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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.

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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were presented with the following situation, "Suppose you have a friend who is a shopkeeper who goes to a government office to get a license. The clerk tells him the work requires a lot of time and effort. In response to this your friend gives him some money as a result of which the clerk issues the license." Respondents were then asked whether they considered the behavior of the clerk and the shopkeeper to be acceptable and whether the amount paid constituted a bribe or not. Results show that 66% respondents thought the amount offered to the clerk qualified as bribe while 19% thought it did not, 12% did not know and 3% did not answer.

71% found the public official's behavior objectionable while 12% said it was acceptable, 12% did not know and 5% did not respond. Views about the shopkeeper's behavior, on the other hand, were more sympathetic because although 52% considered his act wrong, as many as 31% thought it was acceptable while 11% did not know and 5% did not respond.

These figures indicate that a significant section of the public (31%) does not consider the act of offering extra payment to a public official to be objectionable if they are doing it due to a lack of any other options.

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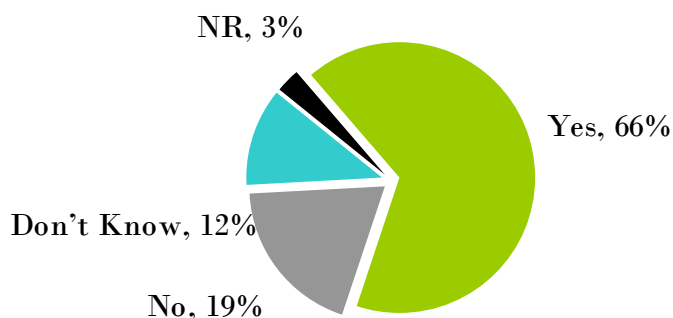
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### **BRIBE TAKING BECOMES LESS ACCEPTABLE: Unacceptability rises from 54 percent to 71 percent:**

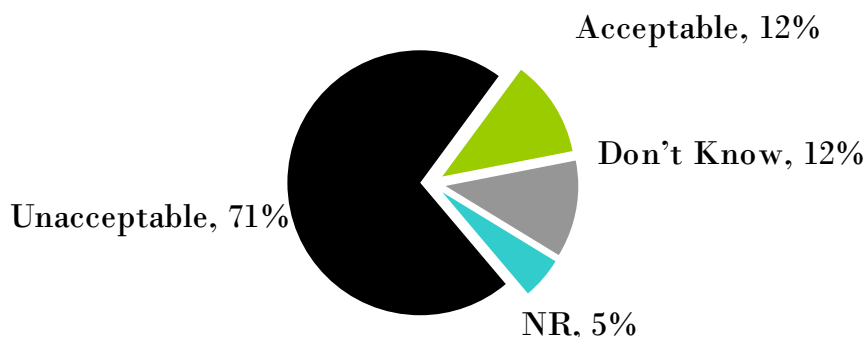
A comparison with the results of a similar survey conducted in 2008 shows that while the percentage of people considering the money offered to be bribe has remained unchanged (66%), the percentage of people finding the officer's behavior unacceptable has increased from 54% to 71% and those finding it acceptable have decreased from 16% to 12%. The percentage of people finding the shopkeeper's behavior objectionable, however, has not changed much; while those who object to the act of giving bribe (even to facilitate a fair task) increased from 46% to 52%, acceptability also increased from 27% to 31% during the last three years.

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**Is it Bribe?**



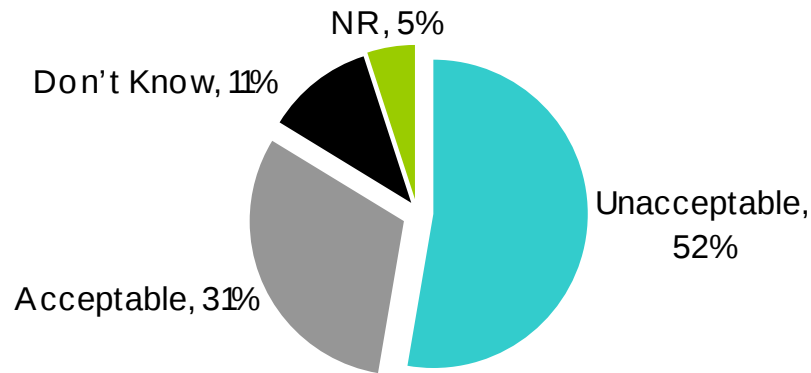
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### The Shopkeeper's Behavior



