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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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OPINION POLLS - HIGHLIGHTS

Gilani Research Foundation (GRF Poll)

March 30, 2015

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April 2, 2015

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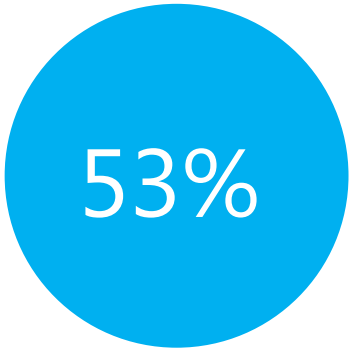
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Gilani Research Foundation (GRF Poll)

April 3, 2015

Optimism about a solution to the Kashmir issue rising once again among the Pakistani public.

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53%

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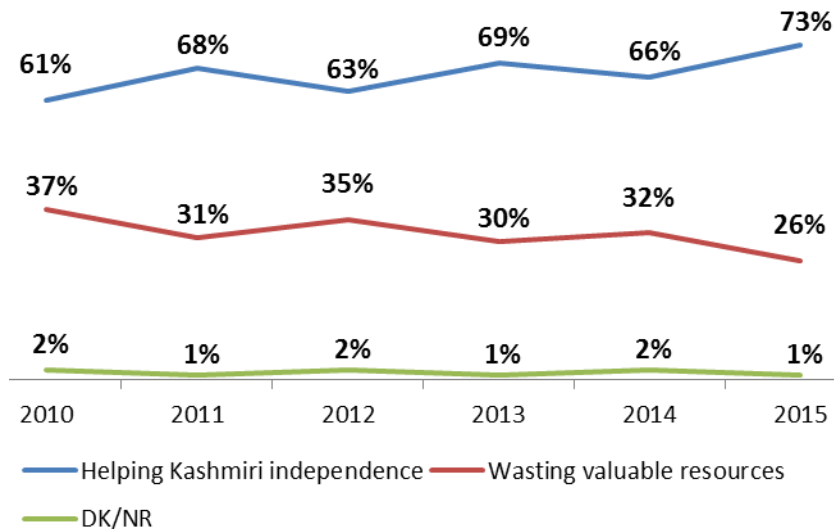
Gilani Research Foundation (GRF Poll)

Islamabad— March 30, 2015

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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women, from across the four provinces was asked, “Some people think that celebrating Kashmir Day helps in Kashmiri independence while some think that in celebrating Kashmir day we are wasting valuable resources. What is your opinion?” In response to this question, 73% respondents said that by celebrating Kashmir Day we are helping in Kashmiri independence, while 26% believe that its celebration results in wastage of valuable resources and 1% did not respond.

