



Democracy Audit, Nicaragua, 1999

Technical information

<i>Country</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Size of sample</i>	<i>Weighted/Unweighted:</i>
Nicaragua	1999	2,500	Weighted

This survey was carried out in 1999 as part of the LAPOP series of studies. The fieldwork was conducted by Borge and Associates under the supervision of Prof. Orlando Perez from Central Michigan University.

The survey was a national probability design, with a total N of 2,500. The sample was taken from every Nicaraguan department except Río San Juan, which was excluded because of its remoteness and low population density. The sample represents 98.3% of the population. The sample was divided in two stratas: general population and a special sub-sample of the judicial sector.

The complete sample of 2,500 represents was gathered by selecting six JVRs (Juntas Receptoras del Voto) in every department and conducting 150 interviews in each one. In the case of Managua, 300 interviews were conducted in 12 JVRs because of its demographic and political importance. It has an estimated margin of error is $\pm 2\%$ (at the 95% level). The sample needs to be weighted in order to represent the national distribution of the population. The full version of the report as well as the complete questionnaire can be found on the LAPOP web site, in English and Spanish, as "Democracy Audit, Nicaragua, 1999," written by Mitchell Seligson and published by The University of Pittsburgh and The Nicaraguan Development Center with the support of USAID.

Containing data gathered in 1999, this national survey report analyzes the attitudes of Nicaragua's citizens towards crime, justice administration, local government, system support, civil participation, tolerance and democracy.

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