

What do Hondurans think?

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Orlando J. Pérez and Mitchell A. Seligson look into what survey data from The AmericasBarometer, carried out by Vanderbilt University's Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP), tells us about what Hondurans think about their politics.

Basically, they don't think much of it. Only 34 percent trust their elections. But that only tells part of the story. Those Hondurans whose party loyalties lie with traditional parties, the National and Liberal parties, are much more likely to trust the country's elections. Everybody else, not so much.

What does it mean? I don't know exactly. In the US, we tend to see similar trends. Out parties tend to have lower confidence in different aspects of the political system when compared to those voters who identify with the in party.

On the other hand, the broad Honduran opposition had little confidence in the electoral process prior to last month's vote. For good reason, the events of the last few weeks simply confirmed what they had already thought. It might have been easier to overcome suspicions of the recent vote had they possessed any trust in the process to begin with. Other than a total re-vote, I'm not sure the way out of this.

