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Background and Methodology

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His career in the field of public opinion research began in the mid-1980s as an analyst with *Mason-Dixon Opinion Research*. During this time, Mr. Gonzales helped develop, craft and implement election surveys and exit polls for television and radio in the Baltimore-Washington D.C. metro area.

Patrick Gonzales has polled and analyzed well over a thousand elections in Maryland and across the country since that time. Furthermore, Mr. Gonzales and his associates have conducted numerous market research projects, crafting message development plans and generating strategy blueprints for businesses and organizations throughout the state.

Over his 35 years conducting public opinion polls, Patrick Gonzales has been widely recognized by his peers for his ability to conduct unbiased surveys, and analyze the results in an impartial, evenhanded manner.

Mr. Gonzales frequently appears on radio and television in the Baltimore-D.C. region as a guest commentator.

This poll was conducted by ***Gonzales Research & Media Services*** from April 29th through May 4th, 2019. A total of 826 registered voters in Maryland, who indicated that they are likely to vote in next year's general election, were queried by live telephone interviews, utilizing both landline and cell phone numbers. A cross-section of interviews was conducted throughout the state, reflecting general election voting patterns.

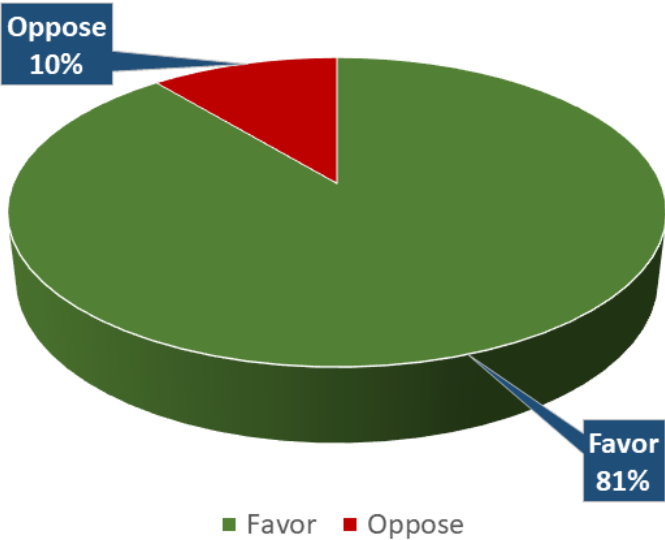
The margin of error (MOE), per accepted statistical standards, is a range of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. If the entire population was surveyed, there is a 95% probability that the true numbers would fall within this range.

Gonzales Poll Results - May 2019

Prescription Drug Affordability Board

Statewide, 81% of voters favor the Maryland General Assembly’s recently passed legislation to create a Prescription Drug Affordability Board in the state (56% “strongly favor” and 25% “somewhat favor”), while only 10% oppose establishing a Prescription Drug Affordability Board (6% “strongly oppose” and 4% “somewhat oppose”), with 9% giving no opinion.

