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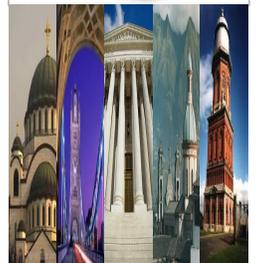
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► MIDDLE EAST & NORTH AFRICA; WEST ASIA; SOUTH ASIA;  
NORTH ASIA; EAST ASIA

### ► SOUTH EAST ASIA

#### **Most Voters in Thailand Are Satisfied with the Country's Democracy** (Click for Details)

The PAD's Somsak Kosaisuk is the least popular politician in **Thailand**, while Prime Minister Abhisit Vejjajiva is the most liked. Most voters in Thailand are content with the way democracy operates in their country, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion poll** has found.

October 05, 2010

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#### **Philippines Highly Satisfied With President Noynoy Aquino** (Click for Details)

In **Philippines**, rated for the first time as President, Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III had 71% satisfied and 11% dissatisfied with his performance, for a very good net satisfaction rating of +60 (% satisfied minus % dissatisfied), according to the Third Quarter 2010 **Social Weather Survey**, conducted from September 24-27, 2010.

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### ► SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

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## Euro Americas zone

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



### EUROPE

#### ▶ EAST EUROPE

##### **Gay Pride battles in Belgrade reflect opinions on the ground** (Click for Details)

Last week, the first Gay Pride march in Belgrade, [Serbia](#) since 2001 took place against a backdrop of violent clashes between police and protesters, said to be chanting “death to homosexuals”. While such clashes could have been predicted, the latest [Gallup Balkan Monitor](#) results can help to put the riots in context. Almost 70 % of Serbians believe homosexuality to be wrong.

October 11, 2010

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##### **Drug Threat to Russia: Public Opinion** (Click for Details)

According to the [Russian Public Opinion Research Center \(VCIOM\)](#), *Drug abuse* is a wide spread issue in [Russia](#) but every tenth Russian considers drug abuse as a private matter for each individual rather than a social problem. As two decades ago, the drug abuse problem is regarded to be serious by most Russians (96%, in 1998 - 93%).

September 29, 2010

[Society](#) » [Social Problems](#)



#### ▶ WEST EUROPE

##### **New Leader Gives Opposition Labour Party First Place in Britain** (Click for Details)

Labour boasts impressive support in Scotland and the North following election of Ed Miliband as leader. In the online survey of a representative sample of 2,004 [British](#) adults, **38 %** of decided voters and leaners say they would support Labour in the next General Election. [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#)

October 03, 2010

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##### **Britons and Catholics Want Church to Do More to Assist Sexual Abuse Victims** (Click for Details)

Respondents call for the Catholic Church to grant material support to victims and provide the names of all accused priests to the appropriate authorities so they can be prosecuted. In Pope Benedict XVI's recent visit to [Britain](#) the Pope's apology to sexual abuse victims was deemed sincere by **43 %** of Britons and **69 %** of Catholics. [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#)

October 06, 2010

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## AMERICAS

### ▶ NORTH AMERICA

#### **Views of GOP's Ability to Govern Similar to 1994, 2006** (Click for Details)

While views regarding several facets of Democrats' ability to govern are down sharply since 2006, views about Republicans remain similar to those from the last midterm elections, when the GOP lost majority control of Congress -- but also similar to 1994, when it won majority control. [Gallup USA](#)

October 7, 2010

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

#### **Supreme Court Starts Term With 51% Approval** (Click for Details)

The U.S. Supreme Court begins its 2010-11 term with 51% of [Americans](#) approving of the way it handles its job. This is lower than a year ago, when approval surged to 61%, but is similar to the court's ratings in 2007 and 2008. [Gallup USA](#)

October 6, 2010

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#### **Obama Approval Averages 45% in September** (Click for Details)

[American](#) President Barack Obama's job approval ratings remain below 50%, with an average 45% job approval score for the president in September. That is a slight improvement from his term-low 44% average in August. [Gallup USA](#)

October 4, 2010

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#### **Four in 10 U.S. Workers Say Their Company Is Understaffed** (Click for Details)

Even as millions of [Americans](#) are searching for work, 38% of those who do have a job say their company is understaffed, while 52% say their company has about the right number of employees. Few American workers believe their company has too many employees. [Gallup USA](#)

October 8, 2010

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

#### **Likely Voters Demographically Typical, but Skew Conservative** (Click for Details)

[Gallup's](#) recent modeling of the vote for Congress finds 54% of likely voters identifying themselves as politically conservative, while moderates are in conspicuously short supply compared with recent midterms. Also, Republicans make up a larger share of the electorate in Gallup's initial 2010 likely voter pool -- greater than their 1994 share -- than do Democrats, and the gap is even more pronounced once the leanings of independents are taken into account.

