What percentage of incumbent legislators are returned to office during each election?   (or-- What percentage of Minnesota legislators who run for re-election win?)

Year __1978__   Body __House__

____134____ Total number of legislators

- ____6____ Number of incumbents who did not run

= ____128____ Number of incumbents who ran

____40____ Total number of new legislators after election

- ____6____ Number of incumbents who did not run

= ____34____ Number of incumbents who were defeated

____128____ Incumbents ran

- ____34____ Incumbents defeated

= ____94____ Incumbents won

Number of incumbents who won   ____94____   =   ____X____

Number of incumbents who ran   ____128____   =   ____100____

X = the percent of incumbents who ran and were re-elected

X = __73.4%__

Incumbent Representatives who did not run in the 1978 Elections
IR - 3, DFL - 3

IR

Rep. Arne Carlson (ran for State Auditor)
Rep. Darrel Peterson
Rep. Henry Savekoul

DFL

Rep. Tom Berg
Rep. Martin Sabo (Ran for Congress)
Rep. Gene Wenstrom (Ran for Congress)

Incumbent Representatives defeated in the 1978 Elections

IR - 0, DFL - 34

Defeated in the Primary:

Peter Fugina (5A) - DFL

George Michael (50A) - DFL

Defeated in the General Election:

Lyle Abeln (38B)

John Arlandson (41A)

David Beauchamp (9A)

Orville Birnstihl (24B)

John Brandl (61A)

Arthur Braun (1A)

Richard Cohen (63B)

David Cummiskey (29A)

A.J. "Tony" Eckstein (28B)

Walter Hanson (62B)

C.L. "Shorty" Gunther (21A)

Robert Jensen (53B)

William Kelly (2A)

Arnold Kempe (67A)

Dwaine King (43B)

Keith Langseth (9B)

Richard Lemke (34A)

Maurice McCollar (49B)

Thomas Mangan (19B)

Howard Neisen (49A)

Pete Petrafeso (41B)

Doug St. Onge (4A)

Donald Samuelson (13A)

Linda Scheid (45A)

Victor Schultz (25B)

Wesley Skoglund (61B)

Ellsworth Smogard (20A)

John Spanish (5B)

Russ Stanton (20B)

Tom Suss (36B)

Jim White (25A)

Bruce Williamson (38A)

HOUSE – Newly Elected Members after the 1978 Elections

IR - 35, DFL - 5, Total - 40

IR

Paul Aasness (11A), ran against a non-incumbent (Gene Wenstrom did not run).

John Ainley (4A), defeated Doug St. Onge (DFL)

Kathleen Blatz (38A), defeated Bruce Williamson (DFL)

William Crandall (61A), defeated John Brandl (DFL)

Terry Dempsey (28B), defeated A.J. (Tony) Eckstein (DFL)

John Drew (63B), defeated Richard Cohen (DFL)

Michael Fritz (62B), defeated Walter Hanson (DFL)

Charles C. Halberg (53B), defeated Robert Jensen (DFL)

Bob Haukoos (31A), ran against a non-incumbent (Henry Savekoul did not run).

Jim Heap (43B), defeated Dwayne King (DFL)

Dwaine Hoberg (9A), defeated David Beauchamp (DFL)

Dave Jennings (27B), ran against a non-incumbent (Dave Peterson did not run).

Dean E. Johnson (21A), defeated C.L. "Shorty" Gunter

Connie Levi (50A), ran against a non-incumbent (the incumbent, George Michael, was defeated in the primary).

Cal Ludeman (20B), defeated Russ Stanton (DFL)

Marnie Luknic (24B), defeated O.E. Birnshihl (DFL)

Lyle Mehrkens (25B), defeated Victor Schultz (DFL)

Jim Norman (61B), defeated Wesley Skoglund (DFL)

Myron Nysether (1A), defeated Arthur Braun (DFL)

Sally Olsen (41A), defeated John Arlandson (DFL)

Robert Pavlak (67A), defeated Arnold Kempe (DFL)

Bill Peterson (38B), defeated Lyle Abeln (DFL)

Mark Piepho (29a), defeated Dave Cummiskey (DFL)

Tom Rees (36B), defeated Tom Suss (DFL)

Robert Reif (49B), defeated Maurice McCollar (DFL)

Elliot Rothenberg (41B), defeated Pete Petrafeso (dfl)

Bill Schreiber (45A), defeated Linda Scheid (DFL)

Tony Stadum (2A), defeated Bill Kelley (DFL)

Warren Stowell (34A), defeated Richard Lemke (DFL)

Steve Sviggum (25A), defeated Jim White (DFL)

Paul Thiede (13A), defeated Don Samuelson (DFL)

Merlyn Valan (9B), defeated Keith Langseth

Don Valento (49A), defeated Howard Neisen (DFL)

John Weaver (19B), defeated Tom Mangan

Ray Welker (20A), defeated Ellsworth Smogard (DFL)

DFL

Dominic Elioff (5a), ran unopposed in the general election, defeated Peter Fugina in
   the DFL primary.
Lee Greenfield (57B), defeated a non-incumbent (Martin Sabo did not run).
Dee Long (56B), defeated a non-incumbent (Tom Berg did not run).
Lona Minne (5B), defeated John Spanish
Todd Otis (58B), defeated a non-incumbent (Arne Carlson did not run).