

**TABLE 2.23 REASONS FOR LEAVING SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING PRIMARY 10-18 YEARS
- BY PROVINCE**

PROVINCE AND REASON	PERCENTAGE OF CASES, REASON WAS CITED 2005-06 PSLM					
	BOYS			GIRLS		
	URBAN	RURAL	OVERALL	URBAN	RURAL	OVERALL
PUNJAB:						
Parents didn't allow	2	5	4	12	13	13
Too expensive	28	13	18	24	18	20
Too far	2	2	2	1	6	5
Education not useful	0	0	0	0	0	0
Had to help at work	9	13	11	1	4	3
Had to help at home	4	2	3	11	17	16
Completed desired education	0	1	1	0	0	0
Child not willing	41	49	46	33	28	29
Other	15	16	15	18	13	14
SINDH:						
Parents didn't allow	5	3	3	25	22	23
Too expensive	22	17	19	1	8	5
Too far	0	6	3	0	3	2
Education not useful	1	1	1	0	2	1
Had to help at work	8	18	13	7	1	3
Had to help at home	3	3	3	10	5	7
Completed desired education	3	0	1	0	0	0
Child not willing	35	43	39	36	31	33
Other	23	10	16	20	28	25
NWFP:						
Parents didn't allow	7	7	7	34	33	33
Too expensive	19	18	18	6	9	8
Too far	8	2	3	3	5	5
Education not useful	0	1	1	1	1	1
Had to help at work	15	15	15	0	2	1
Had to help at home	1	1	1	1	12	10
Completed desired education	0	0	0	0	0	0
Child not willing	32	39	38	41	25	28
Other	18	16	16	14	14	14
BALUCHISTAN:						
Parents didn't allow	11	0	3	17	57	41
Too expensive	27	11	16	4	3	3
Too far	0	0	0	0	0	0
Education not useful	0	11	7	0	0	0
Had to help at work	0	13	9	0	0	0
Had to help at home	0	7	5	25	18	21
Completed desired education	0	1	1	2	0	1
Child not willing	44	39	41	42	13	25
Other	18	18	18	10	9	9
OVERALL PAKISTAN:						
Parents didn't allow	3	5	4	18	19	19
Too expensive	26	14	18	16	14	15
Too far	2	3	2	1	5	4
Education not useful	0	1	1	0	1	0
Had to help at work	9	14	12	2	3	3
Had to help at home	3	2	3	11	14	13
Completed desired education	1	0	1	0	0	0
Child not willing	39	46	44	35	28	30
Other	17	15	16	18	16	16

NOTES:

1. Children aged 10 - 18 years that cited the reason indicated for leaving school expressed as a percentage of all children aged 10 -18 years that left school before completing primary level.
2. Reasons for leaving school before completing primary level: "Other" includes 'Poor teaching/behaviour', 'No female staff', 'No male staff', 'Child sick/handicapped', 'Child too young', 'Lack of documents', 'Marriage', 'Service', and 'Other'.