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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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Opinion Polls Released during February 28th, 2011– March 4th, 2011

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February 28, 2011



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Why Are Rich People Rich And Poor People Poor? Majority Attributes Wealth With Birth (30%) And Illegal Means (26%)

March 1, 2011



A recent Gilani Poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan shows that perceptions regarding rich people being rich and poor people being poor remain more or less the same over the past 25 years. In 2011 as well as 1987, the most common reasons for rich people being rich are: born in rich family and earning through illegal means. Bad luck and belonging to a poor family are held responsible for being poor over the past twenty five years.

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Majority Believes Indecency Has Increased On TV Programs And Most Programs Cannot Be Watched With The Family

March 2, 2011



A recent Gilani poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan shows that a majority (56%) of Pakistanis from across the country perceive that indecency on TV has increased in years. The proportion which holds this perception has risen from 10 years ago as in the year 2000 the comparable figure was 41%.

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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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Islamabad February 28, 2011

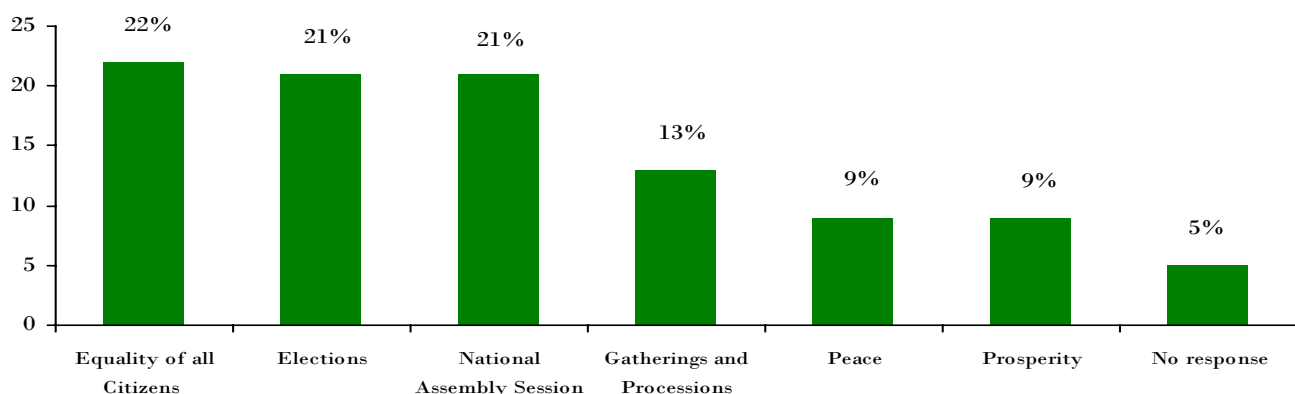
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: "What comes to your mind when you hear the word 'democracy'?" Twenty two percent (22%) said that equality of citizens come to their mind when they hear this word followed by 21% who say elections and National Assembly sessions, each. 13% claimed to associate gatherings and processions with the word 'democracy', 9% peace and 9% prosperity. 5% gave no response.

A detailed analysis of the data revealed that comparatively more urbanites (27%) believed that 'democracy' meant equality of citizens as compared to their rural counterparts (18%).

"What comes to your mind when you hear the word 'democracy'?"



The study was released by Gilani foundation and carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 2774 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during February 2011. Error margin is estimated to be approximately + 2-3 per cent at 95% confidence level.

