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Student Voting Rates for Indiana University-Bloomington

NSLVE Campus Report

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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

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.

Vessel Chart

This chart shows rates out of 100%, with arrows to the right of each bar representing relevant national averages (medians), which you can find in Democracy Counts, our national report series.

Overlapping Donut Chart

This chart is used to show the breakdown of vote method utilization (page 9), with the inner ring showing your campus's method utilization and the outer ring showing the national level utilization. These are described in percentages.

Voting, Registration and Yield Rates

YOUR INSTITUTION

18.8%
2022 Voting Rate

-16.7
Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%
2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE

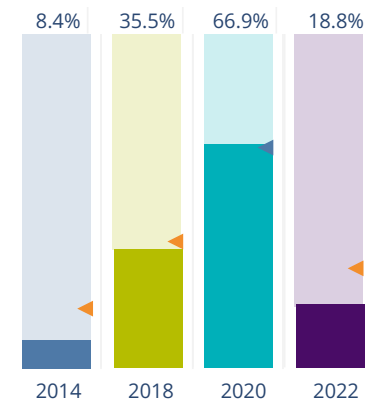| 63.3% | 78.2% | 85.9% | 73.5% |
| 2014 | 2018 | 2020 | 2022 |

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

VOTING RATE OF REGISTERED STUDENTS

| 13.3% | 45.5% | 77.9% | 25.5% |
| 2014 | 2018 | 2020 | 2022 |

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

| 8.4% | 35.5% | 66.9% | 18.8% |
| 2014 | 2018 | 2020 | 2022 |

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	42,682	43,424	42,845	46,871	⬆ 3,447
Age under 18/Unknown	131	140	151	170	⬆ 30
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	5,676	5,732	4,443	5,563	⬇ -169
Datasource	IPEDS	NSC	NSC	NSC	-
FERPA records blocked	17	13	14	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	593	548	390	-	-
Total eligible voters	36,264	36,991	37,847	41,138	⬆ 4,147
Number of students who registered	22,944	28,916	32,529	30,228	⬆ 1,312
Number of students who voted	3,055	13,143	25,329	7,714	⬇ -5,429
Registration Rate %	63	78	85	73	⬇ -4
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	13	45	77	25	⬇ -19
Voting Rate %	8	35	66	18	⬇ -16

