

# Foxtons Lettings Market Report



July represents a pivotal point in the lettings calendar, offering critical insight into seasonal dynamics and underlying market sentiment. The data indicates a healthy, stabilising London rental market with robust renter activity, a surge in new instructions, and steady rental growth. A continued rebalancing of supply and demand is evident, which is supporting stable landlord returns and tenant choice.

- Supply conditions improved materially in July, with almost 50,000 new rental listings recorded, up 4% from June and 12% higher than July 2024. This represents the highest monthly volume in the last four years.
- Renter demand strengthened notably in July, with a 25% uplift in new applicant registrations month-on-month. Compared with July 2024, demand remains marginally higher, underlining the resilience of the London lettings market and the consistency of the seasonal uplift.
- Average rents rose 2% month-on-month in July to £605 per week, just shy of the market peak recorded in 2023. Since April, rental values have largely stabilised, with the market absorbing new supply while still supporting modest growth.



"The London lettings market remained red hot in July. Despite a modest uptick in supply, applicant demand surged by 23% month-on-month, resulting in over 18 applicants per available property. This sustained pressure has driven rental prices upward in line with seasonal trends, and we expect this momentum to continue for the rest of the summer."

~ Gareth Atkins, Managing Director of Lettings



"The lettings data for July reflects a resilient London rental market with strong, long-term prospects. Average rents remain steady, supported by sustained demand and measured budget growth. These trends are encouraging for institutional investors and developers, indicating a more balanced environment that supports long-term occupancy, rental performance, and sustainable returns. However, as we approach the annual peak in applicant registrations, operators must proactively review their pricing strategies. Without timely adjustments, there is a real risk of stock remaining unlet into Q4, which could impact both occupancy and revenue performance."

~ Sarah Tonkinson, Managing Director of Institutional PRS and Build to Rent

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### Year-To-Date Key Market Indicators

	Supply New Instructions YoY	Demand New Renter Registrations YoY			
All London	-1%		-6%		
Central	-3%		4%		
East	16%		-5%		
North	-8%		2%		
South	-3%		-13%		
West	-11%		-21%		
		YTD 2025 July 2025	YoY (YTD 2025 vs YTD 2024)  MoM (July vs June)		
New Applicant Registrations per New Property Instructed					
††††††††††††††††	Year to Date	14.5	-4.7%		
	Last Month	18	20.6%		
Average Rent Per Week Achieved					
	Year to Date	£586	3%		
	Last Month	£605	2%		
Average % Budget Spent on Rent					
	Year to Date	98%	-0%		
	Last Month	99%	0%		



# Applicant Demand

A 23% uplift in new applicant registrations month-on-month and a small uplift on July 2024, underlines the resilience of the London lettings market.

With year-to-date registrations now 6% lower than the same period in 2024, the consistency of the seasonal uplift is once again generating applicant demand.

Regionally, Central London continues to lead in absolute volume and growth, recording a 4% increase year-on-year. In contrast, the South and West regions saw declines of 15% and 22% respectively.

Year-on-year

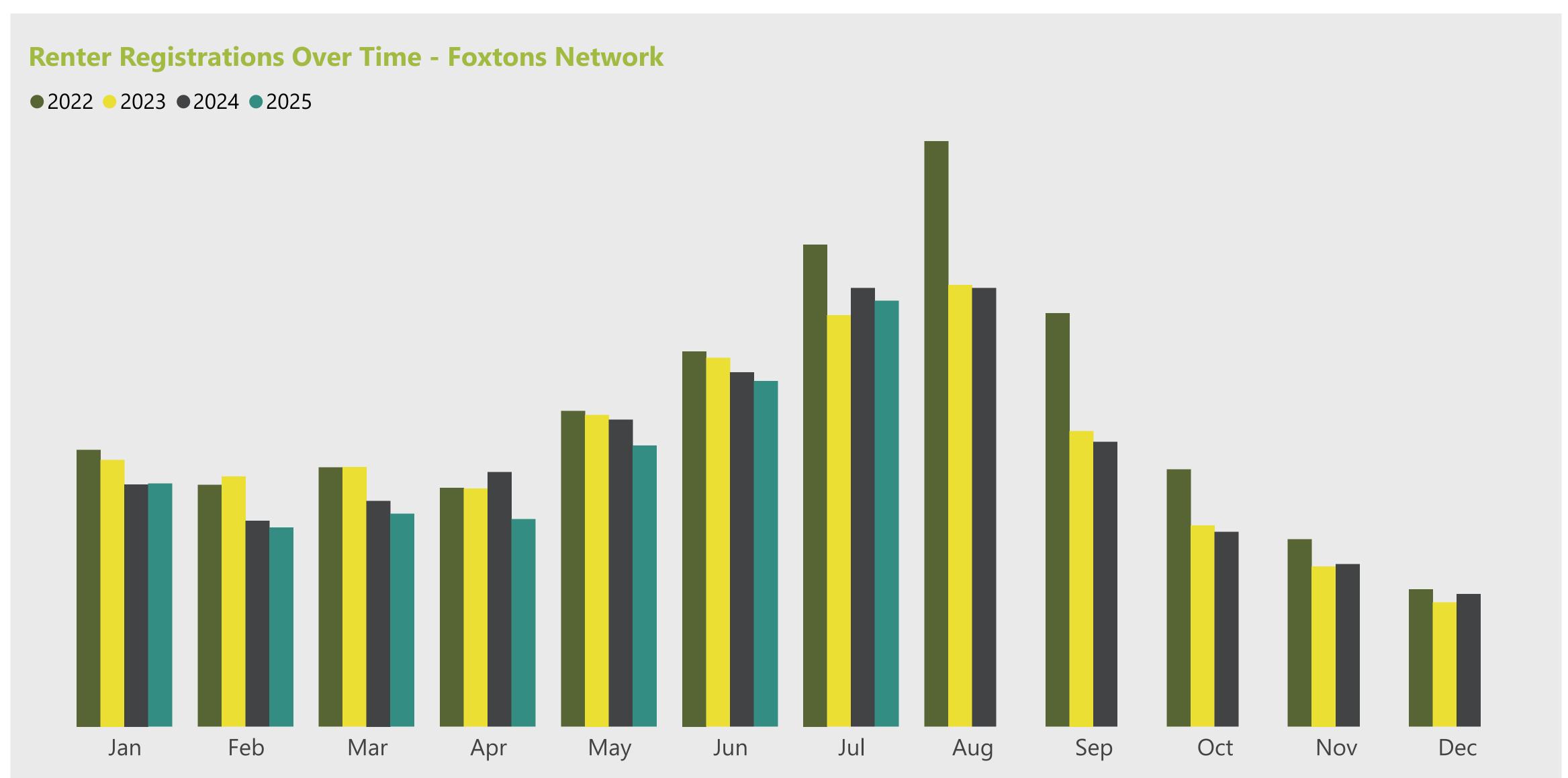
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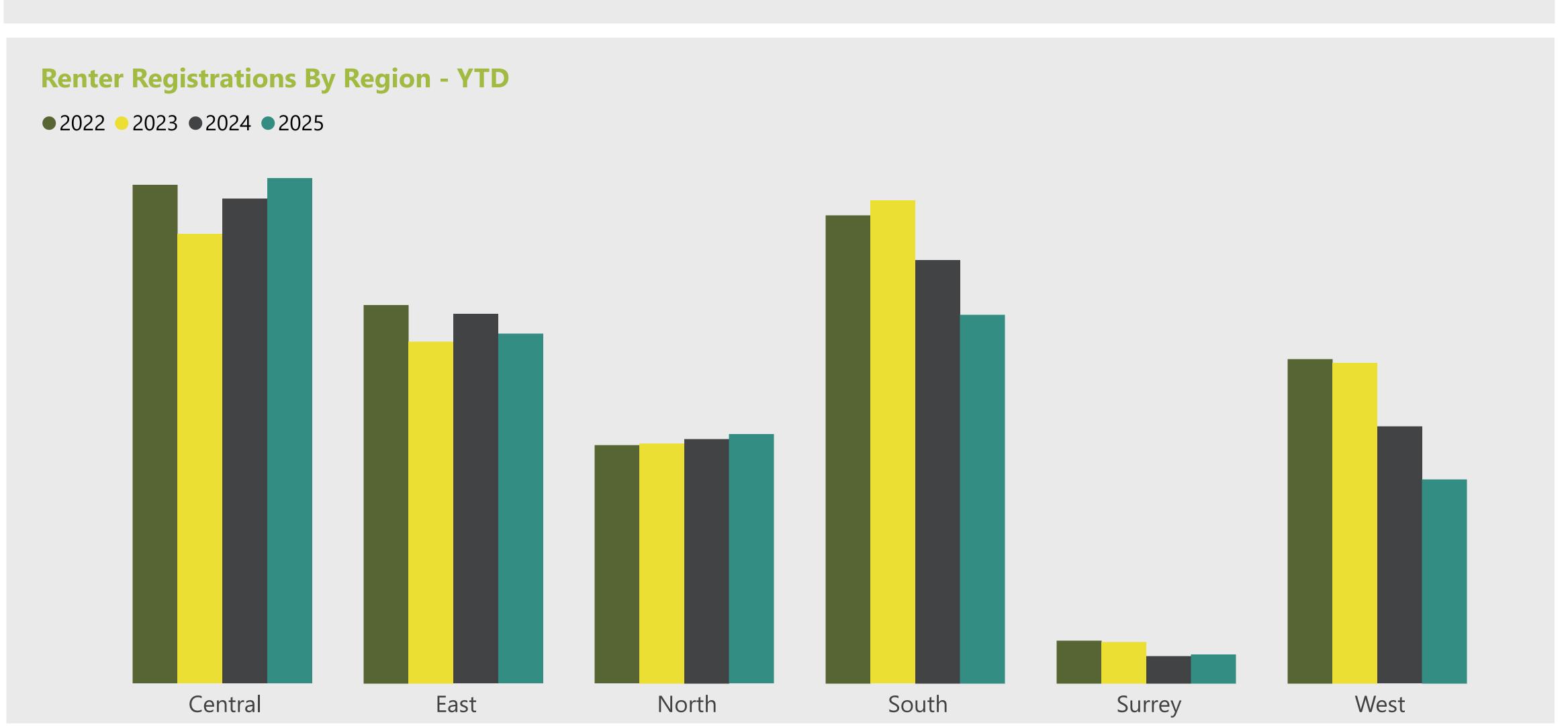
2025 vs 2024

