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Political Context Survey. 2020

Press report

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Press report. *Political Context Survey 2020*

Summary

Level of confidence:	**95%**
Variance:	**p=q=50%**
Sample size:	**1,500 individuals**
Sampling error:	**± 2.53**

Scope: **Catalonia**

Univers: **Spanish citizens of 18 years of age and more** who live in Catalonia

Method of data collection:

Computer Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI)

Sampling procedure:

Stratified by size of the municipality with selection of last sample units (individuals) using sex, age and place of birth crossed quotas and an additional quota for the whole sample by household type (landline/cellular phone).

Town size is divided into 6 categories: less or equal to 2,000 inhabitants; from 2,001 and 10,000 inhabitants; from 10,001 and 50,000 inhabitants; from 50,001 and 150,000 inhabitants; from 150,001 and 1,000,000 inhabitants; more than 1 million inhabitants.

To calculate the quotas we use the official statistics from the *Padró continu de població* from the year 2019. The age quotas correspond to the following intervals: 18 to 24 years of age; 25 to 34 years of age; 35 to 49 years of age; 50 to 64 years of age ; 65 and more years of age.

Sample size:

1,500 interviews with the following distribution by province:

- Barcelona 1,160
- Girona 106
- Lleida 82
- Tarragona 152

Allocation:

Proportional.

Sampling error:

The overall margin of error of the survey is **± 2.53**. for a confidence level of 95% (1.96 sigma) and under the assumption of maximum indetermination (p=q=50%). In each province the margins of error are:

- Barcelona ± 2.88
- Girona ± 9.52
- Lleida ± 10.82
- Tarragona ± 7.95

Fieldwork:

The fieldwork has been performed by GESOP. Gabinet d'Estudis Socials i Opinió Pública. SL from the 25th of November to the 7th of December 2020.

Methodological note:

1. Given that we have only drawn a sample from the population (those over 17 years of age, living in Catalonia and with Spanish citizenship), all results are subject to a sampling error, meaning that not all the differences in the same questions with respect to other waves of the survey are statistically significant.

For instance, in a survey question where the 50 % (the worst-case scenario in terms of the margin of error) gives a particular response, the "true" value in the population would fall into the range of +2.53 of the results in the sample. This is, if we were to repeat many time the same survey with the same characteristics, we would guess the "true" value 95% of the times if que said it was in between 47.5% and 52.5%.

The subsamples coming from the cross-tabulations between different variables are subject to a wider margin of error. As a result, the conclusions that could be derived from such cross-tabulations with very small subsamples have to be treated with caution.

% of responses	Number of interviews																			
	20		50		100		150		200		500		800		1.000		1.200		1.500	
5.0	0.0	14.6	0.0	11.0	0.7	9.3	1.5	8.5	2.0	8.0	3.1	6.9	3.5	6.5	3.6	6.4	3.8	6.2	3.9	6.1
10.0	0.0	23.1	1.7	18.3	4.1	15.9	5.2	14.8	5.8	14.2	7.4	12.6	7.9	12.1	8.1	11.9	8.3	11.7	8.5	11.5
15.0	0.0	30.6	5.1	24.9	8.0	22.0	9.3	20.7	10.1	19.9	11.9	18.1	12.5	17.5	12.8	17.2	13.0	17.0	13.2	16.8
20.0	2.5	37.5	8.9	31.1	12.2	27.8	13.6	26.4	14.5	25.5	16.5	23.5	17.2	22.8	17.5	22.5	17.7	22.3	18.0	22.0
25.0	6.0	44.0	13.0	37.0	16.5	33.5	18.1	31.9	19.0	31.0	21.2	28.8	22.0	28.0	22.3	27.7	22.6	27.5	22.8	27.2
30.0	9.9	50.1	17.3	42.7	21.0	39.0	22.7	37.3	23.6	36.4	26.0	34.0	26.8	33.2	27.2	32.8	27.4	32.6	27.7	32.3
35.0	14.1	55.9	21.8	48.2	25.7	44.3	27.4	42.6	28.4	41.6	30.8	39.2	31.7	38.3	32.0	38.0	32.3	37.7	32.6	37.4
40.0	18.5	61.5	26.4	53.6	30.4	49.6	32.2	47.8	33.2	46.8	35.7	44.3	36.6	43.4	37.0	43.0	37.2	42.8	37.5	42.5
45.0	23.2	66.8	31.2	58.8	35.2	54.8	37.0	53.0	38.1	51.9	40.6	49.4	41.6	48.4	41.9	48.1	42.2	47.8	42.5	47.5
50.0	28.1	71.9	36.1	63.9	40.2	59.8	42.0	58.0	43.1	56.9	45.6	54.4	46.5	53.5	46.9	53.1	47.2	52.8	47.5	52.5
Margin of error at 50% (+/-)	21.91		13.86		9.80		8.00		6.93		4.38		3.46		3.10		2.83		2.53	

