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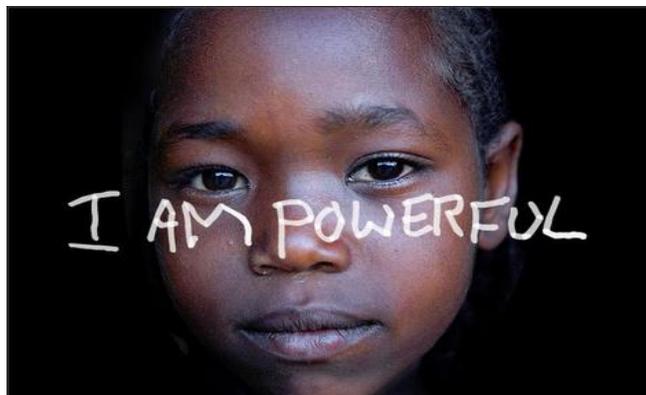
Who are we?

Gilani's Gallopedia is a weekly digest of opinions in a globalized world. It provides a one window access to Global Opinion Polls on a weekly basis. It is produced by a team of researchers led by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani, and is a not for profit public service. It is co-edited by Mohammad Zubair and Rushna Shahid.

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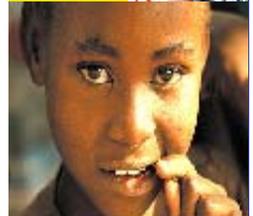
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1 Multi National poll



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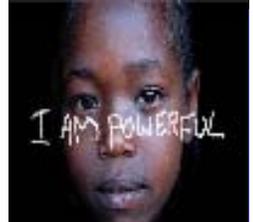


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Asia zone

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



► MIDDLE EAST

Fatah Clearly Ahead of Hamas among Palestinians (Click for Details)

The next election to the [Palestinian](#) Legislative Council would see Fatah winning, according to a poll by the [Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research](#). **45 %** of respondents would vote for Fatah in the next election, up three points since March.

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► NORTHEAST ASIA

Taiwan's Ma Fails to Regain Public's Trust (Click for Details)

Most people in [Taiwan](#) remain disappointed with the performance of Ma Ying-jeou, according to a poll by [Global Views](#). Only **28.4 %** of respondents are satisfied with their president, down two points since May.

June 27, 2010

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Kan Already Facing Negative Trend in Japan (Click for Details)

[Japan's](#) new administration led by Naoto Kan is already losing public support, according to a poll by [Mainichi](#). **52 %** of respondents approve of Kan's appointed cabinet, down 14 points since early June.

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Africa zone

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

► SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

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Multi-Country poll- East African Community Citizens Favor Freer Labor Flow (Click for Details)

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EUROPE

► EAST EUROPE

Half of Russians Would Back EU Entry [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Half of people in [Russia](#) would agree with their country's potential accession to the European Union (EU), according to a poll by [Yury Levada Analytical Center](#). **50 %** of respondents think the country should enter the EU, down nine points since December 2004.

June 28, 2010

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► WEST EUROPE



Britons Clearly Dismayed with Economic Conditions [\(Click for Details\)](#)

People in [Britain](#) are dissatisfied with their country's financial standing, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). Only **9 %** of respondents rate the economic conditions in the United Kingdom as good or very good, down four points since May.

July 03, 2010

[Economy](#) » [Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being](#)

Britons Assess Government on Deficit Reduction [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Almost half of adults in [Britain](#) trust their government to deal with the country's budget deficit, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **46 %** of respondents are "very confident" or "moderately confident" that the government will be able to carry out its deficit reduction plan in a way that strengthens and unites the country.

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AMERICAS

► NORTH AMERICA

Majority of Americans Favor Obama's Afghanistan Timetable [\(Click for Details\)](#)

A majority of [Americans](#) (**58%**) favor President Barack Obama's timetable that calls for withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan beginning in July 2011. Most of the **38%** of Americans who are opposed reject the idea of setting any timetable rather than setting one with an earlier or later date. [Gallup USA](#)

June 29, 2010

[Foreign Affairs & Security](#) » [Afghanistan War](#)

Most Americans Still Troubled by Economy [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Many adults in the [United States](#) are dissatisfied with their country's economic standing, according to a poll by [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#). **85 %** of respondents rate the economic conditions in the U.S. as poor or very poor.

