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## Asia zone

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

### ► SOUTH ASIA

173-1 **No End To Terror** (Click for Details)

(India) A recent CVOTER survey done across 21 states in India sought the people's opinion on the Osama killing and what that means for India, the US and the world. When asked whether they thought that Osama's end was an end to al Qaeda, a majority of 41.6 per cent of the respondents said a clear "no" because they felt that there were many more people "like Osama" to carry on al Qaeda's jihad of hatred. (CVOTER)

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173-2 **Advantage Congress in UP** (Click for Details)

(India) A CVOTER survey, finds that the agitation in Bhatta Parsaul had dented the image of the Mayawati government, a majority of 56 per cent of the respondents answered in a clear yes. More than 57 per cent agreed with the perception that Rahul Gandhi had politicized the issue by jumping in the fray on the farmers' side. But significantly, more than 58 per cent of the respondents felt that the Congress was set to benefit in UP as a result of this strategy. (CVOTER)

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### ► SOUTH EAST ASIA

173-3 **Singaporeans During The GE Campaign Are Increasingly Engaged – Survey** (Click for Details)

(Singapore) Supported by private Singaporean citizens, the Merdeka Center conducted a pioneering independent phone interview national poll during the May 2011 Singapore General Election campaign. The findings help us understand the swing in the popular vote toward the opposition and point to an increasingly diverse Singaporean electorate. (Merdeka Center)

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173-4 **Adult Unemployment Rose To 27.2%** (Click for Details)

(Philippines) The First Quarter 2011 Social Weather Survey, fielded over March 4-7, 2011, found that adult unemployment rose to 27.2%, or an estimated 11.3 million, from 18.9% (7.4 million) in September 2010 and 23.5% (9.9 million) in November 2010. (SWS)

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173-5 **Soeharto Most Favored President** (Click for Details)

(Indonesia) Indonesians have voted the late Soeharto, Indonesia's second president, who ruled the country for 32 years, as their most popular president. Soeharto defeated incumbent President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, according to a survey released by Indo Barometer on Sunday. (Indo Barometer)

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## Africa zone

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

### ▶ SUB SAHARAN AFRICA

173-6 **Most South Africans Trust the IEC** (Click for Details)

(South Africa) The IEC, as the body responsible for organising and administering all elections in South Africa, should be seen as trustworthy by the electorate. When looking at the group of registered voters who have indicated that they want to vote and are likely to vote on Wednesday, it is clear that more than six in every ten trust the IEC and the local presiding officers. (Ipsos South Africa)

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1.1 Domestic Politics » Elections

1.5 Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust

173-7 **Provincial Party Support Predicted To Be Close To 2009 Elections** (Click for Details)

(South Africa) The ANC should, in most of the provinces, draw similar support in tomorrow's local elections than in the 2009 national and provincial elections. The larger than normal undecided vote may, however, influence the party's winning margin in KwaZulu-Natal, Free State, North West and Gauteng. (Ipsos South Africa)

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173-8 **Undecided Voters May Deliver Surprise Results in Metros** (Click for Details)

(South Africa) The ANC is certain of a win in tomorrow's election in four of the eight metropolitan councils (Buffalo City, Mangaung, Ekurhuleni and Johannesburg), but undecided voters may force the party to enter into coalitions in up to three other metros. In two of these, Tshwane and Nelson Mandela Bay, the race is too close to call based on the opinion poll results, and in the third, eThekweni, the ANC may need to get other parties on board to govern the city. (Ipsos South Africa)

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## Euro Americas zone

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

### EUROPE

#### ► WEST EUROPE

173-9 **Conservative Vote Share Falls But Most People Do Not Think That Labour Is Ready To Govern** (Click for Details)

(UK) The Reuters/ Ipsos MORI May Political Monitor shows that most people think that the Coalition government is divided over the NHS, tuition fees and immigration. However, on the key area of managing the economy, more think the two Coalition parties mostly share similar views (50%) than disagree with each other (39%). On defense and foreign affairs, more people also think the two parties mostly agree than disagree with each other (45% and 38% respectively). (Ipsos Mori)

