

### **FALL 2009 SCSU SURVEY**

### **RESULTS SECTION**



**Section 1** Abortion

Section 2 Northstar // MN Vikings

**Section 3** Political Section

(immigration, same sex, economic questions coming soon)

# SECTION 1 MN VIEWS ON ABORTION (Released 12-18-09)

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#### TOP LINE RESULTS

Minnesotans opinions on abortion have been consistent over the years as they have been nationwide.

**IMPORTANCE OF ISSUE**- In an open ended question as to what is the single most important problem facing the state year after year, only about 1% of Minnesotans say abortion. However, past SCSU and other surveys have found as a voting decision issue it is more important to some, particularly those opposed to abortion. They are more politically active on this issue (see fall SCSU surveys conducted in 1998, 2005, and almost every year for the single most important problem question).

**ABORTION POSITION** - Almost half of Minnesotans continue to believe abortion should be a women's personal choice (46%) while about one in ten thinks it should never be allowed. Male and female views on this issue are almost identical on the never position but women are a bit more likely to favor the personal choice position.

Seven of 10 (70%) who say their political views are very or somewhat liberal support personal choice while one in five (21%) self described conservatives take this position. No liberal said never but about two in ten who said they were very or somewhat conservative would never allow an abortion.

Six of ten (64%) Democrats say abortion should be a personal choice but only 2 of 10 Republicans. 17% of Republicans stated never allow compared to roughly 3% of Democrats.

About six of ten 18-24 year olds prefer the personal choice position.

Other than suburban residents being less likely to support the personal choice position there aren't real differences by geographic location.

Breakdowns of some of the religious categories indicate 12% of Catholics say never, 3% of Lutherans, 15% of Baptists and 2% of those with no religious denomination want the never allow option.

For Minnesotans who say religion is very or somewhat important in their lives one of ten say never and about four of 10 favor personal choice. Respondents who stated religion was of little or no importance in their personal life 6% said never and seven of 10 state personal choice.

#### SHOULD ROE BE REVERSED

2009 MN. results are almost identical to 2005 MN. findings for the second question which reads:

<u>In 1973 the Roe v. Wade decision established a woman's right to an abortion. Would you like to see the Supreme Court completely overturn its Roe v. Wade decision, or not?</u>

About six of ten (63%) Minnesotans believe that Roe v. Wade shouldn't be overturned, in the fall 2005 it was 62%.

Over 8 of ten of residents age 18-24 favor not overturning Roe v Wade.

No real pattern by location in the state.

Six in ten (60%) Catholics, three in four (75%) Lutheran and about nine in ten of those with no religion do not want to see Roe V. Wade overturned. Almost 70% of Baptists want to reverse the Roe decision.

Male and female positions are fairly similar.

Democrats are favor of Roe V. Wade not being overturned by 80%+, while Republicans are almost evenly divided.

## ABORTION IN AN OPEN END QUESTION CONTINUES TO RANK LOW ON UNPROMPTED RESPONSE FOR MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION FACING THE STATE

What do you think is the single most important problem facing the State of Minnesota today [DO NOT READ LIST. PROBE FOR ONE SPECIFIC RESPONSE]

[NORMALLY THE VALID PERCENT IS THE FIGURES MOST OFTEN USED] [In some cases don't knows are excluded and values combined]

q2probmn most important problem facing the state

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 abor	4	.8	.8	.8
	2 agricul	4	.7	.7	1.5
	3 bridges roads	8	1.5	1.5	3.0
	4 budget-deficit	76	13.8	13.8	16.9
	5 corporate leadership	1	.2	.2	17.0
	6 crimes drugs violence	2	.3	.3	17.3
	7 drug use	1	.1	.1	17.5

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	8 educ	73	13.3	13.3	30.8
	9 environ global warm	3	.5	.5	31.3
	10 family issues	1	.2	.2	31.5
	11 finan mortgage crisis	19	3.4	3.4	34.9
	13 gas prices energy	3	.6	.6	35.5
	14 health care insur pres drugs	108	19.6	19.6	55.1
	15 housing	2	.3	.3	55.5
	16 h1n1 swine flu	1	.2	.2	55.7
	17 immigration	4	.8	.8	56.5
	18 natural disaster	1	.2	.2	56.7
	19 politics politicians gov legis	22	4.0	4.0	60.7
	20 poverty poor	8	1.4	1.4	62.1
	21 religious moral issues	1	.1	.1	62.3
	22 senior issues elderly	1	.1	.1	62.4
	23 sports issues stadiums	3	.5	.5	62.9
	24 state service cuts	2	.3	.3	63.2
	25 taxes	57	10.3	10.3	73.5
	26 terrorism national security	3	.5	.5	74.0
	27 unemploy no jobs	70	12.8	12.8	86.8
	28 welfare issues waste fraud	8	1.5	1.5	88.3
	29 other	42	7.5	7.6	95.8
	30 no problem facing state	5	.9	.9	96.8
	31 dk	18	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	549	99.9	100.0	
Missing	32 refus miss other	1	.1		
	Total	550	100.0		

### TOP FIVE PROBLEMS FACING MN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

# Most Important Problem Facing the State

Survey Year	1	2	3	4	5
2005	Education 19%	Taxes 12%	Health Care 9%	Budget Deficit 8%	Politics/ Politicians 5%
2006	Education 23%	Taxes 15%	Health Care 14%	Crime/Gangs/ Violence 4%	Roads/ Highways 4%
2007	Education 16%	Taxes 13%	Health Care 10%	Roads/ Highways 6%	Crime/Gangs/ Violence 5%
2008	Education 12%	Taxes 10%	Financial/ Mortgage Crisis 9%	Unemployment 8%	Health Care 6%
2009	Heath Care 19%	Budget 14%	Education 13%	Unemployment 13%	Taxes 10%

Source: SCSU SURVEY, ANNUAL STATEWIDE SURVEY, 2009, OVERALL N=550

Question Q12ABOR1

Next, let's turn to some questions concerning abortion.
Would you please tell me which one of these statements
represents what Minnesota law should do:

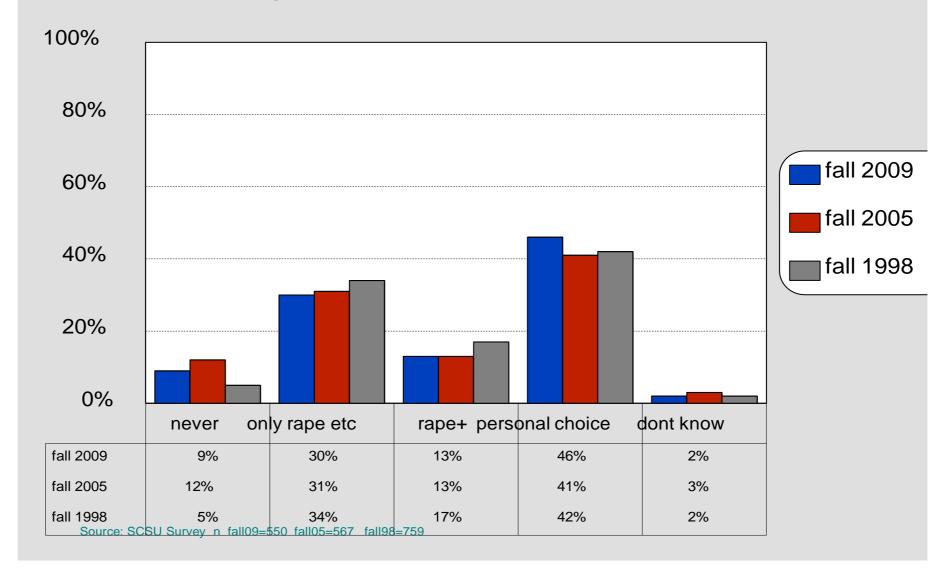
[READ CHOICES 1-4; ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE]

- 1. never allow a woman to have an abortion;
- 2. permit abortion only in cases of rape, incest, or when the woman's life is in danger;
- 3. allow a woman to have a legal abortion in circumstances other than rape, incest or danger to the woman's life, but only after the need for the abortion has been clearly established;
- 4. allow a woman to have an abortion as a matter of personal choice?
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### Q12ABOR1 WHAT SHOULD MN LAW DO ABORTION

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 never	46	8.3	8.7	8.7
	2 rape incest mother life	160	29.1	30.4	39.0
	3 more than rape incest life but	66	12.0	12.6	51.6
	4 personal choice	242	44.0	45.9	97.6
	8 dk	13	2.3	2.4	100.0
	Total	527	95.8	100.0	
Missing	9 miss ref other	23	4.2		
	Total	550	100.0		

# MN Views On Abortion Fairly Consistent Over The Past 11 Years



#### Question Q13ABOR2

In 1973 the Roe v. Wade decision established a woman's right to an abortion. Would you like to see the Supreme Court completely overturn its Roe v. Wade decision, or not?

