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Asia Zone

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

▶ SOUTHEAST ASIA:

564-1 [Third Quarter 2018 Social Weather Survey: Pinoys maintain anti-Chinese stance on West Philippine Sea issue](#) (Click for details)

(Philippine) The Third Quarter 2018 Social Weather Survey, conducted from September 15-23, 2018, found that 84% of adult Filipinos reject the government's policy of doing nothing about China's intrusion in the West Philippine Sea. The September 2018 survey asked, "Is [activity] RIGHT or NOT RIGHT for the Philippine government to do in resolving the conflict between the Philippines and China about the West Philippine Sea?" Three specific activities, presented in random order, were tested. (SWS)

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2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

▶ MENA:

564-2 [Is today's consumer really spending a quarter of their day glued to their smartphone?](#) (Click for details)

(UAE) A recent YouGov survey reveals 9 in 10 respondents in the UAE own a smartphone currently, with 70% of those who do not own one planning to purchase one in the near future. The addictive nature of smartphones is becoming more prevalent over the years and as they continually advance. (YouGov MENA)



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3.12 Economy » IT & Telecom



Africa Zone

- ▶ WEST AFRICA; EAST AFRICA; CENTRAL AFRICA;
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▶ AFRICA:

564-3 [In eSwatini, citizens see reasons for hope despite increase in lived poverty](#) (Click for details)

(eSwatini) Poverty and inequality, exacerbated by poor economic growth, continue to be challenges for the government of the Kingdom of eSwatini. The World Bank (2018) reports that economic growth in eSwatini declined to 1.9% in 2017, from 3.2% in 2016, reflecting a slow recovery in agriculture and mounting fiscal challenges (Afrobarometer)

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1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance

564-4 [Critical and Measurable Steps Required for the Elimination of Violence against Women in Nigeria](#)[\(Click for details\)](#)

(Nigeria) According to the United Nations, violence against women and girls (VAWG) is one of the most widespread, persistent and devastating human rights violations in our world today and it remains largely unreported due to the impunity, silence, stigma and shame surrounding it. The theme of this year's celebration has been declared to be "Orange the World" with a hashtag #HearMeToo.[1] The color symbolizes a brighter future and a world free from violence against women and girls. This year's celebration focuses on giving women and Girls listening ears because they matter too. The United Nations (UN) International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women is observed annually on the 25th of November. **(NOI Polls)**



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[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)**Euro Americas Zone**

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

▶ **WEST EUROPE:****564-5 [Majority of Britons believe not enough is being done to meet infrastructure needs](#)** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(UK) Almost three quarters (73%) of the British public agree that investing in infrastructure is vital to the country's future economic growth but 58% do not believe enough is being done to meet infrastructure needs. **(IPSOS MORI)**

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[1.3 Domestic Politics » Governance](#)**564-6 [Ukraine Poll: No Clear Frontrunner in Upcoming Presidential Election](#)** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(Ukraine) A new poll of Ukrainians by the International Republican Institute's (IRI) Center for Insights in Survey Research reveals a wide-open March 2019 presidential race, growing support for the establishment of the Autocephalous Orthodox Ukrainian Church, and significant interest in emigration. **(IRI)**

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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)[1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings](#)**564-7 [Britons don't want to see London lose capital status](#)** [\(Click for details\)](#)

(UK) Among the general public there is little appetite for such a move, however. Only one in eight Britons (12%) support moving the capital out of London. By contrast, almost three quarters (72%) are opposed. **(YouGov UK)**



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564-8 [What are Britons stealing from work?](#) (Click for details)

(UK) A new YouGov survey has asked those Britons who have ever worked whether or not they've ever purposefully plundered their workplace and, if so, what they took. The results show that pens and pencils are the most commonly stolen items from work, with 38% of Brits admitting to swiping writing implements. Also popular among light-fingered employees are note pads (which 22% have lifted from the workplace) and printer paper (18%). (YouGov UK)



29 November, 2018

[4.12 Society » Crime](#)

564-9 [Men or women, young or old: who has things better in British society?](#) (Click for details)

(UK) YouGov shows how far the public believe that the scales are tipped in favour of certain groups. Men or women, young or old: who has things better the majority of women (56%) say that men have things better, compared to only a third (34%) of men who think the same. Among men the most common view (37%) is that both genders have things equally good – a view which 29% of women also hold. (YouGov UK)

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[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)

564-10 [Teachers: stressed and undervalued – but satisfied with their job](#) (Click for details)

