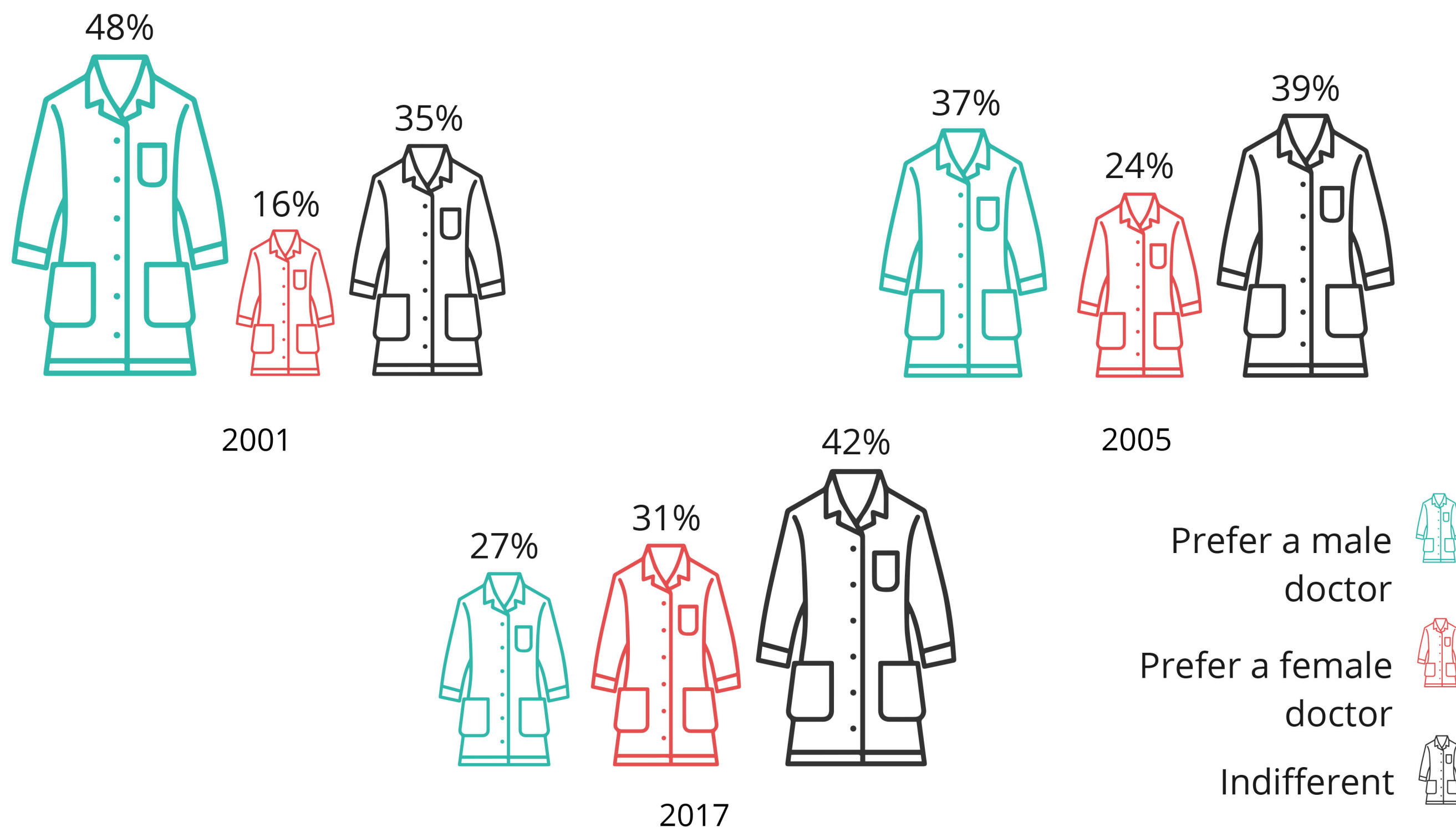


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God forbid if you have to go to a doctor, would you like your doctor to be male or female?



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SOURCE: GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN POLL - NATIONALLY REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE

Field work conducted by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International Association



Public Opinion in Pakistan in the Year 2017

SOCIAL Health Care

Since 2001, an increasing proportion of Pakistanis is now indifferent about the gender of the doctor they choose to visit. (GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN POLL)

Islamabad, October 02, 2019

In a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 2001, respondents were asked “*God forbid if you have to go to a doctor would you like your doctor to be male or female?*” In response, 48% said they would prefer a male doctor, 16% said they would prefer a female doctor, and 35% said it makes no difference.

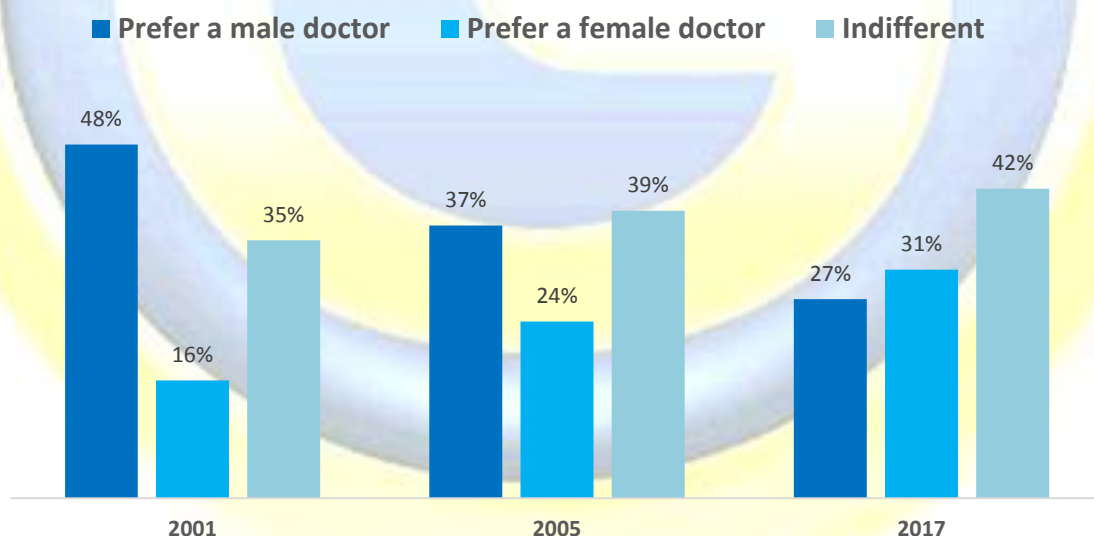
Comparative Picture: This question was asked again in 2017 to enable a comparison to be made across the years. In 2017, 27% said they would prefer a male doctor, 31% said they would prefer a female doctor, and 42% said it makes no difference.

Trend Analysis across the years: Overall the percentage of female respondents who would prefer a female doctor have increased, whereas the percentage of male respondents who would prefer a male doctor has decreased over the years. Almost an equal proportion of male and female respondents were indifferent about the gender of their doctor in 2017.

Implications of this finding: *Over the years*, gender of the doctor has grown to matter less among patients; however female are still more likely to prefer a female doctor.

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Question: “God forbid if you have to go to a doctor would you like your doctor to be male or female?”



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