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2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for East Tennessee State University

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About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE). Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, more than 1,000 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2018 federal elections. Along with others, your institution's participation in this study has helped us build a robust database for research on more than 10 million de-identified student records for each election year.

NSLVE is a signature initiative of the Institute for Democracy and Higher Education (IDHE) at Tufts University's Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life. IDHE is an applied research center focused on college and university student political learning and participation in democracy. IDHE researchers study voting, campus conditions for political learning and discussion, closing equity gaps in participation, and increasing student agency and participation. We accomplish our goals through research, resource development, assisting institutions and the higher education community, and advocacy.

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 voted in the 2014 and 2018 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse and publicly available voting files collected by Catalist. We exclude FERPA-blocked records. (For exceptions for campuses with disproportionately high numbers of FERPA blocked students, see our Campus Reports FAQ.)

The institutional voting rates reported on page 3 are adjusted by deducting an estimated number of students identified by each institution as non-resident aliens and reported to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). For breakdowns by student characteristics in subsequent pages of the report, we cannot consistently adjust for students who are ineligible to vote: non-resident aliens (international students), resident aliens (undocumented students), and students who have been disenfranchised due to a felony conviction. As a result, your institution's actual voting rate may be higher than we report. If you have access to more complete data for students who are ineligible to vote, you may recalculate your rates by using the Recalculation Tool -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve-recalculation-tool.

To read more about NSLVE data, see our Campus Reports FAQ -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/frequently-asked-questio

Reviewing the Data

Use the following key to interpret the charts:

* = number of students is less than 10

n/a = no data was collected or calculated for this field.

What to do next?

☐ Review the data and identify your challenges and opportunities. This report provides comparisons between subgroups of your students and with similar institutions. For more comparisons or to see national voter registration and voting rates, read our national report, Democracy Counts 2018. To access our data portals -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/public-data-portal-visualizations.

☐ Share the report widely and strategically by sharing it with institutional leaders, faculty across disciplines, student government leaders, and other student groups.

☐ Read and implement *Election Imperatives*, ten recommendations for improving your campus climate for student political learning, discourse, equity, and participation -

https://idhe.tufts.edu/electionimperatives.

☐ Work with us. IDHE can help via virtual office hours, webinars, brown bag discussions, coaching, and in-person workshops.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data, resources and upcoming opportunities visit our website: https://idhe.tufts.edu.

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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at NSLVE@tufts.edu.

Warm regards,

IDHE Team



Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate

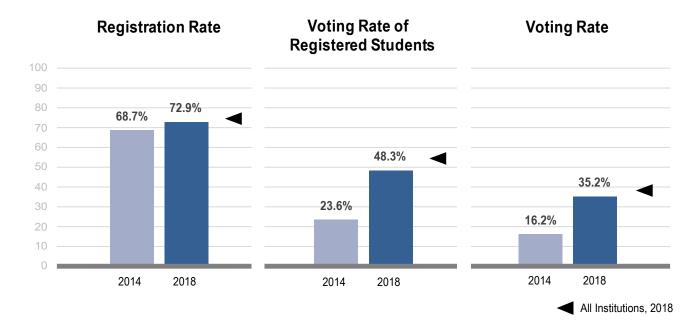
35.2%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+19.0

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	13,643	13,963 1	320
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(179) (454) (21)	(286) (601) (15)	
Total eligible voters	12,989	13,061	72
Number of students who registered	8,920	9,522 1	602
Number of students who voted	2,105	4,600 1	2,495
Registration rate	68.7%	72.9% 🜓	4.2
Voting rate of registered students	23.6%	48.3% 1	24.7
Voting rate	16.2%	35.2% 🜓	19.0
Difference from all institutions	-3.5	-3.9	

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HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions

19.7%

HIGH 54.0%

LOW 1.5% 2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH 64.1%

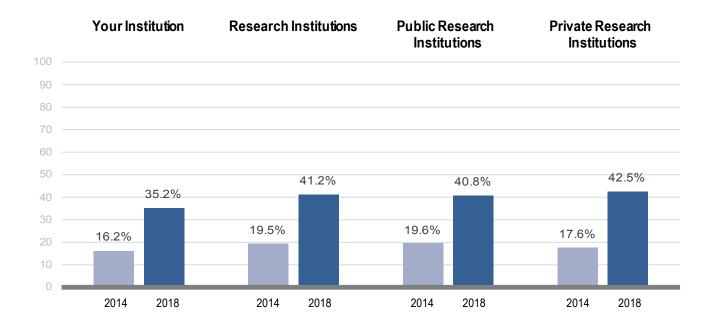
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

