



# How towns voted on marijuana is now important under proposed changes to law

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**How localities in Massachusetts voted in the marijuana legalization referendum would be key to who controls pot shops, under a compromise bill on Beacon Hill.**

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The revised pot law proposal unveiled by state legislators [Monday](#) gives both voters and officials ways to limit marijuana establishments at the local level.

In cities and towns that voted for legalization last November — the majority of the state’s municipalities — banning or severely limiting pot shops would still require a voter referendum.

In cities and towns that voted against legalization, local elected officials would get to make those decisions.

*So how does that affect your hometown? Check out the map and table below to see.*

*And to see a list of towns that have approved or at least considered restrictions on pot shops, [click here](#).*



## How towns voted on marijuana is now important

**How each Mass. city, town voted on legalizing marijuana in Nov.**

In the map below:

**Green** = voted for legalizing marijuana

**Red** = voted against legalizing marijuana

City/town	How voted in Nov.	Who decides pot shop rules now?
Abington	For	Voters
Acton	For	Voters
Acushnet	For	Voters
Adams	For	Voters
Agawam	Against	Local elected officials
Alford	For	Voters
Amesbury	For	Voters
Amherst	For	Voters
Andover	Against	Local elected officials
Aquinnah	For	Voters
Arlington	For	Voters
Ashburnham	For	Voters
Ashby	For	Voters
Ashfield	For	Voters
Ashland	For	Voters
Athol	For	Voters
Attleboro	For	Voters
Auburn	For	Voters
Avon	For	Voters
Ayer	For	Voters
Barnstable	Against	Local elected officials
Barre	For	Voters
Becket	For	Voters
Bedford	Against	Local elected officials
Belchertown	For	Voters
Bellingham	For	Voters
Belmont	For	Voters
Berkley	For	Voters
Berlin	For	Voters

Bernardston	For	Voters
Beverly	For	Voters
Billerica	For	Voters
Blackstone	For	Voters
Blandford	For	Voters
Bolton	For	Voters
Boston	For	Voters
Bourne	Against	Local elected officials
Boxborough	For	Voters
Boxford	Against	Local elected officials
Boylston	Against	Local elected officials
Braintree	Against	Local elected officials
Brewster	Against	Local elected officials
Bridgewater	Against	Local elected officials
Brimfield	For	Voters
Brockton	For	Voters
Brookfield	For	Voters
Brookline	For	Voters
Buckland	For	Voters
Burlington	Against	Local elected officials
Cambridge	For	Voters
Canton	Against	Local elected officials
Carlisle	For	Voters
Carver	For	Voters
Charlemont	For	Voters
Charlton	For	Voters
Chatham	Against	Local elected officials
Chelmsford	Against	Local elected officials
Chelsea	For	Voters
Cheshire	For	Voters
Chester	For	Voters
Chesterfield	For	Voters
Chicopee	For	Voters
Chilmark	For	Voters

Clarksburg	For	Voters
Clinton	For	Voters
Cohasset	Against	Local elected officials
Colrain	For	Voters
Concord	For	Voters
Conway	For	Voters
Cummington	For	Voters
Dalton	For	Voters
Danvers	Against	Local elected officials
Dartmouth	For	Voters
Dedham	For	Voters
Deerfield	For	Voters
Dennis	Against	Local elected officials
Dighton	For	Voters
Douglas	For	Voters
Dover	Against	Local elected officials
Dracut	For	Voters
Dudley	For	Voters
Dunstable	For	Voters
Duxbury	Against	Local elected officials
E. Bridgewater	For	Voters
E. Brookfield	For	Voters
E. Longmeadow	Against	Local elected officials
Eastham	For	Voters
Easthampton	For	Voters
Easton	Against	Local elected officials
Edgartown	For	Voters
Egremont	For	Voters
Erving	For	Voters
Essex	For	Voters
Everett	Against	Local elected officials
Fairhaven	For	Voters
Fall River	For	Voters
Falmouth	Against	Local elected officials

