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Asia Zone

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

► MENA

414-1 [Current Protests and Implications: What Palestinian Opinion Leaders Are Saying](#) (Click for Details)

(Palestine) Similar to the youth surveyed in AWRAD's November poll, Palestinian opinion leaders view the current round of protests as spontaneous, individual actions, and express a dim view of the response of the leadership and political parties. In the opinion of this group, the protests have been sparked by youth perceptions of the failure of the peace process, the threats to holy sites in the Old City of Jerusalem, as well as youth frustration with the leadership in both the West Bank and Gaza. (AWRAD)



January 09, 2016

1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust
2.3 Foreign Affairs & Security » Palestine/ Israel Conflict
4.4 Society » Civil Society

414-2 [Iraqis' Approval of Prime Minister Drops Sharply](#) (Click for Details)

(Iraq) The [high hopes](#) that Iraqis had for Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi when he first took office in 2014 have faded over the past year, according to a recent Gallup survey. Abadi's approval ratings dropped from 72% in late 2014 to 47% in late 2015. In fact, the prime minister's current approval rating is about the same as the 50% rating that his predecessor Nouri al-Maliki received before he was forced to resign in August 2014. (Gallup USA)

January 6, 2016

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings
1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

► SOUTHEAST ASIA

414-3 [ANZ-Roy Morgan Thailand Consumer Confidence converges towards two-year average](#) (Click for Details)

(Thailand) ANZ-Roy Morgan Thailand Consumer Confidence has fallen slightly to 111.3 in December (down 1.0pt) to finish 2015 almost right on its long-term average of 111.1. However, Consumer Confidence is now 6.1pts lower than this time last year in December (117.4). (Roy Morgan)

December 23, 2016

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being
3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection

414-4 [Philippines: Families rating themselves as Mahirap or Poor at 50%](#) (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The Fourth Quarter 2015 Social Weather Survey, conducted from December 5-8, 2015, found that 50% (estimated 11.2 million) of families consider themselves as Mahirap or Poor. This similar to 50% (est. 11.0 million) in September 2015 and 4 points below the 54% average for the four quarters of 2014. (SWS)

January 06, 2016

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being
3.5 Economy » Poverty





Africa Zone

▶ WEST AFRICA; EAST AFRICA; CENTRAL AFRICA;
SOUTHERN AFRICA

▶ SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

414-5 [Escalating crisis belies Burundians' strong support for democracy](#) (Click for Details)

(Burundi) In contrast to the violent turmoil racking their country, Burundians are largely united in their support for democracy and fair elections and their rejection of authoritarian alternatives, according to the most recent Afrobarometer survey in September-October 2014. (Afrobarometer)

January 09, 2016

1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections

1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust



Euro Americas Zone

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

▶ EAST EUROPE

414-6 [Ukrainians' Life Ratings Sank to New Lows in 2015](#) (Click for Details)

(Ukraine) Conflict-weary Ukrainians gave their lives in 2015 the worst ratings that Gallup has measured yet in that country. On a ladder scale with steps numbered from 0 to 10, with 10 being the best possible life, Ukrainians on average rate their current lives at a 4.0. Ukrainians' optimism about the future also dimmed last year, with their ratings of their lives in five years sinking to a new low of 5.2. (Gallup USA)

January 4, 2016

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

▶ WEST EUROPE

414-7 [Saudi Arabia: more of an enemy than Russia, worse on human rights than Iran](#) (Click for Details)

(Saudi Arabia) New YouGov research provided the public with a list of ten countries, and asked people to assess those countries' record on human rights and whether Britain should be an enemy or an ally of that country. The results confirm a highly critical attitude to Saudi Arabia. (YouGov)

January 10, 2016

2.11 Foreign Affairs and Security >> Bi/Tri-lateral Relations

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



414-8 [Sadiq Khan Increases lead in London Mayoral election](#) (Click for Details)

(UK) Sadiq Khan has increased his lead over Zac Goldsmith by five points since November – and housing is seen as the top priority for London. (YouGov)

January 07, 2016

[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

414-9 [UK: Latest GP Patient Survey results released](#) (Click for Details)

(UK) The latest GP Patient Survey (GPPS) results have now been published. The infographic below details the headline findings of patients' experience of healthcare services provided by GP surgeries, including experience of access to GP surgeries, satisfaction with opening hours and experience of out-of-hours GP services. (Ipsos Mori)

January 07, 2016

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

[4.11 Society » Health](#)

► NORTH AMERICA

414-10 [U.S. Economic Confidence Index Averages -11 in December](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) Gallup's Economic Confidence Index averaged -11 in December, which is slightly better than the monthly averages of -12 to -14 measured from July through November. Americans' economic confidence was slightly lower in December than earlier in 2015, but generally better than it has been since 2008. (Gallup USA)