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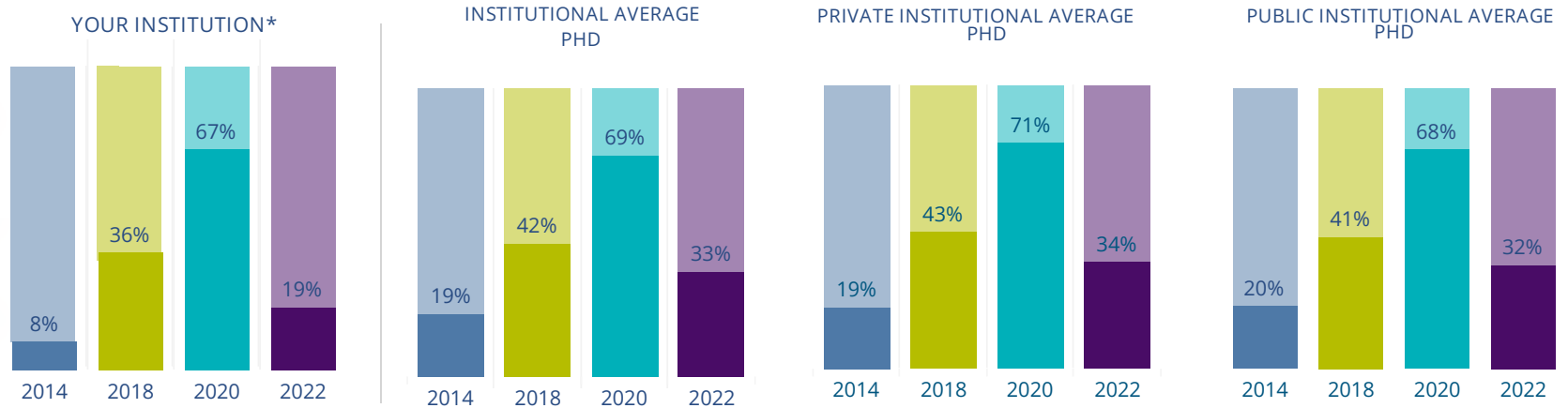
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to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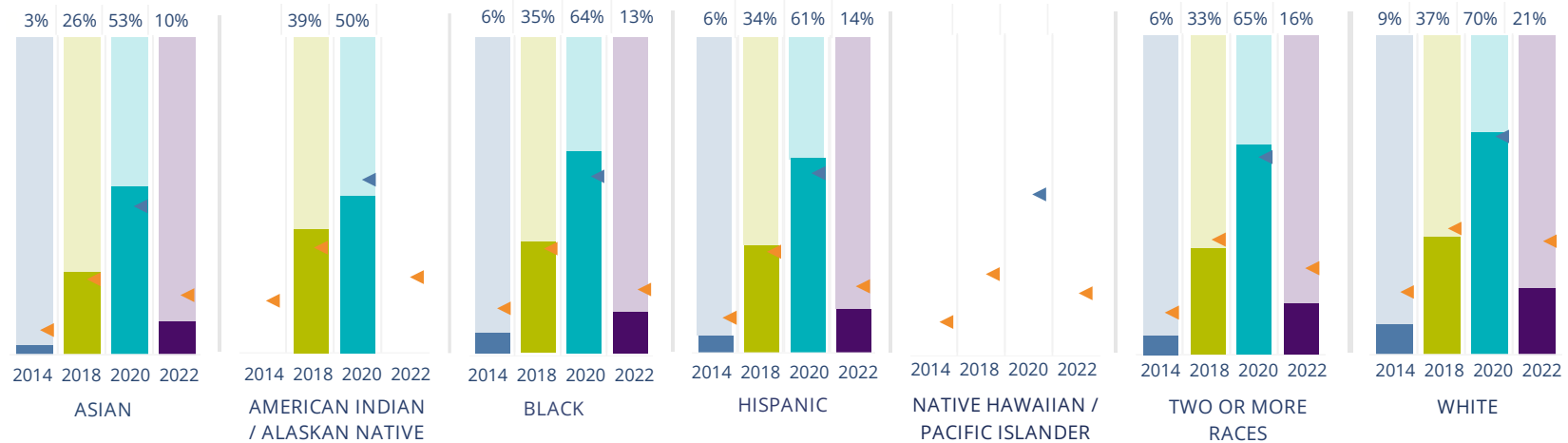
By Institution Types

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions	HIGH 79%
39.1%	LOW 7%

2022 Voting Rate for All Institutions	HIGH 68%
30.6%	LOW 4%

> 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.

YOUR INSTITUTION*

2014	2018	2020	2022
8%	36%	67%	19%

INSTITUTIONAL AVERAGE PHD

2014	2018	2020	2022
19%	42%	69%	33%

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONAL AVERAGE PHD

2014	2018	2020	2022
19%	43%	71%	34%

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONAL AVERAGE PHD

2014	2018	2020	2022
20%	41%	68%	32%

By Race / Ethnicity

	ASIAN	AMERICAN INDIAN / ALASKAN NATIVE	BLACK	HISPANIC	NATIVE HAWAIIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDER	TWO OR MORE RACES	WHITE
2014	3%		6%	6%		6%	9%
2018	26%	39%	35%	34%		33%	37%
2020	53%	50%	64%	61%		65%	70%
2022	10%		13%	14%		16%	21%

