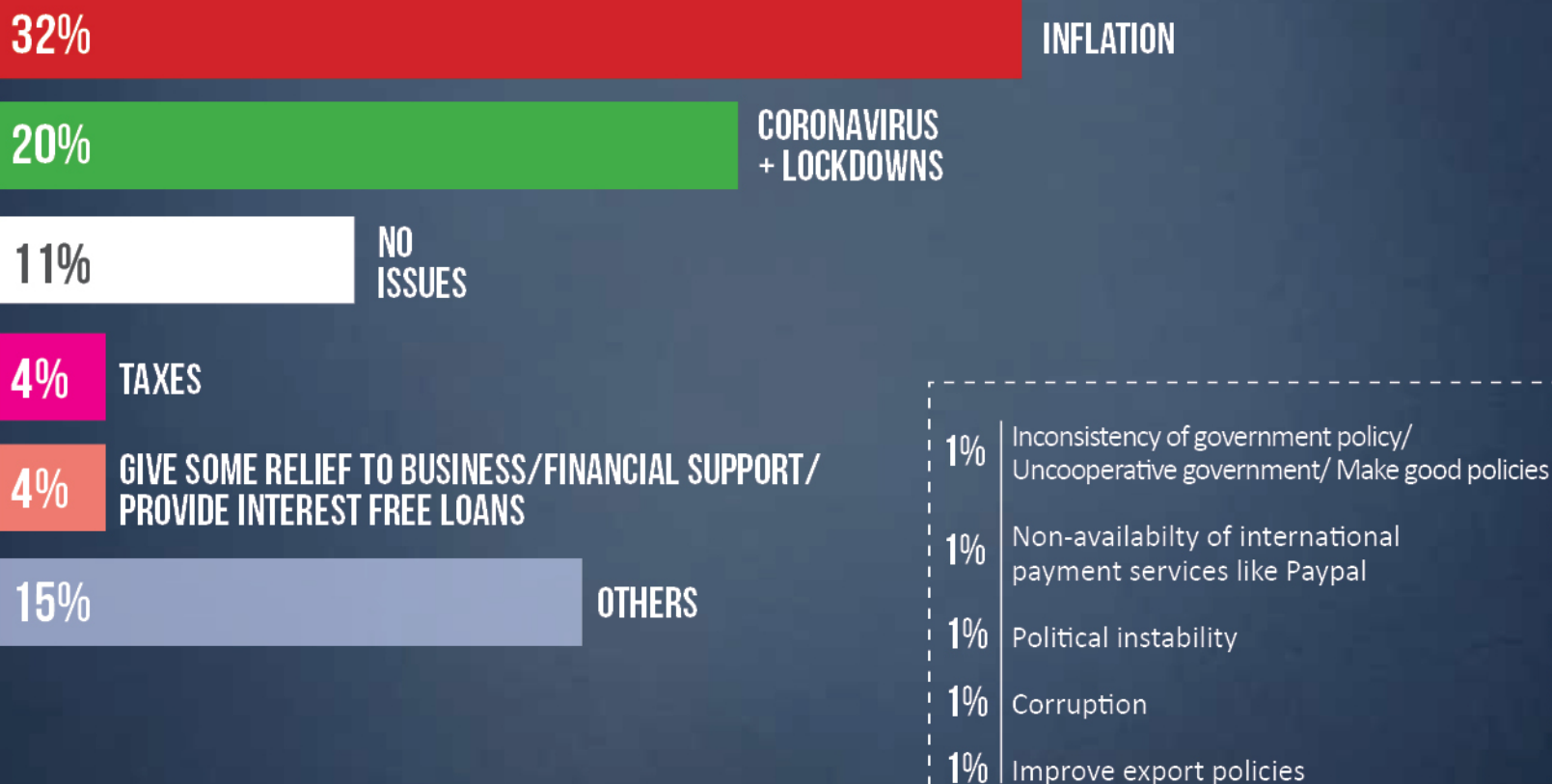


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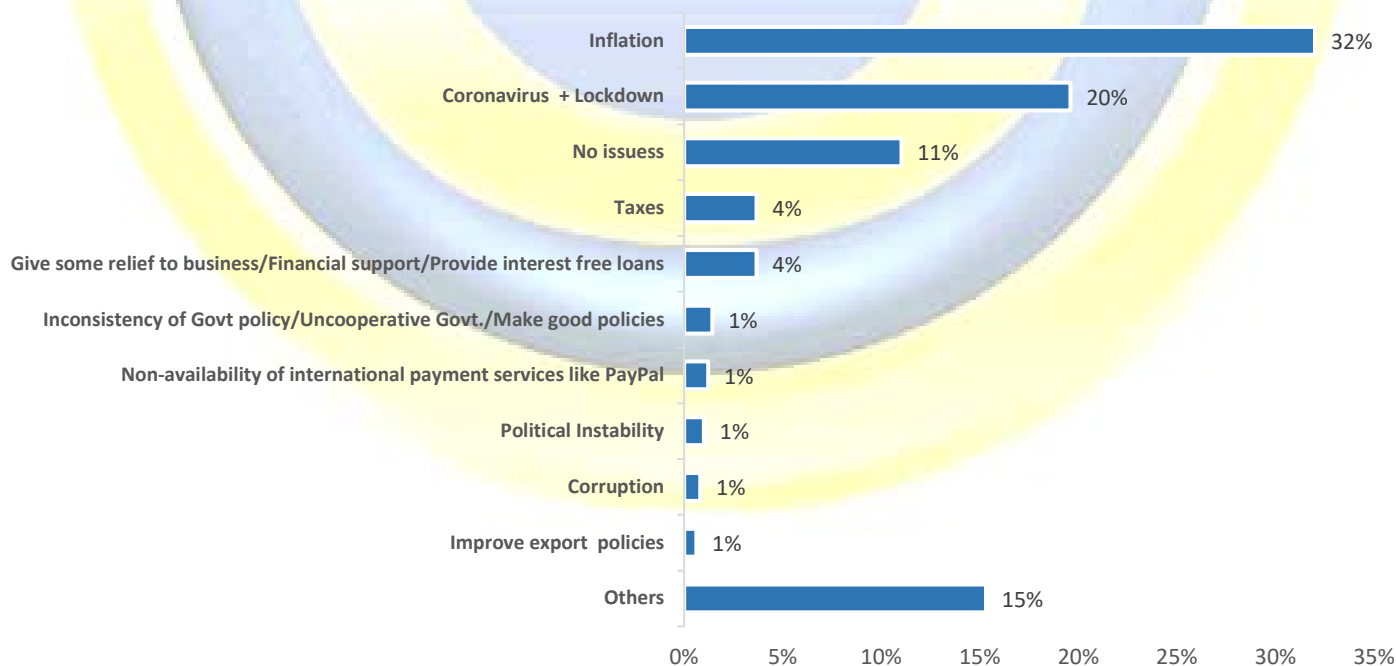
Inflation and COVID-19 related issues including lockdowns and restricted business hours are top 2 issues that the business community cited for resolution by the Pakistani government. This was stated by a sample of around 500 businesses approached by Gallup as part of its quarterly Business Confidence Survey (BCS) Q2, 2021.

