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Asia zone

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304-1 **Palestinians Not Optimistic About the Resumption of Talks with Israel** (Click for Details)

([Palestine](#)) A recent poll shows that half (50.5%) of the Palestinian people consider the Palestinian Authority's decision to resume negotiations with Israel was a wrong decision compared with 33.8% that considered it a right decision. This seems to be in harmony with the majority, 68.7% which said that the negotiations would not succeed in reaching an agreement with Israel, compared with 20.8% who said they would succeed. (JMCC)

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► WEST ASIA

304-2 **Life in Kazakhstan** (Click for Details)

([Kazakhstan](#)) An Ipsos MORI poll commissioned by Kazakhstan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs shows strong support among Kazakh citizens for the general direction of policy in this energy-rich Central Asian country.

(Ipsos Mori)

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► SOUTHEAST ASIA

304-3 **Net satisfaction ratings at +69 for Vice-President Binay** (Click for Details)

([Philippines](#)) The Third Quarter 2013 Social Weather Survey, conducted from September 20-23, 2013, found 78% satisfied and 10% dissatisfied with the performance of Vice-President Jejomar Binay, 55% satisfied and 18% dissatisfied with Senate President Franklin Drilon, 41% satisfied and 23% dissatisfied with Speaker Sonny Belmonte, and 39% satisfied and 22% dissatisfied with Chief Justice Lourdes Sereno. (SWS)

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► NORTHEAST ASIA

304-4 **Britain needs more than visa changes to woo Chinese** (Click for Details)

([China](#)) LAST year Chinese tourists heading to France outnumbered those visiting Britain by more than five-to-one. Many furious business leaders blamed Britain's "outdated" and overly restrictive visa system for

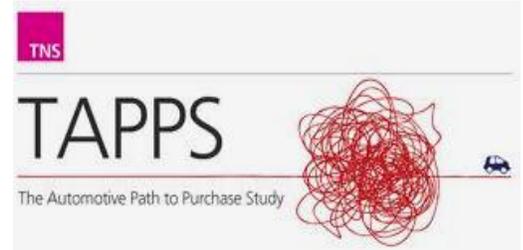
giving our neighbours across the Channel the edge in attracting this increasingly important consumer group. However, new research from YouGov China reveals that, while travel visas may be part of the problem, France also enjoys a brand advantage over Britain among Chinese consumers. (YouGov)

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304-5 **Bloated Chinese auto market gives rise to the super savvy shopper** (Click for Details)

(China) Over three quarters (77 per cent) of Chinese car buyers were prompted to part with their cash by a special deal or promotion, compared to just 39 per cent in 2012, according to The Automotive Path to Purchase Study (TAPPS) from global research consultancy TNS. These shoppers are also seeking advice from a much wider range of sources than previously, including social media, blogs, car dealers and friends and family, in order to secure the best deal. (TNS Global)



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Euro Americas zone

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▶ EAST EUROPE

304-6 **Travel, Fishing and Sports** (Click for Details)

(Russia) Nearly one quarter of Russians acknowledged that they have no particular hobbies or interests. All the other Russians putting their leisure time to good use. One reads for pleasure, others frequent movie theaters or dramatic/musical theaters. Among other most popular hobbies mentioned were fishing and hunting (among men) and crafts (among women). On average, those who do have some kind of hobby devote about 6 hours a week to it. On average, people spend about 18 thousand RUB a year on their interests. The most satisfied and happy with their hobby of choice are those who are keen on sports, travel and fishing. (ROMIR)



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304-7 **Russian March: To Go or Not To Go** (Click for Details)

The share of Russians who have heard about the Russian March action is 48%; 24% of them supported the idea; 13% would take part in it. (VCIOM)

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304-8 **Police and Society: Assessments, Attitudes, Trust** (Click for Details)

More than one quarter of Russians can evaluate the police performance according to the personal experience; the share of such respondents is 26% including 11% of those who have positive assessments and 15% of those who have negative assessments. (VCIOM)

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304-9 **Opposition and Power: Past and Present** (Click for Details)

Over the recent eight years the public opinion about the opposition has changed. The share of those who believe that the opposition should set its political course and coming to power has increased from 29 to 40%. At the same time, a relative majority of Russians still think that the opposition should point out to the power what is wrong and help solving the problems (50%; in 2005 – 54%). (VCIOM)

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► **WEST EUROPE**304-10 **Zero-hour contracts unfairly demonised and oversimplified?** (Click for Details)

(UK) According to new research commissioned by CIPD, the use of zero-hours contracts in the UK economy has been underestimated, oversimplified and unfairly demonised, with the positive experience of the majority of people employed on them being overlooked. A survey of more than 2,500 workers has found that zero-hours workers are just as satisfied with their job as the average UK employee, and more likely to be happy with their work-life balance than other workers. (YouGov)

