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# **MASON-DIXON® ALABAMA POLL**



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## **STATEWIDE NAME RECOGNITION**

Do you recognize the name \_\_\_\_\_?
(IF YES) Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral opinion of \_\_\_\_\_?

	RECOGNIZE <u>FAVORABLE</u>	RECOGNIZE UNFAVORABLE	RECOGNIZE NEUTRAL	DON'T RECOGNIZE
Jeff Sessions	40%	29%	28%	3%
Tommy Tuberville	36%	11%	39%	14%
Doug Jones	32%	47%	16%	5%
Bradley Byrne	25%	12%	36%	27%
Roy Moore	17%	51%	30%	2%

## QUESTION: Do you approve or disapprove of Donald Trump's job performance as president?

	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
STATE	58%	37%	5%
REGION	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Northern Alabama	62%	33%	5%
Birmingham Metro	56%	41%	3%
Eastern Alabama	63%	33%	4%
Montgomery/Black Belt	44%	49%	7%
South Alabama	61%	36%	3%
<u>SEX</u>	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Men	62%	34%	4%
Women	54%	40%	6%
<u>AGE</u>	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
<50	52%	42%	6%
50+	63%	33%	4%
RACE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
White	78%	18%	4%
Black	11%	82%	7%
PARTY IDENTIFICATION	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Democrat	10%	84%	6%
Republican	97%	1%	2%
Independent	56%	35%	9%

## QUESTION: Do you approve or disapprove of Kay Ivey's job performance as governor?

	<u>APPROVE</u>	<b>DISAPPROVE</b>	NOT SURE
STATE	64%	29%	7%
REGION	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Northern Alabama	67%	26%	7%
Birmingham Metro	62%	30%	8%
Eastern Alabama	<b>71%</b>	23%	6%
Montgomery/Black Belt	44%	47%	9%
South Alabama	69%	26%	5%
SEX	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Men	65%	27%	8%
Women	64%	30%	6%
<u>AGE</u>	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
<50	60%	32%	8%
50+	67%	27%	6%
RACE	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
White	74%	20%	6%
Black	41%	50%	9%
PARTY IDENTIFICATION	<u>APPROVE</u>	DISAPPROVE	NOT SURE
Democrat	36%	55%	9%
Republican	84%	11%	5%
Independent	68%	25%	7%

## \*\*\* 400 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS \*\*\*

## **STATEWIDE NAME RECOGNITION**

Do you	reco	gnize the name		?		
(IF YES	) Do	ou have a favo	rable, unfa	vorable or	neutral opinion of	?

	RECOGNIZE FAVORABLE	RECOGNIZE UNFAVORABLE	RECOGNIZE NEUTRAL	DON'T RECOGNIZE
Jeff Sessions	49%	18%	31%	2%
Tommy Tuberville	47%	6%	40%	7%
Bradley Byrne	34%	7%	37%	22%
Roy Moore	21%	46%	31%	2%

QUESTION: If the 2020 Republican primary for Alabama's U.S. Senate seat were held today, which one of the following candidates would get your vote: (ORDER ROTATED)

Jeff Sessions	31%
Tommy Tuberville	29%
Bradley Byrne	<b>17</b> %
Roy Moore	5%
Arnold Mooney	1%
Ruth Page Nelson	1%
Stanley Adair	-
Undecided (NOT READ)	16%

QUESTION: If the 2020 Republican primary for Place One seat as Justice of the Alabama Supreme court were held today, which one of the following candidates would get your vote: (ORDER ROTATED)

Greg Shaw	24%
Cam Ward	19%
Undecided (NOT READ)	57%

#### \*\*\* 400 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS \*\*\*

QUESTION: If no candidate gets over 50% of the vote in the primary, there will be a run-off election between the top two vote-getters on March 31. If a run-off election for Alabama's U.S. Senate seat were held today for whom would you vote if the candidates were Jeff Sessions and Tommy Tuberville?

Sessions 49%
Tuberville 42%
Undecided 9%

QUESTION: If a run-off election for Alabama's U.S. Senate seat were held today for whom would you vote if the candidates were Jeff Sessions and Bradley Byrne?

