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Marylanders Differ on Views toward Policing, Hogan Popularity High

Baltimore – The Goucher Poll asked Maryland residents for their perceptions of elected officials and institutions; Governor Hogan's handling of key statewide issues; the most important issues facing Maryland, the direction of the state, and their personal financial situation; redistricting; the proposed post-Labor Day start to public schools; marijuana; confederate memorials; immigration; communities and their police; and attention paid to the events surrounding the death of Freddie Gray in Baltimore City.

Racial Differences in Views toward Police in Communities

The poll, conducted September 26 to 30, finds that Marylanders are paying close attention to the events surrounding the death of Freddie Gray in Baltimore City. Eighty-two percent indicate they are paying "some" or "a lot" of attention, while 17 percent indicate that they are paying "no" or "a little" attention.

Residents were also asked about several aspects of policing in their communities; African-American and white Marylanders express different views on the issues:

- 49 percent of all Marylanders agree that "*people of all races receive equal treatment by the police in your community.*"
 - Among African-Americans, 27 percent agree.
 - Among whites, 60 percent agree.

- 66 percent of Marylanders agree that "police in your community are held accountable for *misconduct*."
 - Among African-Americans, 47 percent agree.
 - Among whites, 77 percent agree.
- 61 percent of Marylanders agree that "the racial makeup of a community's police department should be similar to the racial makeup of the people living in that community."
 - Among African-Americans, 66 percent agree.
 - Among whites, 57 percent agree.
- 51 percent of Marylanders agree that "police officers should be required to live in the communities in which they serve."
 - Among African-Americans, 59 percent agree.
 - Among whites, 44 percent agree.
- 77 percent of Marylanders agree that "*in general, police officers are respected in your community*."
 - Among African-Americans, 69 percent agree.
 - Among whites, 81 percent agree.

"As the trials of the officers in the Freddie Gray case begin, the nation's attention will again turn to Baltimore City," said Mileah Kromer, director of the Sarah T. Hughes Field Politics Center. "The stark racial differences in our results suggest that regardless of the outcomes of the six trials, political and community leaders in Maryland will need to continue working to develop solutions to address these divisions in police-community relations."

Governor Hogan, the Direction of the State, and Redistricting

Nine months into his term, 58 percent of Maryland residents approve of the way Larry Hogan is handling his job as Governor; 18 percent disapprove, and 23 percent don't know. Similarly, 54 percent hold a favorable view of the Governor, 15 percent unfavorable, and 30 percent don't know.

Residents were also asked about Hogan's handling of specific statewide issues:

- 42 percent approve of his handing of job creation, 28 percent disapprove.
- 52 percent approve of his handling of economic growth and development, 21 percent disapprove.
- 40 percent approve of his handling of public education, 33 percent disapprove.
- 52 percent approve of his handling of taxes, 29 percent disapprove.
- 43 percent approve of his handling of crime and criminal justice, 32 percent disapprove.

- 42 percent approve of his handling of environmental issues, 27 percent disapprove.
- 50 percent approve of his handing of transportation and infrastructure, 29 percent disapprove.

When asked about the most important issue facing the state, residents chose education (15 percent), taxes (14 percent), economic growth and development (13 percent), and jobs and unemployment (11 percent).

Marylanders are more optimistic about the direction the state is heading than they were a year ago. Fifty-six percent say the state is heading in the right direction, compared to the 38 percent found in the September 2014 Goucher Poll.

Asked about their personal financial situation, 29 percent indicate that it is better than a year ago, 49 percent say it is about the same, and 22 percent say it is worse.

When asked to speculate about their personal economic situation a year from now, 47 percent expect it to get better, 39 percent expect it to stay about the same, and 11 percent expect it to get worse.

"In the eyes of many Marylanders, Governor Larry Hogan is off to a good start leading the state. What is notable is that his support crosses party lines. Along with his 80 percent approval rating among his fellow Republicans, 54 percent of Democrats approve of the job he's doing," said Kromer. "A tough test of his leadership ability will come this spring, when he has to work with the heavily Democratic legislature to address important statewide issues like education, public transportation, and budgetary policy."

