

Chile's Constitutional Convention

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Convención Constitucional: Innovación y Renovación

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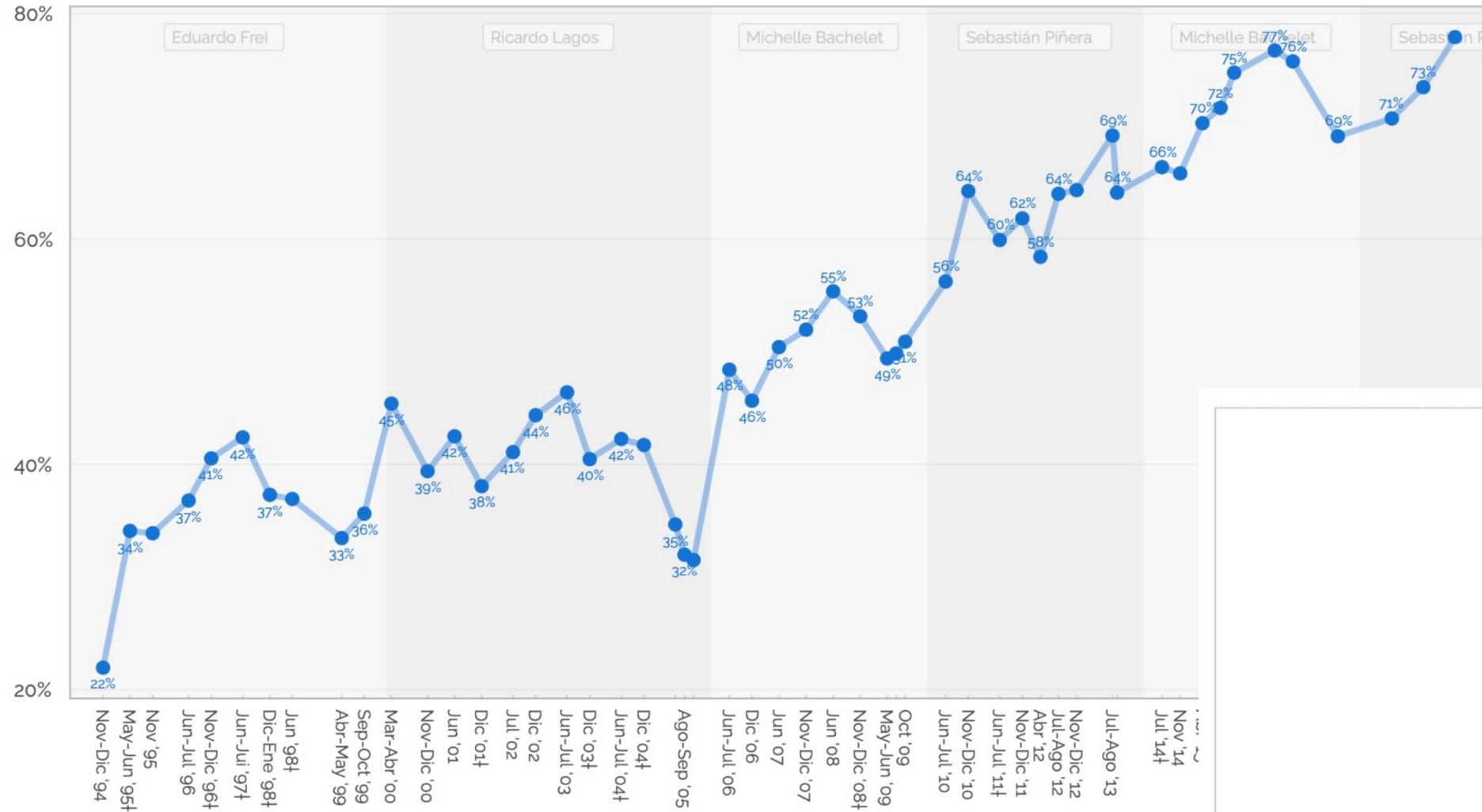
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