



## Political Opinion Barometer

**35** 2nd wave 2015



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# Technical specifications

Press report, Public Opinion Barometer (BOP). 2<sup>nd</sup> wave 2015

## Summary

Level of confidence:	95%
Variance	p=q=50%
Sample size:	2,000 individuals
Sampling error:	± 2.69%

**Scope:** Catalonia

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

### Method of data collection:

Computer Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI)

### Sampling procedure:

Stratification by province and town size, with selection of last sample units (individuals) using sex, age and place of birth crossed quotas.

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 2014. 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:

**2,000 interviews** with the following territorial distribution:

• Barcelona	800
• Girona	400
• Lleida	400
• Tarragona	400

### Allocation:

**Not proportional.** To obtain representative figures for the whole Catalan population, the results have been weighted by the following territorial weights:

• Barcelona	1.8650318387
• Girona	0.4675226517
• Lleida	0.2841606232
• Tarragona	0.5182530476

### Sampling error:

The overall margin of error of the survey is **± 2.69%**, 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	± 3.46%
• Girona	± 4.90%
• Lleida	± 4.90%
• Tarragona	± 4.90%

### Fieldwork:

The fieldwork has been performed by Opinòmetre, from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 2015.

### Methodological note:

Some trend figures presented in this abstract refer to a telephone survey (CATI) performed in December 2014, the Survey about the Catalan political situation, 2014.

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 in other waves of the Barometer 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, with a sample of 2,000 interviewees, it is 95% sure that the “true” value in the population falls into the range of  $\pm 2,69$  of the results in the sample, this is, in between 47.31% and 52.69%.

The subsamples in two-way tables are subject to an even larger margin of error. Therefore, the conclusions that could be drawn have to be taken with caution.

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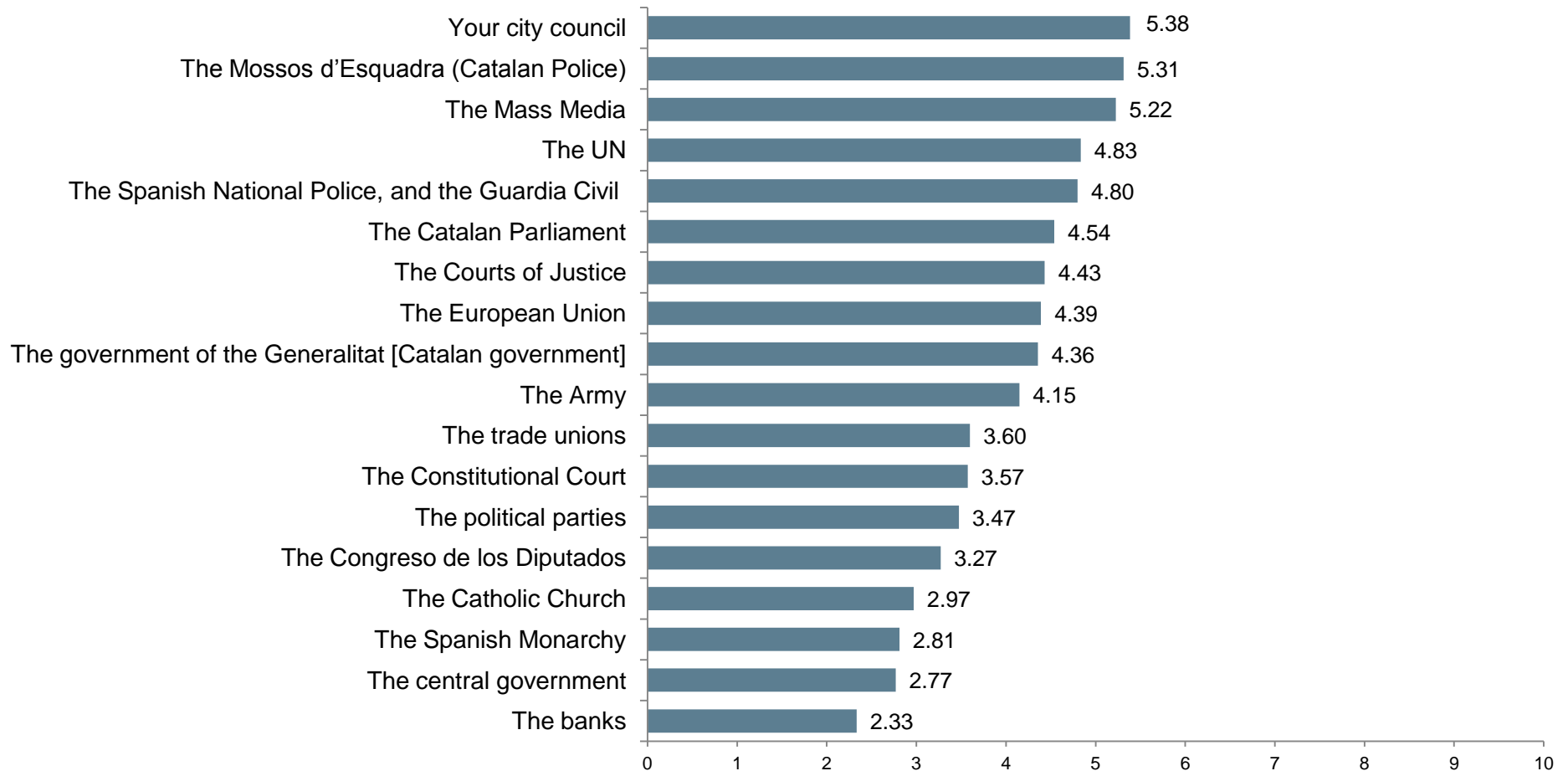
## Main results

Press report, Political Opinion Barometer (BOP). 2<sup>nd</sup> wave 2015

**Question 21**

**Next, I will read a number of institutions. Please rate the degree of confidence you have in each one of these institutions in a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means no confidence at all and 10 means a lot of confidence.**

(N=2,000; means of each institution, where 0=No confidence at all, and 10=A lot of confidence)

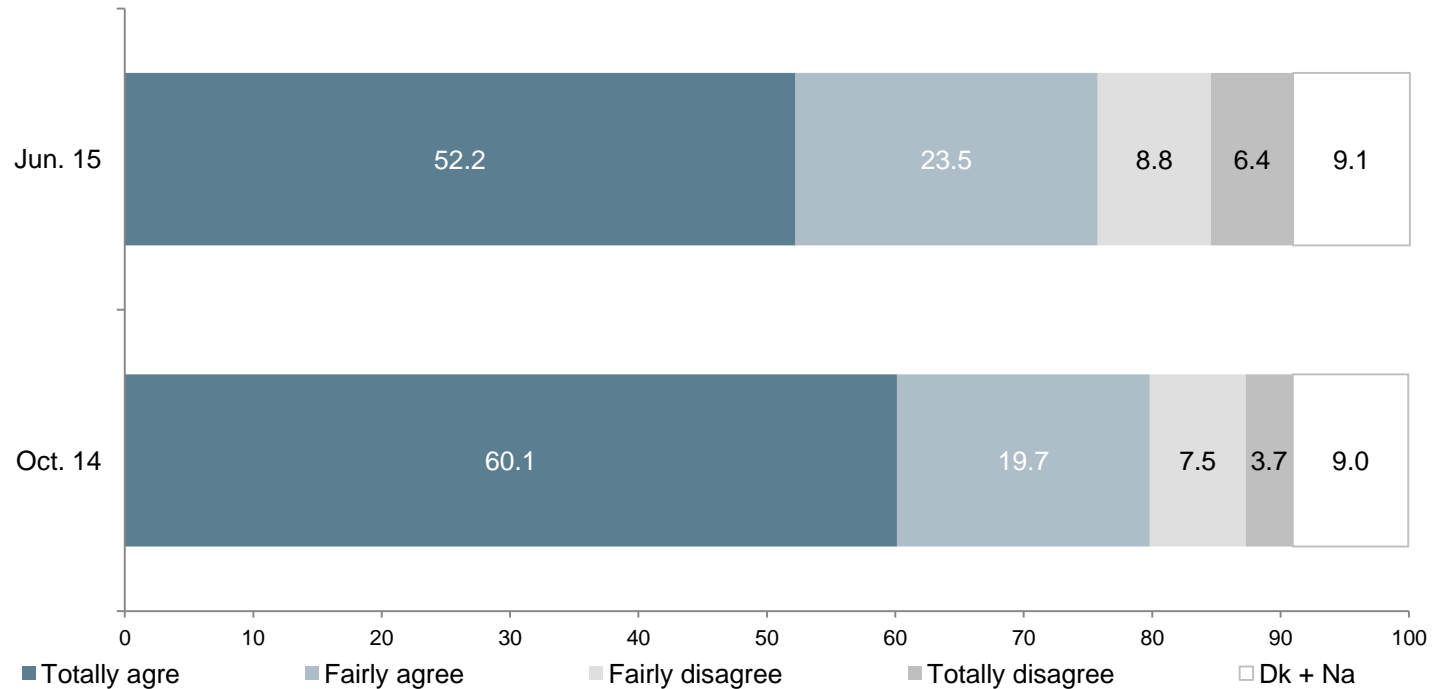




**Question 49a**

**Tell me, please, whether you totally agree, fairly agree, fairly disagree, or totally disagree with the following statement: “The amount of money that the Spanish State collects from Catalonia and does not come back to Catalonia in the form of services, benefits and investment is excessive, far beyond what can be considered fair”.**

