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## Asia Zone

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

### ▶ EAST ASIA

535-536-1 [First Quarter 2018 Social Weather Survey: Hunger among families falls to 9.9%; Moderate Hunger 8.6%, Severe Hunger 1.3%](#) (Click for details)

(Philippines) The First Quarter 2018 Social Weather Survey, conducted from March 23-27, 2018 found that 9.9% or an estimated 2.3 million families experienced involuntary hunger at least once in the past three months. The measure of Hunger refers to involuntary suffering because the respondents answer a survey question that specifies hunger due to lack of food to eat. (SWS)

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3.5 Economy » Poverty



535-536-2 [Pre-Election Poll Findings on Lebanon](#) (Click for details)

(Lebanon) Lebanon heads to the polls this weekend for its first election in nearly a decade. The long-awaited election, along with a new voting system, will likely test what remaining faith Lebanese have in their elections: Just 15% of Lebanese expressed confidence in the honesty of their election process in 2017 -- tying the previous lows. (Gallup USA)

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1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections

## Euro Americas Zone

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

### ▶ WEST EUROPE

535-536-3 [One third of white Britons don't have any friends from an ethnic minority background](#) (Click for details)

(UK) The most noticeable finding is the lack of racial and sexual diversity among many Brits' friendship groups. One in three white Britons (35%) have no friends from an ethnic minority background, while a similar number of straight Britons (33%) say they have no friends of a different sexuality. (YouGov UK)

May 3, 2018

4.3 Society » Ethnicity

535-536-4 [Two thirds of children don't know what a floppy disk is](#) (Click for details)

(UK) The results show that fully two thirds (67%) of children either do not know what a floppy disk is or incorrectly identify it. And yes, several children did in fact identify the object as a save icon. (YouGov UK)

April 26, 2018

3.11 Economy » Science & Technology



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**535-536-5 [Issues Index: Concern about crime reaches a seven year high](#) (Click for details)**

(UK) The April 2018 Ipsos MORI Issues Index reveals a sharp rise in concern about crime, with 23% of the public citing it as a big issue for the country. (Ipsos MORI)

May 4, 2018

[4.12 Society » Crime](#)

**535-536-6 [Majority of Brits support introducing ID cards](#) (Click for details)**

(UK) The survey reveals that most people would support the compulsory carrying of ID cards, with 57% support among the control group and 61-63% among those who were asked the crime/terrorism variants. (YouGov UK)

May 12, 2018

[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)

**535-536-7 [YouGov data reveals what Europeans think are the most important issues facing the EU](#) (Click for details)**

(UK) For the State of the Union conference at the European University Institute in Florence this week YouGov has conducted new research in 11 EU states. It looks at what people think are the most important issues facing the European Union, whether they trust the EU or national governments more to address them, and how much support there is for giving help to other countries in the Union. (YouGov UK)

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[1.7 Domestic Politics » Legislation](#)

**535-536-8 [Voting Intention: Conservatives 43%, Labour 38% \(8-9 May\)](#) (Click for details)**

(UK) The latest YouGov/Times voting intention survey, largely conducted before the Windrush row, sees the Conservatives on 43% (from 42% in last week's poll) and Labour on 38% (no change). Elsewhere, Liberal Democrat voting intention stands at 9% (from 7% last week) while 10% would vote for other parties (from 13%). (YouGov UK)

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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)

**► NORTH AMERICA****535-536-9 [Paying for Medical Crises, Retirement Lead Financial Fears](#) (Click for details)**

(America) Lacking money to pay for medical care in the case of a serious illness or accident and running out of money in retirement tie as the most worrisome of eight financial issues Americans rated in a recent Gallup poll. Nearly six in 10 U.S. adults say they are very or moderately worried about each of these long-term financial challenges. About a third are worried about the more pressing concerns of paying their rent or mortgage and meeting their monthly bills. (Gallup USA)

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[3.3 Economy » Employment Issues](#)

**535-536-10 [Older Americans' Use of Facebook Up From 2011](#) (Click for details)**

(America) Facebook has consistently been most popular with younger adults aged 18 to 29, but the percentage of this group who use it -- currently 72% -- has not changed significantly since Gallup last measured it in 2011. Meanwhile, each older age group has shown significant growth in Facebook use since that time. (Gallup USA)



