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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

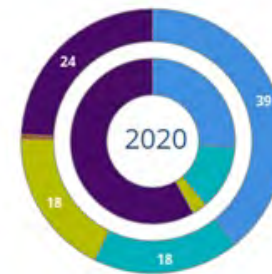
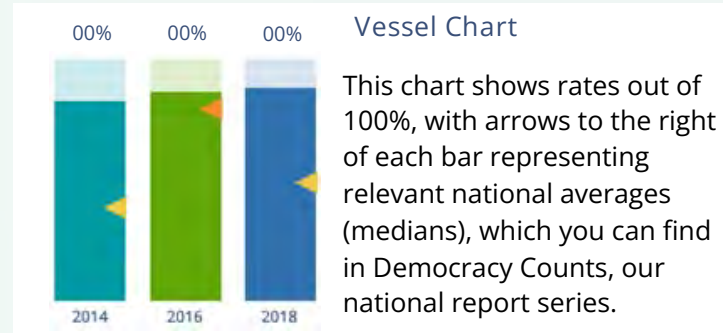
In This Report

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.



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

36.7%

2022 Voting Rate

-8.4

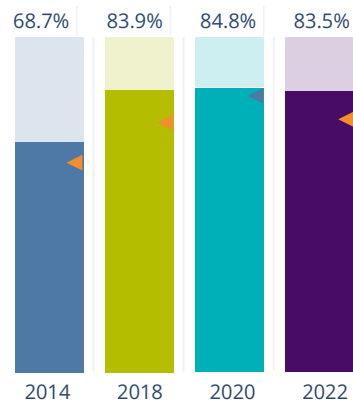
Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

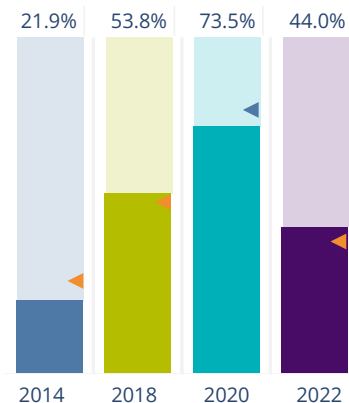
2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE



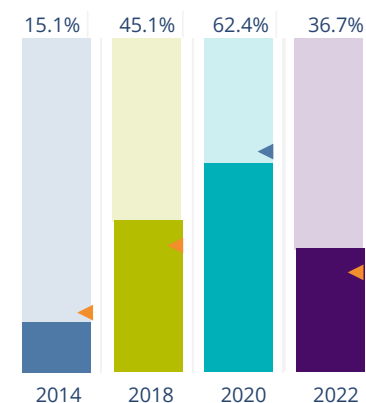
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

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	28,707	31,745	33,878	33,606	↑ 1,861
Age under 18/Unknown	117	162	112	110	↓ -52
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,670	928	899	949	↑ 20
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	73	42	38	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	-	-	-	-	-
Total eligible voters	26,847	30,612	32,828	32,546	↑ 1,934
Number of students who registered	18,451	25,674	27,854	27,161	↑ 1,487
Number of students who voted	4,041	13,812	20,469	11,954	↓ -1,858
Registration Rate %	68	83	84	83	→ 0
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	21	53	73	44	↓ -9
Voting Rate %	15	45	62	36	↓ -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

