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1. Introduction

This paper gives a summary of the results, votes, shares and turnout at the Senedd election held on 6 May 2021. This chapter provides some background to the election, the electoral system and the data referred to in the publication.

The Senedd and the 2021 election

The election of Members of Senedd Cymru / the Welsh Parliament was held on 6 May 2021. It took place during the COVID-19 pandemic and required **certain restrictions and measures** (e.g. social distancing) to be in place at polling stations and during counting. Counting did not take place overnight for this reason, and results were announced on 7 and 8 May.

In the lead up to the election, the Welsh Government introduced an 'Emergency Bill' which subsequently became the **Welsh Elections (Coronavirus) Act 2021**. The Act did a number of things, including:

- Provide a power to enable the Llywydd to postpone the election for up to six months;
- Reduce the Senedd's dissolution period to seven days (starting 29 April 2021);
 and
- Provide flexibility for proxy voting.

The election was also the first since the **Senedd and Elections (Wales) Act 2020** received Royal Assent on 15 January 2020. Among other changes that Act lowered the minimum voting age for Senedd elections to 16, meaning 2021 was the first Senedd election where 16 and 17 year olds were able to vote.

The electoral system

The electoral system in Wales is known as the Additional Member System (AMS). The Senedd has 60 elected Members and each voter has two votes. The first vote is used to elect a local or constituency Member of the Senedd (MS) using the First Past the Post system. 40 MS are elected on this basis, one from each constituency.

The second vote is used to elect 20 additional MS on a regional basis. The *d'Hondt* formula is used for deciding which parties win regional list seats. Further information is set out in the Senedd publication on the electoral system **How are**Members of the Senedd elected.

Data sources used in this publication

The election statistics in this paper have been compiled from data published by the BBC. The votes have been verified with reference to the Statistical Return forms from each constituency. This paper includes comparisons with the previous Senedd election, held on 5 May 2016. For comparison purposes, data **published** by the Electoral Commission has been used for the 2016 election, verified against information published by the BBC.

During the Fifth Senedd the following changes occurred:

- Nathan Gill left the UKIP group in August 2016 to sit as an Independent. He resigned as a Member in December 2017. He was replaced by Mandy Jones as a regional member for North Wales. Mandy Jones did not join the UKIP group on election and sat as an Independent until joining the Brexit Party group in May 2019. She later joined the Independent Alliance for Reform in October 2020;
- Dafydd Elis-Thomas left the Plaid Cymru group in October 2016 to sit as an Independent. He joined the Welsh Government and became Minister for Culture, Tourism and Sport in November 2017;
- Mark Reckless left the UKIP group in April 2017 to join the Conservative group. In May 2019 he left the Conservative group to sit as an Independent, before joining the Brexit Party group in May 2019. He joined the Abolish the Welsh Assembly party in October 2020;
- Carl Sargeant left the Labour group in November 2017, sitting as an Independent.
 He passed away on 7 November 2017. Jack Sargeant was elected on behalf
 of Labour to represent Alyn and Deeside in the subsequent <u>by-election</u> in
 February 2018;
- Neil McEvoy left the Plaid Cymru group in January 2018;

¹At the time of the Senedd Election 2021 in May 2021, <u>Standing Order 1.3</u> of the Welsh Parliament outlined the rules around party groups. They necessitated that three Members had to belong to the same registered political party and won at least one seat at the previous Senedd election to form a political group. Alternatively, no fewer than three Members of the same party could notify the Presiding Officer of their wish to be considered a political group, who must be satisfied that exceptional circumstances apply.

- Simon Thomas resigned as a Member in July 2018. He was replaced by Helen Mary Jones as the Plaid Cymru regional Member for Mid and West Wales;
- Caroline Jones left the UKIP group in September 2018, later joining the Brexit Party. She resigned from the Brexit Party in August 2020, to sit as an Independent. She joined the Independent Alliance for Reform group, in October 2020;
- Steffan Lewis passed away in January 2019. He was replaced by Delyth Jewell as a Plaid Cymru member for South Wales East;
- Michelle Brown left the UKIP group in March 2019, to sit as an Independent;
- David Rowlands left the UKIP group in May 2019, to join the Brexit Party. He
 joined the Independent Alliance for Reform group in October 2020;
- Gareth Bennett left the UKIP group in November 2019, to initially sit as an Independent, before joining the Abolish the Welsh Assembly party in June 2020;
- Mohammad Asghar passed away in June 2020. He was replaced by Laura Ann Jones as a Conservative Member for South Wales East; and
- Nick Ramsay resigned from the Conservative Group in March 2021, to sit as an Independent.

Changes within the fifth Senedd term are not reflected in the rest of this paper.

2. Summary of the 2021 Senedd election results

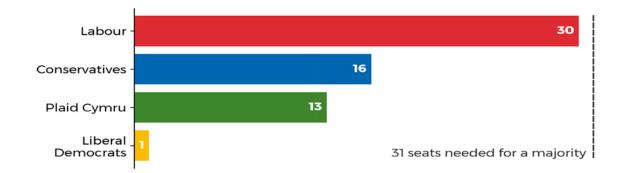
The following sections provide a summary of the election results, including information on majorities, diversity, new Members and turnout.

Results summary

This section provides a high level summary of the 2021 Senedd election results. Comparisons are made to the position following the 2016 election. Further detail can be found in Section 3 of this publication.

No party won an outright majority at the election, but the Labour party was successful in capturing half of the available seats. The distribution of seats is detailed in the below Figure 1.

Figure 1: Share of seats 2021



Key results

Table 1: Summary of 2021 election and changes 2016-2021

	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Total
Seats									
Constituency seats	8	27	0	5	0	0	0	0	40
Regional seats	8	3	1	8	Ο	Ο	Ο	0	20
Total seats won	16	30	1	13	0	0	0	0	60
Change since 2016	+5	+]	0	+7	-7	0	0	0	-
Constituency									
results									
Valid Votes	289,802	443,047	54,202	225,376	8,586	18,149	17,817	54,751	1,111,730
Percentage share									
of vote	26.1%	39.9%	4.9%	20.3%	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%	4.9%	100.0%
Percentage point									
change	+4.9%	+5.1%	-2.8%	-0.3%	-11.7%	+1.6%	-0.9%	+3.9%	
Regional results									
Valid Votes	278,560	401,770	48,217	230,161	17,341	41,399	48,714	44,733	1,110,895
Percentage share									
of vote	25.1%	36.2%	4.3%	20.7%	1.6%	3.7%	4.4%	4.0%	100.0%
Percentage point									
change	+6.3%	+4.7%	-2.1%	-0.1%	-11.4%	-0.6%	+1.4%	+2.0%	-

- Labour won 30 seats, up one from 2016. The party gained one constituency seat (Rhondda) and one regional seat (North Wales), and lost one constituency seat (Vale of Clwyd);
- The Conservatives won 16 seats, up five from 2016. The party gained two constituency seats (Brecon and Radnorshire and Vale of Clwyd), along with 3 additional regional seats;
- Plaid Cymru won 13 seats, up by 1 from 2016. The party lost Rhondda, a constituency seat won in 2016, they gained 2 additional Members through the regional vote in South Wales Central and South Wales East;

- The Liberal Democrats won 1 seat. The party lost the constituency seat of Brecon and Radnorshire and gained one regional member for Mid and West Wales;
- UKIP lost all of their seats from the 2016 election, with a loss of 7 regional seats.