Statewide Policy Issues— Legalization of Marijuana, Redistricting, Post-Labor Day Start to Public Schools, and Confederate Memorials

Fifty-two percent of Maryland residents support the legalization of marijuana, 42 percent oppose it. When asked who should determine laws regarding marijuana, 31 percent think they should be determined by the federal government, and 64 percent think the laws should be left to the individual states.

With regard to how Maryland should determine voting district lines, 21 percent prefer a system where districts are determined by the State's elected officials and 73 percent prefer a system where districts are determined by an independent commission. Currently, district lines in Maryland are determined by the state's elected officials and are readjusted after each US Census.

The proposal to move the start date of Maryland public schools to after Labor Day weekend continues to garner widespread support among Maryland residents; seventy-two percent support moving the official start date, 19 percent oppose.

Marylanders were also asked to weigh in on whether Confederate memorials, monuments, and statues should be removed from public grounds in Maryland. Sixty-five percent think the memorials should stay, and 28 percent think they should be removed. There was a notable difference along racial lines, with 77 percent of white respondents saying the memorials should stay, compared to 44 percent of African-American respondents.

Views on Undocumented Immigration

Residents were asked about their general views toward undocumented immigrants working in the United States:

- 62 percent: Undocumented immigrants should be allowed to stay in their jobs and eventually apply for U.S. citizenship.
- 13 percent: Undocumented immigrants should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers, but not to apply for U.S. citizenship.
- 20 percent: Undocumented immigrants should be required to leave their jobs and leave the United States.

Residents were also asked whether they thought the number of undocumented immigrants coming to the United States in the past decade has increased, decreased, or stayed the same. Seventy-three percent of Marylanders think it has increased, 14 percent think it has stayed about the same, and 8 percent think it has decreased.

According to research from the Pew Research Center based on Census population estimates, the number of undocumented immigrants coming to the US has stayed about the same since 2005.¹

President Barack Obama and Congress

President Obama's job approval ratings among Marylanders have remained consistent during his lame duck term in office. Fifty-three percent of Maryland residents approve of the job he is doing, while 38 percent disapprove—nearly identical to the results found in the September 2014 Goucher Poll. Marylanders continue to express their disapproval with Congress; 83 percent disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job.

¹ Krogstad, J., & Passel, J. (2015, July 24). 5 facts about illegal immigration in the U.S. Retrieved October 4, 2015. <u>http://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2015/07/24/5-facts-about-illegal-immigration-in-the-u-s/</u>



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About the Goucher Poll

The Goucher Poll is conducted under the auspices of the Sarah T. Hughes Field Politics Center, which is housed in the Department of Political Science and International Relations at Goucher College. Directed by Mileah Kromer, the Goucher Poll conducts surveys on public policy, economic, and social issues in Maryland.

Goucher College supports the Goucher Poll as part of its mission to instill in its students a sense of community where discourse is valued and practiced. The Goucher Poll is fully funded by the Sarah T. Hughes Field Politics Center endowment and does not take additional funding from outside sources.

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The Goucher Poll seeks to improve public discourse in the state by providing neutral and nonbiased information on resident perceptions and opinions. The data collected by the Goucher Poll are used to support faculty and student research.

Survey Methodology

To ensure all Maryland residents are represented, the Goucher Poll is conducted using random digit dialing (RDD) of a county-level stratified random sample using landline and cellular telephone numbers. The sample of telephone numbers for the survey is obtained from Survey Sampling International, LLC (http://www.surveysampling.com/).

The survey was conducted Saturday, September 26, to Wednesday, September 30, 2015. During this time, interviews were conducted 10a.m-7p.m on Saturday, 12-9 p.m. on Sunday and 5-9 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. The Goucher Poll uses Voxco Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) software to administer its surveys. Interviews are conducted by a staff of professionally trained, paid, student interviewers.

Interviewers attempted to reach respondents with working phone numbers a maximum of five times. Only Maryland adults—residents aged 18 years or older—were eligible to participate. Interviews were not conducted with adults who were reached at business or work numbers. Fifty-seven percent of the interviews were conducted on a cell phone, and 43 percent were conducted on a landline.

