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Topic of the week: (Click for details)

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THIS WEEK'S REPORT CONSISTS OF 32 SURVEYS. 2 OF THESE IS A MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEY & THE REST ARE NATIONAL SURVEYS. 14 POLLING ORGANIZATIONS HAVE BEEN

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Asia zone

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



WEST & SOUTH ASIA

Majority of Pakistanis Believe That Country Is Going in The Wrong Direction (Click for Details)

Pakistan- According to Gallup Pakistan, only 19% of all Pakistanis say that their country is heading in the right direction where as 80% think otherwise. (Gallup Pakistan)

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SOUTH EAST ASIA

Thai Residents of Deep South Feel More Optimistic Than Rest of Their Country Fellows (Click for Details)

Thailand- According to a survey citizens of the Deep South in Thailand are more optimistic about the direction of the country than their national compatriots polled in 2009. In the 2009 National Survey, less than one-third (31%) said that the country is moving in the right direction, while 58% said that it is moving in the wrong direction. In contrast, in the current survey, 46% of southerners say the country is moving in the right direction and 41% say the country is moving in the wrong direction. (Asia Foundation)

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Filipinos Approval of President Noynoy Aquino Continues (Click for Details)

Philippines- According to a recent survey Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III is having a normal honeymoon with the public as he had **74%** satisfied and **10%** dissatisfied with his performance as President, for a very good net satisfaction rating of +64 (% satisfied minus % dissatisfied). (SWS)

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NORTH EAST ASIA

Mobile Internet More Popular in China than in U.S. (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

According Nielsen China Mobile Report that mobile consumers in China have surpassed their American counterparts when it comes to using the devices to access the Internet (38% of Chinese mobile subscribers compared to 27% of American mobile subscribers), despite less advanced networks. (Nielsen) August 06, 2010

Society » Media/ New Media

Multi-Country Poll- People See Corruption Getting Worse But Are Ready To Get Involved, (Click for Details) Domestic Politics » National Image/ Trust

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Africa zone

WEST AFRICA; EAST AFRICA; CENTRAL AFRICA; SOUTHERN AFRICA

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Euro Americas zone

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



EUROPE

EAST EUROPE

Estonians Well Informed About The Changeover To Euro (Click for Details)

Estonia- A Flash Euro barometer survey shows that most of the Estonians are aware of their country's switch over to Euro. However they still like to get more information about the impact of change over on their salaries and contracts. Mostly watch this change over as something positive especially in the long run. (Gallup Hungary)

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Economy » Financial systems & Institutions

(Russia) President And The Kuril Island (Click for Details)

Russia- Russians approve of the visit of Dmitry Medvedev to the Kuril Islands and deny the need to discuss the territorial issue with Japan. Over the recent eight years more Russians prefer to keep the dialog with Japan about the Kurils going (from 15% in 2002 to 22% this year). (Russian Public Opinion Research Center)

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Foreign Affairs & Security » Regional Conflicts/ Issues

(Russia) Pension Age: Equalizing Men And Women? (Click for Details)

Russia- The majority of Russians still think that men should retire later than women; however the number of such respondents has been decreased over the recent decade (from 67 to 58%). Those who think so are generally residents of big cities (68%), specialists with high-education diplomas working in the production sector (40%), as well as supporters of the CPRF (62%) and Fair Russia (60%) parties and elderly respondents (65%). (Russian Public Opinion Research Center)

November 26, 2010

Society » Gender Issues

WEST EUROPE



Labour & Tories Maintaining Their Position While Liberal Dems Falling (Click for Details)

UK- The Reuters/ Ipsos MORI December Political Monitor shows Liberal Democrat support continuing to fall, while backing for Labour and the Conservatives remains largely unchanged. Support for the Liberal Democrats has fallen to 11% amongst all those certain to vote, the lowest percentage intending to vote for the party that we have recorded in precisely two years. (Ipsos Mori)

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Domestic Politics » Political Parties

Tuition Fees Vote Has Hurt Clegg (Click for Details)

