



# BRIDGES

Teaching Students under 30 in Leipzig,  
Germany

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- Age: 22
- Learned bridge: started April 2022 at the uni
- Study: Computer Science B.Sc.
- Teaching bridge for 1.5 years



# My Project and why it works

Who is the target audience?

How to reach this target audience?

The course:

- The structure of my course
- The material I use

# Who are we?

- Rebecca (25), studying Linguistic M. Arts at Uni Leipzig
- Yuan (26), doing his PHD in Maths at Uni Leipzig
- Acting in the Uni World
- Knowing people, rooms and know how to advertise
- Promoting and offering our course through university sport

# Who is the target audience?

- **Students of the Leipzig university**
  - **Computer Science**
  - **Mathematics**
  - **Medicin**
  - **Linguists**
  - **Etc**
- PHD students
- Students from different universities in the area
- Externs: Working, retired, Professors, life partners ...
- Friends or colleagues

How to reach this target group?



# What are the issues you face when you are trying to find new players?

- Don't know what bridge is.
- Not willing to make that big of a commitment
- Losing the players in lecture 4 (when bidding starts)





Vorstellungsstraße – university group  
introduction





# Actual advertisement material from the federation

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  - Is an officially recognized sport
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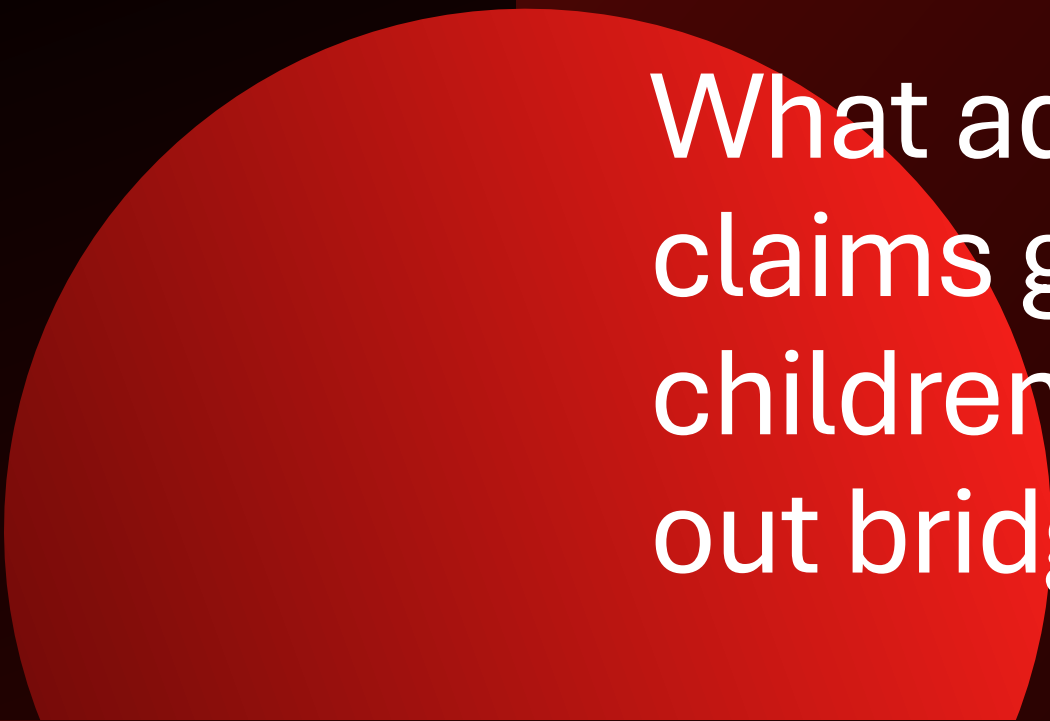
Which of these points are convincing and which can we add?



# Actual advertisement material from the federation targeting youth

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What advertisement  
claims get  
children/teenagers to try  
out bridge?

Flyer –  
specifically  
for young  
people

### Was ist Bridge?

Bridge ist ein **Kartenspiel** und ein international anerkannter **Denksport**.

In einem Spiel treten immer zwei Paare gegeneinander an und versuchen miteinander eine **Trumpffarbe** und eine Anzahl gemeinsamer **Stiche** festzulegen.

Es ist ein Gemeinschafts- und kein Glücksspiel. Gewinnen trotz schlechter Karten? – Beim Bridge möglich!

### Warum Bridge?

Wer Spaß an **Rätseln** und Knobeln hat und eine gute Portion **Teamgeist** mitbringt, ist beim Bridge genau richtig.

Vorkenntnisse in anderen Kartenspielen wie Wizard, Skat oder Doppelkopf helfen, sind aber absolut nicht nötig.

### Was sollte ich noch wissen?

Dass Bridge einfach **Spaß** macht. Kommt zu unserem Tag der offenen Tür und probiert es selbst aus!

Wir freuen uns immer über neue Gesichter und zeigen euch gerne, was es zu so einem **faszinierenden** Spiel macht.

## Tag der offenen Tür – Bridge –

Wann? XX.XX.XXXX um XX:XX

Wo? Petzscher Straße 1, 04129 Leipzig



Was?

- Kartenspielen mit Twist
- Snacks und Getränke
- Rätsellösen mit kleinen Gewinnen
- Wöchentliche Treffen bei Interesse ab dem XX.XX.XXXX

Wir freuen uns auf euch!