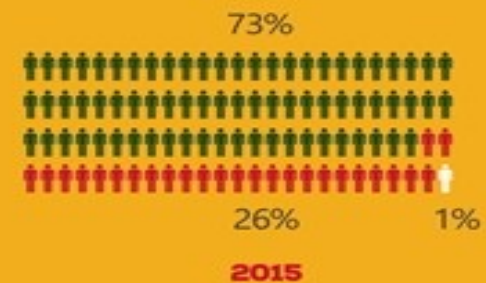
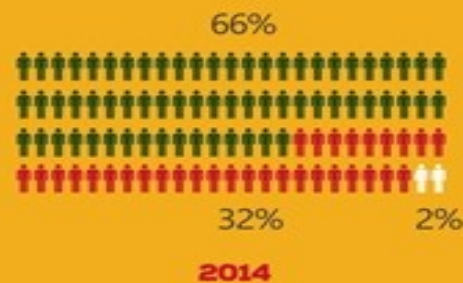
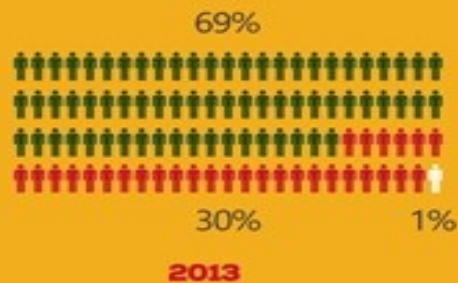
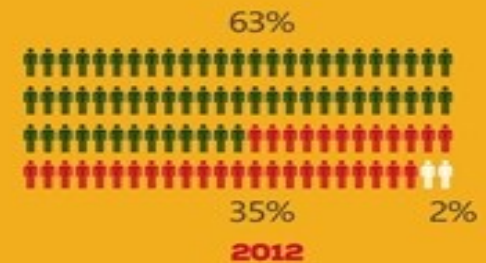
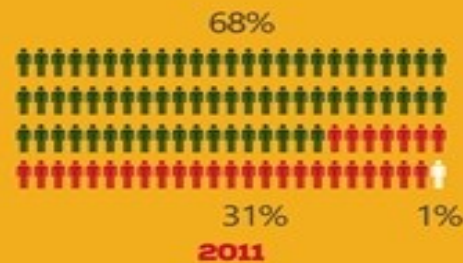
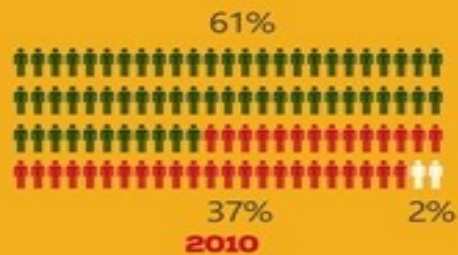
This question has also been asked previously during the past five years. Opinion on celebration of Kashmir Day has varied over the years, but mostly remained within a consistent parameter. In 2010, 61% respondents said that celebration of Kashmir Day was helping Kashmiri independence, while 37% said that it was wasting valuable resources. In 2011, the percentage of respondents who believed the celebration was aiding independence had increased to 68% with 31% saying it wasted valuable resources. In 2012, those in favor had once again decreased to 63% with 35% opposing the celebration for wasting resources. In 2013, 69% respondents said that celebration of Kashmir Day was helping Kashmiri independence, while 30% said that it was wasting valuable resources. In 2014, 66% respondents said that celebration of Kashmir Day was helping Kashmiri independence, while 32% said that it was wasting valuable resources. In 2015, the percentage of respondents who believe it is helping in Kashmiri independence is at its highest (73%) compared to the past five years, while those who believe it wastes resources are at their lowest percentage (26%).

The study was released by Gilani Research Foundation and carried out by Gallup Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 1306 men and women in rural and urban areas of all four provinces of the country, during February 16 - February 23, 2015. Error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 2-3$ per cent at 95% confidence level.

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SOME PEOPLE THINK THAT CELEBRATING KASHMIR DAY HELPS IN KASHMIRI INDEPENDENCE WHILE SOME THINK THAT IN CELEBRATING KASHMIR DAY WE ARE WASTING VALUABLE RESOURCES. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?



