



Fiscal Alliance Foundation Gubernatorial Primary Election Poll
 Poll of Likely Primary Voters on Presidential Approval, Statewide Races,
 Ballot Questions, and Policies
 750 Likely Voters
 August 22 and 23, 2022

| | | Republican Primary Voters | % | Democratic Primary Voters | % | Total | % |
|---|---------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| 1. Thinking ahead to the fall gubernatorial primary race in Massachusetts, in which primary do you intend to vote? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Republican | 187 | 100% | 0 | 0% | 187 | 25% |
| 2 | Democrat | 0 | 0% | 563 | 100% | 563 | 75% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 2. Do you approve or disapprove of President Joe Biden's job performance? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Strongly Approve | 15 | 8% | 327 | 58% | 342 | 46% |
| 2 | Somewhat Approve | 6 | 3% | 181 | 32% | 187 | 25% |
| 3 | Somewhat Disapprove | 18 | 10% | 14 | 2% | 32 | 4% |
| 4 | Strongly Disapprove | 144 | 77% | 22 | 4% | 166 | 22% |
| 5 | Not Sure | 4 | 2% | 19 | 3% | 23 | 3% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 3. Do you approve or disapprove of President Joe Biden's handling of the economy? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Strongly Approve | 10 | 5% | 316 | 56% | 326 | 43% |
| 2 | Somewhat Approve | 8 | 4% | 154 | 27% | 162 | 22% |
| 3 | Somewhat Disapprove | 18 | 10% | 33 | 6% | 51 | 7% |
| 4 | Strongly Disapprove | 140 | 75% | 23 | 4% | 163 | 22% |
| 5 | Not Sure | 11 | 6% | 37 | 7% | 48 | 6% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 4. Do you approve or disapprove of President Joe Biden's handling of inflation? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Strongly Approve | 11 | 6% | 308 | 55% | 319 | 43% |
| 2 | Somewhat Approve | 10 | 5% | 130 | 23% | 140 | 19% |
| 3 | Somewhat Disapprove | 14 | 7% | 27 | 5% | 41 | 5% |
| 4 | Strongly Disapprove | 148 | 79% | 31 | 6% | 179 | 24% |
| 5 | Not Sure | 4 | 2% | 67 | 12% | 71 | 9% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |

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| 5. Do you think Massachusetts is heading on the right track or wrong track? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Right Track | 42 | 22% | 444 | 79% | 486 | 65% |
| 2 | Wrong Track | 126 | 67% | 64 | 11% | 190 | 25% |
| 3 | Not Sure | 19 | 10% | 55 | 10% | 74 | 10% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 6. Speaker Ron Mariano and Senate President Karen Spilka proposed a bill that would rebate some taxpayers \$250 per person, or \$500 per couple, to help with the rising cost of inflation. This rebate bill was not passed before the end of session and will now likely expire. Do you think lawmakers should find a way to pass this tax relief package before the end of the year? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Yes | 78 | 42% | 301 | 53% | 379 | 51% |
| 2 | No | 92 | 49% | 164 | 29% | 256 | 34% |
| 3 | Not Sure | 17 | 9% | 98 | 17% | 115 | 15% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 7. Do you support giving driver's licenses to illegal immigrants? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Yes | 15 | 8% | 339 | 60% | 354 | 47% |
| 2 | No | 168 | 90% | 148 | 26% | 316 | 42% |
| 3 | Not Sure | 4 | 2% | 76 | 13% | 80 | 11% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 8. Legislative leaders have placed a referendum on the November ballot that would amend the state constitution to allow lawmakers to impose a new income surtax. This would raise the income tax from 5 to 9 percent, which represents an 80 percent increase, on some earnings from high-income earners and middle-class small businesses. If the election were held today, would you support or oppose the legislature's ballot question to raise the income tax? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Strongly Approve | 18 | 10% | 173 | 31% | 191 | 25% |
| 2 | Somewhat Approve | 8 | 4% | 69 | 12% | 77 | 10% |
| 3 | Somewhat Disapprove | 12 | 6% | 58 | 10% | 70 | 9% |
| 4 | Strongly Disapprove | 147 | 79% | 132 | 23% | 279 | 37% |
| 5 | Not Sure | 2 | 1% | 131 | 23% | 133 | 18% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 9. In 1986, Massachusetts voters passed a law that says if state tax revenue growth is greater than the growth of the average resident's income, then the excess funds must be given back to taxpayers. This tax cap law is set to be triggered for the first time since 1987 and is poised to deliver almost \$3 billion in tax rebates back to Massachusetts taxpayers. Do you support or oppose keeping the 1986 tax cap law? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Yes | 118 | 63% | 367 | 65% | 485 | 65% |
| 2 | No | 37 | 20% | 76 | 13% | 113 | 15% |
| 3 | Not Sure | 32 | 17% | 120 | 21% | 152 | 20% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |

