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## **Obama holds modest lead in Massachusetts**

**Raleigh, N.C.** – Barack Obama continues to lead Mitt Romney in the state where Romney was Governor from 2003-2007. The President holds a 55-39 lead over Romney in Massachusetts, numbers completely unchanged from PPP's last poll of the state in June.

Voters in Massachusetts simply like Obama better than Romney. Obama's job approval rating sits at 55% approval and 41% disapproval. By contrast only 39% of voters have a favorable view of Mitt Romney while 55% have an unfavorable view. Voters also have a disapproving view of the work Romney did while Governor of the Bay State – 42% say they approve of it and 46% disapprove. Additionally, a full 2/3 of voters – 66% - say they do not consider Romney to be a Bay Stater while just 23% do. 51% say Deval Patrick was a better Governor of Massachusetts and 42% choose Romney.

Joe Biden isn't quite as popular as the President but he's still doing better than newly-minted Romney running mate Paul Ryan. Biden holds a 46% favorable, 43% unfavorable rating while Paul Ryan is seen favorably by just 37% of voters and unfavorably by 49%. And when asked who they would vote for if they could vote directly for Vice President, Biden holds almost as wide a lead – 51% to 39% - over Ryan as Obama does over Romney. Just 28% of voters support Ryan's plan to reform Medicare while 53% oppose it.

“Mitt Romney continues not to see much of a home state advantage in Massachusetts,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “He won't lose by as much as John McCain did in 2008, but it's not going to be close either.”

Looking at some statewide initiatives, voters support Question 2, allowing physician-assisted suicide, by a 58%-24% margin. They also support Question 3, allowing for the decriminalization of marijuana for medical purposes, 58%-27%. Voters also narrowly support the state sending voter registration forms to welfare recipients, 43%-40%.

Deval Patrick (49%-40%) and John Kerry (50%-38%) both see positive job approval ratings.

PPP surveyed 1,115 likely Massachusetts voters from August 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>. The margin of error for the survey is +/-2.9%. This poll was not paid for or authorized by any campaign or political organization. PPP surveys are conducted through automated telephone interviews.



## Massachusetts Survey Results

**Q1** Do you approve or disapprove of President Barack Obama's job performance?

*Approve* ..... 55%  
*Disapprove*..... 41%  
*Not sure* ..... 4%

**Q2** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mitt Romney?

*Favorable*..... 39%  
*Unfavorable* ..... 55%  
*Not sure* ..... 6%

**Q3** If the candidates for President this year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

*Barack Obama*..... 55%  
*Mitt Romney*..... 39%  
*Undecided*..... 6%

**Q4** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Joe Biden?

*Favorable*..... 46%  
*Unfavorable* ..... 43%  
*Not sure* ..... 10%

**Q5** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Paul Ryan?

*Favorable*..... 37%  
*Unfavorable* ..... 49%  
*Not sure* ..... 14%

**Q6** If you were allowed to vote directly for Vice President, would you choose Democrat Joe Biden or Republican Paul Ryan?

*Joe Biden*..... 51%  
*Paul Ryan* ..... 39%  
*Not sure*..... 10%

**Q7** Question 2 would allow a physician licensed in Massachusetts to prescribe medication, at the request of a terminally ill patient meeting certain conditions, to end that person's life. If the election was today, would you vote yes or no on Question 2?

*Yes*..... 58%  
*No*..... 24%  
*Undecided*..... 18%

**Q8** Question 3 would eliminate state criminal and civil penalties for the medical use of marijuana by qualifying patients. If the election was today, would you vote yes or no on Question 3?

*Yes*..... 58%  
*No*..... 27%  
*Undecided*..... 15%

**Q9** Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Deval Patrick's job performance?

*Approve* ..... 49%  
*Disapprove*..... 40%  
*Not sure* ..... 11%

**Q10** Do you approve or disapprove of Senator John Kerry's job performance?

*Approve* ..... 50%  
*Disapprove*..... 38%  
*Not sure* ..... 13%

**Q11** Regardless of how you feel about him now, do you approve or disapprove of the work Mitt Romney did while he was Governor of Massachusetts?

