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Asia Zone

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

► MENA

382-1 [IRI Poll: Jordanians Optimistic about Direction of the Country even as Concerns over Terrorism](#)

[Emerge](#) (Click For Details)

(MENA) A poll conducted by IRI and Middle East Marketing and Research Consultants (MEMRC) shows that the majority of Jordanians are optimistic about the direction of their country, despite mixed attitudes about Jordan's economy and emerging concerns about terrorism. Low confidence in parliament and political parties remains; however, most Jordanians are also interested in political reforms. (IRI)

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► WEST ASIA

382-2 [Overwhelming Majority Of Pakistanis In Favor Of Government Involvement For The Redistribution Of Wealth](#)

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(Pakistan) According to a Gilani Research Foundation Survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, 78% Pakistanis are in favor of heavy taxes on the rich for redistribution of wealth; 21% are not in favor. (Gallup PAK)

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► SOUTHEAST ASIA

382-3 [Philippines: Net Personal Optimism at Very high +37; Net Optimism about the Economy at High +6; Net Gainers at High +6](#)

(Click For Details)

(MENA) The First Quarter 2015 Social Weather Survey, fielded from March 20-23, 2015, found 42% of adults expecting their personal quality of life to improve in the next 12 months ("Optimists"), and 5% expecting it to get worse ("Pessimists"), for a new record-high Net Personal Optimism score of +37 (the difference of Optimists over Pessimists), classified by SWS as very high. (SWS)

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► NORTHEAST ASIA

382-4 [China: 2015 Food Safety Research Report](#)

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(China) Food safety is the most important consideration when consumers are buying food/dining out; at the same time, food health is another factor that consumers are very concerned about; seen from the data of the last three years, consumers show a growing concern over the general food safety. (Ipsos China)

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Euro Americas Zone

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

▶ EAST EUROPE

382-5 [Russia: Quit Smoking For Health Reasons](#) (Click For Details)

(Russia) About 3% of smokers gave up smoking over the previous year which is quite impressive against the results of anti-smoking campaigns held in other countries, where the share of smokers dropped by nearly 2% and somewhere even by 5% over the past 3 years. (Romir)

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382-6 [Russia: Getting More And More Used To Sanctions](#) (Click For Details)

(Russia) More than one third of the Russians (37%) noticed that the product range in the shops has changed due to the imposed food embargo vs. slightly more than one fourth (26%) 6 months ago. (Romir)

April 23, 2015

3.6 Economy » Economic Globalization

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

▶ WEST EUROPE

382-7 [UK: Economist/Ipsos Mori May 2015 Issues Index](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) The May Economist/Ipsos MORI Issues Index shows a largely unchanged picture since last month – with the top four issues facing Britain appearing in the same order of priority as April. Fieldwork was conducted over a two week period straddling the election, between 1st-13th May. (Ipsos Mori)

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4.13 Society » Social Problems

382-8 [Majority Of Scots Oppose Fox Hunting Ban Being Lifted](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) A new poll conducted by Ipsos MORI Scotland on behalf of the League Against Cruel Sports, Scotland suggests that the majority of Scots would oppose any move to make fox hunting legal again. (Ipsos Mori)

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382-9 [1 In 5 British Adults Say They've Had An Affair](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) Men are more likely to have affairs with 'work colleagues', women with 'friends'

Lovers generally try to keep the details of affairs under wraps, but respondents to a new YouGov survey for The Sun newspaper were surprisingly forthright. (YouGov)

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4.2 Society » Family

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382-10 [Consumer Confidence Sees Post-Election Surge](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) Following this month's general election consumer confidence has hit its highest level in a year and its second-highest since April 2007, new figures from YouGov and the Cebr show. (YouGov)

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► **NORTH AMERICA**382-11 [Free Trade Agreements Seen as Good for U.S., But Concerns Persist](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) As Congress considers a major new trade pact with Asia, there is broad public agreement that international free trade agreements are good for the United States. But fewer Americans express positive views of the impact of trade deals on their personal finances. (Pew Research Center)

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382-12 [Public Continues to Back U.S. Drone Attacks](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) The public continues to support U.S. drone strikes targeting extremists in Pakistan and elsewhere, despite ongoing concerns that drone attacks endanger lives of innocent civilians. (Pew Research Center)

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382-13 [No Improvement in U.S. Economic Confidence Index, Now at -9](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Gallup's U.S. Economic Confidence Index registered -9 for the week ending May 24, two points lower than the previous week. This reading remains lower than scores in the first four months of 2015, but is still much higher than what Gallup has found over most of the previous seven years. (Gallup USA)