January 5, 2016

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

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

414-11 [U.S. Consumer Spending Averages \\$99 in December](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans' daily self-reports of spending averaged \$99 in December, which is similar to the \$98 average in December 2014. Along with the \$96 average in December 2013, those are the highest averages for that month in Gallup's eight-year trend. December spending is usually the highest of any month each year, although the highest estimate for any month in Gallup's trend is \$114 from May 2008. (Gallup USA)

January 4, 2016

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

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

414-12 [U.S. Gallup Good Jobs Rate 45.3% in December 2015](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) The Gallup Good Jobs (GGJ) rate in the U.S. was 45.3% in December. This is up slightly from the rate measured in November (44.9%) and even with the rate measured from August through October. Given seasonal patterns in employment, it is notable that the current rate is a full percentage point higher than in December 2014.

(Gallup USA)

January 7, 2016

[3.3 Economy » Employment Issues](#)



414-13 [Jeb Bush's Image Among Republicans Deteriorates](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush's image among Republicans has steadily worsened over the past 5 ½ months. His current net favorable rating of -1 (44% favorable, 45% unfavorable) among Republicans is significantly lower than his +27 (54% favorable, 27% unfavorable) rating in mid-July. (Gallup USA)

January 8, 2016

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings
1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

414-14 [Government Named Top U.S. Problem for Second Straight Year](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) For the second consecutive year, dissatisfaction with government edged out the economy as the problem more Americans identified as the nation's top problem in 2015. According to Gallup's monthly measure of the most important problem facing the U.S., an average of 16% of Americans in 2015 mentioned some aspect of government, including President Barack Obama, Congress or political conflict, as the country's chief problem. The economy came in second with 13% mentioning it, while unemployment and immigration tied for third at 8%. (Gallup USA)

January 4, 2016

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings
1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

414-15 [Millennials' views of news media, religious organizations grow more negative](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) Younger generations tend to have more-positive views than their elders of a number of institutions that play a big part in American society. But for some institutions – such as churches and the news media – Millennials' opinions have become markedly more negative in the past five years. (Pew Research Center)

January 4, 2016

4.4 Society » Civil Society
4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle
4.13 Society » Social Problems

414-16 [Parents, Teens and Digital Monitoring](#) (Click for Details)

Parents monitor their teen's digital behavior in a number of ways, but using technical means like parental controls is less common. (Pew Research Center)

January 7, 2016

3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom
4.2 Society » Family
4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

414-17 [Americans' Assessments of Living Standards Brighter in 2015](#) (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans' positivity about their standard of living was higher in 2015 than in any other year since Gallup began tracking it in 2008. The average Standard of Living Index score of +49 for 2015 was up from the average score of +45 in 2014 and more than double the +23 score in 2008. (Gallup USA)

January 6, 2016

4.4 Society » Civil Society
4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



414-18 [What will engage Canadians most in 2016? Many of the same issues that dominated 2015](#) (Click for Details)

(Canada) The federal election and the Paris attacks were the most-followed news stories of 2015. (Angus Reid)

January 1, 2016

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



► AUSTRALASIA

414-19 [Green, gold and going gangbusters: Aussie-made products surge in popularity](#) (Click for Details)

(Australia) Does country of manufacture still matter to Australian consumers? In a day and age where it's not only easy but often cheaper to purchase goods online from an overseas retailer, and where international brands are widely available in local bricks-and-mortar stores, shopping knows no borders. Even so, an increasing proportion of us say we're more likely to buy a product if it's made in Australia, the latest findings from Roy Morgan Research reveal. (Roy Morgan)

January 05 2016

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection

3.6 Economy » Economic Globalization

414-20 [Over \\$35 billion in superannuation switched but nearly one third of switchers didn't get any advice](#) (Click for Details)

In the three years to November 2015, the average amount of superannuation switched per year was over \$35 billion — the result of 3.2% of superannuation products being switched annually. Of some concern however, given the dollars involved, is the fact that 31% of those switching didn't receive any advice. (Roy Morgan)

January 06, 2016

3.8 Economy » Enterprise/ Investments/ Business

3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

414-21 [UK really is the black sheep of the EU family](#) (Click for Details)

New research from WIN/Gallup International has found that as a Continent a majority want to stay in the EU and that the UK is the only country of 14 polled where a majority want to leave. (WIN/GIA)

January 07, 2015

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations



414-22 [Chinese people are most likely to feel the world is getting better](#) (Click for Details)

China is nearly twice as likely as any other country to say the world is getting better – while Britain is the fifth least optimistic. (YouGov)

January 05, 2016

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

414-23 [The Worldwide Employee Engagement Crisis](#) (Click for Details)

The world has an employee engagement crisis, with serious and potentially lasting repercussions for the global economy. Though companies and leaders worldwide recognize the advantages of [engaging employees](#) -- and many have instituted surveys to measure engagement -- employee engagement has barely budged in well over a decade. (Gallup USA)

January 7, 2016

[3.3 Economy](#) » [Employment Issues](#)



Topic of the week:

Chinese People are the most likely to feel the world is getting better

► 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.

