



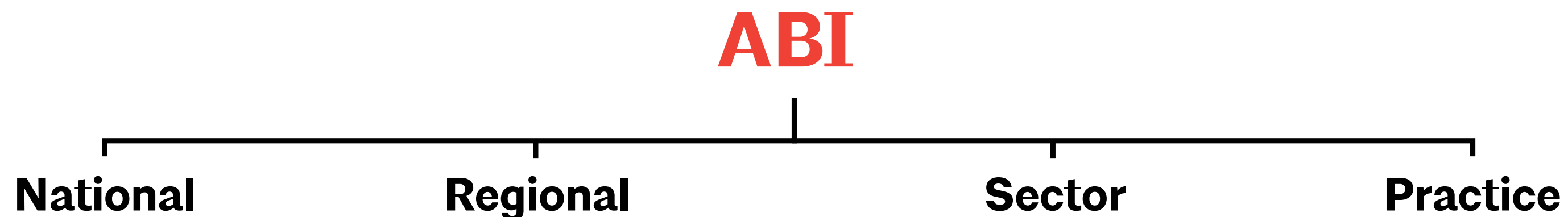
**Deltek**

# **AIA/Deltek Architecture Billings Index (ABI)**

**August 2025**

The AIA/Deltek Architecture Billings Index (ABI) is a diffusion index derived from the monthly Work-on-the-Boards survey, conducted by the AIA Economics & Market Research Group. The ABI serves as a leading economic indicator that leads nonresidential construction activity by approximately 9-12 months. The survey panel asks participants whether their billings increased, decreased, or stayed the same in the month that just ended. According to the proportion of respondents choosing each option, a score is generated, which represents an index value for each month. An index score of 50 represents no change in firm billings from the previous month, a score above 50 indicates an increase in firm billings from the previous month, and a score below 50 indicates a decline in firm billings from the previous month.

\*All graphs represent data from August 2024–August 2025.



# National

Business conditions at architecture firms remain soft.

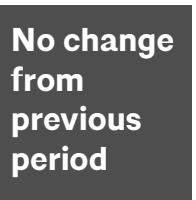
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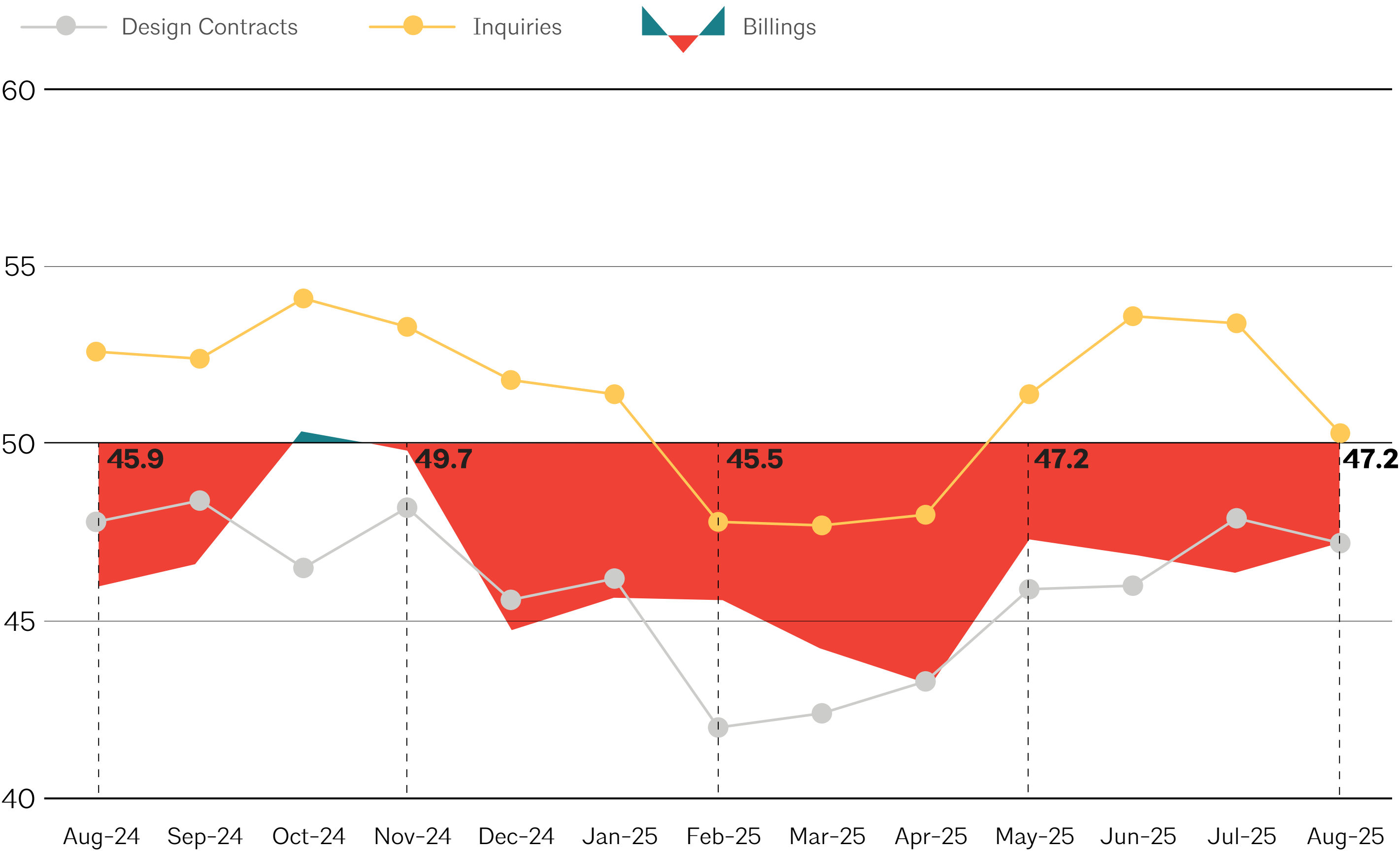
Above 50



