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Student Voting Rates for Baylor University

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Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to share this tailored report containing your students' voting rates for several recent election cycles. For the first time ever, this report contains *four* years of relevant topline data: the midterm elections of 2014, 2018, and 2022, along with contextual data from the 2020 presidential election year. As we build the NSLVE data over time, the additional years of data may help your institution to begin to understand longer-term trends and considerations for practice.

This month, we are also looking forward to the release of Democracy Counts 2022, our national report on our most recent midterm elections. The results from 2022 were mixed – some encouraging trends and some signs of more work to do. We are excited to dive into the results with you and share what we see as the major takeaways in the coming weeks, so stay tuned.

You've heard this from us before: we urge you to share this report widely and strategically across your campus community. NSLVE data is an important resource for not only understanding your institution but also building a culture of political learning in higher education. We also invite you to invite you to [lean on our team's resources, including our Election Imperatives report series](#), which provides data-backed practical recommendations for centering civic and political learning and participation.

Other resources that you might find helpful in your work include our forthcoming national report ([keep an eye on our homepage!](#)), [our report on how institutions use NSLVE reports](#), and [our discussion guide on how to talk about your NSLVE reports on campus](#).

Finally, we always encourage you to reach out to us for support and with any questions that you may have. Email NSLVE@tufts.edu to get in touch with our team, and as always, watch your inbox (or sign up!) for [our periodic newsletter](#), announcements about upcoming releases, and new resources.

Remember, student political learning is a constant effort, requiring year-round strategic building. Elections may be episodic, but student engagement in democracy should not be.

All the Best,
Adam, Duy, Mari, and Victoria
The NSLVE Team

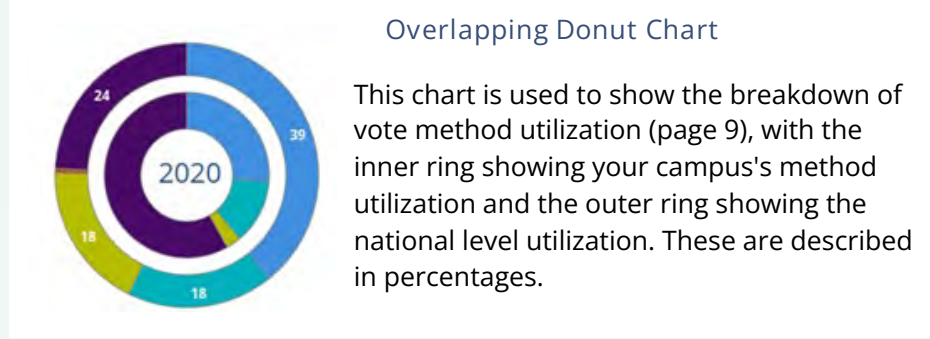
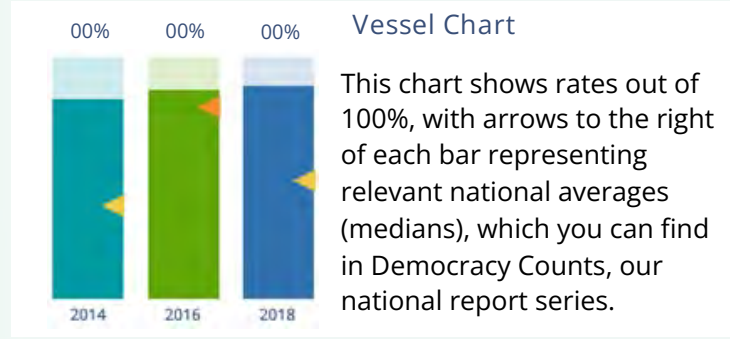
In This Report

This report presents data on student voter participation rates for your campus. The topline counts on page 5 tells you how many students voted, but we encourage you to look carefully at the data on subsequent pages to learn who voted. Data are presented in the form of vessel charts, overlapping donut charts, and tables.

