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## Asia Zone

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

### ► MENA

364-1 **Tech Savvy Travellers to Feature at Arabian Travel Market (Multi-country)** (Click for Details)

The latest findings from this annual syndicated study reveal that online travel bookings have risen by 10 % across the region since 2013. Of those surveyed, 25% said they use a smartphone to book hotels online, while mobile usage to access online travel guides or to book leisure activities has risen by 6%. (YouGov Siraj)

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364-2 **Made in the UAE: Emirates, Dubai Mall and Emaar Highest Ranked Home-Grown Brands** (Click for Details)

(UAE) Emirates is the UAE's most positively perceived home-grown brand in 2014, followed by Dubai Mall and Emaar, according to YouGov's first ever Home-Grown Annual BrandIndex Rankings. (YouGov Siraj)

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364-3 **Al Baik Tops Brand Buzz Rankings Amongst Kingdom's Home-Grown** (Click for Details)

(Saudi Arabia) Al Baik has created the highest amount of positive noise amongst residents in Saudi Arabia throughout 2014, according to new Home-Grown Annual BrandIndex Rankings released by YouGov. (YouGov Siraj)

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### ► WEST ASIA

364-4 **Many Afghans Expect Life to Be Worse After Troops Leave** (Click for Details)

(Afghanistan) With the U.S. and NATO combat missions ending in 2014, many Afghans remain pessimistic about what the future holds after the troops are gone. Nearly four in 10 believe they will be worse off with the withdrawal of the majority of U.S. and NATO forces, while fewer expect the situation to be the same and an even smaller percentage think they will be better off. (Gallup USA)

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364-5 **Pakistanis' support for death penalty** (Click for Details)

(Pakistan) 95 percent of Pakistanis agree that if convicted a murderer should be given the death penalty (only 4 percent of Pakistanis disagreed.) according to the Gilani Research Foundation Survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, and published by Pakistan Today. (Gallup Pakistan)

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## ► SOUTHEAST ASIA

364-6 **Net satisfaction with National Administration at "Good" +34** ([Click for Details](#))

([Philippines](#)) The Fourth Quarter 2014 Social Weather Survey, fielded from November 27-December 1, 2014, found 58% of adult Filipinos satisfied, 17% neither satisfied nor dissatisfied, and 24% dissatisfied with the general performance of the National Administration, for a net satisfaction rating of +34 (% satisfied minus % dissatisfied), classified by SWS as good. ([SWS](#))

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## Africa Zone

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

## ► SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

364-7 **Ahead of Poll, Few Nigerians Trust in Elections** ([Click for Details](#))

([Nigeria](#)) As Nigerians prepare to head to the polls in February for the fifth time since their country returned to civilian rule in 1999, only 13% express confidence in the honesty of elections. Nigerians who don't approve of the country's leadership are even more skeptical, with 8% confident in the fairness of elections. ([Gallup USA](#))

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364-8 **Going in the Wrong Direction? Ugandans Report Declining Government Effectiveness** ([Click for Details](#))

([Uganda](#)) In the Round 5 Afrobarometer survey in Uganda, 74% of Ugandans said the country was headed in the wrong direction. This was a dramatic change from just one year earlier, when 28% said Uganda was headed in the wrong direction. ([Afrobarometer](#))

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364-9 **Democratization in Kenya: Public Dissatisfied With the Benefit-less Transition** ([Click for Details](#))

([Kenya](#)) Africa's transition to multiparty democracy has often been accompanied by a reinstitutionalization of autocratic regimes and authoritarianism. This tension between the forces of progress and regression has become an enduring feature of Africa's electoral and democratic transitions, a contradiction of more frequent elections and the consolidation of multipartyism accompanied by a reversal of democratic gains and the institutionalization of violence during elections. Elections and democracy have not always correlated strongly.

([Afrobarometer](#))

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### 364-10 **Support for the formation of a federation of East African states: Citizens' attitudes in Kenya and Tanzania** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Political leaders in the five countries of the East African Community (EAC) – Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda, and Burundi – have made concerted efforts to promote the benefits of an East African Federation (EAF). The signing of regional integration treaties is covered extensively in national and regional media. Yet many citizens in the two largest member states are not convinced that integration will lead to promised benefits for their countries. ([Afrobarometer](#))

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## Euro Americas Zone

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

### ▶ WEST EUROPE

#### 364-11 **Scots not convinced by Smith commission proposals** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

([Scotland](#)) On the day that the UK Government publishes draft legislation to devolve additional powers to the Scottish Parliament, our new poll for STV News suggests that voters are not won over by the proposals. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

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#### 364-12 **Having their say - further public views on Charities** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

([UK](#)) Polling recently conducted by Ipsos MORI for New Philanthropy Capital shows that the public clearly view transparency as an important factor when thinking about the charity sector. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

