

An examination of Labour Force Participation Rates in Ireland since 1998

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Change in the Participation Rate, by region

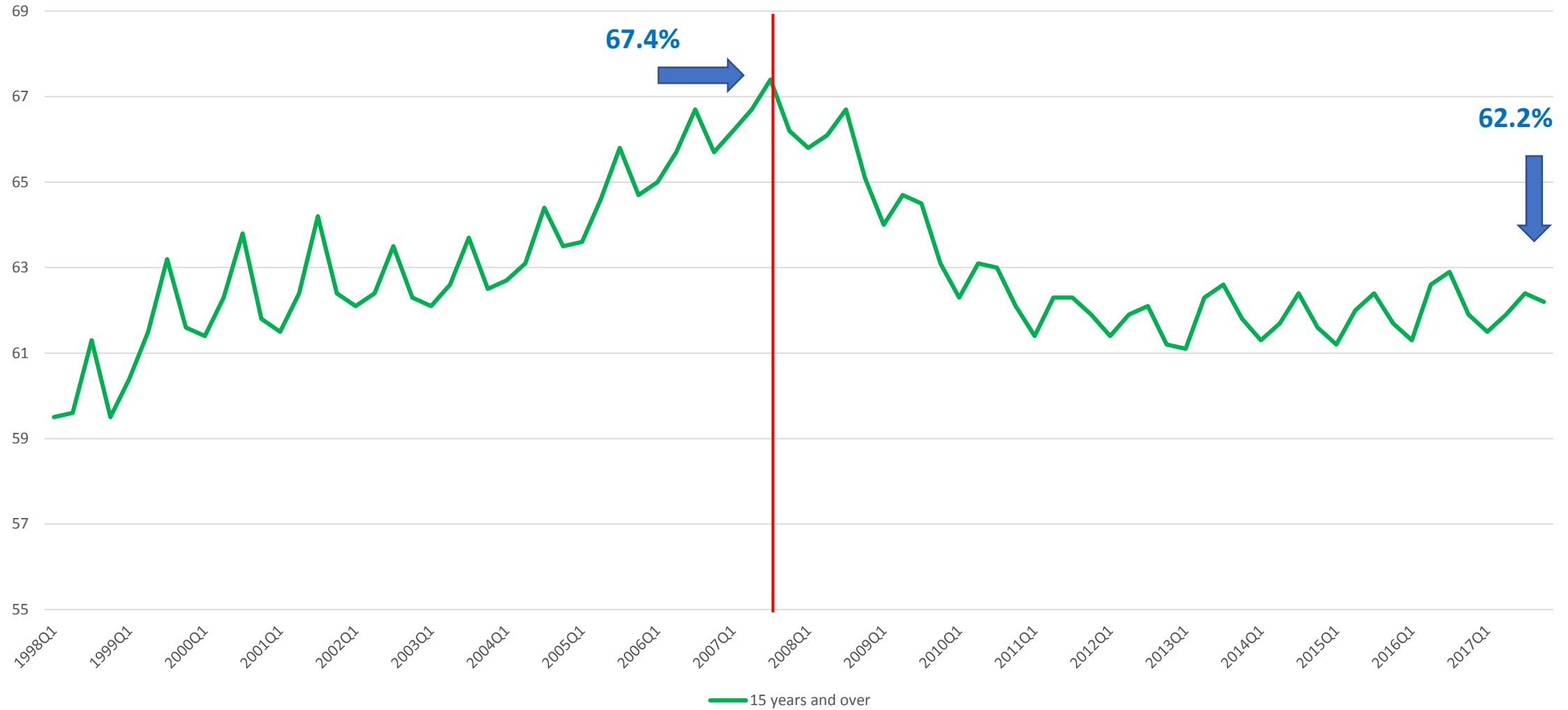
Region	% change
Border	-3.8%
Midland	-8.2%
West	-6.3%
Dublin	-3.8%
Mid-East	-7%
Mid-West	-3.8%
South-East	-5.7%
South-West	-6.1%
Ireland	-5.2%

Ireland's overall Participation Rate fell from 67.4% to 62.2%

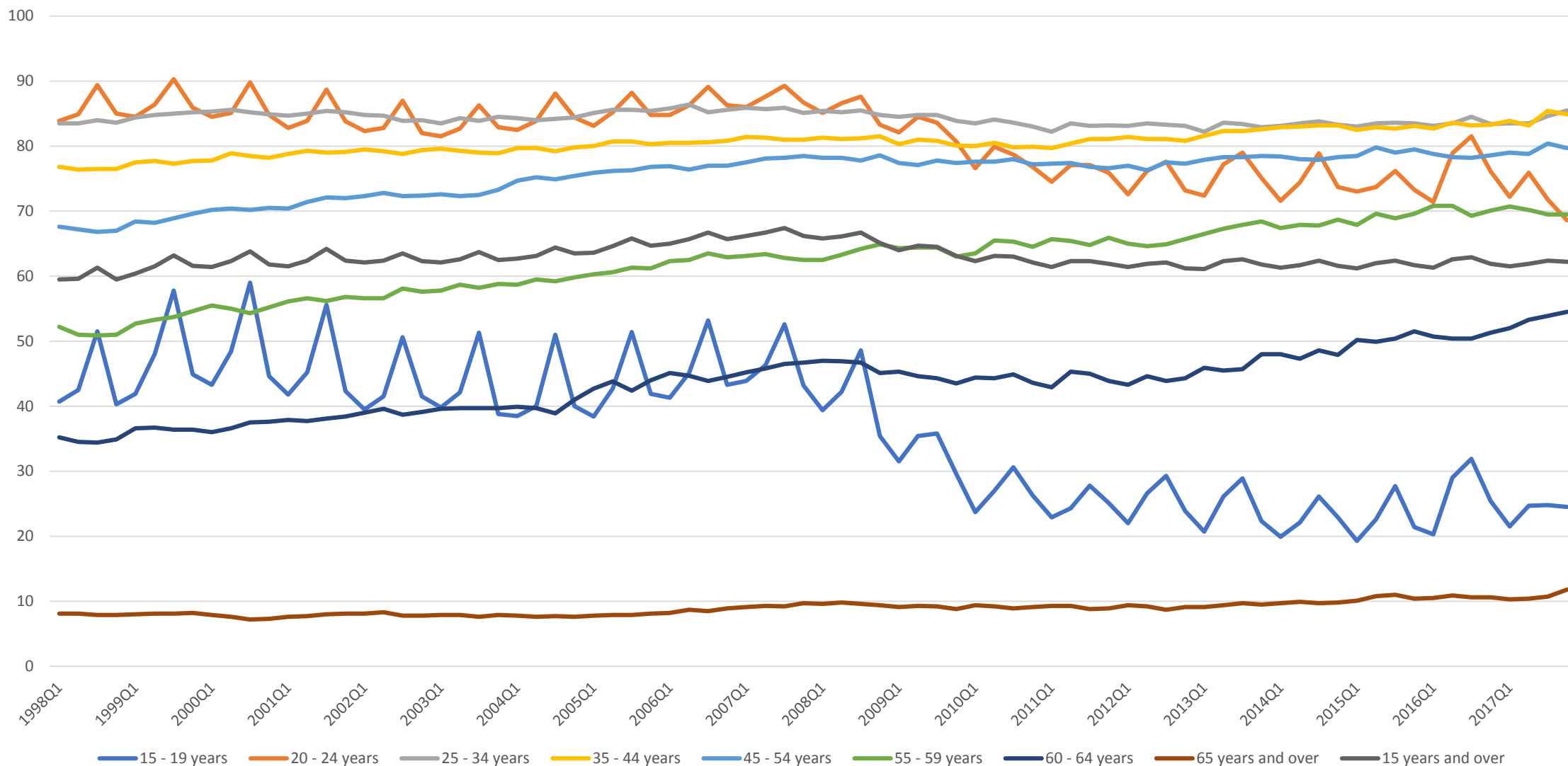
The Labour Force Participation Rate Calculated as:

$$\frac{\text{(People at work + People actively seeking work)}}{\text{Total working-age population}}$$