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-nslve-report-faq

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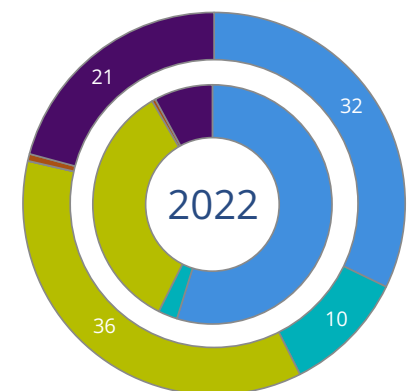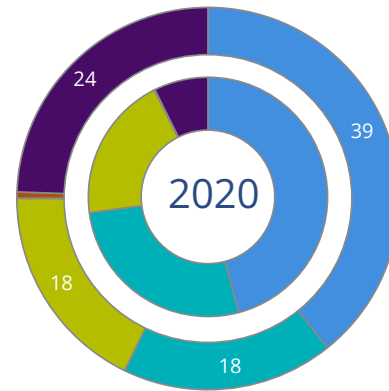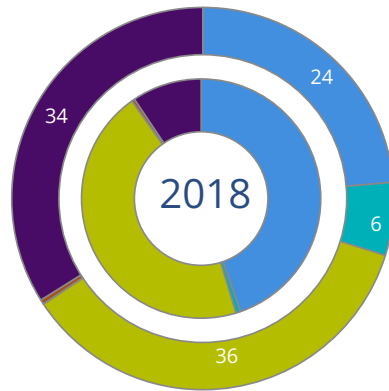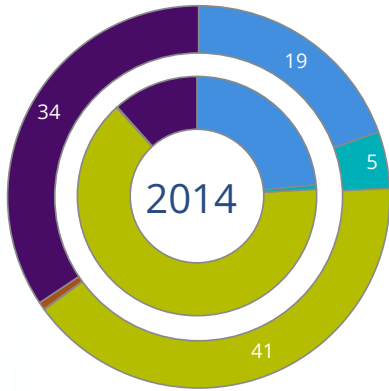
Looking Closer

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	1,761	54	3	2,423	629	25	2,900	1,526	52	3,829	391	10	⬇-15
American Indian/ Alaska Native	55	-	-	41	16	39	26	13	50	21	-	-	-
Black	1,644	104	6	1,891	665	35	1,940	1,236	63	1,918	253	13	⬇-21
Hispanic	1,913	109	5	2,578	878	34	3,050	1,873	61	3,507	489	13	⬇-20
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	19	-	-	14	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	-
2 or More Races	1,278	75	5	1,670	557	33	1,854	1,207	65	2,105	333	15	⬇-17
White	28,791	2,648	9	28,181	10,319	36	27,856	19,355	69	29,442	6,170	20	⬇-15
Race Unknown	6,400	58	0	193	73	37	214	114	53	305	72	23	⬇-14

By Voting Method

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

2014 — 19, 5, 41, 34
2018 — 24, 6, 36, 34
2020 — 39, 18, 18, 24
2022 — 32, 10, 36, 21

	2014		2018		2020		2022		2018-2022
	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Early Vote	18	0	77	0	6,833	27	198	2	⬆ 2
In-Person	1,962	64	5,899	44	4,998	19	2,638	34	⬇ -10
Not-In-Person	717	23	5,870	44	11,628	45	4,228	54	⬆ 10
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	-	-	48	0	21	0	35	0	➡ 0
Voting Method Unknown	355	11	1,249	9	1,846	7	613	7	⬇ -1

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	4%	30%	67%	13%
22-24	6%	37%	66%	21%
25-29	12%	50%	65%	34%
30-39	19%	53%	66%	43%
40-49	29%	62%	72%	53%
50+	41%	71%	80%	66%

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 |
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
18-21	26,430	1,198	4	25,688	7,938	30	26,827	17,979	67	29,727	4,033	13	⬇ -17
22-24	7,553	474	6	5,536	2,093	37	5,151	3,416	66	5,329	1,141	21	⬇ -16
25-29	4,029	522	12	2,755	1,404	50	2,725	1,782	65	2,631	901	34	⬇ -16
30-39	2,912	558	19	2,188	1,174	53	2,283	1,511	66	2,319	999	43	⬇ -10
40-49	715	210	29	603	375	62	636	460	72	844	448	53	⬇ -9
50+	222	93	41	221	159	71	225	181	80	288	192	66	⬇ -5

