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According to the findings of a Gallup poll, a majority of the people of Pakistan favors Urdu as a medium for civil service examinations. About one quarter believes that the current system which has English as the medium of the examination should be continued.

The survey was conducted by Gallup Pakistan on the basis of statistically selected households all over the country. The respondents were asked. "Under the existing system civil service examinations are held in English language. In your opinion which language should be used for this purpose?"

About 46% of the respondents said these examinations should be held in Urdu. 26% preferred English, 4% Sindhi and 1% other languages. 23% did not answer the question.

There was a manifest difference of opinion in this connection between the interior Sindh and the rest of the country. 55% of the respondents in the interior Sindh were in favour of retaining English while 21% in favour of Sindhi and 6% for Urdu.

There was a broad uniformity in the thinking on this question in other provinces of the country.

Following are the survey results.

Percent of respondents

	Urdu	English	Sindhi	Others	No response
All Pakistan	46	26	4	1	23
Rural	44	24	4	1	27
Urban	51	32	2	1	14
Punjab	52	20	-	1	27
Rural	51	15	-	1	32
Urban	56	30	-	1	13
Sindh	22	48	15	1	15
Rural	6	55	21	2	17
Urban	43	38	6	-	12
NWFP	58	20	-	1	22
Rural	59	20	-	1	21
Urban	51	19	-	1	29
Baluchistan	47	26	4	2	22
Rural	47	25	5	2	20
Urban	42	26	-	4	28
Metropolitan cities	50	31	-	1	8
Cities	55	24	3	2	18
Towns	47	40	4	1	17
Villages	44	24	4	1	27