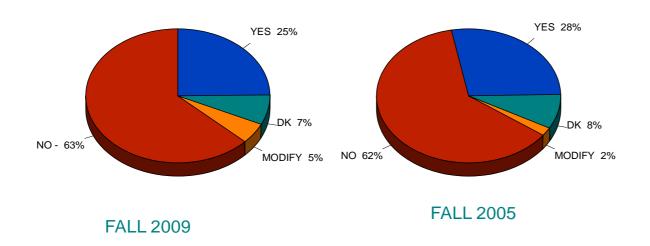
- 1. YES OVERTURN
- 5. NO DON'T OVERTURN
- 6. VOLUNTEER--MODIFY
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### Q13ABOR2 SUPREME COURT OVERTURN ROE

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 yes overturn	138	25.0	25.4	25.4
	5 no dont overturn	340	61.7	62.8	88.2
	6 modify volunteer	24	4.4	4.5	92.7
	8 dk	40	7.2	7.3	100.0
	Total	541	98.4	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	9	1.6		
Total		550	100.0		

### MN Views on Abortion Remain Relatively Stable

Should Roe Be Reversed



Source: SCSU Fall Statewide Survey Fall 2009 Fall 2005

## SOME NATIONAL SURVEYS USING SOMEWHAT SIMILAR QUESTIONS

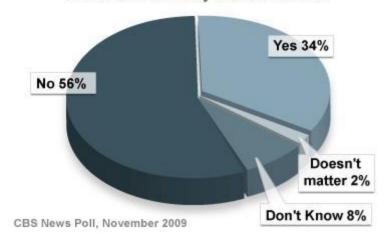
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### **Opinions About Abortion Remain Remarkably Steady**

#### Should Government Health Care Subsidies Be Allowed to Pay for Abortion?



(CBS)

One contentious element of the health care reform debate still under discussion in the Senate is whether or not the legislation should cover abortions. More than half of the public told a <u>CBS News Poll conducted last month</u> that health care reform should **not** cover abortions, while just 34 percent thought it should.

Americans' views about the government funding abortions, and about abortion itself, have remained stable for many years.

In 1994, CBS and the New York Times found 53 percent of Americans thought abortion should **not** be part of any government health care plan. In CBS News Polls conducted in the late 1970s, about half felt the government should **not** "help a poor woman with her medical bills if she wants an abortion."

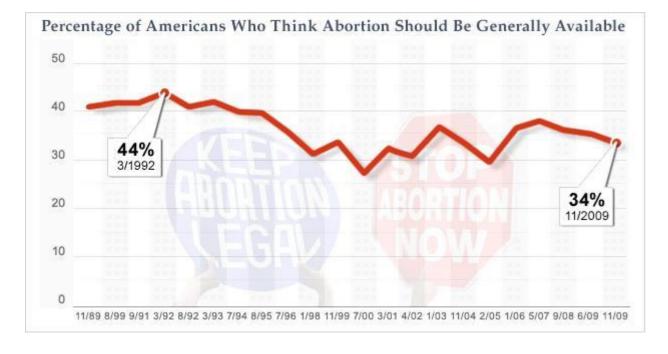
Views have also been remarkably steady on the issue of abortion itself. In a CBS News Poll conducted in November, 34 percent felt abortion should be generally available to those who want it, 40 percent felt it should be available but under stricter limits than it is now, and 23 percent felt it should not be permitted at all.

#### **VIEWS ON ABORTION**

	11/2009	6/2009	9/2008	5/2007
Generally available	34%	36%	37%	39%
Available, but limited	40%	41%	42%	37%
Not permitted	23%	21%	19%	21%
Don't Know	3%	2%	2%	3%

(CBS News Polls)

Those views on abortion have remained steady for more than ten years. In the early 1990s, the percentage that thought abortion should be generally available was slightly higher, at around four in 10.



(CBS)

For an issue that may have different implications for men and women, there is little evidence of a gender gap. Thirty-one percent of women, and 37 percent of men, think abortion should be generally available. Women are more likely than men to think it should not be permitted at all, but still, just 27 percent of them feel that way.

#### **VIEWS ON ABORTION**

	All	Women	Men
Generally available	34%	31%	37%
Available, but limited	40%	39%	41%
Not permitted	23%	27%	19%
Don't Know	3%	3%	3%

(CBS News Poll, November 2009)

Of course, there are ideological differences in opinion about abortion -- and this too has historically been the case.

In the November CBS News Poll, nearly half of Democrats said abortion should be generally available, compared to just 21 percent of

Republicans. Republicans are more than twice as likely as Democrats to think it should not be permitted at all. Similarly, 55 percent of liberals think it should be available, but that drops to just 19 percent among conservatives. Nearly four in 10 conservatives think it should not be available.

#### Washington Post Poll. Nov. 19-23, 2009. N=1,306 adults nationwide. MoE ± 3. RV = registered voters

"Do you think abortion should be legal in all cases, legal in most cases, illegal in most cases, or illegal in all cases?"

	Legal in All Cases	Legal in Most Cases	Illegal in Most Cases	Illegal in All Cases	Unsure
	%	%	%	%	%
11/19-23/09	19	35	28	16	2

#### CNN/Opinion Research Corporation Poll. Nov. 13-15, 2009. N=1,014 adults nationwide. MoE ± 3.

"Do you think abortion should be legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?"

	Always	Sometimes	Always		
	Legal	Legal	Illegal	Unsure	
	%	%	%	%	
11/13-15/09	26	50	23	1	

#### Pew Research Center survey. Aug. 11-17 & 20-27, 2009. N=4,013 adults nationwide. MoE ± 2.

"Do you think abortion should be legal in all cases, legal in most cases, illegal in most cases, or illegal in all cases?" Options rotated

	Legal in	Legal in	Illegal in	Illegal in	
	All Cases	Most Cases	Most Cases	All Cases	Unsure
	%	%	%	%	%
8/11-17 & 20-27/09	16	31	27	17	8

#### CBS News/New York Times Poll. June 12-16, 2009. N=895 adults nationwide. MoE ± 3 (for all adults).

"More than 35 years ago, the Supreme Court's decision in Roe versus Wade established a constitutional right for women to obtain legal abortions in this country. In general, do you think the Court's decision was a good thing or a bad thing?"

	Good Thing	Bad Thing	Both (vol.)	Unsure
	%	%	%	%
ALL	62	32	3	3
Republicans	40	51	7	2
Democrats	74	21	1	4
Independents	63	30	2	5

<sup>&</sup>quot;Would you like to see the Supreme Court overturn its 1973 Roe versus Wade decision concerning abortion, or not?"

	%	%	%
6/12-16/09	29	64	7

#### **CNN/Opinion Research Corporation Poll**. May 14-17, 2009. N=1,010 adults nationwide. MoE ± 3.

"The 1973 Roe versus Wade decision established a woman's constitutional right to an abortion, at least in the first three months of pregnancy. Would you like to see the Supreme Court completely overturn its Roe versus Wade decision, or not?"

	Yes,	No, Not	
	Overturn	Overturn	Unsure
	%	%	%
5/14-17/09	30	68	1

### SOME CROSSTAB BREAKDOWNS

Sometimes categories are collapsed and don't knows excluded.

Reverse Roe-AGE (percentages) don't knows excluded							
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-65	65+	Total
Reverse	13	20	23	38	25	35	
Roe							
Maintain	83	72	75	60	69	57	
Roe							
Modify vol	4	8	2	2	6	8	
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	N=499

Reverse Roe-EDUCATION (percentages)									
	Less 12 yrs	12 yrs plus	Post High-No college	Some College	College Graduate	Some Grad. School	Grad School	Total	
Reverse Roe	38	24	33	28	25	38	19		
Maintain Roe	54	75	52	67	70	62	78		
Modify	8	1	15	5	5	0	3		
Don't Know									
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	N=502	

Reverse Roe (percentages)							
	Male	Female	Total				
Reverse Roe	31	24					
Maintain Roe	64	71					
Modify	5	5					
Don't Know							
Total	100	100	N=503				

Reverse Roe-RESIDENCE (percentages)								
	Central city Minn St. Paul Duluth Rochester St Cloud	Twin city suburb	Greater MN. city but not Minn etc	township	Total			
Reverse Roe	22	30	27	26				
Maintain Roe	73	65	67	71				
Modify	5		6					
Don't Know		5		3				
Total	100	100	100	100	N=501			

		Reverse Roe-COMBINED POLITICAL PARTY (leaners toward a party are combined with that party) (percentages)								
	DEM	REP	GREEN	LIBERTARIAN	MN IND PARTY	OTHER VOL	NOT CLOSE TO ANY	NOT POLITICAL	DON'T KNOW	Total
Reverse	9	48								
Roe										
Maintain	82	45								
Roe										
modify	5	3								
Don't	4	4								
know										
Total	100	100								N=535

