

Worksheet to determine the percent of elected members who have never previously served in the Minnesota Legislature

Election Year: 2008

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Start with the number of new legislators from the “Details” lists: 23

Names:

House:

Paul H. Anderson
Bobby Joe Champion
Gregory Davids
Connie Doepke Keith
Downey Andrew
Falk
Jeff Hayden
Gail Kulick Jackson
Kory Kath
Tim Kelly
Mary Kiffmeyer
Jenifer Loon
Tara Mack
Mark Murdock
Jerry Newton
Mike Obermueller
John Persell
Roger Reinert
Paul Rosenthal
Tim Sanders
Peggy Scott Phillip
Stern Paul
Torkelson

Subtract from that number the following:

Number of House members who served in the House before with a gap in service: 1

(Check to see if there is a gap in service on the list of House members by session. Only gaps between house terms, not between a senate and house term.)

Names:

Gregory Davids

Number of House members who served in the Senate before: 0

(Check to see if any of them are on the list of those who switched bodies: http://www.leg.state.mn.us/legdb/switch.aspx?w=s_to_h)

Names:

Number of Senate members who won special elections on November 4, 2008: 2

Names:

Lisa Fobbe (16)

Ken Kelash (63)

Equals the number of new legislators who are truly new: $22 + 2 = 24$

Divide the number by 201 and multiply by 100 to equal percentage: 11.9%