

# Global @dvisor

### The Economic Pulse of the World

Citizens in 24 Countries Assess the Current State of their Country's Economy for a Total Global Perspective







A Global @dvisory – February 2012 – G@29
The Economic Pulse



### These are the findings of the *Global @dvisor* Wave 29 (G@29), an Ipsos survey conducted between January 3<sup>rd</sup> and January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

#### **SURVEY METHOD**

- The survey instrument is conducted monthly in 24 countries around the world via the Ipsos Online Panel system.
- This month fielding also took place in Hong Kong.

#### **COUNTRIES**

The countries reporting herein are Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and the

United States of America.

#### **SAMPLE**

 For the results of the survey presented herein, an international sample of 18,768 adults age 18-64 in the US and Canada, and age 16-64 in all other countries, were interviewed. Approximately 1000+ individuals participated on a country by country basis via the Ipsos Online Panel with the exception of Argentina. Belgium, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Mexico, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden and Turkey, where each have a sample approximately 500+.

#### WEIGHTING

 Weighting was then employed. to balance demographics and ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to the most recent country Census data, and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe. A survey with an unweighted probability sample of this size and a 100% response rate would have an estimated margin of error of +/-3.1 percentage points for a sample of 1,000 and an estimated margin of error of +/-4.5 percentage points 19 times out of 20 per country of what the results would have been had the entire population of adults in that country had been polled. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error. and measurement error.



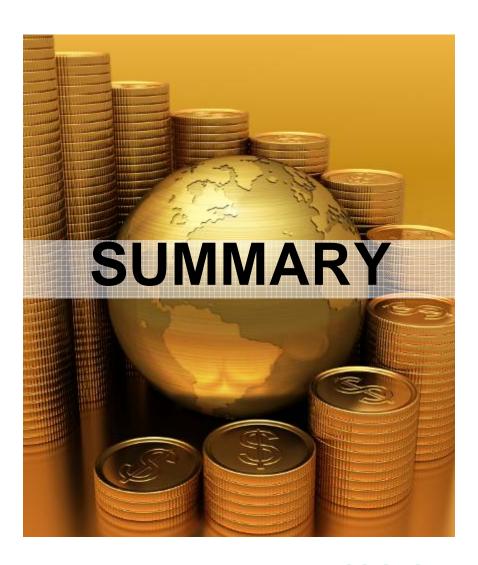
#### **Analytic Components...**

There are three analytic components that make up the findings of this monthly Economic Pulse report. Each question is tracked and analyzed from questions dealing with:

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- Thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?
- ② The currently perceived state of the local economy:
- Rate the current state of the economy in your local area using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means a very strong economy today and 1 means a very weak economy.
- **③ A six month outlook for the local economy:**
- Looking ahead six months from now, do you expect the economy in your local area to be much stronger, somewhat stronger, about the same, somewhat weaker, or much weaker than it is now?







#### Summary...

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- The Middle East and Africa is the geographic region with the highest aggregate assessment (+2 to 61%), followed by Latin America (+1 to 47%), North America (+1 to 43%), Asia Pacific (+1 to 43%) and Europe (+2 to 25%).
  - Europe, which consistently weighs down the global average, has not seen such an improvement in its assessment since February 2011. In fact, all European countries except Sweden (-2 to 72%) show an improvement this wave.
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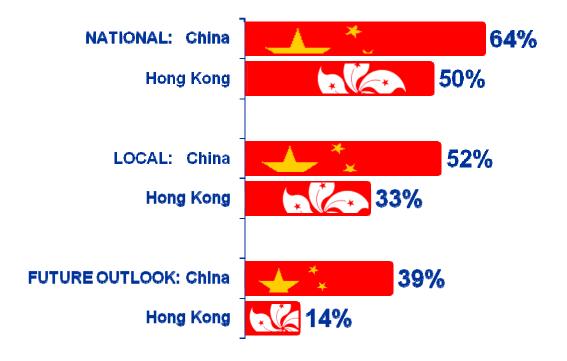
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  - Argentina is the only other country to show such stable upward movements in its assessment;
     it moved up three points to 55% this wave and has been improving steadily since March 2010.
- The <u>upbeat mood is present both in current national assessments and in assessments of the future of local economies.</u> The proportion of those expecting their local economies to be 'stronger' (+1 to 25%) in the next six months has risen one point and all regions have improved or remained the same on this measure.



#### **Hong Kong**

 Polling this wave includes results from Hong Kong\*. It ranks middle of the pack on national (50%) and local (33%) assessments but near the bottom on future assessments of local economic conditions (14%) and ranks considerably lower than Mainland China on all three measures:

#### Hong Kong vs. China

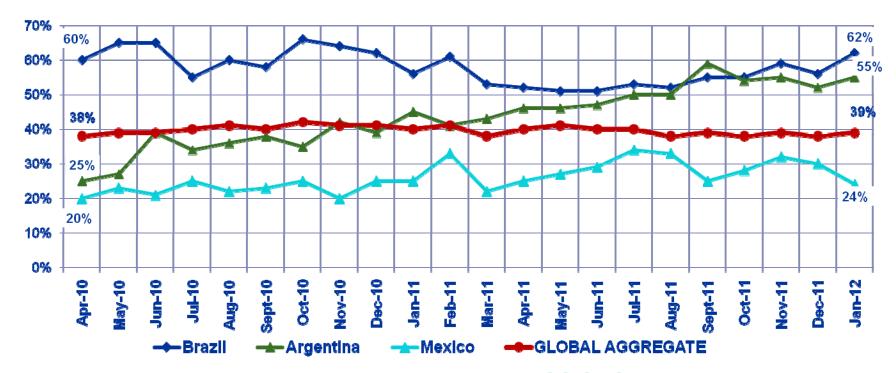


<sup>\*</sup>The results from Hong Kong are not included in aggregate reporting in order to provide accurate month-to-month tracking. Hong Kong is not regularly tracked.



#### A Look at Latin America

- <u>Latin America</u> includes some of the world's strongest emerging markets: Argentina, Brazil and Mexico.
- Argentina (+3 to 55%) demonstrates steady, positive improvement since July 2010, when it sat at 34%. For Brazil (+6 to 62%), 2010 was tumultuous but it has been on an upward curve since June 2011 (51%). Argentina and Brazil trumps the global aggregate assessment of national economies each month consistently since January 2011. Mexico has been considerably more volatile, with periods of drops and jumps. This wave, Mexico is the country with the greatest decline (-6 points to 24%) among all those surveyed.









### Global Average of National Economic Assessment (39%) up one point

- The average <u>global economic assessment of national economies</u> has been fluctuating up one point, down one point, steadily like a pendulum for the past six months <u>this sounding it is up one point (39%).</u>
- Saudi Arabia again shows the strongest proportions of people rating their current national economic situation as 'good' (86%), a figure that is unchanged this month. They are followed by: Sweden (-2 points to 72%), Australia (+2 to 70%), Germany (+9 to 70%), Canada (+2 to 65%) and India (-3 to 65%).
- On the other end, only 2% (no change since last wave) of those in Hungary rate their national economies as 'good', followed by Spain (NC at 4%), Italy (NC at 5%), France (+1 to 6%), Japan (NC at 8%) and Great Britain (+5 to 13%).
- Countries with the greatest improvements: South Africa (+10 to 42%), China (+9 to 64%), Germany (+9 to 70%) and Brazil (+6 to 62%).
- Countries with the greatest declines: Mexico (-6 to 24%), South Korea (-4 to 17%), India (-3 to 65%) and Turkey (-3 to 55%).



### Global Average of Local Economic Assessment (29%) Unchanged

- The global average of <u>local economic assessment</u> among the 24 countries <u>remains</u> <u>unchanged for four months</u> with <u>three in ten (29%)</u> global citizens who agree the state of the current economy in their local area is "good".
- The poll finds assessments of local economies to be strongest in Saudi Arabia (+5 points to 69%), a country that exceeds the second-place rival by 17 points. That country is China (+4 to 52%), followed next by Brazil (+4 to 50%), Sweden (+1 to 49%), Australia (NC at 47%) and India (-1 to 47%).
- Spain (NC at 6%), Japan (+2 to 7%), Hungary (+1 to 8%), Italy (NC at 10%), France (NC at 12%) and South Korea (-5 to 12%) sit at the bottom of the global ranking.
- Countries with the greatest improvements: Saudi Arabia (+5 to 69%), China (+4 to 52%), Germany (+4 to 45%) and Brazil (+4 to 50%).
- Countries with the greatest declines: Turkey (-10 to 35%), South Korea (-5 to 12%) and Indonesia (-2 to 31%).



#### Global Average of <u>Future Outlook for Local Economy Up</u> One Point: 25%

- Citizens are asked to provide their assessments on the extent to which they think their local economy will be "stronger", "weaker" or "about the same" six months from now. Currently, a global average of <u>one quarter (25%) believe their local economy</u> <u>will be stronger, a one-point improvement after five months of stagnation.</u>
- Brazil holds on to its number one spot on this measurement (+3 points to 74%), followed by Saudi Arabia (+3 to 63%), India (NC at 50%), Argentina (-3 to 42%) and China (+7 to 39%).
- France sits in last place on this measure with only 2% expecting their local economies would be stronger, unchanged from last sounding. Also at the bottom of the ranking sit Hungary (+2 to 5%), Belgium (+1 to 6%), Japan (+1 to 8%), Great Britain (+3 to 10%) and South Korea (-1 to 11%).
- Countries with the greatest improvements: China (+7 to 39%), Germany (+5 to 18%) and Sweden (+4 to 16%).
- Countries with the greatest declines: Indonesia (-5 to 32%), Turkey (-4 to 31%), Mexico (-3 to 36%), Argentina (-3 to 42%) and Spain (-3 to 18%).