Methodological note:

1. In the graphics with time series data, the BOP of March 2014 has been established as the starting point as it coincides with the change of methodology in the data collection. It changed from a telephone to a face-to-face surveys. However. to have the complete series you can consult the following link: Evoluceo

2. The October 2020 telephone data refers to the Sociopolitical Survey. which was a telephone survey.

3. When presenting results of questions 26b we have grouped the different political parties or coalitions from the point of view of parliamentary groups appeared after the 21st of December elections to the Catalan Parliament 2017. The results of this grouping are:

> Junts per Catalunya = CDC + PDeCAT + Junts per Catalunya
> Catalunya en Comú-Podem = ICV-EUiA + Podemos + Barcelona en comú + Catalunya sí que es pot + En Comú Podem + Catalunya en Comú

4. In the case of questions 12 (party sympathy), 23 (intention to vote in the Parliament of Catalonia) and 25 (party that believes it will win the elections to the Parliament of Catalonia), the following grouping of parties was carried out:
> Catalunya en Comú Podem = ICV-EUiA + Podemos + Barcelona en Comú + Catalunya sí que es pot + En Comú Podem + Catalunya en Comú.

5. With regard to question 23 (intention to vote in Parliament). the mentions to CDC have been incorporated into the PDeCAT category.

6. It has been established that those parties or coalitions that are scheduled to run in the next elections to the Parliament of Catalonia on February 14, 2021 and that have obtained more than 1% in some questions 12, 23, 25 and 26b are represented in questions 12, 23, 25 and 26b. This is the case of Vox and PDeCAT.