UK- Ipsos MORI's Tuition Fees Vote Poll for the News of the World finds views of Nick Clegg's trustworthiness have plunged since the election, and half of Lib Dem voters less likely to vote Lib Dem in future because of the tuition fee issue. (Ipsos Mori)

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Britons, Football Fans Claim World Cup Selection Process Was Rigged (Click for Details)

UK- Almost half of Britons are either disappointed or sad after England was not chosen to host the 2018 Football World Cup, and a sizeable majority state that the process to select the host country was unfair, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Three-in-four respondents are "dissatisfied" or "sad" that the FIFA-sanctioned event will be held in Russia instead of England. (Angus Reid)

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Foreign Affairs & Security » International / Regional Organizations

AMERICAS



NORTH AMERICA

Four in 10 Americans Believe in Strict Creationism (Click for Details)

USA- Four in 10 Americans, slightly fewer today than in years past, believe God created humans in their present form about 10,000 years ago. Thirty-eight percent believe God guided a process by which humans

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developed over millions of years from less advanced life forms, while 16%, up slightly from years past, believe humans developed over millions of years, without God's involvement. (Gallup USA)

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Society » Religion

Sarah Palin Person of the Year for 2010; Pres. George W. Bush Person of the Decade (Click for Details)

USA- Former Vice-Presidential candidate and Governor of Alaska Sarah Palin is the Person of the Year for 2010 according to a recent Zogby International survey. The poll, also names former President George W. Bush as the Person of the Decade (2000-2010). (Zogy International)

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Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

Obama Approval Falls Ties Low of 39%; 63% Call Him Weak Leader (Click for Details)

USA- President Barack Obama's job approval rating has fallen again to 39%, equaling a low since he took office. Also, 63% of likely voters say Obama is a weak leader, compared to 19% who label him strong. (Zogy International)

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Obama Approval Slipping Among Liberal Democrats (Click for Details)

USA- Liberal Democrats remain strong supporters of President Obama, but their approval of the job he is doing has fallen noticeably since the midterm elections. For the first time, it dropped below 80% in the week after the announcement of the tax deal he brokered with congressional Republicans. (Gallup USA)

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For the Public, a Tough Year Ends on a Down Note (Click for Details)

USA- Consistent with the mood of the nation all year, 2010 is closing on a down note. Fully **72%** are dissatisfied with national conditions, **89%** rate national economic conditions as only fair or poor, and majorities or pluralities think the country is losing ground on nine of 12 major issues. (Pew Research Center) December 15, 2010

Economy » Perceptions on Performance/ Well-Being

In U.S., New Low of 44.8% Get Healthcare From Employer (Click for Details)

USA- A new low of **44.8%** of American adults report getting their health insurance through an employer in November, down from **50%** in January 2008, when Gallup began tracking it. The percentage of Americans with government-based healthcare remains elevated, with the **26%** who report having it last month similar to the high of **26.3%** found in September. (Gallup USA)

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Society » Health

Conservatives Continue to Outnumber Moderates in 2010 (Click for Details)

USA- The political composition of U.S. adults held fairly steady in 2010 compared with 2009. Conservatives remained the largest group, followed by moderates and then liberals. At 35%, the percentage of moderates has declined to a new low, highlighting the increased political polarization that has occurred over the past decade. (Gallup USA)

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Domestic Politics » Political Parties

Tax Deal Wins Broad Bipartisan Support (Click for Details)

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USA- The agreement between President Obama and congressional Republicans to extend tax cuts and unemployment benefits is getting strong bipartisan support. Overall, 60% approve of the agreement while just 22% disapprove. (Pew Research Center)

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Domestic Politics » Governance

Obama Gets Mixed Reviews for Bipartisanship on Tax Deal (Click for Details)

USA- Americans are very much divided over whether President Obama compromised too much, not enough, or the right amount with Republican leaders on their recent tax agreement. The largest segment of Americans, 38%, believe he struck the right balance, while, by 26% to 21%, slightly more say he did not compromise enough than say he compromised too much. Another 15% are unsure. (Gallup USA)

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Domestic Politics » Performance Ratings

Congress' Job Approval Rating Worst in Gallup History (Click for Details)