Interviews for this survey were completed with 636 Maryland residents, of these residents 529 indicated they were registered to vote in Maryland. For a sample size of 636, there is a 95 percent probability the survey results have a plus or minus 3.9 percentage point sampling error from the actual population distribution for any given survey question. For sample size of 529 registered voters, there is a 95 percent probability the survey results have a plus or minus 4.2 percentage point sampling error from the actual population distribution for any given survey results have a plus or minus 4.2 percentage point sampling error from the actual population distribution for any given survey question. Margins of error are higher for subsamples.

Survey Question Design

The Goucher Poll provides the questions as worded and the order in which they are administered to respondents.

BRACKETED ITEMS []: Items and statements in brackets are rotated to ensure respondents do not receive a set order of response options presented to them, 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/perspective. Probe techniques used in this questionnaire mainly consist of asking a respondent if his or her response is more intense than initially provided.

Example: Do you have a [favorable or unfavorable] opinion of President Obama? **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. Any response options provided to the interviewer are not read to respondent; they are only used to help reduce interviewer error and time in coding the response.

VOLUNTEER (v): Volunteer responses means the interviewer did not offer that response option in the question as read to the interviewer. 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.

Sample Demographics (in percent)

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | MD Adult Population Parameter | Weighted Sample Estimate (N=636) | | | |
| Gender | | | | | |
| Male | 48 | 51 | | | |
| Female | 52 | 49 | | | |
| Age | | | | | |
| 18 to 24 | 13 | 11 | | | |
| 25 to 34 | 18 | 18 | | | |
| 35 to 44 | 17 | 17 | | | |
| 45 to 54 | 20 | 20 | | | |
| 55 to 64 | 17 | 17 | | | |
| 65+ | 16 | 17 | | | |
| Race | | | | | |
| White | 63 | 59 | | | |
| Black | 29 | 31 | | | |
| Other | 8 | 10 | | | |
| Region | | | | | |
| Capitol | 36 | 35 | | | |
| Central | 46 | 47 | | | |
| Eastern | 8 | 7 | | | |
| Southern | 6 | 7 | | | |
| Western | 4 | 5 | | | |
| | | | | | |

Population parameters are based on Census estimates as of July 2011. Sample is weighted by age, region, and race.

Distribution of Regions

<u>Capitol</u>–Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's <u>Central</u>–Anne Arundel, Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, Howard <u>Eastern</u>–Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, Worcester <u>Southern</u>–Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's <u>Western</u>–Allegany, Garrett, Washington

Registered Voters

Registered voter screen question:

Q: REGVOTE

Are you registered to vote at your current address?

If "**Yes**" follow up: Are you registered as a Republican, Democrat, Independent, unaffiliated or something else?

Of the $\underline{636}$ Maryland residents surveyed, $\underline{529}$ indicated they were registered voters with the Democratic, Republican, or other party or registered unaffiliated (i.e. independent).

Maryland Voter Registration (in percent)

| | MD Board of Elections Registration (April 2015) | Weighted Sample Estimate (N=529) |
|--|--|---|
| Democratic Party | 54 | 54 |
| Republican Party | 26 | 28 |
| Unaffiliated (Independent) | 18 | 15 |
| Other Party (Green/Libertarian/Other) | 2 | 3 |

Information on voter registration in Maryland from the Board of Elections can be found at <u>http://www.elections.state.md.us</u>.

| | MD Adult Population Parameter | Weighted Sample Estimate Registered Voters Only (N=529) | | |
|----------|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Gender | | | | |
| Male | 48 | 50 | | |
| Female | 52 | 50 | | |
| Age | | | | |
| 18 to 24 | 13 | 10 | | |
| 25 to 34 | 18 | 18 | | |
| 35 to 44 | 17 | 15 | | |
| 45 to 54 | 20 | 21 | | |
| 55 to 64 | 17 | 18 | | |
| 65+ | 16 | 19 | | |
| Race | | | | |
| White | 63 | 62 | | |
| Black | 29 | 30 | | |
| Other | 8 | 8 | | |
| Region | | | | |
| Capitol | 36 | 34 | | |
| Central | 46 | 47 | | |
| Eastern | 8 | 7 | | |
| Southern | 6 | 6 | | |
| Western | 4 | 5 | | |

Sample Demographics of Registered Voters (in percent)

Survey Results

- Results below represent the Maryland adult population and are not restricted by registered voter status. For results by registered voters, please refer to the results by demographics section (page 22).
- Results in percent. Percent totals may not add up to 100 due to weighting and/or rounding.