| Democratic Primary Voters | | | | | |
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| 10A. If the Democratic Primary for Lt. Governor were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Kim Driscoll | | 75 | 13% | 75 13% |
| 2 | Tami Gouveia | | 33 | 6% | 33 6% |
| 3 | Eric Lesser | | 49 | 9% | 49 9% |
| 4 | Undecided | | 406 | 72% | 406 72% |
| | Total | | 563 | 100% | 563 100% |
| 11A. If the Democratic Primary for Attorney General were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Andrea Campbell | | 140 | 25% | 140 25% |
| 2 | Shannon Liss-Riordan | | 115 | 20% | 115 20% |
| 3 | Quentin Palfrey | | 30 | 5% | 30 5% |
| 4 | Undecided | | 278 | 49% | 278 49% |
| | Total | | 563 | 100% | 563 100% |
| 12A. If the Democratic Primary for Secretary of State were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Bill Galvin | | 311 | 55% | 311 55% |
| 2 | Tanisha Sullivan | | 77 | 14% | 77 14% |
| 3 | Undecided | | 175 | 31% | 175 31% |
| | Total | | 563 | 100% | 563 100% |
| 13A. If the Democratic Primary for Auditor were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Chris Dempsey | | 85 | 15% | 85 15% |
| 2 | Diana DiZoglio | | 54 | 10% | 54 10% |
| 3 | Undecided | | 424 | 75% | 424 75% |
| | Total | | 563 | 100% | 563 100% |
| Republican Primary Voters | | | | | |
| 10B. If the Republican Primary for Governor were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Geoff Diehl | 79 | 42% | | 79 42% |
| 2 | Chris Doughty | 50 | 27% | | 50 27% |
| 3 | Undecided | 58 | 31% | | 58 31% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | | 187 100% |
| 11B. If the Republican Primary for Lt. Governor were held today, who would you vote for? | | | | | |
| 1 | Leah Allen | 24 | 13% | | 24 13% |
| 2 | Kate Campanale | 36 | 19% | | 36 19% |
| 3 | Undecided | 127 | 68% | | 127 68% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | | 187 100% |
| 14. Which of the following issues is most important to you in considering your vote? | | | | | |

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| 1 | Jobs/Economy | 36 | 19% | 54 | 10% | 90 | 12% |
| 2 | Taxes | 17 | 9% | 13 | 2% | 30 | 4% |
| 3 | Inflation | 62 | 33% | 61 | 11% | 123 | 16% |
| 4 | Covid-19 | 1 | 1% | 14 | 2% | 15 | 2% |
| 5 | Climate Change | 10 | 5% | 175 | 31% | 185 | 25% |
| 6 | Health Care | 5 | 3% | 144 | 26% | 149 | 20% |
| 7 | Law Enforcement/Rule of Law | 30 | 16% | 24 | 4% | 54 | 7% |
| 8 | Something Else | 17 | 9% | 26 | 5% | 43 | 6% |
| 9 | Not Sure | 9 | 5% | 52 | 9% | 61 | 8% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 15. Age Range | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 18-44 | 16 | 9% | 98 | 17% | 114 | 15% |
| 2 | 45-64 | 99 | 53% | 279 | 50% | 378 | 50% |
| 3 | 65 or older | 72 | 39% | 186 | 33% | 258 | 34% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 16. Are you or anyone in your family household a member of a labor union? | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Yes | 17 | 9% | 99 | 18% | 116 | 15% |
| 2 | No | 170 | 91% | 464 | 82% | 634 | 85% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 17. Gender | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Male | 98 | 52% | 265 | 47% | 363 | 48% |
| 2 | Female | 89 | 48% | 298 | 53% | 387 | 52% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |
| 18. Party Affiliation | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Democrats | 0 | 0% | 423 | 75% | 423 | 56% |
| 2 | Republicans | 105 | 56% | 0 | 0% | 105 | 14% |
| 3 | Unenrolled | 82 | 44% | 140 | 25% | 222 | 30% |
| | Total | 187 | 100% | 563 | 100% | 750 | 100% |