Month-on-month

23%

July vs June







## New Renters per New Instruction

The number of new renters per new instruction rose 21% month-on-month, reaching 18.5 renters per available property in July. As an indicator of market competitiveness, which aligns with expectations for the summer peak. When viewed year-to-date, competitiveness has eased with a 7.7% year-on-year reduction, but this is a smaller deficit than recent months.

Central and North London were the only regions to see an increase in competitiveness compared to last year, while the East and West regions experienced the most pronounced declines.

Year-on-year

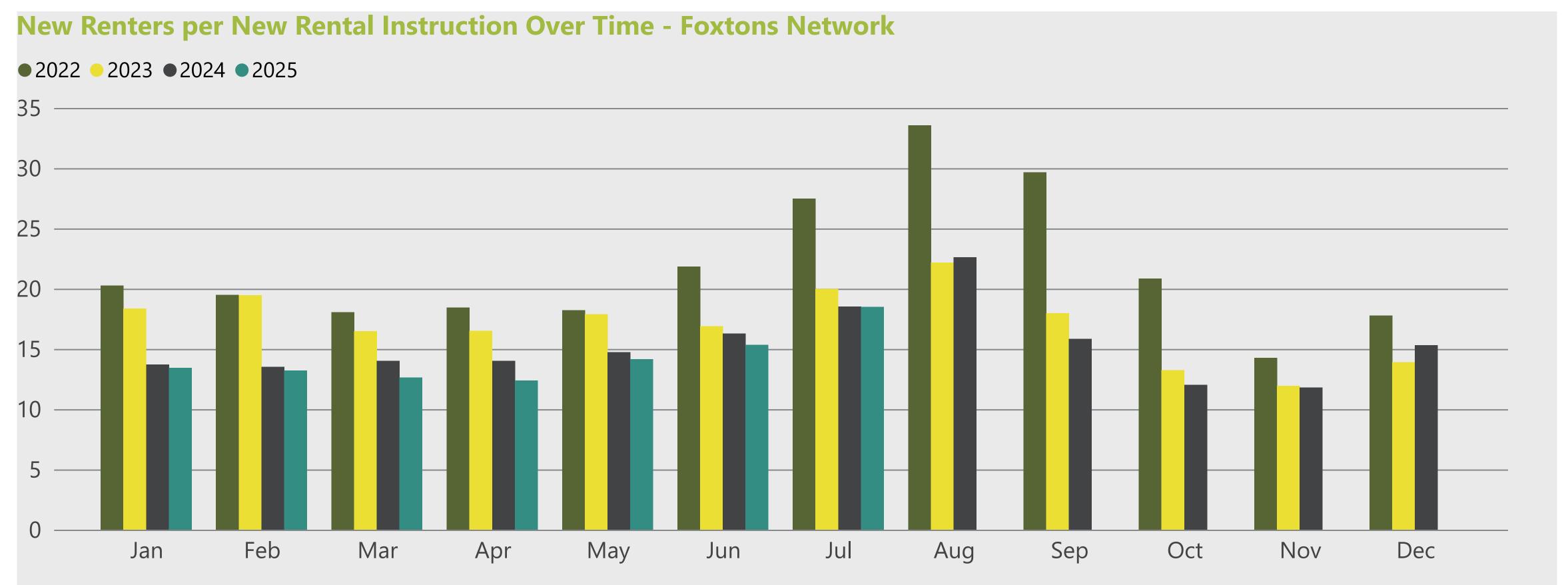
-7.7%

2025 vs 2024

Month-on-month

20.6%

July vs June

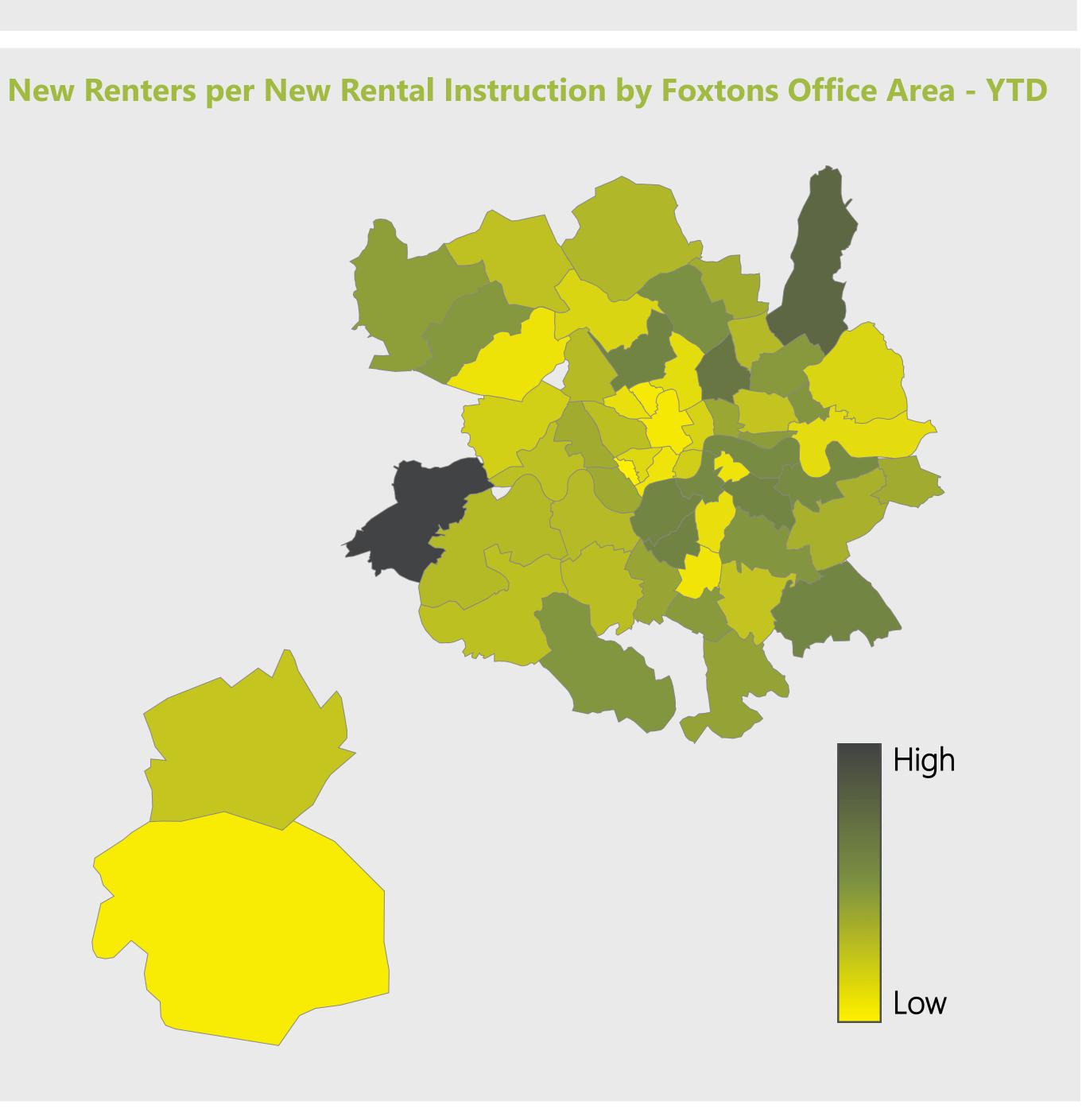


#### **New Renters per New Instruction by Area**

Areas	YTD	Last YTD	YoY %
Central	12.3	12.2	1.0%
East	14.3	17.7	-23.1%
North	18.1	16.6	7.0%
South	17.2	19.4	-11.4%
Surrey	10.0	11.7	-12.7%
West	14.5	16.7	-15.4%
Total	14.5	15.7	-7.7%

#### **New Renters per New Instruction by Area**

Areas	Last Month	2 Months Ago	MoM %
Central	18.0	12.9	39.7%
East	17.2	14.8	16.3%
North	21.7	20.5	6.1%
South	21.3	18.7	13.9%
Surrey	10.2	13.0	-21.7%
West	16.9	14.5	16.4%
Total	18.5	15.3	20.6%





