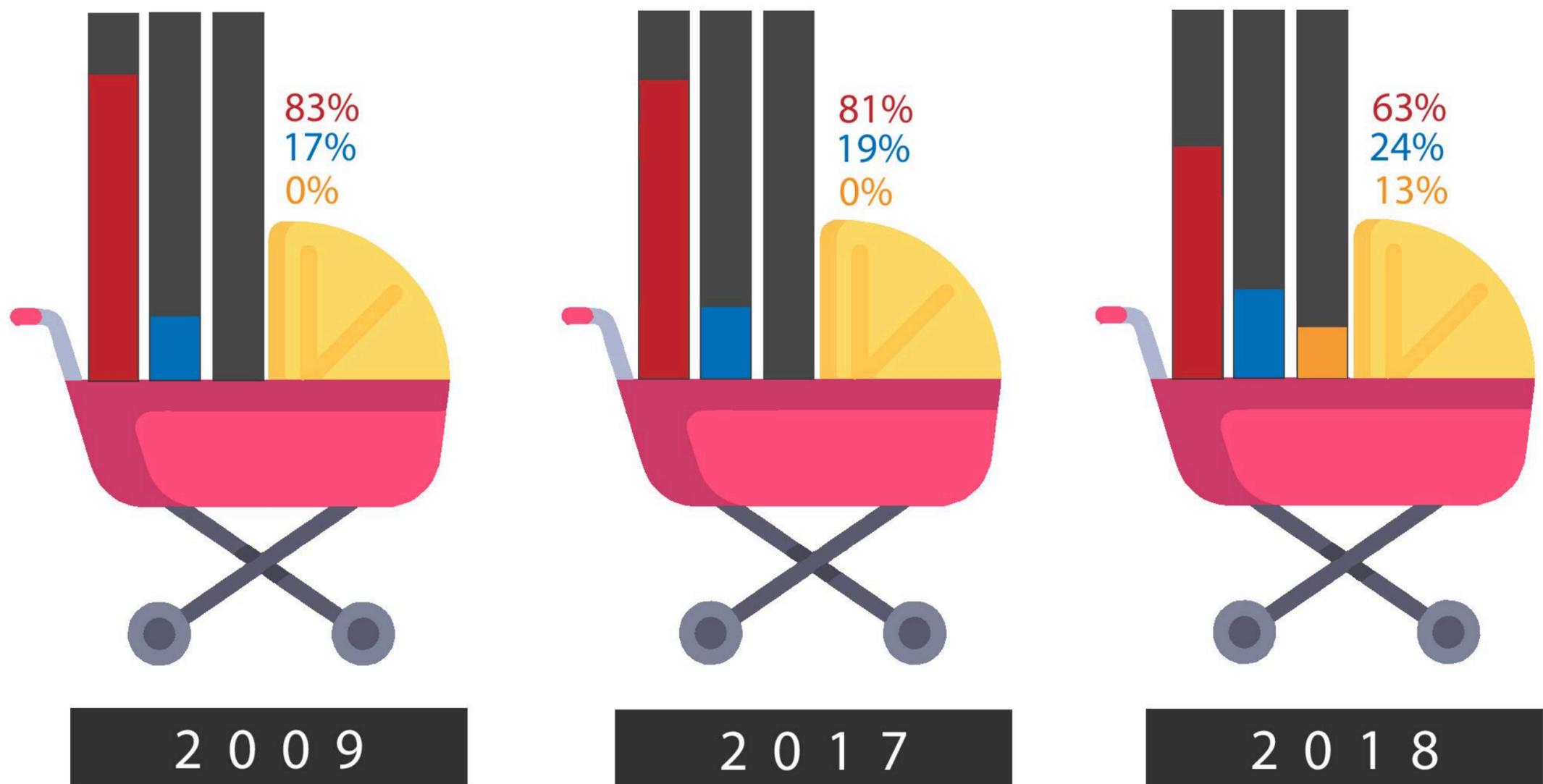
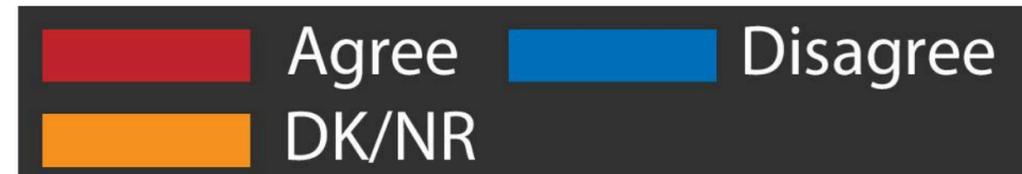


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SOURCE: GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN POLL - NATIONALLY REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE  
 Field work conducted by Gallup and Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association



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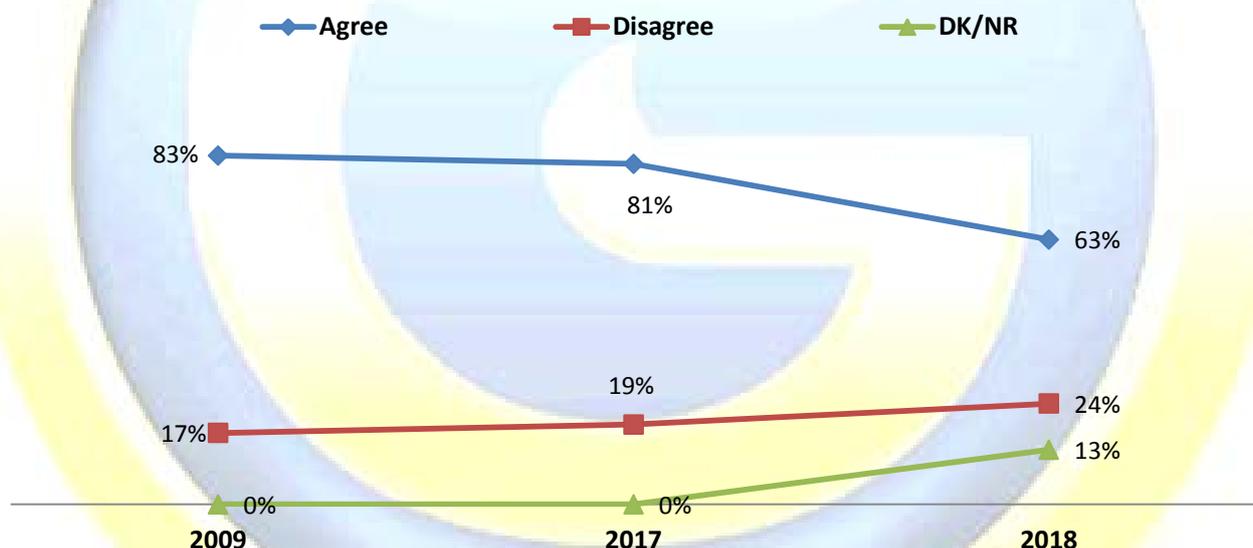
In a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 2009, i.e., 9 years ago, respondents were asked, “Please tell us whether you agree or disagree: Women need children for a contented life?” In response to this question, 83% agreed and 17% disagreed.

**Comparative Picture:** The question was asked again in 2018 to enable a comparison to be made across the years. In 2018, 63% agreed, 24% disagreed and 13% did not respond.

Overall there has been a 20 percentage-point decline in the proportion of Pakistanis who think women need children for a contented life, however majority (63%) continue to believe that women need children for contented life.

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