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2024 General Election

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PML-N received nearly 14 million votes in the 2024 General Elections, making up 23.6% of the national vote share, Punjab accounting for nearly 90% of total votes received - Gallup Pakistan
Digital Analytics on Elections

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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 for postal Ballots during the 2024 General Elections.

How did Pakistan Muslim League Nawaz (PML-N) perform in the 2024 Election?

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OTHER KEY LEARNINGS FROM THIS PRESS RELEASE:

1. PML-N received nearly **14 million votes** in the 2024 General Elections, accounting for **23.6% of the national vote share**, making it the 2nd most popular political party after the collective independent candidates from Pakistani Tehreek-e-Insaaf (PTI-IND).
2. **Across provinces in 2024:** PML-N received the highest number of votes in Punjab at 12.4 million votes, making up 88.6% of its total votes across the country. In Khyber Pakhtunkhwa it received 0.77 million votes, making up 5.5%, followed by Sindh where it received 0.34 million votes, accounting for 2.4%. Meanwhile it received 0.31 million votes in Balochistan, and 0.18 million in Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT), accounting for 2.2% and 1.3% of PML-N's total votes respectively.
3. **Across divisions in 2024:** PML-N received the highest number of votes in Lahore Division in Punjab province with 2.84 million, while Dera Ismail Khan Division in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa received the lowest with only 657 votes total. PML-N received no support from the Larkana Division in Sindh province, having received zero votes there.
4. **2018 vs 2024:**
 - **Total Votes in Punjab:** Punjab received 0.79 million more votes in 2024 compared to 2018, the increase in votes was highest in the Multan division, accounting for 0.53 million, however votes decreased in Gujranwala, Lahore, Sahiwal and Sargodha divisions.
 - **Vote Share in Punjab:** Vote share of PML-N in Punjab decreased by 1.4% in 2024 compared to 2018, Gujranwala division recorded the highest fall by 8.3%, however Dera Ghazi Khan saw an incline of 7.2%.
 - **Lahore Division:** PML-N has historically had a stronghold in the Lahore Division, and it retained the highest vote share in the division across both the 2018 and 2024 General Elections. However, a decline was noted in both the total number of votes received and vote share, with PML-N having received 0.3 million lesser votes in 2024 (2.84 million) compared to 2018 (3.14 million), shrinking its vote share by 7.1% from 45.1% in 2018, to 38.1% in 2024.

5. **Historical trend in Punjab:** Vote share for PML-N has been declining since 2013, where it peaked at 46.7%, and the results in 2024 are in continuation of the trend.

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Figure 1: Overall votes for PML-N in the 2024 General Elections – National and Provincial

	2024		2018	
	Total Votes	% of total	Total Votes	% of total
National	13,999,656	100.0%	12,946,713	100.0%
Punjab	12,400,819	88.6%	11,608,035	89.7%
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	773,274	5.5%	859,536	6.6%
Sindh	335,507	2.4%	303,400	2.3%
Balochistan	306,701	2.2%	64,918	0.5%
ICT	183,355	1.3%	110,824	0.9%

Source: [Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard \(based on ECP data\)](#)

Figure 2: Overall votes for PML-N in the 2024 General Elections – National, Provincial, and Divisional

Votes for PML-N in 2024 General Elections	
National	13,999,656
Punjab	12,400,819
Bahawalpur Division	1,176,811
Dera Ghazi Khan Division	506,677
Faisalabad Division	1,672,662
Gujranwala Division	1,749,442
Lahore Division	2,838,024
Multan Division	1,956,987
Rawalpindi Division	1,236,282
Sahiwal Division	475,070
Sargodha Division	788,864
Sindh	335,507
Hyderabad Division	114,459
Karachi Division	120,754
Larkana Division	-
Mirpur Khas Division	45,890
Sukkur Division	54,404
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	773,274
Bannu Division	58,355
Dera Ismail Khan Division	657
Hazara Division	441,605
Kohat Division	5,817
Malakand Division	187,017
Peshawar Division	79,823
Balochistan	306,701
Kalat Division	2,223
Makran Division	87,349
Nasirabad Division	45,540
Quetta Division	69,277
Sibi Division	44,643
Zhob Division	57,669
ICT	183,355

Source: [Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard \(based on ECP data\)](#)

