

# Gallopedia

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## Who are we?

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Pg 2 **Asia** zone *this week-*

**3** national polls and **1** Global poll



**Africa** zone this week –

**0** national polls & **1** Global Poll



Pg 2 **Euro Americas** zone

*this week-* **19** national polls,

**1** Multi-Country Polls &

**1** Global poll



Pg 6 **Country of the week-**

**CZECH REPUBLIC**



Countries represented in blue  
Polling organizations represented in pink  
For reference to source of each poll clicks to detail are provided in the text



## Asia zone

► MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA; WEST ASIA; SOUTH ASIA; NORTH ASIA; EAST ASIA

### ► MIDDLE EAST



Security/IR » Middle East Conflict

#### ***Palestinians Reject Land Exchange as Part of Deal*** (Click For Details)

Residents of the West Bank and Gaza Strip are opposed to the creation of a [Palestinian](#) state within the 1967 borders with some land exchange as part of a final solution to the current impasse with [Israel](#), according to a poll by [An-Najah National University](#). **66.7 %** of respondents reject this notion.

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Security/IR » Middle East Conflict

#### ***Israelis Reject Construction Freeze in Jerusalem*** (Click For Details)

A large proportion of adults in Israel would reject a prospective demand by U.S. president Barack Obama, according to a poll by [Maagar Mochot](#). **70 %** of respondents think [Israeli](#) Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu should not freeze construction in Jerusalem for an unlimited period of time.

April 17, 2010



### ► SOUTH EAST ASIA

Politics » Approval Ratings

#### ***Aquino Extends Lead in the Philippines*** (Click For Details)

Liberal Party (PLP) presidential nominee Benigno Aquino III remains the frontrunner in the [Philippines](#), according to a poll by [Social Weather Stations](#). **37 %** of respondents would vote for Aquino in next month's election.

April 22, 2010



## Euro Americas zone

► WEST EUROPE; EAST EUROPE; NORTH AMERICA; LATIN AMERICA; AUSTRALASIA



### ► WEST EUROPE



## EUROPE

Politics » Approval Ratings

#### ***Liberal Democrats Slightly Ahead in Britain*** (Click For Details)

The Liberal Democrats have become the most popular political party in [Britain](#), according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **33 %** of respondents would support the Lib-Dems in next month's General Election.

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Politics » Approval Ratings

***Liberal Democrats Tie Conservatives in Britain*** ([Click For Details](#))

The Conservative Party and the Liberal Democrats are tied as [Britons](#) ponder their choices in next month's General Election, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **32 %** of respondents would support the Tories, while **32 %** would back the Lib-Dems.

April 20, 2010

Politics » Health

***Spaniards Reject Government's Abortion Law*** ([Click For Details](#))

People in [Spain](#) are not satisfied with their government's new pregnancy termination regulations, according to a poll by NC Report published in [La Razón](#). **54.2 %** of respondents oppose the Abortion Law.

Apr 18, 2010



## ► EAST EUROPE

Security/IR » Terrorism

***Russians Flatly Reject Negotiating with Terrorists*** ([Click For Details](#))

Many adults in [Russia](#) are opposed to any kind of negotiation with terrorists, according to a poll by the [Russian Public Opinion Research Center](#). **75 %** of respondents believe that terrorism can only be eradicated by defeating the terrorists.

April 21, 2010

Politics » Elections

***Communists Gain Momentum in Czech Republic*** ([Click For Details](#))

The Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia (KSCM) has increased its standing in the [Czech Republic](#) as a legislative ballot nears, according to a poll by [Median](#). **16.8 %** of respondents would vote for the Communists, up four points since February.

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## AMERICAS

### ► NORTH AMERICA

Economy » Economic Perceptions

***Bush Still Gets More Blame for Economy Than Obama*** ([Click For Details](#))

More than a year into Barack Obama's presidency, [Americans](#) are more likely to say George W. Bush is responsible for today's economic problems than they are to say Obama is responsible. [Gallup](#) shows a significant uptick since last July in the percentage of Americans blaming Obama at least a moderate amount (from **32%** to **50%**), but little decrease (from **80%** to **75%**) in the percentage blaming Bush.

April 21, 2010

Society » Environment

**On 40th Earth Day, Image of Green Movement Still Positive** (Click For Details)

Nineteen percent of [Americans](#) say they are an active participant in the environmental movement, while **42%** are sympathetic, but not active. The combined active/sympathetic group has declined some since [Gallup](#) first measured this in 2000, but, at **61%**, it remains high. Currently, **28%** are neutral and **10%** are unsympathetic.

