



## Political Opinion Barometer

**36** 3rd wave 2015



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# Technical specifications

Press report, Public Opinion Barometer (BOP). 3<sup>rd</sup> wave 2015

## Summary

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

**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 5<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> of October 2015.

### Methodological note:

1. 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.

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 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.

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

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



## Main results

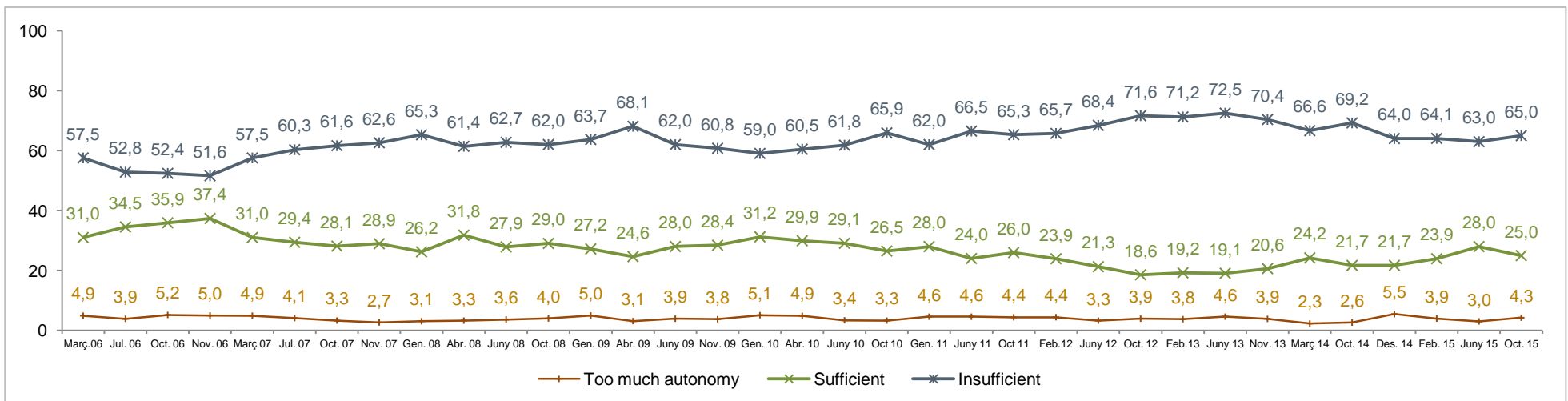
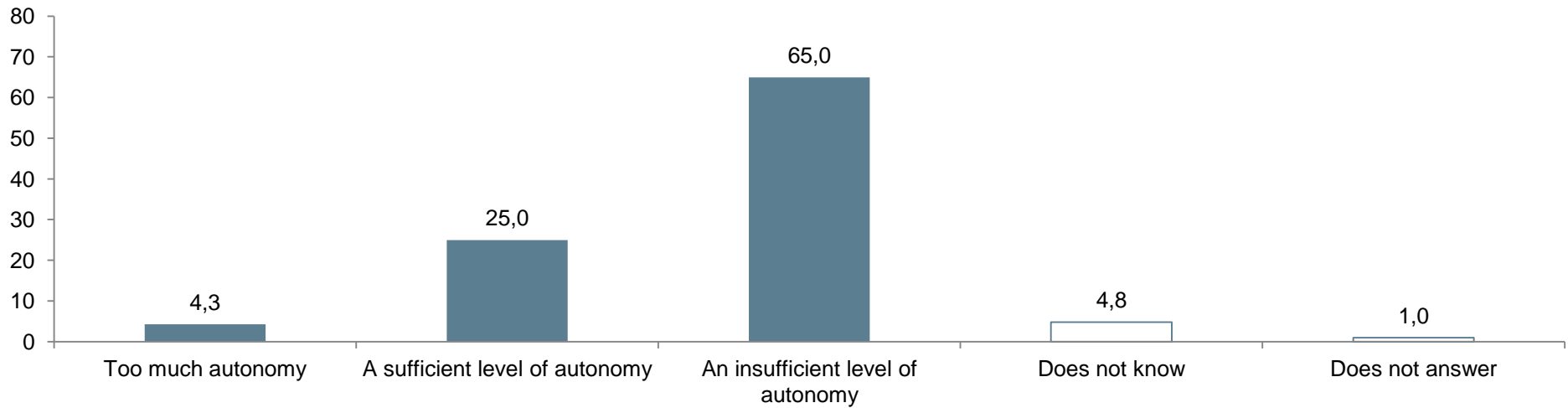
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## Relations between Catalonia and Spain