Q: IMPISSUE

What do you think is the most important issue facing the state of Maryland today? [OPEN-ENDED]

| [OPEN-ENDED] | ОСТ 15 |
|---|---------------|
| Education | 15 |
| Taxes | 14 |
| Economic growth and development | 13 |
| Jobs / unemployment | 11 |
| Crime / criminal justice / police | 8 |
| Racism / community or racial tensions | 4 |
| Budget deficit | 4 |
| Transportation/roads/mass transit | 4 |
| Immigration or undocumented immigrants | 3 |
| Environmental issues or concerns | 3 |
| Politicians in office/running the country | 2 |
| Drugs | 2 |
| Other: | 9 |
| Don't Know (v) | 8 |
| Refused (v) | 1 |
| Total= | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: OBAMAJOB

Do you **[approve or disapprove]** of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president? **PROBE**

| | ОСТ 13 | SEPT 14 | ОСТ 15 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly disapprove (p) | 22 | 24 | 26 |
| Disapprove | 17 | 13 | 12 |
| Approve | 32 | 31 | 25 |
| Strongly approve (p) | 22 | 23 | 28 |
| Don't know (v) | 5 | 7 | 7 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Total= | 665 +/-3.8 | 708 +/-3.7 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: CONGJOB

Do you **[approve or disapprove]** of the way Congress is handling its job? **PROBE**

| | OCT 13 | SEPT 14 | ОСТ 15 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly disapprove (p) | 62 | 46 | 54 |
| Disapprove | 29 | 33 | 29 |
| Approve | 4 | 11 | 8 |
| Strongly approve (p) | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| Don't know (v) | 4 | 7 | 7 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| Total= | 665 +/-3.8 | 708 +/-3.7 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: HOGANFAV

Do you have a(n) **[favorable or unfavorable]** opinion of Governor Larry Hogan? **PROBE**

| | FEB 15 | ОСТ 15 |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Very unfavorable (p) | 4 | 4 |
| Unfavorable | 17 | 11 |
| Favorable | 24 | 35 |
| Very favorable (p) | 9 | 19 |
| Don't know (v) | 45 | 30 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 1 |
| Total= | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: HOGANJOB

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way Larry Hogan is handling his job as governor?

| | FEB 15 | OCT 15 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly disapprove (p) | 4 | 3 |
| Disapprove | 13 | 15 |
| Approve | 32 | 42 |
| Strongly approve (p) | 8 | 16 |
| Don't know (v) | 43 | 23 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 1 |
| Total= | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: ISSUES

Next, please tell me whether you [approve or disapprove] of the way Governor Hogan is handling each of these statewide issues. . . [ITEMS ROTATED]

| | Strongly Disapprove | Disapprove | Approve | Strongly Approve | DK/ REF (v) |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Job creation | 8 | 20 | 34 | 8 | 31 |
| Economic growth and development | 6 | 15 | 40 | 12 | 26 |
| Public education | 14 | 19 | 31 | 9 | 28 |
| Taxes | 11 | 18 | 40 | 11 | 21 |
| Crime and criminal justice | 13 | 19 | 34 | 9 | 25 |
| Environmental issues | 7 | 20 | 34 | 8 | 32 |
| Transportation and infrastructure | 10 | 19 | 38 | 12 | 21 |

Total=636, +/-3.9

Q: ONEWORD

What one word best describes Governor Larry Hogan?* [OPEN-ENDED] Most Frequently Used Words

| OCT | | | | |
|--------------|----|--|--|--|
| | 15 | | | |
| honest | 3 | | | |
| determined | 3 | | | |
| fair | 3 | | | |
| ambitious | 2 | | | |
| Republican | 2 | | | |
| trying | 2 | | | |
| mediocre | 2 | | | |
| strong | 1 | | | |
| good | 1 | | | |
| conservative | 1 | | | |
| politician | 1 | | | |
| unknown | 1 | | | |
| dedicated | 1 | | | |
| okay | 1 | | | |

Total=636

*Full list of words available upon request.

