

JICMAIL Quarterly Results

Q3 2023



Mail Media Metrics





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Share of attention

Tesco Clubcard, The NHS and Farmfoods are punching above their weight in delivering mail attention. Share of attention is higher than share of doormat (mail volumes) for each of these advertisers.

As of Q3 2023 a number of new variables have been added

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All new variables are labelled “(from Q3 2023)” and include:

Sectors:

- Bank / Building Society
- Insurance Services
- Other Financial Services

Content:

- QR Codes

Commercial Actions

- Emailed the sender
- Downloaded or used sender's app
- Used a QR code
- Made a purchase/payment/donation in a shop
- Made a purchase/payment/donation online
- Made a purchase/payment/donation by other means (e.g. postal, phone)

Physical Actions:

- Thrown Away
- Recycled

Item Variables:

- Received by Current Customer or Donor? Yes / No

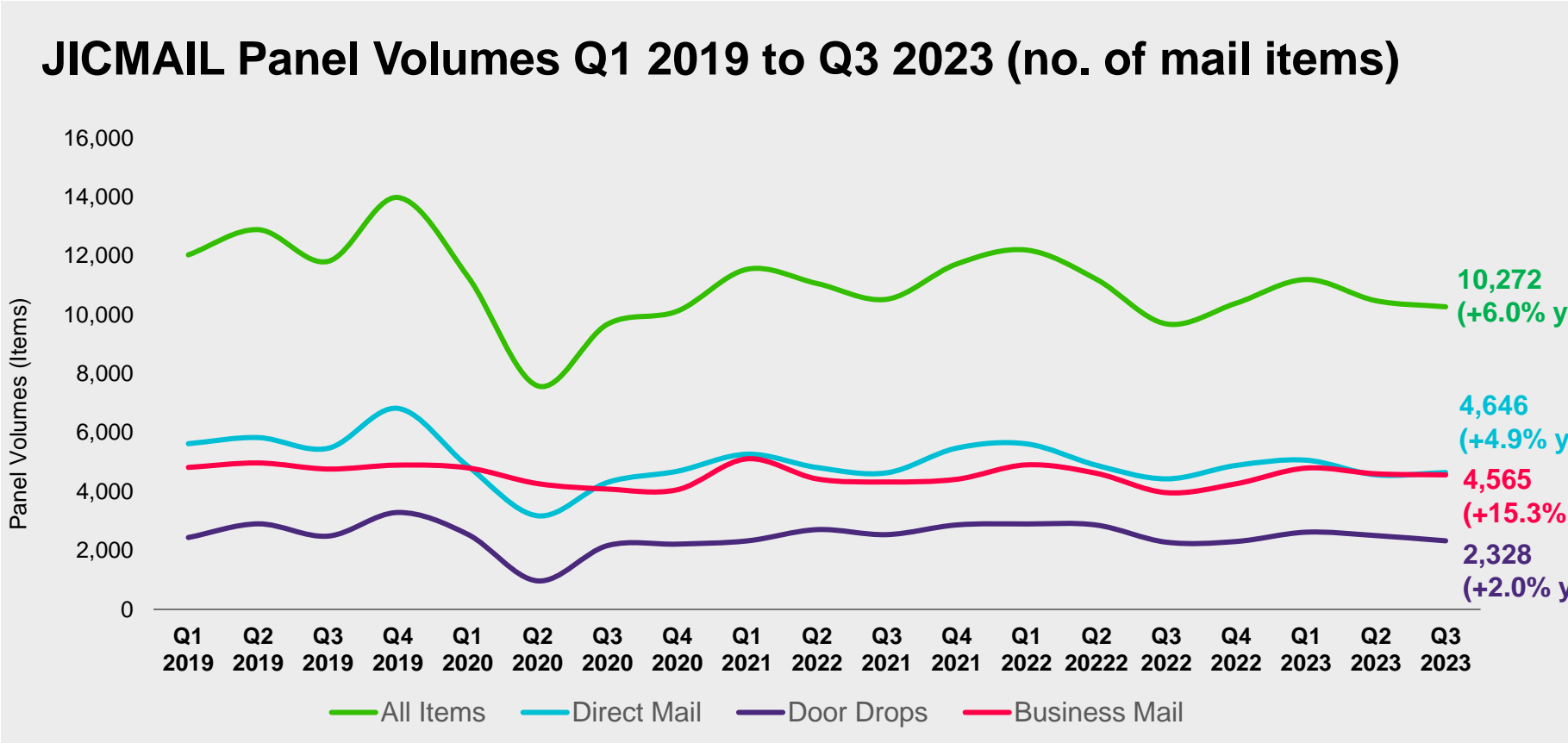


Users should filter on the Q3 2023 date filter onwards when viewing these new variables

The screenshot shows the 'Campaign Calculator' interface. At the top, there is a blue header with a 'Menu' icon and the title 'Campaign Calculator'. Below the header, there are several filter sections: 'Sector or Content' (set to 'BY SECTOR'), 'Mail Type' (radio buttons for 'Addressed Mail', 'Door Drop', 'Business Mail', 'Partially Addressed'), 'Category' (set to 'Bank / Building society (from Q3 2023)'), 'Select Commercial Objective' (set to 'All Commercial Action'), 'Select Demographic' (set to 'Adults 17+'), and 'Quarter' (set to 'Q3 2023'). A note on the right states: 'Please note: minimum sample size of 30+ displayed. Filter new Q3 2023 variables on Q3 2023 date filter onwards.' Below the filters, the main question is 'What is the predicted reach of your mail campaign?'. Underneath, it specifies 'Addressed Mail in Bank / Building society (from Q3 2023):'. The results are displayed in a grid of colored boxes: '1.11 Item Reach' (teal), '4.4 Frequency' (teal), '6.92 da Lifespan' (teal), '100 Campaign Reach' (purple), '111 Campaign Reach' (dark blue), and '487 Campaign Impacts' (green). A dropdown menu for 'Quarter' is open, showing options for Q3 2022, Q4 2022, Q1 2023, Q2 2023, and Q3 2023 (which is selected with a checkmark). The dropdown also includes 'Select all' and 'Clear' options.

Panel volumes up 6% year-on-year in Q3 2023

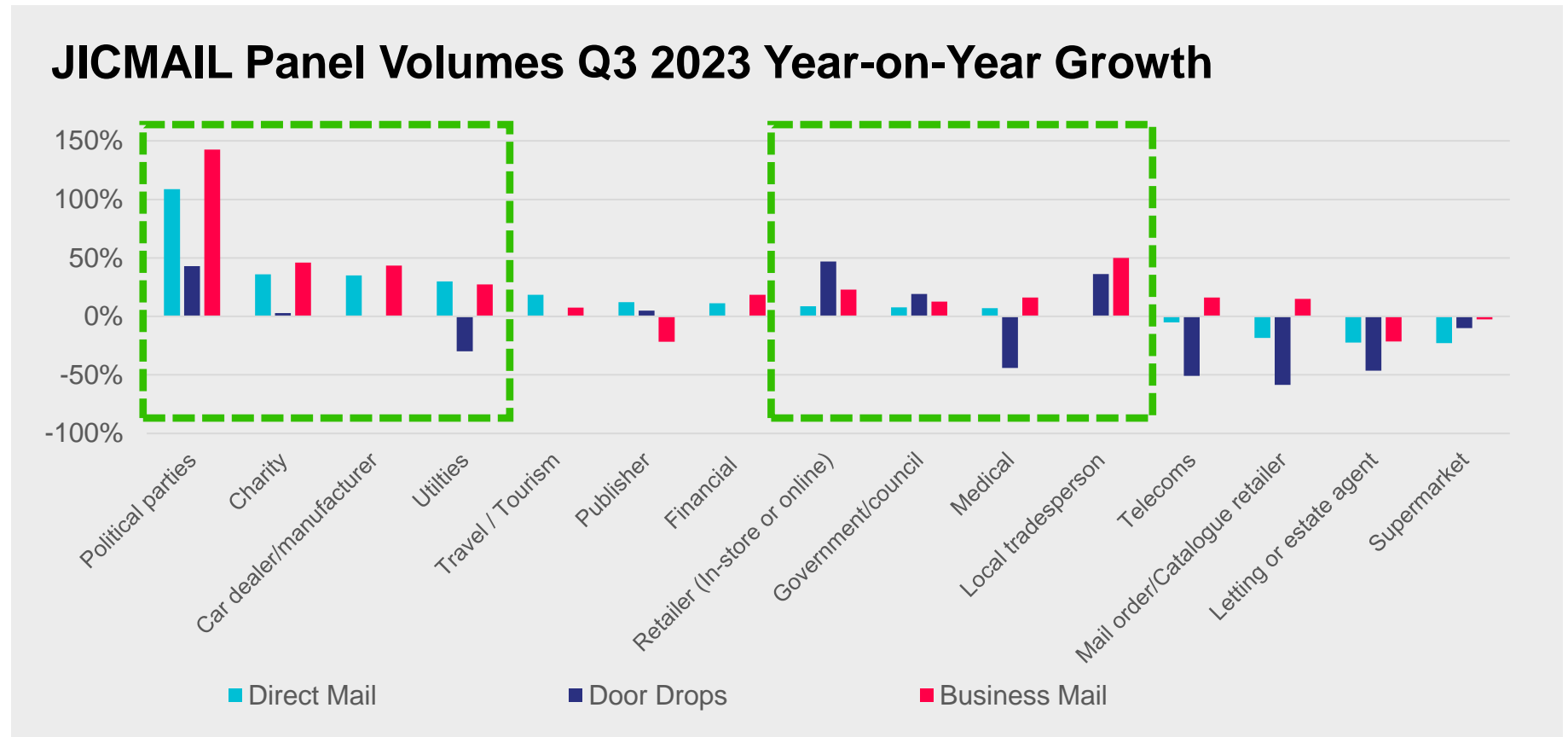
Business Mail volumes have increased by 15.3%, Direct Mail by 4.9%, and Door Drops by 2.0%



Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q1 2019 to Q3 2023 n=209,749 mail items

Political parties, charities, retail, utilities and local tradesperson volumes drive increased sample on the JICMAIL panel

Apart from for Business Mail, volumes have declined for Telecoms, Mail Order, Letting / Estate Agents and Supermarkets year on year.