Fitchburg	For	Voters
Florida	For	Voters
Foxborough	Against	Local elected officials
Framingham	For	Voters
Franklin	For	Voters
Freetown	For	Voters
Gardner	For	Voters
Georgetown	For	Voters
Gill	For	Voters
Gloucester	For	Voters
Goshen	For	Voters
Gosnold	For	Voters
Grafton	For	Voters
Granby	For	Voters
Granville	For	Voters
Great Barrington	For	Voters
Greenfield	For	Voters
Groton	For	Voters
Groveland	For	Voters
Hadley	For	Voters
Halifax	For	Voters
Hamilton	Against	Local elected officials
Hampden	Against	Local elected officials
Hancock	For	Voters
Hanover	Against	Local elected officials
Hanson	For	Voters
Hardwick	For	Voters
Harvard	For	Voters
Harwich	Against	Local elected officials
Hatfield	For	Voters
Haverhill	For	Voters
Hawley	For	Voters
Heath	For	Voters
Hingham	Against	Local elected officials

Hinsdale	For	Voters
Holbrook	For	Voters
Holden	Against	Local elected officials
Holland	For	Voters
Holliston	For	Voters
Holyoke	For	Voters
Hopedale	For	Voters
Hopkinton	Against	Local elected officials
Hubbardston	For	Voters
Hudson	For	Voters
Hull	For	Voters
Huntington	For	Voters
Ipswich	For	Voters
Kingston	Against	Local elected officials
Lakeville	Against	Local elected officials
Lancaster	Against	Local elected officials
Lanesborough	For	Voters
Lawrence	Against	Local elected officials
Lee	For	Voters
Leicester	For	Voters
Lenox	For	Voters
Leominster	For	Voters
Leverett	For	Voters
Lexington	Against	Local elected officials
Leyden	For	Voters
Lincoln	For	Voters
Littleton	For	Voters
Longmeadow	Against	Local elected officials
Lowell	For	Voters
Ludlow	Against	Local elected officials
Lunenburg	For	Voters
Lynn	For	Voters
Lynnfield	Against	Local elected officials
Malden	For	Voters

Manchester-by-the-Sea	For	Voters
Mansfield	For	Voters
Marblehead	For	Voters
Marion	For	Voters
Marlborough	For	Voters
Marshfield	Against	Local elected officials
Mashpee	Against	Local elected officials
Mattapoisett	Against	Local elected officials
Maynard	For	Voters
Medfield	Against	Local elected officials
Medford	For	Voters
Medway	For	Voters
Melrose	For	Voters
Mendon	For	Voters
Merrimac	For	Voters
Methuen	Against	Local elected officials
Middleborough	For	Voters
Middlefield	For	Voters
Middleton	Against	Local elected officials
Milford	For	Voters
Millbury	For	Voters
Millis	For	Voters
Millville	For	Voters
Milton	Against	Local elected officials
Monroe	For	Voters
Monson	For	Voters
Montague	For	Voters
Monterey	For	Voters
Montgomery	For	Voters
Mount Washington	For	Voters
Nahant	For	Voters
Nantucket	For	Voters
Natick	For	Voters
Needham	Against	Local elected officials



New Ashford	For	Voters
New Bedford	For	Voters
New Braintree	For	Voters
New Marlborough	For	Voters
New Salem	For	Voters
Newbury	For	Voters
Newburyport	For	Voters
Newton	For	Voters
Norfolk	Against	Local elected officials
N. Adams	For	Voters
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N. Attleborough	For	Voters
N. Brookfield	For	Voters
N. Reading	Against	Local elected officials
Northampton	For	Voters
Northborough	Against	Local elected officials
Northbridge	For	Voters
Northfield	For	Voters
Norton	For	Voters
Norwell	Against	Local elected officials
Norwood	Against	Local elected officials
Oak Bluffs	For	Voters
Oakham	For	Voters
Orange	For	Voters
Orleans	Against	Local elected officials
Otis	For	Voters
Oxford	For	Voters
Palmer	For	Voters
Paxton	Against	Local elected officials
Peabody	Against	Local elected officials
Pelham	For	Voters
Pembroke	Against	Local elected officials
Pepperell	For	Voters
Peru	For	Voters

Petersham	For	Voters
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Pittsfield	For	Voters
Plainfield	For	Voters
Plainville	For	Voters
Plymouth	For	Voters
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Rockport	For	Voters
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Saugus	Against	Local elected officials
Savoy	For	Voters
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Seekonk	For	Voters
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Sheffield	For	Voters

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Woburn	Against	Local elected officials
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Worthington	For	Voters
Wrentham	Against	Local elected officials
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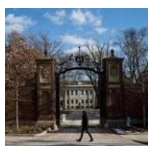
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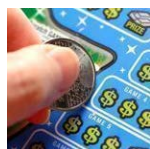
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