# 1. National Economic Assessments: Countries at a Glance Compared to the Last Wave...

Those Countries Where the Country Economic Assessment														
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Saudi Arabia	86%	South Africa		10	Mexico	•	6	Hungary	2%					
Sweden	72%	China		9	South Korea	•	4	Spain	4%					
Australia	70%	Germany		9	India	$\blacksquare$	3	Italy	5%					
Germany	70%	Brazil		6	Turkey	•	3	France	6%					
Canada	65%	<b>Great Britain</b>		5	Sweden	•	2	Japan	8%					
India	65%	Argentina		3	Indonesia	•	1	Great Britain	13%					
China	64%	Belgium		3				South Korea	17%					
Brazil	62%	Canada		2				United States	21%					
		Australia		2				Belgium	22%					
		France		1				Mexico	24%					
								Poland	27%					



# 1. National Economic Assessment: Regions at a Glance Compared to the Last Wave...

REGION (in descending order by NET)	NET 'Good'	CHANGE (since last sounding)
Middle East/Africa	61%	▲2%
BRIC	55%	▲3%
LATAM	47%	▲1%
North America (Can/US)	43%	▲1%
APAC	43%	▲1%
G8	27%	<b>▲2</b> %
Europe	25%	<b>▲2</b> %



# 2. Local Economic Assessment: Countries at a Glance Compared to the Last Wave...

Those Countries Where the Local Area Economic Assessment														
is HIGHEST this month		has experience IMPROVEM since last sou	ENT		has experien DECLINI since last sou	E	is LOWEST this month							
Saudi Arabia	69%	Saudi Arabia	<b>A</b>	5	Turkey	•	10	Spain	6%					
China	52%	China		4	South Korea	•	5	Japan	7%					
Brazil	50%	Germany		4	Indonesia	$\blacksquare$	2	Hungary	8%					
Sweden	49%	Brazil		4	United States	•	1	Italy	10%					
Australia	47%	South Africa		3	India	•	1	South Korea	12%					
India	47%	Poland		3				France	12%					
Canada	45%	Great Britain		3				Belgium	15%					
Germany	45%	Japan		2				<b>Great Britain</b>	16%					
		Russia		2				Russia	21%					
		Sweden		1				United States	22%					
		Hungary		1				Mexico	22%					
		Belgium		1				Poland	24%					
		Argentina		1				South Africa	26%					

Rate the current state of the economy in your local area using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means a very strong economy today and 1 means a very weak economy



# 2. Local Economic Assessment: Regions at a Glance Compared to the Last Wave...

REGION (in descending order by NET)	NET 'Strong' Top 3 Box (5-6-7)	CHANGE (since last sounding)
Middle East/Africa	43%	▼1%
BRIC	42%	<b>▲2</b> %
LATAM	36%	▲2%
North America	33%	▼1%
APAC	31%	N/C
G-8 Countries	22%	▲1%
Europe	21%	▲2%



## 3. Six Month Outlook on the Local Economy: Countries at a Glance Compared to the Last Wave...

#### Countries where the Assessment of the Local Economic Strengthening ...

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Brazil	74%	China		7	Indonesia	▼	5	France	2%
Saudi Arabia	63%	Germany		5	Turkey	•	4	Hungary	5%
India	50%	Sweden		4	Mexico	▼	3	Belgium	6%
Argentina	42%	Brazil		3	Argentina	•	3	Japan	8%
China	39%	Saudi Arabia		3	Spain	▼	3	<b>Great Britain</b>	10%
Mexico	36%	United States		3	South Korea	•	1	South Korea	11%
Indonesia	32%	Australia		3				Italy	15%
		Italy		3				Sweden	16%
		Great Britain		3				South Africa	16%
		Russia		2				Poland	16%
		Hungary		2					
		Canada		2					
		Japan		1					
		Belgium		1					



# 3. Six Month Outlook on Local Economy: Regions at a Glance Compared to Last Wave...

REGION (in descending order by NET)	NET 'Stronger'	CHANGE (since last sounding)
LATAM	51%	N/C
BRIC	45%	▲3%
Middle East/Africa	37%	N/C
APAC	25%	▲1%
North America	23%	▲2%
G-8 Countries	15%	▲3%
Europe	12%	▲2%



### **DETAILED FINDINGS**



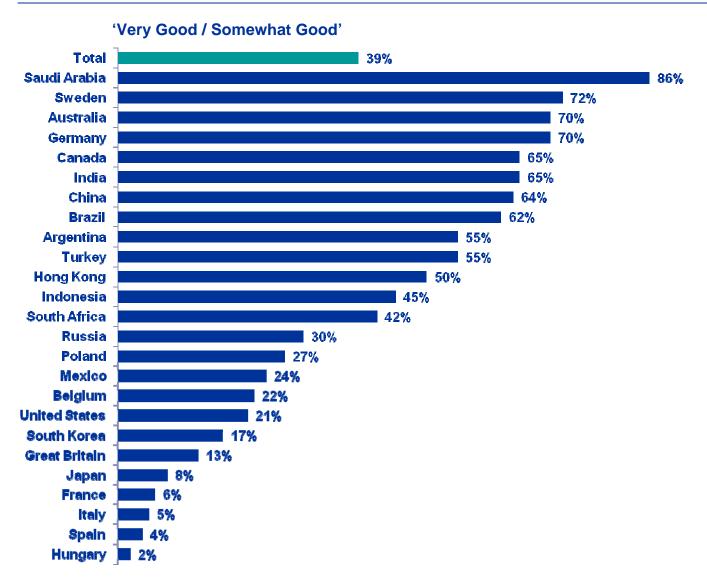
# **1** Assessing The Current Economic Situation ...

...in Their Country





### Global Citizens Assess the <u>Current Economic Situation</u> in their Country as "Good"



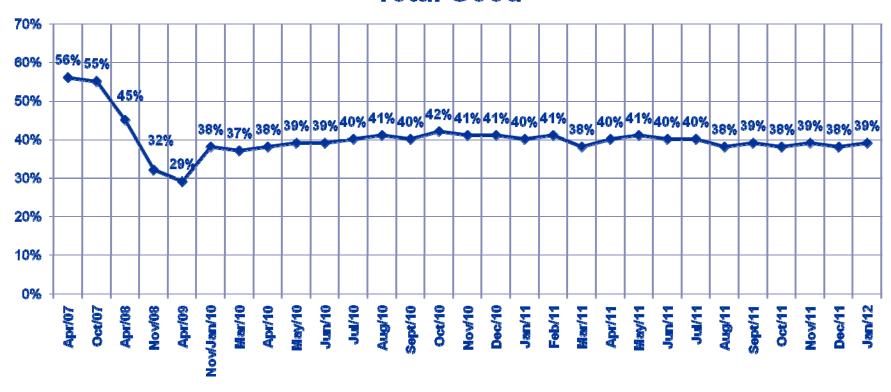
Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad? \*Note that results for Hong Kong are not included in aggregate results to allow for consistent tracking.



### Global Average Tracked - Global Citizens Assess the Current Economic Situation in their Country as "Good":...



#### **Total Good**





#### For All Countries Tracked: Citizens Assess the Current Economic Situation in their Country as "Good"

Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?

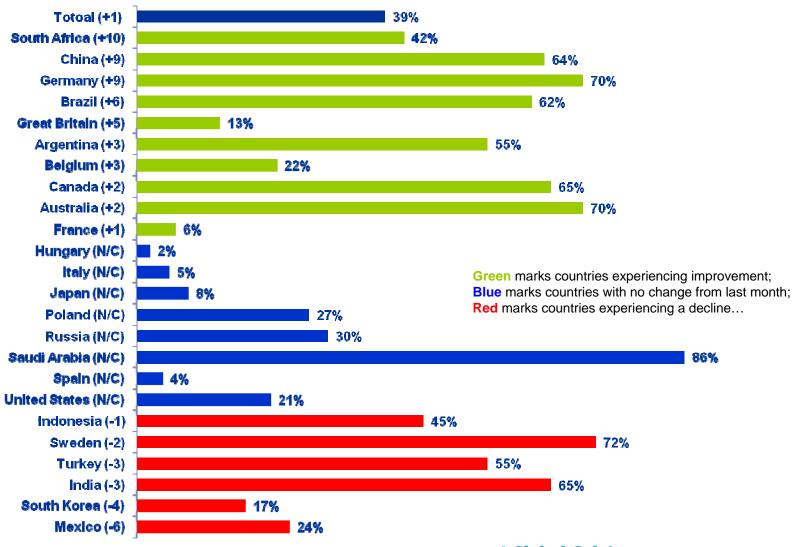
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Argentina	28%	21%	25%	27%	39%	34%	36%	38%	35%	42%	39%	45%	41%	43%	46%	46%	47%	50%	50%	59%	54%	55%	52%	55%
Australia	82%	80%	73%	74%	72%	72%	72%	77%	78%	74%	75%	78%	72%	70%	70%	73%	66%	64%	56%	61%	62%	67%	68%	70%
Belgium	28%	29%	22%	23%	22%	29%	33%	36%	29%	28%	31%	34%	39%	36%	41%	40%	42%	41%	37%	31%	25%	24%	19%	22%
Brazil	72%	59%	60%	65%	65%	55%	60%	58%	66%	64%	62%	56%	61%	53%	52%	51%	51%	53%	52%	55%	55%	59%	56%	62%
Canada	60%	65%	67%	64%	68%	68%	65%	68%	63%	63%	62%	68%	68%	64%	68%	69%	69%	72%	73%	66%	66%	62%	63%	65%
China	78%	80%	82%	78%	77%	74%	77%	75%	79%	74%	72%	74%	73%	67%	75%	68%	68%	66%	61%	65%	65%	62%	55%	64%
France	14%	11%	9%	8%	6%	9%	12%	10%	10%	12%	12%	11%	10%	10%	8%	11%	12%	8%	12%	7%	6%	7%	5%	6%
Germany	44%	37%	45%	37%	38%	48%	55%	56%	64%	67%	63%	64%	64%	62%	67%	68%	68%	71%	66%	63%	64%	64%	61%	70%
<b>Great Britain</b>	14%	17%	17%	13%	13%	13%	16%	16%	12%	16%	13%	15%	12%	8%	10%	15%	13%	10%	11%	17%	11%	10%	8%	13%
Hungary	7%	4%	8%	8%	8%	9%	11%	7%	13%	7%	6%	3%	5%	3%	6%	5%	6%	5%	4%	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%
India	82%	83%	86%	85%	85%	78%	80%	82%	88%	88%	87%	76%	77%	73%	76%	73%	71%	62%	69%	69%	75%	69%	68%	65%
Indonesia	-	49%	52%	52%	49%	51%	39%	49%	54%	45%	48%	37%	38%	40%	46%	47%	40%	41%	36%	42%	35%	50%	46%	45%
Italy	24%	17%	17%	14%	16%	16%	17%	14%	16%	11%	14%	11%	14%	12%	10%	14%	10%	10%	8%	8%	8%	6%	5%	5%
Japan	8%	7%	7%	6%	9%	6%	8%	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%	8%	8%	7%	9%	8%	8%	6%	8%	6%	7%	8%	8%
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Poland	42%	41%	47%	45%	46%	42%	33%	33%	29%	30%	28%	23%	29%	19%	23%	22%	20%	24%	28%	27%	30%	28%	27%	27%
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Saudi Arabia	-	73%	76%	80%	73%	80%	81%	78%	76%	81%	81%	80%	81%	85%	87%	89%	89%	87%	88%	89%	83%	89%	86%	86%
South Africa	-	38%	44%	41%	34%	56%	45%	41%	46%	41%	51%	45%	45%	40%	41%	43%	42%	38%	39%	34%	39%	32%	32%	42%
South Korea	28%	29%	32%	31%	34%	34%	30%	35%	32%	37%	39%	34%	38%	22%	25%	29%	27%	27%	18%	21%	18%	26%	21%	17%
Spain	10%	5%	5%	6%	5%	10%	10%	9%	10%	7%	7%	4%	6%	6%	8%	6%	6%	7%	6%	3%	5%	3%	4%	4%
Sweden	58%	58%	56%	60%	63%	71%	73%	72%	77%	75%	75%	82%	80%	71%	78%	76%	76%	77%	70%	74%	69%	73%	74%	72%
Turkey	51%	35%	44%	40%	44%	37%	45%	39%	43%	41%	41%	46%	47%	43%	49%	50%	51%	57%	48%	61%	59%	54%	58%	55%
<b>United States</b>	20%	17%	25%	23%	18%	17%	15%	15%	18%	20%	19%	20%	20%	19%	17%	23%	19%	19%	14%	15%	14%	19%	21%	21%