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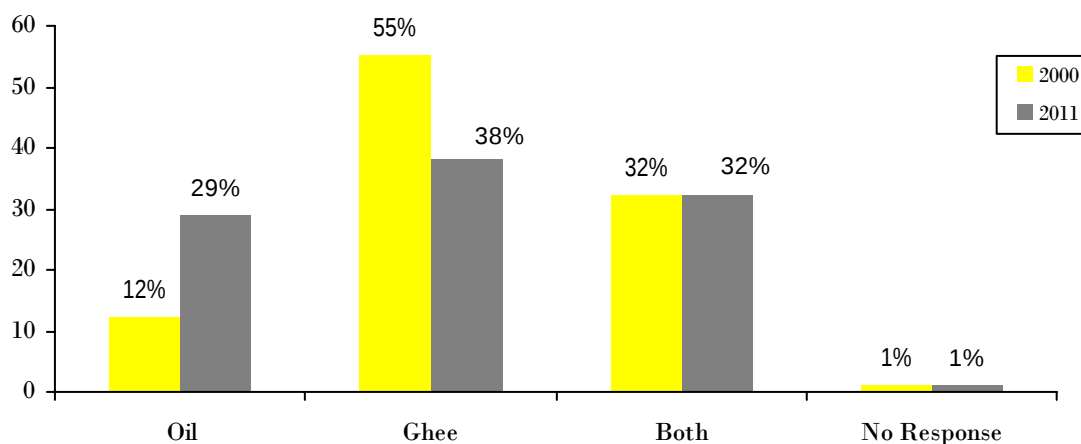
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, “What is used for cooking in your house, Oil or ‘Ghee’?” Results show that 38% respondents said only ‘Ghee’ is used in their house, 29% said only Oil while 32% said both ‘Ghee’ and Oil are used in their household.

A comparison with the results of a similar survey conducted in the year 2000 shows that the popularity of ‘Ghee’ for household cooking purposes has fallen in the last decade; where 55% households used only ‘Ghee’ in 2000, only 38% are doing so now. In comparison, those using only Oil have risen from 12% to 29% in this time.

*“What is used for cooking in your house, Oil or ‘Ghee’?”*



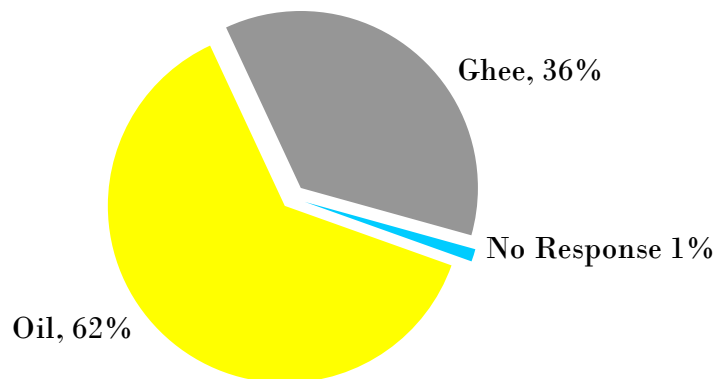
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Respondents were further asked, ‘In your view, what is better for health, Oil or ‘Ghee’?’ The responses to this question show that 62% Pakistanis consider Oil to be better for health as compared to ‘Ghee’. A significant 36%, however, think cooking food in ‘Ghee’ is better for their health.

As one would expect, the percentage of rural residents who feel that ‘Ghee’ is the healthier option (42%) is much higher than the percentage of urban residents who are of this opinion (26%). Almost three fourths of all urban respondents (73%), on the other hand, feel that Oil is better for health while only 57% rural respondents agree with them.