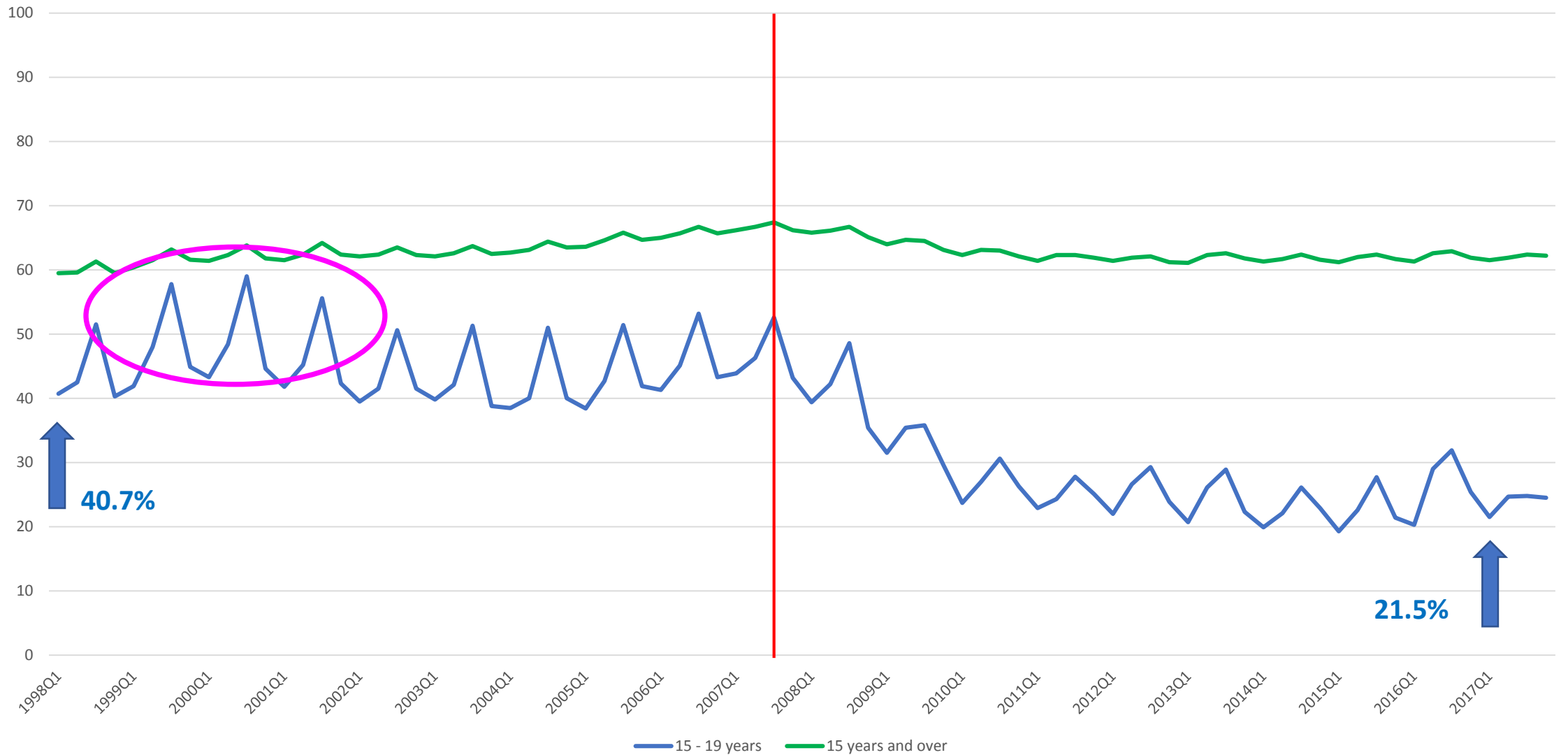
Labour Force Participation Rate - Entire population



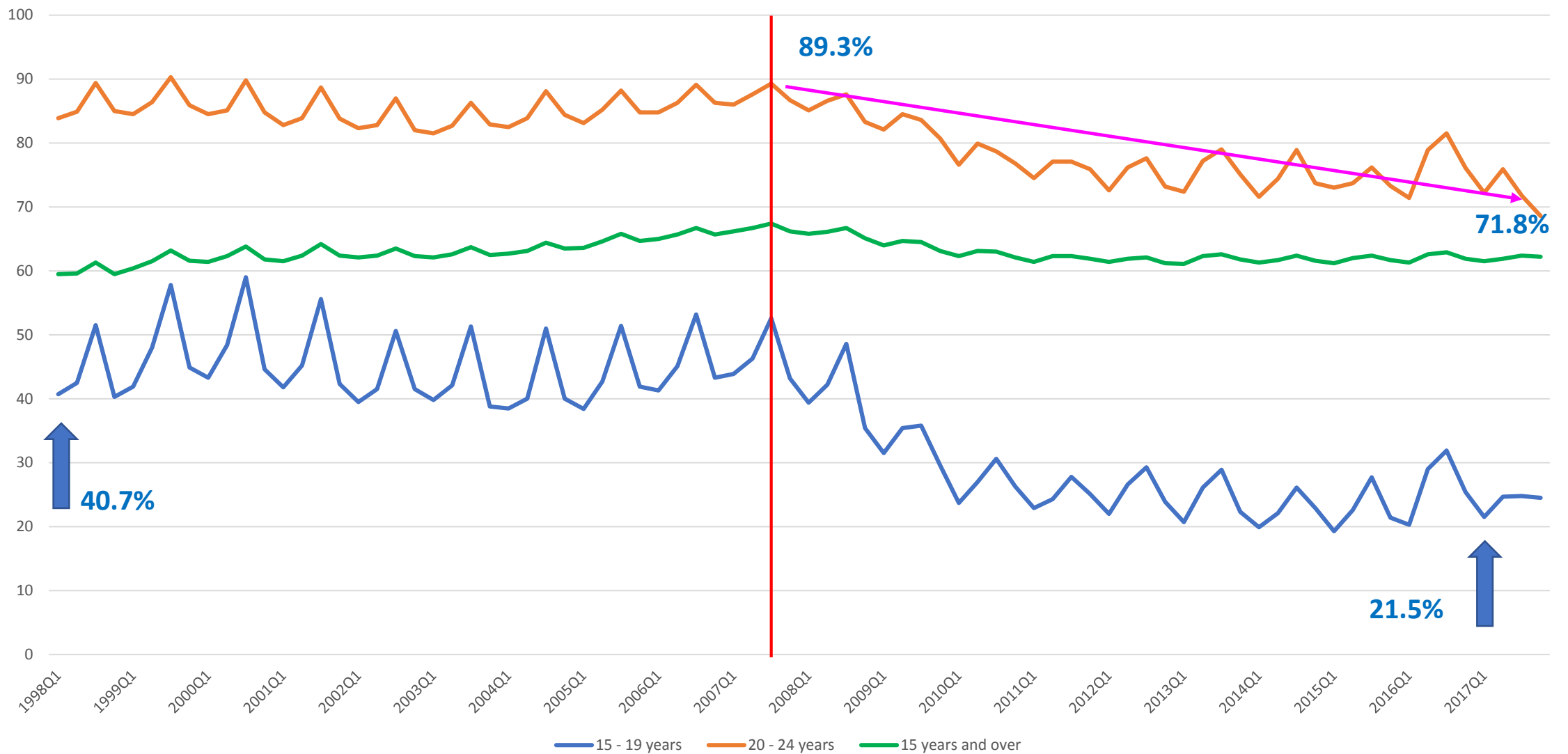
Labour Force Participation Rate - By Age (All)



