

Total ballots  
cast: 6,415

MINNESOTA STATE SENATE  
1989 State Fair Poll  
(participants should be of voting age)

Results:  
9/5/89

DIRECTIONS — TO VOTE,  
FILL IN BOX COMPLETELY.

☐ RIGHT ☒ WRONG

<p>QUESTION 1. NUMBER OF TERMS? Should Minnesota's Constitution be amended to limit the number of terms elected officials are allowed to serve?</p> <p>54.5% YES <u>3,493</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 37.9% NO <u>2,433</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 7.6% NO OPINION <u>489</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>QUESTION 2. MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT? Should Minnesota return to a maximum speed limit of 55 mph on its rural interstates?</p> <p>28.1% YES <u>1,804</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 69.8% NO <u>4,475</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 2.1% NO OPINION <u>136</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>QUESTION 3. WEARING OF HELMETS? Should Minnesota require motorcycle riders and passengers to wear helmets?</p> <p>81.6% YES <u>5,236</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 16.1% NO <u>1,032</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 2.3% NO OPINION <u>147</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>QUESTION 4. STATE CONTRIBUTIONS? Should the State help pay the additional costs when local governments decide to increase or improve the local services they provide?</p> <p>30.0% YES <u>1,926</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 56.6% NO <u>3,630</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 13.4% NO OPINION <u>859</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>QUESTION 5. CRIME TO BURN THE AMERICAN FLAG? Would you support legislation that would make it a crime to burn the American flag?</p> <p>50.2% YES <u>3,222</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 45.6% NO <u>2,922</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 4.2% NO OPINION <u>271</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>QUESTION 6. BASIC HEALTH CARE COVERAGE? Should the State provide basic health care coverage for those who cannot afford it?</p> <p>67.3% YES <u>4,317</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 26.0% NO <u>1,671</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 6.7% NO OPINION <u>427</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>QUESTION 7. RECYCLING MANDATE? Would you support statewide mandatory recycling legislation that would require all households to recycle such items as glass, newspaper and plastics?</p> <p>84.3% YES <u>5,409</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 13.1% NO <u>838</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 2.6% NO OPINION <u>168</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>QUESTION 8. RIGHT TO DECIDE ABORTION? Do you believe that a woman should have the right to decide whether or not to have an abortion?</p> <p>62.1% YES <u>3,984</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 16.5% NO <u>1,055</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 19.2% ONLY UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES SUCH AS RAPE, INCEST OR TO SAVE THE LIFE OF THE MOTHER <u>1,234</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 2.2% NO OPINION <u>142</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>QUESTION 9. LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT SYSTEM? Should the State develop a light rail transit system?</p> <p>64.6% YES <u>4,145</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 22.6% NO <u>1,447</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 12.8% NO OPINION <u>823</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>QUESTION 10. USE OF LIGHT RAIL SYSTEM? If a light rail system were developed would you use it?</p> <p>63.8% YES <u>4,092</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 22.9% NO <u>1,467</u> <input type="checkbox"/> 13.3% NO OPINION <u>856</u> <input type="checkbox"/></p>

\*\*\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE \*\*\*\*\*

This is an unscientific survey. It is simply a measurement of the opinions expressed by those individuals that visited the Senate State Fair Booth within the Education Building and who took the time to fill out our questionnaire.

Our main purpose in conducting this opinion poll was to familiarize fairgoers with some of the issues that may be dealt with during the 1990 session, as well as to acquaint them with the optical scanner voting machine which is currently in use throughout much of the Twin Cities metropolitan area.