Moldova National Study
November 10-25, 2008

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The survey was conducted by the Institute of Polling and Marketing for Baltic Surveys/Gallup on behalf of the International Republican Institute. The sample consisted of 1,251 permanent Moldovan residents over the age of 18 and eligible to vote, and is representative of the general population by age, gender, education and religion.

The sample design was a multi-stage random sample.

- Stage One: Break country into official administrative regions.
- Stage Two: Select clusters of sampling points based on settlement population (large, medium, small towns and villages). One sample point = approximately one percent of survey population (10-12 surveys). Sampling points in each region were selected based on the percentage of population living in the various levels of settlement in that same region.

Respondents were selected by the random route method, using the next birthday rule to select a respondent from within a household.

Data is collected through face-to-face interviews with the respondents.

Poll was conducted nationwide, including the capital and all major regional centers.

The margin of error does not exceed three percent.
MOOD OF THE COUNTRY
Generally speaking, do you think that things in Moldova are going in the right direction or the wrong direction?

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Over the last 12 months, the economic situation in Moldova has...

- **November-08**: 2% Improved a lot, 20% Improved somewhat, 30% Stayed the same, 28% Worsened somewhat, 15% Worsened a lot, 10% DK/NA
- **April-08**: 2% Improved a lot, 13% Improved somewhat, 30% Stayed the same, 29% Worsened somewhat, 20% Worsened a lot, 6% DK/NA
- **March-07**: 4% Improved a lot, 24% Improved somewhat, 32% Stayed the same, 27% Worsened somewhat, 10% Worsened a lot, 4% DK/NA
- **April-06**: 3% Improved a lot, 24% Improved somewhat, 36% Stayed the same, 27% Worsened somewhat, 5% Worsened a lot, 5% DK/NA
- **November-04**: 5% Improved a lot, 26% Improved somewhat, 37% Stayed the same, 22% Worsened somewhat, 6% Worsened a lot, 4% DK/NA
- **March-04**: 3% Improved a lot, 23% Improved somewhat, 37% Stayed the same, 25% Worsened somewhat, 9% Worsened a lot, 3% DK/NA
Over the last 12 months, the financial situation of your household has...

- **November-08**: Improved a lot (15), Improved somewhat (39), Remained the same (27), Worsened somewhat (14), Worsened a lot (14), DK/NA (4).
- **April-08**: Improved a lot (11), Improved somewhat (37), Remained the same (25), Worsened somewhat (16), Worsened a lot (16), DK/NA (9).
- **March-07**: Improved a lot (19), Improved somewhat (41), Remained the same (23), Worsened somewhat (9), Worsened a lot (9), DK/NA (5).
- **April-06**: Improved a lot (25), Improved somewhat (44), Remained the same (22), Worsened somewhat (5), Worsened a lot (5), DK/NA (1).
- **November-04**: Improved a lot (23), Improved somewhat (47), Remained the same (20), Worsened somewhat (5), Worsened a lot (5), DK/NA (1).
- **March-04**: Improved a lot (16), Improved somewhat (48), Remained the same (22), Worsened somewhat (10), Worsened a lot (10), DK/NA (1).

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How satisfied are you with the way democracy is developing in Moldova?

- **November-08**: 21% Very satisfied, 42% Somewhat satisfied, 20% Somewhat dissatisfied, 15% Very dissatisfied
- **April-08**: 17% Very satisfied, 41% Somewhat satisfied, 24% Somewhat dissatisfied, 16% Very dissatisfied
- **March-07**: 21% Very satisfied, 41% Somewhat satisfied, 18% Somewhat dissatisfied, 15% Very dissatisfied
- **April-06**: 25% Very satisfied, 43% Somewhat satisfied, 14% Somewhat dissatisfied, 17% Very dissatisfied
- **November-04**: 26% Very satisfied, 44% Somewhat satisfied, 14% Somewhat dissatisfied, 14% Very dissatisfied
- **March-04**: 24% Very satisfied, 44% Somewhat satisfied, 17% Somewhat dissatisfied, 13% Very dissatisfied
Are people in Moldova afraid to openly express their political views?

- November-08: Majority are afraid (26), Many are afraid (28), Some are afraid (24), Nobody is afraid (16), DK/NA (6)
- April-08: Majority are afraid (29), Many are afraid (27), Some are afraid (22), Nobody is afraid (14), DK/NA (8)
- March-07: Majority are afraid (28), Many are afraid (27), Some are afraid (20), Nobody is afraid (15), DK/NA (10)
- April-06: Majority are afraid (23), Many are afraid (32), Some are afraid (26), Nobody is afraid (14), DK/NA (5)
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- March-04: Majority are afraid (27), Many are afraid (27), Some are afraid (25), Nobody is afraid (16), DK/NA (4)
What are the main problems that Moldova is facing at the moment?