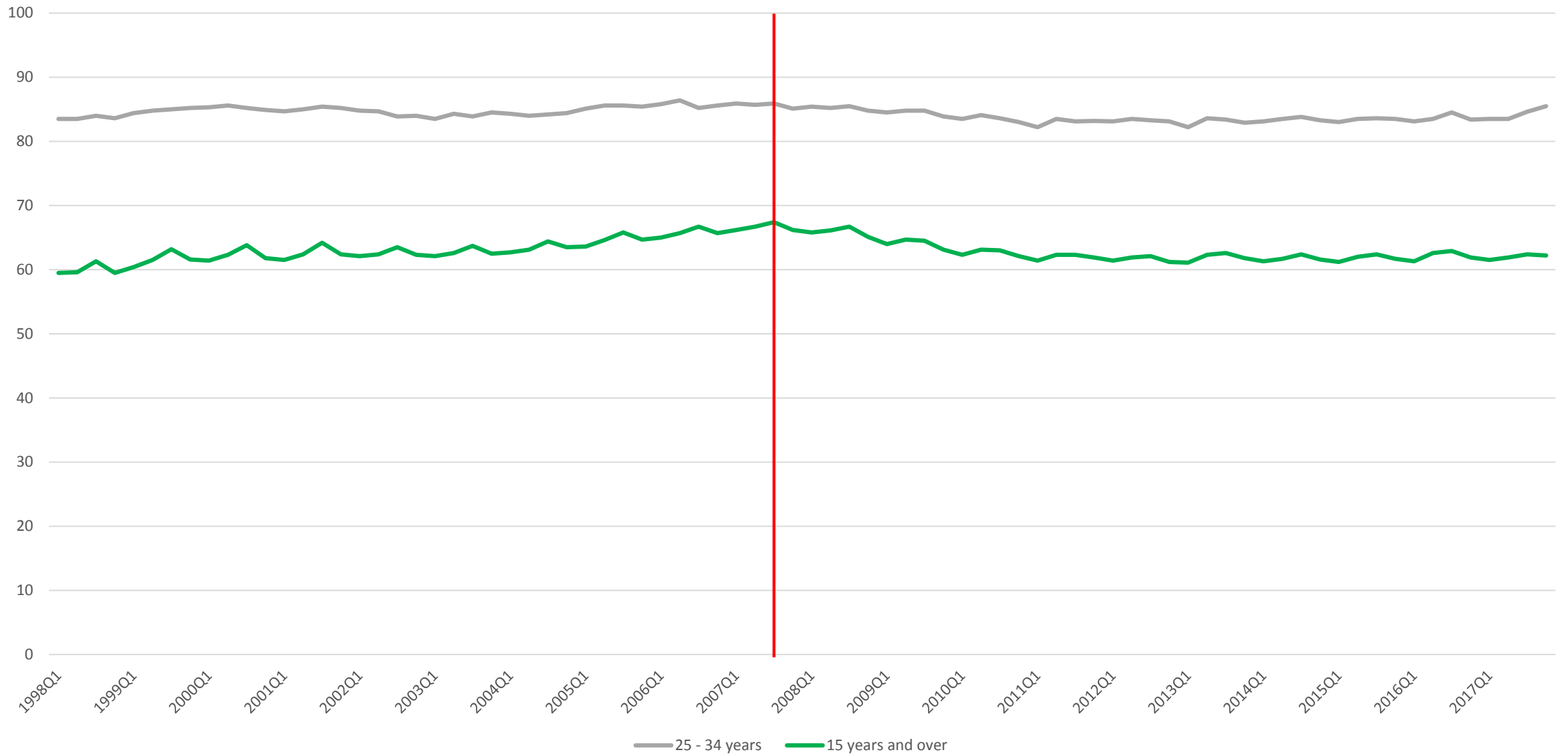
Labour Force Participation Rate - 15-19 versus General population