USA- Americans' assessment of Congress has hit a new low, with 13% saying they approve of the way Congress is handling its job. The 83% disapproval rating is also the worst Gallup has measured in more than 30 years of tracking congressional job performance. (Gallup USA)

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In U.S., More Than 8 in 10 Rate Nurses, Doctors Highly (Click for Details)

USA- Americans rate nurses and doctors the best of eight different healthcare providers in the U.S., with more than 8 in 10 saying the medical care they provide is excellent or good. The other six entities measured are institutions. Of these, nursing homes get the lowest positive rating (33%), partly because one in six Americans don't have an opinion of them, while health insurance companies get the highest percentage of "poor" ratings. (Gallup USA)

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Society » Morality, Values & Customs

Younger Generations Less Likely to Join Boy Scouts (Click for Details)

USA- As Boy Scouts of America celebrates its 100th anniversary, 39% of adult men in the United States tell Gallup they have been a member of the organization at one time. Fewer men in their 20s and 30s report having been in the Boy Scouts than older men, suggesting that younger generations are not joining at the same rate as previous generations. (Gallup USA)

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Majority of Canadians Support Legalizing Euthanasia (Click for Details)

Canada- A majority of Canadians support the legalization of euthanasia in the country, but only a third would consent to a parent ending the life of a child who suffers from a severe form of a condition, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. While Quebecers tend to agree with most of the statements related to assisted-dying, Albertans are more likely to reject them. (Angus Reid)

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Society » Morality, Values & Customs

Society » Health

Canadians Divided on Assuming Non-Combat Role in Afghanistan (Click for Details)

Canada- While just over a third of Canadians support the country's military mission in Afghanistan, the decision to keep 950 soldiers in a strictly non-combat role after 2011 has split views across the country, a

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new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. Support for the current military engagement remains below the **40** % mark across the country. (Angus Reid)

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Foreign Affairs & Security » Afghanistan War

Retailers: Fuel Future Sales With The Power Of Social Networks (Click for Details)

Canada- Canada is an online social network hotbed, with more than 80% of online Canadians participating in such networks – 45% on a daily basis. Even more intriguing is that brand friends have often established a meaningful presence in these networks. These social networks can provide new mechanism to retailers to increase their sales. (TNS Canada)

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Society » Media/ New Media



LATIN AMERICA

Venezuelans, Colombians Feel Unprepared for Natural Disasters (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

The governments of Colombia and Venezuela each declared states of emergency this month in vast areas of their countries where record flooding and landslides have killed more than 250 people and left more than 1 million homeless. Recent Gallup surveys in the two nations find that fewer than one in three believe they personally are ready to deal with natural disasters such as this. (Gallup USA)

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Society » Environment/ Disasters

Mauricio Funes Is A Popular President in Central America (Click for Details)

Mauricio Funes, President of El Salvador, is the Central American President that yields the highest evaluation for his performance among his fellow citizens (74%), according to the results of a survey carried out by CID Gallup among 8,400 adults in Central America and the Dominican Republic. (CID Gallup)

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MULTI-COUNTRY SURVEYS

People See Corruption Getting Worse But Are Ready To Get Involved, (Click for Details)

Corruption has increased over the last three years, say six out of 10 people around the world, and one in four people report paying bribes in the last year. These are the findings of the 2010 Global Corruption Barometer, a worldwide public opinion survey on corruption, released on International Anti-Corruption Day, by Transparency International (TI). (Gallup International)

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CYBERWORLD

Canadians More Hooked on Online Videos Than Americans and Britons (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

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The vast majority of people in Canada, the United States and Britain are enjoying user-generated content on video-sharing websites, but many are also turning their computers and laptops into virtual jukeboxes, a new Angus Reid Public Opinion poll has found. More than half of people who visit video-sharing websites do so to watch music videos from pop/rock groups. (Angus Reid)

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Society » Media/ New Media

Global Publics Embrace Social Networking (Multi-country survey) (Click for Details)

Although still a relatively young technology, social networking is already a global phenomenon. In regions around the world -- and in countries with varying levels of economic development -- people who use the internet are using it for social networking. And this is particularly true of young people. (Pew Research Center)

