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# Student Voting Rates for Golden West College

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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](mailto: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

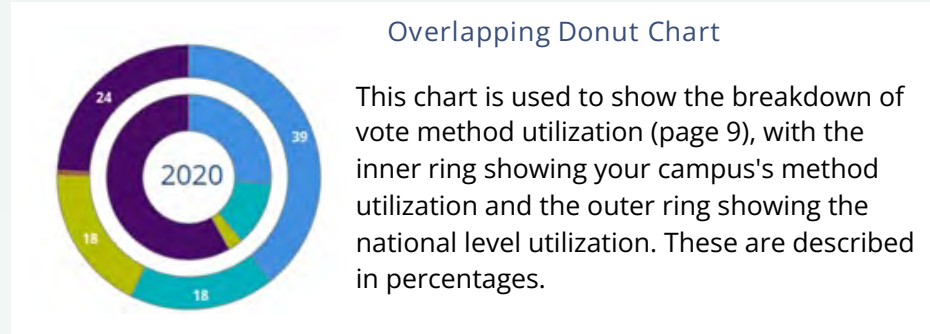
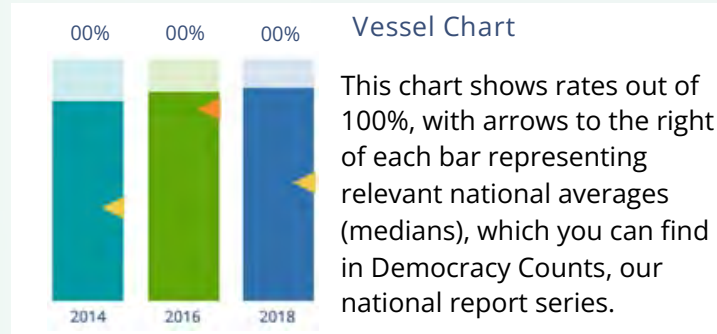
# In This Report

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

23.7%

2022 Voting Rate

-11.7

Change From 2018

## ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

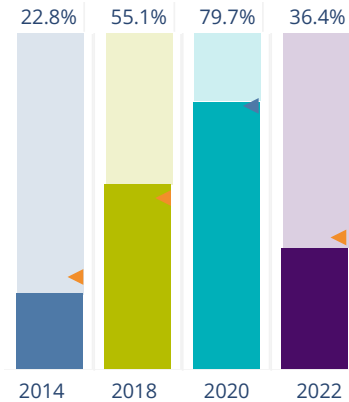
2022 Voting Rate

### REGISTRATION RATE



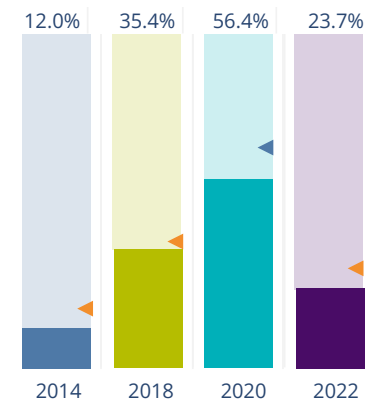
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

### 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	11,960	11,107	10,158	8,334	↓ -2,772
Age under 18/Unknown	125	220	117	101	↓ -119
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	205	274	246	234	↓ -40
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	-	-	-	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	-	-	299	-	-
Total eligible voters	11,629	10,612	9,495	7,998	↓ -2,613
Number of students who registered	6,126	6,814	6,726	5,208	↓ -1,606
Number of students who voted	1,397	3,753	5,358	1,898	↓ -1,855
Registration Rate %	52	64	70	65	→ 0
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	22	55	79	36	↓ -18
Voting Rate %	12	35	56	23	↓ -11