# Reverse Roe-IMPORTANCE OF RELIGION Very/somewhat important Little/not important---combined (percentages) don't know removed

	important	Not important	Total
Reverse Roe	31	9	
Maintain Roe	63	92	
modify	6	0	
Total	100	100	N=444

#### REVERSE ROE

#### -self described political ideology Very/somewhat liberal Very/somewhat conservative combined Some don't knows removed (percentages)

	liberal	moderate	conservative	
Reverse Roe	7	19	48	
Maintain Roe	87	69	40	
Modify	2	6	3	
Don't know	4	6	9	
Total	100	100	100	N=531

#### **REVERSE ROE** -RELIGION Some subgroups combined (percentages) OTHER CATH LUTH BAP OTHER NO REL **Total** CHRIS 13 30 20 69 Reverse Roe 75 Maintain 62 31 87 modify 5 0 0 Don't know Total 100 100 100 100 N=496

#### ABORTION POSITION

# -self described political ideology Very/somewhat liberal Very/somewhat conservative combined Some don't knows removed (percentages)

	liberal	moderate	conservative	
never	0	6	18	
Rape incest mother	16	29	48	
Rape+	13	17	10	
Per choice	70	46	21	
Don't know	1	2	3	
Total	100	100	100	N=517

	ABORTION POSITION (percentages)								
	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-65	65+	Total		
never	12	8	4	9	7	11			
Rape incest mother	11	39	40	29	22	42			
Rape+	16	10	12	18	11	12			
Per choice	61	41	43	40	60	35			
Don't know	0	2	1	4					
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	N=515		

ABORTION POSITION -EDUCATION (nomentages)								
		1	<u> </u>	percentage	:s <i>)</i>	1	1	
	Less 12 yrs	12 yrs plus	Post High-No college	Some College	College Graduate	Some Grad. School	Grad School	Total
never	24	4	3	10	12	5	4	
Rape incest mother	17	39	28	33	31	59	18	
Rape+	4	14	10	12	12	9	15	
Per choice	55	43	59	45	45	27	63	
<del>Don't know</del>	Don't know							
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	513

#### ABORTION POSITION (percentages) N = 527Male Female Total n 10 46 never Rape incest mother 34 27 160 Rape+ 13 12 66 40 242 Per choice 51 Don't know 3 13 100 100 527 Total

ABORTION POSITION -RESIDENCE (percentages)								
	Central city Minn St. Paul Duluth Rochester St Cloud	Twin city suburb	Greater Mn. city but not Minn etc	township	<del>Don't</del> <del>know</del>			
never	11	8	10	5				
Rape incest mother	22	37	35	32				
Rape+	13	15	13	9				
Per choice	54	40	42	54				
Don't know								
Total	100	100	100	100		N=511		

			ABORTION POSITION -COMBINED POLITICAL PARTY –includes leaners (percentages)							
	DEM	I REP	GREEN	LIBERTARIAN	MN IND PARTY	OTHER VOL	NOT CLOSE TO ANY	NOT POLITICAL	DON'T KNOW	Total
never	3	17								
Rape incest mother	21	46								
Rape+	11	13								
Per choice	64	21								
Don't know	1	3								
Total	100	100								N=519

## ABORTION POSITION -IMPORTANCE OF RELIGION

Very/somewhat important Little/not important---combined (percentages)

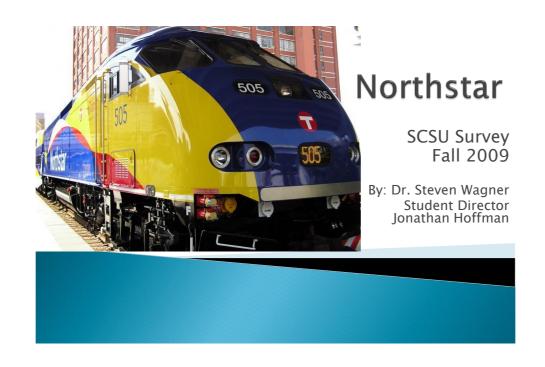
	important	Not important	Total
never	9	6	
Rape incest mother	35	17	
Rape+	16	6	
Per choice	40	71	
<del>Don't know</del>			
Total	100	100	N=454

#### **ABORTION POSITION** -RELIGION

Some subgroups combined (percentages) DON'T KNOWS EXCLUDED

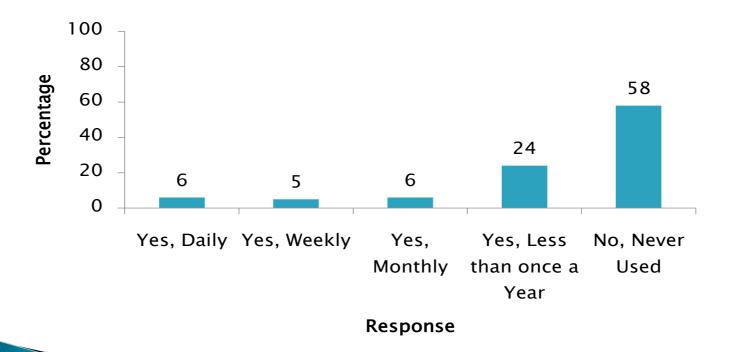
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	САТН	LUTH	BAP	OTHER CHRIS	OTHER	NO REL	Total
never	12	3	15			2	
Rape incest mother	33	32	46			27	
Rape+	18	10	31			7	
Per choice	37	55	8			63	
Don't know							
Total	100	100	100			100	N=496

# SECTION 2 (released 12-7-09) MINNESOTA VIEWS REGARDING NORTHSTAR AND THE MINNESOTA VIKINGS



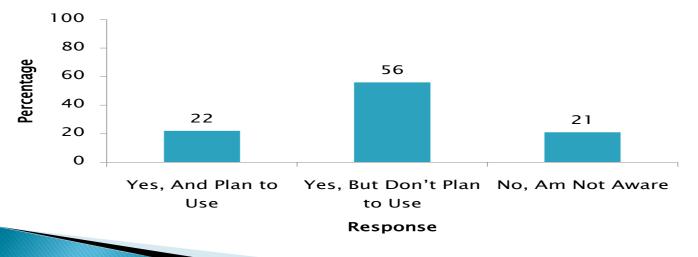
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# In the past year, have you used public transportation such as buses or trains?



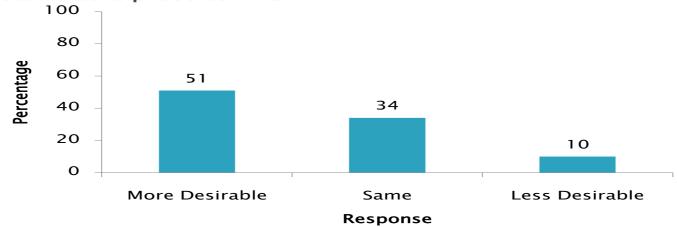
Source: Fall SCSU Student Survey; n = 550

Are you aware of the new NorthStar Commuter Rail that will be offering daily transportation by train from Big Lake to downtown Minneapolis?



Source: Fall SCSU Student Survey; n = 550

In your opinion, would having a NorthStar Commuter Rail or light rail station located in your community make it more desirable, less desirable, or about the same as a place to live?



Source: Fall SCSU Student Survey; n = 550

#### **Transportation Table 1**

"In the past year, have you used public transportation such as buses or trains? IF YES how often-is it daily, weekly, monthly or less than once a month?"

Response	Frequency	Percentage
Yes, Daily	31	6
Yes, Weekly	28	5
Yes, Monthly	34	6
Yes, Less than once a Year	131	24
No, Never Used	323	58
Don't Know	4	1
Total	550	100%

An examination of demographic indicators collected shows the following results:

- Younger respondents are much more likely to have used public transportation than other respondents
- Central city residents more likely to have used public transportation than other residents but for suburban residents who are more likely to use public transportation less than once per month.
- Liberal respondents, more than conservative respondents more likely to use public transportation.
- The lower the family income of respondents the more likely they are to use public transportation

#### **Transportation Table 2**

"Are you aware of the new NorthStar Commuter Rail that will be offering daily transportation by train from Big Lake to downtown Minneapolis?

[IF YES] Do you plan on using this service?"

Response	Frequency	Percentage
Yes, And Plan to Use	119	22
Yes, But Don't Plan to Use	310	56
No, Am Not Aware	116	21
Yes, Less than once a Year	0	0
No, Never Used	0	0
Don't Know	5	1
Total	550	100%

An examination of demographic indicators collected shows the following results:

- Younger respondents are much more likely to use NorthStar than other respondents
- Central city and suburban residents of the Twin Cities are more likely to use NorthStar than other residents.
- Higher education respondents are more likely to use NorthStar than are other respondents in other education groups.
- In terms of ideology, all groups but very conservative respondents are likely to use NorthStar.
- The higher the family income of the respondent, the more likely they indicated they are to use NorthStar

#### **Transportation Table 3**

"In your opinion, would having a NorthStar Commuter Rail or light rail station located in your community make it more desirable, less desirable, or about the same as a place to live?"

