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ONLY 6% OF THE NOMINATED CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ARE FEMALE, WHILE FOR PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY THE PERCENTAGE OF FEMALE CANDIDATES IS 4% – CANDIDATE GENDER DISTRIBUTION– NOMINATED CANDIDATES GENERAL SEATS 2024

ALL CANDIDATES GENDER



Male
95%



Female
5%

PROVINCIAL BREAKDOWN OF ALL CANDIDATES



Sindh

95%



5%



Punjab

94%



6%



KPK

97%



3%



Balochistan

97%



3%



Islamabad

87%



13%

PRESS RELEASE

Gallup Pakistan Analysis of Nominated Candidates General Seats 2024

*Only 6% of the Nominated Candidates for National Assembly are female, while for Provincial Assembly the percentage of female candidates is 4% – **Candidate Gender Distribution– Nominated Candidates General Seats 2024***

Islamabad, January 18th, 2024

Gallup Pakistan, as part of its Big Data Analysis initiative, is looking at the occupation of candidates who stood for elections in 2018. This data is part of a publication called the ‘Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats – GE-2024’.

The current edition looks at data from General Elections-2024 Validly Nominated Candidates General Seats, which can be found [HERE](#)

What is the Big Data Analysis Series by Gallup?

Gallup Pakistan’s Big Data series was started by Bilal I Gilani, Executive Director of Gallup Pakistan. Bilal explains the rationale of the series: “The usual complaint from academics and policy makers is that Pakistan does not have data availability. Our experience negates that. Pakistan has lots of data, but it is not available in a usable form and not widely accessible. At Gallup we plan to bridge this gap in terms of accessibility and use of data. The Gallup Big Data series has earlier worked with data sets such as PSLM, Labour Force Survey, and Economic Survey reports as well as National Census Reports and Election Commission Data sets. **The current series is using the General Elections – 2024 Validly Nominated Candidates General Seats data available on ECP. We hope that these series are useful, and we welcome both feedback as well as possible collaborations as we create a public good in the form of useful data sets in Pakistan.**”

What data points this current edition covers:

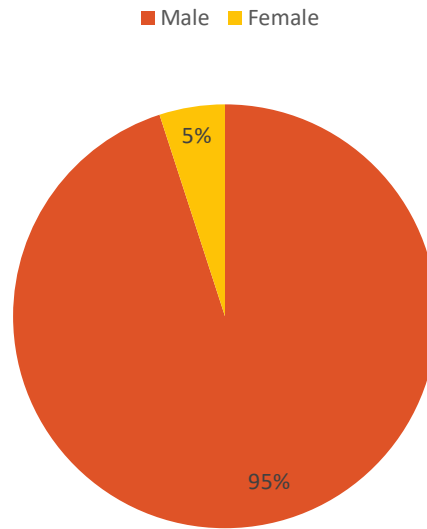
This series aims to present the important learnings from the Election Commission Pakistan Nomination Papers (2024) for the public. This edition looks at the gender distribution of nominated candidates for general elections 2024. The series’ main aim is to provide data. Implications of these data points for development sector as well as wider socio-political ramifications is something we would like to trigger in relevant circles.

Today's topic is “Gender Distribution of Nominated Candidates for General Elections 2024”

Key Findings:

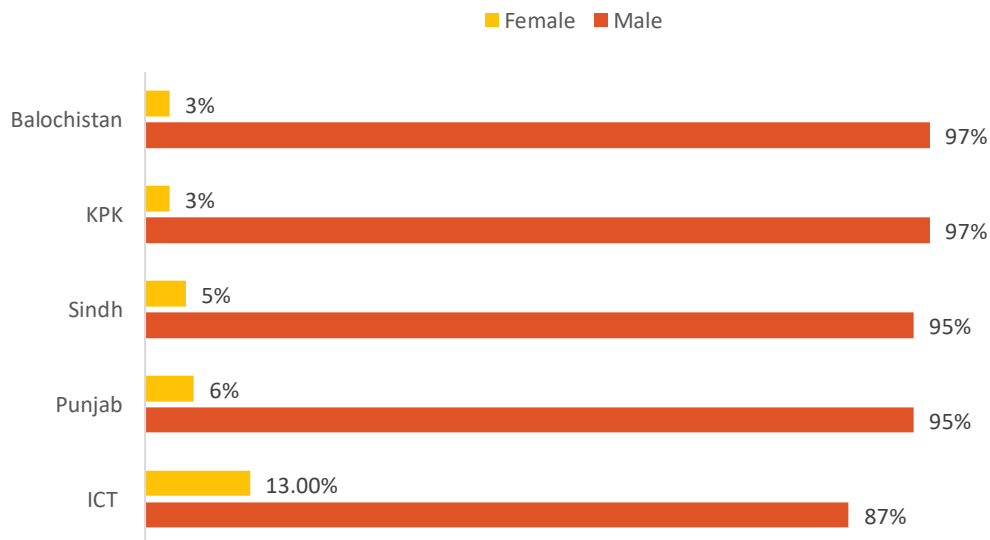
- 1) **National breakdown of all candidates by gender:** Out of all the nominated candidates for general elections 2024, an overwhelming majority is male with 95%- only 5% of the candidates are women.
- 2) **The highest percentage of female candidates come from Islamabad:** 13% of the candidates from ICT are female, which is the highest percentage. The area with the lowest percentage is Balochistan at 3%.
- 3) **There are more female candidates nominated for the National Assembly as compared to the Provincial Assembly:** 6% of the nominated candidates for national assembly are women, which is 2% more than the percentage of female candidates nominated for provincial assembly (4%).

All Candidates Gender



Source: ECP Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats - GE-2024

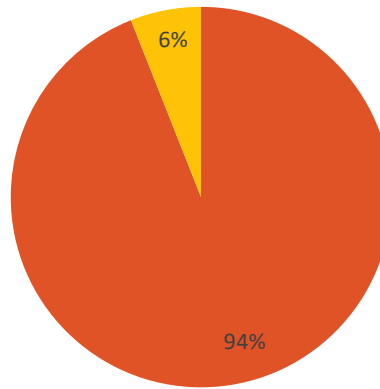
Provincial Breakdown of All Candidates Gender



Source: ECP Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats - GE-2024

Nominated Candidates for National Assembly

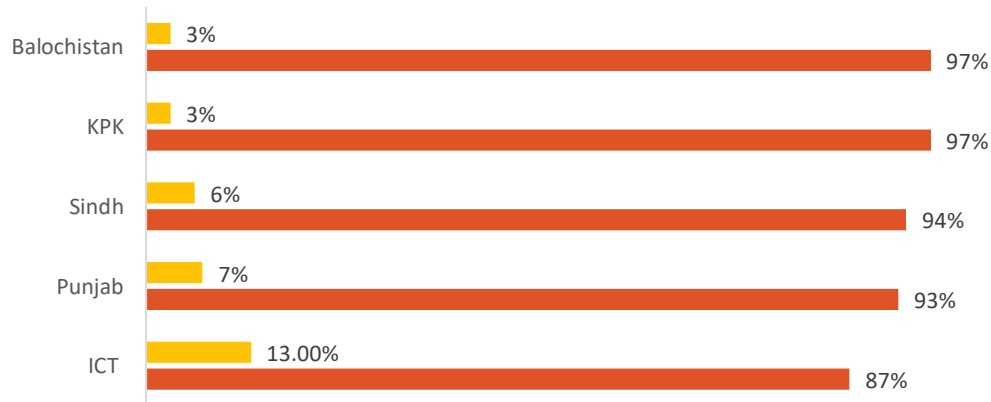
Male Female



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Provincial Breakdown of Nominated Candidates for National Assembly

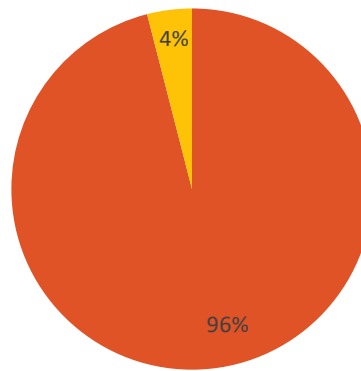
Female Male



Source: ECP Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats - GE-2024

Nominated Candidates for Provincial Assembly

Male Female



Source: ECP Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats - GE-2024

Provincial Breakdown of Nominated Candidates for National Assembly

Female Male



Source: ECP Stats regarding Validly nominated candidates General Seats - GE-2024

Wish to Contribute to Gallup Big Data Analysis?

Gallup Pakistan is looking for collaboration with researchers to expand both the Big Data Analysis project as well as this study of Pakistan Demographic Survey 2020. If you have any ideas, please write to Bilal I Gilani, Project Director, Big Data Analysis at Gallup Pakistan.

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