7. When the real base of the cross-tabulations is lower than 20 cases it is considered non-significant it is indicated with "*".
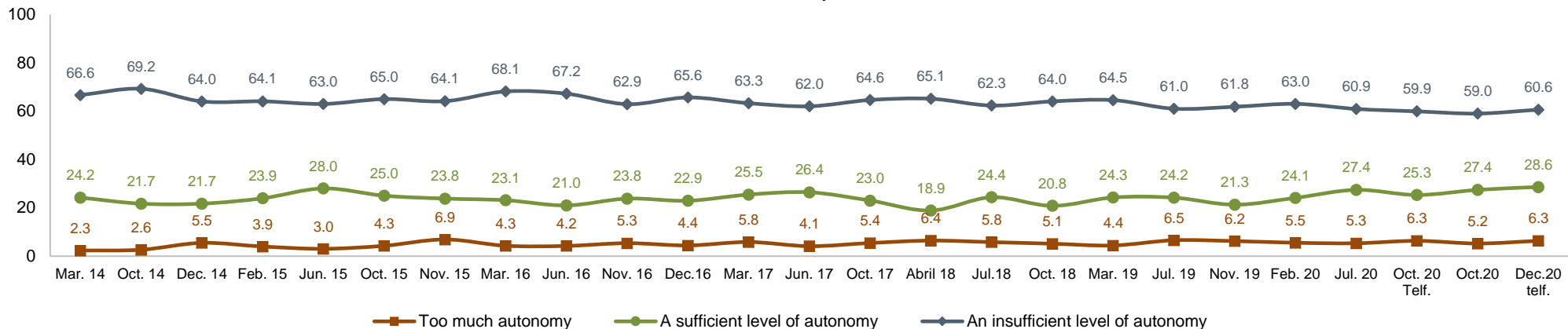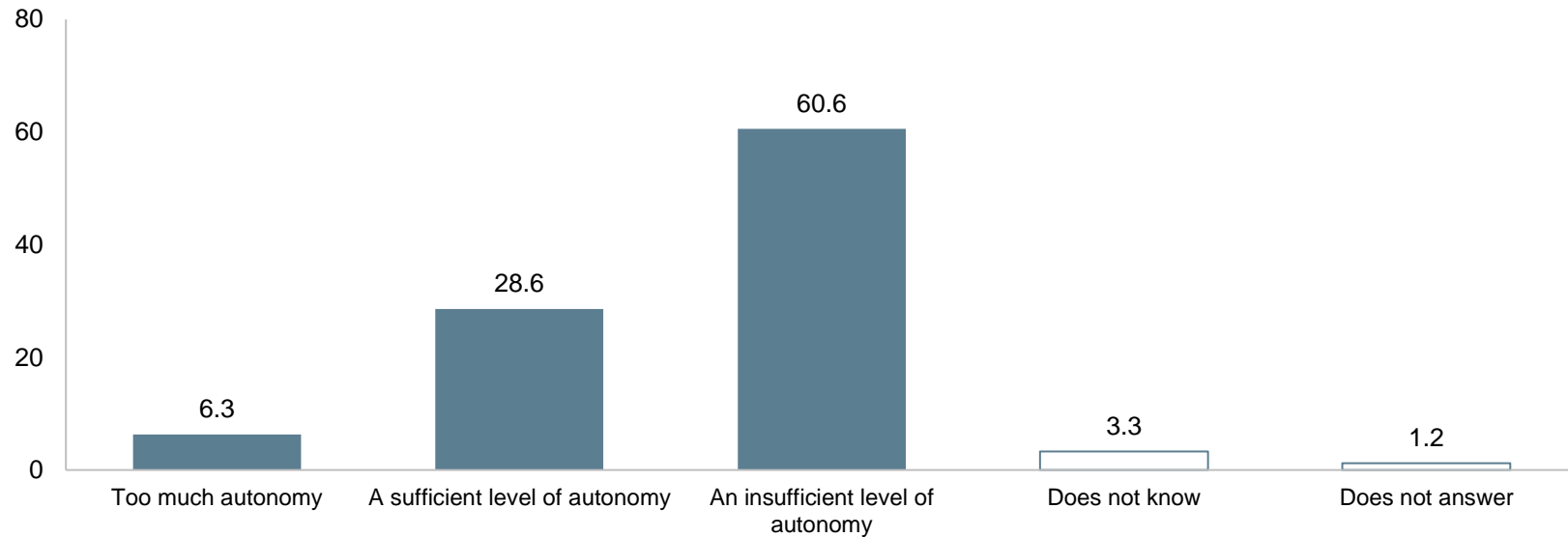
2 Main results

Relations between Catalonia and Spain

Question 16
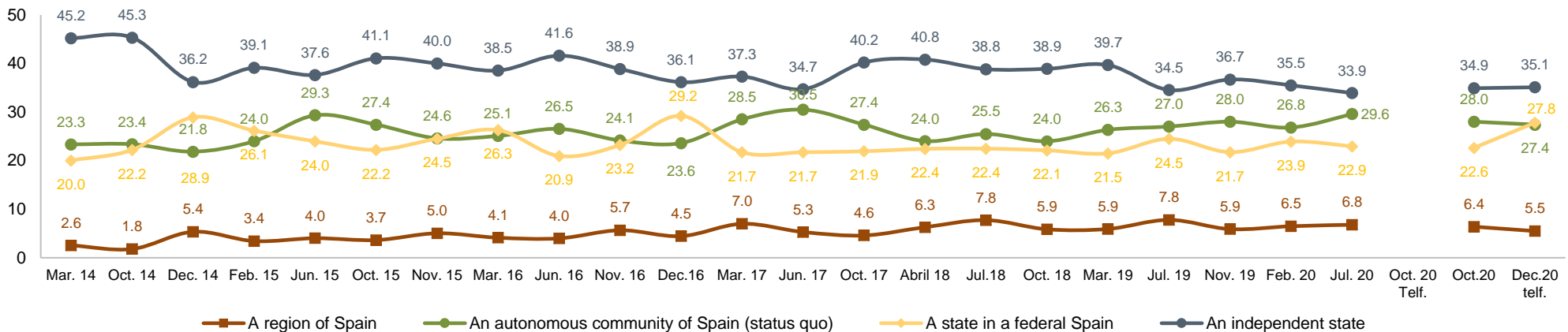
Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

(N=1,500; simple response; %)

	Too much autonomy	A sufficient level of autonomy	An insufficient level of autonomy	Does not know	Does not answer
	6.3	28.6	60.6	3.3	1.2

Legend:
- Too much autonomy
- A sufficient level of autonomy
- An insufficient level of autonomy

Question 17

Do you believe that Catalonia should be...