### Question 29

Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

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

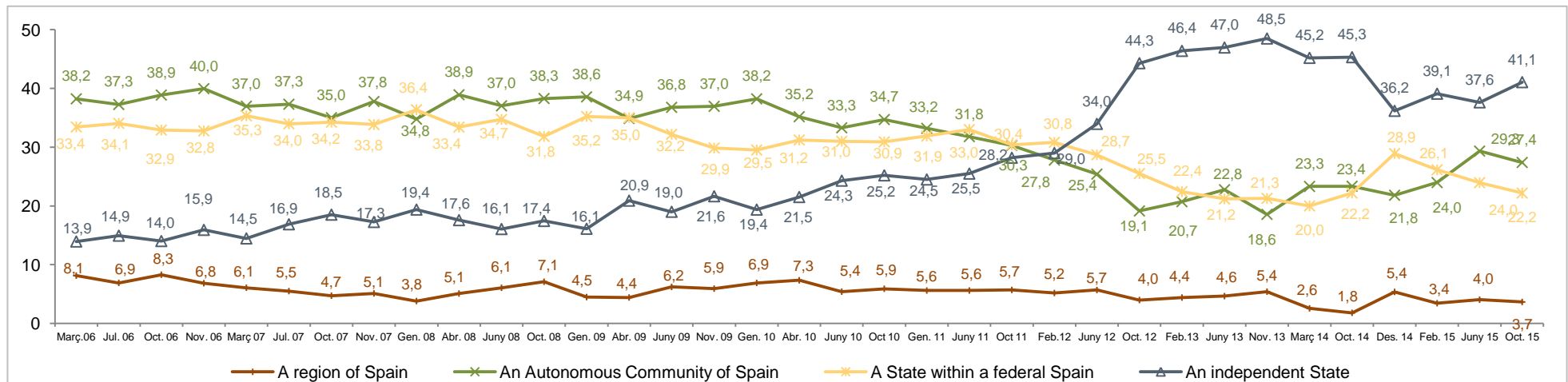
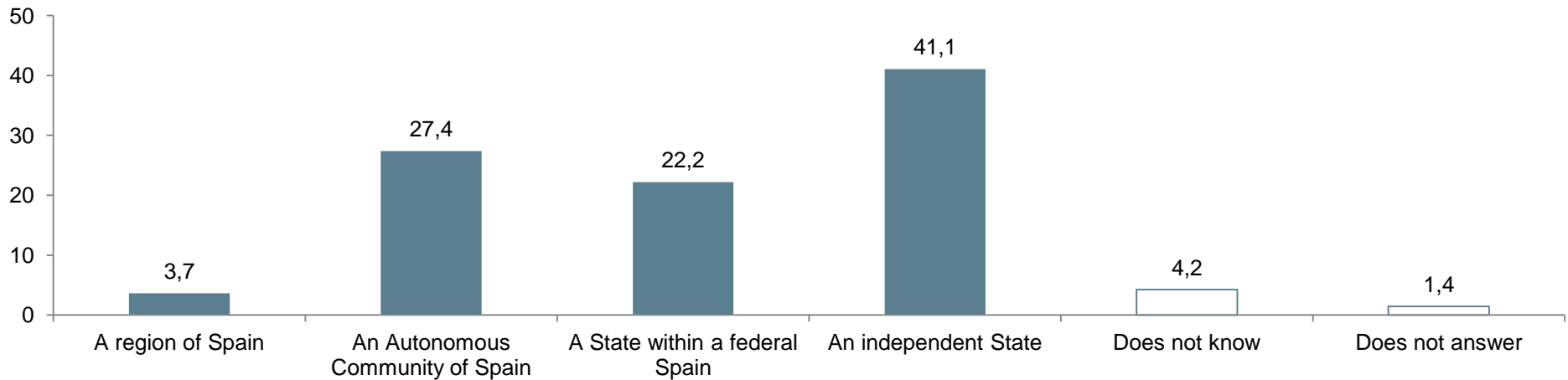




