



Political Opinion Barometer

37 1st wave 2016



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Technical specifications

Press report, Public Opinion Barometer (BOP). 1st wave 2016

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 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:

1,500 interviews with the following territorial distribution:

• Barcelona	1.118
• Girona	140
• Lleida	85
• Tarragona	157

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	± 2.93%
• Girona	± 8.28%
• Lleida	± 10.63%
• Tarragona	± 7.82%

Fieldwork:

The fieldwork has been performed by Opinòmetre, from the 22nd of February to the 8th of March 2016.

Methodological note:

1. Some trend figures presented in this abstract refer to a telephone survey (CATI) performed in December 2015, the Survey about the Catalan political situation, 2015.

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, it is 95% sure that the “true” value in the population falls into the range of $\pm 2,53$ of the results in the sample, this is, in between 47.47% and 52.53%.

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

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

Democràcia i Llibertat = CDC + ERC + Democràcia i Llibertat + Reagrupament

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



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Main results

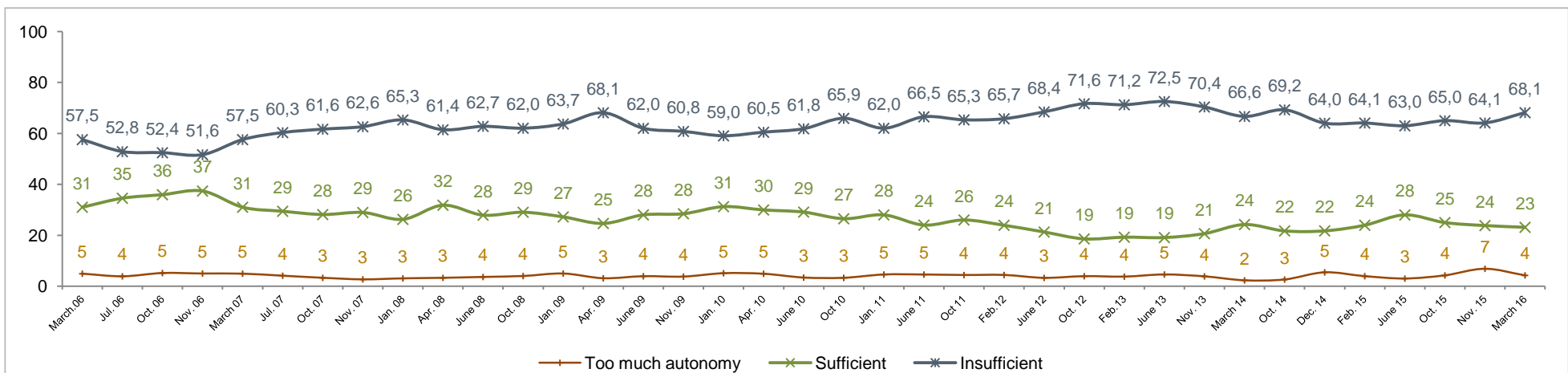
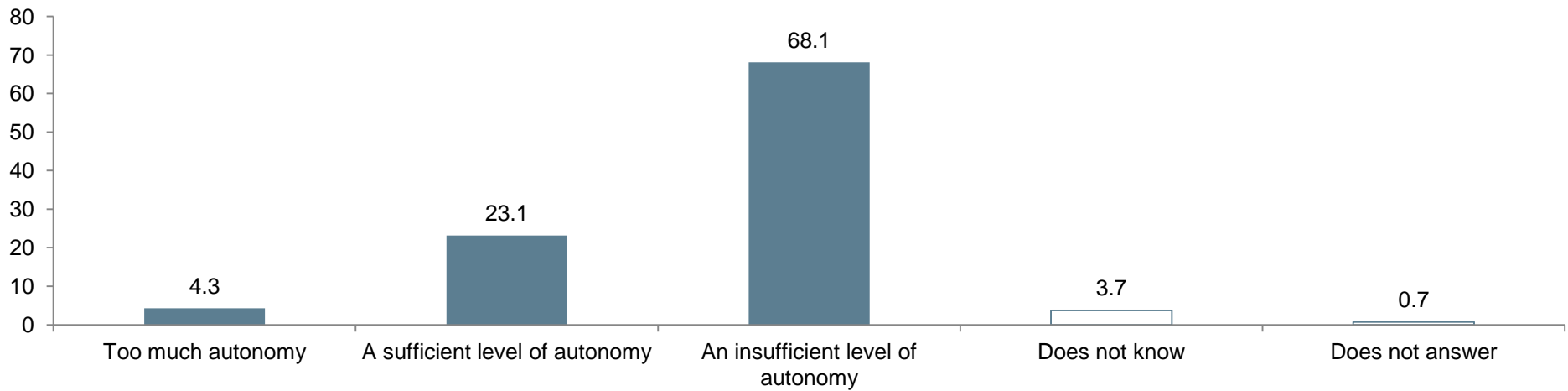
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Relations between Catalonia and Spain

Question 29

Do you think that Catalonia has achieved...