(N=1,500; simple response; %)

Bar chart:
- A region of Spain: 5.5
- An autonomous community of Spain (status quo): 27.4
- A state in a federal Spain: 27.8
- An independent state: 35.1
- Does not know: 2.5
- Does not answer: 1.7

Legend:
- A region of Spain
- An autonomous community of Spain (status quo)
- A state in a federal Spain
- An independent state

Question 17

Do you believe that Catalonia should be...

(N=1,500; simple response; %)

Catalonia-Spain relationship by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

	Ciutadans	junts	ESQUERRA REPUBLICANA	PSC	(comuns)	cup	PP CATALÀ (*)	VOX (*)	Partit Demòcrata PDeCAT (*)
A region of Spain	**5.5**	7.1	0.0	1.6	7.4	1.3	0.0	21.4	**66.7**	0.0
An autonomous community of Spain	**27.4**	**81.0**	0.0	6.1	**48.5**	14.5	1.8	**64.3**	33.3	22.2
A State within a federal Spain	**27.8**	11.9	13.3	29.8	39.7	**73.7**	5.5	7.1	0.0	11.1
An independent State	**35.1**	0.0	**86.7**	**61.2**	3.7	7.9	**92.7**	7.1	0.0	**66.7**
Does not know	**2.5**	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.7	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Does not answer	**1.7**	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Base		42	90	245	136	76	55	14	9	9

(*) Non-significant statistical results

Question 18

And more precisely, do you want Catalonia to become an independent State?

(N=1,500; simple response; %)

Yes 45.1
No 49.9
Does not know 2.9
Does not answer 2.2

Yes — No
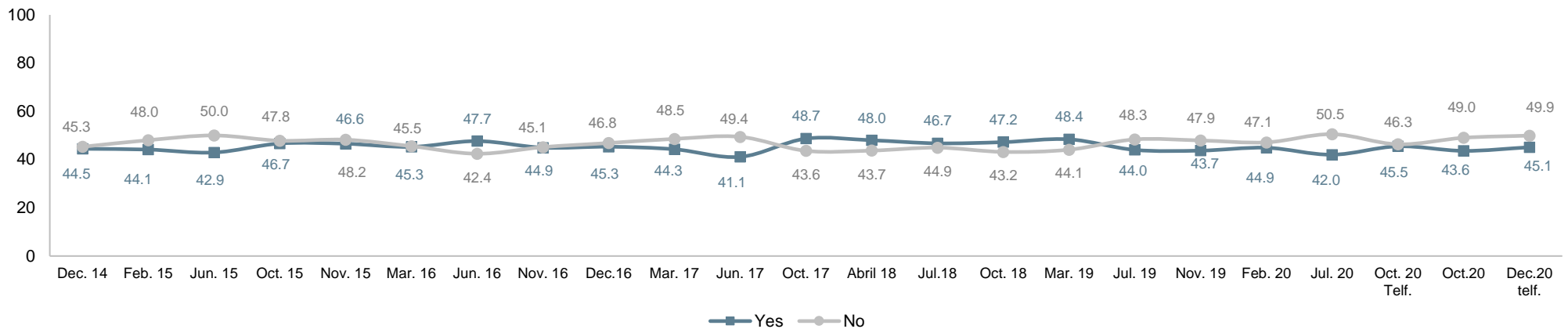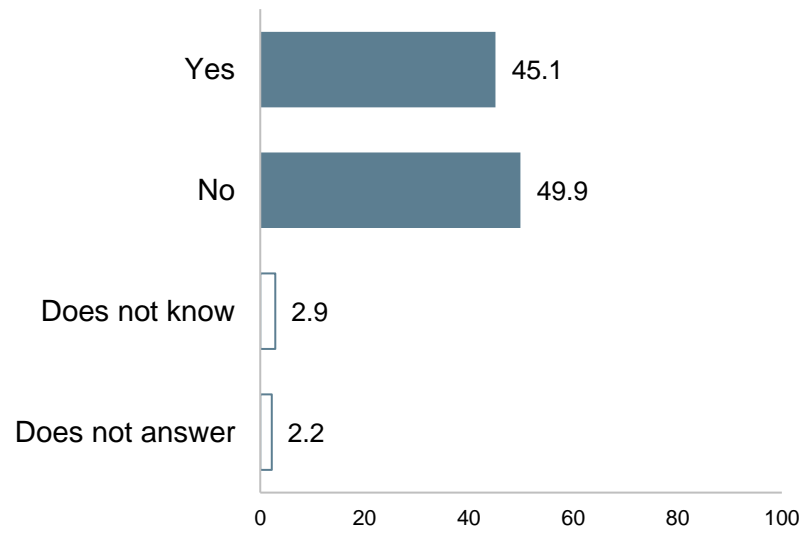
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Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