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	20,624	1,461	7	18,321	7,399	40	18,842	13,766	73	20,557	4,302	20	⬇ -19
Male	21,237	1,594	7	18,670	5,744	30	19,005	11,563	60	20,581	3,412	16	⬇ -14

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	31,876	1,574	4	29,718	9,473	31	30,333	20,378	67	33,336	4,748	14	⬇17
Graduate	9,336	1,394	14	6,999	3,495	49	7,193	4,711	65	7,173	2,647	36	⬇13
Class Unknown	649	87	13	274	175	63	321	240	74	629	313	49	⬇14
CLASS YEAR													
Freshman	7,265	248	3	7,119	1,830	25	7,175	4,465	62	9,260	1,008	10	⬇14
Sophomore	8,085	348	4	7,529	2,177	28	7,611	4,906	64	8,499	1,064	12	⬇16
Upperclassman	16,519	978	5	15,045	5,454	36	15,532	10,997	70	15,583	2,680	17	⬇19
ENROLLMENT STATUS													
Full-time	38,735	2,502	6	34,761	11,941	34	35,314	23,576	66	38,554	6,592	17	⬇17
Part-time	3,126	553	17	2,230	1,202	53	2,533	1,753	69	2,584	1,122	43	⬇10

These are estimated voting rates by Education Level (under-graduate/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
Architecture	-	-	-	18	-	-	35	22	62	224	31	13	-
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	289	32	11	178	91	51	182	126	69	167	63	37	▼ -13
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	3,119	197	6	3,277	1,160	35	3,516	2,450	69	3,509	543	15	▼ -19
Business, Management, and Marketing	9,665	569	5	9,967	2,701	27	11,162	6,955	62	14,172	2,122	14	▼ -12
Communication and Journalism	2,344	145	6	2,080	767	36	1,896	1,364	71	1,840	306	16	▼ -20
Communications Technologies/Technicians	55	-	-	55	27	49	66	55	83	72	15	20	▼ -28

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-nslve-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..	55	-	-	55	27	49	66	55	83	72	15	20	⬇ -28
Computer and Information Sciences	2,269	118	5	2,091	629	30	1,986	1,224	61	1,663	264	15	⬇ -14
Education	2,904	318	10	2,218	993	44	2,008	1,480	73	2,154	649	30	⬇ -14
Engineering and Engineering Techn..	-	-	-	110	43	39	194	128	65	185	37	20	⬇ -19
English Language and Literature	549	79	14	352	207	58	304	225	74	313	107	34	⬇ -24
Family and Consumer/Human Scien..	549	20	3	291	61	20	284	187	65	291	32	10	⬇ -9
Foreign Languages, Literatures, an..	860	100	11	585	281	48	572	395	69	442	124	28	⬇ -19
Health Professions	1,999	116	5	1,708	569	33	1,640	1,102	67	1,712	309	18	⬇ -15
History	403	75	18	260	137	52	250	177	70	268	87	32	⬇ -20
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and ..	481	29	6	380	117	30	412	254	61	431	64	14	⬇ -15
Library Science	183	32	17	131	89	67	114	81	71	99	43	43	⬇ -24
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitn..	2,638	103	3	2,130	513	24	2,053	1,350	65	2,274	236	10	⬇ -13

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	667	89	13	477	248	51	490	324	66	504	176	34	⬇ -17
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	404	45	11	1,481	418	28	1,620	1,009	62	1,663	181	10	⬇ -17
Mathematics and Statistics	489	23	4	200	87	43	195	136	69	223	64	28	⬇ -14
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	2,105	136	6	285	163	57	240	164	68	361	132	36	⬇ -20
Philosophy and Religious Studies	165	20	12	127	71	55	132	89	67	126	46	36	⬇ -19
Social Sciences	2,372	227	9	1,565	766	48	1,582	1,171	74	1,438	457	31	⬇ -17
Visual and Performing Arts	2,387	193	8	2,070	879	42	2,098	1,433	68	2,146	452	21	⬇ -21
Unknown	37	-	-	285	180	63	329	246	74	257	123	47	⬇ -15

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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