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THIS WEEK'S REPORT CONSISTS OF **35** SURVEYS. **4** OF THESE ARE MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS & THE REST ARE NATIONAL SURVEYS. **12** POLLING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN

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Asia zone

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



► MIDDLE EAST

Palestine- The Peace Process & Internal Politics (Click for Details)

A recent survey shows that despite failure of talks with Israel, [Palestinians](#) are still supportive of Peace Process and they believe a two state solution to be the eventual solution. Popularity of Abbas and Fayyad has also risen. ([AWRAD- Arab World For Research and Development](#))

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► SOUTH ASIA

(Pakistan) 7 in 10 Pakistanis Have Heard About Dengue Virus (Click for Details)

According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup [Pakistan](#), **71%** of all Pakistanis have heard or read about dengue virus, **27%** of whom believe that someone in their locality or city has suffered from dengue fever. **73%** of the aware believe that this virus is transmitted through mosquito bites. ([Gallup Pakistan](#))

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Indians Feel That Babri Mosque Issue Hurts India's Image (Click for Details)

A recent survey shows that by and large there has been a mixed reaction to the High Court judgment about Babri Mosque issue. However a majority of Indians believe that this issue has tarnished [India's](#) secular image. ([CVoter](#))

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► WEST ASIA

Turks say: "A Woman's Place Is In the Home"! (Click for Details)

Ipsos KMG survey of [Turkey](#) shows that Turks believe in controlled freedom for women. They give economic freedom to women but think it necessary for women to get authorization from their husband to work. ([Ipsos-KMG](#))

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► NORTH EAST ASIA

(China) Social Media in China- a platform to socialize or express (Click for Details)

A recent study has found that **51%** of **Chinese netizens** are active participants in social networking sites. These are just the specialist social networking sites such as – renren.com, kaixin001.oc, qzone.com and 51.com besides blogs. Chinese are not merely consumers of internet rather they are *prosumers*. (**TNS China**)
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(China) 3D Games To Play Larger Role in Game Market ([Click for Details](#))

A recent study about online games found that 3D games will play larger role in game market in future. Graphic performance is the most important selection criteria for players that choose 3D games. (**Ipsos China**)
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Multi-Country Poll- Developed Nations Attract Young vs. Educated Migrants ([Click for Details](#))

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Multi-Country Poll- U.S. Leadership More Popular in Asia Than China's, India's ([Click for Details](#))

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Africa zone

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SOUTHERN AFRICA

▶ **SUB SAHARAN AFRICA**

South Africans Largely Confident of Their Leadership ([Click for Details](#))

A recent survey shows that just over half **South Africans** feel their country is going in the right direction. There has been only a slight decline in this perception. However President Jacob Zuma still enjoys confidence of the majority of the citizens. (**Ipsos Markinor**)

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Euro Americas zone

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



EUROPE



▶ EAST EUROPE

Bosnia and Herzegovina today – still looking for a solution (Click for Details)

Residents of [Bosnia & Herzegovina](#) continue to be disenchanted with politicians ... and are turning to the EU in desperation. A recent survey shows that majority of all three ethnic groups do not feel that someone is speaking for them at a political level. Regarding the national government, vast majorities of respondents in the Federation and in Republika Srpska (**92%** and **82%**, respectively) said that its performance was poor or only fair. ([Balkan Monitor/Gallup Europe](#))

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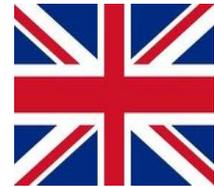
(Russia) Protest Potential In October (Click for Details)

A survey of [Russian](#) public shows that social optimism has declined in October and there is more potential for street protests than before. Protests seem to be more real now than before. However, Russians are still not ready to participate in such actions. ([Russian Public Opinion Research Center](#))

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▶ WEST EUROPE



(UK) Fiscal tightening will work, say UK importers and exporters (Click for Details)

Over three quarters of the [UK's](#) SME importers and exporters believe that fiscal tightening will successfully reduce the UK's budget deficit, according to the latest Travelex Confidence Index (TCI) report. **76%** believe that the Coalition's aggressive programme of spending cuts and tax hikes will work. ([TNS UK/TCI](#))

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Britons Oppose Increase in Tuition Fees, Want MPs to Block Proposal (Click for Details)

The [British](#) Government's decision to allow Universities in England to charge students up to £9,000 per year to students who take their courses has been rejected by many people in Britain, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. More than half of respondents believe the new rules will discourage poorer students from attending university. ([Angus Reid](#))

