



Fiscal Alliance Foundation - May 17, 2024

750 Likely Voters

Margin of Error +/- 3.6%; 95% Confidence Level

		Total	Percent
1. Is Massachusetts heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?			
1	Right direction	300	40.00%
2	Wrong direction	323	43.07%
3	Unsure	127	16.93%
	Total	750	100.00%
2. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of President Joe Biden?			
1	Strongly Favorable	263	35.07%
2	Somewhat Favorable	132	17.60%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	47	6.27%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	270	36.00%
5	Not Sure	38	5.07%
	Total	750	100.00%
3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of former President Donald Trump?			
1	Strongly Favorable	171	22.80%
2	Somewhat Favorable	81	10.80%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	60	8.00%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	399	53.20%
5	Not Sure	39	5.20%
	Total	750	100.00%
4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sen. Elizabeth Warren?			
1	Strongly Favorable	232	30.93%
2	Somewhat Favorable	151	20.13%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	60	8.00%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	247	32.93%
5	Not Sure	60	8.00%
	Total	750	100.00%
5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Gov. Maura Healey?			
1	Strongly Favorable	202	26.93%
2	Somewhat Favorable	177	23.60%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	85	11.33%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	185	24.67%
5	Not Sure	101	13.47%
	Total	750	100.00%

6. Governor Maura Healey filed a bill to create a new tax called the “real estate transfer fee,” which would allow local cities and towns to levy a new sales tax of up to 2% on property sales and would apply to the portion of the sale over \$1 million dollars. This would apply to all real estate including homes, apartments, and commercial land. Do you support the creation of this new tax?

1	Yes	211	28.13%
2	No	414	55.20%
3	Not Sure	125	16.67%
	Total	750	100.00%

7. In 2023, Massachusetts leaders implemented a drastic update of our state building codes in order to meet new “net zero” emissions goals, which they passed. Industry experts estimate this will increase the median cost of a single-family home by up to \$23,000. Do you support paying more for housing in order to enact these “net zero” emissions policies?

1	Yes	181	24.13%
2	No	449	59.87%
3	Not Sure	120	16.00%
	Total	750	100.00%

8. In 2021, Massachusetts lawmakers passed a law known as the MBTA Communities Act. This law mandates a majority of the state’s cities and towns approve zoning for higher density housing in their communities. Do you support or oppose the MBTA Communities Act?

1	Yes	251	33.47%
2	No	336	44.80%
3	Not Sure	163	21.73%
	Total	750	100.00%

9. Over the past year, Massachusetts has seen a substantial increase in the number of migrants coming to the state. They are being housed in the emergency shelter program and also given state funded subsidies for housing. How concerned are you that this large influx of new residents will have a negative effect on the housing and rental markets in Massachusetts?

1	Highly concerned	402	53.60%
2	Somewhat concerned	148	19.73%
3	Not concerned at all / Not sure	200	26.67%
	Total	750	100.00%

10. Monica Tibbits-Nutt is Governor Maura Healey’s handpicked Transportation Secretary. She recently made a highly publicized speech where she stated she will use policy as a weapon, and will be “going after all the people who should be giving us money to make our transportation better” by instituting new taxes, tolls, and fees. Some Secretary Tibbits-Nutt’s proposed policies are enacting tolls at the state border, adding new fees to package deliveries, increasing taxes on Uber and Lyft rides, increasing auto excise tax, and increasing the payroll tax. Which, if any, of these proposals do you support?

10A	Tolls at state border	163	21.73%
10B	New fees on package deliveries	112	14.93%
10C	Increasing taxes for Uber and Lyft rides	134	17.87%
10D	Increasing the payroll tax	116	15.47%
10E	Increasing the Auto Excise Tax	120	16.00%
	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	456	60.80%

10. Which, if any, of [Secretary Tibbits-Nutt's] proposals do you support? (Summary)

1	Support some (1-2) proposals	190	25.33%
2	Support most (3-4) proposals	74	9.87%
3	Support all proposals	30	4.00%
4	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	456	60.80%
Total		750	100.00%

11. Do you think Governor Healey should fire Transportation Secretary Tibbits-Nutt?

1	Yes	290	38.67%
2	No	184	24.53%
3	Not Sure	276	36.80%
Total		750	100.00%

12. Are you considering, or have you made plans to leave Massachusetts and reside somewhere else within the next two years?

