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# Student Voting Rates for University Of Minnesota-Twin Cities

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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

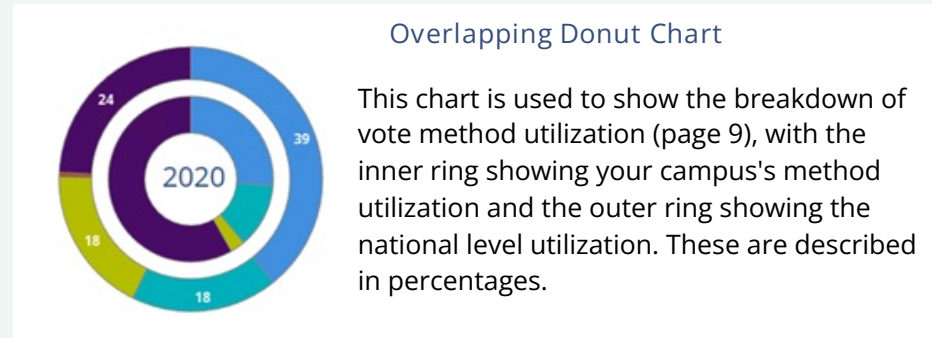
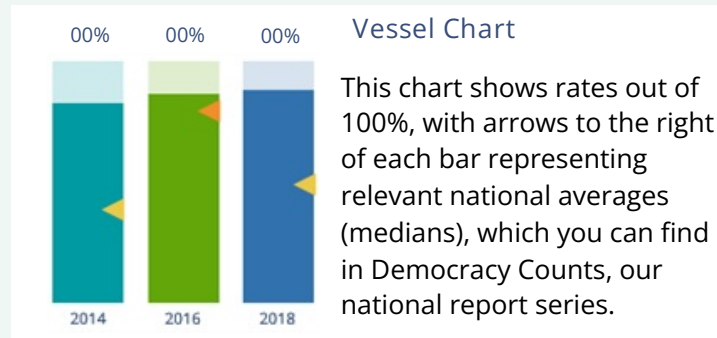
# In This Report

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

52.0%

2022 Voting Rate

-8.3

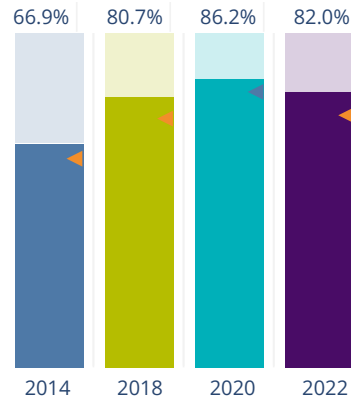
Change From 2018

## ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

2022 Voting Rate

### REGISTRATION RATE



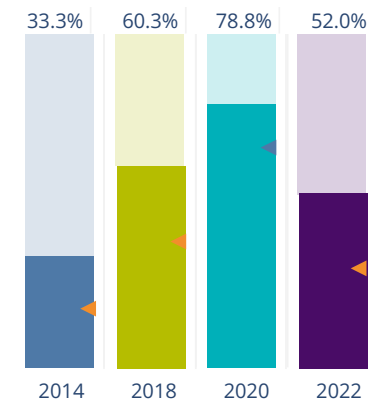
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

### 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	54,974	55,079	56,079	53,339	↓ -1,739
Age under 18/Unknown	6,664	5,555	7,293	6,492	↑ 937
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	4,738	5,186	4,360	4,372	↓ -813
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	9,955	2,122	1,487	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	-	2,633	2,623	-	-
Total eligible voters	33,616	39,582	40,315	42,475	↑ 2,892
Number of students who registered	22,500	31,939	34,746	34,816	↑ 2,877
Number of students who voted	11,204	23,874	31,764	22,071	↓ -1,803
Registration Rate %	66	80	86	81	↑ 1
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	49	74	91	63	↓ -11
Voting Rate %	33	60	78	51	↓ -8

