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Topic of the week: (Click for details)

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Topic of the week-
American Dream of Owning Home Lives On, Even for Young



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Asia zone

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

► MIDDLE EAST



272-1 **Half of Palestinians Believe that the Country is going in the Wrong Direction**

(Click for Details)

([Palestine](#)) A recent survey of Palestinians shows that 52 percent of the respondents believe that their country is headed in the wrong direction. Fateh approach for resolving Palestinian issue is preferred over Hamas approach. ([AWRAD](#))

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

► SOUTHEAST ASIA

272-2 **Bayan Muna and Gabriela lead 13 party-list groups poised to get 25 out of 58 party-list seats** (Click for Details)

([Philippines](#)) The SWS-BW March 2013 Pre-Election Survey, fielded from March 15-17, 2013, found 13 party-list groups poised to gain at least one guaranteed party-list seat in the next House of Representatives, while 33 party-lists next in rank are possible qualifiers for at least one party-list seat. ([SWS](#))

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Africa zone

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

► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

272-3 **Almost 7 in 10 Nigerians have had malaria at least once in the past year** (Click for Details)

([Nigeria](#)) Latest weekly poll released by NOI Polls Limited has revealed that almost 7 in 10 Nigerians (66%) have had malaria at least once in the past year, and about 13% treat the ailment with the use of local herbs such as Agbo, Dogonyaro, Neem leaves etc. ([NOI](#))

April 12, 2013

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Euro Americas zone

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

EUROPE

► EAST EUROPE

272-4 **Russia's Political Life: Public Assessment And Participation** (Click for Details)

(Russia) The interest of Russians towards politics has increased in the past year from 37 to 45%. Those who are interested most are elderly respondents (54%) and metropolitan residents (49%). Those who express no interest are 54% of respondents (a year ago – 63%). (VCIOM)

April 3, 2013

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

272-5 **Pope Stepped Down – Long Live The Pope?** (Click for Details)

(Russia) Most of Russians are aware of the abdication of Pope Benedict XVI (88%): 40% are well informed (basically, followers of religions other than the Orthodox Christianity – 46%); 48% heard something. Ten percent of respondents heard about it for the first time from the interviewer; those who are unaware are mostly young respondents (16%) and Russians with low level of education (28%). (VCIOM)

March 28, 2013

4.1 Society » Religion

272-6 **Earth Hour: How Many Russians Switch Off the Lights?** (Click for Details)

(Russia) More than one-third of Russians are aware of the Earth Hour initiative (36%); most of them are Muscovites and St. Petersburgians (51%). Eleven percent of respondents have already participated in the action (7% - once, 3% - two or three times, and only 1% - regularly). Those who joined the initiative are basically metropolitan residents (18%), though only once (13%), as well as young respondents rather than older generation (12% versus 8%, respectively). (VCIOM)

March 22, 2013

4.14 Society » Environment/ Disasters



► WEST EUROPE

272-7 **Labour Party Still First, UKIP Reaches 16% in British Politics** (Click for Details)

(UK) The opposition Labour Party remains in first place in Britain, but the United Kingdom Independence Party (UKIP) has shown the most impressive momentum since the start of 2013, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. (Angus Reid)

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272-8 **Greece's ruling conservatives regain narrow lead: poll** (Click for Details)

(Greece) Greece's ruling conservatives have regained a narrow lead over anti-bailout leftists, an opinion poll published on Saturday showed. A survey by Metron Analysis for Sunday's Eleftherotytia newspaper put

support for New Democracy at 18.7 percent, giving it a 0.6 percentage-point lead over the Syriza party. ([Metron Analysis](#))

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272-9 **Support for Germany's Social Democrats falls to two-year low: poll**

([Click for Details](#))

([Germany](#)) Germany's opposition Social Democrats (SPD) fell to a two-year low in an opinion poll out on Wednesday while the gap in support for its struggling candidate Peer Steinbrueck and popular Chancellor Angela Merkel widened five months before an election. ([Forsa](#))

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► NORTH AMERICA

272-10 **Americans' Optimism about Home Prices Surges this Year** ([Click for Details](#))

([USA](#)) Fifty-one percent of Americans expect average home prices in their local area to increase over the next year, a sharp increase from last year and the first time it has been above 50% since 2007. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-11 **Majority in U.S. Want Wealth More Evenly Distributed** ([Click for Details](#))

About six in 10 Americans believe that money and wealth should be more evenly distributed among a larger percentage of the people in the U.S., while one-third think the current distribution is fair. Although Americans' attitudes on this topic have fluctuated somewhat over time, the current sentiment is virtually the same as when Gallup first asked this question in 1984. Slightly fewer have favored a more even distribution since October 2008. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-12 **Before Boston Bombings, U.S. Satisfaction Up to 30%** ([Click for Details](#))

Three in 10 Americans were satisfied with the way things are going in the U.S. before Monday's bombing attacks at the Boston Marathon. That is the highest since last fall, when satisfaction rose during September, October, and November, coincident with the 2012 presidential election campaign. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-13 **Gold Loses Luster in U.S. as Investment; Real Estate Gains** ([Click for Details](#))