1	Yes	226	30.13%
2	No	512	68.27%
3	Undecided / Not sure	12	1.60%
Total		750	100.00%

12A. Which is the top reason you are considering or have made plans to leave?

1	Taxes are too high.	60	26.55%
2	Energy prices are too high.	2	0.88%
3	Housing costs are too high.	14	6.19%
4	Political climate puts parties' interests ahead of voters.	45	19.91%
5	Better job or economic opportunity.	8	3.54%
6	Cost of living is too high.	46	20.35%
7	Part of retirement plan.	6	2.65%
8	Other	45	19.91%
Total		226	100.00%

13. Party registration

1	Democrat	276	36.80%
2	Republican	83	11.07%
3	Independent / Other Party	391	52.13%
Total		750	100.00%

14. Age range

1	18-44	150	20.00%
2	45-64	381	50.80%
3	65 or older	219	29.20%
Total		750	100.00%

15. Gender

1	Male	369	49.20%
2	Female	381	50.80%
Total		750	100.00%



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Democrats Only

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Total Percent

1. Is Massachusetts heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

1	Right direction	175	63.41%
2	Wrong direction	51	18.48%
3	Unsure	50	18.12%
Total		276	100.00%

2. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of President Joe Biden?

1	Strongly Favorable	175	63.41%
2	Somewhat Favorable	53	19.20%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	15	5.43%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	23	8.33%
5	Not Sure	10	3.62%
Total		276	100.00%

3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of former President Donald Trump?

1	Strongly Favorable	16	5.80%
2	Somewhat Favorable	11	3.99%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	21	7.61%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	221	80.07%
5	Not Sure	7	2.54%
Total		276	100.00%

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sen. Elizabeth Warren?

1	Strongly Favorable	158	57.25%
2	Somewhat Favorable	66	23.91%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	10	3.62%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	24	8.70%
5	Not Sure	18	6.52%
Total		276	100.00%

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Gov. Maura Healey?

1	Strongly Favorable	127	46.01%
2	Somewhat Favorable	77	27.90%
3	Somewhat Unfavorable	20	7.25%
4	Strongly Unfavorable	19	6.88%
5	Not Sure	33	11.96%
Total		276	100.00%

6. Governor Maura Healey filed a bill to create a new tax called the “real estate transfer fee,” which would allow local cities and towns to levy a new sales tax of up to 2% on property sales and would apply to the portion of the sale over \$1 million dollars. This would apply to all real estate including homes, apartments, and commercial land. Do you support

1	Yes	124	44.93%
2	No	92	33.33%
3	Not Sure	60	21.74%
	Total	276	100.00%

7. In 2023, Massachusetts leaders implemented a drastic update of our state building codes in order to meet new “net zero” emissions goals, which they passed. Industry experts estimate this will increase the median cost of a single-family home by up to \$23,000. Do you support paying more for housing in order to enact these “net zero” emissions policies?

1	Yes	110	39.86%
2	No	107	38.77%
3	Not Sure	59	21.38%
	Total	276	100.00%

8. In 2021, Massachusetts lawmakers passed a law known as the MBTA Communities Act. This law mandates a majority of the state’s cities and towns approve zoning for higher density housing in their communities. Do you support or oppose the MBTA Communities Act?

1	Yes	146	52.90%
2	No	69	25.00%
3	Not Sure	61	22.10%
	Total	276	100.00%

9. Over the past year, Massachusetts has seen a substantial increase in the number of migrants coming to the state. They are being housed in the emergency shelter program and also given state funded subsidies for housing. How concerned are you that this large influx of new residents will have a negative effect on the housing and rental markets in Massachusetts?

