

The Future of the Chesapeake Bay

A Brief Survey



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The Chesapeake Bay Watershed

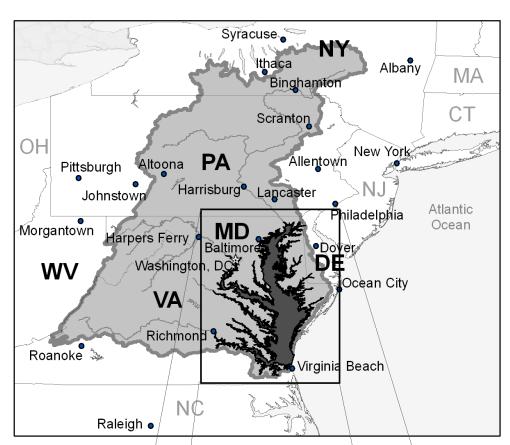
This survey asks you about two types of water bodies in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed — the Chesapeake Bay itself and Lakes in the Watershed. Each has different characteristics and potential water quality concerns.

The Watershed

Is shaded in light grey on this map.

It includes about 4,200 freshwater **lakes**.

Water draining from lands in the Watershed enters rivers and streams and eventually the Chesapeake Bay.



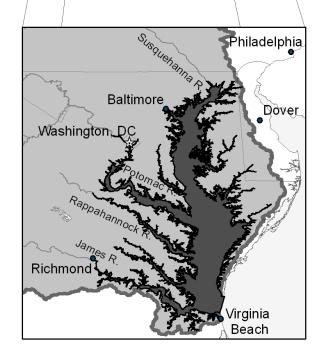
The Chesapeake Bay

Is an estuary where freshwater mixes with saltwater from the ocean. It is the largest estuary in North America and the third largest in the world.

As shown in dark grey on this map, the Bay includes portions of the 50 rivers that flow into it, for example:

- The James River up to Richmond, VA
- The Potomac River up to Washington, DC

Please use this definition of the Chesapeake Bay when answering questions on this survey.



| 1. | 1. Before receiving this survey, had you heard of the Chesapeake Bay? | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|----------------|---------------------|---------|-----------|------------|-------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| | ☐ Yes | □ No | ☐ Don | 't knov | V | | | | | | |
| 2. | On average, how often do you <u>see</u> the following water bodies? (Please check ONLY ONE box in each row.) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (Please check <u>ONLY ONE box in each row</u> .) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Never | Less thar | | More tha | | Don't Kno | w | | | |
| | Chesapeake Bay: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Watershed Lakes: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (including swimming, boating, fishing, or viewing nature) in the following water bodies? (Please check ONLY ONE box in each row.) Chesapeake Bay: Yes No Don't know | | | | | _ | | | | | |
| | Watershed Lakes: | | □ No □ | | | Don't know | | | | | |
| 4. Before taking this survey, were you aware that too much nutrients or sediment can degrade water quality? □ Yes □ No □ Don't know | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | . Please rate how muc | | | | the follo | owing | statemen | its. | | | |
| | (| | Strongly Disagre | , | | | Strongly Agree | Don't Know | | | |
| C | t is important to improve Thesapeake Bay Watershow high the costs. | | | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | DK | | | |
| | am against any more re overnment spending. | egulations and | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | DK | | | |
| а | Iy household should not ny amount for programs Bay Waters and Watersh | s to improve | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | DK | | | |
| | t is difficult for me to fin urveys. | d time to take | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | DK | | | |

Questions about you and your household

Finally, we would like to ask a few questions about you and your household. Your answers will not be saved or stored in a way that can be associated with your name or address. You will not be contacted about your responses or this survey.

| 6. W | hat is your sex? \Box | Male | □Female | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 7. W | 'hat is your age? yea | rs old | | | | | | | | |
| 8. H | ow many children under ag | e 18 are l | iving in your home? | children | | | | | | |
| 9. Have you or any member of your family ever worked in any of the following industries or jobs? | | | | | | | | | | |
| | □ Agriculture □ Tour guide for fishing | | | | | | | | | |
| | ☐Commercial fishing | □Environmental non-profit group | | | | | | | | |
| | □No one in my family ever worked in these industries | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. In 2012, what was your total pre-tax household income, including all earners in your household? | | | | | | | | | | |
| | □Under \$25,000 | □\$100,000-\$149,999 | | | | | | | | |
| | □\$25,000-\$49,999 | -\$49,999 | | | | | | | | |
| | □\$50,000-\$74,999 | □\$20 | 0,000 or more | | | | | | | |
| | □\$75,000-\$99,000 | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? ☐ Yes ☐ No | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12. | What is your race? (Select o | ne or more | e.) | | | | | | | |
| | \square American Indian or Alaska Native \square Asian | | | | | | | | | |
| | $\hfill\square$ Black or African American | | ☐ White | | | | | | | |
| | □ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | | | | | | | | | |
| 13. | What is the highest degree | or level o | of school you have complet | ed? | | | | | | |
| | \square Elementary or high school, but no high school diploma or GED | | | | | | | | | |
| | \square High school diploma, GED, or other high school completion | | | | | | | | | |
| | \square Some college credit, no degree | | | | | | | | | |
| | ☐ Associate's Degree (for example: AA, AS) | | | | | | | | | |
| | ☐ Bachelor's Degree (for example: BA, BS) | | | | | | | | | |
| | ☐ Master's degree, professional degree, or doctorate degree (for example: MA, MSW, MD, DDS, JD, PhD, EdD) | | | | | | | | | |

Thank you very much for your help.

Please mail this completed survey back to us in the postage-paid return envelope provided. If you have any questions please call 617-520-3524 or email ryan_stapler@abtassoc.com.