		Ciutadans	junts	ESQUERRA REPUBLICANA	PSC	(comuns)	cup	PP CATALÀ (*)	VOX (*)	Partit Demòcrata PDeCAT (*)
Yes	**45.1**	0.0	**100.0**	**80.4**	5.1	23.7	**98.2**	14.3	11.1	**77.8**
No	**49.9**	**100.0**	0.0	18.0	**93.4**	**68.4**	1.8	**78.6**	**77.8**	22.2
Does not know	**2.9**	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.5	6.6	0.0	7.1	11.1	0.0
Does not answer	**2.2**	0.0	0.0	1.2	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Base		42	90	245	136	76	55	14	9	9

(*) Non-significant statistical results

Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

In the coming election to the Catalan Parliament, called for the 14th of February, what party (*) or coalition will you vote for? (**)

(N=1,500; simple response; %;)

Party	%
Ciutadans	2.8
junts	6.0
ESQUERRA REPUBLICANA	16.3
PSC	9.1
CATALUNYA EN COMÚ PODEM	5.1
cup	3.7
PP CATALÀ	0.9
VOX	0.6
Partit Demòcrata PDeCAT	0.6
Other	1.6
Blank	1.1
Null	0.5
Will not vote	6.3
Undecided	36.2
Does not answer	9.3

Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Which of the following sentences best describes your situation in the past elections of December the 21st 2017 to the Catalan Parliament?

(N=1,500; simple response; %;)

Response	%
I did not vote because I couldn't due to age, illness	5.9
I did not vote	7.0
I thought of doing it but didn't do it	1.4
I usually vote, but not this time	3.6
I am sure I voted	80.8
Does not know	1.1
Does not answer	0.2

	Feb. 20	Jul. 20	Oct. 20 Telf.	Oct.20	Dec.20 telf.
Voted	82.3	79.7	82.8	79.8	78.7
Abstention	16.1	17.9	14.8	17.4	19.8

