

# Girls Bhangra Survey – Initial Results

## About the survey

First of all I would like to thank all wonderful individuals out there for taking time out and filling up this survey. For some of us, “Girls Doing Bhangra” can be quite a controversial topic but for others this may be a trivial thing that we should not even think about. Interestingly there are many other topics like this and probably we will talk about them in future.

For sometime now, I have been reading posts on various sites about this topic. As I started digging deep, I found that there are views and opinion all over the place and it may be very difficult for someone interested in studying the trends in modern North American bhangra scenario to get some concrete and valuable information and hence this survey.

My initial objective was to collect simple static data about - “Girls Doing Bhangra or Not” but after reading different views of individuals across North America, it became real challenge for me as to how I should present and share such a valuable information to all interested parties out there. This is the first set of results but in coming future I will provide you with more data and analysis.

## About the survey results

Results that you will see here are very straight layout of figures without any specific analysis or interpretation attached to it. Total of **forty four (44)** individuals responded to this survey and the best part is that there was 23/20 split of boys/girls as respondents, which for me was a good and balance split.

For Question 3 & 4, please keep in mind that each individual responded to more than one choice and hence I am presenting only percentage split of total responses. Where respondents have provided view/s, I will be posting a different document with those views, probably grouped by topics and gender.

Hope you will enjoy reading results about this important (controversial, touchy, call whatever you feel...) topic. If you have any question or need any additional information from me, please feel free to contact me:

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**Highest number/percentage in each category is marked in BLUE**

## **SURVEY RESULTS**

### **1. Should girls do Bhangra or Not?**

<b>Yes, girls should do Bhangra</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>73%</b>
No, girls should NOT do Bhangra	12	27%
Don't know	0	0%

### **2. What is wrong with girls doing Bhangra?**

Girls have no clue of how to dance Bhangra	7%
Bhangra actions and girls don't go together	45%
I feel uncomfortable watching them dance	10%
Music choice is always wrong	13%
Grace is missing in girls	19%
Dancing energy is missing in girls	0%
No team work is displayed	0%
Organizers don't like them dancing	0%
Judges too don't like them dancing	29%
Audiences don't like them dancing either	7%
<b>Other (please specify)</b>	<b>58%</b>

31 responded to this question  
13 skipped this question

### **3. What is right about girls doing Bhangra?**

<b>Girls know how to dance Bhangra</b>	<b>56%</b>
Girls look great doing bhangra action	46%
I appreciate girls doing Bhangra	51%
Music choice is always good	20%
Dancing grace is present	44%
Dancing energy is present	54%
Team work is displayed	49%
Organizers do like girl teams coming to competition	35%
Judges like it judge them fairly on these competitions	17%
Audiences to appreciate their efforts	46%
Other (please specify)	42%

41 responded to this question  
3 skipped this question

**4. What is unacceptable to you?**

All girls bhangra team	10	25%
<b>No girl doing bhangra at all, not even on co-ed team</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>28%</b>
Don't know	10	26%
Other (please specify)	8	21%

39 responded to this question  
5 skipped this question

**5. What, as per your understanding, is unacceptable to judges of these bhangra competition?**

All girls bhangra team	12	31%
No girl doing bhangra at all, not even on co-ed team	4	10%
<b>Don't know</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14%</b>
Other (please specify)	7	18%

39 responded to this question  
5 skipped this question

**6. If you think girls should dance bhangra, be on co-ed team or all girls team what should be done to change the perception of others?**

16 responded to this question  
28 skipped this question

**7. If you think girls should NOT dance bhangra, be on co-ed team or all girls team what should be done to change the perception of others?**

11 responded to this question  
33 skipped this question

**8. Gender:**

<b>Boy</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>53%</b>
Girl	20	47%

1 skipped this question

**9. What is your dancing experience?**

<b>More than 5 years</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>63%</b>
Less than 5 years but more than 2 years	12	28%
Less than 2 years	3	7%
Never danced	1	2%

1 skipped this question

**10. Level of dancing experience**

Professional level	17	40%
<b>University level</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>51%</b>
College level	1	2%
Yet to be on a team	3	7%

1 skipped this question