

**2012 & 2016 CAMPUS REPORT**

Student Voting Rates for  
Montgomery County  
Community College

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# About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE). Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, more than 1,000 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has helped us build a robust database for research on more than 10 million de-identified student records for each election year.

NSLVE is a signature initiative of the Institute for Democracy and Higher Education (IDHE) at Tufts University's Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life. IDHE is an applied research center focused on college and university student political learning and participation in democracy. IDHE researchers study voting, campus conditions for political learning and discussion, closing equity gaps in participation, and increasing student agency and participation. We accomplish our goals through research, resource development, assisting institutions and the higher education community, and advocacy.

## About the Data

The voter registration and voting rates in this report reflect the percentage of your institution's students who were eligible to vote and who voted in the 2012 and 2016 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse and publicly available voting files collected by Catalist. We exclude FERPA-blocked records. (For exceptions for campuses with disproportionately high numbers of FERPA blocked students, see our Campus Reports FAQ.)

The institutional voting rates reported on page 3 are adjusted by deducting an estimated number of students identified by each institution as non-resident aliens and reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). For breakdowns by student characteristics in subsequent pages of the report, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are ineligible to vote: non-resident aliens (international students), resident aliens (undocumented students), and students who have been disenfranchised due to a felony conviction. As a result, your institution's actual voting rate may be higher than we report. If you have access to more complete data for students who are ineligible to vote, you may recalculate your rates by using the Recalculation Tool - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve-recalculation-tool>.

To read more about NSLVE data, see our Campus Reports FAQ - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/frequently-asked-questions>.

## Reviewing the Data

Use the following key to interpret the charts:

- \* = number of students is less than 10
- n/a = no data was collected or calculated for this field.

## What to do next?

- ❑ Review the data and identify your challenges and opportunities. This report provides comparisons between subgroups of your students and with similar institutions. For more comparisons or to see national voter registration and voting rates, read our national report, Democracy Counts 2018. To access our data portals - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/public-data-portal-visualizations>.
- ❑ Share the report widely and strategically by sharing it with institutional leaders, faculty across disciplines, student government leaders, and other student groups.
- ❑ Read and implement *Election Imperatives*, ten recommendations for improving your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, equity, and participation - <https://idhe.tufts.edu/electionimperatives>.
- ❑ Work with us. IDHE can help via virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions, coaching, and in-person workshops.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: <https://idhe.tufts.edu>.

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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at [NSLVE@tufts.edu](mailto:NSLVE@tufts.edu).

Warm regards,

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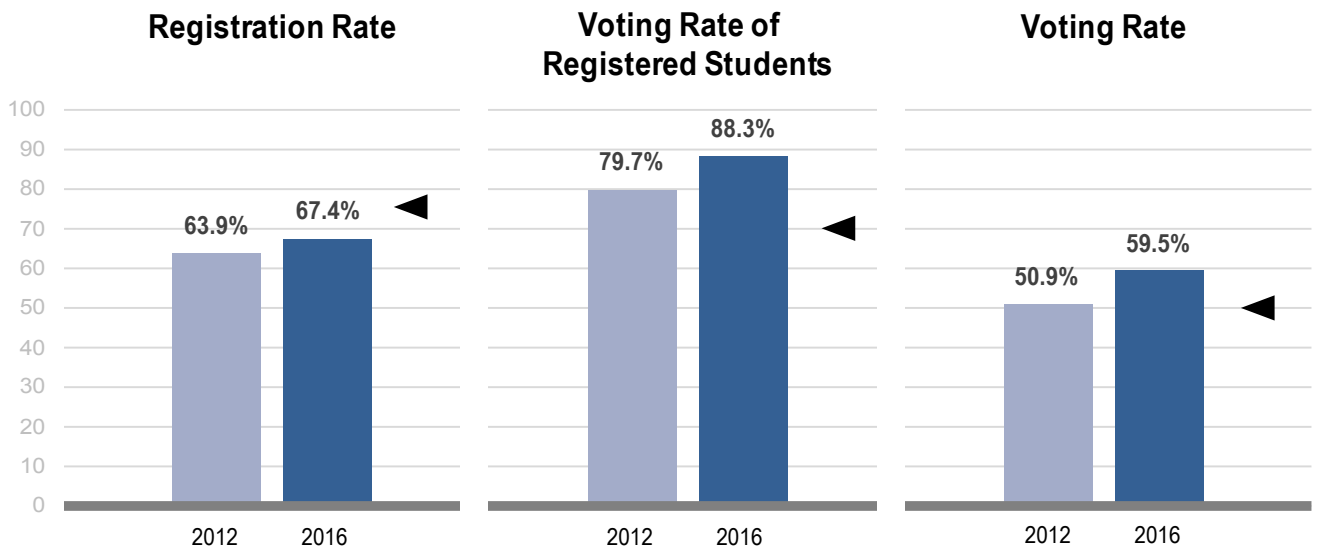
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# Voting and Registration Rates

