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Note: Healey was the Repub candidate for
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## MA Gubernatorial Election Poll

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## Executive Summary

All figures are for likely November 2006 voters

1. When asked if they supported or opposed a proposal to require voters provide a photo ID in order to vote, voters clearly back Healey's position - $47 \%$ strongly support requiring a photo $\mathrm{ID}, \mathbf{2 1 \%}$ support this somewhat, $\mathbf{5 \%}$ are neutral, $13 \%$ oppose it somewhat, $11 \%$ strongly oppose, and 3\% don't know.

- Republicans, Healey voters, and voters in Central MA are most likely to strongly support photo IDs.
- However, even majorities of even Democrats support this idea.

2. Another issue where Healey holds the more popular position is opposing a proposal to let students of undocumented immigrants pay in-state tuition at MA state colleges and universities. Only $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ of MA voters support in-state tuition for the children of undocumented immigrants ( $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ strongly and $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ somewhat), $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ oppose ( $\mathbf{4 4 \%}$ strongly and $15 \%$ somewhat), $6 \%$ are neutral and $4 \%$ don't know.

- This issue represents an opportunity for Healey as it is opposed by most groups of voters, especially by Republicans, older voters, low income voters, Catholics, and voters from Central MA.

3. Similarly, $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ of MA voters oppose issuing drivers licenses to undocumented immigrants ( $\mathbf{5 1 \%}$ strongly and $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ somewhat) -- Healey's position. Only 29\% support this proposal ( $14 \%$ strongly and $15 \%$ somewhat), $4 \%$ are neutral and $4 \%$ don't know.

- This issue also represents an opportunity for Healey as most voters oppose this idea, especially Republicans, Independents, Mihos voters, voters with lower levels of education, and voters in Central MA.

ISS2
"Some people are suggesting Massachusetts should require people to present a state-issued photo identification card before they vote, to prevent non citizens from voting and to prevent other types of voter fraud. Based on what you have seen or heard, do you support or oppose legislation in Massachusetts that would require voters to present a photo ID in order to vote?"
"Is that strongly or just somewhat?"

|  | 1 | SUPPORT STRONGLY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2 | SUPPORT SOMEWHAT |
|  | 3 | NEUTRAL - VOLUNTEERED |
|  | 4 | OPPOSE SOMEWHAT |
|  | 5 | OPPOSE STRONGLY |
|  | 98 | DK / UNSURE |
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ISS3
"Do you support providing in-state tuition at state colleges and universities to undocumented immigrants who graduate from Massachusetts high schools?"
"Is that strongly or just somewhat?"

