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Asia Zone

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

► SOUTHEAST ASIA

412-1 [Philippines: Expectation of a happy Christmas highest in 12 years, at 72%; Sense of giving at record-high 77%](#) (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The Fourth Quarter 2015 Social Weather Survey, conducted from December 5-8, 2015, found 72% of adult Filipinos expecting this Christmas to be happy, 7% expecting it to be sad, and 20% expecting it to be neither happy nor sad. (SWS)

December 24, 2015

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



412-2 [Philippines: Net satisfaction ratings at +24 for Vice-President Binay](#) (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The Fourth Quarter 2015 Social Weather Survey, conducted from December 5-8, 2015, found 52% satisfied and 28% dissatisfied with the performance of Vice-President Jejomar Binay, 38% satisfied and 31% dissatisfied with Senate President Franklin Drilon, 31% satisfied and 32% dissatisfied with Speaker Feliciano Belmonte, and 29% satisfied and 31% dissatisfied with Chief Justice Lourdes Sereno. (SWS)

December 23, 2015

1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

► NORTHEAST ASIA

412-3 [Smart Shoppers: 9 In 10 Chinese Consumers Research Products Before They Buy](#) (Click for Details)

(China) From cars to credit cards, toothpaste to tablets, flights to fruit, almost nine in ten Chinese shoppers now research products before buying them according to new global study from TNS. (TNS)

December 01, 2015

3.2 Economy » Consumer Confidence/Protection

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle



Euro Americas Zone

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

► EAST EUROPE

412-4 [Ukraine: Electoral Preferences Of The Population](#) (Click for Details)

(Ukraine) According to a survey conducted by sociological group "Rating" if elections to Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine took place in December, the parliament would get the next parties: BPP "Solidarnist"(16,5%), Batkivshchyna (12,3%), Opposition bloc (12,2%), Radical Party (7,9%), Svoboda (7,8%) and UKROP (5,1%). (Rating)



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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

412-5 [Ukrainians About New Year Holidays. December 2015](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Ukraine) According to a survey conducted by the Sociological group "Rating" in December 2015, for almost half of respondents (47%) favorite New Year's holiday is New Year, for 41% - Christmas, another 5% said St. Nicholas Day, 3% - Old New year. 2% do not like the New Year's holidays, undecided - 3%. [\(Rating\)](#)



December 17, 2015

[4.4 Society » Civil Society](#)

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

412-6 [IRI's Center for Insights Poll: Crises in Europe and EU Leave Serbs Turning toward Russia](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Serbia) According to a new poll released by the International Republican Institute's (IRI) Center for Insights in Survey Research, Serbian citizens are questioning their commitment to the path of European integration and Western orientation while voicing strong support for ties to Russia. [\(IRI\)](#)

December 21, 2015

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

[2.8 Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations](#)

[3.6 Economy » Economic Globalization](#)

412-7 [Ukrainians Disillusioned With Leadership](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Ukraine) Despite signs last year that Ukraine's then-new president was starting to rebuild Ukrainians' trust in their leadership, President Petro Poroshenko is now less popular than his predecessor Viktor Yanukovich was before he was ousted. After more than a year in office, 17% of Ukrainians approve of the job that Poroshenko is doing. This approval rating is down sharply from 47% a few months after his election in May 2014. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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► WEST EUROPE

412-8 [UK: Hunting Poll 2015](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) A majority of the British public are in favour of keeping a number of activities banned in the Hunting Act illegal: fox hunting (83%); deer hunting (85%); hare hunting and coursing (87%); dog fighting (98%); and badger baiting (94%). [\(Ipsos Mori\)](#)



December 26, 2015

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

[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)

[4.14 Society » Environment/ Disasters](#)

412-9 [Eight in ten Britons will speak to their neighbours over Christmas](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) A new survey commissioned by The Challenge reveals that 8 in 10 people in Britain will speak to their neighbours over the Christmas period. By contrast, only 14 per cent of people said they never speak to their neighbours. [\(Ipsos Mori\)](#)

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[4.4 Society » Civil Society](#)

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

412-10 [Three in four Britons feel unfavourable towards Donald Trump](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) Looking ahead to the 2016 American Presidential race, the British public weigh in with their thoughts on two of the most recognisable candidates for Ipsos MORI's latest Political Monitor. When we asked the public if they have a favourable or unfavourable opinion of Democrat frontrunner Hillary Clinton and Republican Donald Trump we find Mrs. Clinton to be better perceived by Britons than Mr. Trump. [\(Ipsos Mori\)](#)