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382-14 [Americans Continue to Shift Left on Key Moral Issues](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Americans are more likely now than in the early 2000s to find a variety of behaviors morally acceptable, including gay and lesbian relations, having a baby outside of marriage and sex between an unmarried man and woman. Moral acceptability of many of these issues is now at a record-high level. (Gallup USA)

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382-15 [Customers Want Banks to Improve Their Financial Well-Being](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Banks can be effective partners to customers who want to improve their financial well-being. And caring for customers' well-being offers significant opportunities to banks. When customers strongly agree that their bank looks out for their financial well-being, 84% are fully engaged, while none are actively disengaged. And when banks take time to address customers' financial well-being, they strongly increase customers' confidence in their primary bank. (Gallup USA)

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382-16 [In U.S., Support Up for Doctor-Assisted Suicide](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Nearly seven in 10 Americans (68%) say doctors should be legally allowed to assist terminally ill patients in committing suicide, up 10 percentage points from last year. More broadly, support for euthanasia has risen nearly 20 points in the last two years and stands at the highest level in more than a decade. (Gallup USA)

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382-17 [Approval of Out-of-Wedlock Births Growing in U.S.](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Sixty-one percent of Americans say having a baby outside of marriage is morally acceptable, a new high by one percentage point and the third straight year that roughly six in 10 Americans have sanctioned this once frowned-upon behavior. In 2002, when Gallup first asked the question, more Americans said having a baby outside of wedlock was morally wrong than said it was morally acceptable. (Gallup USA)

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382-18 [Americans Choose "Pro-Choice" For First Time In Seven Years](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Half of Americans consider themselves "pro-choice" on abortion, surpassing the 44% who identify as "pro-life." This is the first time since 2008 that the pro-choice position has had a statistically significant lead in Americans' abortion views. (Gallup USA)

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382-19 [Abortion Edges Up As Important Voting Issue For Americans](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) The percentage of Americans who say they would only vote for a candidate who shares their views on abortion has been edging up over the past seven years. The 21% who currently say this is, by one percentage point, the highest Gallup has found in its 19-year history of asking the question. The percentage of Americans who do not see abortion as a major issue in their voting decision has declined over the same period, and is now at 27%. Most of the rest (46%) say that abortion is one of many important factors they will take into account. (Gallup USA)

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382-20 [Future Of The Senate: Majority Of Canadians Split Between Abolishing, Reforming The Red Chamber](#) (Click For Details)

(Canada) The majority of Canadians agree that when it comes to the future of this country's upper house, its existing form has to change. They are split however, on whether change should come in the way of reforms to, or an outright end of this 148-year-old institution. (Angus Reid)

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► LATIN AMERICA

382-21 [Almost Half Of Brazilians Are Pessimistic About The Future Of Brazil](#) (Click For Details)

(Brazil) How do you currently feel about the future of the country? The Intelligence IBOPE did ask the Brazilians and 48% say they are pessimistic. Optimists add 21%, while 28% are neither optimistic nor pessimistic and 2% do not know or prefer not to answer. (Ibope)

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382-22 [Consumer Expectation Remains Pessimistic In May](#) (Click For Details)

(Brazil) Consumer expectations remain very pessimistic. The INEC has remained virtually unchanged in May while falling 0.3% compared to April to 98.7 points. (Ibope)

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► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

382-23 [1 In 10 Completely Satisfied With Their Looks](#) (Click For Details)

With summer fast approaching the northern hemisphere and consumers preparing to be 'beach ready', GfK has released findings on how satisfied people internationally are with their personal looks. (GfK)

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382-24 [Values Paramount to Achieving Sustainability Leadership](#) (Click For Details)

Values are paramount to achieving sustainability leadership according to the findings of a new study exploring three different angles of perceived leadership in sustainable development across corporate, NGO and governmental organizations. (Globescan)

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Topic of the week:

Public Continues to Back U.S. Drone Attacks

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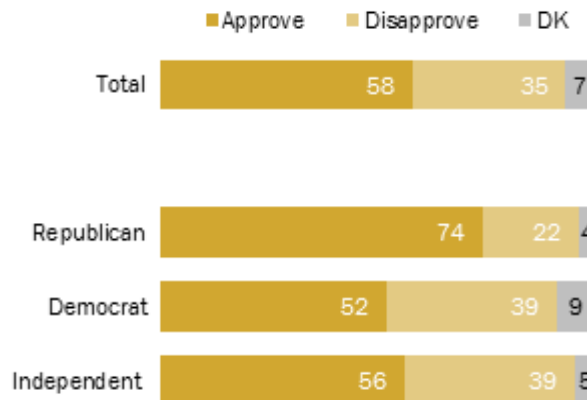
Public Continues to Back U.S. Drone Attacks

The public continues to support U.S. drone strikes targeting extremists in Pakistan and elsewhere, despite ongoing concerns that drone attacks endanger lives of innocent civilians.