**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.

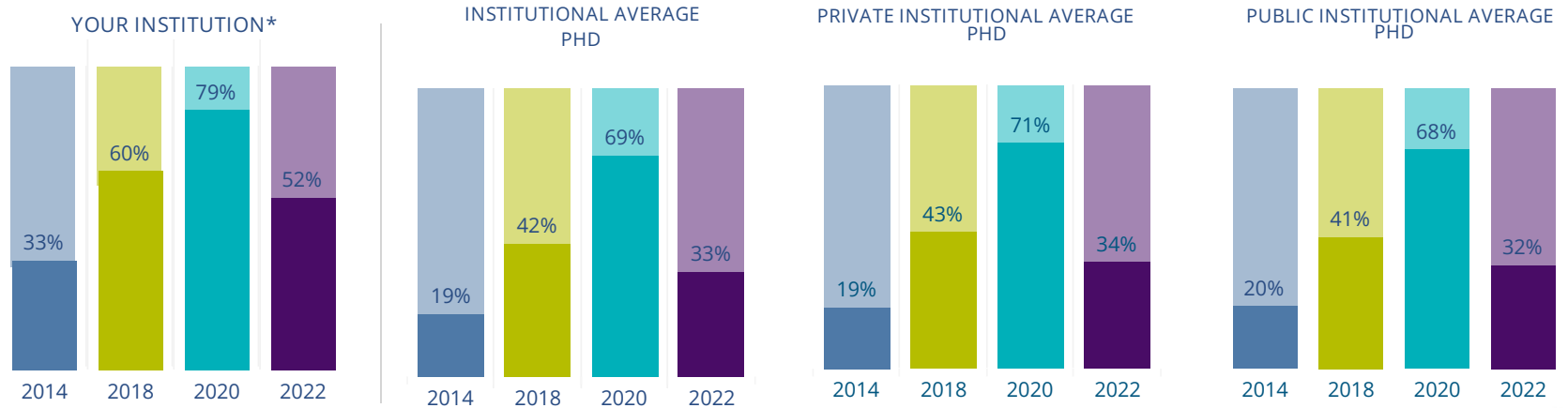
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to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

