

COUNTY

COUNTY	N=			
Berkshire	03	( 1/ 31)	8	2%
Hampden	13		25	6%
Hampshire	15		10	3%
Franklin	11		5	1%
Worcester	27		46	12%
Middlesex	17		99	25%
Essex	09		46	12%
Suffolk	25		32	8%
Norfolk	21		48	12%
Plymouth	23		32	8%
Bristol	05		29	7%
Barnstable	01		18	5%
Dukes	07		1	0%
Nantucket	19		1	0%

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I'm conducting a survey for 7 NEWS/Suffolk University and I'd like to get your opinions on some political questions. Would you be willing to spend five minutes answering some questions?

N=				
Continue	1	( 1/ 49)	400	100%

S1

Thank You.

S1. Are you currently registered to vote?

N=				
Yes	1	( 1/ 50)	400	100%
NO/DK/RF	2		0	0%

S2

S2. Are you currently registered as a Democrat, Republican, or Unenrolled/Independent?

N=				
Democrat	1	( 1/ 53)	145	36%
Republican	2		51	13%
Unenrolled/Independent	3		204	51%
Other	4		0	0%
Undecided/Refused/Not reg	5		0	0%

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Gender

N=				
Male	1	( 1/ 56)	199	50%
Female	2		201	50%

S3

S3. Did you vote in the 2002 Final Election for Governor between Mitt Romney and Shannon O'Brien?

N=				
Yes	1	( 1/ 57)	400	100%
No	2		0	0%

PREQ1

Great, I'm going to read you a list of individuals in state and local politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that.

N=				
Continue	1	( 1/ 60)	400	100%

Q1

First take Mitt Romney.

Q1. Is your opinion of Mitt Romney generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=				
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 61)	6	2%
Favorable	2		197	49%
Unfavorable	3		149	37%
Heard of undecided	4		48	12%

Q2. Is your opinion of Chris Gabrieli (Gab-Bree-ELLIE) generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 62)	131	33%
Favorable	2		85	21%
Unfavorable	3		33	8%
Heard of undecided	4		151	38%

Q3. Is your opinion of Kerry Healey generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 63)	47	12%
Favorable	2		143	36%
Unfavorable	3		124	31%
Heard of undecided	4		86	22%

Q4. Is your opinion of Deval Patrick (Duh-VAHL) generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 64)	133	33%
Favorable	2		77	19%
Unfavorable	3		50	13%
Heard of undecided	4		140	35%

Q5. Is your opinion of Christy Mihos (MY-Hoes) generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 65)	147	37%
Favorable	2		60	15%
Unfavorable	3		68	17%
Heard of undecided	4		125	31%

Q6. Is your opinion of Reed Hillman generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 66)	198	50%
Favorable	2		34	9%
Unfavorable	3		37	9%
Heard of undecided	4		131	33%

Q7. Is your opinion of Tom Reilly generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	( 1/ 67)	34	9%
Favorable	2		142	36%
Unfavorable	3		123	31%
Heard of undecided	4		101	25%

INQ10  
The following are questions about Massachusetts politicians and issues:

N=			400	100%
continue	1	( 1/ 68)	400	100%

Q8. Although you are registered as Unenrolled/Independent, do you most closely associate with the Democratic or Republican Party, overall?

N=			204	100%
Democrat	1	( 1/ 69)	92	45%
Republican	2		69	34%
Unenrolled/Independent (Neither/No)	3		43	21%

Q9. For Governor, the current candidates running for the Democratic nomination are Deval (Duh-VAHL) Patrick and Tom Reilly. At this point, toward whom would you lean?

N=			237	100%
Deval Patrick	1	( 1/ 71)	66	28%
Tom Reilly	2		85	36%
Other	3		8	3%
Undecided	4		78	33%
Refused	5		0	0%

Q10. Chris Gabrieli has indicated that he may be a Democratic candidate for Governor. Gabrieli is a venture Capitalist, 1998 Congressional candidate, and was the 2002 Democratic Lieutenant Governor Nominee. If the Democratic candidates for Governor were Chris Gabrieli, Deval Patrick, or Tom Reilly, toward whom would you lean?

