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Topic of the week: (Click for details)



Asia zone

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

► MENA

291-1 **Egyptian Attitudes in the Post-Tamarrud, Post-Morsi Era** (Click for Details)

(**Egypt**) Back in May, 82% of all Egyptians had been hopeful at the time of the 2011 revolution. In May 2013, only 36% saying they were still hopeful about developments in their country. Today, following Tamarrud and the deposing of President Morsi, the percentage of Egyptians who say they feel hopeful now has jumped to 68%. (**Zogby**)

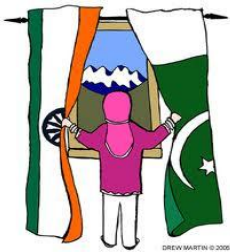
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► WEST ASIA



291-2 **Most Pakistanis (74%) believe that the Kashmir issue must be resolved before peaceful ties can be established with India** (Click for Details)

(**Pakistan**) According to a Gilani Research Foundation Survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, most Pakistanis (74%) believe that the Kashmir issue must be resolved before peaceful ties can be established with India. (**Gallup Pakistan**)

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Africa zone

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

► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

291-3 **Poor Enlightenment Hinders Insurance Penetration among the General Public** (Click for Details)

(**Nigeria**) Latest poll results released by NOI Poll have revealed that almost 9 in 10 Nigerians (86%) do not have any form of insurance cover. The results have also indicated that Vehicle/Car insurance (63%) is the most commonly purchased insurance cover, and Insurance companies (42%) and agents (41%) are the key channels of insurance purchase. (**NOI**)

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Euro Americas zone

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

▶ WEST EUROPE

291-4 **Most French oppose attack on Syria and don't trust Hollande to do it: poll**

(Click for Details)

(France) Most French people do not want France to take part in military action on Syria and most do not trust French President Francois Hollande to do so, a poll showed on Saturday. (BVA)

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291-5 **Voters tell Cameron: don't bomb Syria, but do help Obama**

(Click for Details)

(UK) Before he lost Thursday night's vote in the House of Commons, David Cameron lost the battle to persuade voters that British missiles should bomb Syria. (YouGov)

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291-6 **Public Opinion drove Syria debate**

(Click for Details)

(UK) Timeline: YouGov research puts the views of the British people on Syria in the heart of the debate. The power of public opinion to shape events and public debate has never been more evident than during this past week. (YouGov)

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291-7 **Organic too expensive for most consumers**

(Click for Details)

(UK) Over half (54%) of UK adults believe that the conservation of resources is a priority, however only around one in 25 believes that organic farming is a priority. (YouGov)

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291-8 **Positive economic signs continue but job security lags**

(Click for Details)

(UK) The Consumer Confidence Index (derived from consumers' perception of their personal financial situation, job security, house prices and activity at their place of work) has grown to its highest level since we started collecting information in 2009. (YouGov)

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291-9 **New school year costly for UK parents**

(Click for Details)

(UK) As the start of the new school year approaches, UK parents of school children aged 5 to 16 will spend an average of £180 per child in order to ensure their children are prepared for the start of term, according to new YouGov research on behalf of Nationwide Building Society. (YouGov)

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291-10 **Turning the corner? Britons feeling better about the economy** ([Click for Details](#))

(UK)The latest Ipsos Consumer Confidence Index provides further evidence that British consumers are becoming more optimistic about the state of the economy. Some 23% now say the British economy is in “good” shape, up 4 points on June and more than double the level of twelve months ago (when the figure stood at 11%). (Ipsos Mori)

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291-11 **Voting Intentions on Scottish Referendum Show Little Change** ([Click for Details](#))

(UK)Just one-third of people in Scotland would vote to become an independent nation in a referendum, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll conducted for the Scottish Sunday Express indicates. (Angus Reid)

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► NORTH AMERICA

291-12 **In U.S., Majority Approves of Unions, but Say They'll Weaken** ([Click for Details](#))

(USA)Heading into Labor Day weekend, a majority of Americans, 54%, approve of labor unions, a slight increase from 52% in 2012 and six percentage points above the all-time low observed in 2009. Thirty-nine percent disapprove of labor unions. (Gallup USA)

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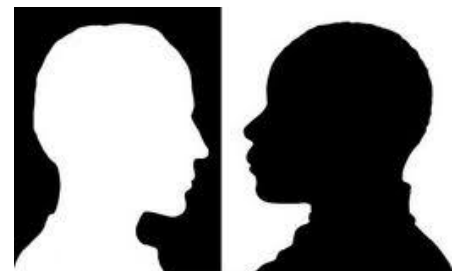
291-13 **The black-white and urban-rural divides in perceptions of racial fairness** ([Click for Details](#))

A recent Pew Research Center survey asked Americans of all races how black people are treated relative to whites by the police, the court system and other institutions in their community. The results show a large and consistent black-white gap in perceptions, with blacks far more likely than whites to say African Americans are treated less fairly than whites. (Pew Research Center)

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291-14 **U.S. Small-Business Owners' Capital Spending Plans Brighten** ([Click for Details](#))

U.S. small-business owners' capital spending intentions have been trending upward this year; the 26% who now say they are planning to increase spending is up from 20% in the end of 2012. Still, business owners aren't yet as optimistic about their capital spending as they were prior to the recession. From 2003 to early 2008, owners were much more likely to say they were planning to increase rather than decrease capital spending. Today, they are about equally as likely to say they will decrease it as increase it. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-15 **Parents' School Safety Fears Haven't Receded Since Newtown** ([Click for Details](#))

