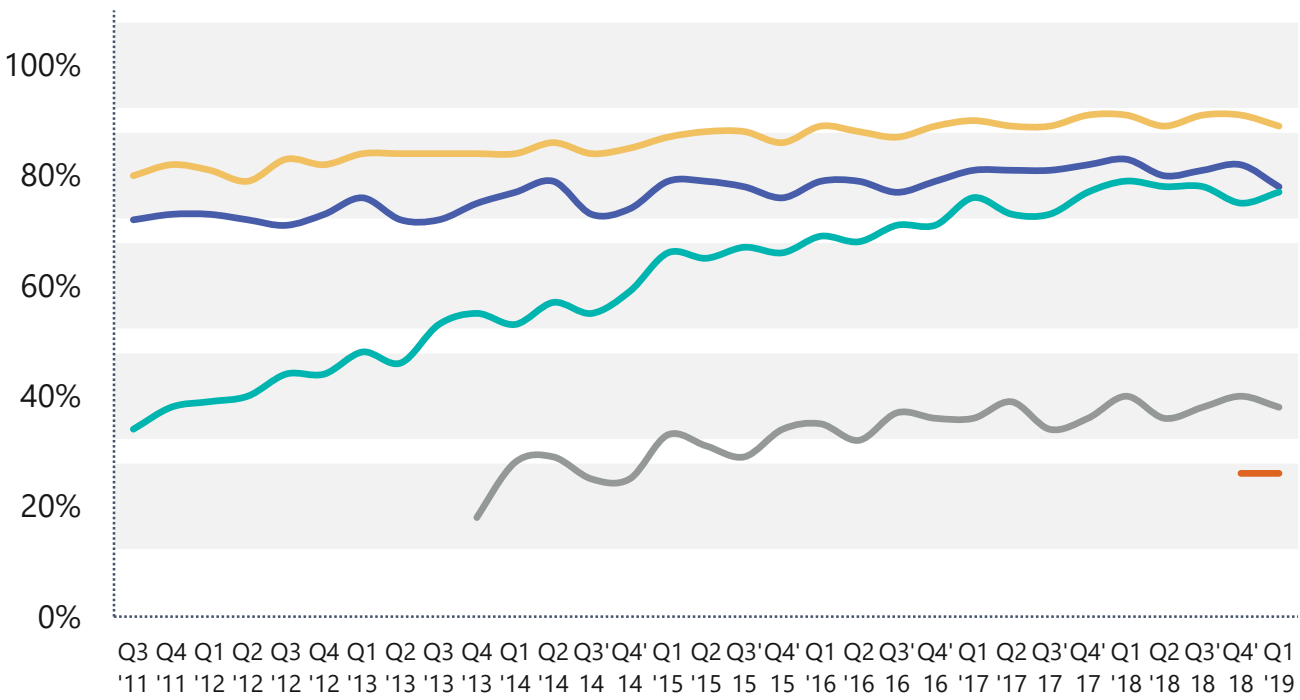


Almost 90% connect to the internet anywhere

While connecting using a mobile phone is set to overtake connecting via broadband



% How people connect to the internet



- 89% Internet usage anywhere
- 78% Broadband at home
- 77% *Connect using Mobile Phone
- 38% Connect via Tablet
- 26% Connect via Mobile Internet Device

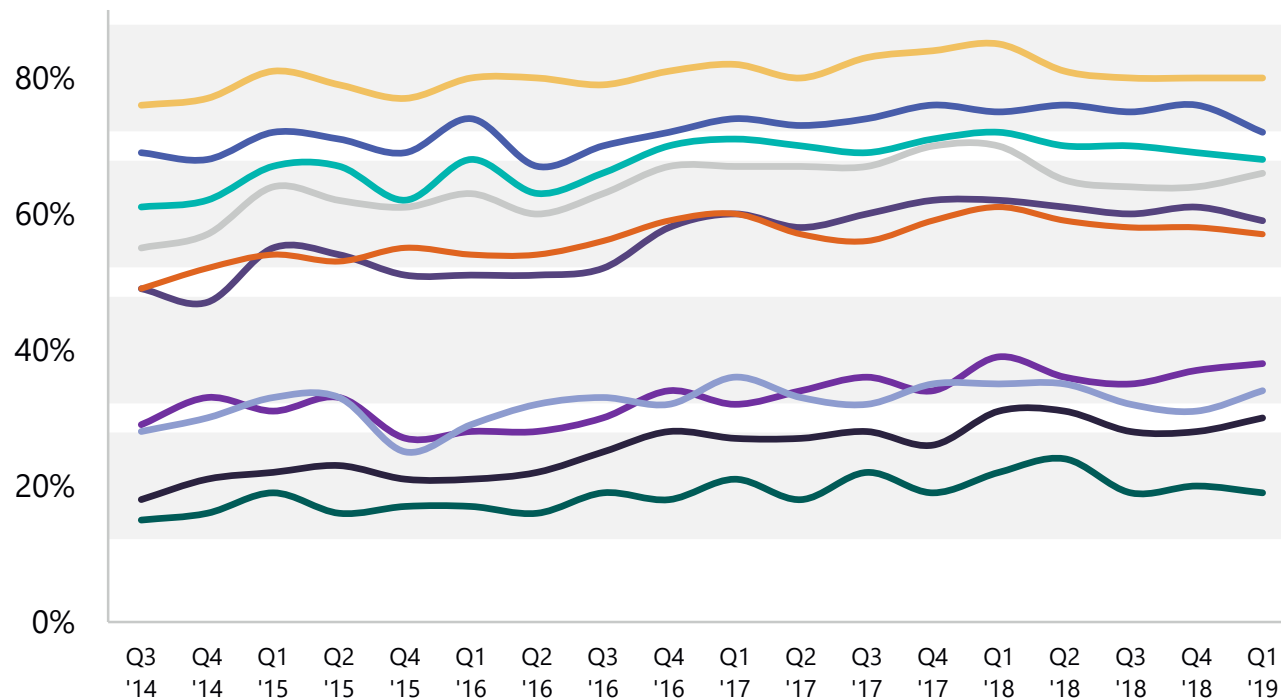
* The wording used for measuring 'internet connection by mobile phone' has been updated which means earlier data is not strictly comparable and is therefore not shown