- Low incomes: 38
- Lack of jobs: 34
- High prices: 21
- Corruption: 15
- Lack of economic development: 10
- Population migration: 10
- Poverty: 10
- Conflict in Transnistria*: 7
- Poor healthcare: 5
- Low living standards: 5
- Proper finance distribution: 5
- Poor roads: 5
- Agricultural situation: 4
- Lack of education: 3
- Expensive utilities: 3
- Social problems: 2
- Joining European Union: 2

* Disputed region of Moldova governed by the unrecognized Pridnestrovian Moldavian Republic (PMR). Republic of Moldova does not recognize the secession and considers PMR-controlled territories to be a part of Moldova’s sovereign territory.
What are the main problems that Moldova is facing at the moment? (April 2008)

- Lack of jobs: 31
- Low incomes: 26
- High prices, inflation: 21
- Poverty: 16
- Corruption: 16
- Economic development: 12
- Emigration: 11
- Healthcare: 10
- Low standard of living: 9
- Transnistrian conflict: 8
- Poor roads: 6
- Political climate: 6
- Agricultural situation: 4
- Lack of education: 4
- Environment: 3
- Social assistance: 2
- Joining European Union: 2

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MOLDOVA NATIONAL STUDY, November 10-25, 2008
What are the main problems your town/village is facing at the moment?

- Poor roads: 46
- Lack of jobs: 18
- Availability of gas: 14
- Environmental issues: 13
- Water supply: 11
- High prices: 6
- Low incomes: 5
- Expensive utilities: 5
- Heating in winter: 4
- Poor healthcare: 4
- Opening of culture clubs: 4
- Inadequate kindergartens: 4
- Lack of street lights: 3
- Population migration: 3
- Corruption: 3
- Poor transportation: 3
- Impeding the Mayor's activity: 2
- Proper finance distribution: 2
- Lack of entertainment for youth: 2
What are the main problems your town/village is facing at the moment? (April 2008)

- Poor roads: 43
- Lack of jobs: 19
- Water supply: 14
- Availability of gas: 12
- Environmental issues: 10
- Sanitation: 9
- Low incomes: 8
- High prices: 7
- Utility / housing costs: 5
- Poor transportation: 4
- Inadequate kindergartens: 4
- Poverty: 4
- Poor healthcare: 3
- Lack of street lights: 3
- Lack of entertainment for youth: 3
- Agricultural collapse: 3
- Emigration: 2
- Corruption: 2
- General education: 2
What are the most important problems for you and your household members?

- Financial difficulties: 41
- Health issues: 26
- Low incomes: 17
- Lack of jobs: 15
- Heating in winter: 7
- Expensive public utilities: 5
- High prices: 4
- Migration: 4
- Poverty: 4
- Housing costs: 4
- Loneliness: 2
- Expensive education: 2
- Availability of gas: 2
- Lack of state support: 2
What are the most important problems for you and your household members? (April 2008)

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Thinking about the current situation and future of your country, what are the things that you are most afraid of?

- War: 14
- Poverty: 12
- Hunger: 9
- Poor overall health: 7
- Children's future: 6
- Corruption: 6
- Migration: 6
- Unemployment: 6
- Conflict in Transnistria: 5
- Increasing prices: 4
- Worsening financial situation: 4
- Worsening economy: 3
- Natural disasters: 3
- Future in general: 3
- Ecology: 3
- Economic crisis: 3
- Catastrophes: 2
- Delinquency: 2
Thinking about the current situation and future of your country, what are the things that you are most afraid of? (April 2008)

- Poverty: 16
- Poor overall health: 13
- Unemployment: 10
- War: 9
- Inflation: 9
- Hunger: 8
- Natural disasters: 7
- Children's future: 7
- Future in general: 6
- Worsening financial situation: 5
- Conflict in Transnistria: 5
- Emigration: 5
- Worsening economy: 5
- Low incomes: 5
- Instability: 2
- Old age: 2
- General change for the worse: 2
Is corruption a big problem in Moldova today?

- November-08: 62% say it is a major problem, 27% say it is a big problem.
- April-08: 60% say it is a major problem, 25% say it is a big problem.
- March-07: 64% say it is a major problem, 26% say it is a big problem.
- March-06: 66% say it is a major problem, 25% say it is a big problem.
- November-04: 72% say it is a major problem, 24% say it is a big problem.