July 02, 2010

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One in Three Americans "Extremely Patriotic" [\(Click for Details\)](#)

According to [Gallup USA](#) survey one in three [Americans](#) (**32%**) now say they are "extremely patriotic," up from **26%** in 2005 and **19%** in 1999.

July 2, 2010

[Domestic Politics](#) » [National Image/ Trust](#)

Republicans, Democrats Still Fiercely Divided on Role of Gov't. [\(Click for Details\)](#)

[Gallup poll](#) finds that **81%** of Republicans say the government is trying to do too much that should be left to individuals and businesses, while **63%** of Democrats say government should do more to solve the country's problems -- underscoring what will certainly be one of the most contentious issues facing voters in this fall's midterm elections

June 28, 2010

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Tea Party Supporters Overlap Republican Base [\(Click for Details\)](#)

There is significant overlap between [Americans](#) who identify as supporters of the Tea Party movement and those who identify as conservative Republicans. Their similar ideological makeup and views suggest that the Tea Party movement is more a rebranding of core Republicanism than a new or distinct entity on the American political scene. [Gallup USA](#)

July 2, 2010

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The Great Recession at 30 Months [\(Click for Details\)](#)

More than half (**55%**) of all [American](#) adults in the labor force say that since the Great Recession began 30 months ago, they have suffered a spell of unemployment, a cut in pay, a reduction in hours or have become involuntary part-time workers, according to a new survey by the [Pew Research Center's](#) Social and Demographic Trends Project.

June 30, 2010

[Economy](#) » [Employment Issues](#)

Voting Intentions Even, Turnout Indicators Favor GOP [\(Click for Details\)](#)

With four months to go before Election Day in [America](#), voting intentions for the House remain closely divided, and neither party has gained or lost much ground over the course of 2010. However, Republicans are much more engaged in the coming election and more inclined to say they are certain to vote than are Democrats.

July 1, 2010

[Domestic Politics](#) » [Elections](#)

U.S. Congress Falls Below 20% Mark (Click for Details)

Americans have a favorable view of the way members of the House of Representatives and the Senate are doing their jobs, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **18 %** of respondents approve of the performance of Congress, down seven points since May.

July 03, 2010

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Half of Americans Disapprove of Obama (Click for Details)

Fewer adults in the **United States** are satisfied with Barack Obama, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **50 %** of respondents disapprove of their president's performance, up five points since May.

June 30, 2010

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Americans Agree with McChrystal's Dismissal (Click for Details)

People in the **United States** believe their president was right in accepting the resignation of the Commander of U.S. Forces Afghanistan, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **53 %** of respondents agree with General Stanley McChrystal's dismissal.

June 29, 2010

[Foreign Affairs & Security](#) » [Military Issues/ Defence](#)

Flag is Most Cherished Symbol for Canadians (Click for Details)

Many adults in **Canada** hold positive feelings on their flag, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **88 %** of respondents are very or moderately proud of the Canadian flag.

July 03, 2010

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Police Reaction in Toronto Justified for Canadians (Click for Details)

People in **Canada** and residents of the latest G20 summit host city believe the reaction of the police to the demonstrations that took place during the meeting of world leaders was justified, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **66 %** of respondents in Canada—and **73 %** of people in Toronto—agree with this view.

July 02, 2010

[Society](#) » [Civil Society](#)

Justice System Unfair for Three-in-Five Canadians (Click for Details)

Many adults in **Canada** seem disappointed with their justice system, according to a poll by **Angus Reid Public Opinion**. **59 %** of respondents think the justice system in their country does not treat every person fairly.

June 30, 2010

[Society](#) » [Justice](#)



► **AUSTRALASIA**

More Australians Call for Afghanistan Withdrawal (Click for Details)

The proportion of people in **Australia** who want to end their country's commitment in Afghanistan has risen considerably, according to a poll by **Essential Media Communications**. **61 %** of respondents think Australia should withdraw its troops from Afghanistan, up 11 points since March 2009.

June 30, 2010

[Foreign Affairs & Security](#) » [Afghanistan War](#)

Half of New Zealanders Back Governing National (Click for Details)

Support for [New Zealand's](#) governing conservatives has remained stable, according to a poll by [Roy Morgan International](#). **50.5 %** of respondents would vote for the National party in the next legislative election, down two points since May.