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Society » Media/ New Media

Generations Online in 2010 (Click for Details)

There are still notable differences by generation in online activities, but the dominance of the Millennial generation that we documented in our first "Generations" report in 2009 has slipped in many activities. Milliennials, adults ages 18 to 33, remain more likely to access the internet wirelessly with a laptop or mobile phone. (Pew Research Center)

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Society » Media/ New Media

In U.S., 11% of Households Report Computer Crimes, a New High (Click for Details)

With the WikiLeaks affair and broader hacking incidents related to it highlighting the potential for disruption of the Internet, Gallup's 2010 crime survey finds that computer-related crime is a growing problem for average Americans. Eleven percent of U.S. adults report that they or a household member was the victim of a computer or Internet crime on their home computer in the past year, up from the 6% to 8% levels found in the previous seven years. (Gallup USA)

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Topic of the week:

Mauricio Funes Is A Popular President in Central America

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.

Commentary: Martinelli and Lobo yield positive evaluations

Ortega and Fernandez in red numbers

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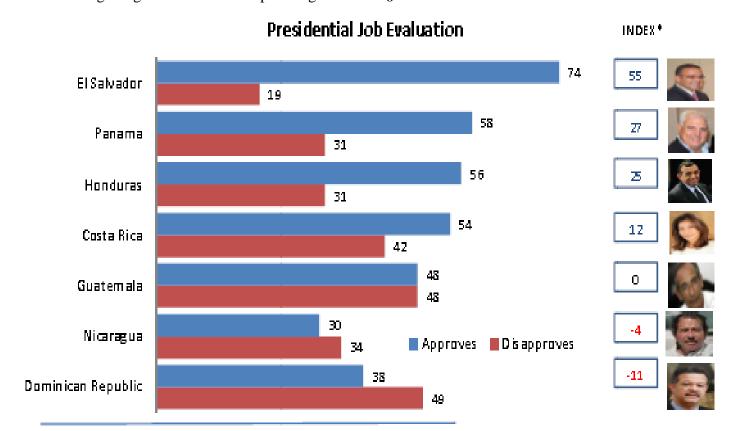
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with a sample representative of the national population and a margin of error of ± 3 points) during the last four-month period of 2010.

Ricardo Martinelli from **Panama** (58%) and **Porfirio Lobo** from **Honduras** (56%) are in second and third place respectively. Both still keep up the support in their corresponding countries, the first one by strongly promoting investment into infrastructure, whereas the second one has stabilized his country after a harsh political crisis. **Laura Chinchilla**, approved by 54% Costa Ricans has managed to keep up the support in her country amidst the current international conflict with **Nicaragua**.

Contrarily, the administrations of *Daniel Ortega* and *Leonel Fernandez* does not obtain good result, and in terms of popular approval, they receive 30 and 38 % respectively. It is important to mention that an area of speculation has been raised around both presidents about their intentions of getting re-elected in the upcoming elections. §





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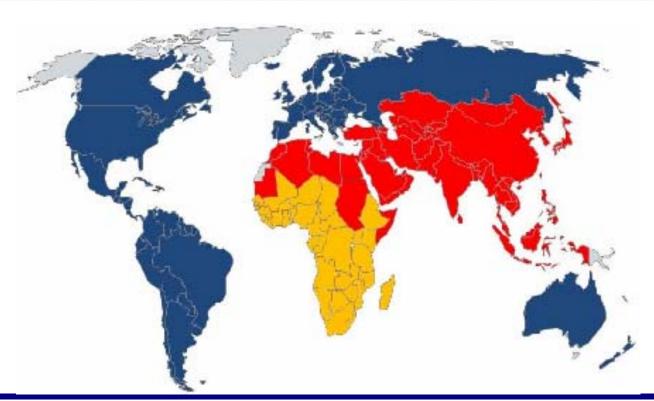
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A Quantitative Analysis

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): ≥ 2,500 polls during the period 2007-2010
- 2- Number of questions: \geq 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 citied: ~ 150 during the period 2007-2010



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