(UK) New YouGov research pinpoints the causes of stress and pressure in teachers' lives but also reveals that, despite these issues, the majority of are satisfied at work. The study - conducted among 911 teachers in Great Britain - shows that close to six in ten educators (58%) are satisfied, against 37% that are dissatisfied. (YouGov UK)

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[4.10 Society » Education](#)

564-11 [Most Britons want brands to take a moral stance](#) (Click for details)

(UK) YouGov's Social Voice of Brands report indicates that most consumers in both the UK and US believe brands should be 'free to speak their minds', with 52% of Britons and 61% of Americans agreeing with this sentiment. (YouGov UK)



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[4.13 Society » Social Problems](#)

564-12 [Consumer confidence slumps amid Brexit uncertainty](#) (Click for details)

(UK) Consumer confidence has fallen to its lowest level in a year amid Brexit uncertainty, the latest analysis from YouGov and the Centre for Economics and Business Research finds. (YouGov UK)

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564-13 [Only 29% of Britons feel like they are reaching their full potential](#) (Click for details)

(UK) In 1943 the American psychologist Abraham Maslow first outlined the concept for which he would become famous. His publication A Theory of Human Motivation detailed what has since become known as "Maslow's hierarchy of needs". YouGov has examined how far people feel their needs are being satisfied. (YouGov UK)

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4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle

► **NORTH AMERICA:**564-14 [Americans Not Optimistic About Trump, Democrats Cooperating](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Americans are largely pessimistic that President Donald Trump and the Democrats in Congress will cooperate much over the next two years once Democrats assume control of the House of Representatives in January. Thirty-three percent believe Trump will cooperate a great deal or fair amount with the Democrats, while 28% think the Democrats will do the same with Trump. Both percentages are well below what Gallup measured in 2006, the last time Democrats took control of the House and prepared to govern with a Republican president, George W. Bush. (Gallup USA)



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1.2 Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

564-15 [Americans Remain Dissatisfied With Healthcare Costs](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Most Americans continue to see healthcare costs in the U.S. as a major issue. One in five (20%) are currently satisfied with the total cost, while 79% are dissatisfied, in line with Gallup's overall trend since 2001. Satisfaction with U.S. healthcare costs has never exceeded 28%, and was as low as 8% in May 1993, when President Bill Clinton was launching his ultimately failed attempt to reform the healthcare system. (Gallup USA)

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4.11 Society » Health

564-16 [Democrats Lead Surge in Belief U.S. Should Be World Leader](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Three-fourths (75%) of Americans today think the United States has "a special responsibility to be the leading nation in world affairs," up from 66% in 2010. The surge is driven by Democrats, whose belief in this idea has increased from 61% eight years ago to 81% now. (Gallup USA)

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1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust

564-17 [The Importance of Helping Students Find Mentors in College](#) (Click for details)

(USA) The 2018 Strada-Gallup Alumni Survey, Mentoring College Students to Success, provides a treasure trove of useful data for institutions that are serious about helping students make the most of their undergraduate years. (Gallup USA)



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[4.10 Society » Education](#)564-18 [In midterm voting decisions, policies took a back seat to partisanship](#) (Click for details)

(USA) Partisan loyalty and dislike of the opposing party and its candidates were major factors for voters' choices in this month's midterm elections, with far fewer citing policies as the main reason why they voted for Democratic or Republican candidates. (PEW Research)



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[1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections](#)563-19 [More than one-in-ten U.S. parents are also caring for an adult](#) (Click for details)

(USA) About three-in-ten U.S. adults (29%) have a child younger than 18 at home, and 12% of these parents provide unpaid care for an adult as well. All told, these multigenerational caregivers provide more than two and a half hours of unpaid care a day, on average, according to a new Pew Research Center analysis of Bureau of Labor Statistics data. (PEW Research)

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[4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs / Lifestyle](#)564-20 [5 facts about illegal immigration in the U.S.](#) (Click for details)

(USA) The number of unauthorized immigrants living in the United States was lower in 2016 than at any time since 2004. This decline is due mainly to a large drop in the number of new unauthorized immigrants, especially Mexicans, coming into the country. The origin countries of unauthorized immigrants also shifted during that time, with the number from Mexico declining and the number rising from only one other region, Central America, according to the latest Pew Research Center estimates. (Gallup USA)

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[4.8 Society » Immigration/Refugees](#)**► AUSTRALASIA:**564-21 [Discount Drug Stores takes the lead in satisfaction](#) (Click for details)

