

# Results of SurveyUSA Election Poll #14598

Geography: CA 11th CD RBS

Data Collected: 10/14/2008 - 10/15/2008

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**California's 11th Congressional District: Incumbent Democrat McNerney Ahead In Re-Election Bid:** In an election for US House of Representatives in California's 11th Congressional District today, 10/16/08, 19 days until votes are counted, incumbent Democrat Jerry McNerney defeats Republican businessman Dean Andal 52% to 41%, according to this exclusive KPIX-TV poll conducted by SurveyUSA. Among men, McNerney leads by 2 points; among women, McNerney leads by 18. Among voters age 18 to 49, McNerney leads by 5; among voters 50+, McNerney leads by 17. McNerney leads Andal by single digits among white voters and by double-digits among minorities. Should minorities vote in smaller numbers than SurveyUSA here forecasts, McNerney's support may be overstated. Early voting began in California on October 6. McNerney leads by 11 points among both those who have told SurveyUSA they have already voted and those who SurveyUSA has identified as being likely to vote.

**Filtering:** 700 registered voters from California's 11th District were interviewed by SurveyUSA 10/14/08 and 10/15/08, using Registration Based Sample (RBS) from Aristotle of Washington DC. Calls on 10/15 were made before and after, but not during, the Presidential debate. Of the registered voters, 650 were determined by SurveyUSA to be likely to vote on or before the November 4 general election.

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650 Likely & Actual Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian/O	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.9%																
Dean Andal (R)	41%	46%	37%	35%	47%	38%	42%	43%	39%	44%	**	33%	35%	77%	9%	38%
Jerry McNerney (D)	52%	48%	55%	54%	46%	56%	55%	48%	56%	49%	**	59%	59%	16%	88%	47%
Undecided	7%	6%	7%	12%	8%	6%	3%	9%	5%	7%	**	8%	6%	7%	3%	14%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely & Actual Voter	100%	46%	54%	17%	35%	30%	17%	52%	48%	74%	5%	12%	9%	39%	43%	17%

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650 Likely & Actual Voters	All	Ideology			Already Voted?		Attend Religious Services			Abortion	
		Conser	Moder	Liberal	Actual	Likely V	Regular	Occasio	Almost	Pro-life	Pro-cho
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Dean Andal (R)	41%	80%	29%	11%	42%	41%	54%	33%	33%	69%	25%
Jerry McNerney (D)	52%	15%	62%	84%	53%	52%	40%	60%	59%	24%	69%
Undecided	7%	5%	8%	5%	5%	7%	6%	8%	8%	7%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely & Actual Voter	100%	31%	47%	19%	17%	83%	39%	27%	34%	37%	61%

\*\* Too few respondents of this type were interviewed for this data to be meaningful.

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**Statement of Methodology:** The following statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls: How this poll was conducted: This SurveyUSA 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. Within the report, you will find: the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted and the news organization(s) that paid for the research. The number of respondents who answered each question and the margin of sampling error for each question are provided. Where necessary, responses were weighted according to age, gender, ethnic origin, geographical area and number of adults and number of voice telephone lines in the household, so that the sample would reflect the actual demographic proportions in the population, using most recent U.S. Census estimates. In theory, with the stated sample size, 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 been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than theoretical calculations of sampling error. These include refusals to be interviewed, question wording and question order, weighting by demographic control data and the manner in which respondents are filtered (such as, determining who is a likely voter). It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these factors. Fieldwork for this survey was done by SurveyUSA of Verona, NJ.