# EMHA Access to Care survey findings in Spain



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### **Survey content**

The "Access to Care III" survey consists on 39 items distributed in 4 dimensions:

- **SECTION I: ABOUT YOURSELF:** 7 items to obtain socio-demographic data.
- **SECTION II: ABOUT YOUR MIGRAINE:** 6 items focused on patient's migraine.
- SECTION III: ABOUT YOUR ACCESS TO CARE:
  - Access to healthcare professionals: 10 items
  - Access to treatments: 11 items
  - Impact on patient's life: 3 items
- SECTION IV: SOURCES OF INFORMATION: 2 items focused on identifying the main sources of information used by patients for general disease information and migraine treatment.



### Languages

Survey was launched in 12 languages: Brazilian, Czech, English, Finish, French, German, Greek, Italian, Latvian, Norwegian, Portuguese and Spanish.



### Launch

Survey was launched on March 24th in 10 languages. Latvian and Brazilian were launched later, on April 8th and April 27th, respectively.



#### Time on life

Survey was available for migraine patients all along 12 weeks (from March to June 14th).



### **Response rate**

The average response rate has remained homogeneous and considerable high all along the survey (around 65% of respondents)

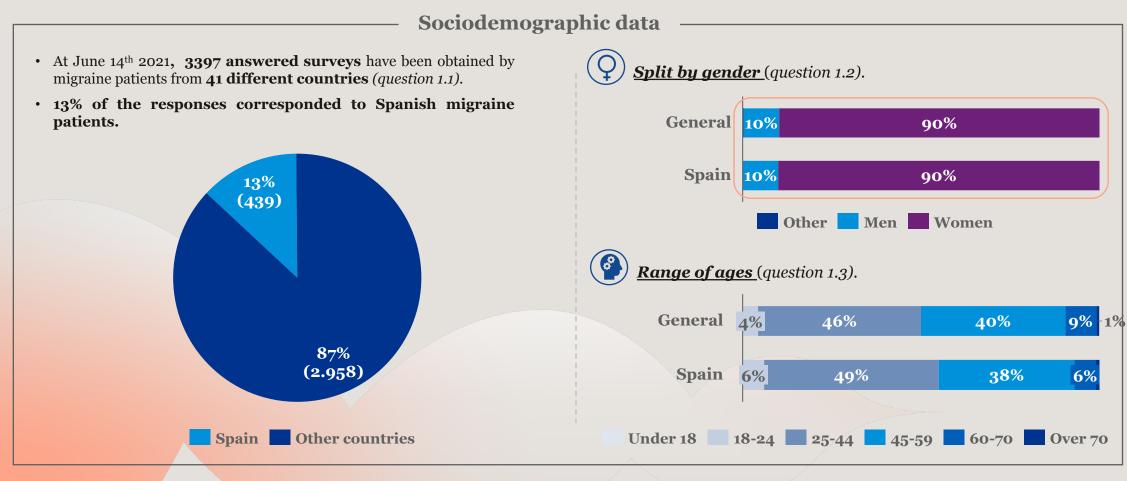


#### **Total answers**

Since the launch of the survey in March, we have reached a total number of 3,397 answers (439 from Spain).



