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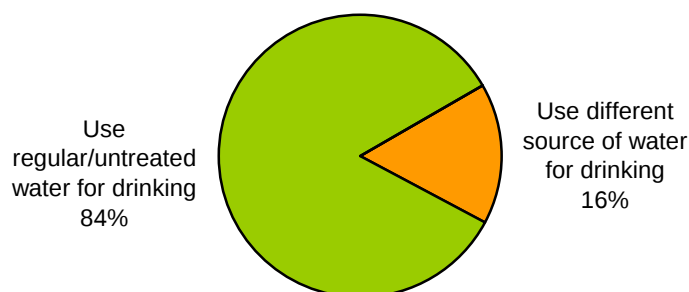
## **Majority (84 %) Use Untreated / Regular Water in Their Household For Drinking: GILANI POLL / GALLUP PAKISTAN**

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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the overwhelming majority of Pakistanis (84%) use untreated or regular water for drinking. Only 16% claim to use a different source of water for drinking. Amongst these, the majority at 64% get their drinking water from a trusted source outside their homes, 21% get their drinking water from a tube well and 11% buy it from the market.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked “*In some households, untreated water is not used for drinking purposes whereas in other households the same type of water is used for drinking and other proposes. What is the general practice in your household?*” Majority (84%) claimed to use the same water for drinking and other purposes, while 16% said they use a different source for obtaining drinking water. It is noted that a proportionately higher percentage of urbanites (28%) as compared to ruralites (10%) claimed to have a different source of drinking water.

*“In some households, untreated water is **not** used for drinking purposes whereas in other households the same type of water is used for drinking and other proposes. What is the general practice in your household?”*



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

In a follow up question the respondents who use a different source for drinking water were asked “*Where do you get drinking water from?*” Sixty four percent (64%) said from another a trusted source outside their homes. Twenty one percent (21%) claim to get their drinking water from a tube well and 11% buy it from the market. Three percent (3%) gave no response.

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 2683 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during July 2009. Error margin is estimated to be approximately  $\pm 2-3$  per cent at 95% confidence level.

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