Mail Engagement Q3 2023

Reach, Frequency, Lifespan and Attention

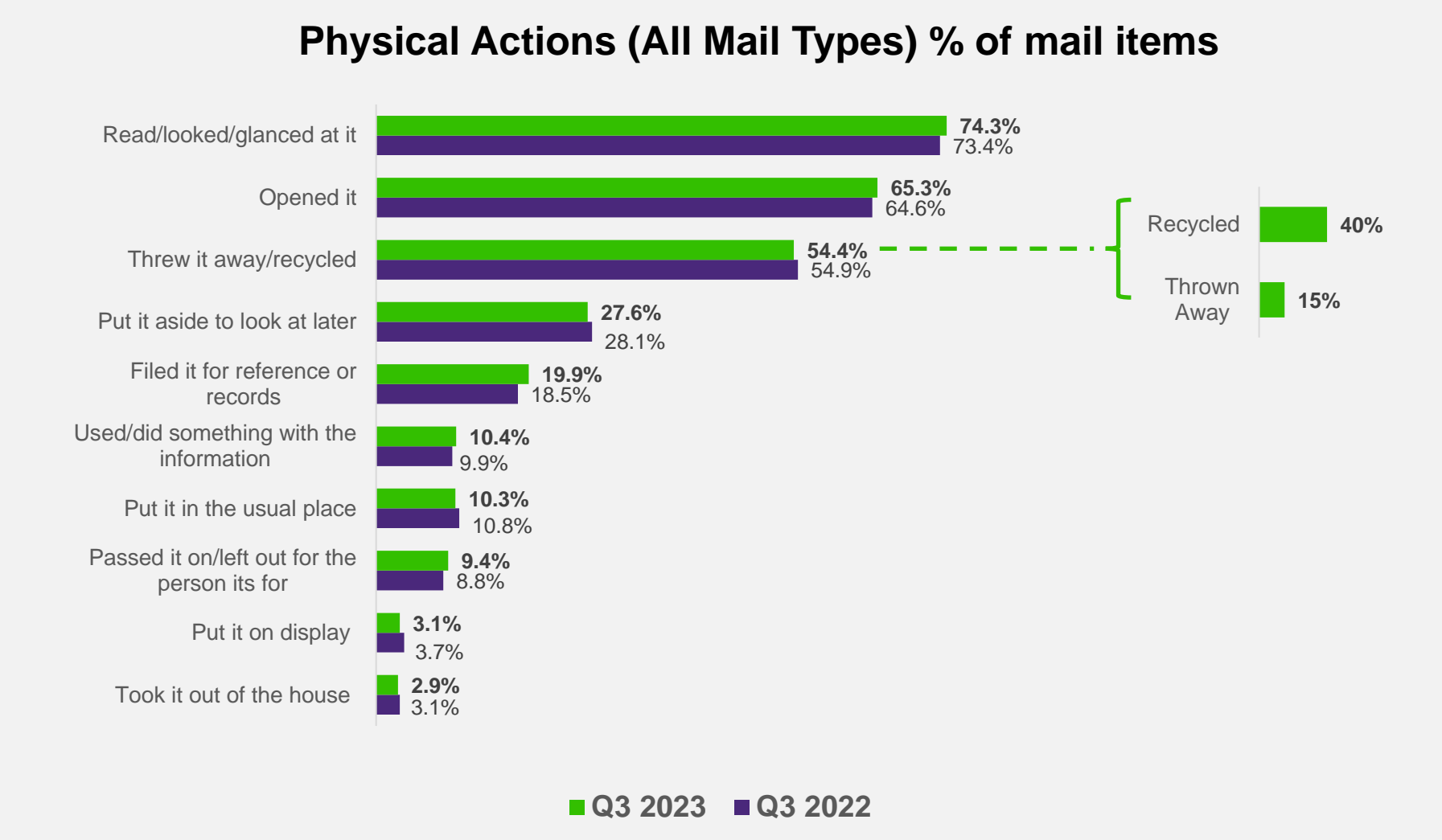


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Mail open, read and retention rates continue to grow for the fifth quarter running

Fifth quarter in a row in which mail read, open and retention rates have grown year-on-year.

New for Q3 2023, we can see that more than doubled the amount of mail is recycled vs thrown away.



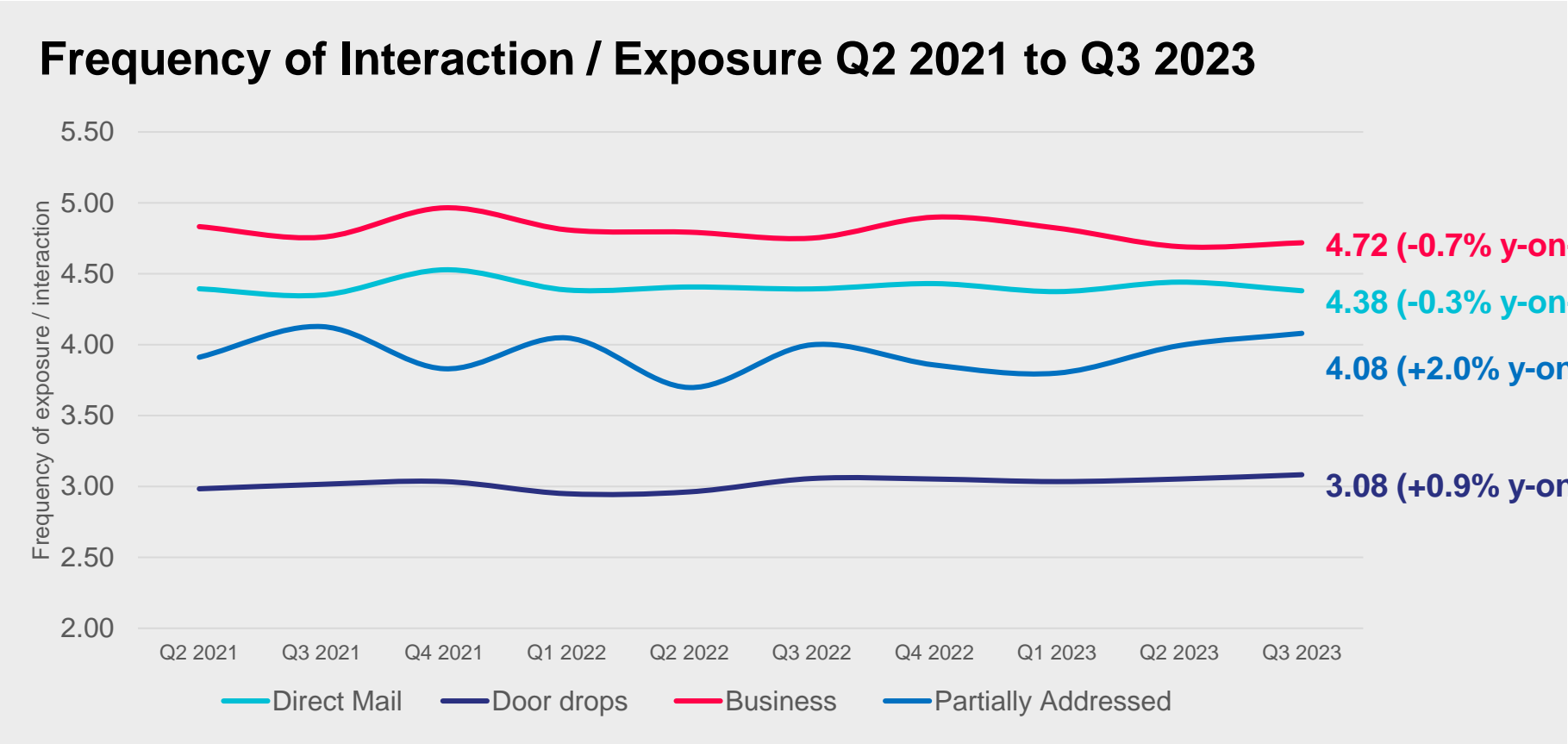
Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q3 2022 n=9,693 mail items; Q3 2023 n=10,272



Frequency of interaction stable year-on-year

Marginal upward shift in Door Drop and Partially Addressed interaction rates. Marginal decline in Direct Mail and Business Mail interaction rates.

