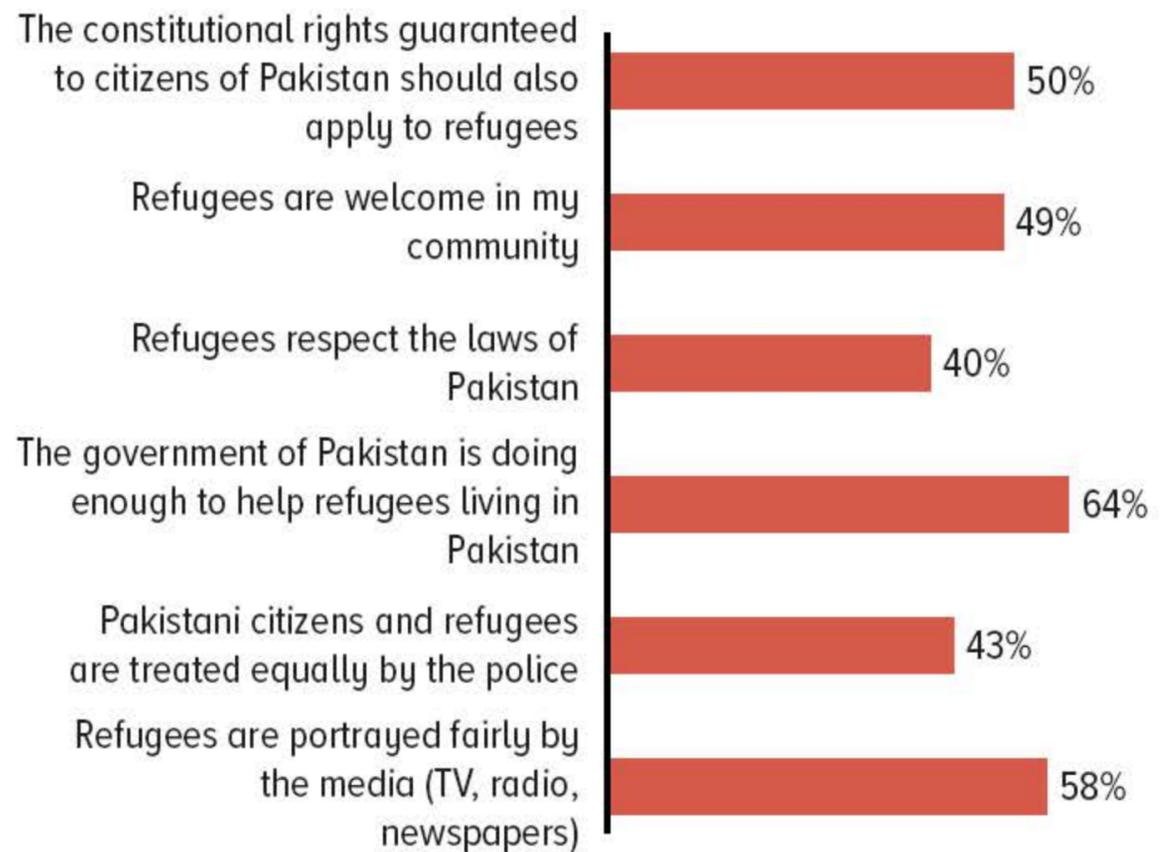


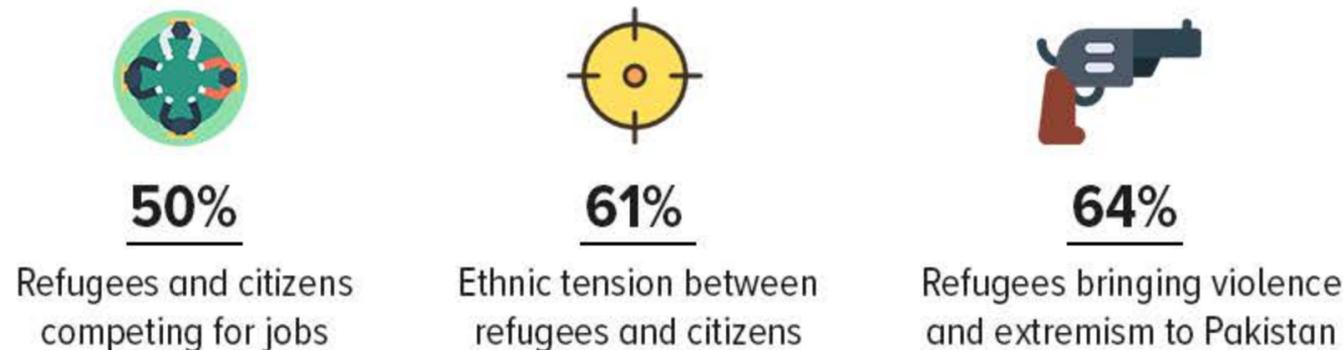
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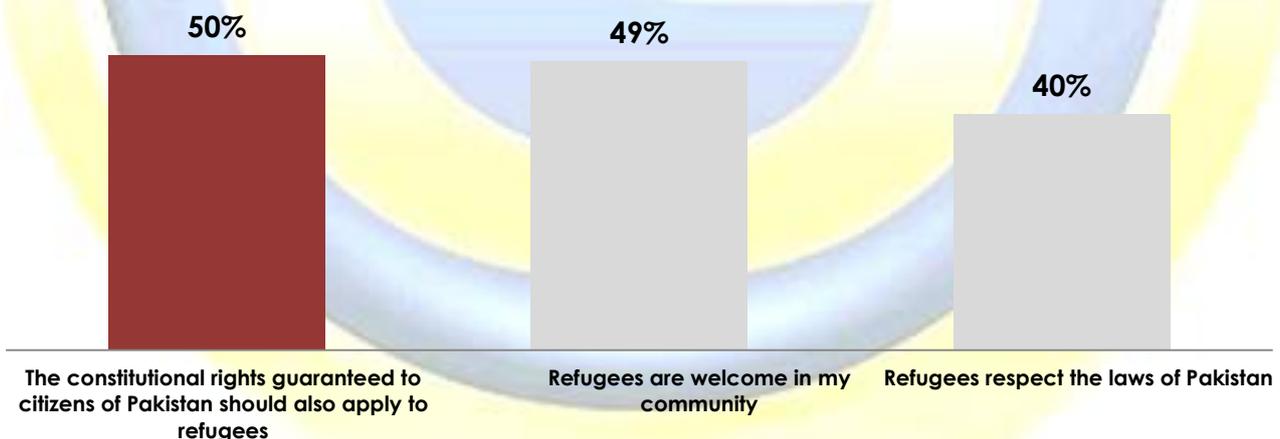
2017: 1 in 2 urban Pakistanis support the opinion that refugees should be integrated into the society by guaranteeing them the same constitutional rights as citizens of Pakistan.
(World Justice Project and Gallup Pakistan)

Islamabad, June 28, 2018

Refugees migrated to Pakistan in the late 1970s at the time of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Despite a desire to stop the influx of refugees, the porous Pak-Afghan border has made it very difficult for Pakistan to do so. According to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), about 1.9 million registered refugees were present in Pakistan in January 2011, the vast majority of whom were from Afghanistan. These refugees no longer