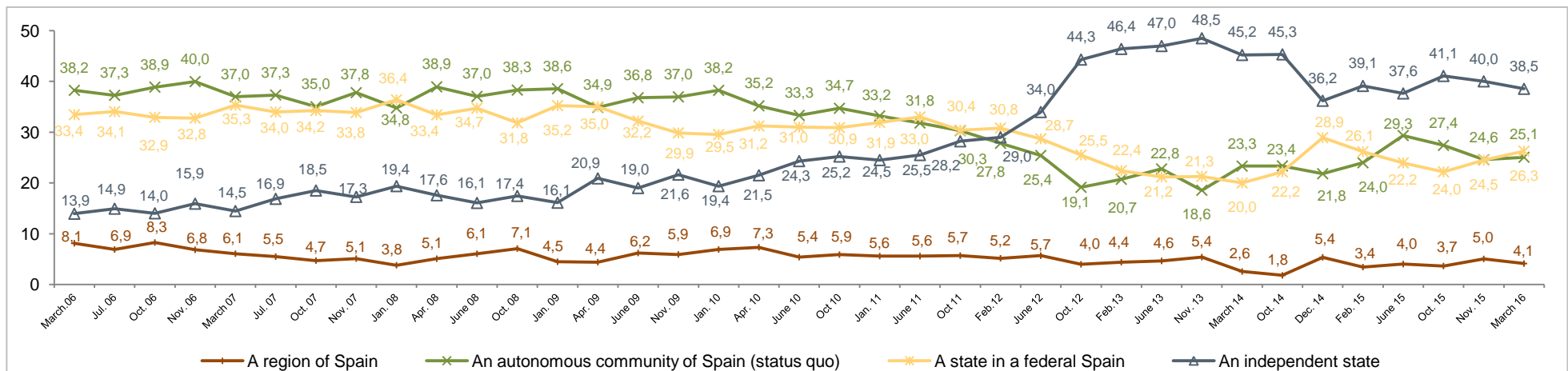
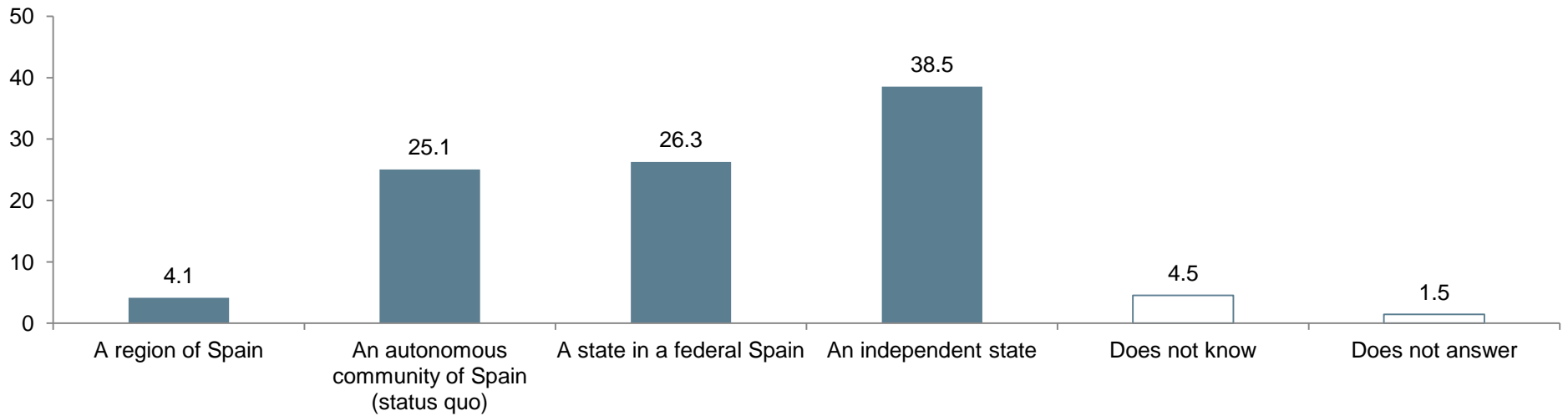
(N=1,500; simple response; %)



Question 30

Do you believe that Catalonia should be...

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



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

Catalonia-Spain relationship by vote recall to the Catalan Parliament



		Junts pel Sí	C's Ciutadans	PSC	CATALUNYA SI QUE ES POT	PP CATALA	CUP
A region of Spain	4.1	0.6	13.7	6.6	4.1	17.9	0.0
An Autonomous Community of Spain	25.1	4.5	63.7	43.8	22.2	71.8	2.4
A State within a federal Spain	26.3	12.3	18.5	36.5	56.0	7.7	14.5
An independent State	38.5	81.9	1.6	7.3	9.8	2.6	78.2
Does not know	4.5	0.6	1.6	5.1	6.0	0.0	3.2
Does not answer	1.5	0.0	0.8	0.7	1.9	0.0	1.6

Real base

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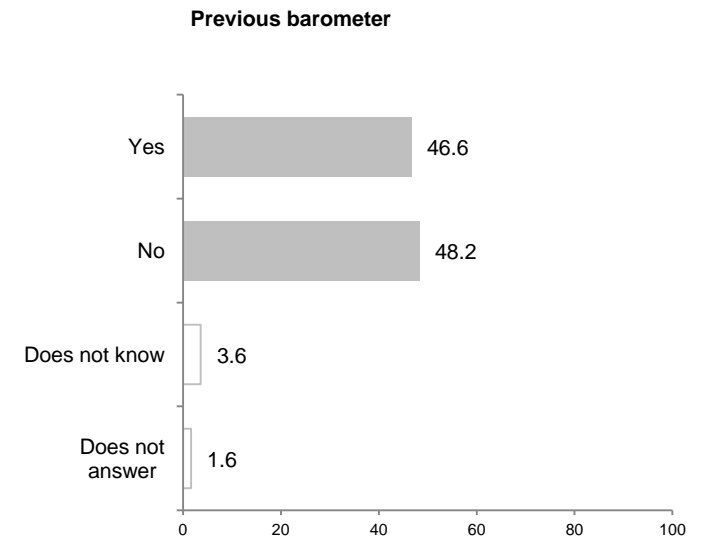
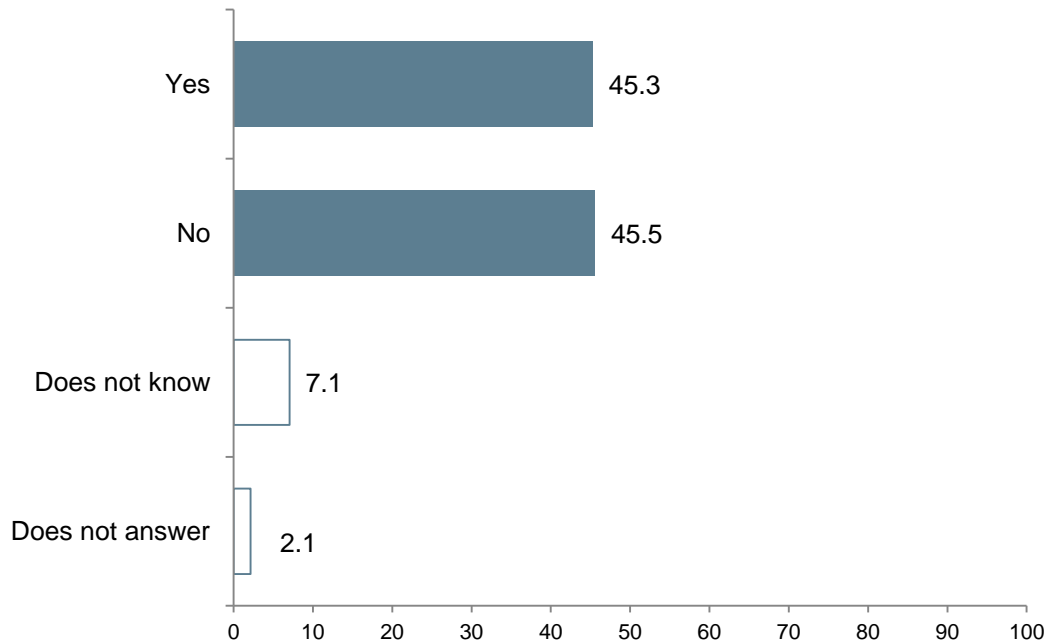
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(*) Non-significant results

