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Sinking As U.S. Adults
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Asia zone

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

► SOUTH ASIA

181-1 **Bill With A Bite.....** (Click for Details)



(India) A majority of more than 47 per cent of people polled across the country in a CVOTER survey say that they trust team Anna and its version of the Lokpal Bill more than the government. (Cvoter)

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181-2 **Can Rahul make a difference?** (Click for Details)

(India) A CVOTER poll in UP throws up huge numbers supporting Rahul Gandhi. More than 69 per cent feel it would be a huge advantage for his party if he is projected as a potential CM in the polls next year. (Cvoter)

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Euro Americas zone

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



EUROPE

► EAST EUROPE

181-3 **Democratic Development In Russia: Today And 20 Years Ago** (Click for Details)

(Russia) Over the recent decade the attitudes of Russians towards democracy development has considerably changed for the better. Whereas in 1991 only 8% called this process successful, now the share of such respondents makes up 28%. As before the majority is not satisfied with the process of building the democracy in Russia (62%); however this figure is smaller than it was in 1991 (73%). (Russian Public Opinion Research Centre)

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181-4 Rejection Of Nuclear Power Stations: Pro Et Contra (Click for Details)

(EU) The idea to completely abandon the use of nuclear power as Germany, Italy and other European countries did would be supported by the majority of Russians (57%). Only 20% of respondents are against this proposal. Those who are in favor of the idea are rural area residents (62%) respondents with low level of education (59-62%), and Russians with low and average income (58-59%). Those who express the most negative attitudes are Muscovites and St.Petersburgians (27%) and Russians with high level of education (28%). (Russian Public Opinion Research Centre)

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181-5 Harry Potter & The Philosopher's Stone Favorite Book & Film in Britain (Click for Details)

(Britain) Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone is the nation's favourite book and film of the series (15% and 14% respectively), followed in both cases by the Prisoner of Azkaban, with 12% calling the third instalment the series their favourite book of the seven and 9% their favourite of the eight films. (Yougov)

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**181-6 Conservatives' Vote Share Falls Following Hacking Scandal, But Not Translating Into Support For Labour** (Click for Details)

(Britain) The Reuters/Ipsos MORI Political Monitor for July – our first poll since the phone hacking scandal broke – shows that half of the public think that Prime Minister David Cameron has handled the phone hacking situation badly (52%) while a third say he has handled it well (36%). By contrast, almost half of the public think that Ed Miliband has handled the crisis well (47%) compared to a third who think he has handled it badly (35%). (Ipsos Mori)

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181-7 Faith in American Dream Sinking As U.S. Adults Become Split Over Whether or Not They Can Achieve it (Click for Details)

(USA) The percentage of U.S. adults who believe it is possible for themselves and their families to achieve the American Dream has dropped to 50%, down significantly from the 68% who said the same in November 2008. (Ibope-Zogby)

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181-8 Obama Maintains Sub-50% Job Approval in 10th Quarter (Click for Details)

(USA) President Barack Obama earned a 46.8% average approval rating in his 10th quarter in office ending July 19, essentially unchanged from the 9th quarter and still above his record-low 7th quarter. (Gallup USA)
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181-9 Concerns About Economy, Jobs Outweigh Worries About Deficit (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans name the economy and unemployment/jobs as the most important problems facing the nation, as they have all year, despite the dominant focus in Washington on the federal debt ceiling. The deficit comes in third as the top problem, followed by dissatisfaction with government in general, healthcare, and concerns about wars. (Gallup USA)

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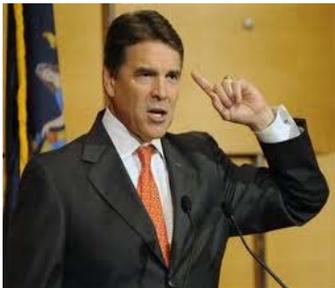
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**181-10 In U.S, 3 in 10 Working Adults Are Strapped for Time** (Click for Details)