HELPING KASHMIR WITH INDEPENDENCE
 WASTING VALUABLE RESOURCES
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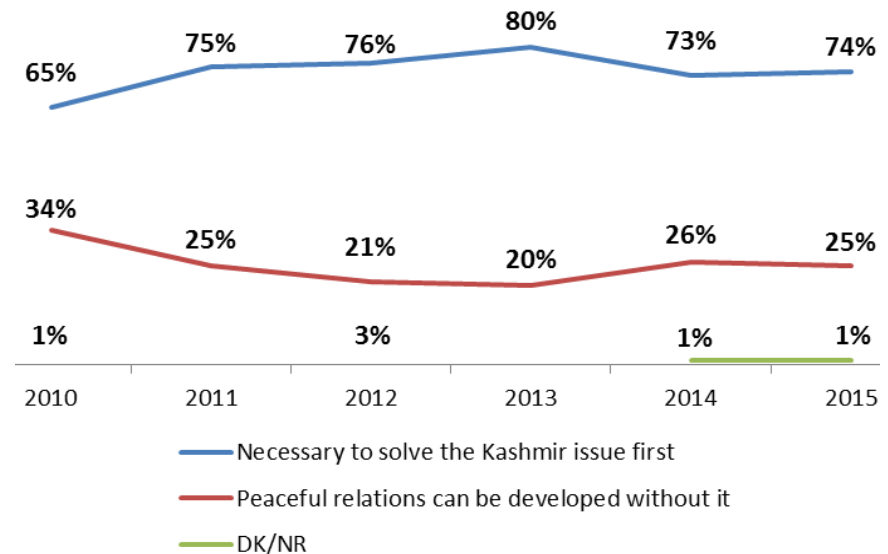
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According to a Gilani Research Foundation Survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, 74% Pakistanis believe that solving Kashmir issue is necessary for peaceful relations with India; 25% believe that peaceful relations can be developed without solving the Kashmir issue first. (This press release is Part 2 of a 5-part series on Kashmir)

A nationally representative sample of adult men and women, from across the four provinces was asked, “Do you think in establishing peaceful relations with India, is it necessary to first solve the Kashmir issue or can peaceful relations be made without it as well?” In response to this question, 74% respondents said that solving the Kashmir issue first is necessary for development of peaceful relations with India, while 25% believe that peaceful relations with India can be developed without a solution to the Kashmir issue and 1% did not respond.

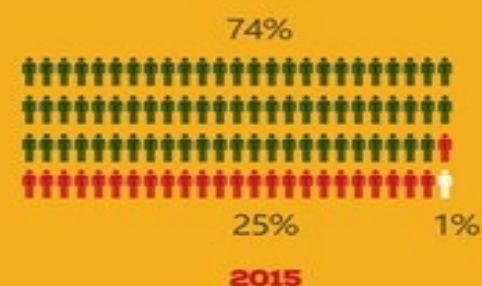
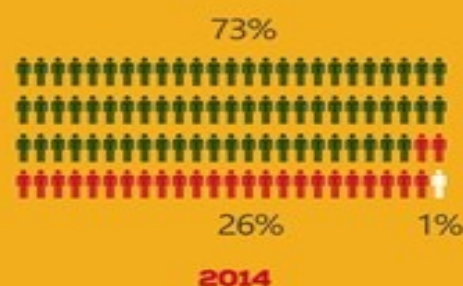
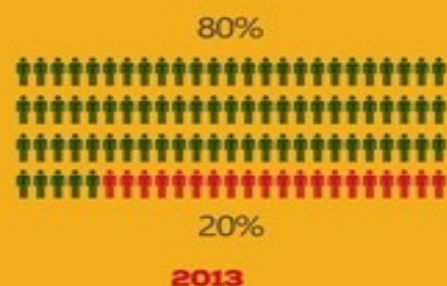
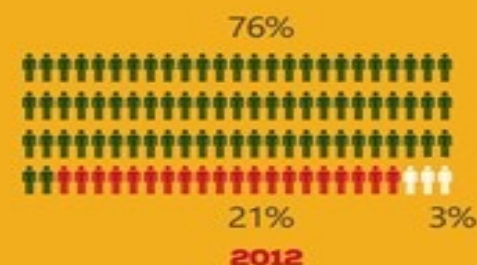
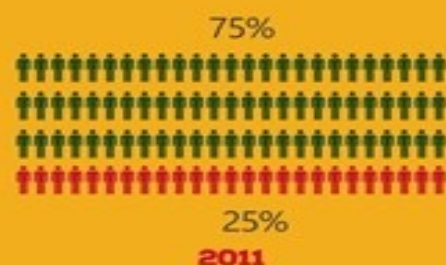
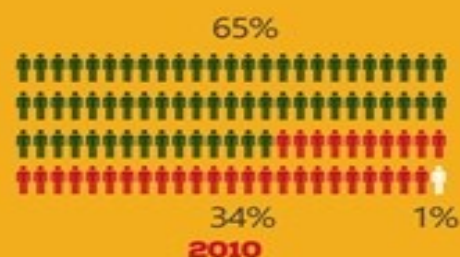
This question has also been asked previously during the past five years. In 2010, 65% respondents believed that solving the Kashmir issue was necessary for peaceful relations with India, while 34% disagreed. In 2011, the percentage of respondents who believed that a solution to Kashmir was necessary had increased to 75%. In 2012, 76% respondents believed that solving the Kashmir issue was necessary for peaceful relations with India, while 21% disagreed. 2013 had the highest percentage of respondents who believed that solving Kashmir issue first was necessary (80%), and the lowest percentage of respondents who believed that peaceful relations were possible without it (20%). In 2014, the percentage of respondents who believed that solving Kashmir issue first was necessary had decreased again to 73%, while 26% respondents disagreed.

