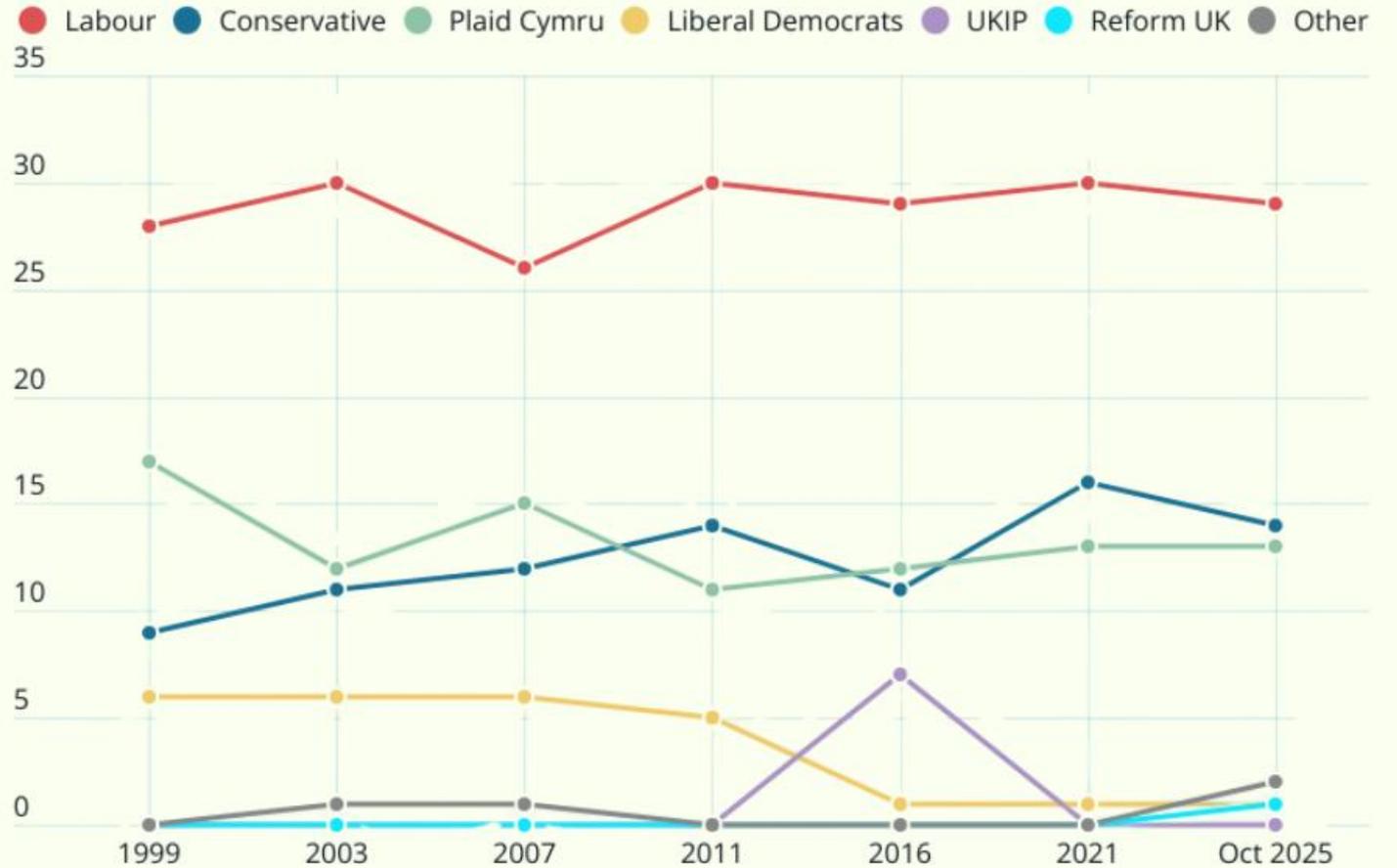


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