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From The Editor

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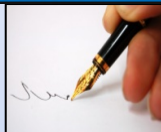
Gilani Research Team now brings to you a collection of daily polls releases in the form of a weekly digest, which gives you the opportunity to read opinions of the Pakistani public on various socio-political issues.

We hope it will be of interest to you and your readers.

If you have any further questions in this regard, please feel free to contact us.

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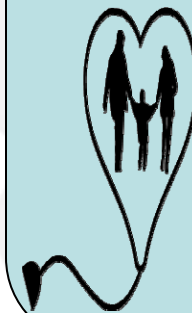


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May 24, 2011



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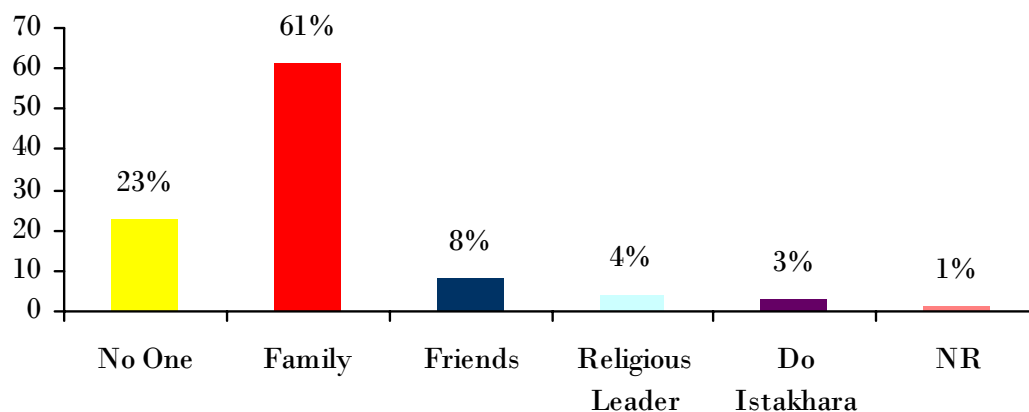
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, *“There are times when one has to make important decisions. Who do you turn to for advice at such times?”* Results show that an overwhelming 61% of the respondents said they choose to take the advice of their family members while 23% said they do not take anyone's advice and make their decision independently. 8% respondents said they turn to their friends for suggestions, 4% seek advice from religious leaders while 3% do *Istakhara* to help them in making the decision. 1% did not respond.

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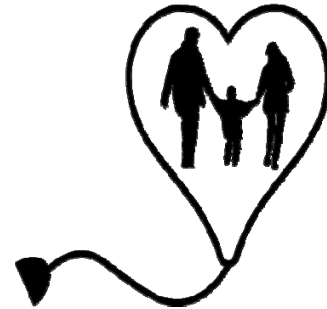
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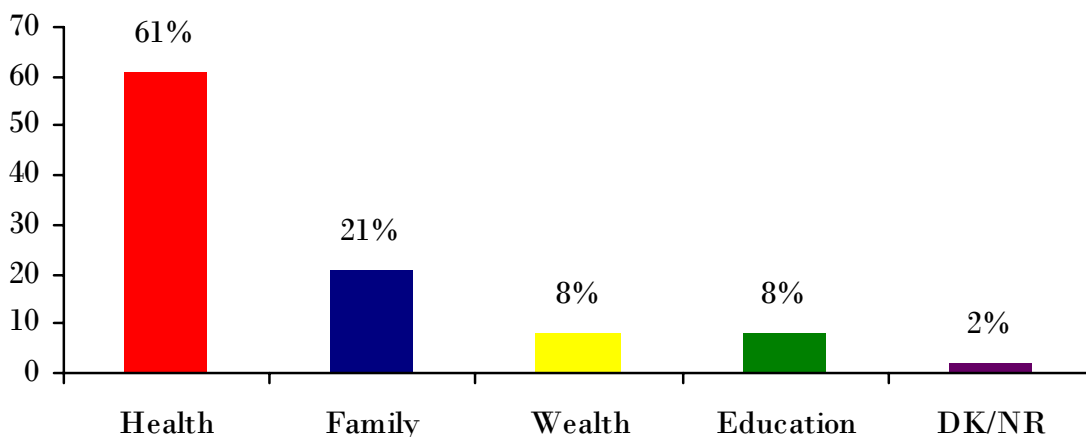
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, *"For some people, health is more important than wealth while some consider wealth more important. What is most important for you?"* Results show that an overwhelming 61% of the respondents said they consider health to be most important while another 21% said family is most important for them. Only 8% said wealth is their top priority in life while another 8% said so about education. 2% did not respond.

These results show that a vast majority claims that if circumstances force a choice, they choose health over wealth. These attitudes may or may not be borne out by their actual behavior in life.