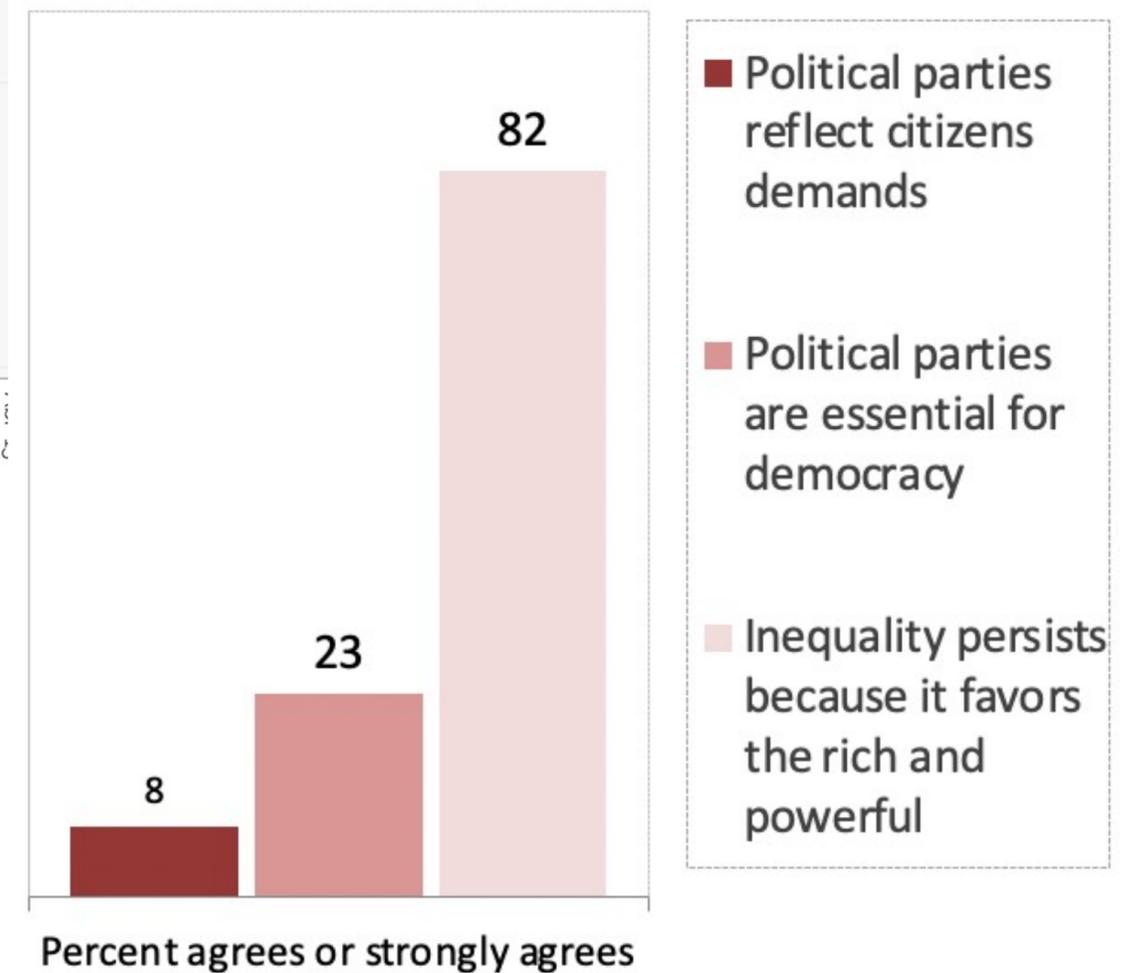
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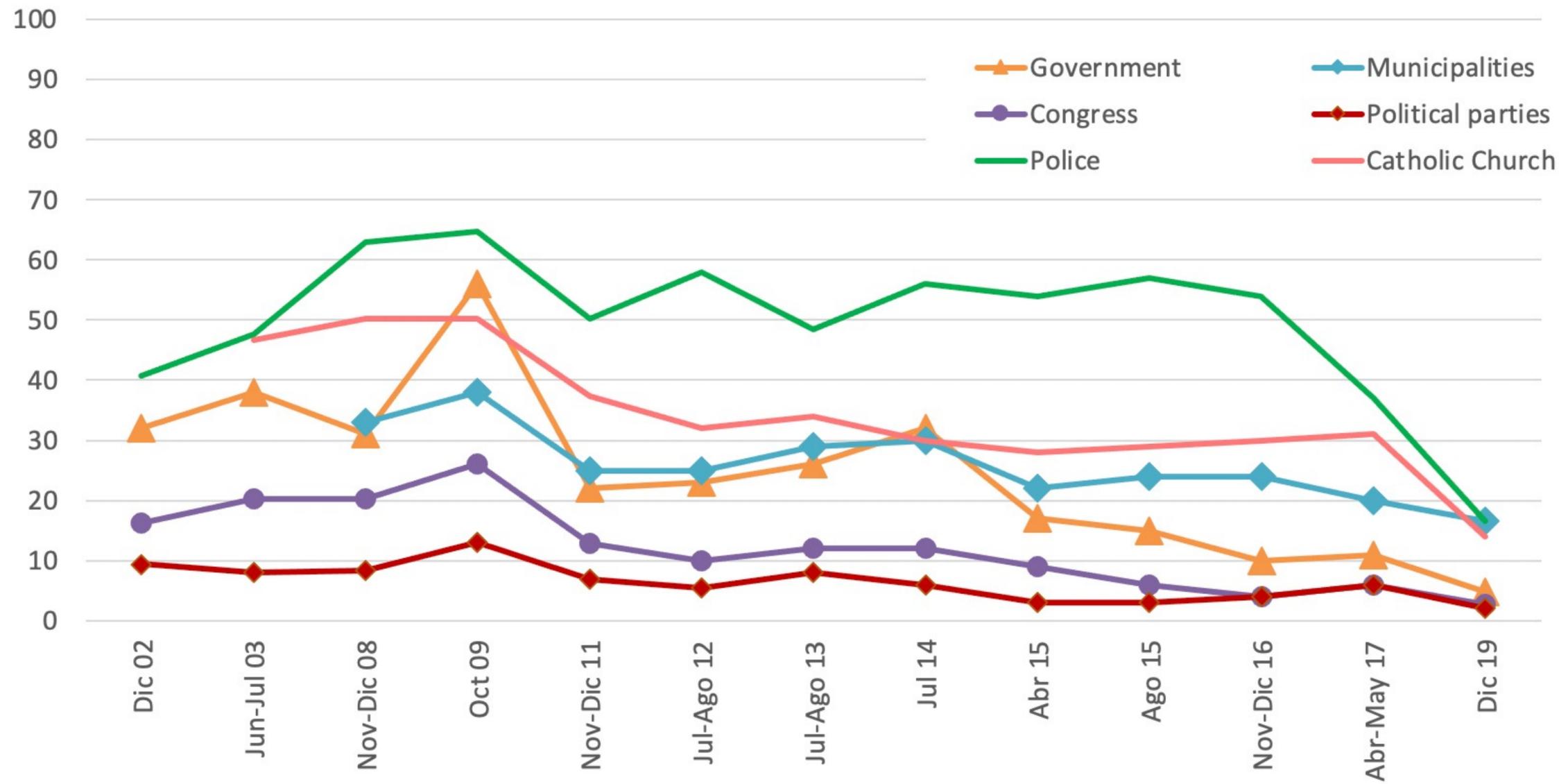
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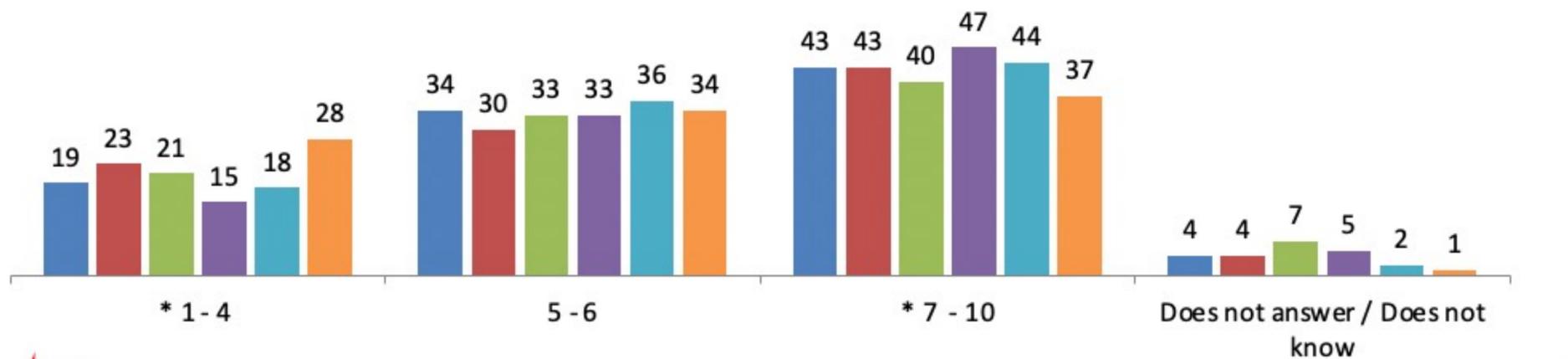
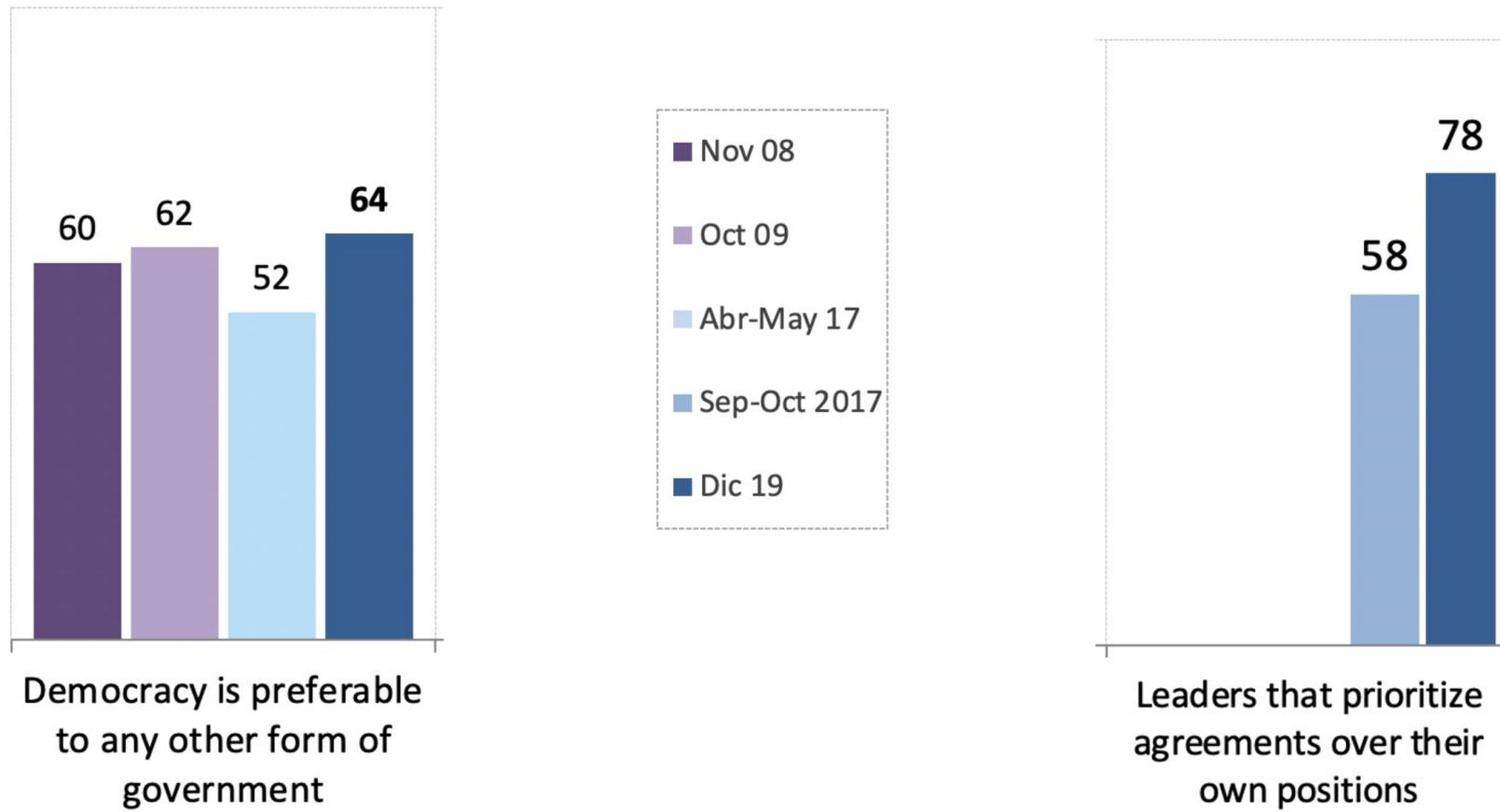


