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Goucher College Poll results: Democratic and Republican gubernatorial primary contests are competitive and fluid; Maryland Democrats and Republicans view US democracy as "threatened" but disagree on 2020 election and January 6; Republican voters hold more negative attitudes than Democrats toward the direction of the state and Maryland's economic conditions; Inflation, cost of gasoline, and crime among top concerns for both Democrats and Republicans; Gov. Hogan remains popular among both Republicans and Democrats; Republicans divided over whether to move on from Trump

**BALTIMORE** (June 28, 2022)—The Goucher College Poll was conducted from June 15 to 19, 2022. It surveyed 501 Maryland Democratic and 508 Maryland Republican voters and has a margin of sampling error of +/-4.4 percent. Voters were asked their opinions on the direction of the state, economic conditions, political figures and entities, key policy issues, the state of American democracy, elections, and the storming of the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Republican voters were asked about former President Donald J. Trump and the future of the GOP as well as their opinions on Gov. Larry Hogan's rumored presidential run. Additionally, 403 Democratic and 414 Republican voters were identified as likely voters and asked for their candidate preferences in the upcoming statewide gubernatorial primary contests. The samples of 403 Democratic and 414 Republican likely voters has a margin of sampling error of +/-4.9 and 4.8 percent, respectively.

The poll was funded and co-sponsored by the Sarah T. Hughes Center for Politics at Goucher College, *The Baltimore Banner*, and WYPR. **See the <u>results by demographics</u>**.

### **Democratic Primary Races**

The race for the Democratic nomination for governor is competitive and fluid. In a large field of nine candidates, Peter Franchot, Wes Moore, and Tom Perez are in a three-way tie and the only candidates to earn double-digit support.

If the primary election for Maryland governor were held today, **16 percent** say they will vote for Peter Franchot, **14 percent** for Wes Moore, and **14 percent** for Tom Perez. **Five percent** of Democratic voters give their support to Doug Gansler, **4 percent** to John King, **2 percent** to Jon Baron, and **2 percent** to Ashwani Jain.

The plurality of Democratic likely voters (**35 percent**) are undecided. **Sixty-three percent** of Democratic voters who selected a candidate said they "could change their mind" and a **third** say they were set on their choice.

"Our poll was conducted one month out from the primary election," says Mileah Kromer, director of the Sarah T. Hughes Center for Politics at Goucher College. "The three frontrunners—Franchot, Moore, and Perez—each have the campaign funds and endorsements to compete for the voters of a largely undecided and malleable Democratic primary electorate. Still, even with the investments of their significant resources, it's unclear how much attention the average voter will pay to the mid-July primary."

## **Republican Primary Races**

As with the Democratic race, a large swath of Republican primary voters (**44 percent**) is undecided in their choice for governor, and nearly half (**47 percent**) say they could change their mind. If the primary election for Maryland governor were held today, **25 percent** say they will vote for Dan Cox and **22 percent** for Kelly Schulz.

Democratic voters were informed that Dan Cox was endorsed by former President Donald Trump and Kelly Schulz was endorsed by Gov. Larry Hogan in the Republican primary and asked whether they'd consider voting for Cox or Schulz in the general election.

- 84 percent would not consider voting for Cox, 9 percent would consider.
- **49 percent** would not consider voting for Schulz, **23 percent** would consider, and **11 percent** volunteered "it depends."

"Given the political demographics of the state, Republican candidates must earn around a quarter of Democratic votes to win statewide office," says Kromer. "Our polling suggests that the Republican primary race is competitive between Cox and Schulz, but that Schulz is in the best position to be competitive against the Democratic nominee in the general election."

### The 2020 Election, January 6, and US Democracy

Maryland Republican and Democratic voters see the 2020 general election and the storming of the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021, very differently.