(Australia) Its nearest competitor was Priceline Pharmacy, with a total satisfaction rating of 90.4%, followed by Amcal/Amcal Max with an overall satisfaction rating of 90%. October is the eighth month in a row in which Discount Drug Stores has won the pharmacy customer satisfaction award, with total satisfaction levels ranging from 90% in April to a peak of 93% in June and July. (Roy Morgan)



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► **MULTI-COUNTRY STUDY**

564-22 [U.S., China on Shaky Footing in Australia, New Zealand](#) (Click for details)

Many eyes will be on the G-20 summit meeting this weekend between a prospective rising power and one viewed by some as a power in retreat. Neither U.S. President Donald Trump's partial withdrawal from the world stage nor Chinese President Xi Jinping's attempts to expand China's influence around the globe have earned them any fans among two close partners in the Asia-Pacific region, Australia and New Zealand. (Gallup USA)

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[2.12 Foreign Affairs and Security >> Bi/Tri-lateral Relations](#)

Topic of the week:

Democrats Lead Surge in Belief U.S. Should Be World Leader

► 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.

[Democrats Lead Surge in Belief U.S. Should Be World Leader](#)



WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Three-fourths (75%) of Americans today think the United States has "a special responsibility to be the leading nation in world affairs," up from 66% in 2010. The surge is driven by Democrats, whose belief in this idea has increased from 61% eight years ago to 81% now.



Changing Beliefs Over Past Eight Years About United States' Role in World Affairs

Percentage who think the United States has a special responsibility to be the leading nation in world affairs

	2010	2018	Change, 2010-2018
	%	%	
All adults	66	75	+9
Party ID			
Democrats	61	81	+20
Independents	64	68	+4
Republicans	73	79	+6
Political philosophy			
Conservatives	69	78	+9
Moderates	66	71	+5
Liberals	61	78	+17

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Age			
18-34	70	68	-2
35-54	65	72	+7
55 and older	64	80	+16
GALLUP			

Since Donald Trump succeeded Barack Obama as president in 2017, he has drawn the ire of Democrats for his aggressive actions to reverse U.S. foreign policy on several fronts. Trump's "America First" approach to foreign policy has led to the withdrawal of the U.S. from multinational agreements signed during Obama's presidency and has caused conflict with other nations over trade and other issues. A November Gallup poll finds Democrats nearly unanimous (92%) in their disapproval of Trump's handling of foreign affairs.

Republicans, who have a much more positive view (85% approval) in this month's poll of Trump's handling of foreign affairs, are slightly more likely now (79%) than in 2010 (73%) to say the U.S. should be the leading nation in world affairs, while support for the idea among independents has stayed about the same.

Democrats are not the only group to show a major shift in attitudes. The percentage of liberals who believe the U.S. has a responsibility to lead has also climbed, from 61% eight years ago to 78% now. Americans aged 55 and older increased their support by 16 points, while those 35 to 54 increased theirs by seven points.

Vast Majority Still Thinks United States Is World's Greatest Country

In a related question that Gallup also asked in 2010, a solid majority of Americans continue to think the U.S. "has a unique character that makes it the greatest country in the world." Seventy-eight percent believe that now, as did 80% in 2010.

Changes in the views of Democrats and Republicans since 2010 are minor, and the same is true for conservatives, moderates and liberals -- with Republicans and conservatives much more likely than Democrats or liberals to see the United States as the greatest country. However, the percentage of younger Americans who hold that view has dropped significantly. In 2010, 80% of those aged 18 to 34 said the United States was the greatest country, but that has dropped to 62% now, while the views of those 35 and older have changed little.

Views Have Changed Little Overall on Whether U.S. Deserves "Greatest Country" Label

Because of the United States' history and its Constitution, do you think the U.S. has a unique character that makes it the greatest country in the world, or don't you think so? % Yes, greatest country

	2010	2018	Change, 2010-2018
	%	%	
All adults	80	78	-2
Age			
18-34	80	62	-18
35-54	80	81	+1
55 and older	82	86	+4
Party ID			
Democrats	73	69	-4
Independents	77	73	-4
Republicans	91	94	+3
Political philosophy			
Conservatives	86	88	+2
Moderates	83	81	-2
Liberals	64	59	-5
GALLUP			

Eighty-Five Percent Think Reagan Believed United States Is Greatest Country

Gallup asked Americans in 2010 whether they thought four recent presidents believe or believed the United States is the greatest country in the world, and it repeated the questions this month, adding Trump to the list. Just as in 2010, Americans today are most likely to say Ronald Reagan believed in the superiority of the United States (85%) and least likely to say Obama does (64%). Roughly two-thirds say Trump (68%) or Bill Clinton (69%) believes it, and 78% say George W. Bush does.

