Maryland General Assembly Legislative Redistricting Advisory Commission Draft Congressional Concept Maps

November 9, 2021

Message from the Chair:

The Maryland Legislative Redistricting Advisory Commission has held nine hearings to date and heard a wide variety of testimony from across the State. The message has been consistent - Marylanders think their representation can be improved with more compact and easily followed districts.

The approach that this commission has taken is to create a set of four Congressional map concepts for public comment. It is our belief that Marylanders should see and comment on more than just a single map. Each of these four concepts represent a starting point for an approach that was grounded in testimony the commission heard.

These Congressional map concepts below reflect much of the specific testimony we've heard, and to the extent practicable, keep Marylanders in their existing districts. Portions of these districts have remained intact for at least 30 years and reflect a commitment to following the Voting Rights Act, protecting existing communities of interest, and utilizing existing natural and political boundaries. It is our sincere intention to dramatically improve upon our current map while keeping many of the bonds that have been forged over 30 years or more of shared representation and coordination.

By releasing these maps, we are continuing the conversation we started through the commission's public hearings. No map is perfect and each of these concepts needs your input. We are hopeful that the public will bring forward positive changes to each of these options.

We look forward to your comments, ideas, and analysis over the coming weeks as we move towards a conclusion of the Congressional redistricting process.

To submit comments, email <u>testimony LRAC@mlis.state.md.us</u>

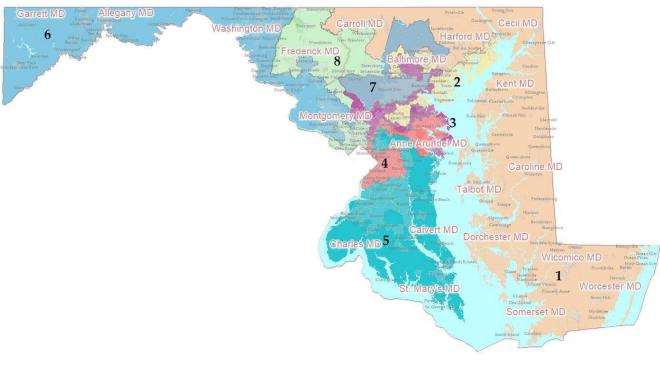
To submit maps, email maps LRAC@mlis.state.md.us

For general questions, email redistricting LRAC@mlis.state.md.us

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Maryland's Current 2011 Congressional District Map

(click on map for interactive version)



@2021 CALIPER; @2020 HERE

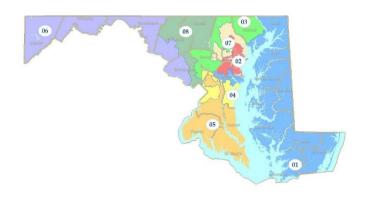
LRAC Proposed Congressional District Concept Maps



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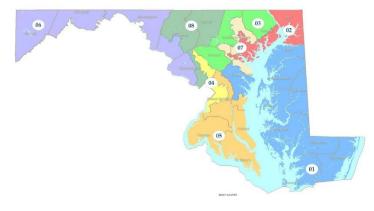
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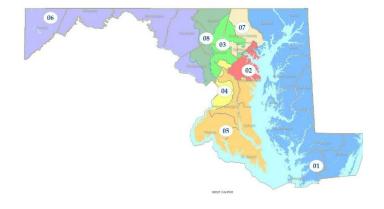
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