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South Africans still have to deal with slow progress



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Asia zone

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

► WEST ASIA

273-1 **Is Turkey's Precondition of the Removal of the Embargo on Gaza Important for Mending the Turkish-Israeli Relations?** (Click for Details)

(Turkey) A recent survey clarified the expectations of the Turkish public from Israel three years after the Mavi Marmara incident. According to the results of the survey, while 35 percent of the public thinks that Israel should apologize and pay compensation, 29 percent believe that in addition to the apology and reparations, Israel should lift its embargo on Gaza. (TNS/EDAM)

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2.3 Foreign Affairs & Security » Palestine/ Israel Conflict

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues



Africa zone

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

► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

273-2 **19 years after democracy South Africans still have to deal with slow progress in terms of job creation, unemployment and inequality** (Click for Details)

(South Africa) The issues of slow job creation, unemployment and inequality have been targeted as areas of urgent focus in numerous speeches by government officials, including President Zuma. The latest figures from the most robust and representative socio-political survey in South Africa – the Ipsos Pulse of the People – sheds some light on the long way South Africa still has to go in addressing these issues. (Ipsos South Africa)

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3.3 Economy » Employment Issues

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273-3 **President's job approval rating at 42 percent; declined further by 4 points in April 2013** (Click for Details)

(Nigeria) Latest weekly poll results released by NOI Polls Limited has revealed that about 4 in 10 Nigerians (42%) approve the performance of President Goodluck Jonathan for the month of April 2013, and this marks a further 4-point decline from his rating for March 2013 (46%). (NOI)

April 29, 2013

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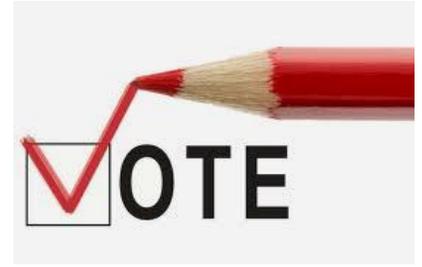


273-4 **9 in 10 Registered Voters Look Forward to voting in the 2015 Elections** (Click for Details)

(Nigeria) Latest weekly poll results released by NOI Polls have revealed that about 9 in 10 registered voters in Nigeria (90%) have indicated readiness to vote in the 2015 elections. The results further revealed that most Nigerians view the forthcoming elections as an opportunity to elect a good leader and to exercise their voting right; while those who expressed unwillingness to vote attribute it to the perception that their vote will not count. **(NOI)**

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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)



Euro Americas zone

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

EUROPE

► **EAST EUROPE**

273-5 **Trendy Russians** (Click for Details)

(Russia) 6 out of 10 Russians admitted that they follow fashion. That said, the indicator is somewhat higher among women, compared to men, 72% vs. 45%, respectively. When adding to their wardrobe, the majority of the respondents (60%) revealed that they go by the “as long as it looks good on me” principle. **(Romir)**

March 25, 2013

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

► **WEST EUROPE**

273-6 **Consumers call for gift card protection** (Click for Details)

(UK) Following the collapse of several high street chains, new YouGov research reveals that 86% of Britons believe that all gift cards should be regulated to protect consumers against failing retailers. **(YouGov)**

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



273-7 **New German anti-euro party could enter parliament, poll suggests** (Click for Details)

(Germany) A new party that wants Germany to quit the euro could win enough votes to enter parliament, according to an opinion poll published on Monday. The INSA-Meinungstrend survey commissioned for Bild Online showed the Alternative fuer Deutschland (AfD) winning 5 percent - the threshold for winning seats in the Bundestag lower house - for the first time since its launch earlier this year. **(INSA-Meinungstrend)**

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Last week's bombings at the Boston Marathon attracted broad public interest: 63% of Americans say they followed the story very closely, among the highest interest in any news story in the past decade. And the bombings drew far more public attention than any terrorist event since Sept. 11, 2001, which 78% reported following very closely in mid-October of that year. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[2.4 Foreign Affairs & Security](#) » [Terrorism](#)

273-13 **Americans See Finances as Better, but Worse Than Pre-2008** ([Click for Details](#))

Forty-five percent of Americans rate their personal financial situation as excellent or good, and 47% say their financial situation is getting better. These ratings are improved from previous points over the last several years, but have not yet returned to the levels found prior to the 2008 financial crisis. ([Gallup USA](#))

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273-14 **In U.S., Women Veterans Rate Lives Better Than Men** ([Click for Details](#))

Female veterans of the U.S. military have a much better outlook on their lives than male veterans do. In 2012, female veterans were far more likely to rate their lives as "thriving" (54%) than their male counterparts (44%). Additionally, while female veterans' life ratings are nearly on par with women in the general U.S. population, male veterans' ratings lag behind other men by a difference of eight percentage points. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[4.5 Society](#) » [Gender Issues](#)

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273-15 **Pelosi Best Known, Least Liked of Congressional Leaders** ([Click for Details](#))

The top Republican and Democratic leaders in the U.S. House and Senate are a generally unpopular foursome, with Democratic House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi being the most well-known, but also the least well-liked. Thirty-one percent of Americans view Pelosi favorably and 48% unfavorably. Her resulting net -17 image score compares with -11 for Democratic Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, -10 for Republican Speaker of the House John Boehner, and -8 for Republican Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell.