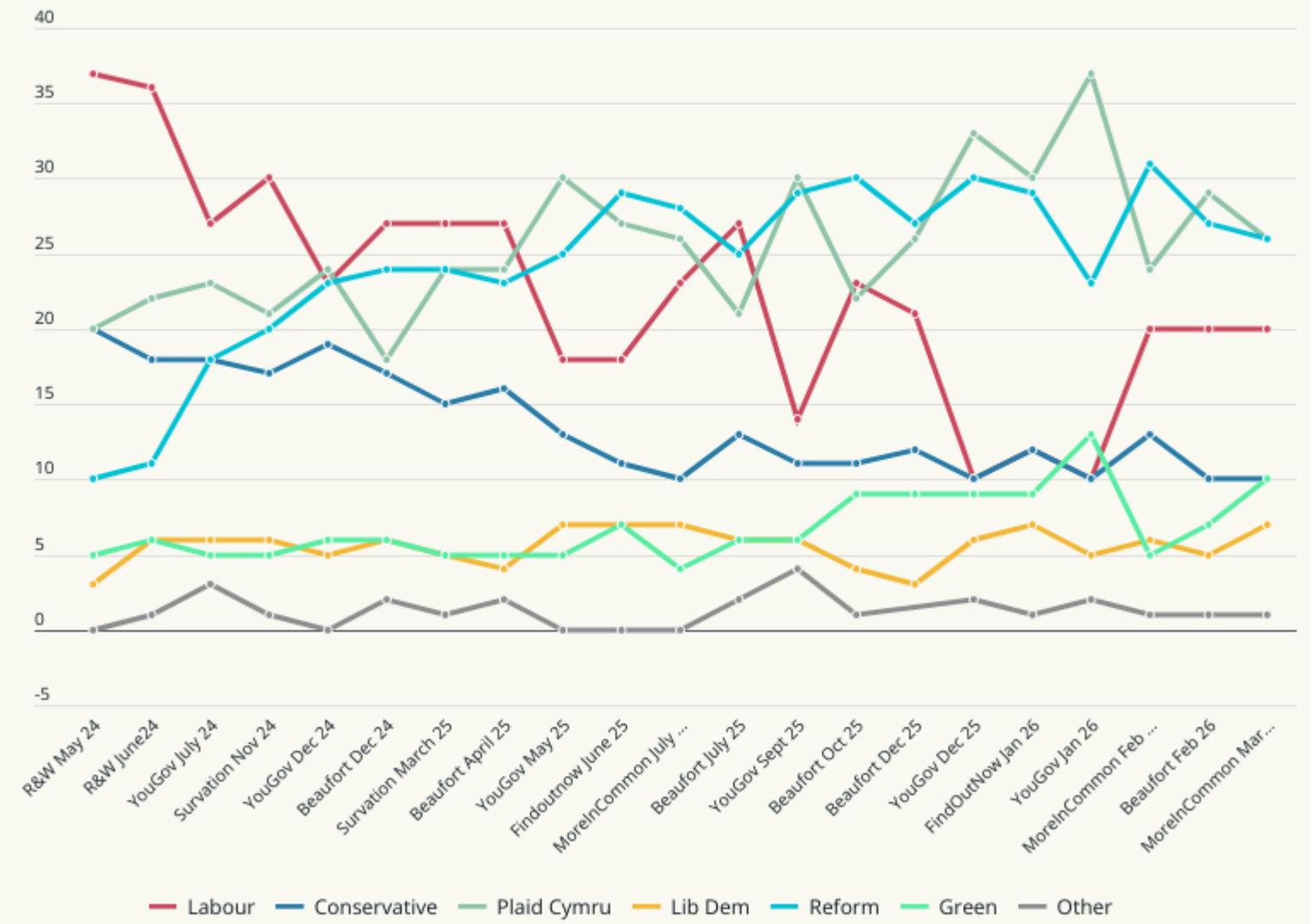
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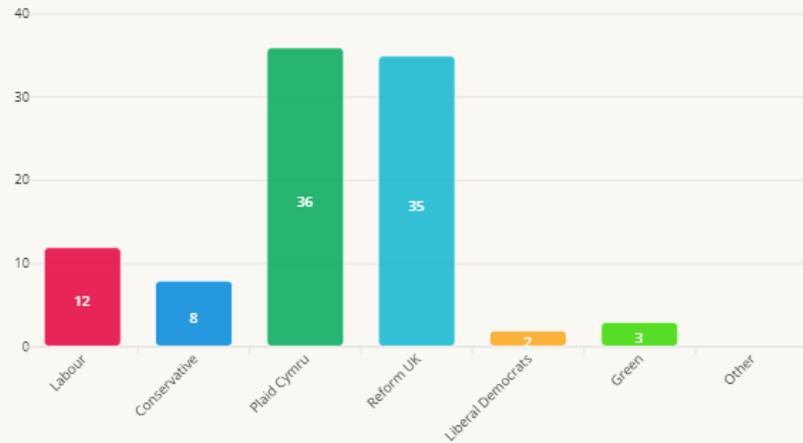