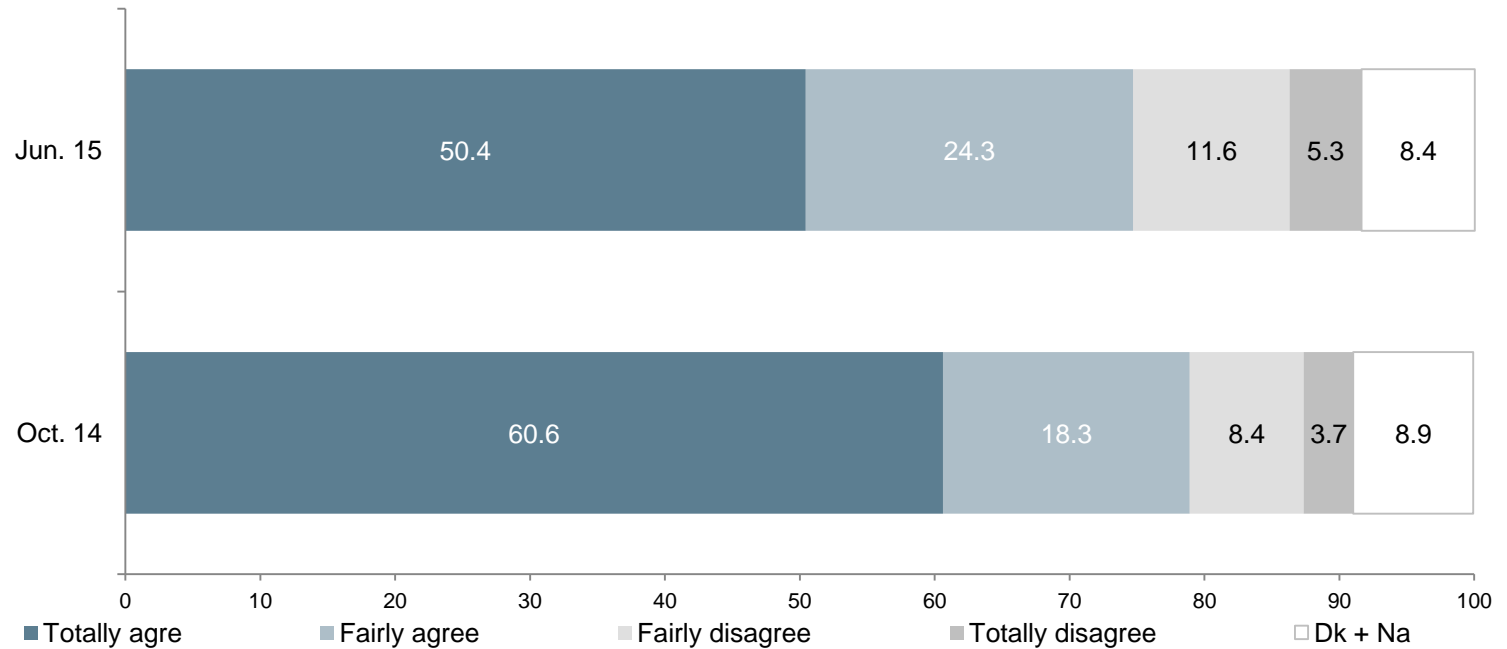
(N=2,000; simple response; %)



**Question 49b**

**Tell me, please, whether you totally agree, fairly agree, fairly disagree, or totally disagree with the following statement: “The Spanish Government makes decisions that damage the quality and quantity of Catalan public infrastructures”.**

(N=2,000; simple response; %)

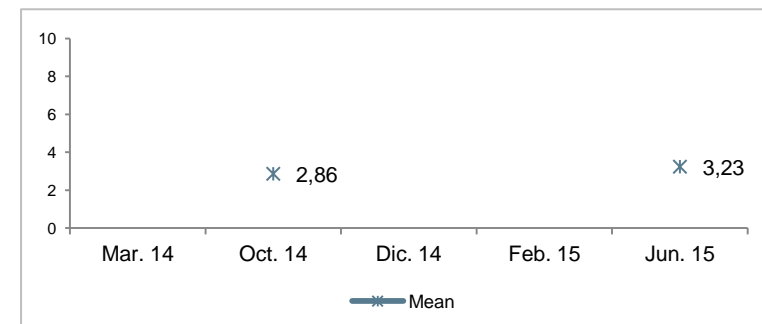
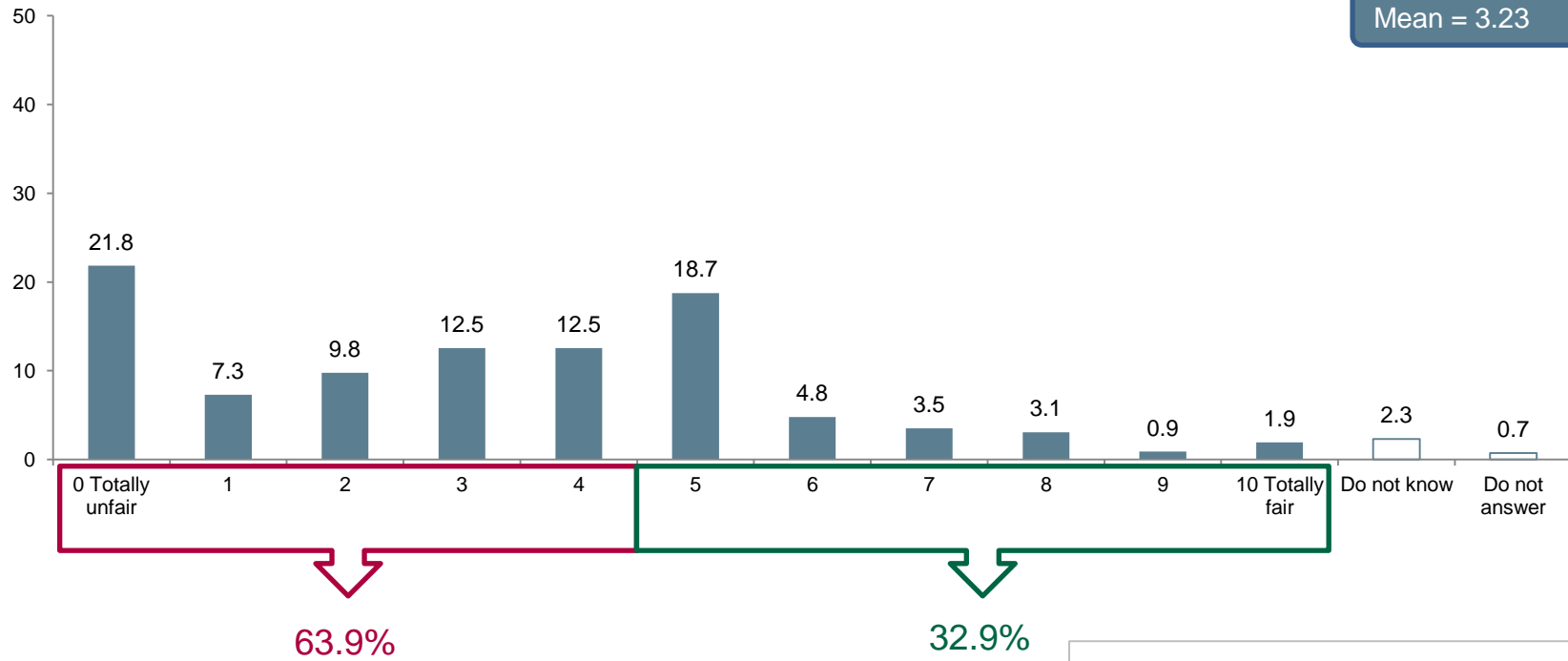