Response	Frequency	Percentage
More Desirable	278	51
Same	188	34
Less Desirable	56	10
Don't Know	27	5
Total	549	100%

An examination of demographic indicators collected shows the following results:

- All age groups indicated they think their community will be more desirable because of NorthStar.
- Regardless of place of residence, all respondents think their community will be more desirable because of NorthStar.
- All education groups but for higher education levels respondents think their community will be more desirable because of NorthStar.
- Liberal and moderate respondents, not more conservative respondents, think their community will be more desirable because of NorthStar.
- All income groups but for higher income think their community will be more desirable because of NorthStar.



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#### Question Q7VIKING

How important is it to you personally to keep the Minnesota Vikings in Minnesota? Is it very important, somewhat important, not particularly important, or not at all important?

- 1. VERY IMPORTANT
- 2. SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT
- 3. NOT PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT
- 4. NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT
- 8. DONT KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### Q7VIKING HOW IMPORTANT PERSONALLY TO KEEP VIKINGS IN MN

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 very impor	206	37.4	37.4	37.4
	2 some impor	162	29.5	29.5	66.9
	3 a little impor	75	13.7	13.7	80.6
	4 not at all impor	103	18.8	18.8	99.4
	8 dk	3	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	550	100.0	100.0	

#### Question Q8VIKST

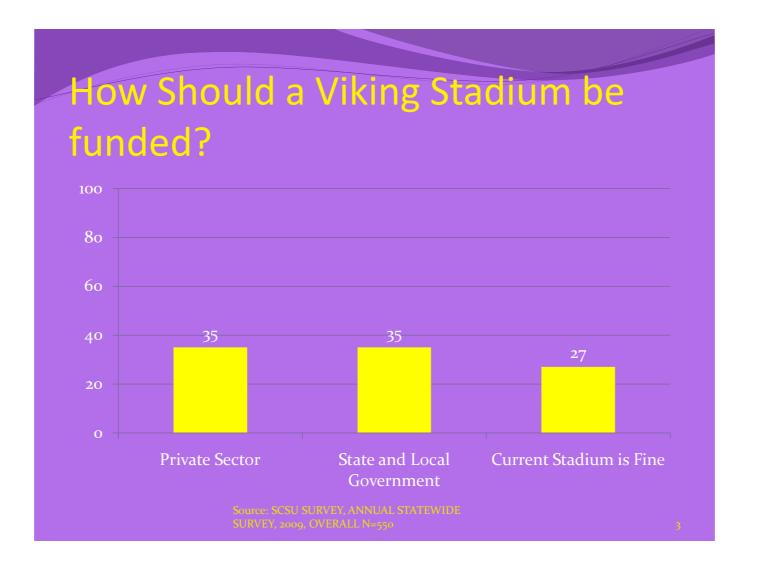
It is suggested by some that the long-term presence of the Minnesota Vikings in Minnesota is not possible without a new football stadium. If a new stadium is built, do you personally think the stadium should be funded by which one of the following options:

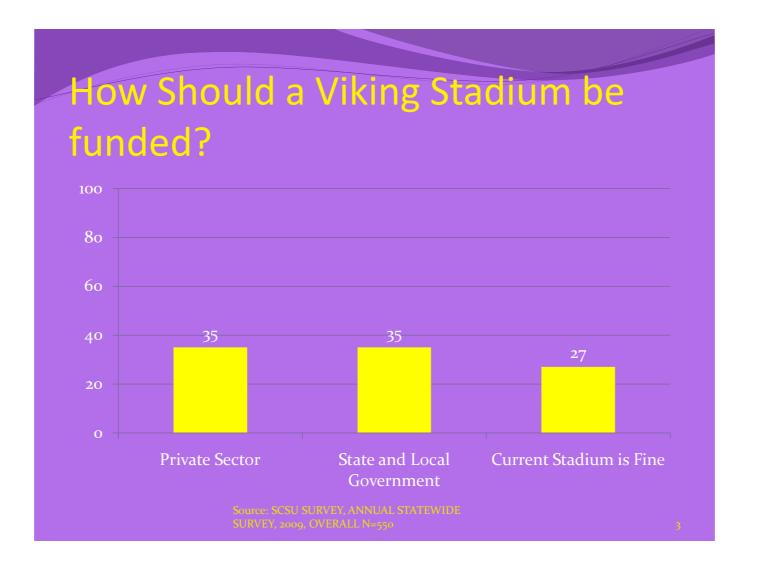
(READ CHOICES 1-5, SELECT ONLY 1 CHOICE)

- 1. The private sector only, such as the team owner, players or other private donors.
- 2. The State of Minnesota only
- 3. Local government only (means city or county or both)
- 4. A combination of private funds and state and local governments
- 5. The current stadium is fine.
- 6. OTHER-VOLUNTEERED
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

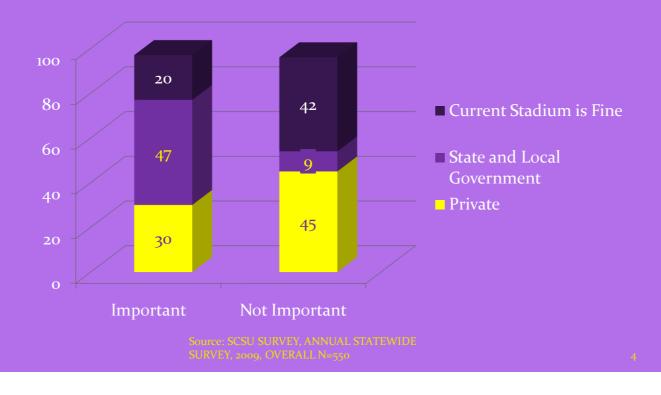
#### **Q8VIKST FUND NEW VIKING STADIUM**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 private sector only	189	34.4	34.5	34.5
	2 state of mn only	10	1.7	1.7	36.2
	3 local gov only	2	.3	.3	36.5
	4 combin private state local	188	34.2	34.3	70.8
	5 current is fine	147	26.7	26.8	97.6
	6 other vol	3	.6	.6	98.2
	8 dk	10	1.8	1.8	100.0
	Total	549	99.9	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	1	.1		
Total		550	100.0		





# How a Vikings Stadium Should be funded?



# How important are the Vikings by how well the team is doing

	Important	Not Important	Viking Record at Time of Survey
2009	67	33	6-1
2007	40	58	3-6
2003	71	27	6-2

Source: SCSU SURVEY, ANNUAL STATEWIDE SURVEY, 2009, OVERALL N=550

## Talking Points-1

#### **IMPORTANCE**

Little difference by age, employment, education level

• Males, conservatives and Republicans more likely to state it is very or somewhat important while females, Democrats and liberals slightly less likely to state it is important.

#### **FUNDING**

Conservative more like to want a private solution while liberals and females a bit more likely to favor the current stadium.

Source: SCSU SURVEY, ANNUAL STATEWIDE SURVEY, 2009.

# Talking Points-2

- The weather in Minnesota is not fair but it's citizens are fair weather when it comes to the Vikings.
- As you can see from our findings the importance of the Vikings is closely related to how well the team is performing on the field.
- The long term presence of the Vikings has been called into question as of late and in order to keep the team in Minnesota it would be wise for a potential stadium deal to be done "while the iron is hot" which it currently is.

