

SPECIAL PRESS RELEASE

2024 General Election

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Gallup Pakistan Digital Analytics team on Elections has performed analytics on Election 2024 data released so far by Election Commission of Pakistan. This Press Release is part of series of Press Releases under this program. Previous press release under this series can be found [here](#), which took a close look at the results of Jamat-e-Islami Pakistan (JI-P) in the 2024 General Elections.

How many candidates contested in the 2024 General Elections?

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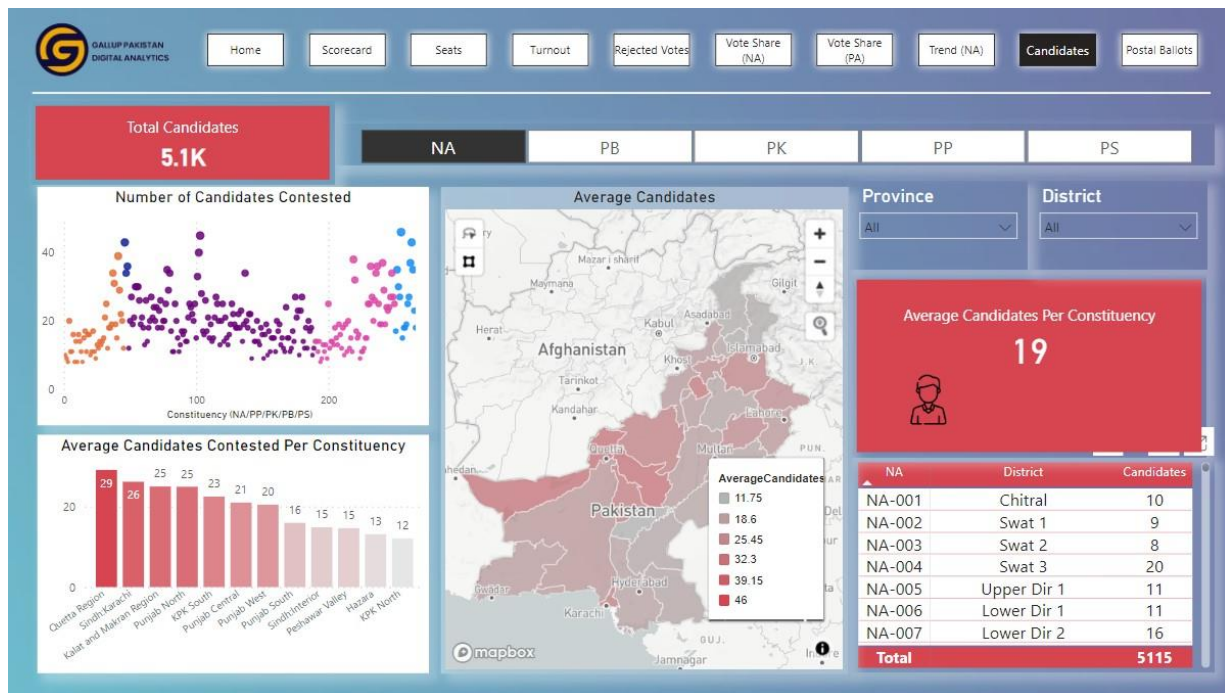
OTHER KEY LEARNINGS FROM THIS PRESS RELEASE:

1. A total of 5,115 candidates contested nationally in the 2024 General Elections.
2. On average 19 candidates contested for the National Assembly seat representing a single constituency.
3. **Provincial Assemblies:**
 - **Punjab Assembly:** A total of 6,728 candidates contested for the Punjab Assembly seats in the 2024 General Elections, averaging 23 candidates per seat.
 - **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) Assembly:** A total of 1,830 candidates contested for the KP Assembly seats in the 2024 General Elections, averaging 16 candidates per seat.
 - **Sindh Assembly:** A total of 2,679 candidates contested for the Punjab Assembly seats in the 2024 General Elections, averaging 21 candidates per seat.
 - **Balochistan Assembly:** A total of 1,276 candidates contested for the Punjab Assembly seats in the 2024 General Elections, averaging 25 candidates per seat.
 - In terms of average number of candidates contesting for a provincial assembly seat, the highest average was recorded in the province of Balochistan at 25 candidates per seat, followed by 23 in Punjab, 21 in Sindh, and 16 in KP.
4. **Highest no. of candidates in a constituency:** The highest number of candidates to contest for any constituency in the 2024 General Elections were recorded to be 46 candidates NA-255 (Sohbat Pur cum Jaffarabad...), followed by 45 in NA-103 (Faisalabad 9), 43 in NA-046 (Islamabad 1) and NA-263 (Quetta 2), and 40 in NA-102 (Faisalabad 8)
5. **Lowest no. of candidates in a constituency:** The lowest number of candidates to contest for any constituency in the 2024 General Elections were recorded to be 8 candidates in NA-003 (Swat 2), NA-008 (Bajaur), NA-010 (Buner), NA-014 (Mansehra), and NA-194 (Larkana 1), all but one being in KP.