*Approve* ..... 42%  
*Disapprove*..... 46%  
*Not sure*..... 12%





**Q12** Do you consider Mitt Romney to be a Bay Stater, or not?

*He is* ..... 23%  
*He is not*..... 66%  
*Not sure* ..... 11%

**Q13** Do you support or oppose Paul Ryan's proposal for reforming Medicare?

*Support*..... 28%  
*Oppose*..... 53%  
*Not sure* ..... 19%

**Q14** Who do you think was a better Governor of Massachusetts: Mitt Romney or Deval Patrick?

*Mitt Romney*..... 42%  
*Deval Patrick*..... 51%  
*Not sure* ..... 8%

**Q15** Do you support or oppose the state of Massachusetts sending voter registration forms to welfare recipients?

*Support*..... 43%  
*Oppose*..... 40%  
*Not sure* ..... 17%

**Q16** Who did you vote for President in 2008?

*John McCain*..... 33%  
*Barack Obama*..... 58%  
*Someone else/Don't remember* ..... 8%

**Q17** Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

*Very liberal*..... 13%  
*Somewhat liberal* ..... 23%  
*Moderate*..... 35%  
*Somewhat conservative*..... 22%  
*Very conservative* ..... 7%

**Q18** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

*Woman* ..... 52%  
*Man*..... 48%

**Q19** If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

*Democrat* ..... 38%  
*Republican*..... 15%  
*Independent/Other*..... 48%

**Q20** If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

*White* ..... 87%  
*Other*..... 13%

**Q21** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 to 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.

*18 to 29*..... 17%  
*30 to 45*..... 25%  
*46 to 65*..... 40%  
*Older than 65*..... 18%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Obama Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	55%	10%	83%	37%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	87%	13%	55%
<b>Not sure</b>	4%	2%	4%	7%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Romney Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	39%	79%	14%	48%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	55%	14%	82%	34%
<b>Not sure</b>	6%	7%	4%	18%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Obama/Romney</b>				
<b>Barack Obama</b>	55%	11%	84%	30%
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	39%	84%	11%	51%
<b>Undecided</b>	6%	6%	5%	19%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Biden Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	46%	10%	69%	31%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	43%	84%	19%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	5%	12%	18%





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	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>37%</b>	76%	13%	45%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>49%</b>	9%	74%	31%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>14%</b>	15%	13%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>				
<b>Joe Biden</b>	<b>51%</b>	8%	77%	35%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	<b>39%</b>	84%	13%	46%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>10%</b>	8%	10%	19%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Question 2</b>				
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	48%	66%	45%
<b>No</b>	<b>24%</b>	33%	18%	32%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	20%	16%	23%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Question 3</b>				
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	44%	67%	50%
<b>No</b>	<b>27%</b>	42%	18%	31%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>15%</b>	14%	15%	20%





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		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Patrick Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>49%</b>	15%	72%	31%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>40%</b>	77%	18%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	9%	11%	18%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Kerry Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>50%</b>	14%	72%	34%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>38%</b>	79%	13%	44%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>13%</b>	7%	15%	22%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>42%</b>	70%	25%	52%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>46%</b>	19%	63%	32%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>12%</b>	12%	12%	16%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Is Romney a Bay Stater?</b>				
<b>He is</b>	<b>23%</b>	43%	11%	24%
<b>He is not</b>	<b>66%</b>	42%	81%	62%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	15%	8%	14%





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	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>				
<b>Support</b>	28%	59%	10%	27%
<b>Oppose</b>	53%	18%	75%	37%
<b>Not sure</b>	19%	23%	15%	36%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>				
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	42%	84%	17%	48%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	51%	10%	76%	28%
<b>Not sure</b>	8%	6%	7%	23%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>				
<b>Support</b>	43%	15%	60%	35%
<b>Oppose</b>	40%	72%	22%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	17%	13%	18%	22%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Obama Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	55%	88%	86%	54%	16%	7%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	11%	10%	40%	80%	93%
<b>Not sure</b>	4%	1%	4%	6%	4%	-





