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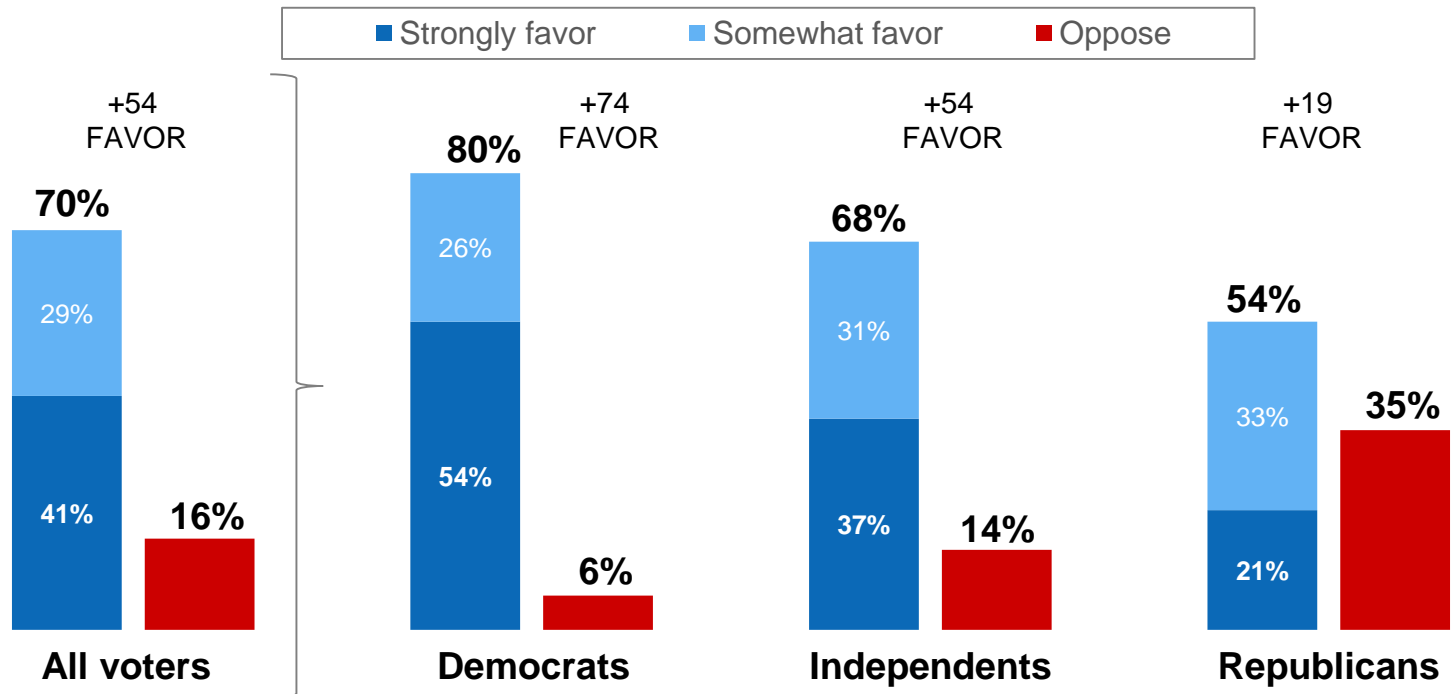
Transitioning Maryland To Clean Energy



*Key findings from a telephone survey
among 947 voters statewide (MoE $\pm 3.8\%$), including oversamples in
Montgomery County, Prince George's County, Baltimore County, Anne
Arundel County, Baltimore City, and Charles County
Conducted October 18 to 27, 2019*

