



Political Context Survey. 2016

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Technical specifications

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Summary

Level of confidence:	95%
Variance	p=q=50%
Sample size:	1,047 individuals
Sampling error:	± 3.04

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:

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 2015. 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:

1,047 interviews with the following territorial distribution:

- Barcelona 785
- Girona 102
- Lleida 52
- Tarragona 108

Allocation:

Proportional. When the fieldwork of the survey was finished according to the official schedule, the sample finally obtained differed slightly from the initial theoretical sample. For this reason, and with the purpose of adjusting the theoretical and the actual samples, we applied a weighting procedure. The coefficients of that weighting are presented in the following table:

		Men				Women			
		18-34 y.	35-49 y.	50-64 y.	65y. or more	18-34 y.	35-49 y.	50-64 y.	65y. or more
Barcelona	Born in Catalonia	1.09	0.96	0.88	0.95	1.06	0.96	0.96	0.94
	Born outside Catalonia	6.00	1.57	1.12	0.94	4.33	1.14	0.93	0.94
Girona	Born in Catalonia	1.43	1.00	0.80	1.00	0.80	0.69	0.80	0.82
Lleida	Born in Catalonia	0.86	0.78	0.75	0.63	0.83	0.78	0.56	0.75
Tarragona	Born in Catalonia	0.85	1.00	0.73	1.00	0.91	0.71	0.89	1.00
Provinces	Born outside Catalonia	1.00	2.67	1.44	1.38	1.00	1.40	1.08	1.00

Sampling error:

The overall margin of error of the survey is **± 3.04**, for a confidence level of 95% (1.96 sigma) and under the assumption of maximum indetermination (p=q=50%).

Fieldwork:

The fieldwork has been performed by Instituto DYM, Investigaciones y Ases. Económico en Distribución, Mercados y Ventas, SA from the 12th to the 16th of December 2016.

Methodological note:

1. A great deal of questions of this opinion study have been extracted from the Barometer of Public Opinion (BOP). When presenting the results of the Political Context Survey, that employs a telephone method, the results of the different waves of the BOP are also presented. However, we have to consider that the surveys have used different methods of data collection. The proportionality and size of the sample are also different from the BOP. Nonetheless, in the trend graphs, the data for November 2015 correspond to the Political Context Survey of 2015 which was also a telephone survey.

2. 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 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 1,500 interviewees, the “true” value in the population would fall into the range of +3.04 of the results in the sample, this is, in between 46.96% and 53.04% .

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.

3. When presenting results of questions 37 and 38 we have grouped the different political parties or coalitions from the point of view of parliamentary groups appeared after the 27th of September elections to the Catalan Parliament. The results of this grouping are:

Junts pel Sí = CDC + ERC + Junts pel Sí + Democràcia i Llibertat + PDeCAT

Catalunya sí que es pot = ICV-EUiA + Podemos + Barcelona en comú + Catalunya sí que es pot

4. With respect to questions 39 and 40 about vote intention to the Congreso de los Diputados on June 2016 the grouping has been the following:

En comú Podemos = ICV-EUiA + Podemos + Cat. Sí que es pot + Barcelona en comú + En comú Podem

Convergència Democràtica de Catalunya = CDC + Democràcia i Llibertat + PDeCAT in the vote recall

PDeCAT = CDC + Democràcia i Llibertat + PDeCAT in the vote recall and vote intention



