

Fact Sheet
on Absentee Voting in Ramsey County
January 31, 2013

1. Impact of “no-excuse policy” on absentee ballots cast in presidential elections

Election year	Absentee ballots cast	% of total voting by absentee ballot	Change
1992 (before waiver)	17,585	7.0%	
1996 (with no excuse absentee voting)	27,053	11.8%	+54%
2000 (after expiration of waiver)	15,976	6.5%	-41%

2. Absentee ballots as a proportion of total ballots cast – 2012 state general election

City	% of total voting by absentee ballot
North Oaks	18.8%
St Anthony (part)	12.3%
Shoreview	11.9%
Roseville	11.6%
White Bear Lake	10.7%
Arden Hills	10.5%
Little Canada	9.9%
Maplewood	9.9%
Vadnais Heights	9.9%
New Brighton	9.7%
White Bear Township	9.3%
Gem Lake	8.7%
Mounds View	8.5%
North St Paul	7.7%
Falcon Heights	7.7%
St Paul	7.1%
Lauderdale	6.3%
Spring Lake Park (part)	4.5%
Blaine (part)	0.0%
County total	8.4%