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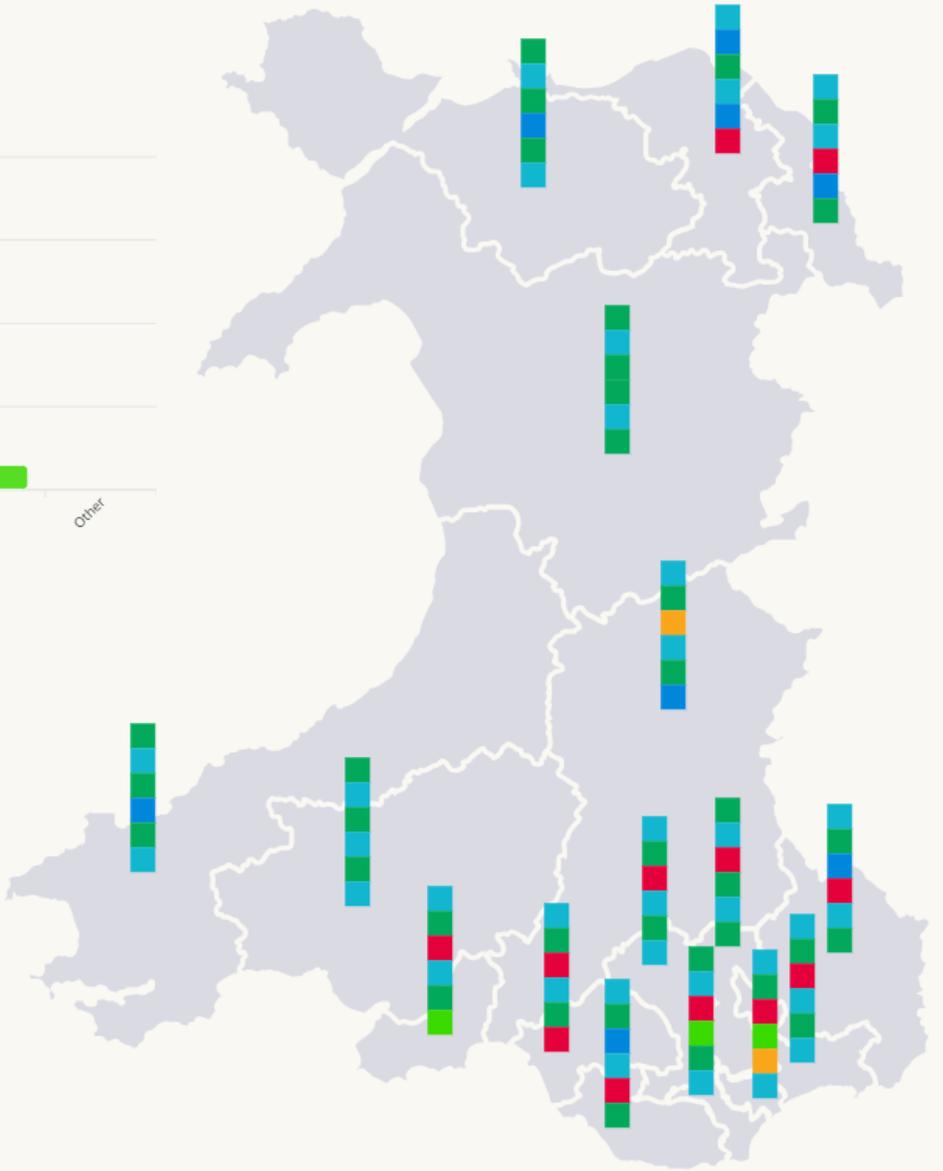


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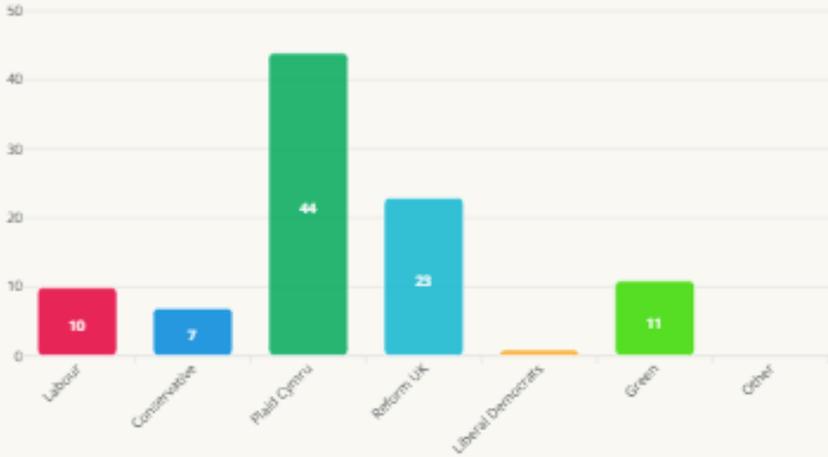


Voting Intention

Labour	12%
Conservatives	12%
Plaid Cymru	30%
Lib Dems	7%
Reform	29%
Green	9%
Other	1%

