

# Gallopedia

From **Gilani Research Foundation**

**October** 2016, Issue # **453\***

Compiled on a weekly basis since January 2007

Gilani's Gallopedia is a weekly Digest of Opinions in a globalized world - one window on global opinion polling compiled by Gilani Research Foundation

## Who are we?

*Gilani's Gallopedia* is a weekly digest of opinions in a globalized world. It provides a one window access to Global Opinion Polls on a weekly basis. It is produced by a team of researchers led by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani, and is a not for profit public service. It is co-edited by Mohammad Zubair and Sara Salam.

Our name reflects the rapid pace at which global polls are brought to the community of pollsters and other interested readers. Gilani's Gallopedia is not related to any polling agency and makes its selection from any publically available poll based on its relevance to our reader's interests. Over the years it has reported polls conducted by over 350 agencies and institutions.

### Contact Details:

**Sara Salam**

Assistant Manager

Gilani Research Foundation

Email: [sara.salam@gilanifoundation.com](mailto:sara.salam@gilanifoundation.com)



[Topic of the week: \(Click for details\)](#)

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

THIS WEEK'S REPORT CONSISTS OF **24**  
NATIONAL & MULTI COUNTRY SURVEYS. **10**  
POLLING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN  
REPRESENTED.

Pg **2** [Asia zone](#)  
this week- **03** national polls

Pg **2** [Africa zone](#)  
this week- **01** national poll

Pg **3** [Euro Americas zone](#)  
this week- **19** national polls  
**01** multi-country  
Study

**TOPIC OF THE WEEK:**  
[Chinese Public Sees More](#)  
[Powerful Role in World, Names](#)  
[U.S. as Top Threat](#)

**Countries** are represented in **blue**; **Polling organizations** are represented in **pink**. For reference to source of each poll clicks to detail are provided in the text





## Asia Zone

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

### ► MENA

453-1 [UAE residents show promise for a greener community](#) (Click for details)

(UAE) A new YouGov study into the green habits of UAE residents has found that the population is making positive steps to adopt a more eco-friendly lifestyle, yet some issues still need enforcement and encouragement from the government. (YouGov)

October 05, 2016

4.14 Society » Environment/ Disasters



### ► SOUTHEAST ASIA

453-2 [Philippines: The 13th SWS Survey of Enterprises on Corruption](#) (Click for details)

(Philippines) The 2016 Survey of Enterprises on Corruption is the 13th in a series of surveys done by SWS since 2000: nine rounds in 2000-09 and four in 2012-16. According to the full series of surveys, there was a marked improvement in the fight against corruption in the last six years. Unfortunately, however, the newest survey of 2016 shows some backsliding. (SWS)

October 05, 2016

1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

### ► NORTHEAST ASIA

453-3 [Chinese Public Sees More Powerful Role in World, Names U.S. as Top Threat](#) (Click for details)

(China) As China's economy has grown, so too has its role in world affairs. An increasingly assertive China has challenged the geopolitical balance of power in Asia and extended its economic reach in Africa, Latin America, Europe and elsewhere. The Chinese people recognize their country's growing prominence: 75% say China is playing a more important role in world affairs than it did 10 years ago. Only 10% of the Chinese believe that they are a less powerful player in the global arena. (PEW Global)

October 05, 2016

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

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



## Africa Zone

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

### ► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

453-4 [Nigerian President Buhari's Approval Drops in Second Year](#) (Click for details)

(Nigeria) Support for Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari is declining more than a year after he became the first opposition presidential candidate in Nigerian history to defeat an incumbent. Buhari's approval rating now stands at 44%, down from 67% in June 2015, measured one month after he took office. (Gallup USA)



OCTOBER 6, 2016

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

## Euro Americas Zone

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

### ► EAST EUROPE

453-5 [Russia: Female Faces Of Russian Politics](#) (Click for details)

(Russia) Russians would entrust women with health and education issues but they are still not ready to perceive women as heads of enforcement agencies. (VCIOM)

September 30, 2016

4.5 Society » Gender Issues

4.10 Society » Education

4.11 Society » Health



453-6 [Russia: War In Syria: A Year Later](#) (Click for details)

(Russia) According to a recent survey Russians are less interested in the Syrian civil war. (VCIOM)

September 28, 2016

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

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

453-7 [Russia: Summertime Is Over: 2016 Vacation Season Results](#) (Click for details)