Erreichbar unter:

[ch.baumgart.bridge@bh-bb.de](mailto:ch.baumgart.bridge@bh-bb.de)

oder auch auf unserer Website:

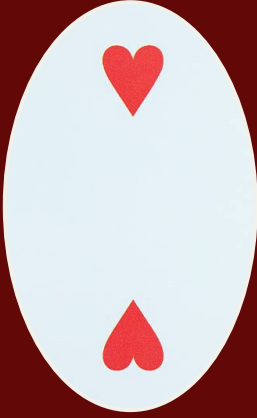


# Advertisement claims directed to students

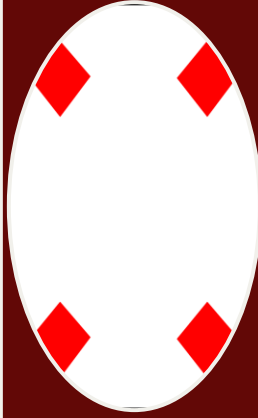
- **Social game**
- Sport
- Solving riddles
- Snacks (if your course is in the evening)
- Perfect to learn with a friend



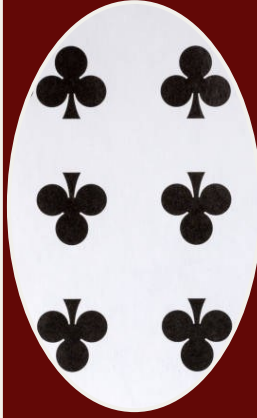
Week 1  
Words &  
Play



Week 2 and  
3  
Minibridge  
Making a  
plan



Week 4 and  
5  
1NT  
opening  
Stayman &  
Transfer  
Leading



Week 6, 7  
and 8  
1M, fit  
hands,  
non fit,  
2/1 GF



Week 9  
1m, TWCB  
and  
inverted  
minors



Week 10  
weak  
openings



Week 11  
Discarding  
2C strong



Week 12  
bidding  
competitive  
ly



Tourna-  
ment at the  
Bridge club





# Getting players into the clubs

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- Final tournament with IMP Pairs
- Free first year membership
- Playing with teachers/advanced students but not the club members
- Discussing the final tournament



Veranstaltungen

Unterricht und Training

Informationen

## Unterricht und Training



# Material

- Looking good
  - Including the necessary information
  - Examples
  - Small exercises
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- Paper or digital?
    - Digital or both

## Keine 4er oder 5er Oberfarbe:

- Passe, falls schwach
- 2SA: falls einladend
- 3SA: falls partieförzierend

♠ AK54  
♥ 32  
♦ Q87  
♣ 10543

- ☐ schwach ☐ einladend ☐ partieförzierend  
☐ Stayman ☐ Transfer ☐ Sans-Hebung ☐ passe

♠ 97653  
♥ 1053  
♦ Q43  
♣ 98

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♠ AJ10  
♥ Q43  
♦ J1054  
♣ KJ8

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# 1SA Eröffnung

Welche Bedingungen müssen erfüllt sein?

- 15-17 Figuren-Längenpunkte
- Ausgegliche Verteilung (keine Chicane, kein Single, keine zwei Double und keine 5er OF)

## Mögliche Verteilungen

xxxx  
xxxx  
xxx  
xx

xxx  
xxx  
xxxxx  
xx

Xxxx  
Xxxx  
Xxx  
xx

## Reizung des Antwortenden:

- Bin ich schwach \_\_-\_\_, einladend \_\_-\_\_ oder partieförzierend \_\_+?
- Haben wir einen Oberfarbfit?
  - 4-4 (Stayman)
  - 5-3 (Transfer)

## Stayman (2 ♣)

Die Antwort 2 Treff auf die 1SA Eröffnung von Partner fragt nach einer \_\_-Oberfarbe. Um dieses Fragegebot reizen zu können, braucht der Antwortende:

- Eine mindestens einladende Hand
- Eine 4er-Oberfarbe

Die möglichen Antworten, die darauf der Eröffner geben kann, sind:

- 2 ♦: ich habe keine 4er Oberfarbe
- 2 ♥/♠: ich habe ein 4er ♥/♠ (falls beide 4er, dann mit Coeur beginnen)

## Transfers (2 ♦/♥)

Die Antworten 2 Karo und 2 Coeur beschreiben die Hand des Antwortenden anstatt den Eröffner nach seiner Hand zu fragen. Der Antwortende reizt 2K mit einem 5er Coeur bzw. 2 Coeur mit einem 5er Pik. Die Idee hinter diesem Verfahren ist, dass der Antwortende viel mehr über die Hand des Eröffners weiß als anders herum, somit hat der Antwortende viel Platz seine Hand zu beschreiben und der Eröffner muss keine Entscheidung treffen. Weil wir, falls wir eine 5er Oberfarbe haben schon wissen, dass wir 7 gemeinsame Karten in dieser Farbe haben, können wir sogar schon **ab 0 Punkten** transferieren.