Red: It is a major problem
Yellow: It is a big problem
Blue: It is not a big problem
Green: It is not an issue at all
Black: DK/NA
Do you have somebody in your family who has left Moldova to work and/or live abroad?

If yes, how many family members?

November-08 April-08 March-07 April-06
No 59 61 62 70
Yes 40 38 36 29
DK/NA

November-08 April-08 March-07 April-06
One 28 54 59 61
Two 15 12 12 13
Three or more
DK/NA

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POLITICS
How much interest do you have in politics?

- November-08: Not interested = 46, Medium interest = 31, Interested = 22, NA = 1
- April-08: Not interested = 45, Medium interest = 29, Interested = 25, NA = 2
- March-07: Not interested = 49, Medium interest = 29, Interested = 21, NA = 2
- April-06: Not interested = 46, Medium interest = 26, Interested = 25, NA = 3
- November-04: Not interested = 48, Medium interest = 28, Interested = 23, NA = 1
- March-04: Not interested = 41, Medium interest = 31, Interested = 27, NA = 2

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Are you going to vote in the next parliamentary elections in 2009?

**2008-November**
- Definitely yes: 58
- Probably yes: 31
- Probably no: 4
- Definitely no: 2
- Undecided: 3
- NA: 2

**2008-April**
- Definitely yes: 61
- Probably yes: 23
- Probably no: 4
- Definitely no: 3
- Undecided: 5
- NA: 4
What are the most important achievements of the current government at the moment?

- Timely payment of pensions: 14
- Higher pensions: 12
- Timely payment of wages: 3
- Increase of wages: 2
- Street lighting: 2
- Stabilizing the situation: 2
- Slight economy growth: 2
- Improved gas supply: 1
- Less crime: 1
- Aid for monasteries: 1
- Improved roads: 1
- Maintaining peace: 1
- Nothing: 10
- No answer: 37

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What are the most important achievements of the current government at the moment? (April 2008)

1. Higher pensions: 13
2. Timely payment of pensions: 10
3. Timely payment of wages: 4
4. Stabilizing difficult situations: 3
5. Increase of wages: 2
6. Street lighting: 2
7. Public order: 2
8. Slight economy growth: 1
9. Neutrality with Transnistria: 1
10. Improved gas supply: 1
11. Nothing: 8
12. No answer: 43

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What are the biggest failures of the current government at the moment?

- Increase of prices, inflation: 10
- Conflict in Transnistria: 6
- Unemployment: 5
- Corruption: 3
- Migration: 3
- Wages do not increase: 3
- Poor economics: 2
- Not keeping promises: 2
- Low pensions: 2
- Working for own benefit: 1
- Decline in agriculture: 1
- Low living standards: 1
- Worsening relations with Russia: 1
- Lack of order: 1
- Privatization: 1
- Everything: 2
- No answer: 42
### What are the biggest failures of the current government at the moment? (April 2008)

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**Note:** The percentages represent the number of responses for each issue.
How would you evaluate the current state of relations between Moldova and…?

- **Russia**: 68% Good, 13% Neither good, nor bad, 14% Bad, 5% No answer
- **Ukraine**: 62% Good, 14% Neither good, nor bad, 12% Bad, 12% No answer
- **European Union**: 61% Good, 17% Neither good, nor bad, 10% Bad, 12% No answer
- **Romania**: 49% Good, 17% Neither good, nor bad, 25% Bad, 9% No answer
- **USA**: 46% Good, 16% Neither good, nor bad, 12% Bad, 26% No answer
How would you evaluate the current state of relations between Moldova and…? (April 2008)
Which countries are the most important partners for Moldova?

Which countries are the greatest political and economic threat to Moldova?

- **Russia**: 75 partners, 16 threats
- **European Union**: 71 partners, 6 threats
- **Ukraine**: 54 partners, 12 threats
- **Romania**: 53 partners, 18 threats
- **USA**: 40 partners, 30 threats
- **DK/NA**: 49 partners, 7 threats

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Which countries are the most important partners for Moldova? Which countries are the greatest political and economic threat to Moldova? (April 2008)

- **European Union**: Partners 64, Threats 10
- **Russia**: Partners 69, Threats 18
- **Ukraine**: Partners 56, Threats 12
- **Romania**: Partners 50, Threats 18
- **USA**: Partners 34, Threats 36

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What do you think the future of Transnistria should be?

