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THIS WEEK'S REPORT CONSISTS OF **24** SURVEYS. **4** OF THESE ARE MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS, **1** IS A CYBER SURVEY, & THE REST ARE NATIONAL SURVEYS. **8** POLLING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED.

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Asia zone

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



► MIDDLE EAST

Iraqis Cite 'Services' as Top Problem, 'Security' Concerns Decline (Click for Details)

Recent IRI survey of [Iraqi](#) public conducted by [Pechter Middle East Polls](#) shows that though more Iraqis feel that the country is going in the wrong direction but still 'security' concerns have declined. Iraqis mention 'services' such as water and electricity as their single most important problem.

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Africa zone

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

► SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

Nigeria: Goodluck Jonathan and the 2011 Presidential Elections (Click for Details)

Despite growing speculation about whether President Goodluck Jonathan will run for President in the upcoming 2011 presidential elections, the president is yet to declare his intentions. A recent survey conducted by [NOI](#) Polls shows that the majority (81%) of [Nigerians](#) believe that Jonathan should run for President.

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Nigeria: Attahiru Jega, INEC and Nigerians' Hopes for the 2011 Elections (Click for Details)

In a recent survey conducted by **NOI** Polls, 80% of **Nigerians** said that they were aware of Attahiru Jega's appointment as INEC chairman and majority have confidence in the INEC leadership to conduct free and fair election and they intend to vote.

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The Nigerian Banking Sector (Click for Details)

In a recent survey conducted by **NOI** Polls, **Nigerians** were asked if they were aware of the ongoing banking reforms by the CBN. About four in ten respondents (42%) said they were unaware of the reforms while 58% of the respondents said they were aware of the reforms.

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Euro Americas zone

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

▶ **EAST EUROPE**



EUROPE

Dynamics of Attitudes of the Populations of Ukraine and Russia towards One Another (Click for Details)

A recent survey of **Russian** and **Ukrainian** populations by **Kyiv Institute** shows that people on both side of the fence have highly favorable opinion of each other's countries and a reasonable majority wants to have free movement across borders.

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▶ **WEST EUROPE**

Multi-country survey: Domestic Violence against Women (Click for Details)

A **Eurobarometer** survey finds that domestic violence remains very common across Europe: one respondent in four across the **EU** knows a woman among friends or in the family circle who is a victim of domestic violence. Since the previous survey, the proportion of Europeans (on a comparable EU15 basis) that say they know a victim of domestic violence in their circle of friends or family has increased from 19% to 25%.

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Europeans, Development aid, and the Millennium Development Goals (Click for Details)

Eurobarometer poll finds that Europeans attach high importance to development and cooperation among the **European countries**. They believe poverty to be the major problem for developing world and contribute financially in eradicating it.

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Hostile views to Catholic doctrines (Click for Details)

Pope Benedict XVI's historic visit to the **UK** was generally judged a success by most commentators and the first post-visit surveys suggest a small improvement in perceptions of the Pope. But a **Populus** poll for The Times revealed considerable underlying hostility in Britain to the views of the Catholic Church.

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Divided opinions on coalition, economy and cuts (Click for Details)

In the **UK** most voters (**59%**) think the coalition is 'doing well overall' so far, according to the latest **Populus** poll for The Times. But the poll also reveals a stark difference of view between men and women when it comes to central aspects of the government's agenda.

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**AMERICAS****▶ NORTH AMERICA****Americans Trust U.S. More on Foreign Than on Domestic Affairs** (Click for Details)

Gallup's annual Governance survey finds **57%** of **Americans** expressing a great deal or fair amount of trust in the U.S. government to handle international problems. That is down from **62%** a year ago, but remains higher than the percentage trusting Washington to handle domestic problems, now at a record-low **46%**.