Main results

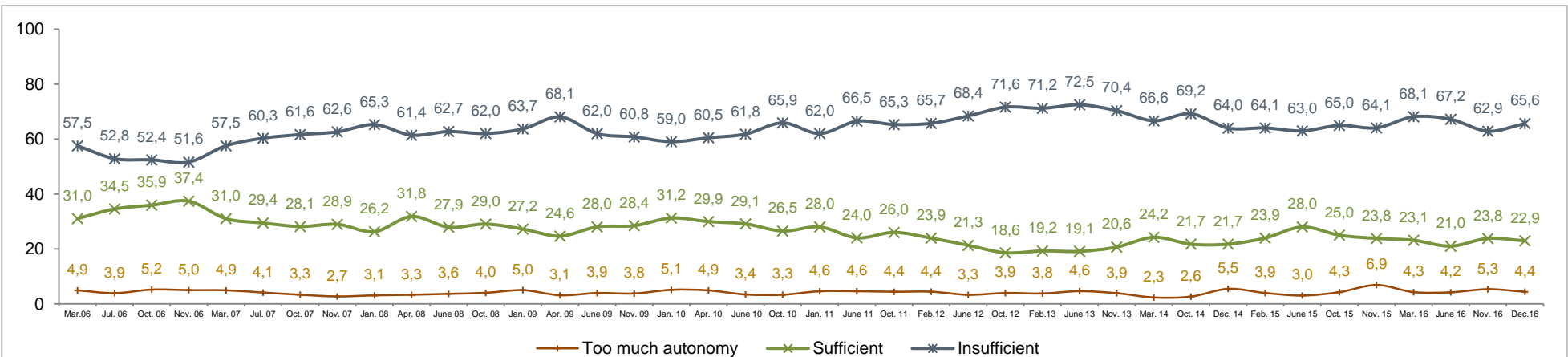
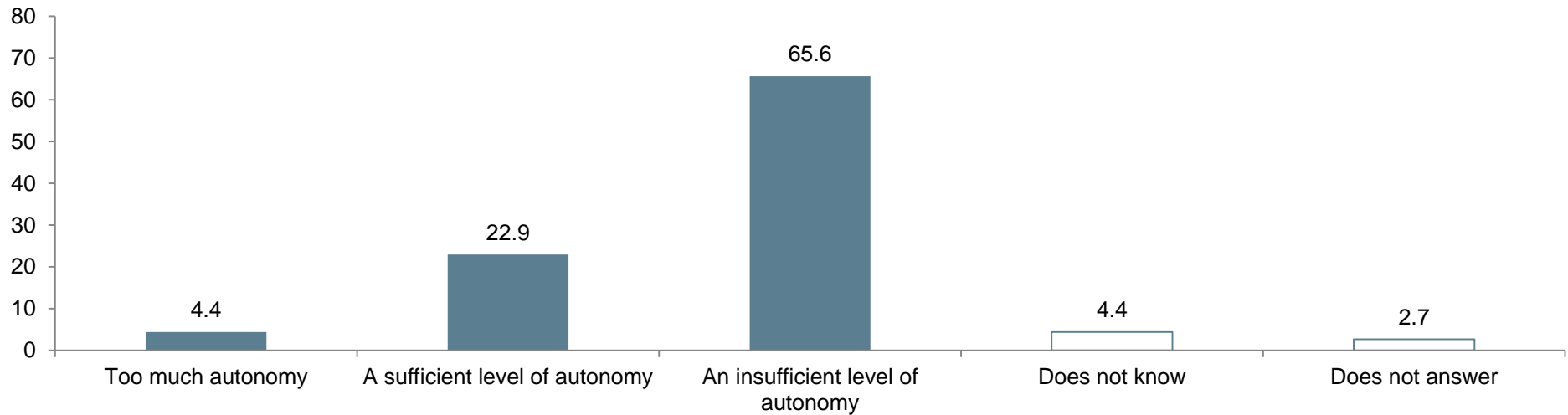
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Relations between Catalonia and Spain

Question 29

Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

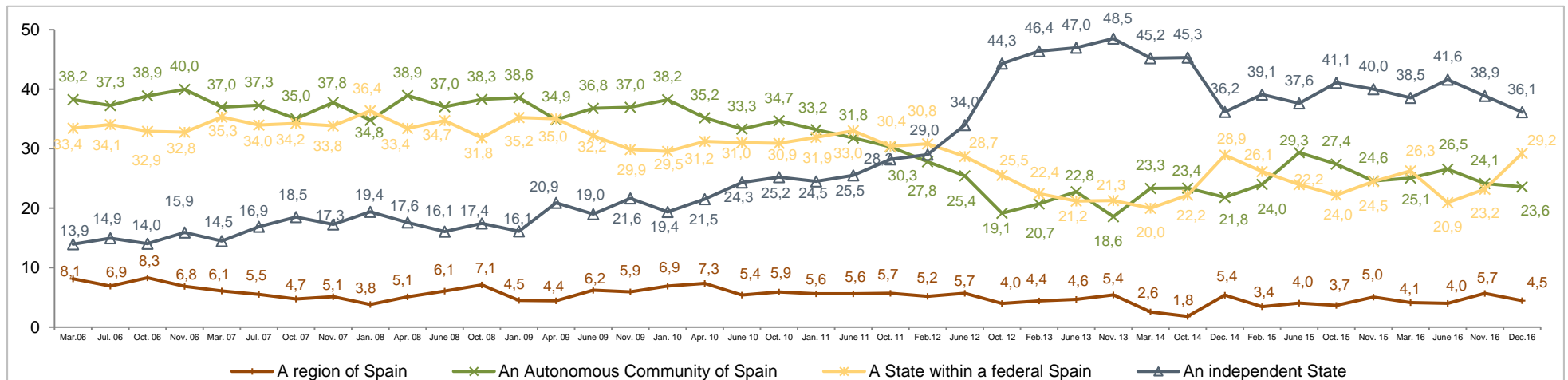
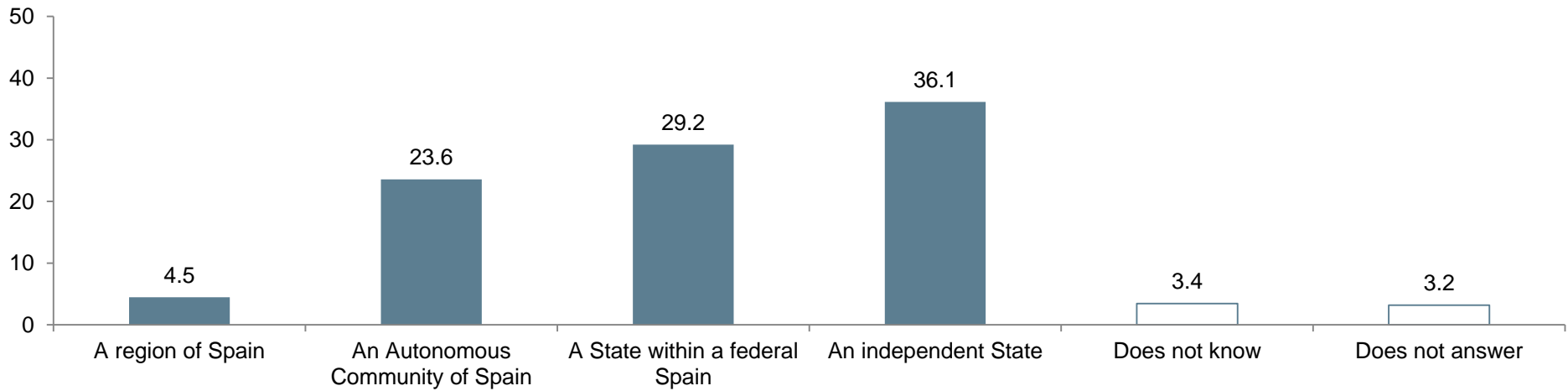
(N=1,047; simple response; %)