Nearly all Democratic voters (**89 percent**) say that President Joe Biden won the 2020 presidential election "fair and square," whereas **26 percent** of Republicans think the same. **Fifty-seven percent** of Republican voters believe that Biden "won due to fraud." There is no evidence that widespread voter fraud occurred during the 2020 election.

A majority of Republicans (**57 percent**) and **88 percent** of Democrats say they are "somewhat" or "very" confident that the 2022 elections in Maryland will be conducted fairly and accurately.

Most Democrats (**81 percent**) and **17 percent** of Republicans view the storming of the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021, as "an insurrection and an attack on democracy." **Sixty percent** of Republicans believe the events of January 6 were "wrong, but not an insurrection or attack on democracy," and **15 percent** say that "it was a legitimate protest."

Republicans (**81 percent**) and Democrats (**77 percent**) both see democracy and the rule of law in the U.S. today as threatened rather than secure.

### Direction of the State and Economic Situation

Republican voters express more negative views than Democratic voters toward the direction of the state and the current and future economic situation in Maryland. Republicans are also more likely than Democrats to indicate that recent price increases have caused themselves or their household "major" financial hardships.

- **36 percent** of Democrats think the state is on the wrong track, compared to **63 percent** of Republicans.
- **41 percent** of Democrats held a mostly negative view of the current economic situation in Maryland, compared to **74 percent** of Republicans.
- **33 percent** of Democrats expect the Maryland economy to get worse over the next year, compared to **64 percent** of Republicans.
- **29 percent** of Democrats say the recent price increases have caused "major" financial hardships for themselves or their households, compared to **42 percent** of Republicans.

### **Statewide Issues**

Voters were asked whether various statewide issues were a major, a minor, or not a concern to them.

Top "major" concerns among Democratic voters

- Inflation: 72 percent
- Environmental issues and climate change: 71 percent
- Crime and public safety: **69 percent**
- The cost of gasoline: 69 percent

• Lack of affordable housing: 69 percent

Top "major" concerns among Republican voters

- The cost of gasoline: 90 percent
- Inflation: 90 percent
- Crime and public safety: **83 percent**
- The quality of K-12 public schools: 62 percent
- The state tax rate or amount of state taxes: 61 percent

## Attitudes Toward Abortion and Gun Control

Most Democratic and Republican voters want to keep access to abortion legal, though they are divided on whether that means legal in all or only under certain circumstances. The poll was conducted before the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

- **60 percent** of Democratic voters think abortion should be legal under any circumstances, compared to **18 percent** of Republican voters.
- **57 percent** of Republican voters think abortion should be legal only under certain circumstances, compared to **28 percent** of Democratic voters.
- **18 percent** of Republican voters think abortion should be illegal in all circumstances, compared to **5 percent** of Democratic voters.

When asked whether abortion generally affects how they vote, a plurality of both Republicans (**45 percent**) and Democrats (**44 percent**) say they "consider a candidate's position on abortion as one of many important factors." **Thirty percent** of Democrats and **16 percent** of Republicans say they "only vote for candidates who share my views on abortion."

Democratic and Republican voters held different attitudes toward Maryland's current gun laws. Nearly three-quarters of Democrats, compared to **28 percent** of Republicans, think that state laws covering the sale of firearms in Maryland should be made stricter. Majorities of Democrats (**55 percent**) and Republicans (**53 percent**) say they "consider a candidate's position on gun control as one of many important factors" when deciding how to vote.

## **Ratings of Politicians and Political Parties**

Democratic and Republican voters hold dramatically different opinions toward politicians and the two major political parties with one notable exception: Gov. Larry Hogan. Hogan earns nearly identical favorability ratings among both Democratic (**64 percent**) and Republican (**67 percent**) voters.

