

# Gallopedia

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## 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 Rushna Shahid.

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Topic of the week: (Click for details)

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**Mongolians Have Mixed Views  
about their Government**

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## Asia zone

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



### ► MIDDLE EAST

#### *Palestinians are Confused and Uncertain* (Click for Details)

While a majority of [Palestinians](#) opposes return to negotiations under the shadow of settlement construction, but they also opposes alternatives to negotiations such as violence, the dissolution of the Palestinian authority, or the adoption of a one-state solution. They support alternatives such as going to the UNSC, a unilateral declaration of statehood, and resort to non-violent resistance; the overwhelming majority has no confidence in the efficacy of any of the alternatives it supports. [Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research \(PSR\)](#)

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[Foreign Affairs & Security](#) » [Palestine/ Israel Conflict](#)

#### *Israelis and Palestinians Both Are Skeptical of Their Success* (Click for Details)

**64%** of the [Palestinians](#) believe that they and not [Israelis](#) are of greater need of success in the direct negotiations; **51%** among [Israelis](#) believe that both sides are in equal need of success. Nevertheless both publics are skeptical about the success of the talks; [Israelis](#) overwhelmingly support their continuation while [Palestinians](#) oppose it. [Harry S. Truman Research Institute & Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research](#)

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### ► SOUTH ASIA

#### *Indians See Threat from Pakistan, Extremist Groups* (Click for Details)

A plurality of [Indians](#) characterize Lashkar-e-Taiba, the group widely blamed for the Mumbai attacks, as the greatest threat facing their country. One-third name Pakistan as the greatest threat -- and overwhelmingly [Indians](#) believe there is a link between these two threats: **58%** say the Pakistani government actively supports extremist groups like Lashkar-e-Taiba, while another **21%** think it at least tolerates them. [Pew Research Center](#)

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### ► NORTHEAST ASIA

#### *Mongolians Have Mixed Views about Their Government* (Click for Details)

The survey shows that [Mongolians](#) have mixed and confused views of their government. Just over three in ten think the country is moving in the wrong direction but a surprising over four in ten have no opinion. A small minority sees the signs of development but a reasonable majority sees the worsening conditions of corruption and poverty. [International Republican Institute \(IRI\)](#)

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**Multi-Country Poll- Barriers to Entrepreneurship** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

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**Multi-Country Poll- Amid Rich Country Pessimism, Chinese Consumers Remain Upbeat: Global Poll** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

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## Africa zone

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

### ▶ SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

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## Euro Americas zone

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



### EUROPE

### ▶ EAST EUROPE



**Good House and Trips Abroad - Signs of Success in Modern Russia** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

A good house is the main symbol of status for **Russians (51%)**, followed by acquisition of overseas property (**30%**), vacation abroad, giving children good education (**28%** for each), opportunity to buy apartment (**23%**) or dacha (**22%**), car (**21%**), and opportunity to get high-quality health care (**18%**). Least valued things for Russians are expensive furniture and domestic appliances (**10%**) and opportunity to visit costly events (**8%**). **Russian Public Opinion Research Center (VCIOM)**

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



## WEST EUROPE

***Economic Concerns Still High in United Kingdom*** ([Click for Details](#))

**Ipsos MORI's** October Issues Index shows that concern about the economy in the **UK** remains high – two fifths (**42%**) mention it when asked what the most important issue facing the country is, and an additional 17% place it among the most important issues, meaning that three fifths (**59%**) are concerned about this issue in total. The economy has been the most important issue since September 2008.

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***Opposition to Military Mission in Afghanistan Reaches 60% in Britain*** ([Click for Details](#))

Public opposition to **Britain's** involvement in Afghanistan has reached a high point, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found. The online survey of a representative national sample of 2,003 British adults also shows that respondents maintain negative views on the likely outcome of the war in Afghanistan.

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[Foreign Affairs & Security » Afghanistan War](#)

***Global Warming Doubts Dissolve in Britain, But Americans Still Skeptical*** ([Click for Details](#))

The considerable level of uncertainty that **Britons** expressed earlier this year towards global warming has subsided, as more people in the country regard climate change a fact, a new three-country **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found.

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## AMERICAS

## NORTH AMERICA

***Americans Split on Whether Afghan War Was the Right Course of Action*** ([Click for Details](#))

People in the **United States** appear skeptical about the military operation involving American soldiers in Afghanistan and—for the first time—are evenly divided on whether the war was the right course of action, a new **Angus Reid Public Opinion** poll has found.

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***More Than Half of Voters Say Anger or Disappointment Drive Thinking About Coming Election*** ([Click for Details](#))

More than half of likely **American** voters describe their motivation or feelings about voting this year as either angry (**33%**) or disappointed (**25%**), and **49%** disapprove of the job performance of their Congressional representative, a new **Zogby Interactive** survey finds.

