

TABLE 2.24 REASONS FOR NEVER ATTENDING SCHOOL (10-18 YEARS) - BY PROVINCE

| PROVINCE AND REASON | PERCENTAGE OF CASES WHERE REASON WAS CITED - 2005-06 PSLM | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|-------|---------|-------|-------|---------|
| | BOYS | | | GIRLS | | |
| | URBAN | RURAL | OVERALL | URBAN | RURAL | OVERALL |
| PUNJAB: | | | | | | |
| Parents didn't allow | 1 | 5 | 4 | 20 | 33 | 32 |
| Too expensive | 31 | 29 | 29 | 41 | 29 | 31 |
| Too far | 2 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 11 | 10 |
| Education not useful | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Had to help at work | 13 | 10 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Had to help at home | 3 | 2 | 2 | 9 | 6 | 6 |
| Child not willing | 37 | 31 | 32 | 19 | 10 | 12 |
| Other | 15 | 16 | 16 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| SINDH: | | | | | | |
| Parents didn't allow | 3 | 3 | 3 | 26 | 23 | 24 |
| Too expensive | 36 | 20 | 25 | 30 | 14 | 18 |
| Too far | 2 | 17 | 12 | 5 | 16 | 13 |
| Education not useful | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Had to help at work | 2 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 4 |
| Had to help at home | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 7 | 6 |
| Child not willing | 34 | 42 | 39 | 21 | 15 | 17 |
| Other | 22 | 11 | 15 | 10 | 19 | 17 |
| NWFP: | | | | | | |
| Parents didn't allow | 1 | 4 | 4 | 52 | 48 | 49 |
| Too expensive | 33 | 18 | 20 | 21 | 13 | 14 |
| Too far | 2 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 10 | 9 |
| Education not useful | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Had to help at work | 5 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Had to help at home | 12 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Child not willing | 32 | 35 | 34 | 15 | 13 | 13 |
| Other | 15 | 25 | 25 | 6 | 10 | 9 |
| BALUCHISTAN: | | | | | | |
| Parents didn't allow | 1 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 28 | 30 |
| Too expensive | 27 | 15 | 16 | 9 | 5 | 6 |
| Too far | 0 | 12 | 11 | 1 | 11 | 10 |
| Education not useful | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Had to help at work | 9 | 20 | 19 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| Had to help at home | 1 | 5 | 4 | 10 | 23 | 21 |
| Child not willing | 44 | 21 | 23 | 18 | 14 | 15 |
| Other | 18 | 25 | 25 | 12 | 14 | 14 |
| OVERALL PAKISTAN: | | | | | | |
| Parents didn't allow | 2 | 4 | 3 | 29 | 34 | 33 |
| Too expensive | 33 | 23 | 25 | 31 | 20 | 22 |
| Too far | 2 | 9 | 8 | 3 | 12 | 11 |
| Education not useful | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Had to help at work | 7 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Had to help at home | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Child not willing | 35 | 33 | 33 | 19 | 12 | 14 |
| Other | 19 | 17 | 18 | 10 | 12 | 11 |

NOTES:

1. Children aged 10 - 18 years that cited the reason indicated for never attending school, expressed as a percentage of all children aged 10 -18 years that have never attended
2. Reasons for not attending school "Other" includes 'Poor teaching/behaviour', 'No female staff', 'No male staff', 'Child sick/handicapped', 'Child too young', 'Lack of documents', 'Marriage', 'Service', and 'Other'.