Email remains the most popular online activity

While 2/3rds of GB adults now shop online, rising by 10 percentage points since Q3 2014



% Use of the internet in the past 3 months



- 80% Read or send emails
- 72% Visit sites for info personal interests
- 68% Visit sites for info on products thinking of buying
- 66% Visit sites to buy products online
- 59% Check bank account/ other financial holdings
- 57% Social networking
- 38% Download/ stream music
- 34% Download/ stream TV
- 30% Download/ stream movies
- 19% Play video games online

Question not asked between Q2 - 4 2015

Amongst those aged 15-34 internet connectivity is close to 100% across gender & social grade



Connectivity falls among those over 65

Internet connectivity by demographic

	All	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	
Males	92%	99%	99%	97%	96%	92%	71%	0-49%
AB	97%	100%	98%	100%	100%	100%	90%	50-74%
C1	95%	100%	100%	100%	99%	93%	77%	75-100%
C2	89%	100%	100%	97%	93%	89%	53%	
DE	84%	98%	98%	88%	92%	80%	49%	
Females	89%	98%	98%	96%	98%	91%	64%	
AB	95%	100%	99%	100%	98%	98%	83%	
C1	92%	99%	100%	97%	98%	97%	69%	
C2	91%	100%	99%	100%	98%	94%	65%	
DE	76%	94%	96%	86%	97%	71%	46%	

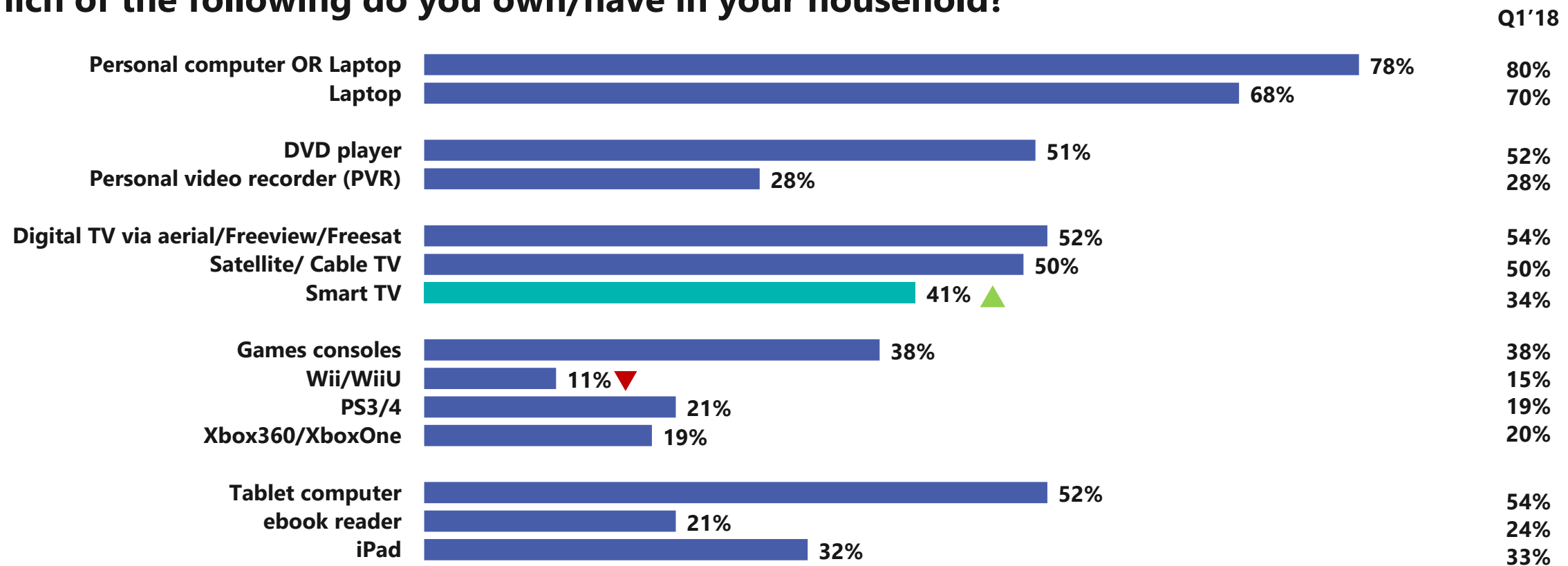


Connected Home

The popularity of Smart TVs continues to rise year-on-year, rising significantly by 7% from Q1 2018



Which of the following do you own/have in your household?