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← Incomes should be more equal, even if individual effort is not rewarded

Individual effort should be rewarded, even if it produces important income differences →



Context

Process of democratic deepening

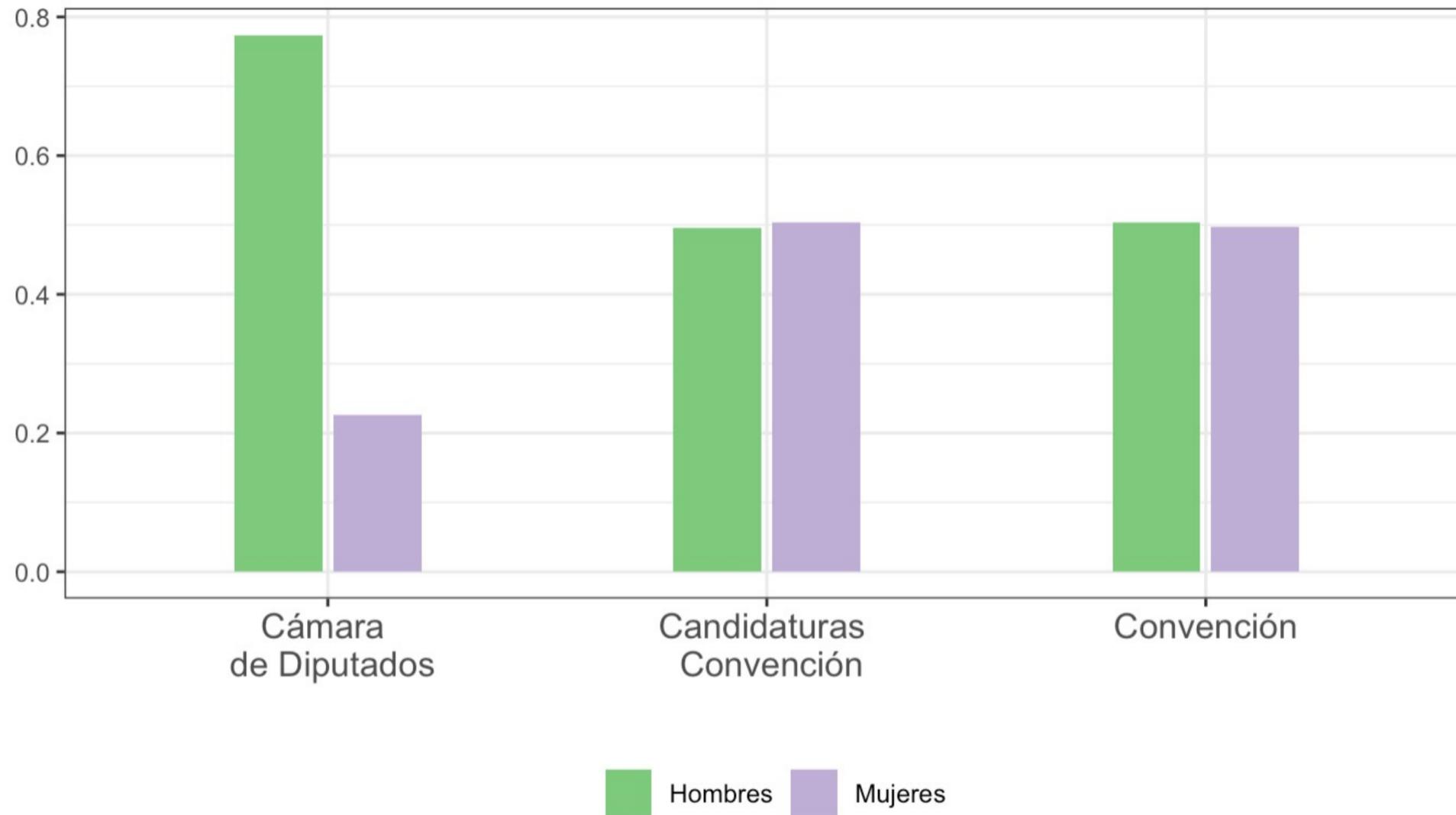
- Inclusion
- Increase in competition

October 2019 social outburst:

Profound crisis > **Institutional path**

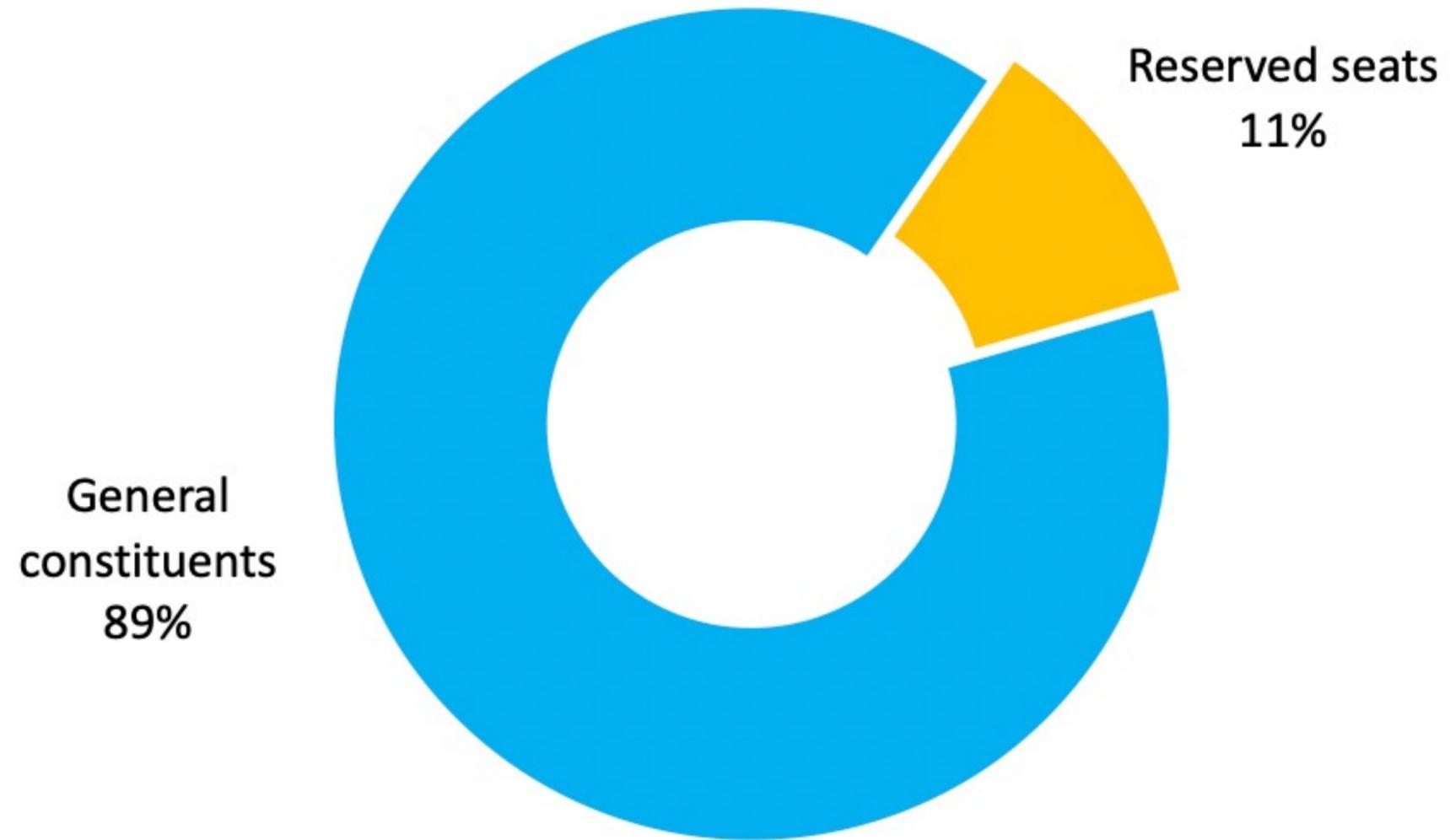
Three key institutional innovations for the election of the Constitutional Convention election

Institutional innovation I: Parity



Fuente: elaboración propia en base a datos preliminares Servel y Emol

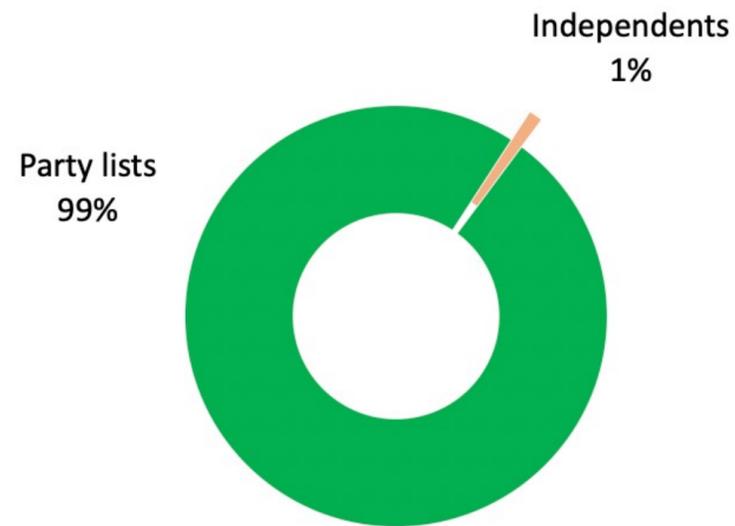
Institutional innovation II: Reserved seats



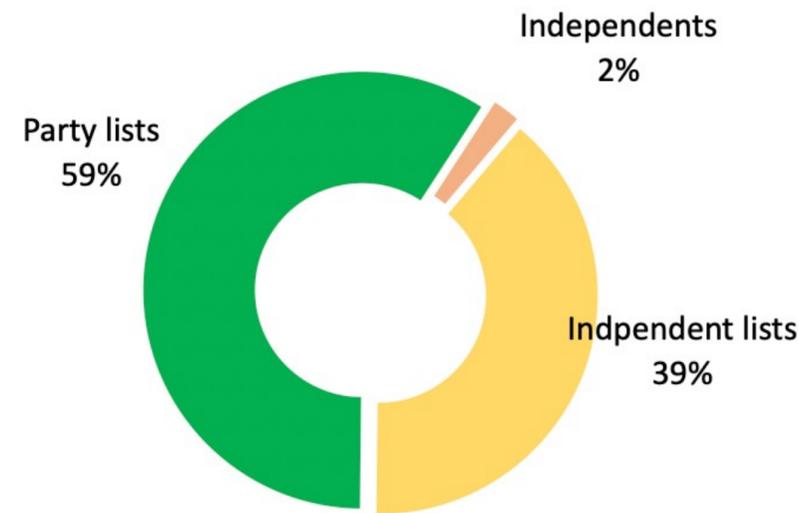
Institutional innovation III: Lists of independents

Candidates (not including reserved seats)

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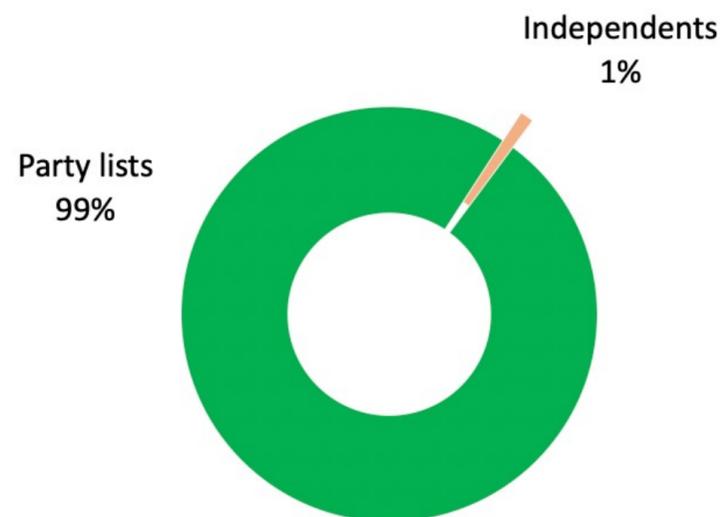