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Trust in Legislative Branch Falls to Record-Low 36% (Click for Details)

A record-low **36%** of **Americans** have a great deal or fair amount of trust and confidence in the legislative branch of government, down sharply from the prior record low of **45%** set last year. Trust in the judicial branch and trust in the executive branch also suffered sharp declines this year but remain higher than trust in the legislative branch. **Gallup USA**

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Independents Oppose Party in Power ... Again (Click for Details)

For the third **American** national election in a row, independent voters may be poised to vote out the party in power. The Republican Party holds a significant edge in preferences for the upcoming congressional election among likely voters, in large part because political independents now favor Republican candidates by about as large a margin as they backed Barack Obama in 2008 and congressional Democratic candidates four years ago. **Pew Research Center**

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Americans Confident in Own Bank, but Not U.S. Banks (Click for Details)

The percentage of [Americans](#) saying they have a "great deal" or "quite a lot" of confidence in U.S. banks stands at 18%, continuing a trend of low confidence recorded throughout the economic downturn. [Gallup USA](#)

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How You Feel About Midterms Depends on Your Party ([Click for Details](#))

About two thirds of the [American](#) public sees coverage of this year's elections as focused primarily on strategy and conflict, not candidate positions, while a comparable percentage says the 2010 congressional elections are more important than most. [Pew Research Center](#)

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Recession or Not, U.S. Job Market Woes Persist ([Click for Details](#))

Even as Wall Street rallies on the National Bureau of Economic Research announcement that the recession ended in June 2009, [Gallup](#) finds -- more than a year later -- that 88% of [Americans](#) believe now is a bad time to find a quality job.

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On the Role of Government, Parties' Ratings Look Like 1994 ([Click for Details](#))

[Americans'](#) opinions about how well the Democratic Party represents their views on the role of government have soured in recent years. The percentage saying the party is doing either very or moderately well on this has dropped from 57% in October 2006 to 44% today. Over the same period, the Republican Party's image on the role of government has held fairly steady and, as a result, the GOP now leads on this dimension, similar to its position in October 1994. [Gallup USA](#)

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Taxed Enough Already? ([Click for Details](#))

[Pew](#) finds that while the government, its agencies and its priorities have rarely seen such low levels of trust and favorability, more among the [American](#) public say that they pay about the right amount in taxes considering what they get from the federal government (50%) than said they pay more than their fair share in taxes (43%). Not surprisingly, just 3% were willing to say they pay less than their fair share in taxes.

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Little Compromise on Compromising ([Click for Details](#))

There is little agreement among the [American](#) public about compromise in politics. About half (49%) say they most admire political leaders who stick to their positions without compromising, while slightly fewer (42%) say that they most admire political leaders who make compromises with people they disagree with.

[Pew Research Center](#)

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In U.S., Consumption of Fruits and Vegetables Trails Access ([Click for Details](#))

On the heels of the news that [Americans](#) aren't consuming as many fruits and vegetables as recommended, an analysis of [Gallup-Healthways](#) Well-Being Index data from 2010 suggests access may not be the problem. Nationwide, 92% of Americans report easy access to affordable fresh produce where they live, as do at least 8 in 10 residents in all states but Alaska.

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Society » Health

Almost Half of Canadians Would Abolish the Long Gun Registry (Click for Details)

As the House of Commons prepares for a vote on the future of the [Canadian](#) Firearms Registry, many Canadians remain skeptical about the success of the legislation, a new [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#) poll has found.

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▶ **LATIN AMERICA**

Multi Country Survey Brazilians & Chinese Upbeat about Their Country, Despite Its Problems (Click for Details)

At a time when global publics are mostly glum about the way things are going in their countries, half of [Brazilians](#) say they are satisfied with national conditions, and 62% say their nation's economy is in good shape. Of the 21 other publics included in the 2010 [Pew Global Attitudes survey](#), only the [Chinese](#) are more upbeat about their country's overall direction and economic conditions.

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GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS

Americans, Britons and Canadians Hesitant on Middle East Talks (Click for Details)

People in the [United States](#), [Canada](#) and [Britain](#) have reacted with skepticism to the announcement of high level talks between [Israel](#) and the [Palestinians](#), a new [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#) poll has found.