April 30, 2018

[4.6 Society » Media/ New Media](#)

535-536-11 [Trump Viewed Less Negatively on Issues, but Most Americans Are Critical of His Conduct \(Click for details\)](#)

(America) A majority of Americans find little or no common ground with Donald Trump on issues, but the share who say they agree with him on many or all issues has risen since last August. The public's assessment of Trump's conduct as president is little changed over the past nine months, with 54% saying they don't like the way he conducts himself as president. (PEW Research Center)



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[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

535-536-12 [Declining Majority of Online Adults Say the Internet Has Been Good for Society \(Click for details\)](#)

(America) Americans tend to view the impact of the internet and other digital technologies on their own lives in largely positive ways, Pew Research Center surveys have shown over the years. A survey of U.S. adults conducted in January 2018 finds continuing evidence of this trend, with the vast majority of internet users (88%) saying the internet has, on balance, been a mostly good thing for them personally. (PEW Research Center)

April 30, 2018

[3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom](#)

535-536-13 [The number of refugees admitted to the U.S. has fallen, especially among Muslims \(Click for details\)](#)

(America) The number of Muslim refugees admitted to the United States in the first half of fiscal 2018 has dropped from the previous year more than any other religious group, falling to nearly 1,800 compared with the roughly 22,900 admitted in all of fiscal 2017, according to a Pew Research Center analysis of U.S. State Department data. The low point in Muslim admissions was set in the year after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. (PEW Research Center)



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[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)

535-536-14 [Highest Percentage Since 2005 Expect U.S. Home Prices to Rise \(Click for details\)](#)

(America) Americans continue to believe home prices in their local area will rise, as 64% expect an increase during the next year. That is up nine percentage points in the past two years and is the highest Gallup has measured since the emergence of the housing bubble in the mid-2000s. (Gallup USA)

May 7, 2018

[3.4 Economy » Inflation](#)

535-536-15 [Trump's Job Approval Best in a Year \(Click for details\)](#)

(America) Donald Trump's job approval rating has been 42% in each of Gallup's two most recent updates. While still on the low side compared with presidential ratings historically, it is an improvement from his 39% average thus far in 2018 and is his best weekly average since May 2017. (Gallup USA)

May 8, 2018

[1.3 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)

**535-536-16 [Update: Americans' Concerns About Retirement Persist](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) Americans continue to have significant concerns about retirement, with almost half of those not yet retired -- 46% -- projecting they won't be financially comfortable when they retire. This is modestly improved from the level of pessimism about retirement in the years immediately after the Great Recession. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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[3.3 Economy](#) » [Employment Issues](#)

**535-536-17 [Americans View Finances Through Lens of Political Identity](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) Over the past two years, Republicans have become more positive about the direction of their finances than they were across the eight years of the Barack Obama administration, and are more upbeat now than they were in the early years of George W. Bush's administration. Democrats have shown the opposite pattern, becoming less positive in 2017 and this year. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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[3.9 Economy](#) » [Financial systems & Institutions](#)

**535-536-18 [Snapshot: Average American Predicts Retirement Age of 66](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) Nonretired Americans, on average, say they will retire at age 66. This projected age of retirement has stayed about the same in recent years, but is up from previous decades. During the 1990s, the average American projected retiring at age 60. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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**535-536-19 [Global Warming Age Gap: Younger Americans Most Worried](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) Public concern about global warming is evident across all age groups in the U.S., with majorities of younger and older Americans saying they worry about the problem a great deal or fair amount. However, the extent to which Americans take global warming seriously and worry about it differs markedly by age, with adults under age 35 typically much more engaged with the problem than those 55 and older. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)



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[4.14 Society](#) » [Environment/ Disasters](#)

**535-536-20 [Americans Expect Driverless Cars to Be Common in Next Decade](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) A slim majority of Americans, 53%, believe fully automated, driverless cars will be commonly used in the U.S. within the next 10 years, a goal that automobile manufacturers and technology companies are working tirelessly to achieve. Beyond that, 28% think the technology won't be ready for 11 to 20 years, and 15% say it will take even longer. [\(Gallup USA\)](#)

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**535-536-21 [Public Is Skeptical of the Iran Agreement – and Trump's Handling of the Issue](#) [\(Click for details\)](#)**