Majority Supports U.S. Drone Strikes

U.S. drone strikes to target extremists ... (%)



Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015.
 Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

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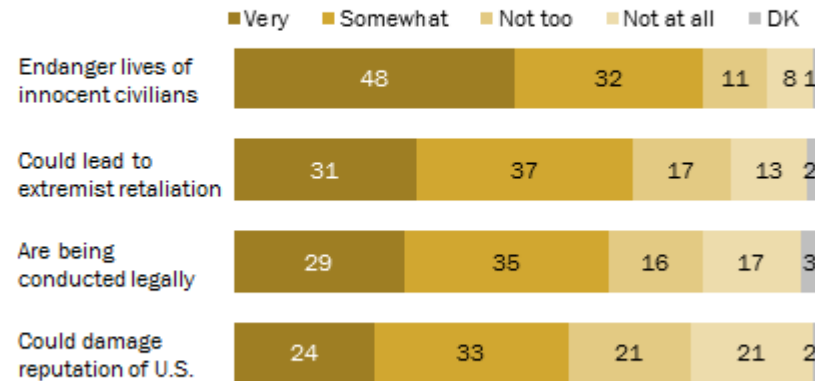
The national survey by the Pew Research Center, conducted May 12-18 among 2,002 adults, finds that 58% approve of the U.S. conducting missile strikes from drones to target extremists in such countries as Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia. About a third (35%) disapprove of U.S. drone attacks.

Public opinion about U.S. drone strikes has changed only modestly since February 2013, when 56% approved and 26% disapproved of drone attacks. Support for drone strikes crosses party lines, though Republicans (74%) are more likely than independents (56%) or Democrats (52%) to favor the use of drones to target extremists.

While men approve of drone attacks by more than two-to-one (67% to 28%), the balance of opinion is much narrower among women. Half (50%) of women approve of the use of drones to target extremists, while 42% disapprove.

Nearly Half Are Very Concerned That U.S. Drone Attacks Endanger the Lives of Innocent Civilians

How concerned are you about whether U.S. drone strikes ... (%)



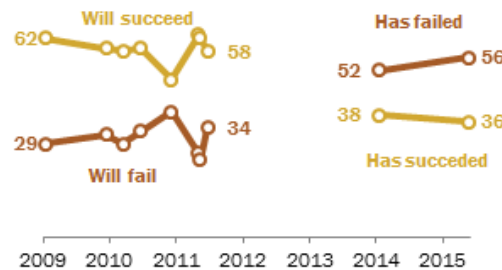
Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

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The public's concerns about possible consequences from drone attacks also are little changed from two years ago. Overall, 48% say they are very concerned that U.S. drone strikes endanger the lives of innocent civilians, while another 32% say they are somewhat concerned about this. Earlier this year, two hostages, including one American, were killed by a U.S. drone strike targeting an al Qaeda compound along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border.

Most Say U.S. Has 'Mostly Failed' to Achieve Goals in Afghanistan

In achieving its goals in Afghanistan, the U.S. ... (%)



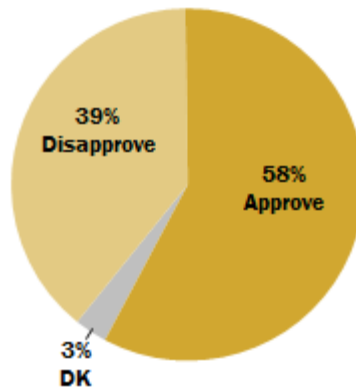
Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015. Don't know responses not shown.

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The public expresses less concern over other potential consequences of U.S. drone attacks. About three-in-ten or fewer say they are very concerned U.S. strikes could lead to retaliation from extremist groups (31%), that they are being conducted legally (29%) or that they could damage America's reputation around the world (24%).

Support for Obama's Plan to Delay Troop Pullout

Obama's decision to delay troop withdrawal from Afghanistan (%)



Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015.