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304-11 **Attitudes to healthcare services in the UK** (Click for Details)

The balance of opinion in the UK has hardened against private providers running healthcare services, says a new Ipsos MORI poll for King's College London. (Ipsos Mori)

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304-12 **Cameron most identifiable of party leaders for 10-14 year olds** (Click for Details)

David Cameron is the most recognisable political party leader among 10-14 year-olds, a recent YouGov Children and Parents Omnibus study shows. When prompted with his picture, almost 9 in 10 (88%) children in that age group correctly identified the Prime Minister. Sebastian Coe and Richard Branson were among other replies given. (YouGov)

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304-13 **Attitudes to the recovery** (Click for Details)

Ipsos MORI polling for the Policy Network shows that, despite rising optimism about the economy, Britons feel that not all sections of society are feeling the benefits. This reflects other Ipsos MORI research that found half of Britons feel the recent economic upturn has had no impact on their standard of living, and that people's optimism about their own financial circumstances is not as high as their prospects for the economy as a whole. (Ipsos Mori)

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304-14 **Economist/Ipsos MORI November 2013 Issues Index** (Click for Details)

The Economist/Ipsos MORI November Issues index shows that, though the general economy is still the most important issue facing Britain today, mentioned by two fifths (40%) of the public as amongst the most important issues, this is the lowest level of concern since June 2008, as the financial crisis started to take shape. As we have seen for some months, concern is higher amongst men (46%), ABs, and those in the South East excluding London (both 50%). (Ipsos Mori)

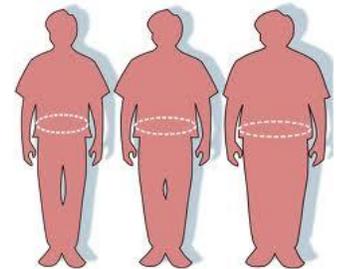
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► NORTH AMERICA

304-15 **Americans' Desire to Shed Pounds Outweighs Effort** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans' desire to lose weight does not necessarily translate into their doing anything to achieve it. While 51% of adults want to lose weight, barely half as many (25%) say they are seriously working toward that goal. This discrepancy between Americans' weight-loss desires and behavior has existed for years. (Gallup USA)



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304-16 **The Diagnosis Difference** (Click for Details)

45% of U.S. adults report that they live with one or more chronic conditions, such as high blood pressure and diabetes, but also less common conditions like lupus and cancer. They are more likely than other adults to be older, to have faced a medical emergency in the past year, and, as other studies have shown, to contribute to the explosion of health care costs in the U.S. (Gallup USA)

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304-17 **No clear 'Pope Francis effect' among U.S. Catholics** (Click for Details)

Some news accounts contend that the pope's popularity has created a "Pope Francis effect," producing a "significant global rise in church attendance," based on reports by Catholic clergy in Italy, Britain and other countries of a recent rise in Mass attendance. (Pew Research Center)

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304-18 **Muslim job candidates may face discrimination in Republican states** (Click for Details)

A new study by Carnegie Mellon University found that in the most Republican states in the country, employers may be less likely to interview job candidates whose social networking profiles indicate that the applicants are Muslim. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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304-19 **Online Holiday Shopping Rises, Still Trails Other Venues** (Click for Details)

As the Christmas shopping season gets underway in earnest this Friday, for the first time, a majority of Americans, 53%, say they are very or somewhat likely to do their Christmas shopping online this year. This is the highest percentage since Gallup first asked the question in 1998. Meanwhile, the percentages of Americans shopping for gifts in department stores and discount stores have been slowly declining, but these still beat the Internet as the places Americans will shop for the holidays. ([Gallup USA](#))



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304-20 **Healthy Behaviors Not Fully Regained in Areas Hit by Sandy** (Click for Details)

One year after Superstorm Sandy, residents of the most affected ZIP codes in New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut are still more likely to smoke and less likely to eat healthy than they were before the disaster. However, they are as likely to report exercising frequently as they were before the storm. ([Gallup USA](#))

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304-21 **Americans' Views of Healthcare Quality, Cost, and Coverage** (Click for Details)

A review of recent research on healthcare cost, coverage, and quality reveals that Americans continue to be much more positive about their own personal healthcare situations than about the healthcare situation nationally. This suggests that Americans may be responding negatively to the new healthcare law at least partly because the majority don't perceive personal problems with their healthcare that urgently need addressing. ([Gallup USA](#))

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304-22 **In U.S., 69% Remain Unaffected by Health Law to Date** (Click for Details)

