A Public Opinion Survey on Current Political Situation of Pakistan

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Survey Methodology

Period: March 17-21, 2022

Eligibility: Age 18+

Response Rate: Approximately 85%

Total Locations: 351 Mohallas/Villages

Margin of Error: Not More than ±2-3% at 95% confidence level.

Sample size = 3,509

• A multi-stage probability sample was used. In the first stage, the sample was stratified into four provinces. In the second stage, the sample was further stratified into districts within each province it was divided into rural and urban categories. In the third stage, each district was further stratified by union councils/Blocks/Villages.

• The Probability-Proportional-to-Size (PPS) method was used to select localities and household were selected through “Random walk method”. The Kish Grid was used to select respondents 18 years and older within these randomly selected household.

• From each location a cluster of 10 successful interviews were conducted.

• Interview teams were comprised of both of males and females; the female respondents were interviewed by female interviewers and male respondents by male interviewers.

• The information in this report has been compiled in accordance with international standards for market and social research methodologies.

• Figures in charts and tables may not sum to 100 percent due to rounding error.
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**Survey Demographic**

**Gender**
- Male: 56%
- Female: 44%

**Age Group**
- 18-25: 23%
- 26-40: 46%
- 41-50: 19%
- 51 & Above: 12%

**Location**
- Rural: 60%
- Urban: 40%

**Education**
- Illiterate: 30%
- Primary: 14%
- Secondary: 12%
- Matriculation: 20%
- Intermediate: 12%
- Graduate: 8%
- Professional: 4%
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Heat map Data Collection Points
SECTION-1

TOP ISSUES
53% of Pakistanis reported Price hike/ inflation as the most important issue they are facing these days. While 16% of the voters said unemployment followed by 12% poverty and another 05% said corruption.
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WHO CAN SOLVE THE CHALLENGES

Q: The issue you just identified, in your opinion which political leader can solve the challenges faced by Pakistan?

The voters of the country are evenly divided over who can solve the problems facing it, with 32% of the respondents still believe that Imran khan and same 32% trust on Nawaz Sharif, followed by 12% Bilawal Bhutto & another 7% said Molana Fazal Rehman.
WHO CAN SOLVE THE CHALLENGES

Q: The issue you just identified, in your opinion which political leader can solve the challenges faced by Pakistan? (Open-ended)

(Poll Jan-2022 Vs. March 2022) (Top 3 Leaders)

PM Imran Khan’s popularity has seen upsurge of 2%
Comparing last survey in January 2022.
No-Trust Motion
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**NO-TRUST MOTION**

Q: Thinking about PM statement that he has a trump card, do you believe that no confidence move against Prime Minister Imran Khan will succeed or not?

Majority of respondents thinks that PM will survive the no confidence move with 44% of voters saying PM will have trump card and no confidence will NOT be successful.
A majority of voters (48%) said PM Imran Khan should NOT resign and deal with no-trust motion in assembly, while 42% wants he should resign.
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NO-TRUST MOTION AGAINST CM BUZDAR

Q: If there is a no-trust motion against Chief Minister Sardar Usman Buzdar in Punjab Assembly, what do you think, will it lead to further political chaos or result in a stable government in Punjab?

(Slide 1/2)

Most of the voters (43%) believed No-trust motion against CM Usman Buzdar will lead to further political chaos, while 36% voters said will lead to stable government.
SHOULD CURRENT ASSEMBLIES COMPLETE 5-YEARS TERM?

Q: If the wake of no-trust motion, do you think Provincial & National assemblies should complete its 5-years term or should there be a fresh elections to form a new government?

48% of voters are willing to let the current provincial and national assemblies complete its 5-years term, while 44% of respondents want an immediate fresh elections.

48%  
Fresh Elections

44%  
Should Complete 5-year term

8%  
DK/NR

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Q: In case of no-trust motion, what do you think PTI dissident Assembly members should support the government or support the opposition alliance?

A majority of 52% voters of Pakistan believed that PTI Assembly Members should support the government in this time of crisis, while 35% voters opined they should to support the opposition.
Q: Under the current political circumstances, if the no-trust motion against PM Imran Khan succeeds, then who should be the next Prime Minister?

- Shahbaz Sharif: 29%
- Nawaz Sharif: 16%
- Imran Khan (Again): 14%
- Bilawal Bhutto: 12%
- Mariam Nawaz: 4%
- Molana Fazal Rehman: 2%
- Saad Hussain Rizvi: 2%
- Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: 2%
- Asif Ali Zardari: 2%
- Siraj ul Haq: 1%
- None of the Above: 4%
- DK/NR: 12%
ELECTIONS
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**POLITICAL PARTIES POPULARITY**

*Q: Thinking now about new elections, if the national assembly elections are held again, for which political party would you like to vote? (Open-ended)*

There is even tie in case of new elections with 29% of the voters saying, they will vote for PTI, While 28% said PML-N and 16% said they will vote for PPP if the elections held again.
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**POLITICAL PARTIES POPULARITY**

Q: Thinking now about new elections, if the national assembly elections are held again, for which political party would you like to vote?

*(Province-wise analysis)*

**Punjab**

- **PML-N**: 42%
- **PTI**: 34%
- **PPP**: 6%
- **TLP**: 2%
- **PML-Q**: 2%

**Sindh**

- **PPP**: 44%
- **PTI**: 17%
- **PML-N**: 7%
- **MQM Pakistan**: 5%
- **TLP**: 2%
- **ANP**: 1%

**KP**

- **PTI**: 38%
- **JUI-F**: 23%
- **PML-N**: 13%
- **ANP**: 8%
- **PPP**: 8%
- **JI**: 3%

**Balochistan**

- **PTI**: 18%
- **PPP**: 17%
- **PML-N**: 15%
- **JUI-F**: 14%
- **BAP**: 11%
- **PKMAP**: 6%
- **BNP**: 4%
- **ANP**: 1%
Q: Thinking now about new elections, if the national assembly elections are held again, for which political party would you like to vote?


(Top 3 Parties)

Although there is a perfect tie among the top 2 political parties, however PTI graph has been steadily improving since the last year or so.
MEDIA
## News Channel

**Q:** When you watch TV, which news channel do you most often watch?

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