



WBUR Poll Survey of 399 Republican Primary Voters in Massachusetts Field Dates: June 22-25, 2018

I'm going to read you the names of several people and groups who are active in public affairs. After I read each one please tell me if you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of the person or group. If you have never heard of them or if you are undecided, please just say so. **READ FIRST NAME.** How about **READ NEXT NAME?**

REPEAT QUESTION TEXT ONLY IF NECESSARY, PROBE IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DON'T KNOW". Have you heard of **READ NAME** and are undecided about (him/her)? Or **PAUSE** have you never heard of (him/her)?

			Heard of /	Never	
ROTATE ORDER	Favorable	Unfavorable	Undecided	heard of	Refused
Donald Trump	68%	25%	7%	0%	1%
Charlie Baker	66%	20%	13%	2%	0%
Elizabeth Warren	11%	85%	4%	<1%	<1%
Geoff Diehl	25%	6%	18%	51%	0%
Beth Lindstrom	15%	5%	19%	60%	<1%
Bob Massie	6%	7%	34%	52%	<1%
Jay Gonzalez	7%	10%	19%	63%	<1%
John Kingston	14%	4%	18%	63%	<1%
Scott Lively	7%	9%	23%	60%	1%
Bill Galvin	31%	17%	29%	24%	0%
Josh Zakim	7%	4%	20%	69%	<1%
Immigration and Customs Enforcement, often called "ICE"	65%	13%	17%	4%	1%

If the candidates in the Republican primary for Governor were **READ AND ROTATE ORDER**, for whom would you vote?

If undecided ... Even though you say you are undecided -- which way are you leaning as of today?

Initial preference (without leaners)	
Charlie Baker	68%
Scott Lively	14%
Some other candidate (not read)	2%
Would not vote (not read)	1%
Don't Know / Refused	15%
Vote preference with leaners	
Charlie Baker	70%
Scott Lively	17%
Some other candidate (not read)	2%
Would not vote (not read)	1%
Don't Know / Refused	10%

If the candidates in the Republican primary for Senate were **READ AND ROTATE ORDER**, for whom would you vote?

If undecided ... Even though you say you are undecided -- which way are you leaning as of today?

Initial preference (without leaners)	
Geoff Diehl (JEFF DEAL)	23%
Beth Lindstrom	13%
John Kingston	12%
Some other candidate (not read)	4%
Would not vote (not read)	1%
Don't Know / Refused	48%
Vote preference with leaners	
Geoff Diehl (JEFF DEAL)	26%
Beth Lindstrom	15%
John Kingston	12%
Some other candidate (not read)	5%
Would not vote (not read)	2%
Don't Know / Refused	41%

Now I would like to ask you about another issue.

How much of a priority should each of the following issues be for the governor of Massachusetts over the next few years? First, **READ FIRST**. Should that be a major priority, a minor priority, or not a priority? How about **READ NEXT? REPEAT QUESTION STEM AND SCALE ONLY AS NEEDED.**

ROTATE ORDER	Major priority	Minor priority	Not a priority	Don't Know / Refused
Improving the state's roads and highways	76%	21%	3%	<1%
Making state government function better	73%	18%	5%	4%
Reducing the cost of health care in Massachusetts	73%	19%	5%	3%
Addressing the opioid crisis	82%	11%	5%	2%
Improving the MBTA	44%	37%	13%	6%
Addressing the high cost of housing in Massachusetts	44%	41%	12%	3%
Preparing the state for climate change	20%	48%	28%	4%
Lowering state taxes	58%	32%	8%	2%
Increasing funding for public schools	52%	37%	9%	3%

How much of a priority should each of the following be for the US Senator from Massachusetts over the next few years? First, **READ FIRST**. Should that be a major priority, a minor priority, or not a priority? How about **READ NEXT? REPEAT QUESTION STEM AND SCALE ONLY AS NEEDED.**

	Major	Minor	Not a	Don't Know
ROTATE ORDER	priority	priority	priority	/ Refused
Cutting taxes	58%	33%	8%	1%
Reducing the federal budget deficit	77%	18%	3%	2%
Working with President Donald Trump	74%	15%	8%	2%
Standing up for the middle class	73%	18%	6%	3%
Improving our alliances with other countries	65%	25%	9%	1%
Cutting the size of the federal government	65%	26%	6%	3%
Strengthening our military	73%	20%	6%	1%
Ending illegal immigration	73%	18%	7%	2%
Raising taxes on the wealthy	29%	37%	33%	1%

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Now I'd like to ask you about another topic.

How much have you heard or read in the media about the recent decision by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court removing the so-called "millionaires tax" ballot question from the November ballot? **READ AND ROTATE**

A great deal	12%
A fair amount	24%
Not too much	29%
Nothing at all	33%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

It had been estimated that the millionaires' tax would have raised \$2 billion a year for education and transportation in the state budget. Now that that the court has removed from the tax from the ballot, do you think the state should **READ AND ROTATE**?

Raise other state taxes to fund transportation	12%
and education	
Work with the funding it has now	81%
Don't Know / Refused	7%

President Donald Trump signed an executive order ending his administration's policy of separating parents attempting to cross the border from their children. Do you think the policy of separating children from their parents was acceptable or unacceptable?

Acceptable	37%
Unacceptable	54%
Haven't heard enough to say (not read)	2%
Don't Know / Refused	7%

Have the Trump Administration's actions on family separation changed your view of the federal government, or not? **PROBE IF YES...**Has it made you more confident in the federal government, or less confident?

No, has not changed	76%
More confident	6%
Less confident	15%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

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Demographics

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	White / Caucasian All others Don't Know / Refused	92% 5% 4%
Age		
	18 to 29 30 to 44 45 to 59 60+	7% 13% 32% 48%
Gender		
	Male Female	53% 47%
Party Registration		
	Democrat Republican Independent / Unenrolled	0% 40% 60%
Education	High School or less	17%
	Some college, no degree	25%
	College graduate (BA/BS)	38%
	Advanced degree Don't Know / Refused	19% 1%
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About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 399 likely voters in the 2018 Massachusetts state Republican primary. Live telephone interviews were conducted June 22-25, 2018 via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. The margin of sampling error is 4.9 percentage points with a 95 percent level of confidence. The poll was sponsored by WBUR, a National Public Radio station in the Boston area.

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