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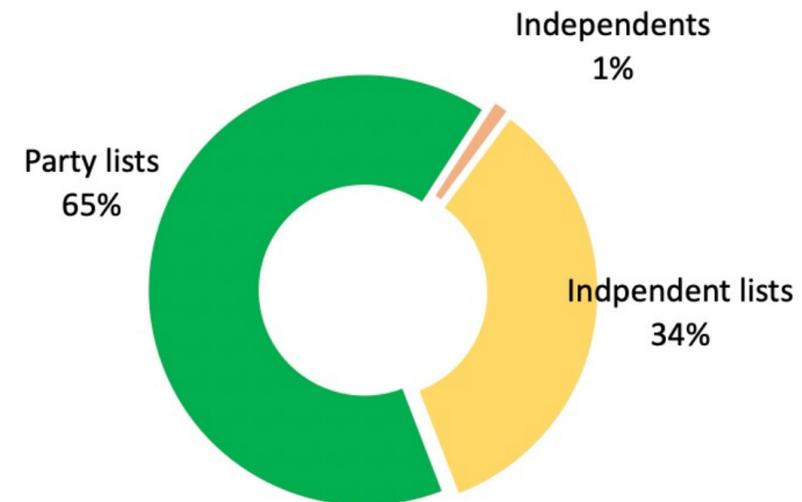


Elected (not including reserved seats)

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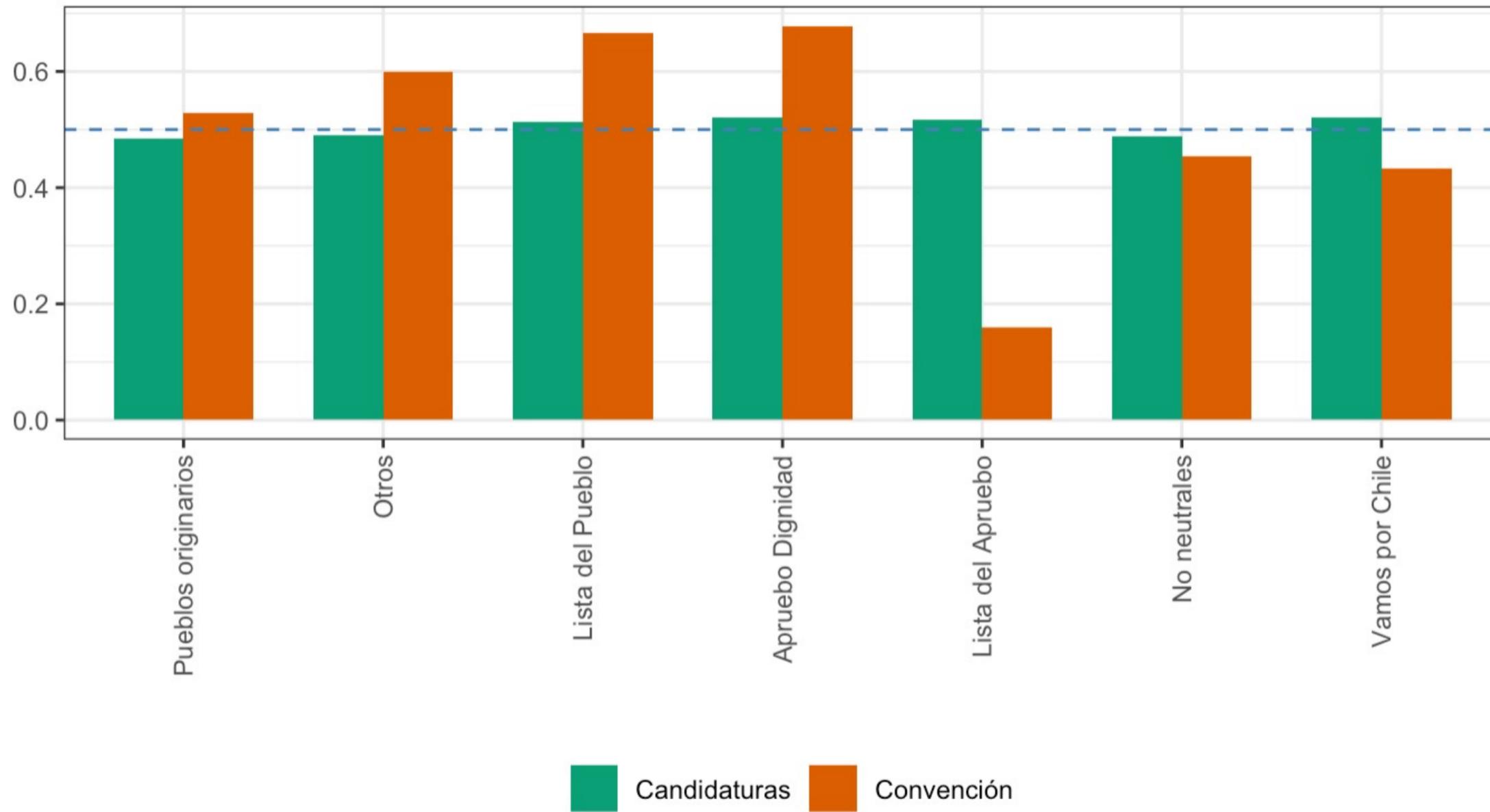
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Results

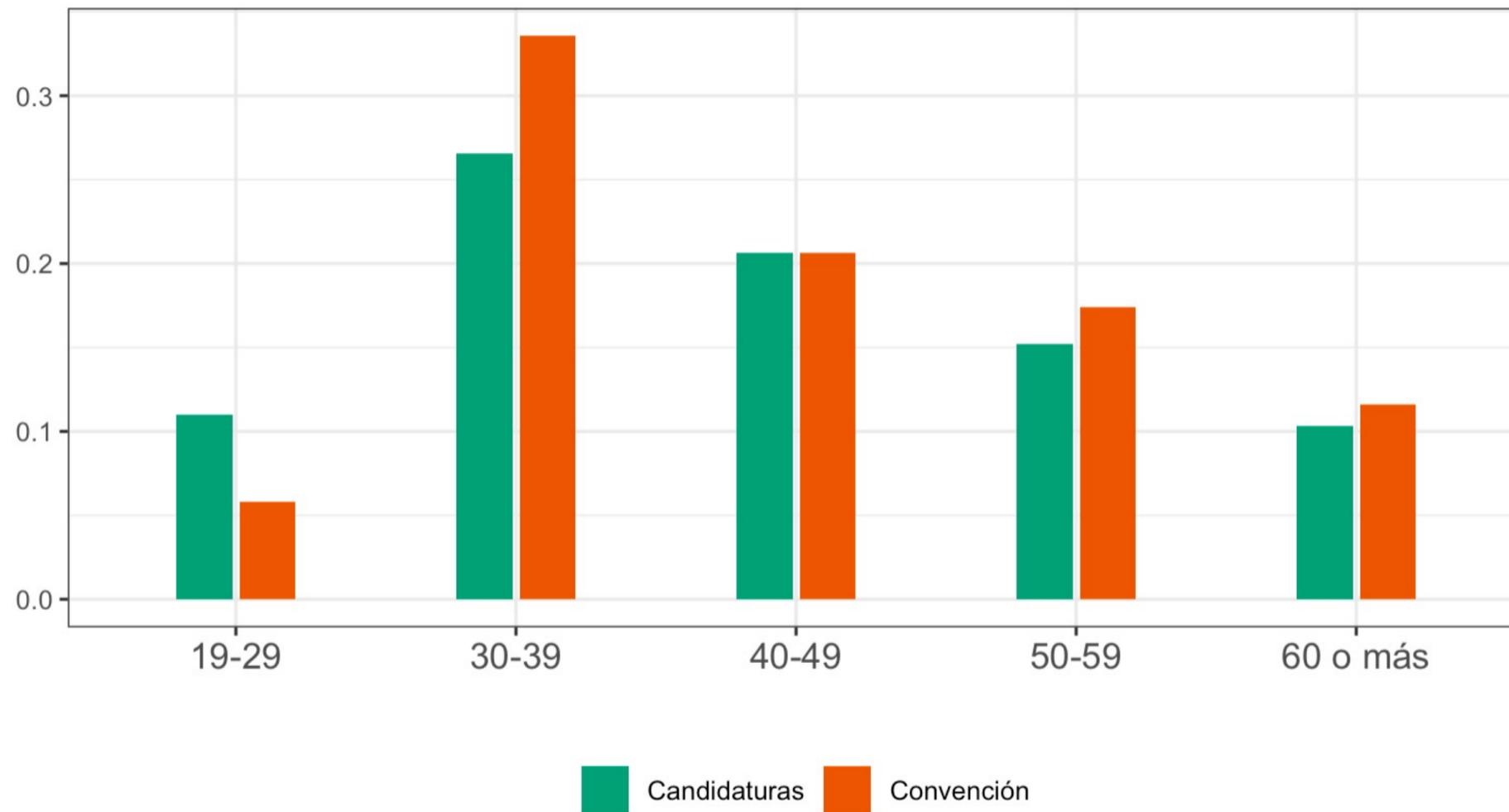
- **Younger members**
- **Gender parity and reserved seats by design**
- **Weak political center**
- **Political parties weakened**
- **Substantive renewal**

