

FINAL MA LIKELY VOTER 2018 STUDY

**Region:**

(N=500)	n	%
Worcester/West -----	120	24.00
Northeastern -----	177	35.40
Suffolk -----	40	8.00
SE Mass/Cape-----	163	32.60

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Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some issues of the day in Massachusetts. Would you be willing to spend seven minutes answering some questions so that we can include your opinions? {IF YES PROCEED; IF NO, UNDECIDED, GO TO CLOSE}

1. SCREEN. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming election for Governor and U.S. Senator this November – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, not at all likely?

(N=500)	n	%
Very likely-----	449	89.80
Somewhat likely-----	51	10.20

2. Gender

(N=500)	n	%
Male -----	242	48.40
Female -----	258	51.60

3. What is your age category?

(N=500)	n	%
18-25 Years -----	29	5.80
26-35 Years -----	65	13.00
36-45 Years -----	95	19.00
46-55 Years -----	98	19.60
56-65 Years -----	111	22.20
66-75 Years -----	69	13.80
Over 75 Years -----	29	5.80
Refused -----	4	0.80

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

(N=500)	n	%
Democrat -----	177	35.40
Republican -----	61	12.20
Unenrolled/Independent-----	256	51.20
Other -----	5	1.00
Refused -----	1	0.20

5. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is?

(N=500)	n	%
White/Caucasian -----	399	79.80
Black/African-American -----	41	8.20
American Indian / Alaska Native -----	4	0.80
Asian -----	22	4.40
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander -----	2	0.40
Hispanic/Latino -----	26	5.20
Other -----	2	0.40
Refused -----	4	0.80

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

(N=500)	n	%
Right direction -----	340	68.00
Wrong track -----	95	19.00
Undecided -----	65	13.00

{FOR 6.1}

7A. Who would you say is most responsible for Massachusetts heading in the right direction? {RANDOMIZE} Governor Baker, President Trump, U.S. Congress, the Massachusetts Legislature, or the economy in general?

(N=340)	n	%
Governor Baker -----	138	40.59
President Trump -----	10	2.94
U.S. Congress -----	6	1.76
Massachusetts Legislature -----	77	22.65
The economy in general -----	81	23.82
Undecided -----	28	8.24
Refused -----	0	0.00

{FOR 6.2}

7B. Who would you say is most responsible for Massachusetts heading on the wrong track? {RANDOMIZE} Governor Baker, President Trump, U.S. Congress, the Massachusetts Legislature, or the economy in general?

(N=95)	n	%
Governor Baker -----	17	17.89
President Trump -----	19	20.00
U.S. Congress -----	7	7.37
Massachusetts Legislature -----	36	37.89
The economy in general -----	3	3.16
Undecided -----	9	9.47
Refused -----	4	4.21

{FOR 4.1 & 4.3}

8. Earlier you indicated that you were registered as (a Democrat / an Independent). If Congressman Seth Moulton challenged Senator Ed Markey in the 2020 Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate, would you vote for Ed Markey or Seth Moulton? Or would you not vote in the Democratic Primary?

{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}

{RANDOMIZE Q9-11}

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

(N=500)	n	%
Approve -----	108	21.60
Disapprove -----	366	73.20
Undecided -----	22	4.40
Refused -----	4	0.80

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Charlie Baker is doing as governor?

(N=500)	n	%
Approve -----	360	72.00
Disapprove -----	89	17.80
Undecided -----	51	10.20
Refused -----	0	0.00

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Elizabeth Warren is doing as U.S. Senator?

(N=500)	n	%
Approve -----	287	57.40
Disapprove -----	176	35.20
Undecided -----	37	7.40
Refused -----	0	0.00

12. Do you think the House of Representatives should seriously consider impeaching President Trump?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	265	53.00
No-----	190	38.00
Undecided -----	45	9.00

Great, I'm going to read you a list of individuals in politics and state organizations. 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. First take Donald Trump. Would you say your opinion of Donald Trump is generally favorable or generally unfavorable? {Next name, "How about..." etc.} **{RANDOMIZE 14-20}**

(N=500)	<u>NEVER HEARD</u>	<u>FAVORABLE</u>	<u>UNFAVORABLE</u>	<u>HOF/UNDECIDED</u>
13. Donald Trump	0 0.00	109 21.80	363 72.60	28 5.60
14. Charlie Baker	3 0.60	367 73.40	85 17.00	45 9.00
15. Elizabeth Warren	6 1.20	284 56.80	176 35.20	34 6.80
16. Jay Gonzalez	190 38.00	107 21.40	44 8.80	159 31.80
17. Geoff Diehl	224 44.80	76 15.20	67 13.40	133 26.60
18. Shiva Ayyadurai	323 64.60	40 8.00	31 6.20	106 21.20
19. Seth Moulton	123 24.60	169 33.80	60 12.00	148 29.60
20. Ed Markey	35 7.00	236 47.20	112 22.40	117 23.40
21. This November, the candidates for Governor will be Republican Charlie Baker and Democrat Jay Gonzalez. At this point for whom will you vote or toward whom do you lean – Baker or Gonzalez?				
(N=500)		n	%	
Republican Charlie Baker-----		277	55.40	
Democrat Jay Gonzalez-----		139	27.80	
Undecided -----		84	16.80	