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Britons, Americans & Canadians Foresee a Terrorist Attack in the Next Year (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

Three-in-Four [Britons](#) Foresee a Terrorist Attack in the Next Year. Three-in-five Americans believe a terrorist attack is likely to happen in their country—only **38 %** of Canadians concur. ([Angus Reid](#))

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Two Thirds of Britons Are Willing to Legalise Euthanasia (Click for Details)

[UK](#)- Almost three-in-five respondents believe people who help a person commit suicide should not be prosecuted. A large majority of respondents believe legalising euthanasia would give people who are suffering an opportunity to ease their pain (**83%**) and establish clearer guidelines for doctors to deal with end-of-life decisions (**77%**). ([Angus Reid](#))

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▶ NORTH AMERICA

Faith Groups Split on Resolution to N.Y. Islamic Center Debate (Click for Details)

American faith communities are split on the best way to resolve the disagreement regarding the Islamic center proposed to be built in New York City near the location of the Sept. 11 attacks. Muslims, Jews, other non-Christians and non-religious Americans are more likely to favor retaining the current location as originally conceived, or transforming the center into an interfaith institution. The majority of Catholics, Mormons, and, to a lesser degree, Protestants, believe the center should find another location. (**Gallup USA**)

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Americans Support Punishing Murder with the Death Penalty (Click for Details)

Most **Americans** support the death penalty in murder cases, but are divided on whether it acts as a deterrent for potential criminals, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Four-in-five respondents believe innocent people have been executed in the United States. (**Angus Reid**)

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Republicans Motivated by Opposition to Obama and Health Care Reform (Click for Details)

Many Republican Party voters cast a ballot in last week's mid-term election in order to voice their rejection to Barack Obama and his policies, while barely half of Democratic Party supporters admit that they wanted to offer a vote of confidence to the President, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Only **41 %** of Democratic Party voters aged 18-to-34 say they support the President and his policies. (**Angus Reid**)

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Canadians Endorse Multiculturalism, But Pick Melting Pot Over Mosaic (Click for Details)

A majority of **Canadians** believe the policy of multiculturalism has been positive for the country, but only one third are satisfied with the concept of the mosaic, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. At least three-in-ten respondents believe Canadian society is intolerant towards Muslims and Aboriginal Canadians. (**Angus Reid**)

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At 52%, Palin's Unfavorable Score Hits a New High (Click for Details)

More than half of **Americans**, **52%**, now view Sarah Palin unfavorably, the highest percentage holding a negative opinion of the former Alaska governor in Gallup polling since Sen. John McCain tapped her as the 2008 Republican vice presidential nominee. Her **40%** favorable rating ties her lowest favorable score, recorded just over a year ago. (**Gallup USA**)

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Four in 10 Americans Believe Healthcare Law Goes Too Far (Click for Details)

Americans are most likely to say the healthcare law passed earlier this year goes too far (**42%**), while **29%** say it does not go far enough and **20%** say it is about right. Those who believe the law goes too far tend to favor repealing it and passing a new bill as opposed to scaling back the existing bill or repealing the law and not passing new legislation in its place. (**Gallup USA**)

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Few Americans Would Use Cash Windfall to Start a Business (Multi-country survey) ([Click for Details](#))

If they suddenly inherited a large sum of money, those living in the [U.S.](#) or highly developed countries in [Europe](#) are less likely to say they would use that money to start a business than are those living in less developed countries in the European Union and [Chinese](#) cities. ([Gallup USA](#))

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Mixed Reactions to Republican Midterm Win, Policies ([Click for Details](#))

The public, voters and non-voters alike, has a subdued reaction to the Republican Party's midterm election victory. Four years ago, the response to the Democrats regaining full control of Congress was far more positive, as it was in 1994 when the GOP won a historic victory. Fewer people today say they are happy about the Republican victory, approve of the GOP's plans for the future, and far fewer believe Republicans will be successful in getting their programs passed into law. ([Pew Research Center for People & Press](#))

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Congressional Approval at 17% After Elections ([Click for Details](#))

Congress' approval is at **17%** in November, down slightly from **21%** before the midterm elections. Historical patterns from 1994 and 2006 suggest that congressional approval will remain relatively stable at these low levels until January, when Republicans can be expected to become more positive as their party takes control of the House. ([Gallup USA](#))

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Americans' Wellbeing Remains at 2010 Low ([Click for Details](#))