(Russia) Trying to save money, fewer Russians visited vacation spots. Staying at home or going to dacha are top vacation preferences amidst crisis and international tensions. (VCIOM)

September 23, 2016

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

4.16 Society » Entertainment

453-8 [Ukraine: Dynamics Of Nostalgia For The USSR](#) (Click for details)

(Ukraine) Recent survey shows that this year the number of respondents who regret the collapse of the USSR slightly increased compared with the results of 2014 and 2015, 35% this year, compared with 33% in 2014 and 31% in 2015. (Ratings group)

October 05, 2016

2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations

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

453-9 [Moldova Poll: Desire for Change Drives Enthusiasm for Presidential Election](#)

(Click for details)

(Moldova) A new nationwide poll from Moldova released today by IRI demonstrates an ongoing desire for change and enthusiasm for the upcoming presidential election. The contest, scheduled for October 30, will be the first direct presidential election in the country since 1996. (IRI)

October 05, 2016

1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections



## ► WEST EUROPE

453-10 [Poll on British Influence](#) (Click for details)

(UK) A new poll by Ipsos MORI for Conservative Influence reveals that the public believes 'setting an example in the values we believe in' will be vital in building Britain's influence in the world over the next 10-20 years. Britain's economic influence, diplomatic relations and membership of multi-national bodies are also all seen by many as very important to the country's role on the world stage. (Ipsos Mori)

October 03, 2016

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

453-11 [It's official: British people hate selfie sticks](#) (Click for details)

(UK) The ability to take better selfies be damned - seven in ten people say they find selfie sticks annoying. (YouGov)

October 07, 2016

3.11 Economy » Science & Technology



453-12 [Public backs plans to make firms release foreign worker numbers](#) (Click for details)

(UK) By more than two to one the public support government proposals to make businesses publish how many foreign workers they employ. (YouGov)

October 06, 2016

3.3 Economy » Employment Issues

453-13 [Blair return could cause Labour voter exodus](#) (Click for details)

(UK) YouGov research finds that Tony Blair leading Labour into another election as leader of the party could see the party haemorrhage votes. (YouGov)

October 07, 2016

1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections

1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties

453-14 [Londoners are the most embarrassed by talking to strangers](#) (Click for details)

(UK) As the "Tube Chat" campaign terrifies Londoners, YouGov examines public attitudes to talking to a stranger on public transport. (YouGov)

October 03, 2016

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

453-15 [British Airways' brand image is experiencing some turbulence](#) (Click for details)

(UK) In early June, among all respondents, BA's Quality score was a very healthy +48. However, as the weeks progressed there has been a noticeable fall. It now stands at a still respectable, but notably lower, +42. (YouGov)

October 05, 2016

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being



## ► NORTH AMERICA

453-16 [Obama Job Approval Up Most Among Conservative Democrats](#) (Click for details)

(USA) President Barack Obama's job approval has increased from 46% in October 2015 to 52% last month. His ratings have risen among most party and ideological groups, but his largest gain -- 13 percentage points --

has come among conservative Democrats. Regardless of their ideology, Republicans' opinions of Obama are virtually unchanged. (Gallup USA)

OCTOBER 5, 2016

[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

[1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties](#)

453-17 [U.S. Economic Confidence Changed Little in September](#) (Click for details)

(USA) The modest improvement in Americans' economic confidence first evident after the Democratic National Convention continued for a second consecutive month. Gallup's U.S. Economic Confidence Index averaged -10 for the month of September, in line with August's average of -11 and five points higher than the index's 12-month low in July. (Gallup USA)

OCTOBER 4, 2016

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

453-18 [Trump Seen as Less Conservative Than Prior GOP Candidates](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Donald Trump's political views, in the eyes of U.S. registered voters, are the least conservative of GOP presidential candidates in recent history. About six in 10 registered voters have viewed recent Republican nominees as conservative or very conservative, with George W. Bush's 68% in 2004 the highest. Trump stands out from the rest of the group with less than half of voters (47%) describing him as conservative or very conservative.