June 27, 2010

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GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS

Gender Equality Universally Embraced, but Inequalities Acknowledged (Click for Details)

Fifteen years after the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women's Beijing Platform for Action proclaimed that "shared power and responsibility should be established between women and men at home, in the workplace and in the wider national and international communities," people around the globe embrace the document's key principles. Almost everywhere, solid majorities express support for gender equality and agree that women should be able to work outside the home. [Pew Research Center](#)

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[Society](#) » [Gender Issues](#)

East African Community Citizens Favor Freer Labor Flow (Click for Details)

Services, capital, and labor should move more freely when the East African Community (EAC) common market opens Thursday, but people will still need permits to work in most of the five partner states. Although only [Rwanda](#) has eliminated work permits and [Kenya](#) looks to follow suit, [Gallup surveys](#) last year show the idea of moving freely for work within the EAC is popular in all countries.

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► CYBER WORLD

McChrystal's Comments Turn the Social Media to Afghanistan (Click for Details)

The removal of Gen. Stanley McChrystal as the top commander in Afghanistan led to a rare week when the war captured the attention of social media. For the week of June 21-25, **27%** of the news links on blogs and **10%** on Twitter were about [Afghanistan](#) according to the New Media Index from the [Pew Research Center's](#) Project for Excellence in Journalism and this was the highest level of coverage that war has received since PEJ began News Media Index in January 2009.

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[Society](#) » [Media/ New Media](#) §



Topic of the week:

CHANGING PERCEPTIONS ON GENDER EQUITY

► 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 .

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Almost everywhere, solid majorities express support for gender equality and agree that women should be able to work outside the home. Most also find a marriage in which both spouses share financial and household responsibilities to be more satisfying than one in which the husband provides for the family and the wife takes care of the house and children. In addition, majorities in most countries reject the notion that higher education is more important for a boy than for a girl.

Yet, despite a general consensus that women should have the same rights as men, people in many countries around the world say gender inequalities persist in their countries. Many say that men get more opportunities than equally qualified women for jobs that pay well and that life is generally better for men than it is for women in their countries. This is especially so in some of the wealthier nations surveyed. And while majorities in nearly every country surveyed

Who Has the Better Life?				
Where more say men do	Men?	Women?	(Vol)	
	%	%	Same	DK
France	75	14	9	2
Poland	55	15	25	6
Germany	49	15	27	9
Nigeria	46	25	26	3
Spain	45	16	33	5
Brazil	42	30	27	1
India	40	33	26	2
Britain	39	16	36	9
U.S.	39	23	24	15
Kenya	36	28	34	2
<i>Where more say both the same</i>				
Mexico	27	14	56	3
Indonesia	29	15	55	1
Russia	29	14	52	5
China	22	24	49	6
Jordan	28	23	47	2
Lebanon	18	34	47	1
Egypt	32	16	46	7
Argentina	27	21	46	6
Pakistan	37	16	42	6
Turkey	33	27	38	2
<i>Where more say women do</i>				
S. Korea	26	49	23	3
Japan	29	47	20	5

Pew Research Center Q6.

express support for gender equality, equal rights supporters in most countries say that more changes are needed to ensure that women have the same rights as men.

Should Women Have Equal Rights With Men?				
% Yes	Total	Men	Women	Gap
	%	%	%	
Egypt	60	45	76	+31
Nigeria	45	35	56	+21
Kenya	73	63	83	+20
Indonesia	64	55	74	+19
Jordan	61	54	69	+15
Pakistan	79	72	86	+14

Only countries with a double-digit gender gap shown.
Pew Research Center Q80.

A special in-depth 22-nation survey by the *Pew Research Center's Global Attitudes Project*, conducted April 7 to May 8, looks at views on gender equality, done in association with the International Herald Tribune. It suggests that while egalitarian sentiments are pervasive, they are less than robust; when economically challenging times arise many feel men should be given preferential treatment over women in the search for employment.

This is especially true in the predominantly Muslim countries surveyed as well as in India, China, South Korea and Nigeria. In these countries, solid majorities agree that women should be able to work outside the home; yet, most also agree that men should have more right to a job than women when jobs are scarce. For example, about six-in-ten in Egypt (61%) and Jordan (58%) say women should have the right to work outside the home, but even larger shares (75% and 68%, respectively) say the priority should be for men to have jobs.