reside in camps and have spread in almost every town and village of KPK and Punjab, Karachi and even some parts of Balochistan. Most of them are daily wage earners, associated with agriculture/livestock activities or run informal businesses.

As part of the World Justice Project Report on *The Rule of Law* in Pakistan, Gallup Pakistan conducted surveys in urban Pakistan to explore the views on refugees in Pakistan. According to the findings of the report, 49% Pakistani citizens claim to agree that refugees are welcome in their community. Meanwhile, 1 in 2 Pakistanis (50%) opine that refugees should have the same constitutional rights as citizens. 40% urban Pakistanis also agree that refugees respect the laws of Pakistan.

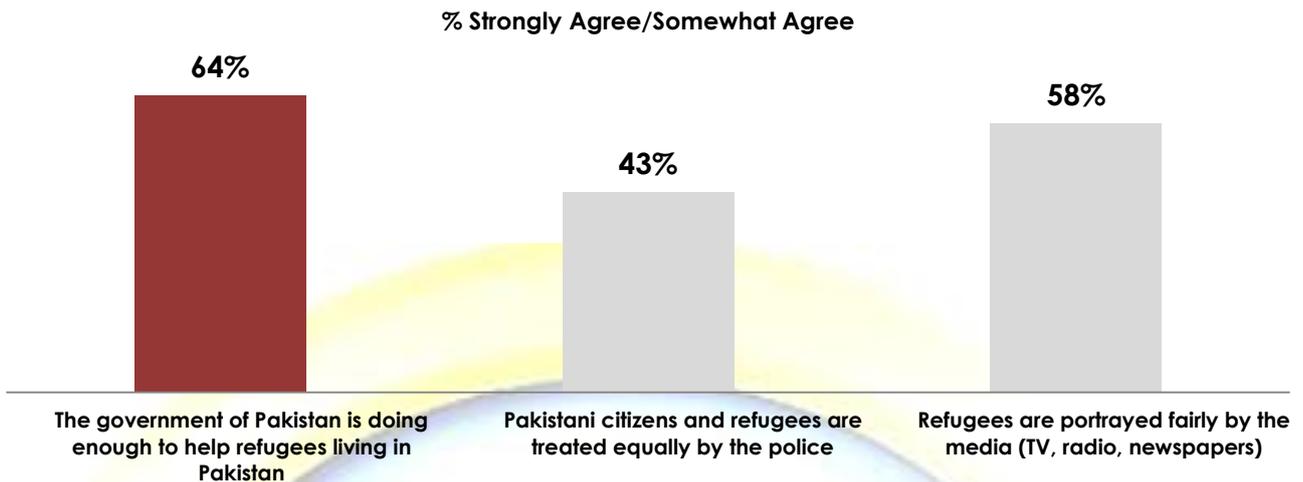
Question: “To what extent do you agree with the following statements about foreign refugees living in Pakistan?”