Composition Men and Women



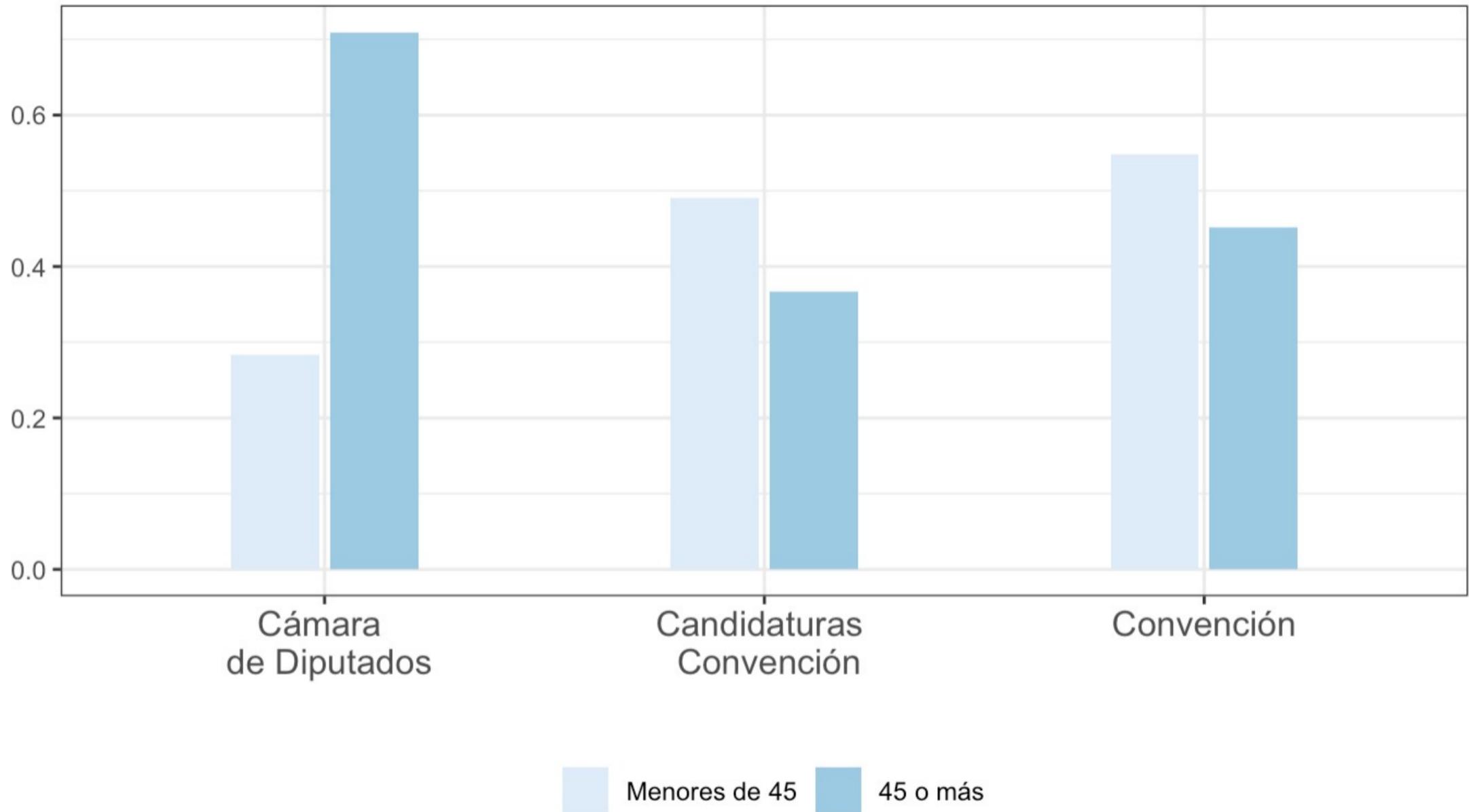
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 Nota: En La Lista del Pueblo se incluyen listas asociadas con otro nombre

Composition Age groups



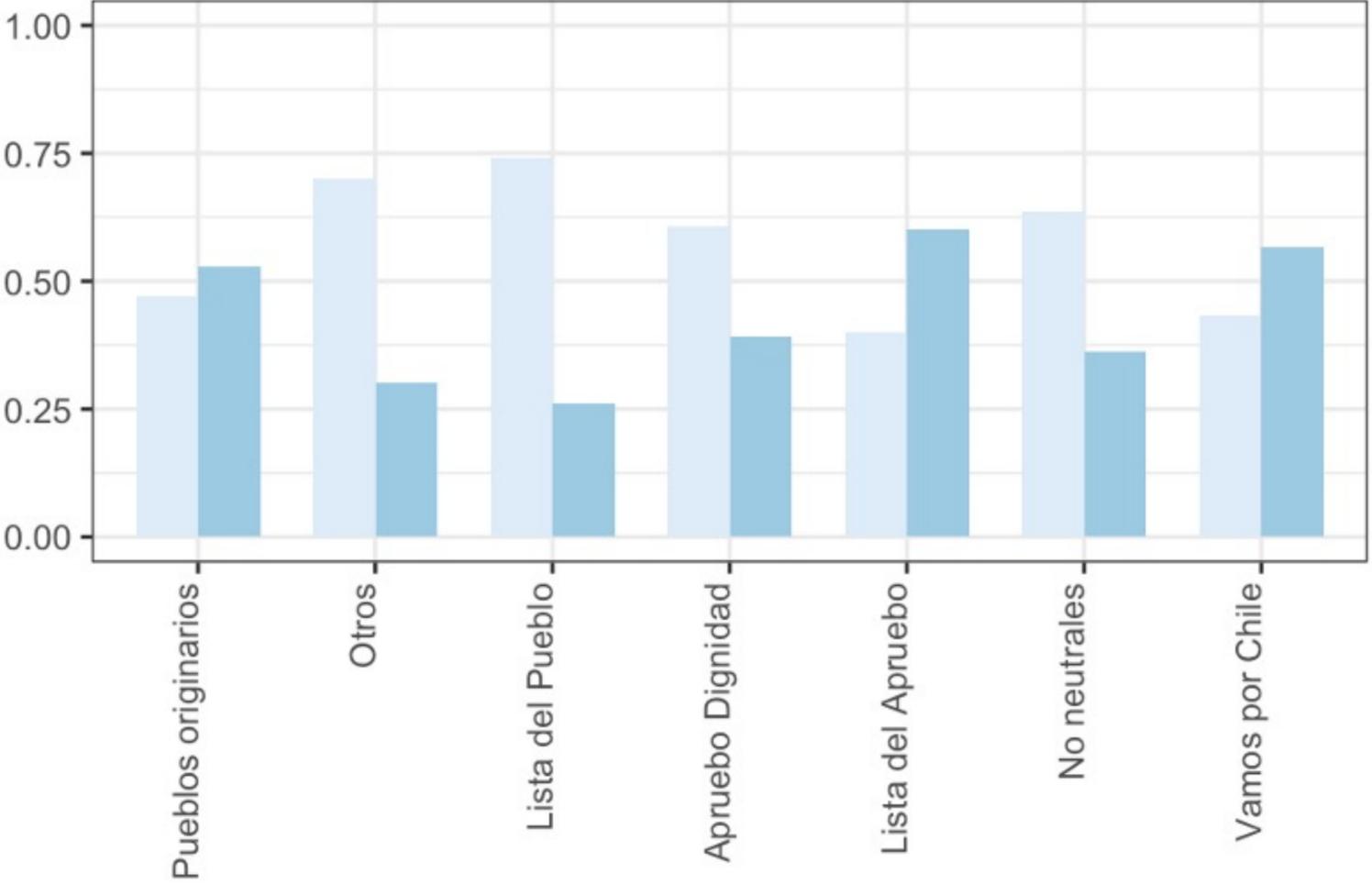
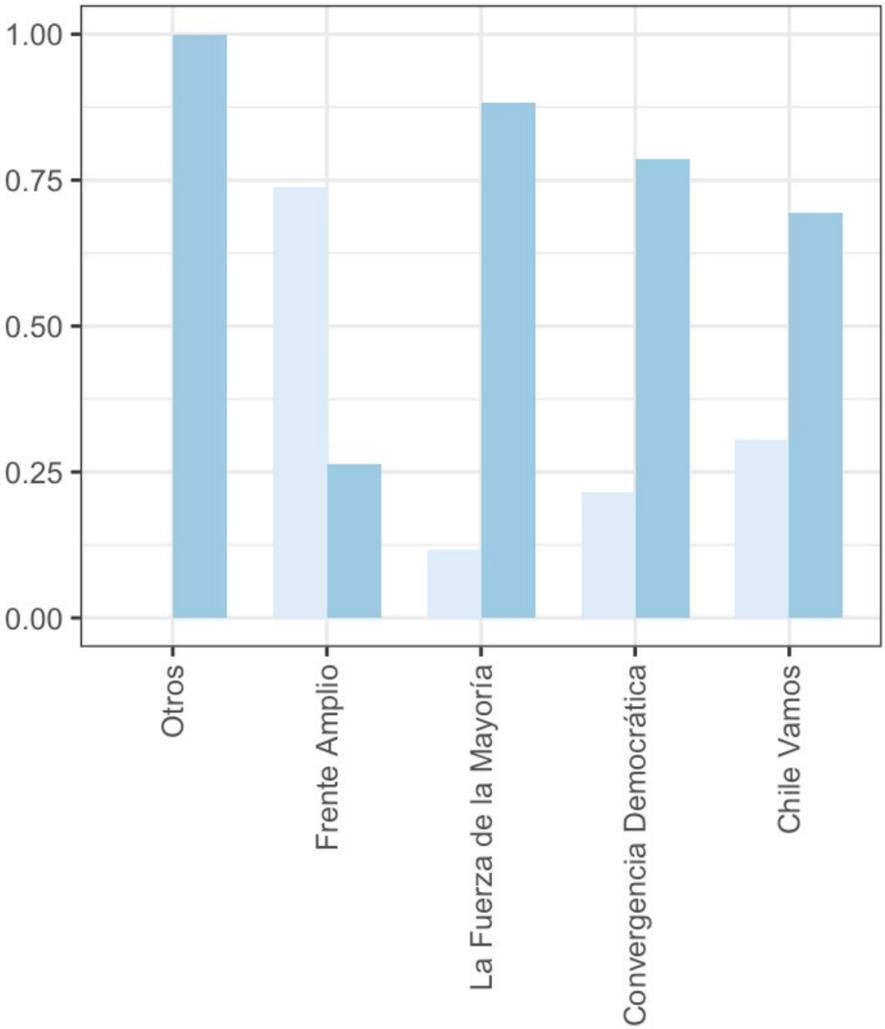
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Renewal: younger members