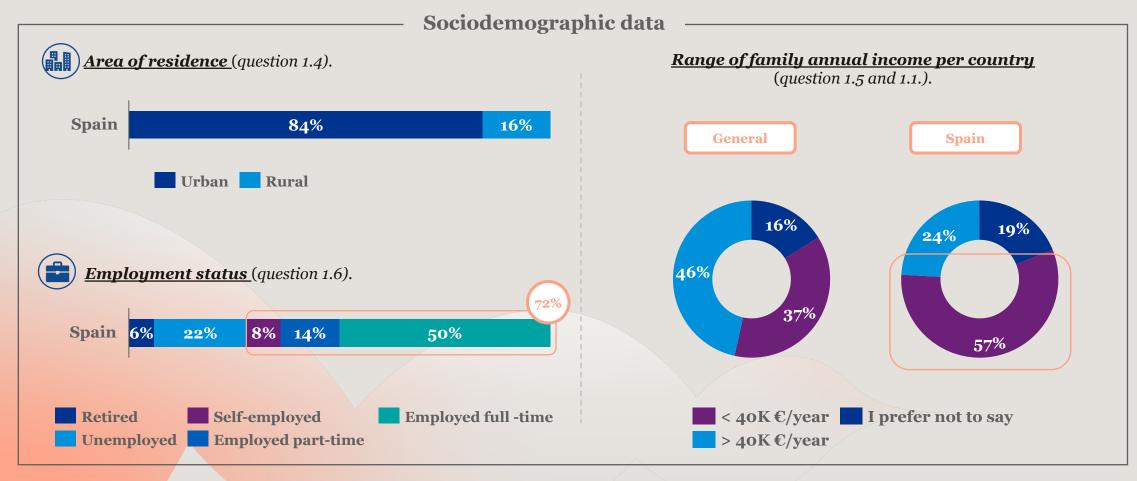
# Data used for the analysis in Spain (13% of total responses) evidences that vast majority of respondents are women between 25 and 59 years old...



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 1.1: 3370 respondents; sample size for question 1.2: 3354 respondents (436 in Spain); sample size for question 1.3: 3354 respondents (435 in Spain).



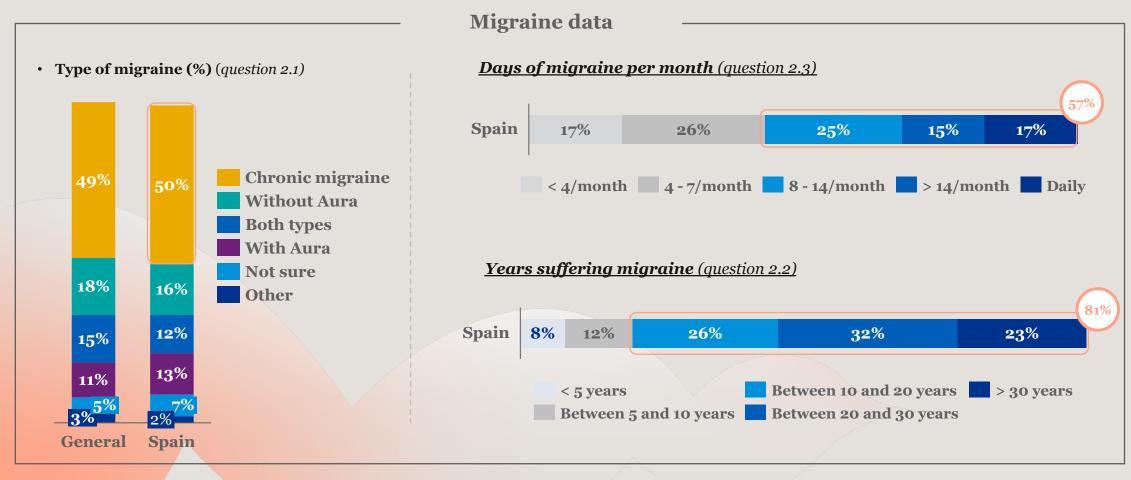
### ... from urban areas of residence, actively working and with lower family annual income than the rest of EU countries



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 1.4: 3363 respondents (438 in Spain); sample size for question 1.6: 3266 respondents (436 in Spain); sample size for question 1.5: 3338 respondents (435 in Spain).