Der Eröffner reizt nach einem Transfer **immer**. Danach hat der Antwortende folgende

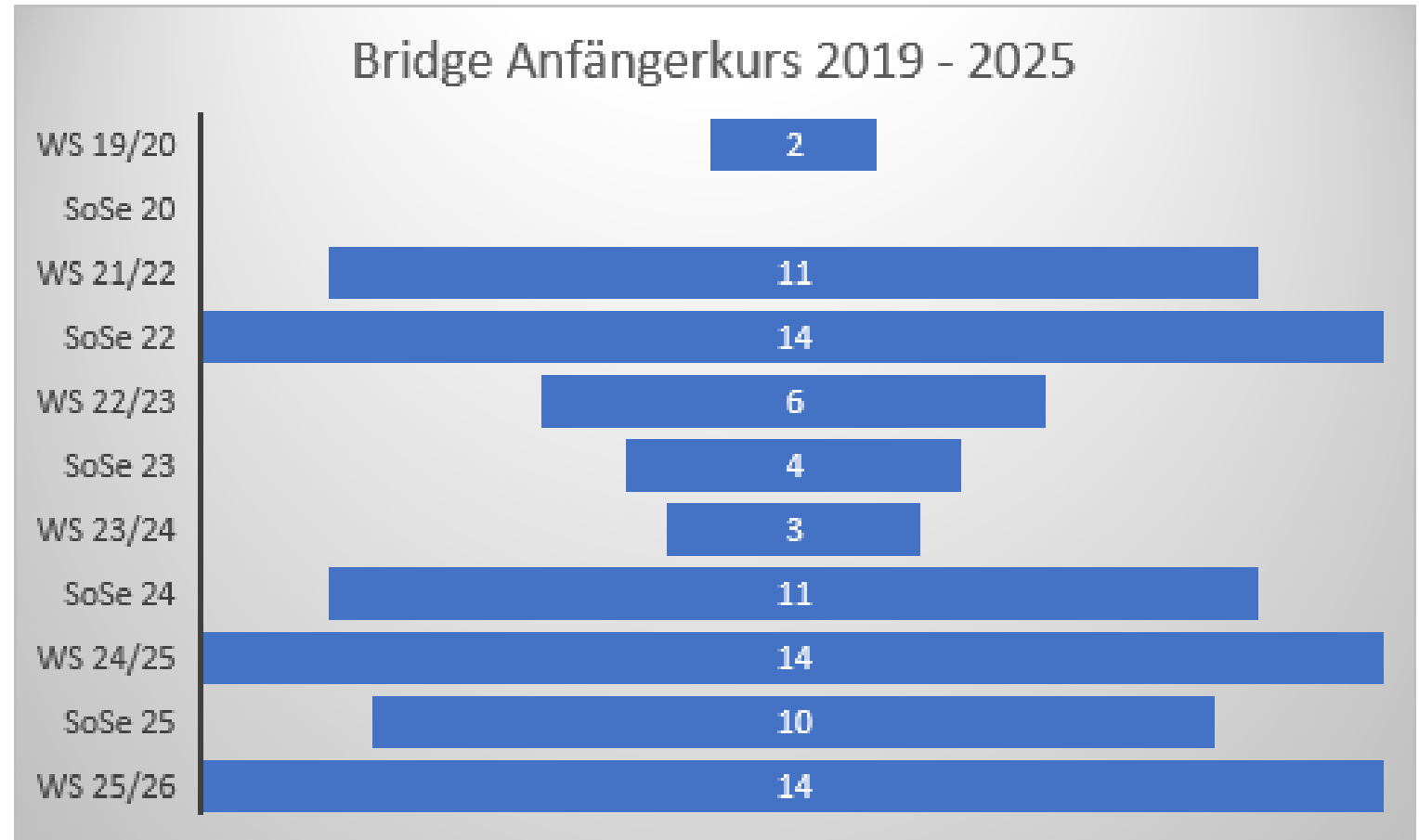
Powerpoint Presentations & Handouts

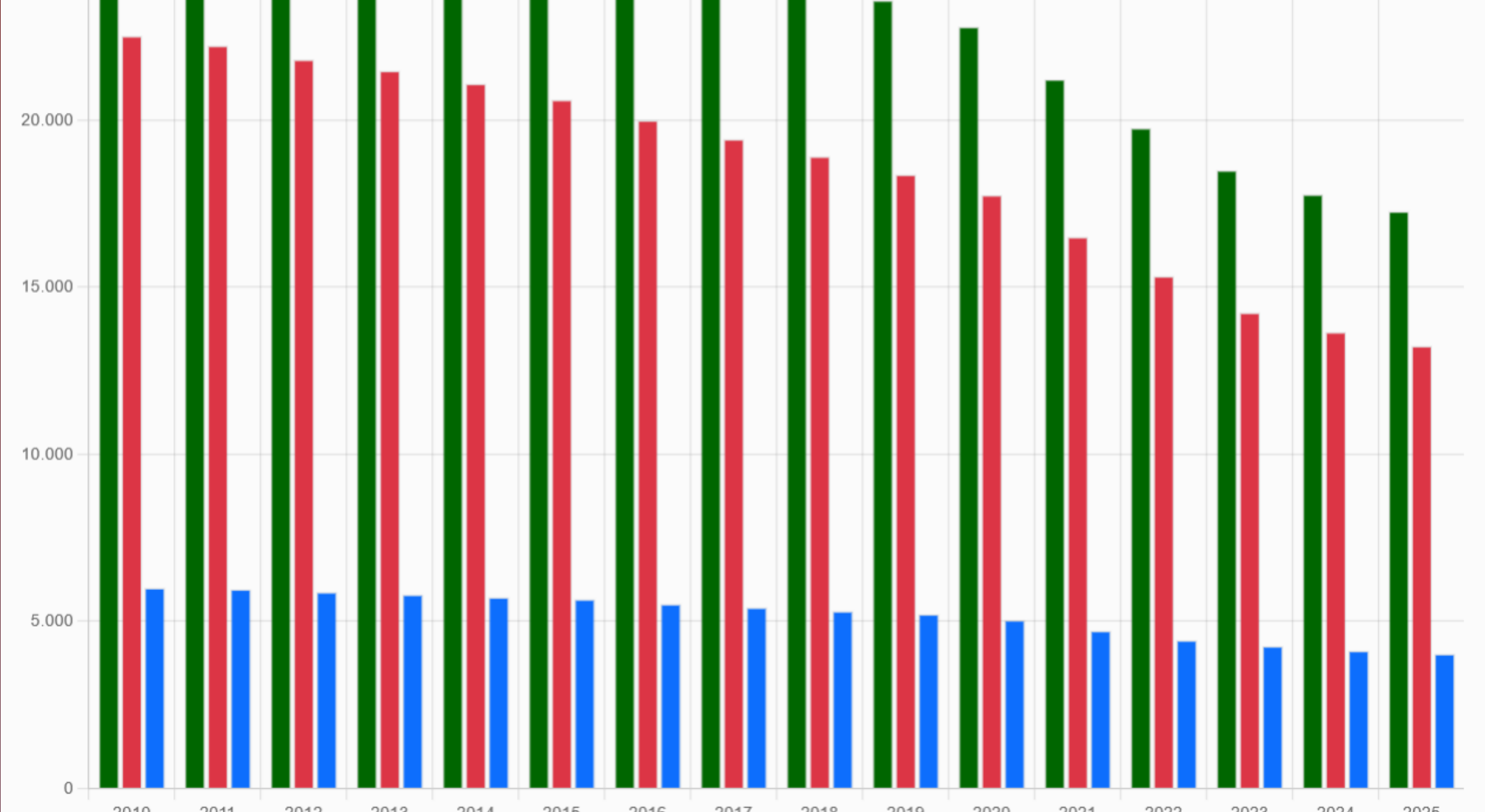


	Opening	Answer	Openers Rebid	Two way checkback	3rd/4th suit forcing	Inverted Minors
	1 C Opening 3+ Cs, 12+ p	1x: 4+ cards, 6+ points, forcing	1y: 4 card suit, unbalanced 1NT: 12-14 balanced, skip spades if balanced 2C: 6 card suit, 12-15 2NT: 18-19 balanced 3C: 16-18, 6 Clubs	After every 1x-1y-1z sequence: 1C – 1H – 1NT 2C every inv hand or weak Ds Bid always 2D as opener. 2H do you have 3 Hs? 2S do you have 4 Ss? 2NT do you have max?  2D any gf hand: 2H I have 3 Hearts 2S I have 4 spades 2NT I have nothing to say 3m I have extra cards	Every time two way checkback is not available for us to bid... The lowest unbid suit from responder is forcing and asking responder to describe his hand further. 3 cards in responders M 4 cards in other M Show other shape elements	1m-2m First step: 12-14 balanced 3m: unbalanced 12-14 2NT:18-19 balanced 2x: 4 cards, 13+ 3x without jump: 4 cards, 13+ 3x with jump: 1- cards in x, 13+  1D – 2D – 2H: 12-14 bal 1D – 2D – 3C: 4 clubs, 13+ 1D – 2D – 3S: Spade shortness 1D – 2D – 2S: 4 spades, 13+
		1NT: 6-10, no biddable suit	2C: 6 card suit, 12-15 2NT: 16-17 balanced 2x: 16+, 5-4			
		2C: 11+ points, 5 Clubs	2D: 12-14 balanced 2x: 4 card suit, 13+ 2NT: 18-19 balanced 3C: 12-13 unbalanced 3x: shortness in this suit, 14+			
	1 Heart Opening 5+Hs, 12+p	1x/NT: like 1C		<b>To show fit delayed</b>  If you are gf with fit, bid another suit first then bid 3M: 1H 2D 2S 3H gf fit 1S 2C 2D 3S gf fit	<b>Competitive bidding</b>  Bidding a suit on 1lvl: 9+ points, 5+ cards  Bidding a suit on 2lvl no jump: 11+ points, good 5 card suit  Bidding 1NT over opps suit shows the same thing as opening it  X	Answers:  Raise partners suit, 6+ points Bid 1NT shows 8-11, Honor in opps suit New suit forcing, 5 cards  Raise partners suit: 6+ p Bid 2NT: 11-13  Answers like opp never opened  Shows 3 cards in all the unbid suits, at least one 4c M, 11+
