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Opinion Poll Public Safety **Dog Bite Incidents in Pakistan**

1 in 10 Pakistanis (10%) Report Being Bitten by a Dog; Urban Residents (12%) and Men (15%) More Likely to Experience Incidents. (Gallup & Gilani Survey)

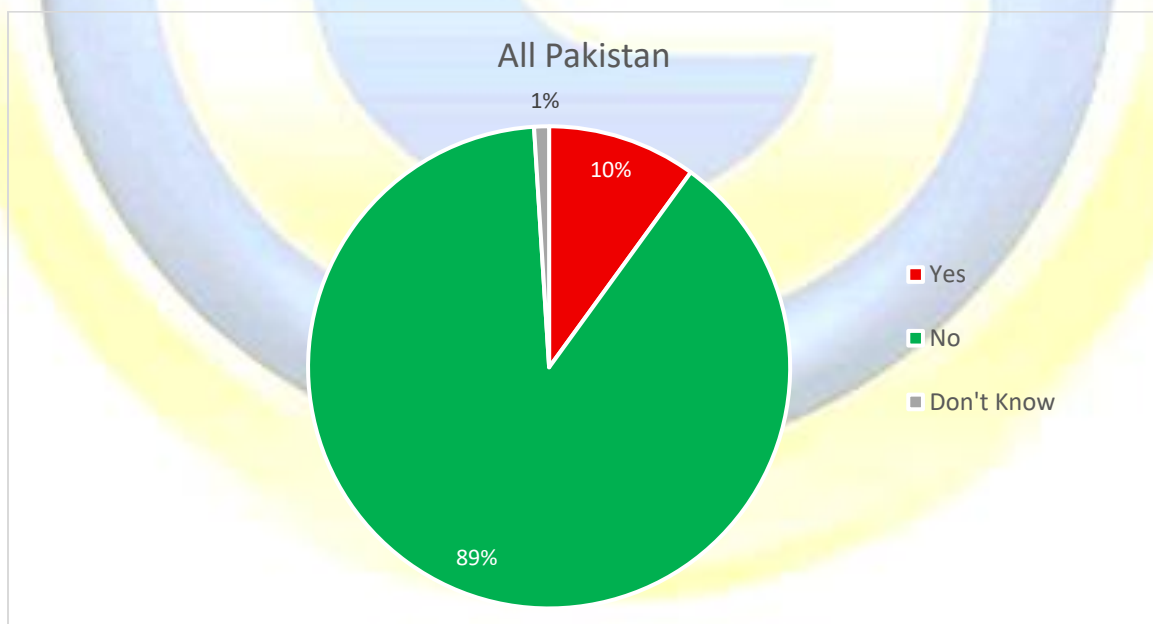
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According to a survey conducted by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, 10% of Pakistanis have experienced a dog bite, while 89% have never been bitten.

A nationally representative sample of adult Pakistanis from across the country was asked the following question: **“God forbid, have you ever been bitten by a dog?”**. In response, 10% of respondents reported that they had been bitten by a dog at some point in their lives, while 89% said they had never experienced such an incident. Around 1% were unsure or could not provide a response. These nationwide findings indicate that although dog bites affect a minority of the population, the issue is significant enough to merit attention.

Overall, while the majority of Pakistanis have never been bitten by a dog, one in ten have experienced such an incident. The data points to urban residents and men being more vulnerable to dog bite incidents, underlining the need for targeted public safety interventions and awareness campaigns.