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DO YOU THINK IN ESTABLISHING PEACEFUL RELATIONS WITH INDIA, IS IT NECESSARY TO FIRST SOLVE THE KASHMIR ISSUE OR CAN PEACEFUL RELATIONS BE MADE WITHOUT IT AS WELL?



NECESSARY TO SOLVE THE KASHMIR ISSUE FIRST
 PEACEFUL RELATIONS CAN BE DEVELOPED WITHOUT IT
 DK NR

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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women, from across the four provinces was asked, “In your opinion, should Pakistan keep ties with India on any level before the issue of Kashmir is solved or not?” In response to this question, 63% respondents said that Pakistan should keep ties with India even before the Kashmir issue is solved, while 37% respondents believe that Pakistan should not keep ties with India at all until the Kashmir issue has been solved.

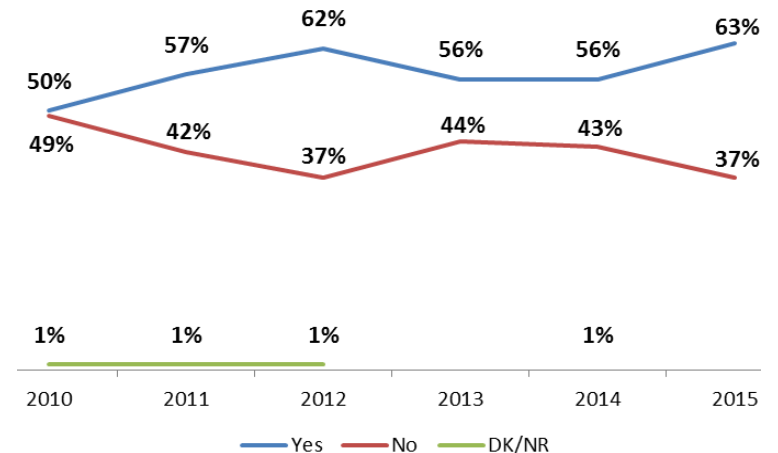
This question has also been asked previously during the past five years. In 2010 public opinion was split almost equally, with 50% respondents saying that ties with India should be maintained anyway and 49% disagreeing. Since 2010, there has been a decrease in those respondents who believe that ties with India should not be maintained until the Kashmir issue is solved. In 2011, 57% respondents said that ties should be kept while 42% disagreed. In 2012 an even larger number of respondents said that ties should be maintained (62%), while 37% disagreed. In 2013 and 2014, there was once again an increase in public opinion that held that ties with India should not be kept until Kashmir issue was resolved. In 2013, 56% respondents said that ties should be kept while 44% disagreed. In 2014, 56% respondents said that ties should be kept while 43% disagreed. In 2015, there has once again been an increase in the percentage of respondents who believe that ties should be maintained before Kashmir issue is solved (63%), with opposing opinion falling to 37% again.

