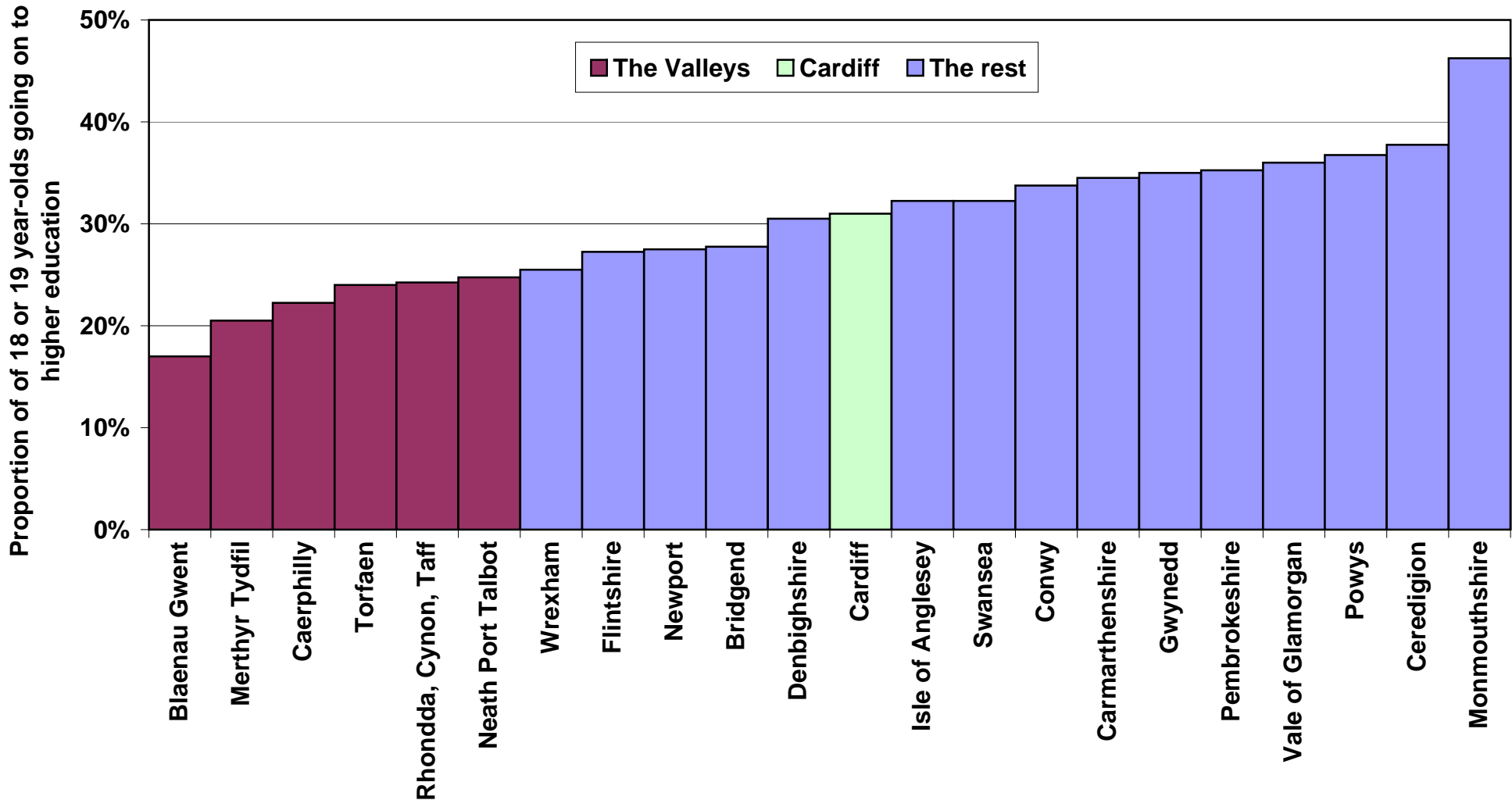


Less than a quarter of 18- and 19-year-olds in The Valleys go into higher education compared to more than a third in some other local authorities



Source: Participation Of Local Areas (POLAR), HEFCE; the data is the average for 1997 to 2000