Below 50



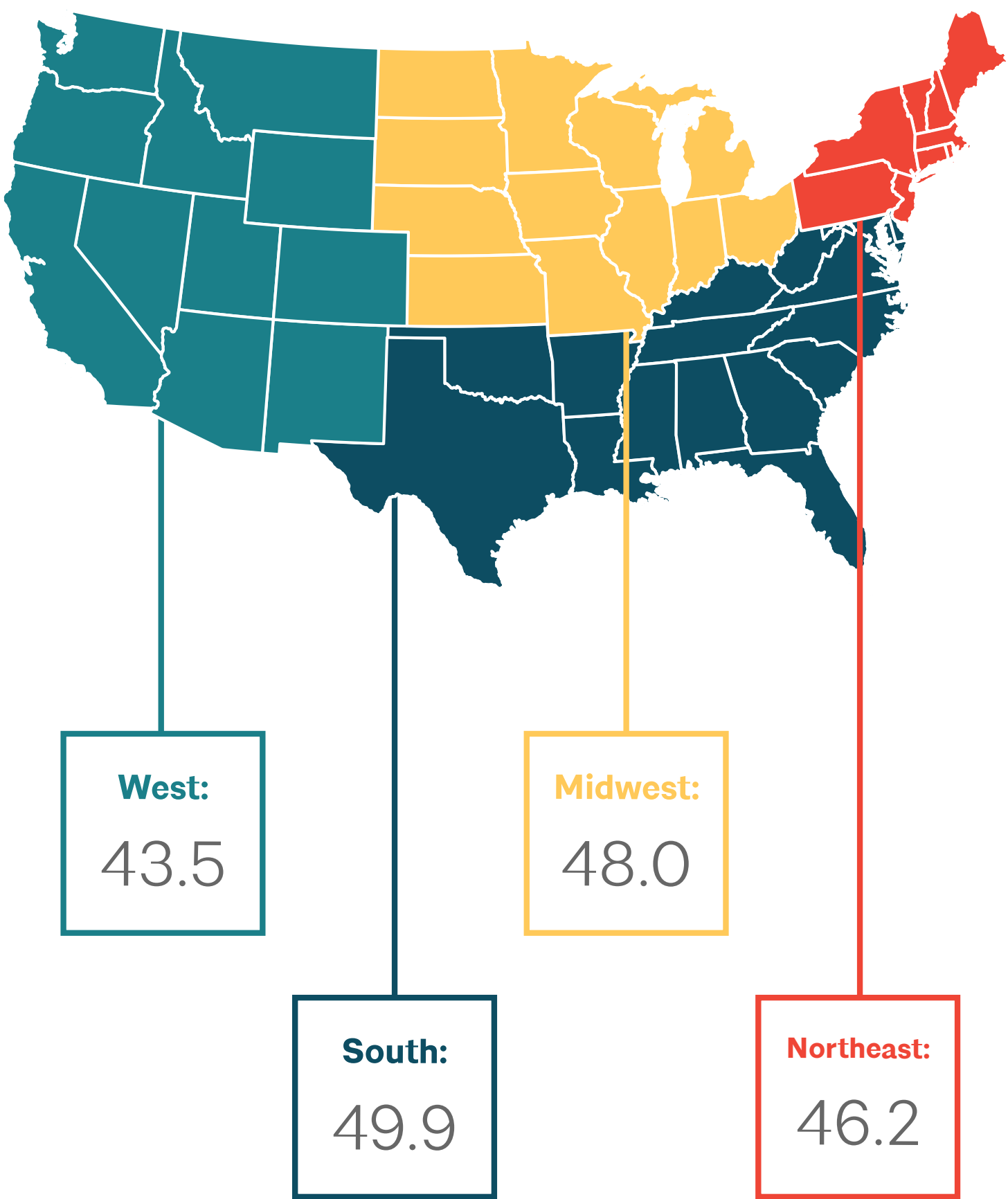