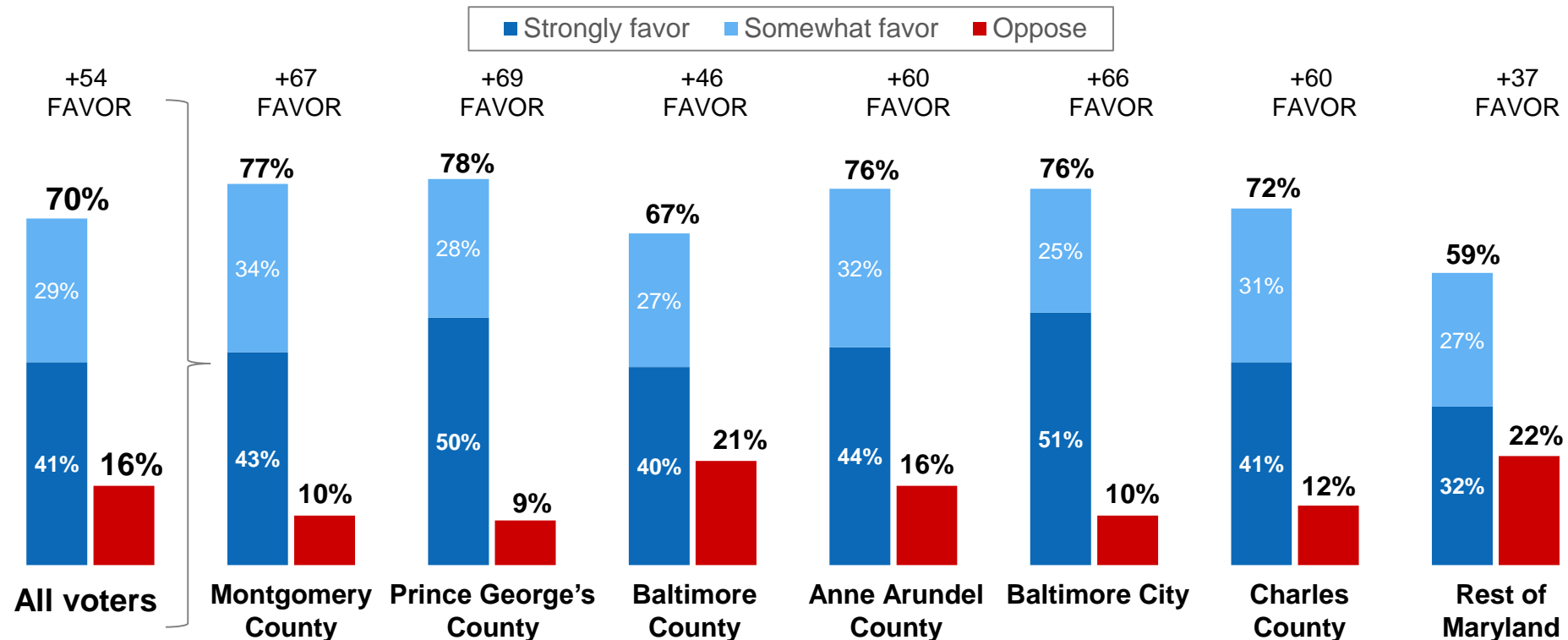
Maryland voters overwhelmingly favor transitioning off coal power and to renewable energy.

*Support for a proposal related to transitioning Maryland off coal:**



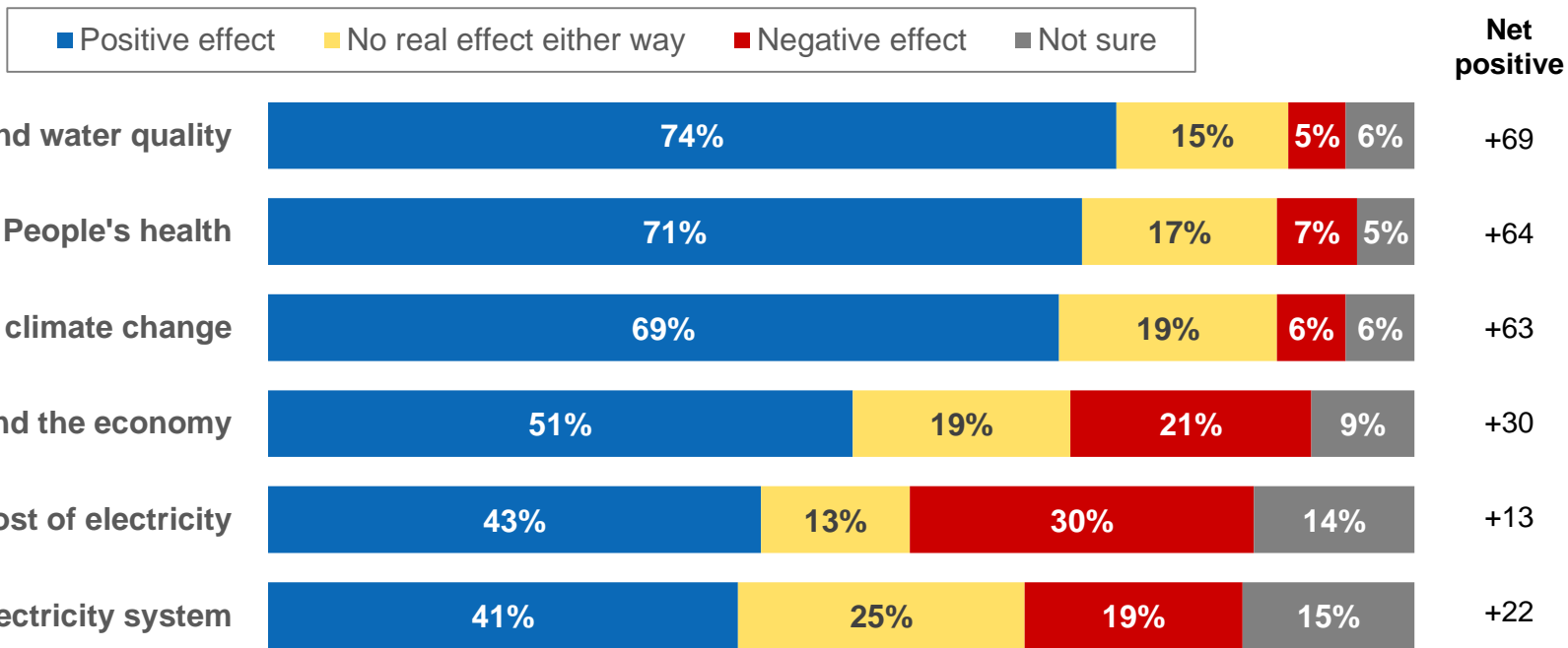
Transitioning to renewable energy is popular throughout the state.

