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## Who are we?

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**Nearing Minority Status**



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## Asia zone

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

### ► SOUTH ASIA

324-1 **Corruption Concerns All Generations of Indian Voters** (Click for Details)

(India) Political parties vying for seats in India's national election are hoping to lure voters with promises of tackling the country's graft, which the majority of Indians see as a widespread problem that they don't think their current government is doing enough to combat. (Gallup USA)

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### ► SOUTHEAST ASIA

324-2 **PNoy Satisfaction Rating Stays Good, At Net +45** (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The First Quarter 2014 Social Weather Survey, conducted from March 27-30, 2014, found 66% satisfied and 21% dissatisfied with President Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III's performance. (SWS)

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## Euro Americas zone

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

### ► WEST EUROPE

324-3 **Benefit Cap Encouraging Some Work-Seeking** (Click for Details)

(UK) A survey conducted by Ipsos MORI on behalf of the Department for Work and Pensions has found that many of those currently affected by the benefit cap say they have been more encouraged to find work as a result of the policy. (Ipsos Mori)

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324-4 **Survey on Self-Employment for the Resolution Foundation** (Click for Details)

(UK) A quarter of those who started out as self-employed in the last five years would prefer to be employees, suggests new research from independent think tank the Resolution Foundation, conducted by Ipsos MORI. (Ipsos Mori)

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324-5 **People in Western Countries Pessimistic About Future for Young People** (Click for Details)

A major new survey across 20 countries shows how pessimistic many in the West are about future prospects for their young people. Across the 20 country sample, more think it will be worse than better (42% versus

34%) – but this hides wide variation, and a split between Western/developed countries on the one hand and developing/Eastern countries on the other. (Ipsos Mori)

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324-6 **Why Do We Work? Employees Split Between Job Salary and Satisfaction** (Click for Details)

(UK) As Britain continues to emerge from recession and with living standards still under pressure, UK workers are split evenly over what they believe is more important; satisfaction at work or the salary paid, a new YouGov International Omnibus study shows. (YouGov)

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324-7 **Slim Majority of Swiss Oppose Buying Saab Fighters** (Click for Details)

(Switzerland) A slim majority of Swiss voters are against the purchase of 22 Gripen fighter jets from Swedish defense firm Saab, a poll showed on Friday, though the number who oppose the deal has fallen. (Reuters)

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## ► NORTH AMERICA

324-8 **More Than Half of Americans Say Federal Taxes Too High** (Click for Details)

(USA) As many Americans scramble to prepare their taxes ahead of the April 15 deadline, a majority, 52%, say the amount they have to pay in federal income tax is "too high," while 42% say it is "about right." The percentage who say their taxes are too high has hovered around 50% since 2003, although the current 52% is up from 46% two years ago. (Gallup USA)

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324-9 **As Taxes Rise, Half in U.S. Say Middle-Income Pay Too Much** (Click for Details)

(USA) Nearly half of Americans, 49%, believe middle-income people -- a group many Americans consider themselves part of -- pay too much in taxes, up from 42% a year ago and the highest Gallup has found since 1999. At the same time, the 42% who say middle-income Americans pay their "fair share" in taxes is down 11 percentage points from last year. This is also the first time since 2007 that a higher percentage of the public says middle-income Americans are paying too much rather than their fair share.

(Gallup USA)

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324-10 **U.S. Economic Confidence Steady at -16** (Click for Details)

(USA) Gallup's Economic Confidence Index is steady at -16, compared with -15 the prior week. The average index score for 2014 to date is also -16. (Gallup USA)

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324-11 **Higher Fines Compel Uninsured Americans to Sign Up** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Uninsured Americans' likelihood of signing up for insurance differs depending on the amount of the fine they would have to pay for not carrying insurance. At a hypothetical \$95 fine level, uninsured Americans are as likely to say they would not get insurance (46%) as to say they would (47%). At a \$500 fine level, the percentage saying they would get insurance jumps to 60%, but this percentage levels off at a \$1,000 fine level at 62%. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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324-12 **Americans Sold On Real Estate as Best Long-Term Investment** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Americans today are more likely to think real estate is the best option for long-term investments than in the past, ranking it ahead of gold and stocks. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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[3.8 Economy](#) » [Enterprise/ Investments](#)

324-13 **Reality Check: How Close are we to Teleportation and Mars Colonies?**

[\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Americans tend to be optimists when it comes to new technologies. According to a new Pew Research Center survey in partnership with Smithsonian Magazine, 59% of Americans think scientific and technological innovations over the next half-century will, overall, improve people's lives. We recently asked Americans about their views on a variety of scientific developments, including some innovations that are already moving out of the lab and into the real world, such as Japan's robotic attendants for the elderly and self-driving cars. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)



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324-14 **U.S. Views of Technology and the Future** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) The American public anticipates that the coming half-century will be a period of profound scientific change, as inventions that were once confined to the realm of science fiction come into common usage. This is among the main findings of a new national survey by the Pew Research Center and Smithsonian Magazine. [\(Pew Research Center\)](#)