# Applicant Budgets

Renter budgets continue their gradual upward trajectory, with the average applicant budget reaching £554 per week year-to-date, 2% higher than the same period in 2024, with July delivering a further 1% monthly increase. While this marks the highest level in four years, the pace of growth remains measured, constrained by affordability limits and broader economic headwinds. Notably, budget increases have been most pronounced in West London, up 4% year-on-year.

Year-on-year

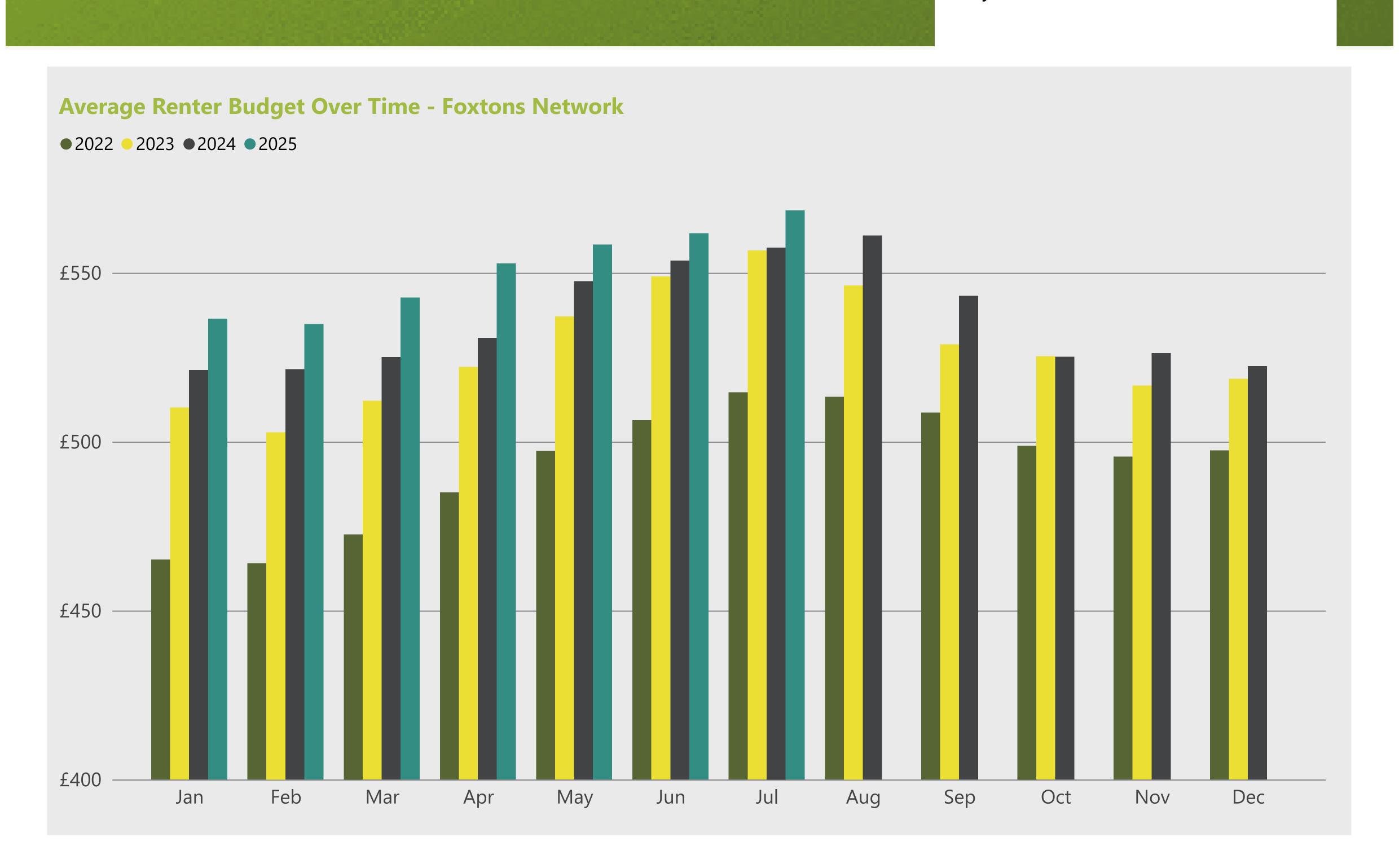
2%

2025 vs 2024

Month-on-month

1%

July vs June





#### **Renter Budgets by Area**

Areas	YTD	Last YTD	YoY
Central	£603	£598	1%
East	£554	£539	3%
North	£546	£544	0%
South	£523	£509	3%
Surrey	£482	£480	0%
West	£515	£497	4%
Total	£554	£540	2%



# Market New Listings

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Supply conditions improved materially in July, with almost 50,000 new rental listings recorded, up 4% from June and 12% higher than July 2024. This represents the largest volume in the last four years and reflects growing landlord confidence and re-engagement with the market.

Year-to-date, new listings are tracking 12% ahead of the same period in 2024, validating the market returning to a more typical seasonal pattern and alleviating the upward pressure on rents.