**2016 Voting Rate**  
**59.5%**

CHANGE FROM 2012  
**+8.6**

2016 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS  
**50.6%**



◀ All Institutions, 2016

	2012	2016	Change
Total student enrollment	12,146	11,598	↓ -548
Age under 18/Unknown	(150)	(1,316)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(217)	(168)	
FERPA records blocked	*	0	
Total eligible voters	11,778	10,114	↓ -1,664
Number of students who registered	7,523	6,818	↓ -705
Number of students who voted	5,996	6,021	↑ 25
Registration rate	63.9%	67.4%	↑ 3.5
Voting rate of registered students	79.7%	88.3%	↑ 8.6
Voting rate	50.9%	59.5%	↑ 8.6
Difference from all institutions	+3.3	+8.9	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

# By Carnegie Classification

**2012 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**47.6%**

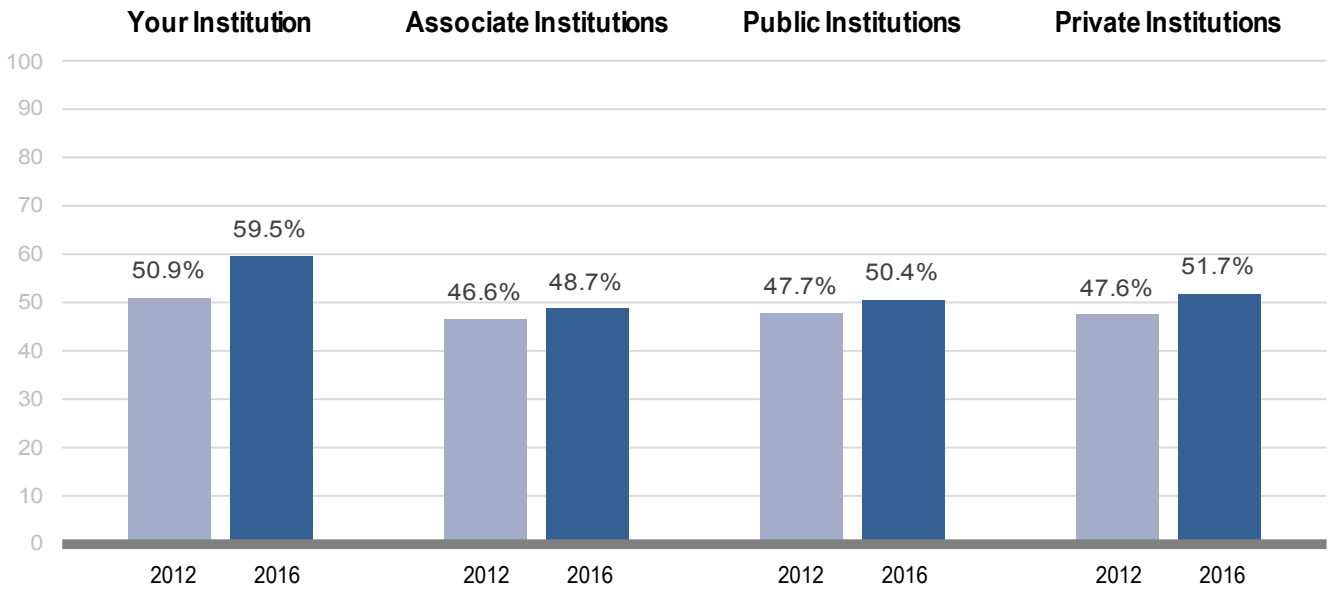
HIGH 75.65%  
 LOW 19.35%

**2016 Voting Rate for All Institutions**  
**50.6%**

HIGH 81.35%  
 LOW 13.12%

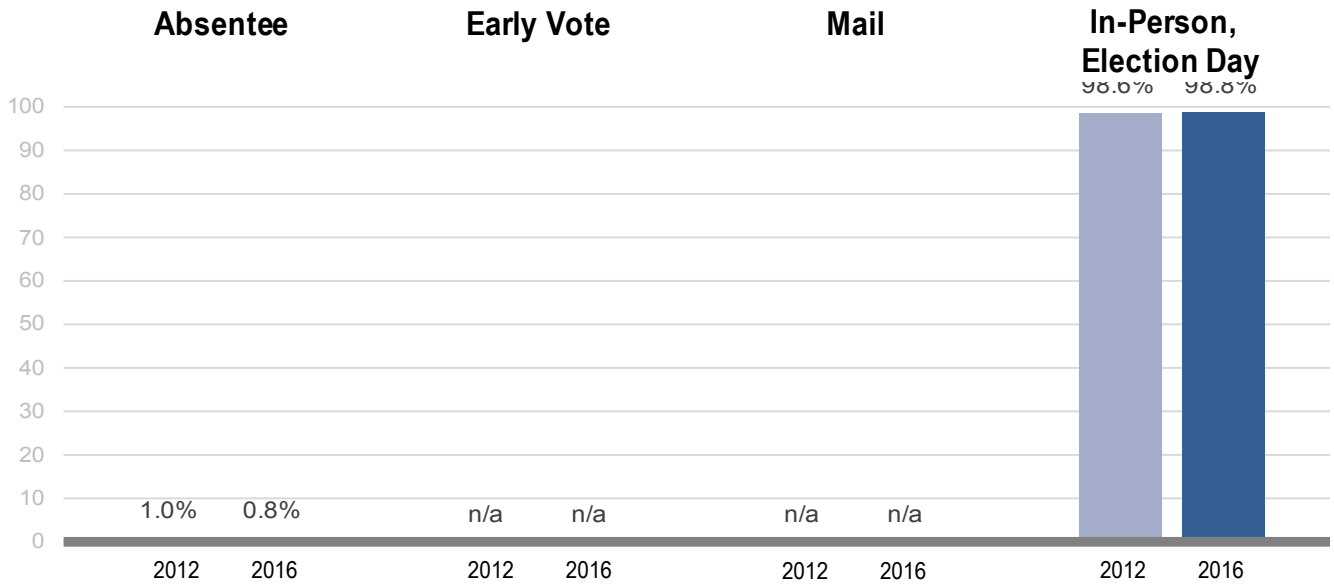
Difference from All Institutions **+3.3**