**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.

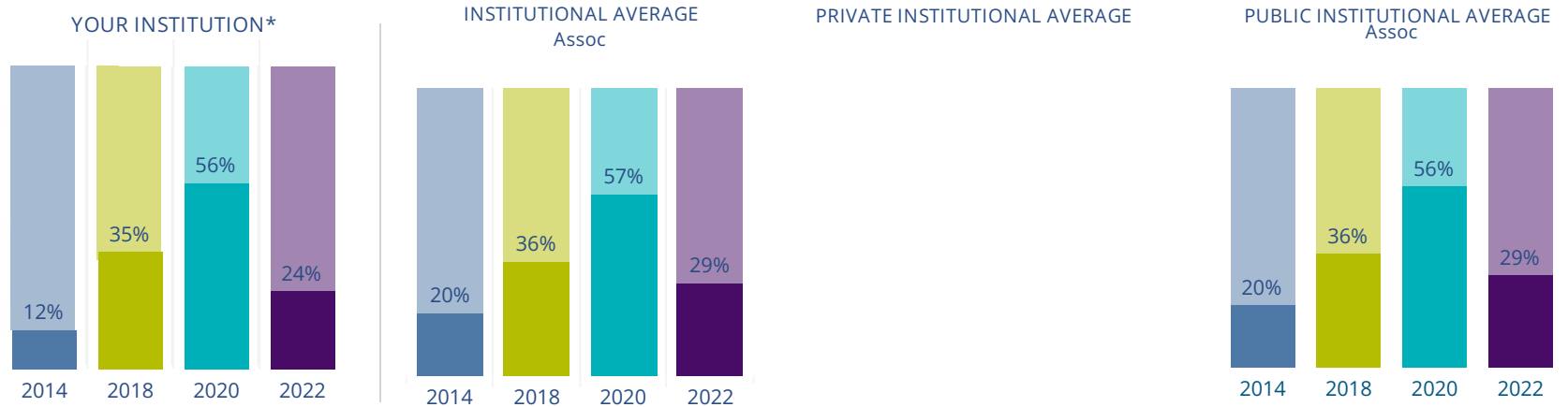
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to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

