

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Montclair 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 this 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,

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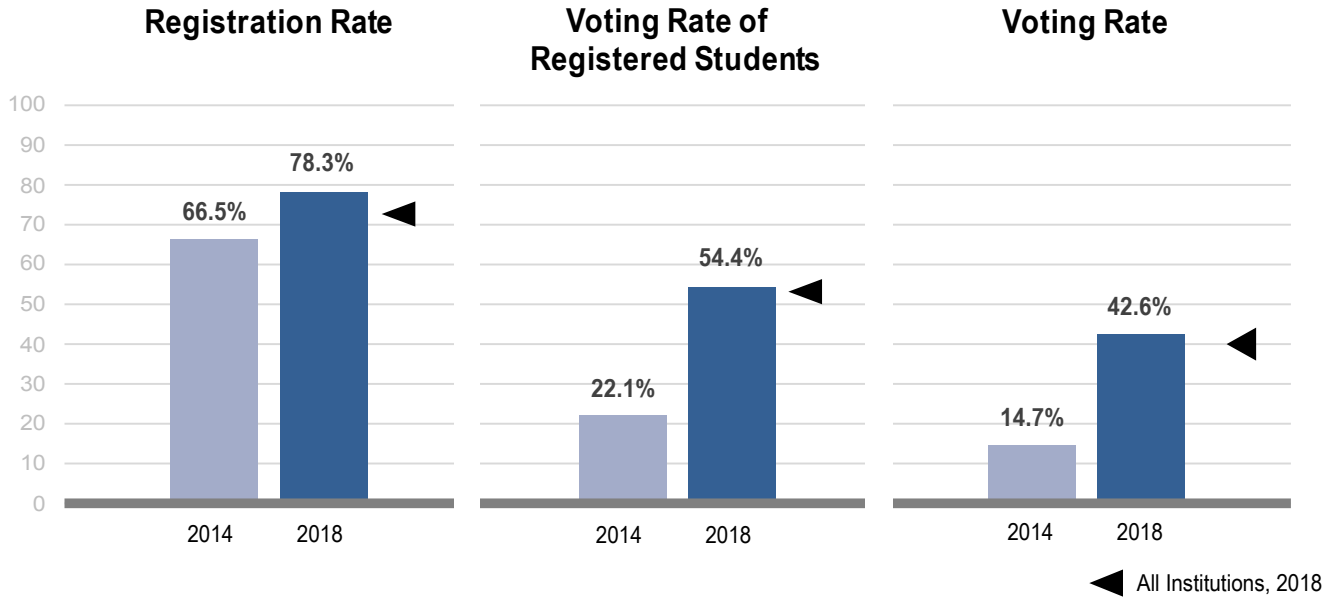
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
42.6%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+27.9

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	19,649	21,122	↑ 1,473
Age under 18/Unknown	(99)	(90)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(539)	(610)	
FERPA records blocked	*	(11)	
Total eligible voters	19,002	20,411	↑ 1,409
Number of students who registered	12,632	15,987	↑ 3,355
Number of students who voted	2,794	8,699	↑ 5,905
Registration rate	66.5%	78.3%	↑ 11.8
Voting rate of registered students	22.1%	54.4%	↑ 32.3
Voting rate	14.7%	42.6%	↑ 27.9
Difference from all institutions	-5.0	+3.5	

