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THIS WEEK'S REPORT CONSISTS OF **24** SURVEYS. **3** OF THESE ARE MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS, **1** IS A CYBER SURVEY, & THE REST ARE NATIONAL SURVEYS. **7** POLLING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED.

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in India

A Large Number but Small
Percentage of Population

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Asia zone

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



► SOUTH ASIA

45 Million Internet Users in India (Click for Details)

India had as on September 2008 45.3 million active internet users. This is according to the I-Cube Study, conducted annually by **IMRB International** and Internet and Mobile Association of India [IAMAI]. Majority of urban Indians cite lack of awareness as a main hurdle in the usage of internet.

March 2009

Society » Media/ New Media

Multi country poll- Many in Asia Travel Domestically for Medical Care (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

Underscoring issues with access to quality local healthcare, a median of about one in five households across **11 Asian** countries say at least one member had to travel to another community for medical care in the past year. Nepalese households are the most likely to have had a member seek treatment outside the community, while those in Indonesia are the least likely. **Gallup USA**

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Society » Health



Africa zone

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

► SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

Multi country poll- EAC Countries Divided on Creating a Common Currency (Click for Details)

The **East African** Community's next goal after launching a common market in July -- creating a common currency by 2012 -- gets mixed support in the economic union's five partner states. **Gallup** surveys last year showed most Ugandans, Burundians, and Rwandans think a single currency is a good idea, but Tanzanians are divided, and the majority of Kenyans think it is a bad idea.

September 14, 2010

Economy » Financial systems & Institutions



Euro Americas zone

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



EUROPE

▶ EAST EUROPE

Terrorists and Their Targets: Rating Of Russian Threats (Click for Details)

Memory of terrorist attacks in Moscow metro makes the **Russians** afraid of further attack. According to Russians, the most dangerous thing is transportation including avian transport, rail transport (69%) and public transport (50%) which can again be target of a terror attack. **Russian Public Opinion Research Center (VCIOM)**

September 08, 2010

Foreign Affairs & Security » Terrorism

Russia`s Global Goals: Development Or Superpowerness? (Click for Details)

A majority of **Russians** think that achieving the status of economically developed and politically influential country should be the main goal for Russia in the XXI century. However, 33 % think that Russia should be a super power again. **Russian Public Opinion Research Center (VCIOM)**

September 07, 2010

Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust



▶ WEST EUROPE

Britons, Cricket Fans Would Impose Lifetime Ban on Pakistani Bowlers (Click for Details)

People in **Britain** are paying attention to the recent allegations of spot-fixing in cricket, and two-thirds of respondents believe that any player involved in this practice should not be allowed to participate in international competitions again, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found.

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Survey Suggests British Catholics Disagree With Pope's Teaching on Sexuality (Click for Details)

A survey has suggested that most **British** Catholics disagree with the Pope's teachings on homosexuality, abortion and contraception. According to an online **YouGov** poll of 1,636 Catholics for ITV's Tonight programme, only 11 % believed gay sex was morally wrong, while 41 % said that both straight and gay relationships should be celebrated.

September 13, 2010

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Few Britons Consider Anti-Social Behaviour Orders as a Success (Click for Details)

Three-in-four respondents believe anti-social behaviour (such as noise pollution, littering, shoplifting, drunken behaviour) has become frequent, normal and tolerated in the [UK](#). People in Britain are not convinced that the controversial Anti-Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs) are working, and more than half believe the Government's proposed course of action on this subject will be either unsuccessful or ineffectual, a new [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#) poll has found.

September 16, 2010

[Society](#) » [Social Problems](#)**AMERICAS**▶ **NORTH AMERICA****Anti-Muslim Sentiment Makes News** (Click for Details)

In the [US](#) controversies related to Muslim Americans -- one sparked by a Florida pastor's plans to burn the Koran and another by a proposal to build an Islamic community center blocks from Ground Zero -- topped the news last week as the country marked the ninth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks. [Pew Research Center](#)

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[Society](#) » [Religion](#)**Public Focused on Tensions over Islam** (Click for Details)

As the nation marked the ninth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terror attacks last week, many in the public and the media focused more on current tensions over Islam in [America](#) -- most notably plans by a Florida pastor to burn copies of the Koran. [Pew Research Center](#)

September 15, 2010

[Society](#) » [Religion](#)**Democrats Re-Establish Narrow Edge in Party Affiliation** (Click for Details)