Question 31

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



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		Vote recall to the Catalan Parliament					
Yes	45.3	90.1	3.2	8.0	20.3	5.1	86.3
No	45.5	7.8	94.4	83.9	63.9	94.9	4.0
Does not know	7.1	1.9	2.4	6.6	13.5	0.0	4.8
Does not answer	2.1	0.2	0.0	1.5	2.3	0.0	4.8
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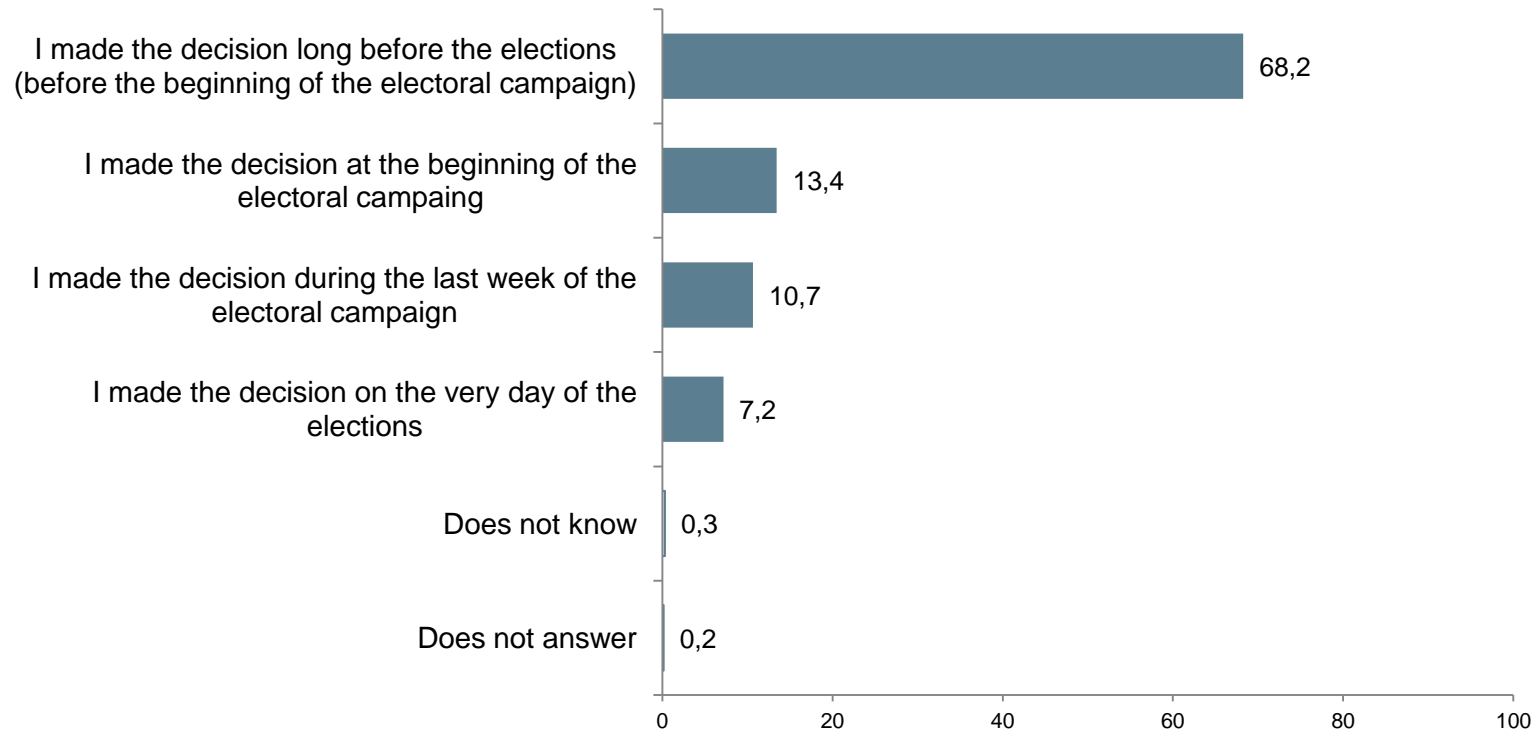
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Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote decision

Question 38a2

When did you decide to vote for the party or coalition that you actually voted for?