(America) As Donald Trump prepares to announce his long-awaited decision on the Iran nuclear agreement, more Americans say they disapprove (40%) than approve (32%) of the agreement, with about a quarter (28%) offering no opinion. [\(PEW Research Center\)](#)

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**535-536-22 Public Supports U.S. Talks With North Korea; Many Doubt Whether Its Leaders Are 'Serious'**[\(Click for details\)](#)

(America) Americans overwhelmingly support direct talks between the United States and North Korea over its nuclear program. About seven-in-ten (71%) approve of these talks, while just 21% disapprove. However, the public is skeptical about whether North Korea's leaders are serious about addressing concerns over its nuclear program. (PEW Research Center)



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[2.12 Foreign Affairs and Security » Bi/Tri-lateral Relations](#)**535-536-23 Number of Foreign College Students Staying and Working in U.S. After Graduation Surges** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(America) Many foreign STEM graduates enrolled with OPT after executive actions in 2008 and 2016 initially doubled (29 months), then later tripled (36 months), the maximum length of employment for foreign students with STEM degrees. The number of foreign STEM graduates participating in OPT grew by 400% since the first employment extension was introduced in 2008. (PEW Research Center)

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[3.3 Economy » Employment Issues](#)**► AUSTRALASIA****535-536-24 Part-time employment hits record high and 1.35m now under-employed** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(Australia) 1,196,000 Australians were unemployed (9.1% of the workforce); a decrease of 88,000 (down 0.7%) on a year ago. In addition 1,349,000 Australians (10.2% of the workforce) are now under-employed, working part-time and looking for more work, a rise of a large 259,000 in a year (up 1.9%). (Roy Morgan)

May 4, 2018

[3.3 Economy » Employment Issues](#)**535-536-25 The way Australians bank** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(Australia) New results from Roy Morgan show the changing landscape of banking channels within Australia. ATMs are the most used banking channel followed by Internet banking, and more now use mobile banking than visit a branch. ATMs remain the most used banking channel in Australia, with 83.4% of Australians aged 14+ using an ATM in the last 12 months (down 0.8% points from 84.2%). Internet Banking was the second most used banking channel in Australia, with 54.2% using Internet Banking in the last 12 months (down 2.0% points from 56.2%). (Roy Morgan)

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[3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions](#)**535-536-26 Word of Mouth in 2018 - Australians still like to give and seek advice**[\(Click for details\)](#)

(Australia) New communications research from Roy Morgan shows over 91% of Australians aged 14+ have either sought advice from, or been the source of advice for their friends or family, with the most talked about topic being cars. (Roy Morgan)

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

535-536-27 [Over 15 million Australians read magazines across print and online](#) (Click for details)

(Australia) A total of 15,007,000 Australians aged 14+ (74.3 per cent) read magazines whether in print or online either via the web or an app, down 0.3 per cent, or 45,000, from a year ago according to the results released today from the Roy Morgan Australian Readership report for the 12 months to March 2018. (Roy Morgan)

May 10, 2018

4.16 Society » Entertainment

## Topic of the week:

### **Americans Expect Driverless Cars to Be Common in Next Decade**

► 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.

#### Americans Expect Driverless Cars to Be Common in Next Decade



WASHINGTON, D.C. -- A slim majority of Americans, 53%, believe fully automated, driverless cars will be commonly used in the U.S. within the next 10 years, a goal that automobile manufacturers and technology companies are working tirelessly to achieve. Beyond that, 28% think the technology won't be ready for 11 to 20 years, and 15% say it will take even longer.



#### **Americans Expect Driverless Cars to Be Common Within 10 Years**

Thinking about fully automated, "driverless cars," cars that use technology to drive and do not need a human driver, based on what you have heard or read, how soon do you think driverless cars will be commonly used in the U.S.?

	U.S. adults
	%
Within 5 years	19
6-10 years	34
11-15 years	18
16-20 years	10
Longer than that	15
GALLUP, APRIL 23-29, 2018	

These results, from an April 23-29 Gallup poll, supplement findings from a 2017 Northeastern University/Gallup survey of [Americans' attitudes toward artificial intelligence](#) showing the [public to be](#)

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[generally uncomfortable with self-driving vehicles](#). Specifically, that survey found 23% of Americans are comfortable with the idea of riding in a self-driving car on a daily basis, and 59% are uncomfortable with it.