[Chinese people are most likely to feel the world is getting better](#)

January 05, 2016

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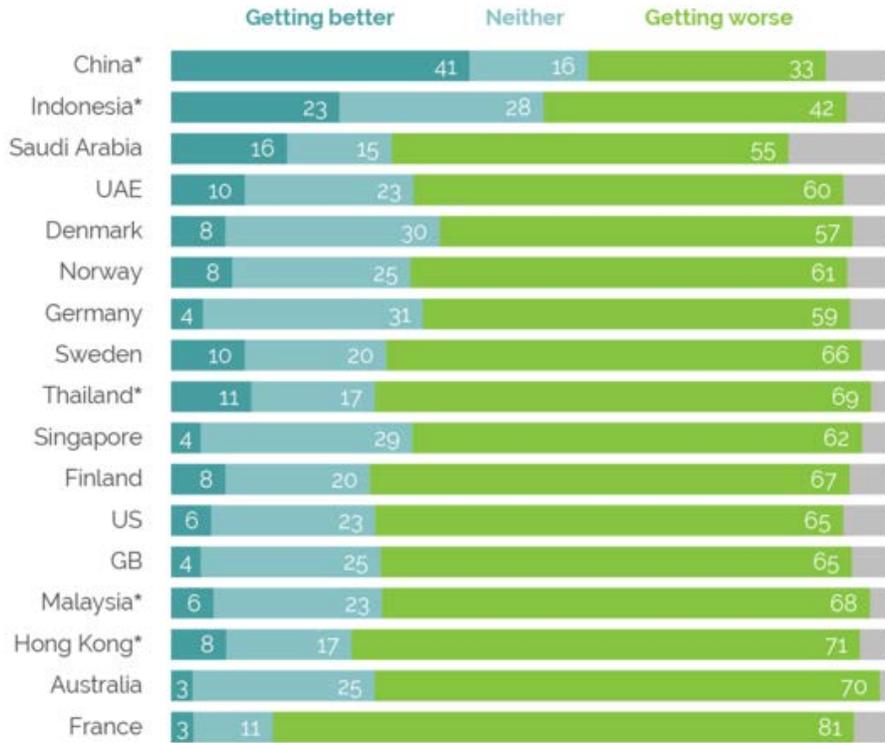
On many measurable indices the world is getting better. In most places the chance of getting killed by another human, life expectancy, poverty, democracy and the rule of law have all improved significantly over the past 200 years. Yet in Britain 65% of adults say all things considered the world is getting worse. A [YouGov Profiles analysis](#) of over 10,000 British people last year found that believing the world is getting better depends significantly on being young, educated and middle class, but this relationship breaks down between countries.



New YouGov research of over 18,000 people finds that out of 17 countries China is by far the most likely to be optimistic about the future of the planet. 41% of Chinese internet users say the world is generally getting better – almost twice as many as the next most optimistic country, Indonesia with 23%. The percentage of optimists in China is four times the global average (10%).

Chinese people are the most optimistic in the world

Thinking generally about the world, all things considered, do you think the world is getting better or worse, or neither getting better nor worse? 18235 adults in the following countries. Results ordered by net score (% getting better minus % getting worse)



*Weighted to be representative of online population

YouGov | yougov.com

November - December 2015

In net terms – taking away the percentage who say the world is getting worse from the percentage who say the world is getting better – Britain is the fifth most pessimistic (65% worse, 4% better).

France is the most pessimistic country in the world, with fully 81% saying the world is getting worse and only 3% saying it is getting better. This is despite a strong uptick in French optimism about the future of the European Union, measured in YouGov's monthly Eurotrack survey of seven countries, increasing from net -50 in February 2015 to -26 in December.

There appears to be little [relationship](#) between GDP per capita and optimism about the world – the US is richer than the UK (GDP per capita is 53K and 42K respectively) despite being nearly tied in pessimism (net -59 and net -56 respectively), while the second most pessimistic country, Australia, has almost 20 times more wealth per person than the second most optimistic, Indonesia. However the huge gap between China and the rest suggests something special. The sheer rate of growth in China, and [a prioritisation of health](#), a measure which is objectively improving, in personal goals, may be contributing to China's sunny outlook.

Source: <https://yougov.co.uk/news/2016/01/05/chinese-people-are-most-optimistic-world/>

Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2015)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 8 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