(Base: sure s/he did vote N=1,266; simple response; %;)

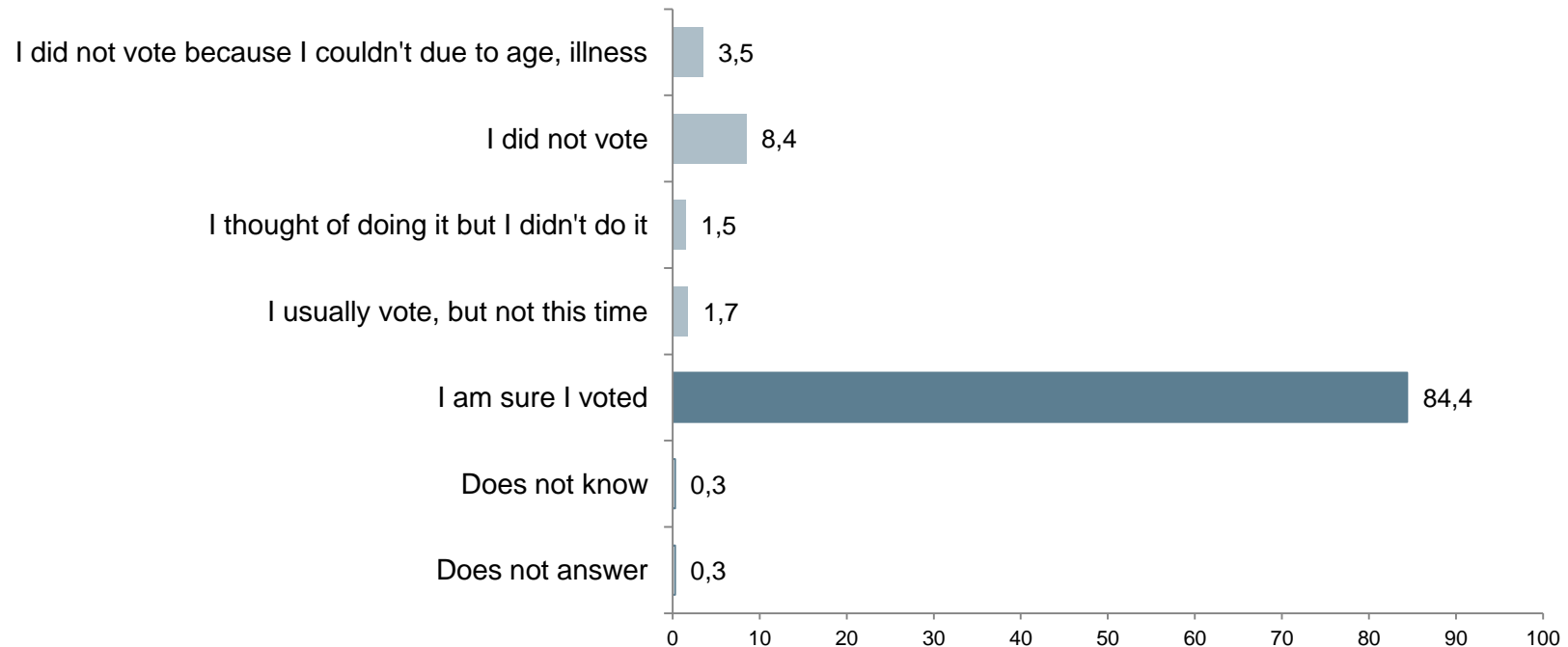


Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 38a

Which of the following sentences better describes your situation in the last elections to the Catalan Parliament?

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

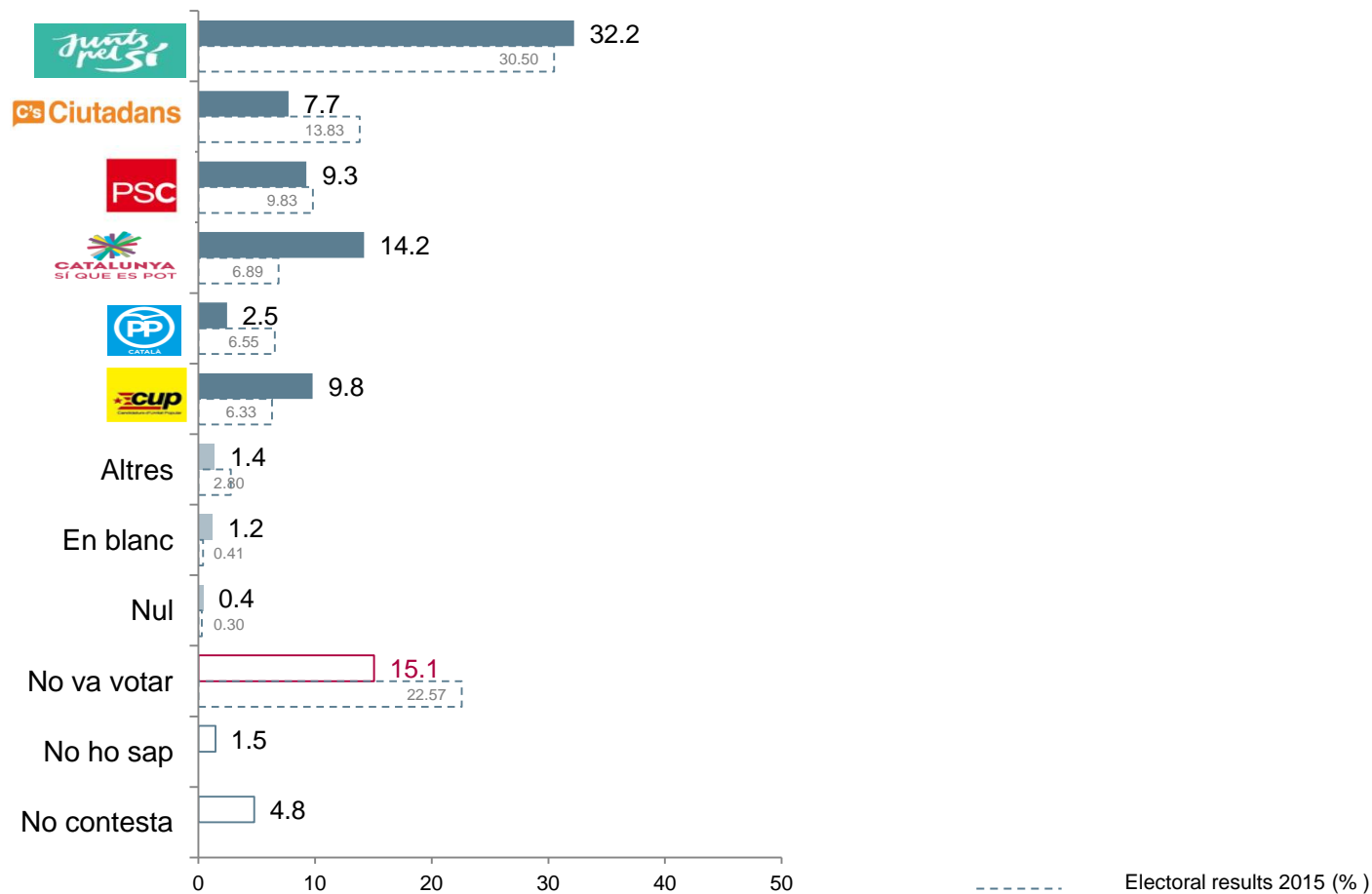


Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote recall

Question 39

Could you tell me what party or coalition did you vote for in the last elections to the Catalan Parliament?