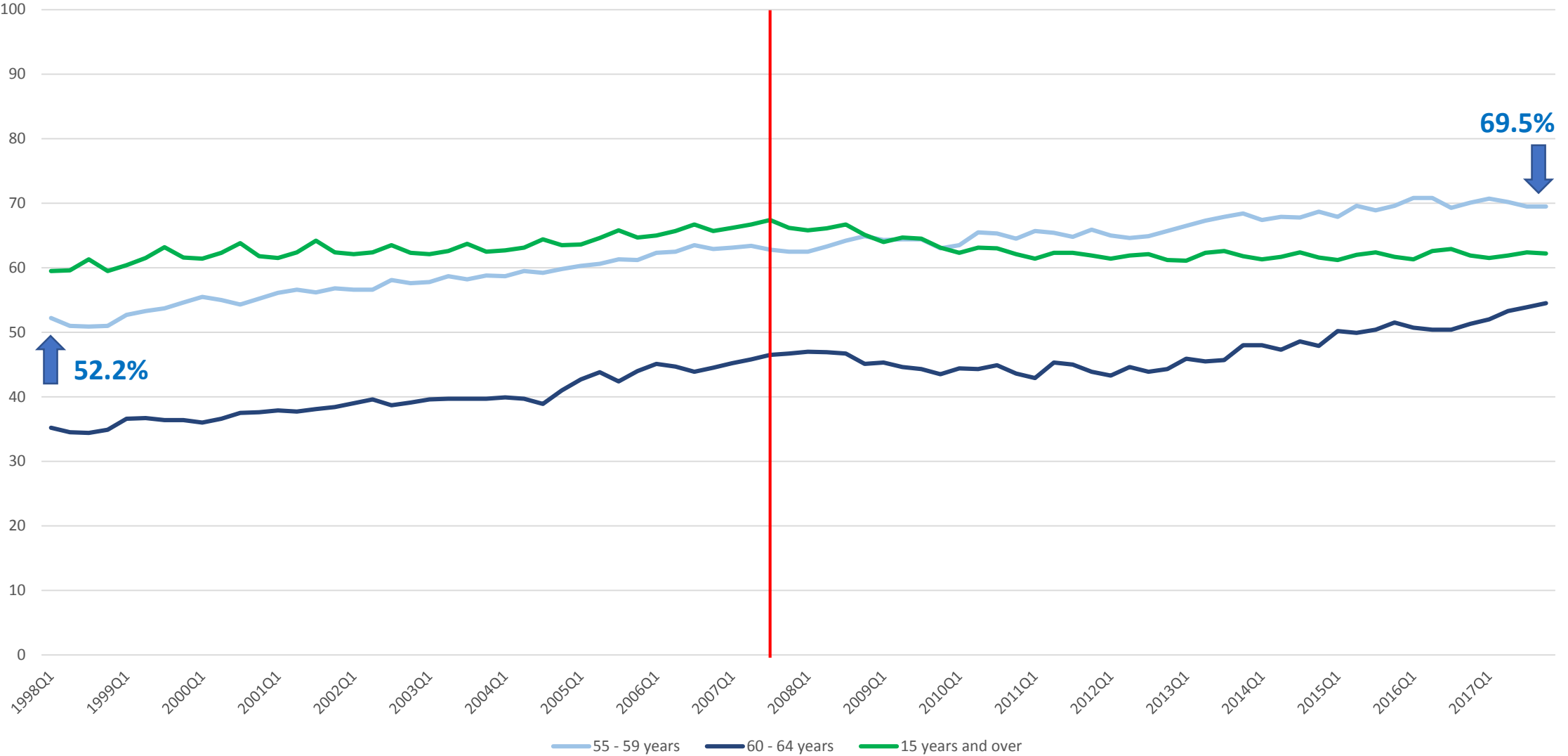
Labour Force Participation Rate - 15-19 and 20-24 versus General population



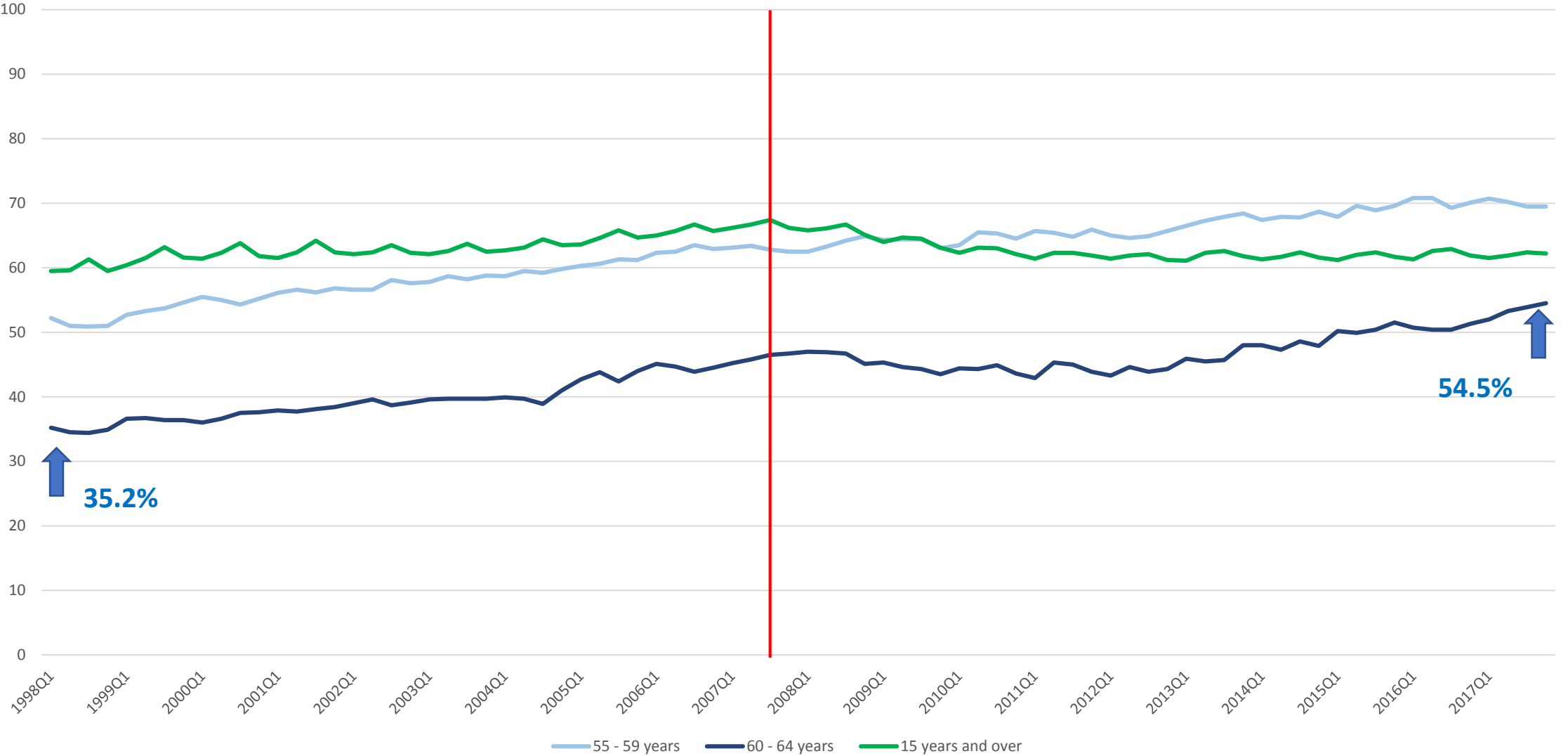
Labour Force Participation Rate - 25-34 versus General population