2018 Voting Rate for
All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH
79%

LOW
7%

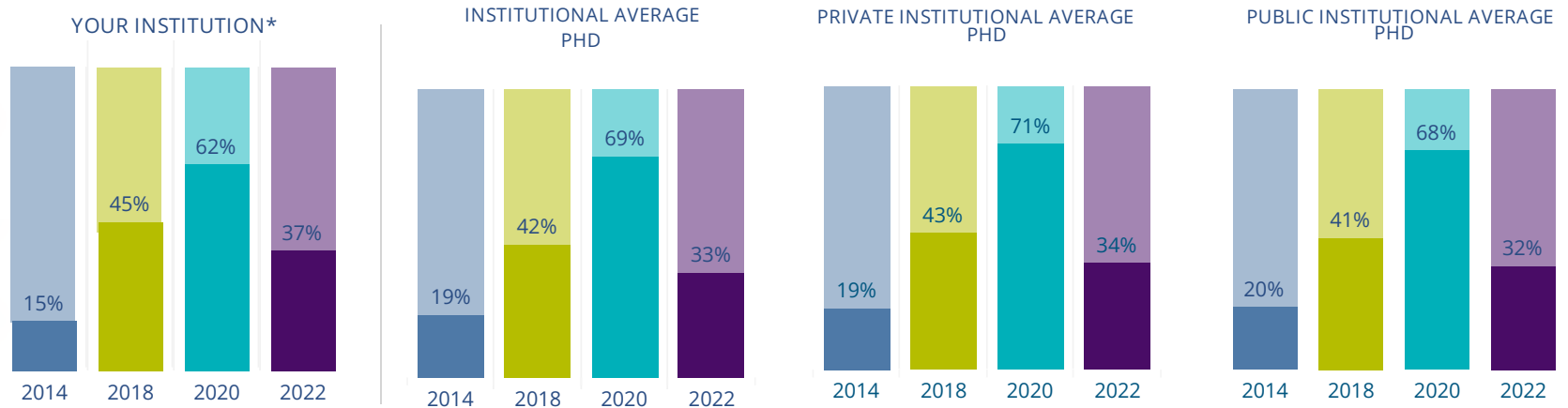
2022 Voting Rate for
All Institutions

30.6%

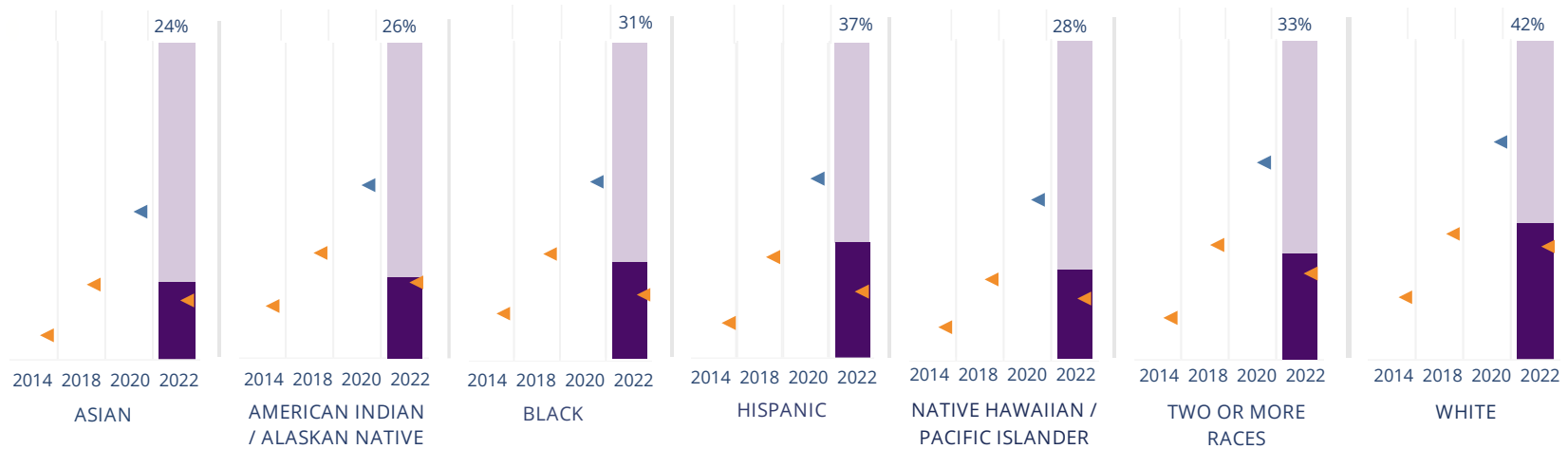
HIGH
68%

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.



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

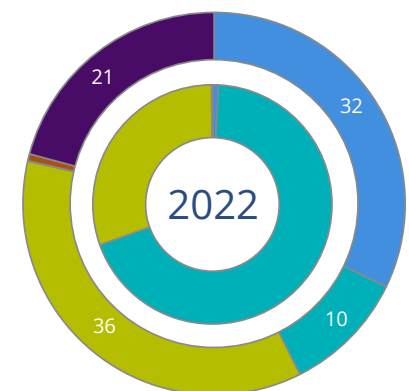
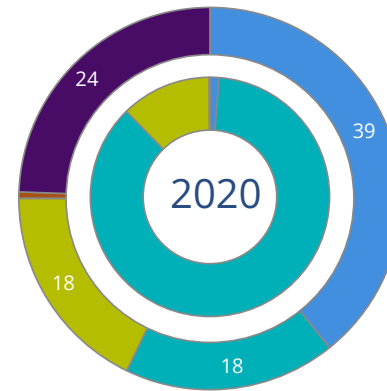
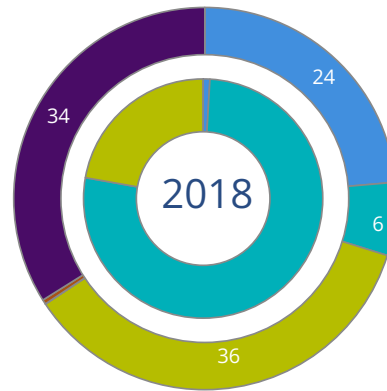
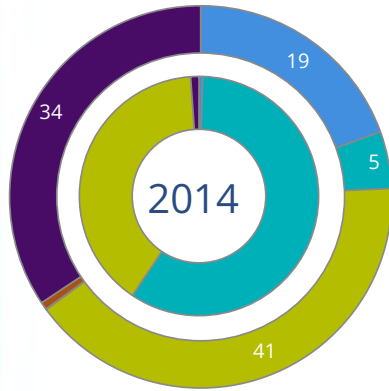
By Race/Ethnicity

