

# 75%

**of Maryland voters favor offshore wind construction off their state's coast** — an 8-point gain over 14 months, during a period in which the industry faced significant attacks from the executive branch. Offshore wind ranks second only to solar as the energy resource Maryland voters most want as part of the state's electricity solution.

# 82%

support **adding more renewables** to Maryland's energy mix

# 66%

**are not very confident that the MD grid** can meet demand over the next 10 years

# 72%

say it's very important the Federal government **honor previously permitted offshore wind projects**

## MARYLAND VOTER SUPPORT FOR OFFSHORE WIND CONSTRUCTION BY AFFILIATION

Across political affiliations, a **majority of voters** support offshore wind development.

Democrats



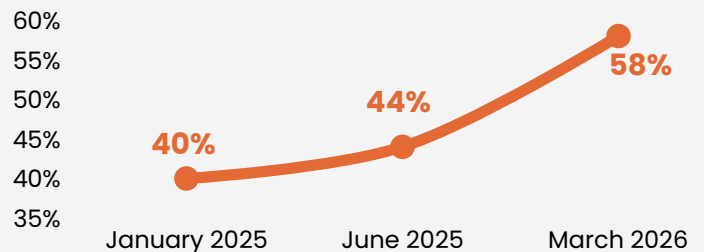
Independents



Republicans

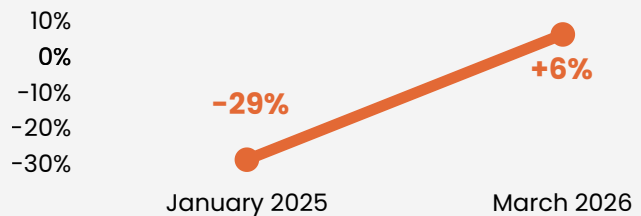


## MD GOP VOTER SUPPORT FOR OSW CONSTRUCTION



Maryland Republican voter support has increased substantially since Jan 2025.

## MD GOP VOTER CANDIDATE NET SUPPORT SWING



Since January 2025, Maryland Republican voters have become significantly **more likely** to vote for a candidate that is pro offshore wind.

# MARYLAND WORKERS BUILDING OFFSHORE WIND

On Maryland's Eastern Shore, Crystal Steel Fabricators' Federalsburg facility is part of the offshore wind supply chain: welders, fitters, CNC machine operators, and truck drivers building the steel components used in turbine foundations. The company committed to adding 50 new jobs to Caroline County and expanding its workforce by nearly a third to meet demand. Crystal Steel president William Lo has written that he hopes the company's story "demonstrates that minority-owned suppliers can and should participate in this new American industry," and that the Eastern Shore has the trades to do it.

US Wind holds the lease for the MarWin project 10 to 30 miles off the Maryland coast and has committed to using Tradepoint Atlantic in Baltimore County as its primary staging hub. Once operational, MarWin is projected to power 92,000 Delmarva homes. The fabrication work is already happening, the port infrastructure is in place, and Maryland workers are in the supply chain now.



Two Crystal Steel Fabricators welders at the company's Federalsburg, Maryland facility. Credit: Oceantic Network

## NATIONAL SUPPLY CHAIN FOOTPRINT

Across the nation:

- **2,135+** supplier contracts generated across **40** states, supporting a national supply chain
- **\$25+ billion** in total investment driven by the U.S. offshore wind industry
- **51%** of supply chain investment is flowing to Republican congressional districts, from Gulf Coast shipyards to Midwestern steel mills
- **\$1.8 billion** invested in shipyards, across 26 facilities in 15 states

## WHAT MARYLAND VOTERS BELIEVE

**60%** **reject the claim** that offshore wind drives up energy prices for consumers

**61%** **reject the claim** that offshore wind affects military radar systems

*Opposition claims are broadly encountered but **not deeply held**, creating room for education.*

## PJM FILED TO PROTECT OFFSHORE WIND

The PJM grid that includes Maryland is facing a **6,517 MW** power shortfall.

Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind, currently under construction, would supply **2,489 MW**

Even that, the largest offshore wind project planned in the US, will fill only part of the gap. PJM warned the court that **multiple offshore wind projects are needed to keep the grid reliable**, which is why it stepped in to defend them.