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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.

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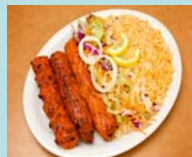
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Views On Job Security; Minor Change In Opinions During The Last 10 Years

Islamabad, October 11, 2010

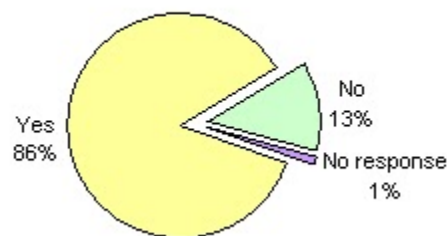
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *“Recently American court have sentenced Dr. Aafia Siddiqui to 86 years imprisonment. Have you read/heard about it?”* Eighty six percent (86%) were aware about the sentence where as 13% were not. 1% gave no response.

The findings of the survey revealed that relatively more urbanites (90%) were aware of Dr. Aafia’s sentence as compared to their rural counterparts (84%).

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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: *“If yes, do you think she is guilty or has she been falsely accused?”* Seventy nine percent (79%) stated that she is innocent while only 8% believed she is guilty. A considerable 13% gave no response.

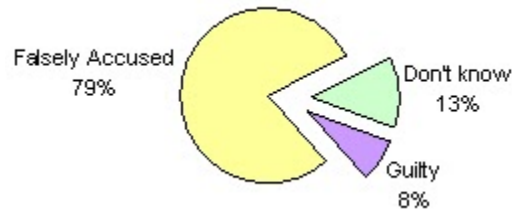
The findings of the survey showed that comparatively more ruralites (81%) believed Dr. Aafia to be innocent than their urban counterparts (75%).

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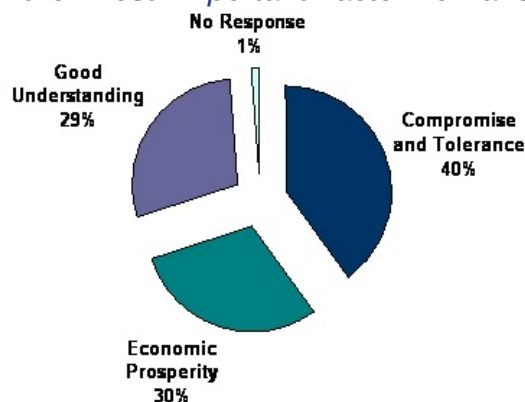
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *"In your opinion what is the most important factor for a successful married life?"* Forty percent (40%) stated that compromise and tolerance were the most important factor for a successful married life, 30% said economic prosperity while 29% opted for good understanding.. 1% gave no response.

The findings of the survey revealed that relatively more ruralites (42%) believed tolerance and compromise to be the most important factor in a successful married life as compared to the urbanites (36%). The factor of financial stability was more popular among the males (33%) than the females (28%) while on the other hand more females (32%) considered good understanding to be essential than the males (27%).

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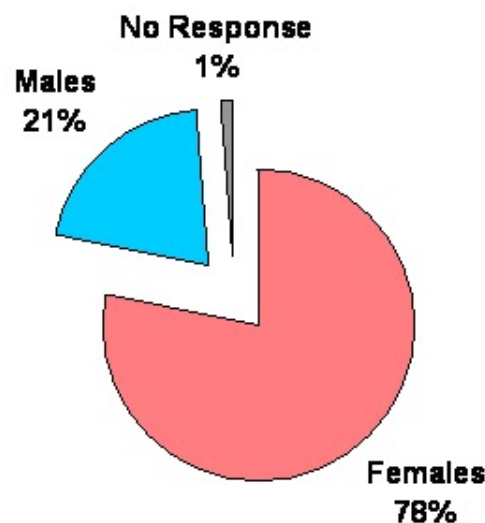
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *"In your opinion do females cook tastier food or males?"* Seventy eight percent (78%) believed that women cook tastier food than men as opposed to 21% who thought it is the other way round. 1% gave no response. Surprisingly the findings of the survey revealed no significant difference in opinions among the rural and urban populations. A province wise analysis showed that most respondents from Kyber Pakhtoonkhwa (88%) believed that female cook tastier food. It was also interesting to notice that comparatively more females (82%) than males (75%) assumed that women are better cooks where as on the other hand relatively more males (25%) compared to females (18%) held the view that men cook better food.

