

### **SEPTEMBER 2019**

**2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT** 

Student Voting Rates for Keene State College

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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-questions.

#### **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

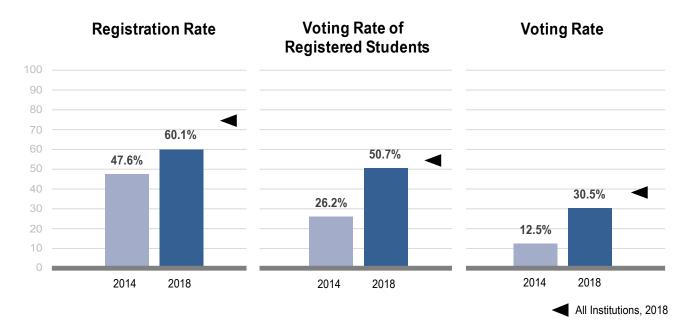
30.5%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+18.0

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	4,824	3,503 👢	-1,321
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(25)	(13)	
FERPA records blocked	(58)	(37)	
Total eligible voters	4,739	3,447	-1,292
Number of students who registered	2,254	2,071 👢	-183
Number of students who voted	591	1,050 👚	459
Registration rate	47.6%	60.1%	12.5
Voting rate of registered students	26.2%	50.7%	24.5
Voting rate	12.5%	30.5%	18.0
Difference from all institutions	-7.2	-8.6	

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### **HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS**

### By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions

HIGH 54.0%

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

HIGH 64.1%

19.7%

LOW 1.5%

39.1%

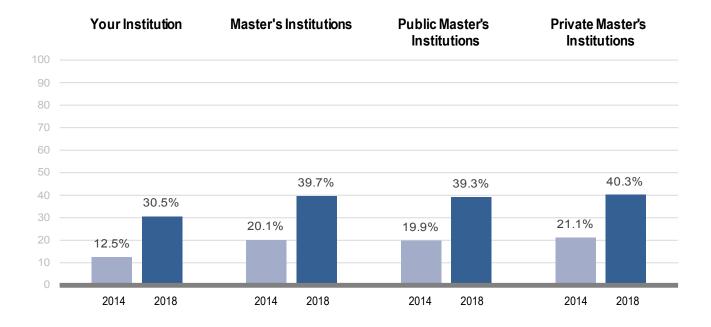
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

-7.2

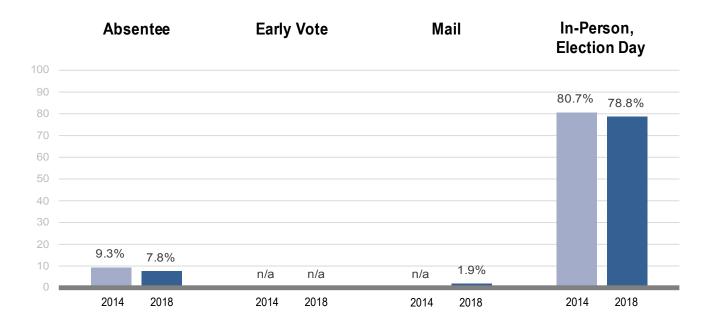
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## By Voting Method\*

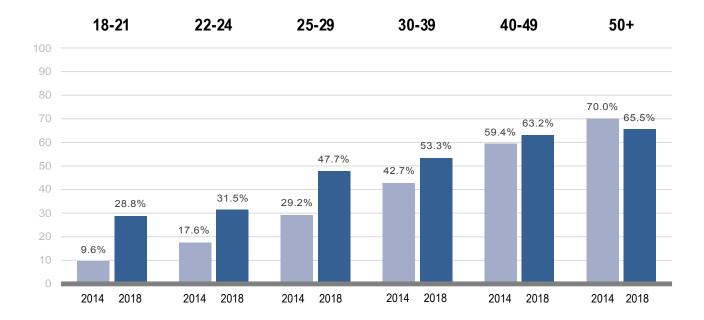


	2014		20	2018		
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate		Change
Absentee	55	9.3%	82	7.8%	Ţ	-1.5
Early Vote	0	n/a	*	n/a		n/a
Mail	*	n/a	20	1.9%		n/a
In-Person, Election Day	477	80.7%	827	78.8%	1	-1.9
Unknown	58	9.8%	119	11.3%		
Total	591		1,050			

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

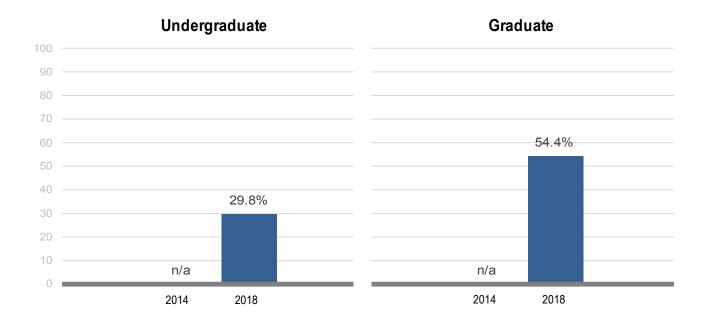


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
18-21	3,920	377	9.6%	2,878	829	28.8%	•	19.2
22-24	557	98	17.6%	394	124	31.5%	•	13.9
25-29	96	28	29.2%	88	42	47.7%	•	18.6
30-39	96	41	42.7%	45	24	53.3%	•	10.6
40-49	32	19	59.4%	19	12	63.2%	•	3.8
50+	40	28	70.0%	29	19	65.5%	₽	-4.5
Unknown	0			0				