#### Countries Ranked and Marked By Change In Assessment From Last Month

(Left Column) Thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?

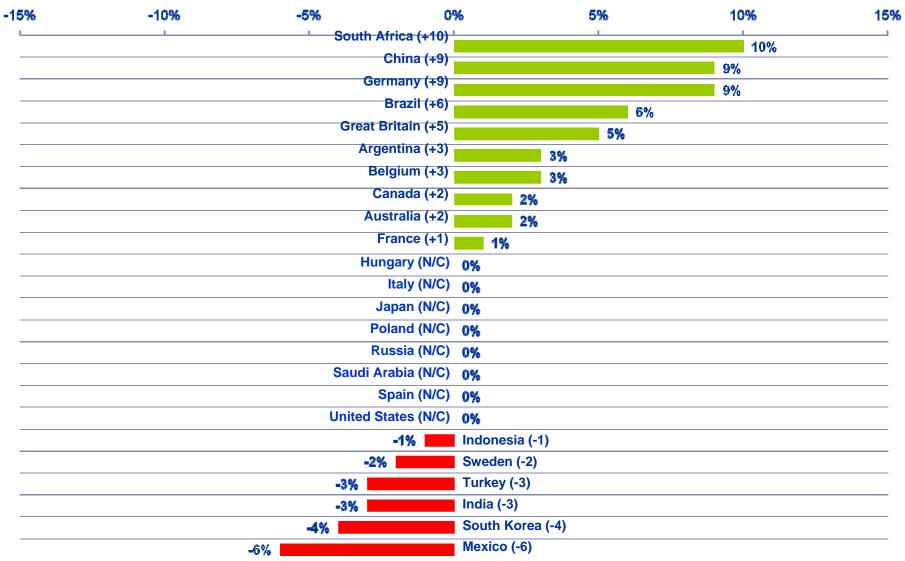






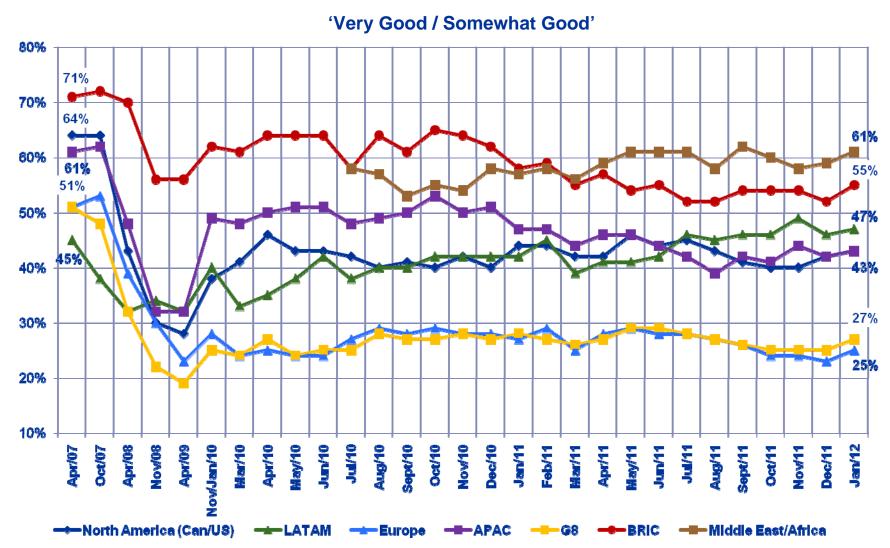
#### Countries Ranked by Net Improvement, Decline or No Change Compared to

**Last Month:** Thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?





### Assessing the Current Economic Situation by All Regions: Current Tracked Status:

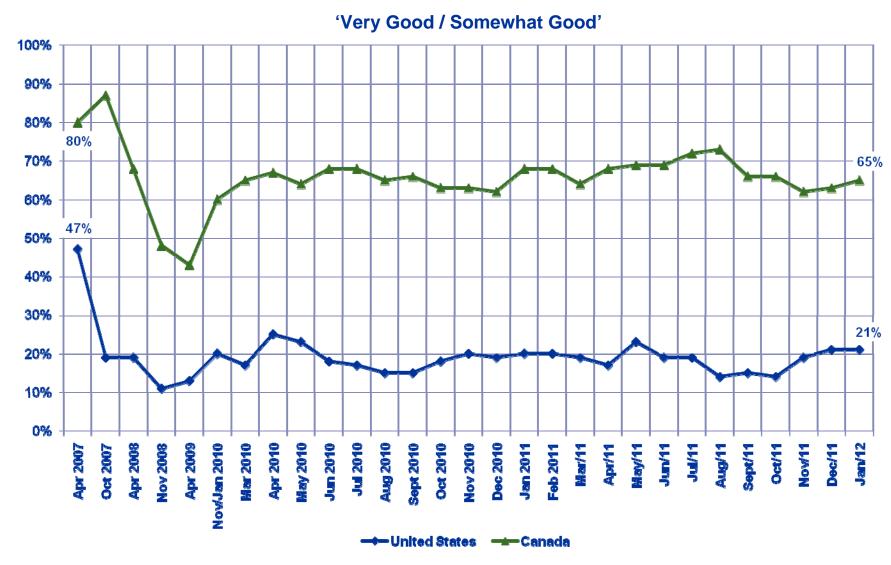




### North American (Canada/US) Countries



#### Assessing the Current Economic Situation



Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]?

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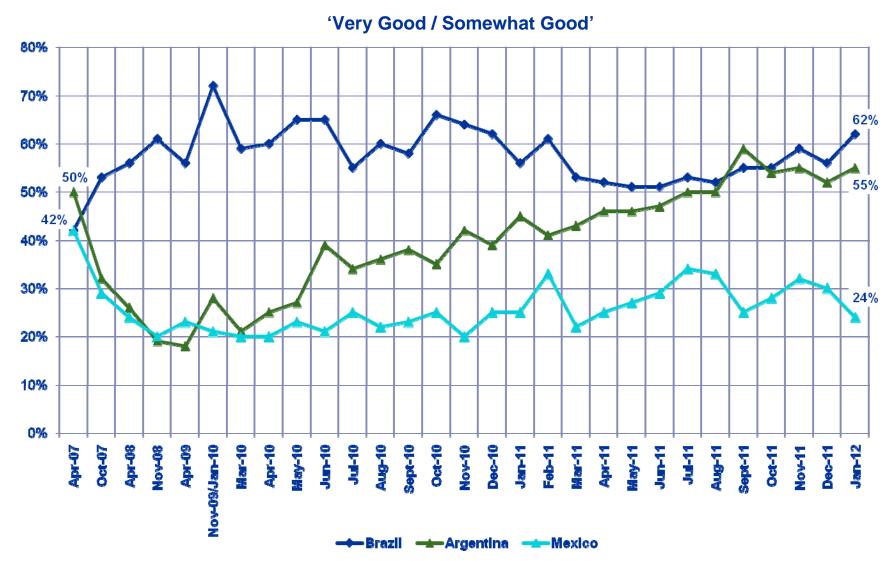
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#### **LATAM Countries**