		2C: any gf, 2+ clubs				
		2D: 5 cards, gf	2H: trashcan, usually 12-14 bal 2NT: 15+ balanced 2S/3m: 4 cards, 14+ p			
		2H: 6-10p, 3+ Hs	3H: 16-18 4H: 19+			
		2NT: 11-12, balanced 3H: 11-12, 3+ Hs	With maximum bid game, With minimum pass			
		4H: 5 Hs, 5-9p, one shortness				
		2C: 8+p, asking for 4 card M	2D: no 4 card M 2H/S: 4 cards in this M			
	1NT 15-17 balanced	2D: 0+, 5Hs, transfer 2H: 0+, 5Ss, transfer	Bid 2H Bid 2S	Bid NT or raise partners Major, either invite with 8-9 points Or bid game with 10+ points  Pass 7- points 2NT 8-9 only 5 cards in M 3M 8-9, 6+ cards in this M 3NT 10+ only 5 cards in M 4M 10+, 6+ card in M	1H (1S)	2H: 6-10, fit 3H/4H: preemptive 3S: 11+ points, fit 1NT: 8-10 stopper 2NT: 11-12 invite to 2NT 2x nonforcing bid 3x: gameforcing 6 card suit X: 4-4 in minors, 6+p
		2NT: 8-9, invite	Pass or bid 3NT			
		2D	2H: 24+ 5+H 2S: 24+, 5+ S 2NT: 22-23 NT 3m: 6 cards, 24+ 3M: sf in M 3NT: 24-25 bal			
	2C  Strongest opening: gf in M, semiforcing M, gf minor, balanced 22+	3x/4x: 3/4 cards, 5-15p	3C 6-8p, bad suit	<b>defense</b>  Leads:	NT: 2 <sup>nd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> second from only small cards 4 <sup>th</sup> from suits with an Honor Suit: 3 <sup>rd</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> , top one from 2 cards	Priorities:  Partners suit Top of Sequence Opps unbid suit trump 2 <sup>nd</sup> suit from Dummy
		2NT: 16+ asking	3D 6-8p, good suit 3H 8-10, bad suit 3S 8-10, good suit			
	2x 6-10 p, 6 cards					
	2NT	Balanced 20-21	Stayman and Transfers like 1NT But stayman is 4+ points	First discard:	Lavinthal: I don't want the suit that I'm discarding	Low card: lower rest suit High card: highest rest suit



