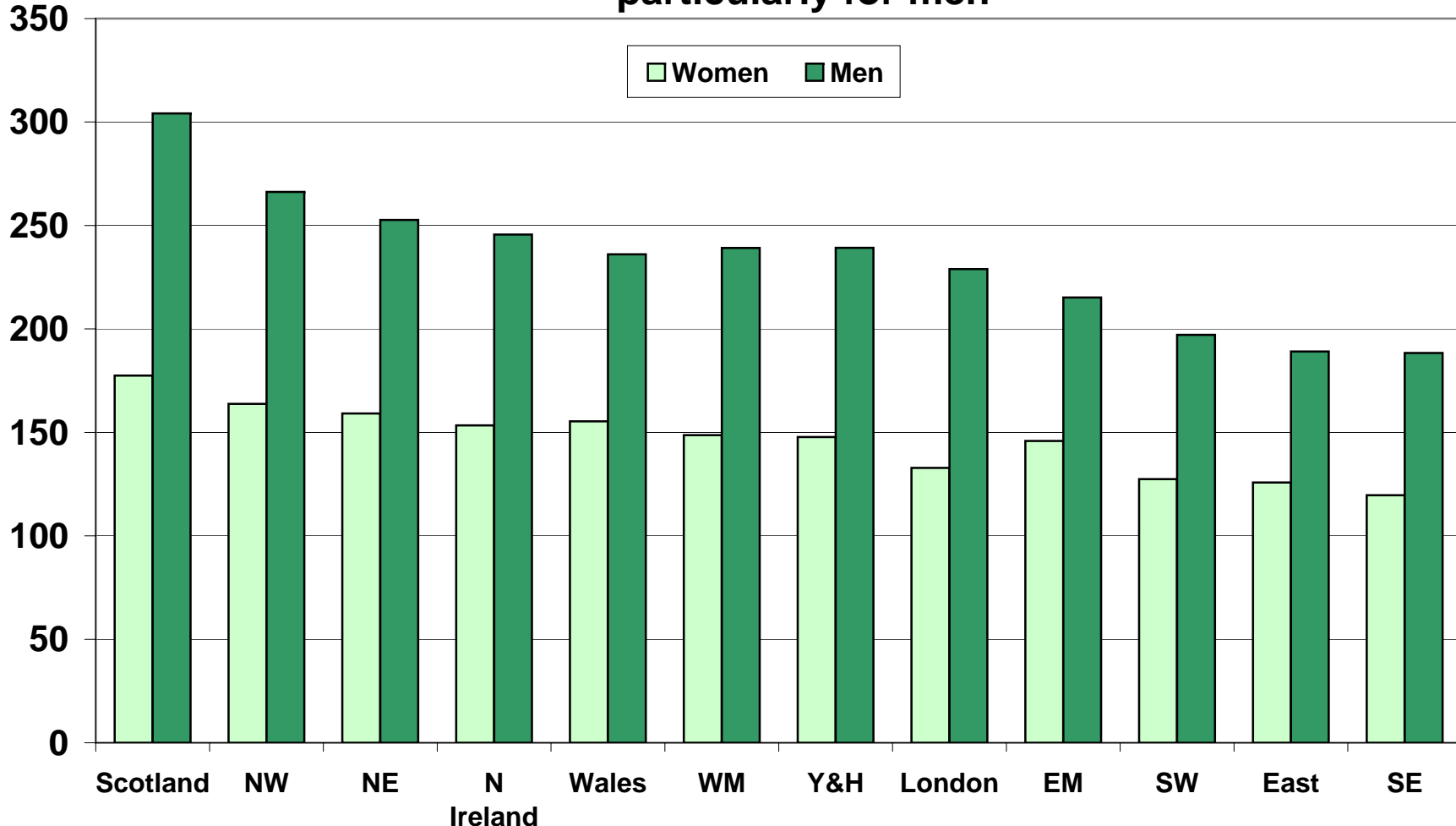


Premature deaths are much higher in Scotland than elsewhere, particularly for men

Deaths of those aged under 65 per 100,000 aged under 65, after standardising to a constant European age structure



Source: General Register Office (Scotland), Registrar General (Northern Ireland) and Mortality Statistics Division, ONS (England and Wales); the data is for 2008; UK; updated Dec 2009