**Question 51**

**In a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means totally unfair and 10 totally fair, how do you rate the treatment that the citizens from Catalonia receive by the Spanish Government?**

(N=2,000; simple response; %)

Mean = 3.23

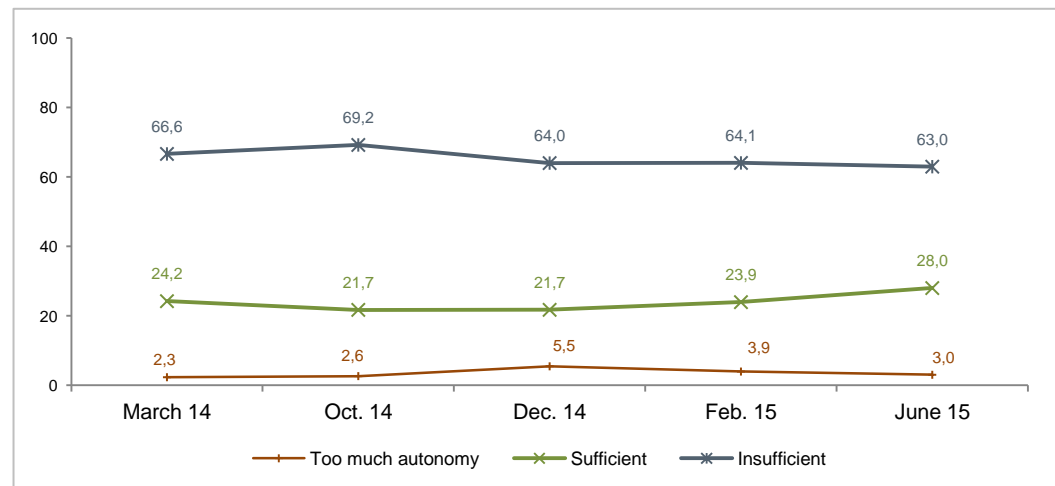
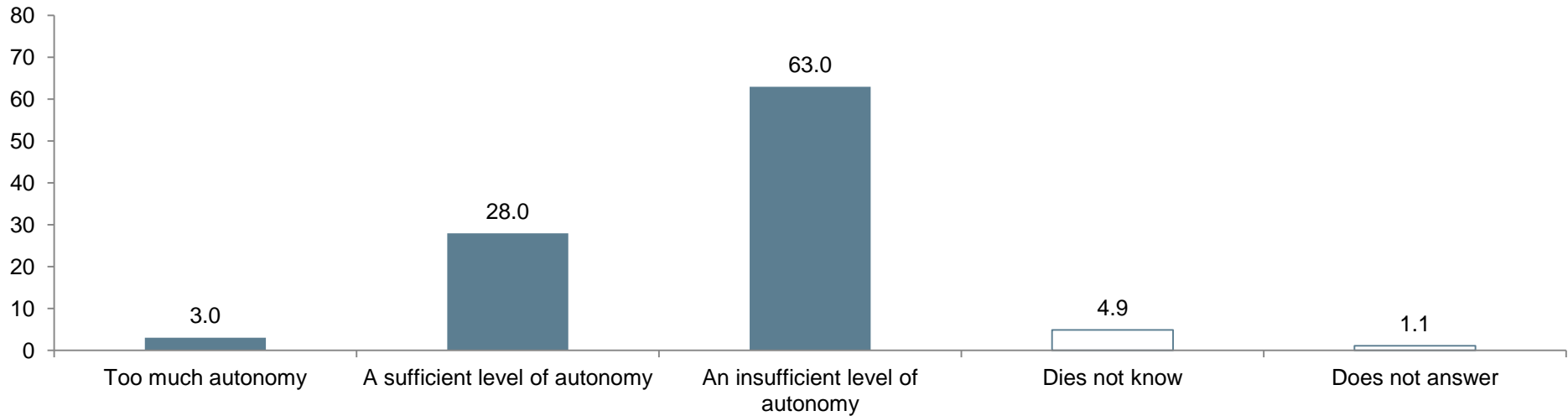


## Relations between Catalonia and Spain

### Question 29

Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

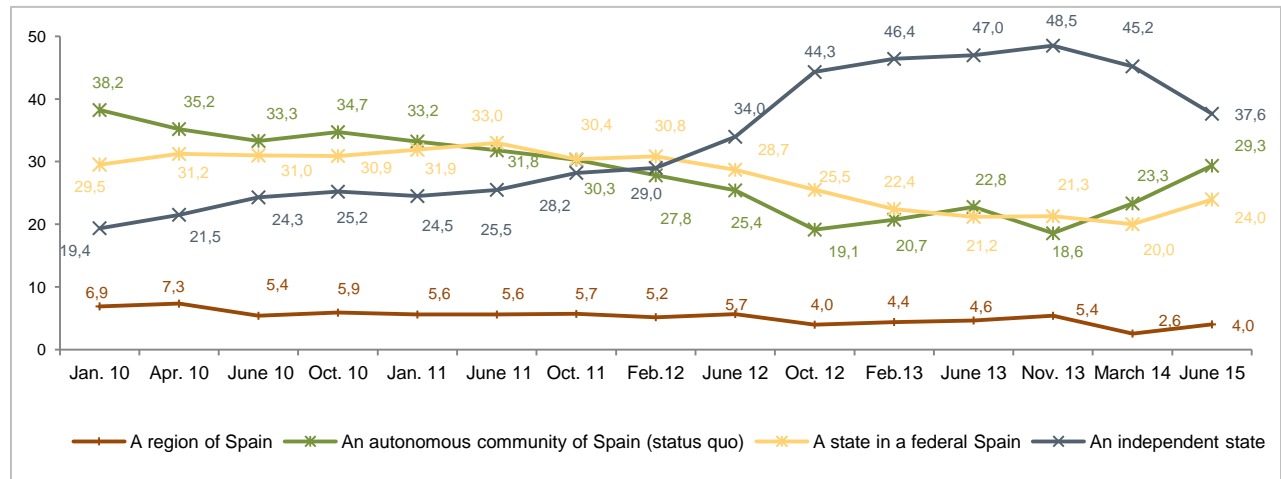
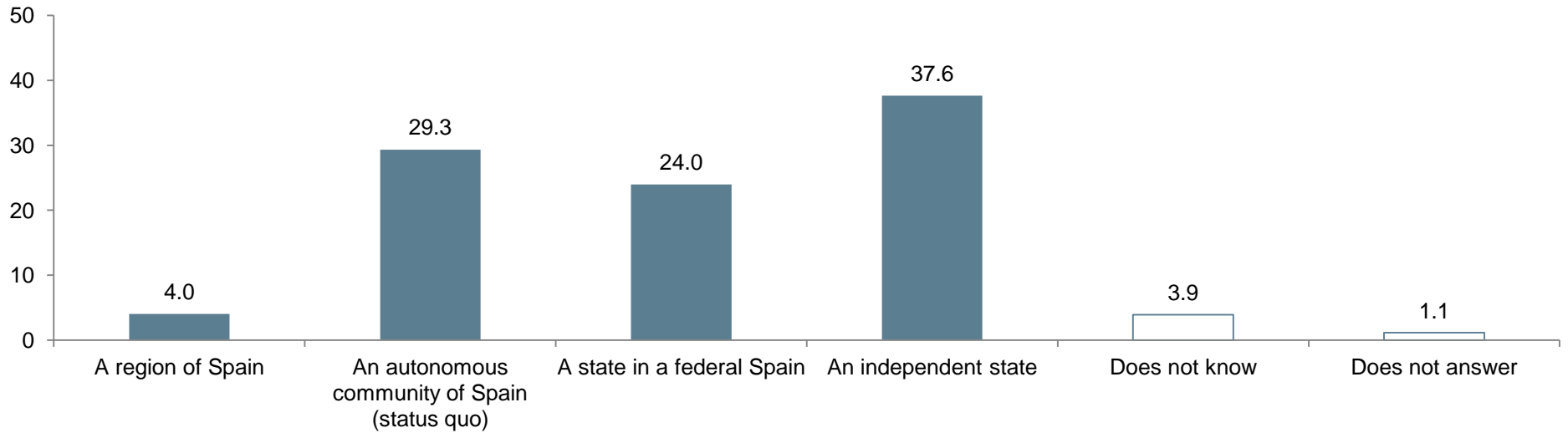
(N=2,000; simple response; %)