Complete report for the Business Confidence Survey Q2 2021 can be accessed [here](#).

A nationally representative sample of businesses in Pakistan was asked the following question, “Which problems affecting your business considerably would you want the government to solve?” In response to this question, 32% said inflation, 20% said coronavirus and lockdowns, 11% said there were no issues, 4% said taxes, 4% said financial support/providing interest free loans/giving some relief to businesses, 1% said inconsistency of government policies/dealing with an uncooperative government/making good policies, 1% said non-availability of international payment services like PayPal, 1% said political instability, 1 % said corruption and another 1% said to improve export policies. 15% said others.

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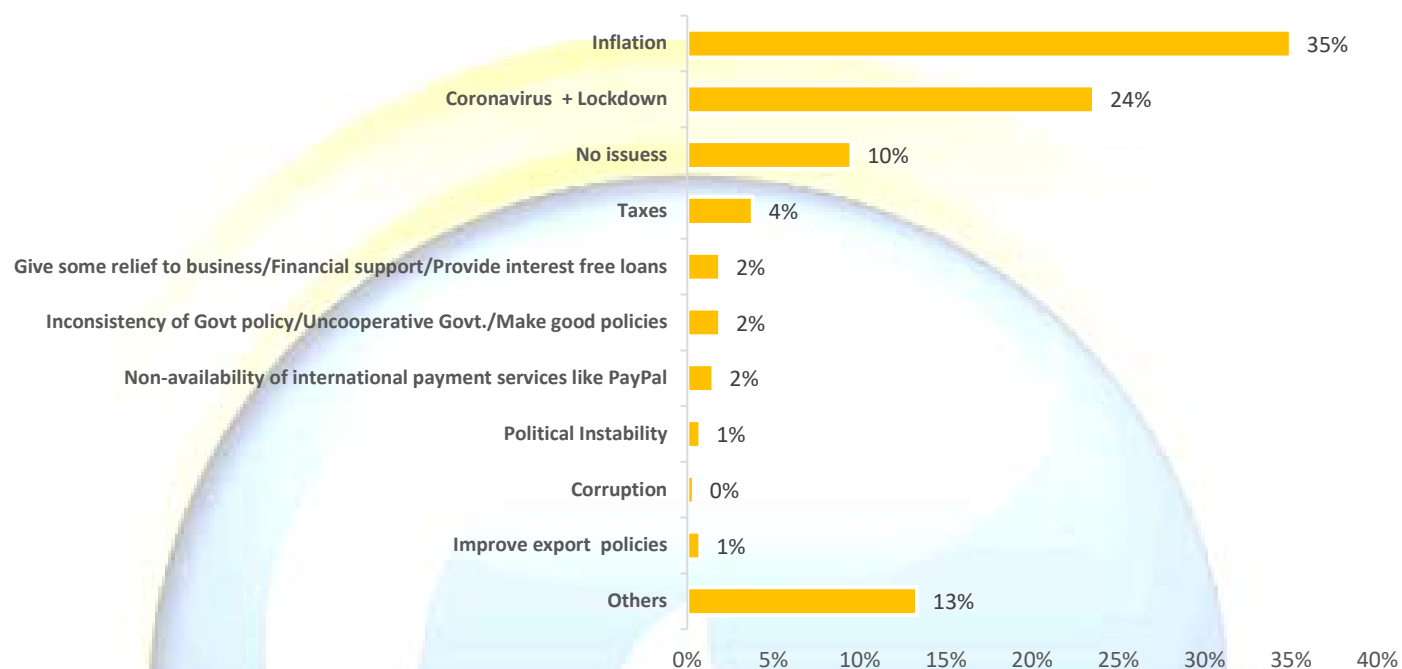


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Karachi Business Confidence Index

Similar to Pakistan's overall statistics, the two main problem for Karachi businessmen is also inflation (35%) and problems caused by the coronavirus such as lockdowns (24%). 10% of Karachi businessmen state that there face no issues they want the government to solve.

Karachi



The study was released by Gilani Research Foundation and carried out by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 490 businesses in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, during 4th June 2021 – 1st July 2021. The error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 2-3$ percent at the 95% confidence level. The methodology used for data collection was CATI.



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