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HALF OF PAKISTANIS THINK THAT MARRYING SOMEONE FROM A DIFFERENT ETHNICITY WOULD BE DIFFICULT; MEN, URBAN RESIDENTS, AND THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 50 MOST LIKELY TO FIND IT EASY: GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN

پاکستانیوں کی نصف شرح کا خیال ہے کہ اُن کی برادری/ کمیونٹی میں مختلف قومیت سے تعلق رکھنے والے فرد سے شادی کرنا مشکل ہے۔ اس کے برعکس وہ افراد جو مختلف قومیت میں شادی کرنا آسان سمجھتے ہیں اُن کی شرح مرد حضرات، شہری علاقوں میں رہنے والے افراد اور 50 سال سے زائد عمر کے افراد میں زیادہ پائی گئی۔

Question: Please tell us how easy would you say it is to do the following in your community: Marrying a person belonging to a different ethnicity such as a Pashtun marrying a Punjabi.



14% Very easy

26% Somewhat easy

19% Somewhat difficult

31% Very difficult

Don't know/No response: 10%



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Half of Pakistanis think that marrying someone from a different ethnicity would be difficult; men, urban residents, and those over the age of 50 most likely to find it easy: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan

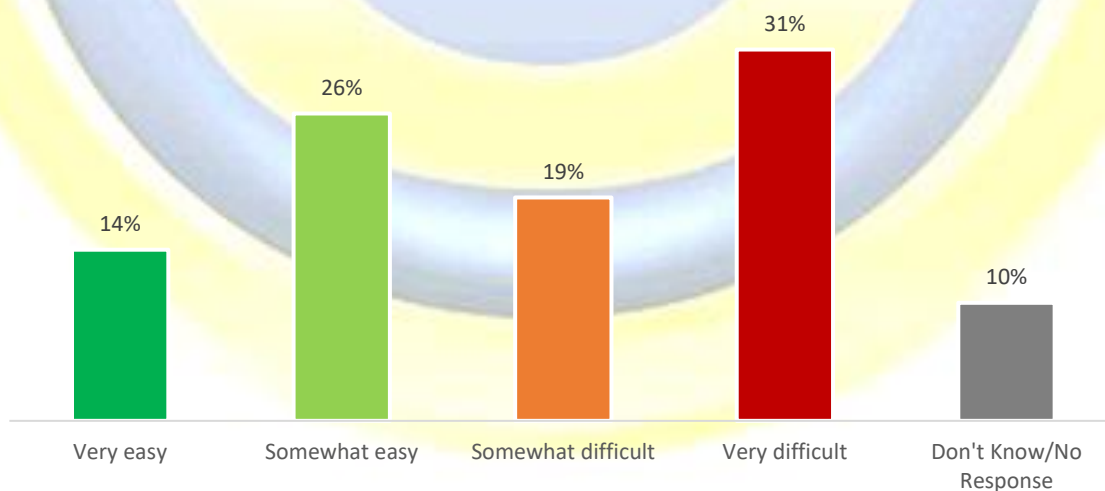
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According to a survey conducted by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, half of Pakistanis think that marrying someone from a different ethnicity would be difficult. Survey findings revealed that men were 16% more likely to think that marrying someone from a different ethnicity would be easy in their community, in comparison with women. Urban respondents were 6% more likely to hold a similar belief, relative to their rural counterparts. Further, those above the age of 50 were the most likely (52%) to claim that it is easy to marry someone from a different ethnicity, as compared to other age groups.

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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women from across the country was asked the question, “Please tell us how easy would you say it is to do the following in your community: Marrying a person belonging to a different ethnicity such as a Pashtun marrying a Punjabi.” In response, 14% said ‘Very easy’, 26% said ‘Somewhat easy’, 19% answered ‘Somewhat difficult’, 31% responded ‘Very difficult’, and 9% either did not know or gave no response.