Question 30

Do you believe that Catalonia should be...

(N=1,047; simple response; %)



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(N=1,047; simple response; %)

Catalonia-Spain relationship by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament



		Junts pel Sí	C's Ciutadans	PSC	CATALUNYA SÍ QUE ES POT	PP CATALA	cup
A region of Spain	4.5	0.4	11.1	8.5	1.9	18.6	0.0
An Autonomous Community of Spain	23.6	3.1	59.9	43.5	14.3	60.2	0.0
A State within a federal Spain	29.2	17.6	17.5	39.7	63.4	8.2	9.5
An independent State	36.1	77.2	1.3	4.1	16.5	4.1	90.5
Does not know	3.4	0.9	3.3	4.2	3,0	4.1	0.0
Does not answer	3.2	0.8	7.1	0.0	0.9	4.8	0.0

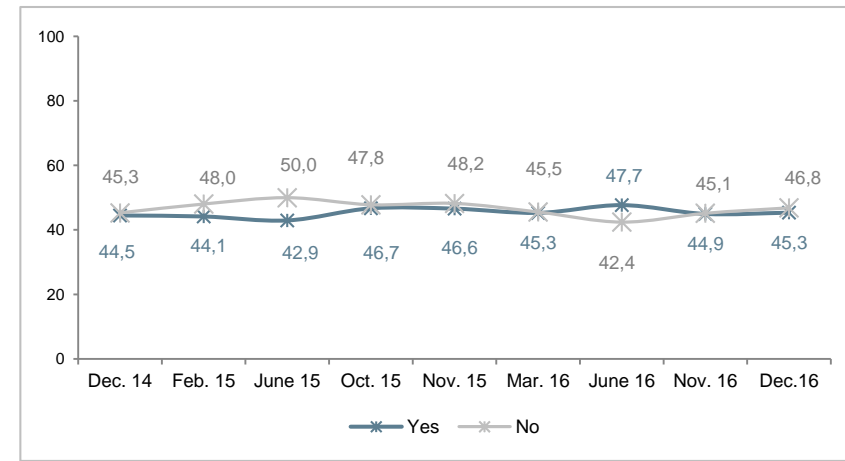
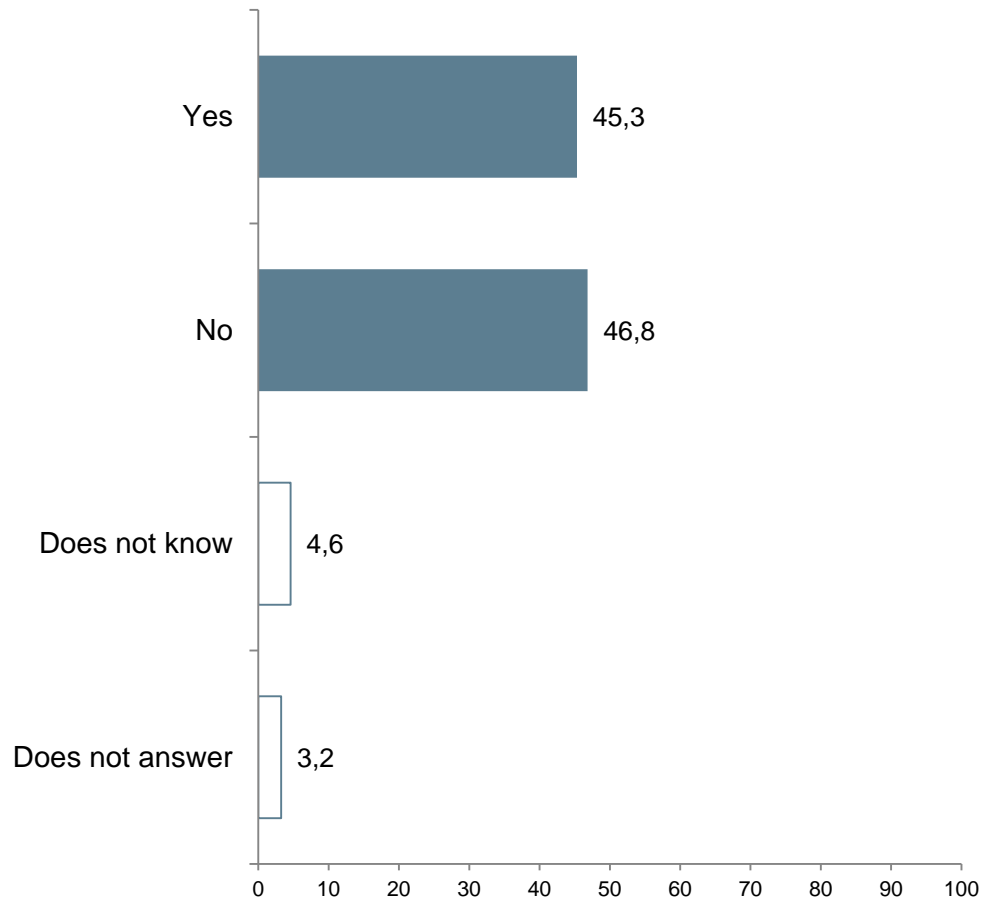
Real base	1058	304	63	94	98	23	35
Weighted base	1047	284	63	97	100	23	36

