



Political Opinion Barometer

42 3rd wave 2017



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Technical specifications

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Summary

Level of confidence:	95%
Variance:	p=q=50%
Sample size:	1,500 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 2016. 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:

	Theoretical sample	Real sample
Barcelona	1,092	968
Girona	150	135
Lleida	93	85
Tarragona	166	150
Total	1,500	1,338

Allocation:

The increasing difficulty declared by the interviewers to obtain interviews due to the current political context would have caused an excessive extension of the duration of the field work that would not have been technically recommended. This fact led to the decision of finishing the data collection process at the 1,338 valid interview done on the 29th of October of 2017.

As a result, post-stratification weights have been applied to adjust the weights of survey cases to those of the population of study. The data weights have been provided by the IDESCAT (official statistics) and are, on the one hand, the Continuous Register of Inhabitants 2016 and, on the other hand, the Survey about Language Uses of the Population (official statistics) of 2013.

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 ± 3.15%
- Girona ± 8.44%
- Lleida ± 10.63%
- Tarragona ± 8.00%

Fieldwork:

The fieldwork has been performed by GESOP. Gabinet d'Estudis Socials i Opinió Pública SL, from the 16th to the 29th of October 2017.

Methodological note:

1. Some trend figures presented in this abstract refer to a telephone survey (CATI) performed in December 2016, the Survey about the Catalan political situation, 2016.

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 ± 2.69 of the results in the sample. This is, if we were to repeat many times the same survey with the same characteristics, we would guess the “true” value 95% of the times if we said it was in between 47.31% and 52.69% .

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 2015. 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



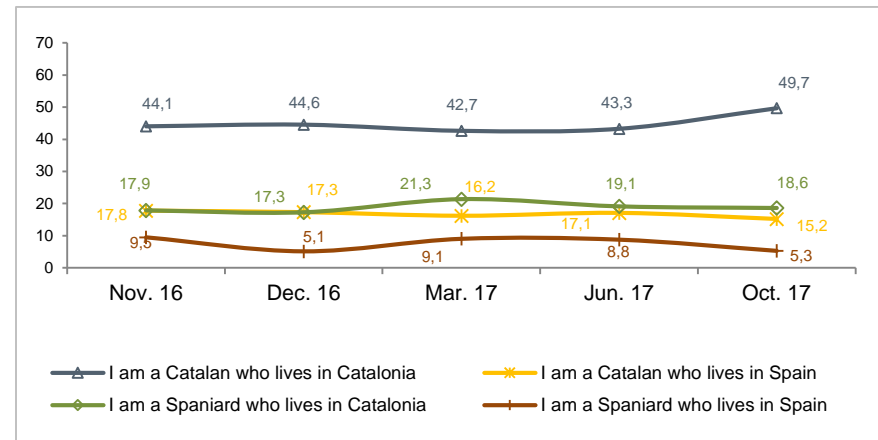
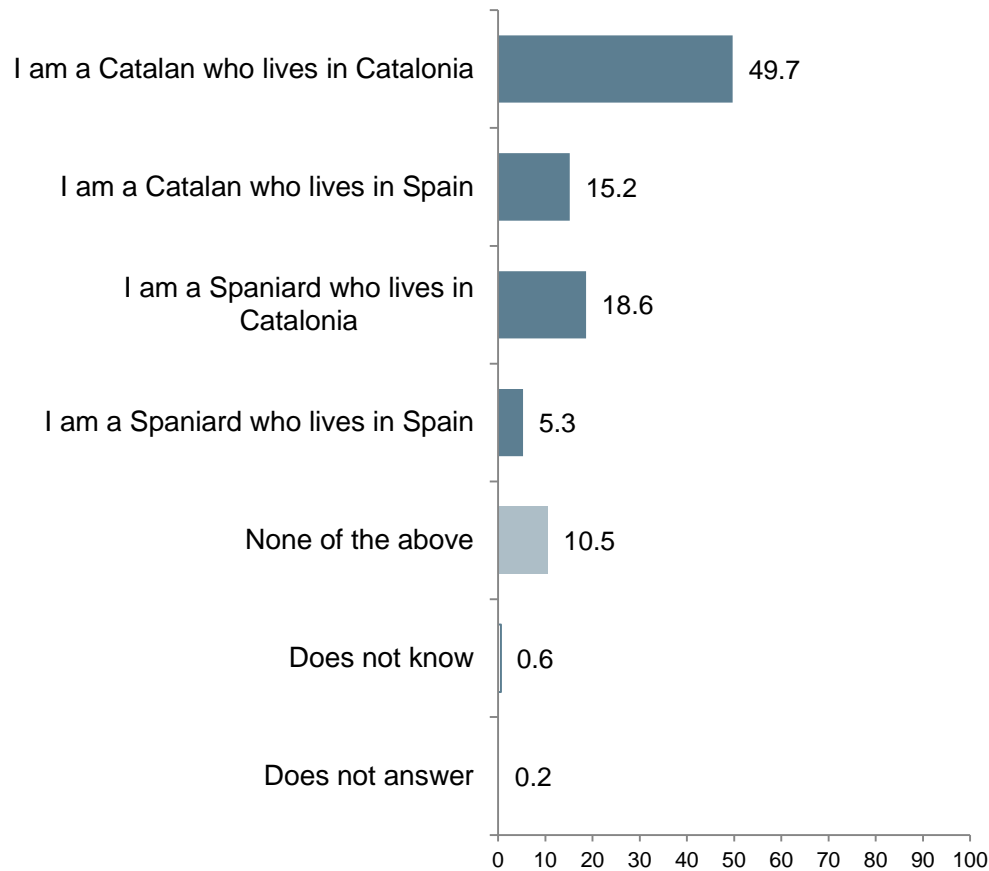
Main results