Even prior to the recent plunge in the price of gold, fewer Americans rated gold as the best long-term investment -- with 24% saying so in April, down from 28% a year ago and 34% in August 2011. Real estate now essentially ties gold as the best investment, with 25% choosing it, up from 20% in April 2012 and



19% in August 2011. Stocks/Mutual funds are the third-most-valued investment, at 22%. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-14 **Americans' Confidence in Economy Slips** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans' confidence in the U.S. economy slipped slightly last week as record-high stock prices showed signs of pulling back on Friday, news coverage about the government's negative jobs report continued, and both political parties took issue with President Barack Obama's 2014 budget proposal. Gallup's U.S. Economic Confidence Index was -17 last week, compared with -13 the prior week. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-15 **Few in U.S. see Guns, Immigration as Nation's Top Problems**

([Click for Details](#))

Few Americans mention guns or immigration as the most important problems facing the nation today, despite the current attention lawmakers in Washington are giving to these issues. The economy still dominates as the top concern, followed by jobs and dissatisfaction with the general way in which Congress and the government work. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-16 **Fewer Americans now view their Income Taxes as Fair** ([Click for Details](#))

This Tax Day, 55% of Americans regard the income taxes they have to pay as fair, the lowest percentage Gallup has measured since 2001. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-17 **American Dream of Owning Home Lives On, Even for Young** ([Click for Details](#))

([USA](#)) Americans' dream of owning a home is alive and well, evidenced by the fact that most Americans own a home and plan to continue to do so (56%), or don't own a home but plan on buying one in the next 10 years (25%). Eleven percent of Americans doesn't own a home and have no plans to buy one, and 3% own a home but plan on selling it and renting in the next 10 years. ([Gallup USA](#))

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272-18 **State Governments Viewed Favorably as Federal Rating Hits New Low** ([Click for Details](#))

Even as public views of the federal government in Washington have fallen to another new low, the public continues to see their state and local governments in a favorable light. Overall, 63% say they have a favorable opinion of their local government, virtually unchanged over recent years.

([Pew Research Center](#))



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272-19 **Weather Drives American Public's Climate Concern** ([Click for Details](#))

As Earth Day approaches (Monday 22 April), a GlobeScan poll of American public opinion has found that Superstorm Sandy last October appears to have increased the perceived seriousness of climate change, much as Hurricane Katrina affected public opinion seven years ago. ([GlobeScan](#))

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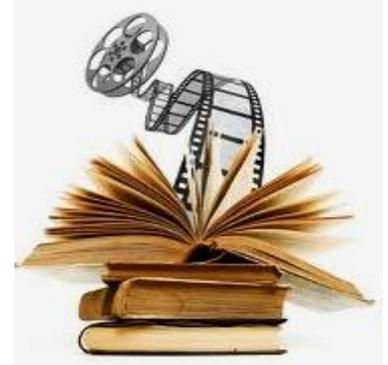
272-20 **Americans Reject Removing Offensive Language from Books and Movies** ([Click for Details](#))

Most Americans voice opposition to altering works of art—such as books and films—to remove language that may be deemed offensive, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Half of respondents admit to sometimes acting “politically correct” because it is the safe thing to do. ([Angus Reid](#))

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► AUSTRALASIA



272-21 **Australians Prefer Liberal and National Parties** ([Click for Details](#))

([Australia](#)) The Liberal and National parties would win an election held now with a two-party preferred swing of around 7%, according to the latest Nielsen Poll. Mr. Abbott has an eight point lead over Ms Gillard as preferred Prime Minister. Ms. Gillard is on 42% (down 1) and Mr. Abbott is on 50% (up 1). ([Nielsen](#))

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272-22 **Schools out: States disagree on Education priority** ([Click for Details](#))

([Australia](#)) With the Prime Minister Julia Gillard pitching the Government's new \$14.5billion education funding model to the Premiers on Friday, the fiscal federalisation of the states' schools looks set to be a core component of Labor's re-election campaign. ([Roy Morgan](#))

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Topic of the week:

American Dream of Owning Home Lives On, Even for Young

- ▶ 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.

Most in U.S. want to continue to own or plan on buying a house

April 19, 2013



PRINCETON, NJ -- Americans' dream of owning a home is alive and well, evidenced by the fact that most Americans own a home and plan to continue to do so (56%), or don't own a home but plan on buying one in the next 10 years (25%). Eleven percent of Americans don't own a home and have no plans to buy one, and 3% own a home but plan on selling it and renting in the next 10 years.



Current and Projected Homeownership

	%
Homeowners, plan to continue to own a home for foreseeable future	56
Non-homeowners, plan to buy home within 10 years	25
Non-homeowners, do not plan to buy home in foreseeable future	11
Homeowners, plan to sell and rent within 10 years	3
All others	5

April 4-14, 2013

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Overall, 62% of Americans say they own their primary residence, with 34% renting and the remainder having other arrangements. Both homeowners and non-homeowners were asked questions about their future plans. The results give little indication of a desire on the part of current American homeowners to sell their home and begin renting, and an apparently strong desire on the part of U.S. non-homeowners to buy a home in the future.