The public's predictions of when driverless cars will be commonly used are fairly similar across subgroups, although there are modest differences based on age and region. Americans in the youngest and oldest age groups (18 to 29 and 65 and older) are somewhat less likely than those aged 30 to 64 to say driverless technology will be common in the next decade.

Americans in the Western U.S. are more likely than those in any other region to say the technology will become common within 10 years. Two Western states, California and Arizona, have led the way in testing driverless vehicles on their roads, undoubtedly leading to a higher level of awareness in that region.

### Americans Skeptical of Safety of Self-Driving Cars

One of the key selling points for driverless cars is safety -- specifically, that autonomous cars with constantly vigilant computers will ultimately be safer than those driven by often-distracted humans. Americans, however, aren't yet sold on that argument. In the latest poll, Americans were asked which level of driverless car use would make U.S. roads the safest. The choices included use of only human-operated cars, use of mostly human-operated cars with some driverless cars, an equal mix of both, mostly driverless cars or only driverless cars. A 47% plurality think the safest option is having only or mostly human-operated cars on U.S. roads, while 28% think having only or mostly driverless cars would be safest.

Given the same choices, respondents were also asked to choose the *least safe* option. These results were more closely divided, with 40% saying all or mostly driverless cars on the road would be least safe and 34% saying the same of all or mostly human-operated cars.

Roughly a quarter (24%) say that an equal mix of driverless and human-operated cars would be the safest option, and the same percentage say this would be the least safe option. This scenario most closely approximates what would likely happen first as driverless cars are introduced into the driving landscape. Figuring out how this new technology can coexist with cars operated by humans is and will continue to be one of the many challenges that society will have to confront.

### Americans Skeptical of Safety of Driverless Cars

	All human-operated	Mostly human-operated	Equal mix	Mostly driverless	All driverless
	%	%	%	%	%
Which of the following do you think would be the safest option on U.S. roads?	29	18	24	10	18
Which of the following do you think would be the least safe option on U.S. roads?	22	12	24	11	29
GALLUP, APRIL 23-29, 2018					

Westerners are divided as to whether more driverless cars on the road (36%) or more human-operated cars on the road (34%) is safer, but those in the other regions show a clearer preference for all or mostly human-operated as being safer, with close to half saying this.

College graduates and adults with an annual household income of \$90,000 or more are relatively more positive than their counterparts about the safety of driverless cars. These groups are roughly split in saying mostly or all driverless cars would be safest versus having mostly or all human-operated cars. By contrast, non-college graduates and adults with a household income of less than \$90,000 are twice as likely to say relying on human-operated cars would be safer than relying on driverless cars.

**Americans Divided on Effects of Driverless Cars**

Automakers and technology companies that produce driverless cars tout a number of potential benefits, including increased independence for those who cannot drive, fewer traffic accidents and fatalities, less pollution, and easing traffic congestion. Yet, for the most part, Americans are divided in their opinions about whether these benefits will result from the use of self-driving cars.

Assisting elderly and disabled people in getting around is the only measure tested by Gallup that receives a majority saying it would be a positive impact of self-driving cars. Pluralities of more than four in 10 Americans think the technology will have a positive effect on the number of car accidents and fatalities and on the quality of the environment. The public is closely divided over whether effects on traffic congestion and the U.S. auto industry would be positive or negative.

**Americans' Views of the Effects of Driverless Cars**

Do you think driverless cars would have a mostly positive impact, neither positive nor negative, or a mostly negative impact on each of the following in the U.S.?

	Mostly positive	Neither positive nor negative	Mostly negative
	%	%	%
The ability for elderly or disabled people to get around	69	10	21
The number of deaths in car accidents	44	20	33
The number of car accidents	44	17	36
The quality of the environment	41	32	24
Traffic congestion	39	24	34
The U.S. auto industry	37	24	37
GALLUP, APRIL 23-29, 2018			

Still, Americans are more likely to say driverless cars would have a positive than negative impact on five of six aspects rated. They are evenly divided on the effect the technology would have on the auto industry.

