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## Background and Methodology

Patrick E. Gonzales graduated magna cum laude from the University of Baltimore with a degree in political science.

His career in the field of public opinion research began in the mid-1980s as an analyst with *Mason-Dixon Opinion Research*. During this time, Mr. Gonzales helped develop, craft and implement election surveys and exit polls for television and radio in the Baltimore-Washington D.C. metro area.

Mr. Gonzales has polled and analyzed thousands of elections in Maryland and across the country over the past forty years. Further, he and his associates have conducted numerous market research projects, crafting message development plans and generating strategy blueprints for businesses and organizations throughout the state.

Over his decades of conducting public opinion polls, Patrick Gonzales has been widely recognized by his peers for his ability to conduct unbiased surveys, and analyze the results in an impartial, evenhanded manner.

Mr. Gonzales appears frequently on radio and television in the Baltimore-D.C. region as a guest commentator.

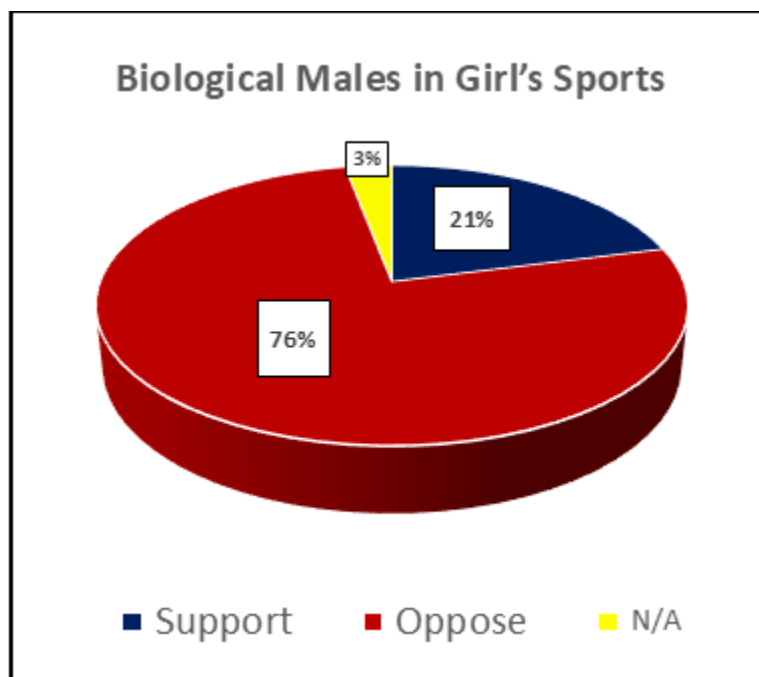
This poll was conducted by ***Gonzales Research & Media Services, Inc.*** from December 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 through January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025. A total of 811 registered voters in Maryland, who indicated they are likely to vote in the next election, were queried by live telephone interviews, utilizing both landline and cell phone numbers. A cross-section of interviews was conducted throughout the state, reflecting general election voting patterns.

The margin of error (MOE), per accepted statistical standards, is a range of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. If the entire population was surveyed, there is a 95% probability that the true numbers would fall within this range.

## Gonzales Maryland Poll – January 2025 Results

### Biological Males in Girl's Sports

Among all Maryland voters, an overwhelming 76% oppose allowing biological males who self-identify as female to compete on girls' high school Junior Varsity and Varsity sports teams (67% strongly oppose and 9% somewhat oppose), while 21% support letting males who self-identify as female compete on girls' high school sports teams (13% strongly support and 8% somewhat support), with 3% offering no opinion.



With Democrats, one-third (32%) support permitting males who self-identify as female to compete on girls' sports teams, while two-thirds (65%) are in opposition.

To GOP and independent voters the concept is wholly anathema – 96% of Republicans oppose allowing biological males who self-identify as female to compete on girls' high school sports teams, as do 81% of independents.

<b>Males in H.S Girl's Sports</b>	<b><u>Support</u></b>	<b><u>Oppose</u></b>	<b><u>No answer</u></b>
Statewide	21%	76%	3%
Democrat	32%	65%	3%
Republican	4%	96%	1%
Independent	15%	81%	4%
White	24%	74%	2%
African American	13%	83%	4%
Other	26%	72%	2%
Women	23%	75%	2%
Men	18%	79%	3%
18-34	36%	62%	2%
35-49	28%	68%	4%
50-64	15%	82%	3%
65 and older	11%	87%	2%
Rural Maryland	10%	87%	3%
Baltimore City	34%	60%	6%
Baltimore Suburbs	20%	78%	2%
Washington Suburbs	23%	74%	3%

## Appendix A: Data Tables

**QUESTION: Biological Males in Girl’s Sports** *Do you support or oppose allowing biological males who self-identify as female to compete on girls’ high school JV and Varsity sports teams?*

BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS	Number	Percent
Support	169	20.8 %
Oppose	620	76.4 %
No answer	22	2.7 %
Total	811	100.0 %

N=811

BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
Support	Oppose	No answer

RESULTS

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BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
Support	Oppose	No answer

