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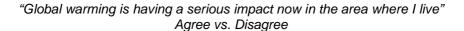
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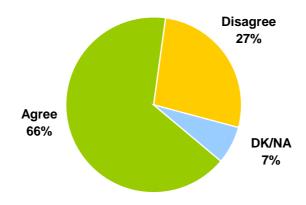
### **KEY FINDINGS**

Global warming is recognized as a serious threat by a large majority of world citizens. Two thirds in the world perceive its impact in the area where they live (66%), according to a new Voice of the People<sup>TM</sup> survey, released by Gallup International for the International Earth Day, April 22nd. Moreover, the survey, which interviewed over 60,000 people in 57 countries last Summer, also shows that 85% of surveyed people in the world declare they are taking measures to protect the environment.

Commenting on the results of the study, Meril James, Secretary General of Gallup International said: "Whereas scientists and global organizations repeatedly alert about the risks of global warming and images like the large-scale melting of Antarctica's ice are seen more frequently, our Voice of the People<sup>TM</sup> survey suggests that the message has been understood. World citizens perceive the global warming as a real threat to their day-to-day lives and are reacting to it. It is encouraging to find out that an overwhelming majority is taking measures to help protect the environment".

### Two thirds of world citizens are worried about the impact of global warming.

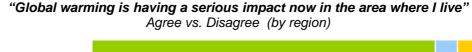


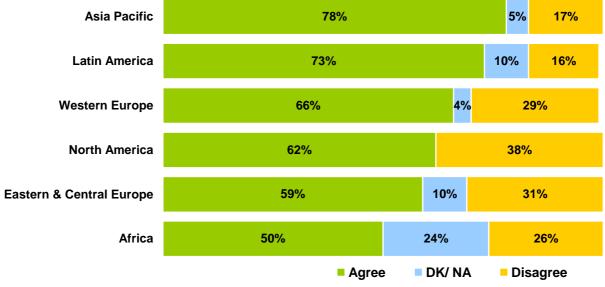


Source: Gallup International Association – Voice of the People<sup>™</sup> 2007

The survey conducted by Gallup International asked world citizens whether they thought that global warming is having a serious impact now in the area where they live. Seven out of ten agreed (66%), whilst three in ten (27%) felt the opposite way.





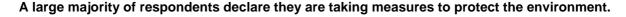


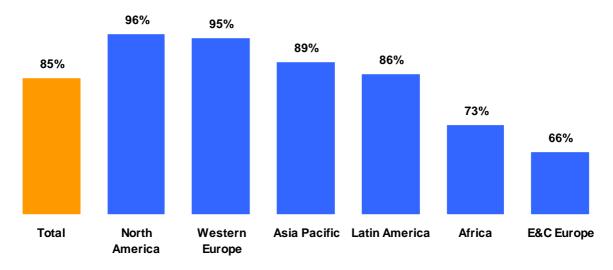
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Looking at results by region, respondents in Asia Pacific (78%) and Latin America (73%) show the highest levels of concern about the impact of global warming, followed by Western Europe (66%), Six out of 10 respondents in North America (62%) and Eastern and Central Europe (59%) are concerned about global warming. Nevertheless, in North America four out of 10 respondents do not perceive a serious impact in the area where they live (38%).

In all countries surveyed, the majority of respondents declared that the global warming is having a serious impact in the area where they live, the exception is Iceland where those that disagree with this statement double the ones that agree (59% disagree vs. 29% agree). ). This could be explained because of the emphasis on the country 's sustainable energy resources and clean air and water in public discourse. When it comes to agreement, the highest percentages are found in Albania (97%), Hong Kong (93%) and Rumania (91%). Contrarily, the largest proportions of citizens that do not perceive a serious impact of this phenomenon are located in Iceland (59%), Germany (51%), Russia (47%), Norway (43%), UK (41%) and United States (40%). Lacks of answers are more frequent in Senegal (25%), Nigeria (25%), Ghana (20%) and Poland (20%).







Source: Gallup International Association – Voice of the People<sup>™</sup> 2007

Respondents were asked whether their household takes any of six different possible actions aimed at protecting the environment: 85% of surveyed citizens declared they implement at least one of them. The most frequent actions are using less energy in the house (62%), recycling or creating less waste (61%), and using less water (54%). Four in ten respondents use less spray products or use spray products that don't affect the ozone (40%), whilst three in ten surveyed citizens use less batteries or replace common batteries with rechargeable batteries (33%) and use a car less or take more public transport (32%).

While the overall frequency of positive answers grows with the level of education (90% amongst those who attended university against 79% of those with basic education), the survey also shows that, when it comes to specific actions: reduction of energy and water consumption are more extended among women (65% vs. men: 60% for energy and 57% vs. 52% for water) and senior respondents (energy: seven in ten for those above 51 years old vs. 55% of the youngest; water: 59% vs. 49%).