1	Highly concerned	90	32.61%
2	Somewhat concerned	68	24.64%
3	Not concerned at all / Not sure	118	42.75%
	Total	276	100.00%

10. Monica Tibbits-Nutt is Governor Maura Healey’s handpicked Transportation Secretary. She recently made a highly publicized speech where she stated she will use policy as a weapon, and will be “going after all the people who should be giving us money to make our transportation better” by instituting new taxes, tolls, and fees. Some Secretary Tibbits-Nutt’s proposed policies are enacting tolls at the state border, adding new fees to package deliveries, increasing taxes on Uber and Lyft rides, increasing auto excise tax, and increasing the payroll tax. Which, if any, of these proposals do you support?

10A	Tolls at state border	83	30.07%
10B	New fees on package deliveries	66	23.91%
10C	Increasing taxes for Uber and Lyft rides	71	25.72%
10D	Increasing the payroll tax	69	25.00%
10E	Increasing the Auto Excise Tax	77	27.90%
	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	126	45.65%

10. Which, if any, of [Secretary Tibbits-Nutt's] proposals do you support? (Summary)

1	Support some (1-2) proposals	88	31.88%
2	Support most (3-4) proposals	39	14.13%
3	Support all proposals	23	8.33%
4	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	126	45.65%
Total		276	100.00%

11. Do you think Governor Healey should fire Transportation Secretary Tibbits-Nutt?

1	Yes	68	24.64%
2	No	83	30.07%
3	Not Sure	125	45.29%
Total		276	100.00%

somewhere else within the next two years?

1	Yes	44	15.94%
2	No	230	83.33%
3	Undecided / Not sure	2	0.72%
Total		276	100.00%

12A. Which is the top reason you are considering or have made plans to leave?

1	Taxes are too high.	10	22.73%
2	Energy prices are too high.	0	0.00%
3	Housing costs are too high.	4	9.09%
4	Political climate puts parties' interests ahead of voters.	4	9.09%
5	Better job or economic opportunity.	2	4.55%
6	Cost of living is too high.	14	31.82%
7	Part of retirement plan.	3	6.82%
8	Other	7	15.91%
Total		44	100.00%

13. Party registration

1	Democrat	276	100.00%
2	Republican	0	0.00%
3	Independent / Other Party	0	0.00%
Total		276	100.00%

14. Age range

1	18-44	42	15.22%
2	45-64	111	40.22%
3	65 or older	123	44.57%
Total		276	100.00%

15. Gender

1	Male	123	44.57%
2	Female	153	55.43%
Total		276	100.00%



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5/20/2024

Republicans Only

1. Is Massachusetts heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

- 1 Right direction
- 2 Wrong direction
- 3 Unsure

Total

2. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of President Joe Biden?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure

Total

3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of former President Donald Trump?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure

Total

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sen. Elizabeth Warren?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure

Total

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Gov. Maura Healey?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure

Total

Republicans

Total

Percent

7	8.43%
65	78.31%
11	13.25%
83	100.00%

3	3.61%
8	9.64%
5	6.02%
64	77.11%
3	3.61%
83	100.00%

45	54.22%
14	16.87%
3	3.61%
13	15.66%
8	9.64%
83	100.00%

6	7.23%
10	12.05%
8	9.64%
54	65.06%
5	6.02%
83	100.00%

7	8.43%
9	10.84%
7	8.43%
46	55.42%
14	16.87%
83	100.00%

6. Governor Maura Healey filed a bill to create a new tax called the “real estate transfer fee,” which would allow local cities and towns to levy a new sales tax of up to 2% on property sales and would apply to the portion of the sale over \$1 million dollars. This would apply to all real estate including homes, apartments, and commercial land. Do you support the creation of this new tax?

1	Yes	8	9.64%
2	No	69	83.13%
3	Not Sure	6	7.23%
Total		83	100.00%

7. In 2023, Massachusetts leaders implemented a drastic update of our state building codes in order to meet new “net zero” emissions goals, which they passed. Industry experts estimate this will increase the median cost of a single-family home by up to \$23,000. Do you support paying more for housing in order to enact these “net zero” emissions policies?

