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Student Voting Rates for University of Michigan-Ann Arbor

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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

52.6%

2022 Voting Rate

+5.5

Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE



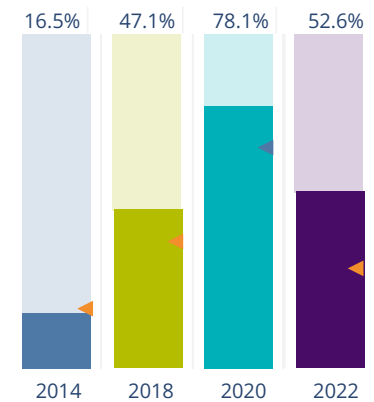
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

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	43,178	46,050	47,719	50,890	↑ 4,840
Age under 18/Unknown	326	330	360	344	↑ 14
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	5,895	6,822	6,595	8,762	↑ 1,939
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	-	17	23	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	69	57	28	-	-
Total eligible voters	36,878	38,823	40,712	41,783	↑ 2,960
Number of students who registered	25,558	31,544	36,022	35,414	↑ 3,870
Number of students who voted	6,073	18,276	31,782	21,975	↑ 3,699
Registration Rate %	69	81	88	84	↑ 3
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	23	57	88	62	↑ 4
Voting Rate %	16	47	78	52	↑ 5

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.

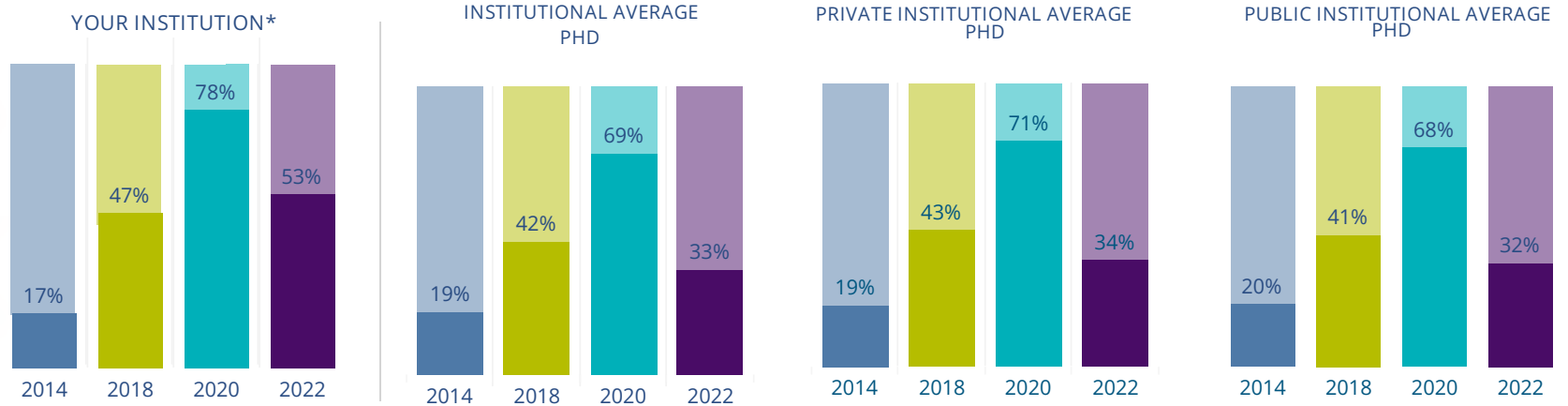
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to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

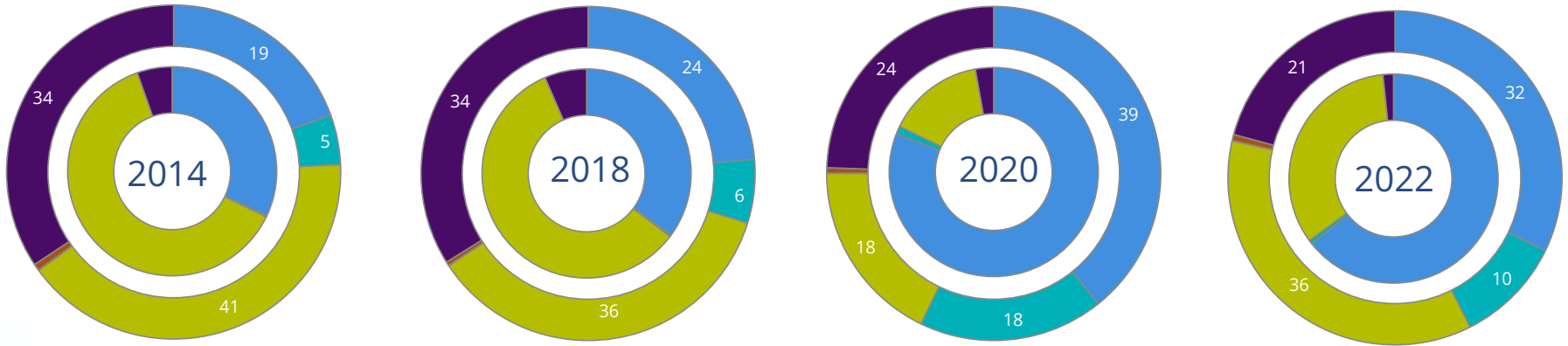
include the counts of students and the change in rates between the two most recent comparable election years.