(USA) As the Obama administration rolls out some of the more significant provisions of the 2010 healthcare law, the vast majority of Americans, 69%, say the law, so far, has not had an effect on them and their family, similar to what Gallup measured more than a year ago. More Americans say the law has hurt (19%) rather than helped (9%) their family, a slightly larger gap than was found last year. ([Gallup USA](#))

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Americans' confidence in the economy stalled last week after improving for five consecutive weeks. Gallup's Economic Confidence Index slipped two points to -26, but remains more positive than the -39 found during the recent government shutdown. Still, weekly confidence is significantly below the -15 mark measured leading up to the shutdown, as well as the nearly six-year high of -3 found in early June. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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304-24 **Obama's Weekly Job Score Ties His Lowest** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

President Barack Obama's job approval rating averaged 40% in Gallup Daily tracking for the week ending on Sunday. This is down slightly from 41% in each of the three prior weeks, and from 43% in late October. The latest reading ties Obama's lowest weekly average, measured in late summer 2011 as the president battled Congress over the debt ceiling. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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304-25 **The links between education, marriage and parenting** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

New data released this week from the U.S. Census Bureau reaffirm the strong linkage between educational attainment and the marital status and living arrangements of parents of minor children. Among parents who live with a child under the age of 18, 89% of college graduates are married, compared with 64% of parents with less than a high school diploma and 70% of those with just a high school diploma. [\(Pew Research Center\)](#)

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► AUSTRALASIA

304-26 **On the money: Australians' changing attitudes to wealth, debt, superannuation and plans for their financial future** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

[\(Australia\)](#) The nation's total household debt has ticked past \$1 trillion. Total debt increased by 27.6% (\$224 billion) since June 2009, with total assets up 13.9% (\$767 billion) in the period. Net wealth grew 1.7% in the past year, continuing its decline as a proportion of total assets to 83.6%. [\(Roy Morgan\)](#)

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► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

304-27 **South Asia Leads World in Suffering** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Suffering, on average, has increased worldwide in the past several years, and nowhere more than in South Asia. One in seven adults worldwide rated their lives poorly enough to be considered suffering in 2012. South

Asia led the world in suffering at 24%, followed by 21% in the Balkans and the Middle East and North Africa. (Gallup USA)

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Topic of the week:

The links between education, marriage and parenting

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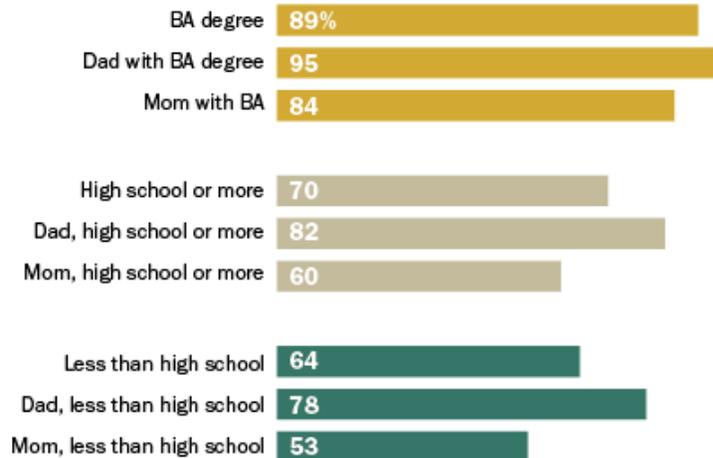
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Among Parents Living With Their Kids, Who is Most Likely to be Married?



Note: Among parents living with children under 18

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Marriage has been on the decline for decades, particularly for those with less education. At the same time, the share of non-marital births for the less educated has risen dramatically, and the likelihood of divorce remains significantly higher among those lacking a college degree than among those who have one.

Not only is there an educational gap in the likelihood of parents living with their minor children being married, but there is a gender gap as well.

Just over half (53%) of mothers who lack a high school diploma and who live with their children are married, as compared with 78% of dads with the same educational level. These gender differences narrow considerably — but still persist — among the most educated. Some 84% of moms who have a bachelor's degree and live with their children are married, compared with 95% of dads with a bachelor's degree.

These gender gaps are largely driven by differences in the patterns of single parenting. While the share of single parents who are dads has risen dramatically, it's still the case that most single parents are moms.

And since divorce and non-marital births are more prevalent among the less educated, that means single parents — particularly single moms — are more prevalent, as well. Approximately 30% of moms with less than a college degree who live with their kids are living without a spouse or partner, as compared with 7% of comparable dads. In comparison, 13% of college-educated moms who live with their kids are living without a spouse or partner, as are 3% of comparable dads.

Source: <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2013/11/27/the-links-between-education-marriage-and-parenting/>

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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