Frequency of Interaction / Exposure Q2 2021 to Q3 2023

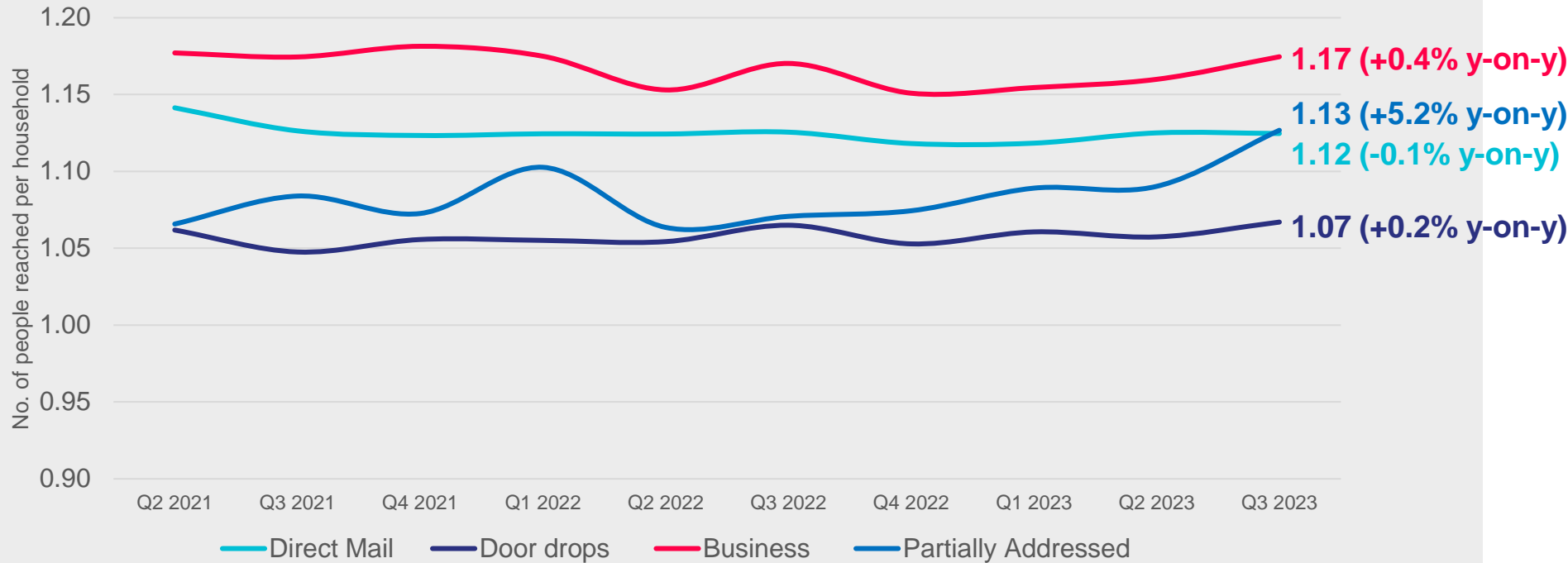


Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q2 2021 to Q3 2023 n=108,770 mail items

Mail sharing also virtually stable in Q3 2023

Partially Addressed Mail and Direct Mail item reach is now virtually neck and neck, although PAM sample sizes are much smaller (391 items in Q3 2023)

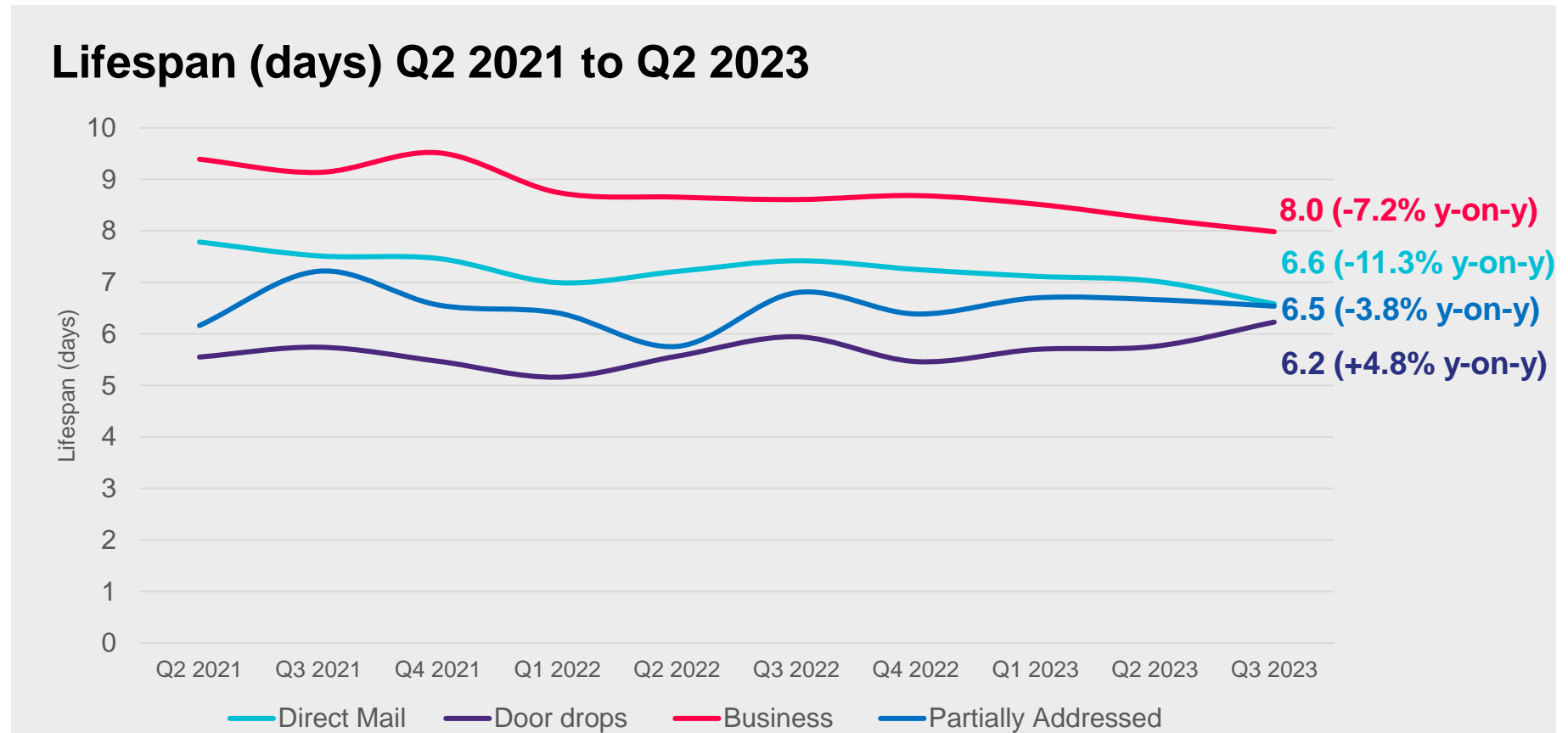
Item Reach in the Household Q2 2021 to Q3 2023



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Lifespan up for Door Drops in Q3, but down for the other mail types

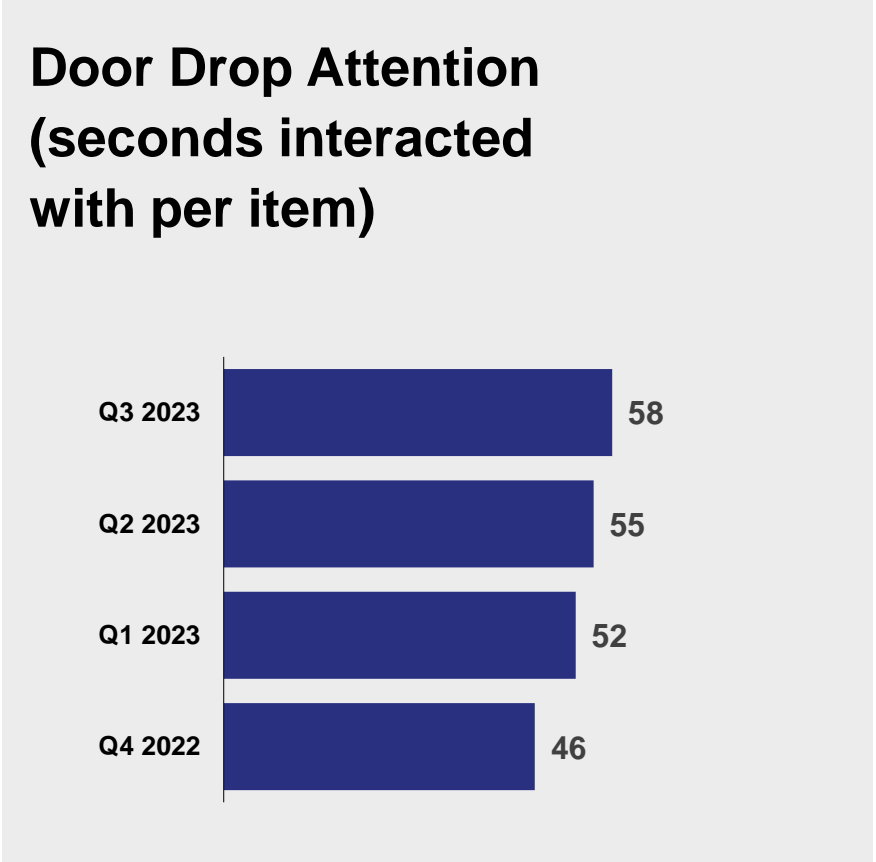
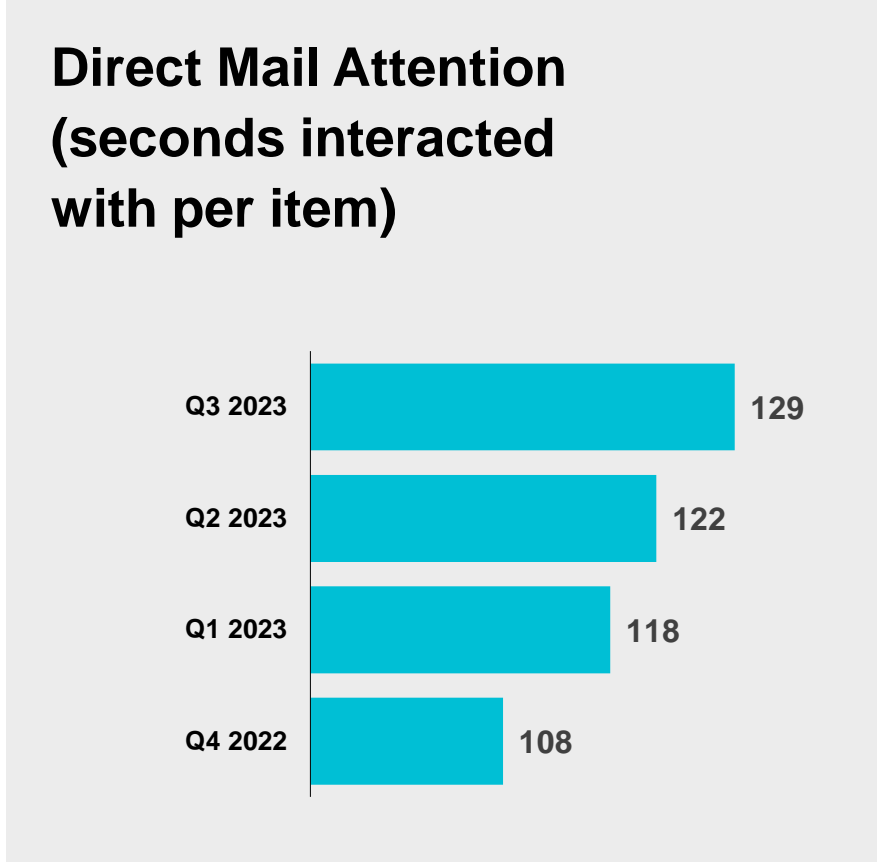
It is worth noting that more mail is being filed away year-on-year. While not necessarily “active”, this is still in the home although no longer contributing to lifespan calculations.



