Area Code:

(N=800)	n	%
North	204	25.50
Hennepin	178	22.25
Central/East	237	29.63
South	181	22.63

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some questions about the upcoming elections in Minnesota. Would you be willing to spend five minutes answering some brief questions? Are you currently registered to vote? {Youngest Voter}

S1. Gender:

(N=800)	n	%
Male	384	48.00
Female	416	52.00

S2   Thank You. How likely are you to vote in the elections for Governor and U.S. Senate – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

(N=800)	n	%
Very Likely	724	90.50
Somewhat Likely	26	9.50

1.   Of the three political parties do you think of yourself as more closely aligned with the Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party, the Republican Party, the Minnesota Independence Party or do you think of yourself as not aligned with any of the three parties and just Independent?

(N=800)	n	%
Democratic-Farmer-Labor Party	315	39.38
Republican Party	238	29.75
Independence Party of Minnesota	74	9.25
No Party/Just Independent	173	21.63

2.   What is your age category?

(N=800)	n	%
18-25 YRS	57	7.13
26-35 YRS	130	16.27
36-45 YRS	160	20.03
46-55 YRS	160	20.03
56-65 YRS	121	15.14
66-75 YRS	102	12.77
OVER 75 YRS	62	7.76
Refused	7	0.88

3.   Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity?

(N=800)	n	%
White/Caucasian	695	86.88
African-American	45	5.63
Asian	15	1.88
American Indian	5	0.63
Hispanic/ Latino	21	2.63
Other	0	0.00
Undecided	7	0.88
Refused	12	1.50

4.   Which one of the following issues matters most in deciding your vote for U.S. Senator {RANDOMIZE}?

	n	%
(N=800)		
Taxes	111	13.88
Education	106	13.25
Economy/Jobs	273	34.13
Healthcare	142	17.75
Transportation	10	1.25
Social Issues	71	8.88
Other	43	5.38
Undecided	39	4.88
Refused	5	0.63

Great, I am going to read you a list of individuals in state and national politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Barack Obama. Is your opinion of Barack Obama generally favorable or generally unfavorable? {RANDOMIZE 6-18}

(N=800)	**NEVER HEARD**	**FAVORABLE**	**UNFAVORABLE**	**HOF/UNDECIDED**
5. Barack Obama	0	374	370	56
	0.00	46.75	46.25	7.00
6. Hillary Clinton	3	383	329	85
	0.38	47.88	41.13	10.63
7. Mark Dayton	44	365	291	100
	5.50	45.63	36.38	12.50
8. Julianne Ortman	472	97	65	166
	59.00	12.13	8.13	20.75
9. Rob Farnsworth	563	42	42	153
	70.38	5.25	5.25	19.13
10. Scott Honour	597	47	36	120
	74.63	5.88	4.50	15.00
11. Jeff Johnson	542	69	41	148
	67.75	8.63	5.13	18.50
12. Marty Seifert	357	117	90	236
	44.63	14.63	11.25	29.50
13. Dave Thompson	517	97	41	145
	64.63	12.13	5.13	18.13
14. Kurt Zellers	349	126	103	222
	43.63	15.75	12.88	27.75
15. Al Franken	22	371	329	78
	2.75	46.38	41.13	9.75
16. Jim Abeler	532	74	38	156
	66.50	9.25	4.75	19.50
17. Chris Dahlberg	541	67	35	157
	67.63	8.38	4.38	19.63
18. Mike McFadden	497	67	44	192
	62.13	8.38	5.50	24.00

22.   Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing as president?

        (N=800)   n   %
        Approve -- 341   42.63
        Disapprove -- 380   47.50
        Undecided --- 76   9.50
        Refused --- 3   0.38

{For 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, or 1.4}
23.   Earlier you said you thought more closely aligned with the {insert party}. Are you planning to vote in the upcoming primary for the Democratic column of candidates, the Republican column of candidates, the Independence Party of Minnesota column of candidates, or will you skip the primary altogether?