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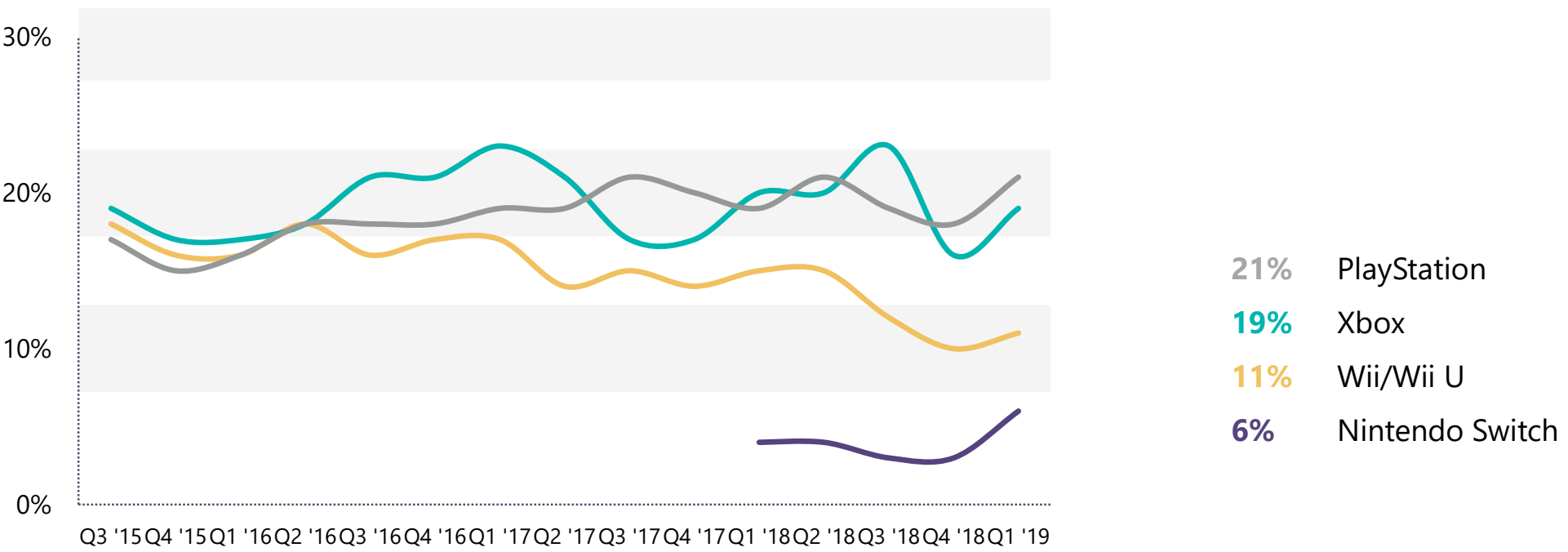
Base: circa 1,000 GB adults aged 15+: Quarter 1 2019

Source: Ipsos MORI

Over the Christmas period, the Nintendo Switch doubled in ownership from Q4 2018



Which of the following do you own/have in your household?



Almost a quarter of GB adults have a smart meter in their homes, while 1 in 10 of us now own a smart watch



29% (net)

own a Smart Home device

23% Smart Meter

10% Smart home appliance
(excl. Smart TV & Meters)



20% (net)