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#### 364-13 **SNP remains in dominant position as election approaches** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

([Scotland](#)) With the General Election a little over 100 days away, our new poll for STV News shows the SNP maintaining a strong position. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

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#### 364-14 **UK: More people think we're talking about immigration "too much"** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

([UK](#)) New polling by Ipsos MORI shows that two in five people (37%) think immigration has been discussed too much in the last few years – and the same proportion (38%) say it has been discussed too little. Only 23% think we're getting the discussion right. ([Ipsos Mori](#))

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[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)

364-15 **UK: New ways to save as research reveals seven-year retirement gap** (Click for Details)

(UK) New research by Ipsos MORI for HSBC has revealed a seven-year savings gap where, in an average 18-year retirement, working age people worldwide expect to run out of their retirement savings and investments\* after just 11 years. (Ipsos Mori)

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4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

364-16 **UK: Voters condemn 'unreasonable' delay of Chilcot inquiry** (Click for Details)

(UK) Six years after it was announced, voters are ready for the official report on the 2003 Iraq War to be released – even if they doubt its credibility. (YouGov)

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2.1 Foreign Affairs & Security » Iraq War

364-17 **UK: 3 in 4 voters don't know anything about Green policy** (Click for Details)

(UK) British people have very little awareness of the Green party's policies – and awareness of UKIP's policies on Europe and immigration has actually decreased since November. (YouGov)

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1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties



364-18 **UK: Voters dismiss 'trickle-down economics'** (Click for Details)

(UK) British people doubt that lower taxes for the wealthy even increase output at the top – let alone help create wealth at the bottom. (YouGov)

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## ► NORTH AMERICA

364-19 **Americans' Views on 10 Key State of the Union Proposals** (Click for Details)

(USA) Gallup data reveal how Americans' views line up with 10 key issues raised by President Barack Obama in his 2015 State of the Union address Tuesday night. (Gallup USA)

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1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust



364-20 **Americans' Satisfaction With Federal Taxes on Low Side** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans' satisfaction with the amount that Americans pay in federal income taxes roughly ties the lowest percentage Gallup has seen in the past 12 years. Thirty-two percent are now satisfied, down from 38% a year ago, but similar to the 33% found in 2003 and 2012. (Gallup USA)

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3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

364-21 **Obama in a Word: 'Good,' 'Incompetent'** (Click for Details)

(USA) The national survey by the Pew Research Center, conducted Jan. 7-11 among 1,504 adults, finds that the words *good* (35 mentions) and *incompetent* (33 mentions) are used most frequently to describe Obama. Those words also were used most often in June 2013, the last time this question was asked. This report shows the actual number of respondents mentioning each word; they are *not* percentages. (Pew Research Center)

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364-22 **Most View the CDC Favorably; VA's Image Slips** (Click for Details)

(USA) The public continues to express positive views of many agencies of the federal government, even though overall trust in government is near historic lows. Large majorities express favorable views of such government agencies as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), NASA and the Defense Department.

(Pew Research Center)

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[1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust](#)

364-23 **Most Support Stronger U.S. Ties With Cuba** (Click for Details)

(USA) Fully 63% of Americans approve of the Obama administration's decision last month to re-establish diplomatic ties with Cuba after more than 50 years. And there is equally broad support for going further and ending the decades-long U.S. trade embargo against Cuba (66% favor this). (Pew Research Center)

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[2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues](#)

364-24 **Satisfaction With Acceptance of Gay People Plateaus at 53%** (Click for Details)

(USA) Against the backdrop of the Supreme Court's recent decision to accept four cases involving whether states can constitutionally prohibit same-sex marriages, a slight majority of Americans (53%) say they are satisfied with the acceptance of gays and lesbians in the U.S. This level is the same as last year but remains higher than those Gallup has measured over the past decade. (Gallup USA)

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

364-25 **Americans See Healthcare, Low Wages as Top Financial Problems** (Click for Details)

(USA) Healthcare costs and lack of money or low wages rank as the most important financial problems facing American families, each mentioned by 14% of U.S. adults. Fewer Americans than a year ago cite the high cost of living or unemployment, and the percentage naming oil or gas prices is down from 2012. (Gallup USA)

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[4.11 Society » Health](#)

364-26 **Obama Averages 42.6% Job Approval in Year Six** (Click for Details)

(USA) President Barack Obama averaged a 42.6% job approval rating throughout his sixth full year in office, which ended Monday. Although his more recent ratings have been higher, including a 46% average rating last week, his sixth-year average is his lowest yearly rating to date. (Gallup USA)