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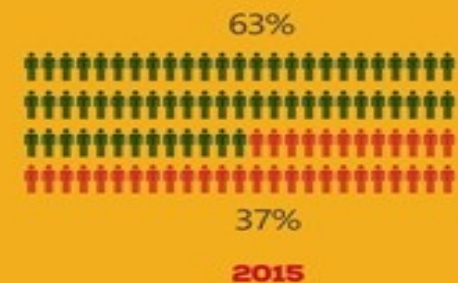
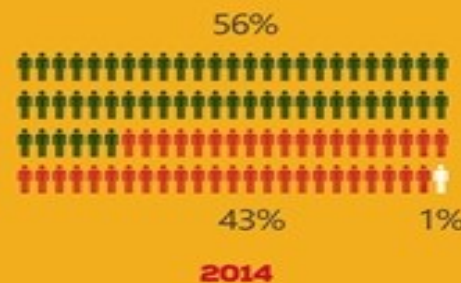
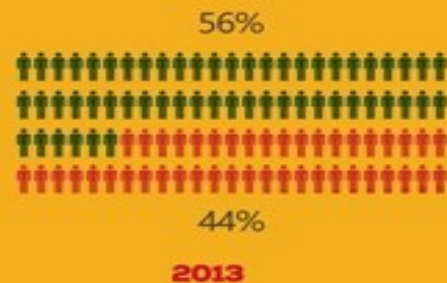
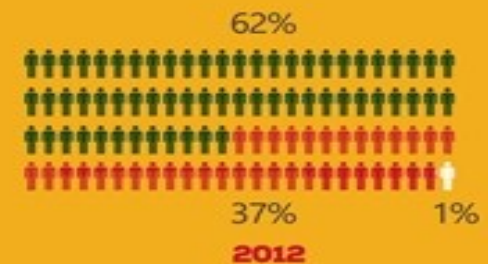
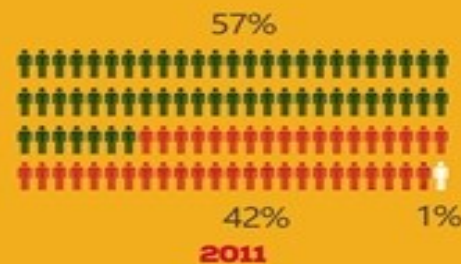
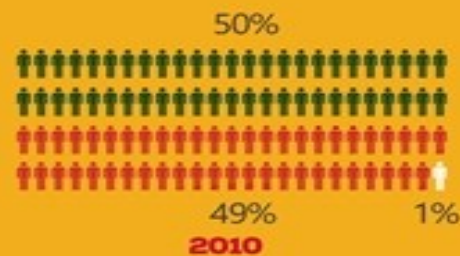
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IN YOUR OPINION, SHOULD PAKISTAN KEEP TIES WITH INDIA ON ANY LEVEL BEFORE THE ISSUE OF KASHMIR IS SOLVED OR NOT?



■ YES
 ■ NO
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Since last year: Increase in number of Pakistanis who think that Pakistan should keep ties with India before the issue of Kashmir is solved.