|  | 1 | SUPPORT STRONGLY |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | SUPPORT SOMEWHAT |  |
| 3 | NEUTRAL - VOLUNTEERED |  |
| 4 | OPPOSE SOMEWHAT |  |
|  | 5 | OPPOSE STRONGLY |
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ISS4
"Think for a minute about undocumented immigrants and drivers licenses. Some people say that letting undocumented immigrants to get a drivers license would make the roads safer and allow all drivers to get automobile insurance. Opponents say that giving drivers licenses to undocumented immigrants would condone illegal behavior. What about you ... do you support or oppose letting undocumented immigrants get Massachusetts drivers licenses?"
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|  | 5 | OPPOSE STRONGLY |
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[^0]|  | Strongly <br> Support | Somewhat Support | Neutral | Somewhat Oppose | Strongly Oppose | Don't <br> Know | $(\mathrm{N}=$ ) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| STATEWIDE - SEPT. 2006 | 47\% | 21\% | 5\% | 13\% | 11\% | 3\% | 524 |
| Democrat | 32\% | 22\% | 9\% | 19\% | 16\% | 3\% | 252 |
| Independent | 52\% | 29\% | 2\% | 8\% | 8\% | 2\% | 96 |
| Republican | 68\% | 17\% | 2\% | 7\% | 3\% | 4\% | 152 |
| Registered Democrat | 31\% | 21\% | 9\% | 18\% | 19\% | 3\% | 197 |
| Undeclared | 55\% | 20\% | 3\% | 12\% | 6\% | 4\% | 216 |
| Registered Republican | 62\% | 28\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% | 0\% | 83 |
| Not registered | 52\% | 13\% | 0\% | 14\% | 11\% | 10\% | 28 |
| Healey Voter | 73\% | 16\% | 3\% | 6\% | 2\% | 1\% | 152 |
| Patrick voter | 31\% | 25\% | 6\% | 18\% | 16\% | 4\% | 283 |
| Mihos voter | 55\% | 22\% | 10\% | 4\% | 9\% | 0\% | 36 |
| Undecided | 46\% | 18\% | 0\% | $21 \%$ | 2\% | 14\% | 32 |
| Romney in 2002 | 59\% | 21\% | 4\% | 9\% | 4\% | 2\% | 239 |
| O'Brien in 2002\% | 28\% | 24\% | 4\% | 20\% | 22\% | 3\% | 137 |
| Male | 49\% | 19\% | 3\% | 14\% | 12\% | 3\% | 253 |
| Female | 45\% | 23\% | 7\% | 13\% | 9\% | 4\% | 271 |
| 18 to 34 | 48\% | 27\% | 10\% | 8\% | 7\% | 0\% | 59 |
| 35 to 49 | 48\% | 21\% | 5\% | 14\% | 10\% | 2\% | 168 |
| 50 to 64 | 45\% | 18\% | 5\% | 15\% | 14\% | 3\% | 172 |
| 65 and over | 46\% | 25\% | 5\% | 13\% | 6\% | 5\% | 97 |
| White | 48\% | 20\% | 5\% | 13\% | 11\% | 3\% | 453 |
| African American | 8\% | 61\% | 16\% | 8\% | 6\% | 0\% | 19 |
| Hispanic | 52\% | 28\% | 20\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 13 |
| Other | 52\% | 8\% | 3\% | 20\% | 16\% | 0\% | 19 |
| High school or less | 45\% | 19\% | 10\% | 13\% | 8\% | 5\% | 96 |
| Some college | 54\% | 24\% | 9\% | 8\% | 4\% | 1\% | 110 |
| College graduate | 49\% | 20\% | 3\% | 13\% | 10\% | 5\% | 164 |
| Post-graduate | 40\% | 22\% | 2\% | 16\% | 18\% | 1\% | 139 |
| Less than \$30K | 55\% | 19\% | 2\% | 9\% | 9\% | 4\% | 28 |
| \$30K to \$60K | 42\% | 25\% | 5\% | 16\% | 8\% | 3\% | 70 |
| \$60K to \$75K | 46\% | 17\% | 16\% | 14\% | 7\% | 0\% | 39 |
| \$75K to \$100K | 51\% | 10\% | 4\% | 11\% | 20\% | 5\% | 52 |
| More than \$100K | 47\% | 22\% | 4\% | 11\% | 14\% | 2\% | 130 |
| Protestant | 33\% | 36\% | 5\% | 12\% | 8\% | 6\% | 131 |
| Catholic | 57\% | 15\% | 4\% | 11\% | 10\% | 2\% | 235 |
| Other | 46\% | 15\% | 7\% | 13\% | 17\% | 1\% | 43 |
| None | 34\% | 19\% | 10\% | 22\% | 12\% | 2\% | 85 |
| Attend church weekly | 50\% | 21\% | 0\% | 11\% | 14\% | 4\% | 131 |
| Attend monthly | 45\% | 22\% | 12\% | 11\% | 6\% | 4\% | 97 |
| Attend occasionally | 45\% | 21\% | 3\% | 17\% | 9\% | 4\% | 158 |
| Never attend | 40\% | 22\% | 9\% | 15\% | 13\% | 1\% | 103 |
| Inside 128 | 42\% | 19\% | 8\% | 14\% | 13\% | 3\% | 140 |
| 128 to 495 | 44\% | 20\% | 4\% | 19\% | 11\% | 2\% | 155 |
| Central MA | 59\% | 21\% | 6\% | 5\% | 7\% | 2\% | 96 |
| Western MA | 46\% | 28\% | 2\% | 11\% | 11\% | 2\% | 67 |
| Southern MA/Cape/Islands | 46\% | 23\% | 2\% | 11\% | 11\% | 7\% | 66 |
| Extremely interested in election | 49\% | 14\% | 5\% | 13\% | 17\% | 2\% | 122 |
| Very interested | 48\% | 19\% | 5\% | 13\% | 11\% | 4\% | 272 |
| Some/little interest | 41\% | 32\% | 6\% | 13\% | 4\% | 3\% | 130 |


| Definitely vote in 2006 | $48 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $3 \%$ | 425 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Vote unless emergency | $43 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $5 \%$ | 99 |

"Do you support or oppose providing in-state tuition at state colleges and universities to undocumented immigrants who graduate from Massachusetts high schools?" "Is that strongly or just somewhat?"

