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,

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 June 11th and August 19th, 2021, as part of LAPOP ˇ2021 AmericasBarometer. It is a follow on to g˙"t" ˇAmericasBarometer Paraguay surveys of 2006, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016, and 2019. The 2021 survey fieldwork was carried out by CIRD 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 between May 12th and May 14th, 2021 and interviewer training took place from May 19th to 21st and May 20th, 2021. Pilot surveys were conducted between May 28th and May 29th, 2021. A full copy of the 2021 AmericasBarometer Paraguay questionnaire can be found Ì ˇg˙"t" ˇ ï ä ï Ì

screen informants who answer the call to determine their eligibility. The study excludes business-only mobile phones.[10]

Age groups

18-25	596	667
26-35	743	733
36-45	600	578
46-55	475	445
56-65	375	363
66+	215	217

Gender

Male	1,534	1,486
Female and Non-binary	1,470	1,518

Education

No education	53	76
Primary	652	927
Secondary	959	1,371
University	1,317	606

When using this dataset for cross-country comparisons, LAPOP reweights each country data set in the merged files so that each country has an N of 1,500. The weight variable for cross-country
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In this section we present the survey response rates.[13] The AmericasBarometer response rates are äÌ ïë˘ �¨˙"t – ˘šÌ ëÌ ë˘3ï   ˘¥ ï˘ï   ï˘Ìï˘˘ï˘   äï˘˘å   ïï˘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) = ———————

Response Rate 3 (RR3) = ———————

Where: where C refers to completed interviews, P to partial interviews, R to refusals, N for non-contacts, O for others, UH for unknown if household, UO to unknown others, and e is the eligibility

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Paraguay	1.2	1.4
El Salvador	4.2	5.8
Uruguay	1.4	1.4
LAC REGION	**2.3**	**4.0**

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