

Pew Global Attitudes Project
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Methodological notes:

- Survey results are based on national samples except in China. For further details on sample designs, see Survey Methods section.
- Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%. The topline “total” columns show 100%, because they are based on unrounded numbers.
- Since 2007, the Global Attitudes Project has used an automated process to generate topline. As a result, numbers may differ slightly from those published prior to 2007.
- Spring, 2011 survey in Pakistan was fielded before the death of Osama bin Laden (April 10 – April 26), while the Late Spring, 2011 survey was conducted afterwards (May 8 – May 15).
- Trends from India prior to 2011 are not shown because those results were based on less-representative samples of the population. Since 2011, the samples have been more representative of the Indian population.
- Trends from Brazil prior to 2010 are not shown because those results were based on a less-representative sample of the population. Since 2010, the samples have been more representative of the Brazilian population.
- Not all questions included in the Spring 2012 survey are presented in this topline. Omitted questions have either been previously released or will be released in future reports.

		Q8d Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of: d. Iran					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2012	1	12	26	42	19	100
	Spring, 2011	3	16	28	39	14	100
	Spring, 2010	3	15	29	38	15	100
	Fall, 2009	1	10	25	52	12	100
	Spring, 2009	4	17	28	35	15	100
	Spring, 2008	5	15	27	37	16	100
	Spring, 2007	2	12	26	45	14	100
	Spring, 2006	8	17	26	31	18	100
Britain	Spring, 2012	1	15	32	36	15	100
	Spring, 2011	4	19	32	26	19	100
	Spring, 2010	2	20	33	25	19	100
	Spring, 2009	4	25	33	19	19	100
	Spring, 2008	3	30	30	16	22	100
	Spring, 2007	2	22	33	24	19	100
	Spring, 2006	3	31	24	15	28	100
	France	Spring, 2012	1	13	32	54	0
Spring, 2011		3	18	37	41	1	100
Spring, 2010		1	17	37	44	0	100
Spring, 2009		2	21	44	32	1	100
Spring, 2008		2	17	45	37	0	100
Spring, 2007		1	13	41	43	1	100
Spring, 2006		1	21	47	30	0	100
Germany		Spring, 2012	1	5	46	45	4
	Spring, 2011	1	8	48	38	5	100
	Spring, 2010	0	8	49	37	6	100
	Spring, 2009	1	10	55	27	7	100
	Spring, 2008	1	11	53	29	6	100
	Spring, 2007	2	8	45	40	5	100
	Spring, 2006	1	11	50	32	6	100
	Spain	Spring, 2012	3	6	34	50	7
Spring, 2011		3	8	39	43	7	100
Spring, 2010		2	11	48	25	13	100
Spring, 2009		1	13	46	24	15	100
Spring, 2008		1	10	36	41	13	100
Spring, 2007		1	14	40	32	13	100
Spring, 2006		3	19	34	32	11	100
Italy		Spring, 2012	0	5	28	57	9
	Spring, 2007	1	11	41	36	11	100

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Greece	Spring, 2012	2	25	34	28	11	100
Poland	Spring, 2012	2	18	43	26	12	100
	Spring, 2011	1	23	41	15	20	100
	Spring, 2010	4	22	42	20	12	100
	Spring, 2009	1	19	42	19	18	100
	Spring, 2008	0	16	46	22	15	100
	Spring, 2007	2	15	43	25	15	100
Czech Republic	Spring, 2012	1	8	39	38	14	100
	Spring, 2007	1	12	47	33	7	100
Russia	Spring, 2012	6	30	28	10	26	100
	Spring, 2011	9	33	27	8	24	100
	Spring, 2010	7	29	30	15	20	100
	Spring, 2009	5	33	28	7	26	100
	Spring, 2008	6	34	29	10	22	100
	Spring, 2007	6	31	33	7	23	100
	Spring, 2006	10	33	29	9	20	100
Turkey	Spring, 2012	8	18	16	39	19	100
	Spring, 2011	6	18	25	37	15	100
	Spring, 2010	5	21	15	43	16	100
	Spring, 2009	4	15	12	46	23	100
	Spring, 2008	6	18	11	45	20	100
	Spring, 2007	5	23	18	38	16	100
	Spring, 2006	18	35	15	20	12	100
	Summer, 2002	5	17	17	44	17	100
Egypt	Spring, 2012	4	18	42	34	1	100
	Spring, 2011	3	19	38	37	2	100
	Spring, 2010	5	28	34	32	1	100
	Spring, 2009	7	28	25	37	4	100
	Spring, 2008	9	37	34	20	1	100
	Spring, 2007	6	42	39	11	1	100
	Spring, 2006	13	46	30	9	1	100
Jordan	Spring, 2012	3	15	38	41	3	100
	Spring, 2011	3	20	35	37	5	100
	Spring, 2010	11	26	34	29	1	100
	Spring, 2009	5	25	24	42	4	100
	Spring, 2008	10	31	29	27	4	100
	Spring, 2007	8	38	32	21	1	100
	Spring, 2006	12	37	33	18	1	100
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	26	13	13	48	0	100
	Spring, 2011	25	14	12	47	2	100
	Spring, 2010	23	16	13	47	1	100
	Spring, 2009	23	12	8	54	3	100
	Spring, 2008	19	15	10	56	1	100
	Spring, 2007	17	19	14	50	1	100
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	14	25	26	17	17	100
China	Spring, 2012	2	19	43	19	16	100
	Spring, 2011	3	26	41	13	18	100
	Spring, 2010	3	24	47	13	14	100
	Spring, 2009	2	23	47	10	17	100
	Spring, 2008	2	22	42	11	23	100
	Spring, 2007	2	24	46	9	19	100
	Spring, 2006	2	24	40	8	26	100
India	Spring, 2012	4	15	15	13	54	100
	Spring, 2011	3	14	15	14	54	100
Japan	Spring, 2012	0	15	48	28	8	100