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| STATEWIDE - SEPT. 2006 | 15\% | 15\% | 6\% | 15\% | 44\% | 4\% | 522 |
| Democrat | 25\% | 22\% | 7\% | 13\% | 28\% | 5\% | 252 |
| Independent | 8\% | 14\% | 8\% | 18\% | 45\% | 7\% | 95 |
| Republican | 4\% | 5\% | 5\% | 18\% | 67\% | 1\% | 151 |
| Registered Democrat | 25\% | 17\% | 8\% | 14\% | 32\% | 4\% | 195 |
| Undeclared | 10\% | 18\% | 5\% | 16\% | 45\% | 6\% | 216 |
| Registered Republican | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 20\% | 66\% | 1\% | 83 |
| Not registered | 19\% | 14\% | 6\% | 0\% | 56\% | 4\% | 27 |
| Healey Voter | 3\% | 5\% | 7\% | 18\% | 67\% | 1\% | 152 |
| Patrick voter | 23\% | 21\% | 6\% | 15\% | 28\% | 6\% | 283 |
| Mihos voter | 9\% | 11\% | 0\% | 7\% | 73\% | 0\% | 36 |
| Undecided | 7\% | 11\% | 11\% | 11\% | 54\% | 6\% | 32 |
| Romney in 2002 | 6\% | 9\% | 5\% | 17\% | 62\% | 1\% | 238 |
| O'Brien in 2002\% | 25\% | 22\% | 9\% | 12\% | 25\% | 8\% | 138 |
| Male | 14\% | 16\% | 5\% | 15\% | 46\% | 4\% | 252 |
| Female | 17\% | 14\% | 7\% | 14\% | 42\% | 5\% | 270 |
| 18 to 34 | 16\% | 19\% | 7\% | 19\% | 33\% | 6\% | 58 |
| 35 to 49 | 16\% | 14\% | 6\% | 16\% | 45\% | 3\% | 168 |
| 50 to 64 | 19\% | 16\% | 3\% | 16\% | 41\% | 5\% | 173 |
| 65 and over | 5\% | 12\% | 13\% | 12\% | 53\% | 4\% | 95 |
| White | 15\% | 15\% | 5\% | 16\% | 45\% | 4\% | 451 |
| African American | 23\% | 14\% | 35\% | 0\% | 8\% | 20\% | 19 |
| Hispanic | 38\% | 34\% | 0\% | 0\% | 28\% | 0\% | 13 |
| Other | 7\% | 15\% | 10\% | 20\% | 48\% | 0\% | 19 |
| High school or less | 12\% | 10\% | 15\% | 17\% | 44\% | 3\% | 93 |
| Some college | 11\% | 8\% | 5\% | 15\% | 55\% | 6\% | 110 |
| College graduate | 13\% | 21\% | 5\% | 14\% | 44\% | 2\% | 164 |
| Post-graduate | 24\% | 15\% | 4\% | 16\% | 35\% | 6\% | 140 |
| Less than \$30K | 15\% | 9\% | 2\% | 10\% | 56\% | 8\% | 27 |
| \$30K to \$60K | 10\% | 17\% | 12\% | 16\% | 38\% | 7\% | 70 |
| \$60K to \$75K | 19\% | 19\% | 8\% | 9\% | 45\% | 0\% | 39 |
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| More than \$100K | 14\% | 16\% | 6\% | 16\% | 45\% | $3 \%$ | 130 |
| Protestant | 11\% | 18\% | 11\% | 14\% | 37\% | 8\% | 129 |
| Catholic | 12\% | 11\% | 5\% | 17\% | 52\% | 2\% | 234 |
| Other | 24\% | 11\% | 7\% | 13\% | 38\% | 6\% | 43 |
| None | 25\% | 22\% | $3 \%$ | 15\% | 32\% | $3 \%$ | 86 |
| Attend church weekly | 11\% | 16\% | 8\% | 14\% | 48\% | 3\% | 131 |
| Attend monthly | 16\% | 13\% | 9\% | 14\% | 44\% | 3\% | 96 |
| Attend occasionally | 14\% | 14\% | 7\% | 16\% | 44\% | 6\% | 157 |
| Never attend | 22\% | 16\% | 2\% | 20\% | 37\% | $3 \%$ | 104 |
| Inside 128 | 26\% | 14\% | 7\% | 16\% | 34\% | 3\% | 139 |
| 128 to 495 | 13\% | 15\% | 7\% | 17\% | 46\% | 3\% | 155 |
| Central MA | 11\% | 14\% | 2\% | 13\% | 59\% | 1\% | 96 |
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| Very interested | 14\% | 14\% | 7\% | 16\% | 45\% | 4\% | 272 |
| Some/little interest | 13\% | 17\% | 6\% | 17\% | 41\% | 6\% | 128 |
| Definitely vote in 2006 | 14\% | 14\% | 6\% | 16\% | 46\% | 5\% | 424 |
| Vote unless emergency | 21\% | 20\% | 7\% | 11\% | 38\% | 2\% | 97 |

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| Republican | 5\% | 5\% | 3\% | 15\% | 70\% | 2\% | 152 |
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| Undecided | 7\% | 13\% | 0\% | 22\% | 50\% | 8\% | 32 |
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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Vote unless emergency | $11 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $15 \%$ | 426 |  |
|  |  |  | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ | 97 |  |


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