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

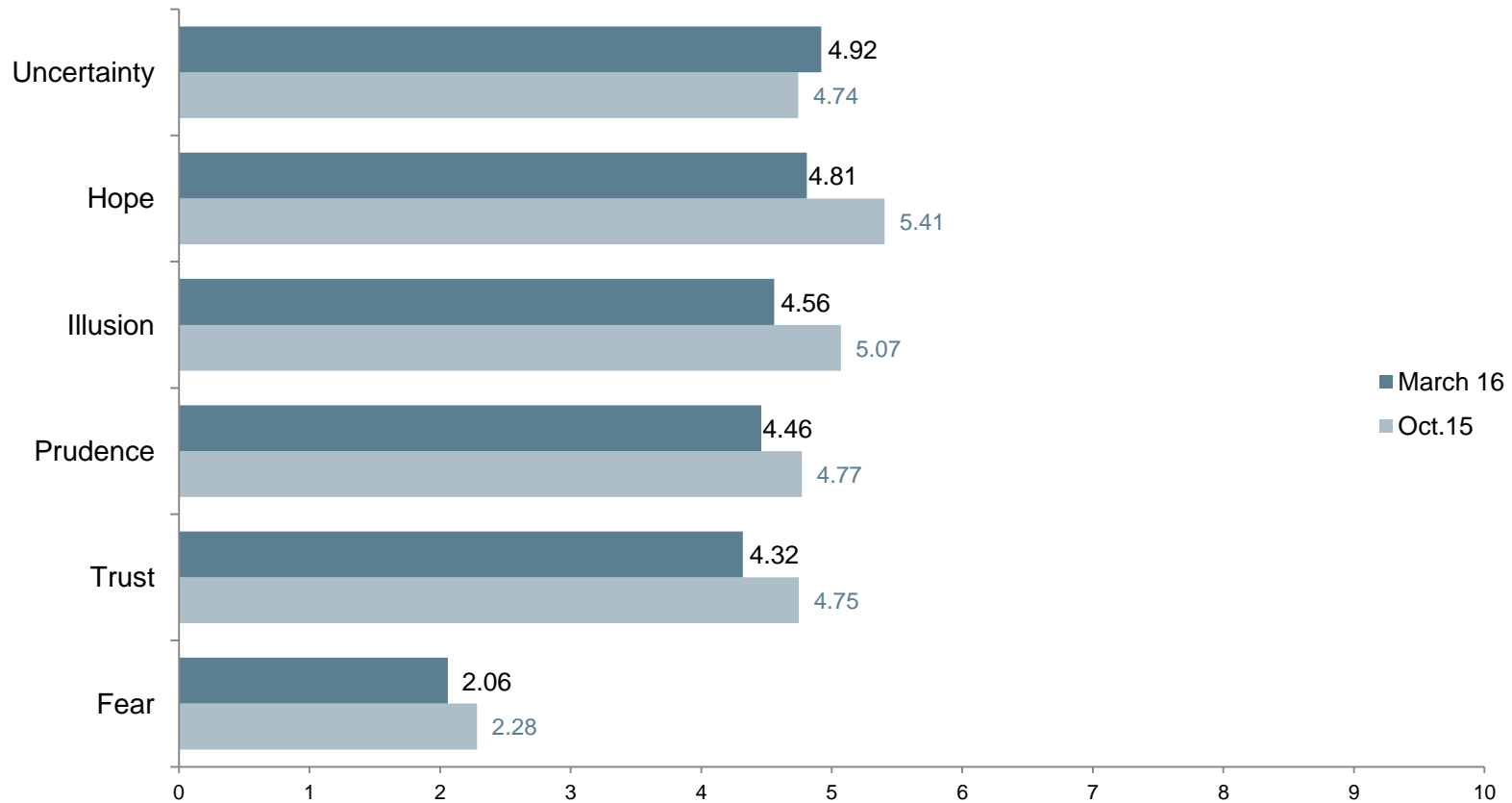


Perceptions of the elections to the Catalan Parliament

Question 59

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

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



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

Perception of the results by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

							
Uncertainty	4.92	4.67	5.53	5.32	5.09	6.41	4.02
Hope	4.81	6.79	2.97	3.88	4.09	3.03	6.19
Illusion	4.56	6.63	2.62	3.68	3.80	2.76	6.11
Prudence	4.46	4.84	4.13	4.62	4.43	5.27	4.28
Trust	4.32	6.16	2.74	3.50	3.52	3.06	5.65
Fear	2.06	1.57	2.80	3.18	2.26	3.92	1.17