(USA) Despite the swirl of daily family and professional obligations, most working Americans tell Gallup they have enough time to get done what they need to do. However, 28% report they do not, compared with 20% of non-working adults who say the same. (Gallup USA)

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**181-11 Perry, Giuliani Score High on Positive Intensity With Republicans** (Click for Details)

(USA) Texas Gov. Rick Perry and former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani would enter as credible players in the 2012 GOP presidential race, should they decide to run. Perry is recognized by 55% of Republicans and has a Positive Intensity Score of 21, while Giuliani is recognized by 86% and has a Positive Intensity Score of 20. Both Positive Intensity Scores are among the highest of any candidate or potential candidate Gallup measures. (Gallup USA)

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181-12 Amid Debt Clash, Approval of Parties in Congress Low but Steady (Click for Details)

(USA) Despite Americans' harsh critiques of the political motives of each party in the debt ceiling battle, their overall job approval ratings of President Barack Obama, the Republicans in Congress, and the Democrats in Congress are about where they have been over the past year, albeit quite low. (Gallup USA)

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181-13 Americans, Including Republicans, Want Debt Compromise (Click for Details)

(USA) Two-thirds of Americans would like government officials to agree to a compromise plan on the debt and budget deficit negotiations now underway. Fewer than 3 in 10 want lawmakers who share their views on

the debt and budget deficit to hold out for their desired plan. A majority of Republicans, independents, and Democrats favor reaching a compromise. ([Gallup USA](#))

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181-14 **Public Split Evenly on Urgency of Debt Limit Deadline** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) While administration officials project an economic catastrophe if the debt limit is not raised by Aug. 2, many Americans do not see this deadline as a major problem. Four-in-ten (40%) say that, from what they've read and heard, it is absolutely essential that the federal debt limit be raised by Aug. 2 to avoid an economic crisis, while about as many (39%) say the country can go past this date without major economic problems. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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181-15 **Obama Draws More Confidence than Boehner, McConnell or Cantor on Debt Ceiling** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) The public expresses far more confidence in President Obama than it does in congressional leaders of both parties when it comes to the debate over the debt ceiling. Nonetheless, only about half of Americans (48%) have even a fair amount of confidence in Obama to do the right thing when it comes to dealing with the debt ceiling, while nearly as many (49%) say they have not too much confidence or no confidence at all in the president on this issue. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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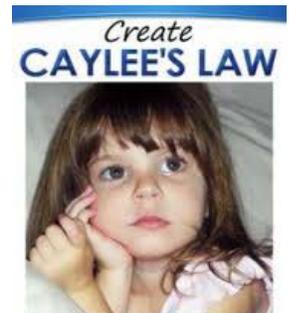
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181-16 **Americans Want to See "Caylee's Law" Implemented in Their State** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) A large proportion of Americans would like to employ new guidelines to deal with the death or disappearance of a child, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Seven-in-ten respondents are dissatisfied with the verdict reached in the Casey Anthony trial. ([Angus-Reid](#))

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181-17 **U.S. Economic Confidence Sinks to Lowest Level Since March '09** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans' economic confidence plunged last week to its lowest weekly level since March 2009. Gallup's Economic Confidence Index fell to -41 in the week ending July 17 -- down from -34 the prior week and -31 during the same week a year ago. ([Gallup USA](#))

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181-18 **Lack of Money Tops List of Americans' Financial Worries** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) Basic lack of money remains Americans' foremost financial concern. Even in the current job climate, 17% of Americans say the most important financial problem their



family faces today is a lack of money compared with 9% who say it is unemployment or the loss of a job. The cost of healthcare takes second place as 12% say it is the most important financial problem for their family.

(Gallup USA)

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3.5 Economy » Poverty

181-19 **Americans Don't Want Biases in Hiring Smokers, the Overweight** (Click for Details)

(USA) More than 8 in 10 Americans think it is not right for companies to refuse to hire people just because they are significantly overweight or smoke. Fourteen percent say the practice should be allowed for each.