**Question 30**

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

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



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Catalonia-Spain relationship by vote recall to the Catalan Parliament



A region of Spain	<b>3,7</b>	0,5	9,5	2,3	3,4	16,1	1,0
An Autonomous Community of Spain	<b>27,4</b>	2,2	<b>65,3</b>	<b>45,9</b>	24,6	<b>72,3</b>	2,9
A State within a federal Spain	<b>22,2</b>	11,0	20,5	<b>47,3</b>	<b>54,5</b>	9,6	15,7
An independent State	<b>41,1</b>	<b>83,4</b>	1,2	1,4	10,7	2,0	<b>76,6</b>
Does not know	<b>4,2</b>	2,5	2,2	3,1	5,1	0,0	2,8
Does not answer	<b>1,4</b>	0,4	1,2	0,0	1,6	0,0	1,0

Real base

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187

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Weighted base

2000

632

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199

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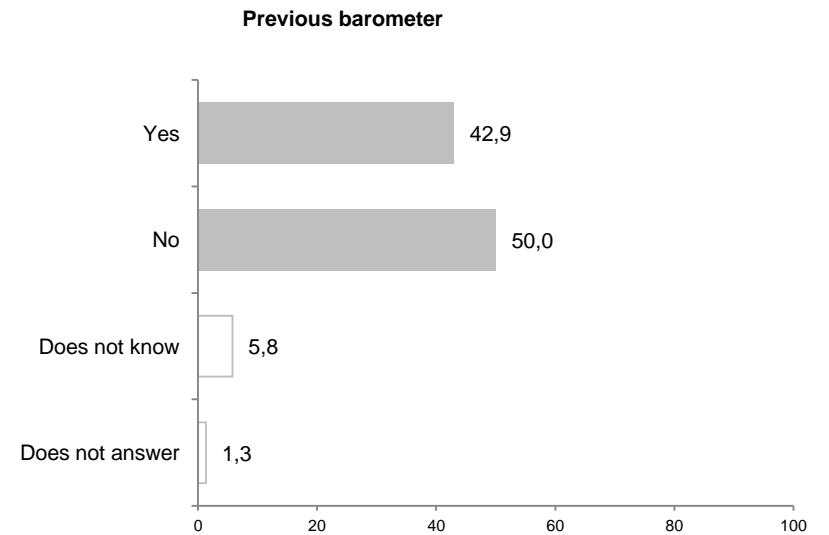
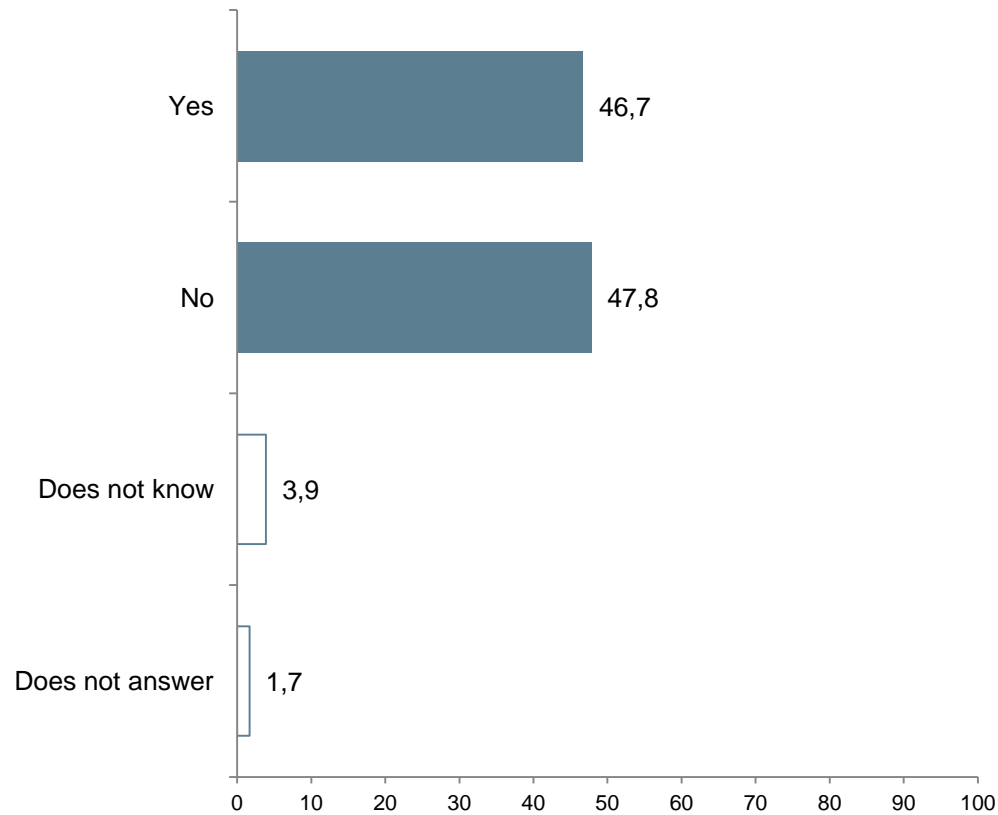
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(\*) Non-significant resultats