Sessions 48% Byrne 35% Undecided 17%

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### \*\*\* ALL PRIMARY VOTERS (n=238) \*\*\*

QUESTION: Amendment 1 will appear on the March 3 primary ballot. It proposes to amend the Constitution of Alabama to change the name of the State Board of Education to the Alabama Commission on Elementary and Secondary Education, for the appointment of the members of the commission by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate, to change the name of the State Superintendent of Education to the Secretary of Elementary and Secondary Education, for the appointment of the secretary by the commission subject to confirmation by the Senate and to authorize the Governor to appoint a team of local educators and other officials to advise the commission on matters relating to the functioning and duties of the State Department of Education.

If the primary election were held today, would you vote:

"YES" to approve the amendment 38%
"NO" to reject the amendment 41%
Undecided (NOT READ) 21%

#### **ALL VOTERS**

QUESTION: If the 2020 election for president were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Joe Biden, the Democrat and Donald Trump, the Republican?

	SEX			RAC	Œ	PARTY ID		
	<b>STATE</b>	<b>MEN</b>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>WHITE</b>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<b>REPS</b>	<u>INDS</u>
Trump	58%	65%	<b>52</b> %	81%	5%	<b>7</b> %	98%	58%
Biden	38%	<b>32</b> %	43%	14%	93%	90%	1%	33%
Undecided	4%	3%	5%	5%	2%	3%	1%	9%

QUESTION: If the 2020 election for president were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Bernie Sanders, the Democrat and Donald Trump, the Republican?

	SEX			RAC	Œ	<b>PARTY ID</b>			
	<b>STATE</b>	<u>MEN</u>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>WHITE</b>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<b>REPS</b>	<u>INDS</u>	
Trump	60%	66%	55%	83%	7%	6%	99%	64%	
Sanders	37%	<b>32</b> %	41%	14%	91%	91%	-	28%	
Undecided	3%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%	1%	8%	

QUESTION: If the 2020 election for president were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Elizabeth Warren, the Democrat and Donald Trump, the Republican?

	SEX			RAC	Œ	PARTY ID			
	<b>STATE</b>	<u>MEN</u>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<u>WHITE</u>	<b>BLACK</b>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>	
Trump	62%	69%	55%	84%	11%	13%	99%	61%	
Warren	35%	30%	40%	13%	85%	83%	-	32%	
Undecided	3%	1%	5%	3%	4%	4%	1%	<b>7</b> %	

QUESTION: If the 2020 election for president were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Pete Buttigieg, the Democrat and Donald Trump, the Republican?

	SEX			RAC	CE	<b>PARTY ID</b>			
	<b>STATE</b>	<u>MEN</u>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<u>WHITE</u>	<b>BLACK</b>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>	
Trump	58%	63%	54%	77%	13%	9%	97%	59%	
Buttigieg	37%	33%	40%	18%	82%	87%	1%	30%	
Undecided	5%	4%	6%	5%	5%	4%	2%	11%	

QUESTION: If the 2020 election for president were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Michael Bloomberg, the Democrat and Donald Trump, the Republican?

	SEX			RAC	Œ	PARTY ID		
	<b>STATE</b>	<b>MEN</b>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>WHITE</b>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<b>REPS</b>	<u>INDS</u>
Trump	54%	58%	51%	76%	3%	7%	91%	53%
Bloomberg	40%	<b>37%</b>	43%	16%	95%	91%	5%	<b>32</b> %
Undecided	6%	5%	6%	8%	2%	2%	4%	15%

QUESTION: If the 2020 general election for Alabama's U. S. Senate seat were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Doug Jones, the Democrat, and Jeff Sessions, the Republican?

	SEX		RACE		PARTY ID			
	STATE MEI		<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>WHITE</u>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
Sessions	54%	60%	48%	74%	7%	7%	94%	49%
Jones	41%	<b>37%</b>	45%	21%	88%	90%	3%	40%
Undecided	5%	3%	7%	5%	5%	3%	3%	11%

QUESTION: If the 2020 general election for Alabama's U. S. Senate seat were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Doug Jones, the Democrat, and Tommy Tuberville, the Republican?