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Renewal: Younger members within lists

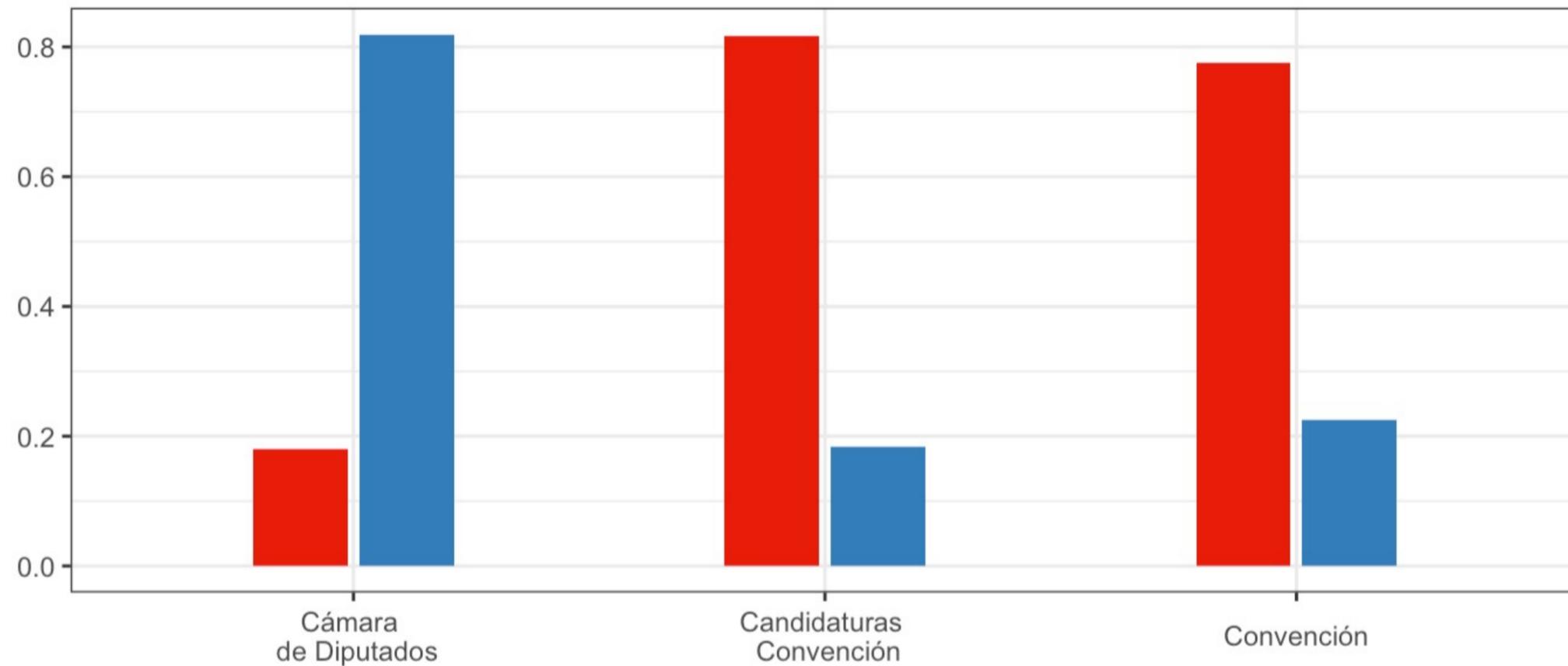


Menores de 45 45 o más

Fuente: Elaboración propia en base a Emol y datos preliminares del Servel

Composition

Experienced politicians vs first time candidates

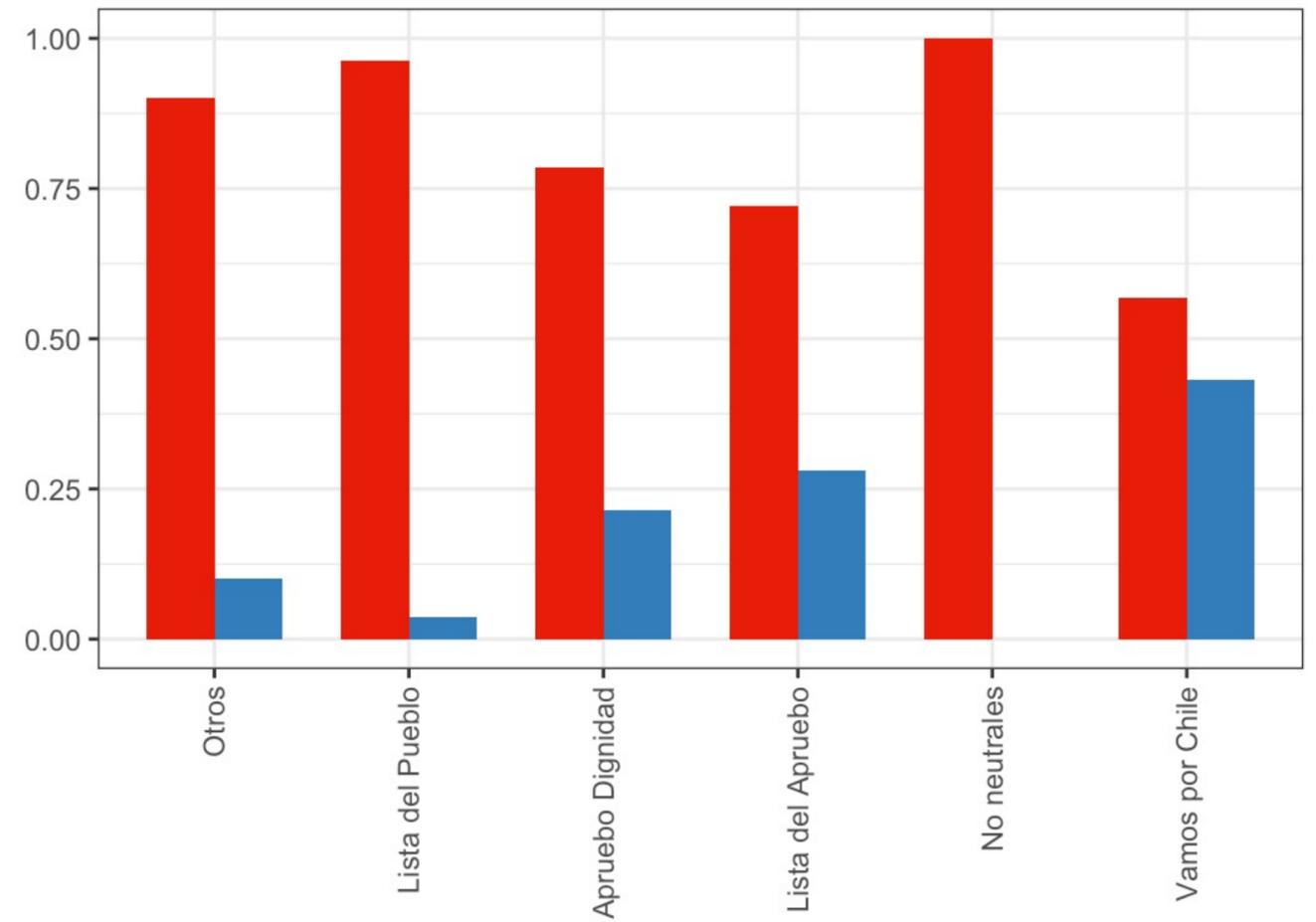
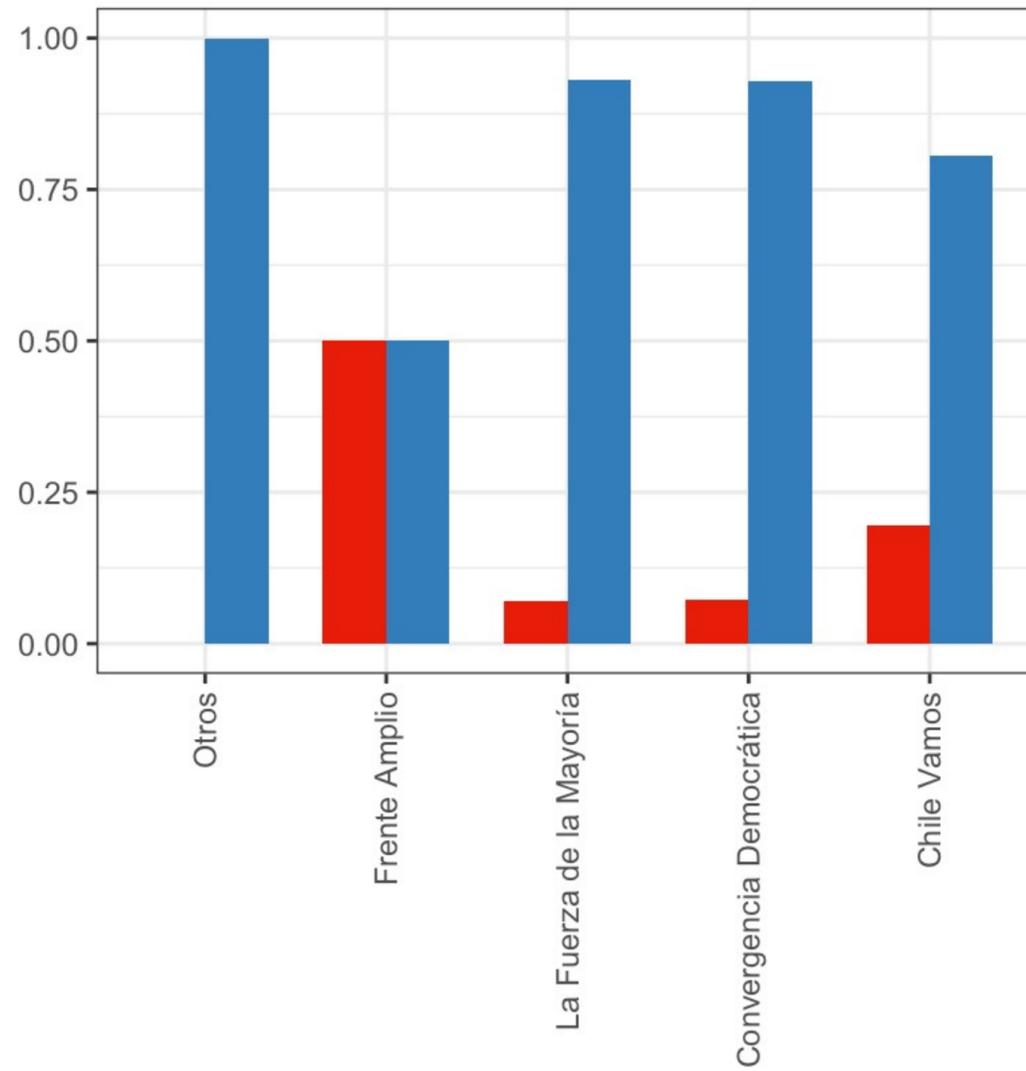