-3.5

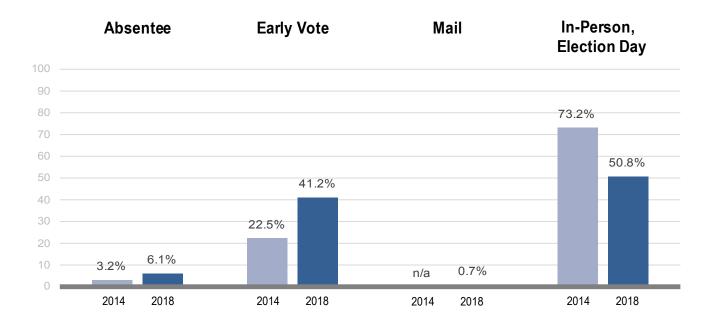
Difference from All Institutions

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By Voting Method*

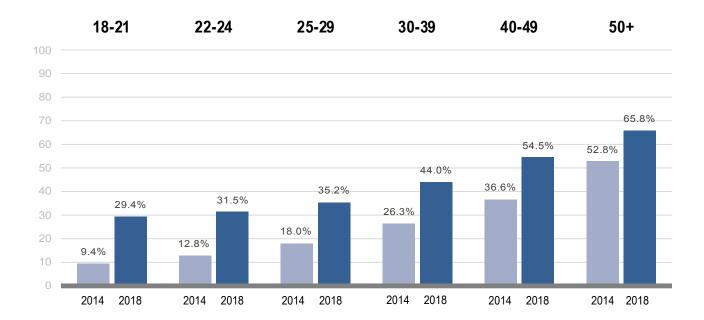


	20	14	20			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	67	3.2%	282	6.1%	•	3.0
Early Vote	473	22.5%	1,893	41.2%	•	18.7
Mail	*	n/a	32	0.7%		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	1,541	73.2%	2,338	50.8%	1	-22.4
Unknown	22	1.1%	55	1.2%		
Total	2,105		4,600			

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high number of voting method "Unknown", it means that this information was not reported by local officals where your students voted.

By Age Group*

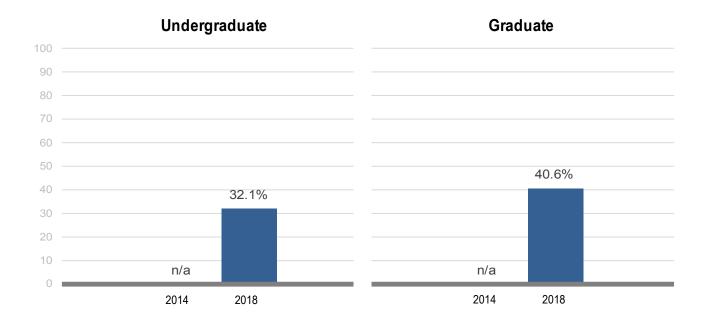


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	6,389	602	9.4%	6,908	2,030	29.4%	•	20.0
22-24	2,833	362	12.8%	2,987	940	31.5%	•	18.7
25-29	1,694	305	18.0%	1,635	576	35.2%	•	17.2
30-39	1,424	375	26.3%	1,313	578	44.0%	•	17.7
40-49	747	273	36.6%	556	303	54.5%	•	18.0
50+	356	188	52.8%	263	173	65.8%	•	13.0
Unknown	0			0				

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by age at the time of the election. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

By Education Level*

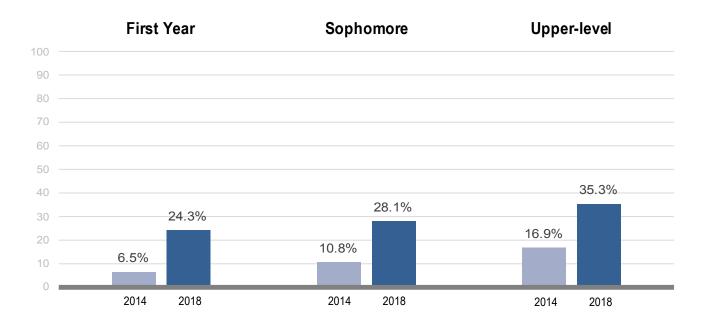


		2014			2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	8,781	2,821	32.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	2,964	1,203	40.6%	n/a
Unknown	13,443			1,917			

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by undergraduate and graduate students. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

By Undergraduate Class Year*

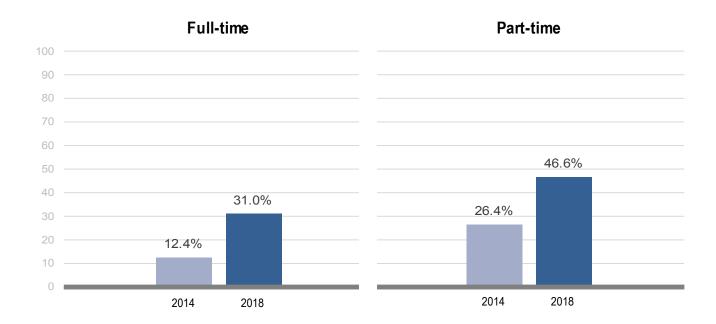


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	2,903	189	6.5%	2,350	570	24.3%	1	17.8
Sophomore	1,998	216	10.8%	1,957	549	28.1%	1	17.2
Upper-level	6,079	1,030	16.9%	6,163	2,174	35.3%	1	18.3

