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## From the Editor

Dear Reader,

Gilani Research Team now brings to you a collection of daily polls releases in the form of a weekly digest, which gives you the opportunity to read opinions of the Pakistani public on various socio-political issues.

We hope it will be of interest to you and your readers.

If you have any further questions in this regard, please feel free to contact us.

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### Rulers Out Of Sync With Popular Dreams; 70% Dissatisfied With Government's Ability To Improve Their Life:

Islamabad, July 26, 2010

A recent Gilani poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan shows that there is general dissatisfaction about the current efforts by the government to improve standards of living of the ordinary citizen. 5% are satisfied by the government's attempts while 26% are totally opposed. The rest are in-between, 24% are contented to some extent and 44% to very little extent.

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### A Reservoir For Community Development: One Third (33%) Claim To Have Thought About Improving Lives Of Others Within Their Community

Islamabad, July 27, 2010

A recent Gilani poll conducted by Gallup Pakistan shows that one third of all Pakistanis (33%) say they have come up with ideas to improve the lives of people of their community where as 58% claim not to have any such inspirations. 9% have given no response.

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**A Quarter Of Pakistanis Have Had Thoughts About Starting Their Own Business, More Than Half Of Whom (55%) Claim To Have Put Their Ideas Into Practice :**

Islamabad, July 30, 2010

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## Wheat is Pakistan's Popular Staple And Majority (55%) Gets Wheat Grain Grounded For Flour

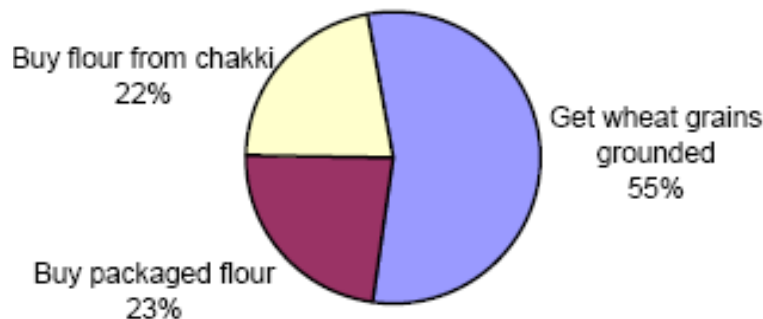
Islamabad, July 26, 2010

According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, more than half of all Pakistanis (55%) get wheat grains grounded for flour personally, 23% consume packaged flour while 22% buy flour from the 'Chakki', a small flour mill in the neighborhood.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: "Which type of flour is mostly used at your home?" Fifty five percent (55%) said they buy wheat and get it personally grounded to make flour, 23% use packaged flour where as 22% buy flour from the 'Chakki'.

The findings of the data reveal that there is a great variation regarding the choice of flour among the rural and urban populations. A considerably greater percentage of ruralites (66%) get wheat grain grounded as compared to their urban counterparts (31%). On the other hand 41% of the urbanites consume packaged flour as opposed to 14% ruralites. A proportionately larger percentage of urbanites (27%) buy flour from the 'Chakki' than the ruralites (19%).

*"Which type of flour is mostly used at your home?"*



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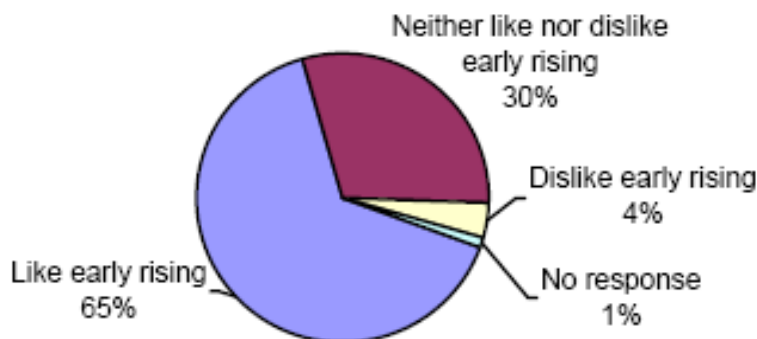
## 65% Claim To Be Cheerful Early Risers

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According to a Gilani Research Foundation survey carried out by Gallup Pakistan, almost two thirds of all Pakistanis (65%) claim to like early rising in the morning and start an early day. They find it to be a pleasant experience. Only 4% find it disagreeable. However, 30% find rising early neither pleasant nor unpleasant. 1% have given no response.

