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8 Weeks To MN DFL Primary for Governor, Dayton Out in Front, But Kelliher, Entenza Have Support in Some Quarters: In a DFL Primary for Governor of Minnesota today, 06/17/10, 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. Dayton leads 3:1 in Western Minnesota and 2:1 among seniors. Kelliher ties Dayton in the greater Twin Cities. Entenza ties Dayton among Independents: Minnesota voters do not declare party affiliations, and any voter can vote in the DFL primary.

In General Election Matchups, Republican Emmer Loses Some Ground: In three hypothetical, look-ahead general election match-ups for Minnesota Governor today, 06/17/10, Republican Tom Emmer is in a tight fight no matter his DFL opponent. Against Democrat Mark Dayton today, it's Emmer 35%, Dayton 38%.
Against Democrat Margaret Anderson Kelliher today, it's Emmer 35%, Kelliher 33%.
Against Democrat Matt Entenza today, it's Emmer 37%, Entenza 33%. Compared to identical SurveyUSA tracking polls released 6 weeks ago ...
Dayton is up 4 points; Emmer is down 7.
Kelliher is flat; Emmer is down 6 points;
Entenza is up 2 points; Emmer is down 5.

Filtering: SurveyUSA interviewed 2,250 Minnesota adults 06/14/10 through 06/16/10; of them, 2,079 were registered to vote; of the registered voters, 500 were identified by SurveyUSA as being likely to vote in the August 10 DFL primary. SurveyUSA then determined that, of the registered voters, 1,617 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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500 Likely DFL Primary Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation			Ideology			Tea Party Movement				Tea Party Identit		College Grad		Attend Religious Service		
Credibility Interval: +/-4.5 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	Suport	Oppose	Yes	No	Regular	Occasi	Almost
Kelliher	129	58	70	30	31	38	29	61	68	112	12	0	4	11	99	19	13	61	49	15	75	23	14	32	78	72	55	45	26	54
Dayton	195	111	84	41	36	53	65	77	118	176	3	7	9	23	134	32	34	77	73	28	99	41	25	33	113	96	96	91	43	57
Entenza	109	62	46	16	28	34	30	44	65	96	9	2	1	12	63	30	16	53	33	14	65	22	5	20	69	50	55	47	20	35
Idusogie	13	10	4	5	5	3	0	9	4	12	1	0	0	2	3	8	6	1	5	9	3	0	0	9	3	11	1	7	3	1
Undecided	54	21	34	4	26	13	12	30	24	51	1	0	2	20	19	9	21	18	11	15	13	16	10	15	16	18	33	26	10	13
Total	500	261	239	96	125	142	137	221	278	447	26	10	17	68	319	98	91	210	170	81	255	103	54	109	278	247	240	216	103	159
Composition of Likely DFL Primary V	100%	52%	48%	19%	25%	28%	27%	44%	56%	89%	5%	2%	3%	14%	64%	20%	18%	42%	34%	16%	52%	21%	11%	22%	57%	51%	49%	45%	22%	33%

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500 Likely DFL Primary Voters	All	Abortion		Own a Gun?		Income		Region			
Credibility Interval: +/-4.5 pct points		Pro-life	Pro-cho	Yes	No	< $50K	> $50K	Twin Ci	South	West M	Northea
Kelliher	129	34	87	54	69	46	76	81	14	16	18
Dayton	195	58	127	101	83	76	110	92	23	46	33
Entenza	109	30	65	41	57	40	54	68	14	14	12
Idusogie	13	7	3	6	5	6	5	12	0	1	1
Undecided	54	22	25	23	24	22	25	29	11	5	9
Total	500	151	307	225	239	190	271	281	63	83	73
Composition of Likely DFL Primary V	100%	32%	65%	48%	51%	41%	59%	56%	13%	17%	15%

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1617 Likely November Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation			Ideology			Tea Party Movement				Tea Party Identit		College Grad		Attend Religious Service		
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Emmer (R)	560	327	233	124	217	127	91	342	218	520	15	8	18	380	41	128	372	157	12	331	33	127	61	387	56	270	268	329	122	85
Kelliher (DFL)	527	232	295	104	147	156	121	250	277	491	15	7	15	30	377	107	38	279	189	19	346	93	61	46	361	289	224	211	134	165
Horner (IP)	195	112	83	40	68	54	32	108	86	168	3	3	21	43	54	94	41	100	48	57	62	57	17	73	74	104	85	84	44	56
Undecided	336	131	205	42	113	87	93	156	180	317	6	3	9	75	122	100	90	162	44	53	84	111	77	70	88	143	171	170	66	75
Total	1617	802	816	310	546	424	337	856	761	1496	39	20	62	529	593	429	540	699	293	459	525	388	215	577	580	807	748	794	366	380
Composition of Likely November Vot	100%	50%	50%	19%	34%	26%	21%	53%	47%	92%	2%	1%	4%	33%	37%	27%	34%	44%	18%	29%	33%	24%	14%	37%	37%	52%	48%	52%	24%	25%

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Emmer (R)	560	397	128	340	171	141	371	358	73	67	63
Kelliher (DFL)	527	120	374	240	262	164	334	286	70	79	93
Horner (IP)	195	67	90	82	77	55	110	106	24	41	23
Undecided	336	132	153	149	151	129	164	193	51	46	46
Total	1617	716	745	811	661	488	979	943	218	232	225
Composition of Likely November Vot	100%	47%	49%	54%	44%	33%	67%	58%	13%	14%	14%

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Emmer (R)	569	334	236	120	229	130	91	349	221	526	17	11	15	389	41	130	383	149	21	322	38	140	63	382	65	282	268	342	120	86
Dayton (DFL)	610	272	338	117	166	172	156	282	327	563	14	7	26	49	411	126	58	317	204	41	361	115	79	77	371	310	281	249	154	183
Horner (IP)	193	112	81	44	63	58	29	106	87	170	6	1	16	39	60	90	33	106	47	49	69	58	13	65	80	108	78	76	39	64
Undecided	245	84	161	30	88	65	62	119	127	236	2	1	5	53	81	83	66	126	20	47	56	75	61	53	64	108	121	126	53	47
Total	1617	802	816	310	546	424	337	856	761	1496	39	20	62	529	593	429	540	699	293	459	525	388	215	577	580	807	748	794	366	380
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Emmer (R)	569	408	127	346	176	148	376	365	72	70	63
Dayton (DFL)	610	158	407	278	296	204	368	326	80	94	109
Horner (IP)	193	61	96	87	72	54	109	111	29	30	23
Undecided	245	90	115	100	117	82	126	140	36	39	30
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Entenza (DFL)	531	245	286	105	144	158	125	249	283	495	17	7	13	37	365	108	38	278	192	34	332	98	58	57	343	287	231	222	127	165
Horner (IP)	191	99	92	33	68	55	35	101	90	161	4	0	25	29	69	89	37	101	48	47	66	53	21	66	78	96	88	68	47	65
Undecided	296	104	192	39	100	75	81	140	157	285	2	1	8	51	113	99	69	155	34	39	88	91	69	54	94	125	149	143	66	62
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Horner (IP)	191	59	98	78	81	68	94	107	24	31	28
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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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