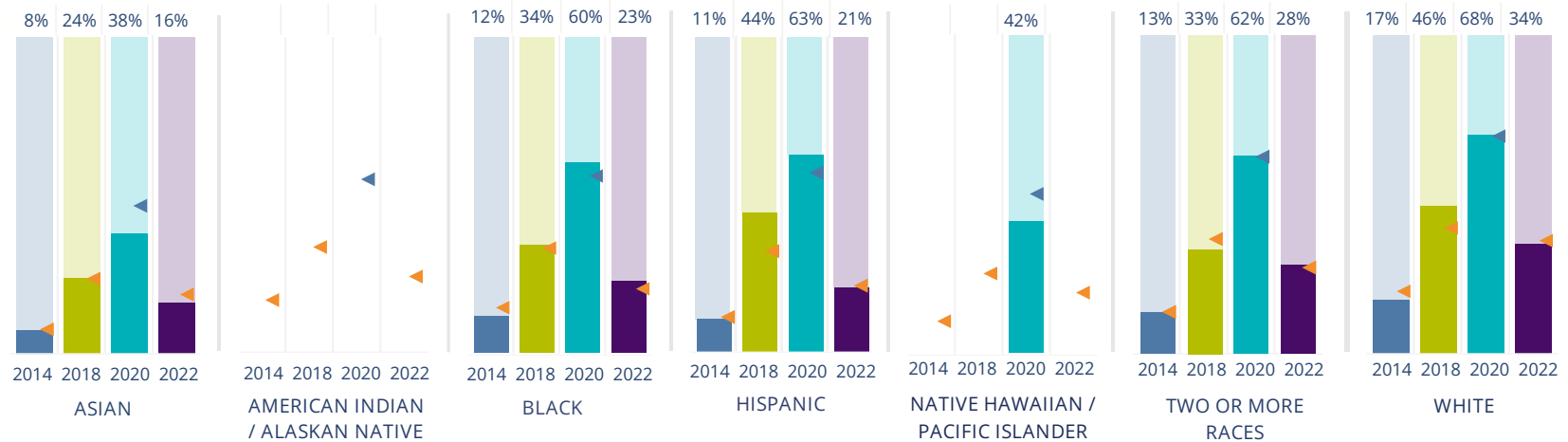
## By Institution Types



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

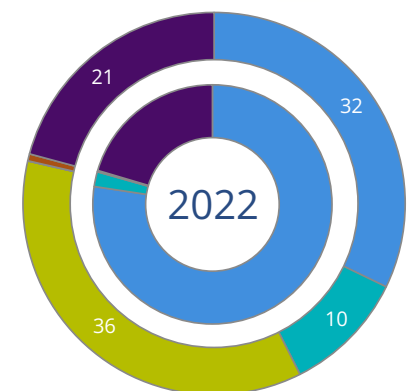
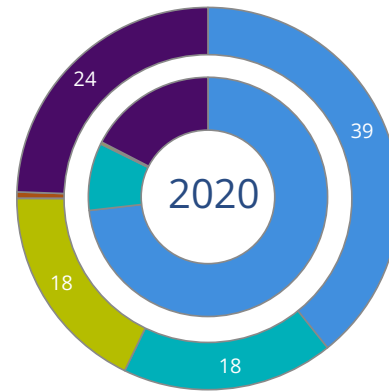
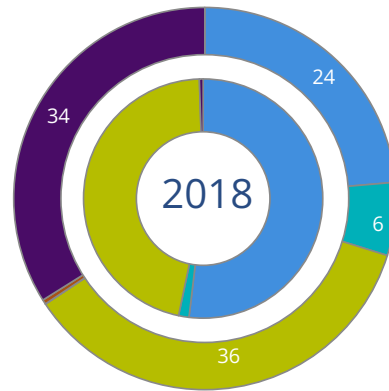
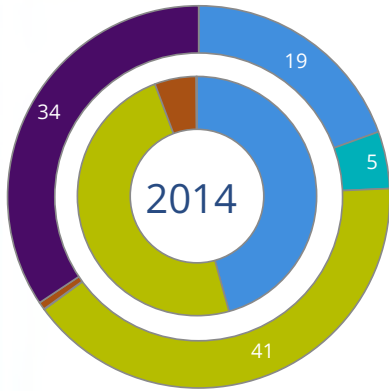
**This page provides the numbers we used to calculate race / ethnicity group voting rates.** We include the counts of students and the change in rates between the two most recent comparable election years. If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your 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	3,438	264	7	1,040	251	24	2,907	1,099	37	2,486	397	15	↓-8
American Indian/ Alaska Native	36	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	11	-	-	-
Black	244	28	11	41	14	34	194	116	59	172	39	22	↓11
Hispanic	3,675	386	10	1,272	562	44	3,251	2,039	62	2,907	599	20	↓23
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	62	-	-	12	-	-	41	17	41	37	-	-	-
2 or More Races	571	73	12	174	57	32	484	299	61	419	116	27	↓-5
White	3,608	610	16	992	457	46	2,499	1,705	68	2,065	707	34	↓11
Race Unknown	201	30	14	7,348	2,407	32	344	73	21	136	30	22	↓10



# 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	-	-	53	1	485	9	38	2	↔	0
In-Person	679	48	1,733	46	14	0	-	-	-	-
Not-In-Person	639	45	1,946	51	3,924	73	1,469	77	↑	25
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	78	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	-	-	21	0	935	17	388	20	↑	19

**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	9%	31%	55%	20%
22-24	11%	33%	53%	23%
25-29	10%	34%	54%	21%
30-39	14%	37%	54%	25%
40-49	23%	48%	54%	39%
50+	38%	56%	56%	46%

