

NSLVE Student Voting 2012-2016

Introduction	Turnout	Race/Ethnicity	Gender	Age	Education Level
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About NSLVE

NSLVE is a study of 10,066,238 students enrolled in college at the time of the 2012 election and 10,359,629 students enrolled at the time of the 2016 election. These students were enrolled at 1,115 participating higher education institutions^[1] in the U.S., across all 50 states. Participating institutions give NSLVE permission for their student enrollment records to be matched with public voting records, yielding precise statistics on their students' turnout. The 10 million students in NSLVE resemble the approximately 20 million college students in the U.S. demographically.

NSLVE Population

	2012				2016			
	4-year Public	Private	2-year Public	Total	4-year Public	Private	2-year Public	Total
Number of Students	6,123,296	1,552,339	2,387,364	10,062,999	6,428,337	1,735,412	2,192,908	10,356,657
Number of Institutions	438	371	290	1,099	439	379	294	1,112

Characteristics of the NSLVE Data Set

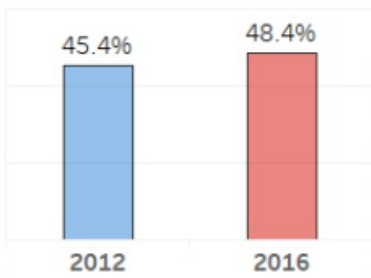
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Election Year: ■ 2012 ■ 2016

Overall NSLVE Voter Turnout

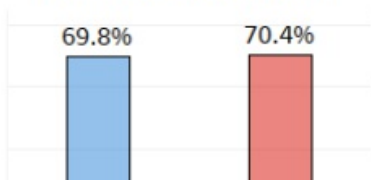


Overall Turnout by Institution Type



Overall, NSLVE students voted at higher rates in 2016 than 2012 by about three percentage points, from 45.1% to 48.3%. Relative to the general U.S. population of 18 to 24-year-olds, NSLVE student turnout was somewhat higher in both election years and increased slightly more between elections. Registration rates rose only slightly among NSLVE students, but voting rates among those who were registered increased more, by three p..

NSLVE Registration Rate



Registration Rate by Institution Type



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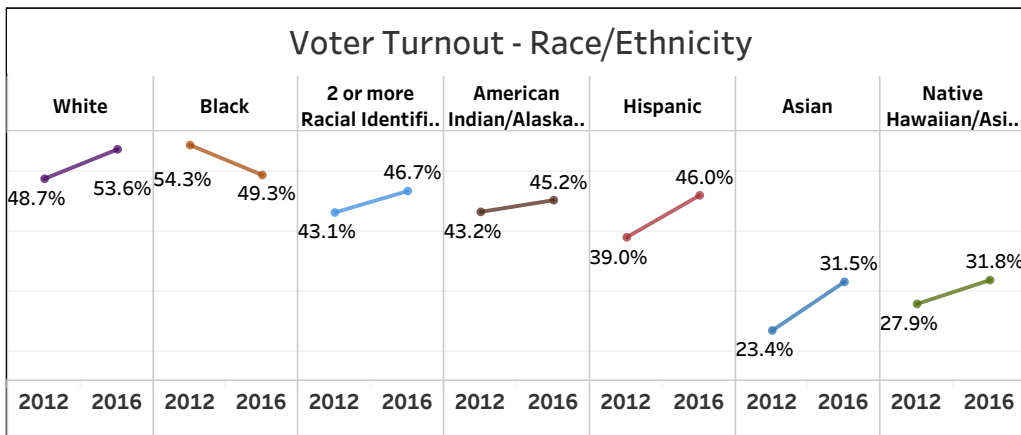
Race/ethnicity information is available for 27% of NSLVE students in 2012 and 42% and in 2016.

Undergraduate or Graduate
All

2-year or 4-year
All

Public or Private
All

- Race/Ethnicity Legend
- White
 - Black
 - 2 or more Racial Identification
 - American Indian/Alaskan Native
 - Hispanic
 - Asian
 - Native Hawaiian/Asian/Pacific Islander



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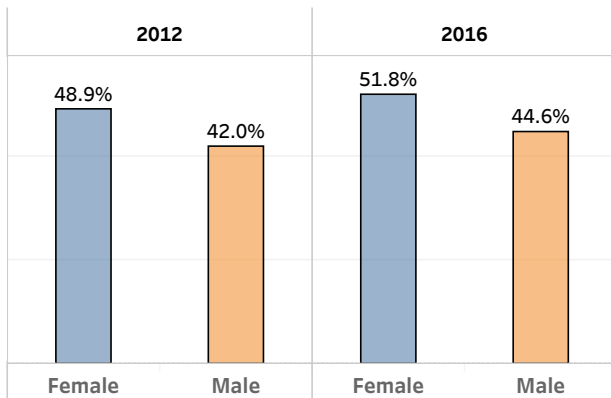
Gender data is available for 35% of students in 2012 and 48% in 2016.