Tables

	2014			2018			2014-2018 Change (p.p.)
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
Asian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

The tables show the numbers of students and the rates from 2014, 2018, 2020, and 2022, when available. The change column represents difference between comparable counts and rates. The change in rates are in terms of percentage points. A red down arrow indicates a decrease, a green up arrow indicates an increase, and a yellow arrow pointing to the right indicates no change. "-" in these tables indicates that the data is unavailable/missing, or is available for 10 or less students.



Voting, Registration and Yield Rates

YOUR INSTITUTION

26.3%

2022 Voting Rate

-4.4

Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE



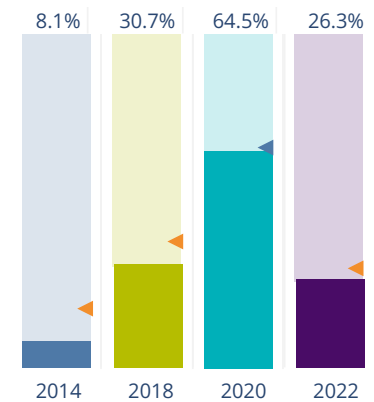
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

VOTING RATE OF REGISTERED STUDENTS



The **Voting Rate of Registered Students** is the percent of registered students who voted on Election Day. We often refer to this as the “yield” rate.

VOTING RATE



The **Voting Rate** is the percentage of eligible students who voted on Election Day. The voting rate is also the product of the registration and yield rates.

Looking Closer

Voting and Registration Rates

	2014	2018	2020	2022	2018-2022 Change
Total Student Enrollment	15,703	16,181	19,109	20,494	↑ 4,312
Age under 18/Unknown	72	61	84	103	↑ 42
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	657	669	906	887	↑ 217
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	-	-	-	-	-
Total eligible voters	14,972	15,447	18,109	19,503	↑ 4,056
Number of students who registered	9,712	12,604	15,662	16,135	↑ 3,531
Number of students who voted	1,212	4,735	11,687	5,131	↑ 396
Registration Rate %	64	81	86	82	↑ 1
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	12	37	74	31	↓ -5
Voting Rate %	8	30	64	26	↓ -4

This page provides the numbers we used to calculate your voting, registration, and yield rates. The sub-categories under total student enrollment are the adjustments that we make to account for students who are ineligible to vote due to age or citizenship status. We also exclude, when correctly flagged, students who are not pursuing degrees.

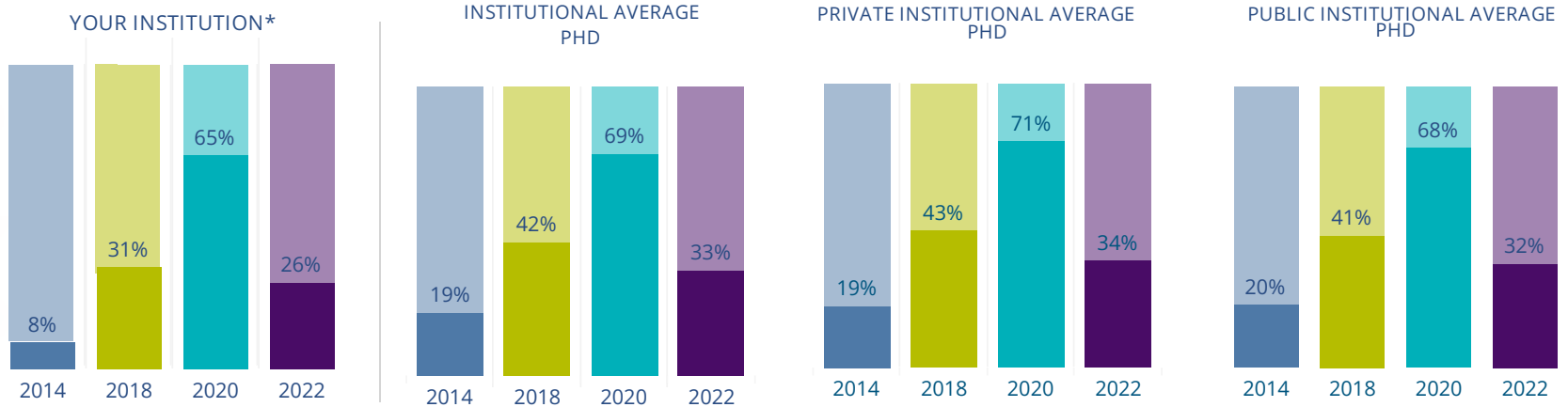
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to NSC, or we cannot verify the accuracy of the reported counts. This is indicated by IPEDS in the data source.