N=			237	100%
Chris Gabrieli	1	( 1/ 72)	36	15%
Deval Patrick	2		50	21%
Tom Reilly	3		63	27%
Other	4		1	0%
Undecided	5		87	37%
Refused	6		0	0%

Q11. If the Final Election for Governor of Massachusetts was held today and the candidates were Kerry Healey-Republican, Tom Reilly-Democrat, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Kerry Healey	1	( 1/ 73)	98	25%
Tom Reilly	2		135	34%
Christy Mihos	3		60	15%
Undecided	4		107	27%

Q12. And if the candidates were Kerry Healey-Republican, Deval Patrick-Democrat, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Kerry Healey	1	( 1/ 74)	103	26%
Deval Patrick	2		115	29%
Christy Mihos	3		52	13%
Undecided	4		130	33%

Q13. And if the candidates were Chris Gabrieli-Democrat, Kerry Healey-Republican, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Chris Gabrieli	1	( 1/ 75)	99	25%
Kerry Healey	2		111	28%
Christy Mihos	3		70	18%
Undecided	4		120	30%

Q14. Massachusetts state law bans discriminating against gays and lesbians from adopting children. Should the Catholic Church be exempt from placing foster children with same-sex parents?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	( 1/ 76)	118	30%
No	2		224	56%
Undecided	3		58	15%

Q15. According to the Registry of Motor Vehicles, at least one driver was using a cell phone in 426 vehicle crashes in Massachusetts last year. Recently, a bill was filed which would ban hand-held cell phones while driving. Offenders would face fines up to \$250. Hands-free cell phones would be permitted and the legislation would allow drivers to use hand-held cell phones during emergencies. Do you support banning hand-held cell phones to improve driver safety?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	( 1/ 77)	319	80%
No	2		65	16%
Undecided	3		16	4%

Q16. Do you think Massachusetts is heading in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

N=			400	100%
Right direction	1	( 1/ 78)	133	33%
Wrong track	2		163	41%
Undecided	3		104	26%

Q17. Have you ever voted for an Independent candidate for a major office?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	( 1/ 79)	200	50%
No	2		185	46%
Undecided	3		15	4%

Q18. Kerry Healey has served as Lieutenant Governor for three years. What accomplishment of hers do you remember the most?

N=			400	100%
Good on education .....	01	( 1/ 80)	6	2%
VARIOUS OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS (DIFFERENT) .....	96	( 1/ 82)	24	6%
Nothing .....	97	( 1/ 84)	237	59%
Don't know .....	98		115	29%
Refused .....	99		18	5%

Q19. Regarding the upcoming Governor's race, which of the following comes closest to your opinion?

N=			400	100%
Under no circumstances would I vote for an ..... Independent candidate for Governor	1	( 1/ 86)	30	8%
If the candidate was credible, I would consider voting for an Independent candidate for Governor	2		300	75%
I'm voting for the Independent candidate. It's time to send a message to the Democratic and Republican parties	3		42	11%
Undecided .....	4		25	6%
Refused .....	5		3	1%

Q20. Please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree on the following statements about Independent candidates...

N=			400	100%
Continue .....	1	( 1/ 87)	400	100%

Q20A. An Independent candidate won't be controlled by special interest groups from the liberal left or the conservative right.

N=			400	100%
Strongly agree .....	1	( 1/ 88)	40	10%
Agree .....	2		99	25%
Disagree .....	3		148	37%
Strongly disagree .....	4		52	13%
Undecided .....	5		61	15%

Q20B. An Independent candidate doesn't stand for anything because Independents have no party platform.

N=			400	100%
Strongly agree .....	1	( 1/ 89)	15	4%
Agree .....	2		31	8%
Disagree .....	3		175	44%
Strongly disagree .....	4		171	43%
Undecided .....	5		8	2%

Q20C. A vote for an Independent candidate is a vote against the shenanigans of the Democratic and Republican parties.

N=			400	100%
Strongly agree .....	1	( 1/ 90)	46	12%
Agree .....	2		127	32%
Disagree .....	3		140	35%
Strongly disagree .....	4		58	15%
Undecided .....	5		29	7%

Q20D. An Independent candidate will not be able to work effectively with the Democratic Legislature.

