

Americans for Prosperity Poll – Maryland’s First Congressional District
Survey of 400 Likely Voters, MoE +/- 4.9%
Conducted April 25-26, 2010 by Public Opinion Strategies

Q: Are you a registered voter?

- 100% - YES

Q: I know it’s a long way off, but thinking about the election in November 2010 for Governor, US Congress and various other local offices how likely would you say you are to vote in the November 2010 election?

- 84% VERY LIKELY
- 16% SOMEWHAT LIKELY

Q: Before we begin, just to be sure we have a representative sample, in what year were you born?

- 3% - 18-24 years old
- 11% - 25-34 years old
- 20% - 35-44 years old
- 23% - 45-54 years old
- 18% - 55-64 years old
- 23% - 65 +

Q: Would you say things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

- 30% RIGHT DIRECTION
- 62% WRONG TRACK
- 7% NO OPINION

Q: Which ONE of the following issues is currently MOST important to you in deciding how to vote for US Congress? (Randomize)

- 28% THE ECONOMY AND JOBS
- 6% SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE
- 7% EDUCATION
- 12% HEALTH CARE
- 6% MORAL VALUES
- 2% TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY
- 18% TAXES AND SPENDING
- 9% BUDGET DEFICITS
- 2% ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION
- 2% THE ENVIRONMENT
- 4% WARS IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN
- 1% NONE
- 2% DON’T KNOW

Q: As you may have heard, Congress recently passed a law to change the health care system. Based on what you know, do you favor or oppose the bill recently signed into law by President Obama?

(IF FAVOR/OPPOSE, ASK:) And do you **STRONGLY** (favor/oppose) or only **SOMEWHAT** (favor/oppose) the bill signed into law by President Obama?

- 21% **STRONGLY FAVOR**
- 14% **SOMEWHAT FAVOR** 35% **TOTAL FAVOR**
- 11% **SOMEWHAT OPPOSE**
- 46% **STRONGLY OPPOSE** 58% **TOTAL OPPOSE**
- 7% **DON'T KNOW**

Q: Which of the following phrase comes closest to your opinion of the impact of the economic stimulus package passed by Congress and signed into law by President Obama last year?

- 30% The economic stimulus package is working to create jobs and pull the economy out of the recession.
- 65% The economic stimulus package was just a government spending program that did not create enough new jobs for the money.
- 4% **DON'T KNOW**

Q: Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the TEA Party Movement, or do you really know enough about it to have an opinion?

(IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK:) Would that be **STRONGLY** (favorable/unfavorable) or just **SOMEWHAT** (favorable/unfavorable)?

- 22% **STRONGLY FAVORABLE**
- 13% **SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE** 36% **TOTAL FAVORABLE**
- 5% **SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE**
- 14% **STRONGLY UNFAVORABLE** 19% **TOTAL UNFAVORABLE**
- 45% **NO OPINION**

Q: In 2007, Gov. Martin O'Malley and the state legislature raised state taxes by \$1.3 billion. Do you think the increase in state taxes has helped, hurt, or had no effect on your area's economy?

- 8% **HELPED**
- 39% **HURT**
- 43% **NO EFFECT**
- 11% **DON'T KNOW**

Q: If the election for United States Congress were being held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were... (**ROTATE**)

Andy Harris, Republican,
Frank Kratovil, Democrat, or

Richard Davis, Libertarian?

- 39% HARRIS
- 36% KRATOVIL
- 6% DAVIS
- >1% OTHER
- 18% UNDECIDED

Q: If the election for Governor were being held today, for whom would you vote?
(ROTATE)

- 58% EHRLICH
- 31% O'MALLEY
- 9% UNDECIDED
- 2% REFUSED

Q: Despite how you may feel now, are you REGISTERED to vote as **(ROTATE)** a Republican, a Democrat, or something else?

(IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT, ASK) Would you call yourself a STRONG (Republican/Democrat) or a NOT-SO-STRONG (Republican/Democrat)?

(IF SOMETHING ELSE, ASK) Do you think of yourself as closer to the **(ROTATE)** Republican party or the Democratic party?

- 23% STRONG REPUBLICAN
- 19% NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN 42% TOTAL REPUBLICAN
- 3% LEAN REPUBLICAN
- 9% SOMETHING ELSE/INDEPENDENT/UNDECLARED
- 2% LEAN DEMOCRAT
- 19% NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT 42% TOTAL DEMOCRAT
- 23% STRONG DEMOCRAT
- 3% REFUSED

Q: What is your main racial or ethnic heritage? (ACCEPT ONE RESPONSE ONLY)

- 81% CAUCASIAN OR WHITE
- 12% AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK
- 2% HISPANIC
- 1% ASIAN
- 1% OTHER

Q: Gender?

- 48% MALE
- 52% FEMALE

Geography: 56% Eastern Shore – 44% Western Shore