In the following pages with tables, **Enrolled** represents the eligible voters when we have used NSC as the data source. When we have used IPEDS as the data source, **Enrolled** includes non-resident aliens who are ineligible to vote, and for whom we are unable to account due to the lack of data from your institution.

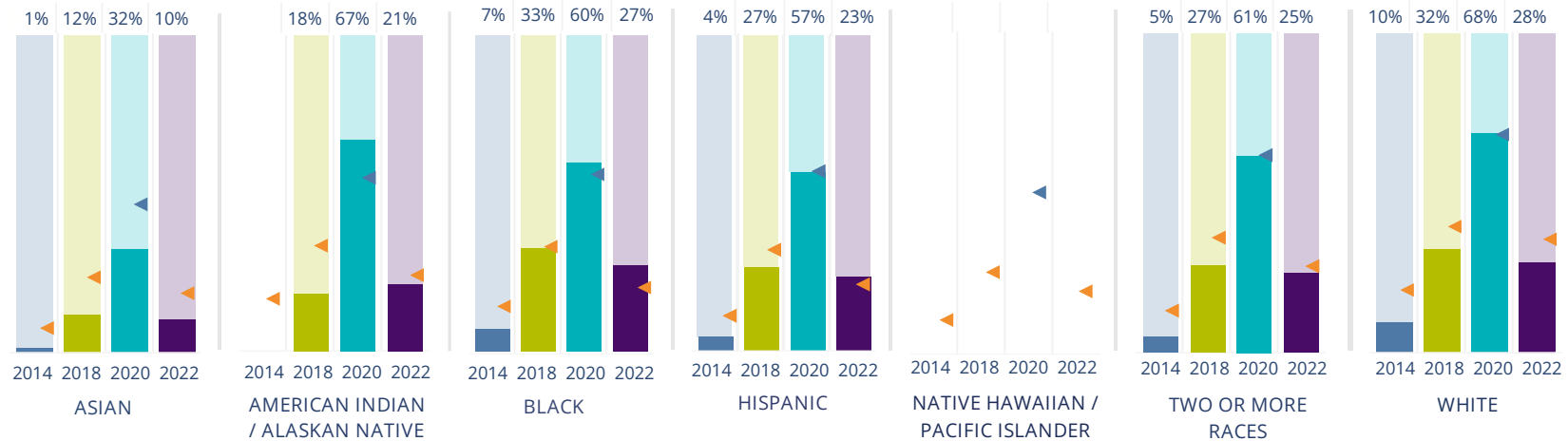
By Institution Types



These are estimated voting rates of your institution compared to the average voting rates of similar institutions in NSLVE. For Associate institutions, we only share public associate institutional averages due to sample size. *"Your Institution" chart is presented at a different scale.



By Race / Ethnicity



These are estimated voting rates for race / ethnicity groups. These classifications are provided by campuses and are obtained following race reporting procedures* defined by the National Center for Education Statistics of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). Please see our FAQ for more detail : <https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nsive-report-faq>

If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your institution: (i) does not report this data or reports this data as unknown; (ii) did not provide this data in past years; (iii) does not separately submit data for one or more of the demographic groups, or (iv) the data is reported for 10 or fewer students.