[Americans'](#) Well-Being Index score of 66.5 in October statistically matches the 2010 low recorded in September, and is down from the three-year high of 67.4 in May. The nation's wellbeing, however, exceeds the 66.1 found in October 2008, just after the onset of the financial crisis, and remains well above the levels from late 2008 and early 2009. ([Gallup USA/Americans Well-Being Index](#))

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Democrats, Republicans Differ in Views of Compromise in D.C. ([Click for Details](#))

[Americans](#) think it is generally more important for political leaders to compromise to get things done (**47%**) rather than sticking to their beliefs (**27%**), but Republicans and Democrats hold differing views on the matter. Republicans tilt more toward saying leaders should stick to their beliefs (**41% to 32%**), while Democrats more widely endorse compromise (by **59% to 18%**). ([Gallup USA](#))

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As Book Tour Begins, George W. Bush's Favorable Rating at 44% ([Click for Details](#))

As he begins promoting his new memoir "Decision Points," former President George W. Bush receives a **44%** favorable and **53%** unfavorable rating from [Americans](#). This is up slightly from a **40%** favorable rating in January 2009 when he left office, but far below the **87%** he received in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. ([Gallup USA](#))

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Americans Are of Two Minds on Trade ([Click for Details](#))

The public is of two minds when it comes to trade with other countries. Most **Americans** say that increased trade with Canada, Japan and European Union countries -- as well as India, Brazil and Mexico -- would be good for the United States. But reactions are mixed to increased trade with South Korea and China. (**Pew Research Center for People & Press**)

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Canadians Take Their Coffee Seriously ([Click for Details](#))

Newly released research conducted by Ipsos Reid on behalf of McDonalds **Canada** reveals that a large majority of Canadians are daily coffee consumers, drinking the beverage both at home and the workplace or school, as well as regularly in cafés and restaurants. (**Ipsos Reid**)

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Four Million U.S. Hispanics Would Migrate Permanently ([Click for Details](#))

A newly released Gallup study of **U.S. Hispanics** reveals that more than one in seven -- or an estimated 4 million adults -- would leave the U.S. permanently if they had the opportunity. A slim majority (**52%**) say they would like to move to a Latin American country, including nearly a third (**32%**) who would like to relocate to Mexico. A sizable minority -- or nearly 2 million adults -- would like to move to places such as Canada (**8%**), Spain (**8%**), the United Kingdom (**5%**), and other non-Latin American countries. (**Gallup USA**)

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Obama Approval Advances to 47%, Up From 43% Pre-Election ([Click for Details](#))

President Barack Obama earned a **47%** approval rating from the **American** public in Gallup Daily tracking from last week, slightly higher than his **44%** approval rating at the start of the week, and his **43%** approval rating in the three days prior to and including the recent midterm elections. (**Gallup USA**)

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▶ AUSTRALASIA

Australians continue to desert the traditional large family car in droves ([Click for Details](#))

Large cars such as the Holden Commodore and Ford Falcon dominated the market even as recently as five years ago when **24%** of buyers intended a purchase. Since then, however, small cars (particularly hatch backs) and SUVs have split the traditional large car market in two and today buying intentions regarding large cars have collapsed to just **13.3%** of the market. (**Roy Morgan Research**)

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Australians want to buy Products Labeled 'Made in Australia' ([Click for Details](#))

A 'super' majority of **Australians (90%)** are 'more likely to buy products labeled Made in Australia' compared to only **1%** of Australians who are 'less likely to buy products labeled Made in Australia' according to special Roy Morgan research undertaken over last 12 months, October 2009 — September 2010. (**Roy Morgan Research**)

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▶ **MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS**



Developed Nations Attract Young vs. Educated Migrants (Click for Details)

If all adults worldwide who would like to migrate actually left and moved where they want to, Gallup's Potential Net Youth Migration and Potential Net Brain Gain indexes show highly developed countries would see an influx of young people rather than educated people. Only developed [Asia](#) would see significant brain drain. ([Gallup USA/ Gallup's Potential Net Youth Migration Index](#))

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U.S. Leadership More Popular in Asia Than China's, India's (Click for Details)

As President Barack Obama began his trip to [Asia](#), including stops in [India](#), [Indonesia](#), [Japan](#), and [South Korea](#) for the G-20 summit, Gallup surveys found the U.S. is relatively well-positioned in many parts of the region. U.S. leadership garners more approval than regional powers [China](#) and [India](#) in more than half of the 20 Asian countries and areas Gallup polled over the past year. ([Gallup USA](#))

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▶ **CYBERWORLD**

Just Checking In: 4% Share Location with Mobile Device (Click for Details)