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

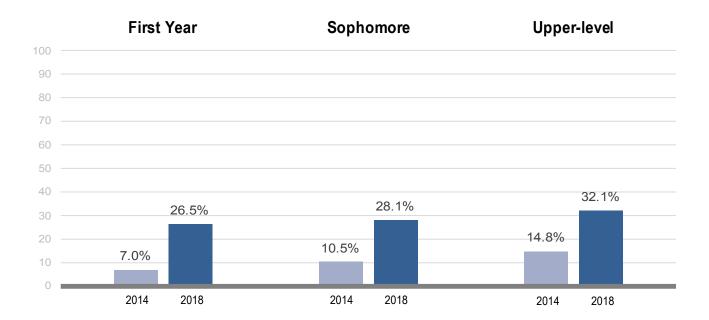


	2014				2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	3,350	997	29.8%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	46	25	54.4%	n/a
Unknown	4,741			57			

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

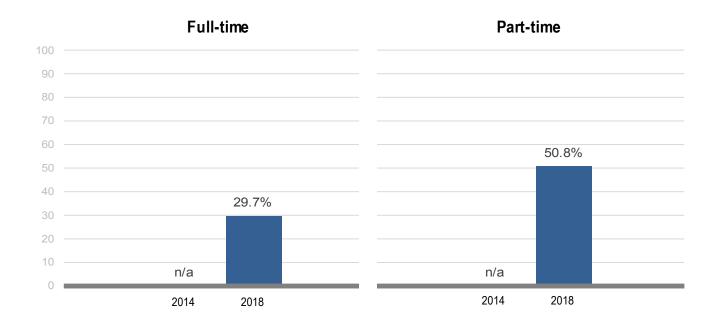


	2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	1,338	93	7.0%	925	245	26.5%	•	19.5
Sophomore	1,110	116	10.5%	741	208	28.1%	•	17.6
Upper-level	2,111	312	14.8%	1,680	540	32.1%	•	17.4

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

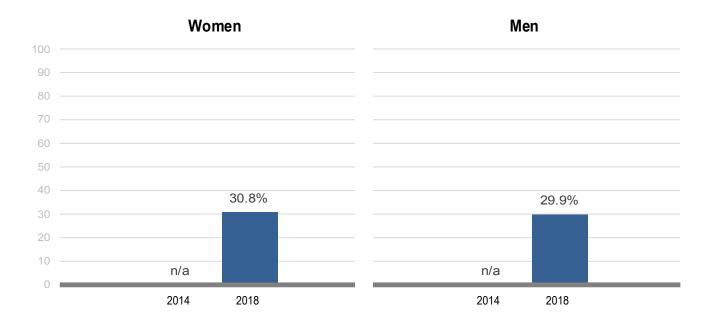


	2014				2018		
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Full-time	0	0	n/a	3,329	987	29.7%	n/a
Part-time	0	0	n/a	124	63	50.8%	n/a
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

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<sup>\*</sup> 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\*

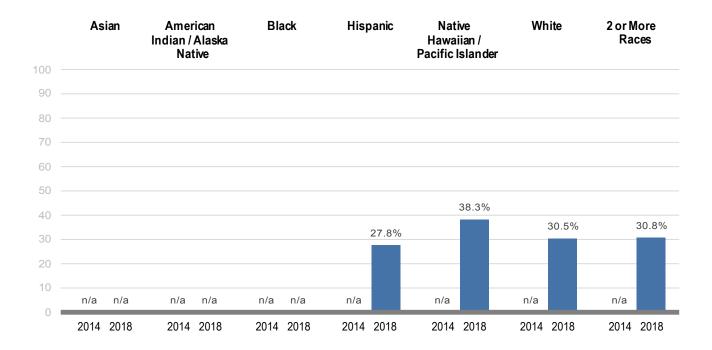


		2014		2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change
Women	0	0	n/a	1,920	592	30.8%	n/a
Men	0	0	n/a	1,533	458	29.9%	n/a
Unknown	4,741			0			

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<sup>\*</sup> 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	47	*	n/a	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	60	*	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	144	40	27.8%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	217	83	38.3%	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	2,900	883	30.5%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	65	20	30.8%	n/a
Unknown	4,741			14	,	,	

<sup>\*</sup> 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
Architecture	105	11	10.5%	113	27	23.9% 👚	13.4
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	19	*	n/a	16	10	62.5%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	105	15	14.3%	141	41	29.1% 🎓	14.8
Business, Management, and Marketing	185	22	11.9%	237	55	23.2% 👚	11.3
Communication and Journalism	157	22	14.0%	146	56	38.4% 👚	24.4
Computer and Information Sciences	99	24	24.2%	94	29	30.9% 🎓	6.6
Education	449	57	12.7%	503	160	31.8% 🁚	19.1
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	459	44	9.6%	367	84	22.9% 👚	13.3
English Language and Literature	90	15	16.7%	59	20	33.9% 👚	17.2
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	17	*	n/a	14	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	497	48	9.7%	302	70	23.2% 👚	13.5
History	64	12	18.8%	28	13	46.4% 👚	27.7
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	27	*	n/a	145	38	26.2%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,407	122	8.7%	385	104	27.0% 🎓	18.3
Mathematics and Statistics	26	*	n/a	28	12	42.9%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	59	*	n/a	32	13	40.6%	n/a
Natural Resources and Conservation	66	11	16.7%	73	24	32.9% 👚	16.2
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	81	*	n/a	64	13	20.3%	n/a
Physical Sciences	61	13	21.3%	27	12	44.4% 🎓	23.1
Psychology	164	19	11.6%	187	68	36.4% 👚	24.8
Social Sciences	157	31	19.8%	115	42	36.5% 👚	16.8
Visual and Performing Arts	325	41	12.6%	315	125	39.7% 👚	27.1
Unknown	122	55	45.1%	62	31	50.0% 👚	4.9

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