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Question 52

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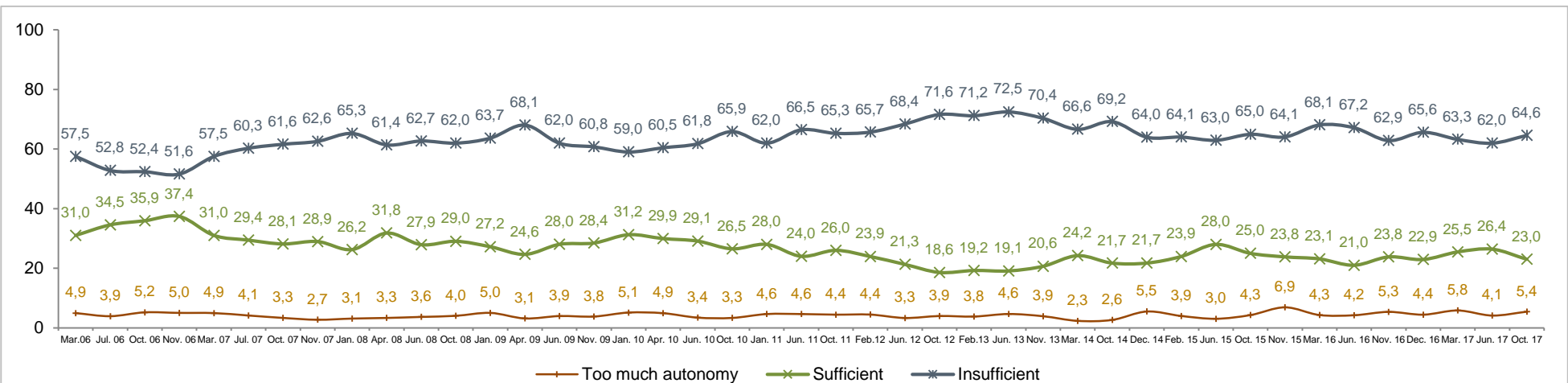
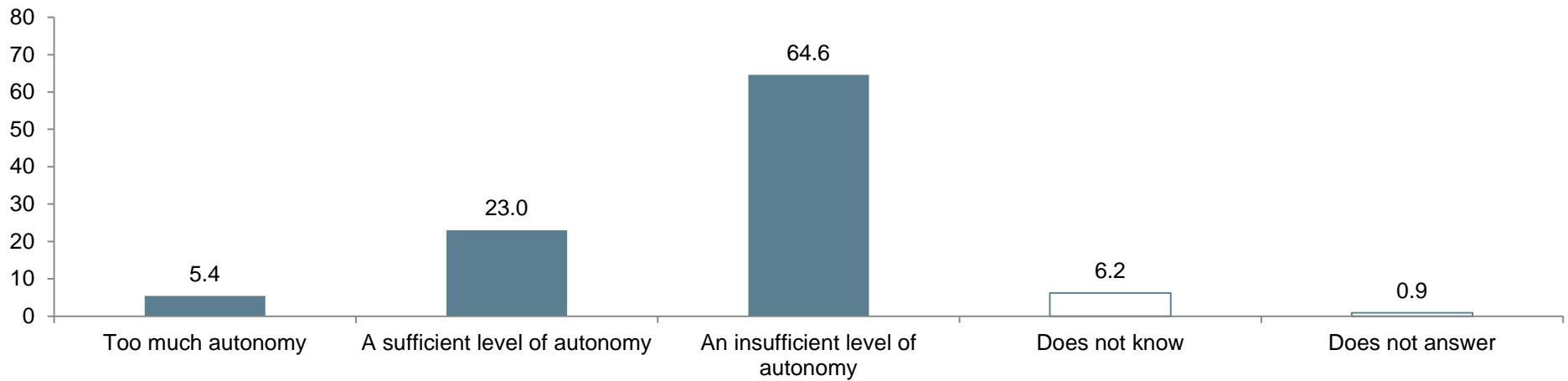
		Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament					
							