(Gallup USA)

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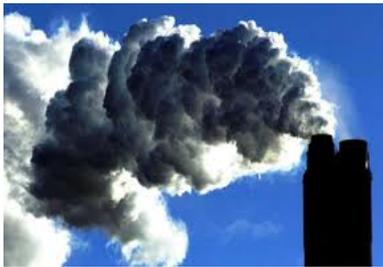
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Multi Country- Muslim-Western Tensions Persist (Click for Details)

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181-20 **Australians Think Carbon Tax Will Have No Impact On Global Carbon Emissions** (Click for Details)



(Australia) A recent survey found that only 37% of Australians support the Gillard Government's proposed Carbon Tax compared to a clear majority (58%) that are opposed. A majority of Australians (62%) agree that 'The Carbon Tax will have no significant impact on reducing the total world-wide volume of carbon dioxide put into the atmosphere' (34% disagree). An overwhelming majority of Australians (75%) disagree that 'The \$23 a tonne carbon price should be higher' while only 15% agree that it should be higher.

(Roy Morgan)

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181-21 **Consumers More Satisfied with Banks but Business Left Behind** (Click for Details)

Consumer satisfaction with the big four banks continued its upward trend in June with a 1.2% point increase over May to reach 74.8%, the second highest level achieved over the last 15 years. Business Bank Customers, on the other hand, are well behind with only 61.6% satisfied and over 200,000 being either 'fairly' or 'very' dissatisfied with their bank. (Roy Morgan)

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► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

181-22 **Muslim-Western Tensions Persist** (Click for Details)

Muslim and Western publics continue to see relations between them as generally bad, with both sides holding negative stereotypes of the other. Many in the West see Muslims as fanatical and violent, while few say Muslims are tolerant or respectful of women. Meanwhile, Muslims in the Middle East and Asia generally see Westerners as selfish, immoral and greedy -- as well as violent and fanatical. (Pew Research Center)

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[2.7 Foreign Affairs & Security » Muslim World](#)**181-23 One in Five First-Generation Migrants Want to Keep Moving** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

First-generation migrants -- adults who were born in countries other than the ones they live in -- are more likely than native-born residents to want to migrate permanently, whether that means returning home or heading to another country. Among the 630 million adults worldwide who Gallup estimates would like to migrate permanently to another country, 22% of first-generation migrants say they would like to move, versus 14% of native-born residents. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)**181-24 Britons Still Among The Most Negative In The World On Economy** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

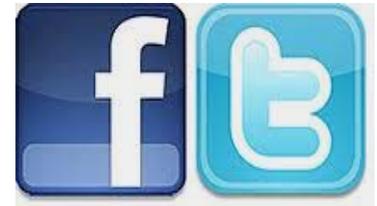
([Britain](#)) New research by Ipsos MORI shows that around one in eight (13%) Britons rate their economy as "good". The latest *Ipsos Global @visor* survey conducted in 24 countries shows only the French (12%), Italians (10%), Japanese (8%), Hungarians (6%), and Spanish (6%) are more downbeat in assessing their economy than Britons. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

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[3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection](#)**► CYBER WORLD****181-25 Social Media Users 'More Active' As Ethical Consumers: Global Poll**[\(Click for Details\)](#)

Regular users of Facebook, Twitter and other online social media expect higher levels of corporate responsibility from companies, and are more likely to act on their values as ethical consumers, according to a new GlobeScan 28-nation poll released today. ([Globescan](#))

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[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)**181-26 Assessing a New Landscape in Journalism** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

As traditional newsrooms have shrunk, a group of institutions and funders motivated by something other than profit are entering the journalism arena. This distinguishes them from the commercial news institutions that dominated the 20th century, whose primary sources of revenue -- advertising and circulation -- were self-evident. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)**Topic** of the week:

***Faith in American Dream Sinking As U.S. Adults
Become Split Over
Whether or Not They Can Achieve it***

► 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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Steep Drop from Two-Thirds Immediately After 2008 Elections

UTICA, NY--The percentage of U.S. adults who believe it is possible for themselves and their families to achieve the American Dream has dropped to 50%, down significantly from the 68% who said the same in November 2008.