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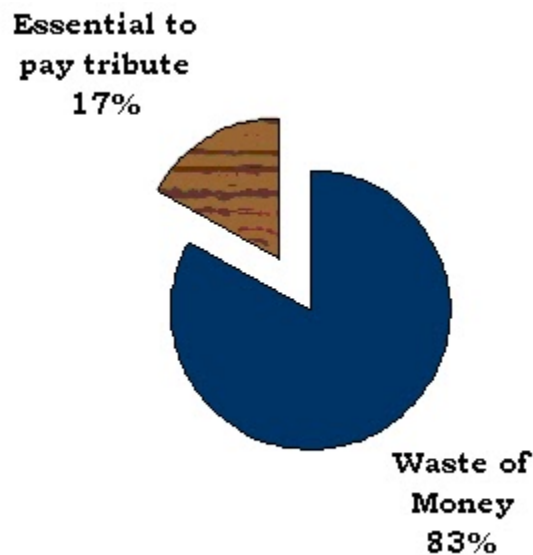
The findings revealed that relatively more ruralites (19%) supported the construction of this memorial as compared to their urban counter parts (13%). A province wise analysis showed that the support from Sindh was comparatively higher (37%) as compared to other provinces, especially from rural Sindh (52%). Language wise distribution also showed that majority of Sindhi speaking population was in favour of this memorial (57%). The support for the monument was also noted to be higher among the PPP supporters (57%) than the supporters of other parties.

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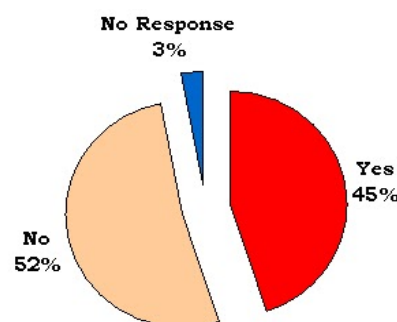
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In a survey, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: "Recently a scary picture has been placed on cigarette packs of most of the brands to create awareness of the adverse effects of smoking. Did you get a chance to see this picture or not?" Forty five percent (45%) were aware of the picture which has recently been printed on cigarette packs of most of the brands as opposed to 52% who did not know about it. 3% gave no response.

The findings of the survey revealed that relatively more ruralites (47%) were aware of the scary picture placed on the cigarette packs as compared to their urban counter parts (42%). A large number of smokers (73%) were conscious of that picture compared to the non-smokers (29%). Awareness of the picture was comparatively higher at 58% among the old (51 plus) than among the young population (under 30) (39%).

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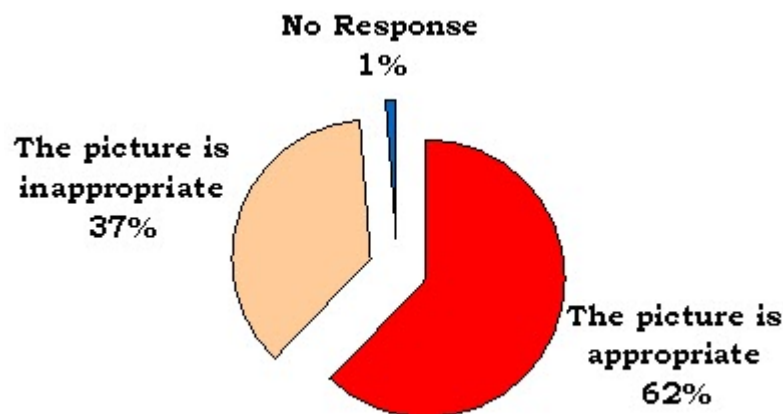
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In a follow up question, a nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *"Some people believe that picture is against the moral values while others support the picture in order to discourage smoking. If you are aware of the picture, what is your opinion?"* 37% were against the presence of the scary picture as opposed to 62% who advocated its appearance in order to discourage smoking. 1% gave no response.

The findings of the survey revealed that relatively more urbanites (42%) were against the appearance of the picture as compared to their rural counter parts (35%). Comparatively more smokers (47%) were of the opinion that the picture was inappropriate than the non smokers (21%). The notion that the picture was improper was more popular among the young population; age under 30 (39%) than among the old, age 51 plus (17%).

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Background to the use of Tobacco in Pakistan: Nearly one third of the male populations claim to smoke cigarettes. Some Pakistanis smoke tobacco not in cigarettes but in traditional pipes called 'Hugqa' in local diction as well in the form of a powder called 'Naswar' or a rolled leaf called 'Beedi' and in a leaf called 'Pan'. If all of those users are taken into account the figure rises to around 50% of men. The use of tobacco among Pakistani women is quite small and is not very acceptable socially; accept in the middle to old age rural women. The exact figures for the use of tobacco amongst Pakistani women are not available.

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