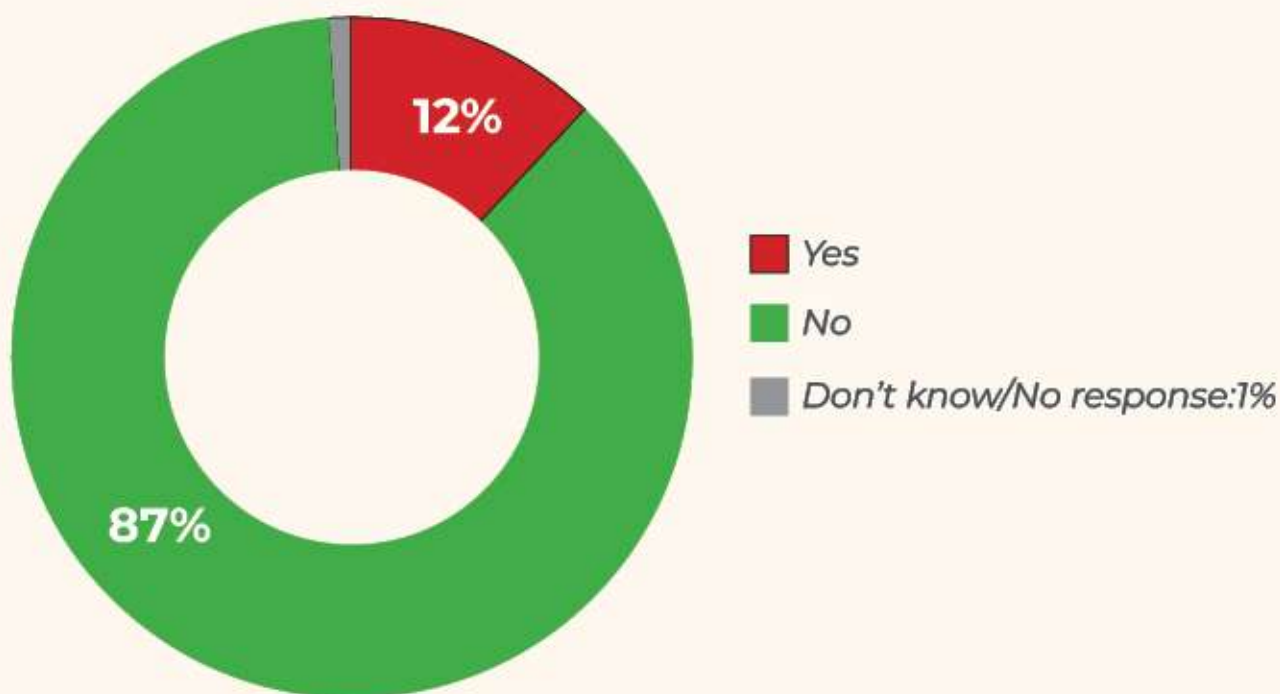


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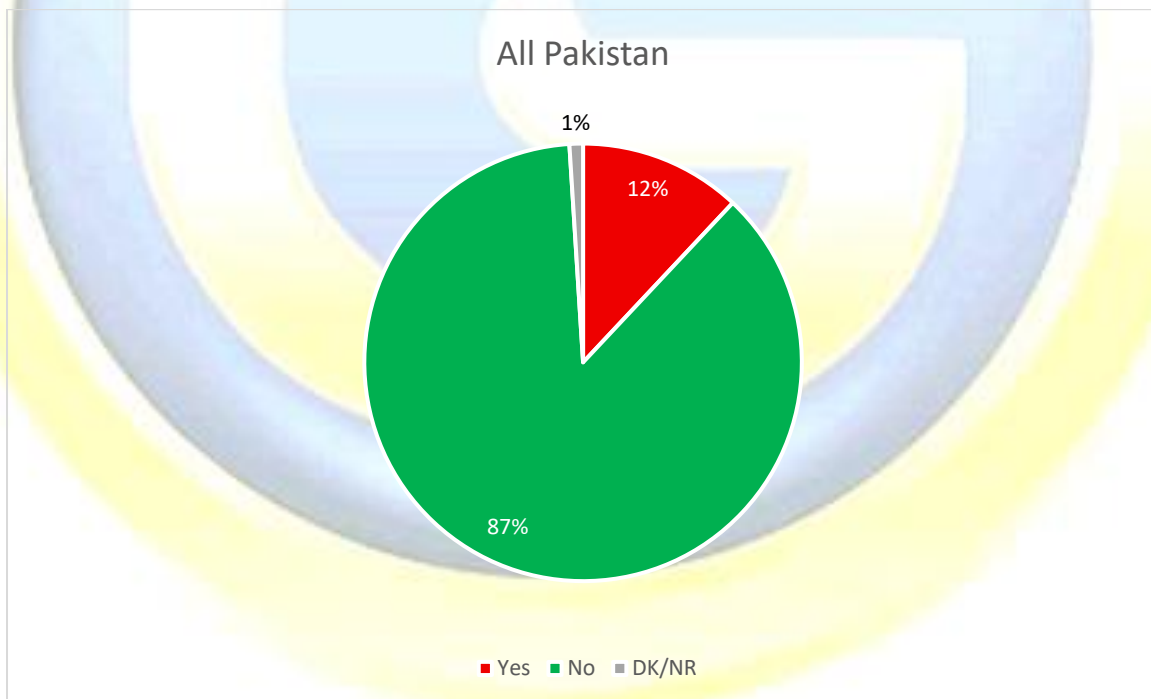
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According to a Gallup & Gilani Pakistan survey, 12% of Pakistanis report direct or indirect experience of violence faced by children in madrassas.

A nationally representative sample of adult men and women across the country was asked the question, ***“Have you or someone you know ever had a child face violence or beating in a madrassa?”***. In response, 12% of Pakistanis said that they or someone they know has experienced a child facing violence or beating in a madrassa. In contrast, the vast majority of 87% said they have not encountered such incidents, while 1% were unsure or did not respond.

Although most Pakistanis report no exposure, the 12% who acknowledge violence in madrassas represents a significant concern. This highlights the need for greater oversight and safeguards to ensure children’s safety in religious education settings.

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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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