Source: SCSU SURVEY, ANNUAL STATEWIDE SURVEY, 2009,

# SECTION 3 "POLITICAL QUESTIONS" SECTION (released 11-17-09)

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# Raw Frequencies, Some Breakdowns and Other Analysis

For the most part this section analyzes the results using simple descriptive analysis such as means, frequencies and crosstabs. For other breakdowns contact one of the faculty directors



WHEN VIEWING FREQUENCY TABLES ONE SHOULD NORMALLY USE THE VALID PERCENT THIS FIGURE ELIMINATES DON'T KNOWS
THE PERCENT COLUMN SHOWS ALL CATEGORIES

# SOMETIMES VALUES ARE CONDENSED SUCH AS VERY LIBERAL AND LIBERAL TOGETHER TO MAKE A LIBERAL CATEGORY SOME CATEGORIES HAVE VERY SMALL N'S AND THE RESULTS SHOULD BE INTERPRETED VERY CAUTIOUSLY

#### DIRECTION OF STATE OF MN.

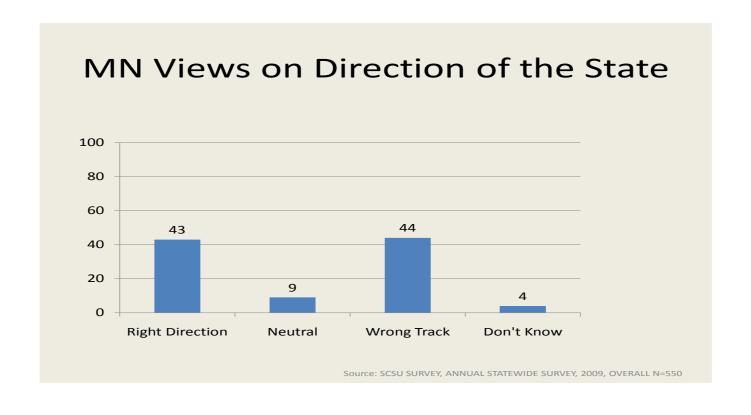
#### Question Q1DIRMN

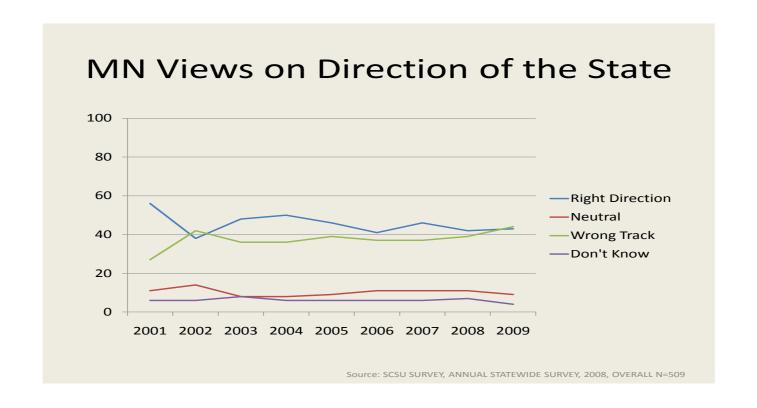
Let's begin by asking a general question about Minnesota. Do you think things in the state are generally going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

- 1. RIGHT DIRECTION
- 2. NEUTRAL-[VOLUNTEERED]
- 3. WRONG TRACK
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### Q1DIRMN

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 right dir	233	42.3	42.5	42.5
	2 neu	51	9.3	9.3	51.9
	3 wrong dir	239	43.5	43.8	95.7
	8 dk	24	4.3	4.3	100.0
	Total	547	99.4	100.0	
Missing	9 ref	3	.6		
Total		550	100.0		





#### SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEM FACING THE STATE

#### **Question Q2PROBMN**

What do you think is the single most important problem facing the State of Minnesota today?

[DO NOT READ LIST. PROBE FOR ONE SPECIFIC RESPONSE]

01. ABORTION 17. IMMIGRATION

02. AGRICULTURE-GENERAL 18. NATURAL DISASTERS

03. BRIDGES/ROADS 19. POLITICS/POLITICIANS/GOV/LEGIS.

04. BUDGET/DEFICIT 20. POVERTY/ POOR

05. CORPORATE LEADERSHIP
21. RELIGIOUS/MORAL ISSUES
06. CRIMES/GANGS/VIOLENCE
22. SENIOR ISSUES/ELDERLY
07. DRUGS USE
23. SPORTS ISSUES/STADIUMS

08. EDUCATION (FUNDING/QUALITY)

24. STATE SERVICE CUTS

09. ENVIRONMENT/GLOBAL WARMING 25. TAXES

10. FAMILY ISSUES 26. TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY

11. FINANCIAL/MORTGAGE CRISIS 27. UNEMPLOYMENT/NO JOB OPPORTUNITIES

12. GAMBLING 28. WELFARE ISSUES/(waste-fraud)

13. GAS PRICES/ENERGY 29. OTHER

14. HEALTH CARE/INSUR/PRES DRUGS 30. NO PROBLEM FACING STATE

15. HOUSING (AFFORD/FORECLOSURE) 31. DON'T KNOW 16. H1N1/SWINE FLU 32. REFUSED

Logic Instructions (flow only):

IF (ANS>29) SKIPTO Q4PAWLEN

# Frequencies q2probmn most important problem facing the state

-		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 abor	4	.8	.8	.8
	2 agricul	4	.7	.7	1.5
	3 bridges roads	8	1.5	1.5	3.0
	4 budget-deficit	76	13.8	13.8	16.9
	5 corporate leadership	1	.2	.2	17.0
	6 crimes drugs violence	2	.3	.3	17.3
	7 drug use	1	.1	.1	17.5
	8 educ	73	13.3	13.3	30.8
	9 environ global warm	3	.5	.5	31.3
	10 family issues	1	.2	.2	31.5
	11 finan mortgage crisis	19	3.4	3.4	34.9
	13 gas prices energy	3	.6	.6	35.5
	14 health care insur pres drugs	108	19.6	19.6	55.1
	15 housing	2	.3	.3	55.5
	16 h1n1 swine flu	1	.2	.2	55.7
	17 immigration	4	.8	.8	56.5
	18 natural disaster	1	.2	.2	56.7
	19 politics politicians gov legis	22	4.0	4.0	60.7
	20 poverty poor	8	1.4	1.4	62.1
	21 religious moral issues	1	.1	.1	62.3
	22 senior issues elderly	1	.1	.1	62.4
	23 sports issues stadiums	3	.5	.5	62.9
	24 state service cuts	2	.3	.3	63.2
	25 taxes	57	10.3	10.3	73.5
	26 terrorism national security	3	.5	.5	74.0
	27 unemploy no jobs	70	12.8	12.8	86.8
	28 welfare issues waste fraud	8	1.5	1.5	88.3
	29 other	42	7.5	7.6	95.8
	30 no problem facing state	5	.9	.9	96.8
	31 dk	18	3.2	3.2	100.0
	Total	549	99.9	100.0	
Missing	32 refus miss other	1	.1		
Total		550	100.0		



# TOP FIVE PROBLEMS FACING MN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

# Most Important Problem Facing the State

Survey Year	1	2	3	4	5
2005	Education 19%	Taxes 12%	Health Care 9%	Budget Deficit 8%	Politics/ Politicians 5%
2006	Education 23%	Taxes 15%	Health Care 14%	Crime/Gangs/ Violence 4%	Roads/ Highways 4%
2007	Education 16%	Taxes 13%	Health Care 10%	Roads/ Highways 6%	Crime/Gangs/ Violence 5%
2008	Education 12%	Taxes 10%	Financial/ Mortgage Crisis 9%	Unemployment 8%	Health Care 6%
2009	Heath Care 19%	Budget 14%	Education 13%	Unemployment 13%	Taxes 10%

Source: SCSU SURVEY, ANNUAL STATEWIDE SURVEY, 2009, OVERALL N=55

#### WHICH POLITICAL PARTY IF ANY CAN BEST HANDLE NAMED PROBLEM

#### Question Q3PARPRO

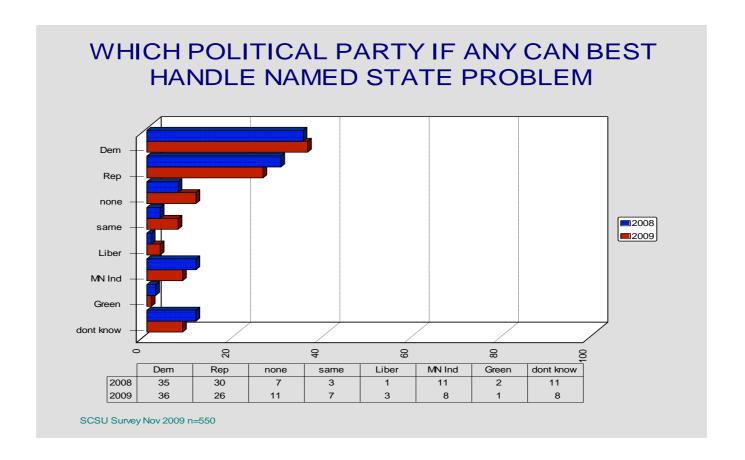
In Minnesota, which political party, if any, do you think can do a better job of handling the problem you have just mentioned - the Republicans, the Democrats, the Independence Party, the Libertarian Party, or the Green Party?