**Question 30**

**Do you believe that Catalonia should be...**

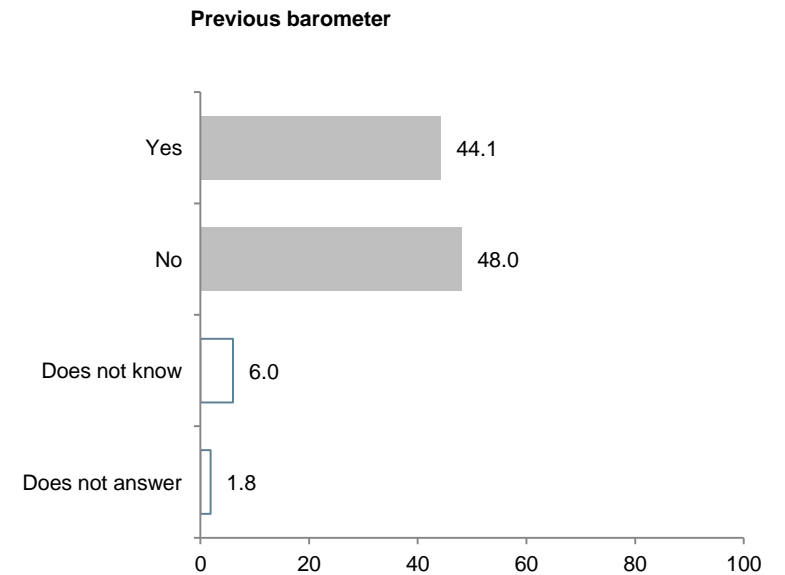
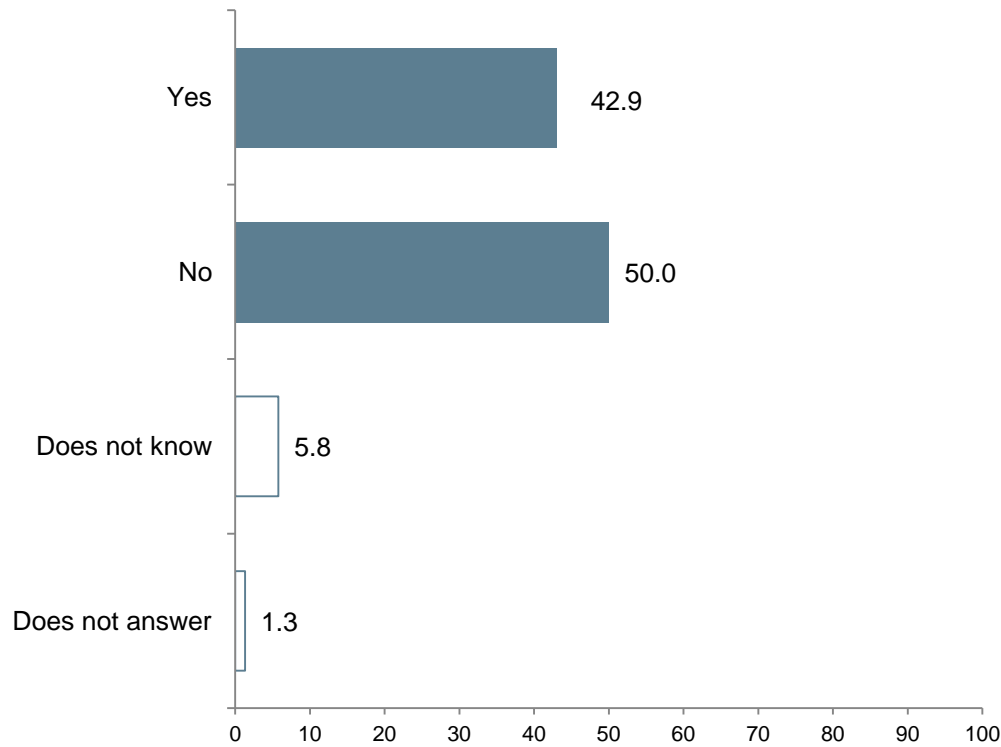
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Question 31

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(N=2,000; simple response; %)

		Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament								
Yes	<b>42.9</b>	2.2	<b>76.3</b>	<b>93.7</b>	6.1	39.1	4.1	<b>93,0</b>	23.5	
No	<b>50,0</b>	<b>97.8</b>	17.2	5.8	<b>85.5</b>	<b>49.7</b>	<b>94,0</b>	1.1	<b>70.4</b>	
Dk/Na	<b>7.1</b>	0.0	6.5	0.5	8.4	11.2	1.8	5.8	6.1	
Real base	2000	51	309	317	159	58	114	170	173	
Weighted base	2000	49	266	265	185	70	132	153	217	

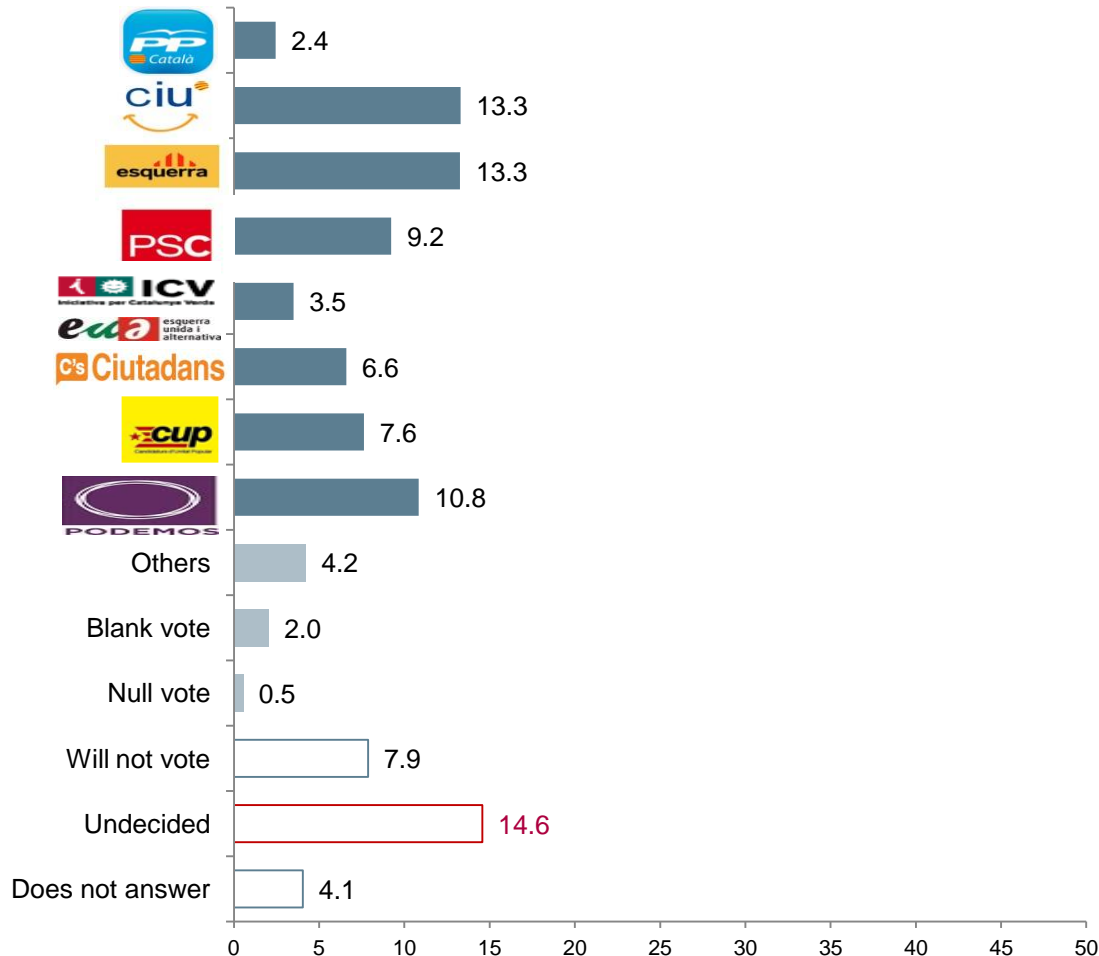
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## Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