In its first report on the use of "geosocial" or location-based services, the Pew Research Center's Internet & [American Life](#) project finds that **4%** of online adults use a service such as Foursquare or Gowalla that allows them to share their location with friends and to find others who are nearby. On any given day, **1%** of internet users are using these services. ([Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life](#))

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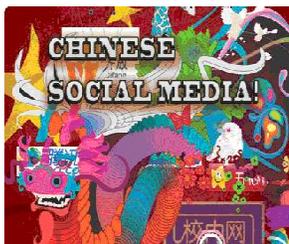
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Three-Quarters Could Use a Better Way to Charge all the Electronic Devices in their Household (Click for Details)

Four in five adults (**79%**) believe that being able to charge their devices wirelessly would make their lives easier, according to a new Ipsos poll conducted on behalf of Duracell, a leading manufacturer of high-performance alkaline batteries. The survey shows that women are even more enthusiastic about charging their devices wirelessly than are men, as **82%** of women agree – including **49%** who completely agree – compared to **76%** of men. ([Ipsos USA](#))

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Topic of the week:

Social Media in China –

A platform to Socialize or Express

▶ 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 .

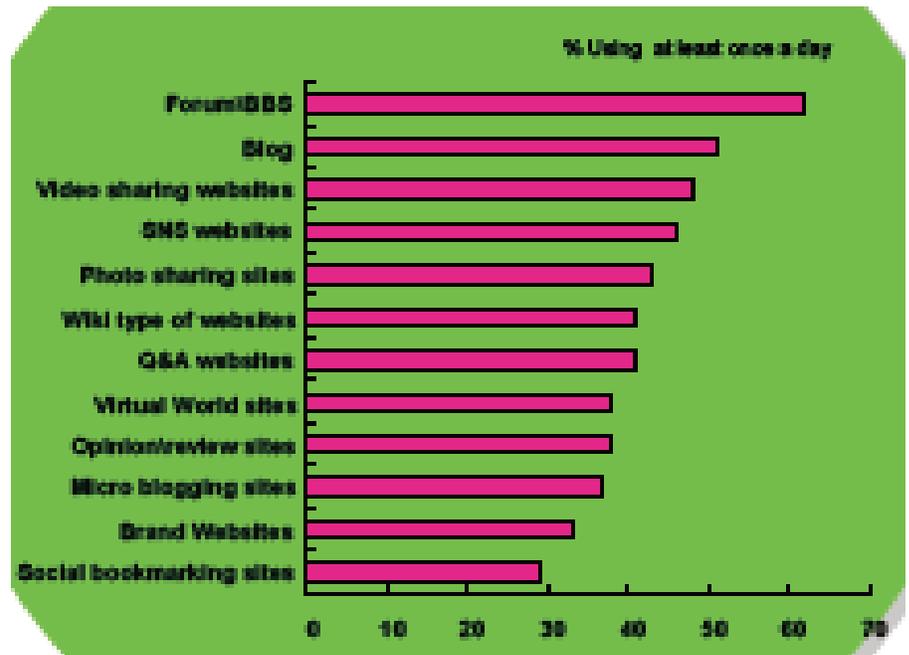
Commentary: Social Media in China - a platform to Socialize or Express



Social media has been growing rapidly in China –a recent study found that 51% of Chinese *netizens* are active participants in social networking sites. These are just the specialist social networking sites such as – renren.com, kaixin001.oc, qzone.com and 51.com. If one considers other parts of social media such as blogs, bbs and video sharing nearly everyone is involved. Why is there such a powerful social media landscape in China? Why has social media exploded in China?

The key to answering this question lies in understanding the way the Chinese consumers look at the Internet. In the developed economies, consumers look at internet as a work tool, to increase efficiency or provide information. However, the Asian countries like China and India also look at it as a tool for self-expression. The Chinese and the Indian internet users, therefore are not just consumers of internet but are in fact prosumers –contributing as much to the net as taking from it. The conversion from consumer to prosumer comes from the fact that the traditional forums for discussion and airing your views are not available. Often debate and dispute is often not possible at home – as many of the young people don't have a sibling to fight with!

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It is not surprising that Chinese consumers are among the biggest bloggers in the world. The way the consumers use internet in China is largely interactive. Most importantly blogging, BBS and video sharing sites are also considered to be within the ambit of social media by many consumers. The most frequently used social media in China are not social networking sites but forums/bbs, blogs and video sharing websites. Social networking sites are important – but come next to these. §

Source- TNS China

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