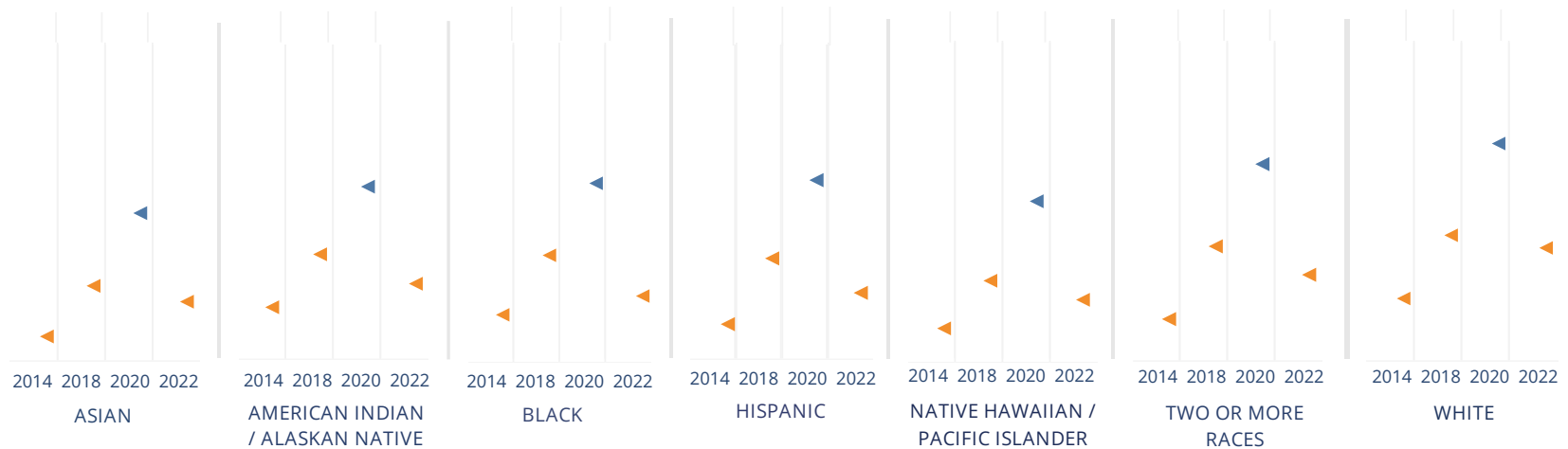
## By Institution Types



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

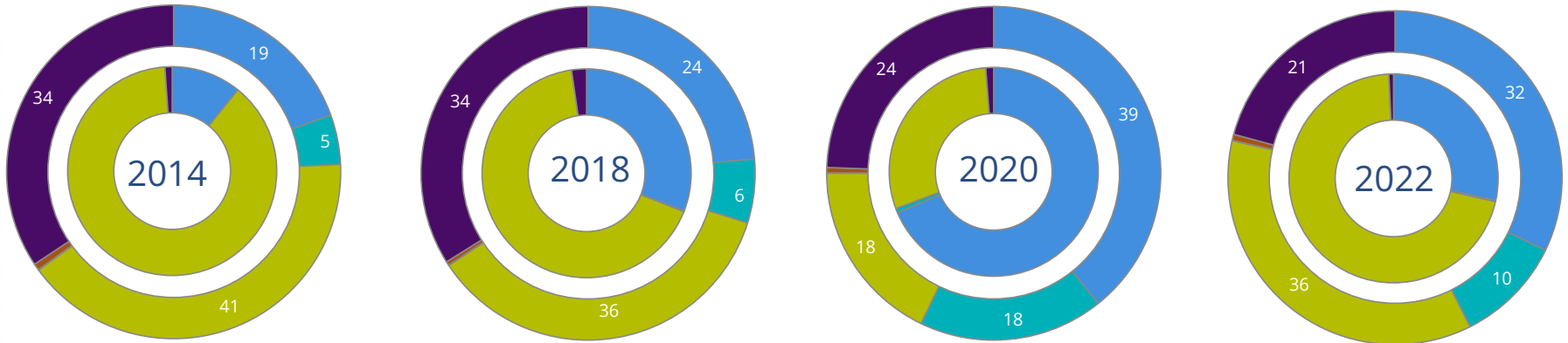
**This page provides the numbers we used to calculate race / ethnicity group voting rates.** We include the counts of students and the change in rates between the two most recent comparable election years. If you notice unavailable/missing data in this page, it could mean any of the following for your 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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 or More Races	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Race Unknown	38,355	11,204	29	43,812	23,874	54	43,696	31,764	72	46,848	22,071	47	↓ -7



# 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	-	-	17	0	235	0	34	0	→	0
In-Person	9,872	88	15,933	66	9,380	29	15,594	70	↑	4
Not-In-Person	1,212	10	7,382	30	21,787	68	6,261	28	↓	-2
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	112	1	542	2	358	1	182	0	↓	-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	27%	55%	77%	46%
22-24	23%	50%	68%	44%
25-29	31%	53%	65%	47%
30-39	37%	57%	64%	50%
40-49	53%	64%	71%	60%
50+	72%	82%	79%	75%

