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Gilani Research Foundation is headed by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani who pioneered the field of opinion polling in Pakistan and established Gallup Pakistan in 1980. Currently Dr. Gilani, who holds a PhD from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and has taught at leading universities in Pakistan and abroad, is Chairman of Gallup Pakistan.

Girls Are Believed to Be Wiser by 41 % of Pakistanis: GILANI POLL / GALLUP PAKISTAN

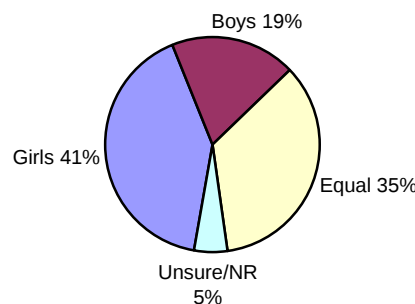
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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, majority of Pakistanis (41%) believe girls are more intelligent than boys studying in the same class. Nineteen percent (19%) consider boys more intelligent while 35% of the respondents said they both are equal. Five percent (5%) were unsure or gave no response. Interestingly both men and women respondents agree that girls are wiser than boys, 44% of women believe girls are wiser and 38% of men believe girls are wiser. However when it comes to boys there is a minor gender bias, only 15% of women believe boys are wiser compared with 23% of men who hold this view. A third of both men and women, around 35%, refuse to make a distinction and believe boys and girls are equally wise or unwise.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked “*In your opinion, who is wiser amongst boys and girls studying in the same class?*” Forty one percent (41%) claimed girls are wiser, while 19% consider boys to be more smart. A significant 35% of the respondents believe both boys and girls are equally intelligent and 5% were unsure or gave no response.

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Source: Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan,
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The study was released by Gilani foundation and carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The latest survey was carried out among a sample of 2650 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during August 2009. Error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 2-3$ per cent at 95% confidence level.

Gallup Pakistan proposes that its poll results be attributed as Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. This is to distinguish our polls from polls on Pakistan sometimes released by other organizations not part of Gallup International Association (www.gallup-international.com) and referred to by the same title. Also please see necessary Disclaimer on our website (www.gallup.com.pk). Gallup Pakistan takes responsibility for only its own polls on Pakistan.

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