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***Democrats, GOP at Odds over Harm of Unregulated Business*** ([Click for Details](#))

In [America](#) Democrats and Republicans differ sharply over whether business will harm society if it is not regulated by government. Two in three Democrats believe business will do so, versus **23%** of Republicans who say the same. Independents are split on the issue, as are Americans overall. [Gallup USA](#)

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***Re-Election Measures Continue to Predict Major House Shakeup*** ([Click for Details](#))

[American](#) Voters are not quite as negative now as they were earlier this year when asked if most members of Congress deserve re-election, with **33%** saying they do, and **56%** saying they do not. Still, the current sentiment about re-electing most members of Congress remains among the most negative [Gallup](#) has measured before midterm elections over the past 16 years, and continues to suggest the potential for a major shift in House seats on Election Day, Nov. 2.

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***Democrats Stirring but Fail to Match GOP Support, Engagement*** ([Click for Details](#))

As the [American](#) midterm elections approach, there is every indication that voter turnout will be as high as in 2006, but unlike four years ago, Republicans -- not Democrats -- are now more engaged and enthusiastic about casting a ballot. [Pew Research Center](#)

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***Cold and Flu Season Off to Typical Start*** ([Click for Details](#))

Cold and flu season is now underway, and [Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index](#) tracking finds that [Americans'](#) self-reports of the flu are typical so far, with **1.7%** reporting the flu on any given day in September, on par with the same month in 2009 and 2008.

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***Obama's Approval Rating at New Low in Most Recent Quarter*** ([Click for Details](#))

[US](#) President Barack Obama averaged **44.7%** job approval during the seventh quarter of his presidency. His average approval rating has declined each quarter since he took office, falling by more than two percentage points in the most recent quarter to establish a new low. [Gallup USA](#)

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***Bill Clinton's Impact More Positive for Democrats than Obama's*** ([Click for Details](#))

Former [American](#) President Bill Clinton has the potential to do more good for Democratic candidates on whose behalf he campaigns than does President Barack Obama. The net positive impact of Clinton's campaigning among Democratic registered voters is +48, while the number is a slightly lower +42 for Obama. Clinton, however, has a significantly more positive impact than Obama does among independents -- and among Republicans. [Gallup USA](#)

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***GOP Holds Solid Leads in Voter Preferences for another Week*** ([Click for Details](#))

[Gallup's](#) tracking of the generic ballot for [US](#) Congress finds Republicans leading Democrats by **5 %** points among registered voters, **48%** to **43%**, and by 11- and 17-point margins among likely voters, depending on

turnout. This is the third consecutive week the Republicans have led on the measure among registered voters, after two weeks in September when the parties were about tied.

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***Gallup Finds U.S. Unemployment at 10.0% in Mid-October*** ([Click for Details](#))

Unemployment in the [US](#), as measured by [Gallup](#) without seasonal adjustment, is at **10.0%** in mid-October - essentially the same as the 10.1% at the end of September but up sharply from **9.4%** in mid-September and **9.3%** at the end of August. This mid-month measurement confirms the late September surge in joblessness that should be reflected in the government's Nov. 5 unemployment report.

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***Just Over a Third of Canadians Support the Mission in Afghanistan*** ([Click for Details](#))

In the online survey of a representative national sample of 1,009 [Canadian](#) adults, just over a third of respondents (**35%**, -4 since August) support the military operation involving Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan—the lowest level recorded over the past two years. More than half of respondents (**55%**, +2) oppose the war. [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#)

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***Half of Canadians Willing to Allow Adults to Engage in Prostitution*** ([Click for Details](#))

The debate over the state of prostitution in [Canada](#) continues to be polarized by gender, with a large majority of men voicing support for decriminalization, and women not entirely convinced that allowing consensual prostitution is a good idea, a new [Angus Reid Public Opinion](#) poll has found

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## ▶ LATIN AMERICA

***Latin Americans See Barriers to Entrepreneurship (Multi-country survey)*** ([Click for Details](#))

Worldwide, residents of [Latin America](#) are the most likely to see government as a liability rather than as an asset to starting a business. Across 20 Latin American countries [Gallup](#) surveyed between 2008 and 2010, a median of **66%** of residents say their governments do not make permits and paperwork easy enough for those who want to start a business. Residents in *sub-Saharan African* countries are next most likely to see their governments this way: a median of 50% say this.

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***Brazil- Dilma has 56% of the votes versus 44% Jose Serra*** ([Click for Details](#))

[Datafolha](#) on the second round of [Brazilian](#) presidential succession held on October 21 shows the PT candidate Rousseff in the lead with **56%** of the votes. Jose Serra, the PSDB, gets **44%**. 4037 voters were interviewed in all units of the Federation and the error of the survey is two percentage points.