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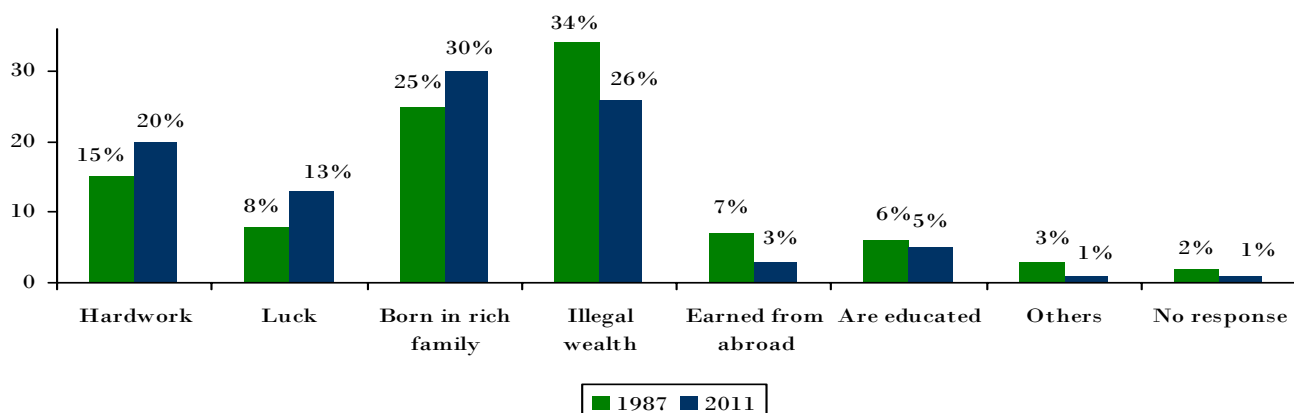
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: "Like everywhere in the world, some people in our country are rich while others are poor. What do you think is the reason behind rich people being rich?" Twenty percent (20%) believed working hard to be the main reason for rich being rich, 13% said fate, 30% born in a rich family, 26% illegal wealth, 3% believed earning from abroad made them rich and 5% said due to good education. 1% gave no response.

Perceptions remain more or less the same over past 25 years with a few notable exceptions: more people attribute wealth with hard work now (20%) than nearly 25 years ago (15%). Comparatively fewer attribute wealth with illegal means now (26%) than 25 years ago (34%).

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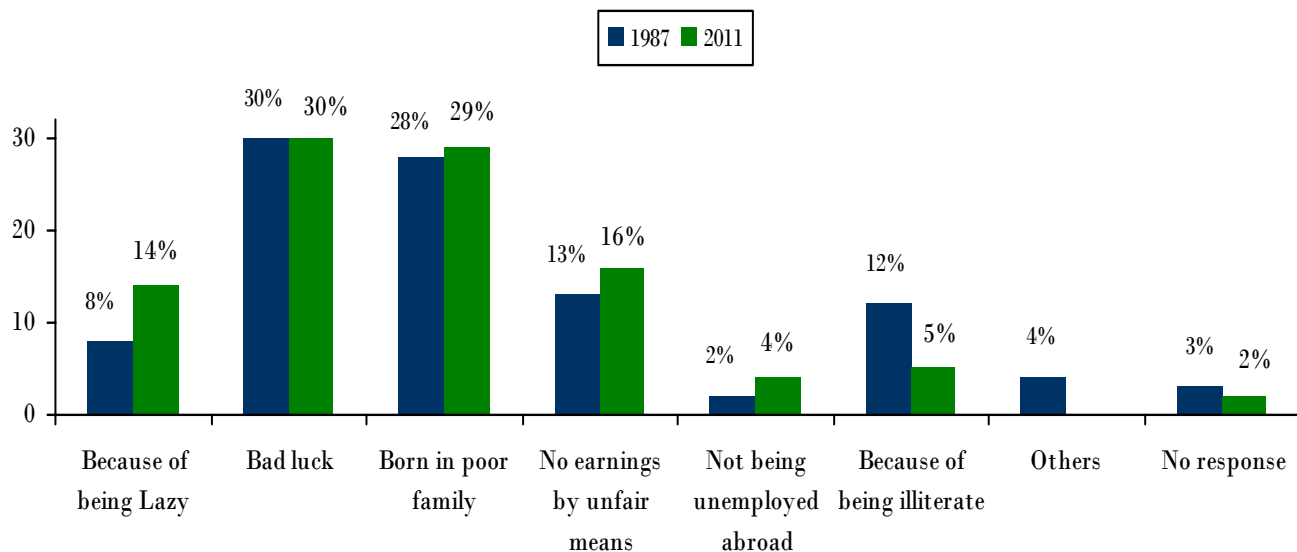


