considered best practice in CATI studies. While this has been the case in the U.S., there is comparatively lower landline coverage in the LAC region. Data from the AmericasBarometer show that from 2004 to 2018/19, landline coverage in LAC households declined from 42 to 28%. In contrast, mobile phone coverage increased from 33 to 90% in the same period.

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For the 2021 AmericasBarometer, LAPOP Lab collected data in 22 countries in the Americas, from January to August 2021. All country datasets and reports available for download for free at www.LapopSurveys.org.

This survey was carried out between March 27th and June 1st, 2021, as part of LAPOP ˘2021 AmericasBarometer. It is a follow on to g˙ " t " ˘AmericasBarometer Dominican Republic surveys of 2004, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2019. The 2021 survey fieldwork was carried out by Gallup República Dominicana on behalf of LAPOP. Key funding came from USAID, Vanderbilt University, the National Science Foundation, and the Inter-American Development Bank.

Questionnaire pretesting took place on February 9th and February 10th and interviewer training took place on February 24th, 2021.[8] Pilot surveys were conducted between March 22nd and March 23rd. A full copy of the 2021 AmericasBarometer Dominican Republic questionnaire can be found at g˙ " t " ˘ ï ä ï ˘ĺ www.LapopSurveys.org.

The survey collects information from a nationally representative sample of voting-age respondents, who are 18 years of age or older, are citizens or permanent residents of Dominican Republic and have access to a functioning mobile phone. The study excludes individuals with no access to mobile phones or with only landline phones. Participation in the AmericasBarometer survey is voluntary.[9] Eligible respondents who agree to participate in the survey are administered the questionnaire after giving their consent to interviewers.[10]

The sampling frame corresponds to all possible USftAW*n0.31 Tm12 7Tm07 Tmq0.000018243 0 612 792 reW*nB

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26-35	884	795
36-45	629	619
46-55	432	460
56-65	267	312
66+	111	154
Gender		
Male	1,565	1,476

In this section we present the survey response rates.[14] The AmericasBarometer response rates are ăÌ ï ë˘ ˘· ˙ " t – ˘š Ì ěÌ ë˘3ï ˘¥ ï˘ï ï˘Ì ï˘˘ ï˘ äï˘ ˘å ï ï˘ ï ï ˘ with reporting units divided by the number of eligible reporting units in the sample. LAPOP Lab has programmed in STG a module that permits the accurate recording of the number of refusals, ineligible respondents, or non-contact. This in turn allows for estimating the response rates in each country. Two definitions of response rates are provided below, ranging from the definition that yields the lowest rate to the definition that yields the highest rate, depending on how partial interviews are considered and how cases of unknown eligibility are handled.

Response rates reported below are:

Response Rate 1 (RR1) =