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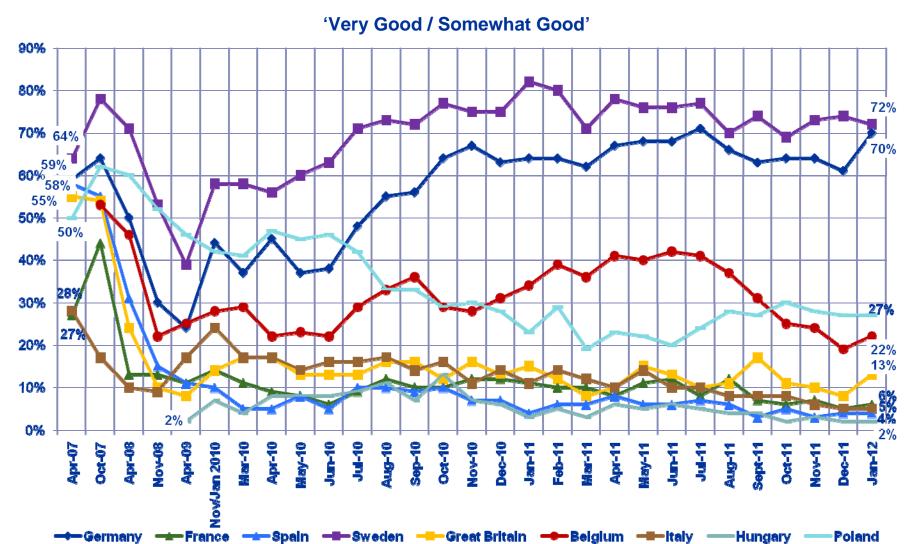




#### **European Countries**



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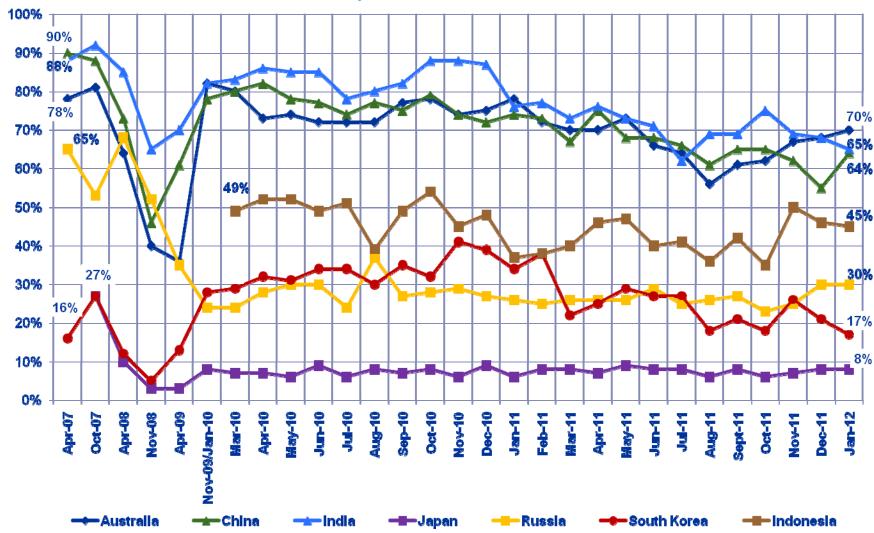


#### **APAC Countries**



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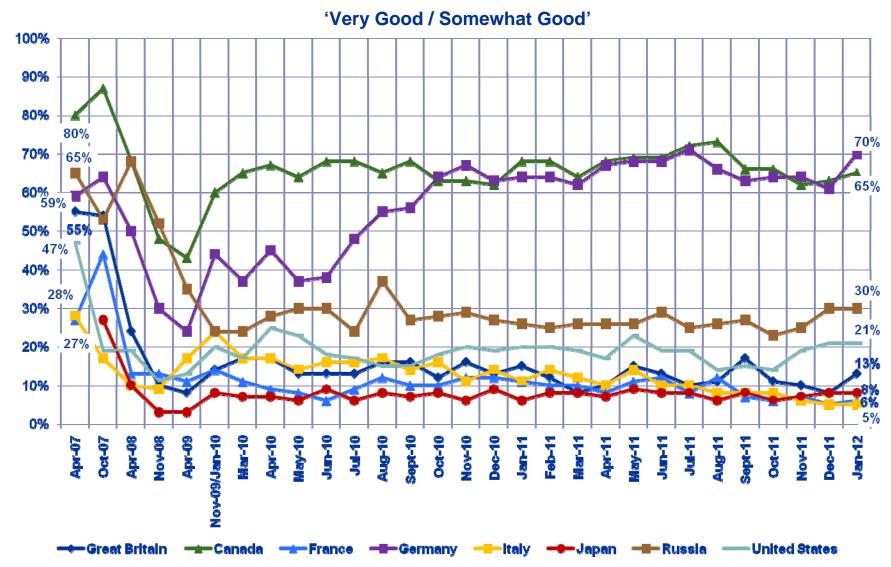






# **G8 Countries Assessing the Economic Situation**





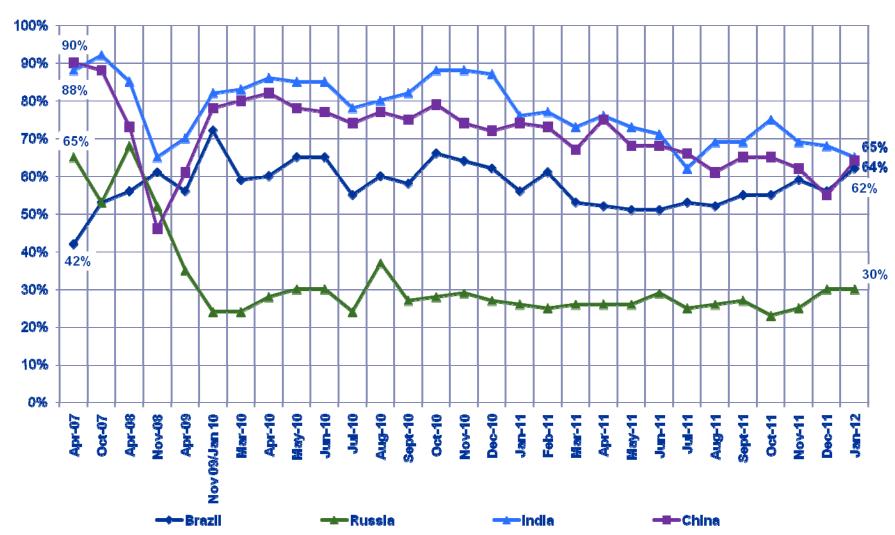


#### **BRIC Countries**

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#### Assessing the Economic Situation

#### 'Very Good / Somewhat Good'



Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in [insert country]? Is it very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad?

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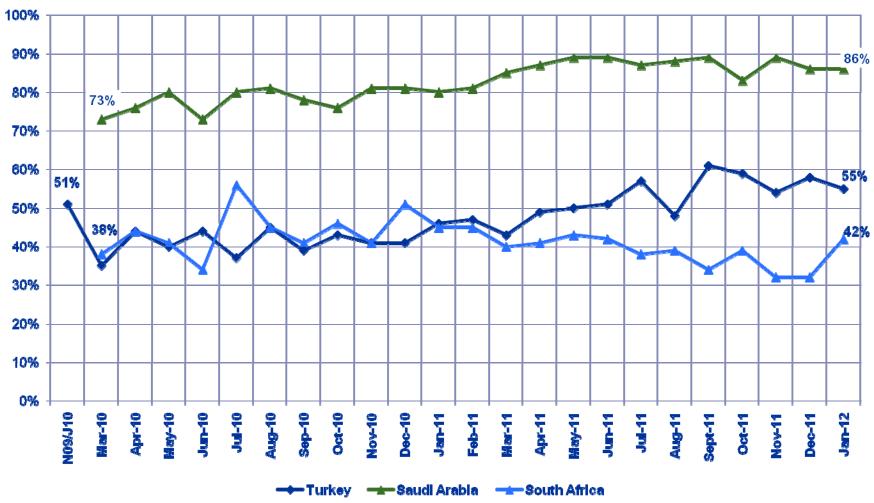


#### Middle East/African Countries

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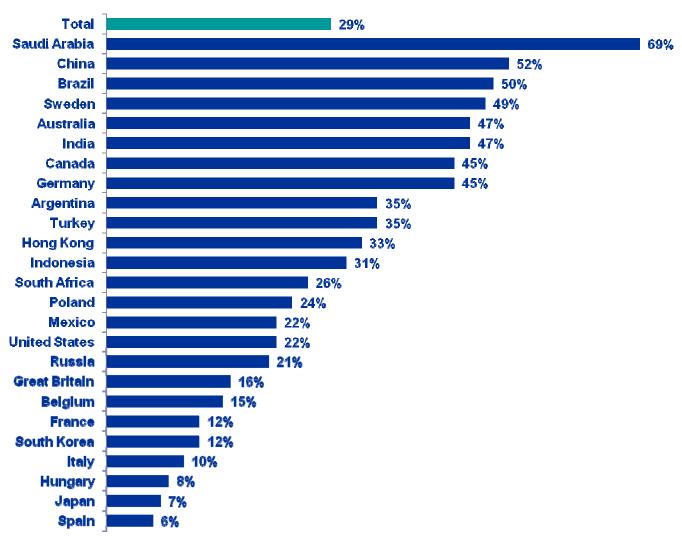
### ...In Their Local Area





# Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy In Their Local Area is Strong...