Q: TRACK

In general, do you think things in the state are [headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track]?

| | ОСТ 13 | SEPT 14 | FEB 15 | OCT 15 |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wrong track | 46 | 52 | 34 | 33 |
| Right direction | 45 | 38 | 54 | 56 |
| Don't know/Refused (v) | 10 | 10 | 12 | 11 |
| Total= | 665 +/-3.8 | 708 +/-3.7 | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: ECONPAST

Thinking back, is your current personal financial situation [better, about the same, or worse] than it was a year ago?

| | OCT 12 | ОСТ 13 | SEPT 14 | OCT 15 |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Worse | 24 | 28 | 31 | 22 |
| About the same | 41 | 45 | 41 | 49 |
| Better | 34 | 27 | 26 | 29 |
| Don't know (v) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Total= | 667 +/-3.7 | 665 +/-3.8 | 708 +/-3.7 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: ECONFUT

Now, thinking ahead, do you expect your current financial situation to [get better, stay about the same, or get worse] a year from now?

| | OCT 12 | ОСТ 13 | SEPT 14 | OCT 15 |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Worse | 11 | 18 | 14 | 11 |
| About the same | 31 | 31 | 34 | 39 |
| Better | 50 | 47 | 47 | 47 |
| Don't know (v) | 8 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| Refused (v) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total= | 667 +/-3.7 | 665 +/-3.8 | 708 +/-3.7 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: REDISTRICT

As you may know, every 10 years Maryland is required to adjust voting districts based on the results of the US Census. I'm going to read you two ways in which the state could determine these district lines, please tell me which one you think is the best approach. . .

[Statements Rotated]

#1: A system where districts are determined by the state's elected officials.

#2: A system where districts are determined by an independent commission.

| | FEB 15 | ОСТ 15 |
|---------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Statement #1 | 23 | 21 |
| Statement #2 | 72 | 73 |
| Some other opinion/approach (v) | 2 | 2 |
| Don't know (v) | 3 | 4 |
| Total= | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: START

Next, as you may have heard, there is a proposal to move the official start date of Maryland public schools to after Labor Day Weekend. Do you **[support or oppose]** this proposal? **PROBE**

| | SEPT 14 | FEB 15 | OCT 15 |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly oppose (p) | 8 | 7 | 9 |
| Oppose | 9 | 11 | 10 |
| Support | 30 | 34 | 31 |
| Strongly support (p) | 41 | 38 | 41 |
| Don't know (v) | 11 | 9 | 7 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total= | 708 +/-3.7 | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: POTLEG

Changing topics, I'm going to ask you a few questions about drugs. In general, do you [support or oppose] making the use of marijuana legal in Maryland? PROBE

| | OCT 13 | MAR 14 | FEB 15 | ОСТ 15 |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Strongly oppose (p) | 20 | 24 | 24 | 28 |
| Oppose | 21 | 15 | 20 | 14 |
| Support | 26 | 26 | 27 | 26 |
| Strongly support (p) | 25 | 25 | 26 | 26 |
| Don't know (v) | 8 | 10 | 4 | 5 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total= | 665 +/-3.8 | 861 +/-3.3 | 619 +/-3.9 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: POTSTATE

Do you think the laws regarding marijuana should be [determined by the federal government or left up to each individual state]?

| | OCT 15 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Determined by the federal government | 31 |
| Left up to each individual state | 64 |
| Don't know (v) | 5 |
| Refused (v) | 1 |
| Total= | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: CONFED

As you may have heard, there has been discussion over whether confederate memorials, monuments, and statues should be removed from public grounds in Maryland. What do you think? Should confederate memorials, monuments, and statues in Maryland [stay where they are or be removed]?

| | OCT 15 |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Should be removed | 28 |
| Should stay | 65 |
| Some other opinion (v) | 3 |
| Don't know (v) | 4 |
| Total= | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: IMMGEN

Now, changing topics to undocumented immigrants in the U.S. . . . I'm going to read you three statements and I'd like for you to tell me which one comes closest to your opinion. . .

[STATEMENTS ROTATED]

#1 Undocumented immigrants should be allowed to stay in their jobs and eventually apply for U.S. citizenship.

#2 Undocumented immigrants should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers, but not be able to apply for U.S. citizenship.