A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question *“Do you wake up early in the morning and start your day happily or do you Find waking up unpleasant?”* Sixty five percent (65%) claimed to like waking up in the morning and beginning a new day while only 4% found rising early to be an unpleasant part of the routine. 30% were indifferent towards waking up early and 1% gave no response. The findings of the survey reveal that more ruralites (70%) are cheerful early risers as compared to their urban counterparts (57%).

*“Do you wake up early in the morning and start your day happily or do you find waking up unpleasant?”*



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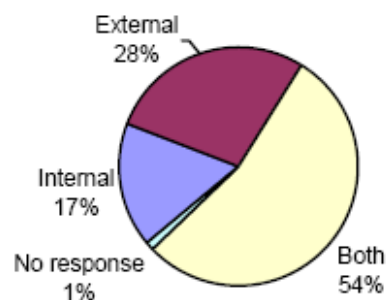
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *“With regard to the current threats faced by Pakistan, what do you think, is Pakistan faced by greater internal threats or external dangers?”* Twenty eight percent (28%) considered external threats to be more serious where as 17% found internal dangers to more challenging. 1% gave no response. A detailed analysis of data shows that proportionately a higher percentage of urbanites (25%) believed internal threats to be greater compared to their rural counter parts (13%). A province wise analysis shows that comparatively greater percentage of people from the Khyber- Pakhtoonkwa (KP) province (36%) assumed more threats to be external. At the same time more males (32%) believed the threats to be external than the females (23%).

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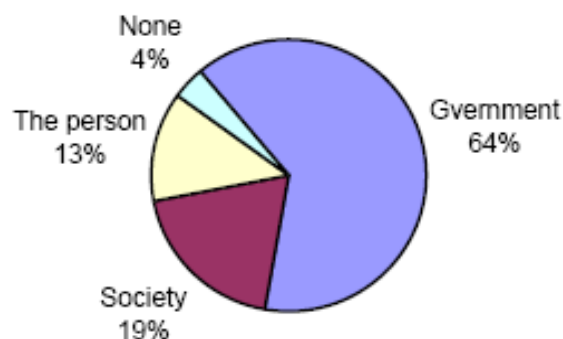
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *“These days we hear about people committing suicides because of poverty. Who do you think is responsible for such tragedies?”* Sixty four percent (64%) held government responsible for the suicides committed by the poor, 19% believed that the society pushed them to this limit while 13% blamed the person him/herself. 4% found nobody responsible for such tragic incidents.

A detailed analysis of data shows that proportionately higher percentages of ruralites blame the government and society for the tragic suicides while more of the urbanites put the blame on the person. The data further shows that comparatively more women (67%) hold the government responsible for these mishaps as compared to males (61%).

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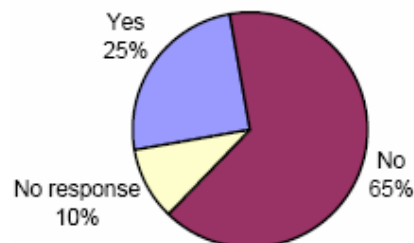
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A nationally representative sample of men and women from across the country were asked the following question: *“Have you ever had thoughts about starting your own business?”* Twenty five percent (25%) claimed that they have had thoughts about starting one’s own business while 65% said they never considered such ideas. 10% gave no response

A detailed analysis of data shows that proportionately a higher percentage of urbanites (33%) have thought about starting their own business compared to their rural counterparts (21%). The survey data also reveals that a considerable number of more males (38%) have come up with business ideas than the females (10%). These findings reinforce the view that urbanites and males have either greater aptitude or access to resources to become entrepreneurs.

*“Have you ever had thoughts about starting your own business?”*



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