Difference from All Institutions **+8.9**



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# By Voting Method\*

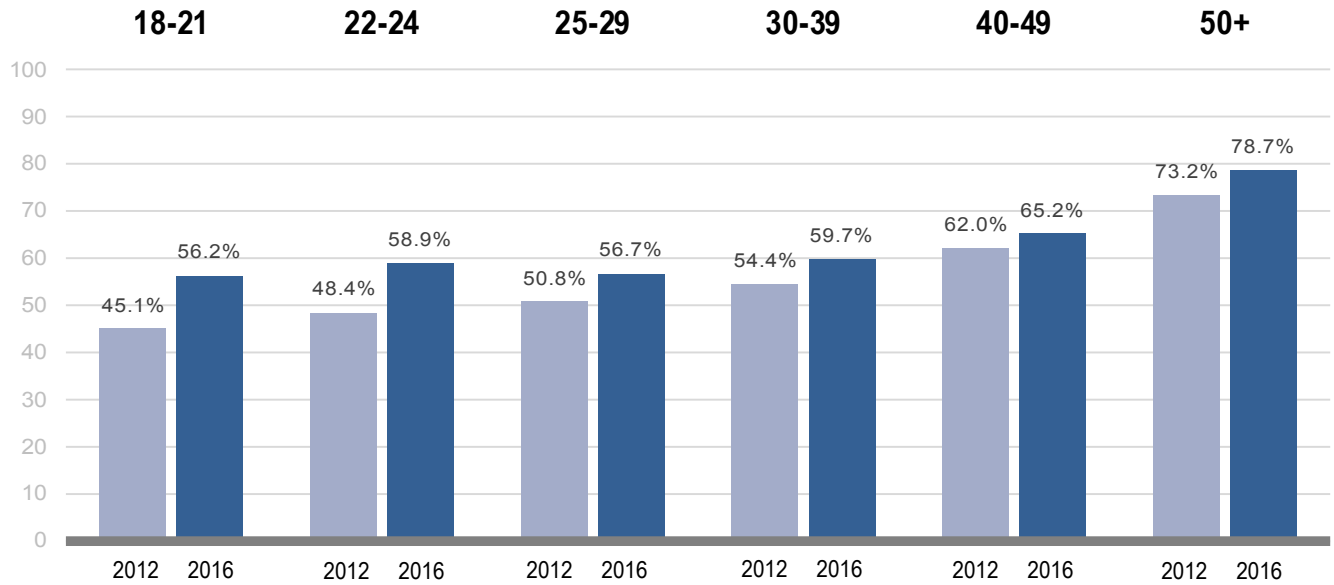


	2012		2016		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	60	1.0%	47	0.8%	↓ -0.2
Early Vote	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
Mail	0	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	5,910	98.6%	5,950	98.8%	↑ 0.3
Unknown	18	0.3%	11	0.2%	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,996</b>		<b>6,021</b>		

\* Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high number of voting method "Unknown", it means that this information was not reported by local officials where your students voted.

