



2009 Survey Results

Thank you for taking the time to fill out my 2009 Legislative Survey.

I received more than 600 responses.

Your input helps me as I'm asked to vote on issues that are debated in the Minnesota House. The results are listed below.

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Your State Representative

1. How should we solve the projected state budget deficit?

- A. Raise taxes (1%)
- B. Cut government spending (62%)**
- C. A combination of both (37%)

2. If you chose to raise taxes or a combination of both, should we raise (Circle all that apply)?

- A. Property taxes (2%)
- B. Income taxes (13%)
- C. Cigarette and/or alcohol taxes (41%)**
- D. Sales taxes (27%)
- E. Other taxes (17%)

3. If you chose to cut spending, or a combination of both, should we cut (Circle all that apply)?

- A. Education (20%)
- B. Health care (15%)
- C. Welfare (67%)
- D. Environment (44%)
- E. Jobs and economic development (11%)
- F. Transportation (17%)
- G. Public safety (10%)
- H. Additional layers of state government spending (72%)**

4. Which approaches to cutting government spending do you support (Circle all that apply)?

- A. Freeze salaries of government employees working for entities receiving state funds (74%)
- B. Selling government assets, including a fraction of the 8.5 million acres of land owned by the state (53%)
- C. Limiting welfare benefits (74%)
- D. Ending the use of government funds for education and health care for illegal aliens (83%)**

5. Do you support making Minnesota a "Right to Work" state in which each employee would have the freedom to decide if they want to join a union or not?

Yes - 83% No - 17%

6. Do you favor legislative efforts to bring Minnesota tribes to the bargaining table to renegotiate the terms of Indian gaming proceeds in Minnesota?

Yes - 85% No - 15%

7. Do you think that public school teachers are paid:

- A. Not enough (20%)
- B. About right (60%)**
- C. Too much (20%)

8. Should Minnesotans be required to prove their identity with a photo ID as a requirement for voting?

Yes - 91% No - 9%

9. Do you favor joint physical custody, where children would be allowed to share equal time with each parent in situations where the parents divorce or separate?

Yes - 83% No - 17%