#3 Undocumented immigrants should be required to leave their jobs and leave the U.S.

| | OCT 12 | ОСТ 15 |
|------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Statement #1 | 63 | 62 |
| Statement #2 | 15 | 13 |
| Statement #3 | 17 | 20 |
| Some other opinion (v) | 3 | 3 |
| Don't know (v) | 1 | 2 |
| Refused (v) | 1 | 0 |
| Total= | 667 +/- 3.8 | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: IMMUS

Taking your best guess, over the past 10 years, has the number of undocumented immigrants coming to the United States [increased, decreased, or stayed about the same]?

| | FEB 15 |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Decrease | 8 |
| Stayed about the same | 14 |
| Increased | 73 |
| Don't know (v) | 5 |
| Total= | 636 +/-3.9 |

Q: POLICE

Next, I'm going to read you a few statements about the policing in communities. As I read you each statement, please tell me whether you [**agree or disagree**] with it:

[Statements Rotated]

| | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Agree | Strongly Agree | DK/ REF (v) |
|---|----------------------|----------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| The racial makeup of a community's police department should be similar to the racial makeup of the people living in that community. | 10 | 24 | 34 | 27 | 5 |
| People of all races receive equal treatment by the police in your community. | 25 | 20 | 27 | 22 | 6 |
| Police in your community are held accountable for misconduct. | 12 | 14 | 42 | 24 | 8 |
| Police officers should be required to live in the communities in which they serve. | 15 | 32 | 27 | 24 | 3 |
| In general, police officers are respected in your community. | 7 | 12 | 52 | 25 | 4 |

Total=636, +/-3.9

Q: GRAY

How much attention—[**no attention at all, a little, some, or a lot**]—have you paid to the events surrounding the death of Freddie Gray in Baltimore City?

| | OCT 15 |
|---------------------|---------------|
| No attention at all | 5 |
| A little attention | 12 |
| Some attention | 29 |
| A lot of attention | 53 |
| Don't know (v) | 1 |
| Refused (v) | 0 |
| Total= | 636 +/-3.9 |

Results by Demographics (in percent)

- Column percentages
- Unless specified, "Don't Know," "Refused," and other volunteered responses are not included below
- Margin of error is higher for subsamples
- Refer to tables above for questions as worded

| | l | Registered Voters | | | | | All Maryland Adults | | | | | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| | | Party Registration | | | Gender Race | | | | | Age | | |
| | All N=529 | Dems N=283 | Reps N=152 | Un/Ind N=79 | Male N=321 | Female N=310 | White N=378 | Black N=198 | Other N=60 | 18-34 N=182 | 35-54 N=240 | 55+ N=214 |
| ObamaJob Approval | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 39 | 14 | 84 | 44 | 46 | 31 | 56 | 4 | 38 | 36 | 40 | 39 |
| Approve | 54 | 82 | 11 | 41 | 47 | 60 | 37 | 87 | 52 | 52 | 53 | 54 |
| CongressJob Approval | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 86 | 86 | 88 | 78 | 84 | 82 | 86 | 79 | 72 | 73 | 88 | 85 |
| Approve | 7 | 9 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 20 | 15 | 7 | 8 |
| HoganJob Approval | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 16 | 20 | 9 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 14 | 26 | 16 | 20 | 20 | 14 |
| Approve | 61 | 54 | 80 | 53 | 62 | 53 | 65 | 43 | 57 | 55 | 58 | 61 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 22 | 26 | 12 | 27 | 22 | 27 | 21 | 31 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 25 |
| HoganFavorability | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Unfavorable | 14 | 19 | 7 | 11 | 14 | 17 | 13 | 20 | 13 | 16 | 18 | 12 |
| Favorable | 56 | 43 | 78 | 58 | 57 | 50 | 62 | 37 | 53 | 50 | 53 | 56 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 30 | 37 | 15 | 30 | 28 | 34 | 25 | 44 | 33 | 33 | 29 | 32 |