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Direct Mail and Door Drop attention climbed steadily in Q3 2023

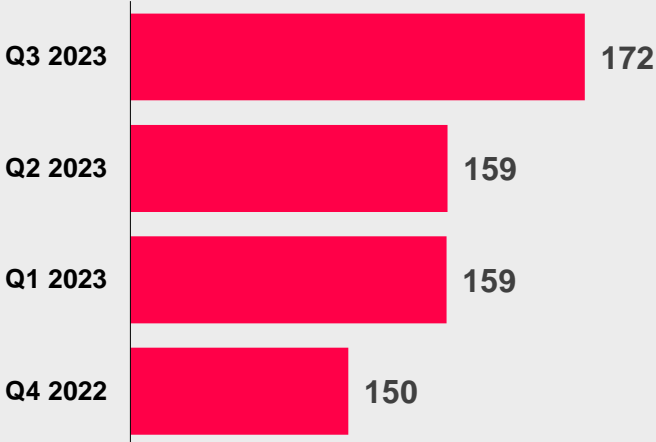
The average piece of Direct Mail was engaged with for over two minutes across a 28 day period in Q2 2023. For Door Drops the figure was nearly one minute.



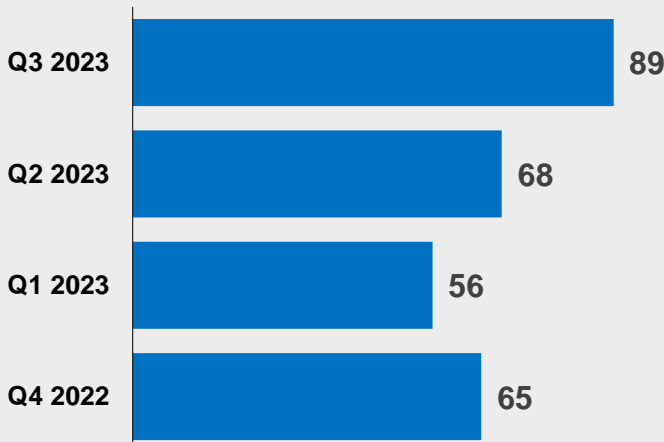
Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q4 2022 to Q3 2023 n=42,347 mail items

Business Mail attention also climbs in Q3 2023

Business Mail Attention (seconds interacted with per item)



Partially Addressed Mail Attention (seconds interacted with per item)



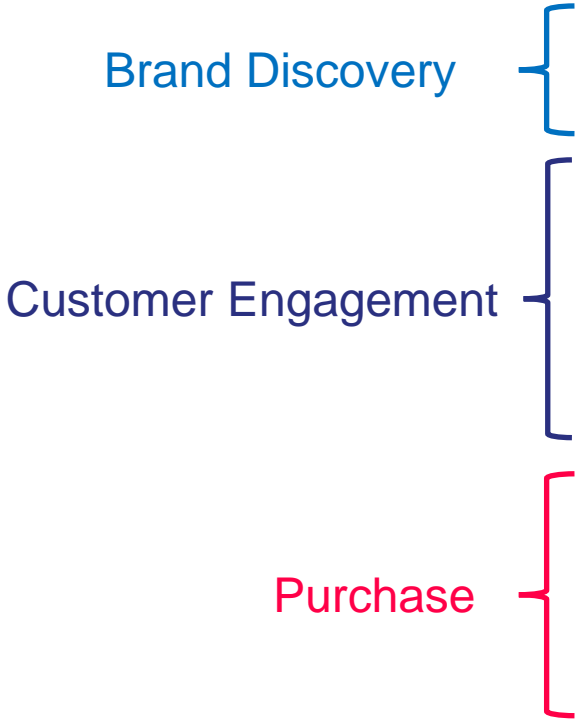
Mail Effectiveness Q3 2023

Commercial Actions

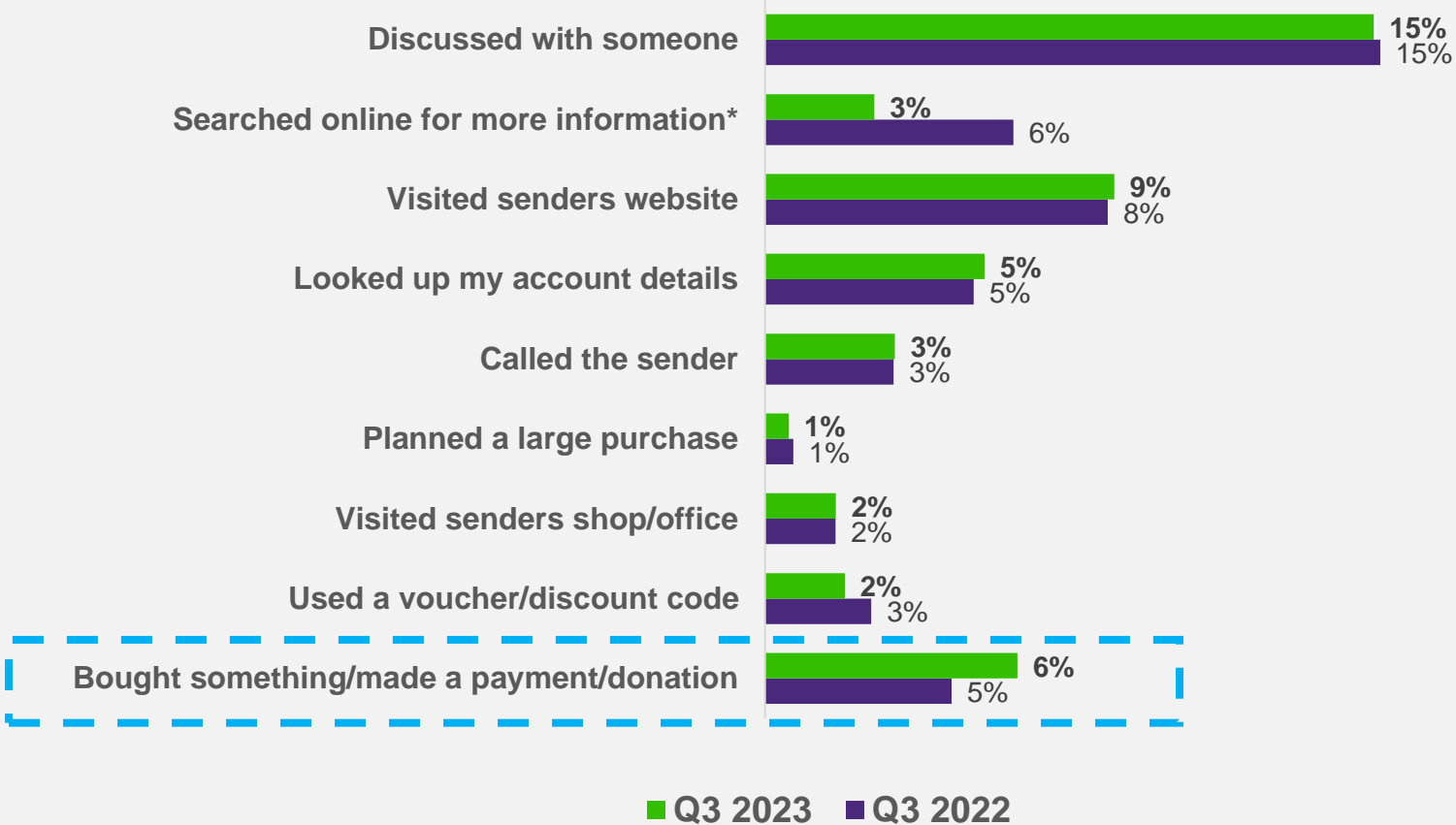


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Increase in purchases driven by mail in Q2 2023



