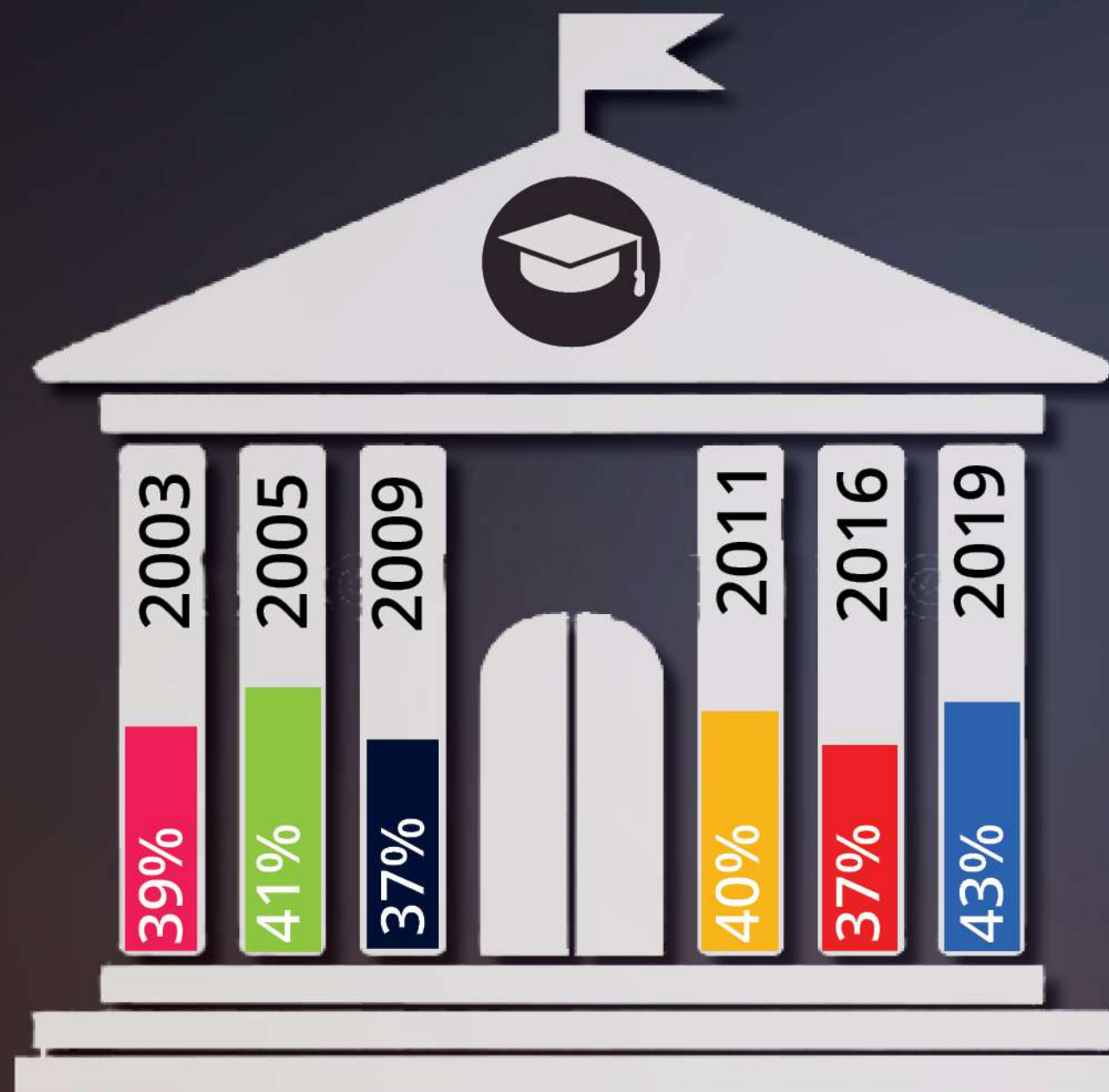


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PRESS RELEASE (also emailed/ faxed separately)

Public Opinion in Pakistan Since Year 2003

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In a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan National Survey conducted in the year 2003, respondents were asked “Do you agree that only people who are capable get admissions in educational institutions?” In response 39% said yes.

Comparative Picture: This question was asked again in 2019 to enable a comparison to be made across the years. In 2019, 43% said yes.

Trend Analysis: The proportion of respondents who believe that admissions in educational institutes are obtained by merit has been fluctuating over the years. The highest percentage was recorded in 2005 when 44% respondents agreed, while the lowest was recorded in 2009 and 2016 when 37% respondents agreed.

Implications of this Finding: Overall, it could be conjured that nearly 2 in 5 Pakistanis since 2003 have believed in the meritocracy of the educational system, indicating that majority of Pakistanis believe that incapable students also receive admissions in educational institutes, calling out for higher standards, transparency and quality of education.

This press release has been made as part of the Gallup Pakistan History Project which aims to release historical empirical polling data to wider audiences. The objective is to sustain and encourage empirical decision making in Pakistan.

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Don't Know/ No Response not shown

Source: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan Poll

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Bilal I Gilani, who is Executive Director at Gallup Pakistan and is Director of Gallup Pakistan History Project explains the aim of the Project as follows: ‘Gallup Pakistan has been polling in Pakistan since 1979 (over 40 years). During this time millions of Pakistanis have been surveyed by over a thousand interviewers of Gallup. In 2014, Gallup Pakistan has decided to release historical Public Opinion data and this Press Release is part of Gallup Pakistan’s History Project. This endeavor is dedicated to all those who hope for a more empirical understanding of Pakistani Issues. For more information about Gallup History Project, please contact caf@gallup.com.pk

Opinion Poll from Gallup Pakistan



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