        (N=800)   n   %
        Will vote for Democratic column of candidates---------- 224   28.00
        Will vote for Republican column of candidates ---------- 198   24.75
        Will vote for Independence Party or no party ------------- 41   5.13
        Will skip Primary -------------------------------------- 197   24.63
        Undecided --- 137   17.13
        Refused --- 3   0.38

{For 23.1, 23.2, 23.3}
25.   Can you tell me when the primary will be held? (Accept August 12th, 2nd week of August, mid-August, August)?
        (N=463)   n   %
        Correct Response -------------------------------------- 115   24.84
        No/Don't Know --- 348   75.16

        {FOR 23.2}
26.   For U.S. Senate, there are up to 8 Republican candidates who may appear on the August 12th Primary ballot. They are {RANDOMIZE} Jim Abeler, Chris Dahlberg, Mike McFadden, Julianne Ortman, Monti Moreno, Phillip Parrish, David Carlson and David Latvaaho. At this point, for whom will you vote – Abeler, Dahlberg, McFadden, Ortman, Moreno, Parrish, Carlson, or Latvaaho?

        (N=198)   n   %
        Jim Abeler --- 15   7.58
        Chris Dahlberg --- 3   1.52
        Mike McFadden -- 23   11.62
        Julianne Ortman --------------------------------------- 28   14.14
        Monti Moreno -- 0   0.00
        Phillip Parish -- 1   0.51
        David Carlson -- 2   1.01
        David Latvaaho -- 1   0.51
        Undecided --- 124   62.63
        Refused --- 1   0.51

{FOR 26.1 - 26.4}
27.   And who would be your second choice?

	(N=73)	n	%
Jim Abeler		9	12.33
Chris Dahlberg		5	6.85
Mike McFadden		6	8.22
Julianne Ortman		6	8.22
Monti Moreno		2	2.74
Phillip Parish		3	4.11
David Carlson		5	6.85
David Latvaaho		1	1.37
Undecided		34	46.58
Refused		2	2.74

{FOR 23.2}
28.   For the Republican Primary for Governor, there are up to 7 Republican candidates. They are {RANDOMIZE} Rob Farnsworth, Scott Honour, Jeff Johnson, Ole Savior, Marty Seifert, Dave Thompson, and Kurt Zellers. At this point, for whom will you vote – Farnsworth, Honour, Johnson, Savior, Seifert, Thompson, or Zellers?

	(N=198)	n	%
Rob Farnsworth		1	0.51
Scott Honour		3	1.52
Jeff Johnson		13	6.57
Ole Savior		2	1.01
Marty Seifert		19	9.60
Dave Thompson		9	4.55
Kurt Zellers		16	8.08
Undecided		132	66.67
Refused		3	1.52

{FOR 28.1 - 28.6}
29.   And who would be your second choice?

	(N=63)	n	%
Rob Farnsworth		5	7.94
Scott Honour		4	6.35
Jeff Johnson		5	7.94
Ole Savior		0	0.00
Marty Seifert		7	11.11
Dave Thompson		7	11.11
Kurt Zellers		4	6.35
Undecided		24	38.10
Refused		7	11.11

{FOR 23.2}
30.   Thinking about the Republican Caucus for President in 2016, how likely are you to attend your Republican precinct caucus – Are you very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely to attend the 2016 Republican Caucus for President?

	(N=198)	n	%
Very Likely		45	22.73
Somewhat Likely		42	21.21
Not very likely		43	21.72
Not at all likely		62	31.31
Undecided		5	2.53
Refused		1	0.51

{FOR 30.1, 30.2}
31.   Please tell me who would be your first choice if the Republican Caucus were held today? (OPEN)…
{I can read you a list of some possible candidates for President } {ROTATE} Jeb Bush, Ben Carson, Chris Christie, Ted Cruz, Mike Huckabee, Bobby Jindal, Sarah Palin, Rand Paul, Rick Perry, Condoleezza Rice, Marco Rubio, Paul Ryan, Rick Santorum, or Scott Walker. Who would be your first choice?

