

Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption

Survey Results

September 20, 2017

Q1: What is your age?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
18 to 24	0.68%	4
25 to 34	7.67%	45
35 to 44	24.70%	145
45 to 54	33.90%	199
55 to 64	17.55%	103
65 to 74	11.93%	70
75 or older	3.58%	21
TOTAL		587

Q2: What is your gender?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Female	49.06%	287
Male	50.94%	298
TOTAL		585

Q3: Are you a resident of the Ballston Spa Central School District?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	95.45%	566
No	4.55%	27
TOTAL		593

Q4: In which municipality do you reside?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Town of Malta	37.59%	212
Town of Milton	38.12%	215
Town of Ballston	10.11%	57
Village of Ballston Spa	12.94%	73
Town of Charlton	1.24%	7
TOTAL		564

Q6: Is your property eligible to receive the Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	29.76%	175
No	61.39%	361
Unsure	8.84%	52
TOTAL		588

Q7: Are you in favor of the Ballston Spa Central School District offering some level of the Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption:

Answered: 575 Skipped: 18

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	66.61%	383
No	33.39%	192
TOTAL		575

Q8: Which level of the Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption do you support?

ANSWER CHOICES				RESPONSES	
Level C - Reduced Maximum:	Approximately \$9.8 Million in Exempted Property;			32.01%	121
Levy	\$181,500 Redistributed				
	Malta	Milton	Ballston		
CharltonAverage Tax Increase:	\$18.21	\$13.27			
\$13.65	\$16.73				
Level A - Basic Maximum:	Approximately \$18.3 Million in Exempted Property;			30.69%	116
Levy	\$340,000 Redistributed				
	Malta	Milton	Ballston		
CharltonAverage Tax Increase:	\$34.09	\$24.84			
\$25.55	\$31.32				
Level K - Increased Maximum:	Approximately \$41.5 Million in Exempted Property;			37.30%	141
Levy	\$769,000 Redistributed				
	Malta				
Milton	Ballston	CharltonAverage Tax Increase:			
\$77.12	\$56.18	\$57.80	\$70.83		
TOTAL					378

Crosstab: Support for Exemption and Eligibility

Level	Support and Eligible	Support and Ineligible
A	26.7%	32.0%
C	18.6%	47.5%
K	54.7%	20.4%

- If you support the exemption and are eligible, the highest level received the most responses
- If you support the exemption and are ineligible, the lowest level received the most responses.

Q9: Please explain why you do not support the Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I feel that it is not appropriate to shift additional taxes to non-qualifying property owners.	84.13%	159
I am not in a financial position to support the additional taxes as a result of the exemption.	43.39%	82
Other (please specify)	32.28%	61
Total Respondents: 189		

Q10: Regardless of whether or not you support the Alternative Veterans' Tax Exemption, do you believe that New York State should fund the property tax exemptions they approve (such as the STAR program) or that property tax exemptions should be funded by local property owners not eligible for the exemption?

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