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324-15 **On Economy, Americans Less Confident in Federal Leaders** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Less than half of Americans (42%) have confidence in President Barack Obama on doing or recommending the right thing for the economy -- the lowest figure Gallup has on record for him. New lows in confidence were also found for Democratic leaders (35%), while Republican leaders in Congress received the lowest mark on record for either party (24%). Americans have more confidence in business leaders and state governors than federal political leaders. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)



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**324-16 Americans Continue to Enjoy Saving More than Spending** (Click for Details)

(USA) The majority of Americans continue to enjoy saving money more than spending it, by 62% to 34%. The 2014 saving-spending gap is the one of the widest since Gallup began tracking Americans' preferences in 2001. (Gallup USA)

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**324-17 On Debate over Proposed Fair Elections Act, Sound Does Not Necessarily Equal Fury** (Click for Details)

(USA) The latest Angus Reid Global poll on changes to the Elections Act proposed by the Harper government shows weeks of media headlines and disapproval from high-profile experts have done little to sway general public opinion since ARG first canvassed the issue in February. (Angus Reid)

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## ► AUSTRALASIA

**324-18 National (48.5%) With Biggest Lead over Labour/ Greens (40%) Since July 2013 as New Zealanders Celebrate the Royal Visit of Prince William and the Duchess of Cambridge** (Click for Details)

(New Zealand) Latest New Zealand Roy Morgan Poll shows a large jump in support for National (48.5%, up 5.5%) now with its largest lead over a potential Labour/Greens alliance (40%, down 5%) since July 2013 as New Zealanders celebrated the visit of Prince William and the Duchess of Cambridge. (Roy Morgan)

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**324-19 Christians in Australia Nearing Minority Status as Religious Affiliation Declines Sharply Since 2011** (Click for Details)

(Australia) Easter Sunday may celebrate Christ rising, but the proportion of Australians who identify as Christian is falling fast, down over 8% points in the last two years. If the current downward trend were to continue, Christians will soon be in the minority in Australia, the latest research from Roy Morgan shows. (Roy Morgan)

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**324-20 Gold Coast is Australia's Preferred Destination for Long Holiday** (Click for Details)

(Australia) Glorious sunshine and endless beaches or world-class culture and inner-city cool? When it comes to long holidays (three or more nights), it seems the former option has the edge, with slightly more Australians choosing the Gold Coast than Melbourne. (Roy Morgan)

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## ► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

324-21 **Africans among the Most Morally Opposed to Contraception** ([Click for Details](#))

Speaking to bishops from Tanzania last week, Pope Francis praised church workers in Africa “who strive diligently to educate people in the area of sexual responsibility and chastity” with the aim of preventing HIV and AIDS. Sub-Saharan Africa is home to more than two-thirds of the world’s people living with HIV, according to amfAR, The Foundation for AIDS Research. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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## ► CYBER WORLD

324-22 **New GfK US Survey Reveals Growing Concerns over Data Privacy, Desire for Corporate and Government Action** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) A recent poll by leading marketing research firm GfK reveals that almost nine in ten (88%) US consumers are at least “a little” concerned about the privacy of their personal data. One in three consumers also reports being directly impacted by misuse of personal data within the past year. ([GfK](#))

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## ► ANALYSIS TANK

**Spreading Computerization Will Change the Developed World** ([Click for Details](#))

In September 2013, Oxford University published a study concluding that 47 percent of U.S. jobs had the potential to be automated in the coming decades. This computerization of the economy will come as technological advancement allows more tasks to be translated to computer code. The Oxford study gave rise to concerns of disastrous levels of structural or "technological" unemployment in the United States and elsewhere in the developed world. Although these fears are overblown, computerization will have a profound impact on labor markets, forcing governments and societies to adapt to the changing economic reality. ([Stratfor](#))

## Topic of the week:

### Christians in Australia Nearing Minority Status

► 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.

