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From The Editor

Dear Reader,



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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May 2, 2011



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May 3, 2011



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55% Pakistanis Use Vans/Buses For Traveling Within Their Locality; 70% Commuters Using Vans/Buses Complain Of Rising Fares

May 4, 2011



According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, most Pakistanis (57%) prefer 6 working days each week with reduced hours while 36% approve of two holidays in a week with longer working hours. Furthermore, Pakistanis belonging to lower income groups are less inclined towards two weekly holidays as compared to those belonging to relatively higher income groups.

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

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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, “How far do you think people get proper compensation for their work in Pakistan?” While as many as thirty three percent (33%) of the respondents said Pakistanis do not get proper compensation for their work at all, another 38% felt that the right of getting properly compensated for work is partially respected in the country while 28% felt that this principle is completely adhered to in Pakistan. 2% did not respond.

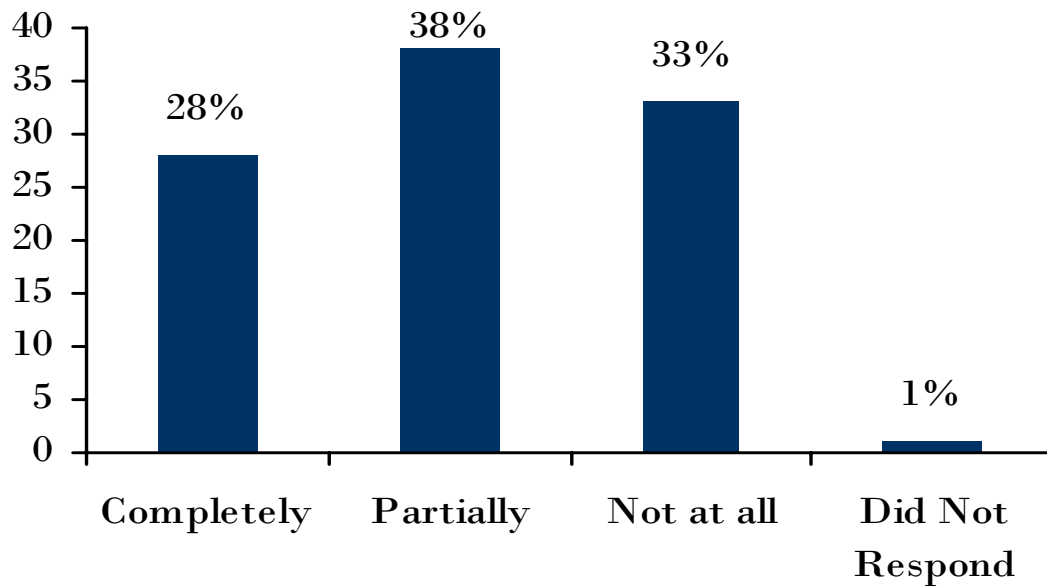
A detailed analysis of the data reveals that satisfaction with fair wage declines as Income levels rise. Thus, the relatively prosperous group in the sample, those earning above Rs. 30,000 per month, have the lowest satisfaction with fair wage, with 44% saying wages are not at all fair in Pakistan. In comparison, those at the bottom of the ladder, earning upto Rs. 7000 a month, are relatively much more satisfied regarding fair wages, with only 22% saying that this principle is not followed at all in the country.

Similarly, there is a significant difference between the views of rural and urban respondents. While 34% rural respondents feel that Pakistanis do get proper compensation for labor, only 16% urban respondents share this view.

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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 has the standard of TV programs improved, deteriorated or remained the same in the past few months?" While a significant 27% of the respondents said TV programs have improved in the last few months and another 24% felt there had not been any change in their standard, a majority of 48% said that the standard of TV programs had deteriorated in the past few months. 1% did not respond.