(Gallup USA)

OCTOBER 4, 2016

[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

[1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties](#)



453-19 [Aversion to Other Candidate Key Factor in 2016 Vote Choice](#) (Click for details)

(USA) The lead reason U.S. registered voters give for their choice of president in the 2016 election involves not liking something about the opposing candidate. All told, 28% of voters -- including equal proportions of Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump supporters -- cite reasons such as believing the other candidate is dishonest, unqualified or of poor temperament. The remaining voters offer more positive reasons for their choice of president, including their own candidate's qualifications (24%), policy stances (17%), personal qualities (14%) or party affiliation (9%). (Gallup USA)

OCTOBER 6, 2016

[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

453-20 [U.S. Uninsured Rate at New Low of 10.9% in Third Quarter](#) (Click for details)

(USA) In the third quarter of 2016, 10.9% of U.S. adults were without health insurance, representing a new low in Gallup's and Healthways' nearly nine years of trending the rate of uninsured. This is down from 11.9% in the fourth quarter of 2015, before the 2016 open enrollment period that allowed U.S. adults to obtain insurance through the government health insurance exchanges. (Gallup USA)

OCTOBER 7, 2016

[3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions](#)

[4.11 Society » Health](#)



453-21 [U.S. Consumer Spending Highest for Any September Since 2008](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Americans' daily self-reports of spending averaged \$91 in September, unchanged from August, but the highest average for the month since 2008. The stability in September comes after wide swings during the summer months -- when spending rose from June's \$88 average to an eight-year high of \$100 in July, then fell to \$91 in August. (Gallup USA)



OCTOBER 3, 2016

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

453-22 [The State of American Jobs](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Tectonic changes are reshaping U.S. workplaces as the economy moves deeper into the knowledge-focused age. These changes are affecting the very nature of jobs by rewarding social, communications and analytical skills. They are prodding many workers to think about lifetime commitments to retraining and upgrading their skills. And they may be prompting a society-wide reckoning about where those constantly evolving skills should be learned – and what the role of colleges should be. (Pew Research Center)

OCTOBER 06, 2016

3.3 Economy » Employment Issues

► **MULTI-COUNTRY STUDIES**453-23 [Unemployment Bad for Youth's Health in Wealthy Economies](#) (Click for details)

Young people worldwide have an advantage over older adults when it comes to their physical well-being. In fact, in many low- to upper-middle-income economies, even young adults who are unemployed have higher physical well-being than older adults who are employed. But this is not the case in high-income economies: Young people between the ages of 15 and 29 who are unemployed are about as likely to be thriving in their physical well-being (26%) as people older than 50 with a job (24%). (Gallup USA)



OCTOBER 3, 2016

3.3 Economy » Employment Issues  
4.11 Society » Health

► **CYBER WORLD**453-24 [eCommerce in Germany: Highly varying regional potential for product lines](#) (Click for details)

(Germany) The distribution of online potential for product groups such as food, clothing, consumer electronics and DIY items differs substantially from region to region. Today GfK published its findings in the first-ever study on regional online potential for 17 product groups in Germany. (GfK)

October 05, 2016

3.11 Economy » Science & Technology  
3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom

## Topic of the week:

### **Chinese Public Sees More Powerful Role in World, Names U.S. as Top Threat**

► 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 Public Sees More Powerful Role in World, Names U.S. as Top Threat

*Domestic challenges persist: Corruption, consumer safety, pollution*

OCTOBER 5, 2016



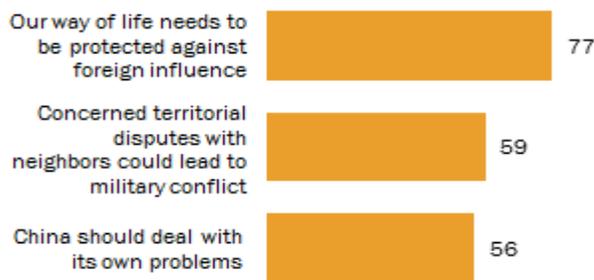
As China's economy has grown, so too has its role in world affairs. An increasingly assertive China has challenged the geopolitical balance of power in Asia and extended its economic reach in Africa, Latin America, Europe and elsewhere. The Chinese people recognize their country's growing prominence: 75% say China is playing a more important role in world affairs than it did 10 years ago. Only 10% of the Chinese believe that they are a less powerful player in the global arena.