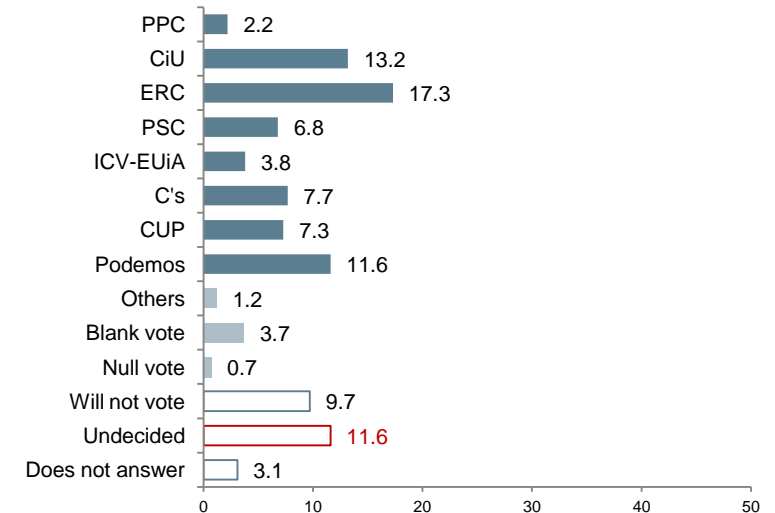
### Question 37

If elections to the Catalan Parliament were to be held tomorrow, what party or coalition would you vote for?

(N=2,000; simple response; %;)



### Previous barometer



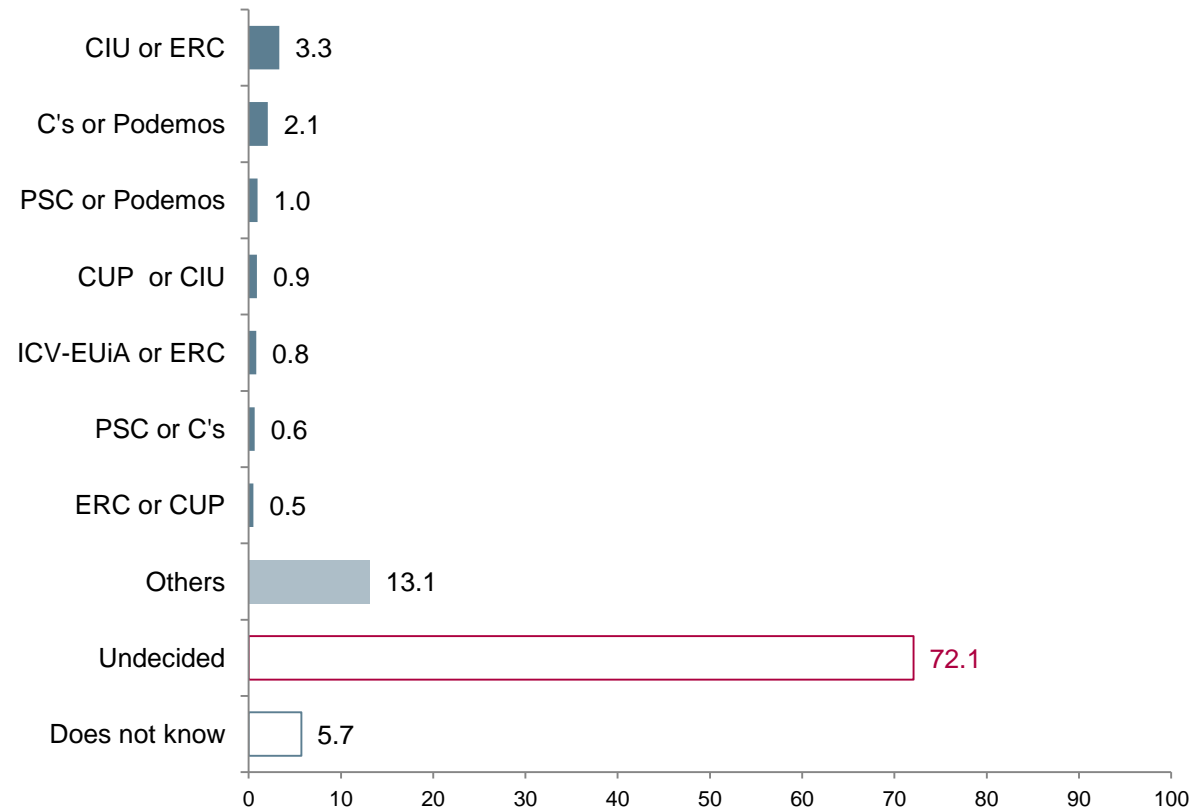


## Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

### Question 32b

**You told me that you do not know which party or coalition will you vote in the next elections to the Catalan Parliament. Could you tell me among which political parties are you doubting?**

(Base: do not know to which party or coalition will vote in the elections to the Catalan Parliament N=291, simple response; %)

