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Topic of the week: (Click for details)

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Asia Zone

- ▶ MIDDLE EAST& NORTH AFRICA; WEST ASIA; SOUTH ASIA; NORTH ASIA; EAST ASIA

▶ SOUTHEAST ASIA

383-1 [Philippines: Opinions on the Bangsamoro Basic Law favorable among those who know it](#) (Click For Details)

(Philippines) The First Quarter 2015 Social Weather Survey, fielded from March 20-23, 2015, found that Filipino adults who say they know the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL) extensively have favorable views about it. (SWS)

June 04, 2015

1.7 Domestic Politics >> Legislation

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues



Africa Zone

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

▶ SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

383-2 [Unemployment, Electricity Top List Of Nigerian Citizens' Concerns](#) (Click For Details)

(Nigeria) Unemployment, a reliable supply of electricity, and poverty are the most important problems that Nigerians want their government to address, with crime/security following in fourth place, the latest Afrobarometer survey shows. (Afrobarometer)

May 27, 2015

3.3 Economy » Employment Issues

3.10 Economy » Energy/Nuclear Issues



Euro Americas Zone

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

▶ EAST EUROPE

383-3 [Russia: Perestroika: Ruined Dream?](#) (Click For Details)

(Russia) Russians say that Perestroika was necessary but the reforms were implemented awkwardly which resulted in disastrous consequences. (VCIOM)

April 24, 2015

1.6 Domestic Politics » National History

1.7 Domestic Politics >> Legislation

383-4 [Russia: Victory Day Parade: Tribute Or Military Power Demonstration?](#) (Click For Details)

(Russia) Russians believe that the Victory Day Parade helps commemorating the heroic act of people; it is organised for the ordinary citizens, mainly veterans and young generation, rather than the heads of the foreign states. (VCIOM)

April 23, 2015

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

[2.10 Foreign Affairs & Security » Military Issues/ Defence](#)

► WEST EUROPE

383-5 [UK: Design Influences Public Support For New Build Homes](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) By a margin of more than four to one the British public say that in principle they support the building of local new homes in the future on brownfield land, but levels of support vary sharply according to the potential design of those homes.

(Ipsos Mori)

June 06, 2015

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



383-6 [UK: Positive Selling Sentiment Wavers With Small Dip In House Price Optimism](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) Following a small increase in house price optimism in March 2015, confidence in property prices dipped slightly in April. The fourth monthly wave of the Halifax Housing Market Confidence Tracker in 2015 shows that two thirds of Britons (63%) expect a rise in the average UK property price over the next year, significantly lower than the 67% who said this in March 2015. (Ipsos Mori)

June 01, 2015

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

[3.8 Economy » Enterprise/ Investments/ Business](#)

383-7 [UK: Memories Of Iraq: Did We Ever Support The War?](#) (Click For Details)

(UK) Opposing the Iraq war has been called Charles Kennedy's finest hour, and in the end the public were on his side. For many people, Iraq is all they can remember about the Labour government of 1997-2010. It has tainted Tony Blair's legacy, and in the run up to the 2015 general election it made Labour cautious of defending its record. (YouGov)

June 03, 2015

[1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties](#)

[2.1 Foreign Affairs & Security » Iraq War](#)

383-8 [Roma people and Muslims are the least tolerated minorities in Europe \(Multi-country survey\)](#) (Click For Details)

Negative impressions of Roma people and Muslims are high across northern Europe – and 10% have a negative impression of Jewish people in France. (YouGov)

June 05, 2015

[4.1 Society » Religion](#)

[4.2 Society » Family](#)



383-9 [Faith in European Project Reviving \(Multi-country survey\)](#) (Click For Details)

In the wake of the euro currency crisis, public support for the EU and the belief that European economic integration was good for one's country had declined precipitously across Europe, reaching a low point in 2013. But in 2015, favorable views of the EU and faith in the efficacy of creating a single market are generally

rebounding in major EU member states, according to a new survey by the Pew Research Center. And this revival in pro-EU sentiment is closely related to the public's economic mood. ([Pew Research Center](#))

June 2, 2015

[2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations](#)
[3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection](#)

► NORTH AMERICA

383-10 [In U.S., Percentage Struggling to Afford Food at 7-Year Low](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) -- In the first quarter of 2015, 15.8% of Americans reported that in the last 12 months they had struggled to afford food for themselves or their families. This is the lowest percentage measured since the Gallup-Healthways Well-Being Index started in 2008. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 05, 2015

[3.4 Economy » Inflation](#)
[3.5 Economy » Poverty](#)