own a Fitness Tracker
or Smart Watch

14% Fitness Tracker

10% Smart Watch



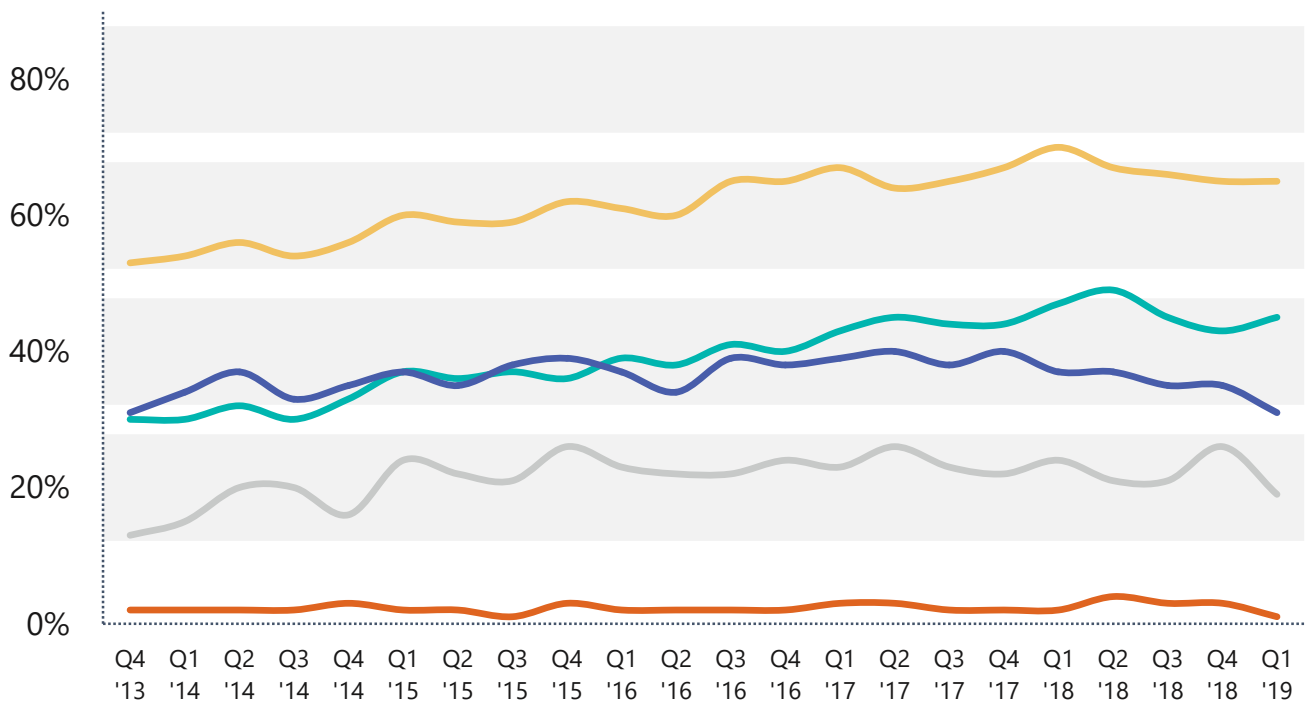
Social Networking

2/3rds of GB adults are accessing social networks

With smartphones remaining their most popular device to access through



% Visiting social networking sites



- 65% Any device (inc. computers)
- 45% Smartphone
- 31% PC/Laptop
- 19% Tablet
- 1% Connected TV*

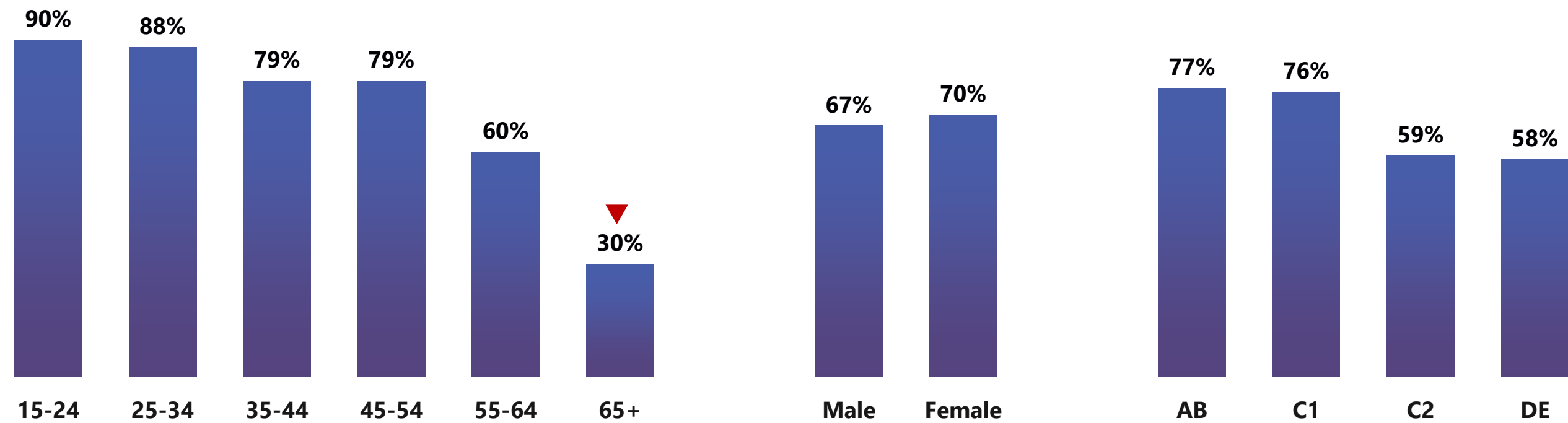
Connected TV* - Games console, web enabled TVs and PCs connected to a TV