These data are based on Gallup's annual Economy and Personal Finance survey, conducted April 4-14, involving interviews with more than 2,000 Americans and 1,400 homeowners. Gallup earlier this week reported results from this same survey on Americans' perceptions of home values and the key factors they considered in deciding to own a home or to rent. The complete results of the questions on which this analysis is based are included on page 2.

Overall, while 62% of the American population currently owns a home, a considerably larger 81% own a home and express a desire to continue to do so, or don't own a home but express a desire to buy one within the next 10 years. These results certainly suggest that the "American Dream" of owning



a home is still very much alive, and that the real estate industry should expect a continuing demand for homeownership in the years ahead.

A number of additional factors could affect the future trajectory of homeownership in the U.S. There will be a continuing stream of young people entering the 18 and older segment of the population going forward, and it is possible that they will have a different attitude toward homeownership than those who came before them. Also, changes in the economy and culture could lead to changes in the way Americans look at their housing, particularly among the huge baby boom generation now entering its senior years.

Younger Americans Highly Likely to Say They Plan on Buying a House

Nearly 7 in 10 Americans aged 18 to 29 currently do not own a home, but plan on buying one within the next 10 years. Coupling this with the 21% of younger Americans who say they already are homeowners leaves few adults under 30 who say they don't own a home and have no plans on buying one.

Current and Projected Homeownership -- by Age

	Homeowners, plan to continue to own a home for foreseeable future	Non-homeowners, plan to buy home within 10 years	Non-homeowners, do not plan to buy home in foreseeable future	Homeowners, plan to sell and rent within 10 years
18 to 29	21%	68	7	1
30 to 49	58%	29	9	1
50 to 64	71%	5	15	3
65 +	69%	*	15	7

* Less than 0.5%

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The majority of those aged 30 to 49 own their home, and most of the rest say they plan on buying a home in the future. Few (9%) in this age group say they have no plans to buy in the foreseeable future.

The 71% of those aged 50 to 64 who own a home and plan on continuing to own a home in the future is the largest across age groups. Most in this group who want to buy a house apparently have already done so; few (5%) say they don't own a home but are going to buy one. A larger 15% don't own and don't plan on changing that status, while 3% say they will move from homeowner to renter status in the future.

Although it might be expected that a significant number of those 65 and older who currently own a home might plan on selling it in the future and move to renting status, that doesn't appear to be the case. In fact, seven in 10 Americans aged 65 and older own a home and say they will continue to own for the foreseeable future. Although the 7% who plan on selling and becoming renters is the highest of any age group, it's still low on a relative basis.

Homeownership Highly Related to Income

Income is a major predictor of homeownership. Three-quarters of those making at least \$75,000 a year own their home and plan on continuing to own, while another 15% say they will buy a home within the next 10 years.

Current and Projected Homeownership -- by Income

	Homeowners, plan to continue to own a home for foreseeable future	Non-homeowners, plan to buy home within 10 years	Non-homeowners, do not plan to buy home in foreseeable future	Homeowners, plan to sell and rent within 10 years
\$75,000 +	75%	15	2	4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	65%	21	7	3
\$30,000 to \$49,999	49%	36	9	3
\$20,000 to \$29,999	36%	35	24	2
Less than \$20,000	21%	40	32	1

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Still, it is apparent that the hope of being able to buy a house is relatively strong even in the minds of those with below-average incomes, given that between 35% and 40% of Americans making less than \$50,000 a year say that while they currently don't own a home, they plan on buying one in the future. About a third of those making less than \$20,000 a year say they don't own and have no plans to.



Bottom Line

Gallup data on homeownership provide strong support for the idea that the American Dream of owning a home continues to be alive and well. The majority of Americans who own a home plan on continuing to do so in the future, and most of those who don't own a home plan on buying one.

These results align with the finding that the primary reasons why Americans don't own a home are financial, and not a more practical decision that renting is the better way to go.

Gallup has not asked about future homeownership before, so it is unclear whether these attitudes have shifted over the decades -- and particularly whether they are different now than they were before the recent housing crisis. Gallup's long-term trend on owning a home -- 62% of Americans do -- is currently the lowest it has been since the question was first asked in 2001. Thus, some of the desire to buy a home may reflect the fact that a segment of Americans has been shut out of the market due to the mortgage and economic crisis.

Survey Methods

Results for this Gallup poll are based on telephone interviews conducted April 4-14, 2013, with a random sample of 2,017 adults, aged 18 and older, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of sampling error is ± 3 percentage points.

For results based on the total sample of 1,426 homeowners, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of sampling error is ± 3 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cellphone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline telephone numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers. Cellphone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, nonresponse, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cellphone only/landline only/both, cellphone mostly, and having an unlisted landline number). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2012 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2011 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

Source: http://www.gallup.com/poll/161975/american-dream-owning-home-lives-even-young.aspx?utm_source=alert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=syndication&utm_content=morelink&utm_term=Americas%20-%20Business%20-%20Northern%20America%20-%20USA

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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 2007-2013
- 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 2007-2013
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 358 during the period 2007-2013