383-11 [Most Americans Continue to Say Death Penalty Morally OK](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) As the death penalty continues to lose support in state houses across America, with Nebraska banning the practice last week, 60% of Americans say the death penalty is morally acceptable. While this measure has remained relatively stable over time, the current 60% is on the lower end of acceptance of the death penalty nationwide since Gallup began measuring it in 2001. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 04, 2015

[1.7 Domestic Politics >> Legislation](#)
[4.9 Society » Justice](#)

383-12 [U.S. Payroll to Population Rate 44.5% in May](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) The U.S. Payroll to Population employment rate (P2P), as measured by Gallup, was 44.5% in May. This is up 0.6 percentage points from the previous month, and is identical to the rate measured in May 2014. This represents the strongest month-to-month change for P2P so far this year, in line with an expected seasonal rise in full-time employment. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 04, 2015

[3.3 Economy » Employment Issues](#)

383-13 [Republican Conservative Base Shrinks](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) The percentage of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents who describe themselves as both social and economic conservatives has dropped to 42%, the lowest level Gallup has measured since 2005. The second-largest group of Republicans (24%) see themselves as moderate or liberal on both social and economic issues, while 20% of all Republicans are moderate or liberal on social issues but conservative on economic ones. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 03, 2015

[1.4 Domestic Politics » Political Parties](#)
[4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle](#)



383-14 [Majority in U.S. Still Say Moral Values Getting Worse](#) (Click For Details)

(USA) Most Americans (72%) continue to believe the state of moral values in the U.S. is "getting worse," while 22% say it is "getting better." Large majorities have said the state of moral values in the U.S. is declining since Gallup started asking this question annually in 2002. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 02, 2015

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

383-15 [U.S. Economic Confidence Index Slides to -7 in May](#) ([Click For Details](#))

(USA) Gallup's Economic Confidence Index dropped to an average of -7 in May, down from -3 in April. This drop continues the monthly downward drift since confidence peaked at +3 in January, and is the lowest monthly score since the -8 in November 2014. However, confidence remains much higher now than what Gallup has found in most months since Americans started to feel the recession's effects in 2008. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 02, 2015

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



383-16 [Once Taboo, Some Behaviors Now More Acceptable in U.S.](#) ([Click For Details](#))

(USA) While a select few actions remain deeply taboo for much of the country, there has been an increasing shift to moral acceptability for some of these over time. Such actions include suicide (which 19% of Americans call "morally acceptable"), polygamy (16%) and cloning humans (15%). On the other hand, "married men and women having an affair" has remained at the bottom of a list of 19 moral behaviors Gallup has measured, with only 8% considering it morally acceptable. ([Gallup USA](#))

June 01, 2015

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

383-17 [Broad Public Support for Legal Status for Undocumented Immigrants](#) ([Click For Details](#))

(USA) With immigration shaping up to be a major issue in both the final years of the Obama administration and the 2016 presidential campaign, most Americans (72%) continue to say undocumented immigrants currently living in the U.S. should be allowed to stay in the country legally, if certain requirements are met.

([Pew Research Center](#))

June 04, 2015

[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)

383-18 [Millennials and Political News](#) ([Click For Details](#))

(USA) When it comes to where younger Americans get news about politics and government, social media look to be the local TV of the Millennial generation. About six-in-ten online Millennials (61%) report getting political news on Facebook in a given week, a much larger percentage than turn to any other news source, according to a new Pew Research Center analysis. ([Pew Research Center](#))

June 1, 2015

[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)

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



383-19 [Bill C-51: Support Declines After Months Of Protest, But Strong Majority Still Backs Anti-Terror Legislation](#) ([Click For Details](#))

(Canada) Vocal opposition to, painstaking review of, and widespread protest against Bill C-51 have had some negative impact on Canadian support for the anti-terror legislation, but a clear majority still say they favour it.

(Angus Reid)

May 2015

1.7 Domestic Politics >> Legislation

2.4 Foreign Affairs & Security » Terrorism/Extremism

► AUSTRALASIA

383-20 [Consumer Satisfaction With Banks Remains Near Record In April But High Value Customers Not So Happy](#) (Click For Details)

(Australia) The satisfaction level of personal banking customers in April declined by 0.1% point (to 82.8%) from March but remains just below the 20-year high of 82.9%. However the satisfaction of the highest value (top quintile) customers was the lowest of all groups at only 79.3%. This is a major issue, as this group accounts for 20% of the population but represents 62.7% of the total value of personal financial services in the market. (Roy Morgan)



June 04, 2015

3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection

3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

383-21 [Is Australia Getting Gayer—And How Gay Will We Get?](#) (Click For Details)

(Australia) It should be a simple question: how many people are homosexual? But, as Roy Morgan Research has found, getting a straight answer is still problematic—and the number just keeps growing. (Roy Morgan)