- **November 2008**: 7% Part of Ukraine, 4% Independent, 19% No opinion
- **April 2008**: 7% Part of Ukraine, 4% Independent, 21% No opinion
- **March 2007**: 4% Part of Ukraine, 3% Independent, 21% No opinion
- **April 2006**: 4% Part of Ukraine, 2% Independent, 12% No opinion
How do you think the current situation in regard to the status of Transnistria should be resolved?

- Using force if necessary
- Negotiations and peaceful means
- No opinion

### Survey Results

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Should Moldova in the future?

- Join European Union: 70 (Yes), 15 (No), 15 (No opinion)
- Remain member of the Commonwealth of Independent States: 53 (Yes), 27 (No), 20 (No opinion)
- Be an independent neutral state: 40 (Yes), 36 (No), 23 (No opinion)
- Join NATO: 21 (Yes), 52 (No), 27 (No opinion)
Should Moldova in the future? (April 2008)

- Join the European Union: 67% Yes, 16% No, 17% No opinion
- Remain a member of the Commonwealth of Independent States: 46% Yes, 30% No, 24% No opinion
- Be an independent neutral state: 44% Yes, 34% No, 22% No opinion
- Join the collective security treaty, supported by Russia: 27% Yes, 31% No, 42% No opinion
- Join the Eurasian Economic Unity: 23% Yes, 29% No, 48% No opinion
- Join NATO: 21% Yes, 53% No, 25% No opinion
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What is your opinion about the work of each of these institutions? (April 2008)

- Moldovan Mitropoly: Favorable 76, Unfavorable 9, No opinion 16
- Moldovan media: Favorable 54, Unfavorable 21, No opinion 25
- Bessarabian Mitropoly: Favorable 53, Unfavorable 36, No opinion 11
- Moldovan parliament: Favorable 52, Unfavorable 37, No opinion 11
- President's office: Favorable 51, Unfavorable 37, No opinion 12
- Moldovan government: Favorable 50, Unfavorable 17, No opinion 34
- European Union: Favorable 48, Unfavorable 30, No opinion 22
- Army: Favorable 48, Unfavorable 35, No opinion 17
- Education system: Favorable 47, Unfavorable 28, No opinion 26
- Central bank: Favorable 35, Unfavorable 26, No opinion 39
- Commonwealth of Independent States: Favorable 34, Unfavorable 55, No opinion 10
- Healthcare system: Favorable 32, Unfavorable 26, No opinion 43
- Union of businessmen: Favorable 30, Unfavorable 23, No opinion 48
- United Nations: Favorable 28, Unfavorable 28, No opinion 43
- USA: Favorable 28, Unfavorable 58, No opinion 14
- Police authorities: Favorable 25, Unfavorable 43, No opinion 31
- Courts of justice: Favorable 25, Unfavorable 49, No opinion 25
- Political parties: Favorable 25, Unfavorable 42, No opinion 35
- Trade unions: Favorable 24, Unfavorable 32, No opinion 47
- NATO: Favorable 20, Unfavorable 32, No opinion 47
What are your sources for political information?

- TV news/programs
- Radio news/programs
- Relatives/friends
- Articles in newspapers
- Colleagues at work
- Articles in magazines
- Bilboards/ signs in the streets
- Internet
- Meetings with politicians
- Leaflets and other free information in print
- No answer

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Which Moldovan TV channels for news and political information do you trust the most? (top five)

- PRO TV: November 2008 - 13, April 2008 - 12, March 2007 - 10
- HTB: November 2008 - 1, April 2008 - , March 2007 -

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Which Moldovan radio stations for news and political information do you trust the most? (top five)

- **Radio Moldova**: 30
- **Antena C**: 4 (November 2008), 5 (April 2008), 8 (March 2007)
- **Radio Sanatatea**: 6 (November 2008), 5 (April 2008), 5 (March 2007)
- **Radio Noroc**: 3
- **Russkoje Radio**: 2

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Which Moldovan newspaper for news and political information do you trust the most? (top five)

- **Timpul**: 5 (November 2008), 3 (April 2008), 5 (March 2007)
- **Komsomolskaya Pravda**: 4 (November 2008), 3 (April 2008), 5 (March 2007)
- **Communist**: 4 (November 2008), 3 (April 2008), 2 (March 2007)
- **Flux**: 4 (November 2008), 3 (April 2008), 6 (March 2007)
- **Nezavisimaya Moldova**: 3 (November 2008), 3 (April 2008)
What sources of information have the most influence in the election campaign?

