

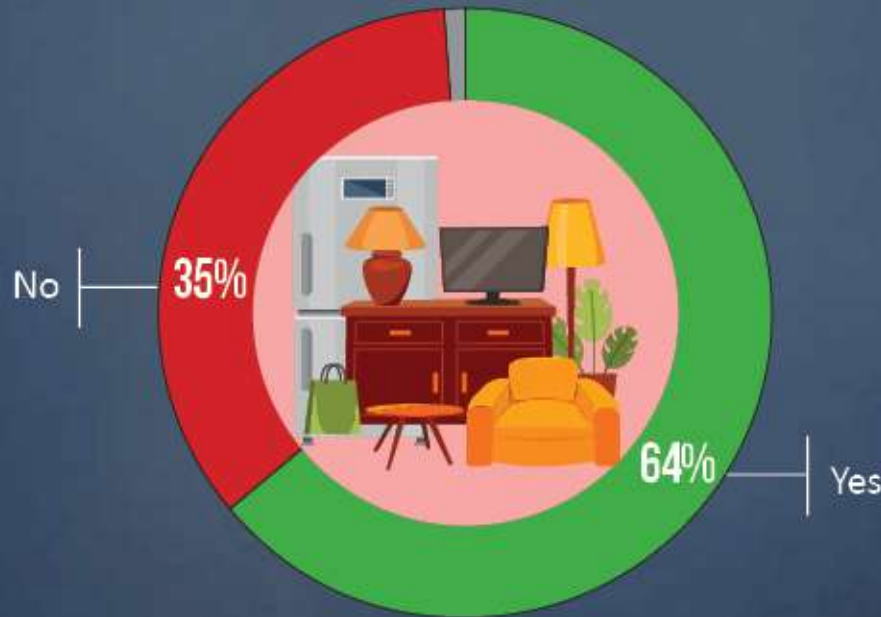
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AMONG MARRIED PAKISTANIS, A LARGE MAJORITY (64%) EITHER GAVE OR RECEIVED DOWRY AT THE TIME OF THEIR MARRIAGE; WOMEN, RURAL RESIDENTS, AND ADULTS AGED 18 TO 29 MOST LIKELY TO HAVE DONE SO:

GALLUP & GILANI PAKISTAN

شادی شدہ پاکستانی افراد میں سے ، پاکستانیوں کی ایک بھاری کثرت (64%) نے شادی کے وقت جہیز لینے یا جہیز لانے (جوابدہ شادی شدہ عورت ہو تو) کا بتایا۔ جہیز لانے کے حوالے سے سب سے زیادہ شرح خواتین میں، اور جہیز لینے اور لانے کے حوالے سے سب سے زیادہ شرح دیہی علاقوں میں رہنے والے افراد اور 18 سے 29 سال کے عمر کے نوجوانوں میں سب سے زیادہ پائی گئی۔

Question: Did you receive or give dowry at the time of your marriage?