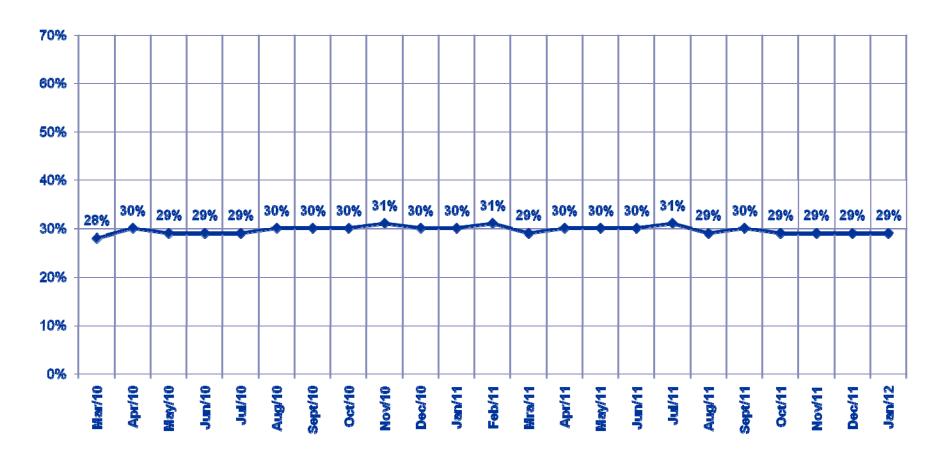
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## Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy In Their Local Area is Strong



**Total - % Strong (Top 3: 5-6-7)** 





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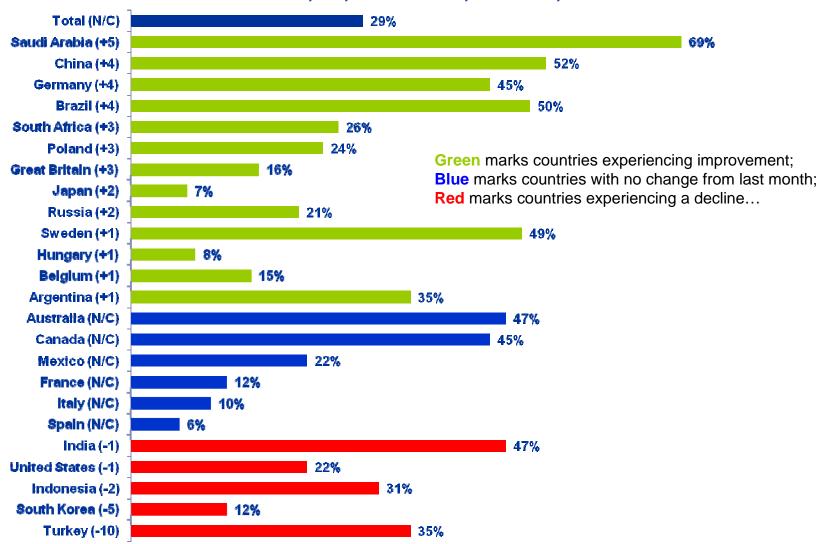
% Strong (Top 3 5-6-7)

	Mar 2010	April 2010	May 2010	June 2010	July 2010	Aug 2010	Sept 2010	Oct 2010	Nov 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	May 2011	Jun 2011	Jul 2011	Aug 2011	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2011	Jan 2012
Total	28%	30%	29%	29%	29%	30%	30%	30%	31%	30%	30%	31%	29%	30%	30%	30%	31%	29%	30%	29%	29%	29%	29%
Argentina	19%	19%	15%	23%	20%	25%	26%	21%	28%	28%	30%	28%	26%	30%	28%	31%	30%	29%	36%	35%	36%	34%	35%
Australia	56%	55%	55%	50%	52%	52%	53%	57%	53%	55%	60%	54%	53%	51%	50%	46%	46%	42%	43%	49%	46%	47%	47%
Belgium	15%	11%	11%	12%	14%	20%	19%	17%	21%	16%	20%	30%	23%	27%	26%	25%	24%	19%	21%	18%	16%	14%	15%
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China	61%	57%	58%	55%	58%	59%	59%	63%	59%	55%	56%	57%	56%	56%	51%	49%	47%	45%	53%	48%	48%	48%	52%
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Germany	27%	25%	26%	29%	30%	33%	35%	39%	43%	43%	40%	43%	38%	46%	46%	47%	47%	45%	43%	41%	43%	41%	45%
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Indonesia	37%	30%	34%	26%	30%	26%	29%	33%	31%	32%	25%	23%	30%	27%	33%	27%	29%	24%	31%	26%	34%	33%	31%
Italy	18%	19%	17%	18%	18%	19%	18%	17%	15%	18%	14%	18%	16%	16%	18%	17%	16%	14%	13%	12%	10%	10%	10%
Japan	4%	5%	5%	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%	5%	5%	7%	6%	7%	5%	5%	7%	6%	5%	7%
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Poland	29%	30%	30%	28%	30%	31%	29%	21%	25%	22%	19%	21%	19%	23%	17%	21%	21%	23%	24%	24%	19%	21%	24%
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Saudi Arabia	49%	53%	51%	48%	55%	58%	57%	47%	50%	58%	57%	55%	62%	63%	61%	63%	66%	69%	64%	58%	67%	64%	69%
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United States	20%	21%	21%	21%	20%	17%	16%	19%	20%	20%	19%	24%	18%	18%	19%	18%	22%	17%	18%	16%	19%	23%	22%



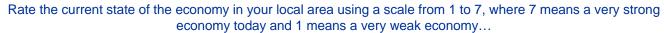
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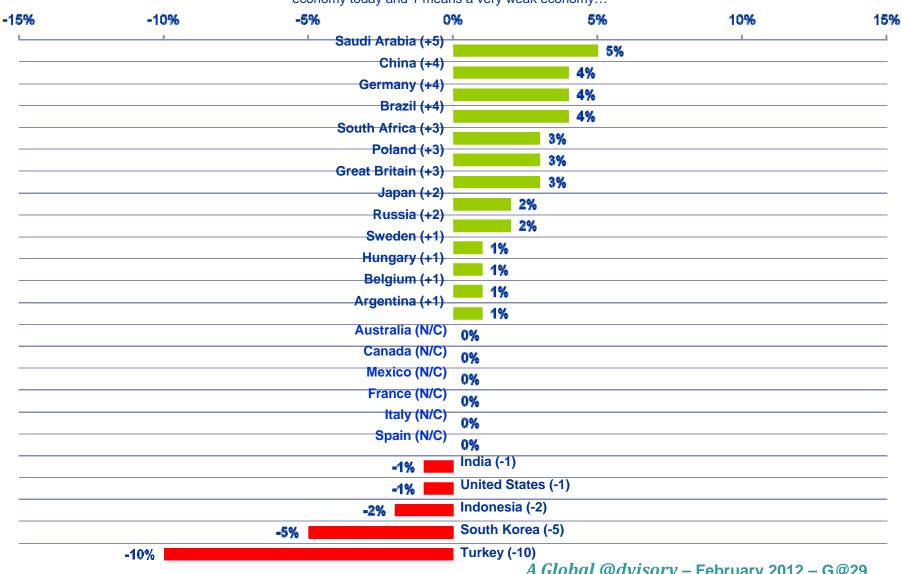
Rate the current state of the economy in your local area using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means a very strong economy today and 1 means a very weak economy...





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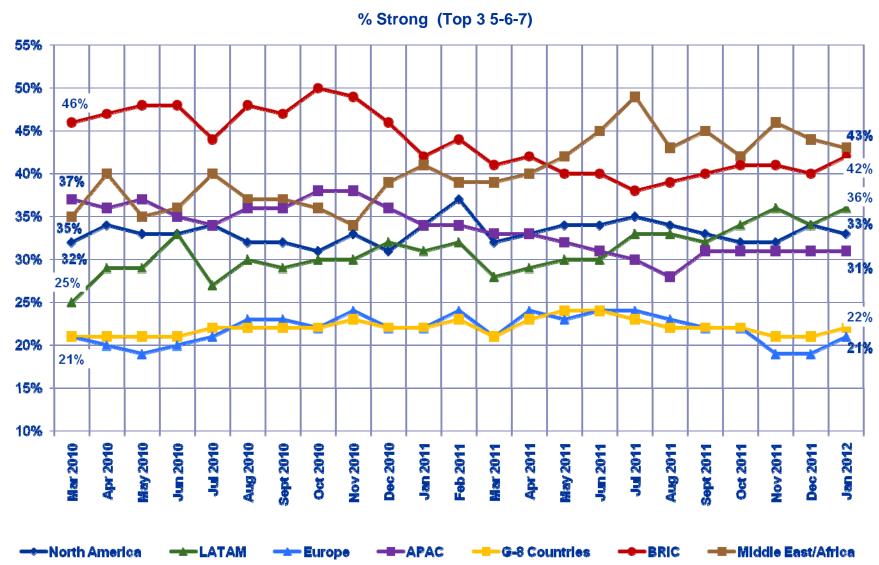






## **All Regions**

## Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy

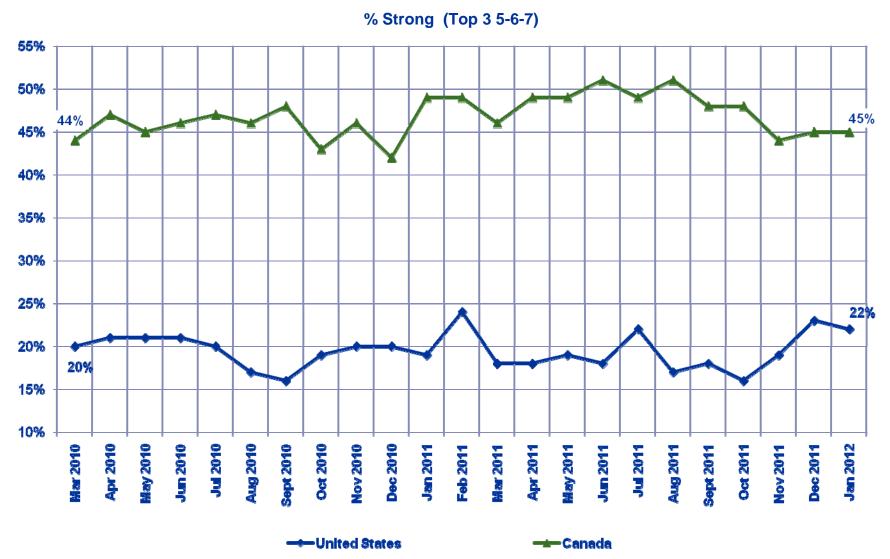




### **North American Countries**



### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy



Rate the current state of the economy in your local area using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means a very strong economy today and 1 means a very weak economy.