Ha participado en otra elección:



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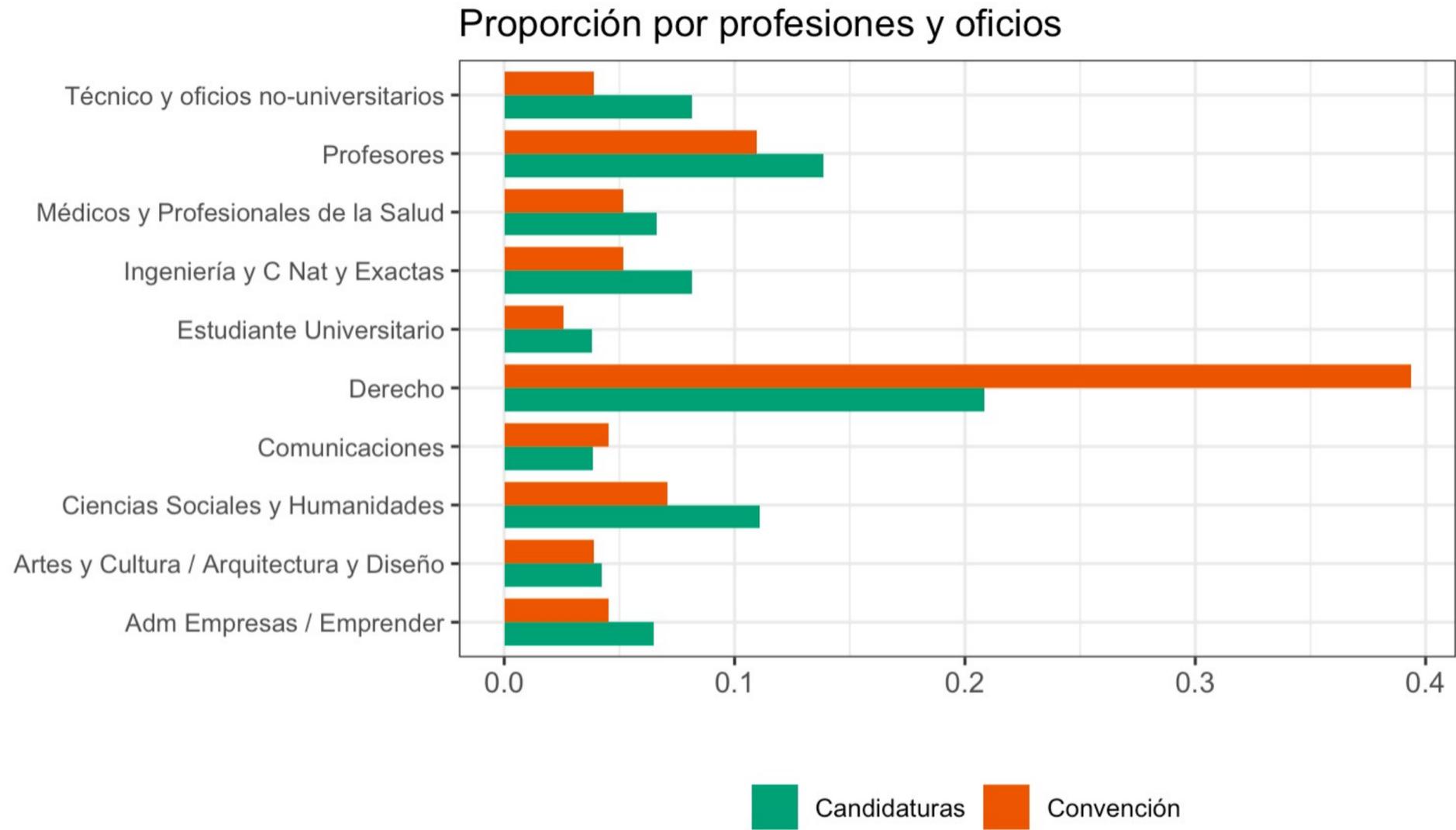
Renewal: First time candidates within lists



■ No
 ■ Sí

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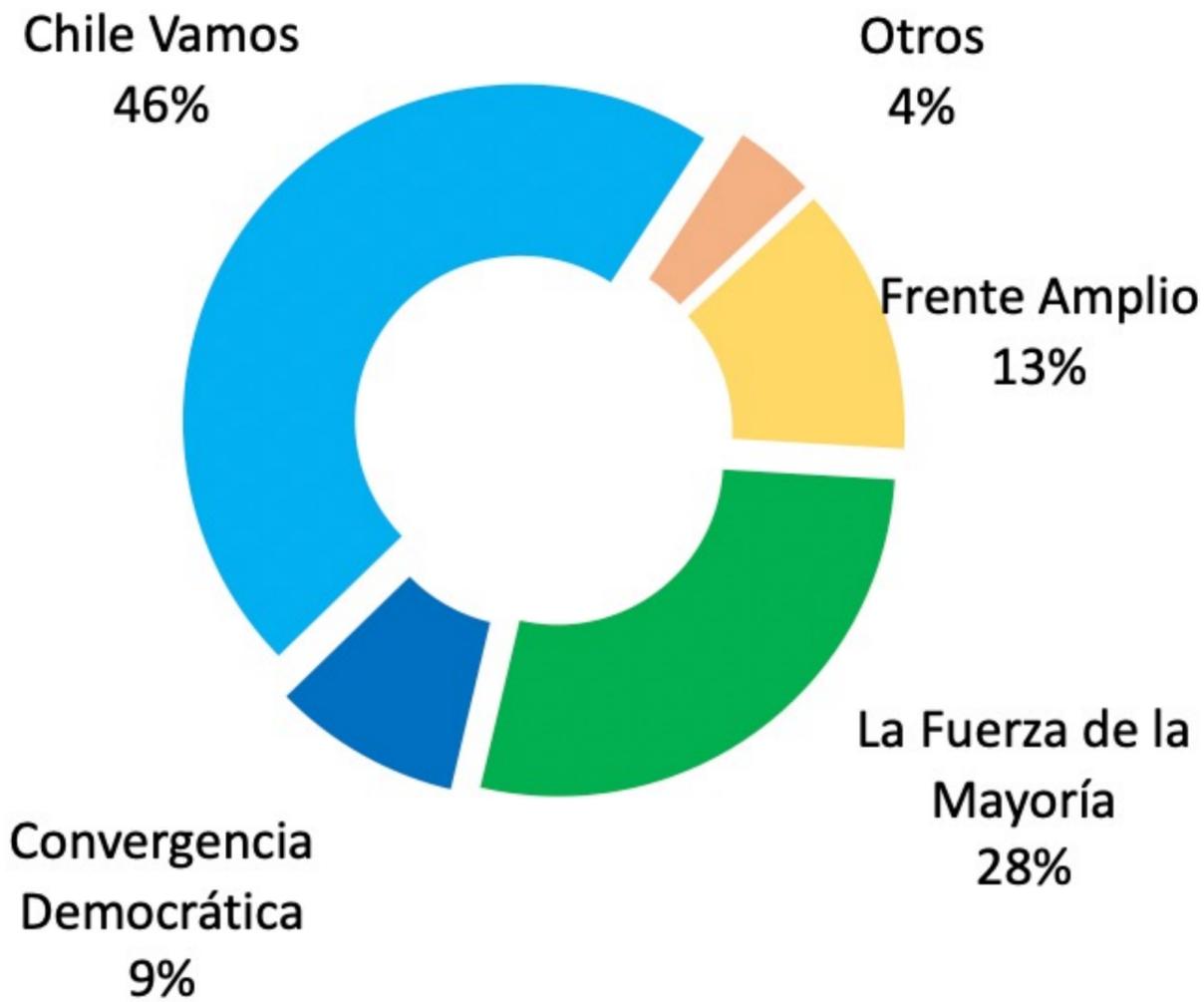
Composition Professions and trades



