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### **Hillary Leads Dem 2016 Field Among Massachusetts Voters**

**Raleigh, N.C.** – PPP’s newest Massachusetts poll finds Hillary Clinton leading among 2016 Democratic primary contenders. Clinton got the support of 55% of Bay Staters, compared to 17% for Joe Biden, 4% for Andrew Cuomo, 1% for Martin O’Malley and negligible support for Brian Schweitzer and Mark Warner. Home-state contenders Elizabeth Warren and Deval Patrick each received 4%.

“It says a lot about the universal desire for Hillary Clinton to be the Democratic candidate in 2016 that she’s over 50% in Massachusetts even with two home state officials in the mix,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling.

On matters of state politics, Massachusetts voters are somewhat divided. 48% approve of Governor Deval Patrick’s job performance, to 41% who disapprove. This is very close to the 48%-38% spread PPP found last October, suggesting Patrick’s leadership after the Boston bombing hasn’t much changed voters’ perceptions of him. Elizabeth Warren receives a similarly split verdict; 44% approve of her job performance, and 39% disapprove.

Bay Staters stand in consensus on the effect that same-sex marriage has had on their private lives: little. 60% report no impact since the state supreme court legalized the institution in 2004. 25% say same-sex marriage has had a positive impact on their lives, and only 15% say it has been detrimental. Independents (15% positive, 15% negative, 70% none) and Republicans (12% positive, 26% negative, 62% none) roughly hew to this line. 41% of Democrats say that same-sex marriage has had a positive impact, 49% have noticed no difference, and a mere 10% see negative impact.

The survey found Massachusetts voters bullish on the Red Sox. 27% believe the Sox will win the World Series. 21% think they’ll win the American League but not the Series, 41% anticipate them making the playoffs but not winning the pennant, and only 3% don’t see postseason games coming to Fenway Park.

PPP surveyed 1,539 Massachusetts voters on May 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>, including 666 Democratic primary voters. The margin of error is +/-2.5% for the overall survey and +/- 3.8% for the Democratic primary portion. 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** (Asked of 666 Democratic primary voters)  
Given the choices of Joe Biden, Hillary Clinton, Andrew Cuomo, Kirsten Gillibrand, Martin O'Malley, Deval Patrick, Brian Schweitzer, Mark Warner, and Elizabeth Warren, who would you most like to see as the Democratic candidate for President in 2016?
- |                             |     |
|-----------------------------|-----|
| Joe Biden.....              | 17% |
| Hillary Clinton.....        | 55% |
| Andrew Cuomo.....           | 4%  |
| Kirsten Gillibrand .....    | 0%  |
| Martin O'Malley.....        | 1%  |
| Deval Patrick.....          | 4%  |
| Brian Schweitzer.....       | 0%  |
| Mark Warner.....            | 0%  |
| Elizabeth Warren .....      | 4%  |
| Someone else/Not sure ..... | 14% |
- Q2** Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Elizabeth Warren's job performance?
- |                 |     |                |     |
|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----|
| Approve .....   | 44% | Not sure ..... | 16% |
| Disapprove..... | 39% |                |     |
- Q3** Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Deval Patrick's job performance?
- |                 |     |                |     |
|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----|
| Approve .....   | 48% | Not sure ..... | 10% |
| Disapprove..... | 41% |                |     |
- Q4** Has the legalization of gay marriage in Massachusetts had a positive or negative impact on your life, or has it not had any impact at all?
- |                                    |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Positive impact.....               | 25% |
| Negative impact.....               | 15% |
| Hasn't made any impact at all..... | 60% |
- Q5** Do you think same-sex marriage should be allowed, or not?
- |                           |     |
|---------------------------|-----|
| It should be allowed..... | 58% |
| It should not.....        | 32% |
| Not sure.....             | 10% |
- Q6** Do you approve or disapprove of the job John Farrell is doing as manager?
- |                 |     |                |     |
|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----|
| Approve .....   | 64% | Not sure ..... | 36% |
| Disapprove..... | 1%  |                |     |
- Q7** What do you think the outcome of the Red Sox season will be this year: win the World Series, win the American League but not the World Series, make the playoffs but not win the pennant, or miss the playoffs?
- |  |     |  |     |
|--|-----|--|-----|
| They'll win the World Series.....                  | 27% | They'll make the playoffs but not win the pennant..... | 41% |
| They'll win the AL pennant but not the Series..... | 21% | They'll miss the playoffs .....                        | 3%  |
|  |     | Not sure .....   | 7%  |
- Q8** In the last Presidential election, did you vote for Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?
- |                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Barack Obama.....                 | 57% |
| Mitt Romney.....                  | 39% |
| Someone else/Don't remember ..... | 5%  |
- Q9** Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?
- |                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Very liberal.....          | 17% |
| Somewhat liberal .....     | 22% |
| Moderate.....              | 33% |
| Somewhat conservative..... | 20% |
| Very conservative .....    | 8%  |