1	Yes	10	12.05%
2	No	67	80.72%
3	Not Sure	6	7.23%
Total		83	100.00%

8. In 2021, Massachusetts lawmakers passed a law known as the MBTA Communities Act. This law mandates a majority of the state’s cities and towns approve zoning for higher density housing in their communities. Do you support or oppose the MBTA Communities Act?

1	Yes	6	7.23%
2	No	62	74.70%
3	Not Sure	15	18.07%
Total		83	100.00%

9. Over the past year, Massachusetts has seen a substantial increase in the number of migrants coming to the state. They are being housed in the emergency shelter program and also given state funded subsidies for housing. How concerned are you that this large influx of new residents will have a negative effect on the housing and rental markets in Massachusetts?

1	Highly concerned	73	87.95%
2	Somewhat concerned	8	9.64%
3	Not concerned at all / Not sure	2	2.41%
Total		83	100.00%

10. Some of Secretary Tibbits-Nutt’s proposed policies are enacting tolls at the state border, adding new fees to package deliveries, increasing taxes on Uber and Lyft rides, increasing auto excise tax, and increasing the payroll tax. Which, if any, of these proposals do you support?

10A	Tolls at state border	6	7.23%
10B	New fees on package deliveries	3	3.61%
10C	Increasing taxes for Uber and Lyft rides	5	6.02%
10D	Increasing the payroll tax	7	8.43%
10E	Increasing the Auto Excise Tax	1	1.20%
	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	70	84.34%

10. Which, if any, of [Secretary Tibbits-Nutt's] proposals do you support?**(Summary)**

1	Support some (1-2) proposals	11	13.25%
2	Support most (3-4) proposals	2	2.41%
3	Support all proposals	0	0.00%
4	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	70	84.34%
Total		83	100.00%

11. Do you think Governor Healey should fire Transportation Secretary Tibbits-Nutt?

1	Yes	46	55.42%
2	No	17	20.48%
3	Not Sure	20	24.10%
Total		83	100.00%

12. Are you considering, or have you made plans to leave Massachusetts and reside somewhere else within the next two years?

1	Yes	37	44.58%
2	No	44	53.01%
3	Undecided / Not sure	2	2.41%
Total		83	100.00%

12A. Which is the top reason you are considering or have made plans to leave?

1	Taxes are too high.	9	24.32%
2	Energy prices are too high.	1	2.70%
3	Housing costs are too high.	1	2.70%
4	Political climate puts parties' interests ahead of voters.	9	24.32%
5	Better job or economic opportunity.	1	2.70%
6	Cost of living is too high.	6	16.22%
7	Part of retirement plan.	0	0.00%
8	Other	10	27.03%
Total		37	100.00%

13. Party registration

1	Democrat	0	0.00%
2	Republican	83	100.00%
3	Independent / Other Party	0	0.00%
Total		83	100.00%

14. Age range

1	18-44	18	21.69%
2	45-64	56	67.47%
3	65 or older	9	10.84%
Total		83	100.00%

15. Gender

1	Male	52	62.65%
2	Female	31	37.35%
Total		83	100.00%



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5/20/2024

Independent / Other Party Only

1. Is Massachusetts heading in the right direction or the wrong direction?

- 1 Right direction
- 2 Wrong direction
- 3 Unsure
- Total**

2. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of President Joe Biden?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure
- Total**

3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of former President Donald Trump?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure
- Total**

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sen. Elizabeth Warren?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure
- Total**

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Gov. Maura Healey?

- 1 Strongly Favorable
- 2 Somewhat Favorable
- 3 Somewhat Unfavorable
- 4 Strongly Unfavorable
- 5 Not Sure
- Total**

Independent / Other party

Total	Percent
118	30.18%
207	52.94%
66	16.88%
391	100.00%
85	21.74%
71	18.16%
27	6.91%
183	46.80%
25	6.39%
391	100.00%
110	28.13%
56	14.32%
36	9.21%
165	42.20%
24	6.14%
391	100.00%
68	17.39%
75	19.18%
42	10.74%
169	43.22%
37	9.46%
391	100.00%
68	17.39%
91	23.27%
58	14.83%
120	30.69%
54	13.81%
391	100.00%

6. Governor Maura Healey filed a bill to create a new tax called the “real estate transfer fee,” which would allow local cities and towns to levy a new sales tax of up to 2% on property sales and would apply to the portion of the sale over \$1 million dollars. This would apply to all real estate including homes, apartments, and commercial land. Do you support the creation of this new tax?