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

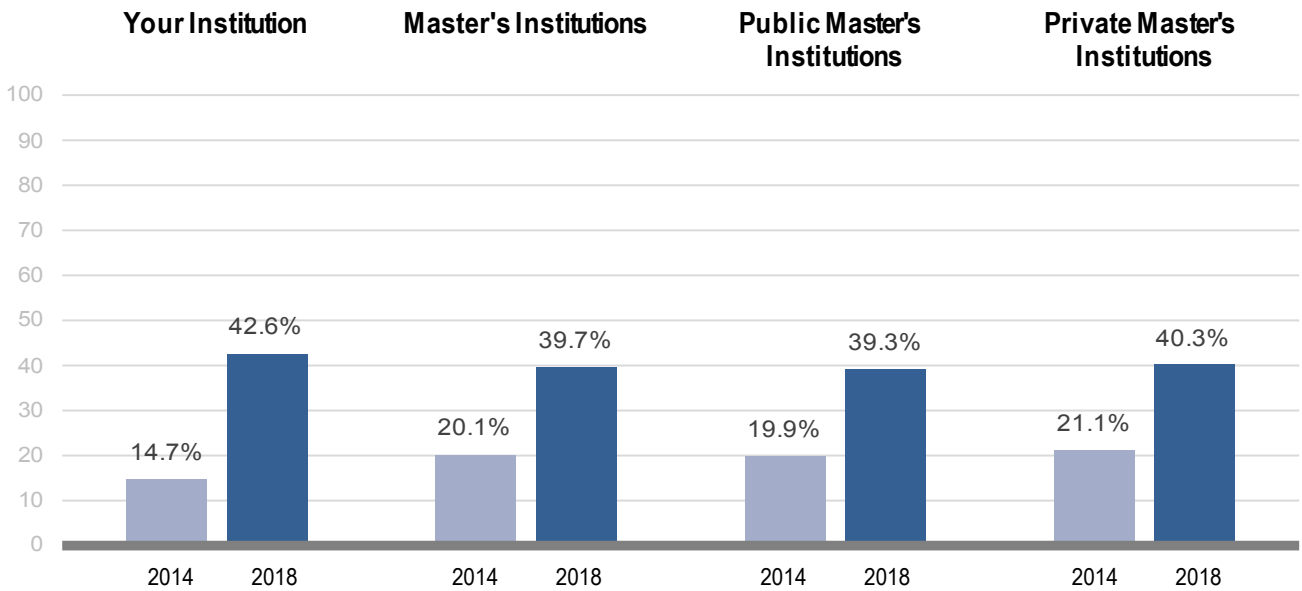
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

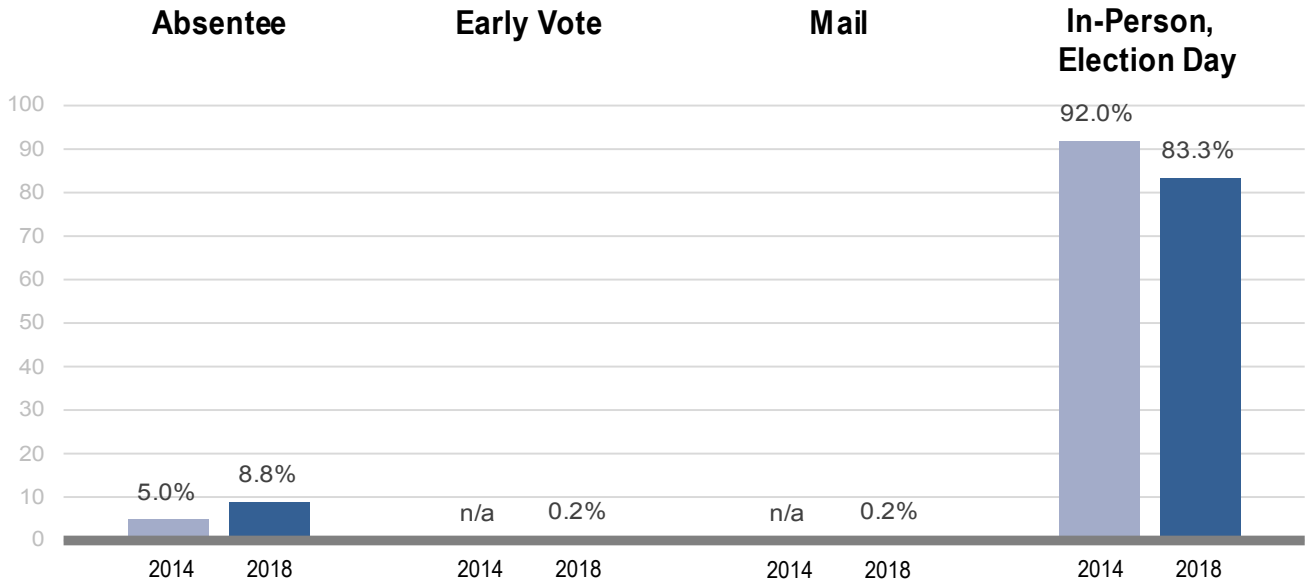
Difference from All Institutions **-5.0**