The distribution of constituency and regional seats by party is outlined in the infographic below.

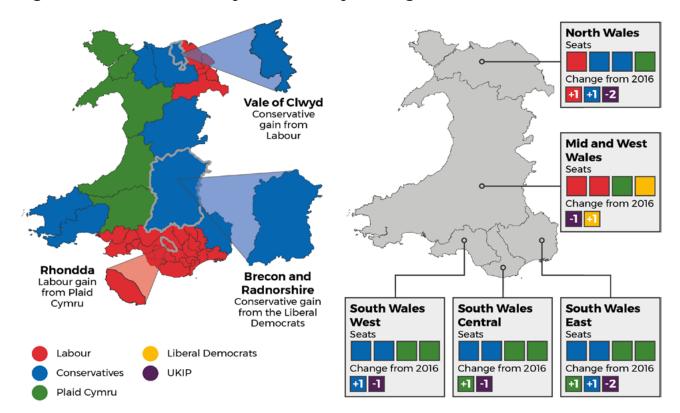


Figure 2: Seats in Senedd by constituency and region

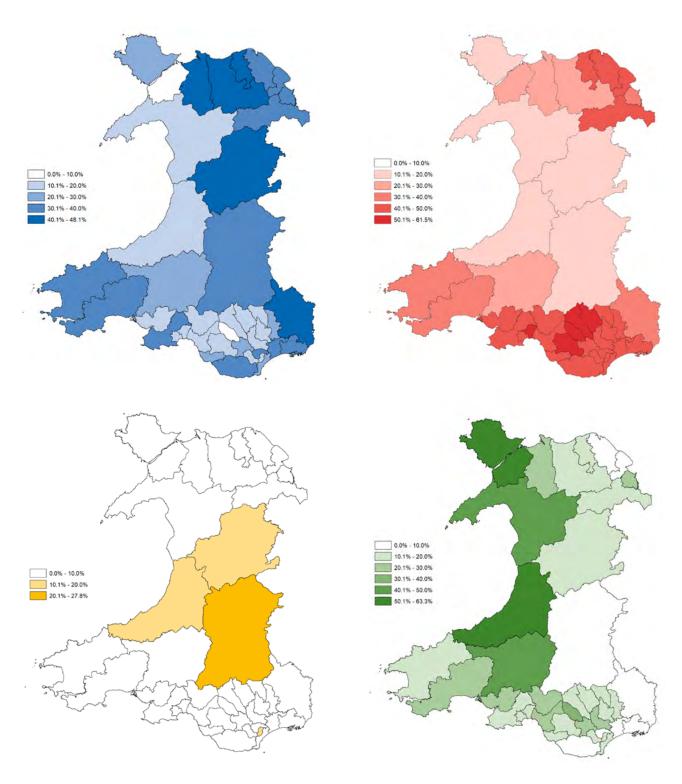
Constituency results

The overall share of the constituency vote and changes since 2016 are detailed in this section.

- Labour's share of the vote rose by 5.1% points compared to 2016 (the highest increase in percentage point terms);
- The Conservatives also increased their share of the vote, up by 4.9% points compared to 2016;
- The Liberal Democrat share of the vote decreased by 2.8% points;
- The Abolish the Welsh Assembly party fielded constituency candidates for the first time in a Senedd election, earning 1.6% of the vote;
- The Green Party also secured 1.6% of the vote, a decrease of 0.9% points compared to 2016;

- Plaid Cymru's constituency share of the vote decreased by 0.3% points compared to 2016;
- The UKIP share of the vote also decreased, down by 11.7% points compared to 2016;
- Other parties gained 4.9% of the vote, up by 3.9% points compared to 2016.

Figure 3 – Share of the vote by party



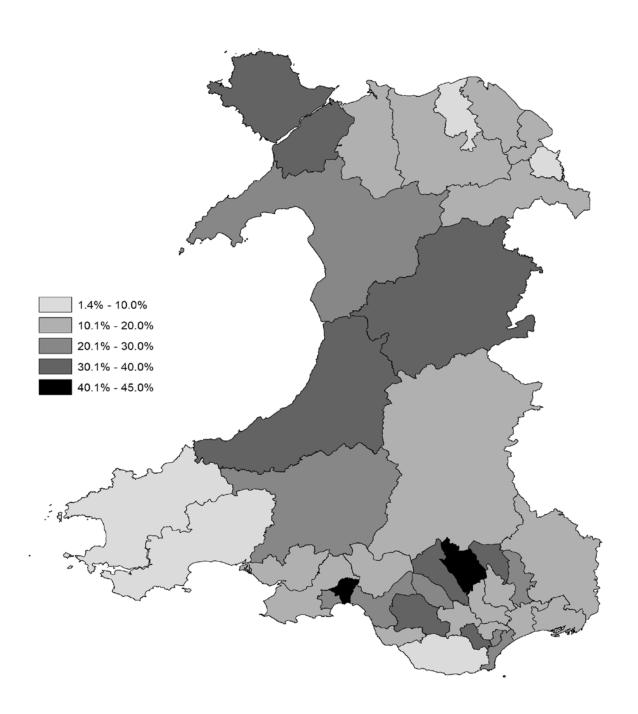
Regional results

The overall share of the regional vote and changes since 2016 are detailed below.

- The Conservative and Labour parties both posted increases in their share of the vote, increasing by 6.3 % points and 4.7 % points, respectively;
- The Green Party secured 4.4% of the vote, an increase of 1.4 % points compared to 2016;
- Plaid Cymru's share of the vote decreased by 0.1 % points compared to 2016;
- The Abolish the Welsh Assembly Party secured 3.7% of the share of the vote, a decrease of 0.6 % points;
- The Liberal Democrats' share of the vote decreased by 2.1 % points, but they
 gained a regional seat following their loss of the Brecon and Radnorshire
 constituency seat, through the additional member system (discussed in Section
 1);
- Following a decrease of 11.4 % points in their regional vote compared to 2016,
 UKIP lost all 7 of the regional seats they gained in 2016;
- Other parties accounted for 4.0% of the vote, up 2.0 % points compared to 2016.

Majorities

Figure 4: Majorities by constituency



The largest majority seen in a constituency, by total votes, occurred in Ceredigion, where Elin Jones secured the seat for Plaid Cymru with a majority of 12,145 votes. The smallest majority by votes was in the Vale of Clwyd constituency, where a 366 vote majority secured a Conservative gain for Gareth Davies, with Labour in second place.

When considering majority relative to the share of the vote, a majority of 45.0% saw Mike Hedges re-elected in Swansea East, with a total share of the vote of 60.1%. The largest share of the vote secured in a constituency went to Sian Gwenllian in the Arfon constituency, who secured 63.3% of the vote. Again, the Vale of Clwyd saw the smallest majority by percentage share of the vote, where the Conservatives secured a majority of 1.4% of the vote, over Labour.