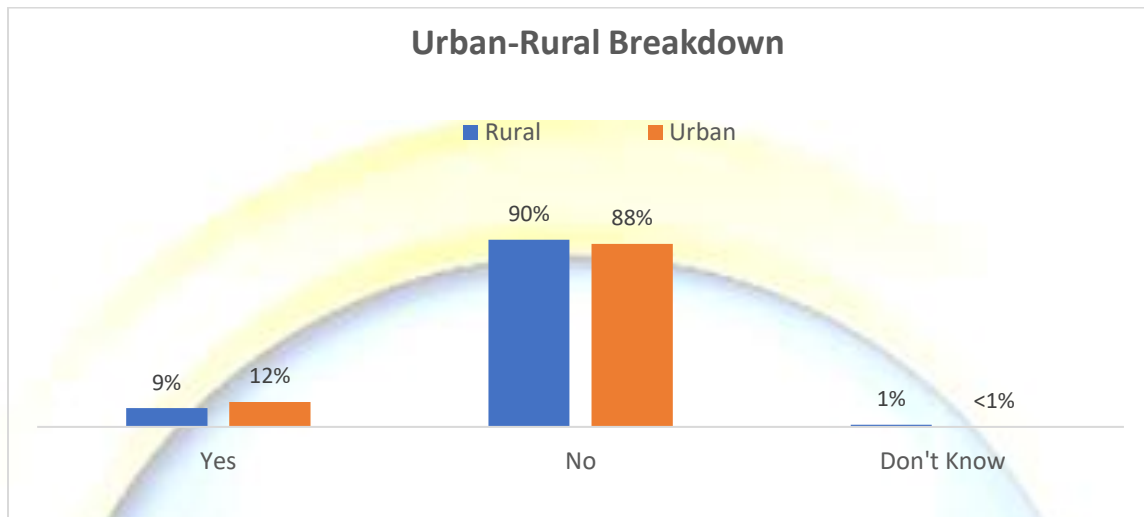
“God forbid, have you ever been bitten by a dog?”



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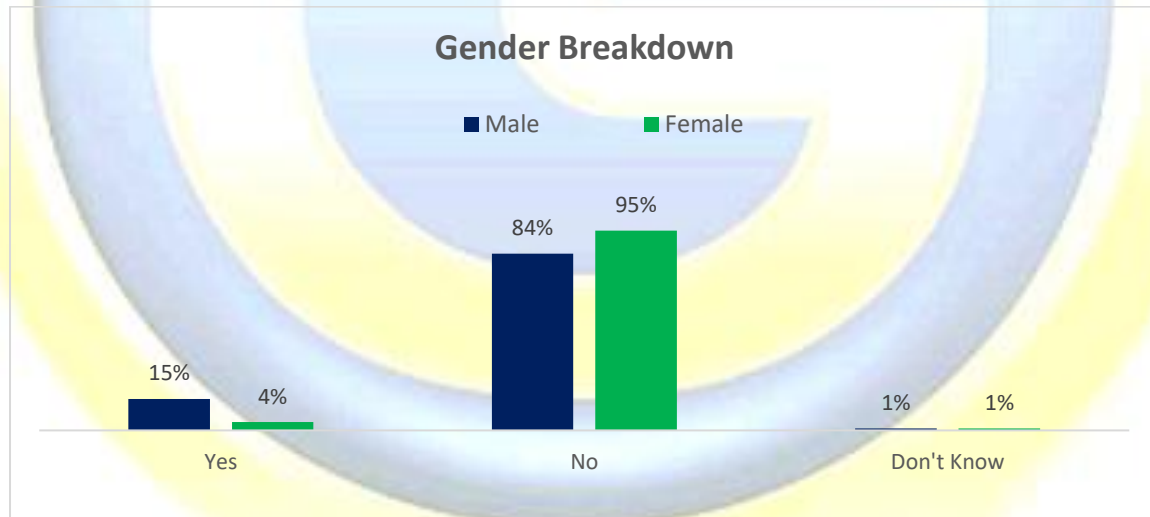
The study in Pakistan was conducted and released by Gallup & Gilani Pakistan, the Pakistani affiliate of Gallup International. The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 780 respondents across urban and rural areas of all four provinces of the country, conducted from 15 January 2026 to 03 February 2026. 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).

Urban-Rural Breakdown: The survey indicates that dog bite incidents are more frequently reported by urban residents (12%) compared to rural residents (9%), suggesting higher exposure to stray dogs in cities. This highlights the importance of urban public safety measures for preventing dog-related incidents.



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Gender Breakdown: Men are more likely to report being bitten (15%) than women (4%). This gender difference suggests men may face greater exposure to situations where stray dog encounters occur, possibly due to mobility patterns or outdoor activity.



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