Faith in the American Dream falls even further when respondents are asked if it's possible for middle class families to achieve it, from 62% in November 2008 to just 44% today.

These latest results are from an IBOPE Zogby interactive poll conducted from July 15-18.



Do you feel it is possible for you and your family to achieve the American Dream, or would you say it does not exist?

Response	July 2011	Nov. 2008 (Post election)
American Dream possible	50%	68%
It does not exist	30%	19%
Not sure	20%	14%

Do you agree or disagree that most middle class families can achieve the American Dream?

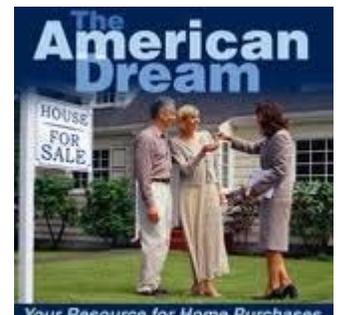
Response	July 2011	Nov. 2008 (Post-election)
Agree	44%	62%
Disagree	37%	24%
Not sure	20%	14%

Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding

In our recent poll, we found these notable demographic differences over the belief it is possible for individuals and their families to achieve the American Dream.

More likely: Republicans (60%), conservatives (57%), adults who attend religious services weekly (59%), household incomes of \$75,000 to \$100,000 (67%) and more than \$100,000 (62%), NASCAR fans (57%) and those who shop at Wal-Mart weekly (57%).

Less likely: adults 65 and older (36%), liberals (40%), adults who never attend religious services (43%) and household incomes of \$25,000 to \$35,000 (39%), and below \$25,000 (33%).



We also asked voters how they define the American Dream.

Do you and your family consider the American Dream to be mainly about achieving material goods, or is it more about finding spiritual happiness?

Response	July 2011	Nov. 2008 (Post-election)
Material goods	40%	38%
Spiritual happiness	38%	43%
Not sure	22%	19%

Totals may not add up to 100% due to rounding

The most notable current demographic differences on this question had to do with religious practices, as both adults who attend religious services more than weekly (58%) and born-again Christians (53%) are more likely to choose "spiritual happiness."

IBOPE Zogby International conducted an online survey of 2,188 adults. A sampling of IBOPE Zogby International's online panel, which is representative of the adult population of the US, was invited to participate. Slight weights were added to region, age, race, religion, party, gender, education to more accurately reflect the population. The margin of error is +/- 2.1 percentage points. Margins of error are higher in sub-groups. The MOE calculation is for sampling error only.

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For related articles on this subject; it is recommended to see below mentioned articles (also included in this issue)

I. Concerns About Economy, Jobs Outweigh Worries About Deficit

http://www.gallup.com/poll/148589/Concerns-Economy-Jobs-Outweigh-Worries-Deficit.aspx?utm_source=alert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=syndication&utm_content=morelink&utm_term=Americas%20-%20Northern%20America%20-%20Politics%20-%20USA

II. ***Public Split Evenly on Urgency of Debt Limit Deadline***

<http://pewresearch.org/pubs/2062/poll-americans-do-not-see-debt-limit-deadline-problem-economic-crisis>

III. ***Lack of Money Tops List of Americans' Financial Worries***

http://www.gallup.com/poll/148625/Lack-Money-Tops-List-Americans-Financial-Worries.aspx?utm_source=alert&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=syndication&utm_content=morelink&utm_term=Americas%20-%20Northern%20America%20-%20USA%20-%20Wellbeing

Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2010)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 –August 2010

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \simeq 2,500 polls during the period 2007-2010
- 2- Number of questions: \simeq 30,000 during the period 2007-2010
- 3- 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*)
- 4- Number of **countries** covered by one or more surveys: \simeq 150 during the period 2007-2010
- 5- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \simeq 150 during the period 2007-2010

