

## Democracy Audit Bolivia 2006

## Technical Information

Country	Year	Size of Sample	Weighted/Unweighted
Bolivia	2006	3,013	Weighted

The Bolivian 2006 national study, the fifth of its kind carried out in that country is based on a household survey using a national probability sample stratified by departments, and designed to be representative of the national population at the national and at departmental levels. The country was divided into nine strata corresponding to the geopolitical division of the country (by department) and in each of the regions the sample was proportional to the population from urban and rural areas. Since the sample was designed to be representative at the departmental level, each one of the nine departments of the country can be analyzed individually and they can all be analyzed together to draw a national picture, once the sample is weighed by department population size.

The survey interviewed a total of 3,013 adults – male and female- of voting age in the 9 departments of the country. The interviews were carried out face - to - face between March and April 2006 and only one person was interviewed in each one of the households selected as part of the sample.

The survey was implemented in the three Bolivian official languages: Spanish, Quechua and Aymara, depending on the language the respondent was more comfortable with. This option was already included in all prior rounds of surveys in Bolivia in consideration of its multilingual population and with the intention of avoiding any possible language-related biased in the surveys.

The study was carried out by the LAPOP team at Vanderbilt University in collaboration with Encuestas & Estudios (the Bolivian Gallup International organization specialized in surveys), which carried out the field work. Ciudadania, Comunidad de Estudios Sociales y Acción Pública (a Bolivian NGO based in Cochabamba working in democratization and local development issues) assisted in the final editing, printing, publication and dissemination of the report. The Universiad Católica Bolivian was also a major partner in the dissemination.

Results of this study were presented in **Auditoria de la democracia: Bolivia 2006** (Democracy Audit: Bolivia 2006) co-authored by Mitchell A. Seligson, Juan Carlos Donoso, Diana Orcés, Vivian Schwarz Blum, Daniel Moreno and Abby Córdova from the LAPOP team at Vanderbilt University. The full report is available in Spanish and English on the LAPOP web site