### **LATAM Countries**

## **^2**

### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy



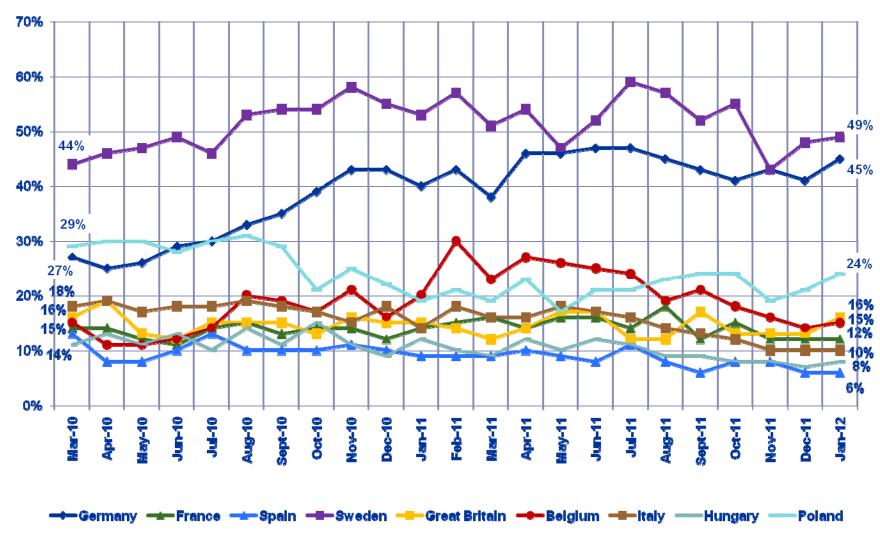


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### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy





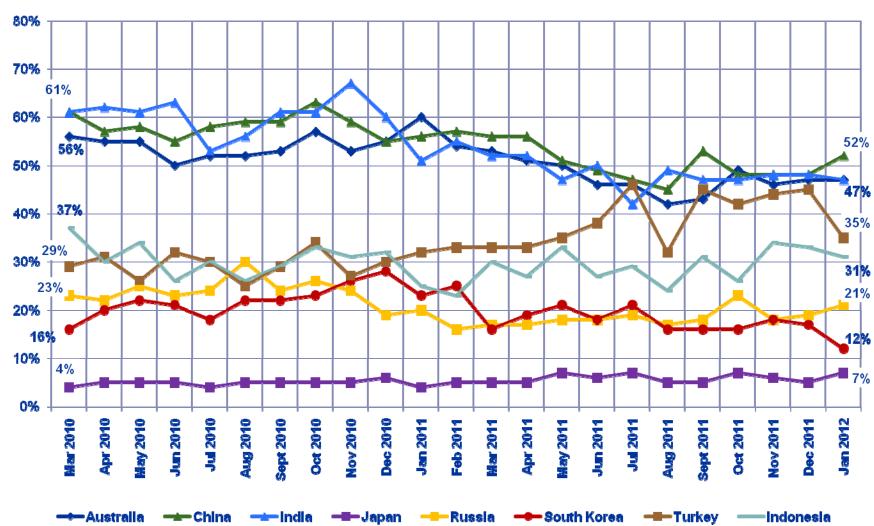


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### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy





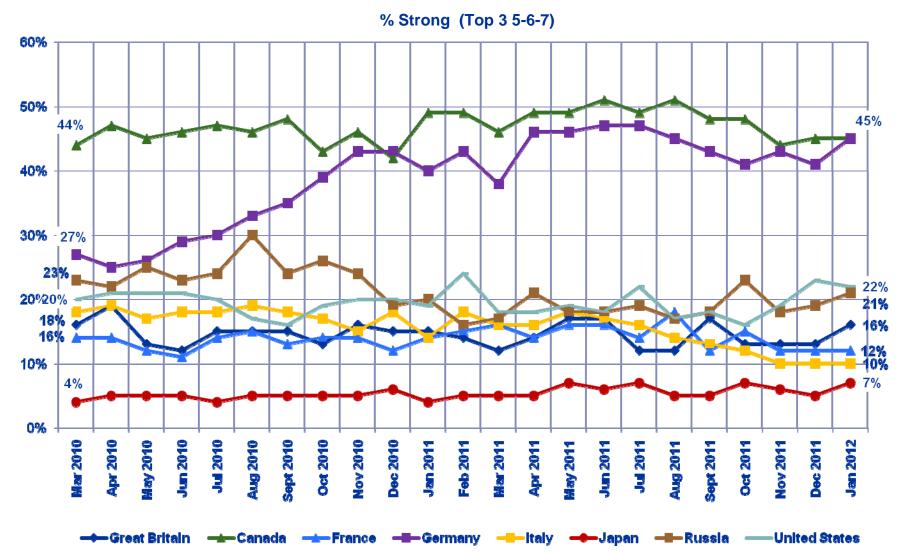
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### **G8 Countries**



### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy



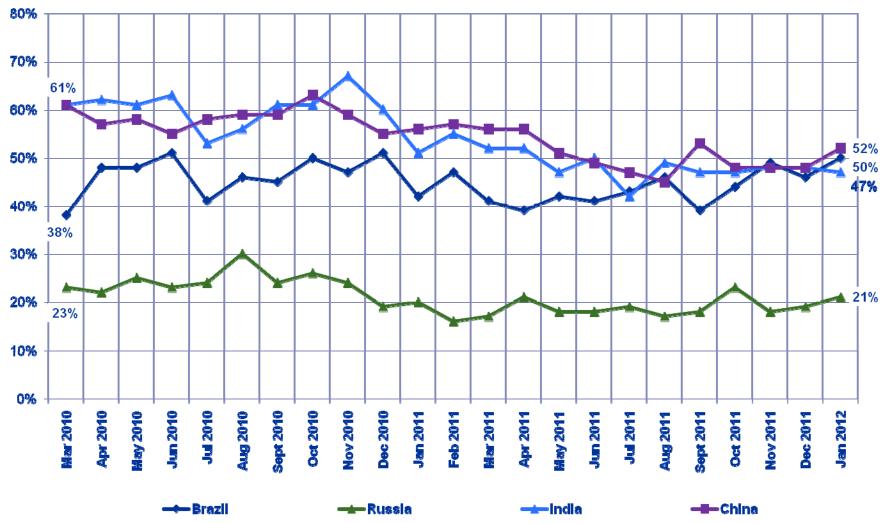


### **BRIC Countries**

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### Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy





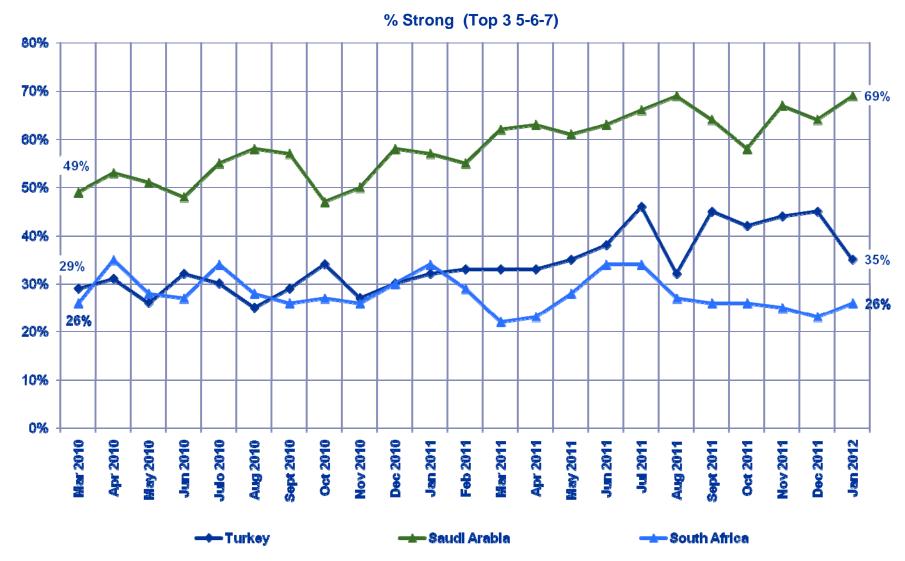
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### **Middle East/ African Countries**



Assess the Strength of Their Local Economy





# **3** Assessing the Strength of The Local Economy...

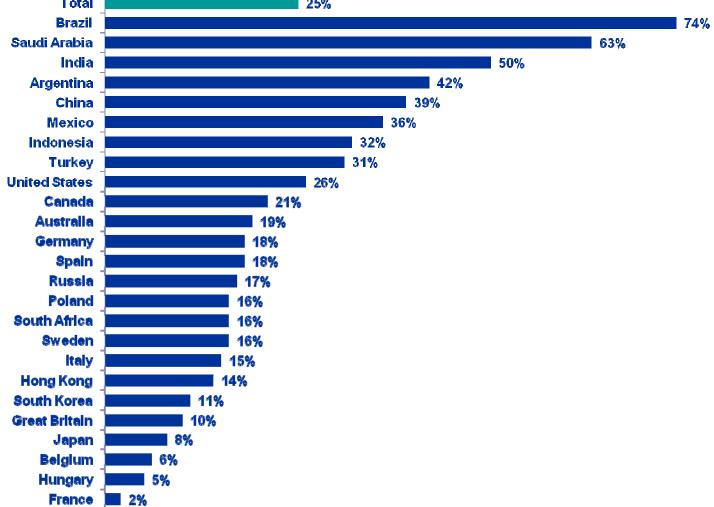
...Six Months From Now





## Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months...