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		Vote recall to the Catalan Parliament					
							
Yes	<b>46,7</b>	<b>90,1</b>	1,8	4,6	23,1	1,5	<b>89,3</b>
No	<b>47,8</b>	7,0	<b>96,0</b>	<b>93,1</b>	<b>67,5</b>	<b>98,5</b>	9,2
Does not know	<b>5,8</b>	2,5	1,6	1,3	8,4	0,0	0,7
Does not answer	<b>1,3</b>	0,4	0,6	0,9	1,0	0,0	0,8
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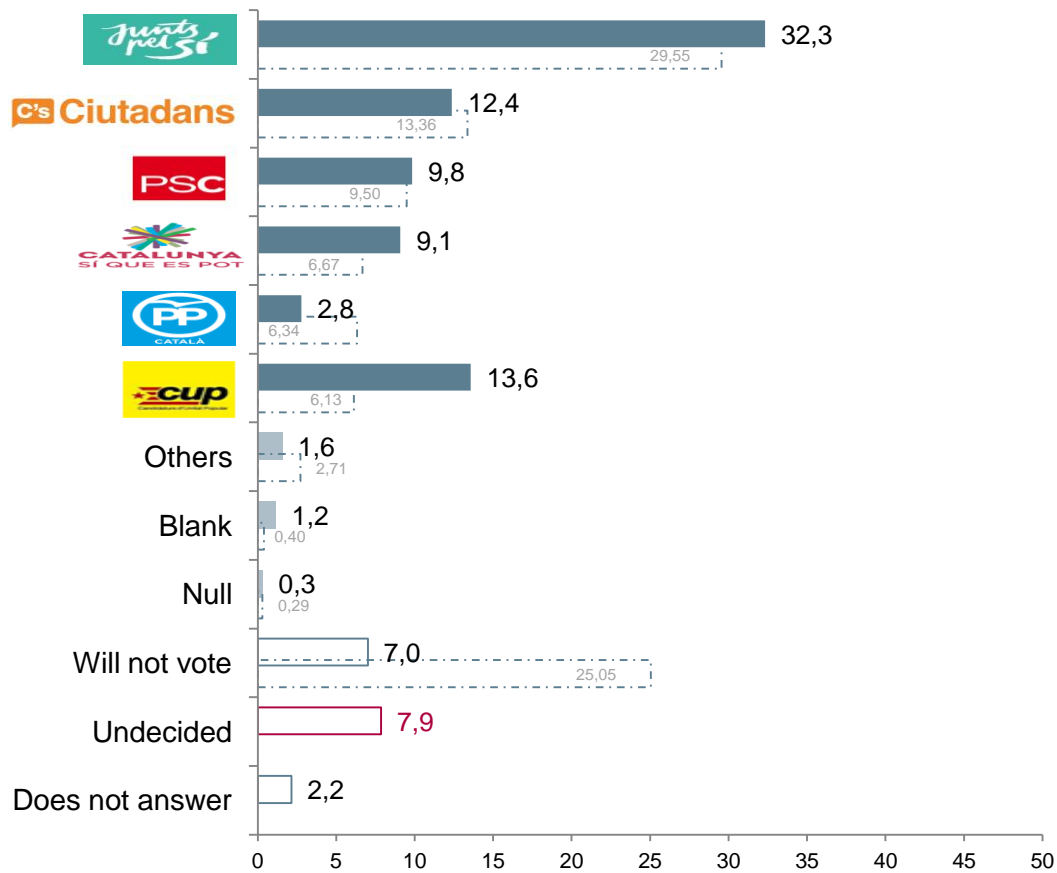
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## Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