North America and Western Europe (96% and 95%, respectively) are the regions where most people declare the take actions to protect the environment. They are followed by Asia Pacific (89%), Latin America (86%) and Africa (73%). Eastern and Central Europe stays behind, with just 66% of positive answers. In fact, this region shows a significant number of respondents (26%) declaring that in their households none of these actions are implemented. In most regions saving energy is the most common action to protect the environment. This is the case in North America



(87%), Latin America (64%) and Eastern & Central Europe (37%). In Western Europe, however, the most mentioned action to prevent environmental damage is recycling/creating less waste (82%) and in Asia Pacific and Africa, the same proportions are obtained for energy and water saving and recycling (65% & 45% respectively in each region).

# Using less energy, recycling/creating less waste and using less water are the most common actions to protect the environment.

Does your household take any of the following actions to try to help protect the environment?

	Total Sample	North America	Western Europe	Asia Pacific	Latin America	Africa	E&C Europe
Using less energy (gas, electricity) in the house	62% *	87% *	74%	65%	64% *	44%	37% *
Recycling/creating less waste	61%	85%	82% *	66%*	56%	45% *	22%
Using less water	54%	73%	66%	52%	60%	44%	33%
Using less spray products/ Using spray products that don't affect the ozone	40%	72%	57%	25%	40%	39%	14%
Using less batteries/ replace common batteries with rechargeable batteries	33%	52%	51%	20%	31%	39%	10%
Using a car less/take more public transport	32%	35%	45%	28%	36%	44%	14%
Other	11%	39%	5%	1%	2%	6%	7%
None	8%	-	3%	7%	12%	2%	26%
DK/ NA	7%	4%	2%	4%	2%	25%	8%

<sup>\*</sup> highest value per column

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Virtually all people declared they take at least one action to protect the environment in UK, Philippines, Ireland, Singapore and Colombia. Conversely, the highest proportions of respondents that declare they don't implement any of the mentioned measures are Russia (none: 40%), Bulgaria (36%), Argentina (25%), Cameroon (25%), Romania (22%) and Turkey (22%). As to specific actions, the saving of energy at home is more frequent in Philippines (95%), UK (91%), Ireland (90%), Ecuador (88%), Singapore (88%), US (88%) and Spain (86%). Ninety percent or more of respondents declare they recycle or create less waste in Ireland (98%), UK (96%), Spain (93%), Canada (93%), Singapore (91%), Luxembourg (91%), Switzerland (91%), Sweden (91%) and Philippines (90%). And eight in ten say they use less water in Singapore (86%), Ecuador (86%), UK (82%), Spain (81%), Philippines (80%), Colombia (79%), Dominican Republic (79%) and Ghana (78%).

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### **EDITOR'S NOTES**

## The Voice of the People<sup>™</sup> Survey

Gallup International's unique survey **Voice of the People<sup>TM</sup>** interviews more than 60,000 people in 57 countries around the world, representing the views and attitudes of more than 1.3 billion global citizens. Fieldwork was conducted in 2007.

### **Gallup International**

Registered in Zurich as a verein (Association), Gallup International was established in 1947 by George H Gallup and his European colleagues. It currently has member agencies in 65 countries across the world, conducting market and opinion research in more than 100 countries.

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Japan	Kiyoshi Nishimura	nisimura@nrc.co.jp	Nippon Research Center, Ltd.	Combination of "face-to- face" and "self- administered questionnaire"	National	1200	August 1– August 13
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Philippines	Raymund Pascua	raymund.pascua@asiaresearch.co m.ph	Asia Research Organization Inc.	Face-to-face	National	1000	July 17 – August 12
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Romania	Janina Stancicu	janina.stancicu@csop.ro	TNS - CSOP	Face-to-face	National	1054	June 25 – July 2
Russia	Victor Pratusevich	Pratusevich.V@rmh.ru	Romir Monitoring	Face-to-face	National	1573	June 15 – June 21
Senegal*	Erckman TOGNA	etogna@rms-international.net	RMS-Senegal	Face-to-face	Urban	507	June 22 – June 25
Serbia	Sladjana Brakus	sladja@tnsmediumgallup.coyu	TNS Medium Gallup	Face-to-face	National	1003	June 13 - June 19
Singapore	Jasmine Yang	Jasmine.Yang@tns-global.com	TNS Singapore Pte.Ltd.	Telephone	National	1020	July 18 – August 21
South Africa	Mari Harris	marih@markinor.co.za	Markinor	Telephone	National	1496	August 2– August 7
South Korea	Hwanhee Lee	hhlee@gallup.co.kr	Gallup Korea	Face-to-face	National	1001	June 5- June 19
Spain	Josefina Fernández	josefinaf@sigmados.com	Sigma Dos	Telephone	National	1000	June 1 – August 10
Sweden	Matz Johansson	matz.Johansson@tns-gallup.se	TNS Gallup AB	Online interviews	National	1000	August14 – August 20
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UK	Emma Dolby	emma.dolby@tns-global.com	TNS	Telephone	National	1000	August 24 – August 26
Ukraine	Alla Vlasyuk	Alla.vlasyuk@tnsofres.com.ua	TNS Ukraine	Face-to-face	National	1200	May 31 – June 7
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Venezuela	Romel Romero	romel@sigmados-international.com	Sigma Dos Venezuela	Face-to-face	Urban	1058	August 18 – September 11
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