June 02, 2015

4.5 Society » Gender Issues

► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

383-22 [Global Survey: Chinese Most In Favour Of Action On Climate Change](#) (Click For Details)

A new survey of 15 countries reveals widespread support across four continents for taking action on climate change – people in China top the list, and the US and Britain are at the bottom. (YouGov)

June 07, 2015

4.14 Society » Environment/ Disasters

383-23 [Future Looks Brighter In Several African Countries](#) (Click For Details)

Residents in seven out of the 12 African nations that Gallup has polled every year since 2007 are now more optimistic about their future lives than they were when they were first surveyed. For the residents of the other five, the future looks the same as or worse than before. Between 2007 and 2014, ratings increased most in Zimbabwe and deteriorated most in Ghana. (Gallup USA)



June 05, 2015

3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

► CYBER WORLD

383-24 [Apple Beats Google To Be Named World's Most Valuable Brand](#) (Click For Details)

The launch of the iPhone 6 and its smart watch helped Apple to easily overtake Google and reclaim the mantle of world's most powerful brand, according to a survey. (Millward Brown)

May 28, 2015

3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom

Topic of the week:

Future Looks Brighter In Several African Countries

► 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.

June 05, 2015

[Future Looks Brighter In Several African Countries](#)

This article is part of a series on well-being and development trends in sub-Saharan Africa, focusing on 12 nations that Gallup has surveyed every year since 2007.



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Future Life Evaluation Mean Scores

Please imagine a ladder with steps numbered from zero at the bottom to 10 at the top. Suppose we say that the top of the ladder represents the best possible life for you, and the bottom of the ladder represents the worst possible life for you. Just your best guess, on which step do you think you will stand in the future, say about five years from now?

	2007	2014	Change, 2007-2014
Zimbabwe	3.8	6.0	+2.2
Senegal	6.6	7.4	+0.8
Niger	6.6	7.3	+0.7
Cameroon	6.0	6.7	+0.7
South Africa	6.9	7.5	+0.6
Kenya	6.5	7.0	+0.5
Mauritania	6.7	7.1	+0.4
Nigeria	7.8	7.9	+0.1
Tanzania	5.7	5.6	-0.1
Uganda	6.1	6.0	-0.1
Chad	6.4	5.9	-0.5
Ghana	8.1	7.2	-0.9

Among adults aged 15 and older

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In each of these 12 countries -- which represent 40% of the population of sub-Saharan Africa aged 15 and older, or about 300 million adults -- Gallup asks residents to rate their lives five years from now on a scale based on the [Cantril Self-Anchoring Striving Scale](#). On the scale, zero represents the worst possible life and 10 is the best possible life.

Although Zimbabweans' future life ratings reflect the most improvement since 2007, Nigerians had the most positive outlook on their lives in 2014, with an average rating of 7.9. The lowest average rating, 5.6, was in Tanzania.

In Western Africa, Future Life Outlook Is Stable in Nigeria and Cameroon

Including last year, residents in the Western African country of Nigeria have had the highest positive outlook for their future lives in six of the past eight years. However, their expectations have been relatively flat, with the exception of a spike to 8.6 in 2011.

Western Africa -- Future Life Evaluation Mean Scores



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In 2007, Ghanaians had the highest average future life ratings out of all 12 populations, at 8.1. But since then, their ratings have ebbed and flowed. Ghanaians' ratings in 2014 are 0.9 points lower than where they stood in 2007, representing the largest decline among all 12 countries. Cameroonians' future life ratings have stabilized in higher territory after languishing near an average of 6.0 in 2007 and 2008.

Chad Departs From Other Sahel Nations in Outlook for Future

In 2007, the future life evaluation scores of residents of four countries in the Sahel -- Chad, Mauritania, Niger and Senegal -- were clustered within a narrow range of 0.3 points. By 2014, Mauritania, Niger and Senegal had each seen increases in their residents' scores and remained within the same 0.3-point cluster. Chad experienced the most fluctuation over time and now has the least positive future life evaluation of all residents surveyed in the Sahel region, at 5.9.