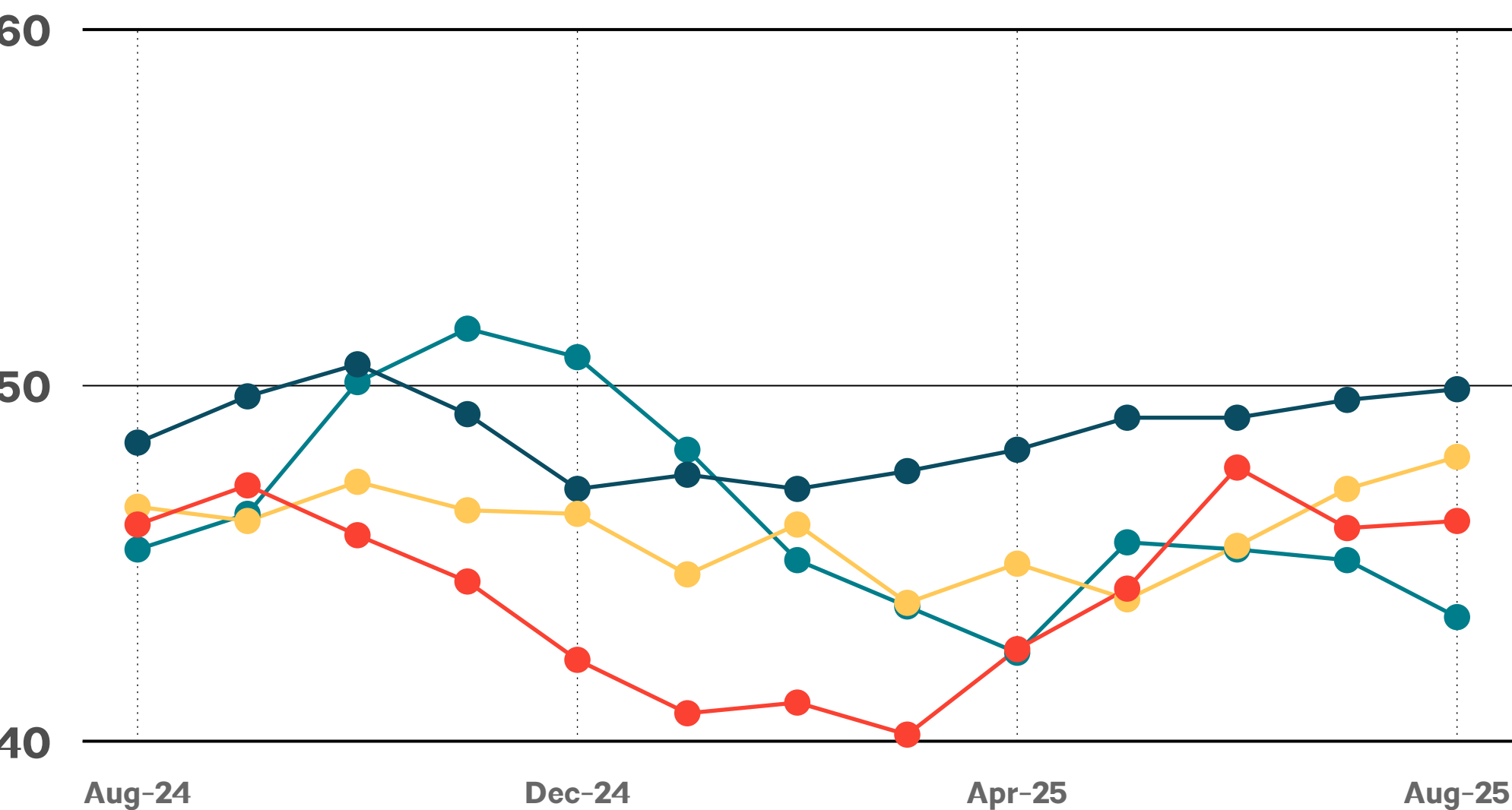
No change from previous period