Don't know/No response: 1%



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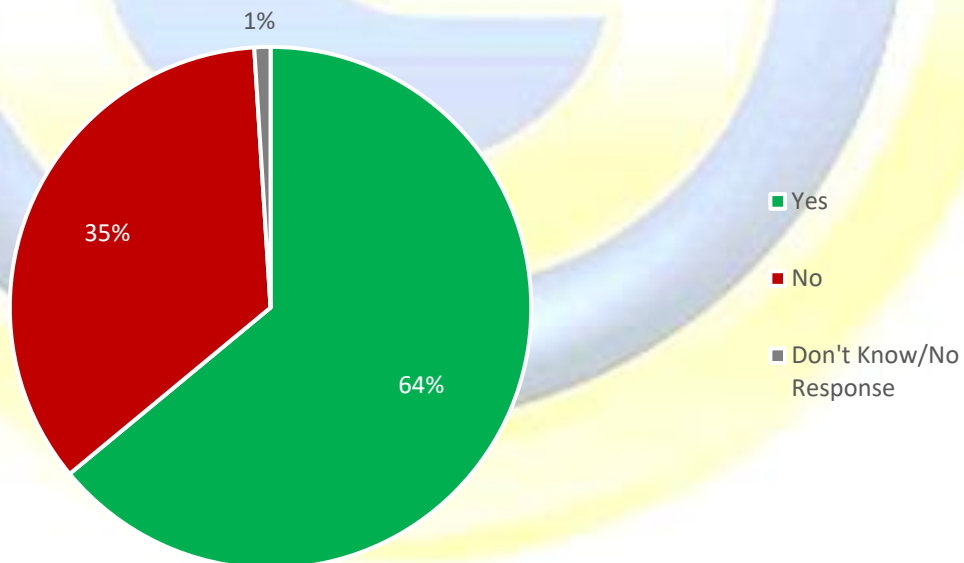
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According to a survey conducted by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, among married Pakistanis, a large majority (64%) either gave or received dowry at the time of their marriage. Survey findings highlighted that women were 19% more likely to have participated in this practice, as compared to men. Rural residents were only 2% more likely to have done so, as compared to urban residents. Adults aged 18 to 29 were the most likely (68%) of all age groups to have given/received dowry.

This press release is in a series of press releases Gallup Pakistan is producing on the subject of marriage and social behavior. You can access the previous press release in this series [here](#).

A nationally representative sample of adult men and women from across the country was asked the question, “Did you receive or give dowry at the time of your marriage?” In response, 64% said ‘Yes’, 35% said ‘No’, and 1% did not know or did not respond.

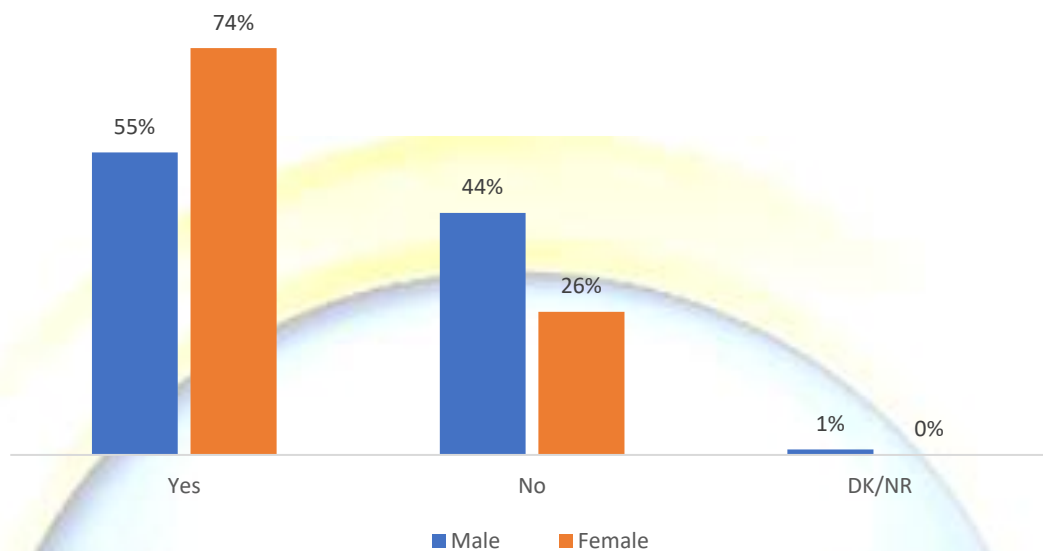
Question: Did you receive or give dowry at the time of your marriage?