Social media users across GB skew younger and are more likely to be ABC1



There are no significant differences between genders

% Use of social media by age

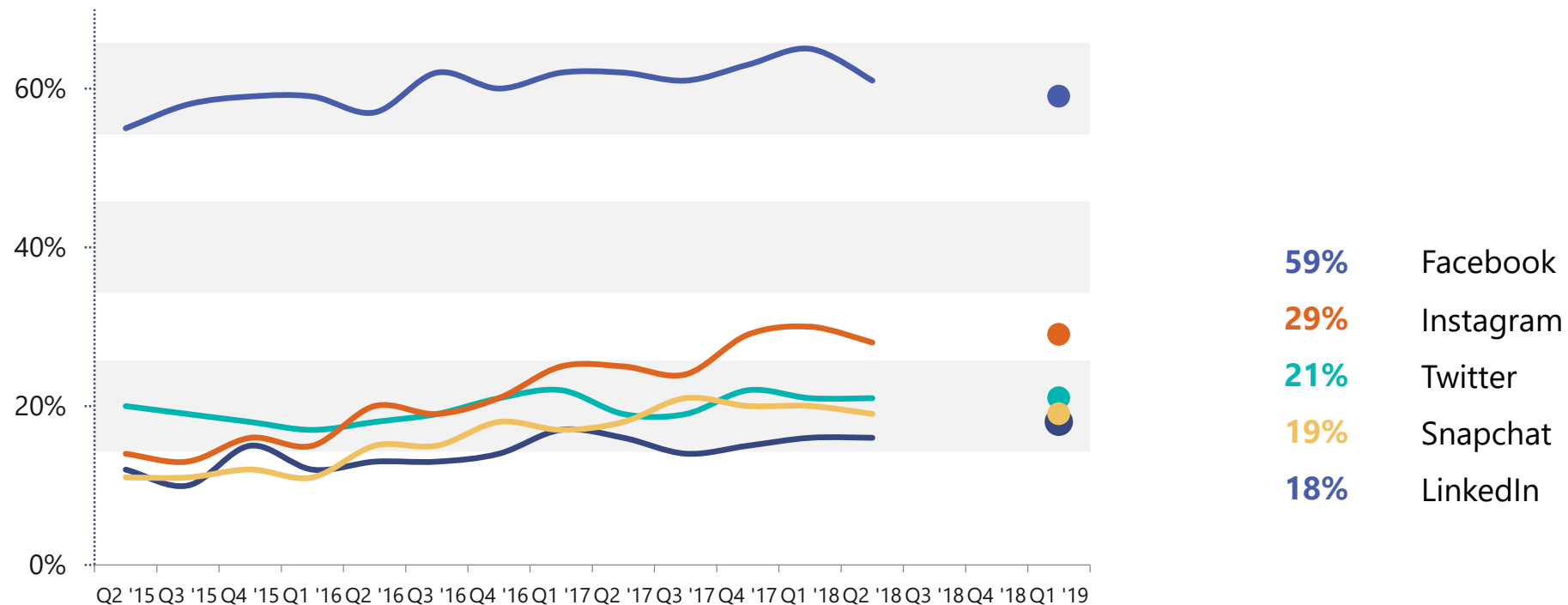


Facebook remains the leading social network amongst GB Adults

The other social networks are all used by around ¼ of adults



% Visited in last 3 months



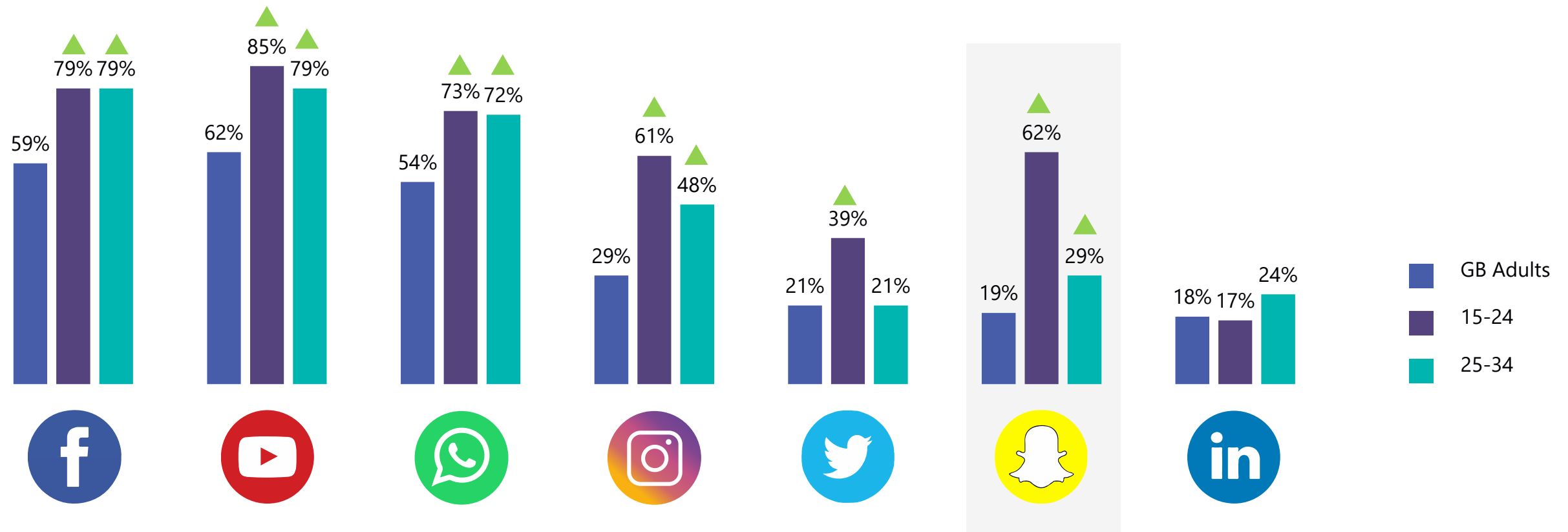
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Snapchat has the largest difference in use by age

3 in 5 15-24 year olds used it in the past 3 months, compared to 1 in 5 of all GB adults



