

Costa Rica 1973

Technical Information

Country	Year	Sample Size	Weighted/Unweighted
Costa Rica	1973	531	Unweighted

The Costa Rica 1973 interviews were conducted by Susan Berk-Seligson and Mitchell Seligson. They were all face-to-face, door-to-door interviews with peasants in the rural areas in Costa Rica that used the next birthday system to choose the respondent.

The sample was a probabilistic sample of 531, stratified and clustered. It was taken from 66 rural communities distributed in Costa Rica's seven provinces.

This is not a national probabilistic sample, but rather a sample intended to represent different categories of peasants, according to their land tenure situation. The sample was composed only by male adult peasants, because women peasants did not have the same access to land tenure.

The results of this study were presented in a book, **Peasants of Costa Rica & the Development of Agrarian Capitalism** by Mitchell Seligson published by the University of Wisconsin Press. The book is also available in Spanish, and in a journal article, "Agrarian Policies on Dependent Societies: Costa Rica" published in the *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs*, Vol. 19 No. 2 in May 1977.