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	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Asian	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 or More Races	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Race Unknown	42,764	6,073	14	45,637	18,276	40	47,304	31,782	67	50,546	21,975	43	 3

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	11	0	28	0	391	1	130	0	→	0
In-Person	3,787	62	10,632	58	4,779	15	7,358	33	↓	-24
Not-In-Person	1,941	32	6,411	35	25,739	81	14,140	64	↑	29
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	-	-	-	-	14	0	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	333	5	1,202	6	858	2	340	1	↓	-4

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	11%	42%	75%	47%
22-24	12%	35%	56%	35%
25-29	19%	38%	57%	41%
30-39	21%	38%	50%	40%
40-49	38%	52%	62%	48%
50+	54%	68%	76%	61%

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	24,716	2,904	11	26,623	11,185	42	27,530	20,677	75	28,742	13,554	47	↑ 5
22-24	7,982	1,034	12	8,479	2,986	35	8,557	4,864	56	9,815	3,455	35	→ 0
25-29	6,627	1,271	19	7,239	2,762	38	7,423	4,251	57	7,576	3,113	41	↑ 2
30-39	2,860	621	21	2,829	1,080	38	3,187	1,594	50	3,638	1,457	40	↑ 1
40-49	451	173	38	365	193	52	476	296	62	604	291	48	↓ -4
50+	128	70	54	102	70	68	131	100	76	171	105	61	↓ -7

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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	27,727	3,342	12	29,453	12,252	41	30,682	22,654	73	31,973	14,855	46	↑ 4
Graduate	14,692	2,700	18	15,915	5,956	37	16,431	9,020	54	18,065	7,008	38	↑ 1
Class Unknown	345	31	8	269	68	25	191	108	56	508	101	19	↓ -5
CLASS YEAR													
Freshman	5,300	536	10	5,200	2,054	39	5,357	4,355	81	5,426	2,366	43	↑ 4
Sophomore	5,870	601	10	6,866	2,683	39	6,392	4,449	69	7,336	3,405	46	↑ 7
Upperclassman	16,575	2,206	13	17,407	7,520	43	18,930	13,846	73	19,210	9,085	47	↑ 4
ENROLLMENT STATUS													
Full-time	40,353	5,547	13	43,679	17,467	39	44,539	30,100	67	47,332	20,530	43	↑ 3
Part-time	2,409	525	21	1,957	808	41	2,765	1,682	60	3,214	1,445	44	↑ 3

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
Architecture	-	-	-	558	125	22	467	259	55	538	167	31	8
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	-	-	-	263	136	51	226	169	74	199	105	52	1
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	-	-	-	2,843	1,232	43	2,908	2,018	69	3,113	1,466	47	3
Business, Management, and Marketing	-	-	-	4,029	1,437	35	4,091	2,881	70	4,142	1,642	39	3
Communication and Journalism	-	-	-	490	225	45	532	425	79	461	237	51	5

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
Computer and Information Sciences	-	-	-	3,068	1,103	35	3,987	2,180	54	4,633	1,615	34	-1
Education	-	-	-	556	284	51	482	349	72	434	229	52	1
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	-	-	-	8,412	2,787	33	8,362	4,811	57	9,034	3,229	35	2
English Language and Literature	-	-	-	451	253	56	396	299	75	377	233	61	5
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	-	-	-	506	226	44	464	290	62	433	215	49	4
Health Professions	-	-	-	3,610	1,538	42	3,819	2,739	71	3,897	1,945	49	7
History	-	-	-	368	203	55	397	290	73	334	186	55	0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	-	-	-	981	339	34	1,031	780	75	1,166	484	41	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	-	-	-	1,034	614	59	1,021	783	76	998	655	65	6
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	-	-	-	8,188	3,208	39	8,547	6,364	74	8,529	3,879	45	6
Mathematics and Statistics	-	-	-	853	185	21	863	300	34	976	229	23	1
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	-	-	-	943	475	50	1,022	750	73	1,602	664	41	-8
Philosophy and Religious Studies	-	-	-	102	49	48	106	63	59	100	49	49	0
Social Sciences	-	-	-	2,176	873	40	2,287	1,469	64	2,488	1,015	40	0
Visual and Performing Arts	-	-	-	1,807	843	46	1,812	1,372	75	1,898	937	49	2
Unknown	42,759	6,073	14	315	92	29	242	143	59	430	108	25	-4

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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