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1 national poll
& **2** Multi-National polls



Pg 2 **Africa** zone this week –
2 Multi-National Polls



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this week- **21** national polls
& **2** Multi-National polls



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Russia



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Polling organizations represented in pink
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Asia zone

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



► SOUTHEAST ASIA

Thais Majority Backs Government's Crackdown [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Most people in [Thailand](#) agree with the way the government forced protesters out of a camp in Bangkok earlier this month, according to a poll by [Suan Dusit University](#). **51.3%** of respondents support the government's actions, but **40.2 %** reject them.

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[Politics](#) » [Domestic Unrest](#)

► MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA

Arab Opinion on U.S. Leadership Reverses Downwards in 2010 [\(Click for Details\)](#)



Africa zone

► WEST AFRICA; EAST AFRICA; CENTRAL AFRICA; SOUTHERN AFRICA

► PAN AFRICA POLL

Sub-Saharan Africa Leads World in U.S. Approval in 2010 [\(Click for Details\)](#)



Euro Americas zone

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



► WEST EUROPE



EUROPE

Britons Ponder Scrapping 24-Hour Drinking Law [\(Click for Details\)](#)

People in [England and Wales](#) favor rescinding the law that allows pubs and clubs to apply for 24-hour licenses to serve alcohol, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **51 %** of respondents agree with repealing the law, while **43 %** would like the regulation to remain in place.

May 28, 201

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Good Numbers for Cameron, Clegg in Britain [\(Click for Details\)](#)

The main players in the new coalition government garner the support of more than half of [Britons](#), according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **54 %** of respondents approve of David Cameron's performance as prime minister.

May 26, 2010

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Britons Pleased with Brown's Work as Chancellor [\(Click for Details\)](#)

People in [Britain](#) hold positive views on the tenure of Gordon Brown at 11 Downing Street, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **54 %** of respondents rate Brown's performance as Chancellor of the Exchequer as good.

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► **EAST EUROPE**

Slovenians Disappointed with Government [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Most people in [Slovenia](#) say the current government has been unsuccessful overall, according to a poll by [Ninamedia](#). **63.7 %** of respondents share this view, down **4.2** points since March.

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Russians Want to Stick with Governing Party [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Most people in [Russia](#) would support the governing party in the next election to the State Duma, according to a poll by the [All-Russian Public Opinion Research Center](#). **54 %** of respondents would vote for United Russia (YR) in the next ballot, up two points since April.

May 27, 2010

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Social Democrats Lead as Czech Election Looms [\(Click for Details\)](#)

The [Czech](#) Social Democratic Party (CSSD) is the most popular political organization in the country, according to a poll by [CVVM](#). **30.5 %** of respondents would vote for the main opposition party in this week's legislative election.

May 26, 2010

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Slovenians Split on Vote Over Dispute with Croatia [\(Click for Details\)](#)

People in [Slovenia](#) are divided on whether a border dispute with Croatia should be brought before an international tribunal, according to a poll by [FUDS](#). **37.6 %** of respondents would vote in favor of the idea, while **32.9 %** would reject it.

May 24, 2010

Politics » Geopolitical Disputes

Putin and Medvedev Top Presidential List in Russia ([Click for Details](#))

Almost half of **Russians** would vote for current Prime Minister Vladimir Putin or current head of state Dmitry Medvedev in the next presidential election, according to a poll by the **Yury Levada Analytical Center**. **27 %** of respondents would support Putin in the next election, while **20 %** would re-elect Medvedev.