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by undergraduate students' class level. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

By Enrollment Status*

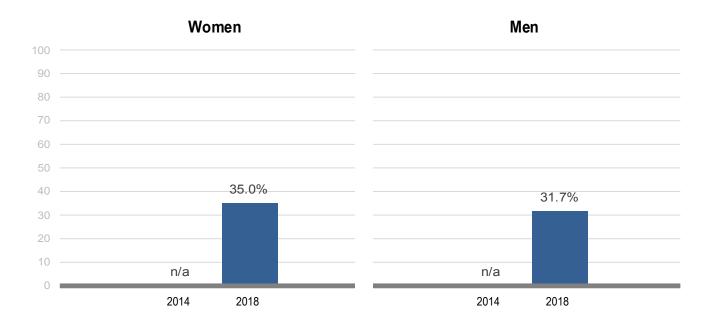


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	10,282	1,272	12.4%	11,352	3,524	31.0%	•	18.7
Part-time	3,161	833	26.4%	2,308	1,075	46.6%	•	20.2
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by part-time and full-time students. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

By Gender*

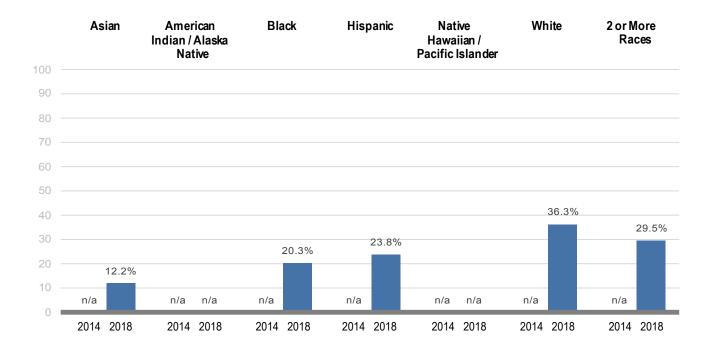


		2014		2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Women	0	0	n/a	7,785	2,725	35.0%	n/a
Men	0	0	n/a	5,295	1,679	31.7%	n/a
Unknown	13,443			582			

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^{*} Your students' data broken down by gender. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students.

By Race/Ethnicity*



	2014						
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Asian	0	0	n/a	329	40	12.2%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	24	*	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	989	201	20.3%	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	365	87	23.8%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	13	*	n/a	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	10,677	3,870	36.3%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	420	124	29.5%	n/a
Unknown	13,443			845			

^{*} Your students' data broken down by race. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students. For this page, we consider international students of unknown race/ethnicity.

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By Field of Study*

* Your students' data broken down by field of study. To provide more accurate voting rates, students ineligible to vote because they were too young, students whose age data was not reported to the Clearinghouse, as well as records that were FERPA blocked are removed from this table. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens, resident aliens or undocumented students. The green and red highlighted values below represent your campus's top three and bottom three voting rates by field of study.

		2014			2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	22	*	n/a	19	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	487	46	9.5%	609	162	26.6% 👚	17.2
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,385	176	12.7%	738	263	35.6% 🎓	22.9
Communication and Journalism	320	34	10.6%	395	135	34.2% 👚	23.6
Communications Technologies/Technicians	290	22	7.6%	277	63	22.7% 👚	15.2
Computer and Information Sciences	403	47	11.7%	490	172	35.1% 🎓	23.4
Education	966	286	29.6%	657	345	52.5% 👚	22.9
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	384	40	10.4%	466	132	28.3% 👚	17.9
English Language and Literature	278	61	21.9%	276	98	35.5% 👚	13.6
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	191	32	16.8%	89	35	39.3% 👚	22.6
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	50	*	n/a	47	17	36.2%	n/a
Health Professions	3,161	539	17.1%	3,510	1,189	33.9% 👚	16.8
History	256	63	24.6%	211	85	40.3% 👚	15.7
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	482	56	11.6%	360	113	31.4% 👚	19.8
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,210	165	13.6%	343	117	34.1% 🁚	20.5
Mathematics and Statistics	150	23	15.3%	110	35	31.8% 👚	16.5
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	812	63	7.8%	694	160	23.1% 👚	15.3
Philosophy and Religious Studies	25	*	n/a	34	*	n/a	n/a
Physical Sciences	328	44	13.4%	344	119	34.6% 👚	21.2
Psychology	613	88	14.4%	657	214	32.6% 👚	18.2
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	468	82	17.5%	582	234	40.2% 👚	22.7
Social Sciences	343	76	22.2%	279	120	43.0% 👚	20.9
Visual and Performing Arts	505	71	14.1%	543	189	34.8% 👚	20.8

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Unknown 314 70 **22.3%** 1,932 586 **30.3% 1**

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://idhe.tufts.edu.

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