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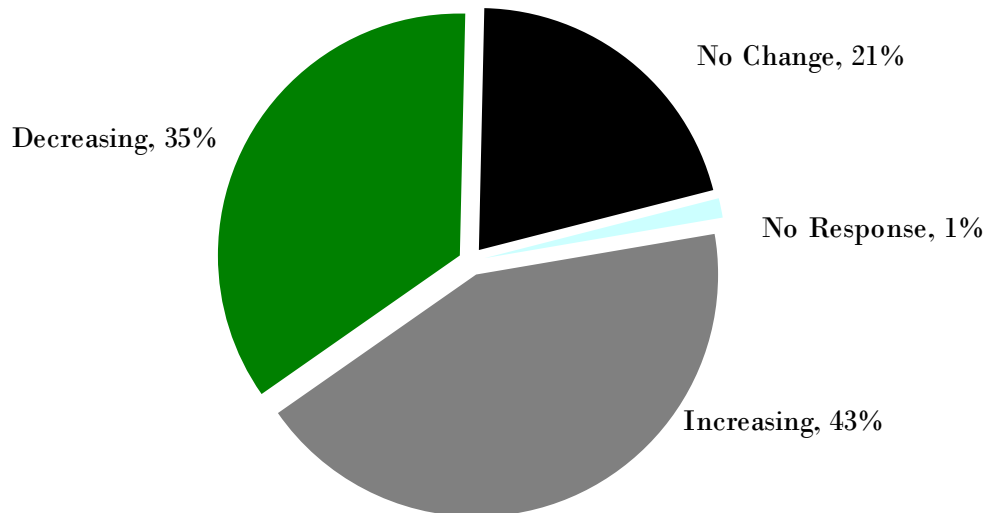
In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked which of the following statements they agreed with, the first being: “In your view, is the influence of religion on Pakistani society increasing or decreasing?” Results show that although the public is divided over the issue, those who feel the influence of religion in Pakistani society is increasing (43%) have a slight edge over those who think it is decreasing (35%). The remaining 21% feel that there has been no significant change in the influence of religion in our society. 1% did not respond.

A comparison with the results of a similar survey conducted two years ago shows that the public was relatively more evenly divided in 2009, with 34% people saying the influence of religion is increasing, 35% saying it is decreasing and 29% saying there has not been a significant change. 2% had not given any response. This comparison indicates that 8% people who were previously saying that there has been no change in the influence of religion in Pakistani society are now saying that there has been an increase while the percentage of those who think this influence is decreasing has remained unchanged (35%).

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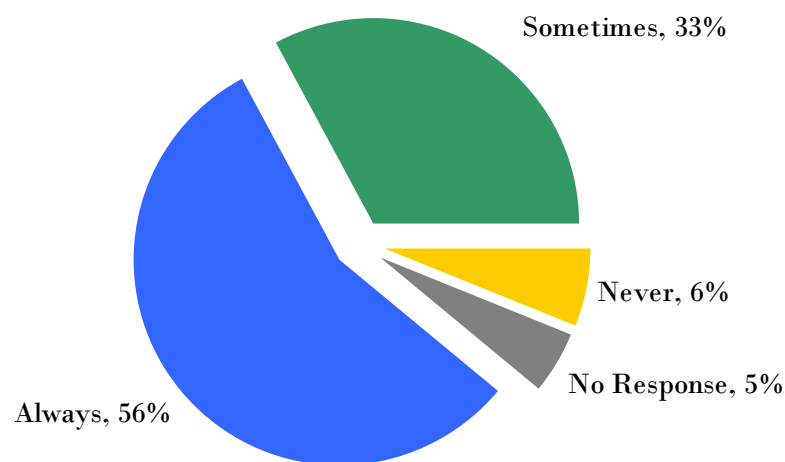
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country who said they owned cars were asked the following question, “How often do you drive carefully?” Results show that 56% of the car owning respondents said they always drive carefully while 33% said they do so sometimes, 6% they never drive carefully and another 5% did not know or did not respond.

Interestingly, the results reveal that younger respondents claimed to be more careful while driving as compared to older respondents; where 70% respondents under 30 years of age said they always drive carefully, only 48% of those above 50 years gave this response. On the other hand, while 23% of those under 30 years of age said they drive carefully only sometimes, as many as 44% respondents above 50 years gave this response.

