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## 2016 State Election Analysis: Maryland

Presidential, Senate and House election results

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#### Hillary Clinton wins Maryland by a large margin

#### Maryland presidential election results, by county

Legend	Candidate	Votes	Pct.
	Hillary Clinton/Tim Kaine	1,677,928	60.3%
	Donald Trump/Mike Pence	943,169	33.9%
	Gary Johnson/Bill Weld	79,605	2.9%
	Jill Stein/Ajamu Baraka	35,945	1.3%



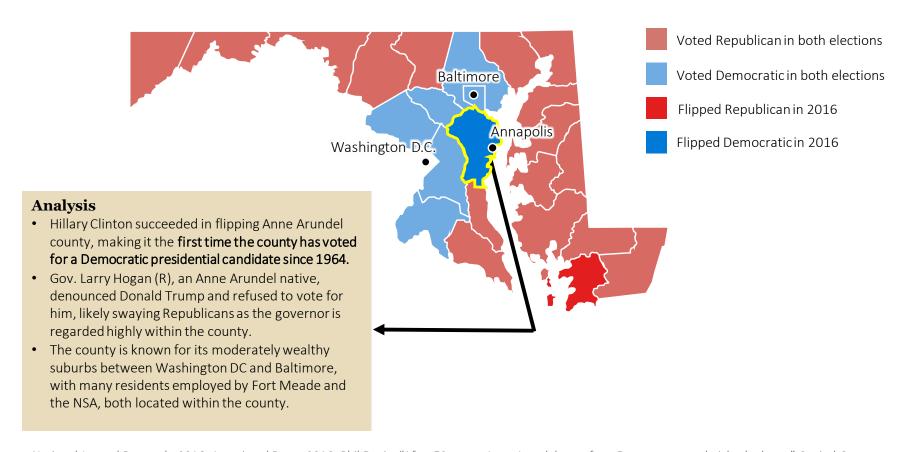
#### **Analysis**

- One of Clinton's best county-level performances in the nation came from Prince George's county (immediately east of Washington DC), a majority African American county where she received almost 90% of the vote.
- Hillary Clinton also succeeded in flipping Anne Arundel county, making it the first time the county has voted for a Democratic presidential candidate since 1964.

Sources: National Journal Research, 2016; Associated Press, 2016.

## Both candidates flipped one county, Democrats may focus on Anne Arundel county for path forward after 2016

Comparing 2012 and 2016 presidential election results



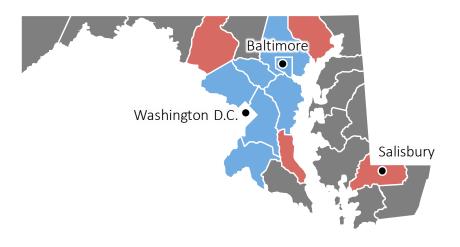
Sources: National Journal Research, 2016; Associated Press, 2016; Phil Davis, "After 52 years, Anne Arundel goes for a Democrat — and picks the loser," Capital Gazette, November 9, 2016.

## Trump wins all rural counties while Clinton dominates more populous ones

#### **Rural counties**

# Washington D.C. Salisbury

#### **Urban and suburban counties**



Legend	Candidate	Votes	Pct.
	Donald Trump/Mike Pence	261,715	62.9%
	Hillary Clinton/Tim Kaine	134,726	32.3%

Rural	<b>Turnout:</b>	<b>72%</b>
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Legend	Candidate	Votes	Pct.
	Hillary Clinton/Tim Kaine	1,543,202	66.5%
	Donald Trump/Mike Pence	681,454	29.4%

**Urban Turnout: 70%** 

Sources: National Journal Research, 2016; Associated Press, 2016; Maryland Board of Elections, "2016 General Election Results by County," 2016.

#### **Maryland Senate Race Results**

#### Winner



Chris Van Hollen (D) Margin of victory: 24.0%

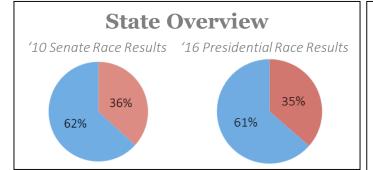
#### 2016 Candidates



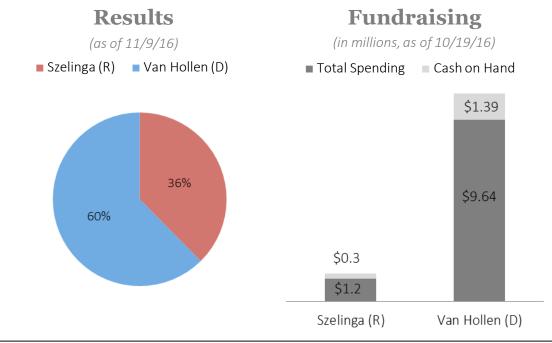
Chris Van Hollen (D) U.S. Representative from Maryland



Kathy Szelinga (R) MD House of Delegates







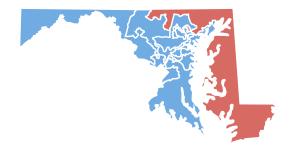
Sources: National Journal research, 2016; Open Secrets, 2016.

## All incumbents win their races, two freshmen Democrats elected in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> districts

#### **Results of Maryland congressional races**

Italics denote incumbent

District	Winner	% Vote	Challenger	% Vote
MD-01	Harris (R)	68%	Werner (D)	28%
MD-02	Ruppersberger (D)	62%	McDonough (R)	33%
MD-03	Sarbanes (D)	63%	Plaster (R)	35%
MD-04	Brown (D)	74%	McDermott (R)	22%
MD-05	Hoyer (D)	67%	Arness (R)	30%
MD-06	Delaney (D)	55%	Hoeber (R)	41%
MD-07	Cummings (D)	75%	Vaughn (R)	22%
MD-08	Raskin (D)	59%	Cox (R)	36%



Sources: National Journal Research, 2016; Associated Press, 2016.

#### Maryland's one ballot measure passes

#### **Results of Maryland state ballot measures**

Title and Topic	Full Text	% For*	% Against*
Amendment 1: Filling Vacancies	"Changes the way the Governor fills a vacancy of the Attorney General or the Comptroller and requires a special election for vacancies that occur on or before a certain date. Under current law, the Governor fills a vacancy by appointing an individual to serve for the remainder of the term. Under the amended law, if the vacating Attorney General or Comptroller was a member of a political party, the Governor must fill the vacancy from a list of three names provided by the political party of the vacating official, and if no names are provided by the political party within a set time period, then the Governor must select a successor from the political party of the vacating official."	72.5%	27.5%

Source: Ballotpedia, 2016; Associated Press, 2016.