When considering the share of the vote at a regional level, the Labour party captured majorities of 16.2%, 18.0% and 21.9% in the share of the vote in South Wales East, South Wales Central and South Wales West, respectively. Despite this, Labour didn't secure any regional seats from these areas, due to their successes in those areas' constituencies under the d'Hondt system. The only area which resulted in another party gaining a larger share of the vote than Labour was Mid and West Wales, where Plaid Cymru had a higher share of the vote than the Conservatives.

Diversity

There are now 26 women Members, an increase of 1 compared to the 2016 election. This means 43% of all Members are women. However, this is lower than at the end of the Fifth Senedd – where membership changes led to 29 women and 31 men being Members prior to the 2021 election.

Since the start of devolution, the percentage of women elected to the Senedd has always been well above the **global average** of one in four parliamentarians. Almost 20 years ago in 2003, the then National Assembly for Wales made headlines **as the first legislature in the world to elect an equal number of women and men into its 60 seats**. **Between 2006 and 2007** there were more women Assembly Members (now known as Members of the Senedd) than men following the **Blaenau Gwent by-election** in 2006. Since then, the percentage of Members elected who are women has fallen, although it has always remained above 40%.

There is significant **variation** in gender representation across different political parties in 2021 – with women comprising 57% of Labour Members, 38% of Plaid Cymru Members and 19% of Conservative Members. The only Liberal Democrat Member is a woman.

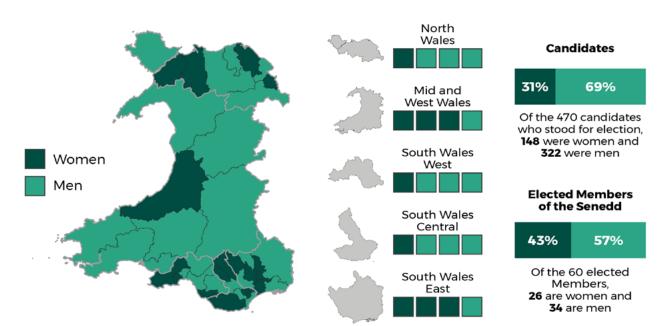


Figure 5: Number of women and men elected to the Senedd 2021

In total, **470 candidates stood for election to the Senedd in 2021**. Of these 322 (69%) were men and 148 (31%) were women. Of the constituency candidates, 220 (71%) were men, and 89 (29%) were women. While 29% of constituency candidates were women, 43% of Members elected to constituencies in the 2021 election were women. On the regional lists, 223 (68%) candidates were men, and 104 (32%) were women. While 32% of regional list candidates were women, 45% of Members elected via the regional list in the 2021 election were women. Some candidates stood on a regional list as well as for a constituency, and have only been counted once in the total figure.

After the 2021 elections, the Senedd had a lower percentage of women Members than the Scottish Parliament for the first time since the start of devolution. A record **58 women** – 45% of all MSPs - were elected to the Scottish Parliament, including the first two women of colour. However, the Senedd has a higher percentage of women elected than the **Northern Ireland Assembly** (36%) and the **House of Commons** (34%). In the UK Parliament, female MPs represent 35% of Welsh constituencies.

There are **three Members** of the Senedd from an ethnic minority in the Sixth Senedd - the same number as after the 2016 election. Natasha Asghar MS is the first woman of colour ever to be elected to the Senedd. This compares to 5.6% of the Welsh population **in 2020**. There is some variation in the percentage of Members from different political parties that are from an ethnic minority background – 13% of Conservative Members, 3% of Labour Members and no Members from Plaid Cymru or the Liberal Democrats.

10% of MPs elected to **the House of Commons** are from an ethnic minority background, compared to 13.2% of the UK population **in 2020**. The Scottish Parliament has **six Members** from an ethnic minority, 4.7% of all Members, compared to 5.3% of its **2020 population**. The Northern Ireland Assembly has **no current Members** from an ethnic minority, compared to 2.7% of its **2020 population**.

There is <u>limited information publicly collected</u> about the diversity and backgrounds of Members of the Senedd, which makes it difficult to work out how diverse the Senedd really is. For example, there is no information collected or published on the number of MSs with a disability.

New Members of the Senedd

There are 20 new Members in the Sixth Senedd. This includes 7 new constituency Members, through a combination of seats changing hands and incumbent Members standing down. The constituencies of Brecon and Radnorshire, Rhondda and Vale of Clwyd changed hands, with Conservative gains in Brecon and Radnorshire and Vale of Clwyd, whilst Rhondda returned to Labour after the 2016 swing to Plaid Cymru.

Of the 20 regional Members, 12 of them are brand new Members. In addition, Altaf Hussain, was also returned as a regional Member, having represented South Wales West between 2015 and 2016 in the fourth Senedd.

Turnout

Over 2.3 million² people were registered to vote at the time of the 2021 election. Of this over 1.1 million people voted. Based on valid votes the turnout was 46.6%³.

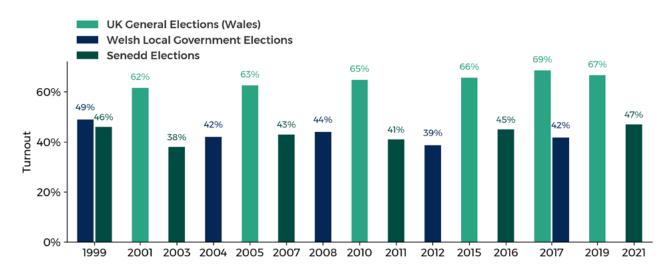
- valid vote turnout is based on the number of valid votes cast;
- ballot box turnout is based on the number of valid votes cast plus those rejected at the count; and
- total turnout is based on the number of valid votes cast plus those rejected at the count and those rejected at the postal ballot verification process.

This paper uses turnout figures based on the valid vote calculation method.

² Where available, the number of votes cast is taken from information provided by local authorities through Returning Officers and verified using data from the BBC.

³ There are a few ways to calculate turnout in elections:

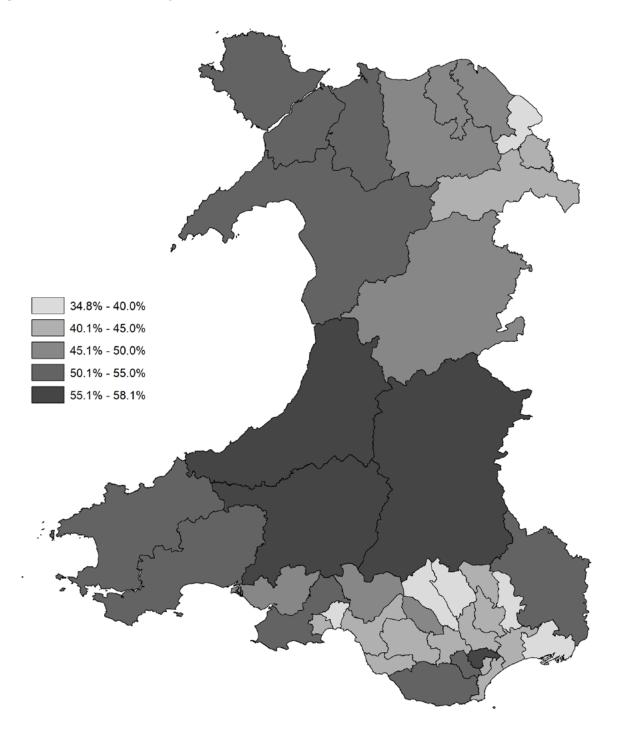
Table 2: Turnout at UK General Elections, Welsh Local Government Elections and Senedd Elections, 1999 to 2021



Source: Historical election results are based on information from the **Electoral Commission** and the **House of Commons Library**.