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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

412-11 [Economist/Ipsos MORI December 2015 Issues Index](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) The December Issues Index shows that concern about the combined issue of defence, terrorism and foreign affairs has increased by 29 percentage points since November, and is now the most important issue concerning the public, mentioned by two fifths (42%). [\(Ipsos Mori\)](#)

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

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

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

412-12 [A child's ideal Christmas: playing Mary or Joseph and eating pigs in blankets](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(UK) New YouGov research explores two areas of great excitement for children this festive season: the nativity performance and Christmas dinner. [\(YouGov\)](#)

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[4.2 Society » Family](#)

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

[4.16 Society » Entertainment](#)

412-13 [German consumer climate rises again slightly](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(Germany) Consumer mood is improving as the end of the year approaches. After four declines in a row, the consumer climate is rising again slightly. The overall indicator is forecasting 9.4 points for January 2016 compared with 9.3 points in December. Both economic and income expectations are significantly on the up. Propensity to buy confirms its extremely high level with almost no change. [\(GfK\)](#)



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[3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being](#)

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

► NORTH AMERICA

412-14 [Big Government Still Named as Biggest Threat to U.S.](#) [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) When asked to choose among big government, big labor and big business, Americans overwhelmingly name big government as the biggest threat to the country in the future. The 69% choosing big government is

down slightly from a high of 72% in 2013, the last time Gallup asked the question, but is still one of the highest percentages choosing big government in Gallup's 50-year trend. ([Gallup USA](#))

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

[1.6 Domestic Politics » National](#)

412-15 [Republicans Again Desire a Conservative Presidential Nominee](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) The ideological profile of the ideal Republican presidential candidate looks much the same now as it did before the 2008 election. Six in 10 Republicans nationwide, including independents who lean toward the GOP, want the party to nominate a conservative to represent it in 2016. About one in three want a moderate candidate, while support for a liberal is in the single digits. ([Gallup USA](#))

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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

[1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance](#)

412-16 [Americans' Faith in Honesty, Ethics of Police Rebounds](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) After dipping to 48% in 2014 amid a national firestorm over police treatment of young black men, the rating Americans give the honesty and ethical standards of police has rebounded to 56%. This is more consistent with the 54% to 58% ratings Gallup found between 2010 and 2013. ([Gallup USA](#))



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[4.4 Society » Civil Society](#)

[4.12 Society » Crime](#)

[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)

412-17 [As Election Year Nears, Public Sees Mixed Economic Picture](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) The public's views of the nation's economy have shown little change throughout 2015. But Americans are less optimistic about how well the economy will fare over the next year than they were last January. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being](#)

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

412-18 [Percentage of Christians in U.S. Drifting Down, but Still High](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) On the eve of Christmas 2015, a review of over 174,000 interviews conducted in 2015 shows that three-quarters of American adults identify with a Christian religion, little changed from 2014, but down from 80% eight years ago. About 5% of Americans identify with a non-Christian religion, while 20% have no formal religious identification, which is up five percentage points since 2008. ([Gallup USA](#))



December 24, 2015

[4.1 Society » Religion](#)

412-19 [5 Facts About Christmas In America](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) Wherever Americans stand on holiday-time debates about Starbucks cups, zombie nativity scenes and billboards encouraging people to skip church, it would be hard to disagree that Christmas is still a big part of many people's lives this time of year. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[4.1 Society » Religion](#)

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

412-20 [Home Broadband 2015](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(USA) The share of Americans with broadband at home has plateaued, and more rely only on their smartphones for online access. ([Pew Research Center](#))

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[3.11 Economy » Science & Technology](#)

[3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom](#)

[3.13 Economy » Services](#)



► AUSTRALASIA

412-21 [More Australians going online first thing, but radio is still top breakfast media](#) ([Click for Details](#))

(Australia) Internet use at breakfast time continues to rise, the latest media preference data from Roy Morgan Research shows. ([Roy Morgan](#))

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[3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom](#)

[3.13 Economy » Services](#)

[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)

► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEY

412-22 [What the world most wants: in the West, love; in the East, health](#) ([Click for Details](#))

YouGov polling about what you most want in life, involving 18,000 people in 17 countries worldwide, reveals broad differences between Western and Eastern cultures. ([YouGov](#))

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



Topic of the week:

Christmas 2015

► 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.

