

COUNTY

N=			400	100%
Berkshire	03	(1/151)	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		30	8%
Barnstable	01		17	4%
Dukes	07		1	0%
Nantucket	19		1	0%

START

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=			400	100%
Continue	1	(1/180)	400	100%

S1

Thank You.

S1. Are you currently registered to vote?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	(1/181)	400	100%
NO/DK/RF	2		0	0%

S2

S2. What are the chances of your voting in the upcoming General Election for Governor, on November 7th? Would you say you are certain to vote, you may vote, you are 50-50, or something else?

N=			400	100%
Certain to vote	1	(1/184)	388	97%
May vote	2		12	3%
50-50	3		0	0%
Other	4		0	0%
Dk/Rf	5		0	0%

S3

S3. Are you currently registered as a Democrat, Republican, or Unenrolled/Independent? ?

N=			400	100%
Democrat	1	(1/187)	146	37%
Republican	2		52	13%
Unenrolled/Ind	3		196	49%
Other	4		6	2%
Und/Ref/Not reg	5		0	0%

GENDR

Gender

N=			400	100%
Male	1	(1/190)	199	50%
Female	2		201	50%

PREQ2

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=			400	100%
Continue	1	(1/191)	400	100%

Q1

First take Mitt Romney.

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

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	(1/192)	2	1%
Favorable	2		142	36%
Unfavorable	3		219	55%
Heard of undecided	4		37	9%

Q2

Q2. Is your opinion of Grace Ross generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	(1/193)	48	12%
Favorable	2		121	30%
Unfavorable	3		119	30%
Heard of undecided	4		112	28%

Q3

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

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	(1/194)	4	1%
Favorable	2		143	36%
Unfavorable	3		218	55%
Heard of undecided	4		35	9%

Q4

Q4. Is your opinion of Christy Mihos (MY-hoes) generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	(1/195)	20	5%
Favorable	2		125	31%
Unfavorable	3		155	39%
Heard of undecided	4		100	25%

Q5

Q5. Is your opinion of Deval Patrick (Duh-VAHL) generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N=			400	100%
Never heard of	1	(1/196)	4	1%
Favorable	2		239	60%
Unfavorable	3		114	29%
Heard of undecided	4		43	11%

INQ6

The following are questions about Massachusetts politicians and issues:

N=			400	100%
continue	1	(1/197)	400	100%

Q6

Q6. The candidates for Governor are Kerry Healey-Republican, Deval Patrick-Democrat, Christy Mihos-Independent, and Grace Ross- Green Rainbow Party, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean?

N=			400	100%
Kerry Healey	1	(1/198)	123	31%
Deval Patrick	2		211	53%
Christy Mihos	3		22	6%
Grace Ross	4		8	2%
Undecided/Refused	5		36	9%

Q6A1

Q6A1. In your own words, why have you decided to vote for Kerry Healey?

N=			123	100%
Like her ideas/Same as mine	01	(1/199)	36	29%
Don't like other candidates	02	(1/201)	21	17%
Republican	03	(1/203)	14	11%
Will do a good job/Good for state	04		16	13%
Knows job/Experience	05		6	5%
Stand on taxes	06		8	7%
Honest	07		8	7%
Conservative	08		3	2%
I like her/Trust her	09		3	2%
Like her stand on Illegal Immigration	10		6	5%
Specify	97		8	7%
Don't Know/Refused	99		13	11%

Q6A2

Q6A2. In your own words, why have you decided to vote for Deval Patrick?

N=			211	100%
Good leader	01	(1/205)	13	6%
Time for a change	02	(1/207)	45	21%
I like him	03	(1/209)	39	18%
Democrat	04		23	11%
Same views as me	05		41	19%
Don't like other candidates	06		18	9%
Qualified	07		4	2%
Best choice	08		4	2%
Stand on education	09		5	2%
Positive campaign	10		6	3%
Specify	97		13	6%
Don't Know/Refused	99		21	10%

Q6A3

Q6A3. In your own words, why have you decided to vote for Christy Mihos?

N=			22	100%
Don't like others	01	(1/211)	8	36%
Need a change	02	(1/213)	5	23%
Specify	97	(1/215)	3	14%
Don't Know/Refused	99		6	27%

Q6A4

Q6A4. In your own words, why have you decided to vote for Grace Ross?