I am a Catalan who lives in Catalonia	49.7	91.3	2.2	11.7	40.9	3.5	90.6
I am a Catalan who lives in Spain	15.2	3.6	38.6	25.8	20.2	28.2	3.3
I am a Spaniard who lives in Catalonia	18.6	2.2	44.0	45.4	11.1	49.9	0.0
I am a Spaniard who lives in Spain	5.3	0.2	12.0	7.9	1.3	15.0	0.0
None of the above	10.5	2.6	3.2	8.4	24.9	3.3	6.1
Does not know	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.9	0.7	0.0	0.0
Does not answer	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.0
Real base	1338	499	86	126	133	22	66
Weighted base	1500	528	104	149	152	26	71

Relations between Catalonia and Spain

Question 29

Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

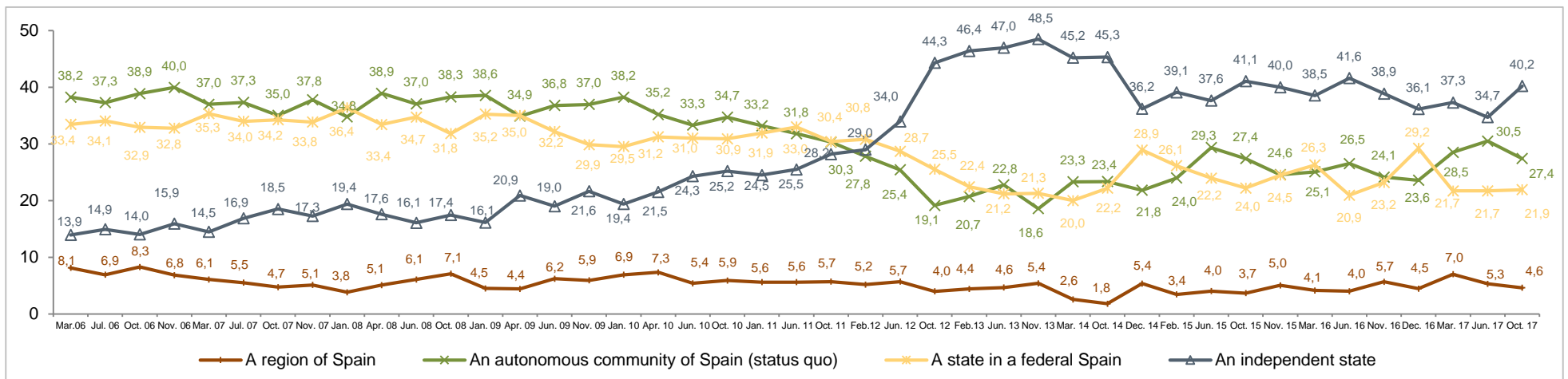
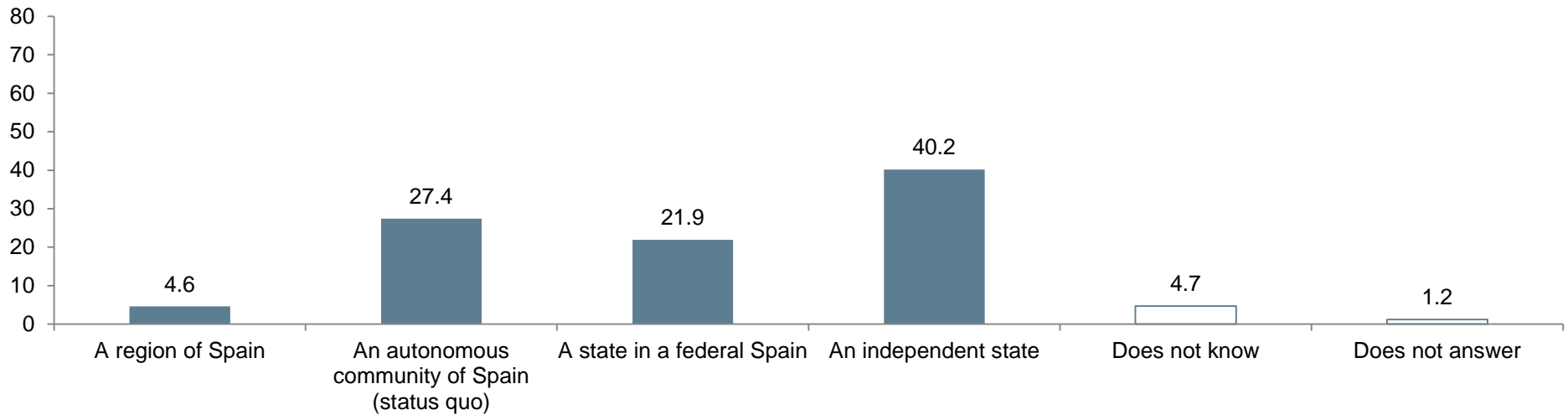
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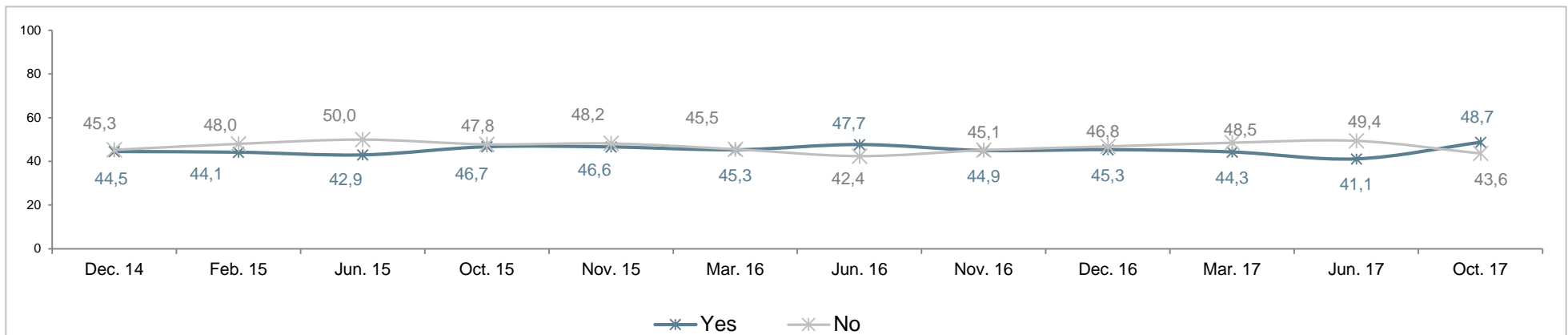
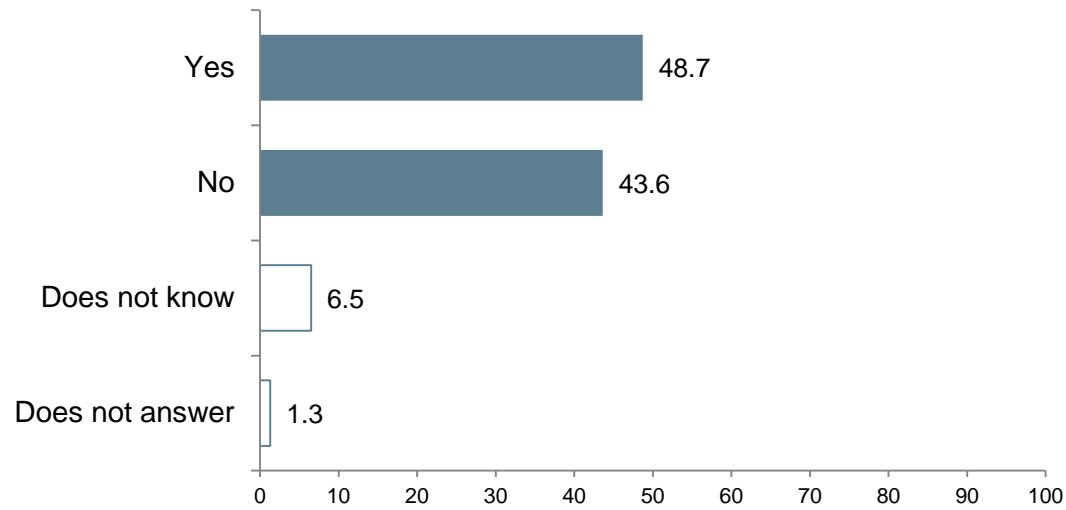
Catalonia-Spain relationship by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