### Question 37

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

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

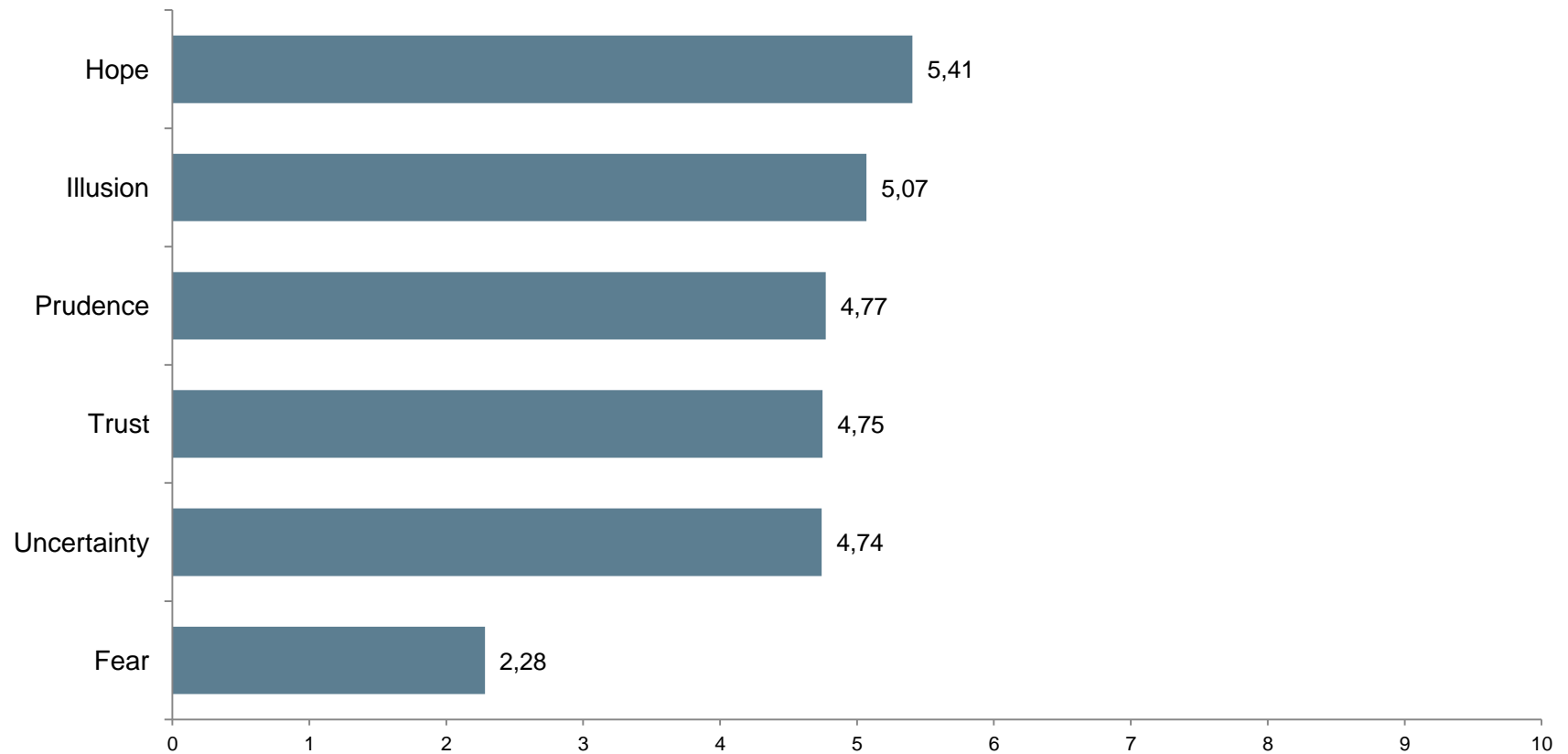


## Perceptions of the elections to the Catalan Parliament

### Question 59

The results of the recent elections to the Catalan Parliament generate multiple sensations. In a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means none and 10 a lot, with what intensity do you feel these feelings:

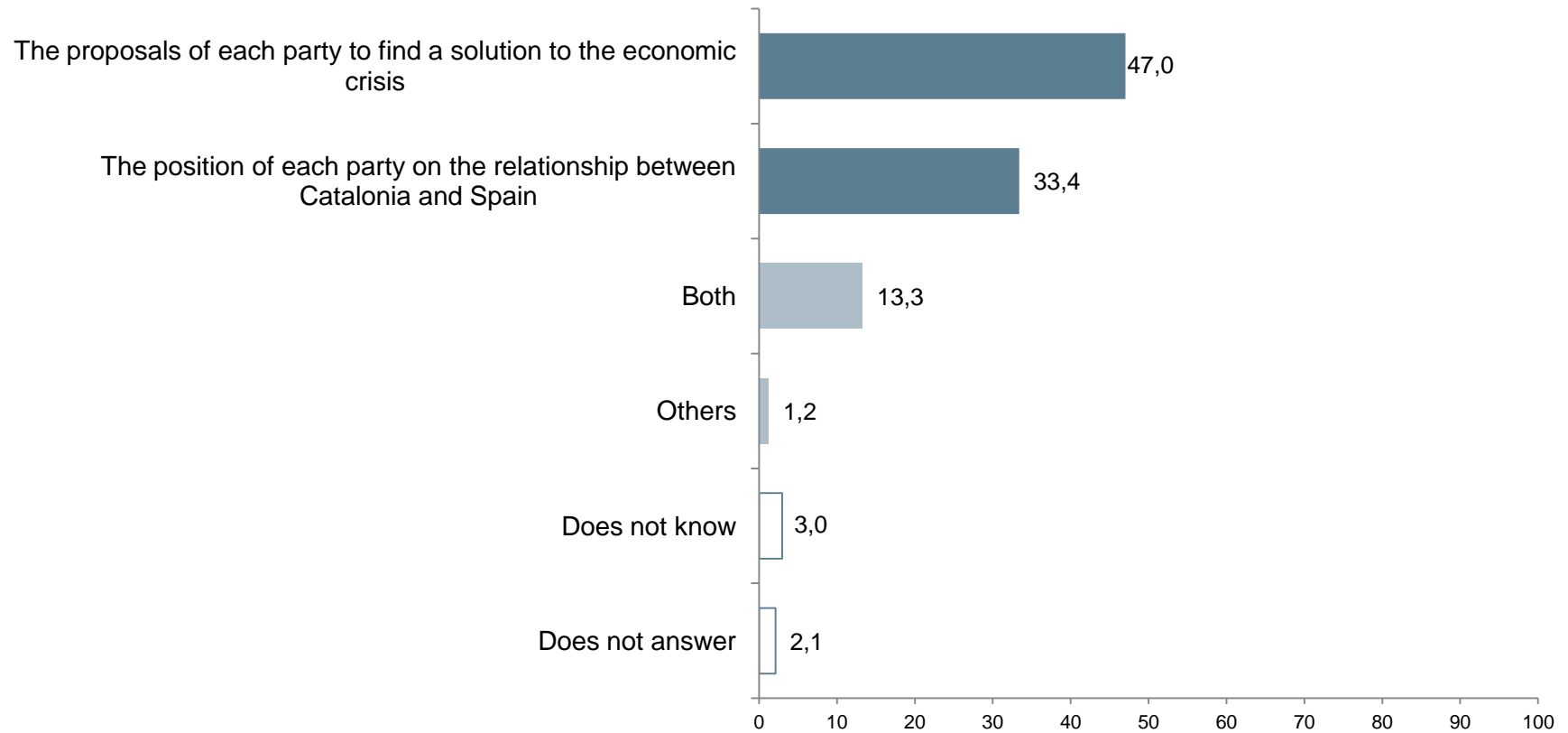
(N=2,000; simple response; average)



**Question 62**

**What do you think will be most important when deciding your vote in the next elections to the Congreso de los Diputados?**