While the 2021 election is the highest since the Senedd was established, turnout has remained below 50% at each election since 1999. Comparing turnout at the 2021 election with previous years is also complicated due to the expanded franchise and number of eligible voters aged 16 and 17. Data on the turnout for voters aged 16 and 17 is not yet available.

Figure 6: Constituency turnout



At a constituency level, Cardiff North saw the highest turnout at 58.1%, while Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney had the lowest at 34.8%. In 14 of the 40 constituencies, more than 50% of the electorate cast valid votes.

Ten constituencies saw a decrease in turnout from the 2016 election with the largest decrease being -3.7 % points in Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney. The largest increase in turnout was Dwyfor Meirionnydd being 5.6 % points higher than 2016.

Figure 7: Regional turnout, 2016 and 2021

	North Wales	Mid and West Wales	South Wales West	South Wales Central	South Wales East
Turnout				3	
2021:	46.4%	52.8%	43.7%	48.1%	41.7%
2016:	43.5%	50.6%	43.2%	46.7%	41.9%
Percentage point change:	+2.9%	+2.2%	+0.6%	+1.4%	-0.2%

At a regional level, Mid and West Wales saw the highest turnout at 52.8%, while South Wales East had the lowest at 41.7%.

Only one out of the five regions saw a decrease in turnout from the 2016 election. This was South Wales East being -0.2 % points lower than 2016. The largest increase in turnout was in North Wales which was 2.9 % points higher than five years ago.

3. Detailed election results

This section includes the detailed election results data, collated across a number of tables. Please note that due to rounding totals may not sum to 100%.

Table 3: Summary of Voting

Constituency ball (ranked by votes	Votes	% Share	% pt change in share	MSs elected	change
Labour	443,047	39.9%	+5.2%	27	0
Conservative	289,802	26.1%	+5.0%	8	2
Plaid Cymru	225,376	20.3%	-0.2%	5	-1
Liberal Democrat	54,202	4.9%	-2.8%	0	-1
Abolish	18,149	1.6%	+1.6%	0	0
Green Party	17,817	1.6%	-0.9%	0	0
UKIP	8,586	0.8%	-11.7%	0	0
Other	54,751	4.9%	+3.9%	0	0

Regional ballot (ranked by votes)	Votes	% Share	% pt change in share	MSs elected	change
Labour	401,770	36.2%	+4.7%	3	1
Conservative	278,560	25.1%	+6.3%	8	3
Plaid Cymru	230,161	20.7%	-0.1%	8	2
Liberal Democrat	48,714	4.4%	+1.4%	0	0
Abolish	48,217	4.3%	-2.1%	1	1
Green Party	41,399	3.7%	-0.6%	0	0
UKIP	17,341	1.6%	-11.5%	0	-7
Other	44,733	4.0%	+2.0%	0	0

Total of constituen and ballot (ranked by votes)	Votes	% Share	% pt change in share	MSs elected	change
Labour	844,817	38.0%	+4.9%	30	1
Conservative	568,362	25.6%	+5.6%	16	5
Plaid Cymru	455,537	20.5%	-0.2%	13	1
Liberal Democrat	102,419	4.6%	-2.5%	1	0
Abolish	66,531	3.0%	+0.3%	0	0
Green Party	59,548	2.7%	+0.5%	0	0
UKIP	25,927	1.2%	-11.6%	0	-7
Other	99,484	4.5%	+2.9%	0	0

Table 4: Constituency Results

	Party	Votes								Sub-tot	al
	2016 2021	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Total	Majority
Mid and West Wales											
Brecon and Radnorshire		12,741	4,980	8,921	2,075	0	1,209	1,556	633	32,115	3,820
Carmarthen East and Dinefwr		7,751	8,448	975	15,261	0	0	0	818	33,253	6,813
Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire		11,240	10,304	1,224	6,615	982	0	0	1,290	31,655	936
Ceredigion		4,801	3,345	3,227	16,946	0	0	1,356	1,080	30,755	12,145
Dwyfor Meirionnydd		4,394	3,702	916	11,490	0	0	0	3,312	23,814	7,096
Llanelli		4,947	13,930	606	8,255	722	0	0	1,758	30,218	5,675
Montgomeryshire		12,013	3,576	4,207	4,485	0	0	0	706	24,987	7,528
Preseli Pembrokeshire		12,295	10,895	952	6,135	0	0	0	1,239	31,516	1,400
North Wales											
Aberconwy		9,815	5,971	735	6,479	0	0	0	543	23,543	3,336
Alyn and Deeside		8,244	12,622	1,584	1,886	898	0	0	609	25,843	4,378
Arfon		1,806	5,108	642	13,760	0	0	0	432	21,748	8,652
Clwyd South		7,535	10,448	730	4,094	522	599	0	277	24,205	2,913
Clwyd West		11,839	8,154	1,158	5,609	520	502	0	581	28,363	3,685
Delyn		9,135	12,846	1,094	2,097	862	0	0	409	26,443	3,711
Vale of Clwyd		10,792	10,426	782	2,972	0	0	0	1,081	26,053	366
Wrexham		7,102	8,452	755	4,832	378	790	0	297	22,606	1,350
Ynys Môn		5,689	5,300	547	15,506	0	0	0	692	27,734	9,817
South Wales Central											
Cardiff Central		3,788	13,100	5,460	3,470	0	440	1,552	722	28,532	7,640

