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Asia Zone

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

► SOUTHEAST ASIA

434-1 [Philippines: Families rating themselves as *Mahirap* or Poor falls to 46%](#) (Click for details)

(Philippines) The First Quarter 2016 Social Weather Survey, conducted from March 30-April 2, 2016, found that 46% (estimated 10.5 million) of families consider themselves as *Mahirap* or Poor. (SWS)

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3.5 Economy » Poverty

► NORTHEAST ASIA

434-2 [China: Secrets about Car Purchasers Who Were Born in 1990s](#) (Click for details)

(China) Out of a sudden, the non-mainstream post-1990 generation are now growing up. In the past, they were remembered as the people who spoke a Martian language. The new generation wants control over their own world. They just can't sit in the back of the car. They want to have their hands on the steering wheel. They want their own life of mobility. (Ipsos China)

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4.4 Society » Civil Society



Africa Zone

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

► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

434-3 [Majority of Swazis say political parties are divisive and unnecessary](#) (Click for details)

(Swaziland) Two out of three Swazis say that political parties are divisive and therefore not necessary in Swaziland's democracy. Only (31%) feel that parties should exist in order to give voters a choice when selecting candidates during elections, according to the most recent Afrobarometer survey in Swaziland. This reflects a 6-percentage-point increase in support for the banning of political parties compared to 2013. (Afrobarometer)

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1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties

434-4 [Travel across borders for work and trade not easy for Swazis](#) (Click for details)

(Swaziland) A large majority of Swazis (68%) support free movement across borders for work and trade, while about one-third (30%) are in favour of limiting movement across borders, according to the most recent Afrobarometer survey in Swaziland. (Afrobarometer)

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4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees

434-5 [Africa Day: Could stronger public support move regional integration for Africa from rhetoric to reality?](#) (Click for details)

For advocates of regional integration as a path toward economic and political power for Africa, Afrobarometer's latest survey findings suggest that many citizens still need to be convinced of the benefits of integration. (Afrobarometer)

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2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations



Euro Americas Zone

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

► EAST EUROPE

434-6 [Russia: What We Have Started Saving On](#) (Click for details)

(Russia) Over the past year only one tenth of Russians hasn't had to save on anything. The rest acknowledged to having to save on food (43%), and on purchasing apparel and footwear (31%) both percentages being significantly higher than the planned budget cuts mentioned the year before. (Romir)

April 19, 2016

3.4 Economy » Inflation

3.5 Economy » Poverty

► WEST EUROPE

434-7 [Economists' Views on Brexit](#) (Click for details)

(UK) Ipsos MORI conducted an online survey of members of the Royal Economic Society and the Society of Business Economists on behalf of the Observer. The survey asked economists for their professional opinions on the likely effect of Britain leaving the EU and the single market on a variety of economic indicators, including real GDP and unemployment. (Ipsos Mori)

May 28, 2016

2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

434-8 [How green are British front gardens?](#) (Click for details)

(UK) Ipsos MORI conducted a survey of 2,067 adults across Great Britain to help the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) understand how common it is for driveways and front gardens to be green areas (including grass, plants or trees) and what benefits people perceive greener streets to bring to themselves and local communities. The survey also captures the key barriers to greening these areas of our homes and considers what types of support might encourage this. (Ipsos Mori)

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4.14 Society » Environment/ Disasters



434-9 [High satisfaction levels with Royal Family as the Queen turns 90](#) (Click for details)

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(UK) New polling released as the Queen turns 90 reveals that key members of the Royal Family continue to receive high satisfaction ratings from the public. (Ipsos Mori)

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434-10 [Half believe the economy will get worse in the short term if Britain leaves the EU but more likely to think it will improve in the long term](#) (Click for details)

(UK) With just one month to go until the referendum on Britain's membership of the European Union, Ipsos MORI's new Political Monitor shows that on balance Britons believe the economy would be better off in the long term if Britain left the European Union yet likely be worse off in the years immediately following Brexit.