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

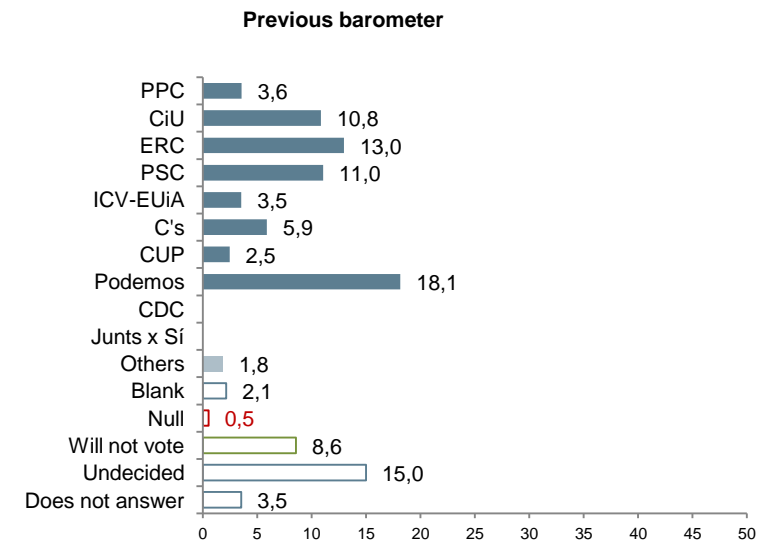
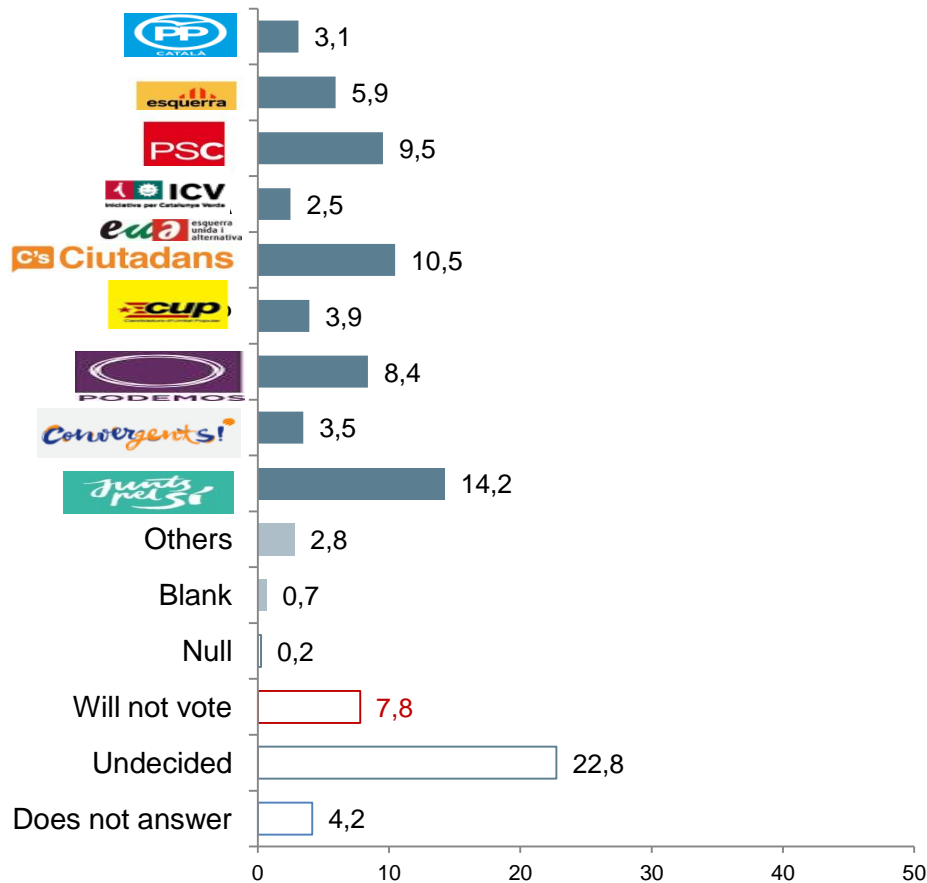


## Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote intention

### Question 39

In the next elections to the Congreso de los Diputados, convened the next 20<sup>th</sup> of December, what party or coalition would you vote for?

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





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How would you define yourself in political terms, according to the following classification?

