

PRESS RELEASE

Gallup Pakistan Analysis of ECP Nomination Papers 2018

*Out of all the candidates who stood for elections in 2018, 72% have a passport- **Candidates Having Passport– ECP Nomination Papers 2018***

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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 ‘ECP Nomination Papers 2018’.

The current edition looks at data from ECP Nomination Papers 2018, the dashboard 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 Pakistan Demographic Survey, an annual compilation which seldom has data points not covered in many other reports. 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:

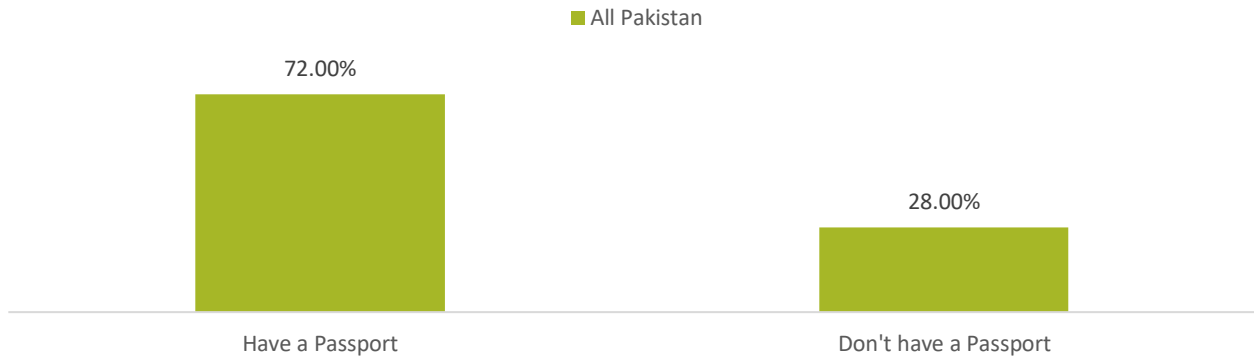
This series aims to present the important learnings from the Election Commission Pakistan Nomination Papers (2018) for the public. This edition looks at Candidates having a passport, in 2018. The series’ main aim is to provide data. Implications of these data points for development sector as well as wider socio-political ramifications is something we would like to trigger in relevant circles.

Today's topic is "Candidates having a passport while standing for election in 2018"

Key Findings:

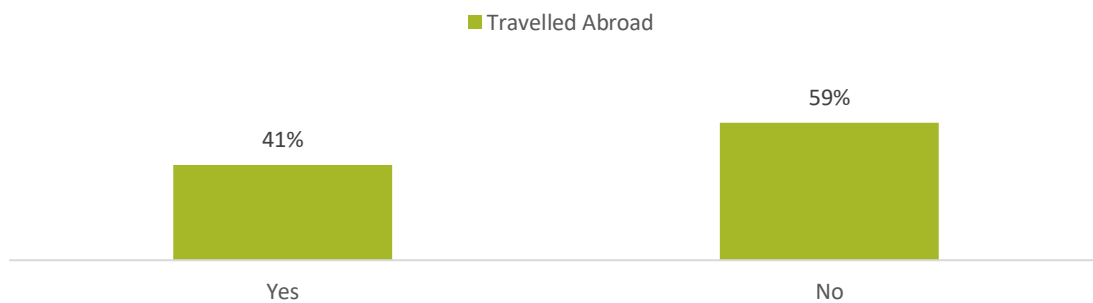
- 1) **National breakdown of candidates with passport:** Out of all the candidates who stood for elections in 2018, 72% have a passport.
- 2) **Candidates with passport who have travelled abroad:** Out of the 72% of candidates who have a passport, less than half (41%) have travelled abroad.
- 3) **Passport holder educational breakdown:** Out of all the candidates who have a passport, 94% hold a ph.D, 87% are Professional-Engineer, 84% hold a Graduate degree, 83% hold a Professional Degree and 81% hold a Post Graduate degree.

Candidates Having a Passport



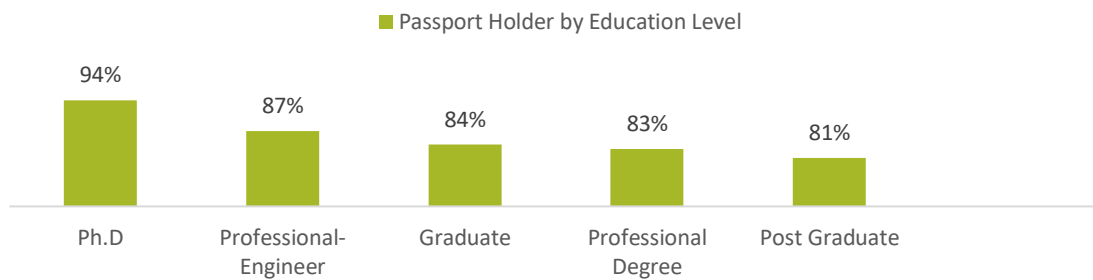
Source: Nomination papers available on the Election Commission Website; analyzed by Gallup Pakistan

Travelled Abroad



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Passport Holder by Education Level



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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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