MINNESOTA POLL: U.S. Senate race

The Star Tribune Minnesota Poll surveyed 800 Minnesota adults Sept. 8-10, 2014. Respondents were reached on both landlines and cell phones. The poll has a margin of sampling error of 3.5 percentage points, plus or minus.

**QUESTION: Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neutral opinion of …?**

**DON'T**

**FAVORABLE UNFAVORABLE NEUTRAL RECOGNIZE NAME**

Al Franken 48% 36% 15% 1%

Mike McFadden 30% 27% 29% 14%

**QUESTION: If the 2014 general election for Minnesota’s U.S. Senate seat were held today, would you vote for:**

**- Al Franken, the Democrat**

**- Mike McFadden, the Republican**

**- Steve Carlson, the Independence Party candidate**

**- A different candidate**

**FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

**TOTAL 49% 36% 3% 1% 11%**

**REGION FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

Hennepin/Ramsey 66% 20% 1% 1% 12%

Metro Suburbs 46% 38% 2% 1% 13%

Rest of State 37% 48% 4% 1% 10%

**GENDER FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

Men 37% 45% 4% 1% 13%

Women 59% 28% 2% 1% 10%

**AGE FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

18-34 39% 39% 2% - 20%

35-49 48% 36% 1% 1% 14%

50-64 56% 32% 4% 1% 7%

65+ 46% 40% 3% 1% 10%

**INCOME FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

<$50,000 57% 33% 1% 1% 8%

$50,000+ 47% 38% 3% 1% 11%

**PARTY ID FRANKEN MCFADDEN CARLSON OTHER UNDECIDED**

DFL/Democrat 93% 2% - 1% 4%

Republican 10% 81% - 1% 8%

Independent 33% 32% 9% 1% 25%

**QUESTION: Do you approve or disapprove of Al Franken’s job performance as Minnesota’s U.S. Senator?**

**APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

**TOTAL 53% 41% 6%**

**REGION APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

Hennepin/Ramsey 67% 25% 8%

Metro Suburbs 47% 45% 8%

Rest of State 46% 50% 4%

**GENDER APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

Men 41% 52% 7%

Women 64% 31% 5%

**AGE APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

18-34 58% 36% 6%

35-49 55% 42% 3%

50-64 47% 45% 8%

65+ 52% 41% 7%

**INCOME APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

<$50,000 65% 31% 4%

$50,000+ 52% 44% 4%

**PARTY ID APPROVE DISAPPROVE UNDECIDED**

DFL/Democrat 91% 3% 6%

Republican 21% 76% 3%

Independent 39% 52% 9%

**QUESTION: Do you think Senator Al Franken has or has not focused on issues that are most important to Minnesotans?**

**HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

**TOTAL 55% 37% 8%**

**REGION HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

Hennepin/Ramsey 68% 24% 8%

Metro Suburbs 48% 46% 6%

Rest of State 51% 41% 8%

**GENDER HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

Men 43% 47% 10%

Women 66% 28% 6%

**AGE HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

18-34 58% 35% 7%

35-49 58% 38% 4%

50-64 53% 37% 10%

65+ 55% 37% 8%

**INCOME HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

<$50,000 65% 28% 7%

$50,000+ 53% 41% 6%

**PARTY ID HAS HAS NOT NOT SURE**

DFL/Democrat 87% 6% 7%

Republican 27% 68% 5%

Independent 44% 45% 11%

**QUESTION: Would you say that Mike McFadden's career as an investment banker makes him more qualified to be a U.S. senator, less qualified to be a senator or do you not think it makes much of a difference?**

**MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

**TOTAL 15% 14% 70% 1%**

**REGION MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

Hennepin/Ramsey 13% 18% 68% 1%

Metro Suburbs 14% 8% 77% 1%

Rest of State 17% 15% 67% 1%

**GENDER MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

Men 22% 14% 63% 1%

Women 9% 14% 76% 1%

**AGE MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

18-34 15% 16% 69% -

35-49 18% 11% 71% -

50-64 10% 15% 74% 1%

65+ 16% 16% 65% 3%

**INCOME MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

<$50,000 16% 17% 67% -

$50,000+ 14% 11% 74% 1%

**PARTY ID MORE LESS NO DIFFERENCE NOT SURE**

DFL/Democrat 5% 25% 69% 1%

Republican 29% 2% 68% 1%

Independent 12% 11% 75% 2%