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5 Days Until MN DFL Primary, Dayton Leads Rivals: In a DFL Primary for Governor of Minnesota today, 08/05/10, former US Senator Mark Dayton defeats State House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher and former State House Minority Leader Matt Entenza, according to a KSTP-TV news poll conducted by SurveyUSA. Today it's Dayton 43%, Kelliher 27%, Entenza 22%, essentially unchanged from an identical SurveyUSA poll released 7 weeks ago. Kelliher runs most strongly among women, but Dayton has gained support in that group and now leads by 12 points among female voters, up from 5 points 7 weeks ago. Entenza runs most strongly among the youngest voters, where he today trails Dayton by 8 points, and among those identifying themselves as Republicans, where he today nominally leads his opponents. Both groups are minorities among likely DFL primary voters. Minnesota voters do not declare party affiliations, and any voter can vote in the DFL primary.

Republican Emmer Now Trails DFL Candidates in November Matchups: Republican Tom Emmer, who 3 months ago led each of his potential DFL opponents in hypothetical general election contests, today trails in each: * Against Democrat Mark Dayton today, it's Dayton 46%, Emmer 32%.
* Against Democrat Margaret Anderson Kelliher today, it's Kelliher 39%, Emmer 33%.
* Against Democrat Matt Entenza today, it's Entenza 38%, Emmer 33%.
* Independence Party candidate Tom Horner gets 1 in 8 votes in each matchup; 1 in 5 votes among independents should Dayton not be the DFL nominee. Compared to identical SurveyUSA tracking polls released 7 weeks ago ...
* Dayton is up 8 points; Emmer is down 3;
* Kelliher is up 6 points; Emmer is down 2;
* Entenza is up 5 points; Emmer is down 4.

Filtering: SurveyUSA interviewed 1,850 Minnesota adults 08/02/10 through 08/04/10; of them, 1,692 were registered to vote; of the registered voters, 510 were identified by SurveyUSA as being likely to vote in the August 10 DFL primary. SurveyUSA then determined that, of the registered voters, 1,326 were likely to vote in the November 2010 general election. Incumbent governor Republican Tim Pawlenty, a potential 2012 Presidential candidate, is not seeking reelection.

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510 Likely DFL Primary Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation			Ideology			Tea Party Movement				College Grad		Attend Religious Service			Abortion	
Credibility Interval: +/-4.4 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Other	Republi	Democr	Indepe	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Favora	Unfavor	Neutral	No Opi	Yes	No	Regular	Occasi	Almost	Pro-life	Pro-cho
Kelliher	27%	21%	32%	26%	21%	31%	27%	23%	29%	27%	**	**	**	26%	31%	18%	25%	26%	32%	15%	33%	24%	18%	33%	20%	28%	21%	31%	21%	30%
Dayton	43%	42%	44%	37%	40%	42%	50%	39%	46%	43%	**	**	**	23%	48%	43%	28%	47%	47%	40%	43%	38%	55%	37%	50%	41%	49%	42%	40%	47%
Entenza	22%	27%	18%	29%	28%	21%	15%	28%	18%	22%	**	**	**	29%	19%	26%	26%	20%	19%	29%	20%	25%	19%	25%	19%	22%	25%	17%	23%	19%
Idusogie	1%	3%	0%	0%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	**	**	**	1%	0%	4%	3%	2%	0%	4%	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	4%	3%	1%
Undecided	7%	7%	6%	9%	8%	5%	7%	8%	6%	7%	**	**	**	21%	2%	9%	17%	5%	2%	12%	3%	12%	7%	4%	10%	8%	4%	6%	13%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely DFL Primary V	100%	49%	51%	13%	28%	32%	27%	41%	59%	93%	3%	2%	2%	14%	58%	26%	19%	49%	27%	14%	52%	20%	14%	51%	49%	50%	26%	23%	30%	68%

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Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely DFL Primary V	100%	52%	46%	33%	67%	57%	12%	12%	19%

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Emmer (R)	33%	36%	30%	37%	42%	26%	23%	40%	25%	33%	**	**	**	70%	4%	29%	63%	22%	4%	68%	5%	30%	30%	34%	33%	39%	31%	22%	51%	18%
Kelliher (DFL)	39%	34%	44%	33%	32%	45%	46%	33%	45%	39%	**	**	**	9%	74%	30%	12%	48%	73%	7%	74%	35%	35%	41%	36%	36%	39%	49%	22%	55%
Horner (IP)	12%	14%	9%	13%	12%	13%	9%	12%	11%	12%	**	**	**	8%	7%	21%	12%	13%	7%	13%	9%	14%	11%	12%	11%	8%	14%	17%	11%	12%
Undecided	17%	16%	17%	17%	13%	17%	22%	14%	19%	17%	**	**	**	13%	15%	20%	13%	17%	15%	12%	13%	21%	24%	13%	19%	18%	15%	13%	16%	16%
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Composition of Likely November Vot	100%	50%	50%	18%	33%	28%	21%	51%	49%	94%	2%	2%	2%	32%	36%	28%	34%	43%	17%	29%	32%	23%	16%	51%	49%	53%	27%	20%	47%	50%

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Horner (IP)	9%	11%	7%	6%	10%	10%	8%	9%	9%	9%	**	**	**	8%	5%	16%	11%	9%	6%	10%	6%	14%	7%	9%	9%	7%	10%	14%	9%	9%
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** Too few respondents of this type were interviewed for this data to be meaningful.

Statement of Methodology: About the Poll: This poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. The pollster's report includes the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted, the number of respondents who answered each question and the theoretical margin of sampling error for each question. Where necessary, respondents were weighted using the most recent US Census estimates for age, gender, ethnic origin and region, to align the sample to the population. In theory, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents with home telephones been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than sampling error. These include: the difficulty of interviewing respondents who do not have a home telephone; the refusal by some with home telephones to be interviewed; the order in which questions are asked; the wording of questions; the way and extent to which data are weighted; and the manner in which specialized populations, such as likely voters, are determined. It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these and other factors. Research methodology, questionnaire design and fieldwork for this survey were completed by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ. This statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls.

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