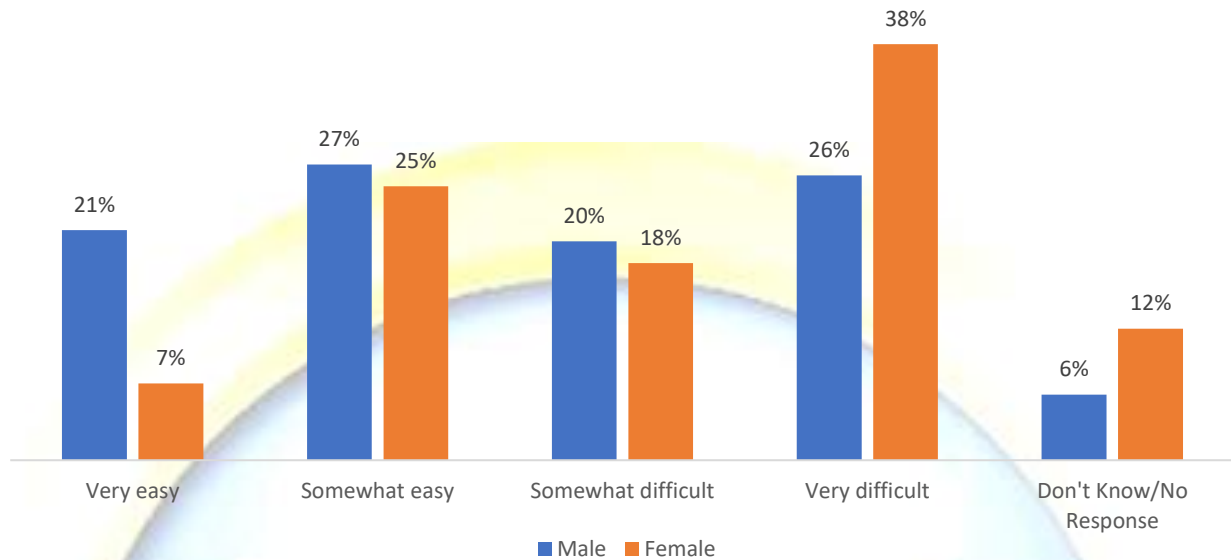
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Source: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan
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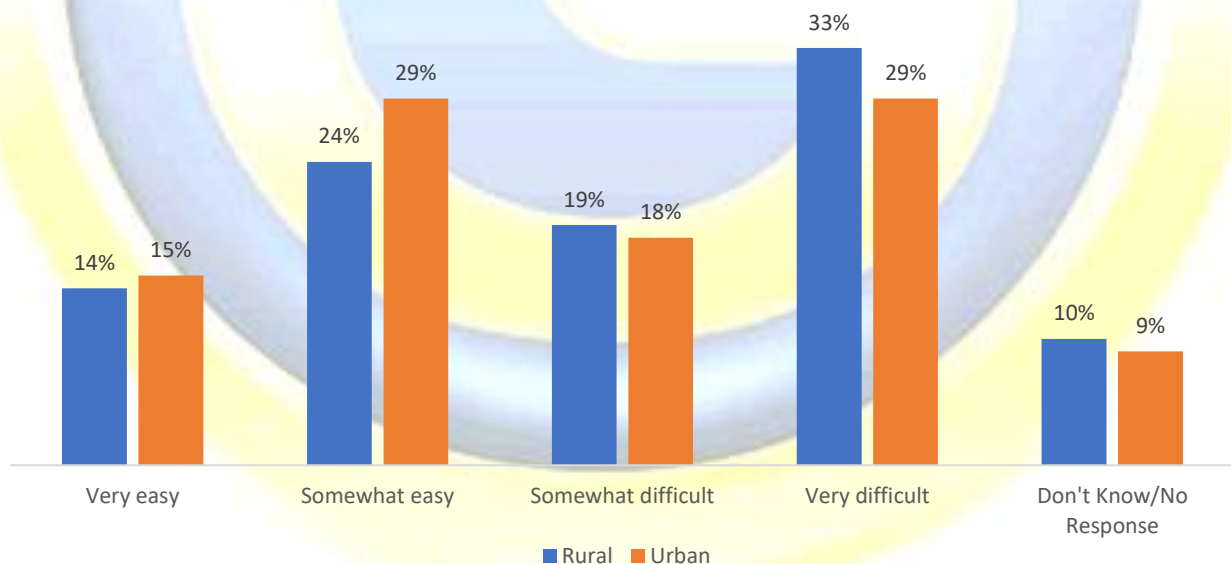
The study in Pakistan was conducted and released by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 755 men and women in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted from 28th June - 10th July 2024. The error margin is estimated to be approximately $\pm 2-3$ percent at the 95% confidence level. The methodology used for data collection was telephonic surveys (CATI).