## Implications

While some analysts predict that 10 million self-driving cars will be on the road by 2020, others make much more conservative estimates. A slim majority of Americans currently see self-driving cars on the near horizon, and the vast majority expect them to be commonly used within the next two decades. But there is little consensus on the effects this new technology will have on Americans' lives or society in general.

Several recent highly publicized accidents involving driverless technology have no doubt done little to improve the public's comfort level with these cars. However, just as has occurred with the adoption of other technologies such as [cellphones](#), televisions, computers and microwave ovens, gradual increases in familiarity may cause support and interest to snowball, particularly if the purported benefits to auto safety, traffic congestion and convenience become evident.

## SURVEY METHODS

Results for this Gallup poll are based on telephone interviews conducted April 23-29, 2018, with a random sample of 1,503 adults, aged 18 and older, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on the total sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 3$  percentage points at the 95% confidence level. All reported margins of sampling error include computed design effects for weighting.

Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 70% cellphone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cellular telephone numbers are selected using random-digit-dial methods.

**Source:** [http://news.gallup.com/poll/234152/americans-expect-driverless-cars-common-next-decade.aspx?g\\_source=link\\_NEWSV9&g\\_medium=NEWSFEED&g\\_campaign=item\\_&g\\_content=Americans%20Expect%20Driverless%20Cars%20to%20Be%20Common%20in%20Next%20Decade](http://news.gallup.com/poll/234152/americans-expect-driverless-cars-common-next-decade.aspx?g_source=link_NEWSV9&g_medium=NEWSFEED&g_campaign=item_&g_content=Americans%20Expect%20Driverless%20Cars%20to%20Be%20Common%20in%20Next%20Decade)

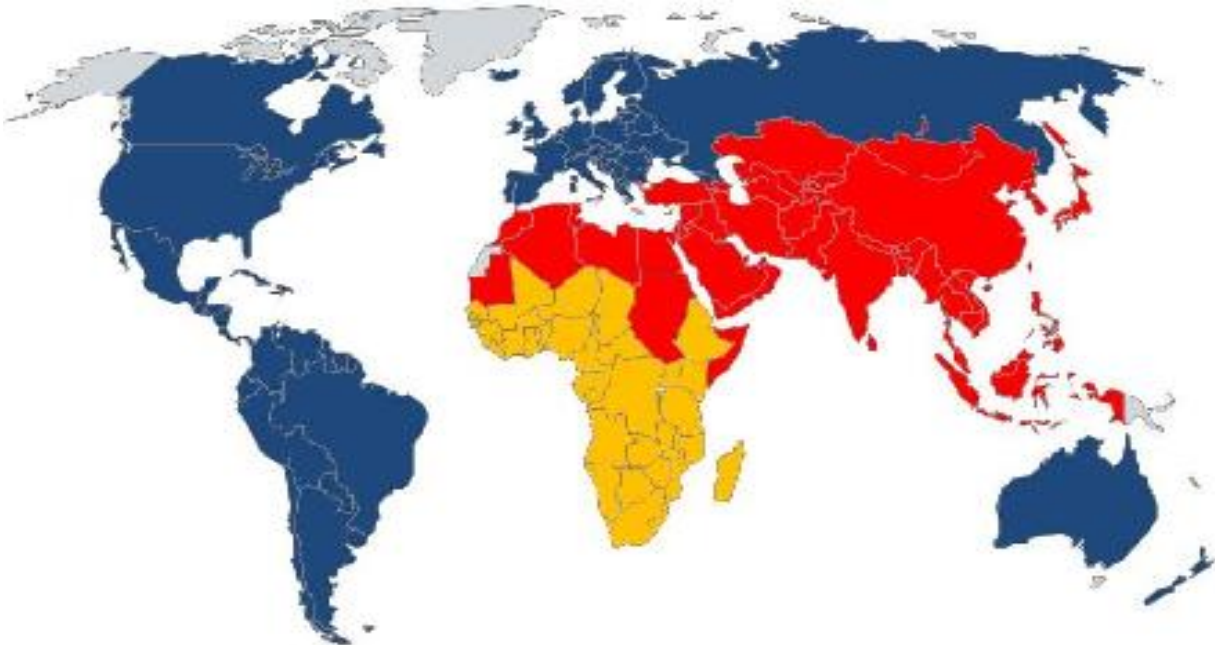
## Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2018)

### 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



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