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The survey finds continued public pessimism about the U.S. military mission in Afghanistan. A majority (56%) says the United States has mostly failed in achieving its goals in Afghanistan; 36% say the United States has mostly succeeded. These views are little changed from early last year.

A declining share of Americans sees prospects for long-term stability in Afghanistan. Just 29% say it is likely that Afghanistan will be able to maintain a stable government following the departure of U.S. forces from the country. More than twice as many (68%) say this outcome is unlikely.

These opinions have become more negative since 2011, when 38% saw some likelihood of Afghanistan maintaining a stable government after U.S. forces left the country.

Meanwhile, President Obama's plan to delay the withdrawal of some 10,000 U.S. forces from Afghanistan, which he announced in March, draws bipartisan support. Overall, 58% approve of Obama's decision to keep the troops in Afghanistan through the end of this year, while 39% disapprove. Majorities of Democrats (60%), independents (59%) and Republicans (58%) approve of Obama's decision.

Gender, Age, Race Differences in Views of U.S. Drone Strikes

There are significant differences in views of U.S. drone strikes across demographic groups, including differences by age, gender, race and ethnicity, and education.

Young People, Women, Minorities Less Supportive of U.S. Drone Strikes

U.S. drones strikes to target extremists ...

	Approve %	Disapprove %	DK %
Total	58	35	7=100
Men	67	28	5=100
Women	50	42	8=100
White	66	28	6=100
Black	46	41	14=100
Hispanic	39	54	7=100
18-29	48	50	3=100
30-49	58	34	8=100
50-64	67	28	5=100
65+	60	28	12=100
College grad+	66	27	7=100
Some college	64	32	4=100
H.S. or less	49	42	9=100
Republican	74	22	4=100
Conservative	77	18	4=100
Mod/Lib	69	29	3=100
Independent	56	39	5=100
Democrat	52	39	9=100
Conserv/Mod	56	36	8=100
Liberal	48	45	7=100

Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015.

Figures may not add to 100% because of rounding.

Whites and blacks include only those who are not Hispanic;

Hispanics are of any race.

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Young adults are among the least likely to approve of the drone attacks. Among those ages 18-29, about as many disapprove of the drone attacks (50%) as say they approve of them (48%). Among all older age cohorts, majorities express support for the attacks.

Across racial and ethnic groups, whites (66%) are far more likely to approve of the drone attacks than are blacks (46%) and Hispanics (39%).

About two-thirds of college graduates (66%) and those with some college experience (64%) say they approve of the U.S. conducting missile strikes from pilotless aircraft to target extremists. Among those with no college experience, 49% approve of the drone attacks, compared with 42% who say they disapprove.

Nearly three-quarters of Republicans (74%) approve of the drone attacks, compared with smaller majorities of independents (56%) and Democrats (52%). There is a divide within the Democratic Party on the U.S. use of drones: Conservative and moderate Democrats approve of the drone attacks by a 56%-36% margin. By contrast, liberal Democrats are about evenly divided (48% approve, 45% disapprove).

Partisan differences in overall views of U.S. drone strikes extend to concerns over whether they endanger the lives of innocent civilians.

Most Democrats 'Very Concerned' That Drone Attacks Endanger Civilians

% 'very concerned' about whether drones...

	Total %	Rep %	Dem %	Ind %	R-D diff
Endanger civilian lives	48	32	55	51	-23
Damage America's reputation	24	17	26	26	-9
Lead to retaliation from extremists	31	27	35	29	-8
Are conducted legally	29	25	27	32	-2

Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015.

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Democrats (55%) are 23 points more likely than Republicans (32%) to say they are very concerned about whether U.S. drone strikes endanger the lives of innocent civilians. Independents' views are similar to those of Democrats: 51% say they are very concerned about the possibility of civilian casualties from drone attacks.

On other possible concerns such as damage to America's reputation, retaliation from extremists, and whether the attacks are being conducted legally, partisan differences are more modest, as relatively few from either party say they are very concerned about these potential issues.

More Women Than Men Express Concerns About Drone Attacks

In addition to expressing lower levels of support for the U.S. drone strikes generally, women also are more likely than men to express a high level of concern over a range of possible concerns about the attacks

Gender Gap in Support for Drones, Potential Consequences of Strikes

	Total	Men	Women
<i>U.S. conducting drone strikes...</i>	%	%	%
Approve	58	67	50
Disapprove	35	28	42
Don't know	7	5	8
	100	100	100
<i>Very concerned about whether strikes...</i>			
Endanger civilian lives	48	41	54
Lead to retaliation from extremists	31	23	39
Are conducted legally	29	24	34
Damage America's reputation	24	18	29

Survey conducted May 12-18, 2015.