Across gender: Pakistani men were 16% more likely to think that marrying someone from a different ethnicity would be easy in their community, relative to the women who were surveyed (32%). However, it must be noted that 12% of women either said they did not know or did not respond.



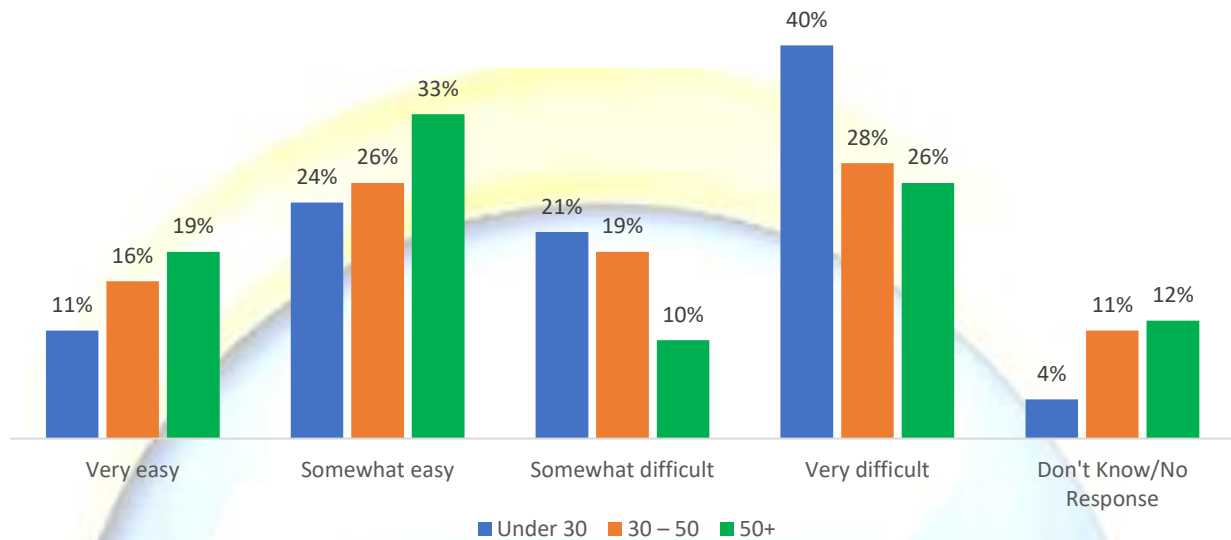
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Across rurality: Urban residents of Pakistan were more likely (44%) to think that marrying someone from a different ethnicity is easy in their communities, relative to rural residents (38%).



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Across age groups: Pakistani adults between the ages of 18 and 29 were the most likely (61%) to think that it is difficult to marry someone of a different ethnicity, followed by adults between 30 and 50 years of age (47%), with those aged 50+ reporting the lowest levels of difficulty in this regard (36%), and thus the highest levels of ease (52%).



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If you have any further questions regarding this poll, please feel free to contact us.

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