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Asia zone

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

► MIDDLE EAST

250-1 **Governance, the UN Bid and the Arab Spring** (Click for Details)

A recent survey shows a decline in the satisfaction of the public over the performance of the PNA and its leaders. There is an increase in the percentage of supporters for dissolving the PNA. Majority believe that exit from current political crisis is through holding general elections. Similarly going to the UN is believed to be in the benefit of the Palestinian cause. There is division over the impact of the Arab Spring on the Palestinian cause.

(JMCC)

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2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations



► WEST ASIA

250-2 **Security is the Biggest Concern for Afghans** (Click for Details)

(Afghanistan) The recent survey shows that security continues to be the biggest indicator of both optimism and pessimism for Afghans. But it is also clear that life goes on as Afghans express deep-seated concerns for jobs, education, public services, political participation, and a better life. This survey helps to give us a sense of citizens' priorities, needs, and views. (Asia Foundation)

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2.2 Foreign Affairs & Security » Afghanistan War

2.7 Foreign Affairs & Security » Muslim World

2.10 Foreign Affairs & Security » Military Issues/ Defence

► NORTHEAST ASIA

250-3 **Japan opposition LDP keeps lead before vote** (Click for Details)

(Japan) Japan's opposition Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) maintained its lead over the ruling party, a public opinion poll showed on Sunday, strengthening its case to reclaim control of the government in a December election after a three-year absence. (Yomiuri)

November 18, 2012

1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties



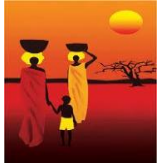
250-4 **The Progressive Ticket** (Click for Details)

(South Korea) With approximately four weeks left until the presidential election, the game of political chicken between Moon Jae-In and Ahn Cheol-Soo continues to garner top billing. Both candidates were leading in mid-November in head-to-head polls with Park Geun-Hye, although within the margin of error. While there was significant concern last month that a deluge of

negative stories about Dr. Ahn was in the offing, that concern never came to fruition. (ASAN)

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Africa zone

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

▶ SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

250-5 **Nigeria at 52: Living our dream?** (Click for Details)

(Nigeria) Results from the snap polls reveal that 93% of Nigerians are proud to be Nigerians. The primary reason given was “it is my home, my motherland”, other reasons such as emotional attachments, Nigeria’s strategic position in Africa and her natural resources were also identified as plausible reasons. (NOI Polls)

November 19, 2012

1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust



Euro Americas zone

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

EUROPE

▶ EAST EUROPE

250-6 **Who Is Behind Pussy Riot?** (Click for Details)

(Russia) Only 40% of respondents believe that the Pussy Riot band participants organized their action on their own. The same number of respondents (41%) believes that someone, for example the opposition, ordered the Pussy Riot action. (Russian Public Opinion Research Center)

October 26, 2012

4.1 Society » Religion

4.16 Society » Entertainment



▶ WEST EUROPE

250-7 **What is the 'ideal age' for marriage?** (Click for Details)

(UK) A majority (53%) of British women think the ideal time to get married is between the ages of 25 and 29, according to a YouGov poll. The poll also revealed that only 11% of women think that 20-24 is the best age to get married, and 18% think that 30-34 is the ideal time. Men are more divided on ideal age. (YouGov)

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4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

250-8 **The Problem of Trust** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) The BBC has suffered more from the rows that led to the resignation of George Entwistle as Director-General than it did from its failure to report Jimmy Savile's crimes. A YouGov survey for the Sun, conducted after Entwistle's departure, finds a 13 point reduction in the past fortnight in the proportion of people who trust BBC journalists to tell the truth. For the first time since YouGov started tracking public trust in British institutions, more people distrust BBC journalists (47%) than trust them (44%). ([YouGov](#))

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[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)

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

250-9 **Britons Still Lukewarm on Revamping Nuclear Energy** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Public backing for nuclear energy in Britain is not as strong as it was three years ago, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. One third of respondents are opposed to building new power plants, while support has dropped since 2009. ([Angus Reid](#))

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[3.10 Economy » Energy/Nuclear Issues](#)

250-10 **Sharp decline in those who think businesses behave ethically** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

An annual Ipsos MORI survey conducted for the Institute of Business Ethics on the attitudes of the British public to business ethics has found a substantial decline in the proportion of the public saying that British business generally behaves 'very' or 'fairly' ethically (from 58% in 2011 to 48% in 2012). More people think that executive pay needs to be addressed in corporate behaviour than any other issue. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