Source: Gallup & Gilani Pakistan
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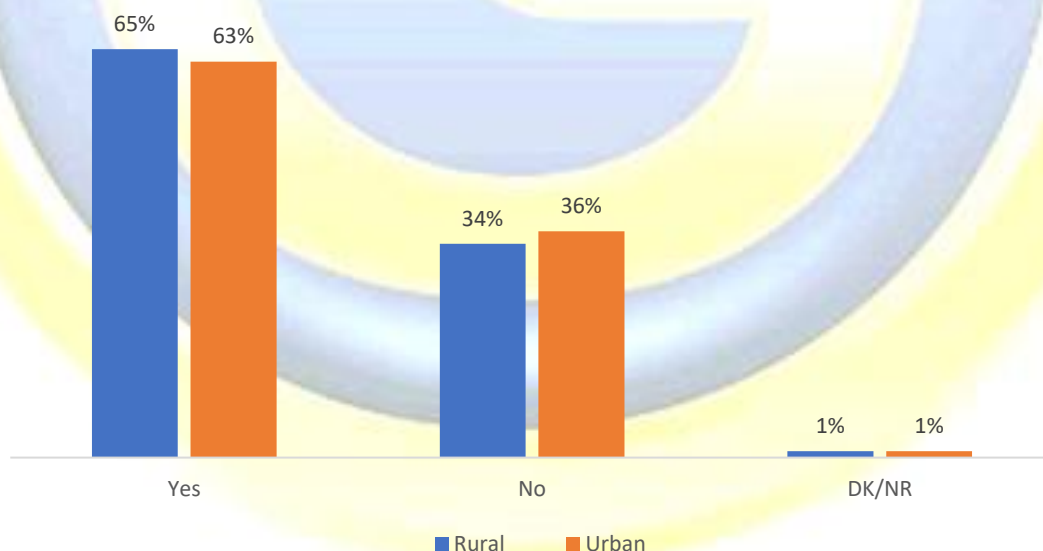
The study in Pakistan was conducted and released by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 548 men and women in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted from 28th June - 10th July 2024. 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: 19% more women reported giving/receiving dowry at the time of their marriage, as compared to men (55%).



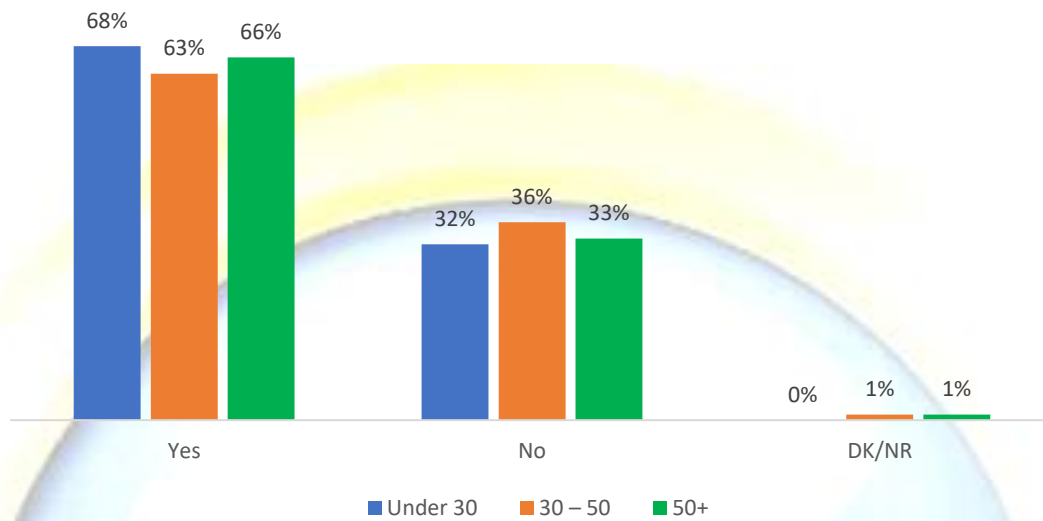
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Across rurality: There was only a minimal rural-urban difference in the proportion of residents of each area who had received/given dowry at the time of marriage. Rural residents were only 2% more likely to have given or received dowry at the time of marriage.



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Across age groups: Pakistani adults aged under 30 were the most likely (68%) to have given/received dowry at the time of their marriage. However, it must be noted that the proportion of this age group is not that large among married adults. Adults over the age of 50 were second-most likely to have given/received dowry (66%), followed by adults aged between 30 and 50 years (63%).



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