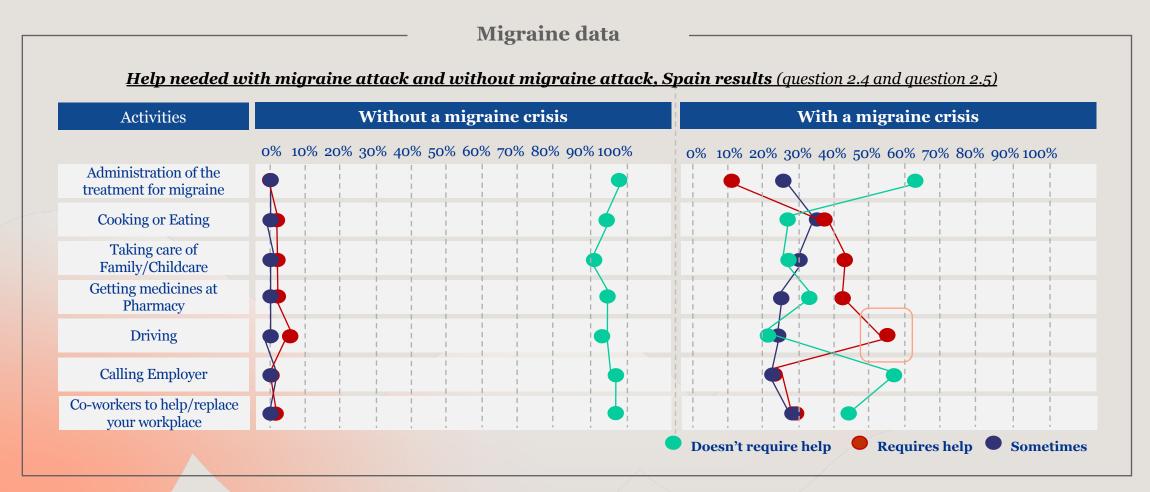
# Main indicators related to type of migraine evidence that respondents are, in average, patients suffering from severe migraine for many years



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 2.1: 2831 respondents (351 in Spain); sample size for question 2.3: 2831 respondents (351 in Spain); sample size for question 2.2: 2832 respondents (351 in Spain).



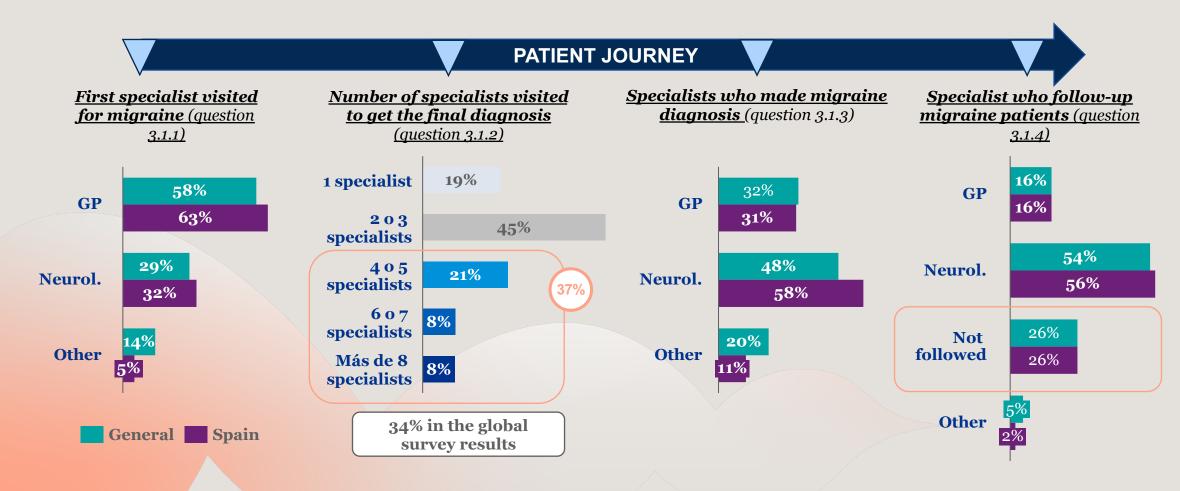
When patients suffer an attack, migraine is a disabling disease affecting daily activities (driving is the activity where patients require more support)



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 2.4: 348 respondents in Spain; sample size for question 2.5: 339 respondents in Spain.



