

**WBUR Poll
Massachusetts 2020 General Election
Survey of 501 Likely Voters
Field Dates August 6-9, 2020**

There will be a measure on the November ballot dealing with voting. A "yes" vote supports enacting ranked-choice voting (RCV) for primary and general elections for state executive officials, state legislators, federal congressional and senate seats, and certain county offices beginning in 2022. A "no" vote would make no change in the current laws regarding voting. If the election for this measure were held today, would you vote yes or no? **REREAD FULL DESCRIPTION OF YES AND NO VOTE, IF REQUESTED. IF UNDECIDED:** How are you leaning as of today?

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|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Yes | 36% |
| No | 36% |
| Don't Know / Undecided (not read) | 27% |
| Refused (not read) | 1% |

There will be a measure on the November ballot dealing with automobile repair. A "yes" vote supports requiring manufacturers that sell vehicles with telematics systems in Massachusetts to equip them with a standardized open data platform beginning with model year 2022 that vehicle owners and independent repair facilities may access to retrieve mechanical data and run diagnostics through a mobile-based application. A "no" vote would make no change in the current laws regarding vehicle maintenance and repair. If the election for this measure were held today, would you vote yes or no? **REREAD FULL DESCRIPTION OF YES AND NO VOTE, IF REQUESTED. IF UNDECIDED:** How are you leaning as of today?

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| Yes | 57% |
| No | 31% |
| Don't Know / Undecided (not read) | 12% |
| Refused (not read) | <1% |

How well would you say you understand the ranked choice voting approach to choosing election winners?

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| Very well | 30% |
| Somewhat well | 34% |
| Not too well | 15% |
| Not at all | 17% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 4% |

If Massachusetts adopted a ranked choice voting system, do you think that would make **READ FIRST** more likely, less likely, or would it make no difference? How about **READ NEXT**?

| ROTATE ORDER | More likely | Less likely | Make no difference | Don't Know / Refused |
|---|-------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| More racial and ethnic diversity in our elected officials | 27% | 6% | 40% | 26% |
| Fairer electoral outcomes | 27% | 9% | 37% | 27% |
| Less negative campaigning during election | 15% | 9% | 47% | 30% |

Demographics

Party Registration

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| Democrat | 34% |
| Republican | 11% |
| Unenrolled | 55% |

Race

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| White / Caucasian | 80% |
| All others | 18% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 2% |

Age

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| 18 to 29 | 15% |
| 30 to 44 | 22% |
| 45 to 59 | 31% |
| 60+ | 32% |

Gender

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| Male | 47% |
| Female | 53% |

Education

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| High School or less | 18% |
| Some college, no degree | 27% |
| College graduate (BA/BS) | 31% |
| Advanced degree | 23% |
| Don't know / refused | 1% |

About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 501 likely voters in the 2020 General Election in Massachusetts. Live telephone interviews were conducted August 6-9, 2016 via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. Results were weighted to known and estimate population parameters on age, gender, race, party, education, and region. The margin of sampling error is +/- 4.4 percentage points with a 95 percent level of confidence. The poll was sponsored by WBUR, a National Public Radio station in the Boston area.