Difference from All Institutions **+3.5**



YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

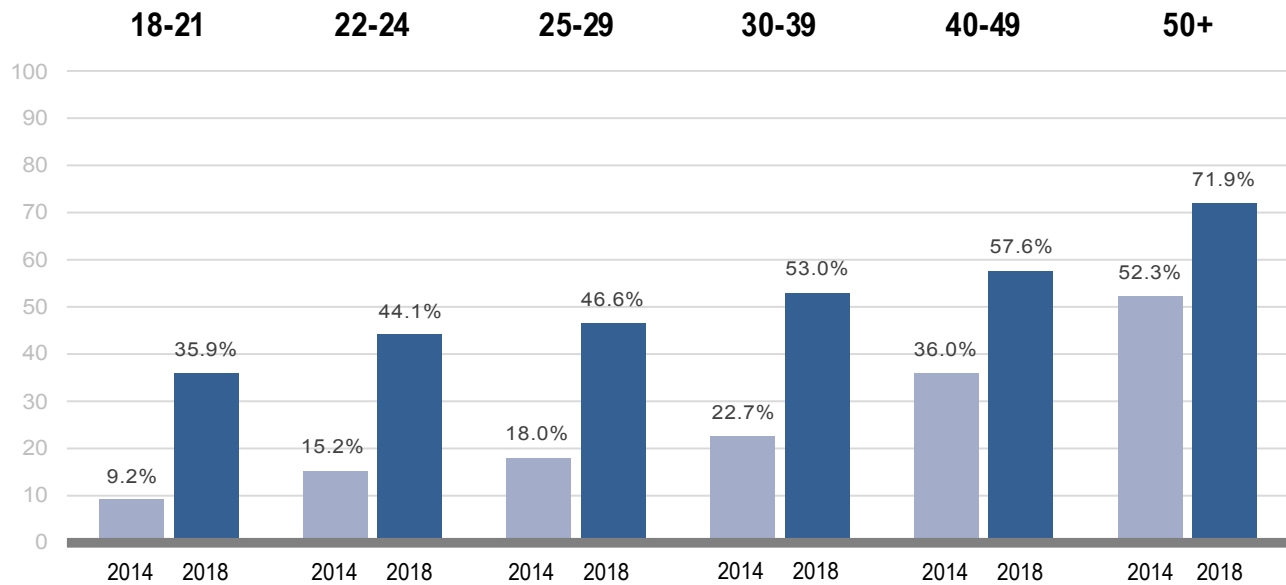


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	140	5.0%	769	8.8%	↑ 3.8
Early Vote	*	n/a	13	0.2%	n/a
Mail	*	n/a	19	0.2%	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	2,569	92.0%	7,248	83.3%	↓ -8.6
Unknown	82	2.9%	650	7.5%	
Total	2,794		8,699		

* 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 officials where your students voted.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Age Group*