Among Democratic voters

- Governor Larry Hogan: 64 percent favorable, 29 percent unfavorable
- Former President Donald Trump: 10 percent favorable, 88 percent unfavorable
- President Joe Biden: 71 percent favorable, 26 percent unfavorable
- Former President Barack Obama: 91 percent favorable, 8 percent unfavorable
- The Republican Party: 10 percent favorable, 84 percent unfavorable
- The Democratic Party: 74 percent favorable, 21 percent unfavorable

Among Republican voters

- Governor Larry Hogan: 67 percent favorable, 30 percent unfavorable
- Former President Donald Trump: 78 percent favorable, 20 percent unfavorable
- President Joe Biden: 9 percent favorable, 91 percent unfavorable
- Former President Barack Obama: 22 percent favorable, 74 percent unfavorable
- The Republican Party: 75 percent favorable, 21 percent unfavorable
- The Democratic Party: 7 percent favorable, 91 percent unfavorable

## The Future of the GOP and Gov. Larry Hogan

Republicans are evenly divided over where former President Donald Trump fits in the future of the GOP. **Forty-eight** percent think "the Republican Party should continue to be led by former President Donald Trump," and **48 percent** think either "Trump was a good president, but it's time for new leadership" (**35 percent**), or "Trump was a bad president and it's time to move on" (**13 percent**).

Republicans are mixed on whether they would support Gov. Larry Hogan's rumored 2024 presidential bid. **Thirty-nine percent** of Republicans say they would consider voting for him, **11 percent** say that "it depends," and **45 percent** would not consider voting for him.

# GOUCHER COLLEGE POLL

### **Methodology Statement**

The Goucher College Poll was conducted by telephone from June 15 to 19, 2022, with 502 registered Democrats and 507 registered Republicans living in Maryland. To ensure all Democratic and Republican voters are represented, the poll utilized a random selection of Maryland voter lists containing all currently registered voters identifying party and matched with a dual-frame random sample of cellular (80 percent) and landline (20 percent) numbers. Braun Research collected the data and Dynata supplied the sample of telephone numbers. Interviews were conducted from 1 to 9 p.m. Interviewers attempted to reach respondents with working phone numbers a maximum of five times.

For a sample size of 501 Democrats and 508 Republicans, there is a 95 percent probability the survey results have a +/-4.4 percentage point sampling error from the actual population distribution for any given survey question. For a sample size of 403 Democratic and 414 Republican likely voters, there is a 95 percent probability the survey results have a +/-4.9 and +/-4.8 percentage point sampling error from the actual population distribution for any given survey question, respectively. The margin of error is higher for sub-samples. In addition to sampling error, all surveys are subject to sources of non-sampling error, including question-wording effects, question order effects, and non-response bias. The margin of error is not adjusted for design effects. Data is weighted by gender, age, race, educational attainment, and county/region to match known estimates of voter characteristics.

### **Question Design**

**BRACKETED ITEMS** []: Items and statements in brackets are rotated to ensure respondents do not receive a set order of response options, which maintains question construction integrity by avoiding respondent agreement based on question composition. Example: [agree or disagree] or [disagree or agree]

**PROBE (p):** Some questions contain a "probe" maneuver to determine a respondent's intensity of opinion. Probe techniques used in this questionnaire ask respondents if their responses are more intense than initially provided. Example: Do you have a [**favorable or unfavorable**] opinion of Mayor Brandon Scott? PROBE: Would you say very favorable/unfavorable?

**OPEN-ENDED:** No response options are provided for an open-ended question, i.e., it is entirely up to the respondent to provide the response information.

**VOLUNTEER (v):** Volunteer responses mean the interviewer did not offer that response option in the question as read to the respondent. Interviewers are instructed not to offer "don't know" or "refused" or "some other opinion" to the respondent, but the respondent is free to volunteer that information for the interviewer to record.

### About the Goucher College Poll

The Goucher College Poll is conducted under the auspices of the Sarah T. Hughes Center for Politics at Goucher College. The center is directed by Dr. Mileah Kromer, associate professor of political science. Founded in 2012, the Goucher College Poll seeks to improve public discourse in Maryland by providing neutral, unbiased, and independent information on resident opinions. The Sarah T. Hughes Center for Politics is a member of the Association of Academic Survey Research Organizations and the American Association for Public Opinion Research Transparency Initiative. For more information or to view archived polls, please visit www.goucher.edu/poll.





