#### **Opinion on Immigration Policies in MD-01**

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## Prediction: MD-01 more restrictive than MD

- Tested by support for a border wall and DACA
  - Predict higher support for a wall in MD and lower support for DACA

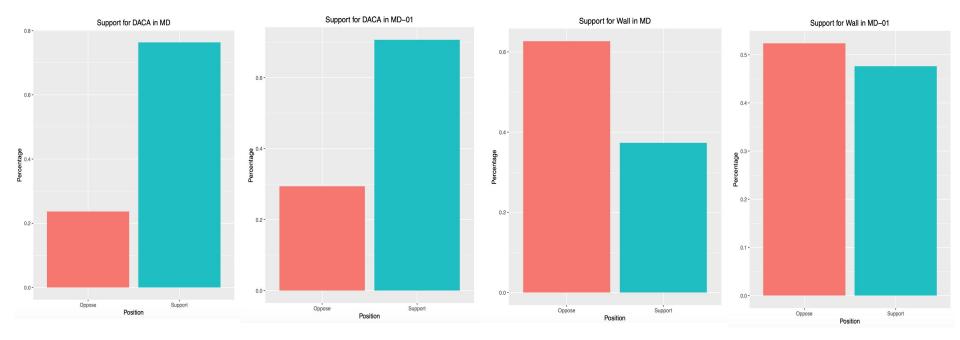
#### **Theory**

- MD-01 less foreign-born than MD (Wong 2017)
  - 15.21% of MD is foreign born; 5.21% of MD-01 is
- More Republican (Casellas and Leal 2013)
  - 25% of MD survey respondents identify as Republican; 39% of MD-01 residents do
- Smaller Latino population (Wong 2014)
  - MD is 9% Latino; MD-01 is 3.3% Latino

### Data from 2018 Coop. Cong. Election Study

- Conducted by YouGov and 50 universities in 2018
- 1041 respondents from Maryland
  - 126 from MD-01
- Survey asks respondents hundreds of questions
  - One question asks respondents if they support or oppose a \$25 billion increase in border security, including for a border wall
  - Another asks if respondents support DACA

# Results: More support for wall in MD-01, slightly less support for DACA



#### Conclusion: DACA popular, wall not

- Vast majority supported DACA in MD and MD-01
  - 6 pp more supported in MD, but still very popular in both
- Majority opposed wall in MD and MD-01
  - 10 pp more oppose in MD, but unpopular in both
- Predictions true, but magnitude small
  - Magnitude larger in case of wall
- Future research should use different samples
- Future research should use regression analysis to isolate causal mechanisms
- Limitation: CCES undersampled Latinos