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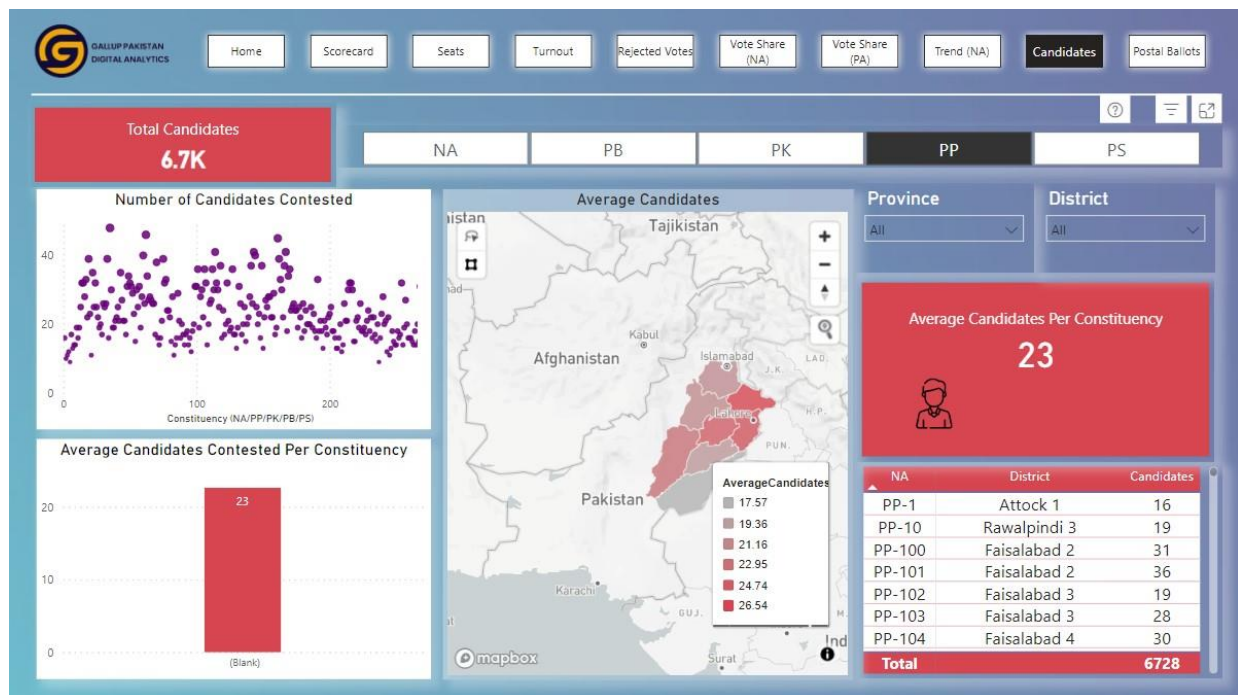
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Figure 1: Candidates contesting for National Assembly seats, 2024 General Elections



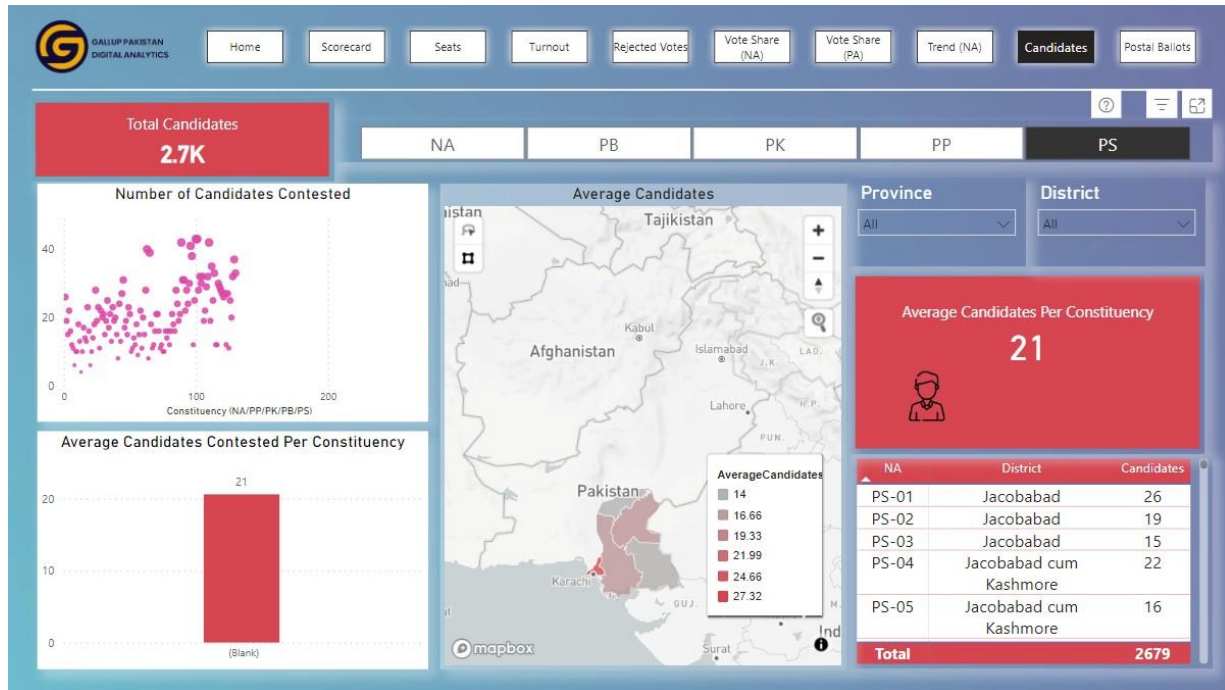
Source: Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard (based on ECP data)