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### AMERICAS

#### ► NORTH AMERICA

173-10 **Cain Passes Christie Among GOP Primary Voters; No One in GOP Field Leads Obama** (Click for Details)

(USA) Herman Cain leads Chris Christie as the top choice of Republican primary voters in the race for the 2012 Presidential nomination. Among all voters, no one in a list of 13 possible GOP candidates leads

President Barack Obama. However, less than half of voters (42%) say Obama deserves re-election. (Zogby-Ibope)

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173-11 ***U.S. Adults Estimate That 25% of Americans Are Gay or Lesbian*** (Click for Details)

(USA)U.S. adults, on average, estimate that 25% of Americans are gay or lesbian. More specifically, over half of Americans (52%) estimate that at least one in five Americans are gay or lesbian, including 35% who estimate that more than one in four is. Thirty percent put the figure at less than 15%. (Gallup USA)

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173-12 ***In U.S., Caregivers' Emotional Health Often Suffers*** (Click for Details)

(USA)Americans who work a full-time job and say they care for an elderly or disabled family member, relative, or friend, suffer from poorer emotional health than those who work a full-time job but do not have additional caregiving responsibilities. Caregivers, who represent 16% of the full-time American workforce, have an Emotional Health Index score of 78.0, which is significantly lower than the 81.9 found among non-caregivers. (Gallup USA)

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173-13 ***Romney's Appeal Spans the Issues, Palin Leads on Social Values*** (Click for Details)

(USA)Mitt Romney, one of the two leaders for the 2012 Republican presidential nomination, receives generally equal support across Republican political issue groups. Sarah Palin, the other leader, has a more segmented appeal, with greater support among Republicans most concerned about social and moral issues, and less interest from Republicans focused on government spending and power. (Gallup USA)

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173-14 ***Romney, Palin Lead Reduced GOP Field for 2012*** (Click for Details)

(USA)Mitt Romney (17%) and Sarah Palin (15%) now lead a smaller field of potential Republican presidential candidates in rank-and-file Republicans' preferences for the party's 2012 nominee. Ron Paul, Newt Gingrich, and Herman Cain essentially tie for third, with Cain registering 8% support in his initial inclusion in Gallup "trial heat" polling. Notably, 22% of Republicans do not have a preference at this point. (Gallup USA)

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173-15 **Fewer Americans Down on U.S. Moral Values** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans are generally discouraged about the state of moral values in the U.S. -- a perennial finding in Gallup's annual Values and Beliefs poll conducted each May -- however, fewer rate the nation's morals highly negatively this year than did so a year ago. The percentage calling the state of moral values "poor" has fallen to 38% -- the lowest since 2003 -- after registering 45% in May 2010. (Gallup USA)

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4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs

173-16 **Support for Legal Gay Relations Hits New High** (Click for Details)

(USA) Gallup finds 64% of Americans saying gay or lesbian relations between consenting adults should be legal, the highest since it first asked the question more than 30 years ago. (Gallup USA)

May 25, 2011

4.4 Society » Civil Society

4.7 Society » Morality, Values & Customs

173-17 **Post-Bin Laden Spike in U.S. Economic Confidence Persists** (Click for Details)

(USA) Gallup's Economic Confidence Index remained at -25 in the week ending May 22, the level at which it has been since improving 10 percentage points in the week after Osama bin Laden's death. This is the highest weekly confidence reading since mid-February.

(Gallup USA)

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3.1 Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

173-18 **More Concern about Raising Debt Limit than Government Default** (Click for Details)

(USA) The public is concerned about both of the possible outcomes of the debt limit debate -- raising the debt limit and failing to do so. But more say they are very concerned about the possible consequences of raising the debt limit than of not raising it. (Pew Research Center)

May 24, 2011

3.9 Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

3.7 Economy » Infrastructure

173-19 **In U.S., High Gas Prices May Make Many Get Fuel-Efficient Cars** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans are most likely to say they would seek vehicles that get better gas mileage if gas prices keep rising but don't go above the \$5-per-gallon range. Americans are second most likely to say they would use mass transit. Seven in 10 Americans would not move and about the same number of workers would not change jobs or quit working, no matter how high prices rise. (Gallup USA)