*<https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-collecting-data-for-reporting-purposes>

Looking Closer

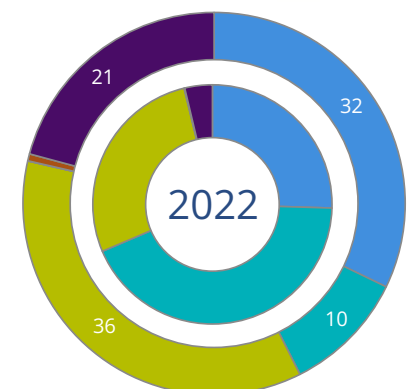
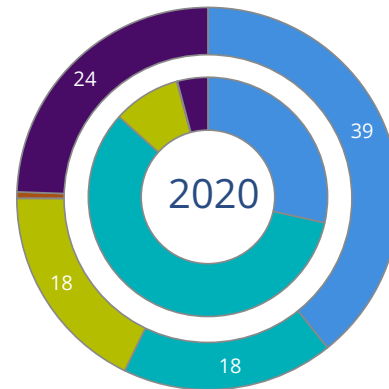
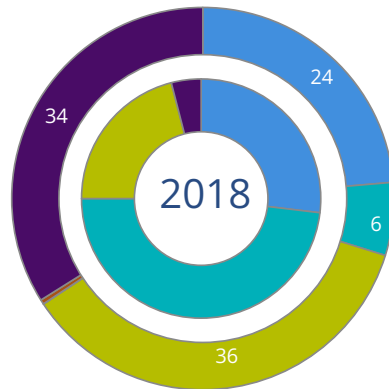
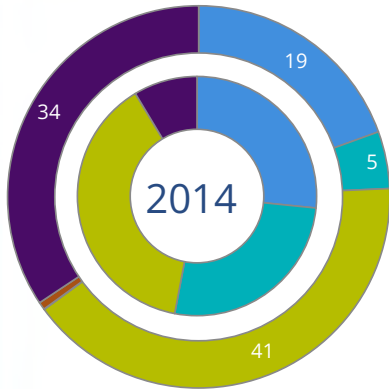
By Race/Ethnicity

This page provides the numbers we used to calculate race / ethnicity group voting rates. We include the counts of students and the change in rates between the two most recent comparable election years. If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your institution: (i) does not report this data or reports this data as unknown; (ii) did not provide this data in past years; (iii) does not separately submit data for one or more of the demographic groups, or (iv) the data is reported for 10 or fewer students.

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Asian	1,323	18	1	1,295	156	12	1,985	637	32	2,147	219	10	↓ -1
American Indian/ Alaska Native	53	-	-	61	11	18	69	46	66	62	13	20	↑ 2
Black	1,168	80	6	1,012	329	32	1,312	780	59	1,372	371	27	↓ -5
Hispanic	2,144	95	4	2,469	657	26	2,996	1,700	56	3,253	760	23	↓ -3
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	12	-	-	20	-	-	28	-	-	-
2 or More Races	709	36	5	793	217	27	842	516	61	926	231	24	↓ -2
White	10,097	968	9	10,384	3,338	32	11,499	7,835	68	12,398	3,471	27	↓ -4
Race Unknown	128	13	10	91	23	25	293	164	55	205	63	30	↑ 5

By Voting Method

■ Not-In-Person
 ■ Early Vote
 ■ In-Person
 ■ Other
 ■ Provisional
 ■ Unknown



	2014		2018		2020		2022		2018-2022	
	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Early Vote	320	26	2,279	48	6,805	58	2,209	43	↓	-5
In-Person	466	38	992	21	1,059	9	1,416	27	↑	6
Not-In-Person	322	26	1,272	26	3,334	28	1,306	25	↓	-1
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	104	8	190	4	479	4	195	3	→	0

These are estimated rates for vote method utilization, the number of students utilizing each method, and the percent of students utilizing each method. Not all U.S. states provide information on vote method; voting method for voter files from these states are classified "Voting Method Unknown." For a list of these states, see our FAQ. <https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/nslve-faq#CampusReports>. The inner ring in these charts show your campus's method utilization and the outer ring show the national level utilization.

