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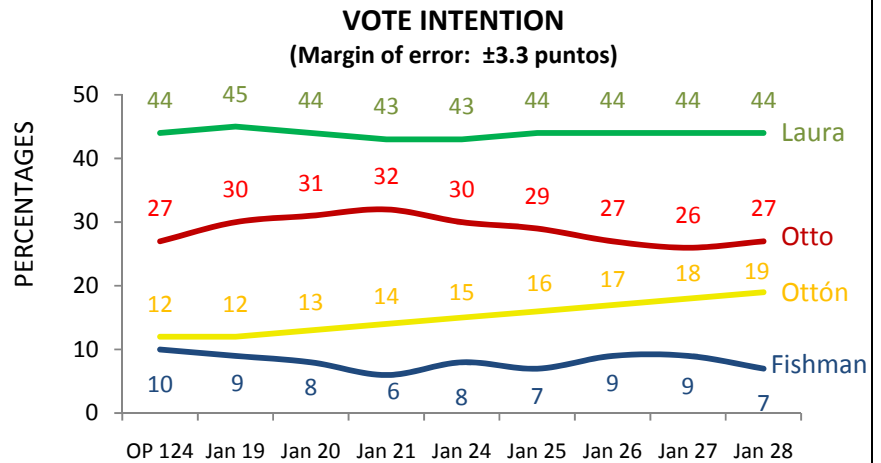
<p>Public Opinion Survey – Daily Tracking Costa Rica</p> <p>-January 29, 2010-</p>	Technical Data	<p><i>Consultoría Interdisciplinaria en Desarrollo S.A.</i></p> <p><i>CID/Gallup Latinoamérica</i></p> 
	<p>Date of fieldwork: January 22 to 28, 2010.</p> <p>Type of interview: One per household.</p> <p>Interviews: 1,200 total – 250 daily.</p> <p>Margin of error: ±3 points in the survey’s total results (95% confidence level); ±3.3 points for results in vote intention.</p> <p>Informant: Costa Rican adults, residents of the country during the survey</p> <p>Type of sample: Random.</p> <p>Geographic coverage: National</p>	

PLN CANDIDATE LAURA CHINCHILLA MAINTAINS LEAD ONE WEEK BEFORE VOTE -CID/Gallup’s Daily Tracking as of January 28, 2010

The candidate for the National Liberation Party (PLN) Laura Chinchilla was able to maintain her lead in voting intention based on results accumulated up to January 28, nine days before the national elections.

Result: January/28//2010
Laura Chinchilla.....44%
Otto Guevara.....27%
Ottón Solís.....19%
Luis Fishman.....7%

If the trend persists, she will be elected next February 7, avoiding the necessity of a second round. Costa Rica’s Constitution requires a second round if no candidate gets 40 per cent of the vote. Results will depend, of course, on the ability of each candidate to get his or her supporters to the voting centers next Sunday. Laura has been able to consolidate support among her fellow party members and is also relatively stronger among voters outside the Metro Area, women and respondents 30 and older.



Libertarian Party candidate Otto Guevara is in second place with a 27% voting intention; he garners strong support among younger voters and informants with a high school diploma. Otton Solis, candidate for the Accion Ciudadana Party, has shown steady growth over the past week and today receives 19% of voting intention. His followers are proportionally more from the Metro Area, men, and participants and respondents with a higher education. Luis Fishman, with seven percent of voting intention, receives support among voters of 40 years of age and older and less educated participants – his challenge is bringing together the followers of his party. The PUSC, and have them vote for him on Election Day.

Nevertheless, the volatility perceived in voting intention a few days ago seems to have diminished, although it is relatively stronger among followers of the opposition parties. There might still be variations in support accorded opposition to PLN candidates between now and Sunday.

This bulletin is the last in this series of polls leading up to the voting on February 7. Regular polls will continue as usual after that date. CID/Gallup would like to express its gratitude to the support received by all Costa Ricans during the past 35 years and invites the public to visit its website www.cidgallup.com.