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[Society](#) » [Environment](#)

**At 40, Environmental Movement Endures, With Less Consensus** (Click For Details)

A survey in the [USA](#) at the eve of Earth Day shows that the Environmental Movement have though survived through the 40 years long period but there has been decline in public enthusiasm for this concern. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[Politics](#) » [Political Affiliation](#)

**Party Affiliation Gap in U.S. Narrowest Since 2005** (Click For Details)

The advantage in [American](#) public support the Democratic Party built up during the latter part of the Bush administration and the early part of the Obama administration has all but disappeared. During the first quarter of 2010, **46%** of Americans identified as Democrats or leaned Democratic, while **45%** identified as or leaned Republican. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[Economy](#) » [Economic Perceptions](#)

**One in Five Americans Fear Job Loss in Next 12 Months** (Click For Details)

Even as [Gallup's](#) underemployment measure shows that more people are getting full-time jobs, **21%** of [American](#) workers think it is "very" or "fairly" likely that they will lose their jobs or be laid off during the next 12 months. That is nearly twice the **12%** pre-recession level of 2007 and about the same as the **19%** recorded in late 1982, during another deep recession.

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[Security/IR](#) » [Afghanistan Issue](#)

**Half of Americans Support Afghanistan Mission** (Click For Details)

Half of adults in the [United States](#) are in favour of the country's current military engagement in Afghanistan, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **51 %** of respondents support the mission involving American soldiers, down three points since February.

April 23, 2010

[Society](#) » [Race & Religion](#)

**Americans Endorse Racial Profiling at Airports** (Click For Details)

Many adults in the [United States](#) support security personnel relying on a passenger's racial or religious characteristics to determine whether this passenger requires a more thorough review, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **51 %** of respondents agree with this notion, while **39 %** disagree.

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[Security/IR](#) » [Afghanistan Issue](#)

**Only Two-in-Five Canadians Back Afghan Mission** (Click For Details)

Public support for the military mission in Afghanistan has dropped in [Canada](#), according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **39 %** of respondents support the operation involving Canadian soldiers, down eight points since February.

April 24, 2010

[Society](#) » [Health & Disease](#)

**Canadian Majority Would Legalize Marijuana** ([Click For Details](#))

Many adults in [Canada](#) believe marijuana should be legalized, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **53 %** of respondents agree with this idea.

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[Society](#) » [Communication/Media](#)

**Teens, Cell Phones and Texting** ([Click For Details](#))

In [America](#) Cell-phone texting has become the preferred channel of basic communication between teens and their friends, with cell calling a close second. Some **75%** of 12-17 year-olds now own cell phones, up from **45%** in 2004. Those phones have become indispensable tools in teen communication patterns. Fully **72%** of all teens -- or **88%** of teen cell phone users -- are text-messagers. That is a sharp rise from the **51%** of teens who were texters in 2006. More than half of teens (**54%**) are daily texters. ([www.pewinternet.org](http://www.pewinternet.org))

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[Economy](#) » [Economic Perceptions](#)

**Americans Remain Down About Their Financial Situations** ([Click For Details](#))

[Americans'](#) evaluations of their current financial situations remain low, and the **41%** who describe their personal financial situations as excellent or good is the lowest [Gallup](#) has measured in the past decade.

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## ► LATIN AMERICA

[Politics](#) » [Political Institutions](#)

**Haitians Want Foreigners in Charge of Reconstruction** ([Click For Details](#))

People in [Haiti](#) hold little confidence in their government to oversee rebuilding efforts, according to a poll by [Oxfam International](#). **39.3 %** of respondents want foreign governments to play the leadership role in the reconstruction process.

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[Politics](#) » [Approval Ratings](#)

**Rousseff Gains, Almost Ties Serra in Brazil** ([Click For Details](#))

[Brazil's](#) presidential election will require a run-off, according to a poll by [Instituto Sensus](#). **32.7 %** of respondents would vote for Jose Serra of the Brazilian Party of Social Democracy (PSDB) in the ballot, while **32.4 %** would support Dilma Rousseff of the ruling Workers' Party (PT).

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## MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS/ GLOBAL POLLS

[Economy](#) » [Economic Perceptions](#)

**Wage Inequality Rampant in Four Western Nations** ([Click For Details](#))

People in [Australia](#), [Britain](#), [Canada](#) and the [United States](#) are keenly aware of wage inequality in their respective countries, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). About two-thirds respondents in the four nations think women and men are not paid the same salary when working the same job.

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[Security/IR](#) » [Global Views](#)

**Global Views of United States Improve While Other Countries Decline** [\(Click For Details\)](#)

Global views of the [United States](#) have improved markedly over the last year while views of many countries have become more negative, according to the latest [BBC World Service poll](#) across 28 countries. For the first time since the BBC started tracking in 2005, views of the United States' influence in the world are now more positive than negative on average.

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## COUNTRY of the week- CZECH REPUBLIC

▶ This page is devoted to opinions of countries whose polling activity is generally not known very widely or where a recent topical issue requires special attention .