Majorities in every country polled agree that women should be able to work outside the home. In 17 of the 22 countries, most say they completely agree with this assertion, including at least three-quarters in Brazil (88%), Britain (84%), the U.S. (81%) and Germany (79%).

Solid majorities in virtually every country surveyed say that women should have the same rights as men. This opinion is nearly unanimous in Western European and Latin American countries, as well as in the U.S., Poland, Lebanon, China, India, and South Korea; at least nine-in-ten men and women in these countries express support for gender equality. Only in Nigeria does a majority (54%) reject the idea that women and men should have equal rights.

In 19 of 22 countries, majorities say that a marriage where both husband and wife have jobs and take care of the house and children is a more satisfying way of life than having the husband provide financially while the wife cares for the household.

Publics across the countries surveyed offer mixed views on whether men should have more of a right to a job than women during tough economic times. Majorities in 11 of 22 countries surveyed reject this idea, and this is particularly true in the U.S. and Western Europe. In Nigeria as well as in many Asian and predominantly Muslim countries, however, most respondents say that men should receive preferential treatment when jobs are scarce.

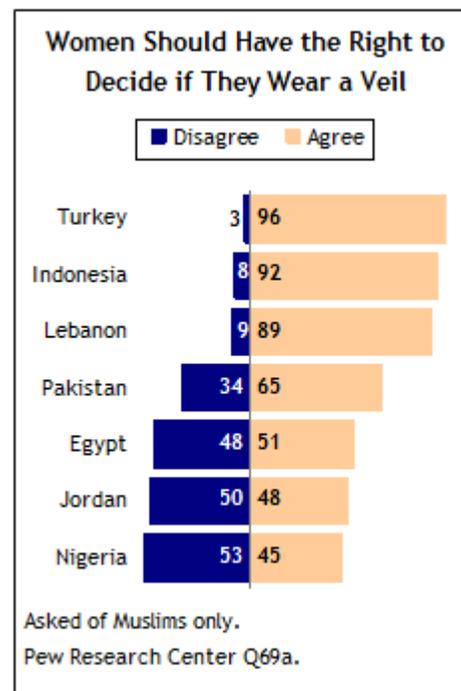
A University Education Is More Important for a Boy Than for a Girl			
	Agree	Disagree	DK
	%	%	%
U.S.	15	83	2
Britain	9	87	3
France	14	87	0
Germany	16	83	1
Spain	7	93	0
Poland	34	58	8
Russia	22	73	5
Turkey	25	69	6
Egypt	50	47	3
Jordan	44	54	2
Lebanon	4	97	0
China	48	50	2
India	63	32	5
Indonesia	28	71	1
Japan	35	64	3
Pakistan	51	39	10
S. Korea	27	69	3
Argentina	10	88	2
Brazil	11	87	1
Mexico	14	84	3
Kenya	22	77	0
Nigeria	34	66	1

Pew Research Center Q33.

Publics in 18 of 22 countries disagree with the notion that a university education is more important for a boy than for a girl. And in 10 of these countries, many strongly reject this idea; majorities in Lebanon (84%), Brazil (78%), Argentina (72%), Britain (71%), France (70%), Mexico (65%), Germany (64%), Spain (62%), the U.S. (60%), and Kenya (59%) completely disagree that is it more important for a boy to receive a university education. Still, a solid majority in India (63%) and about half in Pakistan (51%), Egypt (50%) and China (48%) say that a university education is more important for a boy than for a girl, and sizeable minorities in several countries agree.

In four of the seven countries where the question was asked, clear majorities of Muslims say that women should have the right to decide if they wear a veil. This view is most widespread in Turkey, Indonesia and Lebanon.

Opinions about who has a better life – men or women –are mixed. In 10 of 22 nations, majorities or pluralities say that, all things considered, men have the better life in their countries. In 10 others, more volunteer that there is no difference than say that life is better for one sex than the other. Only in Japan and South Korea do pluralities say that life is better for women in their countries (47% and 49%, respectively). §



SOURCE: <http://pewresearch.org/pubs/1639/global-survey-gender-equality-women-rights-job-priority-education-girls>

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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

