

AFGHAN REFUGEES TO BE ALLOWED TO STAY IN PAKISTAN? PUBLIC OPINION REMAINS CONSISTENT BETWEEN 1992 AND 2015.

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Public Opinion in Pakistan in the Year 1992

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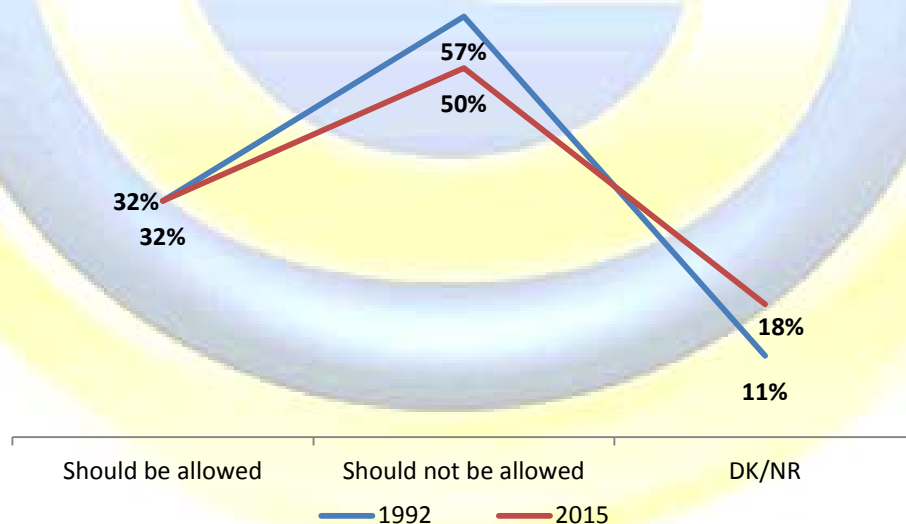
According to a Gallup Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 1992 (24 years ago) respondents had been asked if they believed that Afghan refugees requesting Pakistani government to stay in Pakistan should be allowed or not. 32% respondents said that the Afghans should be allowed while 57% said that they should not be allowed and 11% did not respond.

Comparative Picture: The question was asked again in 2015 to enable a concrete comparison. In 2015, 32% respondents said that the Afghans should be allowed to stay in Pakistan while 50% said that they should not be allowed. 18% did not respond.

Public opinion regarding allowing Afghan refugees to stay in Pakistan has remained consistent during the course of 24 years. In 2015 there has been a 7% decrease in respondents who believe that the Pakistani government should not give permission to the Afghans while there has been no difference in those who say that the Pakistani government should allow Afghan refugees to stay.

This press release has been made as part of the Gallup Pakistan History Project which aims to release historical empirical polling data to wider audiences. The objective is to sustain and encourage empirical decision making in Pakistan.

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Source: Gallup and Gilani Surveys
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Aim and Rationale for Gallup Pakistan History Project

Bilal I Gilani, who is Executive Director at Gallup Pakistan and is Director of Gallup Pakistan History Project explains the aim of the Project as follows: ‘Gallup Pakistan has been polling in Pakistan since 1979 (over 35 years). During this time millions of Pakistanis have been surveyed by over a thousand interviewers of Gallup. In 2014, Gallup Pakistan has decided to release historical Public Opinion data and this Press Release is part of Gallup Pakistan’s History Project. This endeavor is dedicated to all those who hope for a more empirical understanding of Pakistani Issues. For more information about Gallup History Project, please contact caf@gallup.com.pk.’

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If you have any further questions regarding this poll, please feel free to contact us.

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