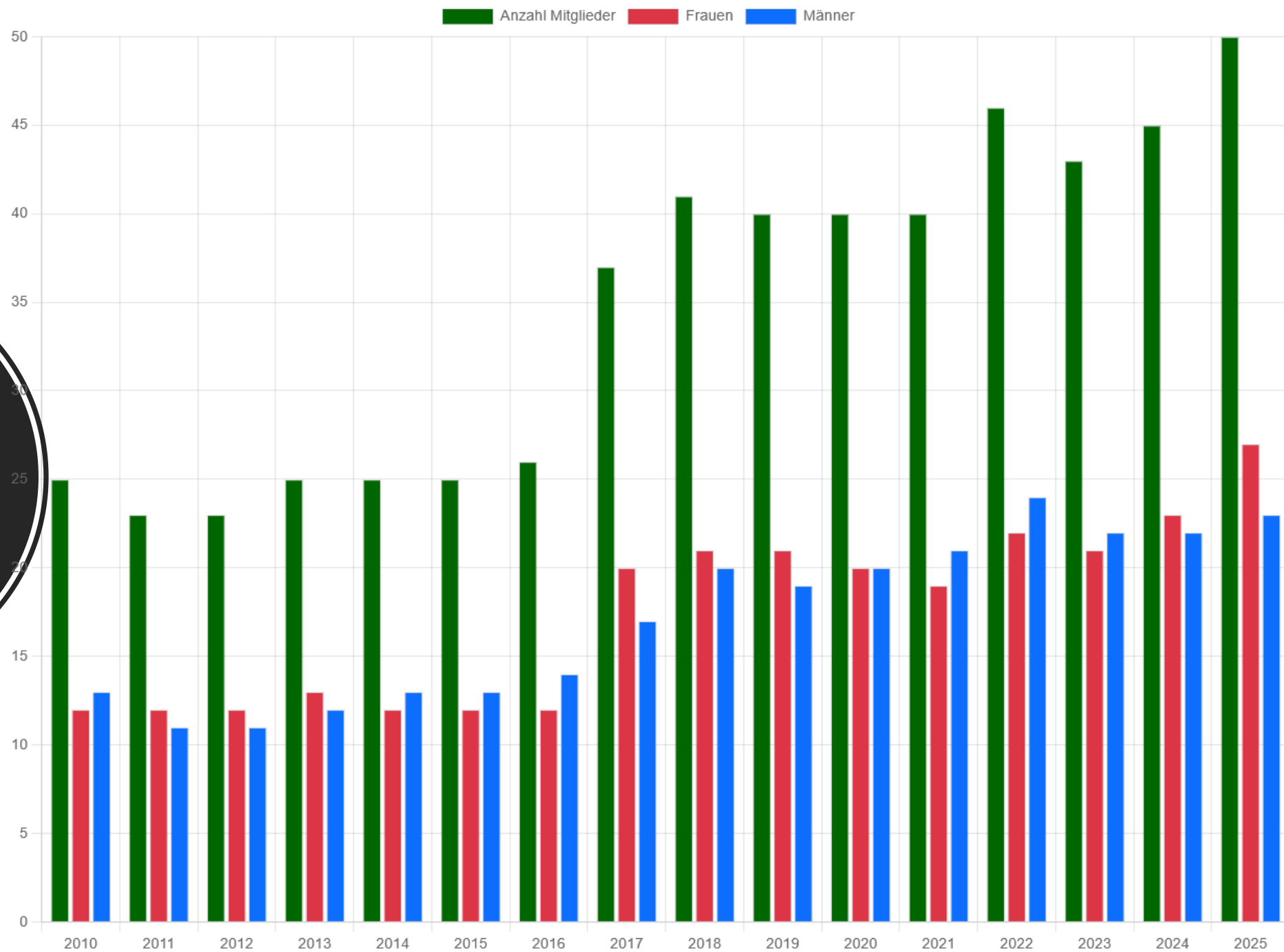
Bridge  
course  
Attendance  
2019-2025