(*) Non-significant results

Question 31

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







(N=1,047; simple response; %)



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		Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament					
							
Yes	45.3	89.5	1.3	8.0	29.7	4.1	97.8
No	46.8	7.3	97.2	89.0	57.5	95.9	0.0
Does not know	4.6	2.7	1.6	3.0	6.6	0.0	0.0
Does not answer	3.2	0.5	0.0	0.0	6.1	0.0	2.2
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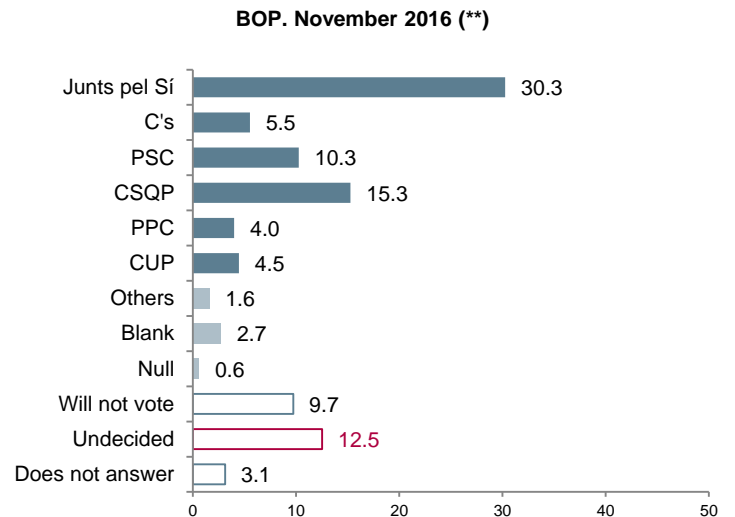
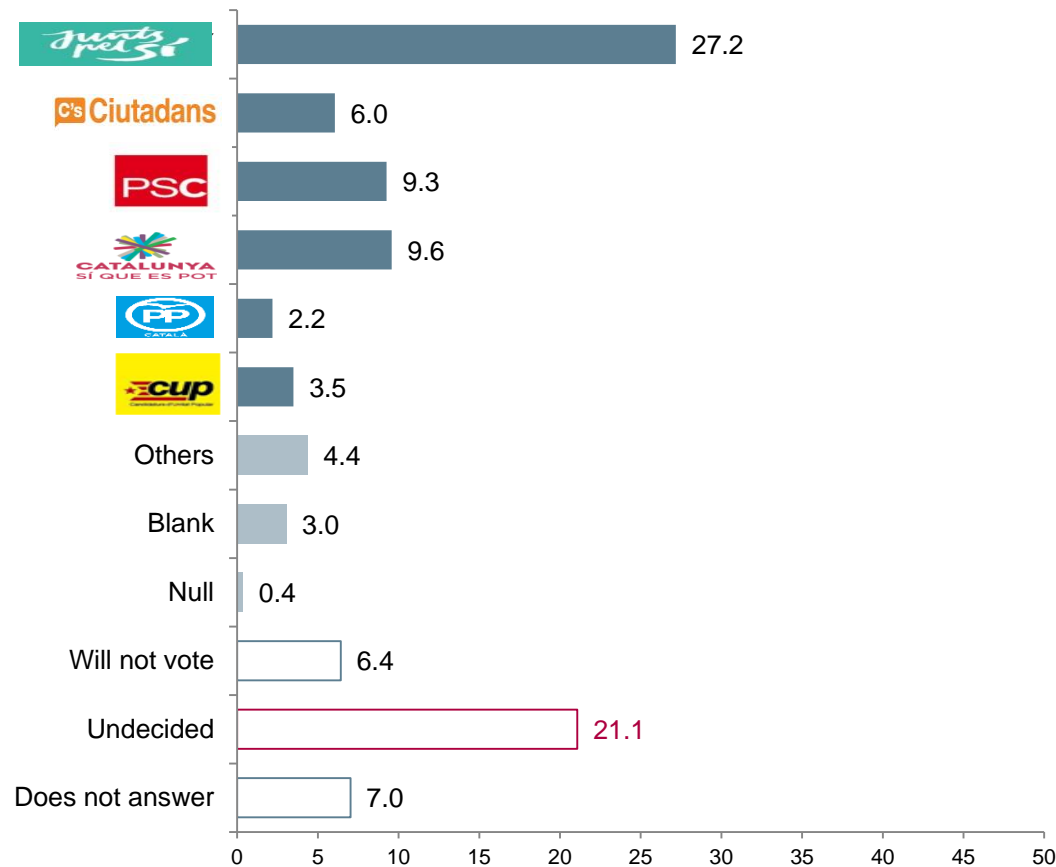
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Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