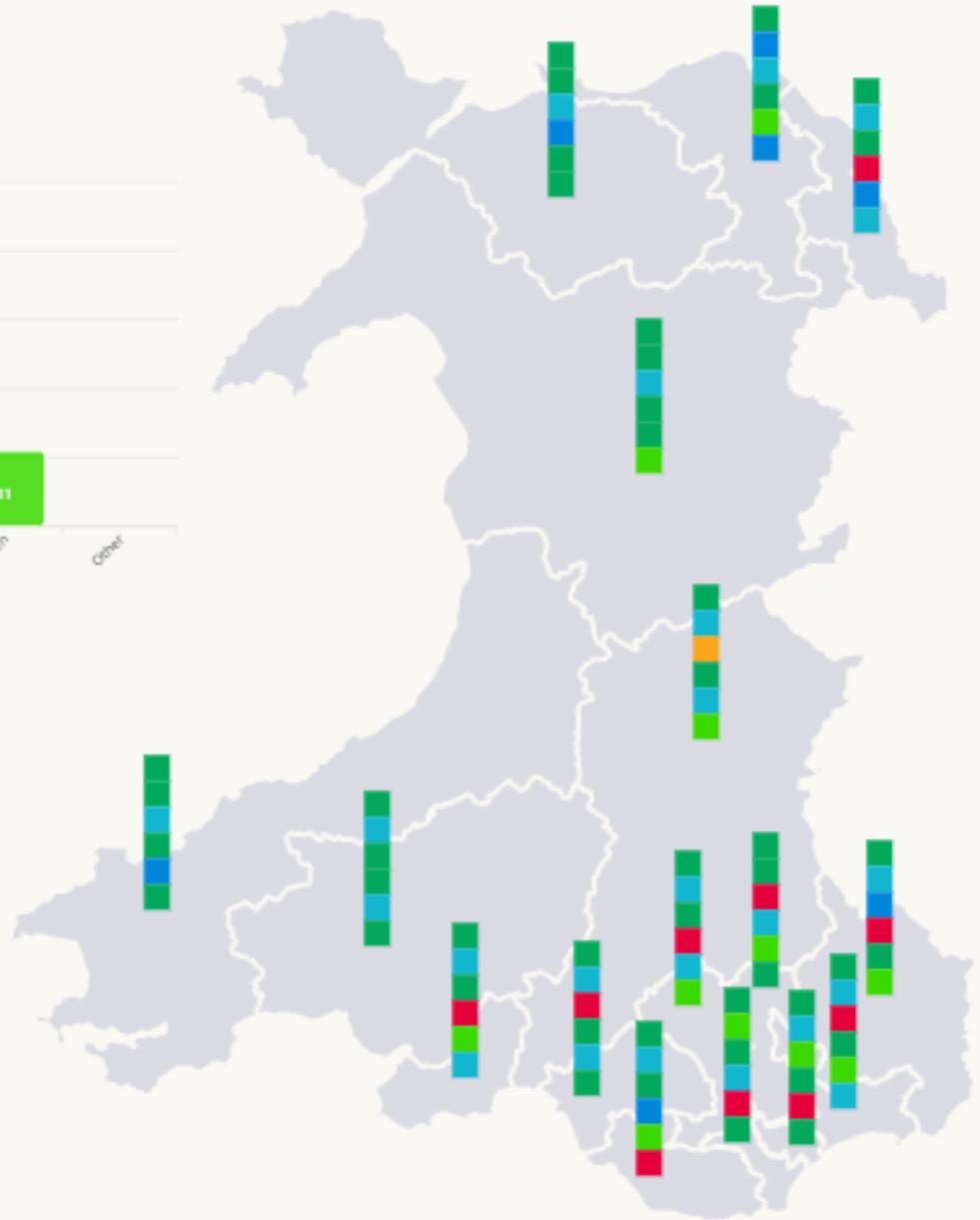


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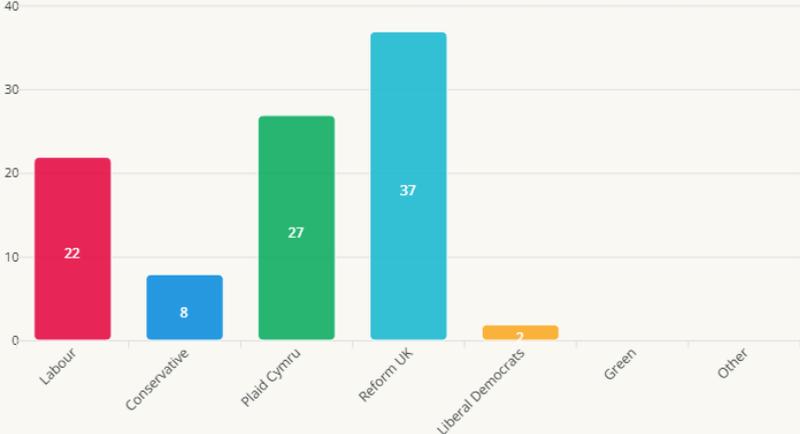