October 8, 2010

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#### **Gay Marriage Gains More Acceptance** (Click for Details)

Polls this year have found that more [Americans](#) favor allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally than did so just last year. In two polls conducted over the past few months, based on interviews with more than 6,000 adults, 42% favor same-sex marriage while 48% are opposed. [Pew Research Center](#)

October 6, 2010

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#### **The Reversal of the College Marriage Gap** (Click for Details)

In a reversal of long-standing marital patterns in [America](#), college-educated young adults are more likely than young adults lacking a bachelor's degree to have married by the age of 30. [Pew Research Center](#)

October 7, 2010

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**GOP Well Positioned Among Likely Midterm Voters** (Click for Details)

Gallup's generic ballot for Congress among registered voters currently shows Republicans with 46% of the vote and Democrats with 43%, similar to the 46% to 46% tie reported a week ago. However, in Gallup's first estimates among likely voters, based on polling from Sept. 23-Oct. 3, Republicans have a double-digit advantage under two separate turnout scenarios.

October 4, 2010

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**Latinos and the 2010 Elections** (Click for Details)

In a year when support for Democratic candidates has eroded, the party's standing among one key voting group -- Latinos--appears as strong as ever. Two-thirds (65%) of Latino registered voters say they plan to support the Democratic candidate in their local congressional district, while just 22% support the Republican candidate, according to a nationwide survey of Latinos. **Pew Research Center**

October 5, 2010

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**Majority of Canadians Support Move to Reinstate Long Form Census** (Click for Details)

A majority of **Canadians** welcome an opposition proposal to re-instate the abandoned mandatory long form census, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found. Half of respondents believe the federal government should reverse its decision, and only one-in-four think long form is intrusive.

October 06, 2010

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▶ **LATIN AMERICA**



**Before Protests, Ecuador's President More Popular Than Police** (Click for Details)

Clashes between **Ecuador's** police and President Rafael Correa Thursday once again raise questions about the stability of the country's leadership and institutions. Prior to the violent uprising and Correa's military rescue from police protesters, Ecuadorians were much more likely to approve of the president's job performance than to express confidence in the local police, the military, or the national government. **Gallup USA**

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▶ **AUSTRALASIA**

**National-led Government Beginning to Lose Popularity in New Zealand** (Click for Details)

The latest **New Zealand Roy Morgan Poll** shows support for John Key's National-led Government has weakened slightly to 52.5% (down 0.5%), comprising National Party 49.5% (up 1%), Maori Party 2.5% (up 1%), ACT NZ 0.5% (down 1.5%) and United Future 0% (down 1%).

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**GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS**



**Optimism about Financial Wellbeing Rebounds in Asia** (Click for Details)

Reflecting Asia's resilience after the global economic crisis, **Gallup** surveys in 2010 show people's optimism about their financial wellbeing is rebounding across the region. A median of 53% of residents in 19 countries now say their standard of living is getting better, nearing the pre-crisis median of 57% in 2007.

October 6, 2010

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**Experts Trust Ratings Organizations Less Than NGOs and Employees as Judges of Sustainability Performance** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Ratings and rankings organizations are trusted less than NGOs and a company's employees when it comes to accurately judging that company's sustainability performance. This is according to latest findings from The Sustainability Survey Research Program released by **GlobeScan**.

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**CYBERWORLD**

**Blogs Take Test of Faith** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

A news report that challenges conventional wisdom, especially one about a personal/cultural topic like religion, is often rich fodder for online conversation. This was the case last week as a **Pew Research Center** survey showing that atheists and agnostics were more knowledgeable about religion than followers of major faiths drew significant attention.

October 7, 2010

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**Topic of the week:**

**Philippines Highly Satisfied With President Noynoy Aquino**

► 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: Net +60 satisfaction rating for President Noynoy Aquino*



**Social Weather Stations** - Rated for the first time as President, Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III had **71%** satisfied and **11%** dissatisfied with his performance, for a *very good* net satisfaction rating of **+60** (% satisfied minus % dissatisfied), according to the Third Quarter 2010 Social Weather Survey, conducted from September 24-27, 2010.

For comparison, the initial net satisfaction ratings obtained by past presidents were: Pres. Cory Aquino, **+53** in March 1986; Pres. Ramos, **+66** in September 1992; Pres. Estrada, **+60** in September 1998; and Pres. Arroyo, **+24** in March 2001, and **+26** in June 2004.