As Newtown, Conn., students begin classes for the new school year, more than eight months after last December's massacre of 26 teachers and children there, U.S. parents of school-aged children appear to be no more at ease than they were immediately after the incident. Thirty-three percent of K-12 parents say they fear for their oldest child's safety at school, unchanged from last December, and higher than the 25% at the start of the 2012-2013 school year. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-16 **Americans Who Hate Their Jobs Are More Likely to Smoke** ([Click for Details](#))

([USA](#)) Americans who are emotionally disconnected from their work and workplace, or "actively disengaged," are slightly more likely to smoke than those who are "engaged" or "not engaged" on the job. Eighteen percent of actively disengaged workers smoke vs. 15% of engaged or not engaged employees. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-17 **U.S. Workers Say Their Wages Rose Over Past Five Years** ([Click for Details](#))

Almost five years since the onset of the global financial crisis, a majority of American workers say they are making a lot (28%) or a little (30%) more money than they were five years ago. Another 28% say they are making less money, including 18% who say "a lot" less. Fourteen percent of workers say they are making the same amount of money as five years ago. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-18 **As in 1963, Blacks Still Feel Disadvantaged in Getting Jobs** ([Click for Details](#))

Sixty percent of U.S. blacks believe whites have better chances than blacks to get jobs for which they are qualified, while 39% believe whites and blacks have equal opportunities. Blacks' views are more positive now than they were in 1963, when 74% thought whites had better chances at jobs. Blacks have felt disadvantaged versus whites in terms of job hiring in all but a couple of instances over the last 50 years. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[4.2 Society](#) » [Family](#)

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President Barack Obama's job approval is more fluid among certain groups of Americans than among others. Of the major subgroups, U.S. Hispanics' approval of Obama has shown the greatest variation during his more than five years in office, with quarterly approval averages ranging from a low of 49% to a high of 80%. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-20 **In U.S., Economic Confidence Stuck in Negative Territory** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Americans' confidence in the economy is heading further into negative territory after almost reaching the net positive range in late May and early June. Gallup's Economic Confidence Index, at -14 last week, remains down from the all-time weekly high of -3 measured in the week ending June 2, and has been at or below -10 since the week ending July 14. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-21 **U.S. Blacks Less Satisfied With Way Blacks Are Treated** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Blacks are somewhat less satisfied now (41%) than they were earlier this summer (47%) with the way blacks are treated in the U.S. By contrast, their views of how other groups are treated are no worse today than they were in June and early July. ([Gallup USA](#))

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291-22 **Post-Zimmerman, Blacks More Concerned About Civil Rights** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) A month after Florida neighborhood watchman George Zimmerman was acquitted on all charges in the shooting death of a black teen named Trayvon Martin, blacks are more likely than they were just prior to the July 13 verdict to believe new civil rights laws are needed to reduce discrimination against blacks. An August Gallup poll finds 61% of blacks saying such laws are needed, up from 53% in a June-July poll. ([Gallup USA](#))

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► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEY

291-23 **Even before chemical weapons furor, Assad had little support among publics in the region** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

There is little public backing for the Syrian president from the mostly Sunni Arab publics in the Middle East, according to a Pew Research Center survey conducted before the recent allegations of chemical weapons use. Only the Shia in Lebanon (91%) had a favorable view of the Syrian leader. (Assad comes from a family of Alawites, a branch of Shia Islam. ([Pew Research Center](#)))

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► **CYBER WORLD**

291-24 **USA: Home Broadband 2013** (Click for Details)

Some 70% of American adults ages 18 and older have a high-speed broadband connection at home as of May 2013, according to a nationally representative survey by the Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project. The survey also found that 3% of American adults go online at home via dial-up connections. (Pew Research Center)

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3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom



Topic of the week:

Even before chemical weapons furor, Assad had little support among publics in the region

► 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.

Syria's Assad Widely Unpopular

| | Favorable | Unfavorable | DK |
|------------------|-----------|-------------|----|
| | % | % | % |
| Israel | 7 | 91 | 2 |
| Jordan | 8 | 90 | 2 |
| Palest. ter. | 8 | 87 | 4 |
| Tunisia | 9 | 81 | 10 |
| Egypt | 11 | 81 | 8 |
| Turkey | 8 | 72 | 20 |
| Lebanon | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| <i>Christian</i> | 36 | 63 | 1 |
| <i>Shia</i> | 91 | 8 | 1 |
| <i>Sunni</i> | 7 | 92 | 1 |

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As the U.S., its European allies and various Arab states in the Middle East consider military action against the Syrian regime of Bashar al-Assad for his alleged use of chemical weapons, Assad doesn't have many friends among neighbors in the region.

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weapons use. Only the Shia in Lebanon (91%) had a favorable view of the Syrian leader. (Assad comes from a family of Alawites, a branch of Shia Islam.)

Roughly nine-in-ten Lebanese Sunnis (92%), Israelis (91%) and Jordanians (90%) have a negative view of the Syrian leader, as do eight-in-ten Egyptians (81%) and Tunisians (81%) and seven-in-ten Turks (72%).

Even the Christians in Lebanon (63%) oppose Assad, despite the relative protection the Assad family has given the Christian community in Syria over the years.



The intensification of the conflict in Syria in the last year has not altered regional views of Assad. He was not liked in 2012 and he is not liked today.

Nor is Assad popular in Russia, a longtime ally of the Syrian regime and an opponent of outside intervention in the Syrian civil war. Just 27% of the Russian public support the Assad government. Most Russians (52%) have no opinion on the issue.

Source: <http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2013/08/27/even-before-chemical-weapons-furor-assad-had-little-support-among-publics-in-the-region/>

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