| | Registered Voters | | | | All Maryland Adults | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
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| | All N=529 | Dems N=283 | Reps N=152 | Un/Ind N=79 | Male N=321 | Female N=310 | White N=378 | Black N=198 | Other N=60 | 18-34 N=182 | 35-54 N=240 | 55+ N=214 |
| HoganHandling Job Creation | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 27 | 28 | 22 | 27 | 25 | 31 | 22 | 37 | 33 | 31 | 28 | 25 |
| Approve | 42 | 39 | 53 | 37 | 45 | 37 | 44 | 37 | 43 | 42 | 45 | 39 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 31 | 33 | 25 | 37 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 26 | 25 | 27 | 28 | 36 |
| HoganHandling Econ Growth | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 20 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 20 | 24 | 18 | 27 | 26 | 20 | 26 | 19 |
| Approve | 55 | 53 | 63 | 49 | 55 | 48 | 55 | 49 | 43 | 49 | 55 | 51 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 25 | 27 | 16 | 31 | 25 | 28 | 27 | 24 | 31 | 31 | 19 | 30 |
| HoganHandling Public Education | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 33 | 41 | 23 | 23 | 30 | 35 | 28 | 41 | 30 | 40 | 29 | 29 |
| Approve | 40 | 36 | 45 | 49 | 43 | 37 | 41 | 39 | 37 | 38 | 42 | 40 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 26 | 23 | 32 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 31 | 20 | 33 | 21 | 29 | 31 |
| HoganHandling Taxes | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 29 | 36 | 21 | 19 | 23 | 35 | 24 | 41 | 20 | 27 | 30 | 28 |
| Approve | 53 | 42 | 69 | 65 | 58 | 42 | 57 | 37 | 56 | 56 | 47 | 50 |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 18 | 23 | 11 | 16 | 19 | 23 | 20 | 22 | 25 | 17 | 23 | 21 |

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| | Party Registration | | | | Gender Race | | | | | Age | | | |
| | All N=529 | Dems N=283 | Reps N=152 | Un/Ind N=79 | Male N=321 | Female N=310 | White N=378 | Black N=198 | Other N=60 | 18-34 N=182 | 35-54 N=240 | 55+ N=214 | |
| HoganHandling Crime | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 31 | 36 | 23 | 28 | 29 | 34 | 24 | 46 | 31 | 45 | 27 | 25 | |
| Approve | 47 | 40 | 59 | 51 | 49 | 37 | 50 | 33 | 38 | 36 | 47 | 47 | |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 22 | 25 | 18 | 22 | 22 | 28 | 26 | 20 | 31 | 19 | 26 | 28 | |
| HoganHandling Environment | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 27 | 31 | 20 | 20 | 26 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 35 | 25 | 21 | |
| Approve | 43 | 38 | 51 | 46 | 45 | 39 | 41 | 42 | 48 | 40 | 42 | 43 | |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 30 | 31 | 29 | 34 | 30 | 34 | 32 | 31 | 28 | 25 | 33 | 36 | |
| HoganHandling Transportation | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 29 | 36 | 22 | 19 | 26 | 32 | 25 | 37 | 28 | 27 | 28 | 32 | |
| Approve | 51 | 45 | 57 | 61 | 55 | 44 | 53 | 43 | 49 | 57 | 48 | 45 | |
| Don't Know / Refused (v) | 20 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 19 | 24 | 21 | 20 | 23 | 16 | 23 | 23 | |

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| Direction of State | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wrong Track | 33 | 32 | 34 | 33 | 30 | 37 | 33 | 35 | 33 | 42 | 33 | 27 | | |
| Right Direction | 59 | 57 | 64 | 58 | 60 | 52 | 59 | 47 | 61 | 50 | 55 | 61 | | |
| Personal Financial SituationPast | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Worse | 21 | 21 | 22 | 14 | 19 | 25 | 20 | 26 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 22 | | |
| About the same | 51 | 52 | 48 | 53 | 46 | 52 | 53 | 42 | 44 | 32 | 53 | 59 | | |
| Better | 28 | 26 | 30 | 32 | 34 | 24 | 26 | 32 | 34 | 47 | 24 | 19 | | |
| Personal Financial SituationFuture | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Worse | 10 | 10 | 14 | 4 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 4 | 14 | 13 | | |
| About the same | 40 | 39 | 42 | 35 | 36 | 41 | 47 | 22 | 36 | 29 | 36 | 50 | | |
| Better | 46 | 47 | 39 | 61 | 50 | 44 | 38 | 66 | 49 | 67 | 45 | 33 | | |