Year-on-year

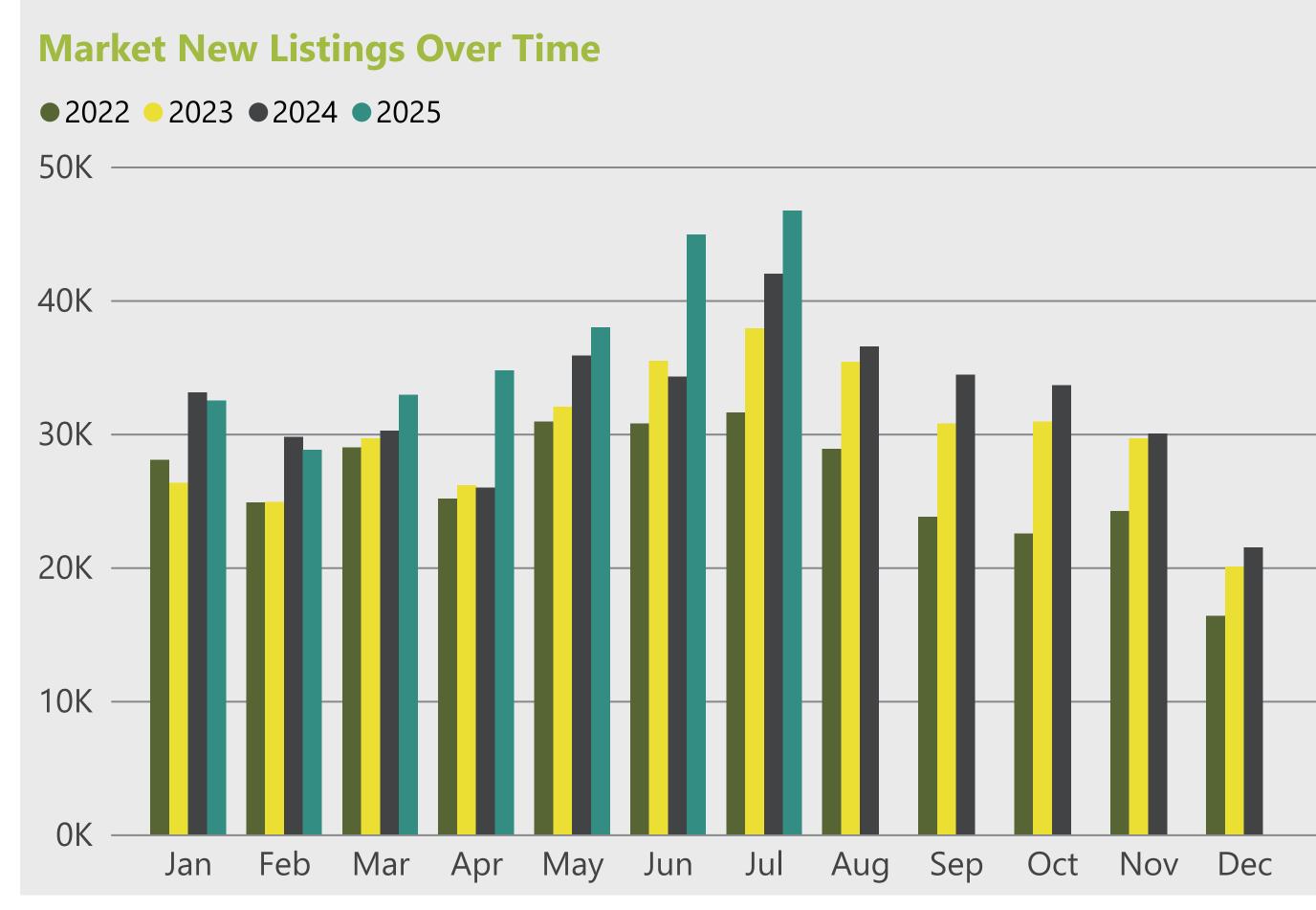
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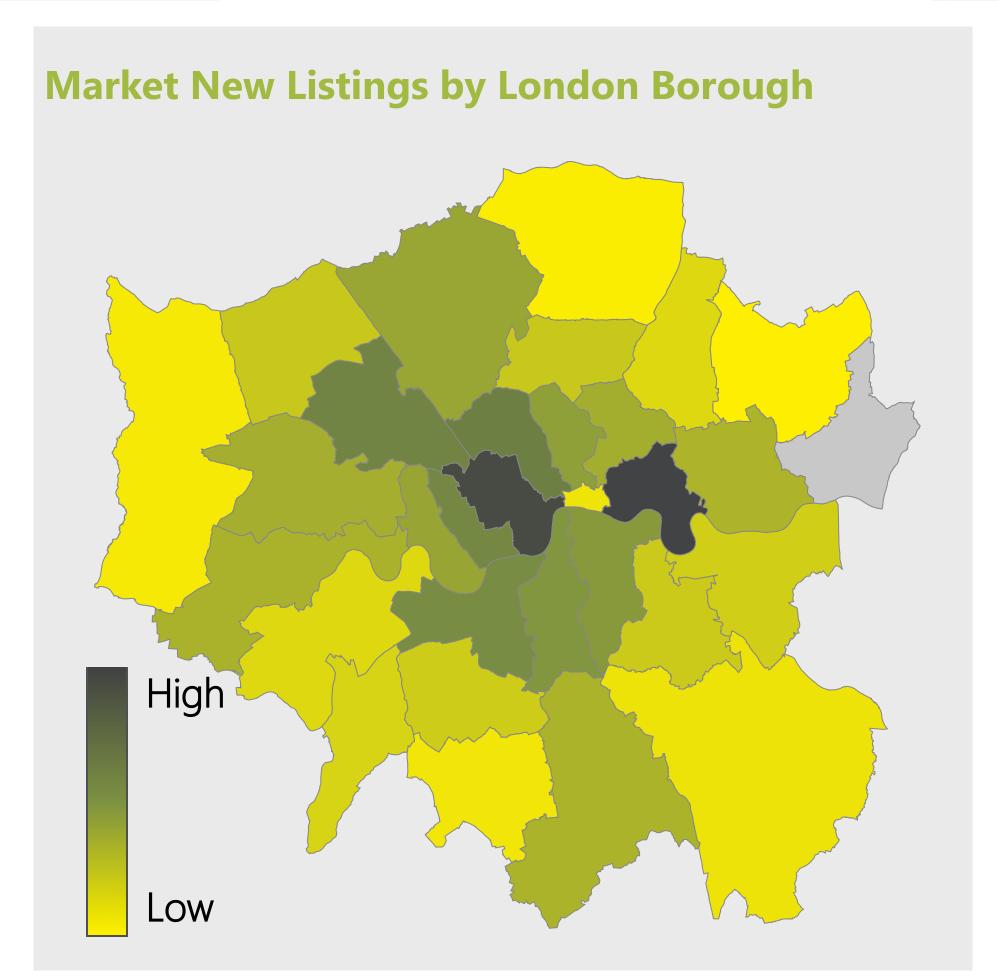
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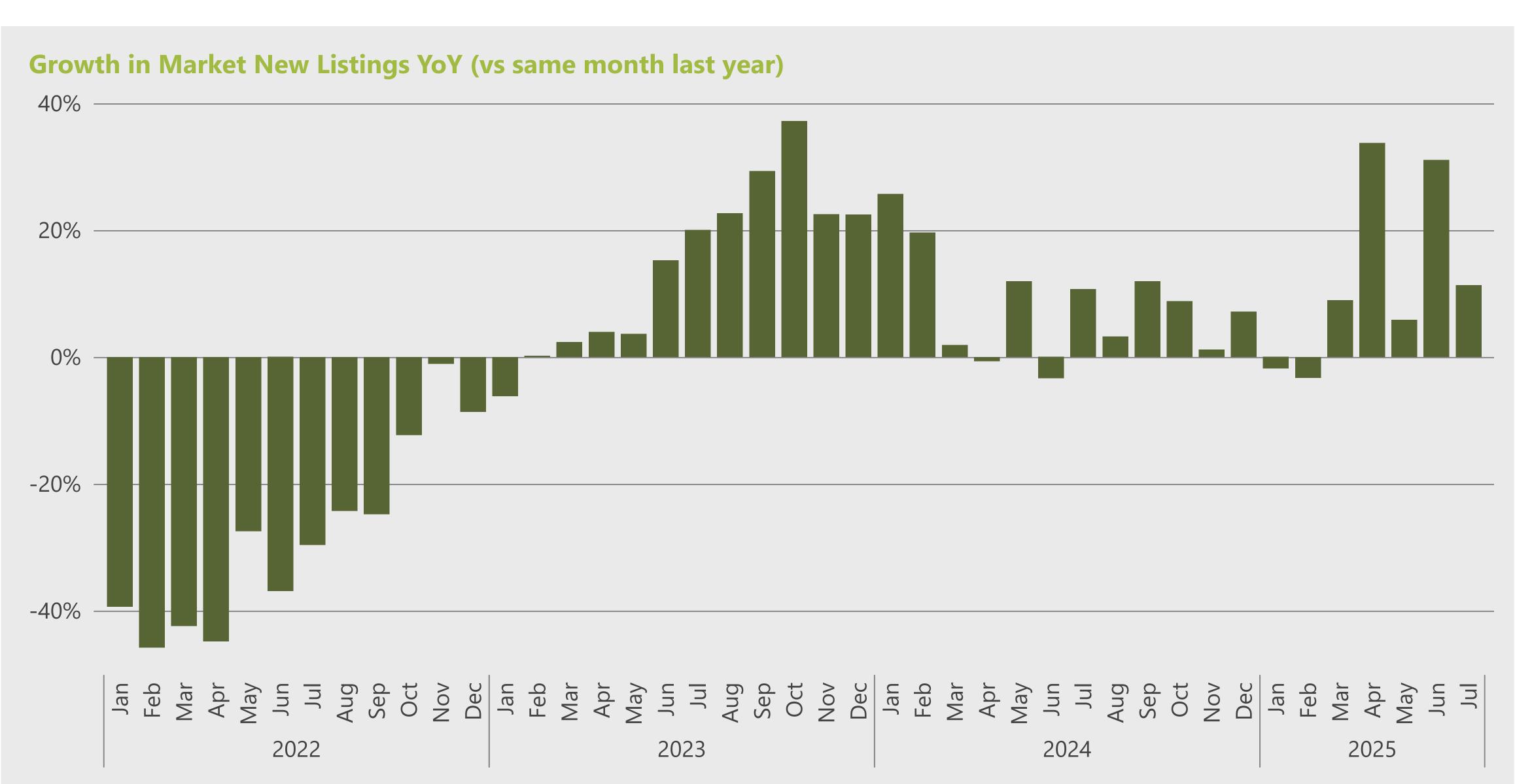
Month-on-month