By Age Group

	2014	2018	2020	2022
18-21	5%	25%	61%	19%
22-24	8%	31%	61%	26%
25-29	12%	40%	56%	32%
30-39	20%	48%	57%	38%
40-49	33%	60%	70%	52%
50+	68%	77%	78%	67%

Voting is habit-forming and young voters will often continue as voters in subsequent elections. Also, elected officials and public opinion polls solicit opinions from people they can locate - people in the voter files. Our 2020 data showed a surge among the youngest voters on college campuses, yet 2022 saw a return to past trends, with older students voting at higher rates than their younger counterparts. This change underscores the importance of continued need for institutionalized learning -- working with students to help them understand their political voice and power as they arrive on campus.

Looking Closer

By Age Group



Here, we provide the numbers of students in each age category and the voting rates for each group. These

are based on the student's age on the day of the election, as calculated by the National Student Clearinghouse using data from student enrollment records.

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022 Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
18-21	11,648	696	5	11,647	3,005	25	12,308	7,590	61	13,013	2,583	19	↓ -5
22-24	2,339	190	8	2,551	814	31	3,079	1,904	61	3,083	805	26	↓ -5
25-29	810	102	12	870	355	40	1,568	890	56	1,721	561	32	↓ -8
30-39	607	124	20	729	355	48	1,315	760	57	1,575	612	38	↓ -9
40-49	156	52	33	252	153	60	531	375	70	669	348	52	↓ -8
50+	70	48	68	68	53	77	215	168	78	330	222	67	↓ -10

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	8,836	685	7	9,408	2,980	31	11,512	7,544	65	12,457	3,403	27	 -4
Male	6,794	527	7	6,709	1,755	26	7,504	4,143	55	7,933	1,728	21	 -4

These are estimated voting rates for sex groups and the numbers we used to calculate their voting rates. These classifications are provided by campuses and are obtained following the reporting procedures defined by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) of the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). Presently, NCES requires institutions to report students as “Male” or “Female” only.*

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*<https://surveys.nces.ed.gov/ipeds/public/survey-materials/faq?faqid=11>

Looking Closer

By Education Level / Undergraduate Class Year

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022 Rate Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate(%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
EDUCATION LEVEL													
Undergraduate	13,587	872	6	13,547	3,614	26	14,052	8,602	61	14,815	3,000	20	↓ -6
Graduate	2,041	339	16	2,566	1,117	43	4,952	3,076	62	5,570	2,126	38	↓ -5
Class Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
CLASS YEAR													
Freshman	3,746	164	4	3,203	664	20	3,605	2,094	58	3,354	536	15	↓ -4
Sophomore	3,083	187	6	3,042	712	23	3,143	1,923	61	3,722	705	18	↓ -4
Upperclassman	6,003	440	7	7,195	2,184	30	7,106	4,500	63	7,476	1,673	22	↓ -7
ENROLLMENT STATUS													
Full-time	14,808	1,077	7	15,409	4,376	28	17,288	10,555	61	18,419	4,216	22	↓ -5
Part-time	822	135	16	708	359	50	1,724	1,128	65	1,972	915	46	↓ -4

These are estimated voting rates by Education Level (undergraduate/graduate), Class Year, and Enrollment Status (full-time/part-time), and the numbers we used to calculate these rates.