							
A region of Spain	4.6	0.5	10.5	6.0	1.6	28.2	0.0
An Autonomous Community of Spain	27.4	3.6	78.1	54.1	18.8	52.2	0.0
A State within a federal Spain	21.9	11.6	11.4	35.0	57.1	0.0	16.6
An independent State	40.2	82.2	0.0	2.4	16.7	4.7	80.1
Does not know	4.7	1.8	0.0	2.5	5.2	15.0	1.9
Does not answer	1.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	1.4
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		Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament					
Yes	48.7	92.7	1.2	8.5	30.4	8.3	93.3
No	43.6	5.2	98.8	87.4	55.7	91.7	3.4
Does not know	6.5	1.7	0.0	4.1	13.3	0.0	1.9
Does not answer	1.3	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.6	0.0	1.4
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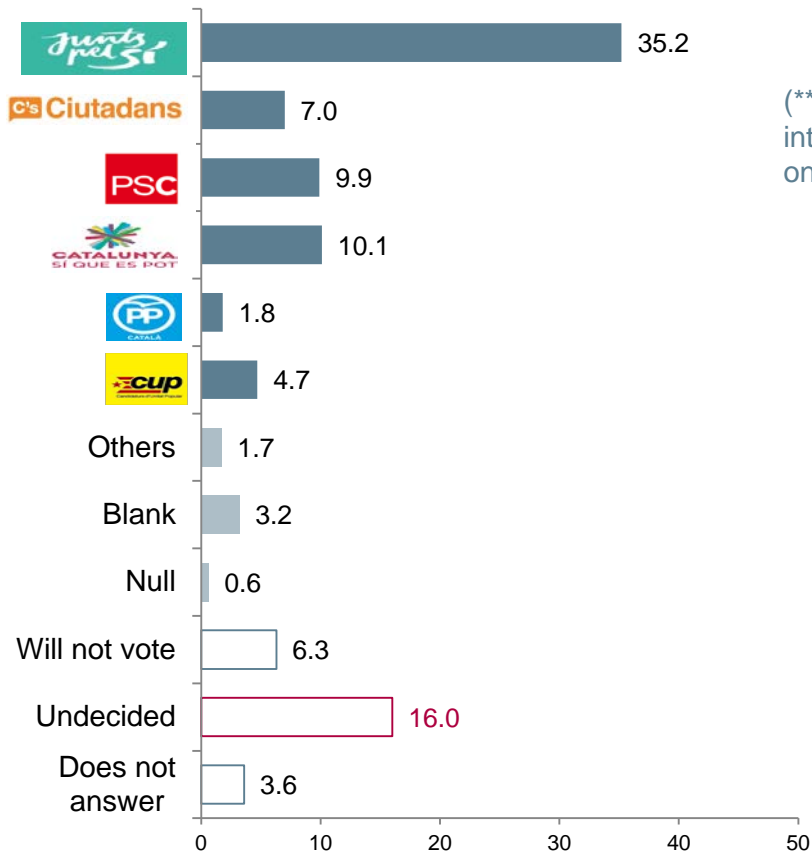
		Feeling of belonging				
		I am a Catalan who lives in Catalonia	I am a Catalan who lives in Spain	I am a Spaniard who lives in Catalonia	I am a Spaniard who lives in Spain	None of the above
Yes	48.7	85.4	12.7	9.1	2.5	23.2
No	43.6	10.1	82.6	83.9	88.4	52.1
Does not know	6.5	3.7	4.7	6.5	9.1	18.3
Does not answer	1.3	0.8	0.0	0.5	0.0	6.4
Real base	1338	701	199	223	67	138
Weighted base	1500	745	228	279	79	158

Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

Question 37

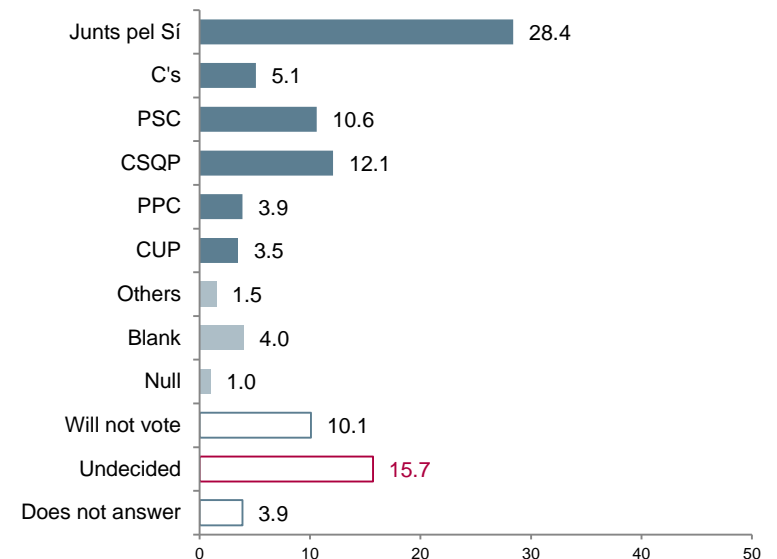
If elections to the Catalan Parliament were to be held tomorrow, what party or coalition would you vote for?

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



(**) Data on vote intention are the spontaneous opinion expressed by the interviewees. It is not an estimate of electoral outcomes and, therefore, it can only be compared to analogous data from previous surveys.

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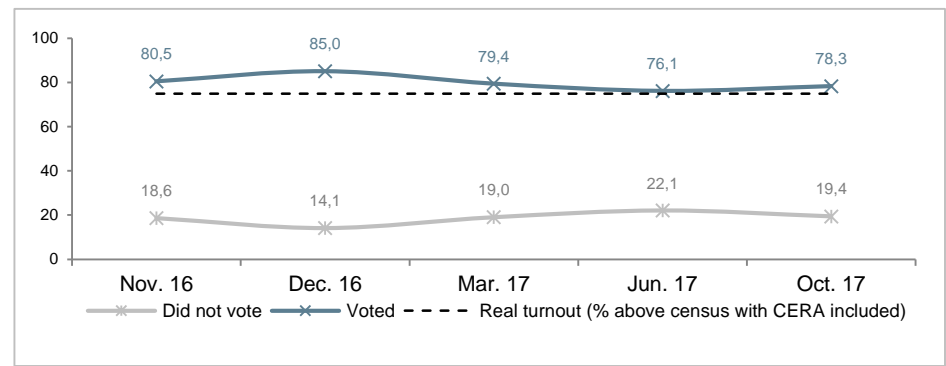
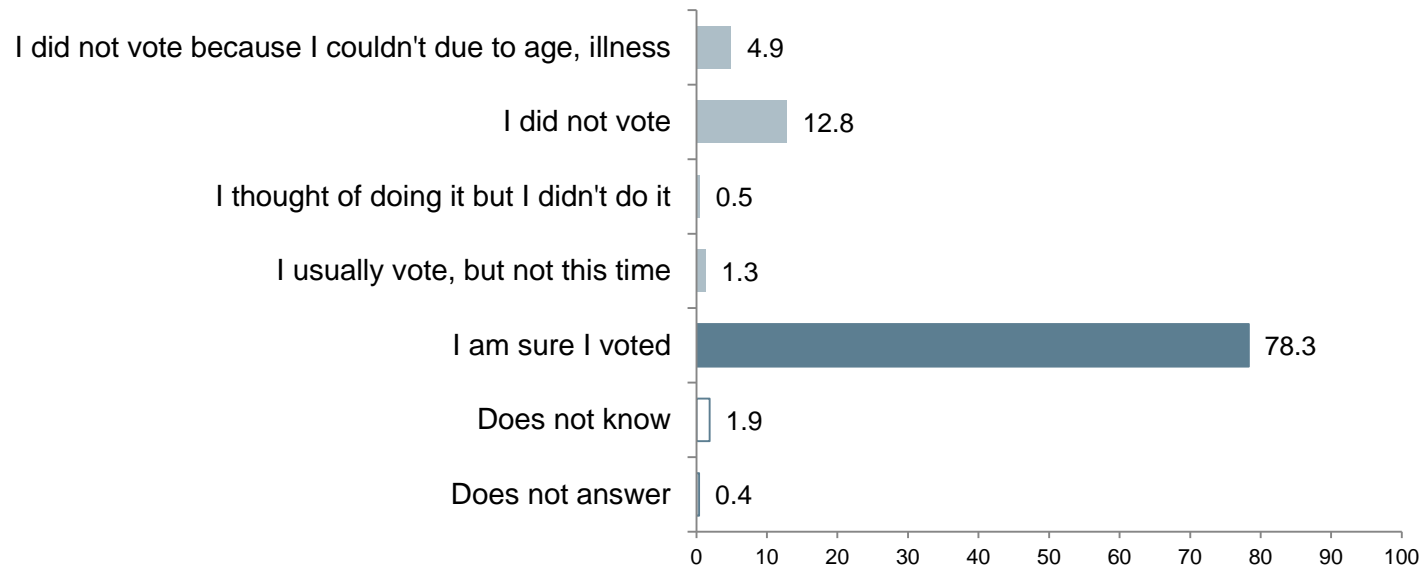


Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 38a

Which of the following sentences better describes your situation in the past elections of September the 27th 2015 to the Catalan Parliament?

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

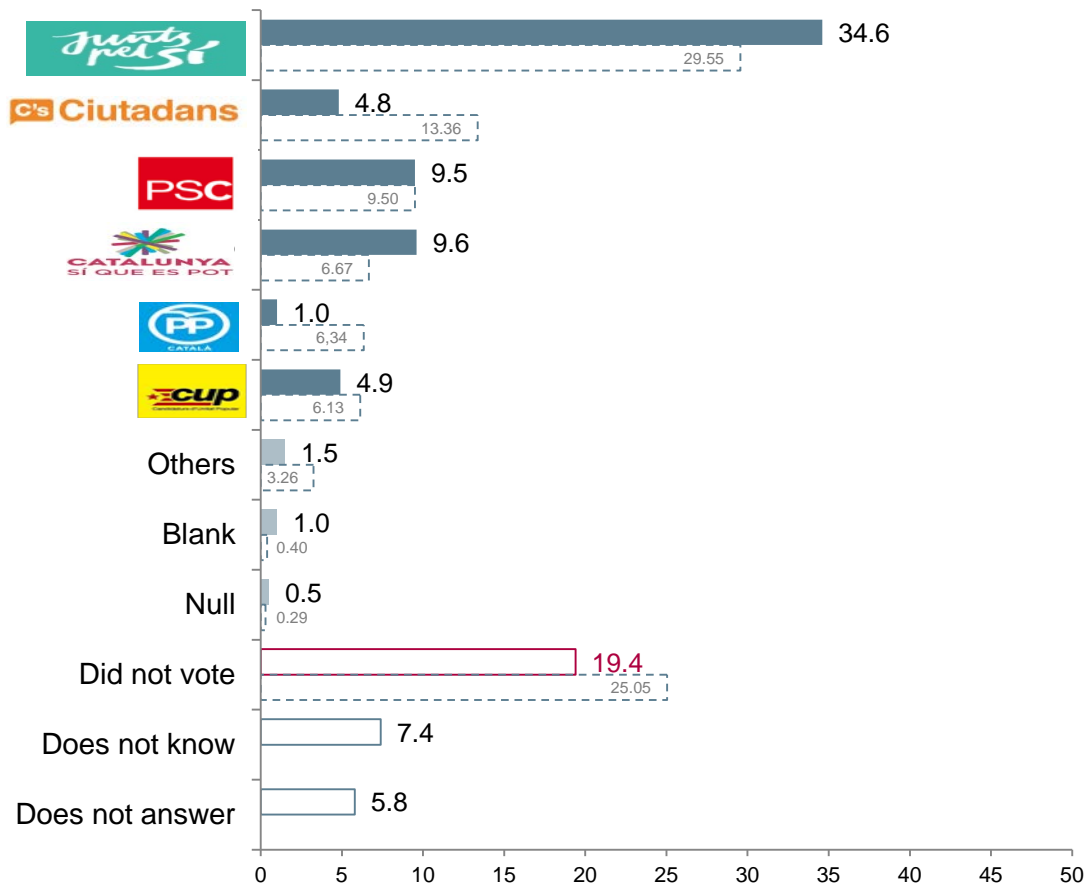


Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

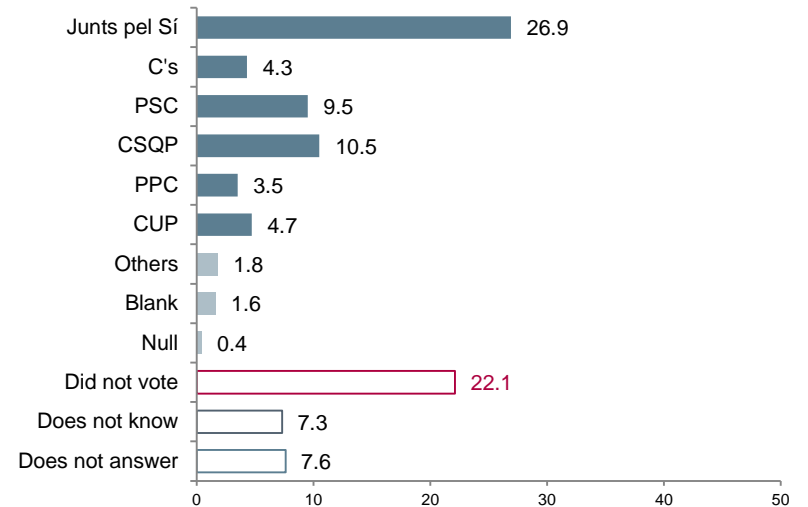
Question 38b

Could you tell me what party or coalition did you vote for in the past elections of September the 27th 2015 to the Catalan Parliament?

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















Previous barometer



----- Electoral results 2015 (%)

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/Na	Total
Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament		83.6	1.3	3.3	5.3	0.0	24.4	14.0	10.8	12.4	35.2
		0.6	72.9	8.7	0.7	22.2	0.0	4.3	7.6	4.1	7.0
		0.4	4.4	67.7	7.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	9.1	4.9	9.9
		2.3	1.7	2.2	67.1	0.0	10.3	4.0	5.7	6.3	10.1