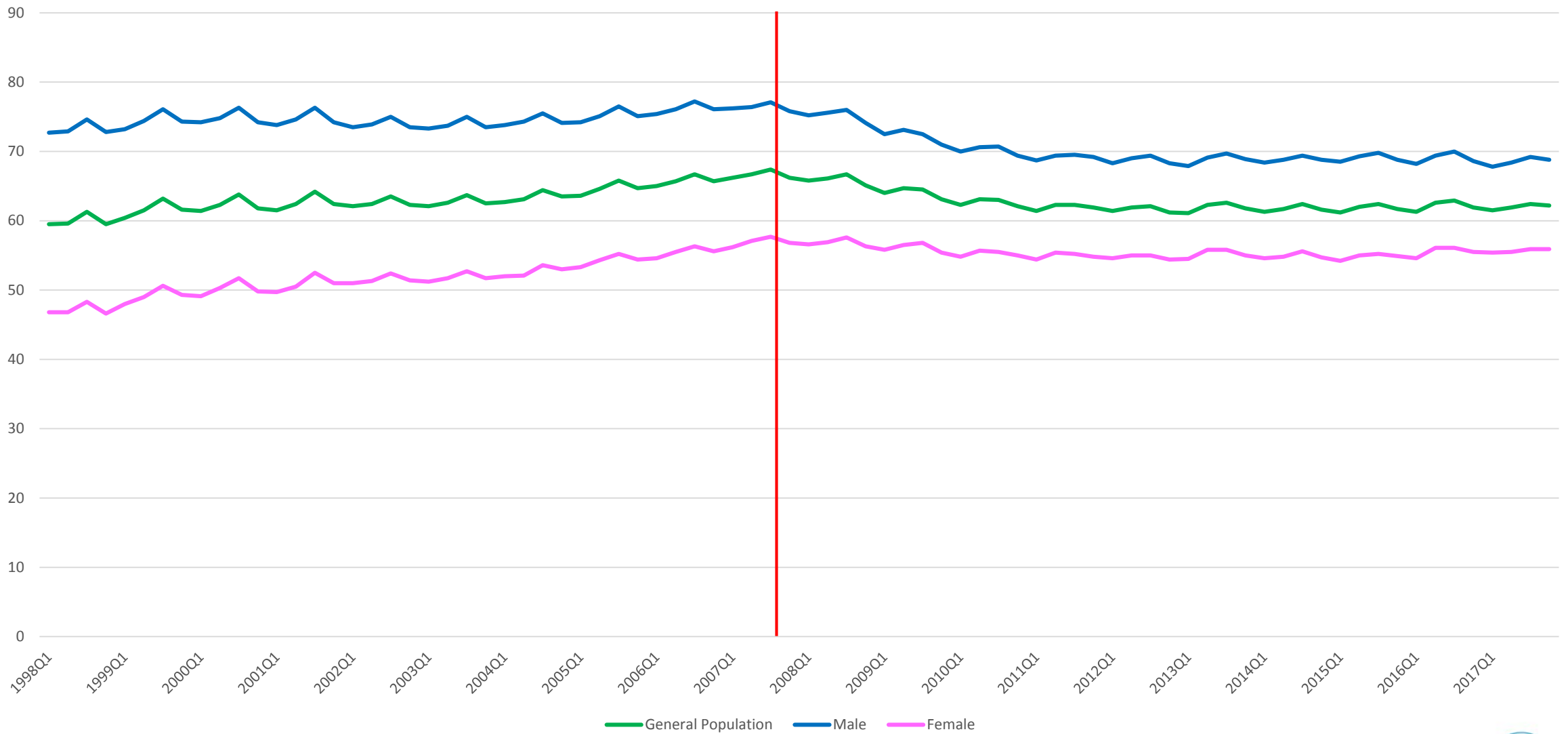
Labour Force Participation Rate - Older people of working age



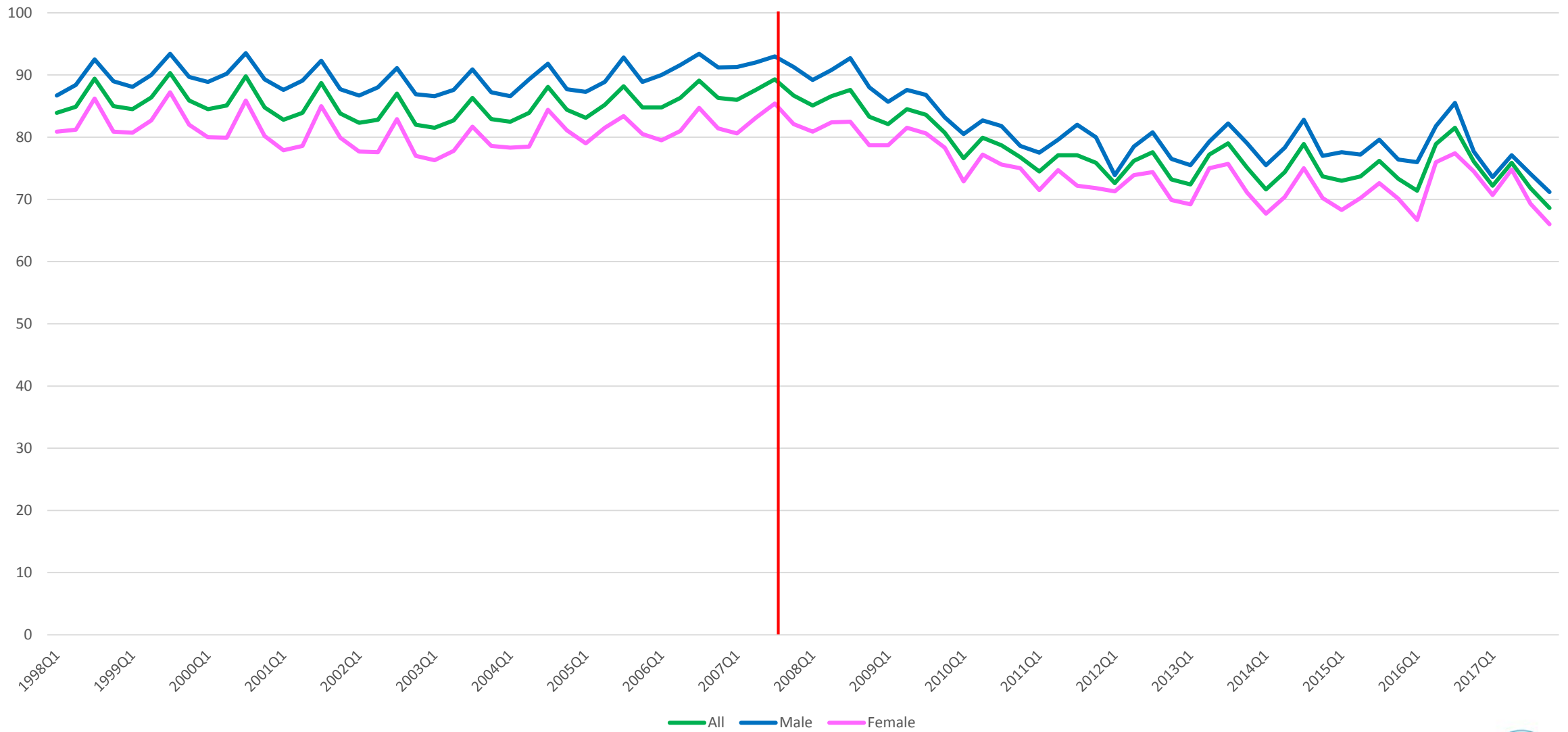
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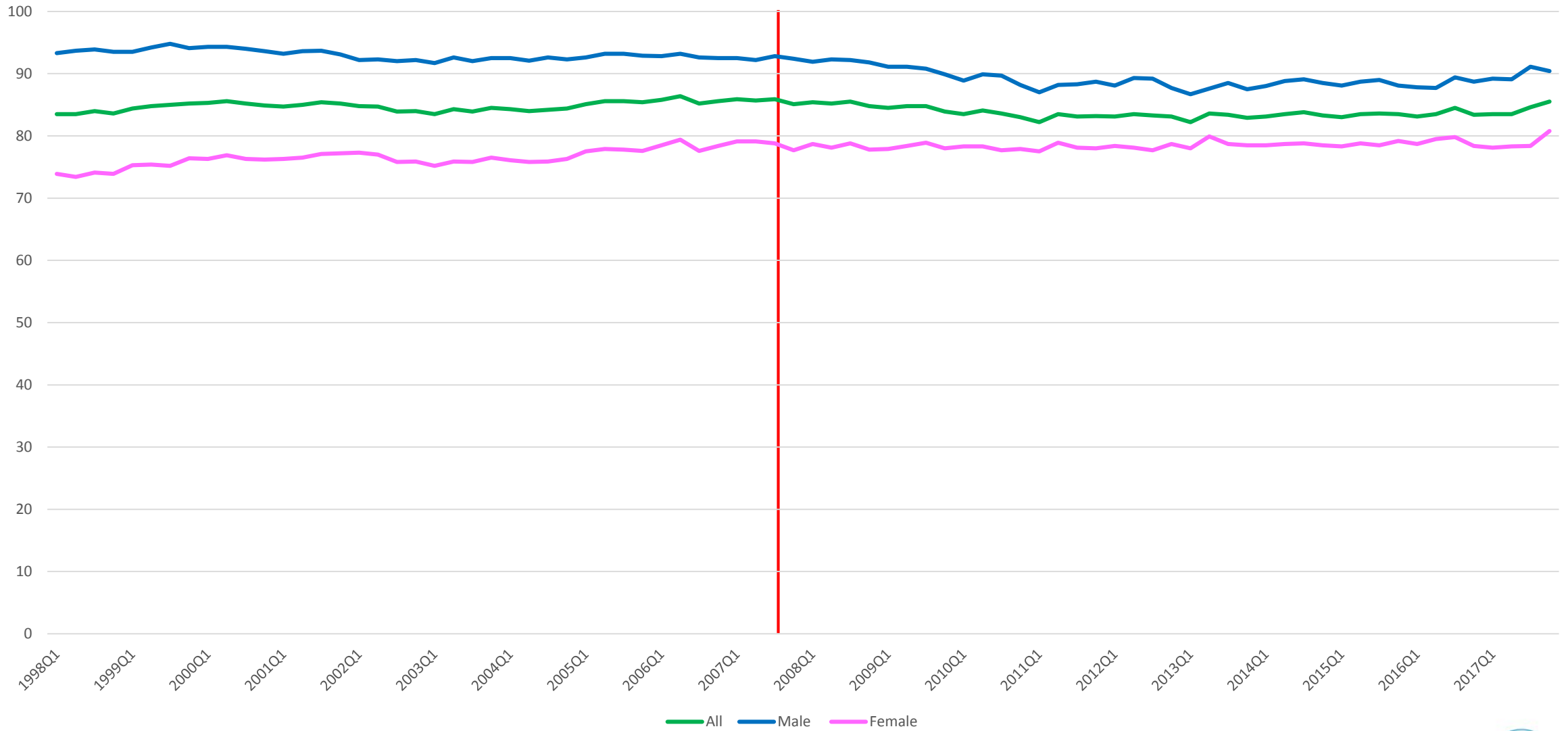
Labour Force Participation Rate - By Gender