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In a follow up question, nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “Like everywhere in the world, some people in our country are rich while others are poor. What do you think is the reason behind poor people being poor?” Fourteen percent (14%) held laziness responsible, 30% bad luck, 29% said belonging to a poor family was the reason, 16% said due to no earnings from unfair means, 4% blamed not being employed abroad and 5% illiteracy. 2% gave no response. Similar responses were generated in 1987.

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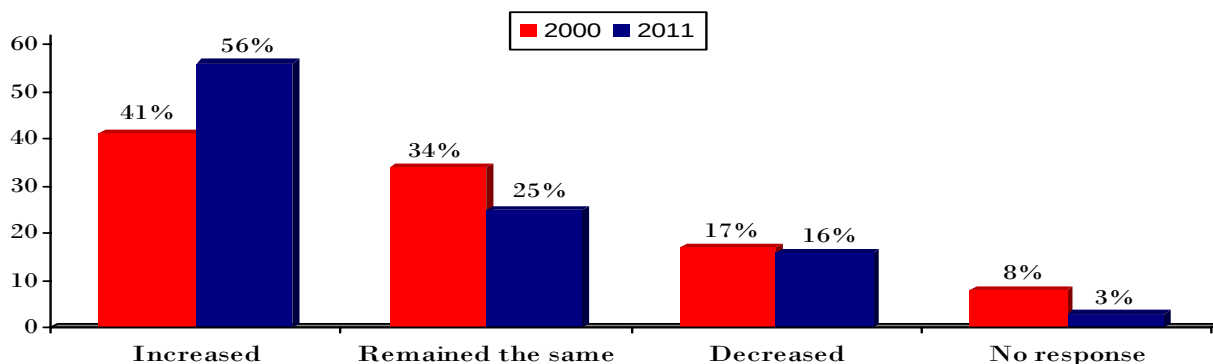
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “Some people have objections regarding the increasing indecency on the television programs as compared to before. In your opinion has indecency on the television programs increased or decreased?” Fifty six percent (56%) believed indecency has increased on television programs as opposed to 16% who believe it has decreased. 25% said it has remained the same whereas 3% gave no response. In 2000 41% believed obscenity to have increased, 34% thought it had remained the same and 17% said it had decreased. 8% gave no response.

It is interesting to note that the recent survey revealed that relatively more males (60%) as compared to the females (52%) are of the opinion that indecency has increased in television programs than before.

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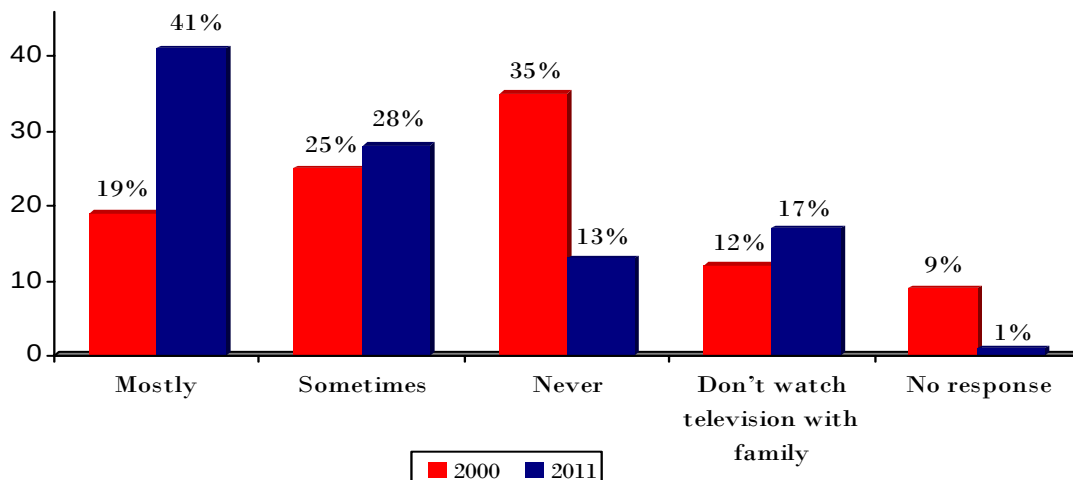
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In a follow up question, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “How often do you feel that some programs on television are inappropriate to be watched with the family?” Sixty nine percent (69%) said such situations arise frequently or at least sometimes as opposed to 13% who said it never happens. Ten years ago in the year 2000, those who said that such situation never arises were 35%.

