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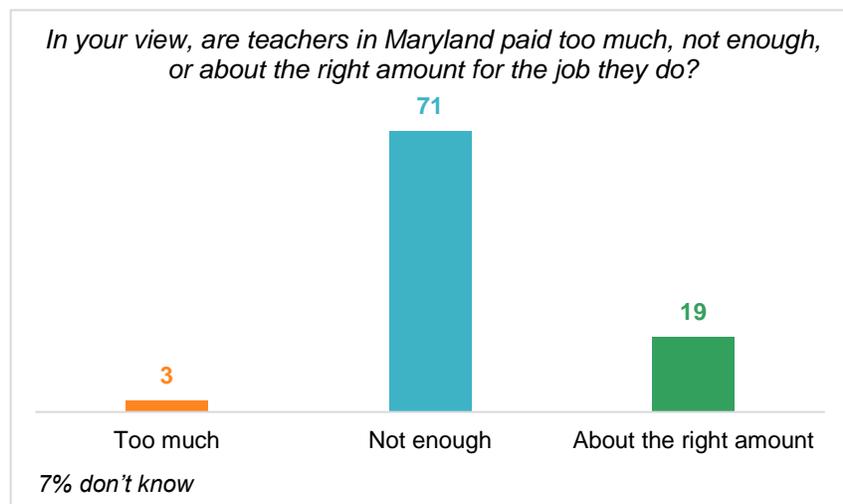
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Poll Analysis: Maryland Voters On School Funding and Teacher Pay

A new survey¹ shows that Maryland voters think teachers are not paid enough and that Maryland K-12 schools do not receive enough funding. A strong majority of voters support the efforts of the Kirwan Commission and General Assembly to pass a school funding and policy plan that significantly increases funding.

Key Survey Findings

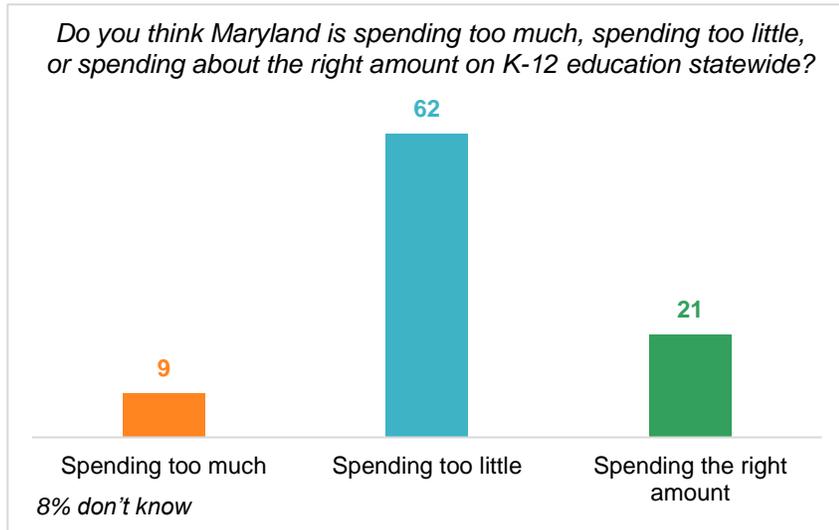
- **Voters support increased teacher pay.** A strong majority (71 percent) of voters surveyed think teachers are not paid enough.



¹ GBAO administered this survey of 500 registered voters statewide. This survey, on behalf of MSEA, was conducted September 9 - 11, 2019 and reached respondents on both landlines and cell phones. The survey results carry a margin of error +/-4.38 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence interval.



- **Voters support increased education funding.** A majority of voters think Maryland is spending too little on K-12 education.



- **Voters support the commission's school funding and policy plan.** Fully 71 percent say they would support the funding plan; 40 percent strongly support it.