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## GLOBAL/MULTI-COUNTRY POLLS



**Amid Rich Country Pessimism, Chinese Consumers Remain Upbeat: Global Poll** (Click for Details)

China has the most confident consumers of the world's major economies, with 53 % expecting to be better off in one year's time, according to a new **GlobeScan** poll of consumer confidence across 24 countries. In contrast, there is widespread pessimism in many of the major developed economies.

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**CYBERWORLD**

**Mobile Health 2010** (Click for Details)

The online health-information environment is going mobile, particularly among younger adults. People get information through mobile and also use such applications which help them manage health related activities.

Pew Research Center

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**Topic of the week:**  
***Mongolians Have Mixed Views about Their Government***

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 .



**Commentary: IRI Releases Survey of Mongolian Public Opinion**

October 22, 2010

IRI conducted a comprehensive national and regional representative poll in **Mongolia** from August 10-September 3, 2010.

The survey shows that *Mongolians* have mixed and confused views of their government. Just over three in ten think the country is moving in the wrong direction but a surprising over four in ten has no opinion. A small minority sees the signs of development but a reasonable majority sees the worsening conditions of corruption and poverty.

The poll reveals that citizens of **Mongolia** would like to see local governments have greater authority over issues such as roads, transportation, land allocation and tax collection while still preferring that

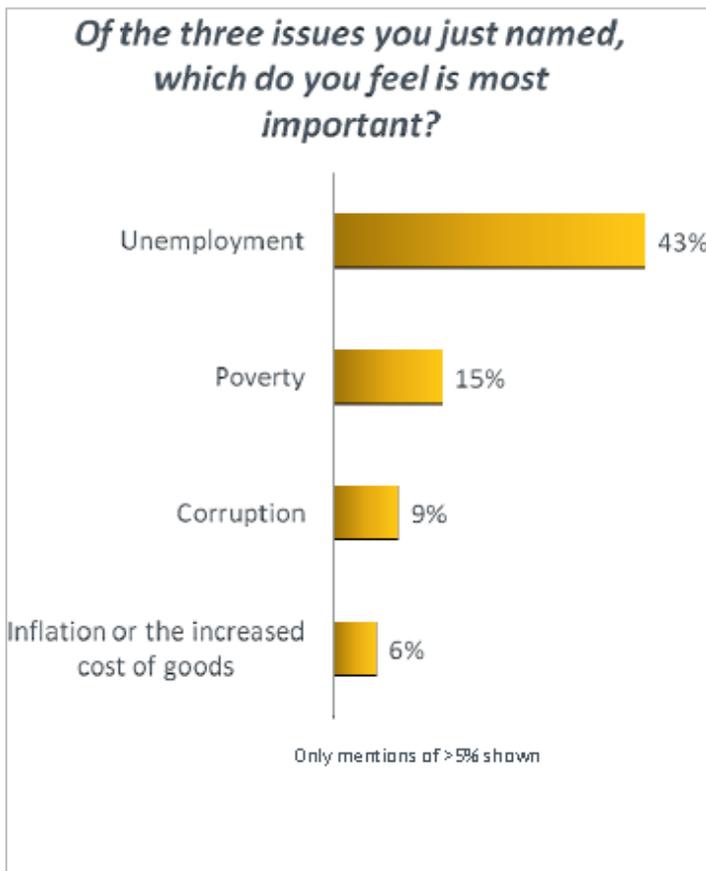
national government manage education, public safety, health care and natural resources. **38 %** of *Mongolian* citizens would like the



**President of Mongolia**  
Tsakhiagiin Elbegdorj

opportunity to decide how money is spent locally, compared to 7 % who think their member of parliament should exercise that power. An even larger number, 40%, believes that local residents should directly monitor local government spending, compared to only 13 % who think the national parliament, State Great Hural, should monitor local budget allocation.

The survey also explored some of the most politically salient national issues in *Mongolia*, including the *allocation of mining revenues*. Even though Mongolians are sharply divided over how to allocate mining revenue to various government services, it is clear that *Mongolians* want the revenue invested in the development of the country. When asked for the top two responses on how to allocate mining revenue 38 % wanted recurring or onetime cash payouts. A majority 86 % would like the money spent on developing the country, through investments in education, healthcare, infrastructure, social welfare, training opportunities, and funds for local projects.



The sample was randomly selected using the last birthday method, and consists of 2,250 *Mongolian* adults older than 18 who are eligible to vote. It is representative of the general population by age, gender, and education. The margin of error for the national sample does not exceed ± 2.07 percent.

**SOURCE:** <http://www.iri.org/news-events-press-center/news/iri-releases-survey-mongolian-public-opinion>

# 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*):  $\approx$  2,500 polls during the period 2007-2010
- 2- Number of questions:  $\approx$  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:  $\approx$  150 during the period 2007-2010
- 5- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\approx$  150 during the period 2007-2010

