



Public Opinion in Pakistan in the Year 1992

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(1992-2016) Although still a minority point of view, there has been a 31 % increase in Pakistanis who believe that Karachi should be made an independent province. GILANI POLL/GALLUP PAKISTAN

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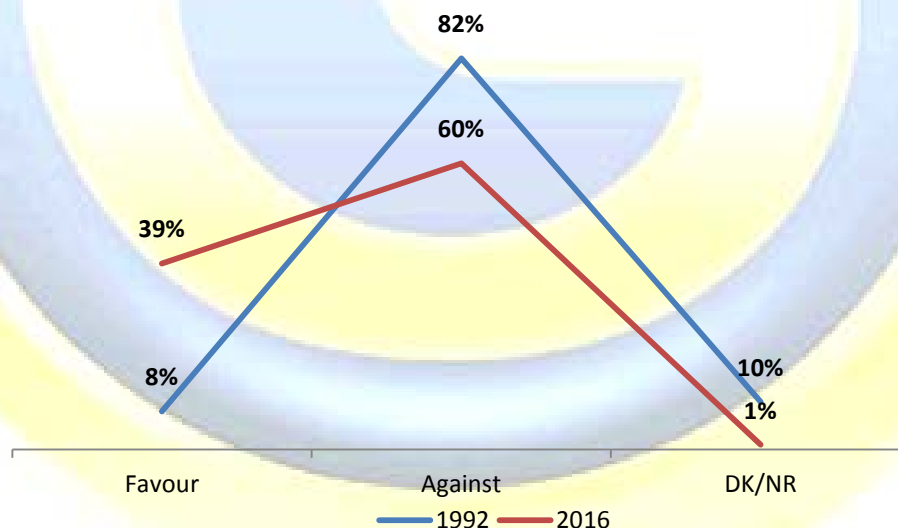
According to a Gallup Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 1992 (24 years ago) respondents had been asked if they believed Karachi should be separated from Sindh or not. Majority Pakistanis provided vehement opposition to this as 82% respondents were against this proposition and 8% were in favour. 10% did not respond.

Comparative Picture: The question was asked again in 2016 to enable a concrete comparison. In 2016, 60% respondents opposed this proposition while 39% were in its favour. 1% did not respond.

Although public support for the separation of Karachi from Sindh is low, it has increased drastically over the course of the 24 years. By 2016, there has been 31% increase in respondents who are in favour of creating an independent province out of Karachi and a 22% decrease in respondents who are against this proposition.

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.

Question: “Some people believe that Karachi should be separated from Sindh and made an independent province while others oppose it. In your opinion, should Karachi be an independent province or not?”



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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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