	Party				Votes					Sub-to	tal
Cardiff North		12,755	19,348	1,641	3,278	0	990	1,957	686	40,655	6,593
Cardiff South and Penarth		7,547	18,153	1,402	4,957	576	732	1,643	1,376	36,386	10,606
Cardiff West		6,454	17,665	803	5,897	0	682	1,287	3,743	36,531	11,211
Cynon Valley		2,795	11,427	335	3,959	0	648	0	1,347	20,511	7,468
Pontypridd		5,658	11,511	628	6,183	0	785	655	2,136	27,556	5,328
Rhondda		1,490	12,832	200	7,335	0	430	0	1,171	23,458	5,497
Vale of Glamorgan		15,397	18,667	994	3,699	0	1,394	1,262	1,479	42,892	3,270
South Wales East											
Blaenau Gwent		2,611	10,226	333	3,588	0	1,364	0	2,695	20,817	6,638
Caerphilly		5,013	13,289	787	8,211	0	1,119	0	495	28,914	5,078
Islwyn		3,894	9,962	476	3,930	507	568	0	5,144	24,481	5,239
Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney		2,665	13,009	420	3,698	382	656	0	324	21,154	9,311
Monmouth		15,332	11,487	1,892	2,085	0	1,174	2,000	1,913	35,883	3,845
Newport East		7,315	10,899	1,574	1,844	368	660	0	489	23,149	3,584
Newport West		10,353	14,259	882	2,076	0	0	1,314	714	29,598	3,906
Torfaen		6,251	11,572	1,180	2,564	895	0	0	1,491	23,953	5,321
South Wales West											
Aberavon		2,947	10,505	953	4,760	407	646	0	1,951	22,169	5,745
Bridgend		8,324	12,388	782	3,091	0	0	0	4,876	29,461	4,064
Gower		10,836	15,631	869	3,946	0	0	1,088	794	33,164	4,795
Neath		4,107	11,666	395	6,445	0	751	1,038	3,176	27,578	5,221
Ogmore		4,579	12,868	441	4,703	0	660	0	1,243	24,494	8,165
Swansea East		2,947	12,950	1,055	3,250	567	484	0	295	21,548	9,700
Swansea West		4,605	11,126	1,645	3,910	0	866	1,109	734	23,995	6,521

Table 5: Constituency results, change in share of vote, electorate and turnout 2021

	Pa	rty		% chan	ge in sh	are of th	e vote		Sub-	total		
	2016	2021	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Electorate	Turnout
Mid and West Wales					"							
Brecon and Radnorshire			14.2%	6.6%	-24.6%	2.6%	-7.1%	3.8%	2.5%	2.0%	55,857	57.5%
Carmarthen East and Dinefwr			8.2%	6.2%	0.1%	-2.6%	-11.7%	0.0%	-2.7%	2.5%	59,016	56.3%
Carmarthen West &			0.1%	8.7%	1.5%	2.2%	-8.2%	0.0%	-2.7%	-1.5%	60,942	51.9%
South Pembrokeshire			0.170	0.770	1.5%	2.270	-0.2%	0.0%	-2.770	-1.5%	60,942	31.9%
Ceredigion			8.6%	4.4%	-22.1%	14.4%	-9.0%	0.0%	0.3%	3.5%	55,171	55.7%
Dwyfor Meirionnydd			2.8%	3.5%	-0.7%	1.0%	-10.6%	0.0%	-3.7%	7.7%	45,447	52.4%
Llanelli			9.5%	9.6%	0.7%	-7.8%	-12.3%	0.0%	-1.5%	1.9%	63,065	47.9%
Montgomeryshire			6.2%	8.4%	-10.9%	7.7%	-10.4%	0.0%	-3.9%	2.8%	50,263	49.7%
Preseli Pembrokeshire			-0.2%	9.2%	-2.9%	5.5%	-11.6%	0.0%	-4.1%	3.9%	61,273	51.4%
North Wales												
Aberconwy			7.0%	-2.0%	-0.4%	-3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	-3.1%	2.3%	45,436	51.8%
Alyn and Deeside			10.9%	3.1%	1.6%	-1.7%	-13.9%	0.0%	-2.4%	2.4%	65,884	39.2%
Arfon			0.0%	-10.5%	0.1%	8.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%	42,710	50.9%
Clwyd South			9.3%	7.7%	-7.3%	-0.5%	-10.6%	2.5%	-2.1%	1.1%	55,237	43.8%
Clwyd West			0.4%	8.7%	0.9%	-2.2%	-9.5%	1.8%	-2.2%	2.0%	58,671	48.3%
Delyn			9.1%	7.6%	-3.3%	-1.9%	-13.1%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	56,489	46.8%
Vale of Clwyd			5.1%	0.5%	-0.1%	2.7%	-12.3%	0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	56,622	46.0%
Wrexham			0.8%	0.3%	-2.3%	8.4%	-10.1%	3.5%	-2.0%	1.3%	53,181	42.5%
Ynys Môn			9.0%	2.1%	0.6%	1.1%	-12.8%	0.0%	-1.5%	1.5%	53,554	51.8%
South Wales Central												
Cardiff Central			4.4%	7.5%	-16.2%	4.7%	-4.7%	1.5%	1.0%	1.7%	64,111	44.5%

	Party		% char	nge in sh	are of th	ne vote		Sub-	total		
Cardiff North		-3.6%	2.8%	1.0%	2.0%	-6.7%	2.4%	2.6%	-0.6%	69,993	58.1%
Cardiff South and Penarth		-0.2%	6.0%	-0.6%	-0.6%	-10.7%	2.0%	0.3%	3.8%	82,243	44.2%
Cardiff West		0.1%	12.7%	-0.5%	-15.8%	-8.2%	1.9%	0.3%	9.5%	70,914	51.5%
Cynon Valley		7.5%	4.6%	-0.1%	-0.6%	-18.0%	3.2%	-3.1%	6.6%	52,521	39.1%
Pontypridd		5.2%	2.4%	-9.5%	4.1%	-13.1%	2.8%	0.4%	7.8%	62,377	44.2%
Rhondda		4.1%	18.8%	0.1%	-19.4%	-9.4%	1.8%	-1.1%	5.0%	51,423	45.6%
Vale of Glamorgan		-0.8%	4.7%	-0.2%	-1.6%	-9.7%	3.3%	0.8%	3.4%	78,330	54.8%
South Wales East											
Blaenau Gwent		6.3%	9.5%	0.2%	-19.4%	-16.1%	6.6%	0.0%	12.9%	51,640	40.3%
Caerphilly		8.4%	10.6%	1.3%	-1.1%	-22.0%	3.9%	-2.8%	1.7%	65,958	43.8%
Islwyn		7.9%	-4.4%	-0.7%	-3.4%	-20.1%	2.3%	-2.7%	21.0%	57,978	42.2%
Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney		6.2%	14.3%	-3.4%	-0.5%	-18.9%	3.1%	-2.3%	1.5%	60,787	34.8%
Monmouth		-0.5%	5.1%	0.6%	0.0%	-9.8%	3.3%	2.7%	-1.3%	68,230	52.6%
Newport East		13.4%	2.5%	-0.4%	1.3%	-19.4%	2.9%	-2.4%	2.1%	60,826	38.1%
Newport West		6.0%	4.4%	-0.2%	1.1%	-13.8%	0.0%	1.5%	1.1%	68,862	43.0%
Torfaen		9.0%	6.1%	2.2%	-1.7%	-18.9%	0.0%	-3.0%	6.2%	64,270	37.3%
South Wales West											
Aberavon		6.9%	-3.3%	-1.7%	1.4%	-13.1%	2.9%	-1.9%	8.8%	52,428	42.3%
Bridgend		3.9%	-3.3%	-1.4%	0.9%	-14.6%	0.0%	-2.1%	16.6%	65,874	44.7%
Gower		-1.0%	7.4%	-0.8%	2.0%	-10.9%	0.0%	0.8%	2.4%	63,297	52.4%
Neath		6.3%	5.0%	-1.5%	-2.4%	-14.9%	2.7%	1.4%	3.4%	58,122	47.4%
Ogmore		7.6%	-2.7%	-1.2%	4.5%	-13.8%	2.7%	-2.2%	5.1%	58,509	41.9%
Swansea East		5.3%	8.0%	-2.8%	1.7%	-13.3%	2.2%	-2.6%	1.4%	60,859	35.4%
Swansea West		1.5%	5.8%	-2.2%	1.8%	-13.8%	3.6%	0.6%	2.7%	58,587	41.0%

