

**NBC News/Marist Poll
July 2018
Minnesota Questionnaire**

Residents: n=1032 MOE +/-3.7%

Registered Voters: n=876 MOE +/-4.0%

Potential Democratic Electorate: n=439 MOE +/-5.6%

Potential Republican Electorate: n=340 MOE +/-6.4%

Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

Screener

<Marist Poll Introduction> Are you 18 years of age or older?

Do you consider your permanent home address to be in Minnesota?

Which county in Minnesota do you live in?

Are you registered to vote at your current address in Minnesota?

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GENDER GUESS

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?

	RESIDENTS	July 2018
Approve		36
Disapprove		50
Unsure		13
Total		100
	REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Approve		38
Disapprove		51
Unsure		11
Total		100

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?
[And, would you say you strongly approve/disapprove of the job he is doing or just approve/disapprove?]

	RESIDENTS	July 2018
Strongly approve		24
Approve		13
Disapprove		11
Strongly disapprove		40
Unsure		13
Total		100
	REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Strongly approve		25
Approve		13
Disapprove		10
Strongly disapprove		41
Unsure		11
Total		100

Knowing it is a long way off, what is your preference for the outcome of this November's congressional elections:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
A Congress controlled by Republicans	36
A Congress controlled by Democrats	48
Unsure	16
Total	100

Do you think November's election for Congress is very important, important, not very important, or not important at all?

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Very important/Important	94
Not very important/Not important at all	4
Unsure	2
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Very important	64
Important	30
Not very important	3
Not important at all	1
Unsure	2
Total	100

If November's election for Congress were held today, which party's candidate are you more likely to vote for in your district:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Democrat	48
Republican	37
Vol: Neither	3
Undecided	12
Total	100

If August's Democratic-Farmer-Labor primary for governor were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

POTENTIAL DEMOCRATIC ELECTORATE	July 2018
Tim Walz	24
Lori Swanson	28
Erin Murphy	11
Vol: Other	1
Undecided	37
Total	100
Persuadable voters for this contest*	59

*Persuadable voters include those who are undecided before being asked if they lean toward a candidate and those who might vote differently on Primary Day

Would you say you strongly support <candidate>, somewhat support <candidate>, or do you think you might vote differently on Primary Day?

POTENTIAL DEMOCRATIC ELECTORATE WITH A CANDIDATE PREFERENCE	July 2018
Strongly support	35
Somewhat support	41
Might vote differently	20
Unsure	3
Total	100

If August's Republican primary for governor in Minnesota were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

POTENTIAL REPUBLICAN ELECTORATE	July 2018
Tim Pawlenty	51
Jeff Johnson	32
Vol: Other	1
Undecided	16
Total	100
Persuadable voters for this contest*	35

*Persuadable voters include those who are undecided before being asked if they lean toward a candidate and those who might vote differently on Primary Day

Would you say you strongly support <candidate>, somewhat support <candidate>, or do you think you might vote differently on Primary Day?

POTENTIAL REPUBLICAN ELECTORATE WITH A CANDIDATE PREFERENCE	July 2018
Strongly support	40
Somewhat support	42
Might vote differently	15
Unsure	2
Total	100

If November's election for U.S. Senate in Minnesota were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Tina Smith, the Democratic-Farmer-Labor candidate	49
Karin Housley, the Republican candidate	35
Vol: Other	1
Undecided	15
Total	100

If November's election for governor in Minnesota were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Tim Walz, the Democratic-Farmer-Labor candidate	51
Tim Pawlenty, the Republican candidate	40
Vol: Other	1
Undecided	8
Total	100

If November's election for governor in Minnesota were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Lori Swanson, the Democratic-Farmer-Labor candidate	51
Tim Pawlenty, the Republican candidate	40
Vol: Other	2
Undecided	7
Total	100

If November's election for governor in Minnesota were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: [including those who are undecided, yet leaning toward a candidate]:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Erin Murphy, the Democratic-Farmer-Labor candidate	48
Tim Pawlenty, the Republican candidate	40
Vol: Other	2
Undecided	9
Total	100

Will your vote for Congress in November 2018 be a vote to send a message that we need:

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
More Democrats to be a check and balance to Donald Trump	55
More Republicans who will help Donald Trump pass his agenda	35
Vol. Sending a different message	2
Vol. Not sending a message	1
Unsure	7
Total	100

Which of these best describes your view of the economy during Donald Trump's presidency?

RESIDENTS	July 2018
The economy has improved, and I give Donald Trump some credit for it	40
The economy has improved, but I do not give Donald Trump much credit for it	32
The economy has not really improved	23
Vol: The economy has gotten worse	1
Unsure	4
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
The economy has improved, and I give Donald Trump some credit for it	42
The economy has improved, but I do not give Donald Trump much credit for it	34
The economy has not really improved	21
Vol: The economy has gotten worse	<1
Unsure	3
Total	100

Which of the following statements comes closer to your opinion about Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation into possible wrongdoing and Russian interference in the 2016 election:

RESIDENTS	July 2018
It is a "witch hunt"	31
It is a fair investigation	56
Unsure	12
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
It is a "witch hunt"	32
It is a fair investigation	57
Unsure	11
Total	100

In the next election for president, do you feel that Donald Trump deserves to be re-elected, or do you think that it is time to give a new person a chance?

RESIDENTS	July 2018
Deserves to be re-elected	29
Give new person a chance	60
Unsure	11
Total	100

REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Deserves to be re-elected	30
Give new person a chance	60
Unsure	10
Total	100

Are you male or female?

	RESIDENTS	July 2018
Male		49
Female		51
Total		100

	REGISTERED VOTERS	July 2018
Male		49
Female		51
Total		100

Nature of the Sample: NBC News/Marist Minnesota Poll of 1032 Adults

This survey of 1,032 adults was conducted July 15th through July 19th, 2018 by The Marist Poll sponsored and funded in partnership with NBC News. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the state of Minnesota were contacted on landline or mobile numbers and interviewed in English by telephone using live interviewers. Mobile telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the state of Minnesota from Survey Sampling International. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. Mobile phones are treated as individual devices. After validation of age, personal ownership, and non-business-use of the mobile phone, interviews are typically conducted with the person answering the phone. To increase coverage, this mobile sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of landline phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. Within each landline household, a single respondent is selected through a random selection process to increase the representativeness of traditionally under-covered survey populations. Assistance was provided by Luce Research for data collection. The samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2016 American Community Survey 5-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ± 3.7 percentage points. There are 876 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 4.0 percentage points. There are 340 voters in the potential Republican primary electorate. The potential Republican primary electorate in Minnesota includes all voters who prefer to vote in the August Republican primary and those who identify as Republicans or Republican leaning independents without a primary preference. There are 439 voters in the potential Democratic-Farmer-Labor primary electorate. The potential Democratic-Farmer-Labor primary electorate in Minnesota includes all voters who prefer to vote in the August Democratic-Farmer-Labor primary and those who identify as Democrats or Democratic leaning independents without a primary preference. The results for these subsets are statistically significant within ± 6.4 percentage points and ± 5.6 percentage points, respectively. The error margin was adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

[For nature of the sample and additional tables, please visit The Marist Poll](#)