# [INDEPENDENCE PARTY IS DIFFERENT FROM THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE AN INDEPENDENT WHICH IS NO PARTY]

- 1. REPUBLICAN
- 2. DEMOCRATIC
- 3. INDEPENDENCE PARTY
- 4. LIBERTARIAN PARTY
- 5. GREEN PARTY
- 6. PARTIES ALL THE SAME/NO DIFFERENCE-[VOLUNTEERED]
- 7. NONE
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### q2parpro what pol party if any can best handle problem

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 rep	134	24.3	25.9	25.9
	2 dem	188	34.2	36.4	62.4
	3 Inde Part	41	7.4	7.9	70.3
	4 libertarian	13	2.4	2.5	72.8
	5 green	7	1.4	1.4	74.2
	6 same	36	6.6	7.1	81.3
	7 none	59	10.7	11.4	92.7
	8 dk	38	6.9	7.3	100.0
	Total	516	93.8	100.0	
Missing	9 ref	11	1.9		
	System	24	4.3		
	Total	34	6.2		
Total		550	100.0		



#### JOB APPROVAL-OBAMA AND PAWLENTY

#### Question Q4PAWLEN

Now, here are some different questions. How would you rate the overall performance of Tim Pawlenty as Governor? Would you rate his performance as excellent, pretty good, only fair or poor?

- 1. EXCELLENT
- 2. PRETTY GOOD
- 3. ONLY FAIR
- 4. POOR
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

q4pawlen rate overall performance of pawlenty as govenor

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 excell	54	9.7	9.8	9.8
	2 pretty good	212	38.5	38.7	48.4
	3 only fair	172	31.3	31.4	79.8
	4 poor	96	17.4	17.4	97.2
	8 dk	15	2.8	2.8	100.0
	Total	548	99.7	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	2	.3		
Total		550	100.0		

### Question Q5OBAMA

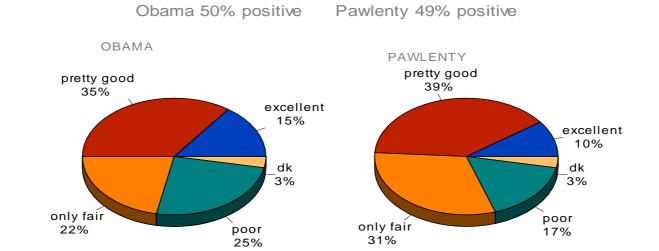
How would you rate the overall performance of Barack Obama as President? Would you rate his performance as excellent, pretty good, only fair or poor?

- 1. EXCELLENT
- 2. PRETTY GOOD
- 3. ONLY FAIR
- 4. POOR
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

q5obama rate overall performance of obama as president

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 excell	82	15.0	15.1	15.1
	2 pretty good	192	34.8	35.2	50.3
	3 only fair	120	21.8	22.0	72.3
	4 poor	139	25.2	25.4	97.7
	8 dk	12	2.2	2.3	100.0
	Total	545	99.0	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	5	1.0		
Total		550	100.0		

#### JOB APPROVAL OBAMA AS PRES PAWLENTY AS GOVERNOR



SCSU Survey November 2009 n=550

# SOME CROSSTABS APPROVE OF JOB PERFORMANCE OBAMA AS PRES PAWLENTY AS GOVERNOR Excellent/pretty only fair/poor combined dk eliminated

72	65	2.4			
		34	40	48	54
49	45	62	55	50	40
CATHOLICS	BAPTISTS	LUTHERANS	NONE		
55	8	51	58		
55	92	50	33		
MALES	FEMALES				
41	61				
54	46				
DEMS (includes	REPUB	NOT CLOSE			
leaners)	(includes	TO ANY			
	leaners)	PARTY			
85	15	35			
29	82	36			
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# 2012 PRESIDENTIAL HORSERACE QUESTION PAWLENTY V OBAMA

### Question Q62012EL

If the 2012 presidential election was held today with Barack Obama being the Democratic Candidate and Tim Pawlenty being the Republican Candidate, would you vote for Obama or Pawlenty?

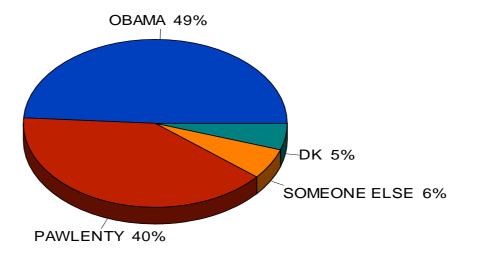
- 1. OBAMA
- 2. PAWLENTY
- 3. SOMEONE ELSE [VOLUNTEERED]
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### q62012el vote paw obama for pres 2012

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 obama	268	48.7	49.0	49.0
	2 pawlenty	217	39.4	39.7	88.7
	3 someone else vol	31	5.6	5.7	94.4
	8 dk	31	5.6	5.6	100.0
	Total	546	99.2	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	4	.8		
Total		550	100.0		

### Minnesotans Look Ahead to the 2012 Presidential Election

Obama v Pawlenty In MN



SCSU Survey November 2009 550 respondents

# SOME CROSSTABS 2012 HORSERACE OBAMA V PAWLENTY dk eliminated

	AGE 18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-65	65+
OBAMA	68	59	34	43	41	53
PAWLENTY	29	33	55	41	37	39
	CATHOLICS	BAPTISTS	LUTHERANS	NONE		
OBAMA	51	8	46	75		
PAWLENTY	40	62	43	25		
	MALES	FEMALES				
OBAMA	40	59				
<b>PAWLENTY</b>	49	31				
	DEMS (includes	REPUB	NOT CLOSE			
	leaners)	(includes	TO ANY			
		leaners)	PARTY			
OBAMA	88	7	27			
PAWLENTY	7	84	17			

#### POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION

#### **Question PARTY1**

Do you usually consider yourself to be a Democrat, Republican, Green party member, Minnesota Independence Party member, another party, or are you an independent who is not a member of any party?

- 1. DEMOCRAT
- 2. REPUBLICAN
- 3. GREEN
- 4. LIBERTARIAN
- 5. MN INDEPENDENCE PARTY
- 6. OTHER PARTY [VOLUNTEERED]
- 7. INDEPENDENT, NOT A MEMBER OF ANY PARTY
- 8. NOT POLITICAL
- 9. DON'T KNOW
- 10. REFUSED

Logic Instructions (flow only):

IF (ANSWER < 7) SKIPTO AGE

IF (ANSWER > 7) SKIPTO AGE

#### **PARTY 1 POLITICAL PARTY AFFIL**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 dem	180	32.8	33.0	33.0
	2 repub	136	24.6	24.8	57.8
	3 green	2	.3	.3	58.1
	4 libertarian	11	2.0	2.0	60.0
	5 mn inde party	15	2.7	2.7	62.7
	6 other volun	6	1.0	1.0	63.8
	7 indepen no party	175	31.8	31.9	95.7
	8 not political	4	.7	.8	96.5
	9 dk	19	3.5	3.5	100.0
	Total	547	99.4	100.0	
Missing	10 ref miss oth	3	.6		
Total		550	100.0		

### Question PARTY2

Although you are an independent, do you usually consider yourself to be closer to the Democrats, Republicans, the Green Party, the Libertarian Party, or the Minnesota Independence party?

- 1. DEMOCRAT
- 2. REPUBLICAN
- 3. GREEN
- 4. LIBERTARIAN
- 5. MN. INDEPENDENCE PARTY
- 6. NOT CLOSE TO ANY PARTY [VOLUNTEERED]
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

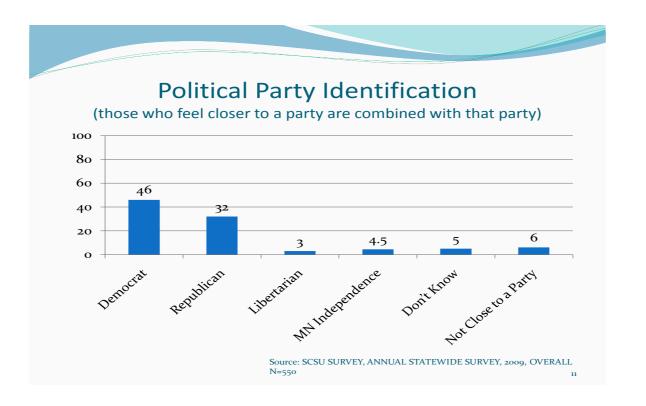
#### PARTY2 IF INDEPEN CLOSER TO WHAT

	-	Francis	Davaget	Valid Darsont	Cumulative
	=	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Percent
Valid	1 dem	69	12.6	40.5	40.5
	2 repub	41	7.4	23.7	64.2
	3 green	1	.2	.6	64.7
	4 libertarian	7	1.3	4.2	68.9
	5 mn inde party	13	2.3	7.4	76.3
	6 not close to any	30	5.5	17.6	94.0
	8 dk	10	1.9	6.0	100.0
	Total	172	31.2	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	3	.6		
	System	375	68.2		
	Total	378	68.8		
Total		550	100.0		

PARTY ID 3
THIS TABLE REFLECTS THE PLACING OF THOSE WHO STATED THEY WERE CLOSER TO A POLITICAL PARTY WITH A POLITICAL PARTY