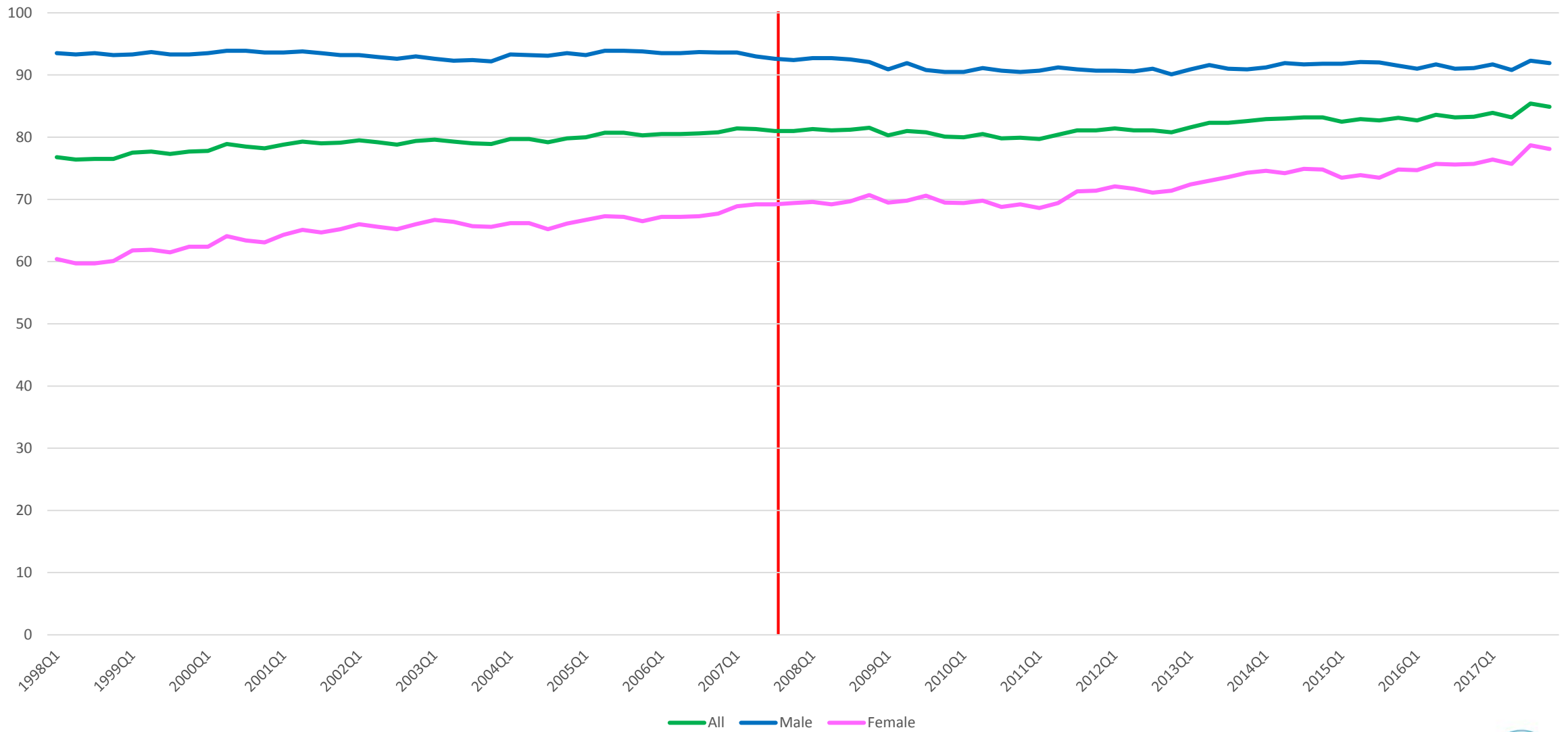
Labour Force Participation Rate - By Gender (20-24 year olds)