# Regional

Billings continue to decline at firms in all regions.

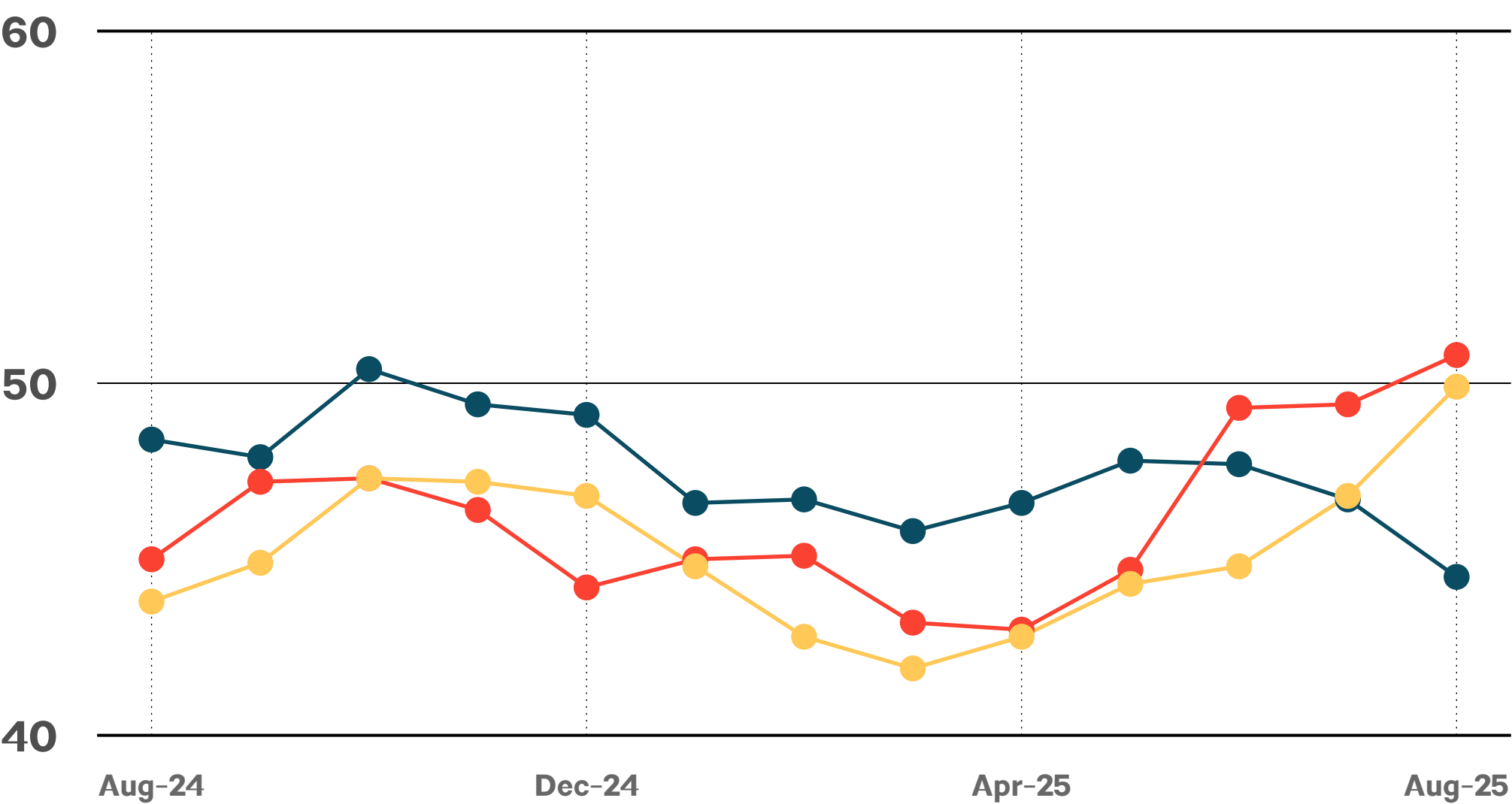
Graphs represent data from August 2024–August 2025 across the four regions. 50 represents the diffusion center. A score of 50 equals no change from the previous month. Above 50 shows increase; Below 50 shows decrease. 3-month moving average.