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| | Party Registration | | | | Gei | nder | Race | | | Age | | | |
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| Redistricting | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Determined by elected officials | 22 | 24 | 20 | 15 | 22 | 19 | 13 | 30 | 40 | 29 | 19 | 16 | |
| Determined by independent commission | 73 | 71 | 75 | 83 | 73 | 73 | 81 | 64 | 52 | 68 | 75 | 74 | |
| Post-Labor Day Start for Public Schools | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oppose | 19 | 20 | 16 | 20 | 22 | 16 | 17 | 24 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 16 | |
| Support | 74 | 72 | 80 | 73 | 69 | 77 | 74 | 70 | 74 | 73 | 74 | 70 | |
| Legalizing Marijuana in Maryland | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Oppose | 42 | 39 | 54 | 35 | 38 | 46 | 40 | 43 | 43 | 24 | 46 | 51 | |
| Support | 54 | 57 | 42 | 61 | 55 | 50 | 53 | 51 | 54 | 70 | 48 | 43 | |
| Determining Marijuana Policy | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Determined by federal government | 30 | 34 | 26 | 26 | 28 | 34 | 30 | 33 | 28 | 28 | 31 | 33 | |
| Left up to the states | 66 | 61 | 70 | 69 | 67 | 60 | 64 | 62 | 67 | 68 | 64 | 59 | |

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| Confederate Memorials | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Should be removed | 29 | 41 | 5 | 33 | 26 | 31 | 17 | 47 | 34 | 31 | 32 | 23 | |
| Should stay | 64 | 51 | 91 | 63 | 67 | 63 | 77 | 44 | 61 | 67 | 61 | 68 | |
| Views on Immigration | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Should stay and be allowed to apply for citizenship | 63 | 77 | 40 | 56 | 57 | 67 | 54 | 78 | 57 | 65 | 61 | 60 | |
| Should stay, but only as guest workers | 13 | 11 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 11 | 15 | 8 | 15 | 12 | 10 | 18 | |
| Should have to leave US | 19 | 7 | 38 | 24 | 23 | 17 | 25 | 11 | 20 | 19 | 25 | 15 | |
| Rates of Immigration in Past 10 Years | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Decrease | 8 | 11 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 6 | |
| Stay the same | 13 | 16 | 9 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 17 | 7 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 12 | |
| Increase | 74 | 69 | 84 | 70 | 70 | 77 | 72 | 75 | 72 | 71 | 71 | 77 | |

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| Police Should Match Community Demo | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disagree | 34 | 29 | 42 | 38 | 37 | 33 | 38 | 29 | 38 | 35 | 38 | 32 | |
| Agree | 62 | 68 | 53 | 57 | 59 | 62 | 57 | 66 | 61 | 61 | 57 | 64 | |
| All Races Receive Equal Treatment | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disagree | 44 | 57 | 19 | 46 | 43 | 45 | 33 | 68 | 43 | 48 | 47 | 39 | |
| Agree | 51 | 38 | 75 | 48 | 50 | 49 | 60 | 27 | 49 | 49 | 46 | 52 | |
| Police Held Accountable for Misconduct | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disagree | 27 | 32 | 14 | 37 | 25 | 28 | 16 | 45 | 31 | 31 | 28 | 20 | |
| Agree | 67 | 60 | 85 | 56 | 69 | 64 | 77 | 47 | 62 | 62 | 65 | 71 | |
| Require Police to Live in Community | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disagree | 48 | 46 | 54 | 49 | 50 | 44 | 53 | 38 | 39 | 37 | 50 | 51 | |
| Agree | 50 | 52 | 44 | 51 | 48 | 53 | 44 | 59 | 61 | 61 | 47 | 45 | |
| Police are Respected in Community | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Disagree | 18 | 18 | 14 | 18 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 24 | 18 | 28 | 18 | 12 | |
| Agree | 77 | 75 | 83 | 80 | 77 | 76 | 81 | 69 | 75 | 68 | 79 | 82 | |
| Attention to Freddie Gray | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| No / A Little | 17 | 13 | 22 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 19 | 14 | 20 | 26 | 15 | 13 | |
| Some / A Lot | 82 | 86 | 76 | 85 | 80 | 83 | 80 | 84 | 79 | 74 | 84 | 86 | |