Abstention
Voted
Real turnout (% over census with CERA included)
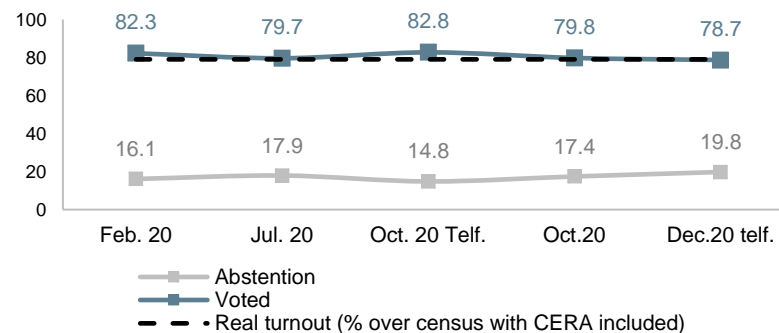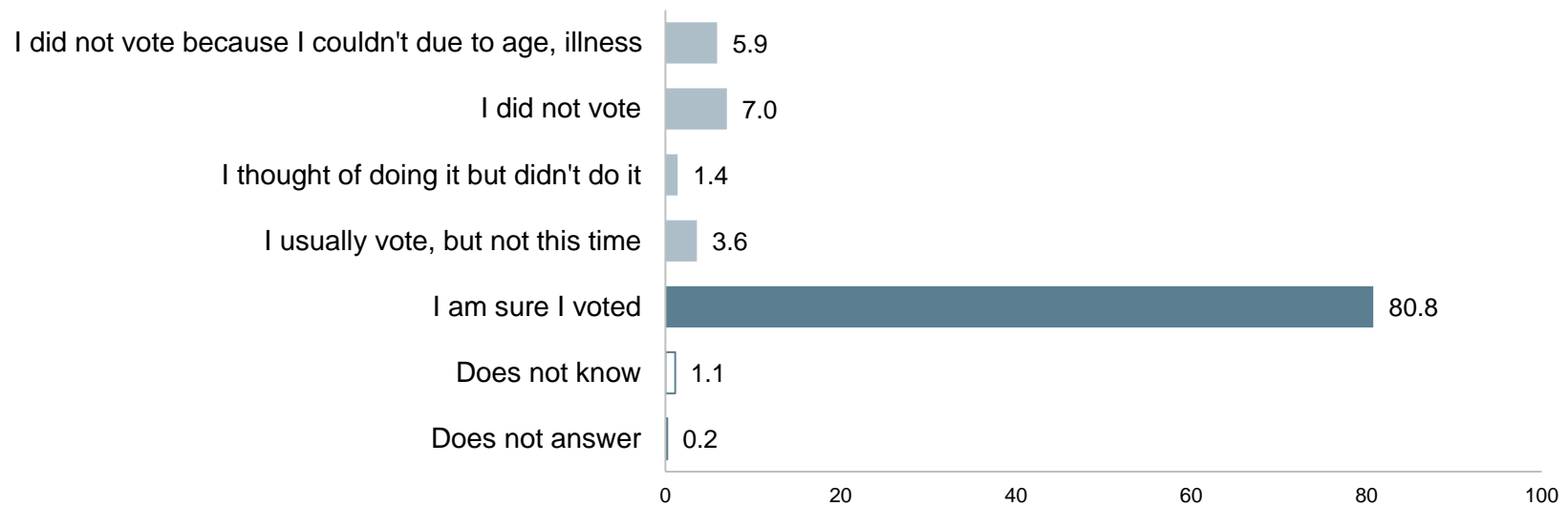
Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 40b

Could you tell me what party or coalition did you vote for in the past elections of December the 21st 2017 to the Catalan Parliament?

(N=1,500; simple response; %;)

Party	Survey	Electoral results 2017
Ciutadans	6.3	19.98
Junts per Catalunya	9.7	17.07
Esquerra Republicana	21.9	16.85
PSC	11.7	10.92
Catalunya en Comú Podem	7.7	5.88
CUP	3.6	3.52
PP Català	0.9	3.34
Other	1.8	0.89
Blank	0.5	0.35
Null	0.3	0.29
Did not vote	17.9	20.91
Does not know	7.7	
Does not answer	9.9	

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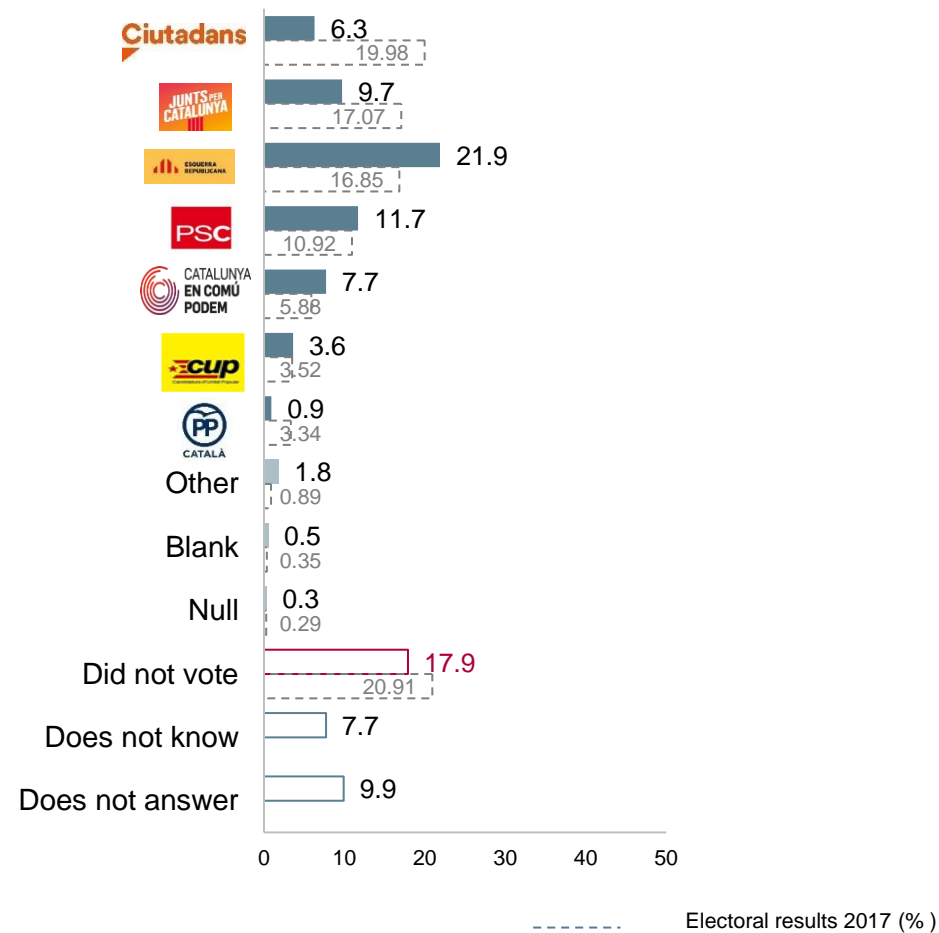
Cross-tabulation of vote recall and vote intention to the elections of the Parliament of Catalonia.