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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Romney Favorability</b>						
Favorable	39%	12%	9%	36%	76%	89%
Unfavorable	55%	87%	85%	56%	16%	10%
Not sure	6%	1%	6%	8%	8%	1%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Obama/Romney</b>						
Barack Obama	55%	90%	89%	53%	15%	7%
Mitt Romney	39%	10%	7%	36%	79%	90%
Undecided	6%	0%	5%	11%	6%	3%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Biden Favorability</b>						
Favorable	46%	77%	68%	47%	14%	8%
Unfavorable	43%	17%	15%	42%	79%	87%
Not sure	10%	6%	17%	11%	7%	5%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>						
Favorable	37%	12%	11%	33%	72%	84%
Unfavorable	49%	81%	71%	50%	15%	9%
Not sure	14%	7%	18%	16%	13%	7%







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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>						
<b>Joe Biden</b>	51%	88%	80%	48%	14%	7%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	39%	8%	8%	38%	78%	89%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	3%	13%	14%	7%	4%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Question 2</b>						
<b>Yes</b>	58%	78%	65%	55%	50%	31%
<b>No</b>	24%	12%	18%	25%	29%	44%
<b>Undecided</b>	18%	9%	17%	19%	20%	25%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Question 3</b>						
<b>Yes</b>	58%	77%	67%	60%	41%	37%
<b>No</b>	27%	14%	17%	27%	38%	47%
<b>Undecided</b>	15%	9%	15%	14%	20%	16%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Patrick Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	49%	80%	74%	51%	16%	2%
<b>Disapprove</b>	40%	15%	15%	37%	74%	90%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	5%	12%	13%	10%	8%





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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Kerry Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	50%	77%	75%	50%	18%	6%
<b>Disapprove</b>	38%	14%	8%	34%	73%	90%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	9%	16%	16%	9%	5%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	42%	18%	24%	42%	66%	77%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	74%	60%	47%	21%	18%
<b>Not sure</b>	12%	8%	16%	12%	14%	5%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Is Romney a Bay Stater?</b>						
<b>He is</b>	23%	16%	9%	20%	36%	51%
<b>He is not</b>	66%	79%	80%	72%	48%	26%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	5%	11%	8%	16%	23%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>						
<b>Support</b>	28%	7%	5%	26%	53%	76%
<b>Oppose</b>	53%	89%	77%	54%	20%	8%
<b>Not sure</b>	19%	4%	18%	21%	27%	16%