[Eight in ten Britons will speak to their neighbours over Christmas](#)

Seven in ten report having conversations with their neighbours all year round

Published: 22 December 2015

Fieldwork: 4- 8 December 2015



A new survey commissioned by The Challenge reveals that 8 in 10 people in Britain will speak to their neighbours over the Christmas period. By contrast, only 14 per cent of people said they never speak to their neighbours.



The findings of the survey tell a positive story about the extent to which people in Britain interact with their neighbours both at Christmas time and during the rest of the year, with 7 in 10 reporting to have conversations with their neighbours 'all year round'. When asked where they will speak to their neighbours, respondents said that they are most likely to speak to their neighbours over the Christmas period out and about in the street (73%) and in their homes (49%).

The findings also show that people aged 55 – 75 years are more likely than 16 – 24 year olds to talk to their neighbours over the Christmas period (89 per cent vs 67 per cent).

Of those who will speak to their neighbours over Christmas, 71 per cent said that they were likely to speak to neighbours who are of a different age. The figure stands at 23 per cent for people who say they are likely to talk to neighbours from a different ethnic background to themselves, which may be reflective of the types of areas people live in rather than people choosing not to speak to people from different ethnic groups.

Technical details

- Ipsos MORI interviewed a sample of 1,170 adults aged 16-75 living in Great Britain. Fieldwork was conducted online between 4th and 8th December 2015, using the Ipsos MORI online panel, and included a nationally-representative poll of c. 1,000 respondents plus a boost sample of those from Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) backgrounds. Data are weighted to be representative of the British population aged 16-75 years.
- Where percentages do not sum to 100, this may be due to computer rounding, the exclusion of "don't know" categories, or multiple answers.

Source: <https://www.ipsos-mori.com/researchpublications/researcharchive/3677/Eight-in-ten-Britons-will-speak-to-their-neighbours-over-Christmas.aspx>

5 Facts About Christmas In America

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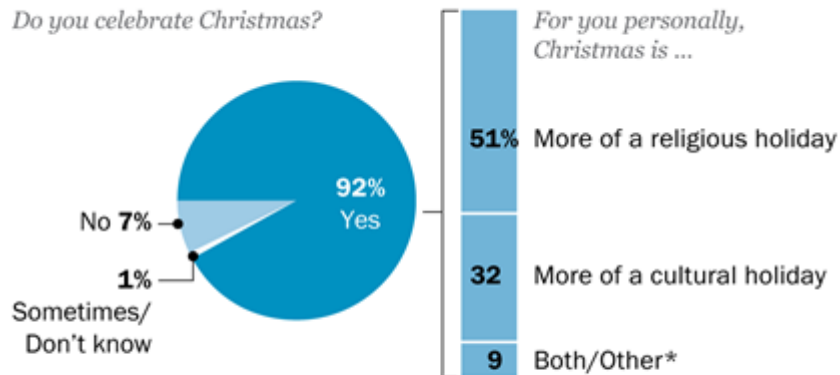


Wherever Americans stand on holiday-time debates about Starbucks cups, zombie nativity scenes and billboards encouraging people to skip church, it would be hard to disagree that Christmas is still a big part of many people's lives this time of year.



Just in time for the holidays, here are five facts about Christmas in America and how people celebrate:

Celebrating Christmas: Religious or Cultural Holiday?



Source: Pew Research Center Dec. 3-8, 2013. Q80, Q81.

*Includes people who celebrate Christmas but do not say whether they think it is a religious or cultural holiday.