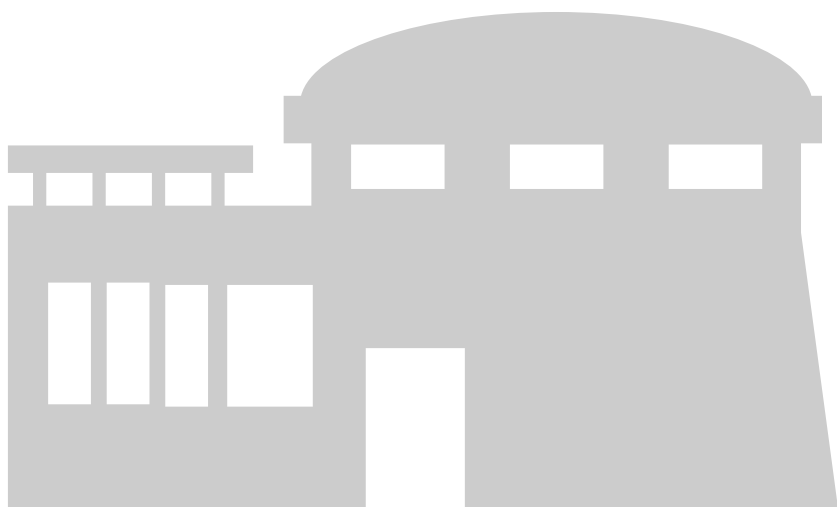
# Sector

Firms with a commercial/industrial specialization report modest growth.

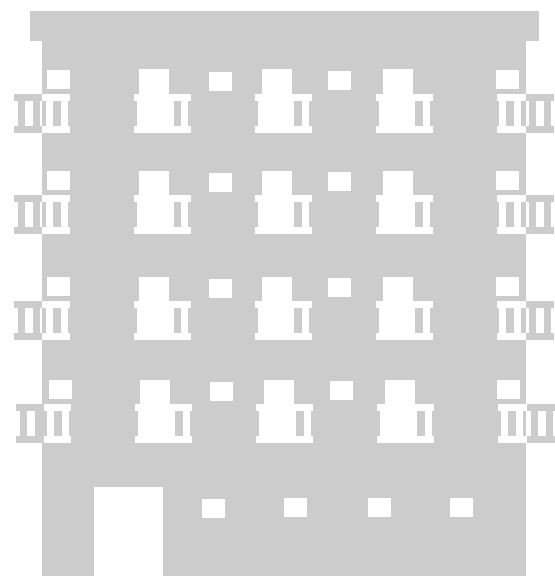
Graphs represent data from August 2024–August 2025 across the three sectors. 50 represents the diffusion center. A score of 50 equals no change from the previous month. Above 50 shows increase; Below 50 shows decrease. 3-month moving average.



**Commercial/Industrial: 50.8**



**Institutional: 44.5**



**Residential: 49.9**

# Practice

Increasing firm competitiveness is top reason why firms complete or explore a merger or acquisition.

units: % of firms that have gone through or actively considered a merger or acquisition in the last year, importance of reason in their consideration of/decision to pursue a merger or acquisition