		Q8d Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of: d. Iran					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Japan	Spring, 2011	1	19	44	13	24	100
	Spring, 2010	1	11	53	22	13	100
	Spring, 2009	1	15	48	19	17	100
	Spring, 2008	1	16	51	19	12	100
	Spring, 2007	1	13	46	24	15	100
	Spring, 2006	3	20	53	15	8	100
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	40	36	4	4	15	100
	Late Spring, 2011	33	38	5	3	22	100
	Spring, 2011	35	38	5	5	18	100
	Spring, 2010	35	37	6	3	19	100
	Spring, 2009	33	41	4	4	18	100
	Spring, 2008	39	28	7	5	21	100
	Spring, 2007	38	30	4	6	21	100
	Spring, 2006	41	31	6	4	18	100
Brazil	Spring, 2012	2	11	41	33	14	100
	Spring, 2011	2	18	40	21	20	100
	Spring, 2010	1	17	46	19	16	100
Mexico	Spring, 2012	3	13	21	32	31	100
	Spring, 2011	2	19	38	20	21	100
	Spring, 2010	1	15	27	19	38	100
	Spring, 2009	3	17	27	23	30	100
	Spring, 2008	2	11	24	32	32	100
	Spring, 2007	6	18	33	25	17	100

		Q44a Now I'd like to ask your views about some additional political leaders. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of: a. Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
Turkey	Spring, 2012	11	24	22	26	18	100
Egypt	Spring, 2012	4	19	37	36	5	100
Jordan	Spring, 2012	2	11	35	48	5	100
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	29	13	9	46	4	100
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	13	29	18	16	24	100
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	22	25	4	2	47	100

		Q104 Now thinking about Iran, would you favor or oppose Iran acquiring nuclear weapons?			
		Favor	Oppose	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2012	2	94	5	100
	Spring, 2010	3	94	3	100
	Spring, 2007	3	93	4	100
	Spring, 2006	3	92	5	100
Britain	Spring, 2012	4	91	4	100
	Spring, 2010	3	90	6	100
	Spring, 2007	7	86	7	100
	Spring, 2006	5	89	6	100
France	Spring, 2012	4	96	0	100
	Spring, 2010	5	95	0	100
	Spring, 2007	6	94	1	100
	Spring, 2006	7	92	0	100
Germany	Spring, 2012	3	96	1	100
	Spring, 2010	1	98	0	100
	Spring, 2007	3	97	1	100
	Spring, 2006	2	97	1	100
Spain	Spring, 2012	4	95	1	100
	Spring, 2010	3	94	3	100
	Spring, 2007	5	89	6	100
	Spring, 2006	0	95	5	100
Italy	Spring, 2012	4	91	5	100
	Spring, 2007	4	87	9	100
Greece	Spring, 2012	9	87	4	100
Poland	Spring, 2012	7	88	4	100
	Spring, 2010	8	87	5	100
	Spring, 2007	3	93	5	100
Czech Republic	Spring, 2012	3	94	3	100
	Spring, 2007	3	95	2	100
Russia	Spring, 2012	11	77	12	100
	Spring, 2010	7	81	12	100
	Spring, 2007	8	80	12	100
	Spring, 2006	11	82	8	100
Turkey	Spring, 2012	29	54	17	100
	Spring, 2011	20	65	14	100
	Spring, 2010	21	63	17	100
	Spring, 2009	21	65	14	100
	Spring, 2008	21	67	11	100
	Spring, 2007	25	59	16	100
	Spring, 2006	23	61	16	100
Egypt	Spring, 2012	23	66	12	100
	Spring, 2011	26	63	11	100
	Spring, 2010	26	66	9	100
	Spring, 2009	26	64	9	100
	Spring, 2008	26	61	12	100
	Spring, 2007	24	57	19	100
	Spring, 2006	44	42	14	100
Jordan	Spring, 2012	21	76	3	100
	Spring, 2011	22	70	8	100
	Spring, 2010	39	53	8	100