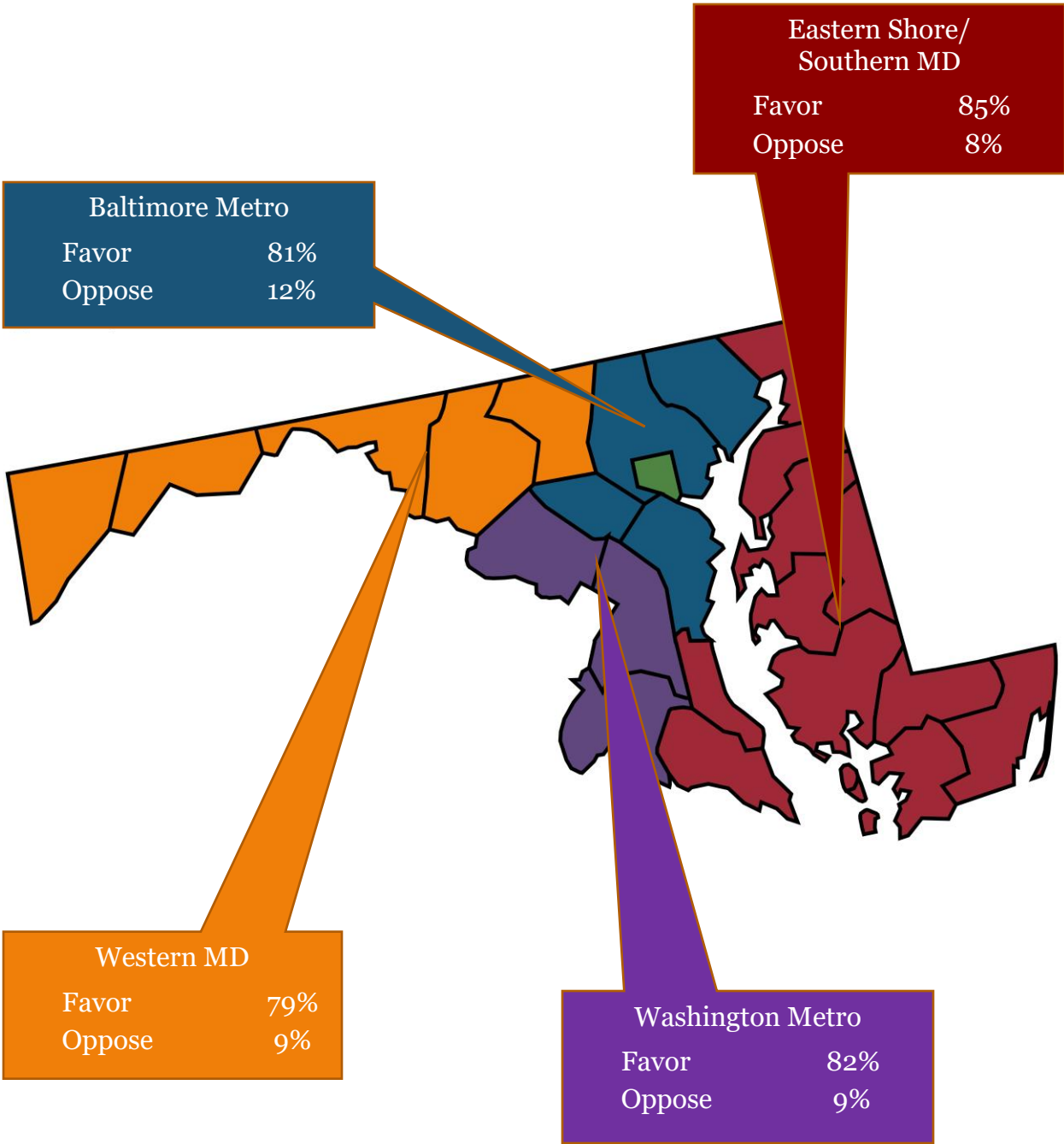
Prescription Drug Affordability Board



The results by party, gender, and race:

Prescription Drug Board	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>
Democrat	87%	5%
Republican	75%	15%
Unaffiliated	72%	19%
Men	79%	12%
Women	83%	9%
White	80%	12%
African-American	85%	7%

Prescription Drug Affordability Board by Region



Appendix A: Data Tables

QUESTION: Prescription Drug Affordability Board *The Maryland General Assembly passed legislation this year to create a Prescription Drug Affordability Board in the state to help bring down the costs of prescription drugs purchased by state and local governments. Do you favor or oppose this legislation?*

<u>PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Favor	671	81.2 %
Oppose	84	10.2 %
No answer	71	8.6 %
Total	826	100.0 %

Is that strongly or somewhat favor/oppose?

<u>PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Strongly Favor	466	56.4 %
Somewhat Favor	205	24.8 %
Somewhat Oppose	37	4.5 %
Strongly Oppose	47	5.7 %
No answer	71	8.6 %
Total	826	100.0 %

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD

	<u>Strongly Favor</u>	<u>Somewhat Favor</u>	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>No answer</u>
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PARTY

Democrat	312 68.1%	87 19.0%	11 2.4%	13 2.8%	35 7.6%
Republican	89 37.1%	91 37.9%	13 5.4%	23 9.6%	24 10.0%
Unaffiliated	65 50.8%	27 21.1%	13 10.2%	11 8.6%	12 9.4%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD

	<u>Strongly Favor</u>	<u>Somewhat Favor</u>	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>No answer</u>
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GENDER