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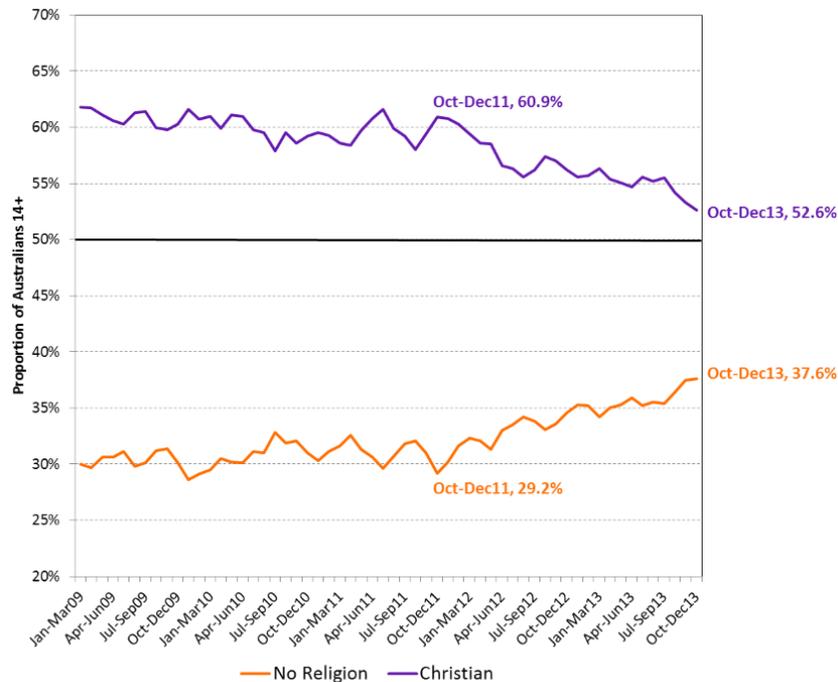
Easter Sunday may celebrate Christ rising, but the proportion of Australians who identify as Christian is falling fast, down over 8% points in the last two years. If the current downward trend were to continue, Christians will soon be in the minority in Australia, the latest research from Roy Morgan shows.

In late 2011, Christians outnumbered the non-religious by over two to one: 60.9% of Australians 14+ (11.4 million) said they belonged to a Christian denomination compared with 29.2% (5.5 million) who said they had no religious affiliation—each near their respective proportional averages since 2009.

But in the latest quarter October to December 2013, 52.6% of Australians (10.2 million) are Christian, while 37.6% (7.3 million) have no religion—halving the gap to 15% points.



#### Proportion of Australians 14+ who say they are a Christian denomination or No



## Religion

Source: Roy Morgan Research, January 2009 to December 2013, rolling quarters.  
Average quarterly sample n = 4840 Australians aged 14+

If the recent trend continues, fewer than 50% of Australians may be self-identifying as Christian by this time next year.

Another 8.3% of Australians (1.6 million) currently identify with a non-Christian religion, only slightly above the long-term average of 7.6% since 2009. A small percentage of Australians (<2% each quarter) opt not to reveal any religious affiliation.

### Norman Morris, Industry Communications Director – Roy Morgan Research, says:



*"By Easter next year, it could well be the first time that the majority of Australians don't affiliate with Christianity.*

*"These results are not necessarily about belief, per se, but rather our changing attitudes to religious affiliation. The decline in the proportion of Australians who say they are Christian—whether Catholic, Anglican or another denomination—coupled with a similarly sized increase in the number who tell us they have no*

*religion, could reflect a growing level of genuine atheism or agnosticism, or instead simply a shift away from identifying with organized Christianity, despite ongoing theistic faith. Likely, it is a combination of both.*

*"Either way, many factors could be contributing to the fall in the number of Christian adherents in Australia. For example, some morally conservative religious doctrines may be contrasting with progressive attitudes toward personal issues such as abortion, societal issues such as same-sex marriage, and global issues such as the use of condoms in the fight against the HIV pandemic.*

*"The recent trend also coincides with the public pressure for, launch of and media attention given to the Royal Commission into institutional responses to child sexual abuse which has, as one focus, alleged crimes by religiously affiliated personnel and cover-ups by church organizations."*

### About Roy Morgan Research

Roy Morgan Research is the largest independent Australian research company, with offices in each state of Australia, as well as in New Zealand, the United States and the United Kingdom. A full service research organization specializing in omnibus and syndicated data, Roy Morgan Research has over 70 years' experience in collecting objective, independent information on consumers.

In Australia, Roy Morgan Research is considered to be the authoritative source of information on financial behavior, readership, voting intentions and consumer confidence. Roy Morgan Research is a specialist in recontact customized surveys which provide invaluable and effective qualitative and quantitative information regarding customers and target markets.

### Margin of Error

The margin of error to be allowed for in any estimate depends mainly on the number of interviews on which it is based. Margin of error gives indications of the likely range within which estimates would be 95% likely to fall, expressed as the number of percentage points above or below the actual estimate. Allowance for design effects (such as stratification and weighting) should be made as appropriate.

Sample Size	Percentage Estimate			
	40%-60%	25% or 75%	10% or 90%	5% or 95%
5,000	±1.4	±1.2	±0.8	±0.6
7,500	±1.1	±1.0	±0.7	±0.5
10,000	±1.0	±0.9	±0.6	±0.4
20,000	±0.7	±0.6	±0.4	±0.3
50,000	±0.4	±0.4	±0.3	±0.2

Source: <http://roymorgan.com/findings/5541-fewer-australians-identify-as-christian-december-2013-201404152234>

## Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2014)

### A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 5 year period January 2007 – January 2014

#### KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*):  $\approx$  6,805 polls during the period 2007-2014
- 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 2007-2014
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\approx$  358 during the period 2007-2014