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By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	-	-	-	14	-	-	15	-	-	13	-	-	-
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,033	74	3	1,903	372	19	1,989	1,055	53	1,937	317	16	↓ -3
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,927	319	8	3,893	1,136	29	4,177	2,662	63	4,434	959	21	↓ -7
Communication and Journalism	838	78	9	995	299	30	924	609	65	861	182	21	↓ -8
Transportation	58	-	-	70	20	28	68	44	64	107	24	22	↓ -6
Theology	354	69	19	325	175	53	342	221	64	372	165	44	↓ -9

These are estimated voting rates by field of study, and the numbers we used to calculate the field of study rates. For an explanation of CIP codes, please see our FAQ.* There are roughly 8,000 fields of study among U.S. colleges and universities, so we provide rates for condensed categories.

*<https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nsive-report-faq>

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Computer and Information Sciences	301	27	8	276	60	21	292	143	48	308	46	14	↓ -6
Education	784	72	9	748	287	38	1,050	722	68	1,153	489	42	↑ 4
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	817	58	7	651	158	24	615	348	56	605	105	17	↓ -6
English Language and Literature	244	20	8	209	79	37	187	128	68	183	48	26	↓ -11
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	269	12	4	236	58	24	239	166	69	284	57	20	↓ -4
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	105	13	12	77	23	29	40	24	60	42	-	-	-
Health Professions	2,051	140	6	2,429	717	29	3,751	2,344	62	4,265	1,188	27	↓ -1
History	148	24	16	134	51	38	148	109	73	141	46	32	↓ -5
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	190	-	-	391	76	19	373	180	48	394	51	12	↓ -6
Theology	354	69	19	325	175	53	342	221	64	372	165	44	↓ -9
Transportation	58	-	-	70	20	28	68	44	64	107	24	22	↓ -6

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Legal Professions and Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-	457	316	69	453	177	39	-
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	276	-	-	389	75	19	486	229	47	519	88	16	↓ -2
Mathematics and Statistics	164	15	9	162	47	29	195	92	47	179	35	19	↓ -9
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	233	23	9	351	125	35	329	221	67	606	165	27	↓ -8
Philosophy and Religious Studies	242	24	9	225	79	35	225	138	61	223	66	29	↓ -5
Science Technologies/Technicians	-	-	-	16	-	-	34	23	67	37	13	35	-
Social Sciences	648	89	13	785	307	39	786	517	65	800	222	27	↓ -11
Visual and Performing Arts	478	20	4	525	154	29	538	364	67	696	168	24	↓ -5
Unknown	36	-	-	33	11	33	52	33	63	35	-	-	-

About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement.

Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, nearly 1,200 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2020, and 2022 federal elections.

Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database representing an average of well over 10 million students for each election year, that serves as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

The National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement (NSLVE, "en-solve") is a service offered to colleges and universities that provides a tailored report on their students' voting rates and other metrics. Launched in 2013 at Tufts University's Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life, NSLVE represents more than 1,200 campuses in all 50 states + D.C. and now serves as a widely impactful resource for the work of understanding and fostering student political learning.

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 actually voted in the 2014, 2018, 2020, and 2022 elections.


These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) and publicly available voting files collected by L2 Political.


Enrollment lists are adjusted by deducting students under age 18 (at the time of the election), people identified as non-degree seeking and those identified by campuses as "nonresident aliens" (NRAs) (the federal government's category for mostly international students). Unfortunately, not all campuses report NRAs to NSC. For those campuses, we use IPEDS to calculate the number of NRA students on each campus and adjust NSC enrollment numbers to estimate the number of students to remove. We also quality check NRA removals by verifying that there is little to no discrepancy between the number of international students reported by the campus to IPEDS and to NSC. We cannot adjust subgroup analyses absent identification of NRAs verified by the process above. We welcome closer partnerships with individual colleges and universities to provide more accurate rates. For more on the data and the matching process, see our FAQ on Campus Reports.

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://nslve.tufts.edu>.


References: NSLVE 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: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2024). 2022 report for _____ [name of institution]. Medford, MA.

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