Public or Private
All

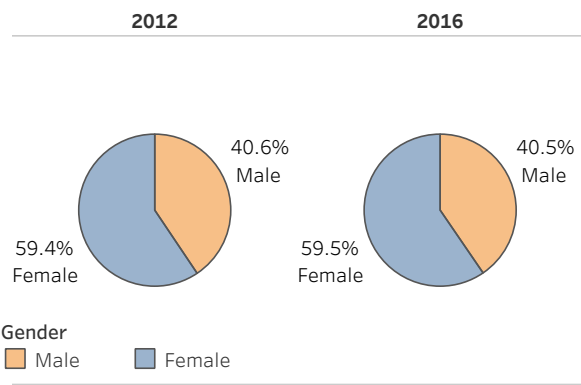
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Voter Turnout - Gender



Vote Share - Gender



Voter Turnout - Gender and Race

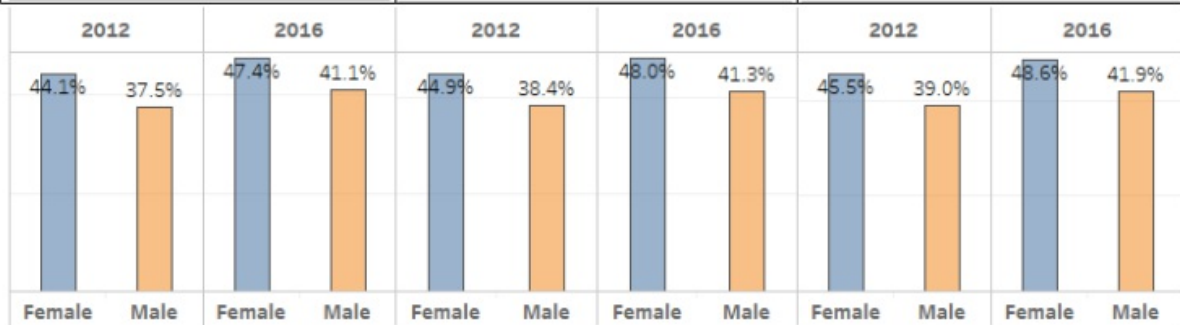
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Voter Turnout - 18-21 Years Old		Voter Turnout - 18-24 Years Old		Voter Turnout - 18-29 Years Old	
2012	41.0%		41.8%		42.3%
2016	45.0%		45.2%		45.8%



Voter Turnout - All Age Groups

Gender
■ Female
■ Male



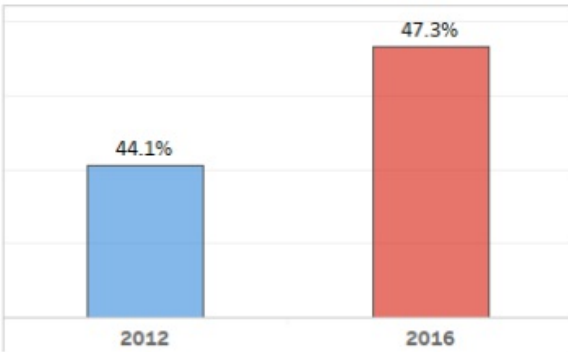
Vote Share - Age Group

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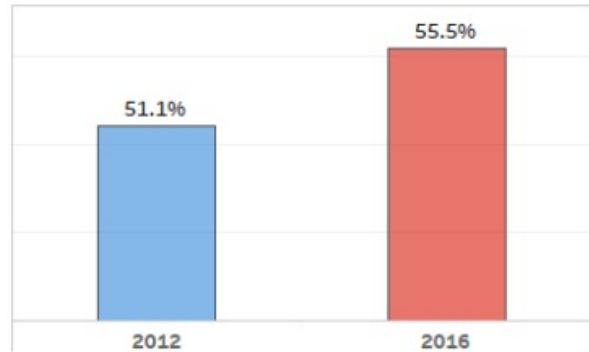
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		NATIONAL STUDY OF LEARNING, VOTING, AND ENGAGEMENT	Class year information is available for about half of NSLVE students in 2012 and for nearly all students in 2016.
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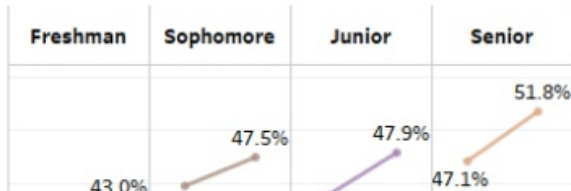
Voter Turnout- Undergraduate



Voter Turnout- Graduate



Undergraduate Breakdown



Graduate Breakdown