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# By Age Group\*

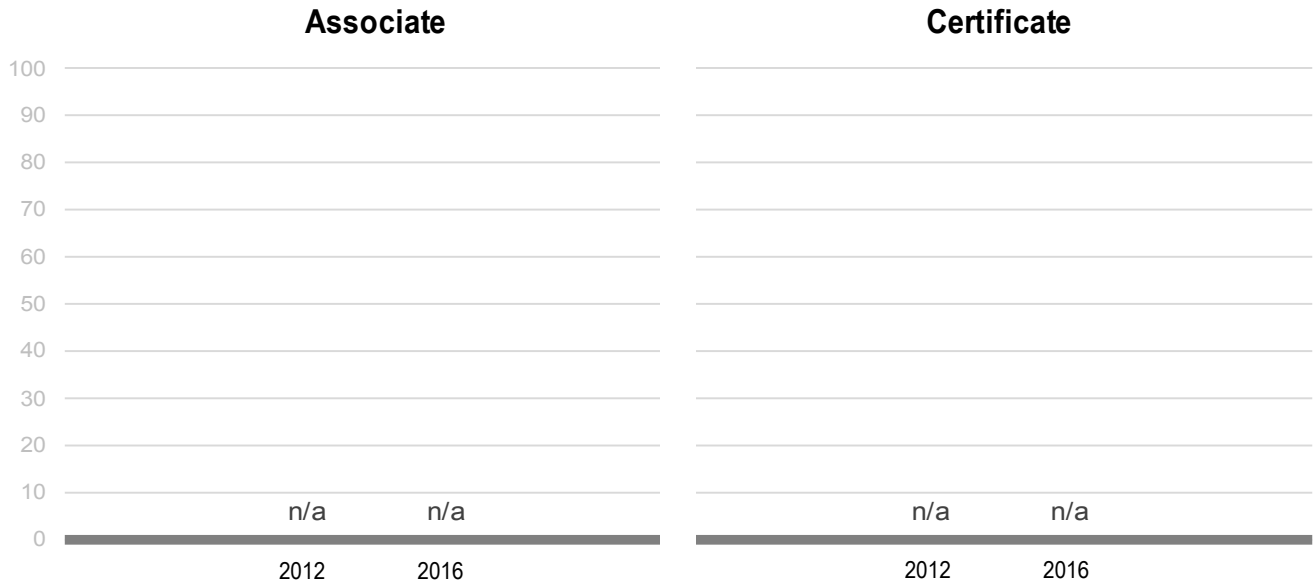


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	5,410	2,438	45.1%	4,954	2,784	56.2%	↑ 11.1
22-24	2,003	969	48.4%	1,685	993	58.9%	↑ 10.6
25-29	1,735	881	50.8%	1,396	791	56.7%	↑ 5.9
30-39	1,511	822	54.4%	1,249	745	59.7%	↑ 5.3
40-49	821	509	62.0%	571	372	65.2%	↑ 3.2
50+	515	377	73.2%	427	336	78.7%	↑ 5.5
Unknown	*			*			

\* Your students' data broken down by age at the time of the election. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

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# By Program of Study\*

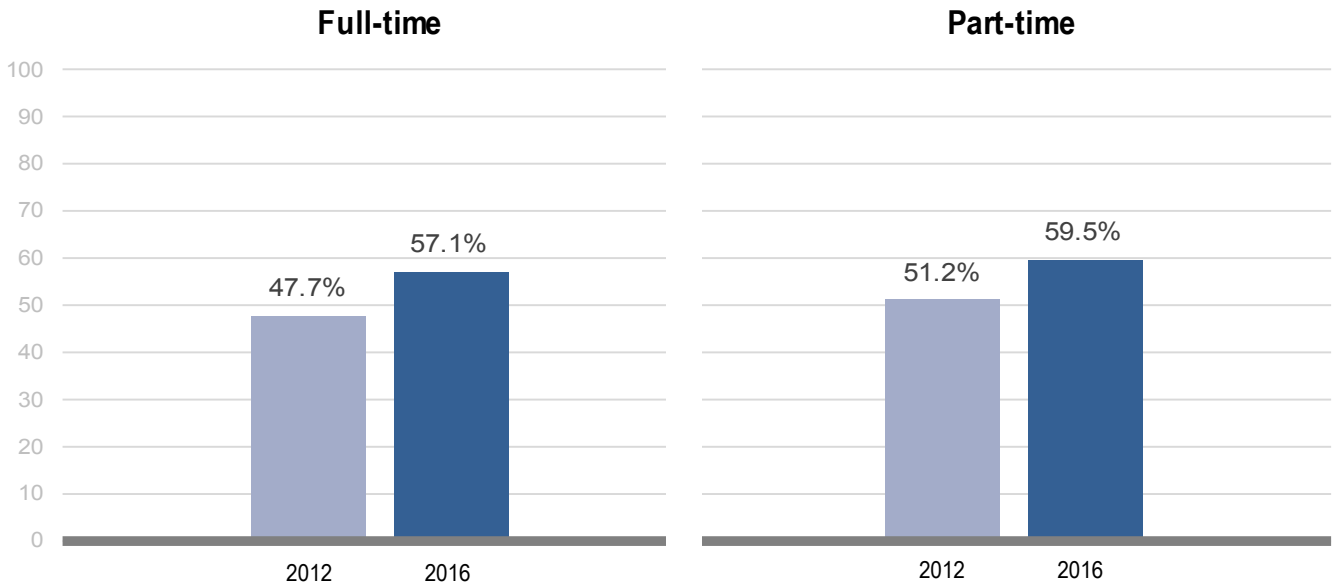


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Associate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Certificate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a

\* Your students' data broken down by program of study. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

