



Dear Insights *Series* Subscribers,

LAPOP is pleased to announce that as of today, December 1, 2012, the latest round of the AmericasBarometer survey by LAPOP is available to the public. In addition, we are making available unrestricted world-wide access to the data files for all AmericasBarometer surveys from 2004-2012. We are grateful to support from USAID, the Tinker Foundation, Vanderbilt University, and all other donors to the AmericasBarometer project for supporting the collection and dissemination of the AmericasBarometer data.

The 2012 AmericasBarometer study once again includes survey data from 26 countries for a total of 41,632 (unweighted) interviews. The surveys contain a multitude of questions on democratic attitudes, values, and experiences. In addition, a central theme of the 2012 AmericasBarometer is equality of opportunity and outcomes. And, as always, we have included a number of interesting new questions within and across the country studies. The entire data series, 2004-2012 contains files with a total of 178,864 interviews.

We encourage you to please visit our website at www.lapopsurveys.org. There, you will find our “chart of the week” displaying results from the 2012 AmericasBarometer study. You will find information about all past AmericasBarometer and other LAPOP studies. And, you will also be able to click to the free access page (or you can go directly to it with this link: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/lapop/free-access.php>).

We would like to thank all our subscribers to the data, whose support is critical to the data collection process. We want to note that subscribers will, in addition to the individual country files that are free, also have access to all our multi-year merged files and a complete cross-country, cross-time merge of the AmericasBarometer. Subscribers will also have access to LAPOP-generated code files and ongoing technical support. For more information on subscribing to the data, please contact our Subscription Coordinator, Ms. Rubí Arana, rubi.e.arana@vanderbilt.edu.

Finally, we would like to announce that the *Insights* series will resume in early 2013. We look forward to resuming publication of that series and bringing you rich and informative reports on citizens’ views and experiences across the Americas.

Warm regards,

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