(Ipsos Mori)

May 18, 2016

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

434-11 [Half say government doing bad job on economy as economic optimism falls](#) (Click for details)

(UK) One year on from the election of a Conservative majority in Westminster, Ipsos MORI's Political Monitor finds a fall in the public's ratings on the government's management of the economy. Just under half (47%) say the government has done a bad job over the past year compared with 42% who say they have done a good job. In March 2015, 56% said the Coalition government was doing a good job, and 37% were critical. Women, young people, the working classes and those in the public sector are more negative, while men, older people, the middle classes and private sector workers are more positive. (Ipsos Mori)

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434-12 [British public: we will never forgive Tony Blair](#) (Click for details)

(UK) Tony Blair has admitted he "profoundly" underestimated the complexity of Middle Eastern politics and the chaos that would ensue in Iraq and the wider region following the 2003 invasion. Up to a million Iraqis are estimated to have died since the conflict began and many blame the war and subsequent instability for the rise of ISIS in the region. 53% of Brits say they can never forgive Tony Blair – and only 8% think he did nothing wrong. (YouGov)

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434-13 [UK: Low consumer confidence reflects persistent doubts about the economy](#) (Click for details)

(UK) GFK's long-running Consumer Confidence Index increased two points in May to -1. All of the measures, except one, used to calculate the Index saw increases this month.

(GFK)

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



434-14 [German consumer climate continues its upward trend](#) (Click for details)

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(Germany) The mood of German consumers shows a mixed picture in May. The overall consumer climate indicator is forecasting 9.8 points for June compared with 9.7 points in May. While economic expectations and the propensity to buy have both increased, income expectations have suffered losses. (GFK)

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3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection



► NORTH AMERICA

434-15 [Most Are Positive About at Least One Presidential Candidate](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Twenty-two percent of Democrats and independents who lean Democratic say Hillary Clinton would be a great president if elected, similar to the 19% of Republicans and Republican leaners who say the same about Donald Trump. Most of the rest of each partisan group say their party's candidate would be either a good or an average president. Positive sentiments are by no means universal within either party, however; 21% of Republicans say Trump would be a poor or terrible president, while 13% of Democrats say that about Clinton. (Gallup USA)

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1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

434-16 [U.S. Religious Groups Disagree on Five Key Moral Issues](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Americans' religious faith greatly shapes their views of whether moral issues or practices are acceptable or not. In general, Jews and those with no religious preference are more liberal than Protestants, Catholics and Mormons in their views on various moral issues. These differences are most apparent on abortion and, to a lesser extent, doctor-assisted suicide and animal cloning. Catholics join with Jews and nonreligious Americans in saying gay-lesbian relations and out-of-wedlock births are morally OK. (Gallup USA)

May 26, 2016

4.1 Society » Religion

434-17 [Americans Remain Pessimistic About State of Moral Values](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Americans remain far more likely to say the state of moral values in the U.S. is getting worse (73%) than to say it is getting better (20%). Over a 15-year trend, solid majorities have consistently viewed the direction of the country's values negatively, ranging from 67% in 2002 and 2003 to 82% in 2007. (Gallup USA)

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4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

434-18 [In U.S., Percentage Struggling to Afford Food at New Low](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Fifteen percent of U.S. adults reported in the first quarter of 2016 that there have been times in the past 12 months when they did not have enough money to buy food that they or their family needed. This is the lowest percentage of Americans experiencing food hardship in any quarter since Gallup and Healthways began tracking this measure in 2008. (Gallup USA)

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3.4 Economy » Inflation

3.5 Economy » Poverty



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434-19 [Americans' Attitudes Toward Abortion Unchanged](#) (Click for details)

(USA) U.S. public opinion on abortion was largely steady over the past year, as Americans remained split on the morality of abortion as well as in their preferences for the "pro-choice" vs. "pro-life" labels. The vast majority of adults continue to believe abortion should be legal to some extent, with 29% saying it should be legal in all circumstances and 50% favoring legality under certain circumstances. (Gallup USA)

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[4.13 Society](#) » [Social Problems](#)

434-20 [Hillary Clinton Maintains Image Advantage Over Donald Trump](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton continues to have an image advantage over presumptive Republican nominee Donald Trump among the general American population. So far this month, 40% of Americans hold a favorable view of Clinton, while 54% have an unfavorable opinion, resulting in a net favorable rating of -14. For Trump, Americans' views are 33% favorable and 60% unfavorable for a net favorable rating of -27. (Gallup USA)



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434-21 [Sanders' Backers Most Likely to Say Election Process Faulty](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Neither political party's supporters think the election process is working as it should, but Democrats who back Bernie Sanders (17%) are less than half as likely as those who prefer Hillary Clinton for the nomination (39%) to feel positively about the process. On the flip side, more than eight in 10 of the Vermont senator's supporters (81%) say the process is *not* working, exceeding the 60% of Democratic Clinton supporters who feel the same way. (Gallup USA)