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Foreign Affairs & Security » Palestine/ Israel Conflict

U.S. Leadership Gains Approval in Parts of Asia (Click for Details)

Approval of U.S. leadership in Asia has seen its share of ups and downs over the last two years as the Bush era ended and the Obama era began. So far in 2010, approval ratings remain higher than they were in 2008 in 10 out of the 18 countries surveyed. Approval increased most in [Australia](#) and [New Zealand](#) and declined most in [Vietnam](#), [Indonesia](#), and [India](#), where residents are now significantly more uncertain. [Gallup USA](#)

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CYBER WORLD

65% - Do You Sleep With Your Cell Phone? (Click for Details)

Two third of adult cell phone owners in [U.S.](#) sleep with their cell next to their bed. This ratio is even higher in youth which shows it is difficult to separate a cell owner from his/her cell and they remain available on cyber networks even when they are asleep. [Pew Research Center](#)

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Topic of the week:

Iraqis Cite 'Services' as Top Problem, 'Security' Concerns Decline

► 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: Trends Since December 2009 Survey

A latest IRI survey indicates a divided mood among the Iraqi people – more so than in IRI's December 2009 survey – with **59 %** of respondents indicating that their country is heading in the wrong direction and **41 %** indicating the right direction. This wrong direction rating represents a shift in opinion about the future of the country, with the number of respondents who believe that Iraq is heading in the right direction dropping 10 points from a **51 %** majority in December 2009.

Significantly, however, respondents' optimism concerning their personal and household economic future rose between the December and June polls. When asked if they felt that their household economic well being would improve, **63 %** thought it would improve and 13 % thought it would worsen. This shift is noteworthy as corresponding figures were considerably lower in the December 2009 survey.

A majority of respondents also see wages and salaries as either better (**36 %**) or at least the same (**37 %**) over the past year, suggesting, in turn, that the predominant dissatisfaction with Iraq's overall direction stems more from perceptions of national rather than personal troubles.

One source of this malaise is the widespread view that basic services (water, electricity, sewage, etc.) have deteriorated over the past year. At the same time, a majority of Iraqis continue to see a negative general economic situation (**56 %**) and a worsening of unemployment in the country (**63 %**).

As seen over the course of IRI polling, Iraqi people continue to display optimism towards the security situation within the country. This survey indicates that **73 %** of respondents acknowledge an improvement in security, representing an eight point decrease from **81 %** in December 2009.

When asked how the Iraqi National Government has performed a majority, **61 %**, cite favorably, a three point increase from December 2009. Conversely, the Council of Representatives received decidedly mixed reviews with **38 %** of respondents indicating that they approve of the new body, while **62 %** either disapprove or remain undecided.

Issues

Top Concern: Services, Not Security

The June 2010 poll showed a distinct shift from December 2009 on the *single* biggest problem facing Iraq as a whole. The latest figures for this are: Basic services such as water and electricity, **69 %**; security, **20 %**; and unemployment, 9 %. The top two were reversed in December 2009: security, **43 %**; and basic services, **23 %**.