([Gallup USA](#))

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[1.2 Domestic Politics](#) » [Performance Ratings](#)



273-16 **U.S. Economic Confidence Inches up** ([Click for Details](#))

([USA](#)) The Gallup U.S. Economic Confidence Index was -14 last week, compared with -17 the prior week. The current score is six points below the five-year high of -8 reached in early February. ([Gallup USA](#))

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273-17 **Obama Job Approval Back Up to 50% Level Last Week** ([Click for Details](#))

Aided by a mini-rally as the Boston police tracked down the two Boston marathon bombing suspects, President Barack Obama's job approval averaged 50% last week, the first time it has been at that level since late February, prior to the federal budget sequester. ([Gallup USA](#))

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273-18 **In U.S., Most Oppose State Gas Tax Hike to Fund Repairs** ([Click for Details](#))

Two-thirds of Americans would vote against a state law that would increase the gas tax by up to 20 cents a gallon, with the revenue going toward improving roads and bridges and building more mass transit. Three in 10 Americans would vote for an increase in the gas tax in their state.

([Gallup USA](#))

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[3.4 Economy » Inflation](#)



273-19 **Support for Death Penalty in U.S. Surges after Boston Bombings** ([Click for Details](#))

Three-in-five Americans believe capital punishment is the preferable approach to punish convicted murderers. The proportion of Americans who favor capital punishment increased dramatically this month, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. ([Angus Reid](#))

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[4.12 Society » Crime](#)

► AUSTRALASIA

273-20 **Cyber-security concerns growing in New Zealand** ([Click for Details](#))

([New Zealand](#)) As new technology continues its inexorable advance into New Zealanders' lives, Kiwis are discovering that owning a smart phone, tablet or laptop can raise tricky issues about privacy and cyber-security. And with debate raging over proposed legislation to allow spy agencies and the police to conduct cyber-surveillance on New Zealand citizens, these issues are more relevant than ever. ([Roy Morgan](#))

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► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

273-21 **TNS's 2013 Mobile Life study reveals how high street retailers can turn browsers into buyers** ([Click for Details](#))

Latest research findings released today by TNS reveal that mobile can play a valuable role in reducing the risk that 'showrooming' poses to retailers. 'Showrooming', where people visit stores only to test products but buy them later elsewhere, has emerged as a significant threat to the high street in recent years, with one third of mobile users globally admitting to 'showrooming' behaviour. ([TNS](#))

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► CYBER WORLD

273-22 **Civic Engagement in the Digital Age** (Click for Details)

(USA) Social networking sites have grown more important in recent years as a venue for political involvement, learning, and debate. Overall, 39% of all American adults took part in some sort of political activity on a social networking site during the 2012 campaign. (Pew Research Center)

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4.6 Society » Media/ New Media

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Topic of the week:

19 years after democracy South Africans still have to deal with slow progress in terms of job creation, unemployment and inequality.

► 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.

April 30, 2013



The issues of slow job creation, unemployment and inequality have been targeted as areas of urgent focus in numerous speeches by government officials, including President Zuma.

The latest figures from the most robust and representative socio-political survey in South Africa – the Ipsos Pulse of the People – sheds some light on the long way South Africa still has to go in addressing these issues.



Unemployment



Less than four in every ten four adult South Africans (38%) are employed on either a full-time or a part-time basis and almost three in every ten (28%) are unemployed and looking for work:

In all surveys conducted since 1994 addressing these issues, unemployment and the slow process of job creation are mentioned as some of the biggest problems in South Africa.

It is also one of the 26 policy areas on which government delivery is measured on a six-monthly basis in the Government Performance Barometer, published by Ipsos. The question asked is whether the government is doing very well, fairly well, not really well or not at all well on “reducing unemployment by creating jobs”. In November 2012, only a third (33%) of adults in South Africa have indicated that the government is doing “very well” or “fairly well” in addressing this issue.

Although the supporters of the ruling party are prepared to give the government more credit for addressing this issue, it is still a relatively low score at 40%. DA supporters display more criticism of the government's performance in this area.

However, it is clear that this is not only a burning issue for those looking for work, as there is virtually no difference in the scores received from those South Africans who are working (34% say the government is doing very or fairly well on this issue) and those not working (32% of this group say the government is doing very or fairly well on this issue).