**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	6,021	580	9	5,262	1,677	31	4,986	2,769	55	4,590	955	20	↓ -11
22-24	2,300	259	11	2,089	694	33	1,759	949	53	1,352	322	23	↓ -9
25-29	1,667	171	10	1,768	618	34	1,510	826	54	1,043	223	21	↓ -13
30-39	1,072	152	14	1,061	393	37	940	514	54	779	200	25	↓ -11
40-49	422	98	23	378	184	48	293	161	54	279	109	39	↓ -9
50+	353	137	38	329	187	56	246	139	56	190	89	46	↓ -9

# Looking Closer

## By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	6,185	738	11	1,904	774	40	5,556	3,238	58	4,409	995	22	↓ -18
Male	5,476	633	11	1,579	553	35	3,960	2,015	50	3,646	845	23	↓ -11

**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(%)	
<b>EDUCATION LEVEL</b>													
Undergraduate	-	-	-	10,043	3,449	34	9,513	5,278	55	7,851	1,799	22	↓-11
Graduate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class Unknown	11,835	1,397	11	844	304	36	221	80	36	382	99	25	↓-10
<b>CLASS YEAR</b>													
Freshman	8,585	943	10	-	-	-	6,575	3,545	53	5,112	1,060	20	-
Sophomore	3,250	454	13	-	-	-	3,054	1,802	59	3,121	838	26	-
Upperclassman	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>ENROLLMENT STATUS</b>													
Full-time	4,183	413	9	3,803	1,147	30	4,646	2,408	51	4,015	817	20	↓-9
Part-time	7,652	984	12	7,084	2,606	36	5,088	2,950	57	4,218	1,081	25	↓-11

**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
Agriculture	62	13	20	61	27	44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Architecture	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	12	-	-	-
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	468	49	10	333	105	31	516	298	57	483	131	27	↓ -4
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,390	144	10	1,411	420	29	1,485	725	48	1,333	274	20	↓ -9
Communication and Journalism	230	26	11	246	98	39	265	180	67	215	57	26	↓ -13
Communications Technologies/Technicians	138	26	18	101	28	27	59	37	62	23	-	-	-
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**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
Communications Technologies/Tec..	138	26	18	101	28	27	59	37	62	23	-	-	-
Computer and Information Sciences	207	26	12	181	49	27	416	199	47	373	62	16	↓-10
Construction Trades	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Education	85	-	-	-	-	-	51	27	52	15	-	-	-
Engineering and Engineering Techn..	209	26	12	49	18	36	104	50	48	72	18	25	↓-11
English Language and Literature	169	22	13	149	66	44	141	90	63	93	28	30	↓-14
Family and Consumer/Human Scien..	-	-	-	-	-	-	78	44	56	101	25	24	-
Foreign Languages, Literatures, an..	174	39	22	224	115	51	137	84	61	99	42	42	↓-8
Health Professions	1,511	144	9	1,503	537	35	1,487	863	58	1,342	296	22	↓-13
History	109	22	20	111	56	50	127	87	68	79	35	44	↓-6
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and ..	557	76	13	900	325	36	505	299	59	413	101	24	↓-11
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitn..	195	20	10	270	89	32	278	166	59	239	50	20	↓-12
Transportation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	-	-	-
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	3,200	381	11	2,348	791	33	1,237	678	54	897	195	21	↓ -11
Mathematics and Statistics	189	31	16	202	63	31	203	109	53	147	32	21	↓ -9
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	264	24	9	176	37	21	118	47	39	150	22	14	↓ -6
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	657	55	8	716	218	30	509	273	53	382	79	20	↓ -9
Personal and Culinary Services	192	18	9	204	59	28	83	54	65	121	17	14	↓ -14
Philosophy and Religious Studies	12	-	-	15	-	-	18	-	-	18	-	-	-
Precision Production	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-
Social Sciences	204	35	17	308	126	40	349	203	58	287	90	31	↓ -9
Visual and Performing Arts	465	76	16	445	174	39	443	262	59	435	125	28	↓ -10
Unknown	490	56	11	185	79	42	260	98	37	150	40	26	↓ -16



## 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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