Question 37

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

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)



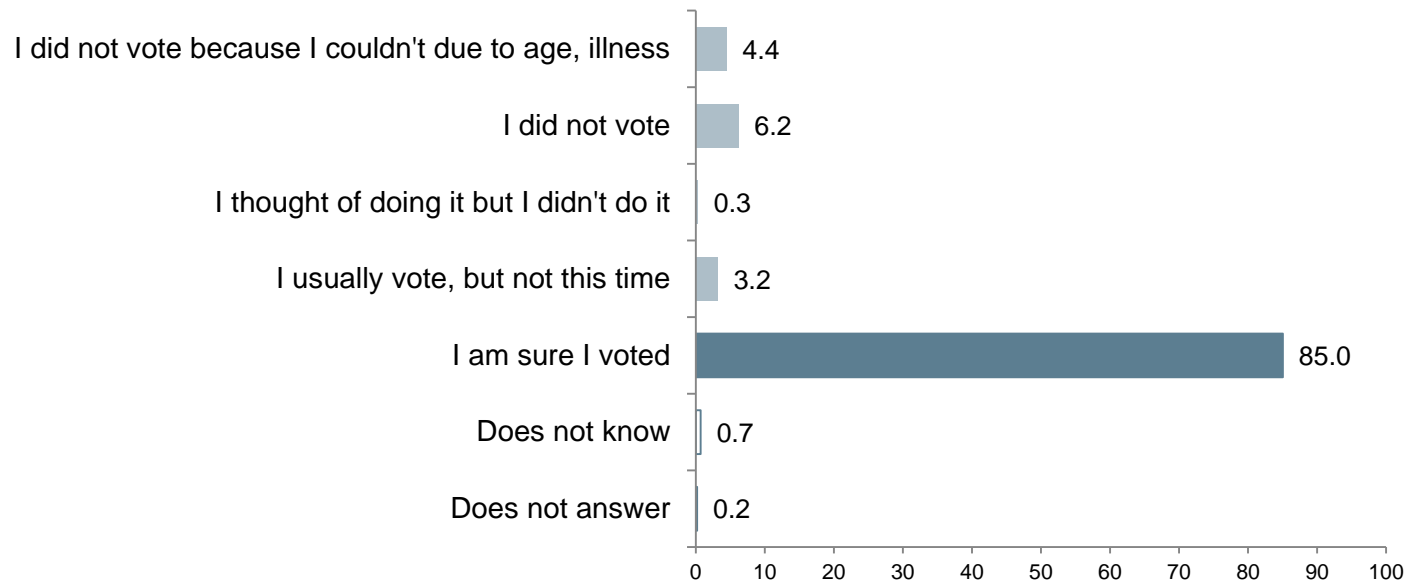
(**) CAPI survey, proportional with n=1500

Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 38a

Which of the following sentences better describes your situation in the past elections of September the 27th to the Catalan Parliament?

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)