		Q104 Now thinking about Iran, would you favor or oppose Iran acquiring nuclear weapons?			
		Favor	Oppose	DK/Refused	Total
Jordan	Spring, 2009	34	56	10	100
	Spring, 2008	29	61	10	100
	Spring, 2007	32	55	13	100
	Spring, 2006	45	42	12	100
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	35	62	3	100
	Spring, 2011	34	64	3	100
	Spring, 2010	34	64	2	100
	Spring, 2009	31	66	3	100
	Spring, 2008	28	69	4	100
	Spring, 2007	29	69	2	100
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	42	43	16	100
China	Spring, 2012	25	54	21	100
	Spring, 2010	20	65	15	100
	Spring, 2007	17	69	14	100
	Spring, 2006	18	52	29	100
India	Spring, 2012	15	34	51	100
Japan	Spring, 2012	4	94	2	100
	Spring, 2010	2	96	2	100
	Spring, 2007	1	93	5	100
	Spring, 2006	4	96	1	100
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	50	11	39	100
	Late Spring, 2011	61	11	28	100
	Spring, 2011	64	13	23	100
	Spring, 2010	58	10	33	100
	Spring, 2009	59	16	24	100
	Spring, 2008	60	19	21	100
	Spring, 2007	58	13	29	100
	Spring, 2006	52	15	33	100
Brazil	Spring, 2012	5	91	3	100
	Spring, 2010	5	85	9	100
Mexico	Spring, 2012	9	86	5	100
	Spring, 2010	3	86	10	100
	Spring, 2007	11	81	9	100

		Q104b If Iran were to acquire nuclear weapons, would this represent a very serious threat to our country, a somewhat serious threat, a minor threat, or no threat at all?					
		Very serious threat	Somewhat serious threat	Minor threat	No threat at all	DK/Refused	Total
Turkey	Spring, 2012	25	21	19	18	16	100
	Spring, 2010	32	17	15	20	16	100
	Spring, 2009	32	27	7	21	13	100
	Spring, 2008	45	20	6	19	10	100
	Spring, 2007	37	22	9	17	15	100
Egypt	Spring, 2012	27	27	32	14	1	100
	Spring, 2010	29	23	30	15	2	100
	Spring, 2009	18	26	33	19	3	100
	Spring, 2008	13	30	29	27	2	100
	Spring, 2007	17	32	25	26	1	100
Jordan	Spring, 2012	22	20	30	25	4	100
	Spring, 2010	21	20	33	25	1	100
	Spring, 2009	19	17	19	40	5	100
	Spring, 2008	20	21	15	39	6	100
	Spring, 2007	29	19	8	41	4	100
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	41	16	11	29	3	100
	Spring, 2010	41	16	12	29	2	100
	Spring, 2009	39	17	13	27	4	100
	Spring, 2008	43	18	8	27	4	100
	Spring, 2007	42	21	11	24	1	100
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	11	20	13	44	13	100
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	7	6	6	51	29	100
	Spring, 2010	8	7	9	47	28	100
	Spring, 2009	13	7	9	52	19	100
	Spring, 2008	11	7	10	52	20	100
	Spring, 2007	9	12	8	47	25	100

