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According to a recent survey conducted by Gallup Pakistan, 98% of Pakistanis believe that it is necessary at some point in ones life to have a child in order to feel fulfilled. The figure is quite close to India where 93% feel the same way, but it is vastly different from countries such as the USA where only 46% hold this view and Germany where 49% believe it is necessary to have a child to feel living a fulfilled life. The value of having children is higher in Catholic countries like France where 73% hold this views and Spain where 60% are of that opinion.

The survey findings show no significant differences between the attitudes of men and women or rural and urban people of Pakistan on this issue.

The survey was conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International among nearly 1500 statistically selected households in both urban and rural areas of all the four provinces of Pakistan. The sample comprised a cross section of various income, education and geographic segments. The text of this report can also be seen on the internet at: www.gallup.com.pk.

Global Comparison

Question: For you personally, do you think it is necessary to have or not to have a child at some point in your life in order to feel fulfilled?

	<i>Percent of Respondents</i>		
	Yes	No	No Response
Pakistan	98	2	-
India	93	6	1
France	73	26	1
Spain	60	35	5
Canada	59	37	4
UK	57	41	2
Germany	49	45	7
US	46	51	3

Source: Gallup Survey, 2001