#### Party3

		Frequen cy	Percen t	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1.00 dem	250	45.4	45.9	45.9
	2.00 repub	176	32.0	32.4	78.3
	3.00 green	3	.5	.5	78.8
	4.00 libertarian	18	3.3	3.3	82.1
	5.00 mn inde party	28	5.0	5.1	87.2
	6.00 other volun	6	1.0	1.0	88.2
	7.00 not close to any	30	5.5	5.6	93.8
	8.00 not political	4	.7	.8	94.6
	9.00 dk	30	5.4	5.4	100.0
	Total	544	98.8	100.0	
Missi	System	6	1.2		
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Total		550	100.0		



#### SELF DESCRIBED POLITICAL IDEOLOGY

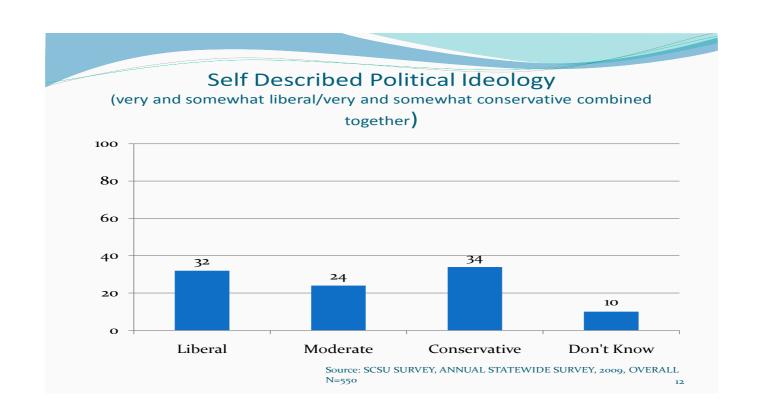
#### Question IDEOL

Thinking about your own general approach to politics, do you consider yourself to be very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

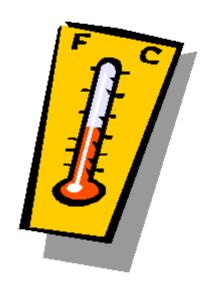
- 1. VERY LIBERAL
- 2. SOMEWHAT LIBERAL
- 3. MODERATE
- 4. SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE
- 5. VERY CONSERVATIVE
- 8. DON'T KNOW
- 9. REFUSED

#### IDEOL

	-	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 very lib	56	10.2	10.4	10.4
	2 some lib	122	22.1	22.5	32.9
	3 mod	131	23.9	24.3	57.3
	4 some conservative	126	22.9	23.3	80.6
	5 very conser	59	10.8	11.0	91.6
	8 dk	45	8.2	8.4	100.0
	Total	540	98.2	100.0	
Missing	9 ref miss oth	10	1.8		
Total		550	100.0		



#### **OUR ADAPTATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN "FEELING THERMOMETER"**



Thank you. Here is a different kind of question.

Please think of a thermometer that has a range of 0 to 100 degrees. I'd like you to rate your feelings toward some of our political leaders and other people who are in the news. Ratings on the thermometer between 50 and 100 degrees mean that you feel favorable and warm toward the person. Ratings between 0 and 50 mean that you do not feel too favorable toward the person. If we come to a person whose name you don't recognize, you don't need to rate that person. Just tell me and we will move on to the next one. If you do recognize the name, but do not feel particularly warm or cold toward the person, you would rate the person at the 50-degree mark.

[NEVER TELL WHO THE PERSON IS OR WHAT THEY DO-YOU CAN REREAD THE NAME]

Barack Obama
RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED
101 102 103

# Question THER2

Sarah Palin

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103

Question THER3

Tim Pawlenty

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103

Question THER4

Al Franken

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103

Question THER5

Amy Klobuchar

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103

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# Question THER6

Rush Limbaugh

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103

Question THER7

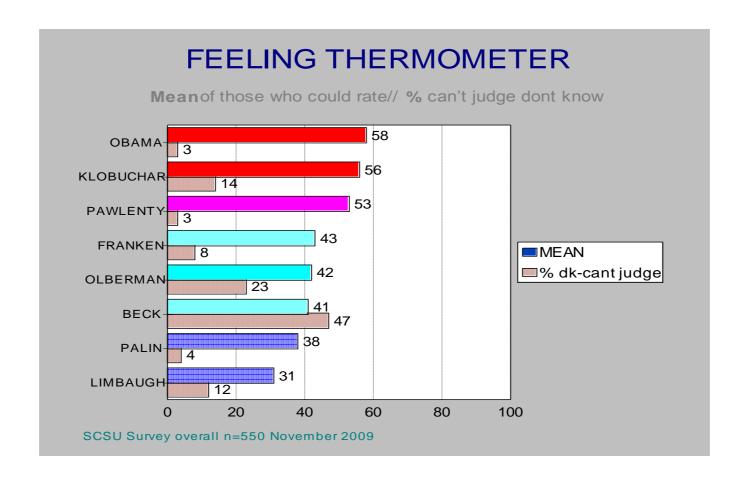
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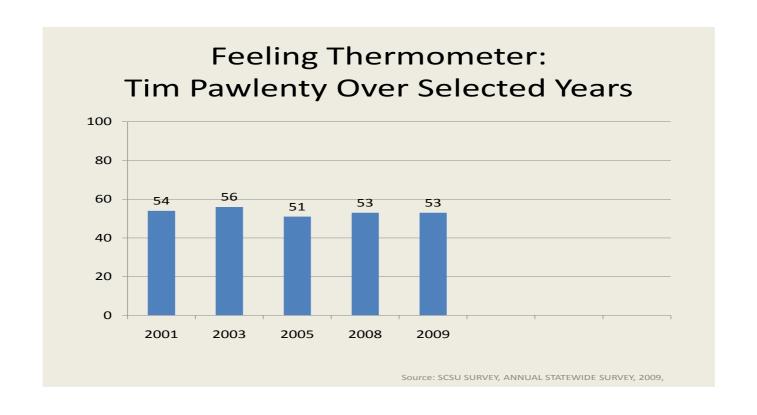
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Question THER8

Keith Olbermann

RATING CAN'T JUDGE DON'T KNOW REFUSED 101 102 103





### **MEANS BY GENDER 2009**

	MALES	FEMALES
OBAMA	51	65
PAWLENTY	57	48
KLOBUCHAR	49	62
FRANKEN	39	48
PALIN	41	35
LIMBAUGH	35	27
BECK	45	36
OLBERMANN	39	47

# MEANS BY RECODED PARTY 2009

(leaning/closer to party such as Green, MN Independent, Libertarian, Republican, Democrat coded into that party-however after taking out don't knows, can't judge, refused Some like the Greens had such small n's they were excluded).

	DEM	REPUB	LIBER	MN IND	NOT CLOSE TO ANY	
OBAMA	80	34	27	46	55	
PAWLENTY	36	76	70	61	47	
KLOBOCHAR	71	41	13	48	51	
FRANKEN	61	23	21	41	46	
PALIN	21	58	54	42	34	
LIMBAUGH	13	53	48	36	27	
BECK	21	62	67	44	34	
OLBERMANN	53	31	42	37	54	

# MEANS BY COMPLETE PARTY BREAKDOWN (CLOSER TO A PARTY COLLAPSED WITH THAT PARTY)

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* PARTY2 IF INDEPEN CLOSER TO WHAT

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PARTY2 IF INDEPEN ( TO WHAT	CLOSER	obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1.00 dem	Mean	70.13	25.03	46.72	51.40	61.88	16.32	33.66	47.48
	N	69	66	69	65	62	60	40	30
2.00 repub	Mean	43.83	49.38	67.93	32.60	44.30	40.11	54.50	35.65
	N	41	41	40	40	37	38	21	19
3.00 green	Mean	45.17	35.41	41.81	34.47	60.79	22.26		20.00
	N	1	1	1	1	1	1		0
4.00 libertarian	Mean	26.81	77.86	52.38	10.25	22.26	59.66	73.75	14.10
	N	5	7	7	7	7	5	7	3
5.00 mn inde party	Mean	45.86	58.30	56.65	35.13	47.21	38.34	55.83	42.67
	N	13	12	13	13	13	8	8	6
6.00 not close to any	Mean	54.98	34.14	46.58	46.12	50.82	27.15	34.05	53.66
	N	29	27	29	26	20	25	11	8
8.00 dk	Mean	49.83	40.99	45.09	47.82	60.91	19.11	.00	35.12
	N	10	8	9	8	7	8	1	4
Total	Mean	56.61	38.28	52.64	42.39	52.72	27.34	43.64	42.24
	N	167	162	168	160	147	145	88	70