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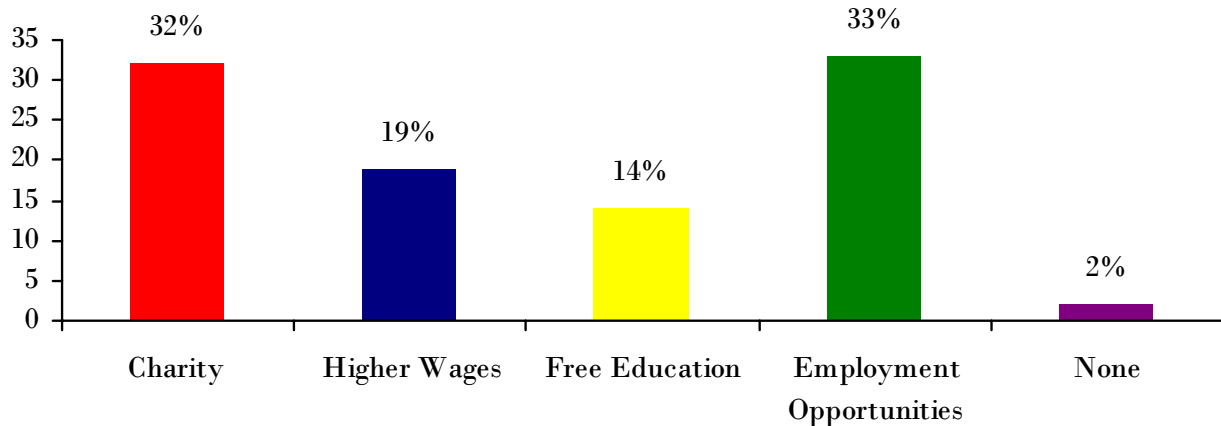
In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, *“In your view, what is the best way to reduce the gap between rich and poor in Pakistan?”* Results show that 32% of the respondents were in favor of charity based solutions to wealth disparity in the country, with 18% supporting a better *Zakat* system, 7% calling for the helping the needy and another 7% saying that this can be done through civil society organizations. A majority of 66%, on the other hand, feel that solutions based on economic growth will be effective in reducing the wealth disparity in the country; 33% support improved employment opportunities, 19% call for higher wages while 14% feel that free education can help in this regard.

A closer look at the data reveals that there are significant differences of opinion between low income respondents (up to Rs.7000 a month) and relatively high income respondents (above Rs. 30,000 a month). While 11% in the lower income group call for helping the needy, only 3% in the higher income group support this method. On the other hand, 28% respondents earning more than Rs. 30,000 a month feel that increasing the wages of workers will decrease the gap between rich and poor while only 18% respondents earning less than Rs. 7000 a month share this opinion.

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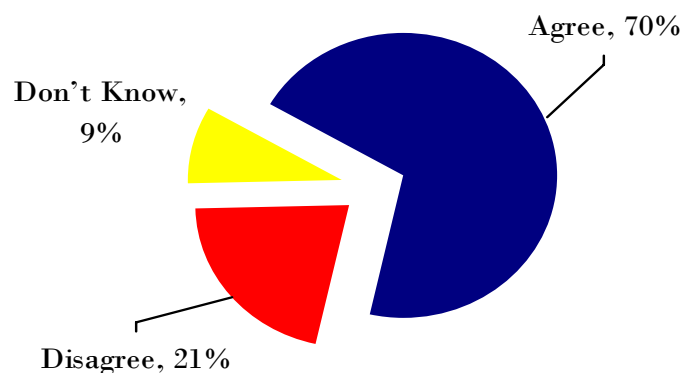
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked if they agreed or disagreed with the following statement, *“Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Permits and Licenses can be acquired only through bribe or ‘source’.”* Results show that as many as 70% respondents said they agree with this statement while 21% said they disagree. 9% did not respond.

A detailed analysis of the data reveals that relatively well-off respondents (earning over Rs. 30,000 a month) appear to be more skeptical about the issuing of Permits and Licenses in the country with 75% saying that these can be acquired only through bribing an official or through a personal contact. On the other hand, 62% low income respondents (earning upto Rs. 7000 a month) shared this opinion.

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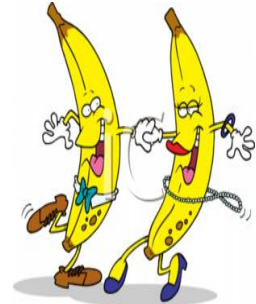
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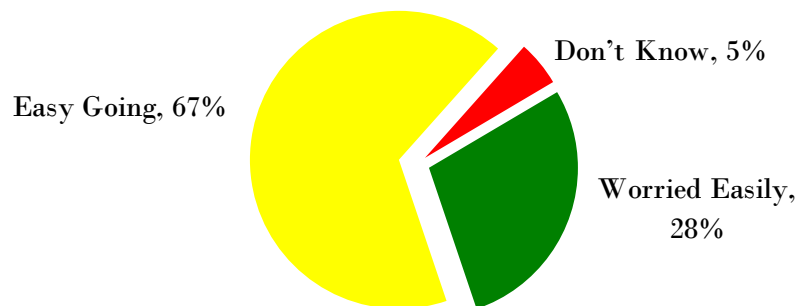
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A detailed analysis of the data shows that rural residents claim to be more easy-going as compared to urban residents; where 70% rural residents said they do not get worried easily, only 59% urban residents said so about themselves.

“Do you get worried easily or are you easy-going about life?”



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