



WBUR Massachusetts Poll Survey of 374 Massachusetts Republican Primary Voters Field Dates: February 23-26, 2020

I'm going to read you the names of several people 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. If you have never heard of the person 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	82%	12%	5%	0%	<1%
Bill Weld	24%	55%	10%	11%	<1%
Charlie Baker	50%	36%	11%	3%	0%
Mitt Romney	27%	64%	8%	1%	<1%
Bill Barr	40%	15%	15%	31%	<1%

IF ALREADY VOTED: You mentioned you have already voted. For whom did you vote for in the 2020 Republican primary for President? **READ AND ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES.**

IF HAVEN'T ALREADY VOTED: If the 2020 Republican primary for President were held today, for whom would you vote? **READ AND ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES.**

IF UNDECIDED: Even though you say you are undecided -- which way are you leaning as of today? **READ AND ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES.**

Donald Trump	83%
Bill Weld	14%
Some other candidate (not read)	2%
Would not vote (not read)	<1%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

Which of the following best describes your plans for voting in the general election in November? **READ AND ROTATE**

I will definitely for Donald Trump	72%
I might vote for someone else, depending who	28%
else is on the ballot	
I will not vote (not read)	0%
Don't Know / Refused	1%

In general, who do you think is a better model for Republican politicians to follow? **READ AND ROTATE**

President Donald Trump	63%
Governor Charlie Baker	27%
Both / neither / depends (not read)	8%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

Now for a few questions on another topic.

Since being acquitted of impeachment by the Senate, President Trump has fired government officials who testified against him in the impeachment hearings. Do you think this is appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	63%
Inappropriate	26%
Don't Know / Refused	11%

Do you think the ways President Trump has used his power to pardon people convicted of crimes and commute sentences have been appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	68%
Inappropriate	19%
Don't Know / Refused	13%

Do you think Donald Trump sees himself as subject to the law, or above the law?

Subject to the law	73%
Above the law	22%
Don't Know / Refused	5%

During Donald Trump's time in office, do you think his actions as President have **READ AND ROTATE**?

Strengthened the rule of law	46%
Weakened the rule of law	11%
Made no difference to the rule of law	40%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

There are news and intelligence reports that Russia is attempting to interfere in the 2020 elections. Do you think the Trump administration will try to stop Russian interference or not?

Will try to stop it	64%
Will not try to stop it	21%
Don't Know / Refused	15%

How confident are you that the outcome of the 2020 presidential election will be viewed as legitimate and both sides will accept the results?

Very confident	27%
Somewhat confident	23%
Not too confident	22%
Not at all confident	26%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

Demographics

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	White / Caucasian All others Don't Know / Refused	92% 5% 3%
Age		
	18 to 29 30 to 44 45 to 59 60+	11% 21% 39% 28%
Gender		
	Male Female	53% 47%
Party Registration		
	Republican Unenrolled	39% 61%
Education		
	High School or less Some college, no degree College graduate (BA/BS) Advanced degree Don't Know / Refused	15% 26% 34% 23% 2%

About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 374 likely voters in the 2020 Massachusetts Republican Presidential Primary. Live telephone interviews were conducted February 23-26, 2020 via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. The final data was weighted to known and estimated parameters on party registration, gender, age, race, county, and education. The margin of sampling error is 5.1 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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