November 15, 2012

250-11 **The majority of Scots are satisfied with the Scottish Government** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Scotland) The Scottish Government has a healthy public approval rating, according to our latest Scottish Public Opinion Monitor, conducted last month. Over half of Scots (54%) are satisfied with the way the Scottish Government is running the country compared to 39% who are dissatisfied, giving a net satisfaction rating of +15%. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

November 16, 2012

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[1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance](#)

250-12 **Portugal ruling party support falls after tax hikes** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Portugal) Support for Portugal's ruling Social Democrats fell further behind the opposition Socialists after the center-right government unveiled the largest tax increase in living memory, an opinion poll showed on Friday. The survey by Eurosondagem pollsters showed the Social Democrats of Prime Minister Pedro Passos Coelho down 3 percentage points from a month earlier at 26.9 percent.

([Eurosondagem](#))

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AMERICAS

► NORTH AMERICA

250-13 **Majority of Americans Are Upbeat About the Next Four Years** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) A majority of Americans believe the country will be better off four years from now, while 41% say it will be worse. But this level of optimism is down considerably from four years ago, following President Barack Obama's first election victory, when 65% said the country would be better off in four years, and prior to his first inauguration, when 72% said the same. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance](#)

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



250-14 **In U.S., Views of Obama, Democrats Improve After Election** ([Click for Details](#))

Now that the presidential election is over, Americans look a bit more positively toward both the winner (Barack Obama) and the loser (Mitt Romney) than they did in the final days leading up to the election. Americans' views of the Democratic Party are up significantly, while their views of the Republican Party are unchanged.

([Gallup USA](#))

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250-15 **Low Marks for the 2012 Election** ([Click for Details](#))

The 2012 presidential campaign was a frustrating experience for many voters, who say the campaign was more negative than usual and had less discussion of issues than in most previous campaigns. Both Obama and Romney get mixed grades for the job they did reaching out to voters, as do campaign consultants, the press and pollsters. On most measures, voters' views of campaign 2012 fall short of the election four years ago.

([Pew Research Center](#))

November 15, 2012

[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

250-16 **Americans Assess What Obama Can Accomplish in Next Term** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans are most optimistic that the Obama administration will be able to bring U.S. troops home from Afghanistan, improve conditions for minorities and the poor, improve education, and keep the U.S. safe from terrorism. On two major policy issues now facing the country, however, Americans are less positive, with less than half saying the Obama administration will be able to substantially reduce the federal budget deficit or avoid raising "your" taxes. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance](#)



250-17 **Economy, Entitlements, Iran Are Americans' Top Priorities** ([Click for Details](#))

Americans are very clear on what President Barack Obama's top priority should be in his second term. Restoring a strong economy and job market ranks No. 1 out of a list of 12 issues, with more than nine in 10

Americans saying it is extremely or very important that Obama take major steps to make this happen. Additionally, more than three-quarters attach high importance to his ensuring the long-term stability of Social Security and Medicare, and preventing Iran from developing a nuclear weapon. (Gallup USA)

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- 1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance
- 3.3 Economy » Employment Issues
- 4.10 Society » Education
- 4.11 Society » Health
- 2.7 Foreign Affairs & Security » Muslim World

250-18 **More in U.S. Now Want Balanced Approach to Cutting Deficit** (Click for Details)

Forty-five percent of Americans now say they favor reducing the federal budget deficit with an equal balance of tax increases and spending cuts, up from 32% last year. At the same time, the percentage favoring an emphasis on spending cuts is now 40%, down from 50% last year, while the percentage in favor of reducing the deficit primarily through tax increases is unchanged at 11%. (Gallup USA)



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- 3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

250-19 **Americans Urge Congress, the President to Avoid Fiscal Cliff** (Click for Details)

More than eight in 10 Americans say it is extremely or very important for Congress and President Obama to agree on a plan so that the automatic budget cuts and tax increases of the "fiscal cliff" do not occur on Jan. 1. (Gallup USA)

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- 3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

250-20 **Economic Confidence Continues to Improve in November** (Click for Details)