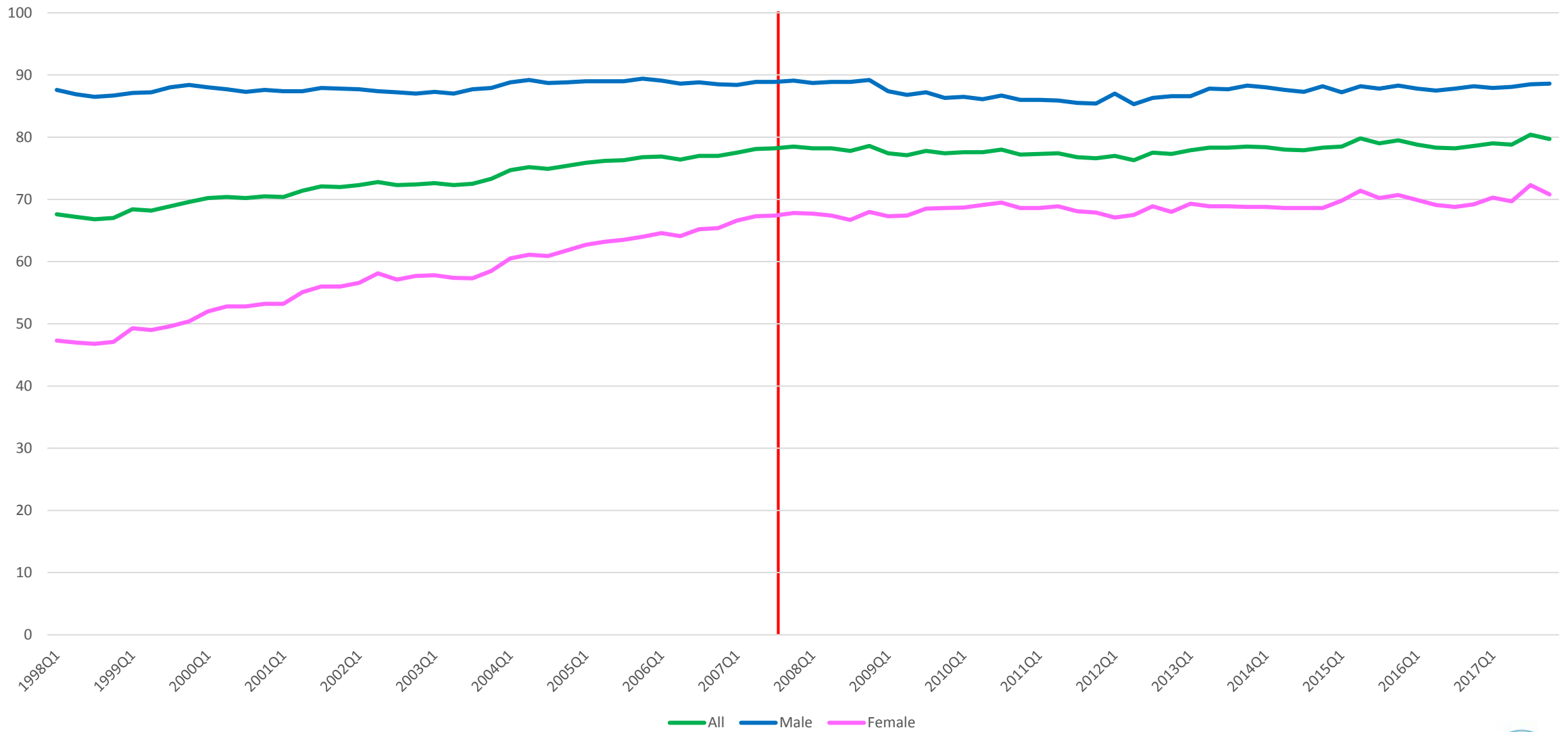
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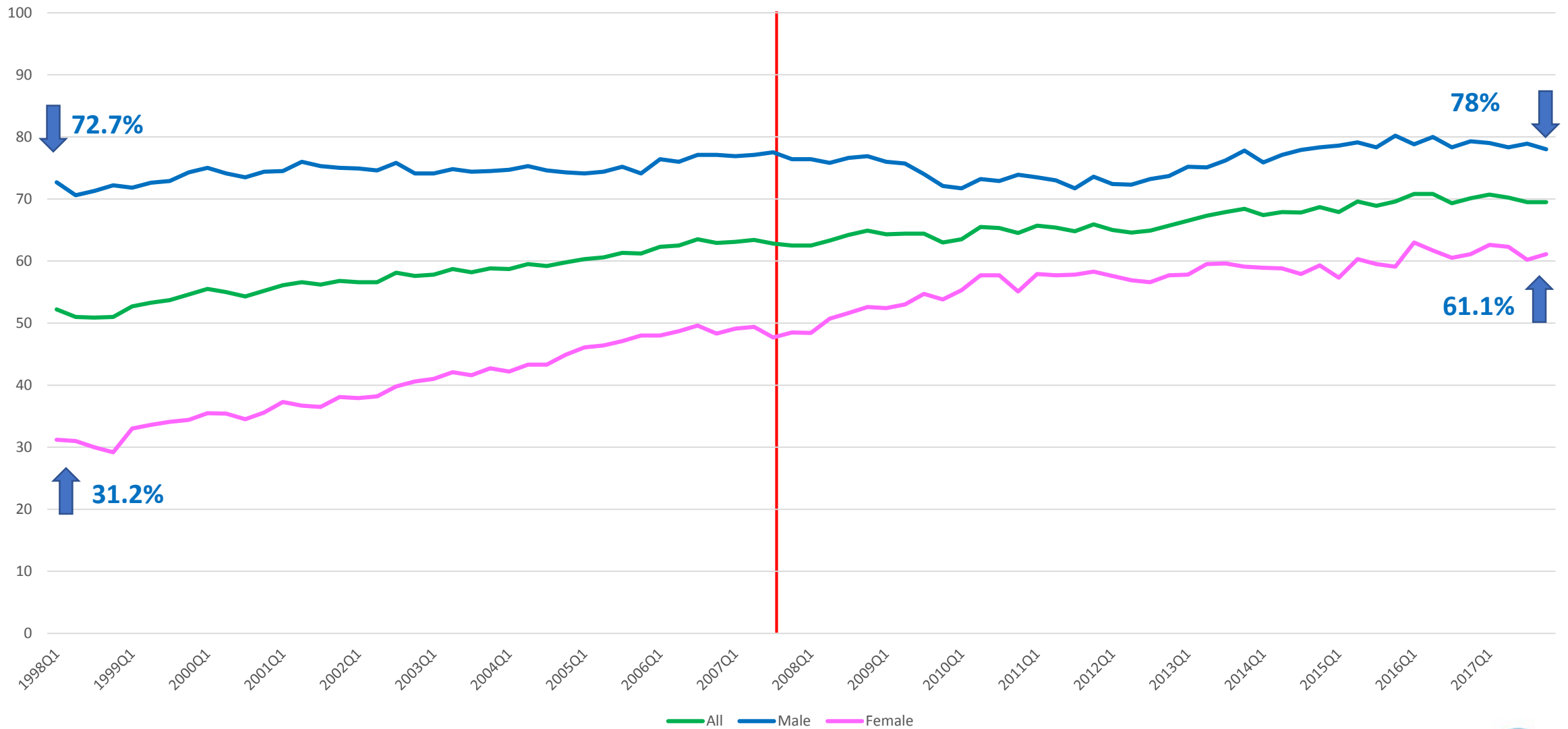
Labour Force Participation Rate - By Gender (35-44 year olds)