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Labour	10%
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Lib Dems	5%
Reform	23%
Green	13%
Other	2%

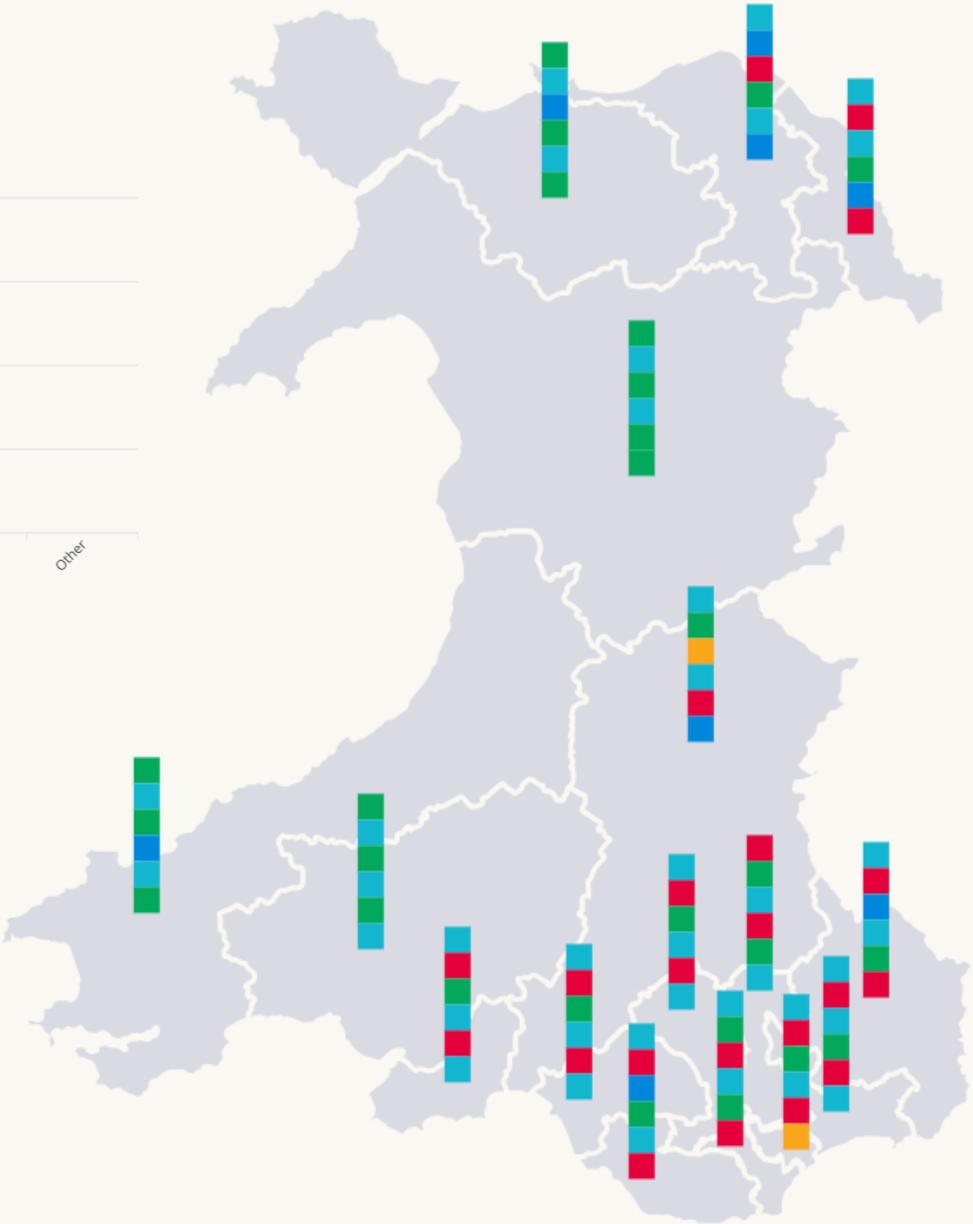