Poverty

Poverty is closely related to the issue of employment – and therefore the ability to earn money. Respondents are also asked to share their monthly total household income. Since this is a sensitive question, almost four in every ten (39%) did not volunteer this information in the latest survey. The average number of people per household who earn an income in South Africa is 1,64.

Although it is usually perceived that the more affluent do not want to disclose their incomes, if we compare the working status data of adult South Africans (see pie chart) with the working status data of this group (39% of adults) who did not disclose information about their household income, it is clear that those who are unemployed and looking for work are making up a third of the group who cannot or will not disclose income information.

Inequality

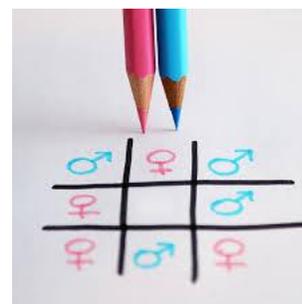
We can also analyse the country's employment status data by gender:

From the graph above it is clear that a large proportion of females (31% -almost a third) are unemployed and looking for work, whereas one in every four males (25%) are unemployed and looking for work. A smaller proportion of females than males are working and more importantly – receiving tertiary education.

The economic position of women is thus doubly compromised as fewer women have the ability to earn money and fewer women will get a tertiary education, which would enable them to get a well-paid position in future.

A few other issues about gender equality are also relevant:

- just over half of South Africans think that progress has been made since 1994 in the area of women's rights,
- however a substantial proportion of more than a quarter (27%) believe that jobs should rather go to men than women and;
- almost one in every five (18%) say that the right to education (guaranteed in the constitution) is a male prerogative.



Inequality also manifests itself on other levels, and it is also interesting to note that less than half of adult South Africans (44%) feel that the government is doing very or fairly well with the challenge of “narrowing the income gap between different race groups”.

Source: <http://ipsos-markinor.co.za/news/ipsos-survey-19-years-after-democracy-south-africans-still-have-to-deal-with-slow-progress-in-terms-of-job-creation-unemployment-and-inequality>

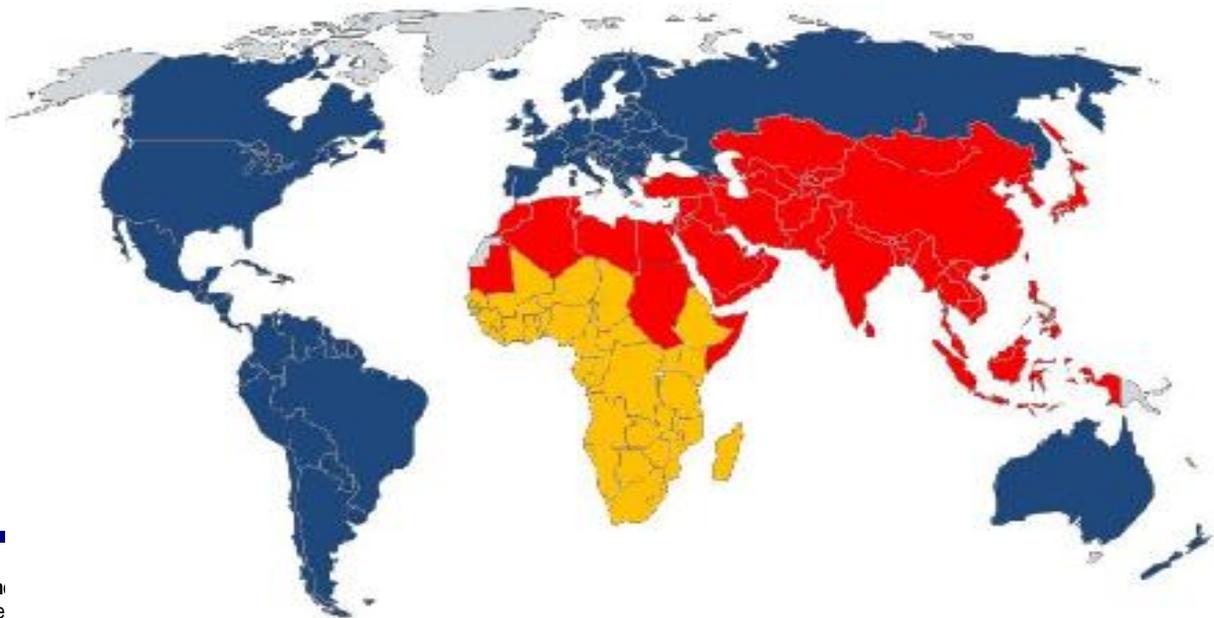
Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2013)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 – January 2013

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \approx 6,805 polls during the period 2007-2013
- 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 2007-2013
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 358 during the period 2007-2013



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