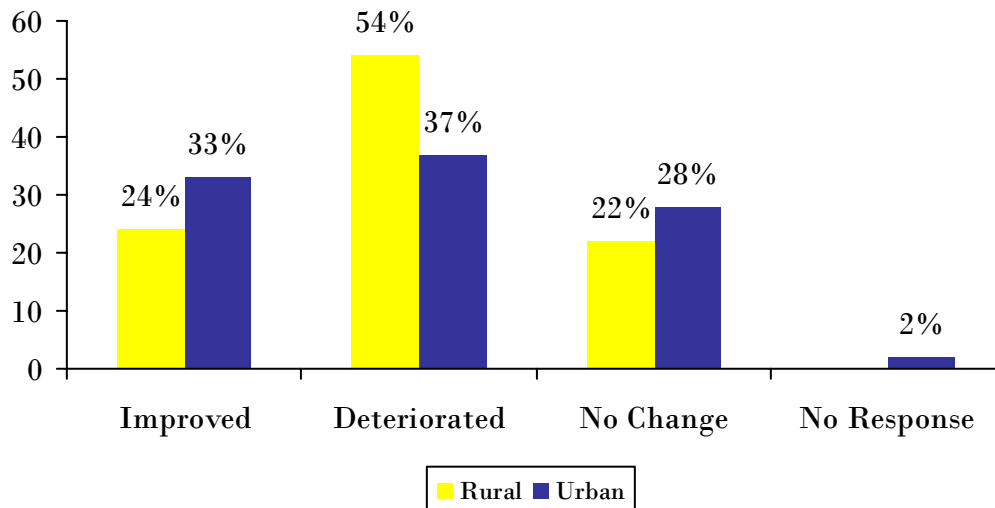
A detailed analysis of the data reveals that the views of rural residents are more negative in this regard, with 54% rural residents saying that the standard of TV programs has deteriorated in the past few months as compared to only 37% urban residents who share this view. Furthermore, the data also reveals that while 55% respondents earning upto Rs.7000 a month feel that the standard of TV programs has fallen, only 31% of those earning more than Rs. 30,000 are of this opinion. On the contrary, 40% of those earning above Rs. 30,000 a month feel that the standard of TV programs has improved.

A possible explanation for this division of views could be the higher access to cable television among urban viewers and those belonging to higher income categories as compared to rural viewers and Pakistanis belonging to lower income groups.

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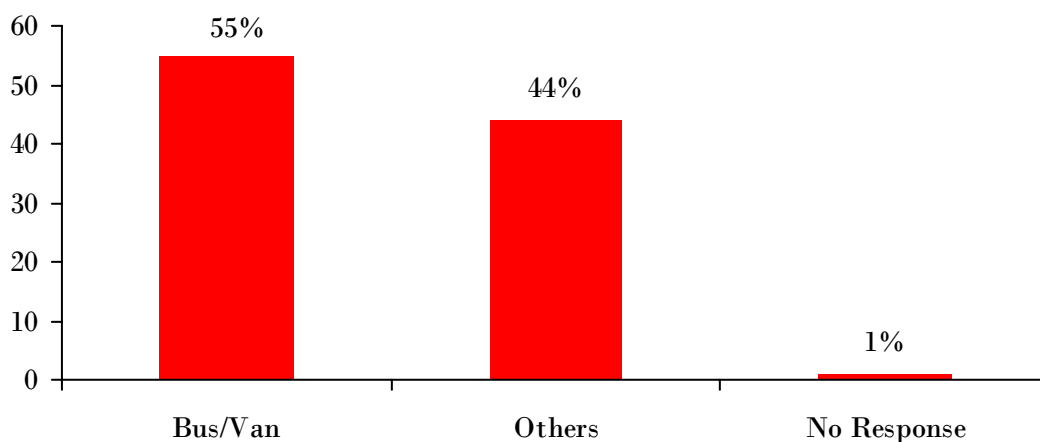
According to the results of a recent Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan, buses and vans are the most popular means of transport for Pakistanis, with 55% using them to commute within their locality. 70% of the people who travel in buses and vans claim to be faced with the problem of rising fares.



In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, “What means of transport do you use for traveling within your city/village?” Results show that buses and vans are the single most popular means of intra-city transport, with 55% respondents saying that they travel within their locality in buses or vans. 44%, on the other hand, said they use other means and 1% did not respond.

While 42% urban respondents said they travel in buses and vans, a significantly higher percentage of rural respondents (62%) said they used this means of transport.