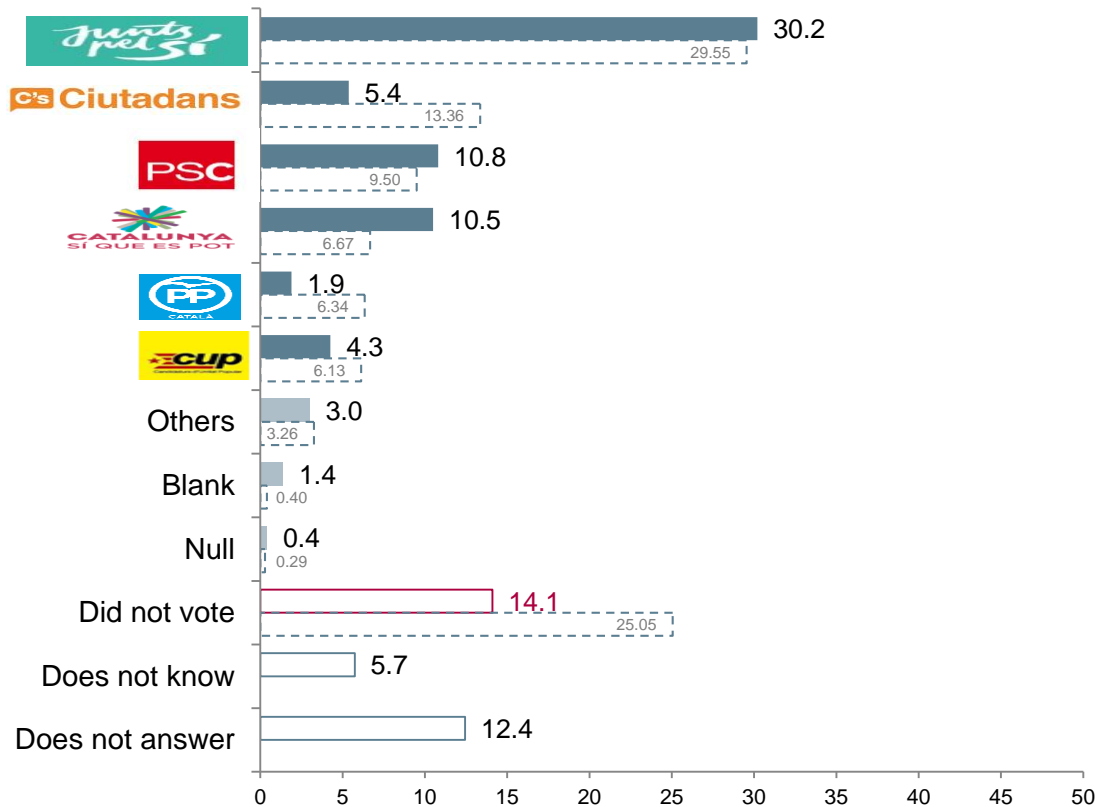


Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 38b

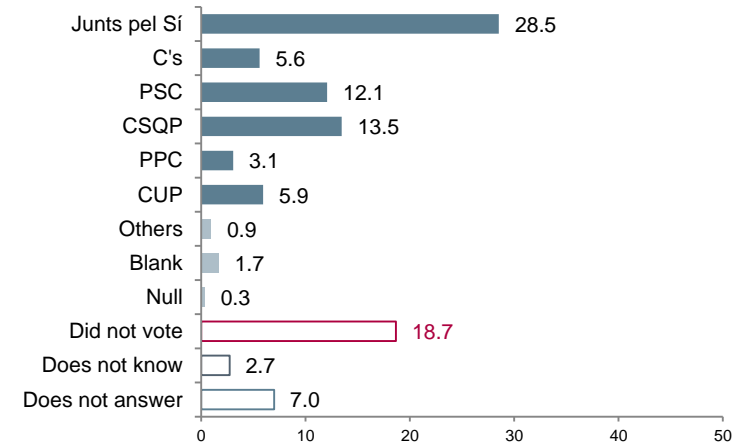
Could you tell me what party or coalition did you vote for in the past elections of September the 27th to the Catalan Parliament?

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)



----- True vote 2015 (% over census CERA included)

BOP. November 2016 (**)



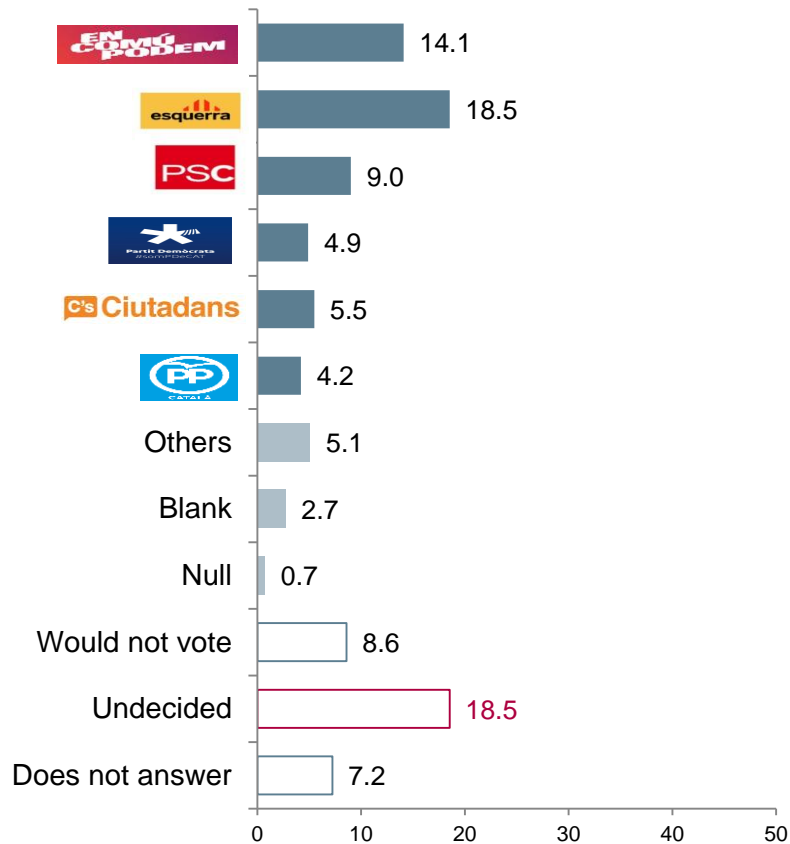
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Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote recall

