



*Political Culture of Democracy in Suriname, 2010:
Democratic Consolidation in the Americas during Hard Times*

Technical information

| <i>Country</i> | <i>Year</i> | <i>Sample Size</i> | <i>Weighted/Unweighted</i> |
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| Suriname | 2010 | 1,516 | Weighted |

This survey was carried out between April and May of 2010, as part of the LAPOP AmericasBarometer 2010 wave of surveys. The 2010 survey was conducted by Vanderbilt University with the field work being carried out by the University of West Indies (St. Augustine Campus). The 2010 AmericasBarometer received generous support from many sources, including USAID, UNDP, IADB, Vanderbilt U., Princeton U., Université Laval, U. of Notre Dame, among others.

The project used a national probability sample design of voting-age adults, with a total N of 1,516 people. It involved face-to-face interviews conducted in Dutch and Sranan Tongo. The survey used a complex sample design, taking into account stratification and clustering, and weighting.

The sample consists of five strata representing the five main geographical regions: Pamaribo, Wanica/Para, Nickerie/Coronie/ Saramancca, Commewijne/Marowijne, and Brokopondo/Sipaliwini. Since some of the regions have a small population, a larger sample of respondents from these regions was drawn, and sample weights were incorporated to reflect the actual known distribution of the population between the five regions. The sample must be weighted to produce a representative national result. Each stratum was further sub-stratified by urban and rural areas. Respondents were selected in clusters of 6-8 interviews in urban areas and 10-12 in rural areas.

The sample consists of 41 primary sampling units and 148 final sampling units including all 10 districts in Suriname. A total of 520 respondents were surveyed in urban areas and 996 in rural areas. The estimated margin of error for the survey is ± 2.5 . Readers can access the questionnaire through a link on the LAPOP website: www.AmericasBarometer.org.