**Very good ratings in all areas**

Pres. Aquino's net satisfaction rating is *very good* in all areas. It is **+66** in Metro Manila (**76%** satisfied,



10% dissatisfied), +65 in Balance Luzon (73% satisfied, 8% dissatisfied), +54 in the Visayas (68% satisfied, 14% dissatisfied), and +52 in Mindanao (67% satisfied, 15% dissatisfied).

Net satisfaction with Pres. Aquino is +62 in urban areas (72% satisfied, 10% dissatisfied) and +58 in rural areas (70% satisfied, 12% dissatisfied).

**Class patterns**

By socioeconomic class, Pres. Aquino's net rating is a *very good* +64 in the poorest class E (73% satisfied, 9% dissatisfied) and a *very good* +59 in class D or the *masa* (71% satisfied, 11% dissatisfied), compared to a *good* +49 in class ABC (65% satisfied, 16% dissatisfied).

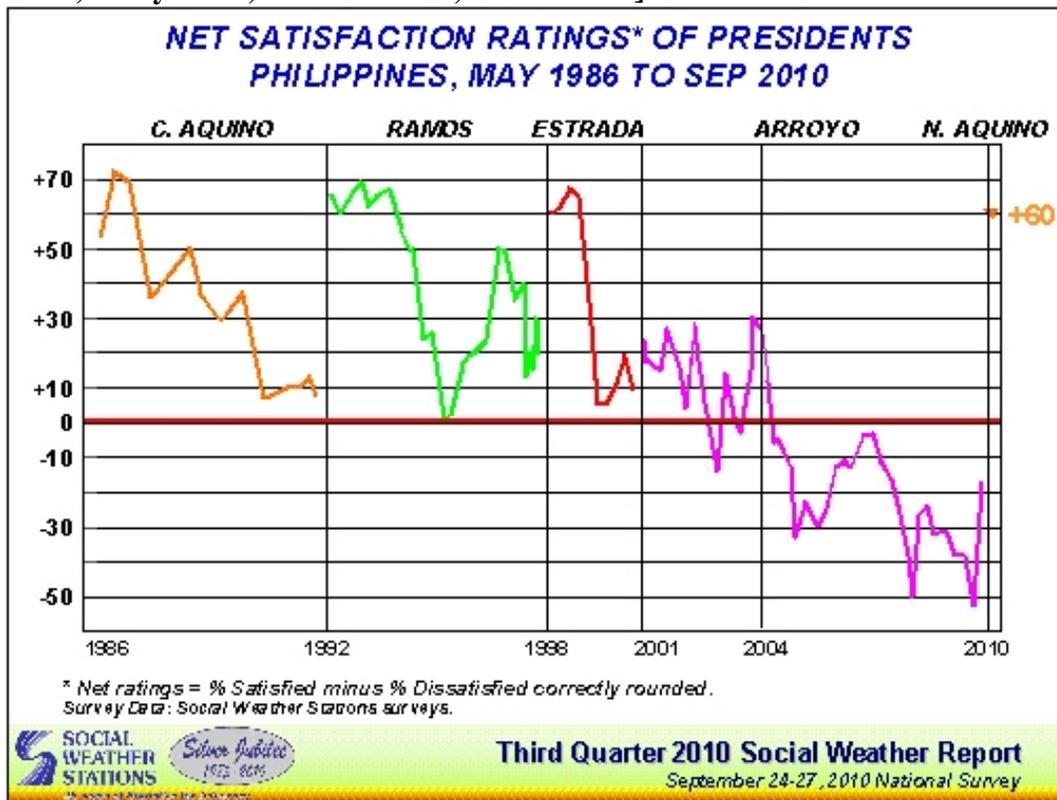
**Very good ratings among men and women**

Net satisfaction with Pres. Aquino is +62 among women (73% satisfied, 11% dissatisfied) and +58 among men (69% satisfied, 11% dissatisfied).

**Survey Background**

The September 2010 Social Weather Survey was conducted from September 24-27, 2010 using face-to-face interviews of 1,200 adults in Metro Manila, the Balance of Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao (sampling error margins of ±3% for national percentages, ±6% for area percentages).

[SWS terminology for Net Satisfaction Ratings: +70 and above, "excellent"; +50 to +69, "very good"; +30 to +49, "good"; +10 to +29, "moderate", +9 to -9, "neutral"; -10 to -29, "poor"; -30 to -49, "bad"; -50 to -69, "very bad"; -70 and below, "execrable"]



SOURCE: <http://www.sws.org.ph/pr20101009.htm>

# Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2010)

## 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

