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Who are we?

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Asia zone

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

► MIDDLE EAST

256-1 **Gaza, Resistance and the UN Bid** (Click for Details)

(Gaza) Two weeks after the end of the war, a public opinion poll indicates that there is a rise in the percentage of supporters of armed resistance among the Palestinian public. The majority of the public was also content with the decision of the Palestinian leadership to head to the UN. (JMCC)

December 22, 2012

2.3 Foreign Affairs & Security » Palestine/ Israel Conflict

2.7 Foreign Affairs & Security » Muslim World

2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations



► SOUTHEAST ASIA

256-2 **92% of Filipinos Enter 2013 with Hope** (Click for Details)

(Philippines) Ninety-two percent of adult Filipinos are entering the New Year with hope rather than with fear, according to the Fourth Quarter 2012 Social Weather Survey conducted from December 8 to 11, 2012. (SWS)

December 08, 2012

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

256-3 **PNoy satisfaction rating at "very good" net +55** (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The fourth quarter 2012 Social Weather Survey of Filipinos found that PNoy enjoys a 'very good' net +55 percent satisfaction ratings at the end of 2012. (SWS)

December 28, 2012

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings



Euro Americas zone

► EAST EUROPE, WEST EUROPE; NORTH AMERICA; LATIN AMERICA & AUSTRALASIA

EUROPE

► WEST EUROPE

256-4 **Public perceptions of hunting** (Click for Details)

(UK) A majority of British people aged 15+ said sports where animals are set on other animals to fight or kill them should not be made legal again, when asked about fox hunting (76%); deer hunting (81%); hare hunting and coursing (83%); dog fighting (97%); and badger baiting (91%). (Ipsos Mori)

December 28, 2012

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle





256-5 **New Year's Eve: Most Brits positive** (Click for Details)

(UK) The majority (58%) of Britons have a positive opinion of New Year's Eve although a significant minority (36%) holds a negative view of the festivities. Londoners and the Southerners are the most positive (60%) about the celebration followed by Scots (59%), Midlanders and the Welsh (56%) and Northerners (54%). (YouGov)

December 12, 2012

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

256-6 **Beginning to look a lot like Christmas** (Click for Details)

(UK) Over two-thirds (69%) of the British public are looking forward to Christmas this year, according to our recent poll. A majority of Brits (63%) also say that Christmas is their favourite public holiday of the year, with 25-39 year olds being the most enthusiastic about Christmas. (YouGov)

December 24, 2012

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



AMERICAS

► NORTH AMERICA

256-7 **Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama Most Admired in 2012** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans again this year name Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and President Barack Obama as the Most Admired Woman and Most Admired Man living in any part of the world. Clinton has been the Most Admired Woman each of the last 11 years, and Obama has been the Most Admired Man five years in a row.

(Gallup USA)

December 31, 2012

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

256-8 **Parents' Fear for Children's Safety at School Rises Slightly** (Click for Details)



In the wake of the tragic shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., U.S. parents of school-aged children are slightly more concerned about their children's safety at school than they were in August, with the percentage saying they fear for their oldest child's safety rising eight percentage points to 33%. This is the highest level recorded since October 2006 when 35% were fearful. That poll was conducted just days after a deadly shooting at an Amish schoolhouse in Lancaster County, Pa. (Gallup USA)

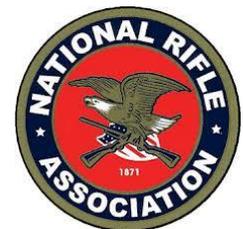
December 28, 2012

4.10 Society » Education

256-9 **NRA Has 54% Favorable Image in U.S.** (Click for Details)

Fifty-four percent of Americans have a favorable opinion of the National Rifle Association, while 38% have an unfavorable opinion. The public's ratings of the NRA have fluctuated since first measured by Gallup in 1993 -- from a low of 42% favorable in 1995 to a high of 60% in 2005. (Gallup USA)

December 27, 2012



[4.4 Society » Civil Society](#)

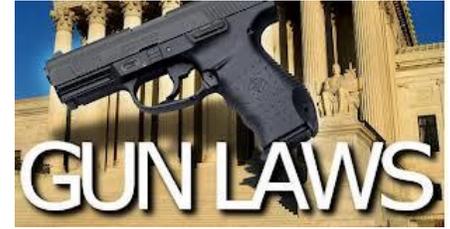
256-10 **Americans Want Stricter Gun Laws, Still Oppose Bans** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) In the aftermath of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Newtown, Conn., Gallup finds 58% of Americans in favor of strengthening the laws covering the sale of firearms, up from 43% in 2011. Current support for stricter gun laws is the highest Gallup has measured since January 2004, but still not nearly as high as it was in the 1990s. ([Gallup USA](#))

December 27, 2012

[4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle](#)

[4.9 Society » Justice](#)



256-11 **Labor Migration Doesn't Always Pay Off for FSU Migrants** ([Click for Details](#))