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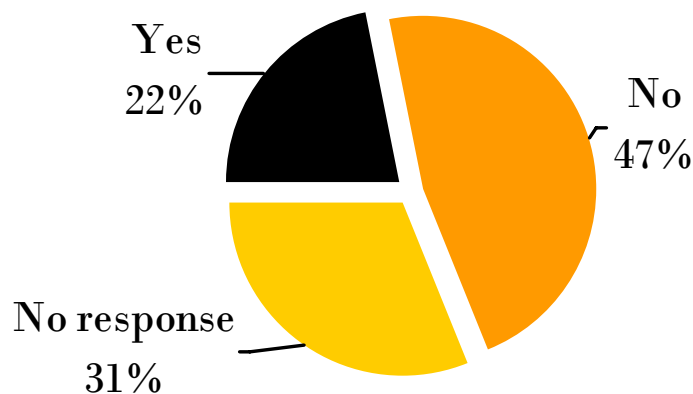
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “In your opinion do women drive better than men or not?” Forty seven percent (47%) did not agree with this notion whereas 22% replied in affirmative. A considerable 31% were unsure and gave no response.

A detailed analysis of the study revealed that relatively more males (51%) than females (42%) are of the opinion that women drive poorer than men.

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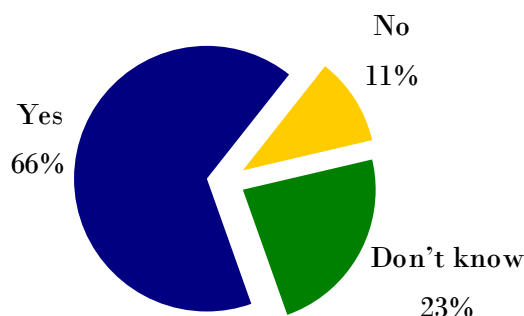
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “In your opinion the protests carried out by the Egyptian public against the government are justified or not? Sixty six percent (66%) replied in affirmative whereas 11% believed the protests to be unjustified. A considerable 23% gave no response.

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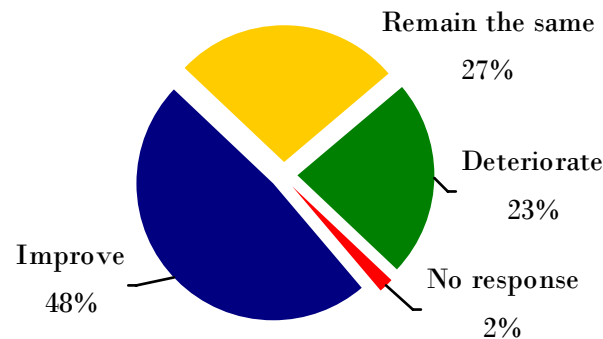
In a follow up question, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: “In your opinion if President Hosni Mubarak resigns, will the condition of Egypt improve or further deteriorate or remain the same?” Forty eight percent (48%) believed that the situation would improve with his resignation in Egypt as opposed to 23% who were of the opinion that situation would further deteriorate. 2% gave no response.

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