% Use of social media in the past 3 months



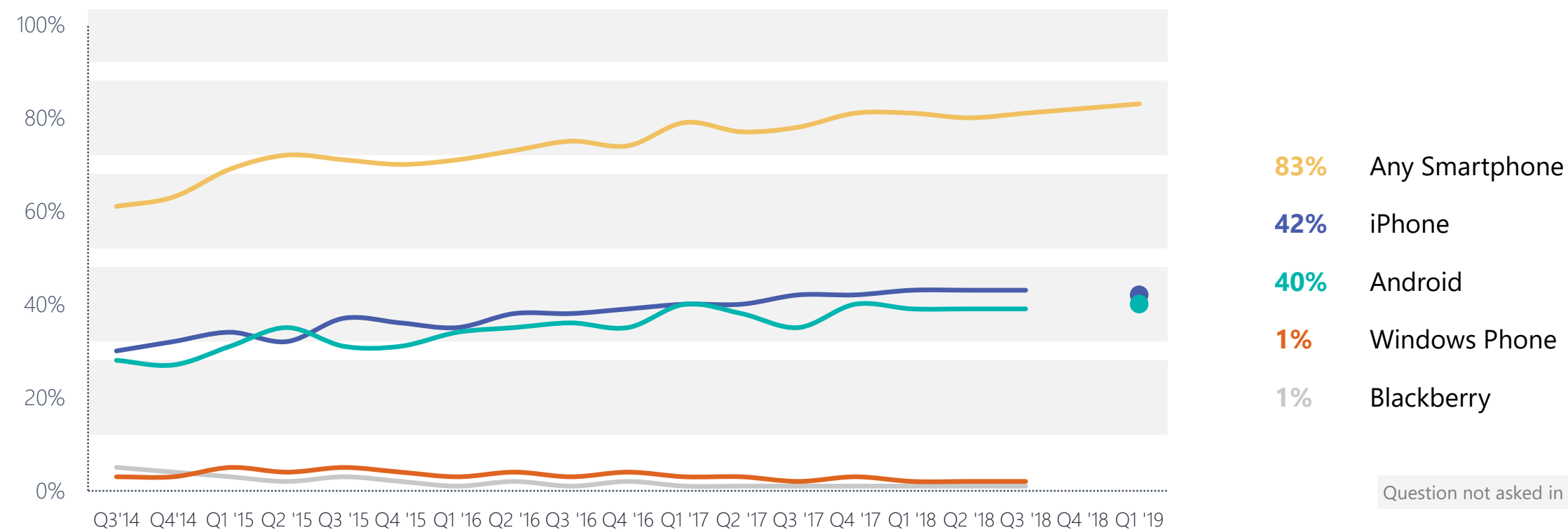


Smartphone Ownership

Smartphones remain our most popular devices, with iPhone and Android evenly splitting the GB population



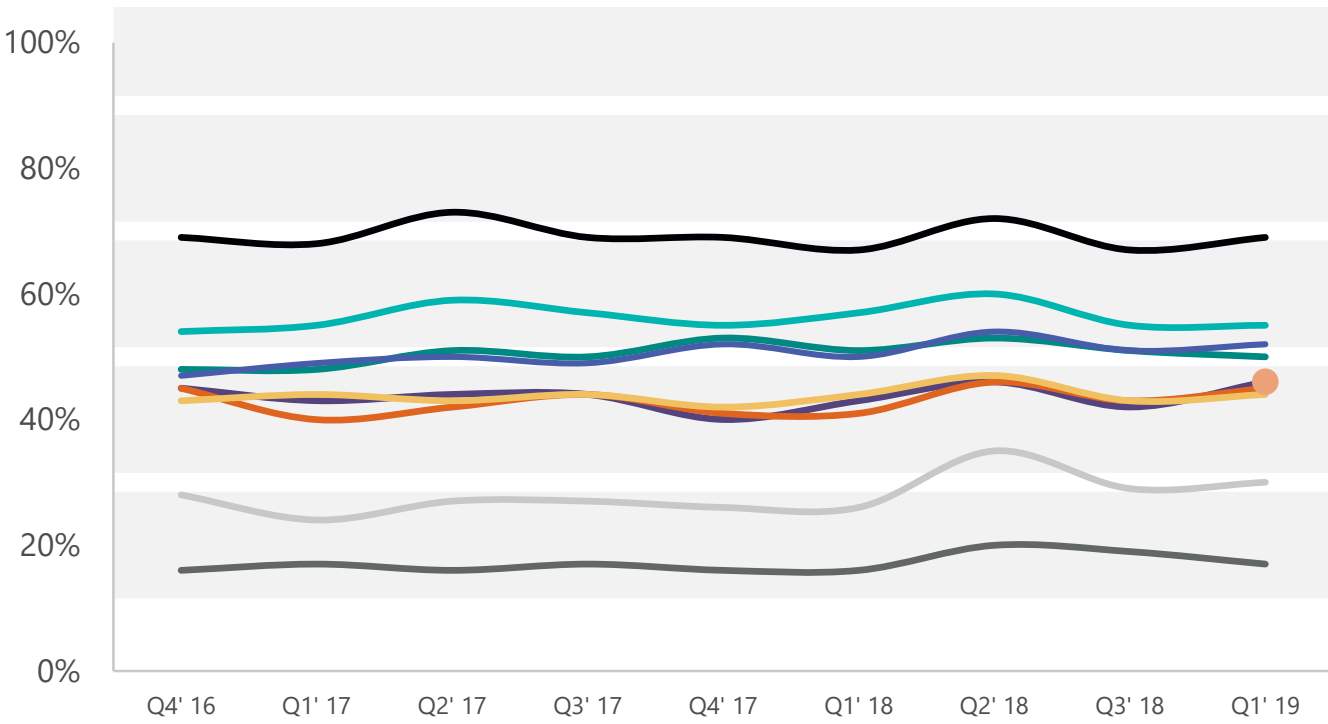
% Own by manufacturer



Younger smartphone owners are more likely to bank online & watch video clips on their smartphone



