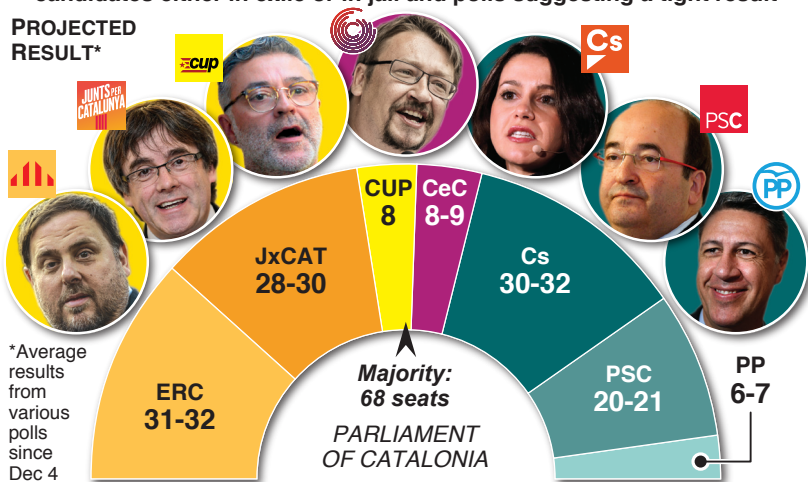


Catalan election too close to call

Catalans go to the polls following the independence referendum and the imposition of direct rule by Madrid. The vote is being held with separatist candidates either in exile or in jail and polls suggesting a tight result

PROJECTED
RESULT*



*Average results from various polls since Dec 4

INDEPENDENTIST PARTIES



ERC – Republican Left of Catalonia. Led by ousted vice-president, **Oriol Junqueras**, in jail in Madrid accused of sedition



JxCAT – Together for Catalonia. Led by deposed president **Carles Puigdemont**, in Brussels after referendum



CUP – Popular Unity Candidacy
Carles Riera. Far-left, anti-capitalist party

UNIONIST PARTIES



Cs – Citizens
Inés Arrimadas. Centre-right party founded 11 years ago in Catalonia to fight Catalan nationalism



PSC – Socialists Party of Catalonia. **Miquel Iceta.** Branch of Spain's main centre-left party, PSOE



PP – People's party of Catalonia. **Xavier García Albiol.** Conservative affiliate of Spain's ruling PP party

NON-ALIGNED

CeC – Catalonia in Common. **Xavier Domenech**
Catalan arm of Spanish anti-austerity Podemos party