#### Chinese see their global role expanding



#### ... But most are wary and looking inward



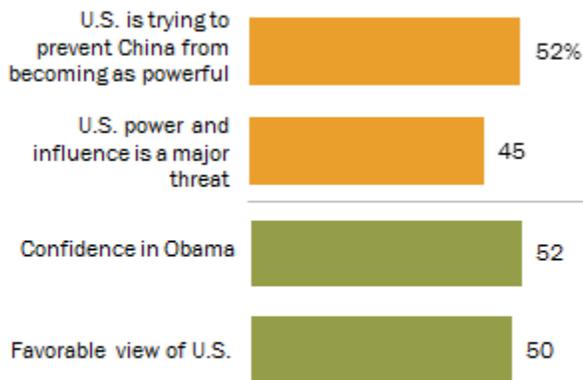
Source: Spring 2016 Global Attitudes Survey. Q29, Q31a, Q43, Q62Na & Q100.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

China has benefited greatly from economic globalization, and most Chinese (60%) believe their country's involvement in the global economy is a good thing; only 23% think this is bad for China.

Such self-confidence about China's international stature coexists with some degree of anxiety and a general tendency to look inward more than outward. A majority of Chinese (56%) want Beijing to focus on China's problems. Just 22% voice the view that their government should help other nations. And there is widespread unease about the impact on China from the world around them. Roughly three-quarters (77%) of the public believes that their way of life needs to be protected against foreign influence, and such sentiment is up 13 percentage points since 2002. Moreover, about six-in-ten Chinese (59%) are concerned that territorial conflicts between China and neighboring countries could lead to military conflict.

### In China, mixed views of U.S.



Source: Spring 2016 Global Attitudes Survey. Q10a, Q22b, Q38Na & Q97.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

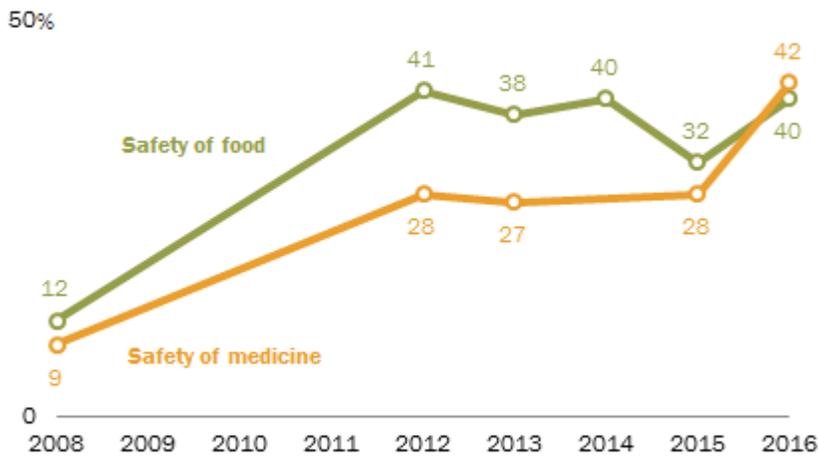
The United States, another principal actor on the world stage, gets mixed reviews in China. Half give the U.S. a favorable rating, while 44% offer a negative one. But 52% think the U.S. is trying to prevent China from becoming an equal power; only 29% believe the U.S. is willing to accept China's rise. And the Chinese public names U.S. power and influence as the top international threat facing the country. Just under half (45%) say the U.S. is a major threat – the highest percentage among the seven potential threats tested on the survey.

The preference to look inward accompanies widely shared public worries about the domestic challenges facing the country. In particular, official corruption is a major concern. President Xi Jinping has made fighting corruption a centerpiece of his time in office, leading to the arrests of many Communist Party officials. Roughly half (49%) the Chinese public says corrupt officials are a very big problem in the country, while another 34% believe they are a moderately big issue.

Inequality is also a top worry. Even though it has slowed somewhat over the past couple of years, China has enjoyed remarkable economic growth in recent decades. But there is a perception that the spoils have not been shared equally. Thirty-seven percent consider the growing gap between rich and poor a very big problem, and 40% believe it is a moderately big problem.

## Rising concerns about the safety of food, medicine

\_\_\_ is a very big problem



Source: Spring 2016 Global Attitudes Survey. Q60i, n.