**Q10** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

*Woman* ..... 55%

*Man*..... 45%

**Q11** 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* ..... 41%

*Republican*..... 17%

*Independent/Other*..... 42%

**Q12** If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

*White* ..... 84%

*Other*..... 16%

**Q13** 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*..... 9%

*30 to 45*..... 24%

*46 to 65*..... 46%

*Older than 65*..... 21%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>2016 Dem Pres Preference</b>				
<b>Joe Biden</b>	17%	18%	13%	26%
<b>Hillary Clinton</b>	55%	60%	32%	33%
<b>Andrew Cuomo</b>	4%	3%	13%	7%
<b>Martin O'Malley</b>	1%	-	4%	-
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	4%	5%	1%	-
<b>Brian Schweitzer</b>	0%	-	3%	-
<b>Mark Warner</b>	0%	0%	1%	-
<b>Elizabeth Warren</b>	4%	5%	-	3%
<b>Someone else/Not sure</b>	14%	10%	34%	30%

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Warren Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	44%	74%	7%	22%
<b>Disapprove</b>	39%	11%	77%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	16%	15%	16%	30%

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Patrick Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	48%	75%	15%	16%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	16%	75%	56%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	9%	10%	28%

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Legal Gay Marriage: Pos/Neg/No Impact on You</b>				
<b>Positive impact</b>	25%	38%	9%	6%
<b>Negative impact</b>	15%	7%	27%	9%
<b>Hasn't made any impact at all</b>	60%	56%	64%	85%





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	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed?</b>				
It should be allowed	58%	79%	32%	52%
It should not	32%	16%	55%	21%
Not sure	10%	6%	14%	27%

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Farrell Approval</b>				
Approve	64%	63%	66%	48%
Disapprove	1%	1%	1%	-
Not sure	36%	36%	34%	52%

	Base	2012 Vote		
		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember
<b>Sox Season Outcome</b>				
They'll win the World Series	27%	28%	25%	42%
They'll win the AL pennant but not the Series	21%	18%	25%	18%
They'll make the playoffs but not win the pennant	41%	41%	42%	25%
They'll miss the playoffs	3%	2%	5%	6%
Not sure	7%	10%	2%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>2016 Dem Pres Preference</b>						
Joe Biden	17%	33%	14%	8%	11%	3%
Hillary Clinton	55%	50%	63%	59%	35%	25%
Andrew Cuomo	4%	2%	4%	7%	4%	7%
Martin O'Malley	1%	-	-	2%	1%	-
Deval Patrick	4%	2%	5%	5%	1%	7%
Brian Schweitzer	0%	-	-	0%	4%	-
Mark Warner	0%	-	0%	-	4%	-
Elizabeth Warren	4%	7%	4%	2%	2%	-
Someone else/Not sure	14%	6%	10%	17%	37%	57%





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	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Warren Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	44%	80%	66%	43%	12%	6%
<b>Disapprove</b>	39%	11%	18%	36%	72%	84%
<b>Not sure</b>	16%	9%	16%	21%	16%	10%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Patrick Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	48%	77%	70%	47%	19%	8%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	16%	21%	38%	72%	85%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	7%	9%	14%	9%	7%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Legal Gay Marriage: Pos/Neg/No Impact on You</b>						
<b>Positive impact</b>	25%	50%	38%	19%	4%	2%
<b>Negative impact</b>	15%	15%	8%	11%	18%	41%
<b>Hasn't made any impact at all</b>	60%	35%	54%	70%	77%	57%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed?</b>						
<b>It should be allowed</b>	58%	76%	82%	60%	31%	14%
<b>It should not</b>	32%	20%	13%	29%	53%	69%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	4%	6%	11%	16%	16%





