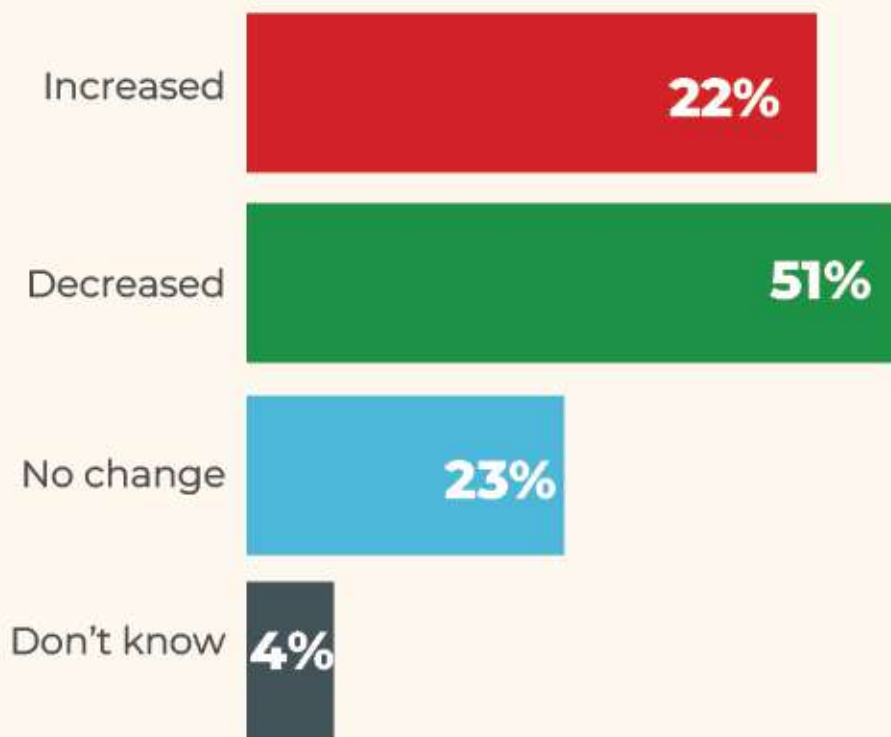


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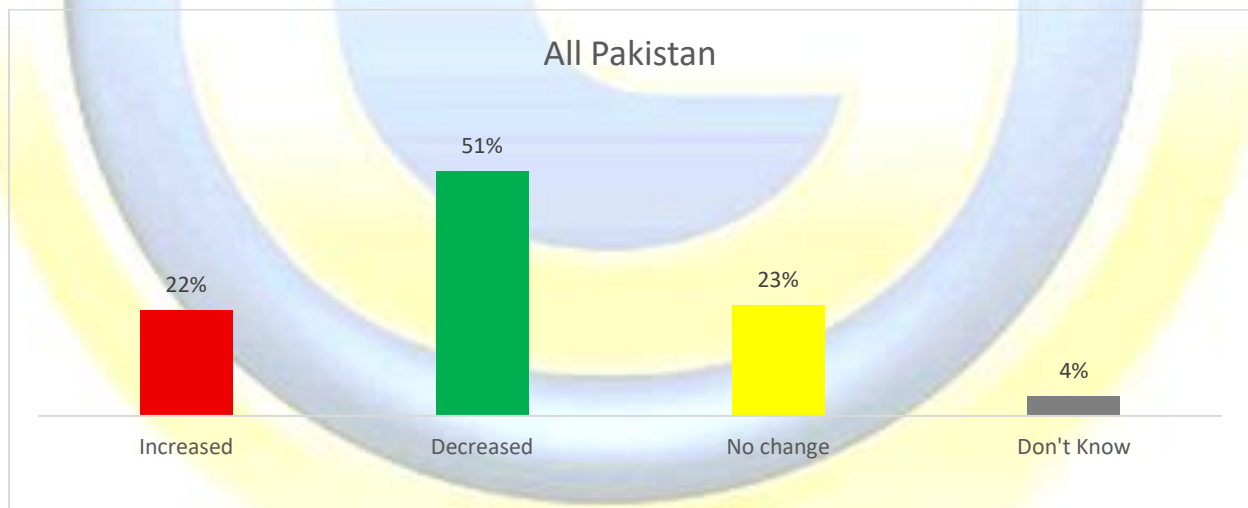
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A nationally representative sample of adult men and women from across the country was asked the question, ***“In the past year, has theft and lawlessness in your neighborhood/area increased, decreased, or stayed the same?”***. In response to this question, 22% said it had ‘increased’, 51% said ‘decreased’, 23% said “no change”, while 4% said they didn’t know or didn’t respond.

The findings suggest that while law and order perceptions are generally positive nationwide, concerns are more concentrated in urban areas, where heightened visibility of crime, media coverage, and higher population density may amplify fears. Rural Pakistan shows more stability, suggesting localized issues may be less volatile or noticeable.

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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 1060 men and women in urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted from August 02, 2025 to August 21, 2025. 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).



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