*“How often do you drive carefully?”*



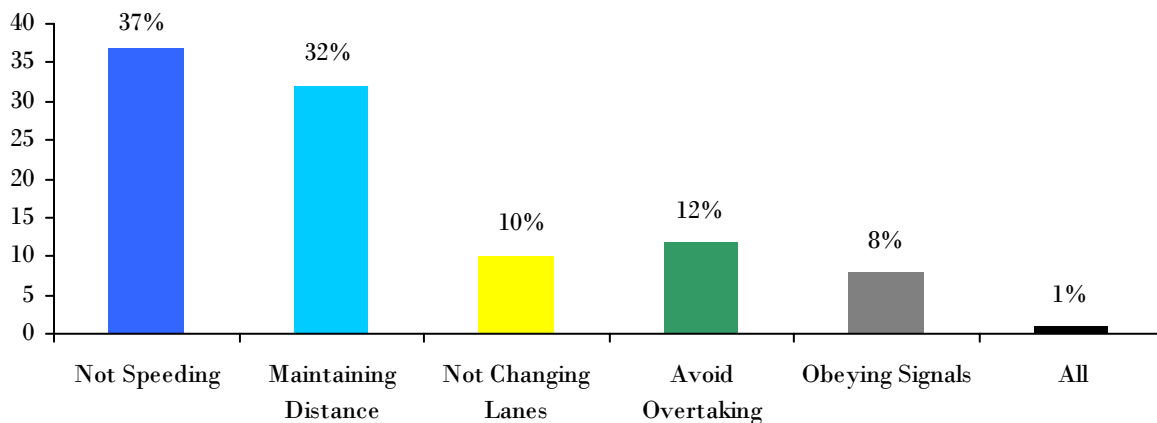
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Respondents who claimed to be careful drivers all the time or part of the time were further asked what they were most cautious about when driving. Responses to this question show that 37% careful drivers are most cautious about staying within the speed limit while 32% take the most care to maintain a safe distance with other vehicles. Among the remaining, 12% said they are most careful about avoiding overtaking, not changing lanes (10%) and obeying traffic signals (8%). 1% said they are cautious about all of these things while driving.

*‘Which of the following are you most cautious about when driving?’*



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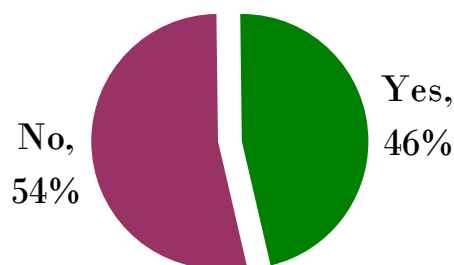
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In the survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question, "Did you get a chance to watch the Pak-West Indies One Day Cricket Series?" Results show that 46% of the respondents had watched the Series while 54% had not.

A closer look at the results shows that a proportionately higher percentage of males (58%) and the respondents belonging to the young age group (50%) had watched the cricket matches between Pakistan and West Indies as compared to females (32%) and older respondents (43%).

*"Did you get a chance to watch the Pak-West Indies One Day Cricket Series?"*



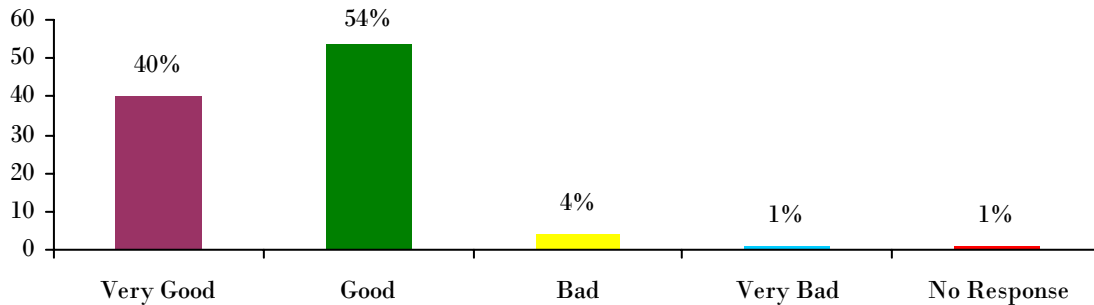
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Respondents who said they did get a chance to watch the matches between Pakistan and West Indies were further asked, 'In your opinion, how was the Pakistani Cricket Team's performance?' Responses to this question show that 40% think the team's performance was very good while another 54% think it was good. Only 4% people think the team performed badly and 1% think it did very badly. 1% did not respond.

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