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# By Enrollment Status\*



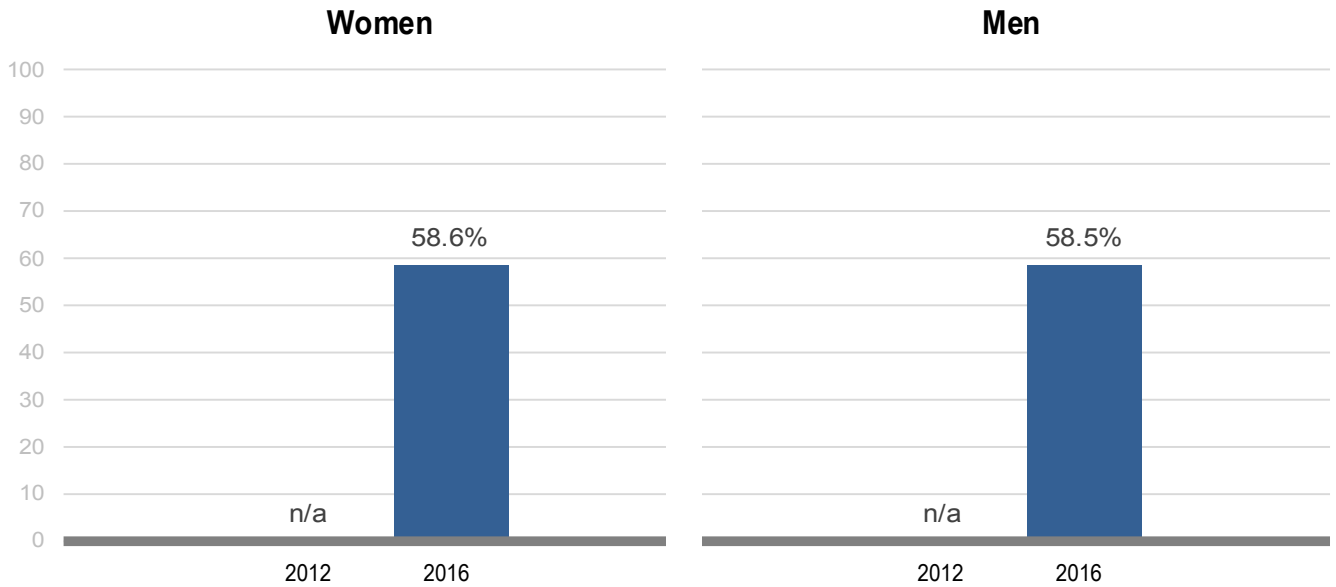
	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	4,155	1,982	47.7%	3,924	2,239	57.1%	↑ 9.4
Part-time	7,840	4,014	51.2%	6,358	3,782	59.5%	↑ 8.3
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

\* Your students' data broken down by part-time and full-time students. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.