Table 6: Constituency results, share of vote and majority, percentage of total valid votes cast 2021

	Pa	rty	% share of the vote							Sub	-total
	2016	2021	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Majority
Mid and West Wales											
Brecon and Radnorshire			39.7%	15.5%	27.8%	6.5%	0.0%	3.8%	4.8%	2.0%	11.9%
Carmarthen East and Dinefwr			23.3%	25.4%	2.9%	45.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	20.5%
Carmarthen West & South Pembrokeshire			35.5%	32.6%	3.9%	20.9%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	3.0%
Ceredigion			15.6%	10.9%	10.5%	55.1%	0.0%	0.0%	4.4%	3.5%	39.5%
Dwyfor Meirionnydd			18.5%	15.5%	3.8%	48.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	13.9%	29.8%
Llanelli			16.4%	46.1%	2.0%	27.3%	2.4%	0.0%	0.0%	5.8%	18.8%
Montgomeryshire			48.1%	14.3%	16.8%	17.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.8%	30.1%
Preseli Pembrokeshire			39.0%	34.6%	3.0%	19.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	3.9%	4.4%
North Wales											
Aberconwy			41.7%	25.4%	3.1%	27.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.3%	14.2%
Alyn and Deeside			31.9%	48.8%	6.1%	7.3%	3.5%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	16.9%
Arfon			8.3%	23.5%	3.0%	63.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.0%	39.8%
Clwyd South			31.1%	43.2%	3.0%	16.9%	2.2%	2.5%	0.0%	1.1%	12.0%
Clwyd West			41.7%	28.7%	4.1%	19.8%	1.8%	1.8%	0.0%	2.0%	13.0%
Delyn			34.5%	48.6%	4.1%	7.9%	3.3%	0.0%	0.0%	1.5%	14.0%
Vale of Clwyd			41.4%	40.0%	3.0%	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.1%	1.4%
Wrexham			31.4%	37.4%	3.3%	21.4%	1.7%	3.5%	0.0%	1.3%	6.0%
Ynys Môn			20.5%	19.1%	2.0%	55.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	35.4%
South Wales Central											
Cardiff Central			13.3%	45.9%	19.1%	12.2%	0.0%	1.5%	5.4%	2.5%	26.8%
Cardiff North			31.4%	47.6%	4.0%	8.1%	0.0%	2.4%	4.8%	1.7%	16.2%
Cardiff South and Penarth			20.7%	49.9%	3.9%	13.6%	1.6%	2.0%	4.5%	3.8%	29.1%

	Pa	rty			% sha	re of the	vote			Sub	-total
	2016	2021	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Majority
Cardiff West			17.7%	48.4%	2.2%	16.1%	0.0%	1.9%	3.5%	10.2%	30.7%
Cynon Valley			13.6%	55.7%	1.6%	19.3%	0.0%	3.2%	0.0%	6.6%	36.4%
Pontypridd			20.5%	41.8%	2.3%	22.4%	0.0%	2.8%	2.4%	7.8%	19.3%
Rhondda			6.4%	54.7%	0.9%	31.3%	0.0%	1.8%	0.0%	5.0%	23.4%
Vale of Glamorgan			35.9%	43.5%	2.3%	8.6%	0.0%	3.3%	2.9%	3.4%	7.6%
South Wales East											
Blaenau Gwent			12.5%	49.1%	1.6%	17.2%	0.0%	6.6%	0.0%	12.9%	31.9%
Caerphilly			17.3%	46.0%	2.7%	28.4%	0.0%	3.9%	0.0%	1.7%	17.6%
Islwyn			15.9%	40.7%	1.9%	16.1%	2.1%	2.3%	0.0%	21.0%	21.4%
Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney			12.6%	61.5%	2.0%	17.5%	1.8%	3.1%	0.0%	1.5%	44.0%
Monmouth			42.7%	32.0%	5.3%	5.8%	0.0%	3.3%	5.6%	5.3%	10.7%
Newport East			31.6%	47.1%	6.8%	8.0%	1.6%	2.9%	0.0%	2.1%	15.5%
Newport West			35.0%	48.2%	3.0%	7.0%	0.0%	0.0%	4.4%	2.4%	13.2%
Torfaen			26.1%	48.3%	4.9%	10.7%	3.7%	0.0%	0.0%	6.2%	22.2%
South Wales West											
Aberavon			13.3%	47.4%	4.3%	21.5%	1.8%	2.9%	0.0%	8.8%	25.9%
Bridgend			28.3%	42.0%	2.7%	10.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	16.6%	13.8%
Gower			32.7%	47.1%	2.6%	11.9%	0.0%	0.0%	3.3%	2.4%	14.5%
Neath			14.9%	42.3%	1.4%	23.4%	0.0%	2.7%	3.8%	11.5%	18.9%
Ogmore			18.7%	52.5%	1.8%	19.2%	0.0%	2.7%	0.0%	5.1%	33.3%
Swansea East			13.7%	60.1%	4.9%	15.1%	2.6%	2.2%	0.0%	1.4%	45.0%
Swansea West			19.2%	46.4%	6.9%	16.3%	0.0%	3.6%	4.6%	3.1%	27.2%

Table 7: Regional table - votes and share of the vote

				Votes					
	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Total
Constituency ballot	,								
Mid and West Wales	70,182	59,180	21,028	71,262	1,704	1,209	2,912	10,836	238,313
North Wales	71,957	79,327	8,027	57,235	3,180	1,891	0	4,921	226,538
South Wales Central	55,884	122,703	11,463	38,778	576	6,101	8,356	12,660	256,521
South Wales East	53,434	94,703	7,544	27,996	2,152	5,541	3,314	13,265	207,949
South Wales West	38,345	87,134	6,140	30,105	974	3,407	3,235	13,069	182,409
All Regions	289,802	443,047	54,202	225,376	8,586	18,149	17,817	54,751	1,111,730
Regional ballot									
Mid and West Wales	63,827	61,733	16,181	65,450	3,731	8,073	10,545	8,706	238,246
North Wales	67,544	73,120	7,160	53,950	3,573	7,960	6,586	6,306	226,199
South Wales Central	56,622	102,611	11,821	46,478	3,127	8,396	14,478	12,304	255,837
South Wales East	52,323	85,988	7,045	30,530	4,101	9,995	9,950	7,985	207,917
South Wales West	38,244	78,318	6,010	33,753	2,809	6,975	7,155	9,432	182,696
All Regions	278,560	401,770	48,217	230,161	17,341	41,399	48,714	44,733	1,110,895
Total ballot									
Mid and West Wales	134,009	120,913	37,209	136,712	5,435	9,282	13,457	19,542	476,559
North Wales	139,501	152,447	15,187	111,185	6,753	9,851	6,586	11,227	452,737
South Wales Central	112,506	225,314	23,284	85,256	3,703	14,497	22,834	24,964	512,358
South Wales East	105,757	180,691	14,589	58,526	6,253	15,536	13,264	21,250	415,866
South Wales West	76,589	165,452	12,150	63,858	3,783	10,382	10,390	22,501	365,105
All Regions	568,362	844,817	102,419	455,537	25,927	59,548	66,531	99,484	2,222,625