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Exploring public opinion on the treatment of refugees by various institutions in the country, 64% Pakistanis believe that government is doing enough to help the refugees and 58% say that refugees are fairly portrayed in the media. Only 2 in 5 Pakistanis (43%) agree that citizens and refugees are treated equally by the police, pointing towards perceptions of police hostility against the refugees in the public eye.

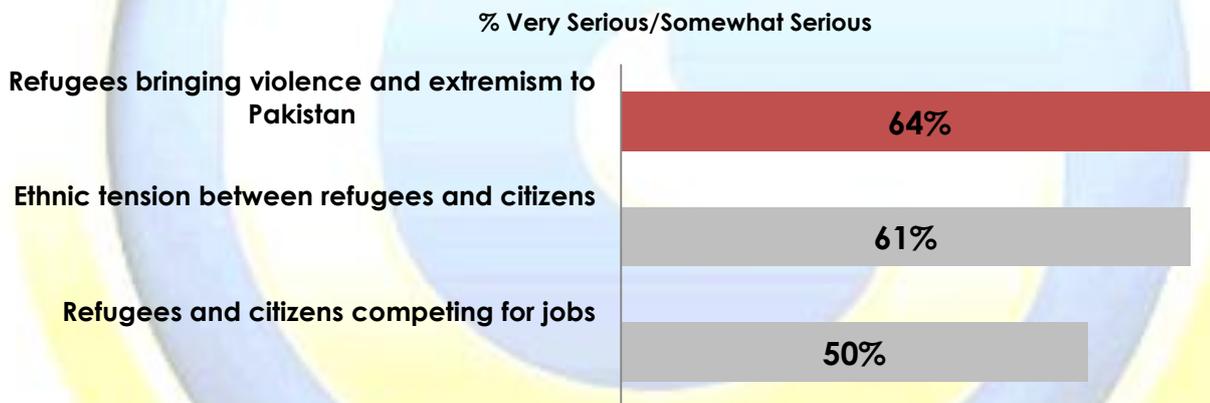


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Refugees' bringing violence and extremism to Pakistan is the most oft-cited perceived problem in relation to refugees

Question: "How serious do you think the following problems are in Pakistan?"



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Respondents were further asked "How serious do you think the following problems are in Pakistan?" In response, 64% urban Pakistanis considered refugees bringing violence and extremism to Pakistan a serious threat, 61% said ethnic tensions between refugees and citizens and 50% said refugees and citizens of Pakistan competing for the same jobs was a serious problem in Pakistan.

In Pakistan, the survey was conducted between August and September in 2017 through face-to-face interviews in 2,010 households distributed proportionally across the five urban areas of Faisalabad, Karachi, Lahore, Peshawar, and Quetta.



Introduction to the series on World Justice Project:

This press release is part of a special series based on the “*The Rule of Law in Pakistan: Key Findings from the 2017 Extended General Population Poll & Justice Sector Survey*” (<https://worldjusticeproject.org/our-work/wjp-rule-law-index/special-reports/rule-law-pakistan>) report by the World Justice Project, which aims to foster an empirical understanding of the perceptions of government accountability and an analysis of Justice Sector/Rule of Law in Pakistan. It is vital to be aware of the general public perceptions, since they can help to gauge the trust of the populace in the rule of law and governance in Pakistan.

Overall, the World Justice Project report represents the voices of over 4,000 people in Pakistan and their experiences with the rule of law in their country. The General Population Poll was conducted through face-to-face interviews in 2,010 urban households distributed proportionally across the five urban areas of Faisalabad, Karachi, Lahore, Peshawar, and Quetta. This poll was designed to capture data on the experiences and perceptions of ordinary people on a variety of themes related to the rule of law, including government accountability, bribery and corruption, crime, and access to justice. The Justice Sector Survey polled 2,010 people using the same methodology as the General Population Poll and was designed to capture data on Pakistanis’ views and experiences related to dispute resolution, legal awareness, legal identity, household dynamics, and gender issues.

For detailed methodology please visit:

https://worldjusticeproject.org/sites/default/files/documents/Project%20Design_0.pdf

For more survey data on social and other issues see website www.gallup.com.pk

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