22. Do you view Charlie Baker as a “pro-Trump” Republican or an “anti-Trump” Republican?
- | (N=500)    | n   | %     |
|------------|-----|-------|
| Pro-Trump  | 59  | 11.80 |
| Anti-Trump | 303 | 60.60 |
| Neither    | 56  | 11.20 |
| Undecided  | 82  | 16.40 |
23. How would you describe traffic in Massachusetts compared to four years ago: much better, somewhat better, no different, somewhat worse, or much worse?
- | (N=500)         | n   | %     |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| Much better     | 8   | 1.60  |
| Somewhat better | 54  | 10.80 |
| No different    | 129 | 25.80 |
| Somewhat worse  | 123 | 24.60 |
| Much worse      | 162 | 32.40 |
| Undecided       | 20  | 4.00  |
| Refused         | 4   | 0.80  |
24. For U.S. Senate, there are three candidates on your ballot: Democrat Elizabeth Warren, Republican Geoff Diehl, and Independent Shiva Ayyadurai. At this point for whom will you vote or toward whom do you lean – Warren, Diehl, or Ayyadurai?
- | (N=500)                     | n   | %     |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------|
| Democrat Elizabeth Warren   | 269 | 53.80 |
| Republican Geoff Diehl      | 122 | 24.40 |
| Independent Shiva Ayyadurai | 30  | 6.00  |
| Undecided                   | 78  | 15.60 |
| Refused                     | 1   | 0.20  |
- {FOR 24.3}
25. Who would be your second choice – Warren or Diehl?
- | (N=30)                    | n  | %     |
|---------------------------|----|-------|
| Democrat Elizabeth Warren | 10 | 33.33 |
| Republican Geoff Diehl    | 13 | 43.33 |
| Undecided                 | 7  | 23.33 |
26. Overall, how important to you is the issue of sexual harassment and misconduct in the workplace – very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?
- | (N=500)              | n   | %     |
|----------------------|-----|-------|
| Very important       | 343 | 68.60 |
| Somewhat important   | 118 | 23.60 |
| Not very important   | 25  | 5.00  |
| Not at all important | 11  | 2.20  |
| Undecided            | 3   | 0.60  |

There are three statewide ballot questions which will appear on the November ballot.

27. Question #1 would establish Patient to Nurse Limits. **A YES VOTE** would limit the number of patients that could be assigned to one registered nurse in hospitals and certain other health care facilities. **A NO VOTE** would make no change in current laws relative to patient-to-nurse limits. At this point, will you vote yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	259	51.80
No-----	165	33.00
Undecided -----	75	15.00
Refused -----	1	0.20

28. Question #2 would establish a Commission on Limiting Election Spending and Corporate Rights. **A YES VOTE** would create a citizens commission to advance an amendment to the United States Constitution to limit the influence of money in elections and establish that corporations do not have the same rights as human beings. **A NO VOTE** would not create this commission. At this point, will you vote yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	358	71.60
No-----	98	19.60
Undecided -----	43	8.60
Refused -----	1	0.20

29. Question #3 is the Transgender Anti-Discrimination proposal. **A YES VOTE** would keep in place the current law, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender identity in places of public accommodation. **A NO VOTE** would repeal this provision of the public accommodation law. At this point, will you vote yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	366	73.20
No-----	87	17.40
Undecided -----	46	9.20
Refused -----	1	0.20

I'm going to read you the names of five current or former Democratic leaders from Massachusetts. For each, please tell me if you think that person should run for President in 2020? **{RANDOMIZE 30-34}**

(N=500)	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Und</u>
30. Congressman Seth Moulton	{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}		
31. Senator Elizabeth Warren	{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}		
32. Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy III	{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}		
33. Former Governor Deval Patrick	{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}		
34. Former U.S. Senator John Kerry	{EMBARGOED FOR FUTURE RELEASE}		

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

35.	Do you currently have school-aged children? (N=500)	n	%
	Yes -----	130	26.00
	No-----	366	73.20
	Refused -----	4	0.80
36.	Are there any members of your household who are union members? (N=500)	n	%
	Yes -----	133	26.60
	No-----	366	73.20
	Refused -----	1	0.20

**[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]**