PARTY REGISTRATION

Democrat	138 32.0%	279 64.7%	14 3.2%
Republican	8 3.6%	215 96.0%	1 0.4%
Unaffiliated	23 14.7%	126 80.8%	7 4.5%

N=811

BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
Support	Oppose	No answer

RACE/ETHNICITY

White	112 23.5%	353 74.2%	11 2.3%
African American	33 13.5%	202 82.8%	9 3.7%
Other/No answer	24 26.4%	65 71.4%	2 2.2%

N=811

	BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
	Support	Oppose	No answer
<u>GENDER</u>			
Female	102 23.3%	326 74.6%	9 2.1%
Male	67 17.9%	294 78.6%	13 3.5%

N=811

	BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
	Support	Oppose	No answer
<u>AGE</u>			
18 to 34	52 35.9%	90 62.1%	3 2.1%
35 to 49	56 28.1%	136 68.3%	7 3.5%
50 to 64	36 15.1%	196 82.0%	7 2.9%
65 and older	25 11.0%	198 86.8%	5 2.2%

N=811

	BIOLOGICAL MALES COMPETE WITH GIRLS		
	Support	Oppose	No answer
<u>REGION</u>			
Rural Maryland	13 10.3%	109 86.5%	4 3.2%
Baltimore City	21 33.9%	37 59.7%	4 6.5%
Baltimore Suburbs	65 20.4%	247 77.7%	6 1.9%
Washington Suburbs	70 23.0%	227 74.4%	8 2.6%

**INTENSITY - Is that strongly or somewhat support/oppose?**

MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY		Number	Percent
Strongly support		102	12.6 %
Somewhat support		67	8.3 %
Somewhat oppose		77	9.5 %
Strongly oppose		543	67.0 %
No answer		22	2.7 %
Total		811	100.0 %

N=811

MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY				
Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	No answer

**RESULTS**

Statewide	102 12.6%	67 8.3%	77 9.5%	543 67.0%	22 2.7%
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MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY				
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**PARTY REGISTRATION**

Democrat	93 21.6%	45 10.4%	66 15.3%	213 49.4%	14 3.2%
Republican	1 0.4%	7 3.1%	8 3.6%	207 92.4%	1 0.4%
Unaffiliated	8 5.1%	15 9.6%	3 1.9%	123 78.8%	7 4.5%

N=811

MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY				
Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	No answer

**RACE/ETHNICITY**

White	66 13.9%	46 9.7%	42 8.8%	311 65.3%	11 2.3%
African American	21 8.6%	12 4.9%	27 11.1%	175 71.7%	9 3.7%
Other/No answer	15 16.5%	9 9.9%	8 8.8%	57 62.6%	2 2.2%



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	MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY				
	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	No answer
<u>GENDER</u>					
Female	63 14.4%	39 8.9%	43 9.8%	283 64.8%	9 2.1%
Male	39 10.4%	28 7.5%	34 9.1%	260 69.5%	13 3.5%

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	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	No answer
<u>AGE</u>					
18 to 34	37 25.5%	15 10.3%	16 11.0%	74 51.0%	3 2.1%
35 to 49	36 18.1%	20 10.1%	15 7.5%	121 60.8%	7 3.5%
50 to 64	19 7.9%	17 7.1%	22 9.2%	174 72.8%	7 2.9%
65 and older	10 4.4%	15 6.6%	24 10.5%	174 76.3%	5 2.2%

N=811

	MALES COMPETE W/GIRLS - INTENSITY				
	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	No answer
<u>REGION</u>					
Rural Maryland	7 5.6%	6 4.8%	9 7.1%	100 79.4%	4 3.2%
Baltimore City	14 22.6%	7 11.3%	3 4.8%	34 54.8%	4 6.5%
Baltimore Suburbs	38 11.9%	27 8.5%	27 8.5%	220 69.2%	6 1.9%
Washington Suburbs	43 14.1%	27 8.9%	38 12.5%	189 62.0%	8 2.6%

## Appendix B: Maryland Poll Sample Demographics

<u>AGE</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
18 to 34	145	17.9 %
35 to 49	199	24.5 %
50 to 64	239	29.5 %
65 and older	228	28.1 %
Total	811	100.0 %

<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Democrat	431	53.1 %
Republican	224	27.6 %
Unaffiliated	156	19.2 %
Total	811	100.0 %

<u>RACE/ETHNICITY</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	476	58.7 %
African American	244	30.1 %
Other/No answer	91	11.2 %
Total	811	100.0 %

<u>GENDER</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Female	437	53.9 %
Male	374	46.1 %
Total	811	100.0 %

<u>REGION</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Rural Maryland	126	15.5 %
Baltimore City	62	7.6 %
Baltimore Suburbs	318	39.2 %
Washington Suburbs	305	37.6 %
Total	811	100.0 %

### **Regional Groupings**

***Rural Maryland*** – includes Allegany, Calvert, Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Garrett, Kent, Queen Anne’s, St. Mary’s, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester counties.

***Baltimore City*** – includes Baltimore City.

***Baltimore Suburbs*** – includes Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard counties.

***Washington Suburbs*** – includes Charles, Frederick, Montgomery, and Prince George’s counties.