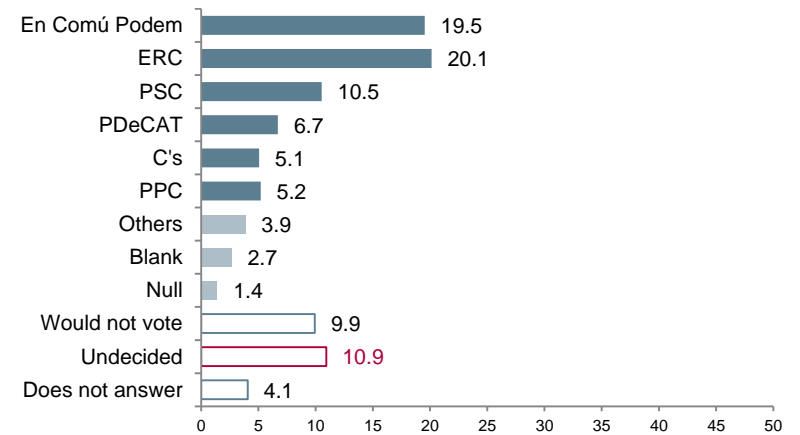
Question 39

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

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)



BOP. November 2016 (**)



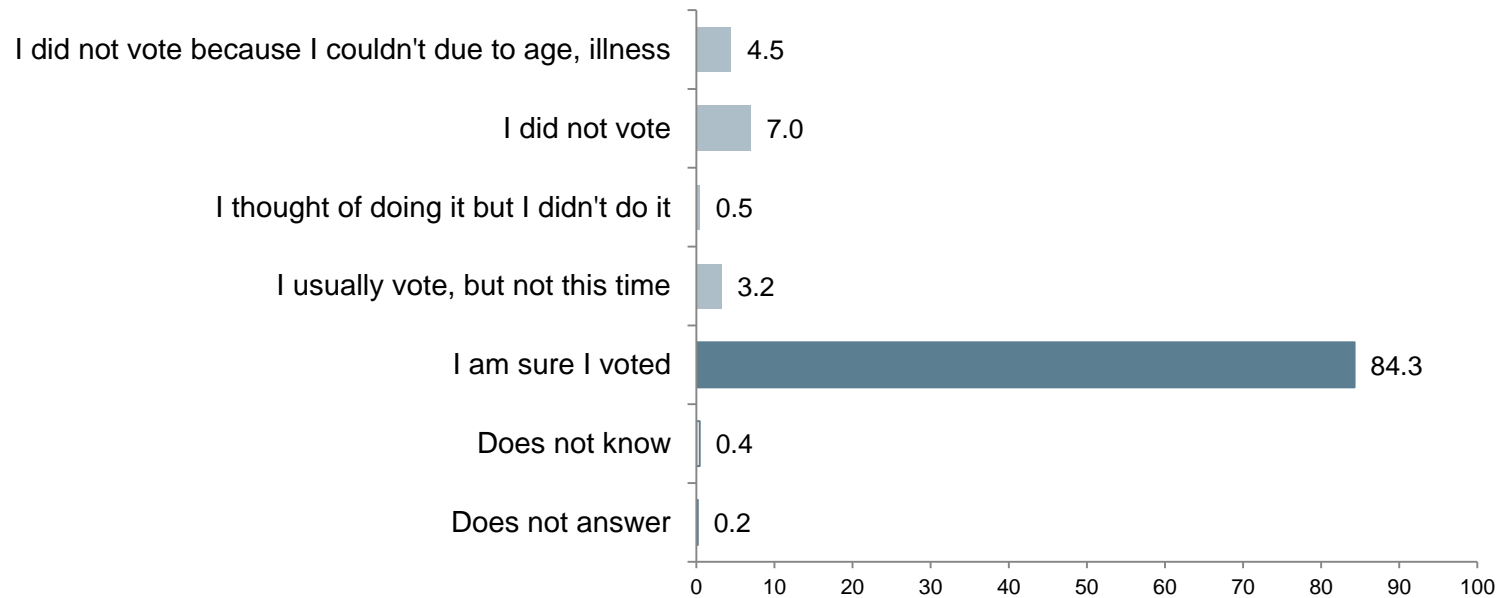
(**) CAPI survey, proportional with n=1500

Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote recall

Question 40a

Which of the following sentences better describes your situation in the last elections to the Congreso de los Diputados?

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)