% Use of smartphone in the past 3 months



All GB Adults

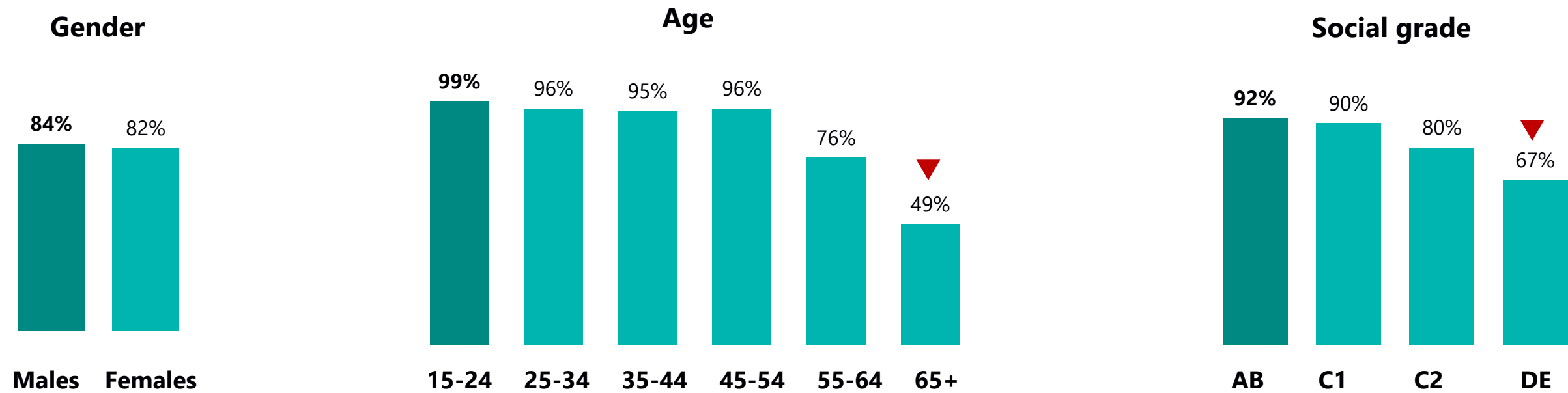
- 69% Read or send emails
- 55% Visit social networking sites
- 52% Online banking
- 50% Browse websites for personal interests
- 46% Download apps for free
- 46% Use instant messaging services
- 45% Watch video clips on sites such as Youtube
- 44% Online shopping
- 30% Download/ stream music over the internet
- 17% Watch catch-up TV

	15-34	35+
Read or send emails	71%	67%
Visit social networking sites	64%	49%
Online banking	64%	44%
Browse websites for personal interests	51%	49%
Download apps for free	53%	42%
Use instant messaging services	53%	42%
Watch video clips on sites such as Youtube	58%	38%
Online shopping	50%	41%
Download/ stream music over the internet	40%	24%
Watch catch-up TV	21%	15%

Almost 100% of 15-24 year olds own a smartphone, while adults aged 65+ are the least likely to own a smartphone