Table 7: Regional table - votes and share of the vote continued

	% Share of the vote										
Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth				
29.4%	24.8%	8.8%	29.9%	0.7%	0.5%	1.2%	4.5%				
31.8%	35.0%	3.5%	25.3%	1.4%	0.8%	0.0%	2.2%				
21.8%	47.8%	4.5%	15.1%	0.2%	2.4%	3.3%	4.9%				
25.7%	45.5%	3.6%	13.5%	1.0%	2.7%	1.6%	6.4%				
21.0%	47.8 %	3.4%	16.5%	0.5%	1.9%	1.8%	7.2 %				
26.1%	39.9%	4.9%	20.3%	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%	4.9%				
26.8%	25.9%	6.8%	27.5%	1.6%	3.4%	4.4%	3.7%				
29.9%	32.3%	3.2%	23.9%	1.6%	3.5%	2.9%	2.8%				
22.1%	40.1%	4.6%	18.2%	1.2%	3.3%	5.7%	4.8%				
25.2%	41.4%	3.4%	14.7%	2.0%	4.8%	4.8%	3.8%				
20.9%	42.9%	3.3%	18.5%	1.5%	3.8%	3.9%	5.2%				
25.1%	36.2%	4.3%	20.7%	1.6%	3.7%	4.4%	4.0%				
28.1%	25.4%	7.8%	28.7%	1.1%	1.9%	2.8%	4.1%				
30.8%	33.7%	3.4%	24.6%	1.5%	2.2%	1.5%	2.5%				
22.0%	44.0%	4.5%	16.6%	0.7%	2.8%	4.5%	4.9%				
25.4%	43.4%	3.5%	14.1%	1.5%	3.7%	3.2%	5.1%				
21.0%	45.3%	3.3%	17.5%	1.0%	2.8%	2.8%	6.2%				
25.6%	38.0%	4.6%	20.5%	1.2%	2.7%	3.0%	4.5%				

Table 8: Variation between share of constituency and regional ballot votes

% pt variation in % share of the vote									
	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	
Mid and West Wales	+2.7%	-1.1%	+2.0%	+2.4%	-0.9%	-2.9%	-3.2%	+0.9%	
North Wales	+1.9%	+2.7%	+0.4%	+1.4%	-0.2%	-2.7%	-2.9%	-0.6%	
South Wales Central	-0.3%	+7.7%	-0.2%	-3.1%	-1.0%	-0.9%	-2.4%	+0.1%	
South Wales East	+0.5%	+4.2%	+0.2%	-1.2%	-0.9%	-2.1%	-3.2%	+2.5%	
South Wales West	+0.1%	+4.9%	+0.1%	-2.0%	-1.0%	-2.0%	-2.1%	+2.0%	
All Regions	+1.0%	+3.7%	+0.5%	-0.4%	-0.8%	-2.1%	-2.8%	+0.9%	

Note: (a) A negative % pt variation means the party gained a higher share of the vote in the regional ballot than the constituency ballot.

Table 9: Regional table - seats and change in seats

			Seats	won					
	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Total
Constituency ballot									
Mid and West Wales	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	8
North Wales	3	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	9
South Wales Central	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
South Wales East	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
South Wales West	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
All Regions	8	27	0	5	0	0	0	0	40
Regional ballot									
Mid and West Wales	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
North Wales	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
South Wales Central	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
South Wales East	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
South Wales West	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
All Regions	8	3	1	8	0	0	0	0	20
Total ballot									
Mid and West Wales	4	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	12
North Wales	5	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	13
South Wales Central	2	8	0	2	0	0	0	0	12
South Wales East	3	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	12
South Wales West	2	7	0	2	0	0	0	0	11
All Regions	16	30	1	13	0	0	0	0	60

Table 9: Regional table - seats and change in seats continued

			Change in	seats won			
Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth
1	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0
1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	-1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	0	-1	-1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	-1	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	-2	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	-1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	-2	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0
3	1	1	2	-7	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	-1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	-2	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0
5	1	0	1	-7	0	0	0

Table 10: Regional table - Change in share of the vote, turnout comparisons with 2016 results

	% pt Change in share of the vote										
	Con	Lab	LD	PC	UKIP	Abolish	GP	Oth	Electorate	Turnout	Percentage change in tunrout (%)
Constituency ballot											
Mid and West Wales	+6.3%	+7.2 %	-7.8 %	+3.0%	-10.1%	+0.5%	-1.9 %	+2.7%	451,034	52.8%	1.5%
North Wales	+5.7%	+2.5%	-1.0%	+0.8%	-9.3%	+0.8%	-1.5%	+2.0%	487,784	46.4%	2.9%
South Wales Central	+1.6%	+ 7.1 %	-2.9%	-3.5%	-9.6%	+2.4%	+0.5%	+4.4%	531,912	48.2%	1.4%
South Wales East	+ 7.1 %	+5.7%	+0.1%	-2.8%	-17.0%	+2.7%	-0.8%	+5.1%	498,551	41.7%	-0.2%
South Wales West	+4.2%	+2.4%	-1.6%	+1.4%	-13.4%	+1.9%	-0.7%	+5.9%	417,676	43.7%	0.5%
All Regions	+4.9%	+5.1%	-2.8%	-0.3%	-11.7%	+1.6%	-0.9%	+3.9%	2,386,957	46.6%	1.2%
Regional ballot											
Mid and West Wales	+6.2%	+6.5%	-4.1%	+1.2%	-10.0%	-1.6%	+0.6%	+1.3%	451,034	52.8%	2.2%
North Wales	+7.6 %	+4.2%	-1.4%	+0.5%	-10.9%	-1.1%	+0.6%	+0.5%	487,784	46.4%	2.9%
South Wales Central	+3.9%	+6.2%	-1.8%	-2.8%	-9.1%	-0.7%	+2.2%	+2.1%	531,912	48.1%	1.4%
South Wales East	+8.0%	+3.0%	-0.1%	-0.6%	-15.8%	+0.8%	+2.3%	+2.5%	498,551	41.7 %	-0.2%
South Wales West	+5.9%	+3.3%	-3.2%	+1.3%	-12.1%	-0.4%	+1.3%	+3.8%	417,676	43.7%	0.6%
All Regions	+6.3%	+4.7%	-2.1%	-0.1%	-11.5%	-0.6%	+1.4%	+2.0%	2,386,957	46.5%	1.3%
Total ballot											
Mid and West Wales	+6.2%	+6.8%	-6.0%	+2.1%	-10.0%	-0.5%	-0.6%	+2.0%	451,034		