May 23, 2010

Politics » Political perceptions

**AMERICAS**► **NORTH AMERICA****Managing Your Online Profile** ([Click for Details](#))

A daily tracking survey on **Americans'** use of the internet reveals that online reputation-monitoring via search engines has increased – **57%** of adult internet users now use search engines to find information about themselves online, up from **47%** in 2006. **Princeton Survey Research Associates International**

May 22, 2010

Society » Communication/Media

New Media, Old Media ([Click for Details](#))

News today is increasingly a shared, social experience. Half of **Americans** say they rely on the people around them to find out at least some of the news they need to know. Some **44%** of online news users get news at least a few times a week through emails, automatic updates or posts from social networking sites. In 2009, Twitter's monthly audience increased by **200%**. **Pew Research Center**

May 23, 2010

Society » Communication/Media

Americans Divided on Increased Coastal Oil Drilling ([Click for Details](#))

US President Barack Obama's decision to extend a moratorium on new deepwater ocean drilling comes at a time when **Americans** are divided, with **50%** in favor and **46%** opposed, on increased drilling for oil and gas off U.S. coasts. However, most stop short of favoring a prohibition on drilling, as, on a follow-up question, **19%** of Americans say they are opposed to all drilling in U.S. coastal areas. **Gallup USA**

May 28, 2010

Society » Environment

Americans Critical of Oil Spill Response; Keeping Close Tabs ([Click for Details](#))

With **US** President Barack Obama and BP taking their most aggressive steps yet in response to the massive oil spill in the *Gulf of Mexico*, the majority of **Americans** express clear displeasure with their efforts so far. **39%** of Americans earlier this week called BP's response "very poor" compared to **21%** for the federal government and **19%** for Obama. **Gallup USA**

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Society » Environment

Oil Spill Alters Views on Environmental Protection ([Click for Details](#))

Between March and today, with the Gulf of Mexico oil spill intervening, **Americans'** preferences for prioritizing between environmental protection and energy production have shifted from a somewhat pro-energy stance to an even stronger pro-environment stance. Now, the majority favor environmental protection, by **55%** to **39%** -- the second-largest percentage (behind the **58%** in 2007) favoring the environment in the 10-year history of the question. **Gallup USA**

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Americans' Acceptance of Gay Relations Crosses 50% Threshold ([Click for Details](#))

Americans' support for the moral acceptability of gay and lesbian relations crossed the symbolic **50%** threshold in 2010. At the same time, the percentage calling these relations "morally wrong" dropped to **43%**, the lowest in **Gallup's** decade-long trend.

May 25, 2010

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Four Moral Issues Sharply Divide Americans ([Click for Details](#))

Americans generally agree about the morality of **12** out of **16** behaviors or social policies that sometimes spark public controversy, with sizable majorities saying each is either "morally acceptable" or "morally wrong." By contrast, views on doctor-assisted suicide, gay and lesbian relations, abortion, and having a baby outside of marriage are closely divided -- the percentage supporting and the percentage opposing are within **15** points of each other. **Gallup USA**

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Poor Numbers for Congress Continue in U.S. ([Click for Details](#))

Only one-in-four **Americans** are satisfied with the way the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate are doing their jobs, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **24 %** of respondents approve of the performance of Congress.

May 29, 2010

[Politics](#) » [Approval Ratings](#)

Few Americans Are Satisfied with U.S. Economy ([Click for Details](#))

People in the **United States** hold gloomy views on their country's financial standing, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. Only **11 %** of respondents rate the economic conditions in the U.S. as good or very good, down four points since April.

May 27, 2010

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

Feelings about Monarchy Split Canadians ([Click for Details](#))

People in **Canada** are divided in their assessment of the current form of government, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **36 %** of respondents would prefer to have an elected head of state, while **33 %** want Canada to remain a monarchy.

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► **LATIN AMERICA**



Half of Chileans Approve of Piñera [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Chilean president Sebastián Piñera's popularity has remained relatively stable, according to a poll by Adimark Gfk. 50 % of respondents approve of the president's performance, down two points since March.

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Politics » Approval Ratings

Mexicans Would Elect a PRI President again [\(Click for Details\)](#)

A candidate running with the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI) could secure the presidency in Mexico, according to a poll by Consulta Mitofsky. 39 % of respondents would vote for the PRI nominee in the 2012 ballot, up 2.3 points since October.