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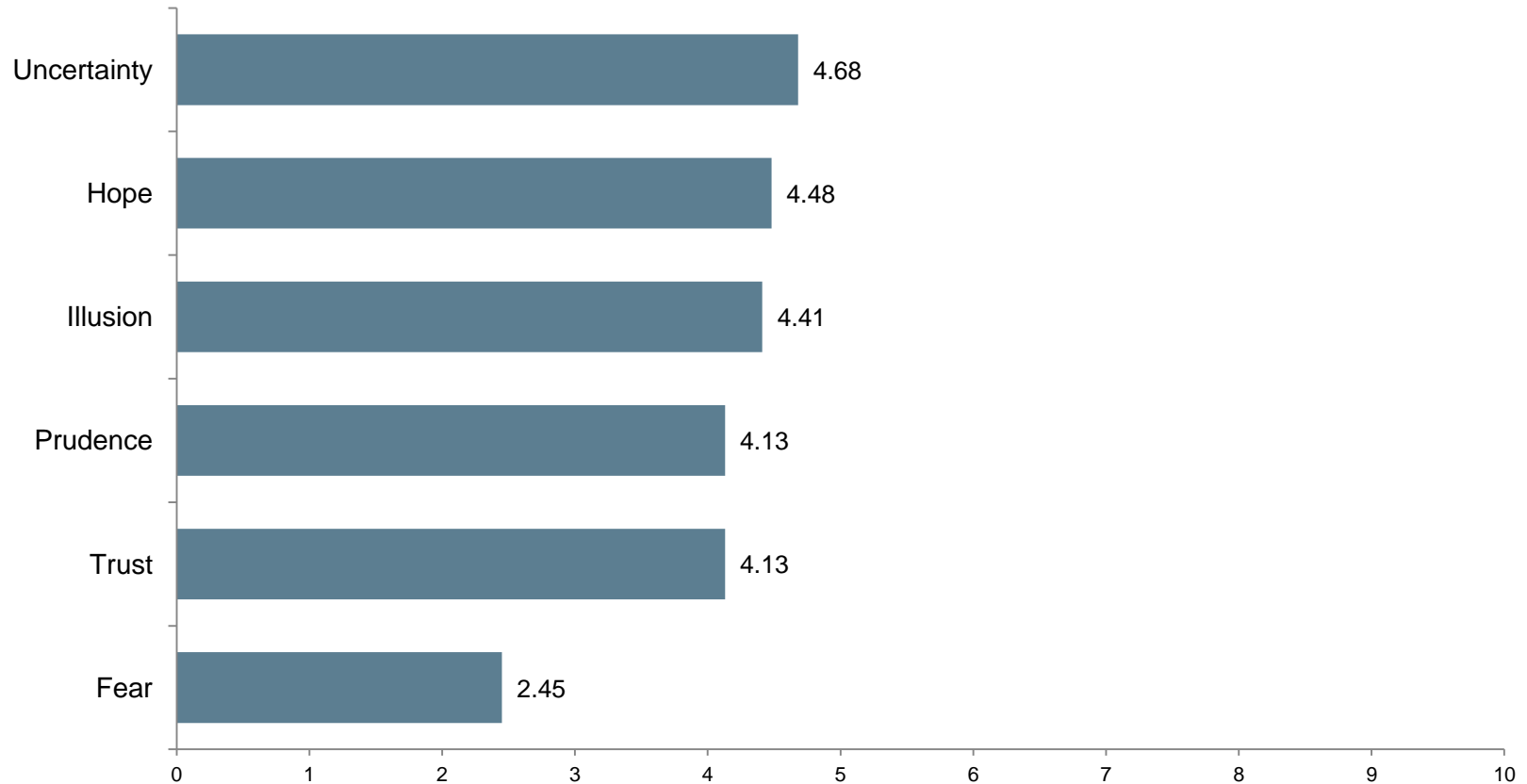
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Perceptions about the configuration of the new government of the Generalitat de Catalunya

Question 63

And now I am going to ask you about the configuration of the government of the Generalitat de Catalunya. Could you tell me using the same scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means none and 10 a lot, with what intensity do you sense these feelings:

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







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

Perceptions about the new government by vote intention to the Catalan Parliament

							
Uncertainty	4.68	4.09	5.59	5.07	5.24	5.68	4.02
Hope	4.48	6.81	2.28	3.66	3.37	2.51	5.42
Illusion	4.41	4.95	3.87	4.25	4.34	4.34	4.43
Prudence	4.13	6.60	2.07	3.23	2.97	1.69	4.85
Trust	4.13	6.63	1.94	3.12	2.95	1.85	5.15
Fear	2.45	1.68	3.51	3.48	2.83	4.36	1.62

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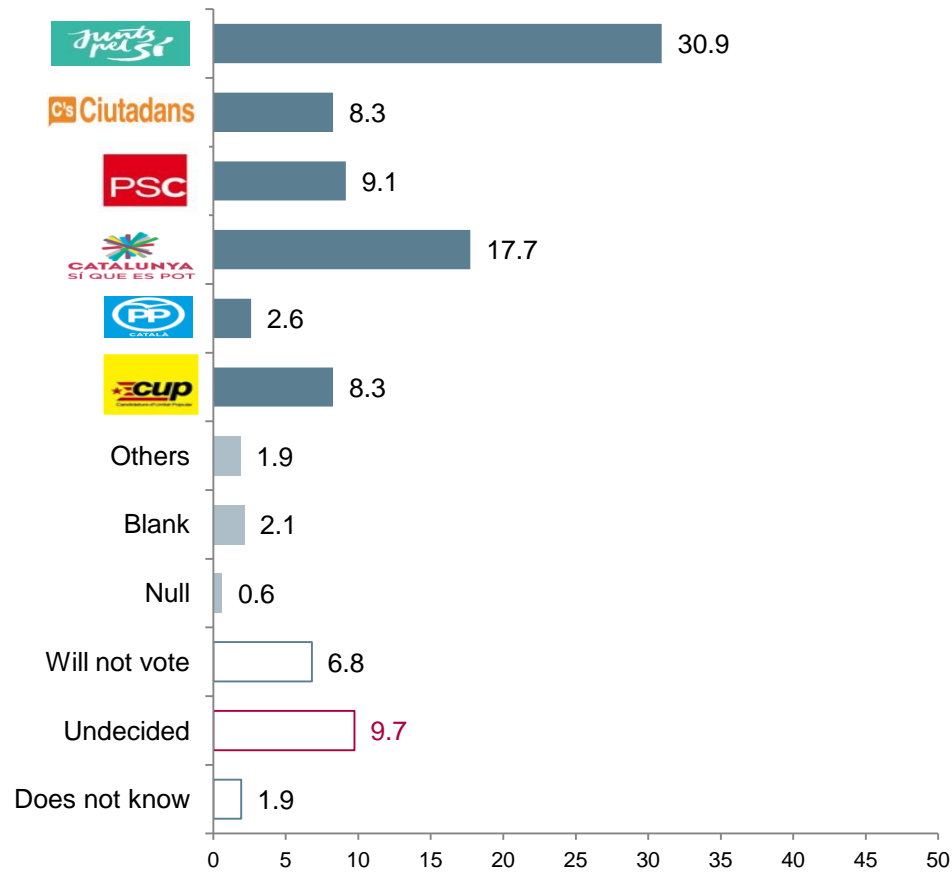
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Elections to the Catalan Parliament: vote intention