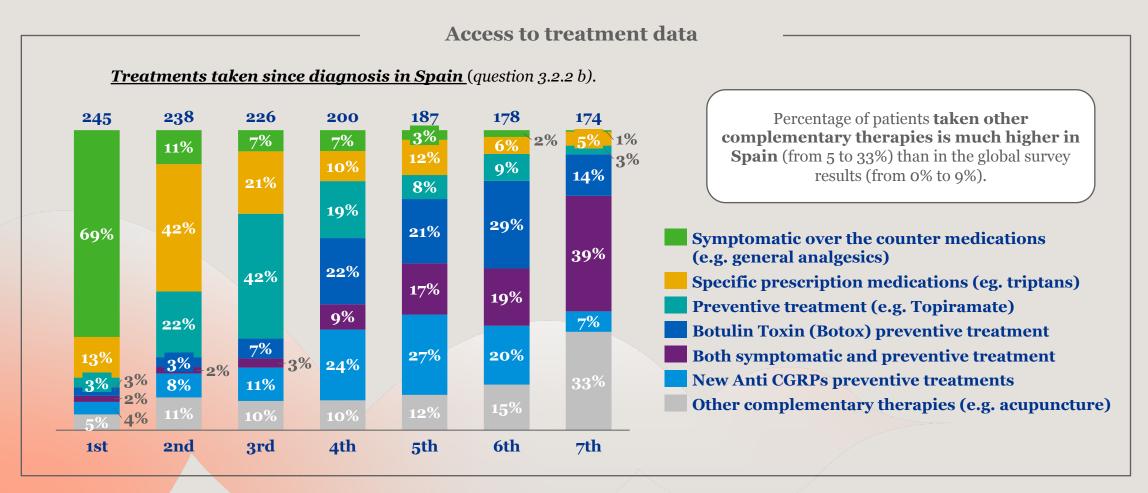
GP's weight is important mainly in the 1st visit, but the neurologist is the most common specialist diagnosing migraine patients after 2 or more specialist visits



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3.1.1: 336 respondents; sample size for question 3.1.2: 336 respondents; sample size for question 3.1.3: 335 respondents; sample size for question 3.1.4: 331 respondents.



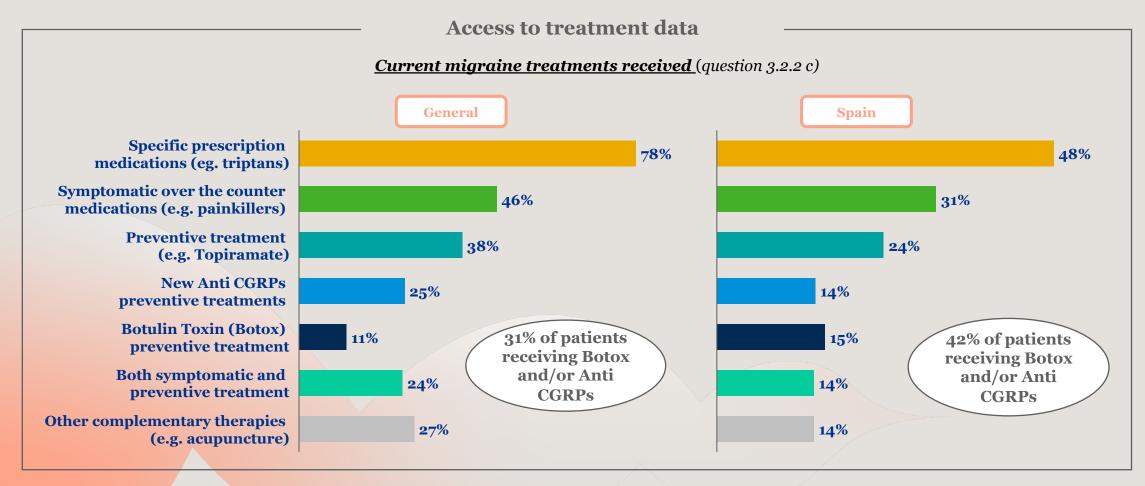
# Based on interviewees input, general analgesics are the first treatment received since migraine diagnosis and new anti-CGRPs are the last ones



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3.2.2 b: 241 respondents in Spain.