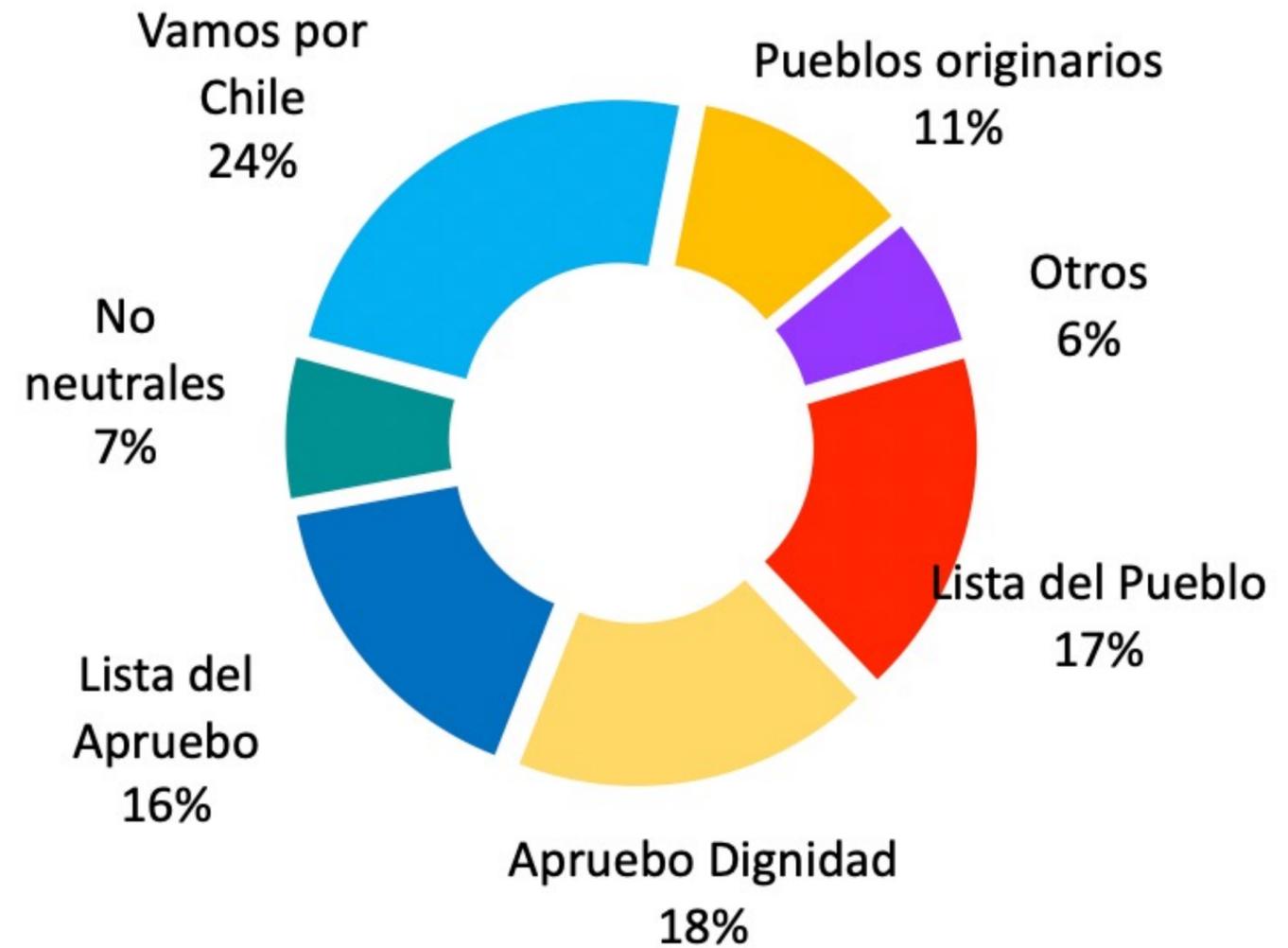
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Composition Lists

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Agreements within CC: Parties and pacts

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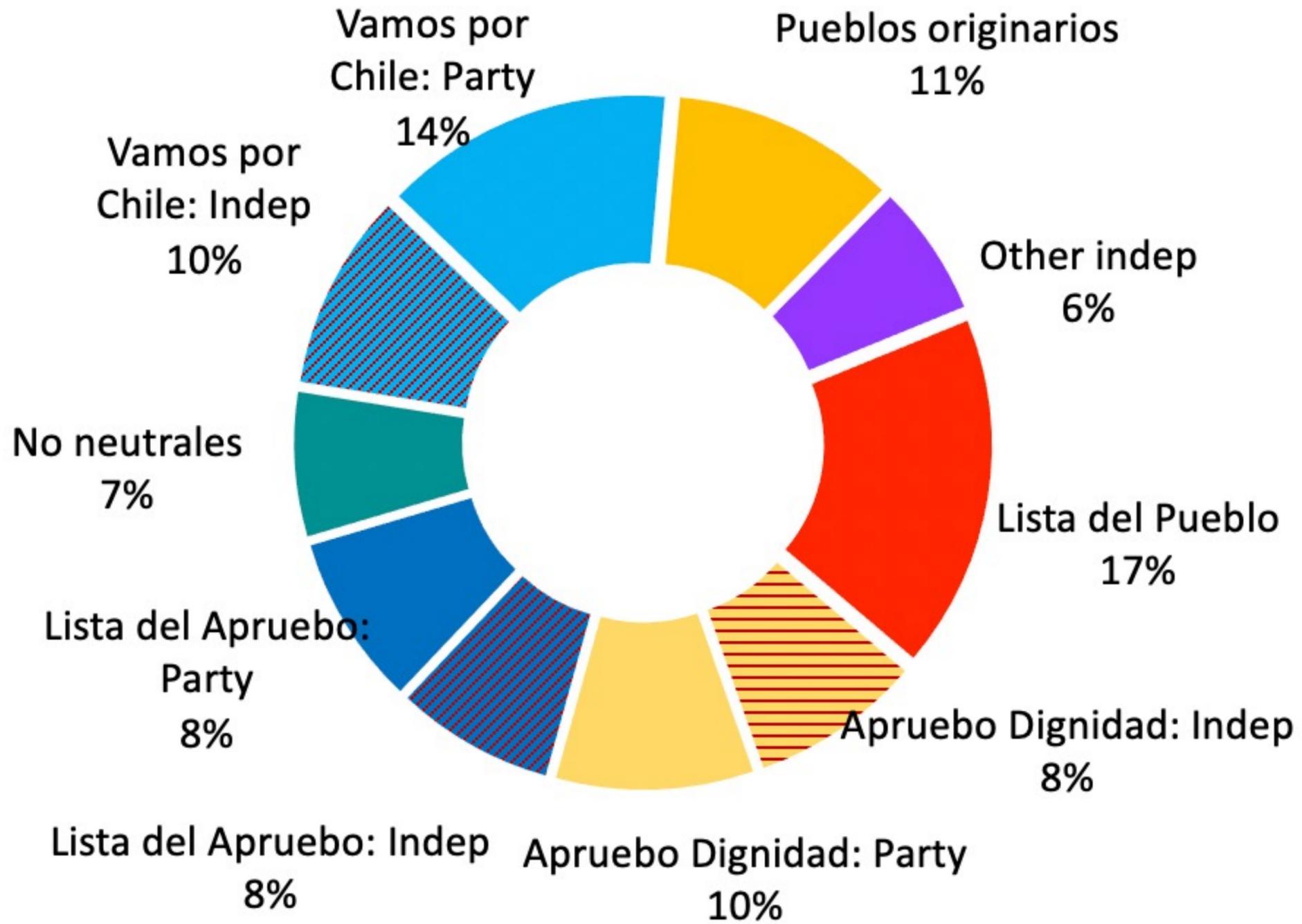
- N° of parties: 10 (+ 88 Ind)
- NEP: n/a
- Pacts: 5 + Ind + PPOO
- NEP: 6.6 w/out PPOO

6.1 with PPOO

Proportion of elected that run as independents within a party:

- Apruebo Dignidad: 46%
- Lista del Apruebo: 48%
- Vamos por Chile: 41%

Pacts, parties and independents



This presentation is based on:

Le Foulon, Carmen and Palanza, Valeria "Convención Constituyente: Innovación y Renovación" *Punto de Referencia* – Centro de Estudios Públicos, *forthcoming*.

Notes on data:

- * Data on candidates: Emol – candidates without information were excluded from analysis**
- *. Electoral results data: Servel preliminary data as of 17/05/21**

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