	% pt Change in share of the vote										
North Wales	+6.7%	+3.3%	-1.2%	+0.6%	-10.1%	-0.1%	-0.5%	+1.3%	487,784		
South Wales Central	+2.7%	+6.7%	-2.3%	-3.1%	-9.4%	+0.8%	+1.3%	+3.2%	531,912		
South Wales East	+7.5%	+4.4%	-0.0%	-1.7 %	-16.4%	+1.7%	+0.7%	+3.8%	498,551		
South Wales West	+5.1%	+2.9%	-2.4%	+1.3%	-12.8%	+0.7%	+0.3%	+4.9%	417,676		

Table 11: Regional table - Votes, including minor parties and independent candidates (see section 4 for party codes)

		Mid and West Wales	North Wales	South Wales Central	South Wales East	South Wales West	
	Con	63,827	67,544	56,622	52,323	38,244	278,560
	Lab	61,733	73,120	102,611	85,988	78,318	401,770
	LD	16,181	7,160	11,821	7,045	6,010	48,217
	PC	65,450	53,950	46,478	30,530	33,753	230,161
	UKIP	3,731	3,573	3,127	4,101	2,809	17,341
	Abolish	8,073	7,960	8,396	9,995	6,975	41,399
	GP	10,545	6,586	14,478	9,950	7,155	48,714
ι ν	Propel	1,428	415	5,552	924	1,506	9,825
Votes	Gwlad	1,303	1,228	1,098	1,841	1,306	6,776
>	FA	1181	1186	0	0	1,271	3,638
	TUSC	257	164	519	362	345	1,647
	Com	589	557	602	606	483	2,837
	Reform	2,582	2,374	2,244	2,756	1,774	11,730
	CPW	1,366	0	0	0	0	1,366
	NML	0	0	1298	1,496	0	2,794
	Workers	0	0	411	0	0	411
	Ind	0	382	580	0	2747	3,709
	Other	8,706	6,306	12,304	7,985	9,432	44,733
	Total	238,246	226,199	255,837	207,917	182,696	1,110,895

Table 12: Elected Members

Constituency	Member	Party
Aberavon	David Rees	Labour
Aberconwy	Janet Finch-Saunders	Conservative
Alyn and Deeside	Jack Sargeant	Labour
Arfon	Sian Gwenllian	Plaid Cymru
Blaenau Gwent	Alun Davies	Labour
Brecon and Radnorshire	James Evans	Conservative
Bridgend	Sarah Murphy	Labour
Caerphilly	Hefin David	Labour
Cardiff Central	Jenny Rathbone	Labour
Cardiff North	Julie Morgan	Labour
Cardiff South and Penarth	Vaughan Gething	Labour
Cardiff West	Mark Drakeford	Labour
Carmarthen East and Dinefwr	Adam Price	Plaid Cymru
Carmarthen West and South Pembrokeshire	Samuel Kurtz	Conservative
Ceredigion	Elin Jones	Plaid Cymru
Clwyd South	Ken Skates	Labour
Clwyd West	Darren Millar	Conservative
Cynon Valley	Vikki Howells	Labour
Delyn	Hannah Blythyn	Labour
Dwyfor Meirionnydd	Mabon ap Gwynfor	Plaid Cymru
Gower	Rebecca Evans	Labour
Islwyn	Rhianon Passmore	Labour
Llanelli	Lee Waters	Labour
Merthyr Tydfil and Rhymney	Dawn Bowden	Labour
Monmouth	Peter Fox	Conservative
Montgomeryshire	Russell George	Conservative
Neath	Jeremy Miles	Labour
Newport East	John Griffiths	Labour
Newport West	Jayne Bryant	Labour
Ogmore	Huw Irranca-Davies	Labour
Pontypridd	Mick Antoniw	Labour

Constituency	Member	Party
Preseli Pembrokeshire	Paul Davies	Conservative
Rhondda	Elizabeth Buffy Williams	Labour
Swansea East	Mike Hedges	Labour
Swansea West	Julie James	Labour
Torfaen	Lynne Neagle	Labour
Vale of Clwyd	Gareth Davies	Conservative
Vale of Glamorgan	Jane Hutt	Labour
Wrexham	Lesley Griffiths	Labour
Ynys Mon	Rhun ap Iorwerth	Plaid Cymru

Region	Member	Party
Mid & West Wales	Cefin Campbell	Plaid Cymru
Mid & West Wales	Eluned Morgan	Labour
Mid & West Wales	Joyce Watson	Labour
Mid & West Wales	Jane Dodds	Liberal Democrat
North Wales	Carolyn Thomas	Labour
North Wales	Mark Isherwood	Conservative
North Wales	Sam Rowlands	Conservative
North Wales	Llyr Gruffydd	Plaid Cymru
South Wales West	Thomas Giffard	Conservative
South Wales West	Altaf Hussain	Conservative
South Wales West	Sioned Williams	Plaid Cymru
South Wales West	Luke Fletcher	Plaid Cymru
South Wales East	Laura Anne Jones	Conservative
South Wales East	Natasha Asghar	Conservative
South Wales East	Peredur Owen Griffiths	Plaid Cymru
South Wales East	Delyth Jewell	Plaid Cymru
South Wales Central	Andrew RT Davies	Conservative
South Wales Central	Joel James	Conservative
South Wales Central	Rhys ab Owen	Plaid Cymru
South Wales Central	Heledd Fychan	Plaid Cymru

4. Source and Notes

Data sources - votes

Where available, the number of votes cast for each party in 2021 is taken from BBC data. The votes have been verified with reference to the Statistical Return forms from each constituency. Other historical election results used in this papers based on official results provided by the **Electoral Commission**.

Data sources - electorate and turnout

Information on electorate figures has also been gathered from the BBC. Turnout has been calculated as valid votes as a percentage of the electorate. Spoilt ballots or rejected ballots have not been included in the calculation. Similarly, historical data relating to turnout has been taken from the **Electoral Commission's** official results.

Key to party codes

Each registered party has a short code as shown below. In many tables within this publication parties other than Conservative, Labour, Liberal Democrat, Plaid Cymru, UKIP, Abolish the Welsh Assembly Party and the Green Party are combined in grey as 'other' parties.

Code	Party
NF	National Front
Com	Communist Party of Britain
CPW	Welsh Christian Party
Con	Conservative
GP	Welsh Green Party
Ind	Independent
Lab	Labour
LD	Liberal Democrat
MRLP	The Official Monster Raving Loony Party
PC	Plaid Cymru
ED	The English Democrats
UKIP	UK Independence Party
AWAP	Abolish the Welsh Assembly Party
AWLI	Association of Welsh Local Independents
Wcom	Welsh Communist Party
PF	People First
TUSC	Trade Unionist and Socialist Coalition
WEP	Women's Equality Party
FTC	Freedom to choose
ViP	Vapers in Power
Wsov	Wsov(Welsh Sovereignty)
SPGB	SPGB (Socialist Party of Great Britain)