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Overall, 54% of women say they are very concerned about whether U.S. drone strikes endanger the lives of innocent civilians. Among men, 41% express this level of concern about the possibility of civilian casualties.

Women are 16 points more likely than men to say they are very concerned that the drone attacks could lead to retaliation from extremist groups: 39% of women say this compared with 23% of men.

When it comes to concerns about whether the U.S. drone strikes are being conducted legally and whether they damage America's reputation around the world, women are about 10 points more likely than men to say they are very concerned about each of these issues.

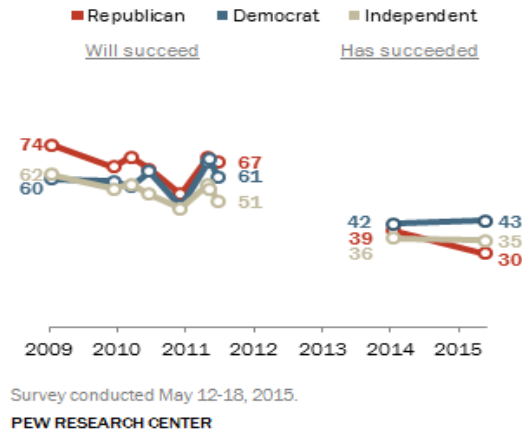
Views of the Situation in Afghanistan

Overall, 56% say that the United States has mostly failed in achieving its goals in Afghanistan, compared with 36% who say it has mostly succeeded.

The current negative state of opinion stands in contrast to views measured in surveys conducted from 2009 to 2011. For example, in May 2011, shortly after U.S. forces killed Osama bin Laden, 62% answered a forward-looking question by saying they thought the U.S. *would* definitely or probably succeed in achieving its goals

Modest Partisan Differences in Views of U.S. Success in Afghanistan

% saying the U.S. *will succeed/has succeeded* in achieving its goals in Afghanistan



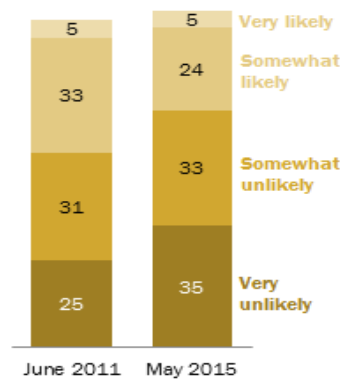
By January 2014, however, public sentiment had turned negative when asked to assess whether the U.S. *had succeeded* in achieving its goals in Afghanistan (52% mostly failed, 38% mostly succeeded).

The decline in assessments of U.S. achievements in Afghanistan has occurred across party lines. In June 2011, most Republicans (67%) and Democrats (61%) said they thought the U.S. would definitely or probably succeed in achieving its goals in Afghanistan. The current survey finds opinion is much more negative among both groups: fewer than half of Republicans (30%) and Democrats (43%) now say they think the U.S. has mostly succeeded in achieving its goals in Afghanistan.

Doubts About Afghan Stability Once U.S. Troops Depart

Going Forward, Few See Stability in Afghanistan

% saying it is ___ Afghanistan will maintain a stable government



Perceptions of the future stability of the government in Afghanistan have become more negative since last measured in June 2011. Four years ago, the public also had doubts about the ability of Afghanistan to maintain a stable government after the withdrawal of U.S. troops, but doubts outweighed optimism by a narrower margin (57% unlikely vs. 38% likely).

Fully 68% of Americans say it is either very unlikely (35%) or somewhat unlikely (33%) that Afghanistan will be able to maintain a stable government after U.S. forces leave the country. About a quarter (24%) say it is somewhat likely Afghanistan will be able to maintain a stable government and just 5% say this is very likely.

As is the case with views of U.S. success in Afghanistan, there are only modest partisan differences on the question of whether Afghanistan will be able to maintain a stable government once U.S. troops leave the country. Majorities of Republicans (74%), independents (69%) and Democrats (62%) say it is either very or somewhat unlikely that the Afghan government will be stable after the withdrawal of U.S. troops.

Source: <http://www.people-press.org/2015/05/28/public-continues-to-back-u-s-drone-attacks/>

Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2015)

A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 5 year period January 2007 – January 2015

KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*): \approx 6,805 polls during the period 2007-2015
- 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 2007-2015
- 4- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited: \approx 358 during the period 2007-2015