- Meetings with politicians
  - Great influence: 28
  - Some influence: 37
  - Not much influence: 15
  - No influence at all: 16
  - No answer: 4

- Meetings with/opinions of leaders
  - Great influence: 26
  - Some influence: 42
  - Not much influence: 15
  - No influence at all: 13
  - No answer: 4

- TV ads
  - Great influence: 14
  - Some influence: 39
  - Not much influence: 20
  - No influence at all: 23
  - No answer: 3

- Home visits from representatives of a party or candidate
  - Great influence: 14
  - Some influence: 28
  - Not much influence: 19
  - No influence at all: 28
  - No answer: 11

- Articles in the newspapers about candidates
  - Great influence: 11
  - Some influence: 35
  - Not much influence: 24
  - No influence at all: 24
  - No answer: 6

- Radio advertisements
  - Great influence: 11
  - Some influence: 30
  - Not much influence: 24
  - No influence at all: 29
  - No answer: 6

- Telephone calls to one's home
  - Great influence: 11
  - Some influence: 22
  - Not much influence: 19
  - No influence at all: 35
  - No answer: 13

- Personal letters from the candidate
  - Great influence: 10
  - Some influence: 24
  - Not much influence: 20
  - No influence at all: 34
  - No answer: 12

- Paid ads for the candidate or party
  - Great influence: 7
  - Some influence: 29
  - Not much influence: 25
  - No influence at all: 31
  - No answer: 8

- Billboards
  - Great influence: 6
  - Some influence: 21
  - Not much influence: 28
  - No influence at all: 37
  - No answer: 8

- Leaflets
  - Great influence: 5
  - Some influence: 25
  - Not much influence: 28
  - No influence at all: 35
  - No answer: 7

- Slogans and ads on transport
  - Great influence: 5
  - Some influence: 19
  - Not much influence: 27
  - No influence at all: 40
  - No answer: 9

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What sources of information have the most influence in the election campaign? (April 2008)

Meetings with politicians
Meetings with/opinions of leaders
TV ads
Articles in the newspapers about candidates
Home visits from representatives of a party or candidate
Radio advertisements
Paid ads for the candidate or party
Personal letters from the candidate
Telephone calls to one’s home
Leaflets
Billboards
Slogans and ads on transport

Great influence | Some influence | Not much influence | No influence at all | No answer
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Meetings with politicians | 26 | 45 | 12 | 7 | 9
Meetings with/opinions of leaders | 22 | 47 | 13 | 8 | 10
TV ads | 19 | 40 | 20 | 14 | 8
Articles in the newspapers about candidates | 16 | 42 | 19 | 15 | 9
Home visits from representatives of a party or candidate | 13 | 31 | 21 | 19 | 16
Radio advertisements | 9 | 36 | 23 | 20 | 12
Paid ads for the candidate or party | 8 | 34 | 26 | 21 | 12
Personal letters from the candidate | 8 | 26 | 24 | 23 | 20
Telephone calls to one’s home | 7 | 25 | 23 | 25 | 20
Leaflets | 4 | 28 | 31 | 24 | 12
Billboards | 4 | 27 | 32 | 24 | 14
Slogans and ads on transport | 3 | 21 | 32 | 29 | 15
TRUST IN ELECTIONS
Do you think the last local elections in Moldova were free and fair?

November 2008
- Free and fair: 52
- Not free and fair: 26
- No opinion: 22

April 2008
- Free and fair: 49
- Not free and fair: 25
- No opinion: 26

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Do you think the parliamentary elections in 2009 will be free and fair?

**November 2008**
- Free and fair: 45
- Not free and fair: 23
- No opinion: 32

**April 2008**
- Free and fair: 44
- Not free and fair: 19
- No opinion: 37

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Gender
- Male: 44%
- Female: 56%

Age groups
- 50+: 50%
- 30-49: 33%
- 18-29: 17%

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**Education**

- Higher, incomplete higher: 17%
- Vocational: 11%
- No answer: 2%
- Unfinished secondary: 25%
- Secondary: 45%

**Household size**

- One: 17%
- Two: 27%
- Three: 18%
- Four: 19%
- Five and more: 14%
- No answer: 5%
**Sector of Employment**

- Don't work: 63%
- No answer: 2%
- State sector: 17%
- Private sector: 17%
- Nongovernmental organization: 1%

**Occupation**

- Retired: 34%
- Housewife: 6%
- Other working: 2%
- Student: 5%
- Unemployed: 17%
- Manager, director: 2%
- Unqualified worker: 4%
- Farmer: 4%
- Services, trade: 4%
- White collar: 10%
- Technician: 1%
- Specialist: 6%
- Blue collar: 5%