Support for a proposal related to transitioning Maryland off coal:



Marylanders see transitioning to renewables as positive across a range of areas.

When Maryland replaces its remaining coal power plants and transitions to renewable energy sources, what effect do you think it will have on these areas?



Supporting workers and giving communities a voice are especially important factors in the transition.

Importance of actions Maryland could take as it switches off coal as an energy source:



Paid **job training/healthcare to workers** who lose their jobs when coal power plants are phased out



Ensure **local residents/workers have say** in which areas they receive assistance, transition plans, how funds used to support communities where coal plants phased out



Additional **state funding to communities** where coal power plants being phased out to make up for tax revenue they are losing



Incentives for developing clean energy where coal power plants being phased out, such as tax incentives for solar and wind companies to come to Maryland*

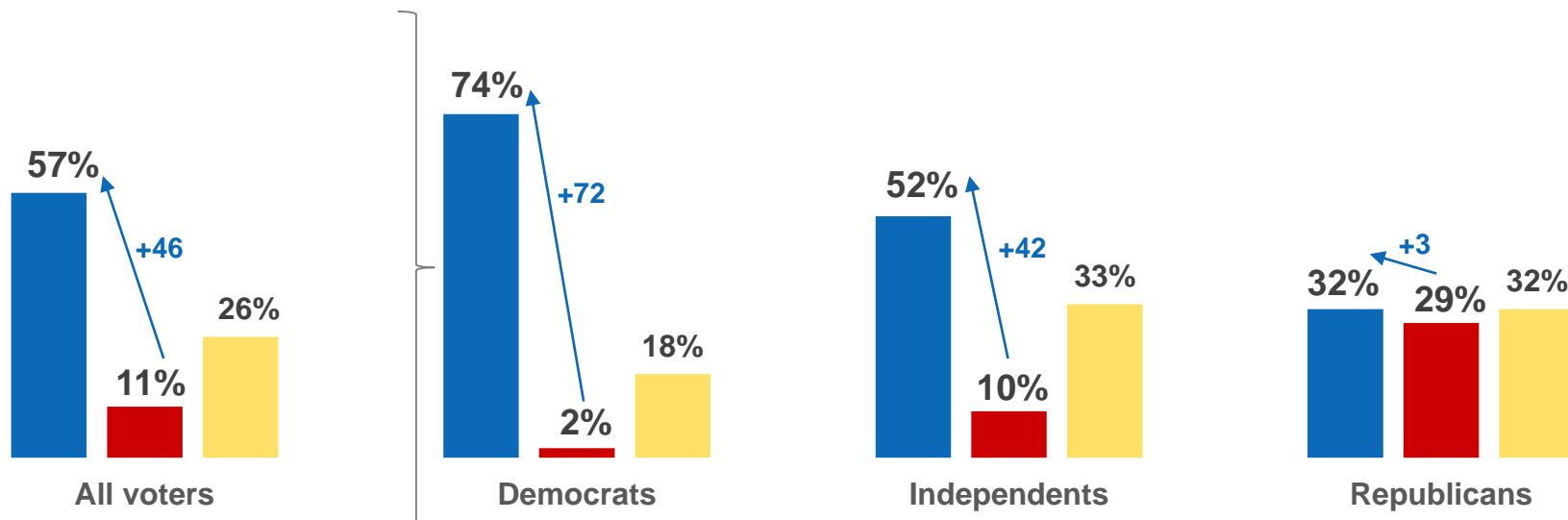


Renovate and re-use coal plants for more sustainable uses*



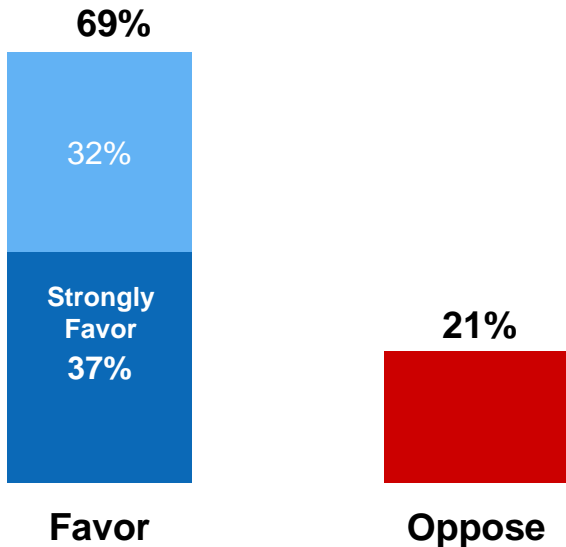
Supporting this transition plan would yield positive feelings toward elected officials.

If an elected official SUPPORTED this proposal to move Maryland off of coal as an energy source and provide assistance to affected workers and communities, how would that affect your opinion of him/her?



Marylanders favor setting a schedule to phase out the remaining coal plants.

