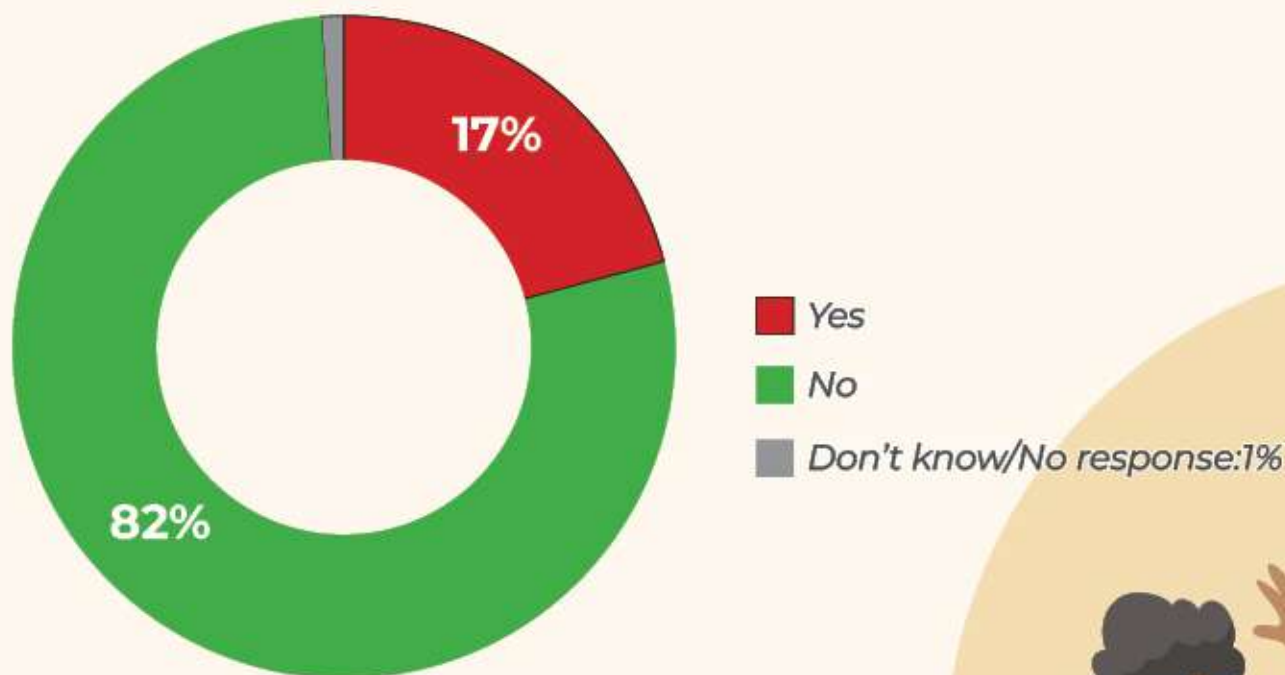


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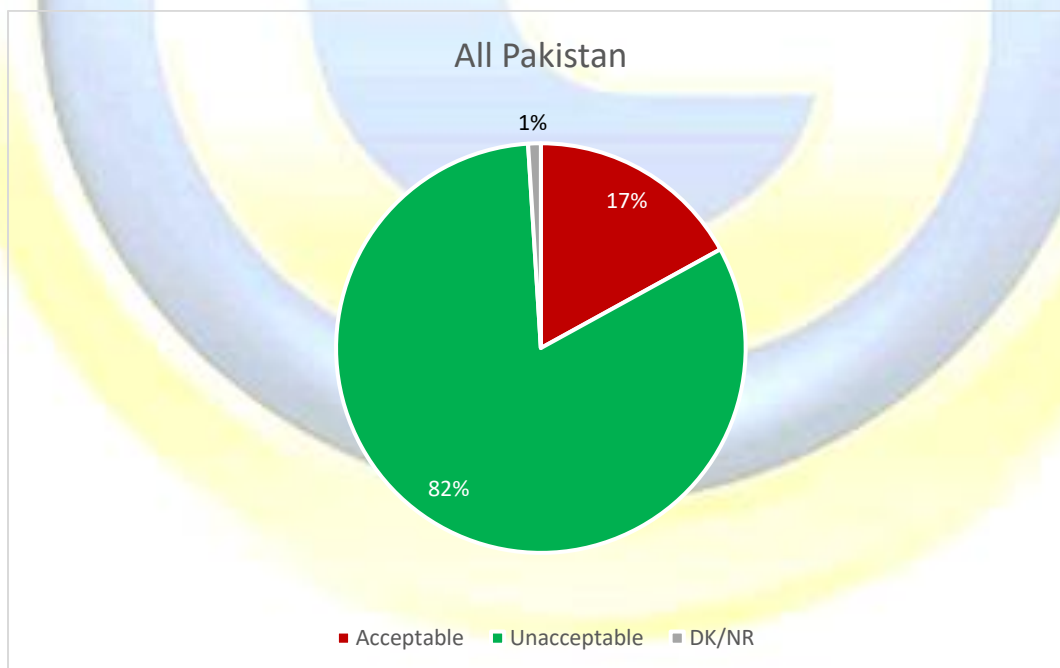
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According to a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan survey, an overwhelming majority of Pakistanis (82%) oppose violence or physical punishment as a form of discipline for children, while only 17% endorse it.

A nationally representative sample of adult men and women across the country was asked the question, ***“In your opinion, is it acceptable or unacceptable to use violence or beat children for discipline or while teaching?”***. In response, 82% of Pakistanis believed it is unacceptable to use violence or beat children for discipline or teaching, while only 17% considered it acceptable, and 1% were either unsure or chose not to respond.

These findings underscore a strong national consensus against corporal punishment and highlights a cultural shift in attitudes toward parenting and education. The results point to growing public awareness of the harmful impact of violence on children’s well-being and development.

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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 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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