Commercial Actions (All Mail Types) % of mail items

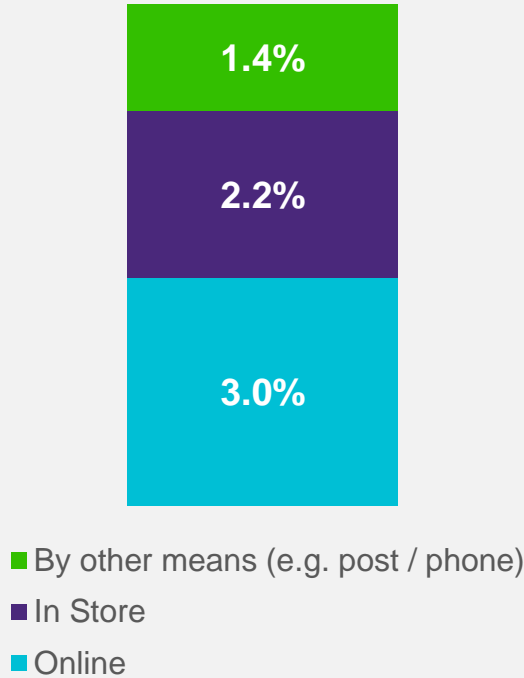


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 * Questionnaire wording change from "Went online for more information" to "Searched online for more information." Interpret year-on-year comparisons with caution

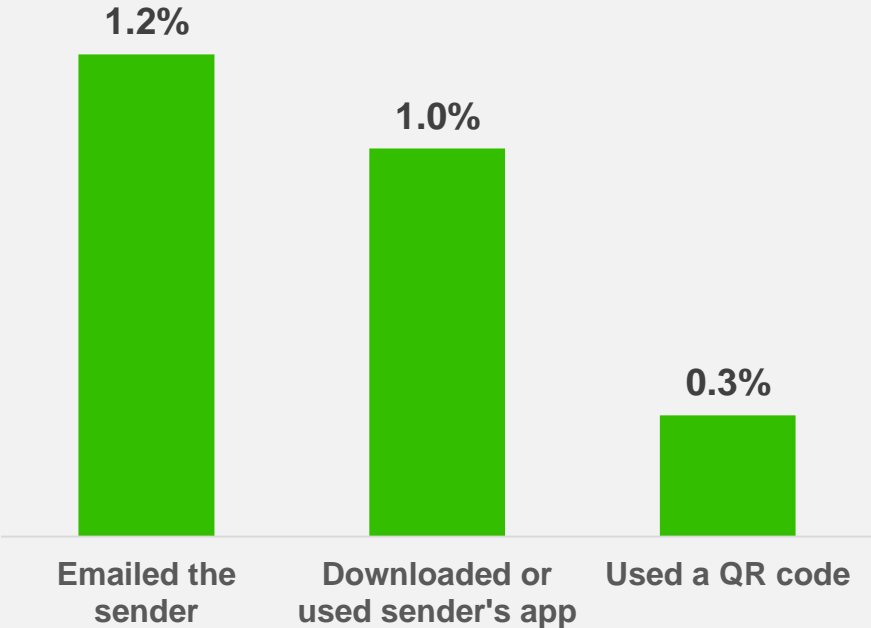
NEW COMMERCIAL ACTIONS: Mail prompts more online purchases than in store. 1% of all mail prompts app usage

- Online purchases account for just under half of the transactions driven by mail.
- Mail's role in a digital world is also underlined by the new metrics tracked which demonstrate mail's ability to prompt email sends and app downloads.

Purchases by Channel (% of mail items)



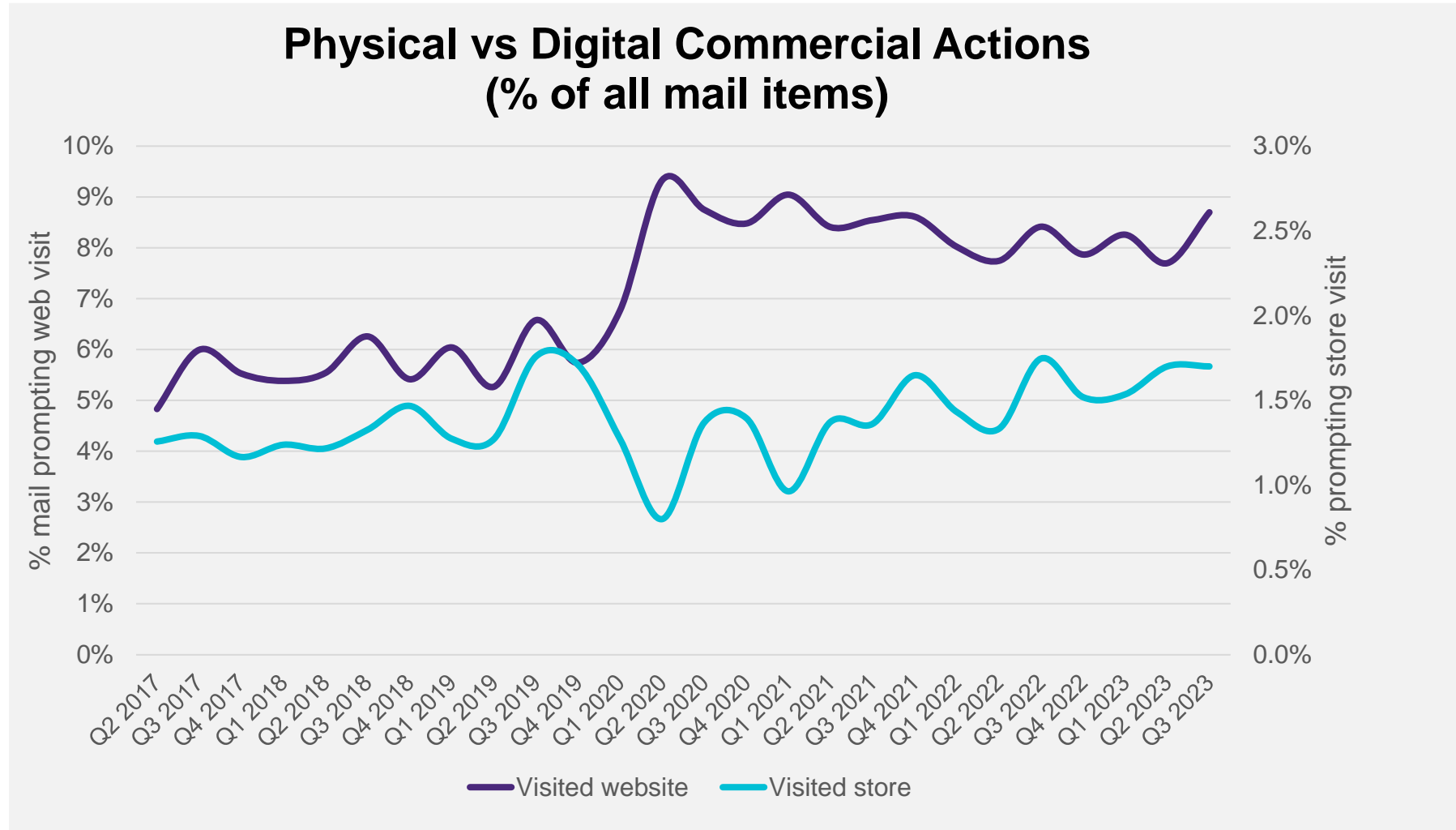
New Digital Commercial Actions (% of mail items)



Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q3 2023 n=10,272

Uptick in the proportion mail driving web traffic. At the same time physical footfall was maintained in Q3 2023

Despite the challenges faced by the British high street, mail continues to be an effective store footfall driver, alongside its digital effectiveness which has reached its highest point in two years.