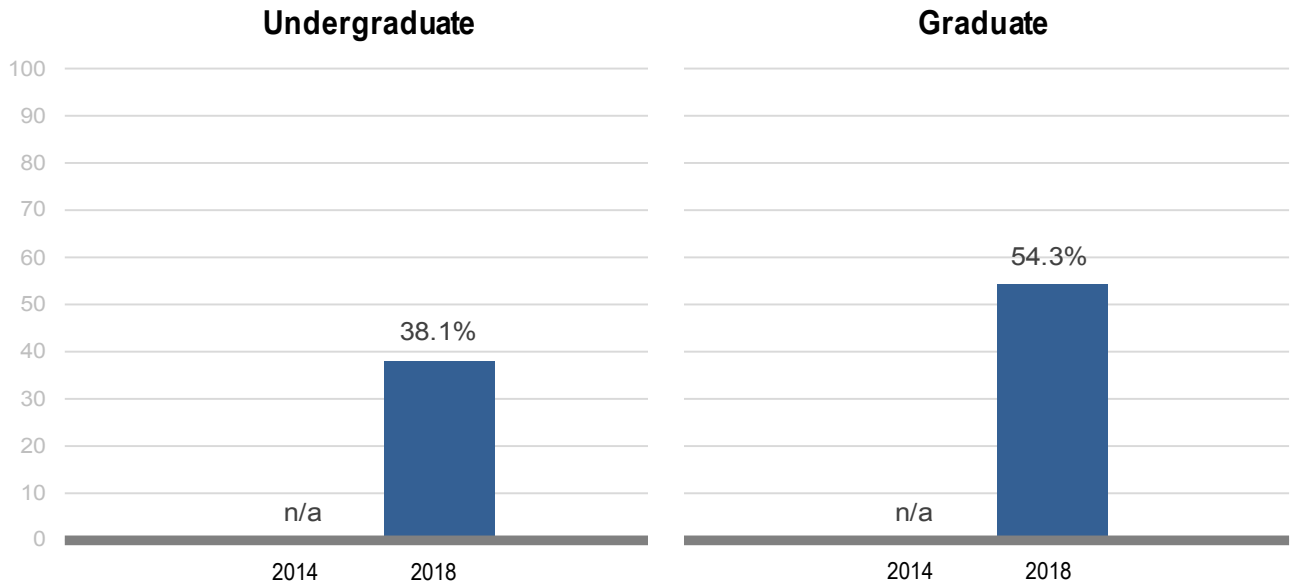


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	10,401	957	9.2%	11,529	4,144	35.9%	↑ 26.7
22-24	4,169	634	15.2%	4,638	2,047	44.1%	↑ 28.9
25-29	2,443	439	18.0%	2,482	1,157	46.6%	↑ 28.7
30-39	1,549	351	22.7%	1,440	763	53.0%	↑ 30.3
40-49	606	218	36.0%	573	330	57.6%	↑ 21.6
50+	373	195	52.3%	359	258	71.9%	↑ 19.6
Unknown	0			0			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Education Level*