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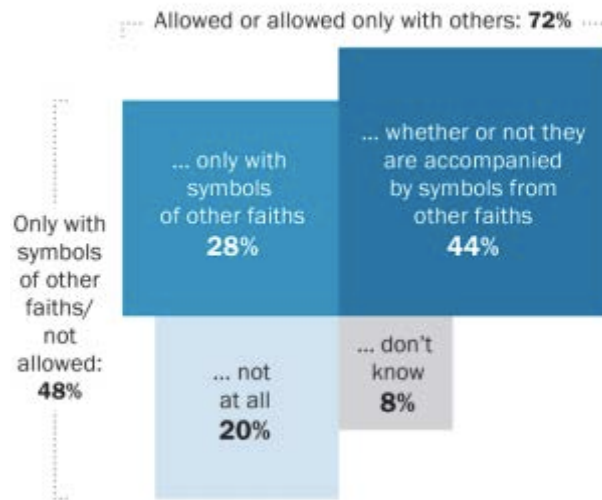
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About nine-in-ten Americans (92%) and nearly all Christians (96%) say they celebrate Christmas, according to a 2013 [Pew Research Center survey](#). This is no surprise, but what might be more unexpected is that **abig majority (81%) of non-Christians in the U.S. also celebrate Christmas**. This includes 87% of people with no religion and even about [three-quarters of Asian-American](#) Buddhists (76%) and Hindus (73%). Roughly a third of U.S. Jews (32%) – many of whom have non-Jewish spouses – said in a [2013 survey](#) that they had a Christmas tree in their homes during the most recent holiday season. Among Americans overall, about half (51%) say they celebrate Christmas as more of a religious holiday, while roughly a third (32%) say it is more of a cultural holiday to them personally.

2When they go to the store, which greeting do Americans prefer: “Merry Christmas” or “Happy holidays”? For some, this can be a sensitive question, but **46% of Americans say it doesn't matter how stores greet their customers over the holidays**. About four-in-ten (42%) choose “Merry Christmas,” according to a 2012 Pew Research Center survey. “Happy holidays” was the choice of 12%. We asked this question in two different ways; another [Fact Tank post](#) has details.

Should Christian Symbols Be Allowed on Government Property?

% saying symbols like nativity scenes should be allowed on government property ...



Survey conducted Dec. 3-7, 2014. Q24.
See topline for full question wording.

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Another sometimes controversial aspect of Christmas is holiday displays on government property, which prompt annual scrutiny – such as the case of a [Hanukkah menorah being removed](#) from a public space in Lakewood, N.J., this year. Last year, we asked Americans if Christian symbols such as nativity scenes should be allowed on government property, and if so, whether they should be allowed by themselves or only if accompanied by symbols from other faiths. [Americans have mixed views on this issue](#): **44% say Christian symbols should be allowed regardless of whether any other faiths are represented**, 28% say Christian displays should be permitted only with symbols from other religions, and 20% say Christian symbols shouldn't be allowed on government property at all.

4 Americans largely believe that elements of the traditional Christmas story reflect actual historical events. More than seven-in-ten (73%) [say that Jesus was born to a virgin](#) and 81% believe he was laid in a manger. And similar shares say that wise men, guided by a star, brought Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh (75%) and that an angel of the Lord appeared to shepherds to announce the birth of Jesus (74%). Nearly two-thirds of U.S. adults (65%) believe that all four of these things actually happened, while 14% say none of them happened.

Most Say Christmas Story Historically Accurate

% of U.S. adults saying they believe ...

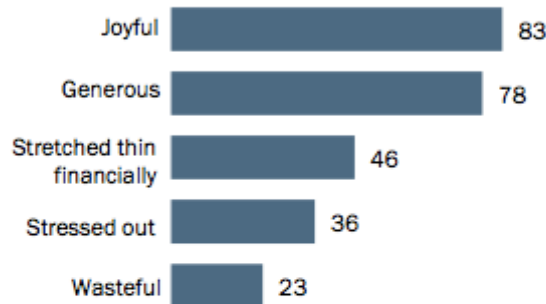


Survey conducted Dec. 3-7, 2014.

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Feelings About Gift-Giving

% who say they feel _____ when thinking about buying and receiving gifts



% expressing _____ feelings about buying and receiving gifts



Survey conducted Dec. 3-7, 2014.

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Our [2013 survey](#) found that 86% of Americans buy gifts for friends or family as part of celebrating the holiday. **While Christmas gift-giving is ubiquitous, it also sparks mixed feelings among many Americans.** In our [2014 survey](#), majorities said buying and receiving gifts makes them feel joyful (83%) and generous (78%), but considerable minorities also said it makes them feel stretched thin financially (46%), stressed out (36%) or wasteful (23%). Fewer than half of U.S. adults (45%) say they are looking forward “a lot” to giving and receiving gifts.

SOURCE: [HTTP://WWW.PEWRESEARCH.ORG/FACT-TANK/2015/12/21/5-FACTS-ABOUT-CHRISTMAS-IN-AMERICA/](http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2015/12/21/5-facts-about-christmas-in-america/)

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A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 8 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