4%

July vs June









# Rent Achieved

Average rents rose 2% month-on-month in July to £605 per week, just shy of the market peak recorded in 2023. Since April, rental values have largely stabilised, with the market absorbing new supply while still supporting modest growth. Year-to-date, average rents are 3% higher than the previous year. Regional performance remains mixed: the West region recorded the strongest growth at 6%, while North London rents softened slightly.

Year-on-year

3%

2025 vs 2024

Month-on-month

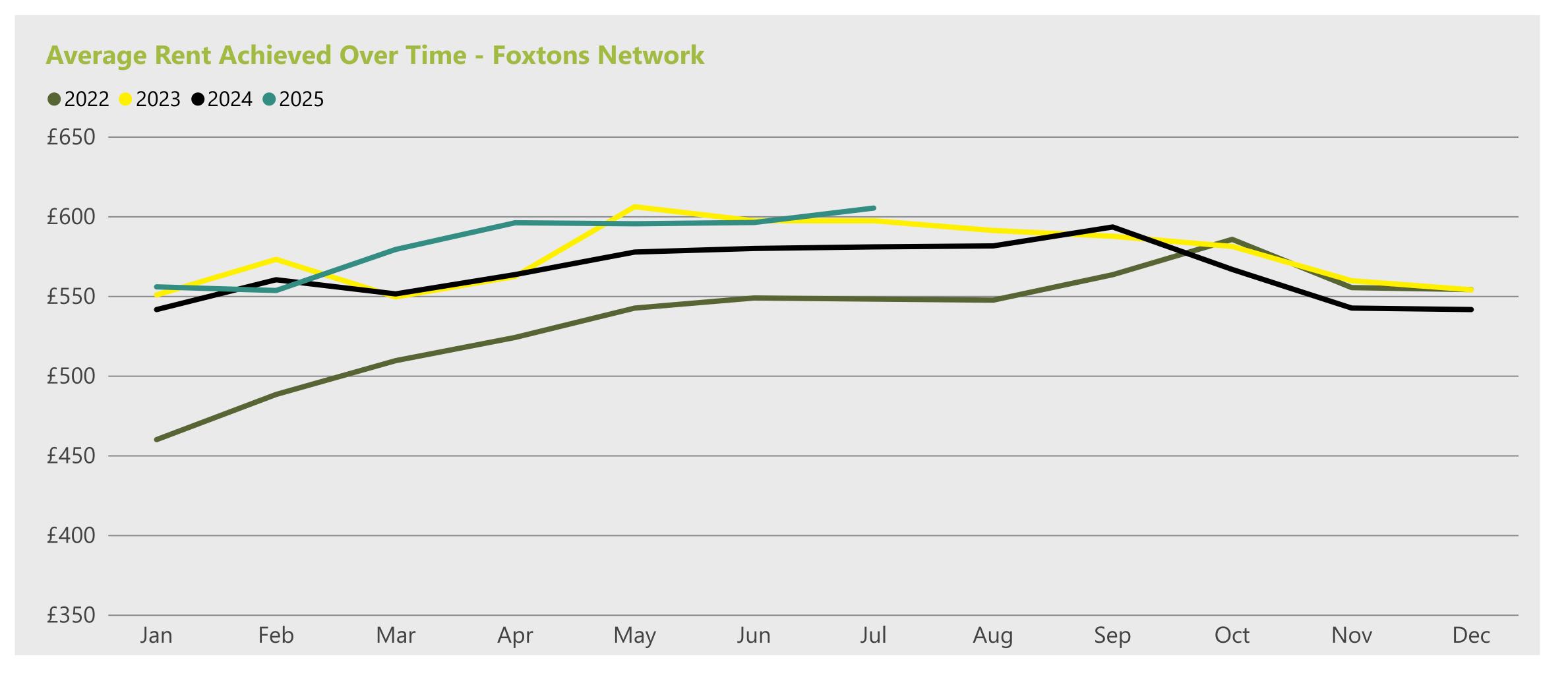
2%

July vs June

### Average Weekly Rent Achieved YTD and YoY Change



#### **Average Weekly Rent Achieved by Area** YTD Last YTD YoY Areas Central 2% £678 £663 £557 £534 4% East North £538 £541 -1% South £541 £522 4% Surrey £487 £466 4% West £514 £484 6% Total £586 £567 3%





