

Results of SurveyUSA Election Poll #17315

Geography: CA 11th CD RBS

Data Collected: 10/08/2010 - 10/11/2010

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Percentages

CA-11: Will 3rd Time Be Charm For GOP's Harmer, As He Tries to Take House Seat from Incumbent Democrat McNerney? In an election for US House of Representatives in California's 11th congressional district today, 10/12/10, Republican David Harmer edges incumbent Democrat Jerry McNerney 48% to 42%, according to this latest exclusive KPIX-TV poll conducted by SurveyUSA. Among men, Harmer leads by 20 points; among women, McNerney leads by 6 -- a 26-point gender gap. Harmer has a bubble of support among voters age 35 to 49; the candidates are effectively even among older voters. Harmer, who previously ran unsuccessfully for Congress in Utah's 2nd District in 1996 and in California's neighboring 10th Congressional District in a special election last year, takes 8 of 10 Republican votes. McNerney, who is seeking a third term, takes 8 of 10 Democratic votes. Independents break 5:3 for the Republican.

Filtering: SurveyUSA 750 registered voters from California's 11th Congressional District were interviewed by SurveyUSA 10/08/10 through 10/11/10 using Registration Based Sample (RBS) from Aristotle. Of the registered voters, 624 were identified by SurveyUSA as having already cast a ballot, or to be likely to do so on or before election day. Early voting began 10/04/10.

1 If the election for U.S. House of Representatives, were today, would you vote for ... (names rotated) Republican David Harmer? Democrat Jerry McNerney?

624 Likely & Actual Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Already Voted?		Party Affiliation			Ideology			Tea Party Movement				Income	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian/O	Yes	No	Republi	Democr	Indepe	Conser	Moder	Liberal	Favora	Unfavor	Neutral	No Opi	< \$50K	> \$50K
David Harmer (R)	48%	56%	42%	47%	52%	47%	46%	51%	47%	50%	**	52%	34%	46%	49%	84%	12%	50%	81%	38%	10%	88%	9%	50%	25%	43%	50%
Jerry McNerney (D)	42%	36%	48%	43%	38%	46%	42%	39%	45%	40%	**	41%	57%	48%	42%	10%	80%	32%	11%	53%	79%	5%	85%	37%	50%	40%	44%
David Christensen (AIP)	4%	5%	4%	6%	4%	2%	6%	5%	4%	5%	**	4%	1%	1%	5%	3%	3%	13%	5%	4%	4%	4%	2%	6%	8%	10%	3%
Undecided	5%	3%	6%	4%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	**	3%	8%	5%	5%	3%	6%	6%	3%	4%	7%	3%	4%	7%	17%	7%	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%
Composition of Likely & Actual Voter	100%	47%	53%	13%	32%	35%	20%	45%	55%	80%	4%	10%	6%	9%	91%	41%	39%	18%	37%	41%	17%	39%	34%	19%	8%	21%	79%

** 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.