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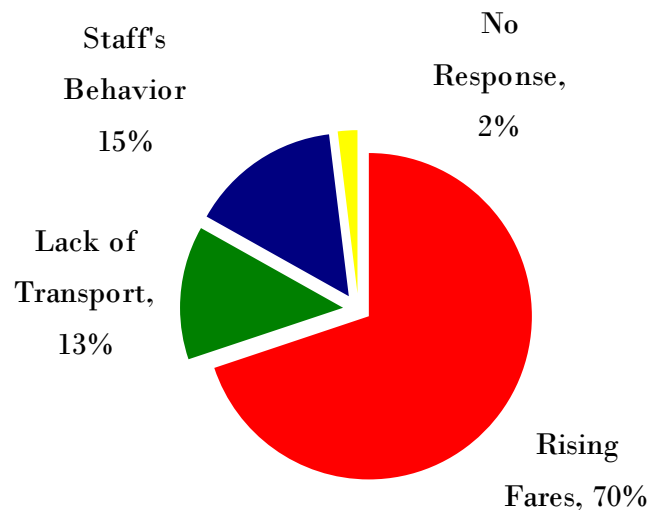
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Respondents who said they commute in buses and vans were further asked, ‘Have you faced any of the following difficulties while traveling in buses/vans?’ The responses to this question show that for 70% of the users of public bus/van transport in the country, rising fares are the most significant problem. Among other problems, 13% mentioned lack of transport while 15% said they had faced inappropriate behavior by the driver or conductor. 2% did not respond.

Interestingly, a proportionately higher percentage of female respondents complained of increasing fares while more male respondents said the behavior of the staff of the buses and vans was problematic.



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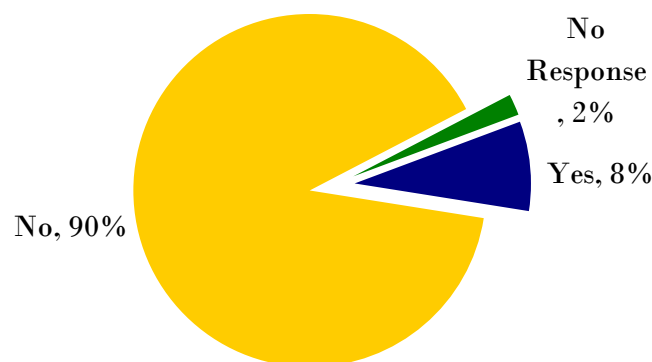
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “Is there anyone in your household who has returned to Pakistan permanently after working abroad for a while?” Results show that 8% respondents replied in the affirmative while 90% said no and 2% did not respond.

A comparison with results of a similar question asked in 2003 shows that the situation has not changed significantly since then. In 2003, a similar 8% had said that there is atleast one person in their household who has returned to settle in Pakistan after working abroad while 91% had said no and 1% had not responded.

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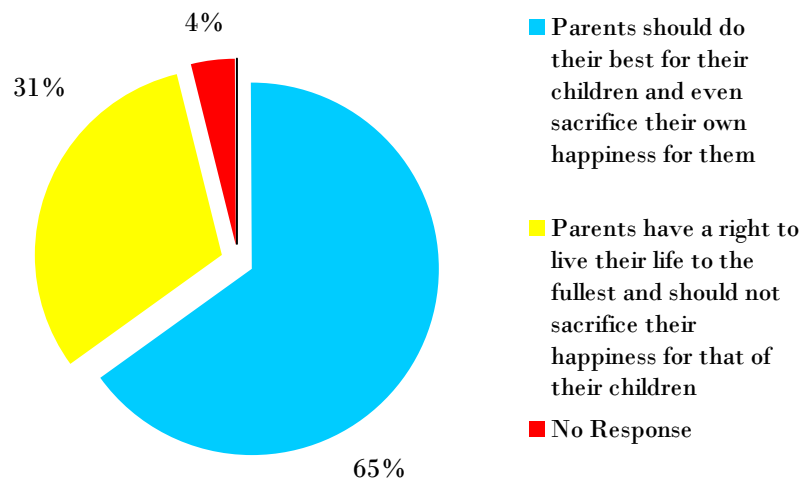
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked which of the following statements they agreed with, the first being: "Parents should do their best for their children and even sacrifice their own happiness for them." The second statement was, "Parents have a right to live their life to the fullest and should not sacrifice their happiness for that of their children." Results show that two thirds of the respondents (65%) agreed with the first statement while almost one third (31%) agreed with the second one. 4% did not agree with either statement or did not respond.

A closer look at the results reveals that female respondents were more inclined to agree with the view that parents should sacrifice their own happiness for their children with 70% of them agreeing with the first statement as compared to 61% males who shared this view.

"Which of the following statements do you agree with?"



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