Question 37

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

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

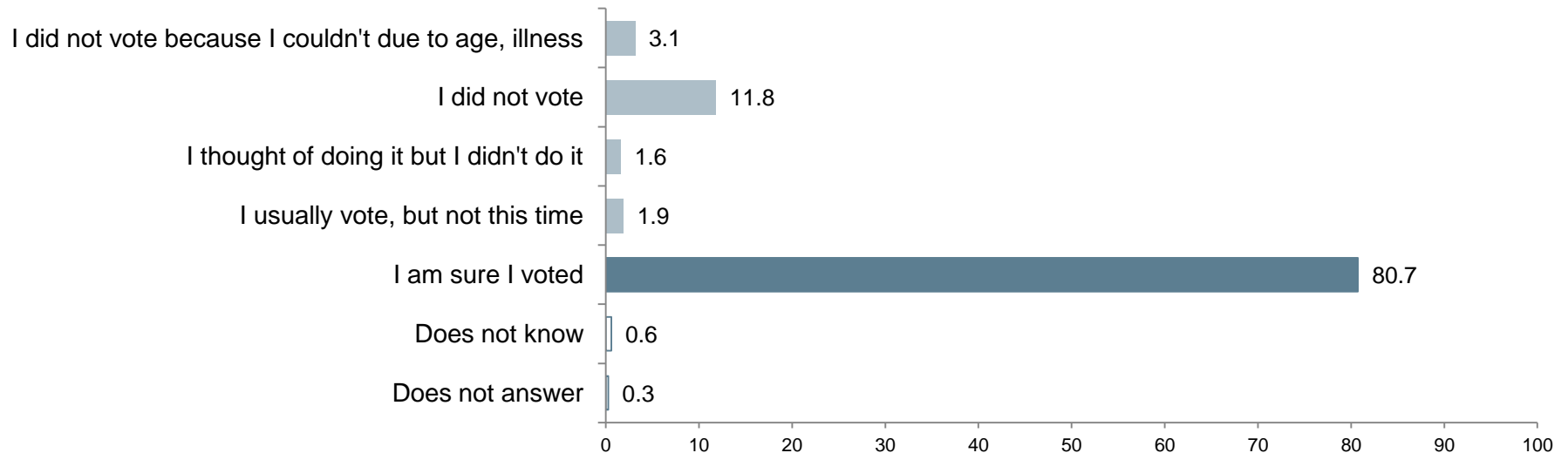


Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote recall

Question 40a

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

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

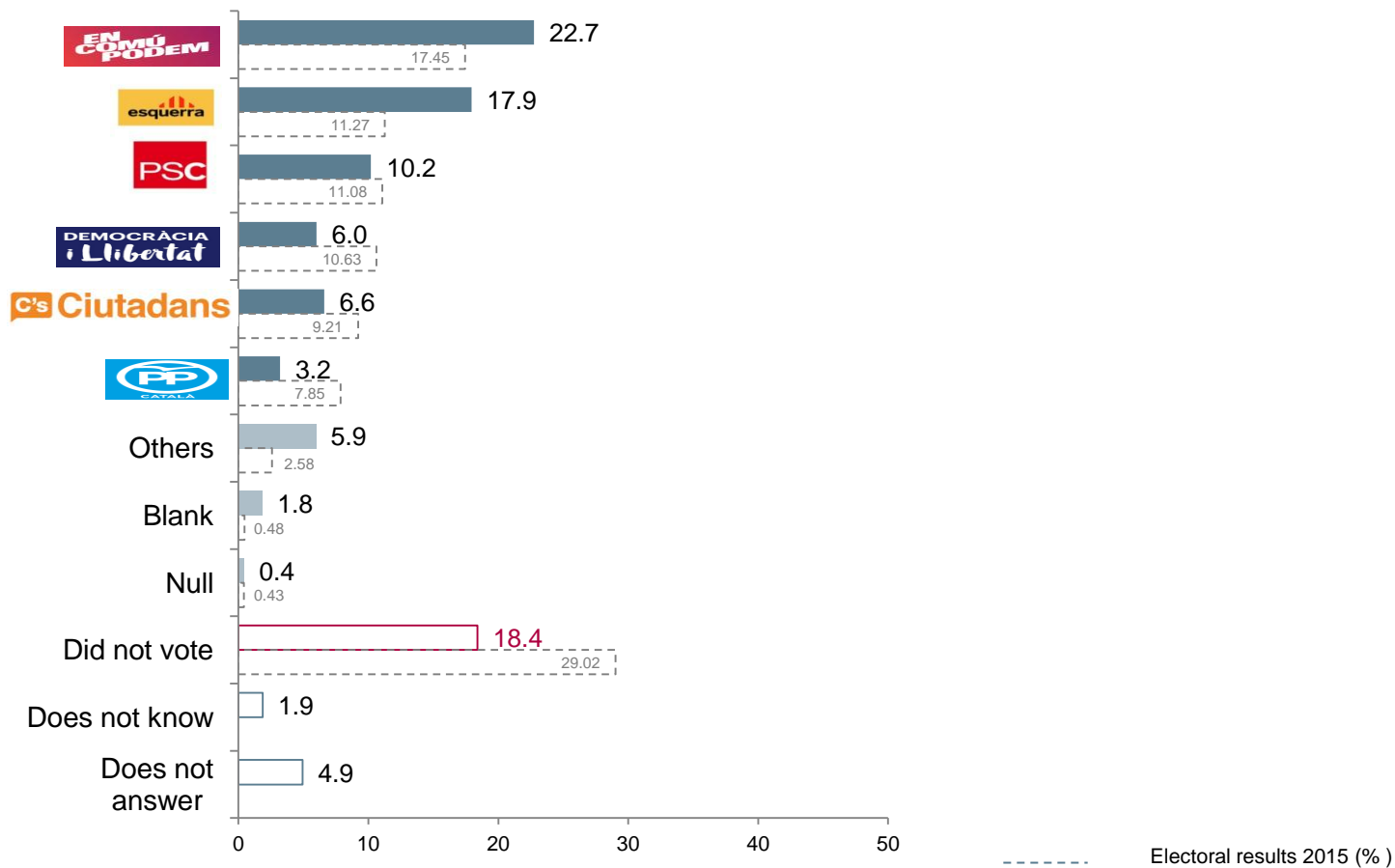


Elections to the Congreso de los Diputados: vote recall

Question 40

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







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



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

(ideology 1st and 2nd option; N=1500; multiple response; %)

		Ideological self-definition by vote recall to the Catalan Parliament					
							
Independentist	27.9	66.6	0.8	0.0	6.0	0.0	48.4
Progressive	18.4	20.7	8.9	10.2	34.6	2.6	19.4
Socialist	16.2	5.6	11.3	65.7	21.4	7.7	16.1
Ecologist	15.9	9.3	8.1	7.3	31.6	0.0	25.0
Liberal	11.4	11.9	20.2	10.9	11.3	20.5	4.0
Apolitical	11.1	5.0	6.5	2.2	12.0	12.8	7.3
Socialdemocrat	10.5	12.7	19.4	19.0	10.5	2.6	3.2
Conservative	8.8	6.9	25.0	5.8	2.3	51.3	2.4
Feminist	8.4	5.8	2.4	5.8	12.4	0.0	25.8
Nacionalist	8.1	16.8	4.8	0.7	4.5	2.6	3.2
Christian-democrat	4.1	4.3	12.1	0.7	1.9	12.8	0.8
Communist	3.1	0.6	2.4	1.5	7.9	0.0	10.5
Others	4.7	3.4	1.6	2.9	4.9	10.3	5.6
Does not know	6.0	1.7	9.7	5.8	4.9	10.3	4.0
Does not answer	3.0	1.3	4.0	2.2	1.5	0.0	0.0
Real base	1500	464	124	137	266	39	124













(*) Non-significant resultats

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		83.0	0.0	2.2	1.9	0.0	15.6	6.7	9.7	8.5	30.9
		0.4	75.9	2.9	0.9	10.8	0.7	0.0	9.7	1.1	8.3
		0.2	1.7	74.1	2.3	2.7	0.0	2.2	9.7	2.1	9.1
		2.9	1.7	6.5	81.2	0.0	11.6	15.6	17.7	4.3	17.7
		0.0	1.7	0.0	0.0	75.7	0.0	0.0	3.1	2.1	2.6
		2.7	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	65.3	0.0	4.9	2.1	8.3
	Rest (*)	1.7	4.3	2.9	2.3	2.7	1.5	57.8	4.9	7.4	4.6