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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,834	448	24	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	11	25	-
Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,596	797	30	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,771	7,238	36	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	15	27	-
2 or More Races	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,161	387	33	-
White	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,943	2,944	42	-
Race Unknown	28,518	4,041	14	31,541	13,812	43	33,728	20,469	60	1,094	114	10	↓33

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	2,381	58	10,620	76	17,703	86	8,211	68	↓	-8
In-Person	1,597	39	3,070	22	2,491	12	3,637	30	↑	8
Not-In-Person	22	0	118	0	254	1	97	0	→	0
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	41	1	-	-	14	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/nsleve/nsleve-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	10%	42%	60%	32%
22-24	11%	41%	59%	34%
25-29	16%	43%	56%	37%
30-39	25%	48%	62%	43%
40-49	36%	60%	74%	56%
50+	49%	72%	84%	71%

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	13,732	1,423	10	16,734	7,136	42	17,392	10,512	60	17,846	5,779	32	↓ -10
22-24	7,034	792	11	7,203	2,971	41	7,997	4,780	59	7,700	2,677	34	↓ -6
25-29	3,936	665	16	3,850	1,685	43	4,171	2,362	56	3,888	1,476	37	↓ -5
30-39	2,588	659	25	2,514	1,228	48	2,783	1,741	62	2,640	1,156	43	↓ -5
40-49	842	310	36	868	524	60	978	729	74	1,007	571	56	↓ -3
50+	386	192	49	372	268	72	407	345	84	415	295	71	→ 0

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2020			2022			2018-2022	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Female	14,048	2,123	15	16,038	7,699	48	17,538	11,183	63	17,607	6,839	38	 -9	
Male	14,469	1,918	13	15,499	6,111	39	16,189	9,286	57	15,888	5,114	32	 -7	

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	24,006	2,976	12	27,191	11,641	42	28,898	17,293	59	28,769	9,796	34	↓ -8
Graduate	4,003	984	24	4,165	2,090	50	4,643	3,052	65	4,537	2,080	45	↓ -4
Class Unknown	509	81	15	185	81	43	187	124	66	190	78	41	↓ -2
CLASS YEAR													
Freshman	5,568	520	9	5,555	2,205	39	5,570	3,090	55	6,296	1,813	28	↓ -10
Sophomore	4,359	459	10	5,537	2,344	42	5,392	3,165	58	5,313	1,673	31	↓ -10
Upperclassman	14,060	1,991	14	15,669	6,871	43	17,412	10,690	61	16,722	6,099	36	↓ -7
ENROLLMENT STATUS													
Full-time	20,676	2,522	12	24,459	10,496	42	24,869	14,859	59	23,737	8,055	33	↓ -8
Part-time	7,842	1,519	19	7,082	3,316	46	8,859	5,610	63	9,759	3,899	39	↓ -6

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	621	64	10	606	216	35	679	381	56	849	227	26	 -8
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	37	16	43	55	43	78	46	35	76	39	22	56	 -21
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,927	206	10	2,382	994	41	2,457	1,444	58	2,801	934	33	 -8
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,192	416	13	3,351	1,477	44	3,974	2,445	61	5,441	1,789	32	 -11
Communication and Journalism	838	121	14	1,114	586	52	1,132	792	69	886	388	43	 -8

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	1,015	153	15	2,193	909	41	2,414	1,452	60	3,697	1,302	35	↓ -6
Construction Trades	179	15	8	202	61	30	292	172	58	299	79	26	↓ -3
Education	958	267	27	830	493	59	661	514	77	834	456	54	↓ -4
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	3,317	313	9	3,209	1,165	36	3,136	1,659	52	2,831	867	30	↓ -5
English Language and Literature	498	108	21	516	306	59	493	358	72	424	205	48	↓ -10
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	46	27	58	-
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	147	29	19	165	68	41	205	114	55	180	72	40	↓ -1
Health Professions	1,055	152	14	1,831	857	46	1,549	987	63	1,697	633	37	↓ -9
History	355	107	30	389	232	59	397	289	72	342	179	52	↓ -7
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	959	140	14	900	367	40	961	568	59	895	272	30	↓ -10
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	1,646	128	7	1,848	617	33	1,694	947	55	1,733	476	27	↓ -5

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	-	-	-	136	66	48	212	143	67	226	96	42	 -6
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	5,070	552	10	4,975	1,973	39	5,970	3,326	55	3,555	1,014	28	 -11
Mathematics and Statistics	401	66	16	383	157	40	396	244	61	318	133	41	 0
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,239	171	13	1,189	535	44	1,168	727	62	852	321	37	 -7
Philosophy and Religious Studies	53	18	33	70	30	42	61	38	62	51	22	43	 0
Social Sciences	969	279	28	1,160	668	57	1,243	856	68	1,000	512	51	 -6
Visual and Performing Arts	666	104	15	642	338	52	746	508	68	804	376	46	 -5
Unknown	486	77	15	186	83	44	199	128	64	197	82	41	 -2

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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