		Q104c ASK IF OPPOSES IRAN ACQUIRING NUCLEAR WEAPONS: Do you approve or disapprove of tougher international economic sanctions on Iran to try to stop it from developing nuclear weapons?				
		Approve	Disapprove	DK/Refused	Total	N=
United States	Spring, 2012	80	16	3	100	948
	Spring, 2010	85	11	3	100	951
Britain	Spring, 2012	79	18	3	100	924
	Spring, 2010	78	18	4	100	683
France	Spring, 2012	74	26	0	100	962
	Spring, 2010	76	23	0	100	709
Germany	Spring, 2012	80	18	2	100	959
	Spring, 2010	77	21	2	100	732
Spain	Spring, 2012	72	25	3	100	958
	Spring, 2010	79	18	3	100	706
Italy	Spring, 2012	78	15	7	100	983
Greece	Spring, 2012	55	39	5	100	871
Poland	Spring, 2012	71	21	8	100	878
	Spring, 2010	72	17	10	100	656
Czech Republic	Spring, 2012	79	17	3	100	943
Russia	Spring, 2012	46	42	12	100	770
	Spring, 2010	67	22	11	100	813
Turkey	Spring, 2012	34	52	14	100	546
	Spring, 2010	44	40	16	100	628
Egypt	Spring, 2012	70	21	9	100	656
	Spring, 2010	72	15	13	100	659
Jordan	Spring, 2012	68	28	4	100	760
	Spring, 2010	66	28	6	100	527
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	74	20	6	100	621
	Spring, 2010	72	21	7	100	657
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	43	53	4	100	425
China	Spring, 2012	38	54	8	100	1797
	Spring, 2010	58	32	10	100	2022
India	Spring, 2012	56	38	6	100	1601
Japan	Spring, 2012	61	34	5	100	660
	Spring, 2010	66	27	7	100	670
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	33	53	14	100	148
	Spring, 2010	19	62	19	100	221
Brazil	Spring, 2012	62	36	2	100	728
	Spring, 2010	65	31	4	100	839
Mexico	Spring, 2012	73	23	4	100	1034
	Spring, 2010	71	23	6	100	1123

In 2010, question read "Would you approve or disapprove..."

		Q104d ASK IF OPPOSES IRAN ACQUIRING NUCLEAR WEAPONS: In your opinion, which is more important...						
		Preventing Iran from developing nuclear weapons, even if it means taking military action OR	Avoiding a military conflict with Iran, even if it means they may develop nuclear weapons	Neither (Volunteered)	Both (Volunteered)	DK/Refused	Total	N=
United States	Spring, 2012	63	28	1	0	7	100	948
	Spring, 2010	66	24	1	0	9	100	951
Britain	Spring, 2012	51	40	2	1	7	100	924
	Spring, 2010	48	37	4	2	9	100	683
France	Spring, 2012	51	48	1	0	0	100	962
	Spring, 2010	59	41	0	0	0	100	709
Germany	Spring, 2012	50	41	3	1	5	100	959
	Spring, 2010	51	39	2	1	7	100	732
Spain	Spring, 2012	53	37	5	1	4	100	958
	Spring, 2010	50	34	7	2	7	100	706
Italy	Spring, 2012	52	22	14	6	6	100	983
Greece	Spring, 2012	27	30	32	6	5	100	871
Poland	Spring, 2012	51	22	10	7	11	100	878
	Spring, 2010	54	25	5	4	13	100	656
Czech Republic	Spring, 2012	55	31	4	0	9	100	943
Russia	Spring, 2012	24	41	15	8	13	100	770
	Spring, 2010	32	32	14	5	17	100	813
Turkey	Spring, 2012	26	42	7	3	22	100	546
	Spring, 2010	29	37	8	8	18	100	628
Egypt	Spring, 2012	52	17	20	4	7	100	656
	Spring, 2010	55	16	19	0	10	100	659
Jordan	Spring, 2012	50	25	19	0	7	100	760
	Spring, 2010	53	20	18	0	8	100	527
Lebanon	Spring, 2012	46	36	10	5	3	100	621
	Spring, 2010	44	37	9	6	4	100	657
Tunisia	Spring, 2012	22	69	5	1	3	100	425
China	Spring, 2012	30	39	6	8	17	100	1797
	Spring, 2010	35	43	4	10	8	100	2022
India	Spring, 2012	53	26	6	1	15	100	1601
Japan	Spring, 2012	40	49	6	1	4	100	660
	Spring, 2010	34	55	7	0	3	100	670
Pakistan	Spring, 2012	28	29	24	2	17	100	148
	Spring, 2010	21	34	21	3	20	100	221
Brazil	Spring, 2012	55	31	9	1	4	100	728
	Spring, 2010	54	33	8	1	5	100	839
Mexico	Spring, 2012	54	34	4	3	5	100	1034
	Spring, 2010	49	32	8	4	8	100	1123