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	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Farrell Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	64%	67%	58%	66%	68%	54%
<b>Disapprove</b>	1%	-	0%	1%	2%	-
<b>Not sure</b>	36%	33%	42%	33%	31%	46%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Sox Season Outcome</b>						
<b>They'll win the World Series</b>	27%	35%	20%	30%	24%	35%
<b>They'll win the AL pennant but not the Series</b>	21%	16%	23%	22%	23%	20%
<b>They'll make the playoffs but not win the pennant</b>	41%	33%	44%	41%	47%	34%
<b>They'll miss the playoffs</b>	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	5%
<b>Not sure</b>	7%	12%	11%	4%	2%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>2016 Dem Pres Preference</b>			
<b>Joe Biden</b>	17%	17%	17%
<b>Hillary Clinton</b>	55%	58%	50%
<b>Andrew Cuomo</b>	4%	4%	5%
<b>Martin O'Malley</b>	1%	0%	1%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	4%	3%	6%
<b>Brian Schweitzer</b>	0%	0%	0%
<b>Mark Warner</b>	0%	0%	0%
<b>Elizabeth Warren</b>	4%	5%	3%
<b>Someone else/Not sure</b>	14%	11%	18%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Warren Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	44%	49%	38%
<b>Disapprove</b>	39%	34%	46%
<b>Not sure</b>	16%	17%	16%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Patrick Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	48%	53%	43%
<b>Disapprove</b>	41%	35%	49%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	12%	8%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Legal Gay Marriage: Pos/Neg/No Impact on You</b>			
<b>Positive impact</b>	25%	29%	19%
<b>Negative impact</b>	15%	15%	15%
<b>Hasn't made any     impact at all</b>	60%	56%	66%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed?</b>			
<b>It should be allowed</b>	58%	64%	52%
<b>It should not</b>	32%	28%	37%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	8%	12%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Farrell Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	64%	55%	75%
<b>Disapprove</b>	1%	1%	1%
<b>Not sure</b>	36%	45%	25%







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	Base	Gender	
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<b>Sox Season Outcome</b>			
They'll win the World Series	27%	29%	25%
They'll win the AL pennant but not the Series	21%	21%	21%
They'll make the playoffs but not win the pennant	41%	39%	45%
They'll miss the playoffs	3%	3%	4%
Not sure	7%	9%	4%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>2016 Dem Pres Preference</b>				
Joe Biden	17%	19%	64%	6%
Hillary Clinton	55%	57%	18%	56%
Andrew Cuomo	4%	4%	-	6%
Martin O'Malley	1%	1%	-	0%
Deval Patrick	4%	4%	4%	4%
Brian Schweitzer	0%	0%	-	1%
Mark Warner	0%	0%	-	1%
Elizabeth Warren	4%	5%	-	3%
Someone else/Not sure	14%	10%	14%	22%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Warren Approval</b>				
Approve	44%	72%	10%	34%
Disapprove	39%	14%	75%	48%
Not sure	16%	14%	15%	18%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Patrick Approval</b>				
Approve	48%	70%	22%	39%
Disapprove	41%	21%	69%	49%
Not sure	10%	9%	8%	13%





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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Legal Gay Marriage: Pos/Neg/No Impact on You</b>				
<b>Positive impact</b>	25%	41%	12%	15%
<b>Negative impact</b>	15%	10%	26%	15%
<b>Hasn't made any     impact at all</b>	60%	49%	62%	70%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed?</b>				
<b>It should be allowed</b>	58%	74%	32%	56%
<b>It should not</b>	32%	21%	54%	32%
<b>Not sure</b>	10%	5%	15%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Farrell Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	64%	62%	67%	63%
<b>Disapprove</b>	1%	1%	1%	1%
<b>Not sure</b>	36%	37%	33%	36%

	Base	Party		
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<b>Sox Season Outcome</b>				
<b>They'll win the World     Series</b>	27%	28%	27%	27%
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<b>They'll make the     playoffs but not win     the pennant</b>	41%	40%	47%	40%
<b>They'll miss the     playoffs</b>	3%	4%	1%	4%
<b>Not sure</b>	7%	8%	4%	6%





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		White	Other
<b>2016 Dem Pres Preference</b>			
<b>Joe Biden</b>	17%	14%	31%
<b>Hillary Clinton</b>	55%	57%	46%
<b>Andrew Cuomo</b>	4%	4%	5%
<b>Martin O'Malley</b>	1%	0%	2%
<b>Deval Patrick</b>	4%	4%	4%
<b>Brian Schweitzer</b>	0%	1%	-
<b>Mark Warner</b>	0%	0%	1%
<b>Elizabeth Warren</b>	4%	4%	3%
<b>Someone else/Not sure</b>	14%	15%	8%

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		White	Other
<b>Warren Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	44%	43%	51%
<b>Disapprove</b>	39%	41%	33%
<b>Not sure</b>	16%	16%	16%

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<b>Patrick Approval</b>			
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Someone else/Not sure	14%	8%	9%	16%	17%





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<b>Not sure</b>	<b>10%</b>	19%	10%	8%	12%

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<b>They'll miss the playoffs</b>	3%	-	3%	4%	5%
<b>Not sure</b>	7%	9%	3%	8%	8%

