In the Basque Country, eight out of every ten young men would like to have children one day

They would like to have their first son or daughter at the age of 30

In the Basque Country, 82.4% of young men under the age of 30 who are not parents state that they would like to have children in the future. In any case, the wish to have children is slightly more widespread among women (87.2%) than among men (82.4%).

The ideal age they state for having their first child is 29 in the case of women and 30 in the case of men.

Almost one fourth of those who wish to have children believe they will not become parents at the stated age.

However, almost one fourth (24.2%) of young men who are still not fathers but would like to have children think that they will not achieve this goal at the age they would prefer (30, on average).

In the case of young women, who are still not mothers and would like to be, the percentage of those who think they will have to put back their plans in relation to the age when they would like to have their first child (29, on average) is slightly greater (26.9%) than among men.

In all, 25.5% of men and women under the age of 30 who do not have children but would like to become parents will not achieve this goal at the age they consider ideal.

As they approach the age mentioned as the ideal age, the percentage of people who think they will not achieve their goal increases, reaching 31.4% among young people in the 25 to 29 age group.

The data analysed are based on the answers provided by 1498 young people without children and aged 15 to 29 to questions included in a telephone survey conducted by the Basque Youth Observatory in November 2015.