Reagan Tops List of Five Presidents on Whether They Believe U.S. Is Greatest Country

Percentage who think each of the following presidents believes/believed the U.S. has a unique character that makes it the greatest country in the world

	2010	2018	Change, 2010-2018
	%	%	
Ronald Reagan	86	85	-1

George W. Bush	74	78	+4
Bill Clinton	77	69	-8
Donald Trump	Not asked	68	N/A
Barack Obama	58	64	+6
GALLUP			

Bottom Line

In 2010, Americans were considering their country's role in international affairs through the eyes of a war-weary nation in the process of pulling out of the Iraq conflict -- a war that a majority thought should not have been fought. The public was mostly concerned about what the government could do to fix the recession-battered economy -- 69% identified some aspect of the economy as the nation's most important problem.

Now, given the improvement in a number of economic measures, the proportion who say the nation's most important problem is economic has dwindled to 13%. Meanwhile, the past two years have seen foreign affairs thrust into the consciousness of Americans time and again through the actions of Trump and his administration. Trump's heavy-handed diplomacy with allies in Europe, Canada and Mexico, contrasted with his light-handed approach to North Korea, Saudi Arabia and Russia, has stirred controversy on a regular basis.

The sheer volume of such newsworthy actions has given Americans -- especially Democrats upset by the changes Trump has made and alarmed by what he might do -- solid reasons for turning their attention outward to foreign affairs and the role of the United States in the world today.

Source: https://news.gallup.com/poll/245075/democrats-lead-surge-belief-world-leader.aspx?g_source=link_NEWSV9&g_medium=TOPIC&g_campaign=item_&g_content=Democrats%2520Lead%2520Surge%2520in%2520Belief%2520U.S.%2520Should%2520Be%2520World%2520Leader

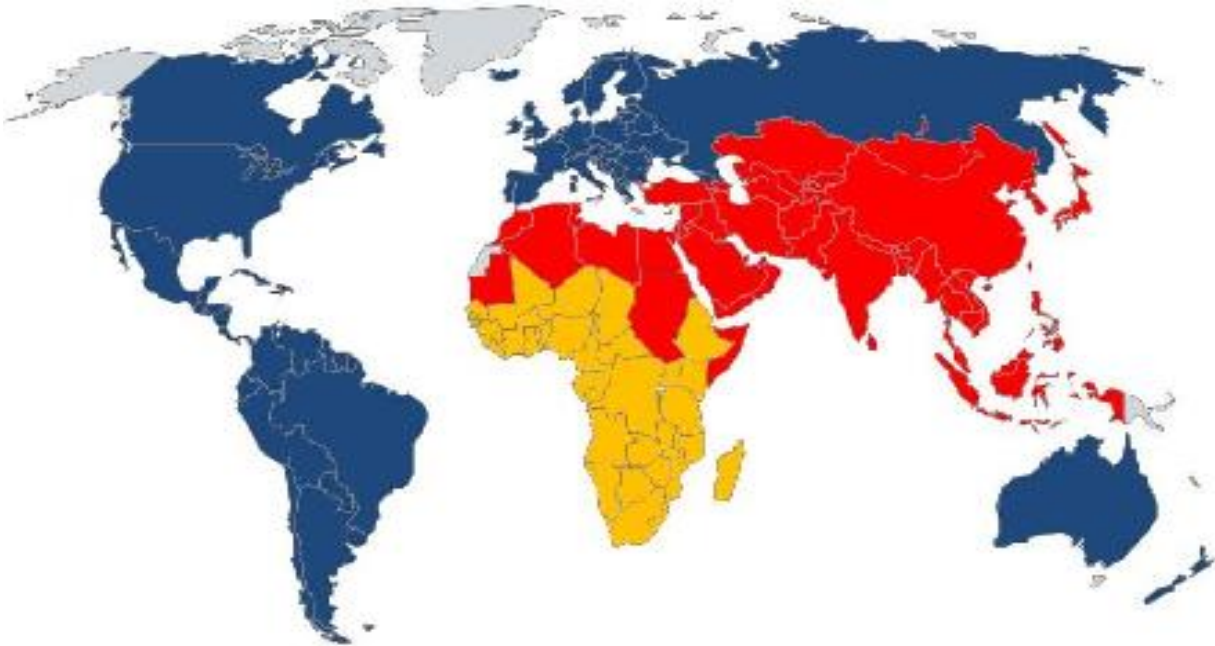
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A Quantitative Analysis

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



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