Slightly more [Americans](#) identify as Democrats or lean Democratic (44%) than identify as or lean Republican (41%) in September to date, re-establishing a Democratic edge that disappeared in August, when the parties were even. The Democrats' current positioning remains much weaker than it was at the time President Barack Obama took office, when they enjoyed a 17-point edge in party affiliation. [Gallup USA](#)

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[Domestic Politics](#) » [Political Parties](#)**Obama's Weekly Job Approval Average Improves to 46%** (Click for Details)

[US](#) President Barack Obama's job approval rating averaged 46% for the week ending Sept. 12, his highest weekly average since mid-July and up from the 43% low point recorded in late August. [Gallup USA](#)

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[Domestic Politics](#) » [Performance Ratings](#)**U.S. Economic Confidence More Negative Than a Year Ago** (Click for Details)

Despite the recent upturn in the nation's equity markets, [Gallup's](#) Economic Confidence Index, at -34 during the week ending Sept. 12, confirms a downward trend in [US](#) consumer confidence that started in mid-August.

September 14, 2010

[Economy](#) » [Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being](#)**Simple Ads Prove Effective in Courting Independent Voters in U.S.** (Click for Details)

With the mid-term congressional election less than two months away, [Americans](#)—and Independent voters in particular—are reacting very differently to two recent political advertisements, a new [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#) poll has found.

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

Americans Renew Call for Third Party ([Click for Details](#))

[Americans'](#) desires for a third political party are as high as they have been in seven years. 58 % of Americans believe a third major political party is needed because the Republican and Democratic Parties do a poor job of representing the American people. That is a significant increase from 2008 and ties the high [Gallup](#) has recorded for this measure since 2003.

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Obesity Linked to Lower Emotional Wellbeing ([Click for Details](#))

Obese [Americans](#), a group already grappling with many physical health problems, are also suffering in terms of their emotional wellbeing. The more than one in four American adults who are obese are significantly more likely than those who are normal weight or overweight to report having been diagnosed with depression and experiencing stress, worry, anger, and sadness. [Gallup USA](#)

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[Society](#) » [Health](#)

Majority Thinks GOP Has Moved Right since Obama Took Office ([Click for Details](#))

The prevailing view among [Americans](#) is that the Republican Party has become more conservative since Barack Obama took office, but not necessarily because of the Tea Party movement's influence. Among the 54% who say so, about a third -- representing 19% of all Americans -- think the Tea Party movement is the primary reason for this; the rest believe other factors are at work. [Gallup USA](#)

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Bush Still Takes Brunt of Blame for Economy vs. Obama ([Click for Details](#))

Nearly two years into his presidency, 51% of [Americans](#) say President Barack Obama bears little to no blame for U.S. economic problems, while 48% assign him a great deal or moderate amount of blame. More Americans now blame Obama than did so a year ago, but a substantially higher %age, 71%, blame former President George W. Bush. [Gallup USA](#)

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Americans More Pessimistic About Emerging From Recession ([Click for Details](#))

Most [Americans](#) see the U.S. economy as stuck in a recession and the majority doesn't see or expect much improvement any time soon. A majority (54%) now expect the economy to be the same or worse in a year, up sharply from the 35% who expressed similar views a year ago. Americans are also now more likely to say the economy is staying the same or getting worse than to say it is getting better. [Gallup USA](#)

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Americans Spending More Time Following the News ([Click for Details](#))

There are many more ways to get the news these days, and as a consequence [Americans](#) are spending more time with the news than over much of the past decade. Digital platforms are playing a larger role in news consumption, and they seem to be more than making up for modest declines in the audience for traditional platforms. As a result, the average time Americans spend with the news on a given day is as high as it was in the mid-1990s, when audiences for traditional news sources were much larger. [Pew Research Center](#)

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Society » Media/ New Media

Mixed Views of GOP Proposals on Entitlements (Click for Details)

The American public has sharply different reactions to major changes in Social Security and Medicare programs being proposed by some leading Republicans. While a majority favors a proposal to allow some private investments in Social Security, there is considerably less support for the idea of ending Medicare and replacing it with a system of vouchers for purchasing private insurance. **Pew Research Center**

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Domestic Politics » Governance

More Canadians Are Questioning the Benefits of Immigration (Click for Details)

More Canadians are questioning whether immigration is benefiting the country, with Albertans and Ontarians voicing concern over the role of illegal immigrants in Canadian society, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found.

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GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS

BBC International Trade Promoter Study (Click for Details)

A study of business influencers was conducted by **GlobeScan** on behalf of BBC World Service across five countries, a total of 265 individuals with an influence over international business decisions were interviewed in **US, India, UAE, Turkey** and **Nigeria**. Proportions saying they access the BBC most days (TV, radio or online) range from 22% (Turkey) to 70% (India).