	SEX		RACE		PARTY ID			
	<b>STATE</b>	<b>MEN</b>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>WHITE</b>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<b>REPS</b>	<u>INDS</u>
Tuberville	50%	59%	41%	69%	5%	3%	90%	46%
Jones	42%	34%	50%	23%	92%	93%	2%	42%
Undecided	8%	<b>7</b> %	9%	8%	3%	4%	8%	<b>12%</b>

QUESTION: If the 2020 general election for Alabama's U. S. Senate seat were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were Doug Jones, the Democrat, and Bradley Byrne, the Republican?

	SEX		RACE		PARTY ID			
	STATE	<u>MEN</u>	<b>WOMEN</b>	<u>WHITE</u>	<b>BLACK</b>	<b>DEMS</b>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
Byrne	51%	57%	45%	70%	7%	7%	89%	48%
Jones	42%	39%	45%	23%	87%	90%	4%	41%
Undecided	7%	4%	10%	7%	6%	3%	7%	11%

## QUESTION: Do you support or oppose establishing a state lottery in Alabama?

	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
STATE	80%	11%	9%
REGION	SUPPORT	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
Northern Alabama	81%	10%	9%
Birmingham Metro	79%	13%	8%
Eastern Alabama	77%	15%	8%
Montgomery/Black Belt	83%	12%	5%
South Alabama	81%	6%	13%
SEX	SUPPORT	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
Men	82%	12%	6%
Women	78%	11%	11%
AGE	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
<50	82%	9%	9%
50+	78%	13%	9%
RACE	SUPPORT	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
White	77%	13%	10%
Black	86%	7%	7%
PARTY IDENTIFICATION	SUPPORT	<u>OPPOSE</u>	UNDECIDED
Democrat	84%	11%	5%
Republican	77%	12%	11%
Independent	<b>79%</b>	10%	11%

### **HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED**

This poll was conducted by Mason-Dixon Polling & Strategy, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida from February 4 through February 6, 2020. A total of 625 registered Alabama voters were interviewed live by telephone statewide.

Those interviewed were randomly selected from a phone-matched Alabama voter registration list that included both land-line and cell phone numbers. Quotas were assigned to reflect voter registration by county.

The margin for error, according to standards customarily used by statisticians, is no more than ± 4 percentage points. This means that there is a 95 percent probability that the "true" figure would fall within that range if all voters were surveyed. The margin for error is higher for any subgroup, such as a gender or age grouping.

This survey also includes an additional sampling of 400 likely Republican primary voters. These voters were only asked the questions relative to the GOP primary election. The margin for error on these results is  $\pm$  5 percentage points.

## **DEMOGRAPHICS**

#### **PARTY IDENTIFICATION:**

Democrat	206 (33%)
Republican	262 (42%)
Independent or Other	157 (25%)

#### AGE:

18-34	112 (18%)
35-49	167 (27%)
50-64	194 (31%)
65+	146 (23%)
Refused	6 (1%)

### RACE/ETHNICITY:

White/Caucasian	417 (67%)
Black/African American	174 (28%)
Other/Refused	34 (5%)

### SEX:

Male	311 (50%)
Female	314 (50%)

### **REGION:**

North Alabama	145 (23%)
Birmingham Metro	180 (29%)
Eastern Alabama	100 (16%)
Montgomery/Black Belt	75 (12%)
South Alabama	125 (20%)

### **ALABAMA POLL REGIONS**

NORTH ALABAMA: Voters in Lauderdale, Limestone, Madison, Jackson, DeKalb, Marshall, Blount, Cullman, Winston, Marion, Morgan, Lawrence, Franklin and Colbert counties.

BIRMINGHAM METRO: Voters in Jefferson, Shelby Chilton, Walker, Bibb, Tuscaloosa, Fayette, Lamar and Pickens counties.

EASTERN ALABAMA: Voters in Cherokee, Etowah, St. Clair, Talladega, Clay, Randolph, Cleburne, Calhoun, Coosa, Tallapoosa, Chambers, Lee and Elmore counties

MONTGOMERY/BLACK BELT: Voters in Russell, Barbour, Macon, Bullock, Pike, Crenshaw, Montgomery, Butler, Lowndes, Wilcox, Dallas, Autauga, Perry, Marengo, Hale, Sumter, Greene and Choctaw counties.

SOUTH ALABAMA: Voters in Henry, Houston, Dale, Geneva, Covington, Coffee, Monroe, Conecuh, Escambia, Clarke, Washington, Mobile and Baldwin counties.