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434-22 [Republicans Paying More Attention to Election Than Democrats](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Republicans continue to follow the news of the presidential election more closely than Democrats. In mid-May, 47% of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents say they are following election news "very closely," compared with 39% of Democrats and Democratic leaners. This eight-percentage-point gap is slightly smaller than in previous months, but the general pattern of Republicans paying closer attention than Democrats has been evident all year. (Gallup USA)

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434-23 [For First Time in Modern Era, Living With Parents Edges Out Other Living Arrangements for 18- to 34-Year-Olds](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Broad demographic shifts in marital status, educational attainment and employment have transformed the way young adults in the U.S. are living, and a new Pew Research Center analysis of census data highlights the implications of these changes for the most basic element of their lives – where they call home. In 2014, for the first time in more than 130 years, adults ages 18 to 34 were slightly more likely to be living in



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their parents' home than they were to be living with a spouse or partner in their own household. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[4.4 Society](#) » [Civil Society](#)

434-24 [Despite government focus on middle-class relief, Canadians' economic anxiety persists](#) ([Click for details](#))

([Canada](#)) While Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's legislative agenda has drawn both praise and prompted debate through the first six months of the Liberal mandate, his party's key campaign promise to improve the economic standing of middle-class Canadians remains largely unresolved, a new poll finds. ([Angus Reid](#))

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► AUSTRALASIA

434-25 [Business Confidence plunges in May – down 9.1% to 111.9 following Federal Budget and Election uncertainty](#) ([Click for details](#))

([Australia](#)) Roy Morgan Research's Business Confidence fell in May (down 9.1% to 111.9) and is now at its lowest since a 2016 low of 110.6 in January. The fall in Business Confidence comes even after a slight improvement on the Australian share-market in May – the All Ordinaries closed yesterday at 5,361.90 (up 0.9% or 45.90pts from April 29, 2016). ([Roy Morgan](#))

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

434-26 [State of the Nation: New Zealand — media, technology and wanting it all 'on demand'](#) ([Click for details](#))

([New Zealand](#)) Not only do over three in four New Zealanders now have a smartphone (76%), but the majority of all types of people now carry this multi-media device in their pockets or purses, as revealed by the national Helix Personas psychographic segmentation tool. ([Roy Morgan](#))

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[4.6 Society](#) » [Media/ New Media](#)

► CYBER WORLD

434-27 [News Use Across Social Media Platforms 2016](#) ([Click for details](#))

([USA](#)) A majority of U.S. adults – 62% – get news on social media, and 18% do so often, according to a new survey by Pew Research Center, conducted in association with the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation. In 2012, based on a slightly different question, 49% of U.S. adults reported seeing news on social media. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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Topic of the week:

British Public: we will never forgive Tony Blair

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British public: we will never forgive Tony Blair

May 25, 2016



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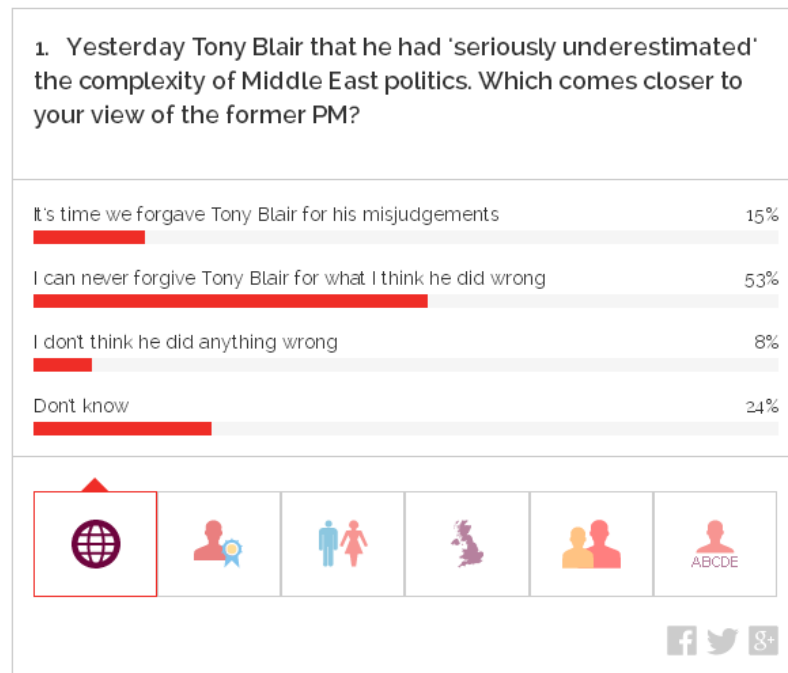