Maryland has six remaining coal power plants whose production of electricity has decreased in recent years as renewable energy has been used more. As of right now there is not a specific schedule for phasing out these coal power plants. Would you favor or oppose setting a schedule?

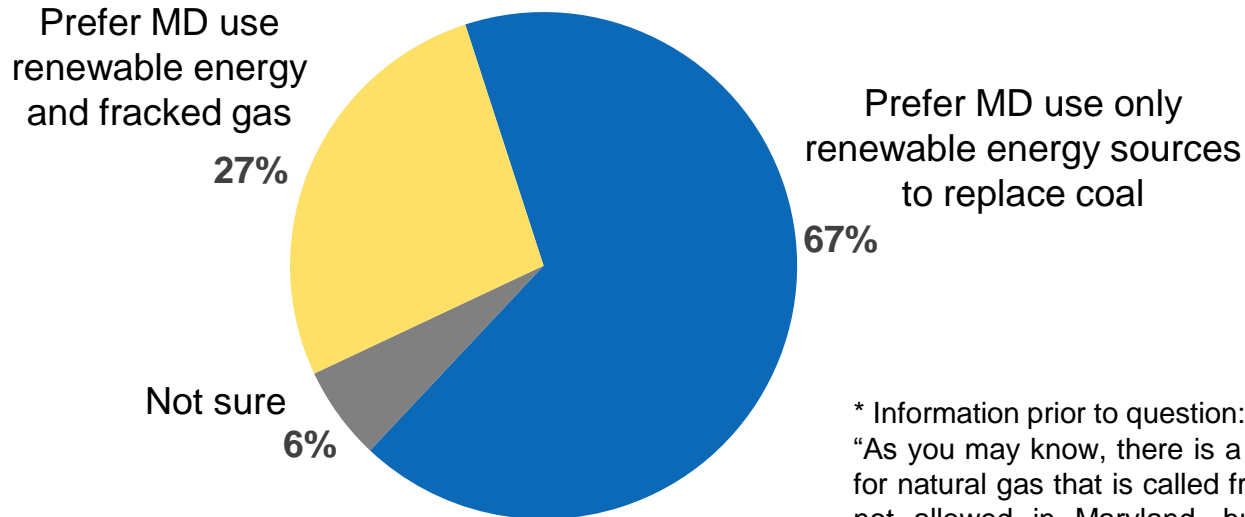


Favor setting schedule	
Montgomery County	78%
Prince George's County	81%
Baltimore County	74%
Anne Arundel County	72%
Baltimore City	70%
Charles County	74%
Rest of state	57%

Democrat	83%
Independent	69%
Republican	46%

Marylanders widely reject using fracked gas to replace coal, preferring a renewables-only approach.

*Would you prefer that Maryland use only renewable energy sources to replace coal or that Maryland use renewable energy sources AND fracked gas bought from other states to replace coal?**



* Information prior to question:
“As you may know, there is a process for drilling for natural gas that is called fracking. Fracking is not allowed in Maryland, but Maryland could purchase fracked gas from other states as we move off of coal for electricity.”

Appendix

Full Proposal Tested

Maryland must, by law, work to reduce pollution that causes climate change. To help meet that law, Maryland power plants pay a fee based on the amount of pollution they create. There is a proposal to use a portion of the money collected from the pollution fee to help move, or transition, the state off its six remaining coal power plants. Estimates range from forty to eighty million dollars to be used for three primary purposes: to increase energy from wind and solar, to provide job retraining and financial support for laid-off workers from closed coal power plants, and to provide economic support to communities where coal plants close.