	Will not vote	1.9	5.2	2.2	0.9	0.0	0.0	8.9	29.6	11.7	6.8
Dk/Na	7.2	9.5	9.4	9.4	8.1	5.4	8.9	10.6	60.6	11.7	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Real base	483	116	139	213	37	147	45	226	94	1500	

(*) 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 2015									
								Rest (*)	Did not vote	Dk/Na	Total
Vote intention to the Congreso de los Diputados		83.9	5.2	5.2	5.6	1.0	0.0	6.6	14.1	1.0	24.1
		2.3	83.6	0.7	7.8	0.0	0.0	9.8	9.1	5.9	18.9
		1.8	0.0	81.0	0.0	3.0	2.1	0.8	8.0	2.9	10.7
		0.9	1.5	0.0	61.1	0.0	0.0	27.9	4.7	4.9	7.6
		0.0	0.0	3.9	0.0	72.7	10.4	3.3	8.0	2.9	7.5
		0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	4.0	81.3	0.8	2.2	1.0	3.5
	Rest (*)	3.5	3.7	0.7	1.1	1.0	0.0	37.7	10.5	6.9	7.1
	Will not vote	1.2	1.5	0.7	6.7	6.1	2.1	4.1	31.9	4.9	8.0
Dk/Na	6.5	4.5	7.8	16.7	12.1	4.2	9.0	11.6	69.6	12.6	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Real base	341	269	153	90	99	48	122	276	102	1500	
(*) Others+null+blank											

Elections to the Catalan Parliament						
BOP-1st wave 2016						
	Direct vote intention	Vote estimate	Sits estimate	Results 2015		
	(in %)	(in % over valid vote)		%VV	sits	
Junts pel Sí	30.9	35.8	56-58	39.59	62	
C's	8.3	16.7	22-23	17.90	25	
PSC	9.1	12.2	13-14	12.72	16	
CSQP	17.7	17.9	21-23	8.94	11	
PP	2.6	7.0	9-10	8.49	11	
CUP	8.3	7.5	9-11	8.21	10	
others	1.9	2.5	0	3.63	---	
Blank vote	2.1	0.4		0.53	---	
Null vote	0.6		Part. 70%			
Abstention ("will not vote"+"cannot vote")	6.8					
Undecided	9.7					
Does not answer	1.9					

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	(in %)	(in % over valid vote)		%VV	sits	
En Comú Podem	24.1	25.5	12	24.71	12	
ERC	18.9	19.2	10-11	15.99	9	
C's	7.5	14.5	7	13.05	5	
PSC	10.7	15.2	7	15.69	8	
CDC (Democràcia i Llibertat)	7.6	12.4	6-7	15.08	8	
PP	3.5	10.0	4	11.12	5	
others	4.3	2.6	----	3.69	---	
Blank vote	2.1	0.6		0.68		
Null vote	0.7					
Abstention ("will not vote"+"cannot vote")	8.0					
Undecided	9.7					
Does not answer	2.9					
			Part. 68%			