		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	68.9	0.0	2.3	4.3	1.6	1.8
		3.5	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.0	58.2	4.6	1.6	0.4	4.7
	Rest (*)	0.9	5.0	5.3	4.8	0.0	1.3	40.0	8.7	7.3	5.5
	Will not vote	1.0	0.0	1.7	1.6	0.0	0.0	4.2	23.3	7.1	6.3
Dk/Na	7.7	14.7	11.0	10.9	8.8	5.7	26.5	28.8	55.9	19.6	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Real base	491	59	120	125	12	67	39	253	172	1338	
Weighted base	520	72	142	145	14	73	45	291	198	1500	

(*) Others+null+blank
(**) Results statistically non-significant

Elections to the Catalan Parliament					
BOP-3 rd wave 2017					
	Direct vote intention	Vote estimate	Sits estimate	Results 2015	
	(in %)	(in % over valid vote)		%VV	sits
Junts pel Sí	35.2	39.9	60-63	39.59	62
C's	7.0	18.2	20-22	17.90	25
PSC	9.9	13.9	17-19	12.72	16
CSQP	10.1	10.5	12-14	8.94	11
PP	1.8	8.3	10-11	8.49	11
CUP	4.7	6.2	8-9	8.21	10
Others	1.7	2.5	---	3.63	---
Blank vote	3.2	0.7	---	0.53	---
Null vote	0.6	Part. 75%			
Abstention ("will not vote"+"cannot vote")	6.3				
Undecided	16.0				
Does not answer	3.6				