

UMass Lowell Survey of Massachusetts Likely Voters Methodology Statement

Sponsoring Organization: UMass Lowell Center for Public Opinion

Questionnaire Design: UMass Lowell Center for Public Opinion

Fieldwork: YouGov

Interview Dates: Oct. 18 – 25, 2022

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Target Population: Likely voters in Massachusetts fall 2022 general election

Sample Size: 1,000 Massachusetts Likely Voters

Margin of Error: +/-4.1% (adjusted for design effects)

Survey Mode: Online, web-based survey, self-administered

Sampling Method: YouGov interviewed 1,068 registered voters who were then

matched down to a sample of 1,000 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, education and party affiliation. The sampling frame is a politically representative "modeled frame" of Massachusetts adults based upon the American Community Survey (ACS) publicuse microdata file, public voter file records, the 2020 Current Population Survey (CPS) Voting and Registration supplements, the 2020 National Election Pool (NEP) exit poll, and the 2020 CES surveys, including demographics and 2020 presidential vote.

Weighting: The matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using

propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, years of education, presvote20 and ownhome. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to



these deciles. The weights were then post-stratified on a four-way

stratification of gender, age (four categories), race (two categories), and education (four categories), to produce the

registered voter weight.

Likely Voter Model: YouGov also provided a separate weight to estimate likely voters.

Likely voter weights were post-stratified on a two-way stratification of gender and age (four categories), using

benchmarks obtained from the voter file for 2018 midterm voters. In addition, several likely voter profiles were given slightly more

weight than their unlikely voter counterparts.

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American Association of Public Opinion Research Transparency Initiative and is committed to methodological transparency in the reporting of results. If you have any questions, please email

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