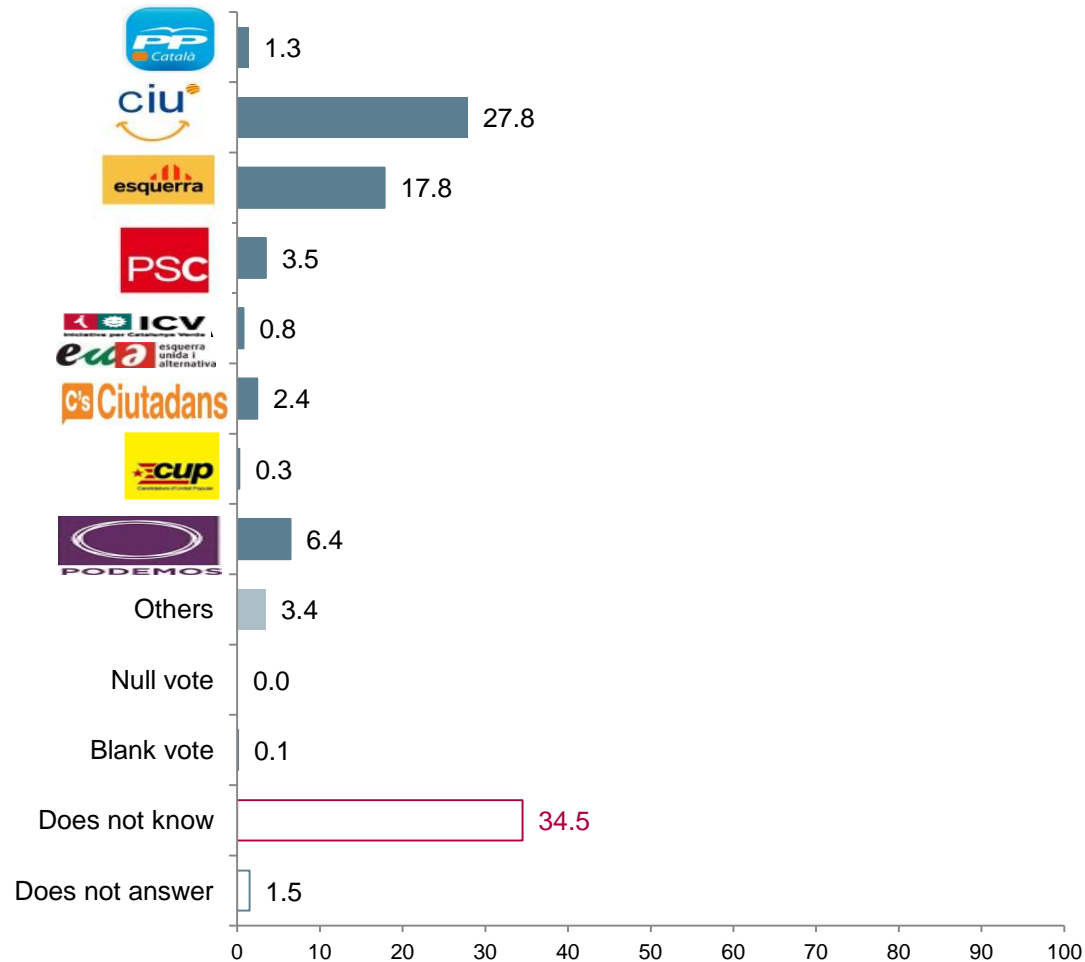


## Elections to the Catalan Parliament: perceived winner

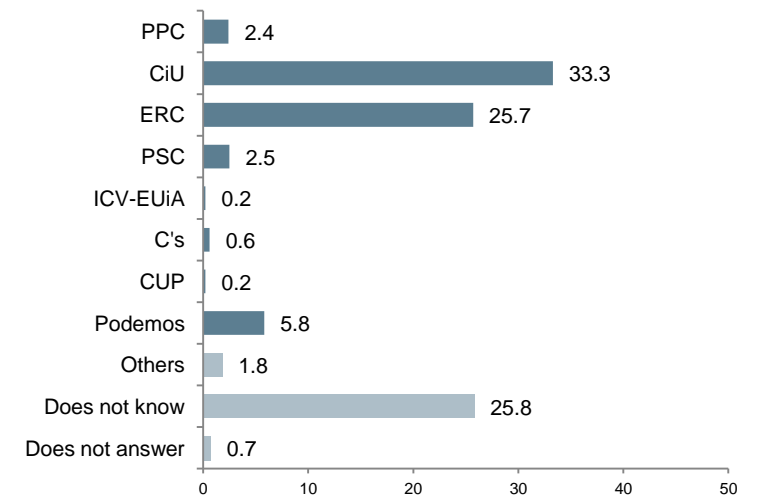
### Question 32c

Irrespective of whether you will vote or not on the next 27<sup>th</sup> of September, what party of coalition do you think will win the elections?

(N=2,000; simple response; %;)



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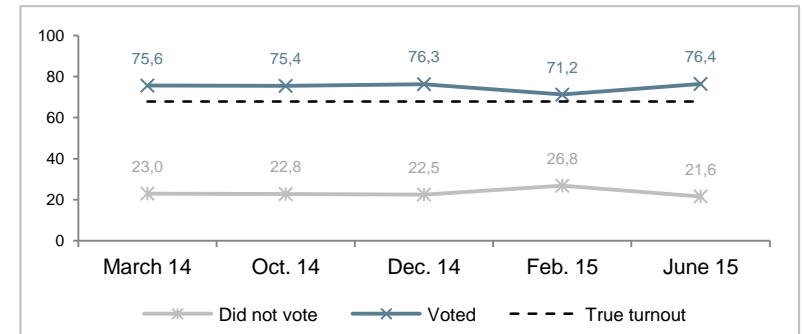
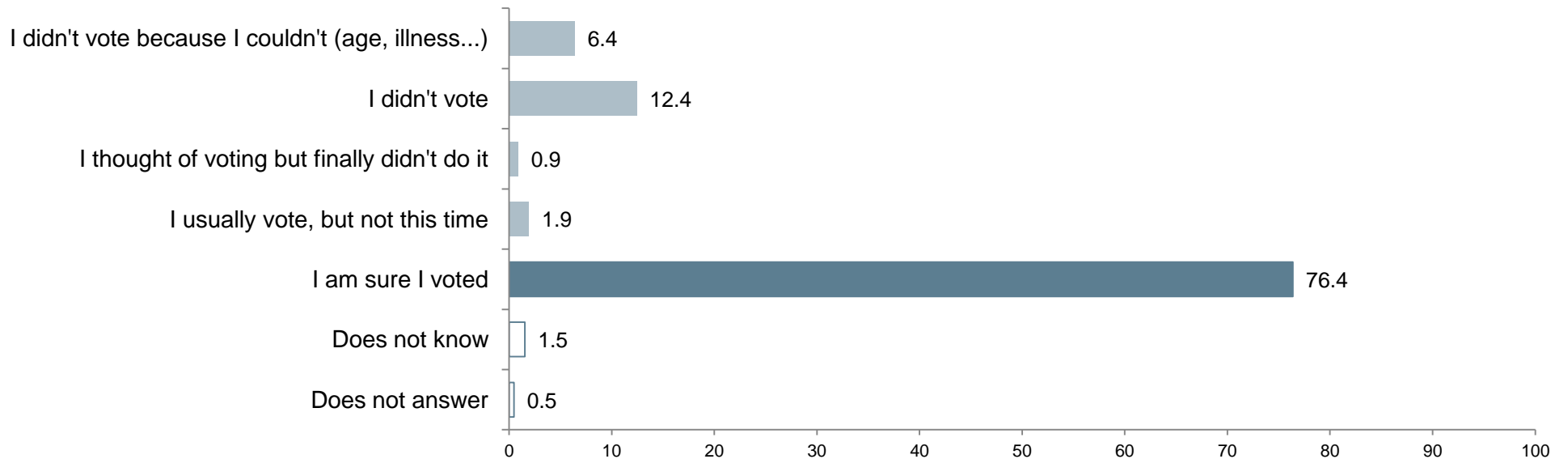


## Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

### Question 38a

In particular, which one of the following sentences best describes your situation in the past elections to the Parliament of Catalonia held on November 2012?

(N=2,000; simple response; %)

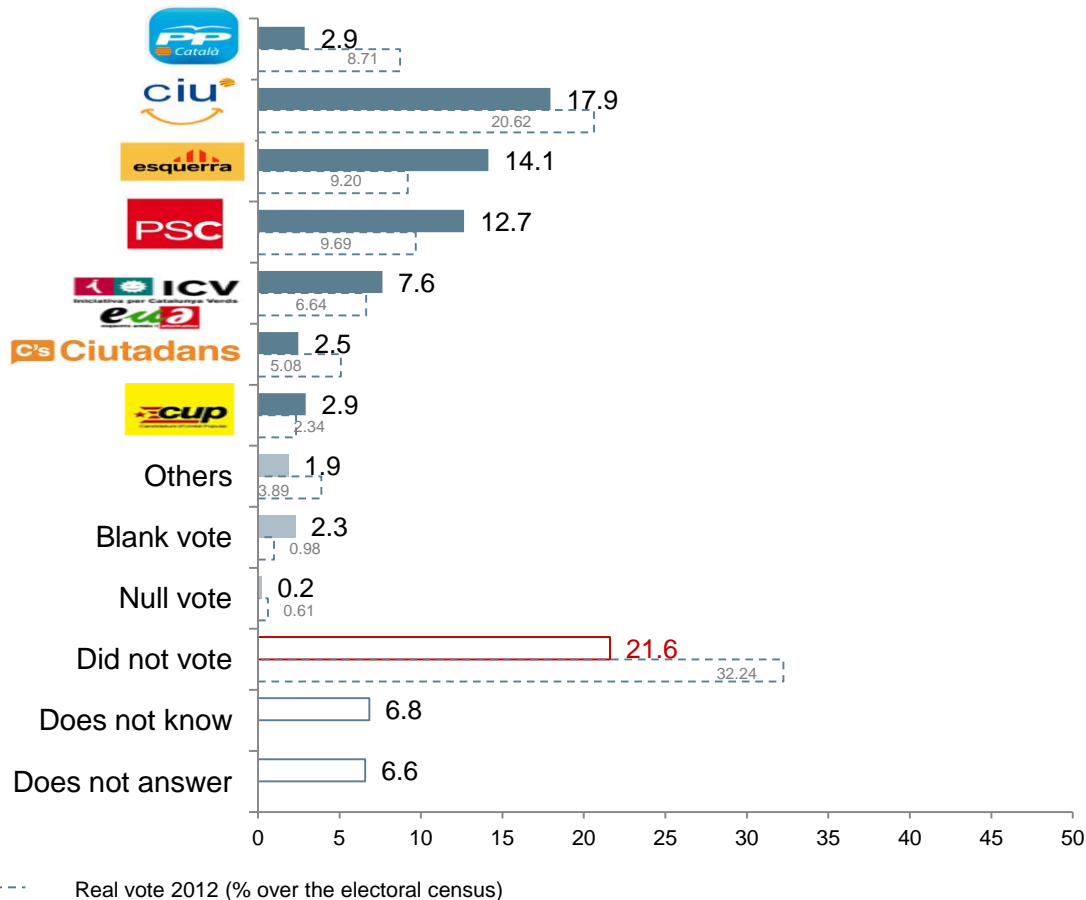


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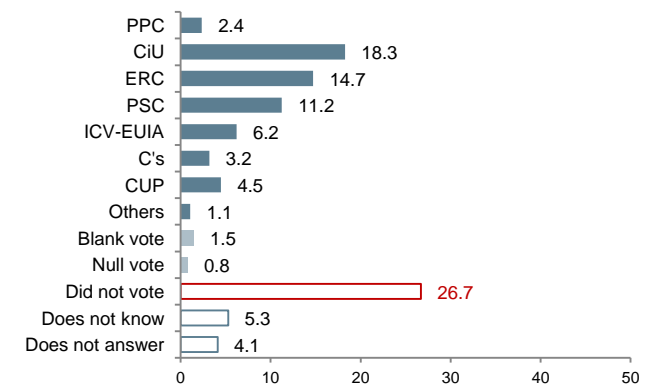
### Question 38b

And could you tell me to what party or coalition did you vote for in the last elections to the Parliament of Catalonia?