Sahel Region -- Future Life Evaluation Mean Scores



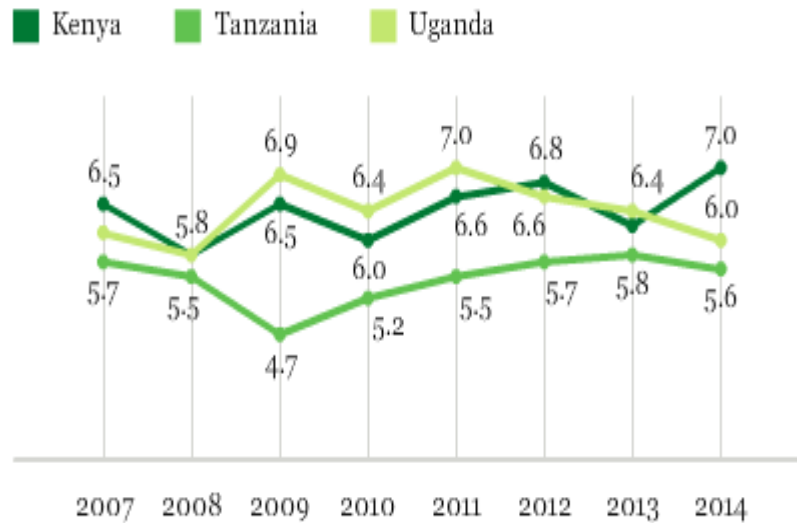
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Tanzania Maintains Lowest Life Outlook Scores in Eastern Africa

In the Eastern region, Kenyans and Ugandans have evaluated their future lives similarly over time, although the former was one point higher than the latter in 2014 -- 7.0 and 6.0, respectively. Tanzanians, meanwhile, have consistently evaluated their future lives well below 6.0 every year, dropping below 5.0 in 2009. Their hope of a better future was essentially at the same level in 2014 (5.6) as it was eight years ago (5.7), and it is the lowest future life evaluation of all African countries surveyed over this time period.

Eastern Africa -- Future Life Evaluation Mean Scores



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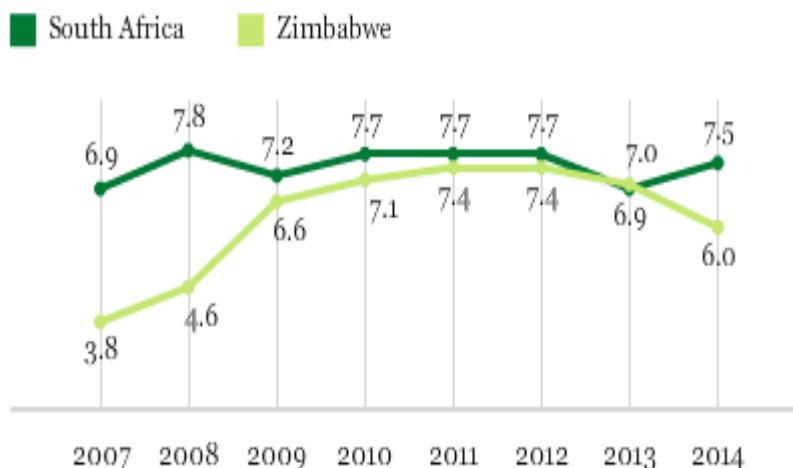
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In Southern Africa, an Increase in Zimbabweans' Outlook for Future Lives

Since 2007, South Africans have evaluated their future lives more positively than Africans in most other countries surveyed, averaging 7.0 or better in most years. However, South Africans' ratings of their future lives did drop significantly at two points. The first occurred between 2008 and 2009, when they fell from 7.8 to 7.2, at a time when the country experienced a large increase in unemployment. The second drop in South Africans' ratings of their future lives occurred in 2013, when they dropped to 6.9 from 7.7 the previous year. Nelson Mandela, who was considered the Father of the South African nation, died during the survey field period.

The outlook of their Zimbabwean neighbors has improved a great deal since 2007, when their average future life ratings were below 4.0. At that time, hyperinflation plagued the country, and it was only in 2009 -- when the government allowed the use of foreign currencies -- that residents started to feel improvement. Zimbabweans' ratings of their future lives continued to increase until 2011 and 2012, when they peaked at 7.4. However, they have started to drop again and reached 6.0 in 2014, erasing gains over several years of consistently positive ratings.

Southern Africa -- Future Life Evaluation Mean Scores



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Implications

In September, the United Nations is expected to announce the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which are designed to provide a more comprehensive framework for human development for the next 15 years. Scientists who have reviewed the SDGs, as currently proposed, have recommended that new indicators capturing the multidimensional aspects of well-being be developed. As such, the Gallup findings provide a powerful and reliable mechanism to monitor progress in life evaluations across sub-Saharan Africa.

Survey Methods

Results are based on face-to-face interviews with at least 1,000 adults, aged 15 and older, conducted every year between 2007 and 2014 in Cameroon, Chad, Ghana, Kenya, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda and Zimbabwe. For results based on the total sample of national adults in each country across all years, the median margin of sampling error is ±3.8 percentage points at the 95% confidence level. All reported margins of sampling error include computed design effects for weighting.

Source: http://www.gallup.com/poll/183497/future-looks-brighter-several-african-countries.aspx?utm_source=alert&utm_medium=email&utm_content=morelink&utm_campaign=syndication

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