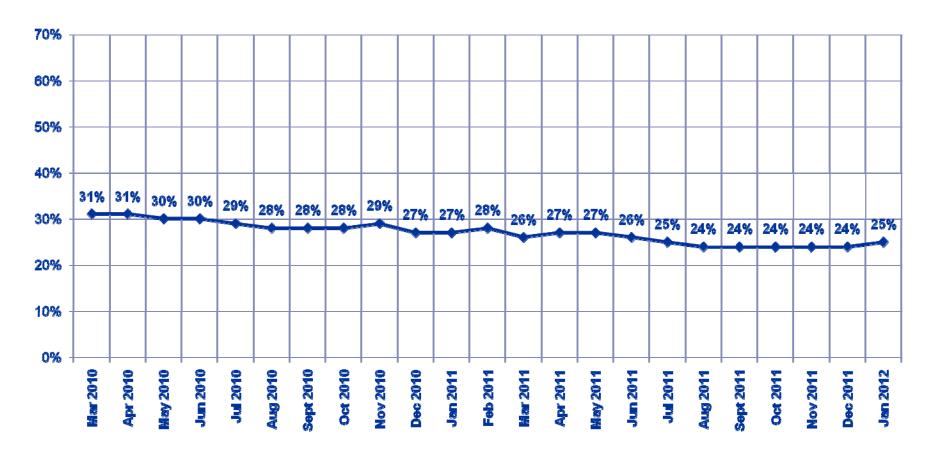
Looking ahead 6 months from now, do you expect the economy in your local area to be much stronger, somewhat stronger, about the same, somewhat weaker, or much weaker than it is now? \*Note that results for Hong Kong are not included in aggregate results to allow for consistent tracking.



## Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months



## Global Total % Much Stronger / Somewhat Stronger





## Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months...

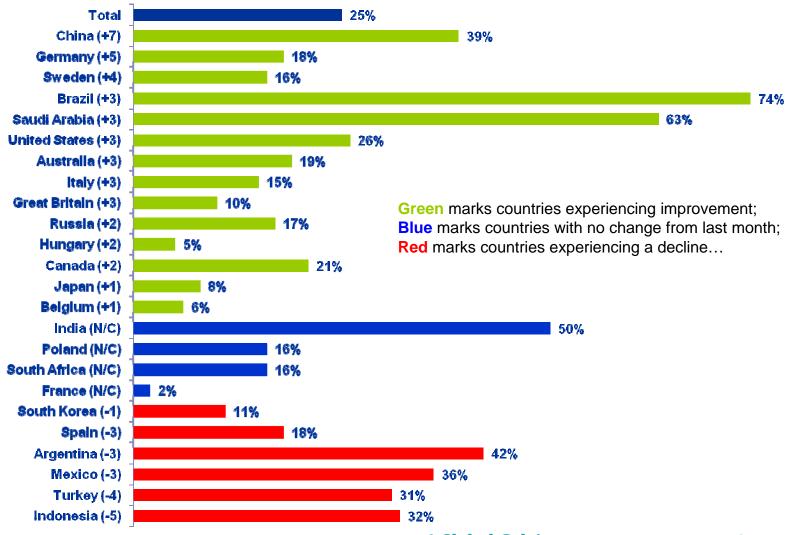
#### % Much Stronger/Somewhat Stronger

	Mar 2010	April 2010	May 2010	June 2010	July 2010	Aug 2010	Sept 2010	Oct 2010	Nov 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	May 2011	Jun 2011	Jul 2011	Aug 2011	Sept 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011	Dec 2011	Jan 2012
Total	31%	31%	30%	30%	29%	28%	28%	28%	29%	27%	27%	28%	26%	27%	27%	26%	25%	24%	24%	24%	24%	24%	25%
Argentina	32%	36%	35%	45%	36%	45%	42%	39%	44%	43%	42%	44%	44%	42%	45%	47%	47%	52%	52%	50%	47%	45%	42%
Australia	36%	34%	30%	25%	29%	26%	27%	29%	27%	24%	23%	24%	22%	23%	20%	19%	19%	16%	16%	16%	18%	16%	19%
Belgium	18%	14%	10%	14%	14%	17%	15%	13%	12%	12%	13%	13%	14%	15%	11%	14%	10%	6%	8%	8%	4%	5%	6%
Brazil	79%	71%	72%	72%	69%	68%	75%	78%	76%	78%	73%	73%	67%	72%	71%	64%	71%	71%	65%	74%	72%	71%	74%
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Germany	23%	25%	22%	21%	26%	29%	26%	31%	35%	27%	30%	28%	26%	24%	26%	22%	22%	18%	16%	12%	15%	13%	18%
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Indonesia	31%	33%	36%	36%	38%	35%	35%	35%	34%	30%	26%	26%	29%	28%	32%	29%	29%	28%	29%	28%	32%	37%	32%
Italy	20%	21%	17%	19%	17%	18%	16%	17%	16%	15%	18%	16%	17%	15%	15%	15%	13%	14%	10%	11%	21%	12%	15%
Japan	11%	12%	12%	13%	9%	8%	6%	6%	8%	8%	8%	9%	8%	9%	10%	9%	10%	7%	7%	10%	6%	7%	8%
Mexico	34%	37%	44%	36%	33%	32%	35%	38%	30%	36%	33%	37%	43%	38%	41%	37%	39%	36%	34%	36%	39%	39%	36%
Poland	23%	23%	20%	23%	22%	24%	19%	19%	19%	21%	12%	19%	14%	17%	13%	15%	16%	18%	19%	15%	13%	16%	16%
Russia	17%	19%	17%	18%	23%	18%	21%	13%	24%	16%	16%	18%	18%	18%	16%	16%	13%	16%	15%	20%	17%	15%	17%
Saudi Arabia	44%	49%	50%	41%	46%	53%	46%	48%	45%	47%	45%	52%	56%	60%	59%	60%	62%	64%	57%	53%	54%	60%	63%
<b>South Africa</b>	38%	35%	34%	33%	36%	24%	25%	21%	27%	27%	28%	22%	16%	16%	21%	23%	17%	10%	15%	16%	20%	16%	16%
South Korea	21%	23%	24%	21%	21%	20%	22%	20%	22%	25%	22%	25%	19%	14%	17%	12%	15%	13%	15%	14%	14%	12%	11%
Spain	28%	27%	26%	21%	25%	24%	22%	20%	21%	20%	20%	21%	21%	23%	22%	20%	18%	18%	15%	23%	17%	21%	18%
Sweden	19%	20%	15%	21%	20%	17%	19%	21%	19%	20%	16%	21%	17%	18%	17%	16%	15%	14%	14%	11%	16%	12%	16%
Turkey	32%	35%	30%	30%	32%	33%	29%	28%	27%	23%	30%	32%	28%	32%	34%	36%	38%	25%	40%	35%	28%	35%	31%
<b>United States</b>	31%	36%	32%	27%	23%	22%	22%	24%	29%	25%	27%	27%	21%	24%	25%	22%	22%	17%	17%	16%	20%	23%	26%



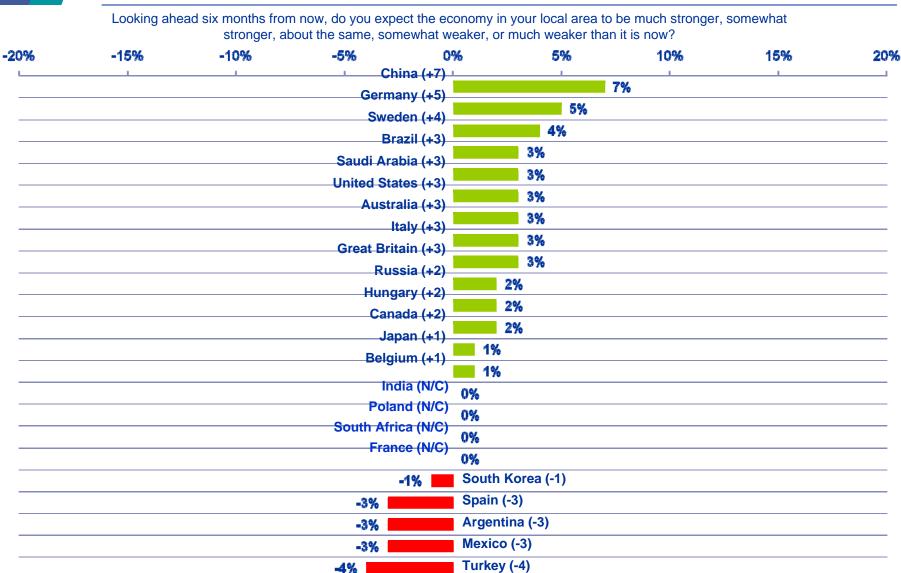
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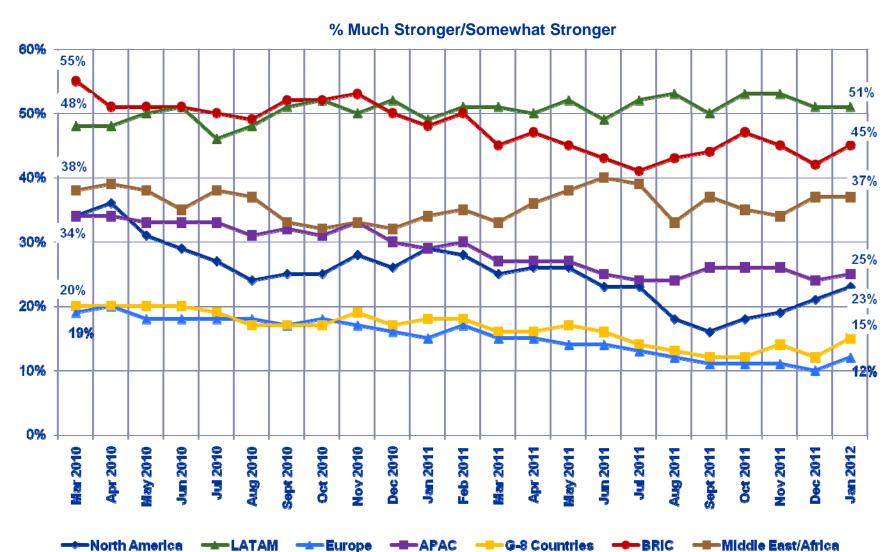