# Sample Demographics:

The results are in column percentages and may not add up exactly to 100 due to weighting and rounding.

		Registered Democratic Voters <i>n=501</i> +/-4.4%	Democratic Likely Voters n=403 +/-4.9%	Registered Republican Voters <i>n</i> =508 +/-4.4%	Republican Likely Voters n=414 +/-4.8%
Gender	Male	42%	43%	57%	60%
	Female	58%	57%	43%	40%
Age	18-24	12%	11%	4%	2%
-	25-34	16%	14%	13%	12%
	35-44	15%	13%	13%	12%
	45-54	16%	17%	19%	18%
	55-64	17%	18%	25%	27%
	65+	24%	26%	26%	29%
Race	White	53%	56%	92%	93%
	Black	43%	40%	5%	4%
	All other	5%	4%	3%	3%
Education	High school graduate/GED or less	26%	22%	38%	35%
	Some college or associate degree	24%	22%	28%	27%
	Bachelor's degree or higher	50%	56%	35%	38%
County/Region	Montgomery County	18%	19%	10%	10%
, ,	Prince George's County	20%	20%	4%	4%
	Baltimore County	14%	13%	14%	14%
	Baltimore City	14%	14%	3%	2%
	Anne Arundel County	8%	8%	13%	13%
	Central Region	10%	10%	19%	20%
	Western Region	6%	6%	15%	15%
	Eastern Shore Region	5%	6%	13%	13%
	Southern Region	6%	5%	8%	9%

Counties included in region: • Central: Carroll, Harford, and Howard

• Southern: Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's

• Eastern Shore: Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester

• Western: Allegany, Garrett, Frederick, and Washington

ldeology	Conservative	10%	9%	65%	69%
	Moderate	48%	48%	29%	27%
	Progressive	37%	40%	4%	3%
	Don't know/Refused (v)	5%	3%	2%	1%

# **Topline Results:**

**Q: TRACK** to **Q: INTEREST** were administered to the 501 Democratic (MOE=+/-4.4%) and 508 Republican voters (MOE=+/-4.4%). Questions appear in order in which they were administered to the respondent. The results are in column percentages and may not add up exactly to 100 due to weighting and rounding.

Q: TRACK	Do you think things in Maryland are [heading in the right direction or are off on the wrong track]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Wrong track	36%	63%
	Right direction	45%	26%
	Don't know (v)	18%	11%
	Refused (v)	2%	1%
	Do you have a [mostly negative or mostly positive] view	Democratic	Republican
Q: MDECON_CUR	of the current economic situation in Maryland?	Voters	Voters
	Mostly negative	41%	74%
	Mostly positive	47%	20%
	Don't know (v)	10%	6%
	Refused (v)	2%	1%
	Thinking ahead, do you expect the Maryland economy to get	Democratic	Dopublicon
Q: MDECON_FUT	[better, worse, or stay about the same] over the next	Voters	Republican Voters
	year?	VOLEIS	VOLEIS
	Get worse	33%	64%
	Stay about the same	37%	22%
	Get better	26%	10%
	Don't know (v)	4%	4%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%
	Have recent price increases caused any financial hardship	Democratic	Dopublicon
Q: PRICE	for you or others in your household, or not? If yes: Has that	Voters	Republican Voters
	been a [major or minor] financial hardship?		
	No hardship	27%	16%
	Minor hardship	43%	40%
	Major hardship	29%	42%
	Don't know (v)	1%	1%
	Refused (v)	1%	1%