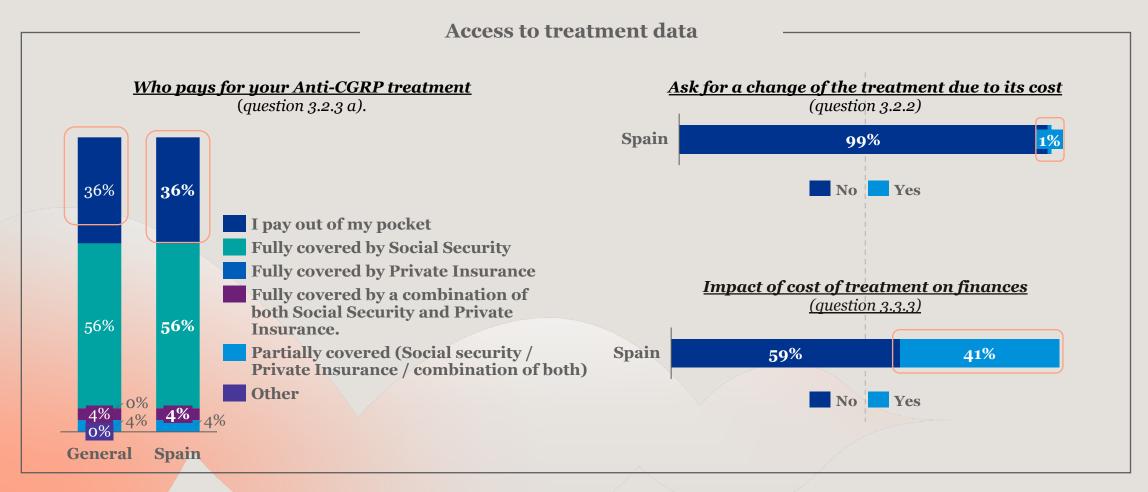
# When assessing current treatment, we observe that triptans are widely used, and innovation (Botox and /or Anti-CGRPs) reaches 42% of patients in Spain



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3,2.2 c: 2228 respondents in the global survey and 212 respondents in Spain.



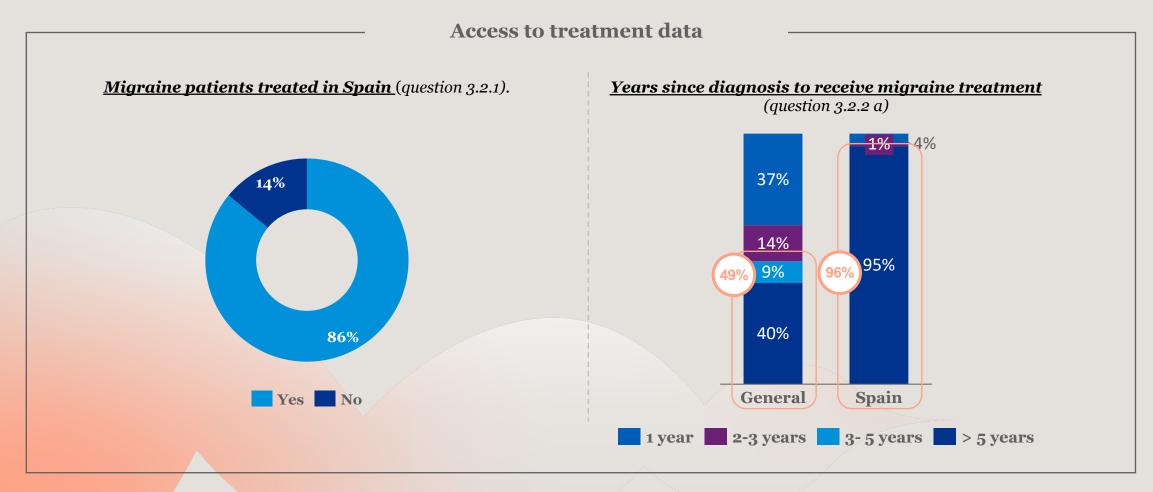
# Although 41% patients reported to have impact on their finances due to migraine treatment costs, just 1% asked for a treatment change



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3.2.3 a: 430 respondents in general and 25 respondents in Spain; Sample size for question 3.2.2 a in Spain: 247respondents; Sample size for question 3.3.3 in Spain: 300.