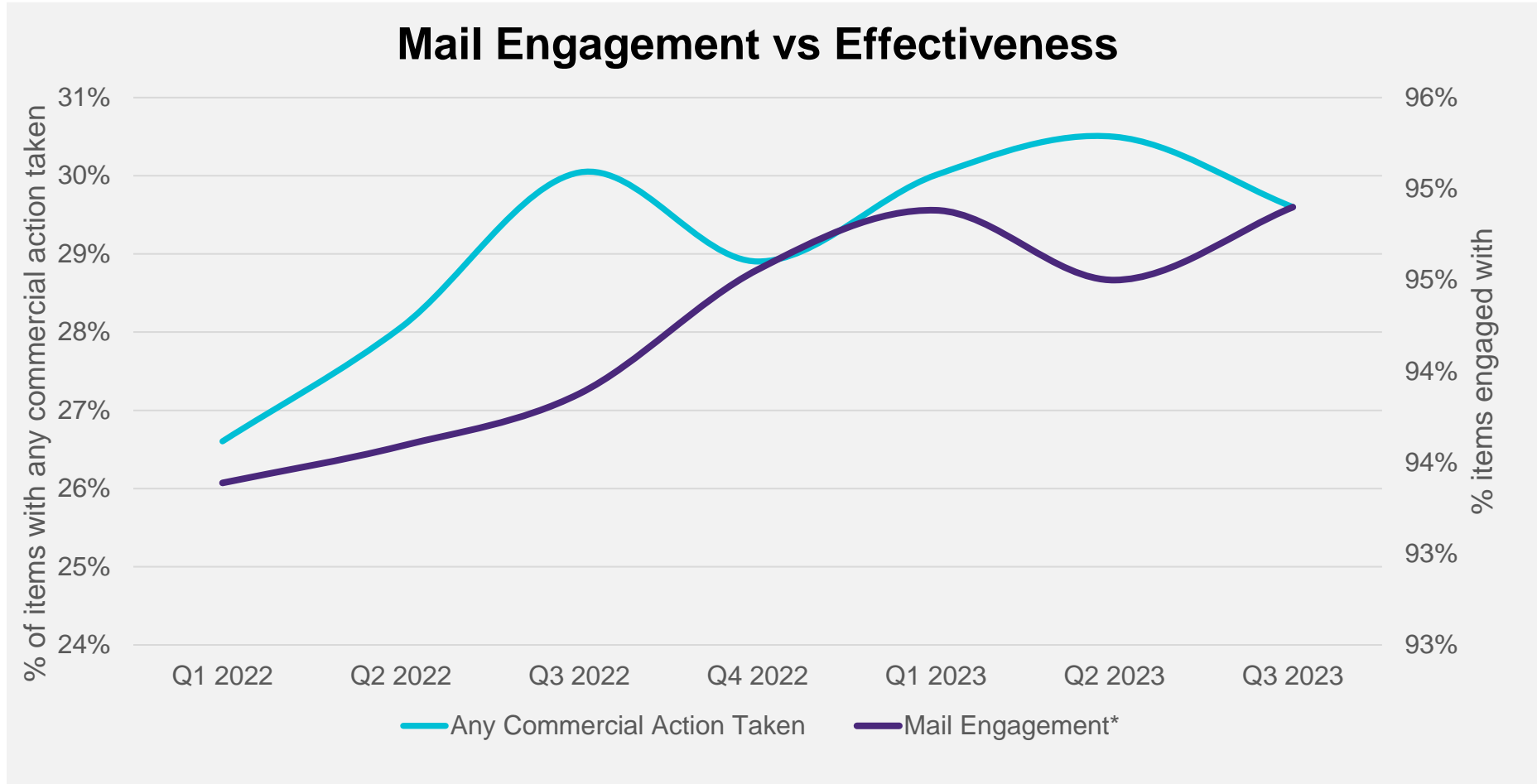


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Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q2 2017 to Q3 2023 n=294,000 mail items

Mail engagement continued to climb steadily in Q3 2023

95% of mail had some sort of physical action taken with it, other than being immediately discarded.



Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q1 2022 to Q3 2023 n=75,449 mail items

* Engaged Mail = % of mail with any physical action taken other than being immediately thrown away



New Reporting for Q2 2023

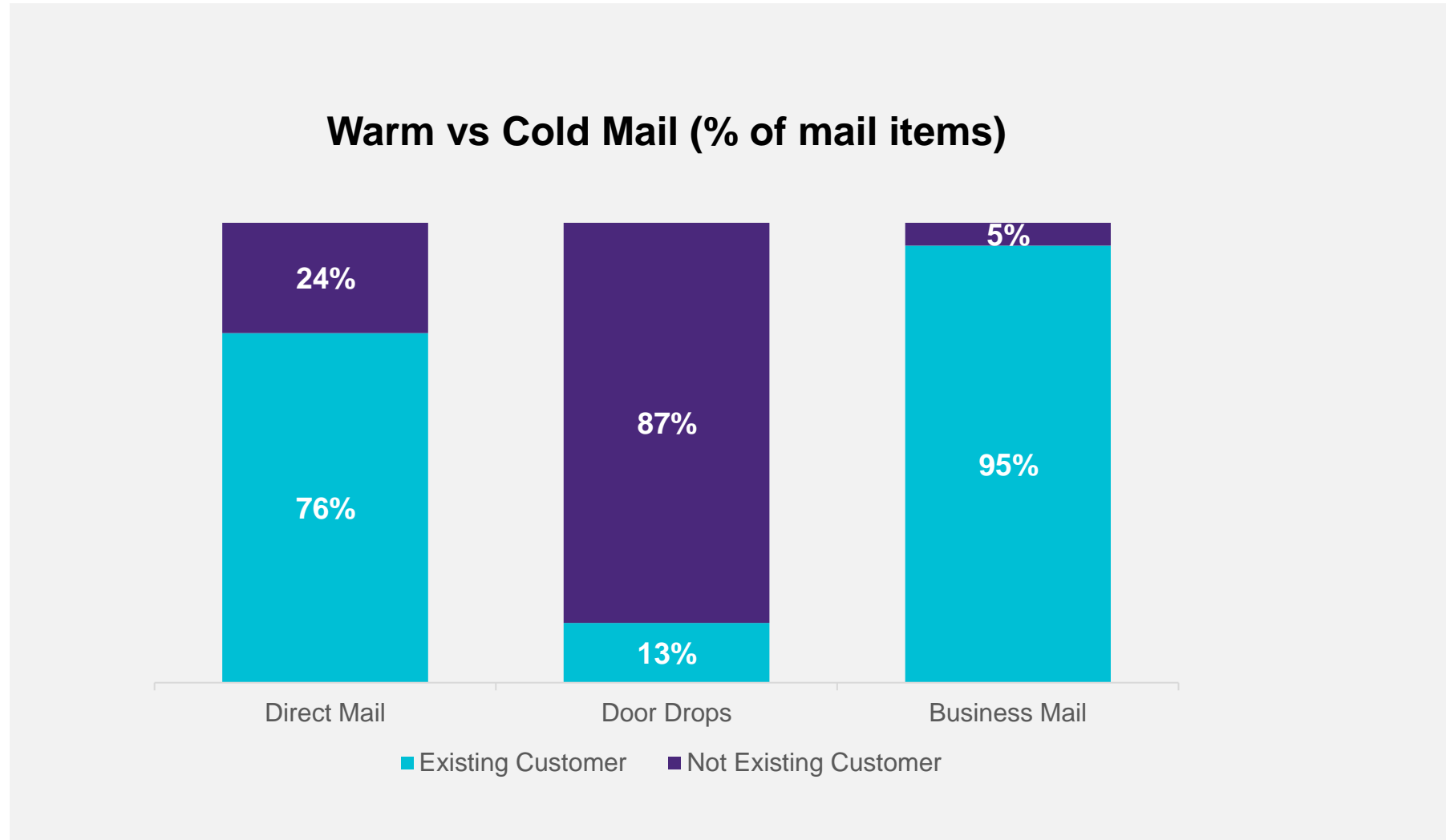
Cold vs Warm



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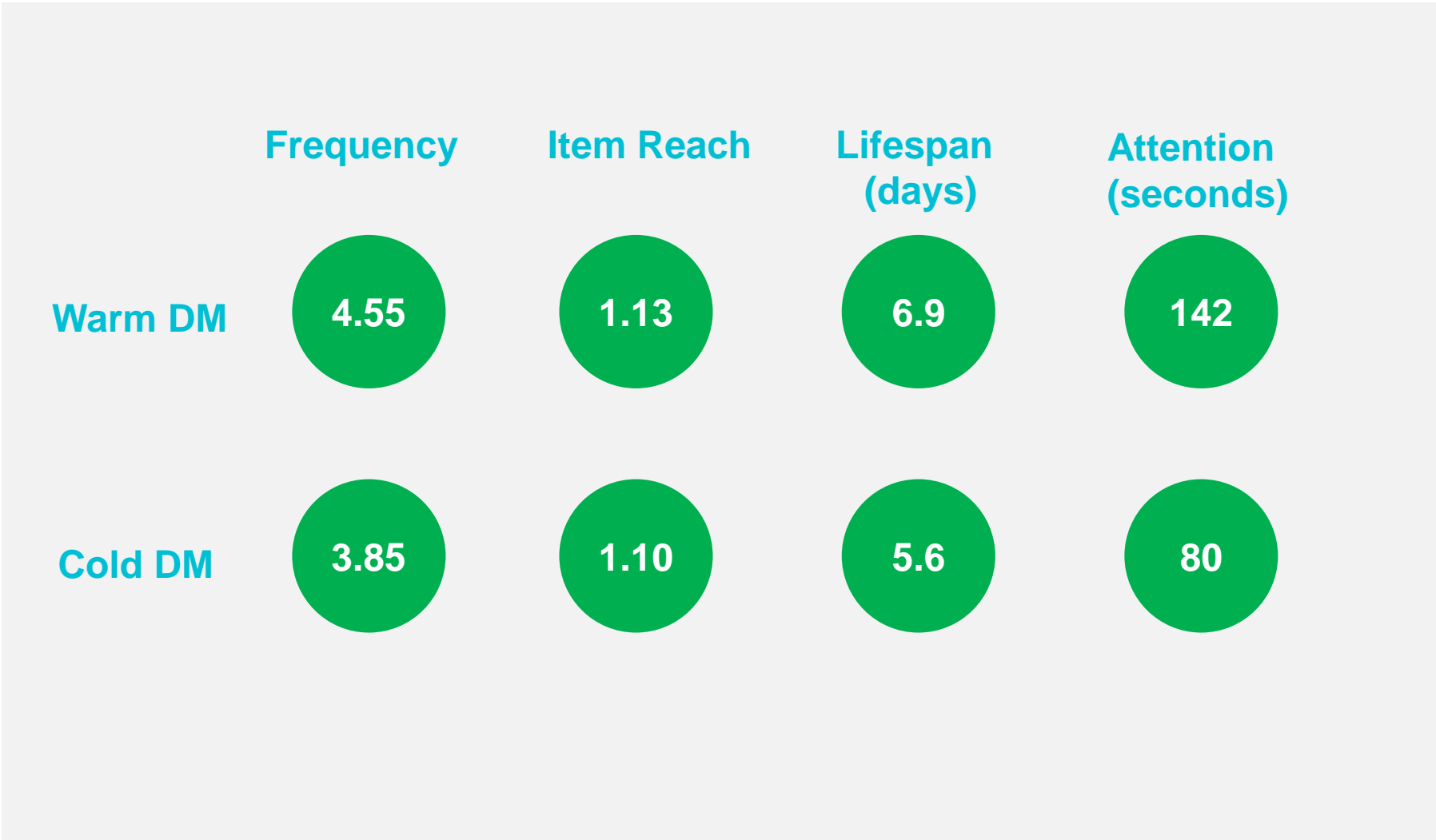
Three quarters of Direct Mail items were received by existing customers (warm mail). A quarter went to non-customers (cold)

- While Door Drops are primarily an acquisition channel, some will inevitably be seen by existing customers (13% of Door Drops in total).
- While all Business Mail should technically be seen by existing customers, the 5% of mail which is received by people who claim that they aren't is likely a reflection of lapsed purchasing habits.