# **MEANS BY AGE**

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* AGE

AGE		obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 18-24	Mean	69.33	26.50	45.36	54.59	63.86	31.70	37.76	49.22
	N	74	74	74	66	64	57	46	37
2 25-34	Mean	65.08	37.33	52.85	41.65	44.19	28.17	33.31	42.70
	N	99	95	97	91	76	93	57	46
3 35-44	Mean	50.76	43.88	59.79	39.21	55.21	39.37	49.29	45.71
	N	92	93	93	89	84	89	42	42
4 45-54	Mean	52.02	40.50	56.01	42.37	57.74	30.99	43.02	36.75
	N	103	101	103	98	96	96	54	45
5 55-65	Mean	55.32	34.77	48.40	40.79	54.63	26.37	42.04	40.01
	N	72	72	71	72	66	68	41	35
6 65+	Mean	59.95	39.86	48.46	43.25	59.31	26.52	40.59	40.41
	N	86	82	85	81	79	72	41	35
8 dk	Mean	38.08	46.09	77.76	49.51	30.53	55.59	64.52	
	N	7	6	7	7	3	7	6	
Total	Mean	58.18	37.72	52.66	43.30	55.59	31.11	41.13	42.37
	N	533	523	530	504	467	481	286	240

### MEANS BY PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* RESID PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE

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RESIDENCE		obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 central urban	Mean	67.23	32.05	44.86	48.03	58.16	19.22	28.44	41.50
	N	147	145	145	142	129	136	71	72
2 twin city suburb	Mean	51.67	42.17	61.67	39.36	50.15	37.87	48.99	38.59
	N	180	178	180	176	163	161	109	80
3 city greater mn not dul stc	Mean	51.74	39.88	52.12	37.98	55.83	35.13	40.76	40.82
roch	N	101	101	101	88	84	86	47	40
4 township	Mean	64.21	34.99	46.86	48.51	61.67	32.88	39.75	52.25
	N	93	90	93	89	85	87	51	45
8 dk	Mean	52.21	43.57	61.62	45.82	58.95	33.33	58.86	33.79
	N	12	9	12	10	5	12	8	2
Total	Mean	58.18	37.72	52.66	43.30	55.59	31.11	41.13	42.37
	N	533	523	530	504	467	481	286	240

# MEANS BY ROUGH EMPLOYMENT STATUS

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* EMPL

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EMPL	_	obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 working now	Mean	59.12	37.72	53.95	44.71	56.76	31.81	38.65	43.83
	N	330	325	326	318	297	307	178	160
2 laid off	Mean	57.16	57.90	55.76	28.79	20.12	38.04	52.82	70.00
	N	6	8	9	7	6	9	6	3
3 unem	Mean	46.87	40.06	65.37	33.29	31.50	34.32	47.92	44.31
	N	24	24	24	23	18	21	17	13
4 retired	Mean	56.29	39.53	49.48	41.46	56.65	29.08	43.18	37.74
	N	99	94	98	94	92	87	55	45
5 disabled	Mean	50.85	29.75	43.06	34.93	55.69	24.81	57.36	29.85
	N	12	13	12	11	5	11	5	6
6 house man	Mean	37.06	58.58	67.03	24.17	46.71	51.44	63.09	31.68
	N	11	11	11	11	11	10	4	2
7 student	Mean	73.65	22.09	37.83	54.79	63.91	23.13	32.50	40.16
	N	37	37	37	28	30	23	14	7
8 dk	Mean	56.15	37.00	59.50	48.60	59.17	28.82	53.12	34.66
	N	11	8	11	10	5	11	7	2
Total	Mean	58.34	37.58	52.68	43.33	55.53	31.28	41.13	42.39
	N	529	519	527	501	464	478	286	237

# MEANS BY SEPARATE RELIGIONS

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* RELIG1

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RELIG1	_	obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 cath	Mean	59.33	35.83	53.82	44.92	56.40	29.25	36.07	44.96
	N	166	167	169	165	151	160	108	85
2 bap	Mean	24.66	55.93	73.12	14.26	31.14	54.70	66.37	34.21
	N	13	13	13	13	8	12	12	5
3 luth	Mean	60.28	37.82	52.33	41.85	57.18	31.95	45.37	40.62
	N	154	152	154	143	139	129	70	56
4 presby	Mean	53.15	34.07	53.60	44.71	57.61	21.47	27.56	56.44
	N	7	7	7	6	6	7	5	4
5 meth	Mean	51.32	55.12	62.19	39.01	44.62	41.07	62.10	35.99
	N	20	20	19	18	18	20	8	10
6 epis	Mean	51.22	40.53	50.12	34.85	52.96	38.08	42.97	24.64
	N	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1
7 other chris mor jeh wit etc	Mean	53.59	47.74	55.80	38.68	50.77	42.10	48.74	35.30
	N	61	60	61	55	56	58	31	27
8 jewish	Mean	95.20	4.46	23.80	70.76	82.96	1.81	1.72	41.46
	N	6	6	6	6	6	6	5	3
10 other none	Mean	68.98	37.68	47.86	43.79	62.14	29.02	47.86	50.23
	N	18	15	16	18	9	13	7	7
11 none agnos atheist	Mean	61.23	25.10	42.32	52.87	58.87	22.57	32.12	52.57
	N	41	40	41	37	34	35	21	17
12 dk	Mean	56.38	31.59	49.24	49.45	56.08	27.43	47.98	42.60
	N	27	26	27	25	21	25	11	10
Total	Mean	58.38	37.75	52.67	43.38	55.66	31.69	41.65	42.82
	N	515	506	514	488	451	466	278	226

# MEANS BY IMPORTANCE OF RELIGION (VERY IS VERY AND SOMEWHAT) (NOT IS LITTLE AND NOT AT ALL—DON'T KNOWS ETC ELIMINATED)

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* RELIG2 HOW IMPOR IS RELIGION IN LIFE

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RELIGION IN LIFE	RELIGION IN LIFE		palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 impor	Mean	59.20	40.11	52.35	42.03	56.55	31.22	41.14	42.19
	N	395	391	393	374	355	355	205	175
4 not impor	Mean	54.73	31.82	58.36	45.32	49.99	33.01	41.26	41.76
	N	79	78	79	76	68	75	47	38
Total	Mean	58.45	38.73	53.36	42.59	55.50	31.53	41.16	42.11
	N	474	470	472	450	423	430	252	213

# MEANS BY SELF DESCRIBED POLITICAL IDEOLOGY NOT COLLAPSED

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* IDEOL

IDEOL		obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 very lib	Mean	85.14	17.71	31.08	65.61	77.18	14.28	17.98	54.62
	N	55	55	55	47	44	44	34	26
2 some lib	Mean	80.18	21.12	38.66	61.99	70.34	16.86	24.03	51.53
	N	122	120	122	117	109	111	58	46
3 mod	Mean	63.27	36.29	53.03	45.29	59.36	26.34	33.05	45.39
	N	131	126	128	122	119	124	62	61
4 some conservative	Mean	39.42	51.65	69.97	28.19	41.57	44.91	52.42	37.71
	N	120	123	123	118	104	106	68	62
5 very conser	Mean	19.09	69.65	72.46	11.48	26.70	64.59	73.35	25.34
	N	59	59	58	57	56	56	46	31
8 dk	Mean	49.47	30.29	46.99	44.63	50.57	25.01	44.39	33.21
	N	35	31	35	35	25	32	18	9
Total	Mean	58.07	37.91	53.14	43.19	55.12	31.62	41.29	42.42
	N	523	514	520	495	457	472	285	236

# MEANS BY SELF DESCRIBED POLITICAL IDEOLOGY COLLAPSED (very & somewhat lib=lib)

(very & somewhat conservative=conservative don't knows etc eliminated)

obama palin pawlenty franken klobuchar limbaugh beck olbermann \* IDEOL

IDEOL		obama	palin	pawlenty	franken	klobuchar	limbaugh	beck	olbermann
1 lib	Mean	81.72	20.05	36.30	63.03	72.29	16.13	21.81	52.65
	N	176	175	176	164	153	154	91	72
	Std. Deviation	19.181	21.009	23.410	24.633	22.849	20.882	22.805	23.137
3 mod	Mean	63.27	36.29	53.03	45.29	59.36	26.34	33.05	45.39
	N	131	126	128	122	119	124	62	61
	Std. Deviation	26.891	22.677	22.506	23.867	25.342	26.733	26.661	19.500
5 conser	Mean	32.72	57.48	70.77	22.76	36.35	51.71	60.84	33.57
	N	180	182	181	174	161	162	114	94
	Std. Deviation	28.212	24.823	20.062	20.975	25.681	28.411	26.635	23.119
Total	Mean	58.69	38.39	53.58	43.08	55.38	32.10	41.08	42.79
	N	487	483	485	460	432	440	268	227
	Std. Deviation	32.649	28.011	26.461	28.829	29.052	29.813	30.820	23.599