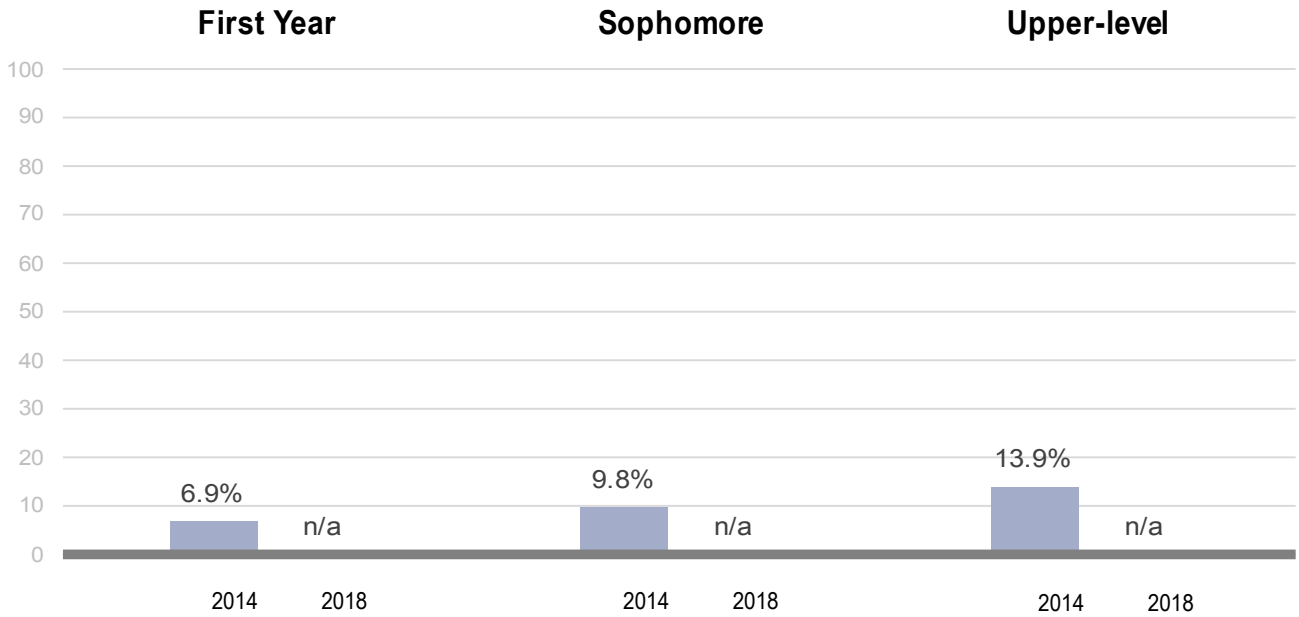


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	16,878	6,433	38.1%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	3,978	2,161	54.3%	n/a
Unknown	19,541			165			

* 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.

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By Undergraduate Class Year*

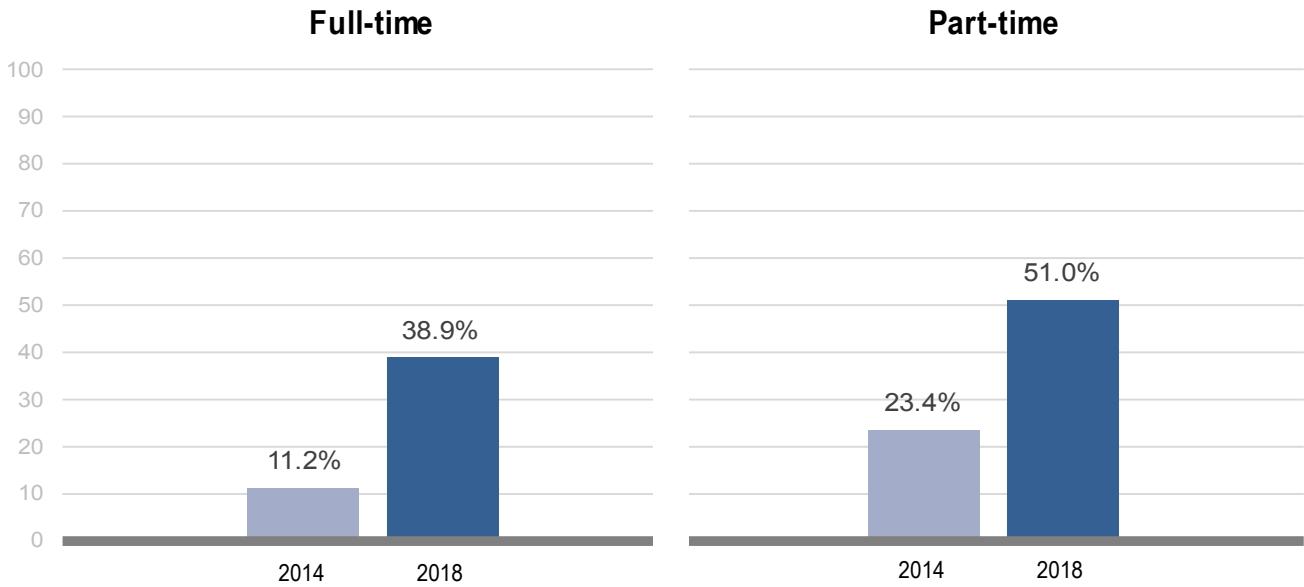


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	3,813	262	6.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Sophomore	3,134	306	9.8%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Upper-level	8,345	1,160	13.9%	0	0	n/a	n/a

* 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.