(N=87)	n	%
Ben Carson	4	4.60
Chris Christie	8	9.20
Ted Cruz	8	9.20
Mike Huckabee	1	1.15
Bobby Jindal	2	2.30
Sarah Palin	2	2.30
Rand Paul	5	5.75
Rick Perry	13	14.94
Condoleezza Rice	3	3.45
Marco Rubio	7	8.05
Paul Ryan	2	2.30
Rick Santorum	4	4.60
Scott Walker	3	3.45
Jeb Bush	13	14.94
Other	0	0.00
Undecided	12	13.79
Refused	0	0.00

{FOR 31.1 - 31.15}
32.   Who would be your second choice: Jeb Bush, Ben Carson, Chris Christie, Ted Cruz, Mike Huckabee, Bobby Jindal, Sarah Palin, Rand Paul, Rick Perry, Condoleezza Rice, Marco Rubio, Paul Ryan, Rick Santorum, or Scott Walker? {Respondent can offer the name of someone else}

(N=75)	n	%
Ben Carson	4	5.33
Chris Christie	2	2.67
Ted Cruz	5	6.67
Mike Huckabee	10	13.33
Bobby Jindal	4	5.33
Sarah Palin	1	1.33
Rand Paul	5	6.67
Rick Perry	4	5.33
Condoleezza Rice	1	1.33
Marco Rubio	5	6.67
Paul Ryan	7	9.33
Rick Santorum	9	12.00
Scott Walker	3	4.00
Jeb Bush	7	9.33
Other	1	1.33
Undecided	6	8.00
Refused	1	1.33

{FOR 23.1}

33.   Thinking about the Democratic Caucus for President in 2016, how likely are you to attend your Democratic precinct caucus – are you very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely to attend the 2016 Democratic Caucus for President?

(N=224)	n	%
Very Likely	50	22.32
Somewhat Likely	50	22.32
Not very likely	52	23.21
Not at all likely	68	30.36
Undecided	4	1.79
Refused	0	0.00

{FOR 33.1, 33.2}

34.   Who would be your first choice for the Democratic nomination for President in 2016? (OPEN)…
{I can read you a list of possible Democratic candidates for President. } Please tell me which Democrat would be your first choice for President in 2016: {ROTATE} Joe Biden, Corey Booker, Hillary Clinton, Andrew Cuomo, Deval Patrick, Mark Warner, or Elizabeth Warren?}

(N=100)	n	%
Joe Biden	4	4.00
Cory Booker	3	3.00
Hillary Clinton	63	63.00
Andrew Cuomo	1	1.00
Deval Patrick	2	2.00
Mark Warner	2	2.00
Elizabeth Warren	15	15.00
Other	0	0.00
Undecided	10	10.00
Refused	0	0.00

{FOR 34.1 – 34.8}

35.   Who would be your second choice - Joe Biden, Corey Booker, Hillary Clinton, Andrew Cuomo, Deval Patrick, Mark Warner, or Elizabeth Warren? (Or someone else)

(N=90)	n	%
Joe Biden	21	23.33
Cory Booker	6	6.67
Hillary Clinton	13	14.44
Andrew Cuomo	5	5.56
Deval Patrick	3	3.33
Mark Warner	4	4.44
Elizabeth Warren	22	24.44
Other	0	0.00
Undecided	15	16.67
Refused	1	1.11

For the U.S. Senate general election, I'm going to run Democrat Al Franken against the four Republican candidates who have filed with the FEC and are raising money. For each, please tell me if you will vote for Democrat Franken, the Republican, or the Independence Party nominee or another independent. First let's start with:

36.   Senate General

(N=800)	n	%
Democrat Al Franken	356	44.50
Republican Jim Abeler	229	28.63
Independence Party nominee	29	3.63
Someone else	32	4.00
Undecided	152	19.00
Refused	2	0.25

37.   Senate General

(N=800)	n	%
Democrat Al Franken	356	44.50
Republican Chris Dahlberg	226	28.25
Independence Party nominee	30	3.75
Someone else	30	3.75
Undecided	151	19.00
Refused	7	0.88

38.   Senate General

(N=800)	n	%
Democrat Al Franken	352	44.00
Republican Mike McFadden	229	28.63
Independence Party nominee	21	2.63
Someone else	35	4.38
Undecided	156	19.50
Refused	7	0.88

39.   Senate General

(N=800)	n	%
Democrat Al Franken	349	43.63
Republican Julianne Ortman	229	28.63
Independence Party nominee	30	3.75
Someone else	29	3.63
Undecided	157	19.63
Refused	6	0.75

For the general election for Governor in November, I'm going to run Democrat Mark Dayton against the 6 Republican candidates who appeared on the February Caucus ballot. First let's start with: {ROTATE 40-45 and also ROTATE Democratic and Republican candidates within 40 through 45 from 1-2 to 2-1}

40.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Rob Farnsworth

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 363   45.38
        Republican Rob Farnsworth ------------------------------- 222   27.75
        Undecided -- 215   26.88

41.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Scott Honour

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 358   44.75
        Republican Scott Honour --------------------------------- 223   27.88
        Undecided -- 219   27.38

42.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Jeff Johnson

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 352   44.00
        Republican Jeff Johnson ---------------------------------- 237   29.63
        Undecided -- 211   26.38

43.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Marty Seifert

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 347   43.38
        Republican Marty Seifert ---------------------------------- 255   31.88
        Undecided -- 198   24.75

44.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Dave Thompson

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 347   43.38
        Republican Dave Thompson------------------------------- 245   30.63
        Undecided -- 208   26.00

45.   Democrat Mark Dayton   Republican Kurt Zellers

        (N=800)   n   %
        Democrat Mark Dayton ------------------------------------- 342   42.75
        Republican Kurt Zellers ------------------------------------ 249   31.13
        Undecided -- 209   26.13

The following are questions about Minnesota political issues:

46.   Over the past two years do you feel that the state of the economy in Minnesota has, in general, improved, stayed the same or has it gotten worse?

        (N=800)   n   %
        Improved --- 397   49.63
        Stayed The Same -- 201   25.13
        Gotten Worse--- 169   21.13
        Undecided ---31   3.88
        Refused --2   0.25

47.   Overall, do you feel that the Affordable Care Act signed into law in 2010, sometimes called Obamacare, is generally good for Minnesota or generally bad?

	n	%
(N=800)		
Generally Good	331	41.38
Generally Bad	363	45.38
Undecided	104	13.00
Refused	2	0.25

48.   Do you support or oppose a new campaign finance system where federal campaigns are funded by the government and all contributions from individuals and private groups are banned?

	n	%
(N=800)		
Support	316	39.50
Oppose	338	42.25
Undecided	143	17.88
Refused	3	0.38

These final two questions will help us classify your answers with others taking the survey.

49.   Does anyone in your household belong to a labor union?

	n	%
(N=800)		
Yes	146	18.25
No	652	81.50
Undecided	1	0.13
Refused	1	0.13

50.   When it comes to politics, what TV News Network or commentary source do you trust the most {RANDOMIZE} -- ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox NEWS, CNN, MSNBC, C-SPAN, COMEDY Central?

	n	%
(N=800)		
ABC	48	6.00
CBS	78	9.75
CNN	109	13.63
C-SPAN	18	2.25
COMEDY Central	36	4.50
Fox NEWS	221	27.63
MSNBC	42	5.25
NBC	89	11.13
Undecided	130	16.25
Refused	29	3.63

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]