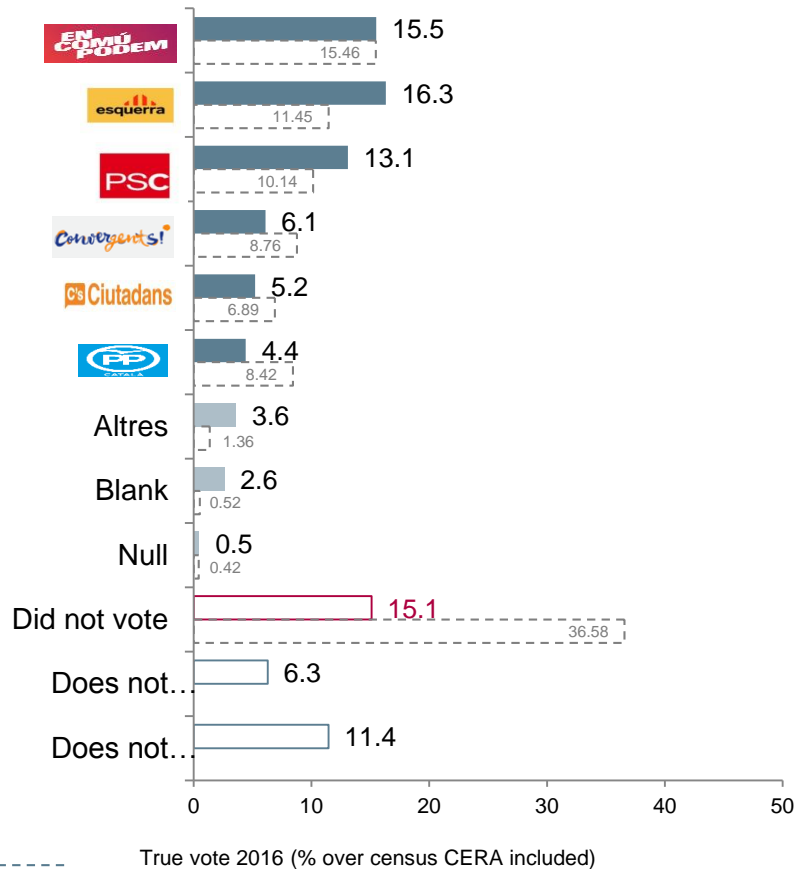


Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote recall













Question 40b

Could you tell me what party or coalition did you vote for in the last elections to the Congreso de los Diputados?

(N=1,047; simple response; %;)















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

		Vote recall to the Catalan Parliament 2015									
								Rest	Did not vote	Dk/Da	Total
Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament		74.5	0.0	1.6	5.0	0.0	13.6	3.8	17.1	4.6	27.2
		0.4	62.5	3.8	0.0	19.9	0.0	1.8	10.8	1.0	6.0
		0.3	1.4	60.6	3.4	5.8	0.0	1.4	6.2	6.2	9.3
		1.5	0.0	2.6	68.0	0.0	8.6	2.0	5.6	2.5	9.6
		0.0	3.3	0.0	0.0	52.8	0.0	0.0	4.3	2.2	2.2
		2.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	57.6	2.0	1.3	0.5	3.5
	Rest (*)	2.8	4.8	1.7	8.4	6.9	2.4	59.2	9.8	6.3	7.8
	Will not vote	2.3	3.2	5.9	1.7	5.0	3.9	3.6	22.3	6.4	6.4
Dk/Da	16.0	24.6	23.8	13.6	9.5	13.9	26.2	22.5	70.2	28.1	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Real base	335	54	111	108	20	44	52	150	184	1058	
Weighted base	316	56	113	110	20	45	50	147	190	1047	

(*) Others+null+blank

Cross-tabulation of vote recall and vote intention to the elections of the Congreso de los Diputados.

		Vote recall to the Congreso de los Diputados 2016									
								Rest (*)	Did not vote	Dk/Da	Total
Vote intention to the Congreso de los Diputados		69.7	2.6	7.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	6.0	4.7	14.1
		5.6	85.3	1.8	19.6	0.0	0.0	6.8	9.5	2.6	18.5
		1.8	0.0	54.5	0.0	1.5	4.5	3.4	5.1	1.9	9.0
		0.0	0.6	0.7	59.4	0.0	2.0	1.4	3.6	2.4	4.9
		0.0	0.0	2.2	1.3	70.4	10.7	2.6	2.5	2.4	5.5
		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.5	75.1	0.0	2.7	1.6	4.2
	Rest (*)	8.3	5.6	3.7	4.1	6.6	0.0	52.5	11.1	4.9	9.3
	Will not vote	2.8	1.5	7.8	4.0	4.2	1.9	3.0	33.3	6.6	8.6
Dk/Da	11.9	4.4	22.3	11.6	13.8	5.7	26.1	26.3	72.9	25.8	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Real base	158	179	135	70	50	46	71	165	184	1058	
Weighted base	162	171	137	63	55	46	69	158	186	1047	

(*) Others+null+blank

Elections to the Catalan Parliament					
Political context survey, December 2016					
	Direct vote intention	Vote estimate		Results 2015	
	(en %)	% VV	sits	%VV	sits
JxSí	27.1	37.6	59-61	39.59	62
C's	6.0	16.9	22-24	17.9	25
PSC	9.3	13.8	17-18	12.72	16
CSQP	9.6	12.2	14-15	8.94	11
PP	2.2	9.0	11-12	8.49	11
CUP	3.4	6.0	6-8	8.21	10
Others	4.4	4.0	----	3.63	---
Blank vote	3.1	0.5	----	0.53	---
Null vote	0.4	Part: 70%			
Abstention ("will not vote" + "could not vote")	6.4				
Undecided	21.1				
Does not answer	7.0				

(*) The total does not add up to 100 due to rounding.

Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados					
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	Direct vote intention	Vote estimate		Results 2016	
	(en %)	% VV	sits	%VV	sits
En Comú Podem	14.1	21.1	10-11	24.53	12
ERC	18.5	23.7	12-14	18.18	9
PDeCAT	5.0	12.7	5-8	13.9	8
PSC	9.0	15.5	7	16.1	7
PP	4.2	12.1	4-6	13.36	6
Cs	5.4	11.7	3-5	10.94	5
Others	5.8	2.4	---	2.16	---
Blank vote	2.8	0.8	---	0.83	---
Null vote	0.8	Part:64%			
Abstention ("will not vote" + "could not vote")	8.6				
Undecided	18.5				
Does not answer	7.3				

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