N=			8	100%
Same views as me	01	(1/217)	4	50%
Need a change	02	(1/219)	2	25%
Specify	97	(1/221)	1	13%
Don't Know/Refused	99		1	13%

Q7

Q7. Do you think Massachusetts is heading in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

N=			400	100%
Right Direction	1	(1/223)	122	31%
Wrong Track	2		209	52%
Undecided	3		69	17%

Q8

Q8. Looking back over the last four years, how would you grade Governor Mitt Romney's job performance?

N=			400	100%
Excellent	1	(1/224)	15	4%
Good	2		113	28%
Fair	3		138	35%
Poor	4		122	31%
Undecided	5		8	2%
Refused	6		4	1%

PRE9

Your November Ballot contains the following three questions:

N=			400	100%
continue	1	(1/225)	400	100%

Q9

QUESTION #1--SALE OF WINE BY FOOD STORES

Q9. A YES vote would create a new category of licenses for food stores to sell wine, and it would allow local licensing authorities to issue such licenses. A NO vote would make no change in the laws concerning the sale of wine. At this point, how would you vote: yes or no?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	(1/226)	169	42%
No	2		202	51%
Undecided	3		29	7%

Q10

QUESTION #2--NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

Q10. A YES vote would allow a candidate for public office to be nominated for the same office by more than one political party or political designation at the same election. A NO vote would make no change in the laws concerning nomination of candidates for public office.

At this point, how would you vote: yes or no?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	(1/227)	107	27%
No	2		191	48%
Undecided	3		102	26%

Q11

QUESTION #3--FAMILY CHILD CARE PROVIDERS

Q11. A YES vote would allow licensed and other authorized providers of childcare in private homes under the state's subsidized childcare system to bargain collectively with the state. A NO vote would make no change in the laws concerning licensed and other authorized family child care providers.

At this point, how would you vote: yes or no?

N=			400	100%
Yes	1	(1/228)	167	42%
No	2		146	37%
Undecided	3		87	22%

Q12

Q12. If the Election for US Senator was held today and the candidates were Ted Kennedy - Democrat or Kenneth Chase - Republican, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
Kennedy - Democrat	1	(1/229)	246	62%
Chase - Republican	2		111	28%
Undecided	3		41	10%
Refused	4		2	1%

Q13

Q13. If the General Election for Attorney General was held today and the candidates were Martha Coakley - Democrat or Lawrence Frisoli {Frizz-OH-Lee} - Republican, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
Coakley - Democrat	1	(1/230)	243	61%
Frisoli - Republican	2		76	19%
Undecided	3		81	20%
Refused	4		0	0%

Q14

Q14. If the General Election for State Treasurer was held today and the candidates were Tim Cahill (K-Hill)-Democrat or James O'Keefe - Green Rainbow Party, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
Cahill - Democrat	1	(1/231)	230	58%
O'Keefe - Green Rainbow Party	2		49	12%
Undecided	3		118	30%
Refused	4		3	1%

Q15

Q15. If the General Election for Secretary of State was held today and the candidates were Bill Galvin-Democrat or Jill Stein - Green Rainbow Party, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
Galvin - Democrat	1	(1/232)	236	59%
Stein - Green Rainbow Party	2		52	13%
Undecided	3		109	27%
Refused	4		3	1%

Q16

Q16. If the General Election for State Auditor was held today and the candidates were Joe DeNucci-Democrat or Rand Wilson - Working Family Party, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you lean at this time?

N=			400	100%
DeNucci (Deh-New-Chee) - Democrat	1	(1/233)	222	56%
Wilson - Working Family Party	2		51	13%
Undecided	3		126	32%
Refused	4		1	0%

Q17

Q17. When all the votes are counted for Governor this November, do you think will be the next Governor of Massachusetts? (Not necessarily who you are voting for but who do you think will be the next Governor?)

N=			400	100%
Healey - Republican	1	(1/234)	54	14%
Patrick - Democrat	2		303	76%
Mihos - Independent	3		2	0%
Ross - Green Rainbow	4		0	0%
Undecided	5		40	10%
Refused	6		1	0%

Q18

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

Q18. What is your age category?

N=			400	100%
18-25 YRS	1	(1/235)	22	6%
26-35 YRS	2		24	6%
36-45 YRS	3		80	20%
46-55 YRS	4		99	25%
56-65 YRS	5		82	21%
OVER 65 YRS	6		90	23%
REFUSED	7		3	1%