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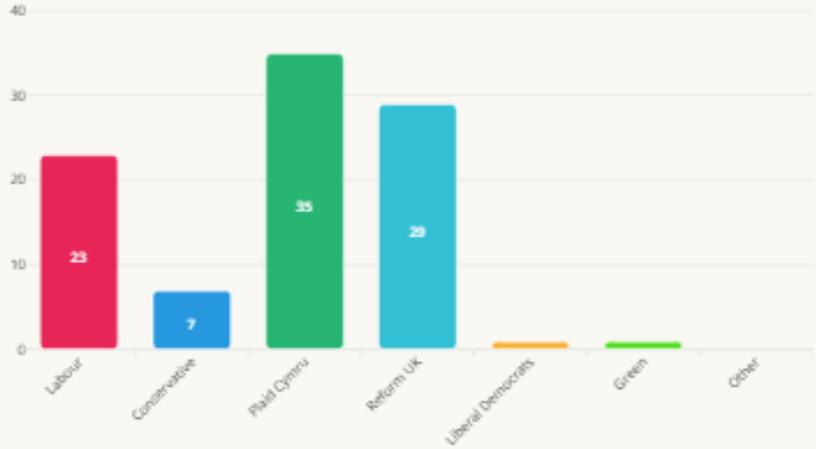


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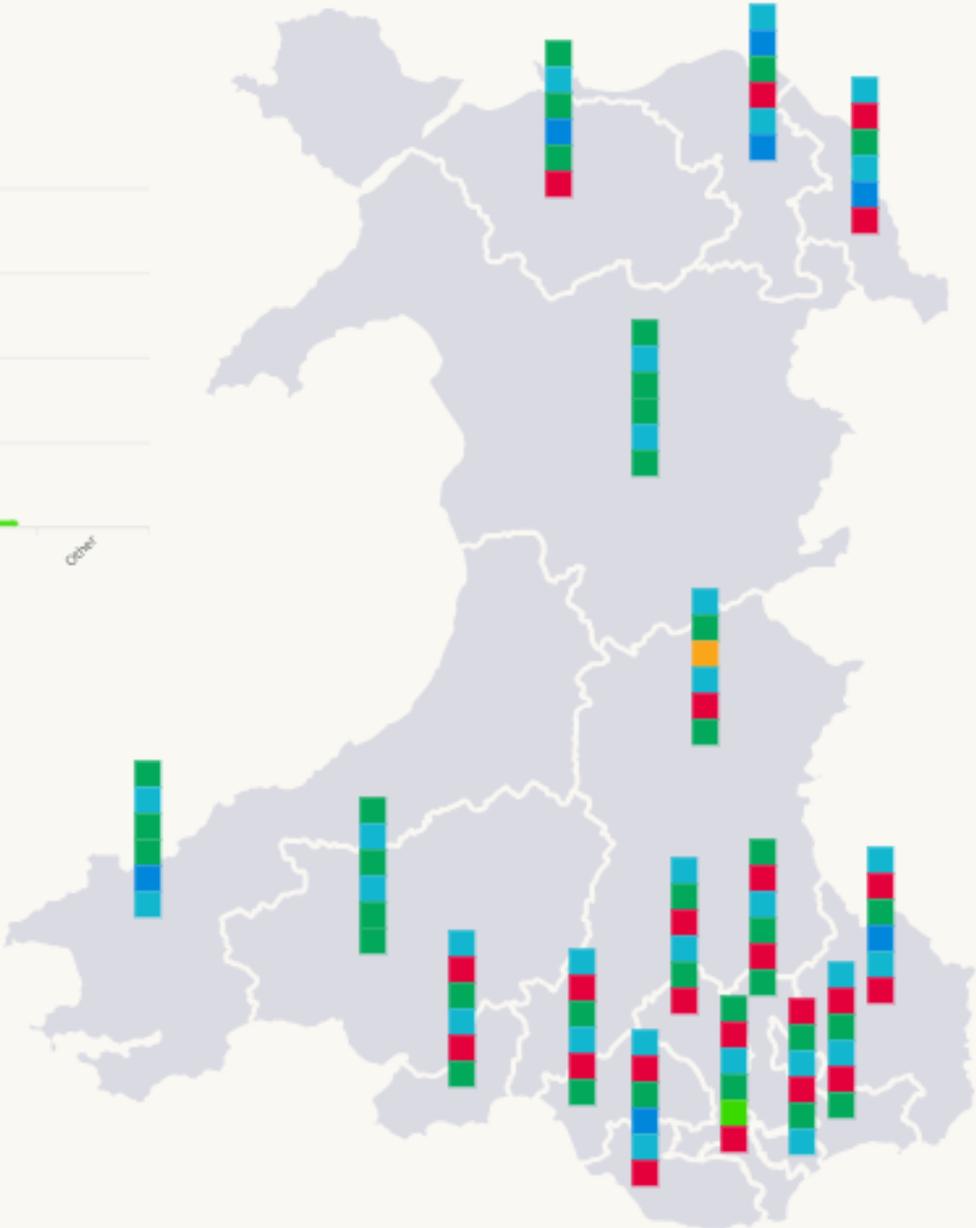