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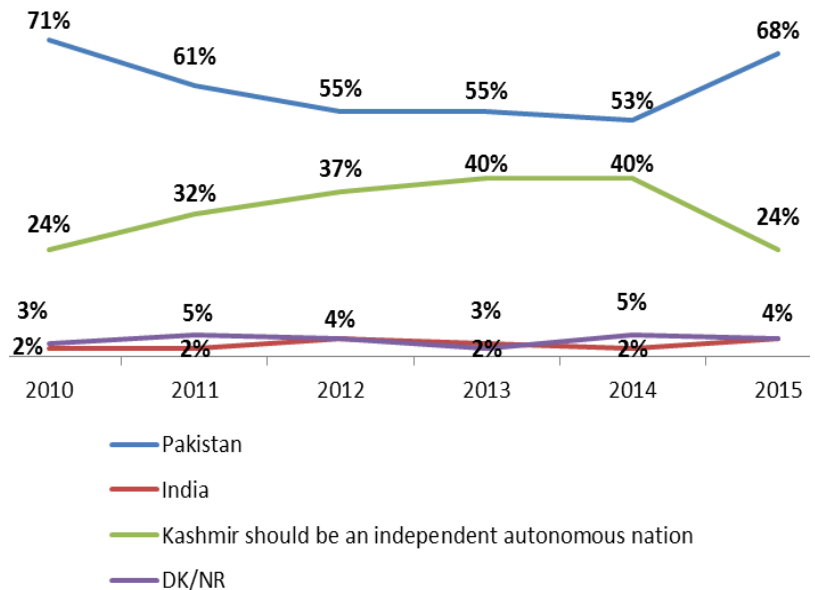
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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women, from across the four provinces was asked, “Think impartially and tell us, who do you think has more right to Kashmir – Pakistan or India?” In response to this question, 68% respondents said that Pakistan has more right to Kashmir, 24% said that it should be an independent autonomous nation, while 4% believe that India has the right to Kashmir and 4% did not respond.

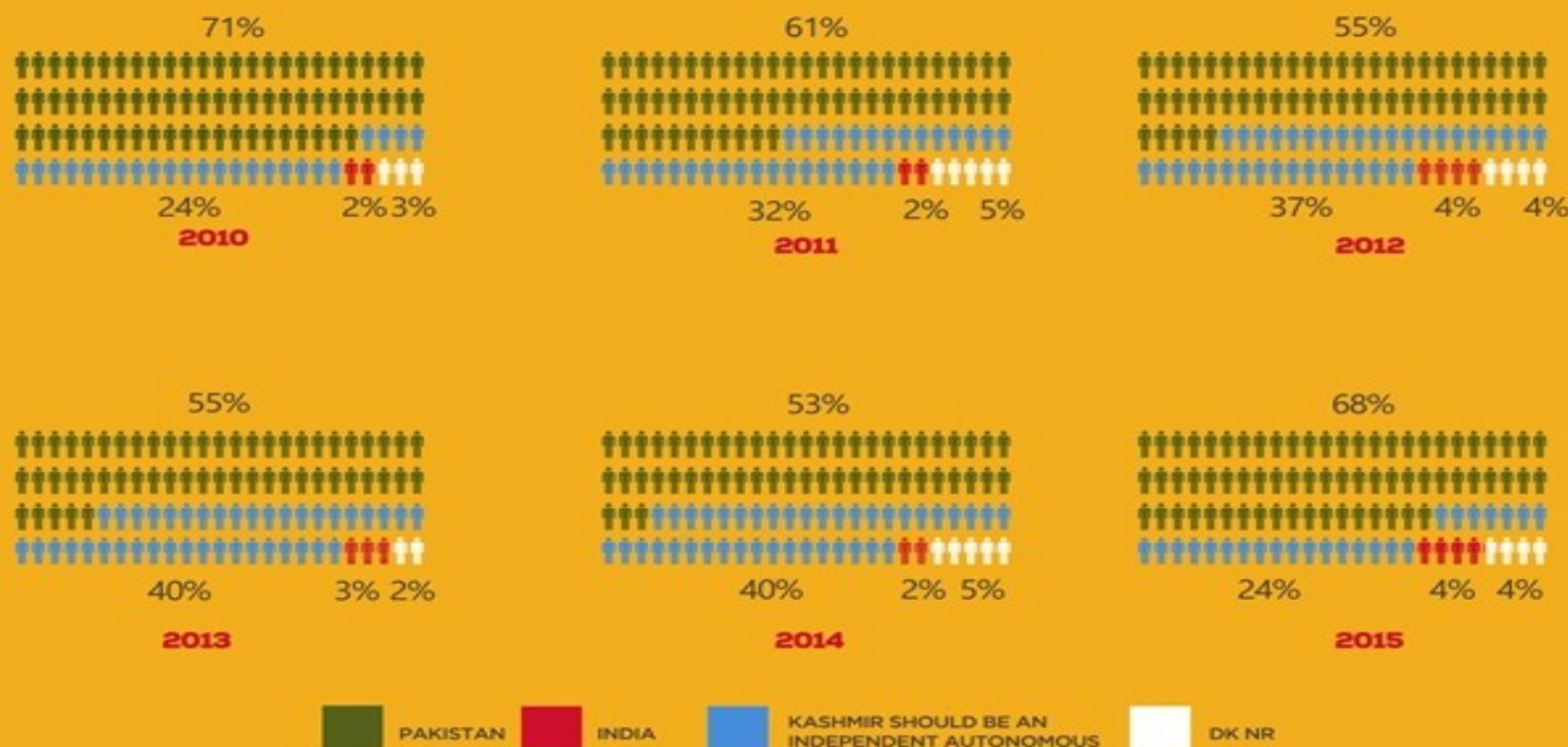
This question has also been asked previously during the past five years. The percentage of respondents who believe that Pakistan has more right to Kashmir decreased between 2010 and 2014 (71% to 53%), with corresponding increases in those who believe that Kashmir should be an autonomous independent nation (24% to 40%). But in 2015, those who believe that Pakistan has more right to Kashmir have risen once again to 68% with those supporting an autonomous nation for Kashmiris declining to 24% for the first time since 2010. Meanwhile, respondents who believe that India has more right to Kashmir have stayed in a small minority ranging between 2% to 4%.