N=			400	100%
Strongly agree .....	1	( 1/ 91)	24	6%
Agree .....	2		71	18%
Disagree .....	3		178	45%
Strongly disagree .....	4		101	25%
Undecided .....	5		26	7%

Q20E. I'd like to see an Independent candidate elected Governor for a change.

N=		400	100%
Strongly agree	1 ( 1/ 92)	56	14%
Agree	2	150	38%
Disagree	3	76	19%
Strongly disagree	4	21	5%
Undecided	5	97	24%

Q21. I'm going to read you three proposals from Independent Christy Mihos. For each, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree...

N=		400	100%
Continue	1 ( 1/ 93)	400	100%

Q21A. Mihos said that he will pursue campaign finance reform to prohibit lobbyists, contractors, and other special interests from making political contributions. Do you...

N=		400	100%
Strongly agree	1 ( 1/ 94)	112	28%
Agree	2	142	36%
Disagree	3	63	16%
Strongly disagree	4	34	9%
Undecided	5	49	12%

Q21B. Mihos has said that he will remove all of the tolls from the town of Weston to the New York border because the cost of building the Mass. Pike has already been paid for time and again. Do you...

N=		400	100%
Strongly agree	1 ( 1/ 95)	109	27%
Agree	2	143	36%
Disagree	3	77	19%
Strongly disagree	4	26	7%
Undecided	5	45	11%

Q21C. Mihos is proposing Proposition One, where property values would remain constant from the time of purchase until the property is sold. He pledges to pay for this by increasing state local aid to cities and towns from 30% to 40% . Do you.

N=		400	100%
Strongly agree	1 ( 1/ 96)	44	11%
Agree	2	89	22%
Disagree	3	124	31%
Strongly disagree	4	77	19%
Undecided	5	66	17%

Q22. Republicans have argued that if a Democrat is elected Governor, it would be like giving away the store - there would be no check and balance with a Democratic-controlled House & Senate and that spending would be out of control. Do you agree with this?

N=		400	100%
Yes	1 ( 1/ 97)	122	31%
No	2	257	64%
Undecided	3	21	5%

Q23. {Intro...re: Weld, Cellucci, Romney...}  
Do you believe Republican Governors are committed to the interests of Massachusetts citizens?

N=		400	100%
Yes	1 ( 1/ 98)	179	45%
No	2	168	42%
Undecided	3	53	13%

Q24. Now, that you know a little more about Independent Christy Mihos and the race for Governor this year, if the Final Election for Governor of Massachusetts was held today and the candidates were Kerry Healey-Republican, Tom Reilly-Democrat, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=		400	100%
Kerry Healey	1 ( 1/ 99)	76	19%
Tom Reilly	2	105	26%
Christy Mihos	3	100	25%
Undecided	4	119	30%

Q25. How about if the candidates were Kerry Healey-Republican, Deval Patrick-Democrat, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Kerry Healey	1	( 1/100)	99	25%
Deval Patrick	2		84	21%
Christy Mihos	3		79	20%
Undecided	4		138	35%

Q26. And if the candidates were Chris Gabrieli-Democrat, Kerry Healey-Republican, or Christy Mihos-Independent, toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Chris Gabrieli	1	( 1/101)	65	16%
Kerry Healey	2		84	21%
Christy Mihos	3		103	26%
Undecided	4		148	37%

Q27. If the Final Election for State Treasurer was held today and the candidates were Tim Cahill-Democrat or Beth Lindstrom-Republican, toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
Cahill	1	( 1/102)	164	41%
Lindstrom	2		42	11%
Undecided	3		172	43%
Refused	4		22	6%

Q28. If the Final Election for Auditor were held today and the candidates were Joe DeNucci-Democrat or Earl Strol-Republican, toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
DeNucci	1	( 1/103)	158	40%
Strol	2		69	17%
Undecided	3		159	40%
Refused	4		14	4%

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THE FINAL QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR RESPONSES WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY

N=			400	100%
Continue	1	( 1/104)	400	100%

Q29. What is your age category?

N=			400	100%
18-25	1	( 1/105)	4	1%
26-35	2		25	6%
36-45	3		76	19%
46-55	4		108	27%
56-65	5		96	24%
Over 65 years	6		85	21%
Refused	7		6	2%

Q30. Are any members of your household union members?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	( 1/106)	90	23%
No	2		308	77%
Undecided	3		2	1%