Figure 2: Candidates contesting for Punjab Provincial Assembly seats, 2024 General Elections



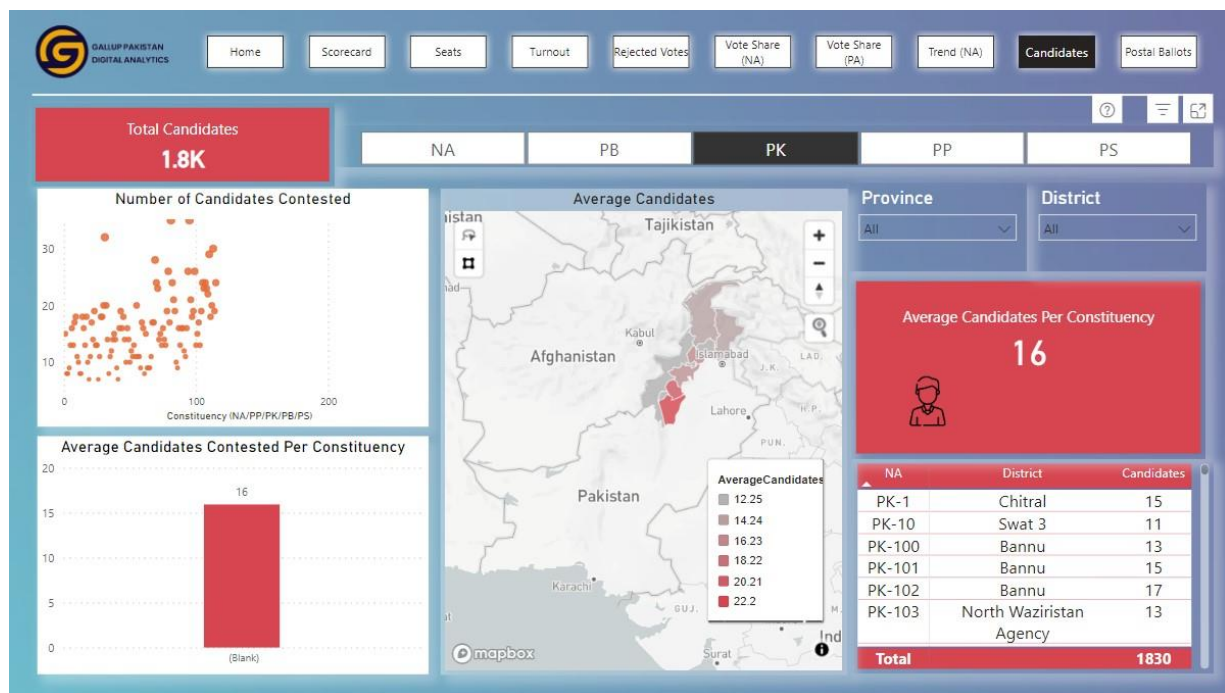
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Figure 3: Candidates contesting for Sindh Provincial Assembly seats, 2024 General Elections