Existing customers are more engaged with a specific piece of advertiser Direct Mail, than new prospects are

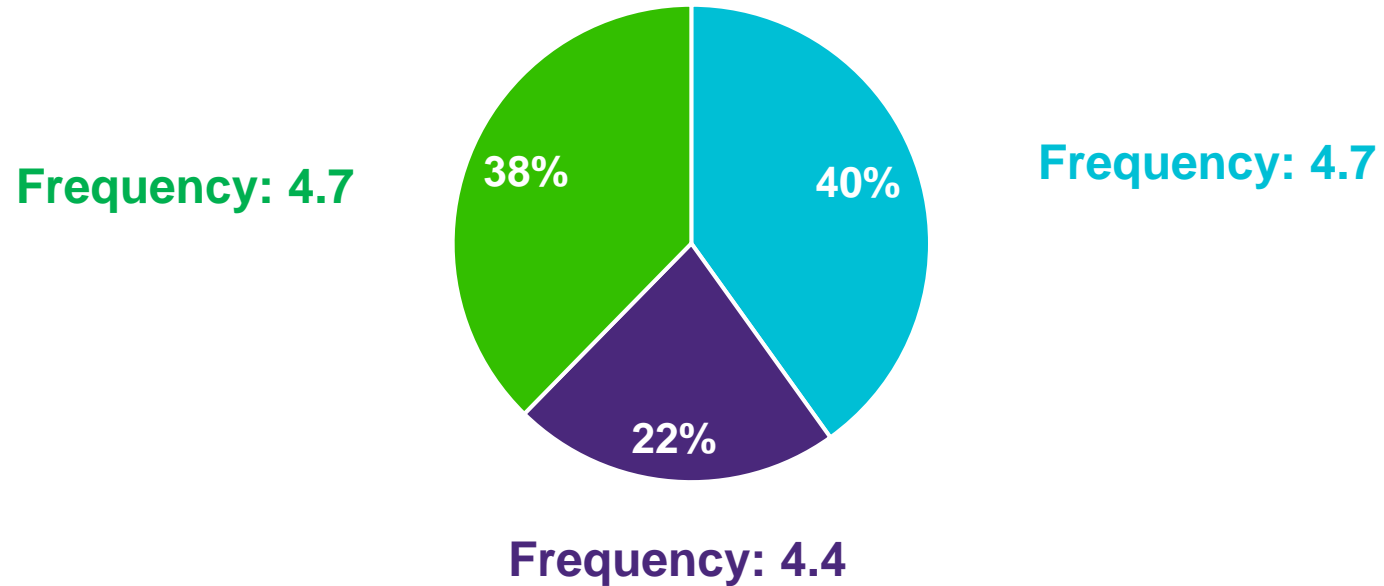
- Warm Direct Mail reports higher reach, frequency, lifespan and attention metrics than cold mail.



Source: JICMAIL Item Data Q3 2023 n=4,646 Direct Mail Items

Other new variables: Financial Services sub-groups

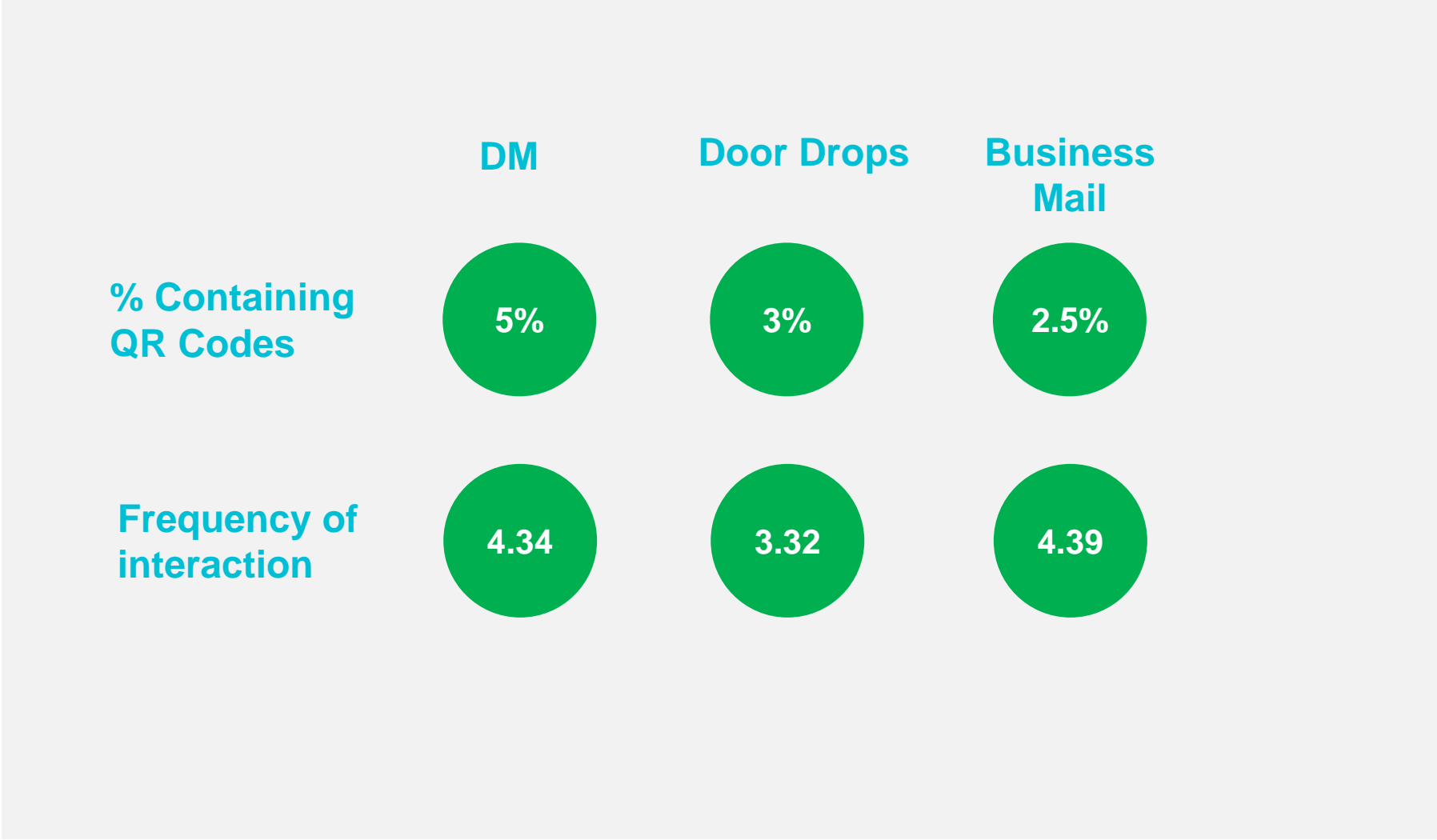
% of Financial Services Direct Mail Items by Sub Group: Q3 2023



- Bank/Building society
- Insurance Services
- Other Financial Services (e.g. Pensions, Credit Cards)

Other new variables: 5% of DM contains a QR code

- While QR codes make a negligible difference to Direct Mail frequency of interaction, Door Drops containing a QR code have 10% more interactions than the average Door Drop.