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Politics » Approval Ratings

Brazilian Presidential Race Remains Tight [\(Click for Details\)](#)

This year's presidential election in Brazil could require a run-off, according to a poll by Instituto Sensus. 35.7 % of respondents would vote for Dilma Rousseff of the ruling Workers' Party (PT) in the ballot, up 3.3 points since April.

May 25, 2010

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GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS



Arab Opinion on U.S. Leadership Reverses Downwards in 2010 [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Taking back some of the gains U.S. leadership enjoyed in 2009, four out of six Arab League countries Gallup has surveyed each year since 2008 are now less approving of U.S. leadership than they were in fall 2009. Egyptians' approval ratings have declined the most since last fall (18 % points), followed by Algerians' (13 points). Approval did not decline significantly in Iraq or the Palestinian Territories as the changes are within the margin of error.

May 27, 2010

Security/IR » Global Views

Sub-Saharan Africa Leads World in U.S. Approval [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Across 110 countries Gallup surveyed in 2009, median approval of U.S. leadership was 51%, up from 34% in 2008. Approval during President Barack Obama's first year in office topped 75% in 20 sub-Saharan African countries, with Kosovo, Ireland, and Albania joining them as the countries or areas most approving.

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COUNTRY of the week- Russia

► 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 .

Commentary: Russia's current Political landscape

¹Most people in Russia would support the governing party in the next election to the State Duma, according to a poll by the **All-Russian Public Opinion Research Center**. **54 %** of respondents would vote for United Russia (YR) in the next ballot, up two points since April.

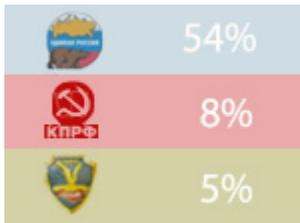
The Communist Party (KPRF) is a distant second with **8 %**, followed by the Liberal Democratic Party (LDPR) with **5 %**, and the opposition movement A Just Russia with **4 %**.

Earlier this month, Putin rejected accusations that Medvedev is a puppet president who is easily manipulated by him, saying, "Our actions are guided exclusively in the interests of our country and the Russian people. We divide up our competencies in accordance with the constitution and Russian legislation."



The next presidential election is scheduled for March 2012. Both Putin and Medvedev are eligible to run as candidates.

² Meanwhile according to another poll by the **Yury Levada Analytical Center** almost half of Russians would vote for current Prime Minister Vladimir Putin or current head of state Dmitry Medvedev in the next presidential election. **27 %** of respondents would support Putin in the next election, while **20 %** would re-elect Medvedev.



Communist Party (KPRF) leader Gennady Zyuganov is far behind with **5 %**, followed by Liberal Democratic Party (LDPR) leader Vladimir Zhirinovskiy with **4 %**, and Russian Federation Council speaker Sergei Mironov of A Just Russia with **1 %**. **43 %** of respondents are undecided.

Polling Data

If the presidential election took place this Sunday, who would you vote for? (Open-ended)

	Apr. 2010	Nov. 2009	Aug. 2008
Vladimir Putin	27%	27%	33%
Dmitry Medvedev	20%	18%	14%
Gennady Zyuganov	5%	4%	4%
Vladimir Zhirinovskiy	4%	3%	3%
Sergei Mironov	1%	--	--
Aman Tuleyev	--	1%	n.a.
Other mentions	1%	2%	n.a.
Other / Not sure / Would not vote	43%	45%	46%

Source: Yury Levada Analytical Center

Methodology: Interviews with 1,600 Russian adults, conducted from Apr. 16 to Apr. 19, 2010. No margin of error was provided.

¹ http://www.angus-reid.com/polls/view/russians_want_to_stick_with_governing_party

² http://www.angus-reid.com/polls/view/putin_and_medvedev_top_presidential_list_in_russia

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