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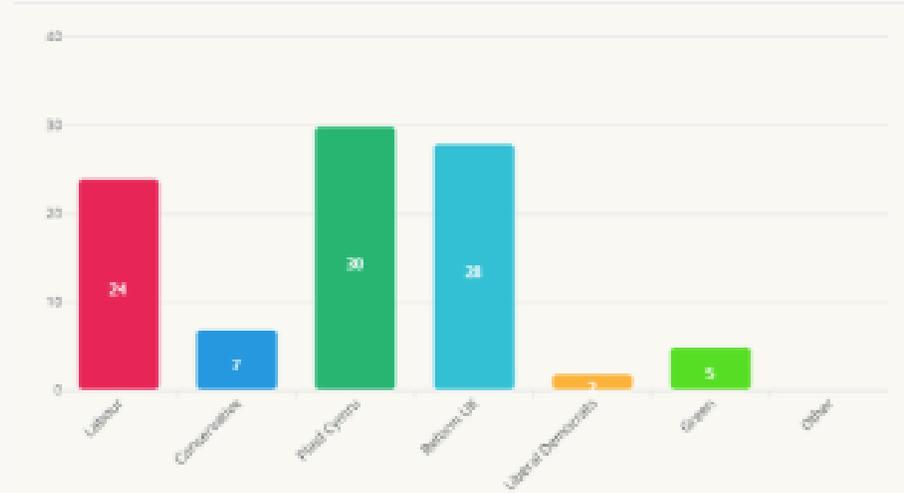
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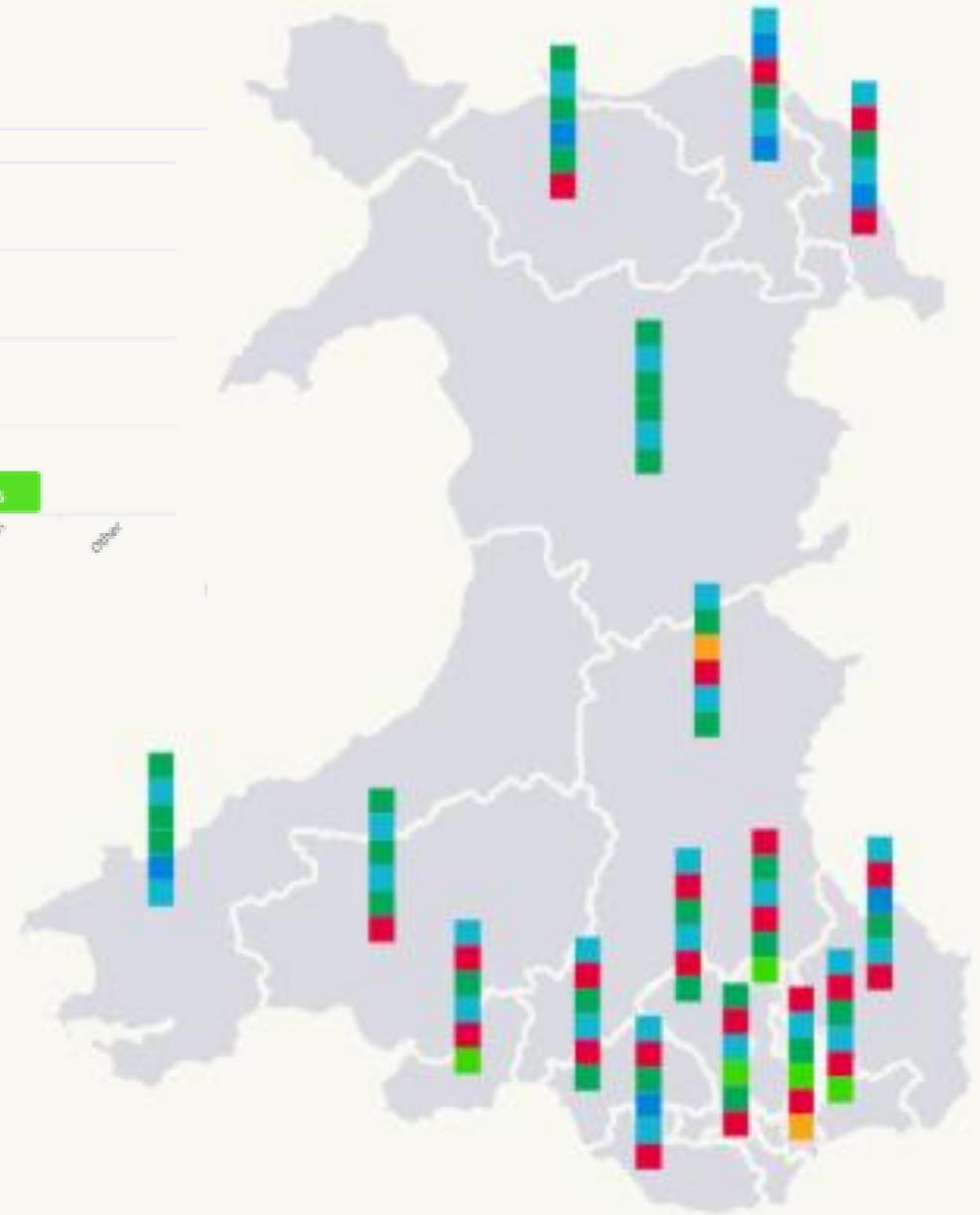
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Plaid Cymru : Post 16 Education and Training.