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By Enrollment Status*

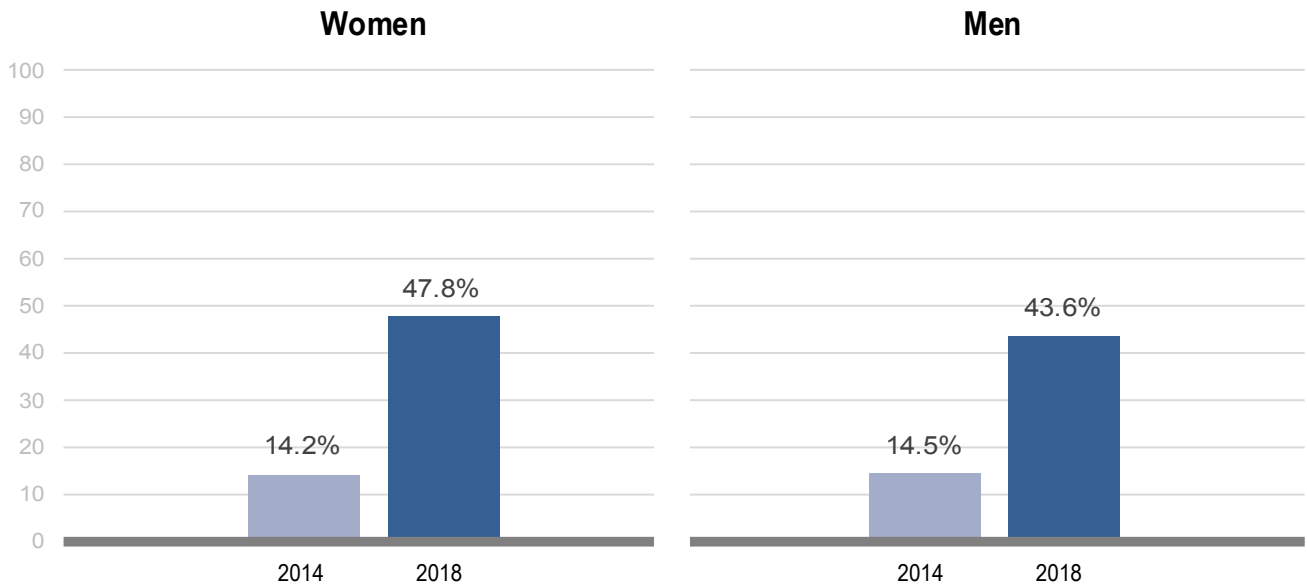


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	14,553	1,626	11.2%	16,627	6,459	38.9%	↑ 27.7
Part-time	4,988	1,168	23.4%	4,394	2,240	51.0%	↑ 27.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Gender*



	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	12,381	1,758	14.2%	3,679	1,757	47.8%	↑ 33.6
Men	7,160	1,036	14.5%	2,067	901	43.6%	↑ 29.1
Unknown	0			15,275			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

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			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	25	*	n/a	25	11	44.0%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,377	133	9.7%	1,236	424	34.3% ↑	24.6
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,374	233	9.8%	3,382	1,271	37.6% ↑	27.8
Communication and Journalism	566	81	14.3%	732	339	46.3% ↑	32.0
Computer and Information Sciences	503	43	8.6%	788	243	30.8% ↑	22.3
Education	1,981	514	26.0%	2,117	1,207	57.0% ↑	31.1
English Language and Literature	654	102	15.6%	557	279	50.1% ↑	34.5
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	1,539	205	13.3%	1,512	623	41.2% ↑	27.9
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	365	52	14.3%	368	155	42.1% ↑	27.9
Health Professions	538	84	15.6%	866	364	42.0% ↑	26.4
History	375	90	24.0%	264	147	55.7% ↑	31.7
Legal Professions and Studies	117	35	29.9%	160	64	40.0% ↑	10.1
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	2,705	346	12.8%	2,293	747	32.6% ↑	19.8
Mathematics and Statistics	399	70	17.5%	251	103	41.0% ↑	23.5
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	678	101	14.9%	850	343	40.4% ↑	25.5
Natural Resources and Conservation	59	14	23.7%	37	17	46.0% ↑	22.2
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	315	29	9.2%	373	130	34.9% ↑	25.6
Personal and Culinary Services	0	0	n/a	40	18	45.0%	n/a
Philosophy and Religious Studies	59	10	17.0%	58	24	41.4% ↑	24.4
Physical Sciences	244	32	13.1%	255	100	39.2% ↑	26.1
Psychology	1,671	188	11.3%	1,679	684	40.7% ↑	29.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	328	100	30.5%	441	223	50.6% ↑	20.1
Science Technologies/Technicians	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a

Social Sciences	713	127	17.8%	804	371	46.1% ↑	28.3
Visual and Performing Arts	1,931	198	10.3%	1,916	803	41.9% ↑	31.7
Unknown	25	*	n/a	12	*	n/a	n/a

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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