**Communists Gain Momentum in Czech Republic**

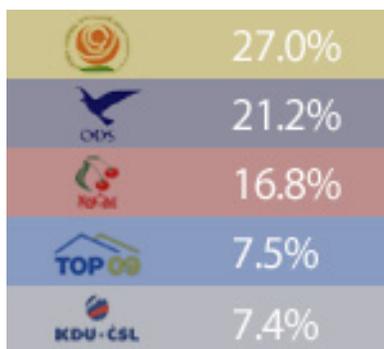
April 19, 2010

(Angus Reid Global Monitor) - The Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia (KSCM) has increased its standing in the **Czech Republic** as a legislative ballot nears, according to a poll by Median. **16.8 %** of respondents would vote for the Communists, up four points since February.



The opposition Czech Social Democratic Party (CSSD) is in first place with **27.0%**, followed by the Civic Democratic Party (ODS) with **21.2%**. Support is lower for Tradition Responsibility Prosperity 09 (TOP 09), the Christian and Democratic Union - Czech People's Party (KDU-CSL), the Green Party (SZ) and Public Affairs (VV).

In June 2006, Czech voters renewed the Chamber of Representatives. Final results gave the ODS **35.58 %** of all cast ballots, followed by the CSSD with **32.32%**. Czech parties require at least five per cent of the vote to earn seats under the country's proportional representation system. The final tallies gave the ODS, the KDU-CSL and the SZ 10 seats in the lower house, with the remaining 100 seats going to the CSSD and the KSCM.



The tie among rival factions led to a long political stalemate. In January 2007, Czech president Vaclav Klaus re-appointed ODS leader Mirek Topolaneck as prime minister.

In March 2009, Topolaneck's government finally lost one of many non-confidence motions tabled by the opposition since 2007. The last motion was in part incited by opposition to the government's handling of the economy. The leaders of the ODS, KDU-CSL, SZ and CSSD agreed to form an interim



cabinet of non-partisan members. Klaus appointed Jan Fischer—a non-partisan, little known public servant who had been heading the Czech Statistical Office (CSU)—to serve as interim prime minister. Fischer took office in May.

Fischer was originally slated to serve until early October 2009, when a new legislative election was supposed to take place. The ballot was postponed due to a Constitutional Court decision, and was re-scheduled for May 28 and May 29, 2010.

In March, during a photo shoot for a magazine that targets a gay audience,



Topolanek compared a gay minister, Gustav Slamecka, with caretaker prime minister Fischer, saying: "When things really get tough, really tough, then I have the feeling that Slamecka, as a minister, gives way. And that Fischer is simply a Jew, not a gay, and he gives way earlier still. That's got nothing to do with his being gay, that's a matter of character; it's not linked to him being gay." Topolanek also said that the church "has got control of people by means of brainwashing."

On Apr. 12, following the public outcry over his comments, Topolanek tendered his resignation as leader and was replaced by Petr Necas. The former prime minister declared: "I will never be a stilted-style politician who would change his opinions in accordance with the recommendations of marketing advisers. I will not use empty sentences or express myself in a roundabout way and vaguely."

**Polling Data**

What party list would you vote for in the next parliamentary election?

	<b>Apr. 1</b>	<b>Feb. 2</b>	<b>Dec. 17</b>
Czech Social Democratic Party (CSSD)	27.0%	32.0%	29.3%
Civic Democratic Party (ODS)	21.2%	27.8%	23.4%
Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia (KSCM)	16.8%	12.8%	15.9%
Tradition Responsibility Prosperity 09 (TOP 09)	7.5%	9.3%	9.9%
Christian and Democratic Union - Czech People's Party (KDU-CSL)	7.4%	7.4%	6.9%
Green Party (SZ)	4.8%	4.3%	4.0%
Public Affairs (VV)	4.3%	2.4%	2.3%

Source: Median

Methodology: Interviews with 1,085 Czech adults, conducted from Mar. 2 to Apr. 1, 2010. No margin of error was provided.

[http://www.angus-reid.com/polls/view/35384/communists\\_gain\\_momentum\\_in\\_czech\\_republic](http://www.angus-reid.com/polls/view/35384/communists_gain_momentum_in_czech_republic)

## Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-09)

### A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 3 year period January 2007 – December 2009

#### KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*):  $\approx$  2,000 polls during the period 2007-09
- 2- Number of questions:  $\approx$  25,000 during the period 2007-09
- 3- Subjects of Interest (*we have made a list of 125 subjects, further grouped into 9 broad categories, namely: **Governance, Globalization** (inclusive of global economic issues) **Global Conflicts** (conflict zones), **Global leaders** (USA and Emerging powers), **Global Environment, Family, Religion**, and other miscellaneous*)
- 4- Number of **countries** covered by one or more surveys:  $\approx$  150 during the period 2007-09
- 5- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\approx$  100 during the period 2007-09