Indonesia (-5)

-5%



## All Regions - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months

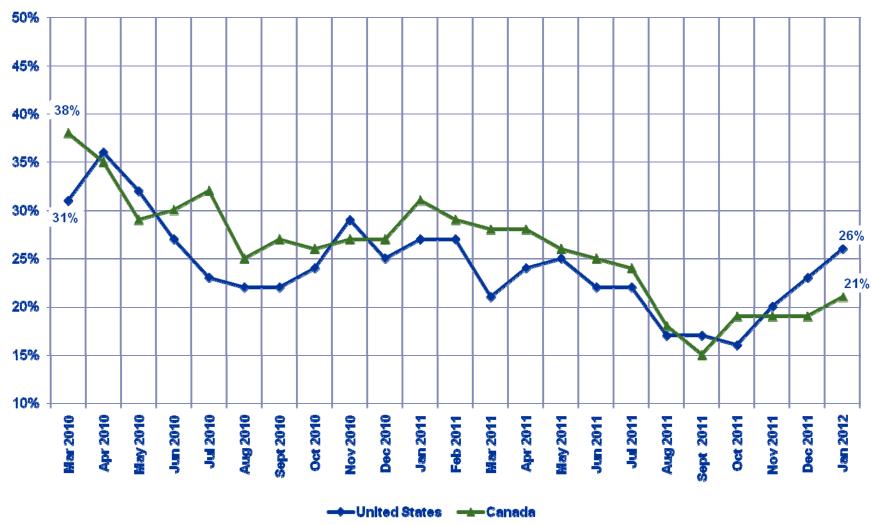




## North American Countries - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months





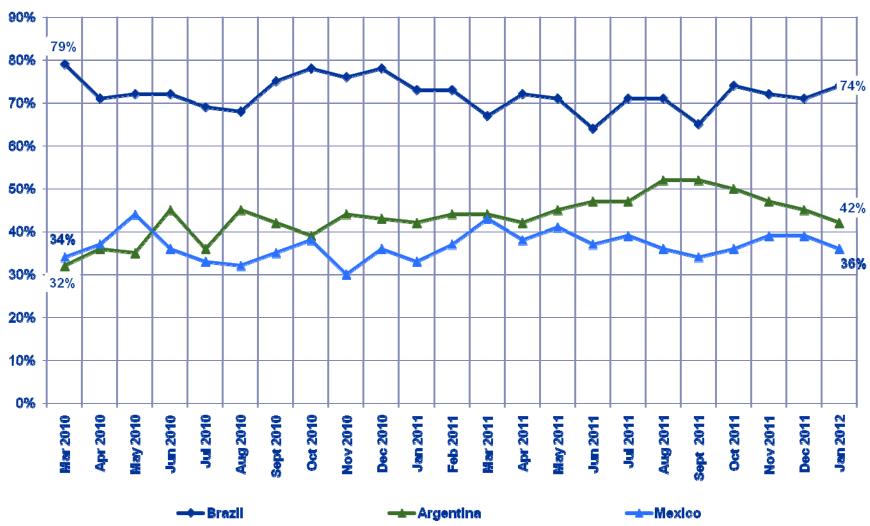




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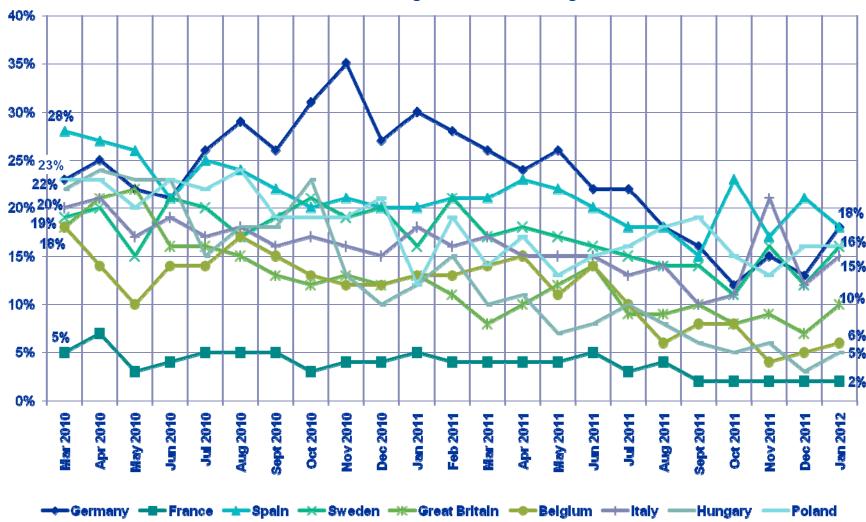




## **European Countries - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months**





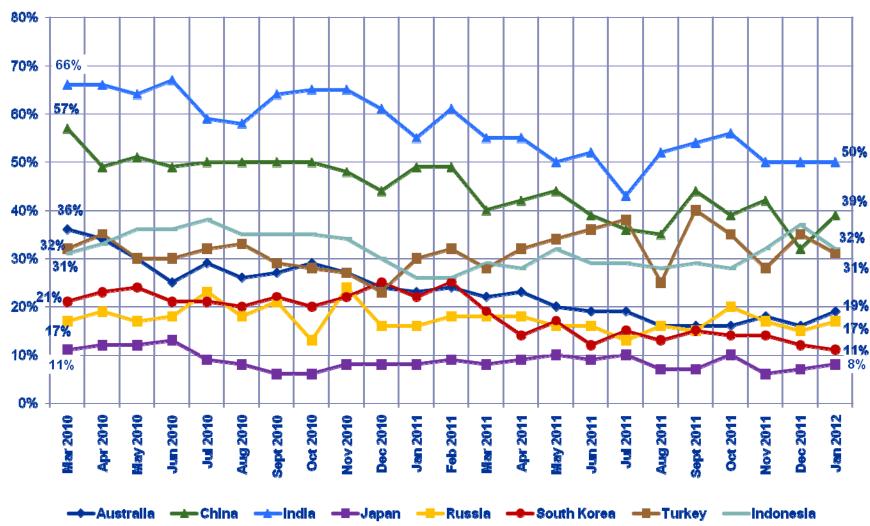




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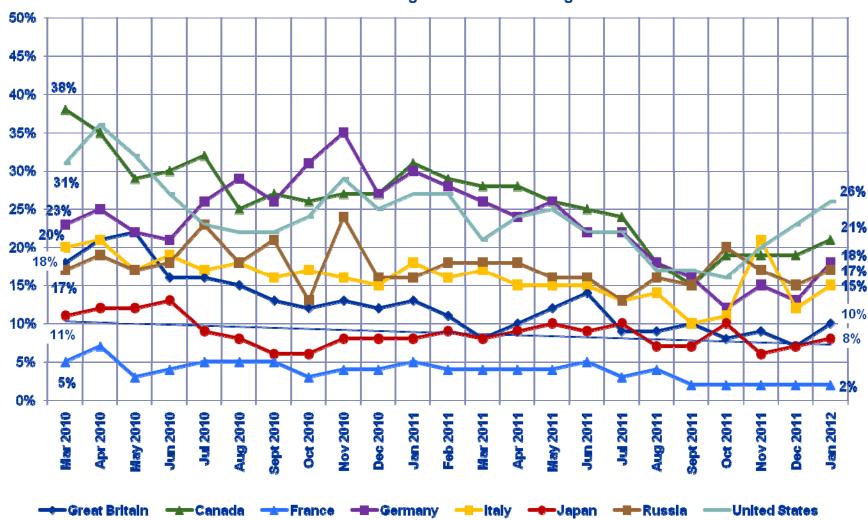




## **G8 Countries - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months**





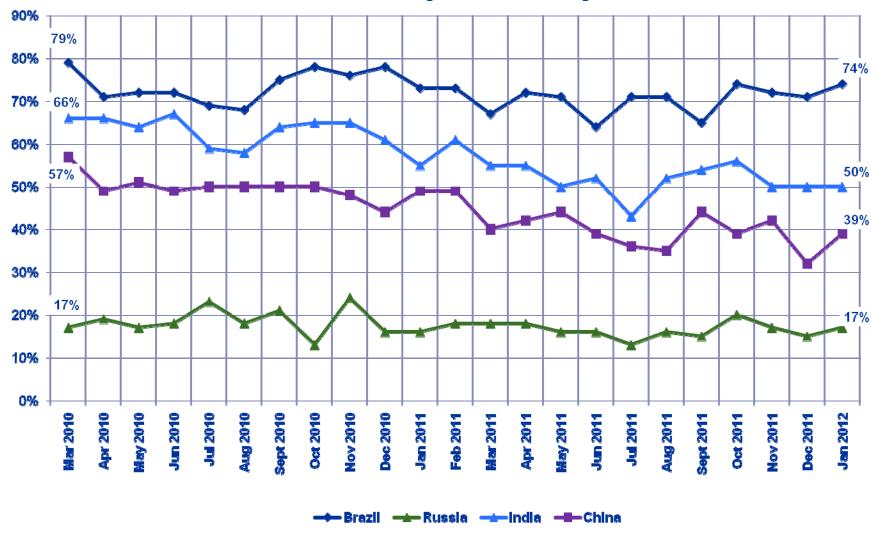




## **BRIC Countries - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy** in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months









## Middle East/African Countries - Citizen Consumers Who Say The Economy in the Local Area to be Stronger in The Next Six Months



#### % Much Stronger/Somewhat Stronger



Looking ahead six months from now, do you expect the economy in your local area to be much stronger, somewhat stronger, about the same, somewhat weaker, or much weaker than it is now?



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