

**WBUR Massachusetts Poll
Survey of 426 Massachusetts Democratic Primary Voters
Field Dates: February 23-26, 2020**

I'm going to read you the names of several people who are active in public affairs. After I read each one please tell me if you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of the person. If you have never heard of the person or if you are undecided, please just say so. **READ FIRST NAME.** How about **READ NEXT NAME?**

REPEAT QUESTION TEXT ONLY IF NECESSARY, PROBE IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DON'T KNOW".

Have you heard of **READ NAME** and are undecided about (him/her)? Or **PAUSE** have you never heard of (him/her)?

ROTATE ORDER	Favorable	Unfavorable	Heard of / Undecided	Never heard of	Refused
Joe Biden	49%	33%	17%	1%	0%
Pete Buttigieg	52%	22%	17%	8%	<1%
Elizabeth Warren	58%	33%	8%	1%	0%
Bernie Sanders	60%	29%	11%	0%	0%
Tulsi Gabbard	18%	32%	25%	24%	<1%
Amy Klobuchar	50%	20%	18%	11%	<1%
Michael Bloomberg	35%	43%	20%	2%	0%
Tom Steyer	32%	31%	24%	13%	<1%
Donald Trump	16%	80%	4%	<1%	0%
Bill Weld	35%	32%	19%	13%	<1%
Charlie Baker	61%	22%	13%	4%	<1%
Mitt Romney	43%	41%	13%	1%	2%
Bill Barr	7%	48%	13%	32%	<1%

IF ALREADY VOTED: You mentioned you have already voted. For whom did you vote for in the 2020 Democratic primary for President? If you would like, I can read you a list of candidates who appeared on the ballot. **ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES, IF RESPONDENT REQUESTS THEY BE READ.**

IF HAVEN'T VOTED YET: If the 2020 Democratic primary for President were held today, for whom would you vote? If you would like, I can read you a list of candidates who will appear on the ballot. **ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES, IF RESPONDENT REQUESTS THEY BE READ.**

IF UNDECIDED: Even though you say you are undecided -- which way are you leaning as of today? I can read you a list of candidates if you would like. **READ AND ROTATE LIST IF REQUESTED.**

Joe Biden	9%
Michael Bloomberg	13%
Pete Buttigieg	14%
Tulsi Gabbard	1%
Amy Klobuchar	6%
Bernie Sanders	25%
Tom Steyer	2%
Elizabeth Warren	17%
Some other candidate (not read)	4%
Would not vote (not read)	2%
Don't Know / Refused	8%

Which of the following is more important to your choice in the Democratic primary for president?

Voting for the candidate you agree with on important issues	49%
Voting for the candidate with the best chance of beating Donald Trump	43%
Don't Know / Refused	8%

Have you watched any of the debates between Democratic presidential candidates over the last few weeks?

Yes I have	77%
No I have not	23%
Don't Know / Refused	<1%

IF DID NOT WATCH READ PARENTHETICAL: (Based on anything you heard or read about them)
How important were the debates in helping you decide whom to support in the Democratic primary?

Very important	21%
Somewhat important	38%
Not too important	18%
Not at all important	21%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

If each of the following candidates win the Democratic nomination for President, would you definitely vote for them in November, probably vote for them, probably not vote for them, or definitely not vote for them?

	Definitely vote for them	Probably vote for them	Probably not vote for them	Definitely not vote for them	Don't know / Refused
ROTATE ORDER					
Joe Biden	53%	19%	8%	16%	3%
Michael Bloomberg	46%	22%	7%	21%	4%
Bernie Sanders	56%	19%	5%	18%	2%
Elizabeth Warren	54%	11%	8%	23%	3%
Amy Klobuchar	49%	15%	11%	16%	9%
Pete Buttigieg	49%	17%	11%	15%	7%

If a candidate for the Democratic nomination funded their campaign in each of the following ways, would you think it was a good idea, just ok, or a bad idea? First **READ FIRST?** How about **READ NEXT? REPEAT STEM AND SCALE ONLY AS NEEDED,**

ROTATE ORDER	Good idea	Just ok	Bad idea	Don't Know/ Refused
Grassroots funded, meaning small donations from many individuals	74%	18%	4%	4%
Self-funded, meaning a wealthy candidate paying for everything and not taking any donations	32%	30%	35%	4%
Funded by a combination of wealthy donors making large contributions and small donations from many individuals	33%	45%	18%	4%

Now for a few questions on another topic.

Since being acquitted of impeachment by the Senate, President Trump has fired government officials who testified against him in the impeachment hearings. Do you think this is appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	11%
Inappropriate	85%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

Do you think the ways President Trump has used his power to pardon people convicted of crimes and commute sentences have been appropriate or inappropriate?

Appropriate	16%
Inappropriate	79%
Don't Know / Refused	5%

Do you think Donald Trump sees himself as subject to the law, or above the law?

Subject to the law	12%
Above the law	84%
Don't Know / Refused	3%

During Donald Trump's time in office, do you think his actions as President have **READ AND ROTATE?**

Strengthened the rule of law	7%
Weakened the rule of law	74%
Made no difference to the rule of law	17%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

There are news and intelligence reports that Russia is attempting to interfere in the 2020 elections. Do you think the Trump administration will try to stop Russian interference or not?

Will try to stop it	18%
Will not try to stop it	72%
Don't Know / Refused	10%

How confident are you that the outcome of the 2020 presidential election will be viewed as legitimate and both sides will accept the results?

Very confident	13%
Somewhat confident	40%
Not too confident	27%
Not at all confident	17%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

Demographics

Race

White / Caucasian	83%
All others	15%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

Age

18 to 29	13%
30 to 44	20%
45 to 59	35%
60+	32%

Gender

Male	43%
Female	57%

Party Registration

Democrat	57%
Unenrolled	43%

Education

High School or less	19%
Some college, no degree	21%
College graduate (BA/BS)	27%
Advanced degree	33%
Don't Know / Refused	<1%

About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 426 likely voters in the 2020 Massachusetts Democratic Presidential Primary. Live telephone interviews were conducted February 23-26, 2020 via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. The final data was weighted to known and estimated parameters on party registration, gender, age, race, county, and education. The margin of sampling error is 4.9 percentage points with a 95 percent level of confidence. The poll was sponsored by WBUR, a National Public Radio station in the Boston area.