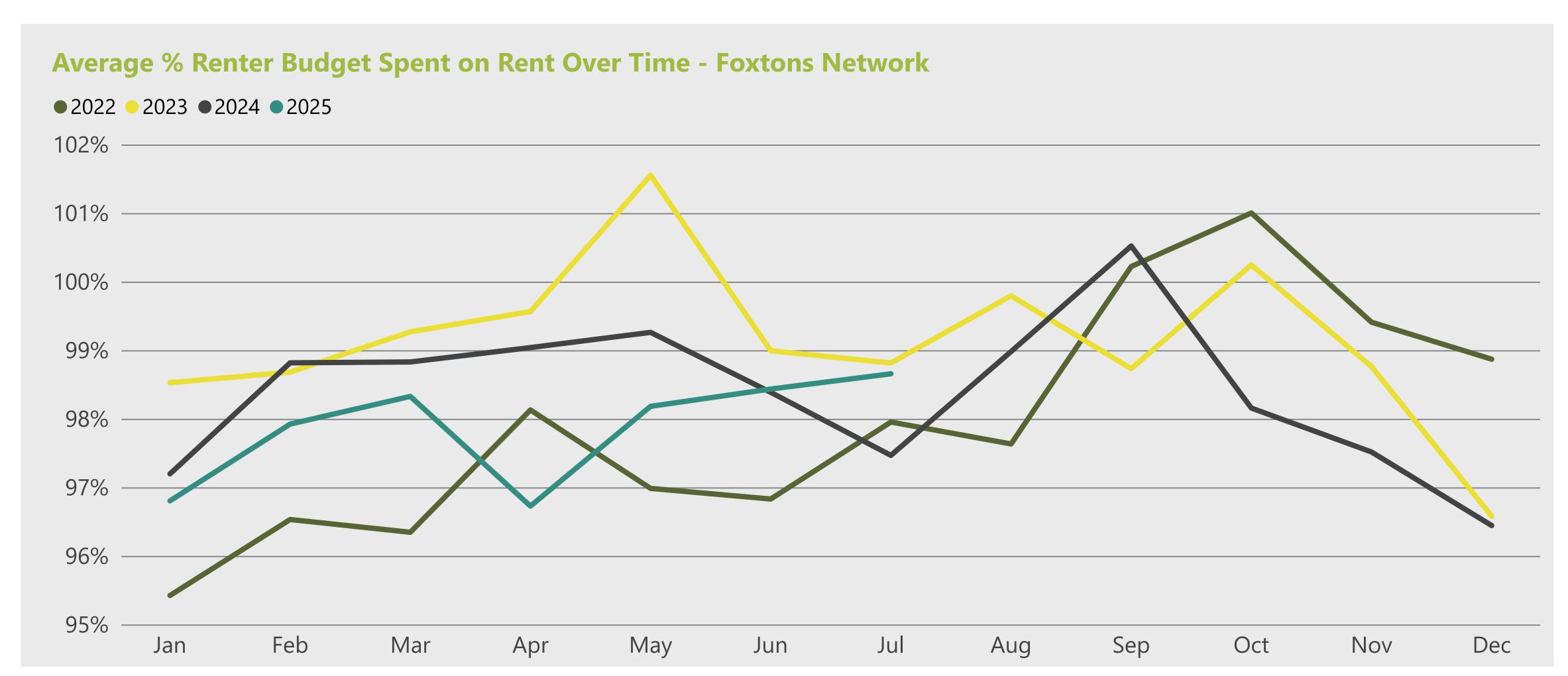
# Renter Spend

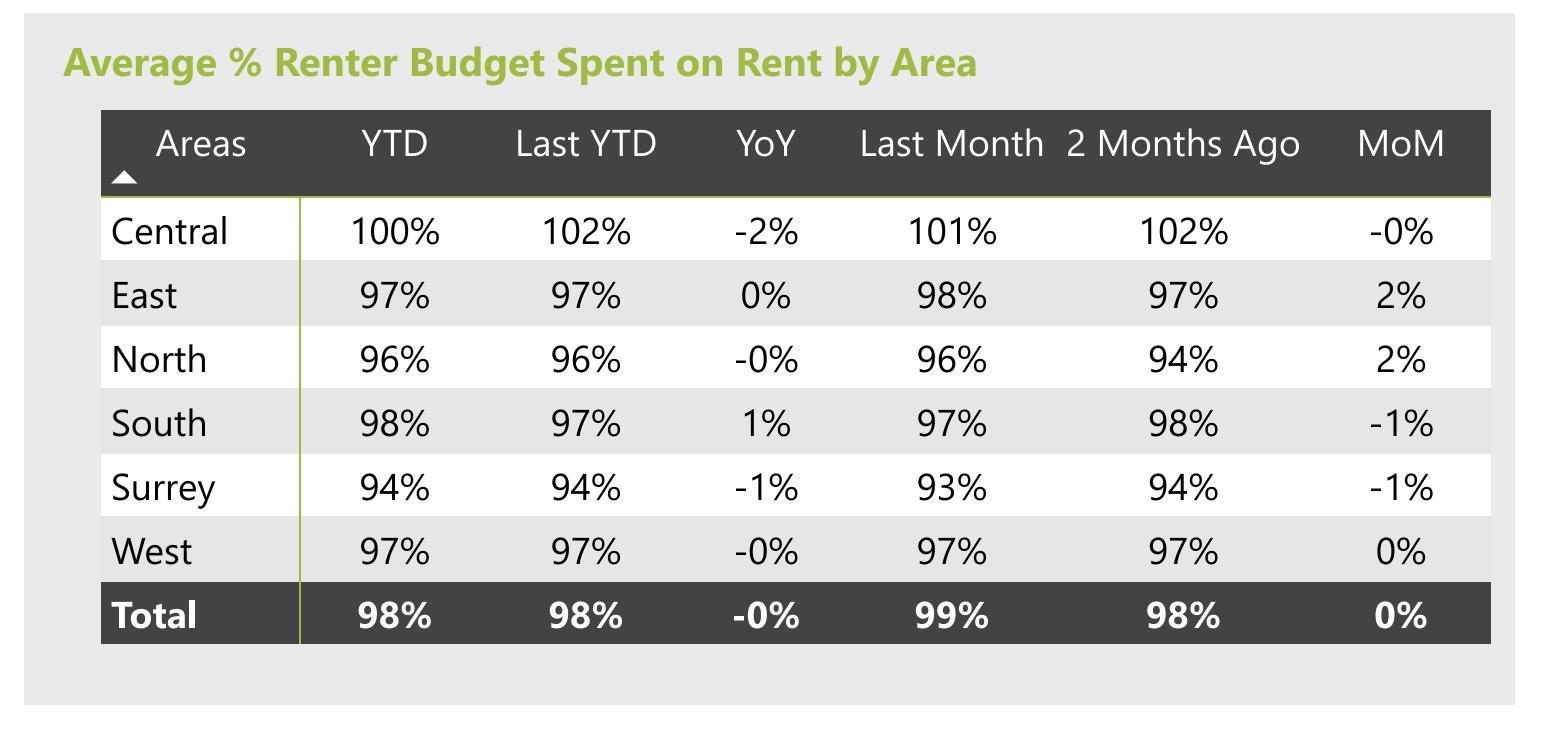
In July, tenants spent an average of 99% of their stated rental budget, in line with year-to-date averages. Central London remains the only region where renters consistently spend above their registered budget. Across the network, 30% of renters are exceeding their budget to secure property, while 63% transact below budget, indicating improved choice and reduced urgency due to stronger supply.

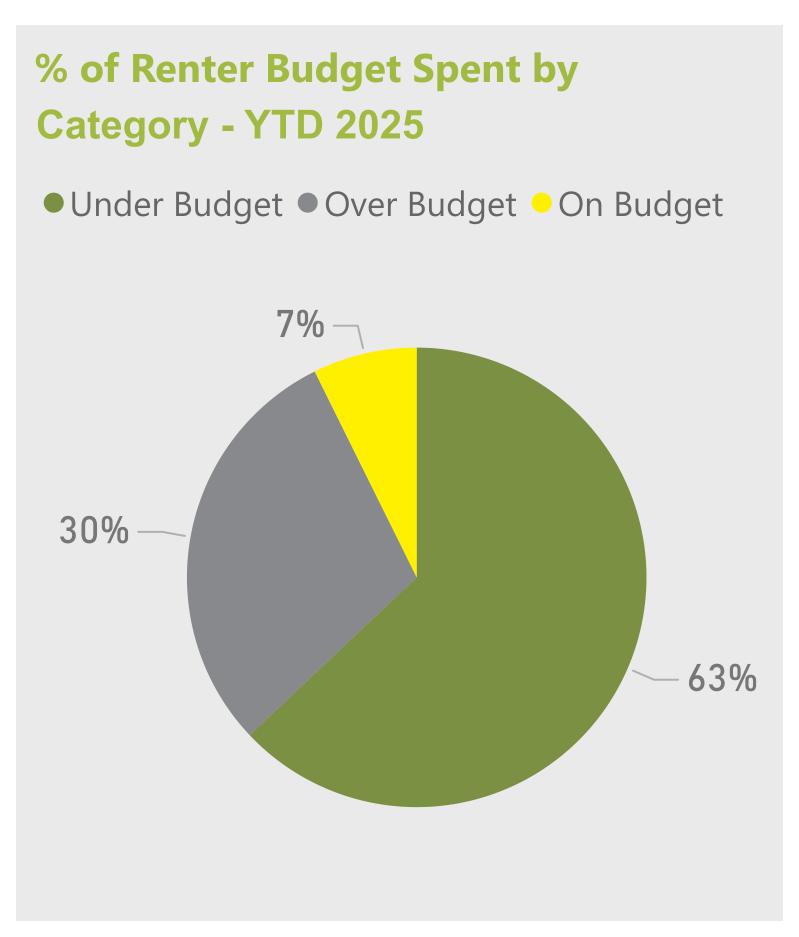


### Average % of Rental Budget Spent

100% means renters are spending exactly their budget. Anything over 100% means renters are spending over budget. Under 100% means renters are spending under budget.