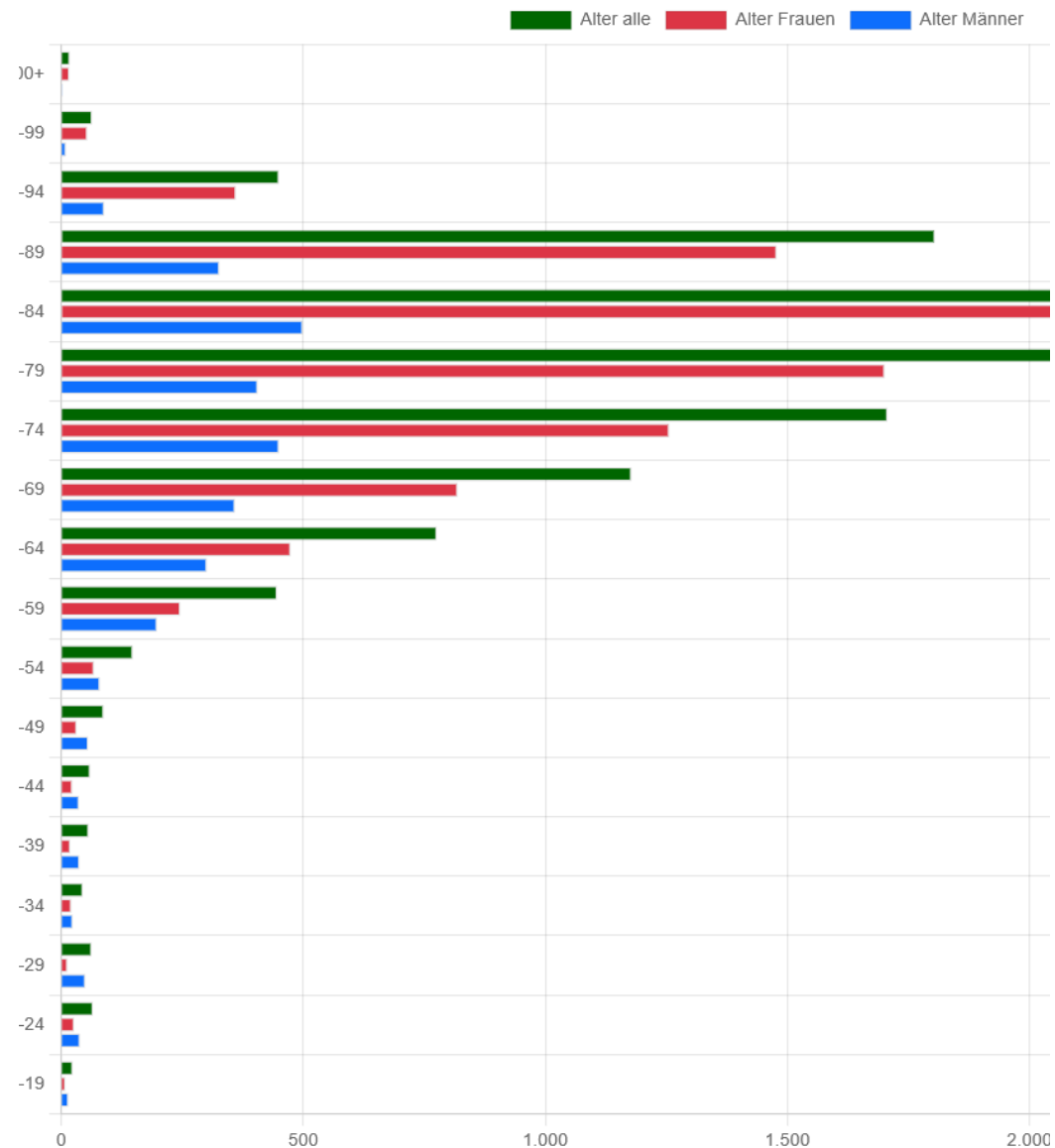




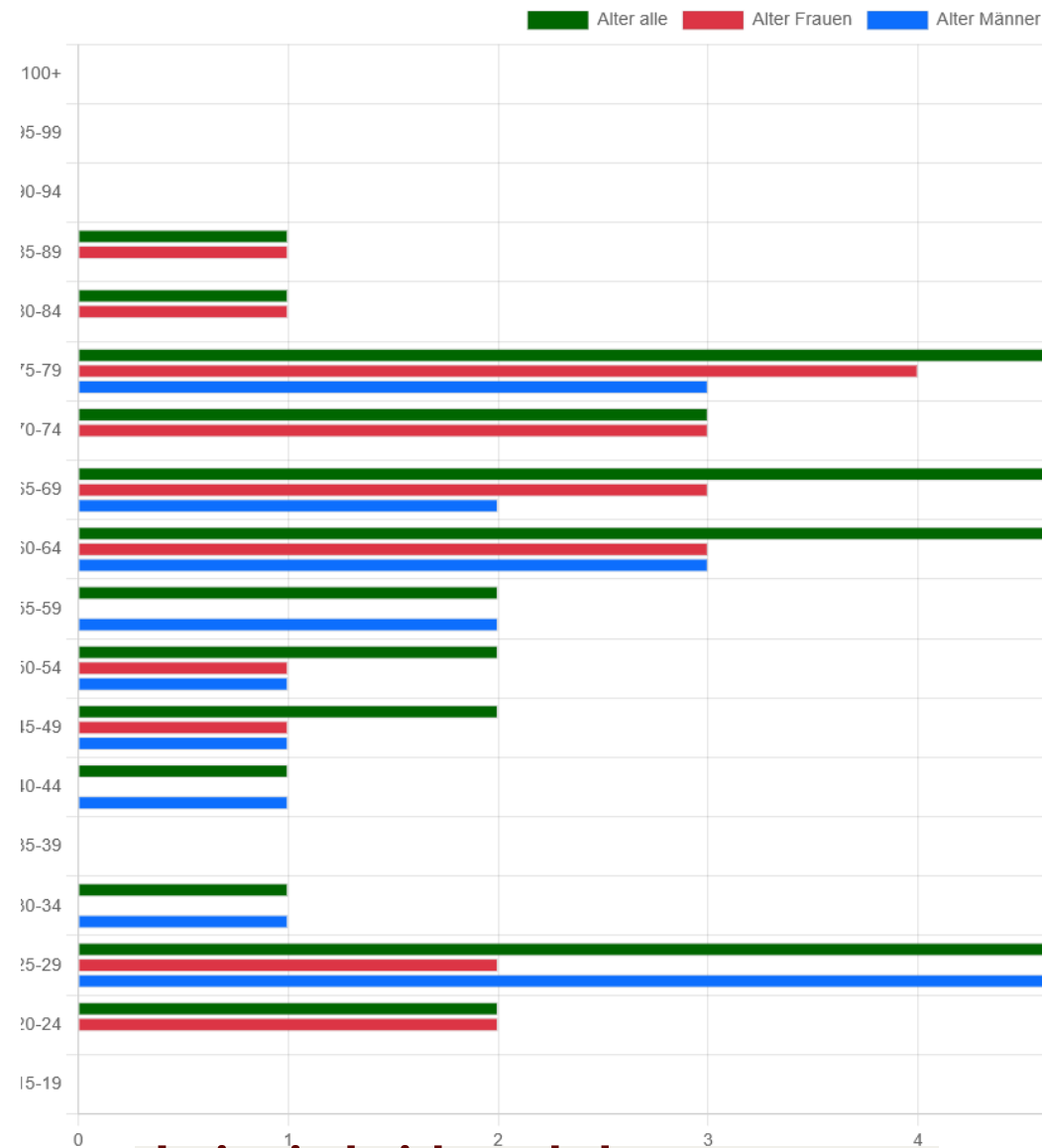


Membership  
numbers  
2010-2025  