(ideology 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> option; N=2000; multiple response; %)

		Ideological self-definition by vote recall to the Catalan Parliament					
Independentist	<b>30,0</b>	<b>66,2</b>	0,1	1,2	5,8	0,0	<b>55,5</b>
Socialist	<b>16,5</b>	5,2	8,9	<b>69,8</b>	26,9	0,0	15,4
Progressive	<b>14,9</b>	14,7	11,1	10,0	<b>36,9</b>	3,4	25,2
Apolitical	<b>12,6</b>	6,6	12,8	8,6	5,3	10,8	8,1
Ecologist	<b>11,5</b>	10,4	11,1	6,3	22,8	0,0	21,2
Liberal	<b>10,3</b>	7,9	<b>20,2</b>	3,8	15,9	18,6	5,8
Socialdemocrat	<b>8,7</b>	8,6	15,8	16,0	10,7	0,0	2,2
Nacionalist	<b>8,3</b>	14,6	8,3	3,2	1,9	12,7	4,7
Conservative	<b>8,3</b>	7,6	15,6	1,3	1,6	<b>55,2</b>	1,7
Feminist	<b>5,6</b>	4,2	3,0	2,4	5,3	0,0	12,4
Christian-democrat	<b>5,1</b>	4,1	10,3	1,2	3,4	23,2	0,0
Communist	<b>3,9</b>	1,2	1,9	1,2	11,0	1,0	15,3
Others	<b>2,9</b>	1,8	4,2	0,2	3,6	1,5	3,5
Does not know	<b>5,9</b>	3,4	4,6	3,8	4,5	8,8	1,9
Does not answer	<b>3,6</b>	1,8	9,3	1,1	1,2	1,0	1,6
Real base	2000	724	187	174	139	54	233
Weighted base	2000	632	215	199	178	54	238

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

		Vote recall to the Catalan Parliament 2015										
								Others/Null	Blank (*)	Did not vote	Dk/Na	Total
Vote intention to the Catalan Parliament		<b>90,7</b>	0,0	1,1	5,8	1,0	5,9	0,0	2,2	10,1	11,1	<b>32,3</b>
		0,0	<b>88,0</b>	4,7	0,3	10,1	0,0	8,1	2,2	7,2	13,2	<b>12,4</b>
		0,3	1,2	<b>82,0</b>	4,5	0,0	0,0	1,6	0,0	6,6	0,2	<b>9,8</b>
		0,3	0,9	0,9	<b>76,1</b>	0,0	1,5	0,0	0,0	11,2	2,5	<b>9,1</b>
		0,0	0,9	0,0	0,0	<b>79,3</b>	0,0	0,0	0,0	3,5	0,0	<b>2,8</b>
		3,9	0,0	0,2	4,2	0,0	<b>88,9</b>	12,9	3,6	5,6	4,4	<b>13,6</b>
	Others/Null	0,6	0,9	1,2	3,0	0,0	0,3	<b>65,1</b>	0,0	0,4	0,3	<b>1,9</b>
	Blank	0,1	0,1	0,3	0,3	0,0	0,0	0,0	<b>79,8</b>	3,1	0,8	<b>1,2</b>
	Will not vote	0,1	1,3	2,3	1,0	4,4	0,0	5,7	2,2	<b>38,2</b>	7,9	<b>7,0</b>
	Dk/Na	3,9	6,7	7,3	4,9	5,2	3,4	6,5	10,1	14,1	<b>59,4</b>	<b>10,0</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	724	187	174	139	54	233	30	16	287	156	2000	2000
Weighted base	632	215	199	178	54	238	33	13	302	137	2000	2000

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<b>Elections to the Catalan Parliament</b>					
<b>BOP-3rd wave (October)</b>					
	Direct vote intention	Vote estimate	Sits estimate	Results 2015	
	(in %)	(in % over valid vote)		%VV	sits
Junts pel Sí	32,3	<b>39,8</b>	61-63	39,59	62
C's	12,4	<b>18,0</b>	24-26	17,90	25
PSC	9,8	<b>10,6</b>	14-15	12,72	16
CSQP	9,1	<b>9,3</b>	10-12	8,94	11
PPC	2,8	<b>7,0</b>	8-10	8,49	11
CUP	13,6	<b>11,1</b>	14-16	8,21	10
others	1,6	<b>3,7</b>	----	3,63	---
Blank vote	1,2	<b>0,5</b>	----	0,53	---
Null vote	0,3				
Abstention ("will not vote"+"cannot vote")	7,0				
Undecided	7,9				
Does not answer	2,2				
			Part. 70%		