Male	209 55.0%	93 24.5%	18 4.7%	27 7.1%	33 8.7%
Female	257 57.6%	112 25.1%	19 4.3%	20 4.5%	38 8.5%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD					
	Strongly Favor	Somewhat Favor	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	No answer
<u>AGE</u>					
18 to 34	110 63.2%	35 20.1%	4 2.3%	14 8.0%	11 6.3%
35 to 44	74 59.7%	25 20.2%	6 4.8%	7 5.6%	12 9.7%
45 to 54	84 58.3%	31 21.5%	10 6.9%	8 5.6%	11 7.6%
55 to 64	78 47.6%	52 31.7%	7 4.3%	11 6.7%	16 9.8%
65 and older	120 54.5%	62 28.2%	10 4.5%	7 3.2%	21 9.5%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD					
	Strongly Favor	Somewhat Favor	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	No answer
<u>AGE GROUP</u>					
Under 55	268 60.6%	91 20.6%	20 4.5%	29 6.6%	34 7.7%
55 or older	198 51.6%	114 29.7%	17 4.4%	18 4.7%	37 9.6%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD					
	Strongly Favor	Somewhat Favor	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	No answer
<u>RACE</u>					
White	292 53.3%	148 27.0%	29 5.3%	34 6.2%	45 8.2%
African-American	147 66.5%	40 18.1%	6 2.7%	9 4.1%	19 8.6%
Other	27 47.4%	17 29.8%	2 3.5%	4 7.0%	7 12.3%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD

	Strongly Favor	Somewhat Favor	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	No answer
REGION					
Baltimore Metro	201 56.6%	86 24.2%	19 5.4%	22 6.2%	27 7.6%
Washington Metro	171 61.1%	57 20.4%	13 4.6%	14 5.0%	25 8.9%
Rural Maryland	94 49.2%	62 32.5%	5 2.6%	11 5.8%	19 9.9%

N=826

PRESCRIPTION DRUG AFFORDABILITY BOARD

	Strongly Favor	Somewhat Favor	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose	No answer
COUNTY					
Anne Arundel Co.	42 51.2%	22 26.8%	7 8.5%	3 3.7%	8 9.8%
Baltimore County	63 53.4%	27 22.9%	9 7.6%	12 10.2%	7 5.9%
Harford County	16 43.2%	14 37.8%	2 5.4%	3 8.1%	2 5.4%
Howard County	31 60.8%	14 27.5%	1 2.0%	3 5.9%	2 3.9%
Montgomery County	83 59.3%	32 22.9%	6 4.3%	6 4.3%	13 9.3%
Prince George's Co.	71 61.7%	23 20.0%	5 4.3%	6 5.2%	10 8.7%
Charles County	17 68.0%	2 8.0%	2 8.0%	2 8.0%	2 8.0%
Baltimore City	49 73.1%	9 13.4%	0 0.0%	1 1.5%	8 11.9%
Eastern Shore	50 53.8%	29 31.2%	2 2.2%	5 5.4%	7 7.5%
Western Maryland	44 44.9%	33 33.7%	3 3.1%	6 6.1%	12 12.2%

Appendix B: Maryland Poll Sample Demographics

<u>AGE</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
18 to 34	174	21.1 %
35 to 44	124	15.0 %
45 to 54	144	17.4 %
55 to 64	164	19.9 %
65 and older	220	26.6 %
Total	826	100.0 %

<u>AGE GROUP</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 55	442	53.5 %
55 or older	384	46.5 %
Total	826	100.0 %

<u>PARTY</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Democrat	458	55.4 %
Republican	240	29.1 %
Unaffiliated	128	15.5 %
Total	826	100.0 %

<u>RACE</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	548	66.3 %
African-American	221	26.8 %
Other	57	6.9 %
Total	826	100.0 %

<u>GENDER</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Male	380	46.0 %
Female	446	54.0 %
Total	826	100.0 %

<u>REGION</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Baltimore Metro	355	43.0 %
Washington Metro	280	33.9 %
Rural Maryland	191	23.1 %
Total	826	100.0 %

 Region Classifications

Baltimore Metro	Number	Percent
Baltimore City	67	18.9 %
Anne Arundel County	82	23.1 %
Baltimore County	118	33.2 %
Harford County	37	10.4 %
Howard County	51	14.4 %
Total	355	100.0 %

Washington Metro	Number	Percent
Montgomery County	140	50.0 %
Prince George's County	115	41.1 %
Charles County	25	8.9 %
Total	280	100.0 %

Rural Maryland	Number	Percent
Eastern Shore/Southern Maryland	93	48.7 %
Western Maryland	98	51.3 %
Total	191	100.0 %