Leipzig  
bridge club

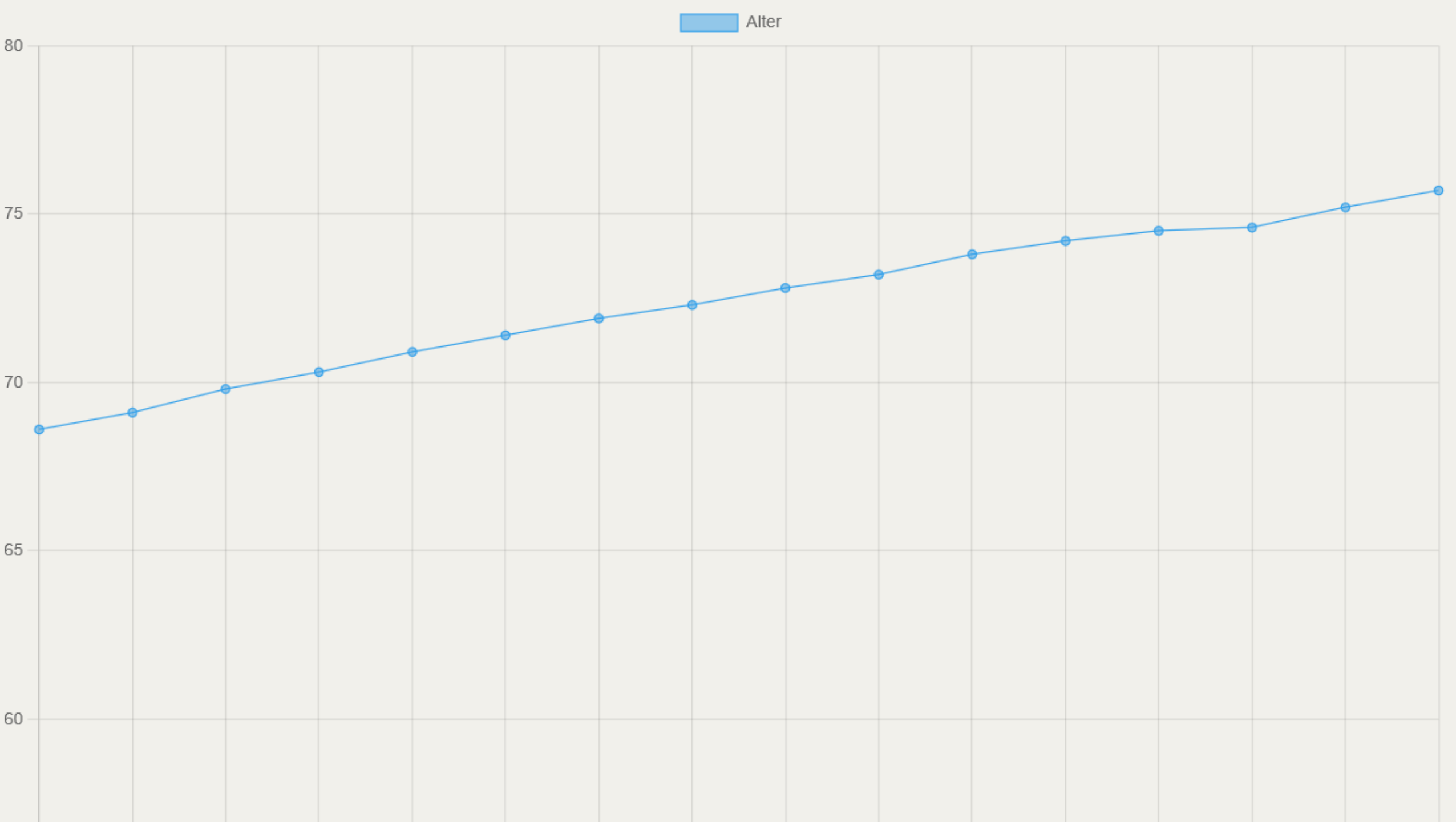




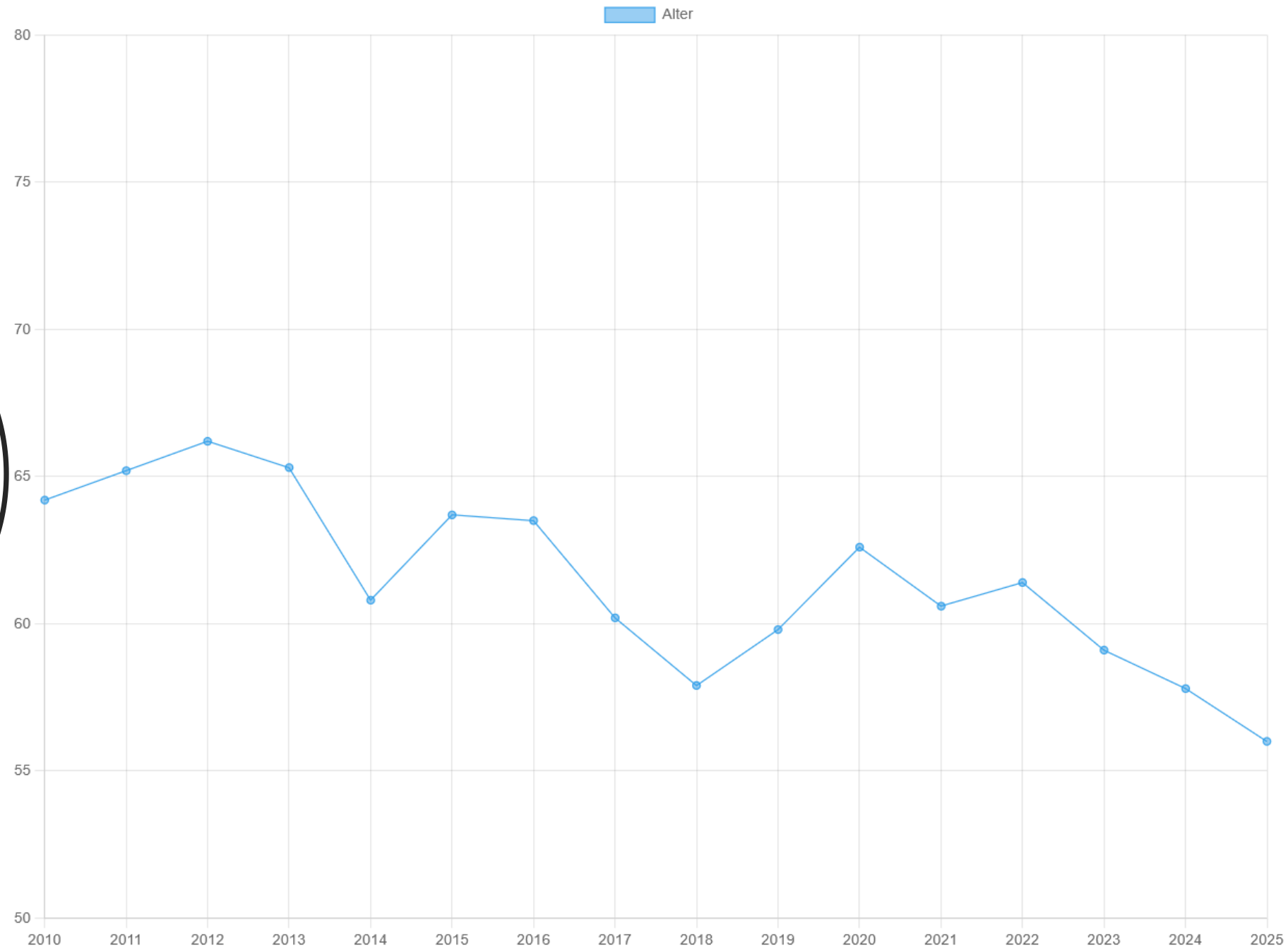
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Average Age  
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