Gallup's U.S. Economic Confidence Index was -11 for the week ending Nov. 11, little changed from -10 the week prior. Economic confidence has maintained its improved level during the first part of November -- with the most favorable readings of the year and since the economic downturn in 2008. (Gallup USA)

November 13, 2012

- 3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection

250-21 **U.S. Workers Least Happy With Their Work Stress and Pay** (Click for Details)



(USA) U.S. workers are the least satisfied with their on-the-job stress and the money they make, out of 13 aspects of work conditions rated in Gallup's annual Work and Education poll. Less than a third say they are completely satisfied with each. They are most satisfied with the physical safety conditions of their workplace, followed by their relations with coworkers. (Gallup USA)

November 12, 2012

- 3.3 Economy » Employment Issues
- 4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

► AUSTRALASIA

250-22 **Satisfaction with banks rises to highest level recorded** (Click for Details)

(Australia) In October 2012, consumers' satisfaction with banks improved for the fourth consecutive month to 80.0% which is the highest score achieved since the series began in 1996. Each of the Big Four banks improved their customer satisfaction rating in October, with Westpac up 1.1% points, ANZ up 1.1% points, CBA up 0.6% points, and NAB up 0.1% points. (Roy Morgan)

November 19, 2012

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



Topic of the week:

What is the 'ideal age' for marriage?

- 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.

Majority of British women think before 30 is 'ideal age' for marriage

November 13, 2012



A majority (53%) of British women think the ideal time to get married is between the ages of 25 and 29, according to a YouGov poll. The poll also revealed that only 11% of women think that 20-24 is the best age to get married, and 18% think that 30-34 is the ideal time.

Men more divided on ideal age

British men were more divided in their opinion of the ideal age to get married: 44% say 25-29 is the best time, while 24% believe 30-34 is the ideal age, and only 10% think 20-24 is the best age for marriage.

Asked who should bear the main cost of paying for a wedding, 55% of the British public say that the bride and groom should pay for their own wedding. Meanwhile, 30% of people believe that both sets of parents should pay, and only 5% of respondents say that the parents of the bride should bear the main cost of paying for a wedding.



Sample Size: 1816 GB Adults
Fieldwork: 5th - 6th November 2012

	Voting intention			2010 Vote			Gender		Age				Social grade		Region					
Total	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Con	Lab	Lib Dem	Male	Female	18-24	25-39	40-59	60+	ABC1	C2DE	London	Rest of South	Midlands / Wales	North	Scotland	
Weighted Sample	1816	496	602	136	566	474	435	883	933	220	463	621	512	1035	781	232	589	389	448	158
Unweighted Sample	1816	454	604	130	541	471	440	869	947	148	476	672	520	1205	611	241	620	371	427	157
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%

What do you think is the ideal age to get married?

Under 20	2	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	2	0	3	2
20 to 24	10	9	13	7	9	13	8	10	11	8	5	6	21	9	12	10	10	11	10	11
25 to 29	49	54	50	43	53	52	45	44	53	61	38	52	50	48	50	42	48	51	52	50
30 to 34	21	22	20	26	22	17	24	24	18	14	31	22	14	23	18	25	23	18	21	15
35 to 39	2	3	1	6	2	2	3	3	2	1	3	4	1	3	2	2	2	2	3	3
40 to 44	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
45 to 49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50 to 54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
55 to 60	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Over 60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Never	3	1	3	7	2	3	3	3	2	2	5	3	2	3	3	2	2	4	2	4
Don't know	12	8	11	9	8	11	15	12	11	10	15	11	10	11	12	18	11	9	9	15

Who do you think should bear the main cost of paying for a wedding?

The bride and groom themselves	55	55	59	51	54	59	54	51	60	65	59	58	45	52	60	51	55	57	57	56
Both sets of parents	30	31	31	35	31	30	32	34	26	12	24	30	44	31	29	31	31	28	32	26
The parents of the bride	5	6	3	5	6	3	4	5	4	7	5	4	4	6	3	6	5	4	4	4
The parents of the groom	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0
Don't know	9	7	6	8	9	7	9	9	9	14	10	8	7	10	8	12	8	10	7	14

Source: <http://research.yougov.co.uk/news/2012/11/13/what-ideal-age-marriage/>

Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2012)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 – November 2012

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \approx 6,805 polls during the period 2007-2012
- 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 2007-2012
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 358 during the period 2007-2012