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	Base	Ideology				
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<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>						
Mitt Romney	42%	17%	17%	36%	78%	87%
Deval Patrick	51%	82%	76%	52%	17%	7%
Not sure	8%	2%	7%	12%	5%	6%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>						
Support	43%	71%	65%	39%	17%	17%
Oppose	40%	19%	17%	40%	68%	72%
Not sure	17%	10%	19%	20%	15%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Obama Approval</b>			
Approve	55%	59%	50%
Disapprove	41%	37%	47%
Not sure	4%	5%	3%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Romney Favorability</b>			
Favorable	39%	33%	45%
Unfavorable	55%	60%	49%
Not sure	6%	7%	6%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Obama/Romney</b>			
<b>Barack Obama</b>	55%	60%	49%
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	39%	32%	46%
<b>Undecided</b>	6%	8%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Biden Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	46%	50%	42%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	43%	38%	49%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	12%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	37%	31%	44%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	49%	51%	47%
<b>Not sure</b>	14%	18%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>			
<b>Joe Biden</b>	51%	55%	46%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	39%	32%	47%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	13%	7%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Question 2</b>			
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	54%	63%
<b>No</b>	<b>24%</b>	27%	21%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	20%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Question 3</b>			
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	55%	61%
<b>No</b>	<b>27%</b>	24%	30%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>15%</b>	21%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Patrick Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	<b>49%</b>	49%	49%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>40%</b>	39%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	12%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Kerry Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	<b>50%</b>	52%	47%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>38%</b>	32%	44%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>13%</b>	16%	9%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	42%	35%	50%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	49%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	12%	16%	8%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Is Rom ney a Bay Stater?</b>			
<b>He is</b>	23%	20%	26%
<b>He is not</b>	66%	68%	65%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	13%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>			
<b>Support</b>	28%	24%	32%
<b>Oppose</b>	53%	56%	50%
<b>Not sure</b>	19%	21%	17%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>			
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	42%	37%	47%
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	Base	Gender	
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<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>			
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<b>Oppose</b>	<b>40%</b>	33%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>17%</b>	18%	15%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Obama Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>55%</b>	83%	11%	46%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>41%</b>	14%	88%	49%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>4%</b>	3%	2%	5%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Romney Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>39%</b>	15%	90%	42%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>55%</b>	82%	8%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>6%</b>	3%	1%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Obama/Romney</b>				
<b>Barack Obama</b>	<b>55%</b>	85%	8%	46%
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	<b>39%</b>	10%	91%	45%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>6%</b>	4%	1%	10%





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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Biden Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	46%	74%	8%	36%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	43%	17%	86%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	9%	5%	13%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	37%	14%	79%	42%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	49%	72%	11%	41%
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		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>				
<b>Joe Biden</b>	51%	78%	12%	41%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	39%	14%	83%	46%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	8%	5%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Question 2</b>				
<b>Yes</b>	58%	61%	44%	60%
<b>No</b>	24%	21%	32%	24%
<b>Undecided</b>	18%	17%	24%	17%







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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Question 3</b>				
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	67%	46%	55%
<b>No</b>	<b>27%</b>	17%	38%	31%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>15%</b>	16%	16%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Patrick Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>49%</b>	74%	12%	41%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>40%</b>	15%	82%	47%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	10%	6%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Kerry Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>50%</b>	76%	12%	41%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>38%</b>	14%	83%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>13%</b>	10%	5%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	<b>42%</b>	23%	83%	45%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>46%</b>	68%	11%	39%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>12%</b>	10%	6%	16%