Tony Blair has admitted he “profoundly” underestimated the complexity of Middle Eastern politics and the chaos that would ensue in Iraq and the wider region following the 2003 invasion. Up to a million Iraqis are estimated to have died since the conflict began and many blame the war and subsequent instability for the rise of ISIS in the region.

New YouGov research confirms the profound lack of sympathy for the former PM, with a majority (53%) saying that they could never forgive him. Just 8% think Blair did nothing wrong, whilst 15% feel it’s time we forgave Tony Blair for his misjudgements.

7983 UK adults were questioned on 25 May 2016.

Results are weighted to be representative of the GB population.



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Only 25% of the Labour Party supporters are in favour of forgiving the former Labour PM, demonstrating the extraordinary dismantling of the reputation of this one-time hero of the party.

YouGov [research](#) since 2003 has shown a fluctuating but steady decline in public support for the Iraq war. In polls between March and December 2013, an average of 54% of the public felt it was right to take military action against Iraq, falling to just 26% last year. The research also showed big discrepancies between the number of people that supported the war at the time, and those that claim to based on recall.

The Chilcot enquiry into the war and its aftermath is due to be released in July, following a [succession of delays](#).

Source: <https://yougov.co.uk/news/2016/05/25/no-public-appetite-forgiving-blair/>

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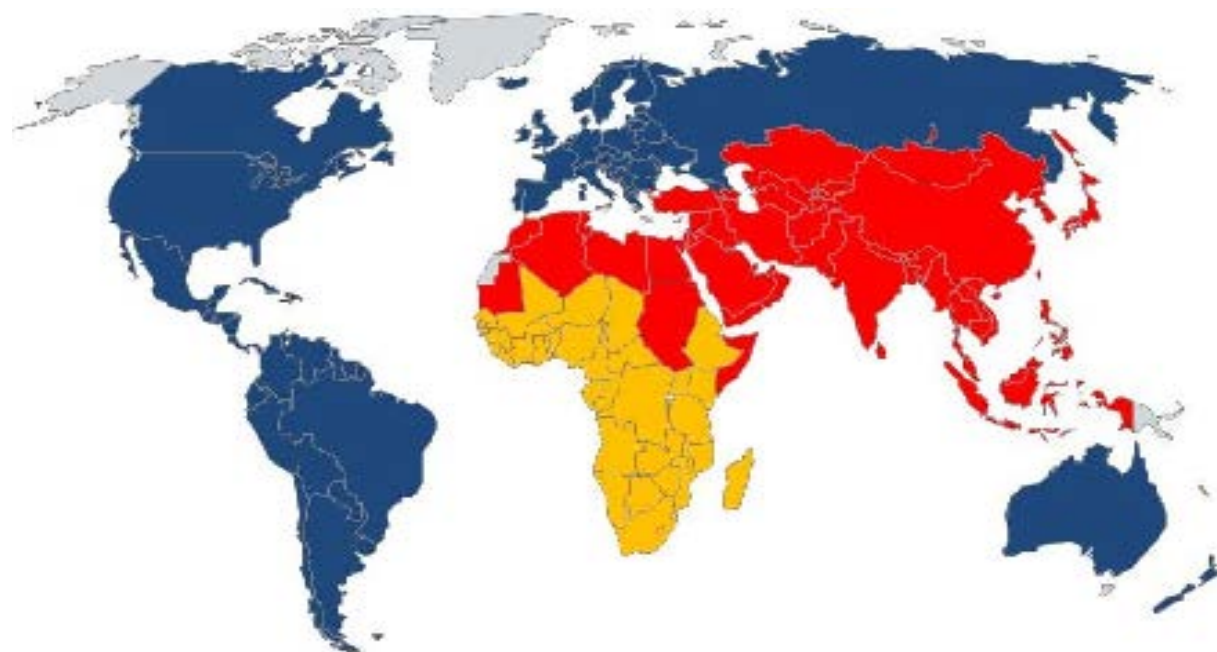
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A Quantitative Analysis

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



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