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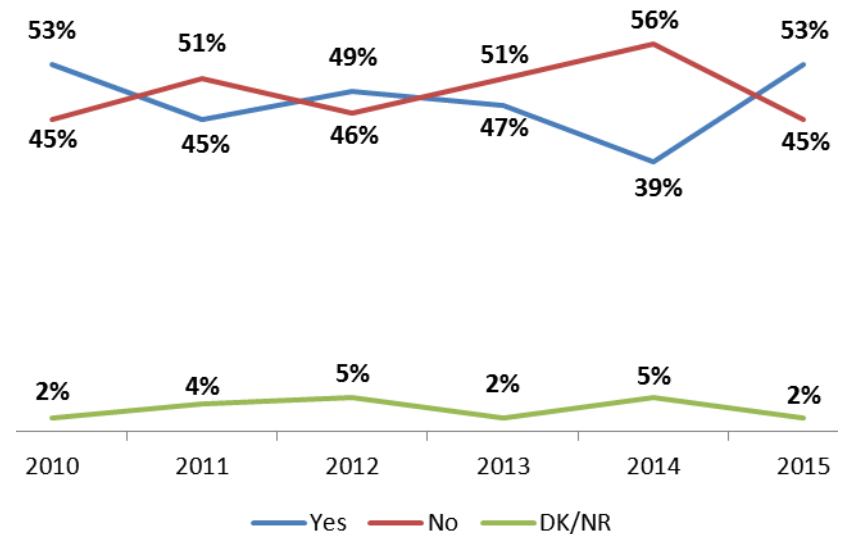
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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women, from across the four provinces was asked, “In your opinion can the issue of Kashmir be solved in your lifetime?” In response to this question, 53% respondents said that a solution to the Kashmir issue was possible during their lifetime, while 45% said that a solution was not possible during their lifetime and 2% did not respond.