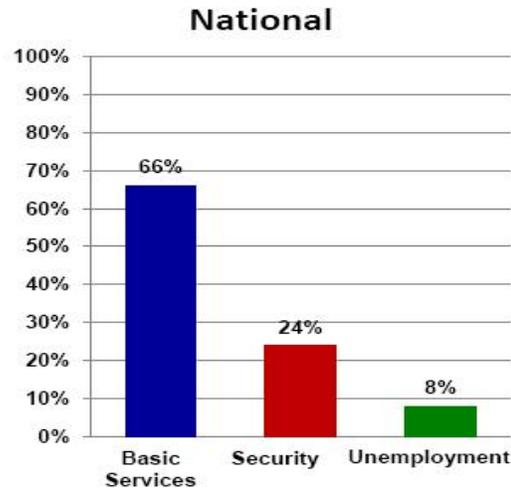
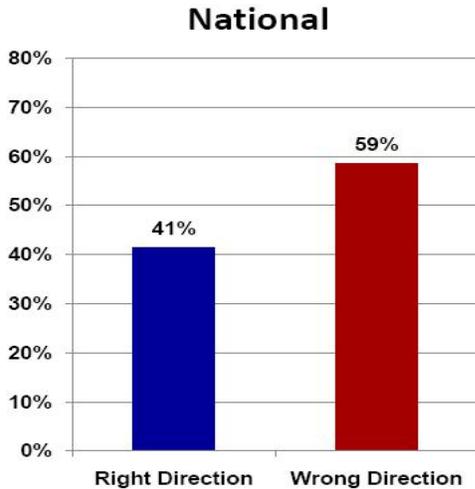
Security is cited in June 2010 as *one of the top three concerns* by **59 %**, behind basic services at **74 %**. In the December 2009 poll, the economy and security were virtually tied as top three issues with Iraq voters.

When asked to name the top three issues they wanted the prime minister and the Council of Representatives to focus on, **76 %** cited economy-related issues as one of their top three choices and **72 %** cited security. However, a majority of Iraqis agreed that security has improved in the country (**81 %** better – **18 %** worse). Voters were less sure about the economy, with **40 %** rating the economy positively and **57 %** rating it negatively.

SOURCE: [http://www.iri.org/sites/default/files/2010%20September%2016%20IRI%20Iraq%20Index,%20June%203-July%203,%202010\(1\).pdf](http://www.iri.org/sites/default/files/2010%20September%2016%20IRI%20Iraq%20Index,%20June%203-July%203,%202010(1).pdf)

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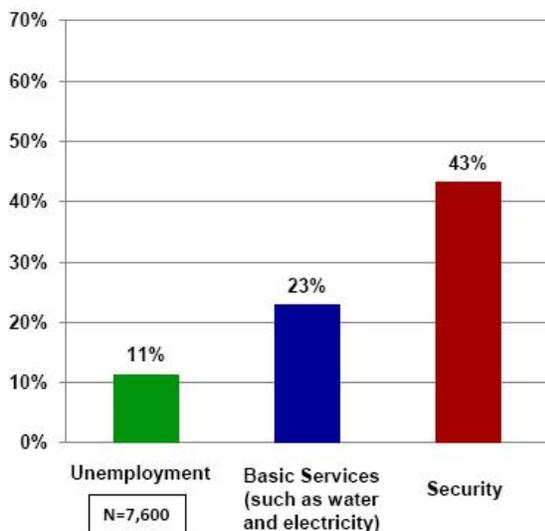
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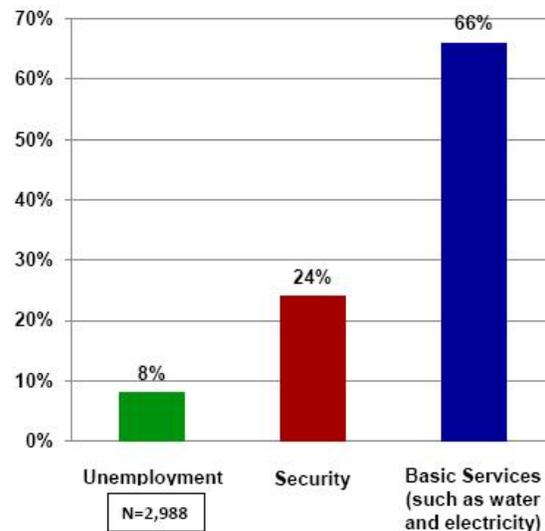
In your opinion, would you say things in Iraq are going in the right direction or in the wrong direction?

Not personally, but in terms of Iraq, what in your opinion is the single biggest problem facing Iraq as a whole? (Comparison)

December 2009



June 2010



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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