While Plaid Cymru has yet to publish a full Senedd manifesto, its approach to skills and further education is clearly rooted in long-term planning and system-wide coordination. The party consistently frames skills as a strategic national asset, emphasising alignment between education, training and future economic needs rather than short-term labour market fixes. This direction of travel is evident in its first 100-day priorities, which include launching a Wales-wide skills audit and convening a Future Skills Summit to bring together FE, HE, employers and other stakeholders around a shared vision for the skills system and its funding.

Key policies and pledges.

- Create a national skills strategy aligned with future economic priorities.
- Create a National Skills Audit
- Provide lifetime learning allowance
- Expand apprenticeships in priority growth sectors
- Ensure an Apprentice Living Wage
- Increase targeted FE funding for specialist courses and sectors facing shortages
- Convene a Future Skills Summit
- Launch a Wales wide skills audit to identify future skills needs in the Welsh economy and inform policy decisions

Reform UK : Post 16 Education and Training.

Reform UK's post-16 education and skills agenda reflects a broader critique of what it sees as an overly centralised, low-accountability Welsh education system that has prioritised uniformity and process over outcomes. The party frames post-16 reform as part of a wider economic reset, arguing that Wales has drifted away from employer-led skills provision and rigorous assessment, contributing to weak productivity and skills mismatches. Its approach signals a shift away from institutional monopolies and towards market choice, clearer standards and closer alignment between education, training and industrial strategy.

Key policies and pledges.

- Develop nursing degree apprenticeships
- Legislate to protect free speech and academic freedom
- Expand technical education and apprenticeships
- Treat vocational and academic routes as equal
- Embed vocational and technical options in every secondary school
- Create a national rural Wales apprenticeship scheme

Welsh Labour: Post 16 Education and Training.

Welsh Labour has not yet set out a full manifesto for post-16 education and skills, but its emerging position points towards continuity with its existing emphasis on workforce adaptability and managed economic transition. The proposal for a lifelong retraining guarantee frames skills policy around supporting workers through industrial change, rather than wholesale restructuring of the education and training system. This suggests an approach focused on cushioning economic disruption and maintaining employability within established institutional frameworks, with the state acting as an enabler of retraining rather than a central planner of skills supply.

Key policies and pledges.

- Introduce a lifelong retraining guarantee so workers can retrain when jobs or industries change

Plaid Cymru: Current Senedd Group.



Rhun ap Iorwerth

Leader, Constitution
and International
Affairs



Llŷr Gruffydd

Group Chair,
Agriculture and Rural
Affairs



Siân Gwenllian

Housing and Planning



Delyth Jewell

Senedd Deputy,
Climate Change



Adam Price

Senedd Commissioner,
Justice and European
Affairs



Elin Jones

Llywydd



Luke Fletcher

Economy and Energy



Sioned Williams

Deputy Whip, Social
Justice and Early
Years



Heledd Fychan

Business Manager
Finance, Welsh Language
and Culture



Cefin Campbell

Education



**Mabon ap
Gwynfor**

Chief Whip, Health and
Social Care



**Peredur Owen
Griffiths**

Local Government and
Transport



**Lindsay
Whittle**

Key Candidates in Winnable Seats.



Mark Hooper



Nerys Evans



Anna Brychan



Carrie Harper



Marc Jones



Sarah Rees



Dafydd Trystan

Reform UK in Wales.



Laura Anne Jones

Reform UK MS



Dan Thomas

Reform UK Wales Leader



Llŷr Powell

Senior staffer



Conor Holohan

Press Officer, Wales



Edward Sumner

Head of Communications,
UK-wide



James Evans MS

Reform UK MS



David Thomas

Director for Wales,
Torfaen councillor



Matt MacKinnon

Director of External Affairs,
UK-wide



Mark Reckless

Former UKIP MS,
advising on manifesto



David Jones

Policy Adviser

Potential Reform UK Candidates.



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Pontypridd Cynon Merthyr



Caroline Jones

Pen-y-bont Bro
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Francesca O'Brien

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Stuart Keyte

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Tom Montgomery

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