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# By Gender\*

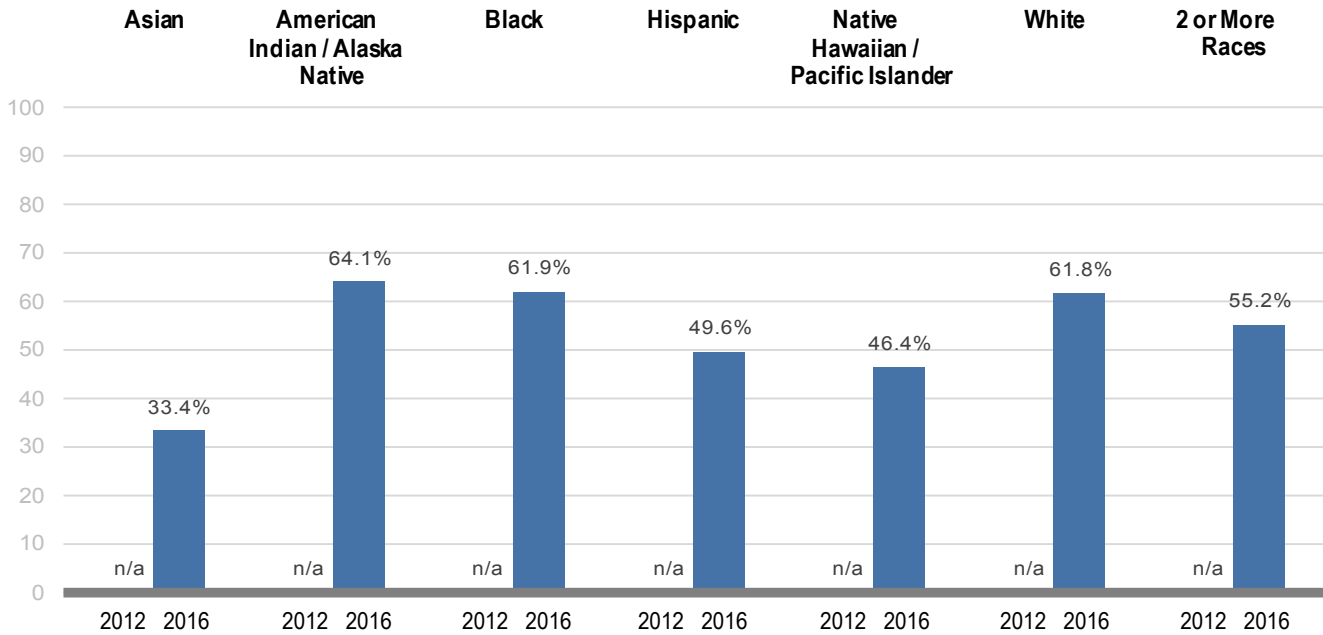


	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	0	0	n/a	5,766	3,378	58.6%	n/a
Men	0	0	n/a	4,511	2,640	58.5%	n/a
Unknown	11,995			*			

\* Your students' data broken down by gender. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

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# By Race/Ethnicity\*



	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Asian	0	0	n/a	686	229	33.4%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	39	25	64.1%	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	1,495	925	61.9%	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	679	337	49.6%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	28	13	46.4%	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	6,119	3,779	61.8%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	308	170	55.2%	n/a
Unknown	11,995			928			

\* Your students' data broken down by race. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students. For this page, we consider international students of unknown race/ethnicity.

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# By Field of Study\*

\* Your students' data broken down by field of study. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students. The green and red highlighted values below represent your campus's top three and bottom three voting rates by field of study.

	2012			2016			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	0	0	n/a	47	26	55.3%	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	0	0	n/a	1,374	761	55.4%	n/a
Communication and Journalism	0	0	n/a	201	133	66.2%	n/a
Communications Technologies/Technicians	0	0	n/a	78	43	55.1%	n/a
Computer and Information Sciences	0	0	n/a	472	269	57.0%	n/a
Education	0	0	n/a	625	367	58.7%	n/a
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	0	0	n/a	410	224	54.6%	n/a
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	0	0	n/a	1,181	681	57.7%	n/a
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	0	0	n/a	456	297	65.1%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	0	0	n/a	3,264	1,877	57.5%	n/a
Mathematics and Statistics	0	0	n/a	48	25	52.1%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	0	0	n/a	39	25	64.1%	n/a
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	0	0	n/a	46	23	50.0%	n/a
Personal and Culinary Services	0	0	n/a	218	136	62.4%	n/a
Physical Sciences	0	0	n/a	80	46	57.5%	n/a
Psychology	0	0	n/a	229	140	61.1%	n/a
Science Technologies/Technicians	0	0	n/a	216	129	59.7%	n/a
Social Sciences	0	0	n/a	144	87	60.4%	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	0	0	n/a	321	188	58.6%	n/a
Unknown	11,995	5,996	50.0%	820	532	64.9% ↑	14.9

Thank you for the work you do to improve your students' political learning and engagement. We hope that you find your NSLVE report useful. For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources, and to sign up for our newsletter visit: <https://idhe.tufts.edu>.

**References:** IDHE encourages report recipients to share this report as broadly as possible, including posting it on the college or university's website. When doing so, please use the following citation: Institute for Democracy & Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2019). *2012 and 2016 report for \_\_\_\_\_ [name of institution]*. Medford, MA.

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