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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Is Romney a Bay Stater?</b>				
<b>He is</b>	23%	12%	51%	22%
<b>He is not</b>	66%	81%	33%	65%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	7%	16%	13%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>				
<b>Support</b>	28%	10%	61%	31%
<b>Oppose</b>	53%	75%	19%	47%
<b>Not sure</b>	19%	15%	20%	22%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>				
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	42%	19%	88%	46%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	51%	77%	8%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	8%	5%	4%	11%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>				
<b>Support</b>	43%	61%	14%	37%
<b>Oppose</b>	40%	22%	71%	46%
<b>Not sure</b>	17%	17%	15%	17%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Obama Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	55%	54%	60%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	43%	33%
<b>Not sure</b>	4%	4%	7%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Romney Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	39%	40%	33%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	55%	54%	59%
<b>Not sure</b>	6%	6%	8%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Obama/Romney</b>			
<b>Barack Obama</b>	55%	54%	64%
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	39%	40%	33%
<b>Undecided</b>	6%	7%	3%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Biden Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	46%	45%	55%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	43%	45%	34%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	10%	11%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>37%</b>	38%	30%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>49%</b>	48%	56%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>14%</b>	14%	14%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>			
<b>Joe Biden</b>	<b>51%</b>	50%	54%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	<b>39%</b>	41%	31%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>10%</b>	9%	14%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Question 2</b>			
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	60%	46%
<b>No</b>	<b>24%</b>	24%	21%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	16%	32%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Question 3</b>			
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	59%	56%
<b>No</b>	<b>27%</b>	28%	18%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>15%</b>	13%	26%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Patrick Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	49%	48%	54%
<b>Disapprove</b>	40%	41%	33%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	10%	13%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Kerry Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	50%	49%	53%
<b>Disapprove</b>	38%	38%	37%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	13%	11%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	42%	43%	34%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	45%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	12%	12%	15%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Is Romney a Bay Stater?</b>			
<b>He is</b>	23%	23%	22%
<b>He is not</b>	66%	67%	60%
<b>Not sure</b>	11%	10%	17%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>			
<b>Support</b>	28%	28%	25%
<b>Oppose</b>	53%	53%	53%
<b>Not sure</b>	19%	19%	22%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>			
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	42%	42%	38%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	51%	50%	54%
<b>Not sure</b>	8%	8%	8%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>			
<b>Support</b>	43%	44%	36%
<b>Oppose</b>	40%	40%	40%
<b>Not sure</b>	17%	16%	24%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Obama Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	55%	64%	60%	49%	50%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	33%	38%	46%	44%
<b>Not sure</b>	4%	3%	2%	5%	5%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Romney Favorability</b>					
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>39%</b>	35%	36%	40%	43%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>55%</b>	58%	56%	55%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>6%</b>	7%	8%	5%	6%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Obama/Romney</b>					
<b>Barack Obama</b>	<b>55%</b>	63%	56%	52%	51%
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	<b>39%</b>	30%	39%	41%	41%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>6%</b>	7%	5%	7%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Biden Favorability</b>					
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>46%</b>	43%	49%	46%	47%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>43%</b>	40%	40%	46%	45%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>10%</b>	17%	11%	8%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Ryan Favorability</b>					
<b>Favorable</b>	<b>37%</b>	28%	37%	39%	42%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	<b>49%</b>	57%	45%	48%	47%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>14%</b>	16%	18%	13%	11%





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	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Biden/Ryan</b>					
<b>Joe Biden</b>	<b>51%</b>	59%	50%	49%	49%
<b>Paul Ryan</b>	<b>39%</b>	26%	38%	43%	45%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>10%</b>	16%	12%	8%	7%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Question 2</b>					
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	55%	62%	60%	52%
<b>No</b>	<b>24%</b>	26%	16%	26%	29%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	19%	22%	14%	19%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Question 3</b>					
<b>Yes</b>	<b>58%</b>	59%	60%	61%	49%
<b>No</b>	<b>27%</b>	26%	22%	27%	33%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>15%</b>	16%	18%	12%	19%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Patrick Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	<b>49%</b>	52%	50%	47%	49%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>40%</b>	38%	36%	44%	42%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	10%	14%	9%	9%







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	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Kerry Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	<b>50%</b>	50%	53%	49%	46%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>38%</b>	31%	35%	40%	44%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>13%</b>	19%	12%	12%	10%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Romney as Gov Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	<b>42%</b>	36%	41%	44%	44%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>46%</b>	52%	50%	42%	43%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>12%</b>	12%	9%	13%	13%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Is Romney a Bay Stater?</b>					
<b>He is</b>	<b>23%</b>	20%	20%	23%	28%
<b>He is not</b>	<b>66%</b>	68%	70%	67%	59%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>11%</b>	13%	10%	10%	12%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Support/Oppose Ryan Plan</b>					
<b>Support</b>	<b>28%</b>	21%	30%	28%	31%
<b>Oppose</b>	<b>53%</b>	68%	46%	53%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>19%</b>	11%	25%	19%	17%





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	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Better Gov.: Romney or Patrick?</b>					
<b>Mitt Romney</b>	<b>42%</b>	42%	39%	42%	44%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	<b>51%</b>	50%	55%	49%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>8%</b>	8%	5%	9%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Support/Oppose Mailing Voter Reg Forms to Welfare Recipients</b>					
<b>Support</b>	<b>43%</b>	52%	51%	38%	36%
<b>Oppose</b>	<b>40%</b>	33%	33%	46%	43%
<b>Not sure</b>	<b>17%</b>	15%	16%	16%	21%