**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	21,005	5,798	27	24,275	13,360	55	24,606	18,973	77	26,458	12,252	46	↓ -8
22-24	7,601	1,769	23	8,448	4,291	50	8,122	5,532	68	8,136	3,607	44	↓ -6
25-29	5,284	1,646	31	6,600	3,515	53	6,318	4,148	65	6,806	3,199	47	↓ -6
30-39	3,133	1,181	37	3,424	1,968	57	3,466	2,234	64	3,802	1,925	50	↓ -6
40-49	802	427	53	754	483	64	815	582	71	1,011	609	60	↓ -3
50+	530	383	72	311	257	82	369	295	79	635	479	75	↓ -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(%)	
<b>EDUCATION LEVEL</b>													
Undergraduate	16,323	4,305	26	31,067	16,973	54	30,777	23,213	75	30,795	14,085	45	↓ -8
Graduate	9,269	3,069	33	12,738	6,900	54	12,909	8,544	66	13,506	6,514	48	↓ -5
Class Unknown	12,763	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,547	36	1	-
<b>CLASS YEAR</b>													
Freshman	-	-	-	3,071	1,553	50	3,877	2,867	73	4,713	1,857	39	↓ -11
Sophomore	-	-	-	6,547	3,516	53	6,288	4,680	74	6,811	3,046	44	↓ -8
Upperclassman	-	-	-	21,339	11,831	55	20,607	15,661	75	19,270	9,180	47	↓ -7
<b>ENROLLMENT STATUS</b>													
Full-time	32,435	8,731	26	40,272	21,778	54	40,246	29,229	72	41,210	18,855	45	↓ -8
Part-time	5,918	2,473	41	3,535	2,092	59	3,444	2,530	73	5,634	3,216	57	↓ -2

**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	-	-	-	999	491	49	1,112	818	73	1,452	629	43	 -5
Architecture	-	-	-	705	364	51	685	499	72	694	327	47	 -4
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	-	-	-	125	89	71	94	64	68	82	45	54	 -16
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	-	-	-	4,064	2,323	57	4,108	3,140	76	4,340	2,026	46	 -10
Business, Management, and Marketing	24	-	-	4,522	2,436	53	4,467	3,240	72	4,756	2,184	45	 -7
Communication and Journalism	-	-	-	942	621	65	919	773	84	1,009	573	56	 -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-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	11	-	-	1,753	752	42	2,086	1,305	62	2,338	851	36	↓	-6
Education	-	-	-	2,772	1,611	58	2,683	2,012	74	2,683	1,288	48	↓	-10
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	15	-	-	5,419	2,573	47	5,301	3,551	66	5,691	2,309	40	↓	-6
English Language and Literature	25	-	-	888	556	62	762	589	77	637	356	55	↓	-6
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	-	-	-	300	190	63	265	204	76	251	129	51	↓	-11
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	-	-	-	501	305	60	452	329	72	358	179	50	↓	-10
Health Professions	-	-	-	5,119	2,921	57	5,461	4,218	77	5,444	2,745	50	↓	-6
History	-	-	-	344	227	65	311	240	77	295	173	58	↓	-7
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	-	-	-	263	126	47	232	146	62	244	96	39	↓	-8

## 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	-	-	-	607	356	58	682	548	80	721	401	55	↓ -3
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	-	-	-	4,273	2,336	54	4,406	3,287	74	4,592	2,020	43	↓ -10
Mathematics and Statistics	-	-	-	946	359	37	864	443	51	654	231	35	↓ -2
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	19	-	-	922	560	60	748	544	72	2,730	1,516	55	↓ -5
Personal and Culinary Services	-	-	-	47	27	57	54	38	70	64	31	48	↓ -9
Philosophy and Religious Studies	-	-	-	116	67	57	79	55	69	87	45	51	↓ -6
Science Technologies/Technicians	-	-	-	23	19	82	26	24	92	33	27	81	→ 0
Social Sciences	27	-	-	2,768	1,415	51	2,535	1,665	65	2,129	1,041	48	↓ -2
Visual and Performing Arts	-	-	-	1,524	895	58	1,401	1,086	77	1,449	704	48	↓ -10
Unknown	38,171	11,136	29	25	16	64	51	42	82	43	22	51	↓ -12



# 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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