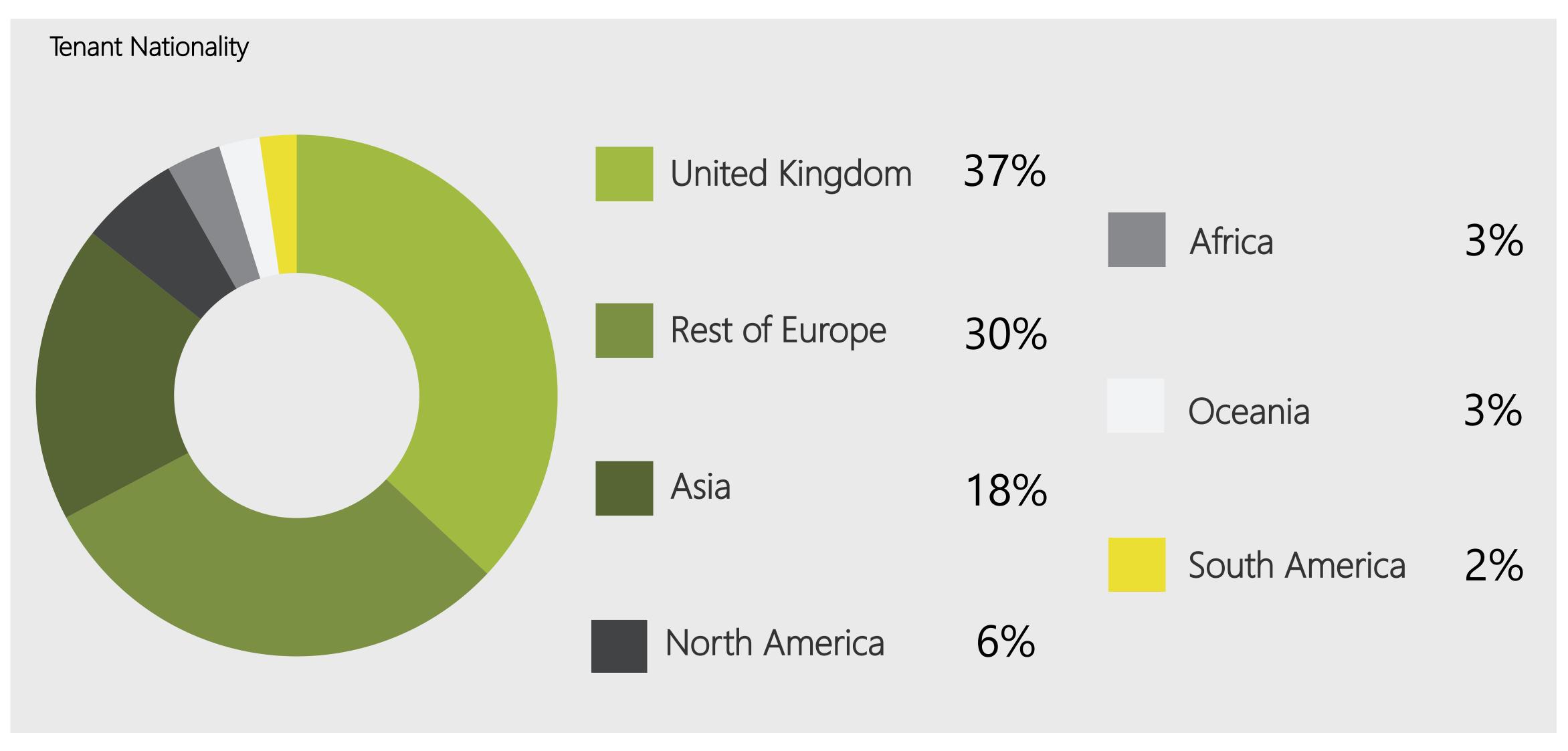


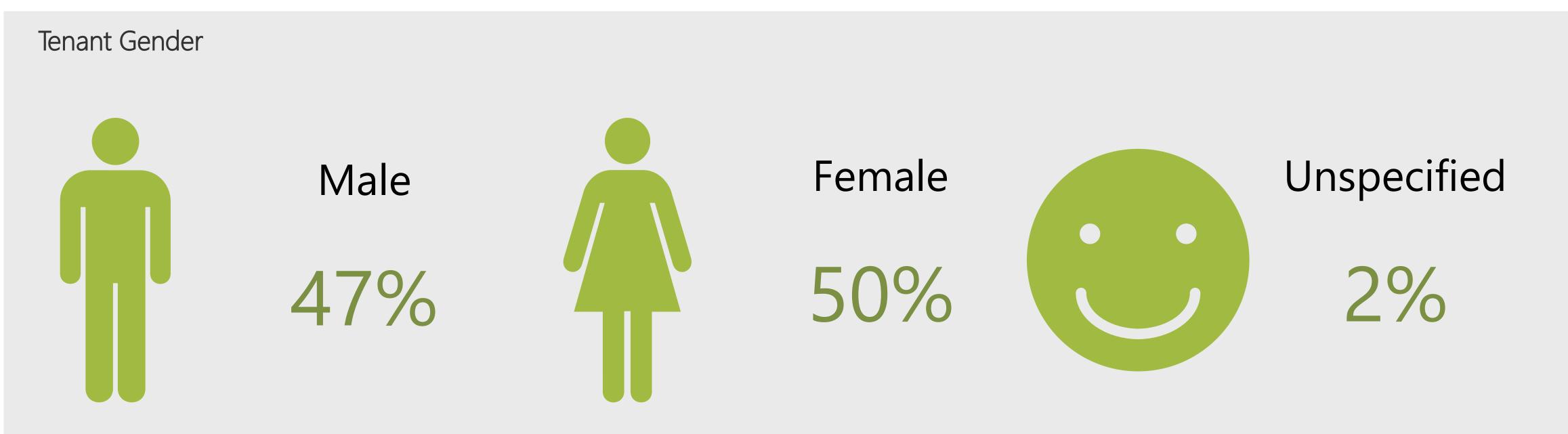


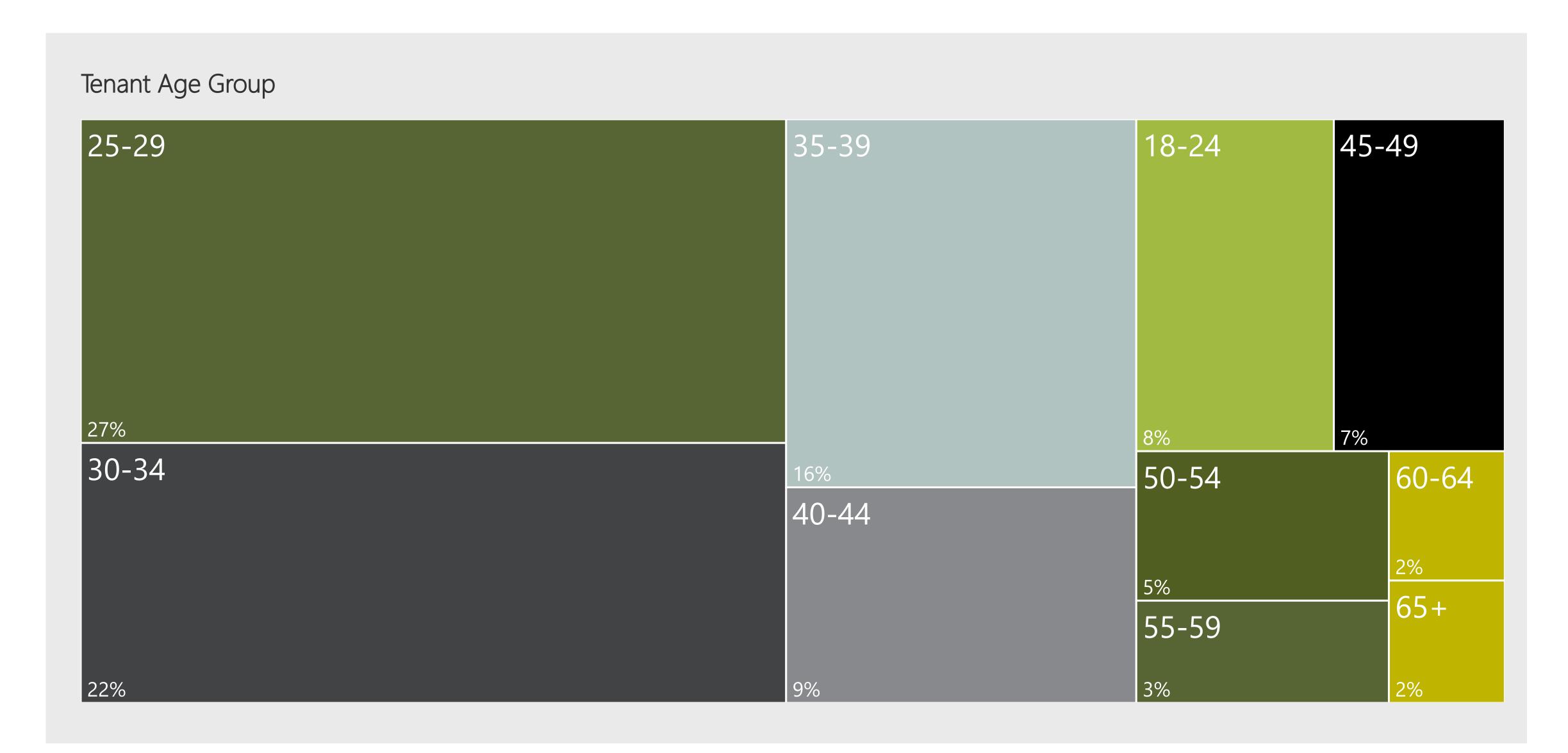




### Tenant Demographics







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Areas defined by Foxtons office groups:

#### **CENTRAL**

Camden

Earls Court

Elephant & Castle

Fulham Broadway

London Bridge

Maida Vale

Marylebone & Mayfair

Notting HIII

Pimlico & Westminster

Sloane Square

South Kensington

St John's Wood

Vauxhall & Oval

West End

#### **EAST**

Blackheath

Bow

Canary Wharf

Clerkenwell

Greenwich

Hackney

Shoreditch

Stratford

Walthamstow

Wapping

Woolwich

#### **NORTH**

Crouch End

Hampstead

Islington

North Finchley

Stoke Newington

Temple Fortune

Willesden Green

Wood Green

Stanmore

#### SOUTH

Balham

Battersea

Brixton

Bromley

Croydon

Crystal Palace

Dulwich

New Malden

Norbury

Peckham

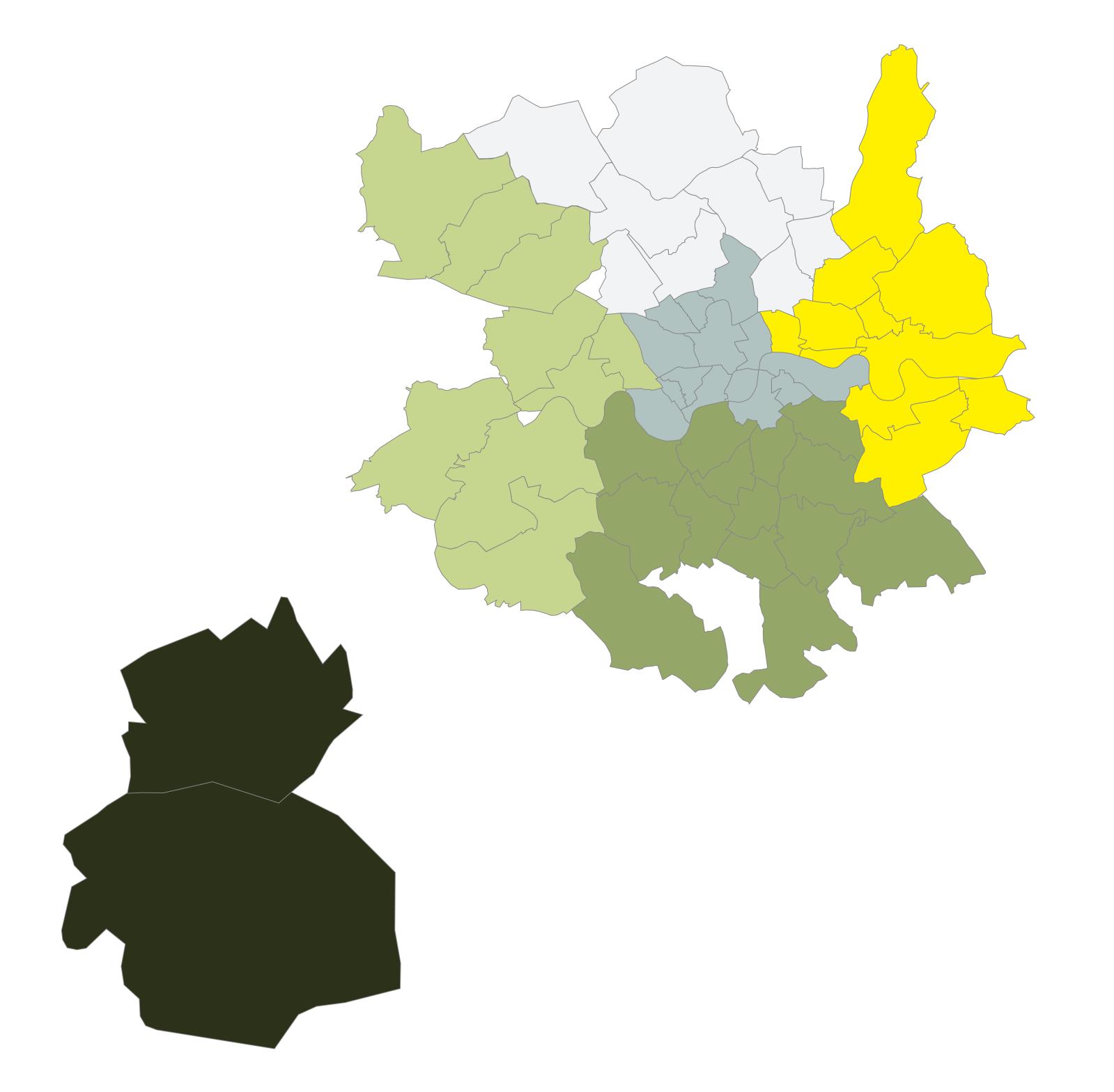
Putney

Streatham

Tooting

Wimbledon





#### **SURREY**

Guildford Woking

#### **WEST**

Chiswick

Ealing

Harrow

Hounslow

Kingston

Pinner

Richmond & Twickenham

Shepherds Bush & Brook Green

Wembley





### Foxtons Specialist Departments

#### **LETTINGS**

Foxtons remains London's leading lettings agent. Over 50,000 tenants register monthly, and our teams work to expand their searches, resulting in thousands of properties successfully let every month.

#### **SALES**

The Foxtons Sales teams are committed to guiding and assisting buyers and sellers across London and the Home Counties, playing a key role in the sale of more than £1 billion worth of property each year.

#### **BUILD TO RENT**

Working alongside developers, our Build to Rent team utilises its years of experience to devise and deliver successful end-to-end lettings strategies, which is why we are the number one London agent for Build to Rent.

#### **NEW HOMES AND INVESTMENTS**

We work directly with prominent developers to assist in the selling of new build properties, and offer expert guidance and consultancy around sourcing land and securing investment.

#### INTERNATIONAL

Our experienced, knowledgeable and diverse in-house International team works with overseas clientele to achieve their property aspirations within one of the world's leading real estate markets.

#### **FOXTONS PRIVATE OFFICE**

Our specialist prime sales and lettings department is made up of our most experienced Managers and Directors, offering a bespoke and personalised service for some of the most desirable properties across London.

#### **SPECIALIST FINANCE**

Working closely with award winning mortgage broker Alexander Hall, our specialist team works with banks, capital markets, debt funds and family offices to secure both debt and equity for real estate projects. https://www.alexanderhall.co.uk/

#### **CONSULTANCY**

By harnessing our unique repository of data, research and industry knowledge, we assist our clients, from developers to investors, so they can extract the most value from their real estate projects.

#### **RESEARCH AND INSIGHTS**

The combination of our unmatched database of people and property, in conjunction with our expert staff, allows us to analyse, understand and predict the inner workings of the London property market.

#### PREMIER CLIENTS

The Premier Clients team consists of expert relationship managers who are dedicated to providing the most comprehensive asset management service to landlords with investment porfolios across London and the Home Counties.

#### **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT**

We let over 17,000 tenancies and manage a further 10,000 Build to Rent and Private Rental Sector properties across London, collecting more than £450 million in rent for our landlords annually. Our professional teams conduct the leasing, maintenance and compliance to protect our landlords' assets.



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