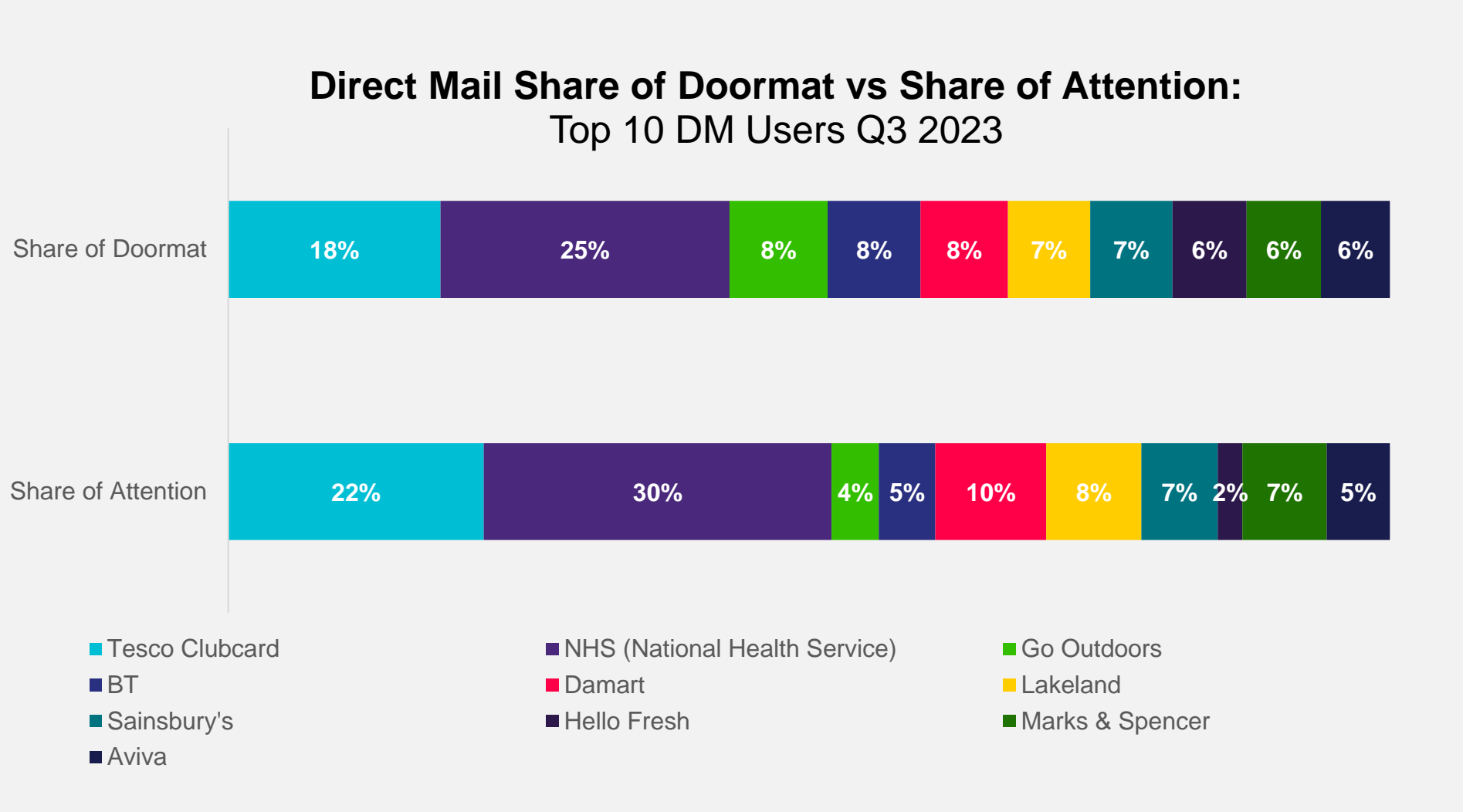
Advertiser Activity Q3 2023

Share of Doormat and Attention

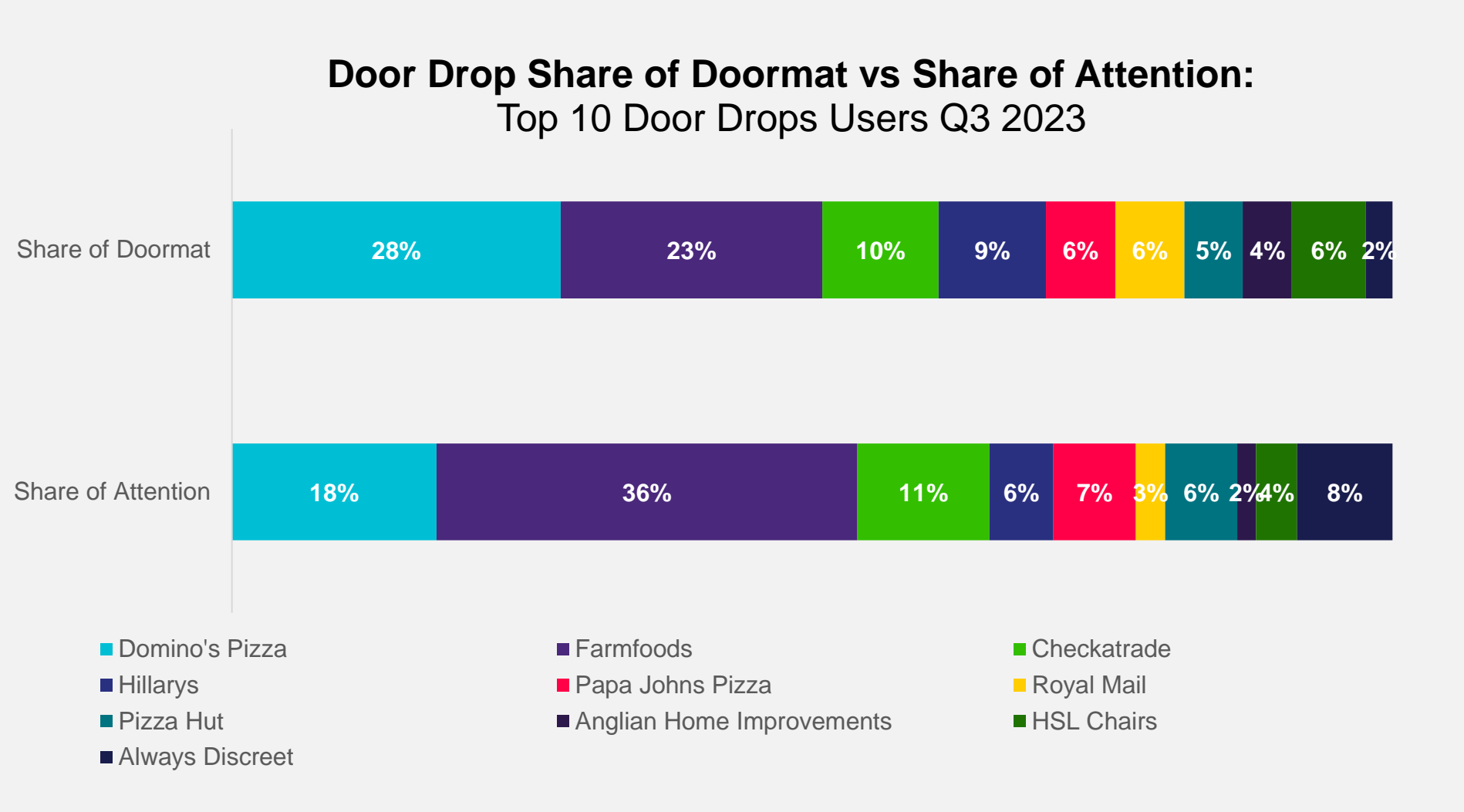


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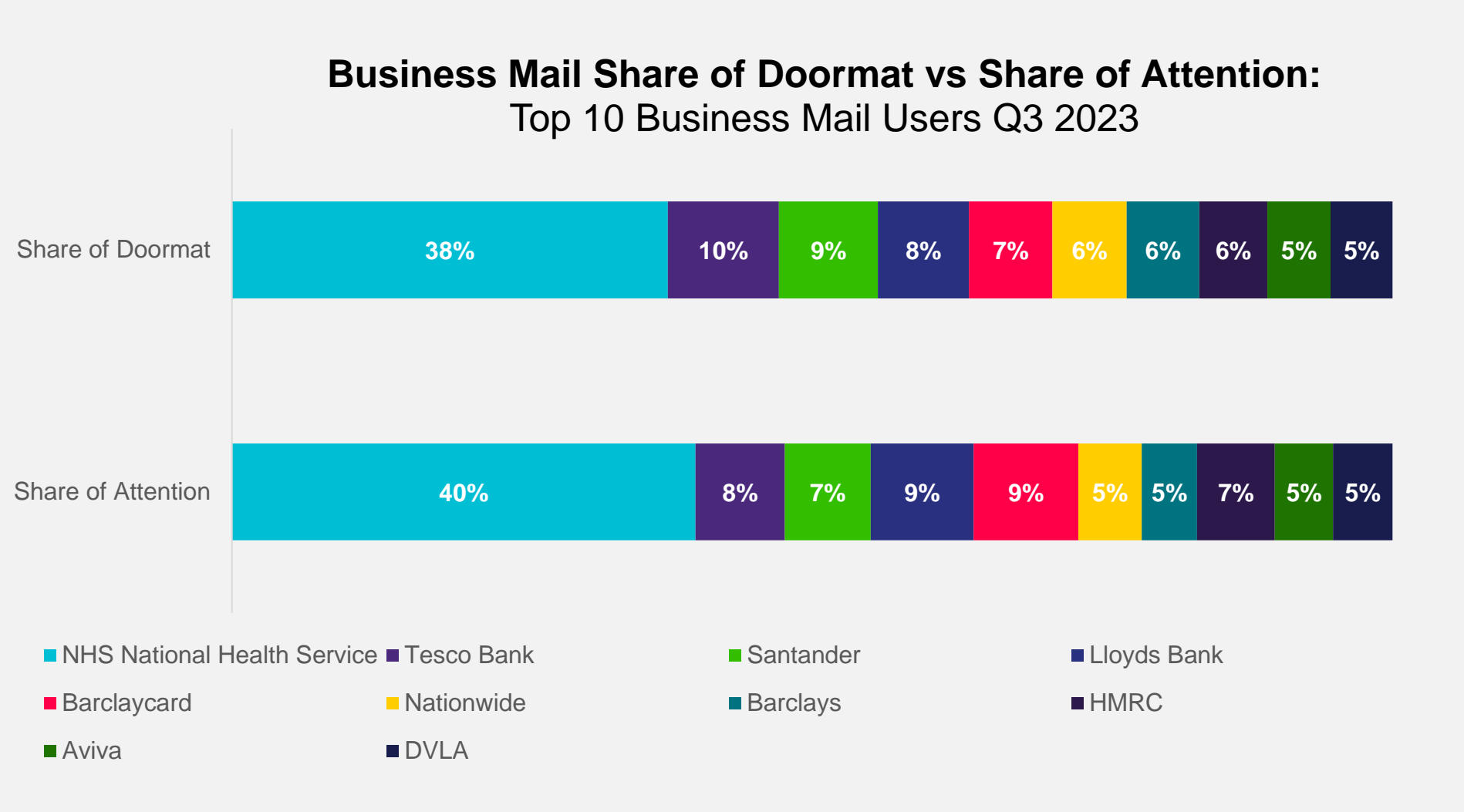
Tesco and NHS dominate in terms of share of door mat and share of attention. Damart over-performing for attention.



Farmfoods accounted for 23% of Door Drop share of doormat in Q3 2023, but commanded 36% share of attention



Share of doormat and share of attention broadly aligned for Business Mail



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