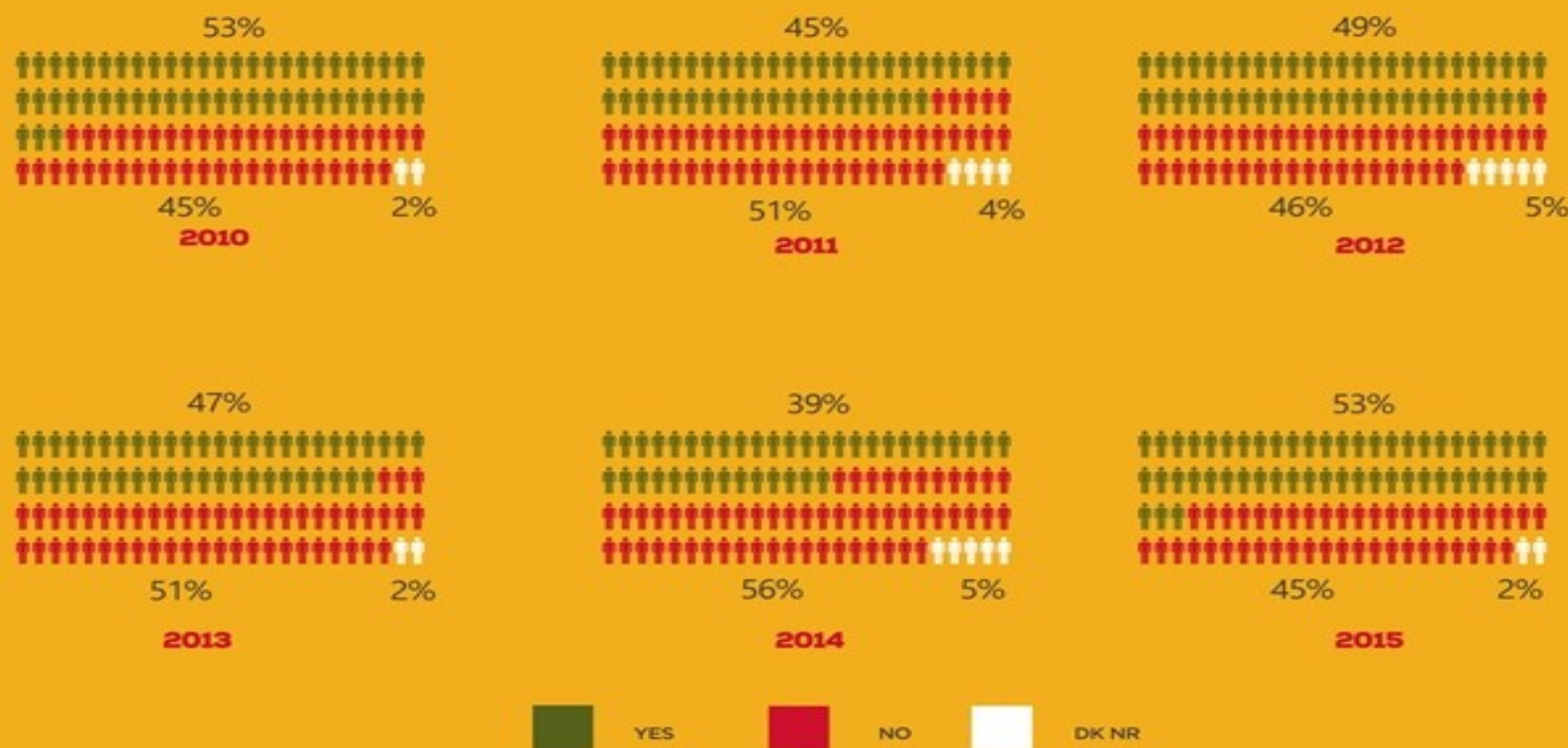
This question has also been asked previously during the past five years and opinion has usually been divided. In 2010, 53% respondents said a solution was possible during their lifetime while 45% believed it was not possible. By 2011, public opinion had slightly swung the other way with 45% saying a solution was possible and 51% disagreeing. In 2012, 49% believed a solution was possible during their lifetime while 46% did not. Pessimism about the situation rose over the next two years and in 2014, 56% respondents believed that the issue would not be resolved in their lifetime and 39% disagreed. Since last year, there has been an upswing in optimism with 53% saying a situation is possible in their lifetime and 45% believing it is not.

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IN YOUR OPINION CAN THE ISSUE OF KASHMIR BE SOLVED IN YOUR LIFETIME?



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