Record de vot al Parlament de Catalunya 2017

Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

	Ciutadans	junts	Esquerra Republicana	PSC	(comú)	CUP	PP Català	Rest (*)	Did not vote	Dk/Na	Total
Ciutadans	**31.6**	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	0.0	14.3	5.1	2.2	0.4	**2.8**
junts	0.0	**44.1**	3.6	0.0	2.6	1.9	0.0	5.1	2.2	0.8	**6.0**
Esquerra Republicana	1.1	8.3	**54.7**	2.3	3.5	9.3	0.0	5.1	10.4	3.4	**16.3**
PSC	7.4	0.7	0.6	**53.1**	5.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.1	3.0	**9.1**
(comú)	0.0	0.0	1.8	2.3	**45.2**	0.0	0.0	2.6	3.0	1.9	**5.1**
CUP	0.0	3.4	3.0	0.0	0.9	**59.3**	0.0	0.0	2.6	0.0	**3.7**
PP Català	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	**50.0**	0.0	1.1	0.8	**0.9**
VOX	6.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.1	0.0	0.4	0.4	**0.6**
Partit Demòcrata PDeCAT	0.0	3.4	0.3	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	**0.6**
Rest (*)	3.2	0.7	0.6	2.3	1.7	1.9	0.0	**48.7**	3.0	3.0	**3.2**
Will not vote	2.1	1.4	2.1	2.3	0.9	3.7	0.0	2.6	**21.6**	6.4	**6.3**
Dk/Na	46.3	37.9	33.1	36.6	40.0	24.1	28.6	30.8	46.5	**79.2**	**45.5**
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Base	95	145	329	175	115	54	14	39	269	265	1500

(*) Rest = Others+null+blank

Elections to the Catalan Parliament					
Political Context Survey. 2020					
	Direct vote intention	**Vote estimate**	**Seats estimate**	**Results 2017**	
	(in %) (*)	**(in % over valid vote)**		%VV	seats
C's	2,8	**11,6**	14-16	25,4	36
Junts per Catalunya	6,0	**19,6**	30-32	21,7	34
ERC	16,3	**23,0**	35	21,4	32
PSC	9,1	**18,5**	25	13,9	17
CeC-Podem	5,1	**6,9**	7-9	7,5	8
CUP	3,7	**6,4**	8-9	4,5	4
PP	0,9	**6,0**	7-9	4,2	4
Vox	0,6	**4,6**	4-6	---	---
PDeCAT	0,6	**1,9**	0-1		
Others	1,6	**1,0**	---	1,1	---
Blank vote	1,1	**0,5**	---	0,4	---
Null vote	0,5	Turnout: 68%			
Abstention ("will not vote"+"cannot vote")	6,3				
Undecided	36,2				
Does not answer	9,3				
(*) it doesn't sum up 100.0% due to rounding					