Q: OFFICIALS	Next, I'd like you to rate various public figures and political entities. Please tell me whether you have a [favorable or unfavorable] view of each one:		
Q: HOGAN_FAV	Governor Larry Hogan		Republican
		Voters	Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	10%	12%
	Unfavorable	19%	18%
	Favorable	43%	39%
	Very favorable (p)	21%	28%
	Don't know (v)	6%	3%
	Refused (v)	2%	1%
Q: TRUMP_FAV	Former President Donald Trump	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	76%	11%
	Unfavorable	12%	9%
	Favorable	7%	28%
	Very favorable (p)	3%	50%
	Don't know (v)	1%	1%
	Refused (v)	1%	1%
		Democratic	Republican
Q: BIDEN_FAV	President Joe Biden	Voters	Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	11%	75%
	Unfavorable	15%	16%
	Favorable	48%	5%
	Very favorable (p)	23%	4%
	Don't know (v)	3%	1%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%
		Democratic	Republican
Q: GOP_FAV	The Republican Party	Voters	Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	54%	6%
	Unfavorable	30%	15%
	Favorable	8%	48%
	Very favorable (p)	2%	27%
	Don't know (v)	4%	4%
	Refused (v)	3%	0%
Q: DEM_FAV	The Democratic Party	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	7%	68%
	Unfavorable	14%	23%
	Favorable	52%	23 % 5%
	Very favorable (p)	52 % 22%	2%
	Don't know (v)	3%	2 % 2%
	Refused (v)	3% 1%	2% 1%
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Q: OBAMA_FAV	Former President Barack Obama	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Very unfavorable (p)	4%	41%
	Unfavorable	4%	33%
	Favorable	31%	17%
	Very favorable (p)	60%	5%
	Don't know (v)	1%	3%
	Refused (v)	1%	1%
Q: ISSUES	Next, I'm going to read you a list of general statewide issues. For each one, please tell me whether it's a [major concern, minor concern, or not a concern] to you:		
Q: ISSUE_CRM	Crime and public safety	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	5%	4%
	Minor concern	26%	13%
	Major concern	69%	83%
	Don't know (v)	1%	0%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%
Q: ISSUE_SCH	The quality of K-12 public schools	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	10%	12%
	Minor concern	23%	22%
	Major concern	63%	62%
	Don't know (v)	4%	2%
	Refused (v)	0%	1%
Q: ISSUE_INF	Inflation	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	5%	2%
	Minor concern	22%	7%
	Major concern	72%	90%
	Don't know (v)	1%	0%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%
Q: ISSUE_GAS	The cost of gasoline	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	7%	2%
	Minor concern	24%	8%
	Major concern	69%	90%
	Don't know (v)	1%	0%

Q: ISSUE_HWY	Condition of roads, bridges, and highways	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	12%	16%
	Minor concern	37%	40%
	Major concern	51%	42%
	Don't know (v)	1%	1%
	Refused (v)	0%	1%
Q: ISSUE_PUB	The quality and availability of public transportation	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	19%	45%
	Minor concern	38%	33%
	Major concern	40%	16%
	Don't know (v)	3%	6%
	Refused (v)	0%	1%
Q: ISSUE_TAX	The state tax rate or amount of state taxes you pay	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	15%	10%
	Minor concern	32%	29%
	Major concern	51%	61%
	Don't know (v)	1%	0%
	Refused (v)	1%	0%
Q: ISSUE_ECN	The state business climate and economic conditions	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	12%	14%
	Minor concern	40%	30%
	Major concern	44%	53%
	Don't know (v)	3%	2%
	Refused (v)	0%	1%
Q: ISSUE_HOU	Lack of affordable housing	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	10%	26%
	Minor concern	21%	31%
	Major concern	69%	40%
	Don't know (v)	1%	3%
	Refused (v)	1%	0%
Q: ISSUE_ENV	Environmental issues and climate change	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	6%	38%
	Minor concern	22%	37%
	Major concern	71%	23%
	Don't know (v)	1%	2%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%

