

MASSACHUSETTS

Voters in Massachusetts will elect a governor and attorney general this cycle. All 160 House seats will be on the ballot as well as all 40 Senate seats. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the Governor's Office, Office of Attorney General, and the legislature.

Governor

Democratic Nominee

[Attorney General Maura Healey](#)

Maura Healey has served as the state's attorney general since 2015. Healey served as deputy state attorney general under former Attorney General Martha Coakley (D) and chief of the Civil Rights Division. Priorities for her gubernatorial [campaign](#) include addressing taxes, health care, reproductive freedom, housing, and voting rights.

Healey [sued](#) the Trump administration almost 100 times over travel bans, its "zero tolerance" policy that caused family separations at the U.S-Mexico border, and the attempt to add a citizenship question to the 2020 U.S. Census.

She supports tax relief for families and has promised that under her [Child Tax Credit](#), more than 700,000 families would receive \$600 per child. Her plan would more than double the value of the existing tax credits being offered and remove the dependent cap currently set at two dependents.

On the housing front, Healey has released the [Healey-Driscoll Plan](#) to address the state's housing crisis. She would establish a Secretary of Housing position, create pathways to home ownership, and establish a state-led pro-housing campaign to educate residents about the housing shortage.

Healey [believes](#) that the state needs to "rapidly" move towards clean energy. She wants to position Massachusetts as a global leader in clean energy technology and innovation. Additionally, she will create a cabinet-level Climate Chief who will be responsible for driving climate policy across every Massachusetts agency and ensuring that climate change is considered in all relevant decision-making.

At the end of August, Healey had over [\\$4.7 million](#) in the bank, placing her well ahead of opponent Geoffrey Diehl who had \$17,000. Healey leads Diehl 52 percent to 26 percent, according to a poll from Suffolk University conducted the second week of September.

Healey would be the first female elected governor in Massachusetts' history and the first openly lesbian governor in the country.

Trivia: Healey was the Harvard Women's Basketball team captain and starting point guard, before going to play professionally in Austria for two years.