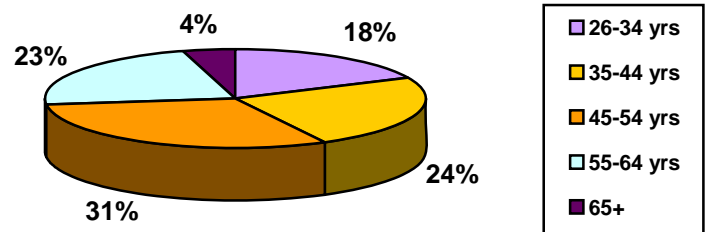


**Maryland
(n = 253)¹**

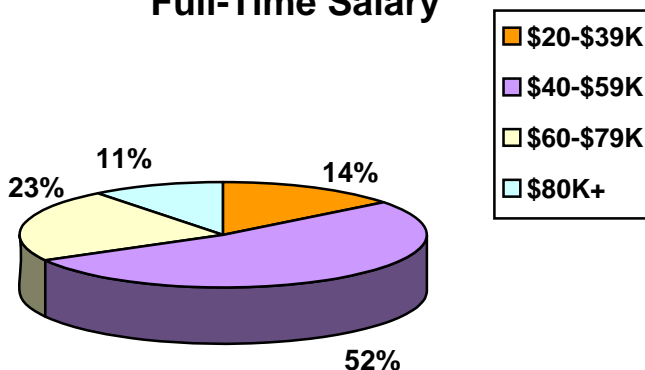
- More than half (58%) of the social work respondents in Maryland are 45 years or older.
- The majority (79%) of social workers in Maryland are white. Eighteen percent are black.

Age



- The majority of social workers in Maryland hold a master's degree as their highest social work degree (92%). Six percent hold a doctorate.
- Respondents were asked to identify their primary practice setting for employment. One-fifth identified private solo practice as their practice setting, followed closely by employment in a social service agency (19%).

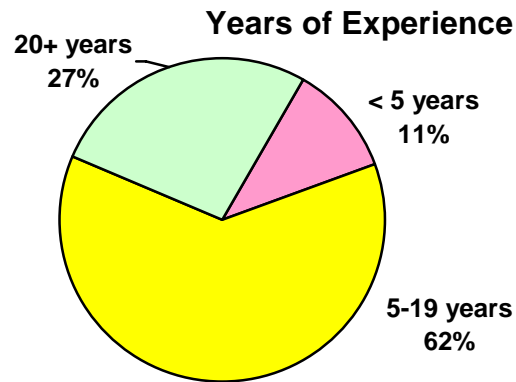
Full-Time Salary



- The majority of Maryland's respondents (52%) earn between \$40,000 and \$59,000 annually for full-time social work. Twenty-three percent earn between \$60,000 and \$79,000 annually.

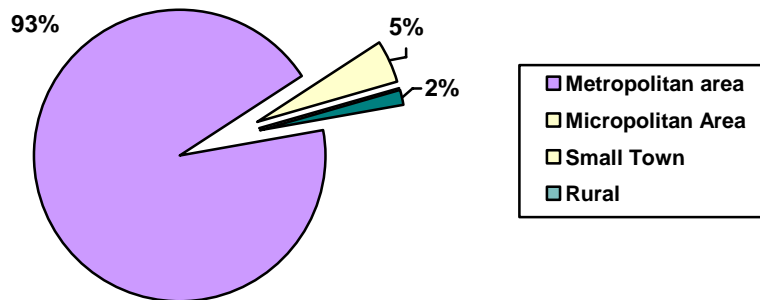
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- The majority of social work respondents in Maryland have five to 19 years of experience (62%). Only 11 percent are new to the field, with less than five years of experience.



- The majority of Maryland’s respondents are employed in the private sector in either a non-profit (34%) or a for-profit setting (30%). Twenty percent are employed by the state government.

Location of Primary Work Setting



- The overwhelming majority of social workers in Maryland are employed in a metropolitan area (93%).
- The majority identified Mental Health as their primary area of practice (38%), followed by Child Welfare/Family (12%) and Aging (10%) and Adolescents (9%).

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