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CYBER WORLD

Rise of the 'Apps Culture' (Click for Details)

Cell phone use in the **U.S.** has increased dramatically over the past decade. Fully eight-in-10 adults today (82%) are cell phone users, and about one-quarter of adults (23%) now live in a household that has a cell phone but no landline phone. **Pew Research Center**

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Topic of the week:

45 Million Internet Users in India

A LARGE NUMBER BUT SMALL PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION

► 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: India had as on September 2008 45.3 million active internet users. This is according to the I-Cube [Internet in India] Study released today and conducted annually by IMRB International and Internet

and Mobile Association of India [IAMAI]. Active internet users are those who have used the internet at least once in the last one month – this is an internationally accepted benchmark for enumerating internet users.



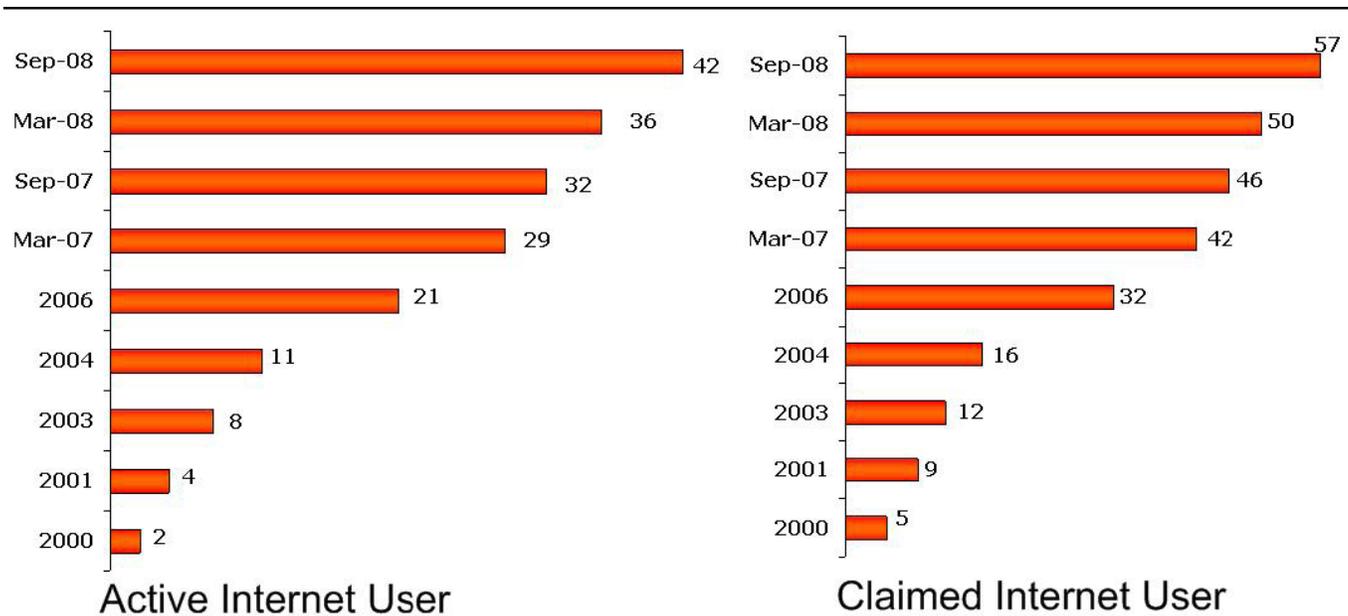
Urban users continue to dominate internet use contributing to 42 million of the 45 million odd users. In September last 2007, the number of active internet users in urban India was 32 million showing a year on year growth of a little more than 30 %. Commenting on the study Dr Subho Ray, president, IAMAI, said, “the growth rate was alarming compared with the rest in past years as well as with some other countries notably v where the number of internet users are more than 250 million”

The study also found that the number of “claimed” internet users in September 2008 was 57 million compared with 46 million in September 2007, recording nearly 24 % growth. Claimed users are those who have used the internet sometime but not in the last one month.