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3.4 Economy » Inflation

173-20 **Americans Still Split Along "Pro-Choice," "Pro-Life" Lines** (Click for Details)

(USA) Americans are closely divided between those calling themselves "pro-choice" and those who are "pro-life," now 49% and 45%, respectively, in Gallup's 2011 update on U.S. abortion attitudes. This is similar to a year ago, when 45% were "pro-choice" and 47% "pro-life." However, it is the first time since 2008 that the "pro-choice" position has had the numerical advantage on this Gallup trend. (Gallup USA)

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173-21 ***Americans' Economic Concerns Reach Two-Year High*** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) Three in four Americans name some type of economic issue as the "most important problem" facing the country today -- the highest net mentions of the economy in two years. ([Gallup USA](#))

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173-22 ***37% of Investors Would Likely Buy Stock in Facebook if it Went Public*** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

(USA) An IBOPE Zogby interactive poll of self-identified investors finds that 37% would likely buy stock in Facebook if the social networking site was publicly traded. The poll also asked about two other social networking companies which have yet to go public, with 23% saying they would buy shares of automated music recommendation site Pandora, and 12% being likely to purchase stock in Zynga, a browser-based game developer. ([Zogby-Ibope](#))

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## ► MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

173-23 ***High Life Ratings Set GCC States Apart in Arab World*** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

Nationals in five Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries rate their lives more positively than residents in other Arab states, according to a new report from the Abu Dhabi Gallup Center. The median 44% of GCC nationals who evaluate their lives well enough to be considered "thriving" is more similar to the median 43% thriving in 35 high-income countries around the world. ([Gallup USA](#))

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173-24 ***Indonesia and USA 'Most Entrepreneur-Friendly Nations': Global Poll*** [\(Click for Details\)](#)

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3.8 Economy » Enterprise/ Investments

173-25 **Industry Regulation And Public Expectation: High In The OECD, High In Countries' Critical Sectors**

(Click for Details)

Public demand for increased regulation is markedly higher in industrialized nations than in emerging economies, the latest GlobeScan Radar data show. North America, northern Europe and Australia all emerge as regions where demand for regulation across the board is high. (Globescan)

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3.7 Economy » Infrastructure



► **CYBER WORLD**

173-26 **Strong Support for Israel on Social Media** (Click for Details)

(Israel-Palestine) By almost a three-to-one margin, bloggers and users of Twitter and Facebook expressed strong support for Israel over the Palestinians in the week following President Obama's May 19 address on the Middle East, according to an analysis of social media conducted by the Pew Research Center's Project for Excellence in Journalism. (Pew Research Center)

May 27, 2011

2.3 Foreign Affairs & Security » Palestine/ Israel Conflict

2.5 Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

173-27 **Internet Banking Surpasses Branch Visitation** (Click for Details)

(Australia) For the first time ever, more Australians are using internet banking than visiting a bank branch, according to the Roy Morgan State of the Nation report - a major study of Australians spanning well over a decade with almost a million interviews. (Roy Morgan)

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The poll also finds that Americans and Chinese are equally likely to say that their country values creativity and innovation, just behind Indonesians. The GlobeScan poll is featured in a series of special reports on the BBC's international news services, called Extreme World. The series, on TV, radio and online, will study some of the world's most dramatic divides, highlighting the extraordinary disparities in people's lives and lifestyles and this month focuses on the topic of business.



The GlobeScan/PIPA survey of more than 24,000 people asked people to say how hard they felt it was for people like them to start a business in their country, whether their country values creativity and innovation, whether it values entrepreneurs and whether people with good ideas can usually put them into practice. Taking all four questions into account, Indonesia ranked highest as the most entrepreneur-friendly of the countries surveyed, followed closely by the USA.

The poll found that majorities in 23 out of 24 countries polled thought it was hard for people like them to start a business in their country. Brazilians emerge as the most downbeat, with 84 per cent agreeing that this is the case. Germans are the most upbeat, with less than half feeling it is hard to start a business in Germany (48%), and Australians (51%) and Canadians (55%) are also relatively positive compared to other nations.