% Own a smartphone by gender, age and social grade





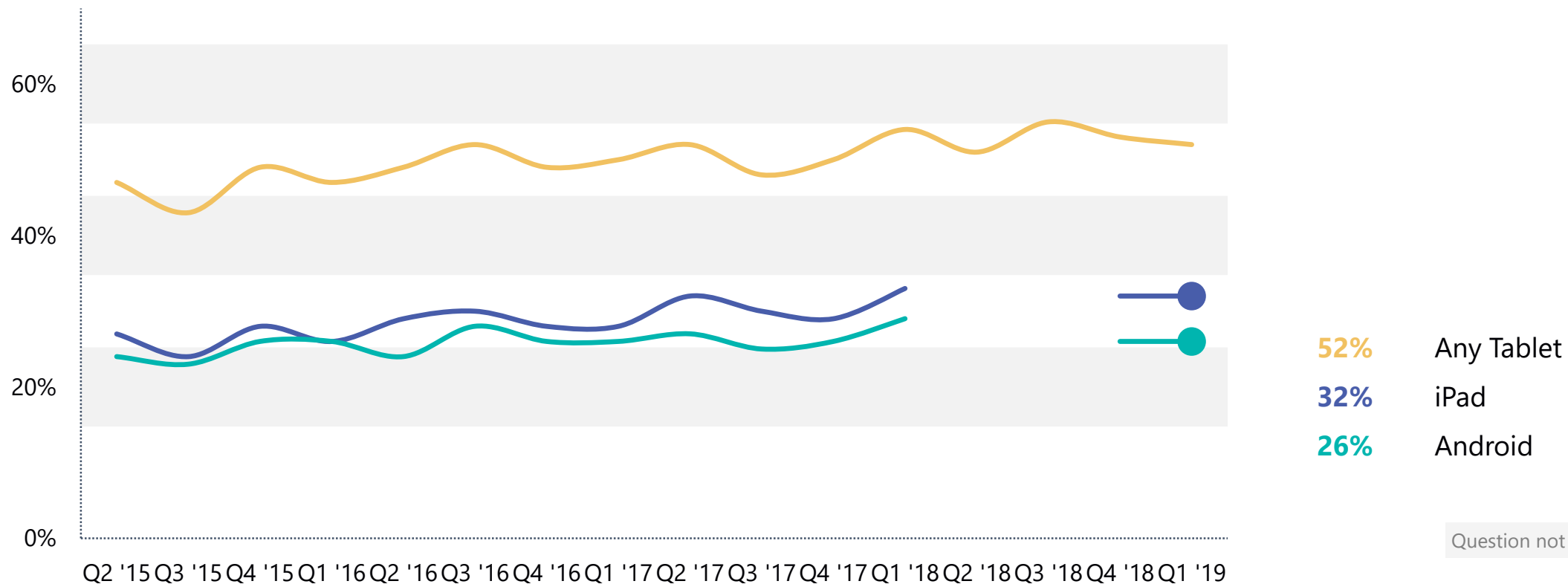
Tablet Ownership

Half of all GB households continue to own a tablet

Apple's iPads are marginally preferred to Android models



% Own a tablet in the household

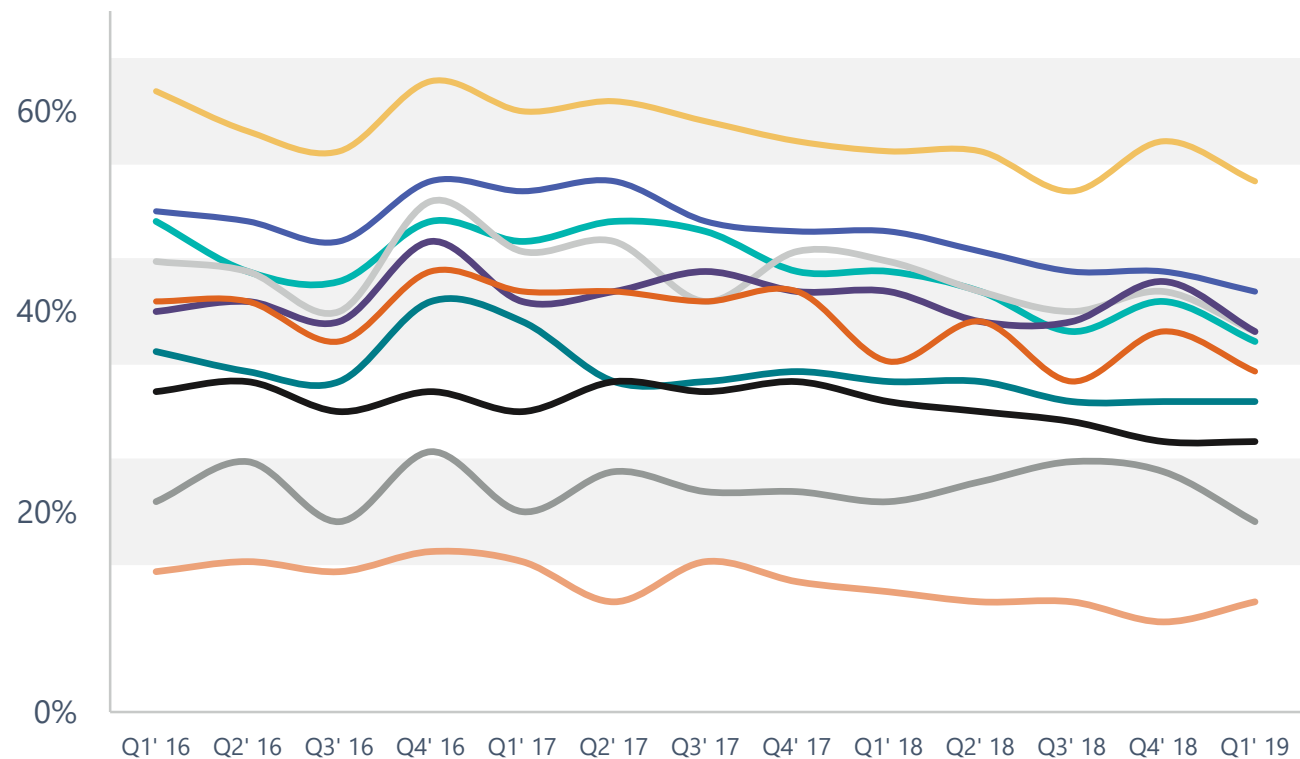


Email remains the most popular activity on tablets

Over a third of owners will use their tablet for watching video



% Use of tablet in the past 3 months



- 53% Read or send emails
- 42% Browse websites for personal interests
- 38% Online shopping
- 38% Watch video clips on sites such as YouTube
- 37% Visit social networking sites
- 34% Online banking
- 31% Download apps for free
- 27% Watch catch-up TV
- 19% Download/ stream music over the internet
- 11% Use the internet to make video calls (VOIP)

Question not asked between Q3-4 2018

**Please contact us if you
would like further data**



Tech tracker technical details

Ipsos MORI interviewed a quota sample of **1,000 adults aged 15+ in GB**.

The latest interviews were carried out face-to-face **1st – 10th February 2019**.

Data is weighted to a **nationally representative profile**.

A variety of other demographic breakdowns are available, including working status, household composition, ethnicity, income and newspaper readership.

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