Nearly four in 10 migrants who have returned home to their countries in the former Soviet Union said the temporary work they did abroad did not improve their families' economic situations. ([Gallup USA](#))

December 27, 2012

[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)

256-12 **U.S. Consumer Spending Surges during Pre-Christmas Weekend** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans' self-reported daily spending surged to \$119 during the pre-Christmas weekend spanning Dec. 21-23, easily the highest three-day average for the holiday season and for the year. This is also the best pre-Christmas showing since Gallup began daily tracking of consumer spending in 2008. ([Gallup USA](#))

December 26, 2012

[3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection](#)

256-13 **Americans' Optimism Wanes about Averting "Fiscal Cliff"** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans' optimism that President Barack Obama and congressional leaders will reach a budget agreement before Jan. 1 has waned somewhat over the past week. Fifty percent now believe this and 48% are doubtful, a change from the previous three weeks, when the solid majority of Americans were generally confident leaders would reach a deal to avert the so-called fiscal cliff. ([Gallup USA](#))

December 26, 2012

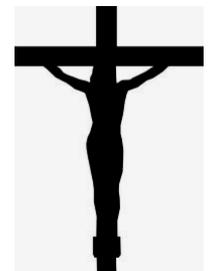
[3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions](#)

256-14 **In U.S., 77% Identify as Christian** ([Click for Details](#))

The large majority of Americans -- 77% of the adult population -- identify with a Christian religion, including 52% who are Protestants or some other non-Catholic Christian religion, 23% who are Catholic, and 2% who affiliate with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Another 18% of Americans do not have an explicit religious identity and 5% identify with a non-Christian religion. ([Gallup USA](#))

December 24, 2012

[4.1 Society » Religion](#)



► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

256-15 **End of Year Survey: Global Barometer of Hope and Happiness 2012** ([Click for Details](#))

Gallup International global poll released on New Year's eve conveys an optimistic message that the economic gloom is subsiding worldwide and that hope for an economic recovery has risen from -2% to 7%; an increase of 9% from a year ago. ([WIN/Gallup International Association](#))

December 30, 2012

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

256-16 **Economic Confidence Higher in Canada Than in U.S. and Britain** ([Click for Details](#))

Canadians reach the end of 2012 with a higher level of confidence in their domestic economy than Americans and Britons, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. One of the biggest concerns for respondents in the three countries is unemployment affecting their household. ([Angus Reid](#))

December 28, 2012

[3.2 Economy](#) » [Consumer Confidence/Protection](#)

Topic of the week:

End of Year Survey: Global Barometer of Hope and Happiness 2013

► 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.

December 30, 2012

As global pollsters our task is to keep a close watch on the worldwide popular pulse. WIN/Gallup International Association is proud to present its **GLOBAL BAROMETER OF HOPE AND HAPPINESS at year end 2012.**

Our global poll released on New Year's eve conveys an optimistic message that the economic gloom is subsiding worldwide and that hope for an economic recovery has risen from -2% to 7%; an increase of 9% from a year ago.

This global survey was carried out by WIN-Gallup International Association, the world's largest independent network of opinion pollsters, in 54 countries, with more than 55,817 men and women, covering a vast majority of the world population. The network has conducted this annual poll since 1977. The Annual End of Year survey is one of the longest standing tradition of our association. This survey is compelling and is undisputedly the world's first and longest standing global survey of its kind.



Happiness with or without Economic Hope

Notwithstanding views about the economy, a majority of the world feels happy about their life. Responding to the question: "As far as you are concerned, do you personally feel happy, unhappy or neither happy nor unhappy about your life?" 53% said they felt happy; 13% said they felt unhappy; 32% felt neither way and the remaining 2% did not answer. The global barometer of Hope and Happiness shows that a large number of people refuse to be gloomy despite their poor view on economic prospects for their nation.

3 year Trend on hope about Economy

Our global economic hope was 2% on New Year's eve 2010; it declined to -2% in 2011 but has risen notably to 7% in 2012. This positive change is mainly due to the resurgence of hope in India and China. In North America it has also improved from -25% to -12%. Nevertheless, Western Europe has slightly declined from -46% a year ago to -48%.



The overall economic hope has considerably improved. Gloom about the economy seems to be subsiding in North America. Economic hope is resurging in India and China. However, Western Europe still faces challenges with a slightly more pessimistic apprehension about the future of its economy. Today we live in an interdependent world and a hopeful pulse in any part of the world is a message of hope for all. With that message of hope we greet the world on the eve of this New Year.

Source: <http://www.wingia.com/en/news/End-of-Year-Survey%3A-Global-Barometer-of-Hope-and-Happiness-2012/38/>

Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2013)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 – January 2013

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \approx 6,805 polls during the period 2007-2012
- 2- 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***)
- 3- Number of **countries** covered by one or more surveys: \approx 178 during the period 2007-2012
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 358 during the period 2007-2012