The world's two major economies—USA and China—are also among the most favorable countries for innovation and creativity, the results suggest. In both countries, 75 per cent say that their country values innovation and creativity—second only to Indonesia (85%), and well ahead of other emerging economies such as Brazil (54%) and India (67%). At the other end of the scale, only 24 per cent of Turks and 26 per cent of Russians and Egyptians say they feel that innovation and creativity is valued in their country.

The results are drawn from a survey of 24,537 adult citizens across 24 countries. It was conducted for BBC World Service by the international polling firm GlobeScan together with the Program on International Policy Attitudes (PIPA) at the University of Maryland. GlobeScan coordinated fieldwork between June and September 2010. Within-country results are considered accurate within +/- 2.1 to 3.5 per cent 19 times out of 20.

GlobeScan Chairman Doug Miller commented: “The large differences in entrepreneurial culture among emerging economies will likely impact their relative economic performance over time. For example, it will be interesting to see if Indonesia’s positive mind-set leads to it outperforming relatively downbeat Brazil.”

The poll results show that despite the widely held view that starting a business is difficult, on average across all countries polled a slight majority (53%) felt that people with good ideas in their country could usually put them into practice. Indonesians were again among the most positive, with nearly four in five (79%) feeling this way. Once again, least positive were Turks (19%) and Russians (23%).

The survey also asked whether people had had ideas for starting their own business. The results reveal that people in developing countries are much more likely than those in industrialised countries to have had ideas for starting their own business. Nigerians, Kenyans (both 79%), Peruvians (76%), Ecuadorians (73%), and Ghanaians (70%) were most likely to have had an idea for doing so, while Europeans with an idea for

starting their own business were in the minority (29% in Germany, 37% in the UK, 38% in Italy, and 42% in France). Russians (27%) were the least likely to have had an idea.

Slightly fewer (49%) across the countries polled said they had had an idea for improving the lives of people in their community. Kenyans (75%), Nigerians (70%), Mexicans (67%) and Peruvians (62%) were the most likely to have had such an idea.

Britons are more likely than other leading countries to perceive that it is difficult to start a business in their country. Nearly two-thirds (65%) think that it would be hard for them to start their own business, compared to 48 per cent of Germans and 51 per cent of Australians. People in France (64%) and Germany (60%) are more likely than the UK (57%) to believe that innovation and creativity are valued in their country.

However, Britons are more likely than Germans to feel that entrepreneurs are valued in their country—55 per cent of Britons feel this way, compared to 51 per cent of Germans. Both are some way behind the three-quarters of Indonesians and Canadians who think that entrepreneurs are valued in their country. Along with Germans (UK 55%, Germany 56%), Britons are the most likely of the European nations to consider that people with good ideas can put them into practice in their country—although some way behind countries such as Indonesia (79%) and the USA (68%).



In total 24,537 citizens in 24 countries, were interviewed face-to-face or by telephone between June 24 and September 11, 2010. Polling was conducted for BBC World Service by the international polling firm GlobeScan and its research partners in each country. In nine of the 24 countries, the sample was limited to major urban areas. The margin of error per country ranges from +/-2.1 to 3.5 per cent, 19 times out of 20.

Source: [http://www.globescan.com/news\\_archives/bbc2011\\_entrepreneur/](http://www.globescan.com/news_archives/bbc2011_entrepreneur/) §

# Gilani's Gallopedia (2007-2010)

## A Quantitative Analysis

A quantitative analysis of global polls monitored during the 4 year period January 2007 –August 2010

### KEY STATISTICS

- 1- Number of Surveys (*a selection on key political and social issues*):  $\simeq$  2,500 polls during the period 2007-2010
- 2- Number of questions:  $\simeq$  30,000 during the period 2007-2010
- 3- 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*)
- 4- Number of **countries** covered by one or more surveys:  $\simeq$  150 during the period 2007-2010
- 5- Number **polling organizations** whose polls have been cited:  $\simeq$  150 during the period 2007-2010