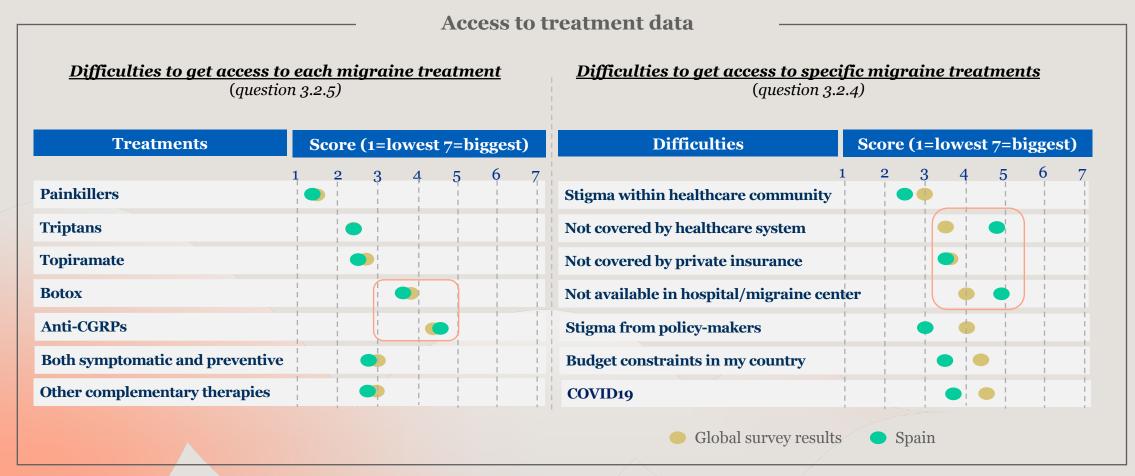
# Almost 90% of patients are treated but time since diagnosis to treatment evidence remarkable difficulties to access to migraine treatments



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3.2.1 in Spain: 332 respondents; sample size for question 3.2.2 a: 1.951 patients (99 in Spain).



# Anti-CGRPs & Botox are reported as the most difficult treatment to obtain, and main difficulties are that are not covered and the product is not available



<sup>\*</sup>Sample size for question 3.2.5: 277 respondents in Spain; sample size for question 3.2.4: 262 respondents in Spain.

### Summary of the "Access to Care III" survey results for Spain

### **Main conclusions**

- Majority of respondents are **women between 25 and 59 year**s old, actively working and with **low family incomes** in comparison to the total survey results (57% reported family annual incomes **below 40K€** vs. 37% in the general analysis).
- 2 50% of respondents reported suffer **chronic migraine in Spain**. Main indicators related to the type of migraine evidence that respondents are, in average, **patients suffering from severe migraine** (57% with more than 8 days of migraine/month) **for many years** (81% respondents suffer migraine for more than 10 years).
- Patients reported that migraine affects their daily activities when suffering attacks, being **driving the more critical**.
- First visited specialist is the General Practitioner in Spain (63%). The main specialist who made the diagnosis and the current follow up is also the Neurologist (58% and 56% respectively). It is worth noting that almost 27% of respondents are not being followed by any HCP in Spain.

- Although almost 87% of patients are treated, time since diagnosis to treatment evidences difficulties to access to migraine treatments (95% needed more than 5 years since diagnosis in Spain and 40% in global results).
- Since diagnosis, the **first treatments received are general** analgesics followed by triptans. The last prescribed are Anti CGRPs. Currently, the main treatments used are triptans (48% in Spain) followed by painkillers (31% in Spain), and the least used anti CGRPs (14% in Spain).
- Moreover, **polymedication is highly frequent** and multiple drug combinations have been reported, being specific prescription mediations (e.g. triptans) together with painkillers and/or topiramate the main received.
- Finally, Botox and Anti-CGRPs have been identified as the most difficulties treatments to get access in Spain and the main reasons for this difficulties reported have been: not covered by healthcare system and not available in hospital or migraine center.

### Thank you