(N=2,000; simple response; %)



### Previous barometer

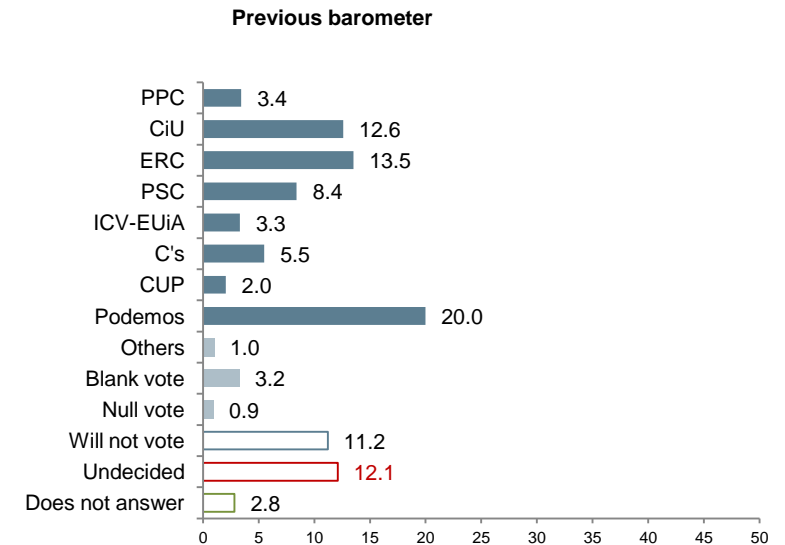
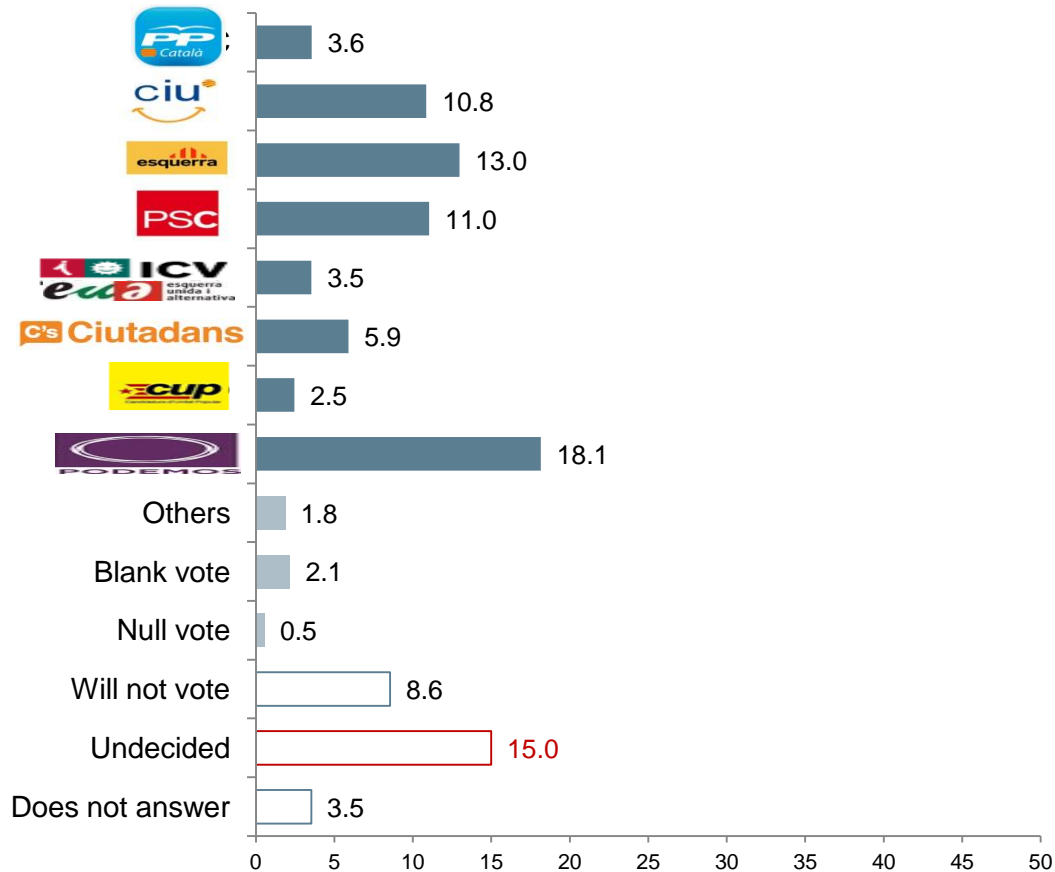


## Elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados*: vote intention

### Question 39

If elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados* were to be held tomorrow, what party or coalition would you vote for?

(N=2,000; simple response; %)

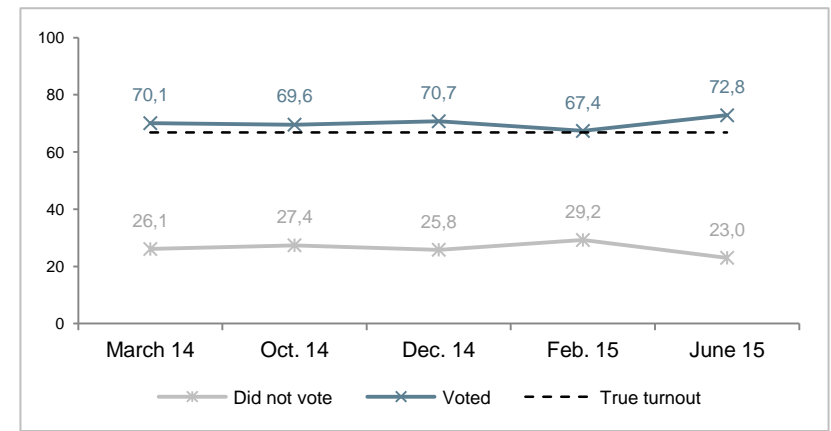
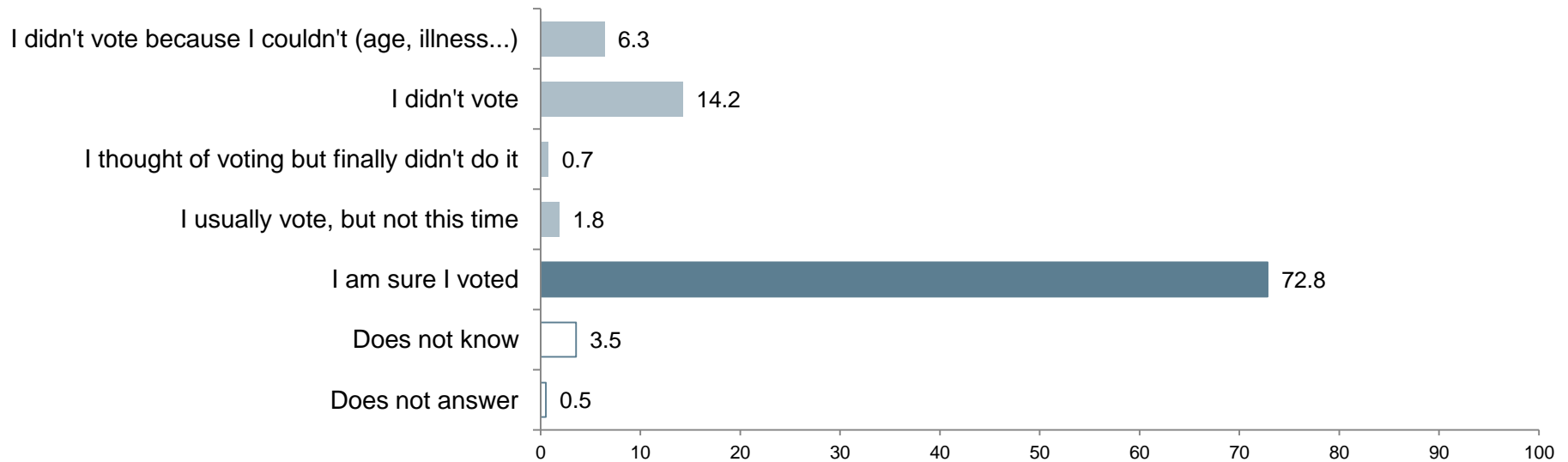


## Elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados*: vote recall

### Pregunta 40a

In particular, which of the following sentences best describes your situation in the past elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados*:

(N=2,000; simple response; %)

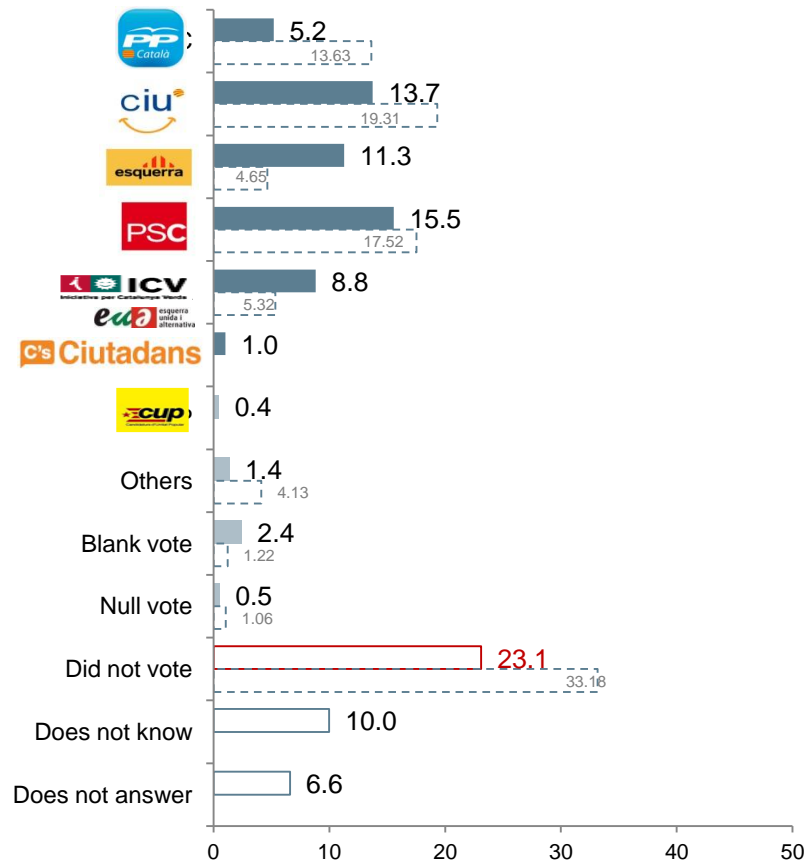


## Elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados*: vote recall

### Pregunta 40b

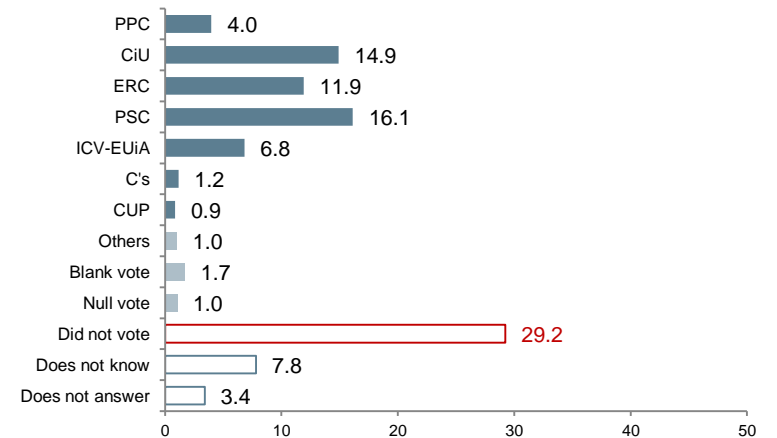
If elections to the *Congreso de los Diputados* were to be held tomorrow, what party or coalition would you vote for?

(N=2,000; simple response; %)



----- Real vote 2011 (% over electoral census)

### Previous barometer











## Ratings of political leaders

### Question 41b

How do you rate the political performance of these leaders? Please rate them in a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 is very poor and 10 is excellent.
















(Base: know the leader; simple response; average)

		Rating by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament							
									
David Fernández	<b>6.01</b>	2.94	6.00	6.64	4.24	6.14	2.49	<b>8.18</b>	6.10
Alfred Bosch	<b>5.19</b>	2.19	5.95	<b>6.8</b>	3.99	5.54	2.57	5.34	4.24
Oriol Junqueras	<b>5.00</b>	2.00	6.41	<b>7.75</b>	3.39	5.00	2.51	5.79	4.03
Joan Coscubiela	<b>4.92</b>	3.70	4.88	5.42	5.27	<b>6.82</b>	4.21	4.88	5.13
Joan Herrera	<b>4.54</b>	3.18	4.15	4.67	5.10	<b>7.18</b>	3.84	4.39	5.06
Artur Mas	<b>4.32</b>	2.13	<b>7.57</b>	6.29	3.09	3.51	2.27	4.56	2.95
Jaume Collboni	<b>4.15</b>	3.89	4.28	4.24	<b>5.69</b>	4.04	3.79	3.40	4.23
Miquel Iceta	<b>3.99</b>	3.52	4.12	3.78	<b>6.07</b>	4.74	4.72	2.89	4.26
Josep Antoni Duran i Lleida	<b>3.69</b>	4.51	<b>4.59</b>	3.20	4.53	3.66	4.36	1.93	3.44
Albert Rivera	<b>3.59</b>	5.23	3.24	2.32	5.06	2.72	<b>7.43</b>	1.55	3.52
Carina Mejías	<b>2.44</b>	3.10	2.10	1.99	3.22	1.07	<b>5.55</b>	1.59	2.63
Jorge Fernández Díaz	<b>2.08</b>	<b>5.21</b>	2.08	1.34	2.80	1.87	3.82	0.83	1.98
Alícia Sánchez-Camacho	<b>1.59</b>	<b>5.36</b>	1.29	0.80	2.49	1.48	3.55	0.40	1.36
Real base	2000	51	309	317	159	58	114	170	173
Weighted base	2000	49	266	265	185	70	132	153	217

(\*) Non-significant results



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

		Vote recall to the Catalan Parliament 2012											
									Other/Null	Blank	Will not vote	Dk/Na	Total
Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament		<b>55.8</b>	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.9	0.5	<b>2.4</b>
		0.9	<b>56.7</b>	5.2	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.0	0.6	4.3	8.2	<b>13.3</b>
		0.9	8.0	<b>64.2</b>	2.3	1.2	0.6	2.4	9.7	5.7	7.0	3.1	<b>13.3</b>
		0.8	0.1	0.0	<b>55.9</b>	1.2	3.8	0.0	0.0	4.7	6.3	3.3	<b>9.2</b>
		0.0	0.7	0.0	0.3	<b>36.9</b>	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.7	<b>3.5</b>
		17.7	7.0	0.0	5.0	2.8	<b>61.2</b>	0.0	6.4	8.1	5.6	6.9	<b>6.6</b>
		0.0	2.7	18.5	0.0	8.4	3.8	<b>76.6</b>	5.2	4.7	4.0	3.6	<b>7.6</b>
		7.5	3.8	3.0	16.7	26.5	19.9	13.2	38.2	29.1	9.6	7.3	<b>10.8</b>
	Others/Null	0.0	4.3	3.5	4.9	10.4	0.0	6.9	<b>27.7</b>	5.7	4.1	1.9	<b>4.7</b>
	Blank	0.9	0.9	0.1	0.8	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	<b>26.3</b>	3.5	2.5	<b>2.0</b>
Will not vote	0.9	1.8	0.3	1.9	1.2	4.8	0.0	0.0	2.3	<b>31.1</b>	1.8	<b>7.9</b>	
Dk/Na	14.7	13.1	5.2	10.7	11.0	5.4	0.9	5.8	12.6	19.7	<b>60.3</b>	<b>18.6</b>	
<b>Total</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Real base	60	397	329	219	113	39	64	33	49	426	271	2000	
Weighted base	58	359	283	253	153	49	59	41	46	432	268	2000	

(\*) Non-significant results