

Political Culture of Democracy in Panama, 2008: the Impact of Governance

Technical information

| <i>Country</i> | <i>Year</i> | <i>Size of sample</i> | <i>Weighted/Unweighted</i> |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Panama | 2008 | 1,536 | Unweighted |

This survey was carried out in February of 2008, as part of the LAPOP AmericasBarometer 2008 wave of surveys. It is a follow up of the national surveys of 2004, and 2006 carried out by the Latin America Public Opinion Project (LAPOP). The 2008 survey was conducted by Vanderbilt University and Alianza Ciudadana. Pro Justicia with field work being carried out by Borges y Asociados. Funding came from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

The project used a national probability sample design of voting-age adults, with a total N of 1,536 people involving face-to-face interviews in Spanish. The data set can be best described as a complex sample design taking into account stratification and clustering. The sample was stratified by regions (metropolitan area, oriental, central, and occidental region) and by urban and rural areas. Respondents were selected in clusters of 6-8 in urban areas and 10-12 in rural areas.

The sample consists of 76 primary sampling units (districts) and 112 final sampling units, which represent 10 provinces in Panama. The total number of respondents surveyed in urban areas is 960 and 576 in rural areas. The estimated margin of error for the survey is ± 2.5 .

The complete report and the questionnaire can be found at *Political Culture of Democracy in Panama, 2008: the Impact of Governance*, written by Orlando Perez. Readers can access the publication through a link on the LAPOP website: www.AmericasBarometer.org.