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364-27 **U.S. Economic Confidence Index Still Positive, but Barely** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Gallup's U.S. Economic Confidence Index averaged +2 for the week ending Jan. 18, its fourth consecutive positive score. However, the latest score is a two-point dip from the previous week, and perilously near the negative territory it was in for the past seven years. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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

364-28 **Americans' Satisfaction With Security From Terrorism Drops** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Although a majority of Americans remain satisfied with the nation's security from terrorism, this measure has dropped 10 percentage points since last year, from 69% to 59%, and is now back where it was in 2008. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)



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

364-29 **U.S. Mood on Economy Up, Race Relations Sharply Down** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Americans' views about the economy, their overall quality of life and the opportunity to get ahead through hard work are more positive than they were before the 2014 State of the Union Address -- echoing their improving economic confidence. At the same time, Americans are markedly less satisfied with the state of race relations and, to a lesser extent, with the nation's security from terrorism, with crime and with federal taxes. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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## ► AUSTRALASIA

364-30 **What world poverty? My responsibility is just to other Australians, one in five say** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Australia) Almost half of Australians 14+ (48%) believe they have a responsibility to do what they can to help the world's poorest people, the latest research into charitable attitudes conducted by Roy Morgan shows. [\(Roy Morgan\)](#)

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

364-31 **Over a million Australians now use two mobile phones** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Australia) It's not just secret agents and adulterers: around 1.14 million Australians (6%) use two different mobile phones. Over half of these double-handset users have one for work and one for play, with each connected through a different service provider, data from Roy Morgan Research shows. [\(Roy Morgan\)](#)



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## ► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

364-32 **Asia's Mid-Sized Companies: Confident, Dynamic and Growing** ([Click for Details](#))

Mid-sized companies in Asia are highly confident in their ability to grow, and alongside domestic expansion are increasingly looking to international markets to build further momentum, finds a new independent GlobeScan study commissioned by Standard Chartered. ([GlobeScan](#))

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## Topic of the week:

### **RETIREES NOW LIVE LONGER THAN RETIREMENT BENEFITS: Issues of an Aging Population.**

► 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.

19 January 2015

#### **RETIREES NOW LIVE LONGER THAN RETIREMENT BENEFITS: Issues of an Aging Population.**



*Workers respond to retirement funding gap by seeking new sources to save for later life*

New research by Ipsos MORI for HSBC has revealed a seven-year savings gap where, in an average 18-year retirement, working age people worldwide expect to run out of their retirement savings and investments\* after just 11 years.



The findings will heighten existing fears over finances in later life. Two thirds (66%) of working age people are already concerned that they will not have enough money in retirement to live on day-to-day and 69% fear they will run out of money altogether. These fears will become a reality when people enter retirement and realise they face a significant savings gap.

However, according to The Future of Retirement A balancing act, pre-retirees are already addressing the situation, planning additional sources of retirement funding from new ways of saving.

While well over half of working age people remain confident in the potential for personal pension schemes (62%) and employer pension schemes (57%) to generate income in retirement, concerns remain that these may not provide enough for a comfortable retirement – prompting many to turn to extra sources of support.

HSBC's survey of over 16,000 people worldwide found that second properties are now a popular option for additional retirement funding, with 65% of working age people either already owning or planning to own second properties in their home country and 32% overseas.

Interestingly, more unconventional supplementary sources are also coming to the fore; 52% of working age people worldwide plan to rely on returns from gold, jewellery or diamonds to support their retirement, 24% on antiques, 22% on paintings or works of art and 22% on classic cars.

Plans to supplement retirement funding in these less-traditional ways are particularly prolific in Asia and India; nine out of ten working age people in Indonesia (90%) and India (87%) plan to fund their retirement through domestic second properties. In comparison, propensity to buy second properties overseas peaks in the UAE at 62%, followed by 54% in Indonesia and 43% in Malaysia.

The numbers turning to jewellery, diamonds and gold peak at 92% in Indonesia, followed by 86% in India and 76% in Malaysia. In Indonesia and India, 46% and 39% respectively plan to bank on works of art, while plans to fund retirement with fine wine peak at one in three people in Brazil (34%) and Indonesia (33%).

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\* = excluding pensions

### Technical note

The Future of Retirement *A balancing act* was published in January 2015. It is the tenth in the series and represents the views of more than 16,000 people in 15 countries and territories: Australia, Brazil, Canada, France, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Singapore, Taiwan, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and the United States.

The findings are based on an online poll conducted by Ipsos MORI in August and September 2014.

Source: <https://www.ipsos-mori.com/researchpublications/researcharchive/3513/New-ways-to-save-as-research-reveals-seven-year-retirement-gap.aspx>

## Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2014)

### A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 5 year period January 2007 – January 2014

#### KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*):  $\approx$  6,805 polls during the period 2007-2014
- 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 2007-2014
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\approx$  358 during the period 2007-2014