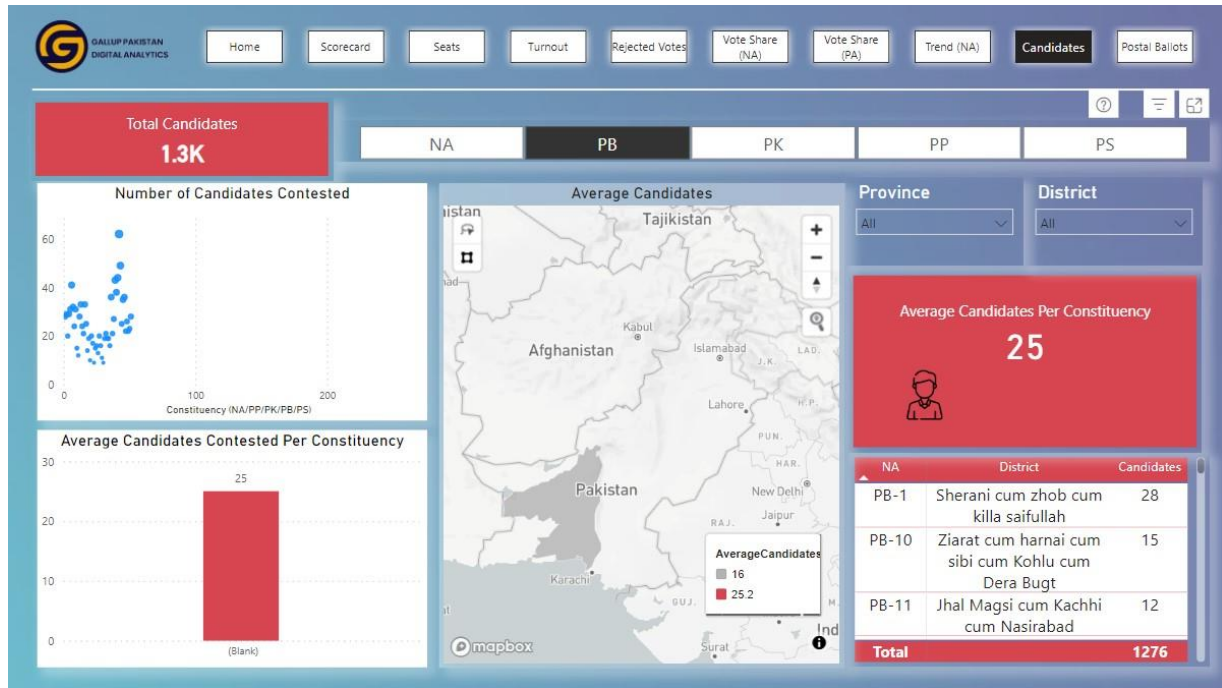
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Figure 4: Candidates contesting for KP Provincial Assembly seats, 2024 General Elections



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Figure 5: Candidates contesting for Balochistan Provincial Assembly seats, 2024 General Elections



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Figure 6: Highest number of candidates contesting in a constituency, 2024 General Elections

NA	District	Candidates
NA-255	Sohbat Pur-cum-Jaffarabad-cum-Usta Mohammad-cum-Na	46
NA-103	Faisalabad 9	45
NA-046	Islamabad 1	43
NA-263	Quetta 2	43
NA-102	Faisalabad 8	40
NA-041	Lakki Marwat	39
NA-219	Hyderabad 2	38
NA-241	Karachi South 3	37
NA-262	Quetta 1	37
NA-048	Islamabad 3	36
NA-232	Karachi Korangi 1	36
NA-237	Karachi East 3	36
NA-078	Gujranwala 2	35
NA-252	Musa Khail-cum-Barkhan-cum-Loralai-cum-Duki	35
NA-264	Quetta 3	35
NA-037	Kurram Agency	34
NA-047	Islamabad 2	34
NA-080	Gujranwala 4	34
Total		5115

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Figure 7: Lowest number of candidates contesting in a constituency, 2024 General Elections

NA	District	Candidates
NA-003	Swat 2	8
NA-008	Bajaur	8
NA-010	Buner	8
NA-014	Mansehra	8
NA-194	Larkana 1	8
NA-002	Swat 1	9
NA-024	Charsadda 1	9
NA-142	Sahiwal 2	9
NA-151	Multan 4	9
NA-195	Larkana 2	9
NA-199	Ghotki 2	9
NA-224	Sujawal	9
NA-001	Chitral	10
NA-020	Swabi 2	10
NA-154	Lodhran 1	10
NA-178	Muzaffargarh 4	10
NA-188	Rajan Pur 2	10
NA-212	Mirpur Khas 2	10
Total		5115

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METHODOLOGY:

The press release is based on data from the Form 47 of the Provisional Results Dashboard from the Election Commission of Pakistan website, noting the details of votes cast in each polling station. The data has been computed to represent overall results at the provincial and national levels.

Gallup Pakistan Electoral Repository: An Introduction

The Gallup Pakistan Electoral Repository is comprised of the following sources:

1. Election Commission data on past 11 elections in Pakistan, available over each constituency. This data was acquired from Election Commission website and converted into digital database in SPSS form and is now referred to as Gilani Index of Electoral Record.
2. Gallup Exit Polls for every election since 1985.
3. Gallup pre and post-election survey record since 1985.
4. Analysis by Dr. Ijaz Shafi Gilani on elections piece by piece, as well as in combined form.

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