

Lifelong Learning Policies During the Crisis



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Wales and the Crisis



- “never waste a crisis”
- “a fair system aiming to become good”
- Recession – then public spending cuts

Key Statistics:

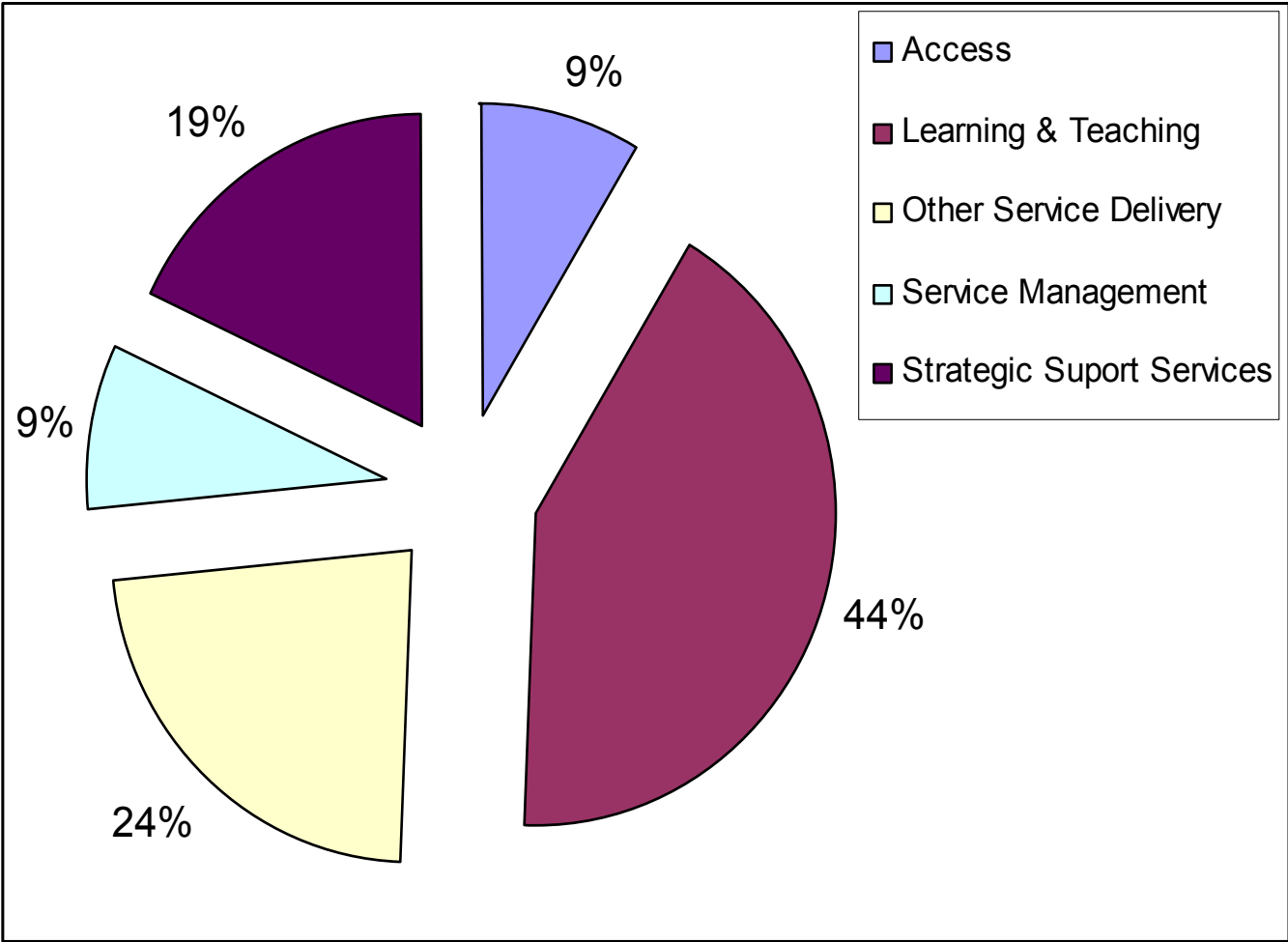
- Population – 3,006,430
- Employment rate – 67.7%
- Public sector employment - 11.2%
- Unemployment - 8.4%
- Youth unemployment – 22.5%
- Students in Further Education - 4.2% less

Response Measures



- ProAct (ESF)
 - Short term intervention
- ReAct II (ESF)
 - 2 level redundancy response
- Financial Analysis
 - Focus on front line services

Financial Analysis



Only 44% of all education funding directly delivers learning

Simplify management arrangements and move more resource to front line delivery

Forward Policy Imperatives



- Literacy, numeracy, and tackling link between low attainment and socio-economic status
- Funding 1% above the baseline
- Institutional transformation
- Qualifications review
- Tackling exclusion



Thank you

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