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45 % Believe Women Can Drive Properly: GILANI POLL /GALLUP PAKISTAN

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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, majority of the Pakistanis believe women to be good drivers, as 45% of the respondents claimed that women drive properly. It is interesting to note that in almost 10% of all car-owning households, the women of the house drive the car.

Respondents in car owning households were asked, “Who usually drives the car in your household?” The majority, 90%, said that male members of the family (85%) or drivers/servants (5%) drive the car. In 9% households, women drive either exclusively (1%) or alongside their male counterparts (8%).

Given the sharp difference in the numbers of male and female drivers, respondents from all households were asked how they perceived women as drivers. In response to the question “In your view, do women drive the car properly or improperly?” the majority (45%) said women are proper drivers. Only a fourth of the respondents (25%) said they do not drive properly and 28% were unsure. Two percent (2%) gave no response.

Interestingly, the data reveals no significant variation across genders on views on female drivers. Almost the same percentage of men as women thinks women drivers are fine.

“(If you own a car) Who usually drives the car?”

Men	85%
Women	1%
Both	8%
Driver/Servant	5%
No response	1%

“In your view, do women drive the car properly or improperly?”

Properly	45%
Improperly	25%
Don't know	28%
No Response	2%

Source: Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan,
the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association (www.gallup-international.com; www.gallup.com.pk)

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 2690 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country during April, 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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