Figure 3: Votes for PML-N in 2024 and 2018 General Elections – Lahore Division

Lahore Division		Overall votes	Vote Share
2024	PML-N	2,838,024	38.1%
2018	PML-N	3,139,964	45.2%
Comparative		(301,940)	-7.1%

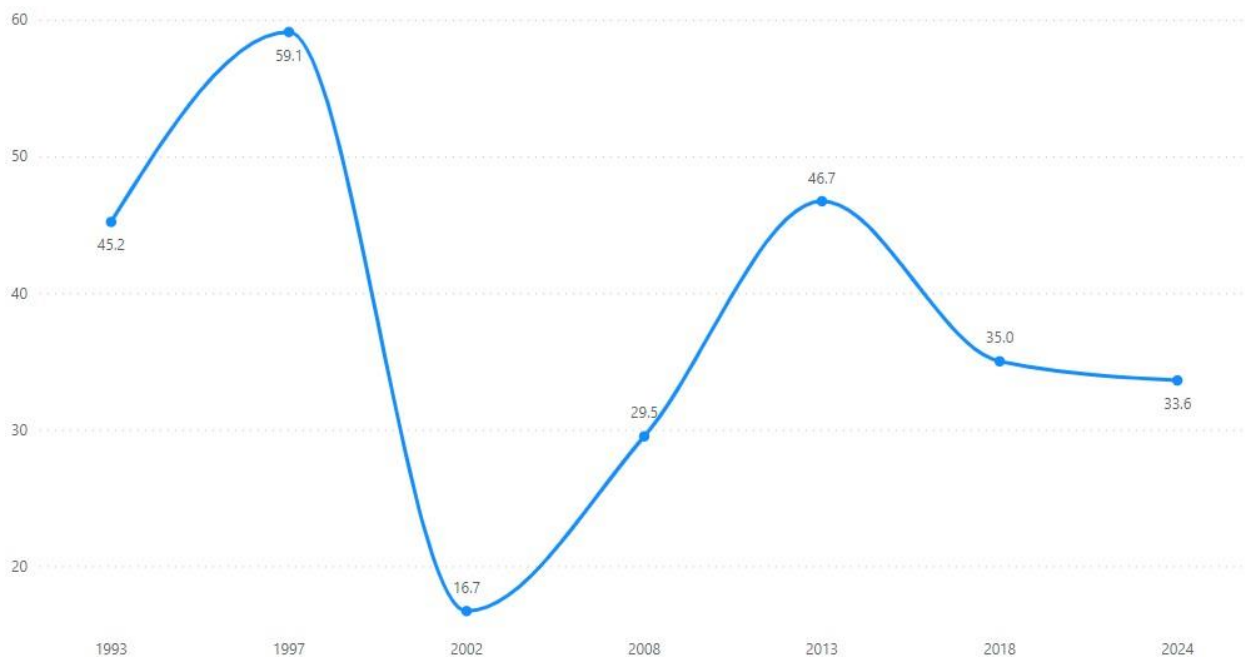
Source: [Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard \(based on ECP data\)](#)

Figure 4: Votes for PML-N in 2024 and 2018 General Elections, all Divisions in Punjab

	2024		2018		Difference	
	Votes	Vote Share	Votes	Vote Share	Votes	Vote Share
Punjab	12,400,819	33.6%	11,608,035	35.0%	792,784	-1.4%
Bahawalpur Division	1,176,811	31.3%	974,225	29.8%	202,586	1.5%
Dera Ghazi Khan Division	506,677	30.7%	289,963	23.6%	216,714	7.2%
Faisalabad Division	1,672,662	33.7%	1,256,789	29.4%	415,873	4.3%
Gujranwala Division	1,749,442	35.3%	1,996,113	43.6%	(246,671)	-8.3%
Lahore Division	2,838,024	38.1%	3,139,964	45.2%	(301,940)	-7.1%
Multan Division	1,956,987	33.2%	1,428,472	26.4%	528,515	6.8%
Rawalpindi Division	1,236,282	34.5%	1,006,176	30.8%	230,106	3.7%
Sahiwal Division	475,070	30.7%	618,946	44.6%	(143,876)	-13.9%
Sargodha Division	788,864	25.4%	897,387	32.1%	(108,523)	-6.7%

Source: [Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard \(based on ECP data\)](#)

Figure 5: Historical trend of PML-N Vote Share in Punjab – 1993 to 2024



Source: [Gallup Pakistan Election 2024 Dashboard \(based on ECP data\)](#)

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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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