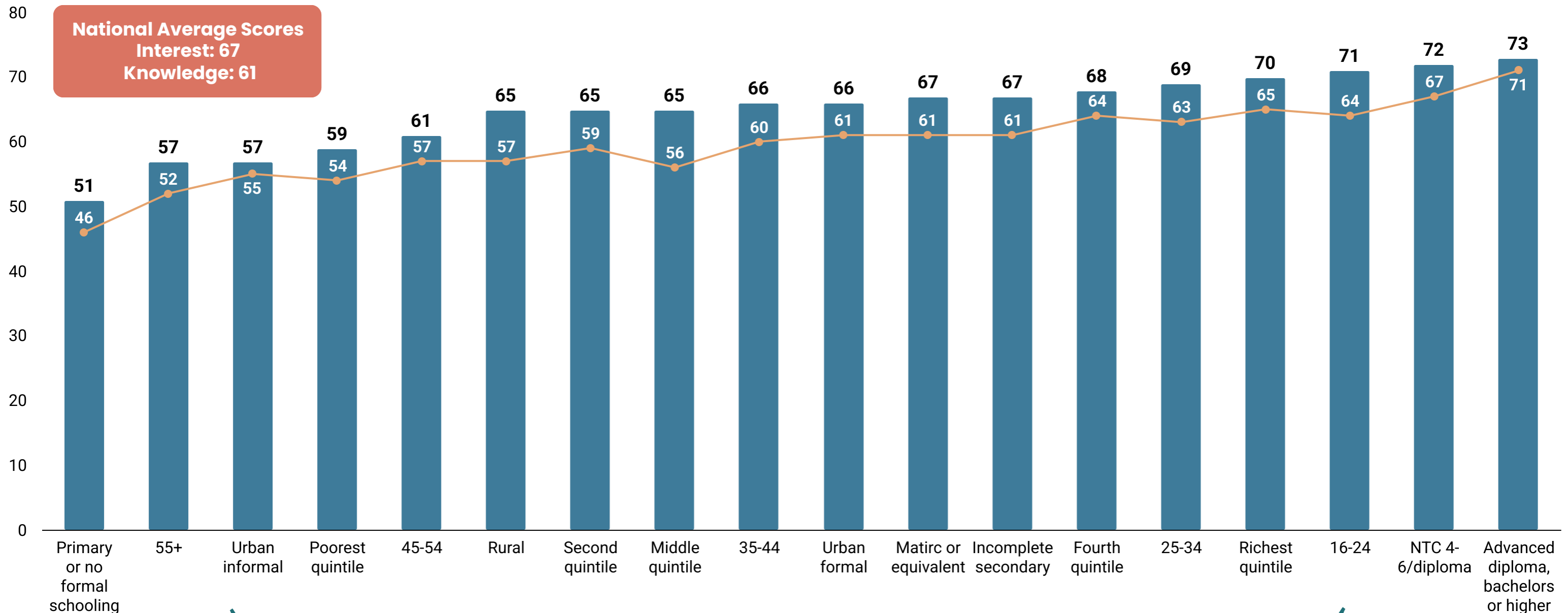



South African Women's Knowledge and Interest in Science and Technology


The 2022 South African Public Relationship with Science (SAPRS) Survey explored public knowledge and interest in various areas of science and technology (S&T), which is key to driving engagement and awareness. Here we present women's knowledge of, and interest in S&T areas as indices on a 0-100 scale, with higher values representing greater self-reported knowledge and interest.




National Average Scores
Interest: 67
Knowledge: 61

● Index of interest — Index of knowledge

 Interest in S&T was generally higher than self-reported knowledge. This highlights an unmet need for knowledge and an opportunity for increased science promotion.

 The average scores for women were 65 for interest and 59 for knowledge.

Higher interest and knowledge scores were reported by women that were younger, had a higher education level and socio-economic status, and that were living in formal urban areas.

 Education had the strongest influence - women with higher qualifications had the highest interest and knowledge