Labour Force Participation Rate - By Gender (45-54 year olds)



Labour Force Participation Rate - By Gender (55-59 year olds)

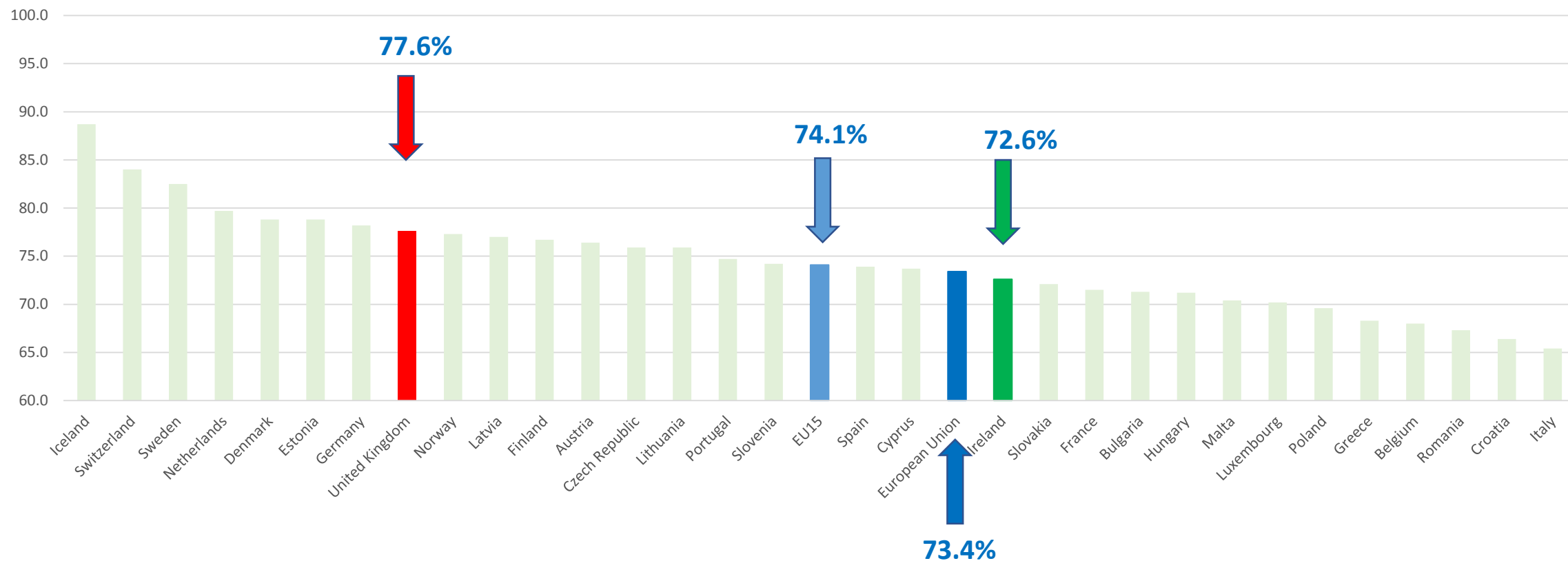


Extent to which the gender gap has closed:

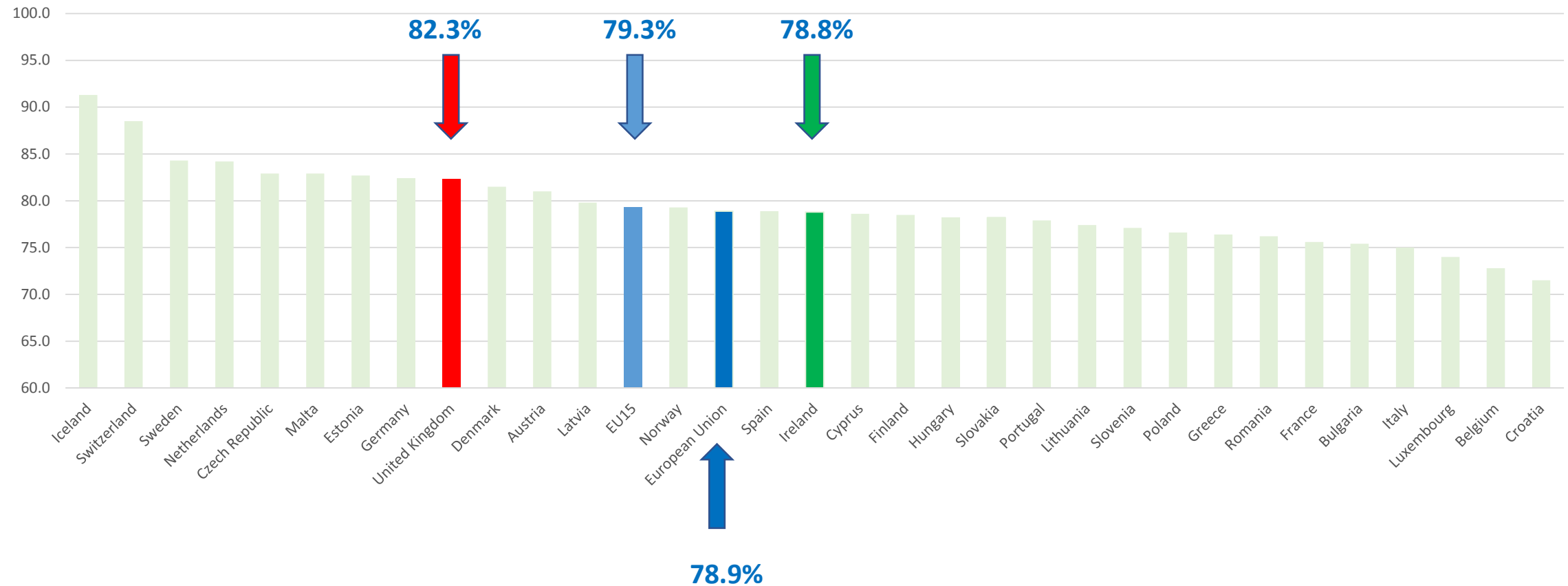
% Gaps between male and female participation over 20 years

Age Groups	Q1 1998	Q4 2017	% of old rate
15-19	13.8	2.7	19.6%
20-24	5.8	5.2	89.7%
25-34	19.4	9.6	49.5%
35-44	33.1	13.8	41.7%
45-54	40.3	17.8	44.2%
55-59	41.5	16.9	40.7%
60-64	34	14.4	42.4%
65+	11.7	12.6	107.7%
General Population	25.9	12.9	49.8%

Labour Force Participation Rate - International comparison: Ireland vs the EU



Labour Force Participation Rate - International comparison: Ireland vs the EU (Male)



Labour Force Participation Rate - International comparison: Ireland vs the EU (Female)