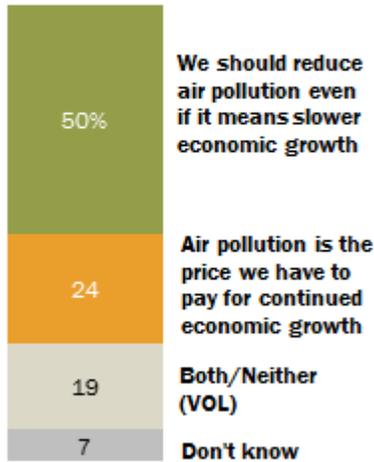
PEW RESEARCH CENTER

With its growing middle class, many Chinese are worried about issues such as consumer and environmental safety. In recent years there have been numerous high-profile scandals regarding unsafe medical and food products, and the Chinese public is taking note. The share of the public rating the safety of medicines a very big problem has risen from 9% in 2008 to 42% today. Similarly, strong concerns about food safety have grown from 12% to 40%.

Meanwhile, more than three-in-ten say water and air pollution are very big problems, and about seven-in-ten consider them at least a moderately big problem. Moreover, many Chinese are willing to make tradeoffs to address environmental challenges. Half of those polled believe China should reduce air pollution even if it means slower economic growth, while just 24% think air pollution is the necessary price of a growing economy.

## Chinese willing to trade growth for cleaner air

Which statement comes closer to your own views?



Source: Spring 2016 Global Attitudes Survey. Q62.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

Still, many Chinese expect to see improvements on the country's major challenges. This is especially true of corruption – 64% expect progress to be made on corruption in the next five years. More than four-in-ten believe there will be progress on food safety and air pollution.

And the Chinese public remains upbeat about the country's economy. Almost nine-in-ten think the economy is in good shape and 76% expect it to improve over the next 12 months. They are slightly less optimistic about their personal economic fortunes, though still largely positive: 63% say their personal economic situation is good and 70% believe it will improve over the next year.

These are among the key findings from a Pew Research Center survey in China, conducted among 3,154 respondents from April 6 to May 8, 2016.

## Chinese, American, European and Indian views of their role in the world

### Chinese, more than Americans, believe their country plays greater global role

	China	India	EU	U.S.
	%	%	%	%
Our country plays a more important role than 10 years ago	75	68	23	21
Our country should help other countries deal with their problems	22	23	40	37
Involvement in the global economy is good	60	52	56	44
Overwhelming military force is the best way to defeat terrorism	44	62	41	47

Note: EU percentages are medians based on 10 European countries.

Source: Spring 2016 Global Attitudes Survey, Q29, Q31a, Q43 & Q86. U.S. data from survey conducted April 12-19, 2016.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

The Chinese (75%) are far more likely than [Europeans](#) (23%) or [Americans](#) (21%) to believe that their nation plays a more important role on the world stage today than it did a decade ago. Notably, [Indians](#) (68%) are similarly confident when it comes to seeing their country as more influential in global affairs, compared with a decade ago.

The Chinese (60%) resemble the Europeans (56%) in their embrace of global economic engagement, and are more upbeat about their involvement in the world economy than either Indians (52%) or Americans (44%).

When it comes to dealing with developing nations, Chinese views are generally more favorable than those in the U.S. A majority (55%) of Chinese support importing more goods from developing countries. This compares with a median of 64% of Europeans and 52% of Americans. Two-thirds of Chinese (67%) favor increasing Chinese companies' investment in developing nations. Roughly three-quarters of Europeans (76%) back their firms investing more in Africa, Asia and Latin America, while only about half of Americans (52%) support such business activities. And about six-in-ten (62%) Chinese support increasing China's foreign aid to developing nations. This share in favor of increasing foreign assistance is higher than the 53% of Europeans and only 48% of Americans who hold the same view.

China is one of the world's leading military powers, but the Chinese people are not any more eager than Americans or Europeans to believe that the use of overwhelming force is the best anti-terror strategy. Just 44% of Chinese say this, comparable to the views of both Americans (47%) and Europeans (41%). Indians differ: 62% back employing overwhelming military force as the best way to defeat terrorism.

The Chinese are, however, notably more inward-looking than either the Americans or the Europeans. Just 22% of Chinese say their country should help other nations deal with their problems. This is comparable to the Indian view (23%), but far less internationalist than the opinion of either Americans (37%) or Europeans (40%).

Source: <http://www.pewglobal.org/2016/10/05/chinese-public-sees-more-powerful-role-in-world-names-u-s-as-top-threat/>

## Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2016)

### A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 9 year period January 2007 – October 2016

#### KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*):  $\simeq$  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:  $\simeq$  178 during the period 2007-2014
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\simeq$  358 during the period 2007-2014