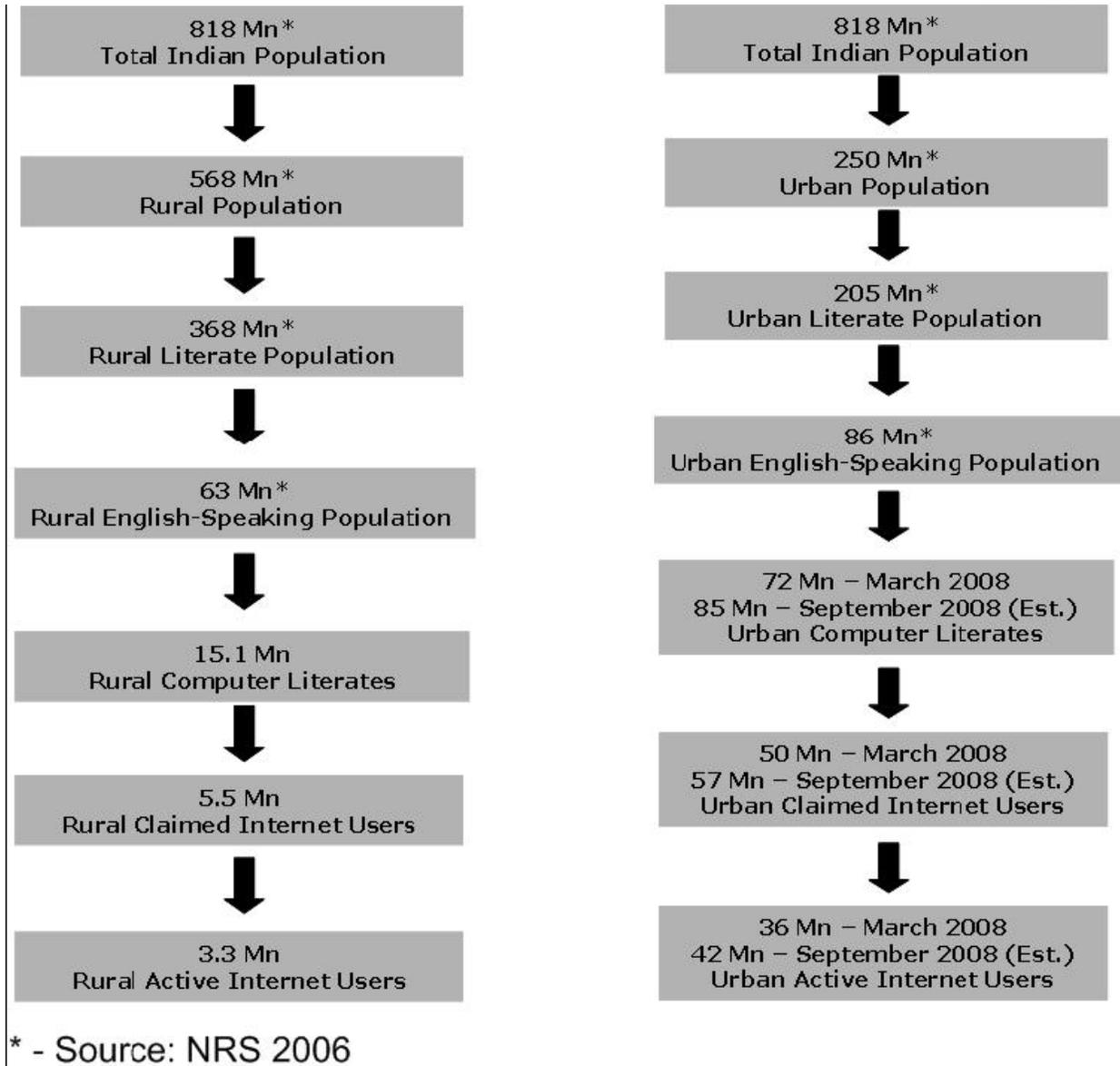
The time series data since 2001 captures this definite slow down in the growth rate of internet users in India.

The proportion of internet users to the total population from the age of 12 and proportion of internet users to the total literate population is also not very encouraging as shown in the tables below.

The following figures are in millions



The survey also interviewed the claimed users on the lack of internet user and found there are five main barriers to internet use in urban India. The main reason for lack of internet use was found to be lack of awareness of the use of the medium.



Commenting on the study Mr. Mohan Krishnan, Senior Vice President BIRD, a specialized unit of IMRB International said “Continuing niche growth of the Internet is forcing two major realizations that need to be acted upon. Firstly, with majority of urban literates challenged due to the barrier of English language, there needs to be a strong push in vernacular/local language provision over the Internet. In these markets, in addition to localized content, online applications that matter individuals in their daily lives are needed. At the same time, untouched vast rural markets need to be tapped. §

SOURCE: <http://www.imrbint.com/media/45..pdf>

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A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 –August 2010

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \approx 2,500 polls during the period 2007-2010
- 2- Number of questions: \approx 30,000 during the period 2007-2010
- 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 2007-2010
- 5- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 150 during the period 2007-2010