Q: ISSUE_CVD	The COVID-19 pandemic	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not a concern	7%	45%
	Minor concern	37%	36%
	Major concern	56%	18%
	Don't know (v)	0%	1%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%
Q: ABORTION	Changing topics to abortion. Do you think abortions should be [legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Legal under any circumstances	60%	18%
	Legal only under certain circumstances	28%	57%
	Illegal in all circumstances	5%	18%
	Some other opinion (v)	3%	4%
	Don't know (v)	1%	2%
	Refused (v)	3%	2%
Q: ABORTION_VT	Thinking about how the abortion issue generally affects how you vote, which best describes you:	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	I only vote for candidates who share my views on abortion.	30%	16%
	It depends. I consider a candidate's position on abortion as one of many important factors.	44%	45%
	Abortion is not a significant issue in determining my vote.	16%	30%
	Some other opinion (v)	3%	2%
	Don't know (v)	4%	5%
	Refused (v)	2%	2%
Q: GUNS	In general, do you feel that the state laws covering the sale of firearms in Maryland should be made [more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Less strict	6%	30%
	Kept as they are now	16%	37%
	More strict	74%	28%
	Some other opinion (v)	1%	3%
	Don't know (v)	2%	2%
	Refused (v)	1%	0%

Q: GUNS_VT	Thinking now about how the gun control issue might affect how you vote, which best describes you?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	I only vote for candidates who share my views on gun control.	32%	28%
	It depends. I consider a candidate's position on gun control as one of many important factors.	55%	53%
	Gun control is not a significant issue in determining my vote.	9%	14%
	Some other opinion (v)	1%	2%
	Don't know (v)	3%	2%
	Refused (v)	1%	1%
Q: DEMOCRACY	Changing topics, is democracy and the rule of law in the U.S. today <b>[secure or threatened</b> ]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Very threatened (p)	43%	48%
	Threatened	34%	33%
	Secure	11%	9%
	Very secure (p)	3%	4%
	Don't know (v)	7%	5%
	Refused (v)	1%	1%
Q: BIDEN_ELECT	Do you believe Joe Biden won the 2020 election fair and square, or do you think he only won due to voter fraud?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Won due to fraud	5%	57%
	Won fair and square	89%	26%
	Some other opinion (v)	2%	5%
	Don't know (v)	2%	10%
	Refused (v)	1%	3%
Q: FAIR_MD	How confident are you that the 2022 elections in Maryland will be conducted fairly and accurately: [very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not at all confident	2%	16%
	Not too confident	7%	25%
	Somewhat confident	23%	36%
	Very confident	65%	21%
	Don't know (v)	3%	3%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%

Q: INSURRECTION	I'm going to read you three statements about the storming of the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. Please tell me which one comes closest to your view, even if not precisely correct:		Republican Voters
	It was an insurrection and an attack on democracy.	81%	17%
	It was wrong, but not an insurrection or attack on democracy.	8%	60%
	It was a legitimate protest.	5%	15%
	Some other opinion (v)	2%	4%
	Don't know (v)	4%	2%
	Refused (v)	1%	2%

**Q: TRUMP\_FUT** and **Q: HOGAN\_PRES** were only administered to Republican voters:

Q: TRUMP_FUT	Next, I'm going to read you three statements regarding Donald Trump and the future of the Republican Party. Please tell me which one comes closest to your opinion, even if it's not exactly right:	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	The Republican Party should continue to be led by Trump.		48%
	Trump was a good president, but it is time for new leaders.		35%
	Trump was a bad president and it is time to move on.		13%
	Some other opinion (v)		3%
	Don't know (v)		1%
	Refused (v)		1%
Q: HOGAN_PRES	Would you consider voting for Gov. Larry Hogan for president if he decides to run in 2024?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	No		45%
	Yes		39%
	It depends		11%
	Don't know (v)		6%
	Refused (v)		1%

Likely Voter Screen:

Q: INTEREST	As you may know, Maryland will hold statewide primary elections in July. How interested are you in these elections: [extremely, very, somewhat, or not at all]?	Democratic Voters	Republican Voters
	Not interested at all	5%	6%
	Somewhat interested	22%	23%
Likely voter screen:	Very interested	37%	33%
	Extremely interested	34%	37%
	Don't know (v)	1%	1%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%

**Q: LV** was administered to voters who indicated that they were somewhat, very, or extremely interested in the statewide primary elections:

Q: LV	Which of the following statements best describes you?	Democratic Voters (n=470)	Republican Voters (n=469)
	I probably will NOT vote in the upcoming primary elections.	2%	1%
	I MAY vote in the 2022 primary elections.	12%	10%
Likely voter screen:	Unless some emergency comes up, I WILL vote in the 2022 primary election.	19%	17%
•	I DEFINITELY WILL vote in the 2022 primary election.	67%	71%
	Don't know (v)	0%	1%
	Refused (v)	0%	0%

Democratic likely voters:

**Q: DEM\_GOV** to **Q: CONSIDER\_COX** were administered to the 403 Democratic voters identified as likely voters (MOE=+/-4.9%). Questions appear in order in which they were administered to the respondent. The results are in column percentages and may not add up to 100 exactly due to weighting and rounding.

Q: DEM_GOV	If the Democratic primary for Maryland governor were held today, which of the following candidates would you support for the Democratic nomination? [candidates randomized]	Democratic Likely Voter
	Peter Franchot	16%
	Wes Moore	14%
	Tom Perez	14%
	Doug Gansler	5%
	John King	4%
	Jon Baron	2%
	Ashwani Jain	2%
	Ralph Jaffe	>1%
	Jerome Segal	>1%
	Some other candidate (v)	5%
	Undecided or Don't know (v)	35%
	Refused (v)	2%

## Q: DEM\_FIRM was administered to voters who identified a candidate in Q: DEM\_GOV

Q: DEM_FIRM	Is there a chance you could change your mind or are you set on < <b>Q: DEM_GOV response</b> > for governor?	Democratic Likely Voter (n=232)
	Could change mind	63%
	Set on candidate	33%
	Don't know (v)	4%
	Refused (v)	0%
Q: CONSIDER_SCH	Voters sometimes support a candidate from a different political party in the general election. Gov. Larry Hogan has endorsed Kelly Schulz in the Republican primary. Knowing this, would you consider voting for Kelly Schulz in the general election this November?	Democratic Likely Voter
	Would not consider Would consider It depends (v)	49% 23% 11%
	Don't know (v) Refused (v)	16% 2%

Q: CONSIDER_COX	Former President Donald Trump has endorsed Dan Cox in the Republican primary. Knowing this, would you consider voting for Dan Cox in the general election this November?	Democratic Likely Voter
	Would not consider	84%
	Would consider	9%
	Don't know (v)	7%
	Refused (v)	1%

### **Republican likely voters:**

**Q: REP\_GOV** was administered to the 414 Republican voters identified as likely voters (MOE=+/-4.8%). Questions appear in order in which they were administered to the respondent. The results are in column percentages and may not add up to 100 exactly due to weighting and rounding.

Q: REP_GOV	If the Republican primary for Maryland governor were held today, which of the following candidates would you support for the Republican nomination? [candidates randomized]	Republican Likely Voters
	Dan Cox	25%
	Kelly Schulz	22%
	Joe Werner	3%
	Robin Ficker	2%
	Some other candidate (v)	2%
	Undecided or don't know (v)	44%
	Refused (v)	1%

Q: REP\_FIRM was administered to voters who identified a candidate in Q: REP\_GOV:

Q: REP_FIRM	Is there a chance you could change your mind or are you set on < <b>Q: REP_GOV</b> response> for governor?	Republican Likely Voters (n=215)
	Could change mind	47%
	Set on this candidate	50%
	Don't know (v)	2%