1	Yes	79	20.20%
2	No	253	64.71%
3	Not Sure	59	15.09%
	Total	391	100.00%

7. In 2023, Massachusetts leaders implemented a drastic update of our state building codes in order to meet new “net zero” emissions goals, which they passed. Industry experts estimate this will increase the median cost of a single-family home by up to \$23,000. Do you support paying more for housing in order to enact these “net zero” emissions policies?

1	Yes	61	15.60%
2	No	275	70.33%
3	Not Sure	55	14.07%
	Total	391	100.00%

8. In 2021, Massachusetts lawmakers passed a law known as the MBTA Communities Act. This law mandates a majority of the state’s cities and towns approve zoning for higher density housing in their communities. Do you support or oppose the MBTA Communities Act?

1	Yes	99	25.32%
2	No	205	52.43%
3	Not Sure	87	22.25%
	Total	391	100.00%

9. Over the past year, Massachusetts has seen a substantial increase in the number of migrants coming to the state. They are being housed in the emergency shelter program and also given state funded subsidies for housing. How concerned are you that this large influx of new residents will have a negative effect on the housing and rental markets in Massachusetts?

1	Highly concerned	239	61.13%
2	Somewhat concerned	72	18.41%
3	Not concerned at all / Not sure	80	20.46%
	Total	391	100.00%

10. Some of Secretary Tibbits-Nutt’s proposed policies are enacting tolls at the state border, adding new fees to package deliveries, increasing taxes on Uber and Lyft rides, increasing auto excise tax, and increasing the payroll tax. Which, if any, of these proposals do you support?

10A	Tolls at state border	74	18.93%
10B	New fees on package deliveries	43	11.00%
10C	Increasing taxes for Uber and Lyft rides	58	14.83%
10D	Increasing the payroll tax	40	10.23%
10E	Increasing the Auto Excise Tax	42	10.74%
	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	260	66.50%

10. Which, if any, of [Secretary Tibbits-Nutt's] proposals do you support?**(Summary)**

1	Support some (1-2) proposals	91	23.27%
2	Support most (3-4) proposals	33	8.44%
3	Support all proposals	7	1.79%
4	Support NONE of Tibbits-Nutt's proposals	260	66.50%
Total		391	100.00%

11. Do you think Governor Healey should fire Transportation Secretary Tibbits-Nutt?

1	Yes	176	45.01%
2	No	84	21.48%
3	Not Sure	131	33.50%
Total		391	100.00%

12. Are you considering, or have you made plans to leave Massachusetts and reside somewhere else within the next two years?

1	Yes	145	37.08%
2	No	238	60.87%
3	Undecided / Not sure	8	2.05%
Total		391	100.00%

12A. Which is the top reason you are considering or have made plans to leave?

1	Taxes are too high.	41	28.28%
2	Energy prices are too high.	1	0.69%
3	Housing costs are too high.	9	6.21%
4	Political climate puts parties' interests ahead of voters.	32	22.07%
5	Better job or economic opportunity.	5	3.45%
6	Cost of living is too high.	26	17.93%
7	Part of retirement plan.	3	2.07%
8	Other	28	19.31%
Total		145	100.00%

13. Party registration

1	Democrat	0	0.00%
2	Republican	0	0.00%
3	Independent / Other Party	391	100.00%
Total		391	100.00%

14. Age range

1	18-44	90	23.02%
2	45-64	214	54.73%
3	65 or older	87	22.25%
Total		391	100.00%

15. Gender

1	Male	194	49.62%
2	Female	197	50.38%
Total		391	100.00%