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Student Voting Rates for Brown University

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Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to share this tailored report containing your students' voting rates for several recent election cycles. This report contains three years of relevant topline data: the midterm elections of 2014, 2018, and 2022. 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

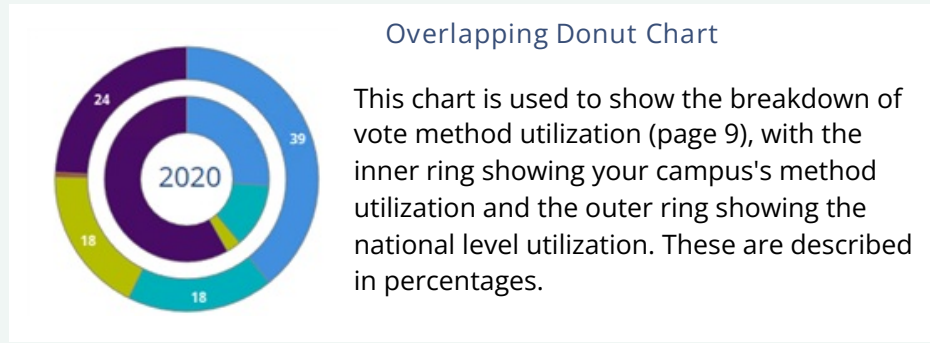
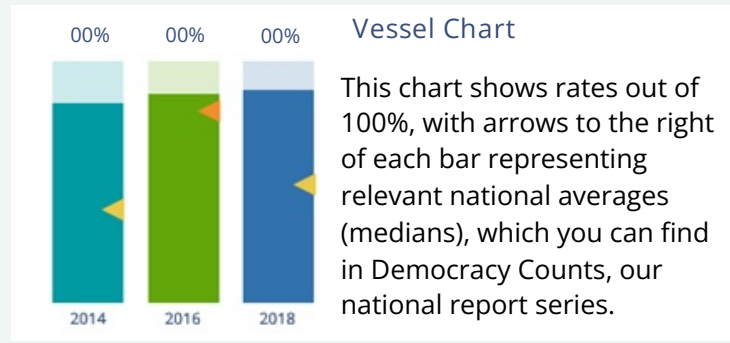
In This Report

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.



Voting, Registration and Yield Rates

YOUR INSTITUTION

32.1%

2022 Voting Rate

-13.7

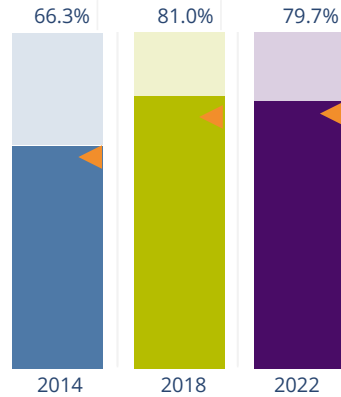
Change From 2018

ALL INSTITUTIONS

30.6%

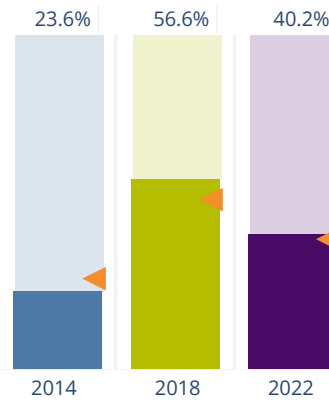
2022 Voting Rate

REGISTRATION RATE



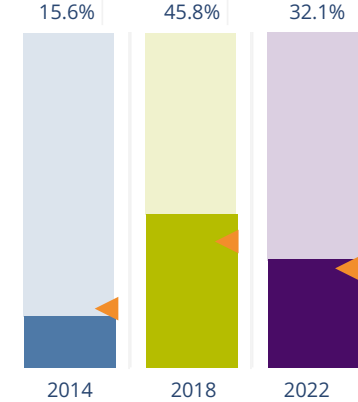
The **Registration Rate** is the percent of your voting-eligible students who registered to vote.

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	2022	2018-2022 Change
Total Student Enrollment	8,808	9,806	10,550	↑ 744
Age under 18/Unknown	76	65	67	↑ 2
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,441	1,676	2,104	↑ 427
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	132	411	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	-	-	-	-
Total eligible voters	7,158	7,645	8,378	↑ 733
Number of students who registered	4,749	6,196	6,680	↑ 484
Number of students who voted	1,120	3,505	2,686	↓ -819
Registration Rate %	66	81	79	↓ -1
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	23	56	40	↓ -16
Voting Rate %	15	45	32	↓ -13

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.

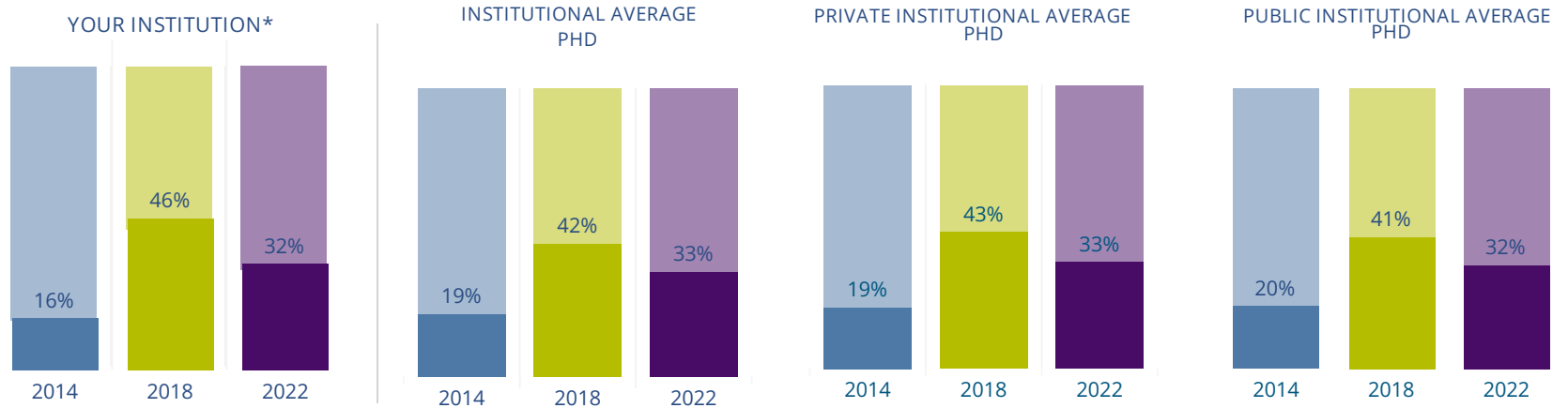
When we have removed non-resident aliens (international students), it is based on your institution's enrollment submission to the NSC. This is indicated by NSC for non-resident aliens data source. We use IPEDS-derived estimates of NRAs when institutions do not submit non-resident alien status data to 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.

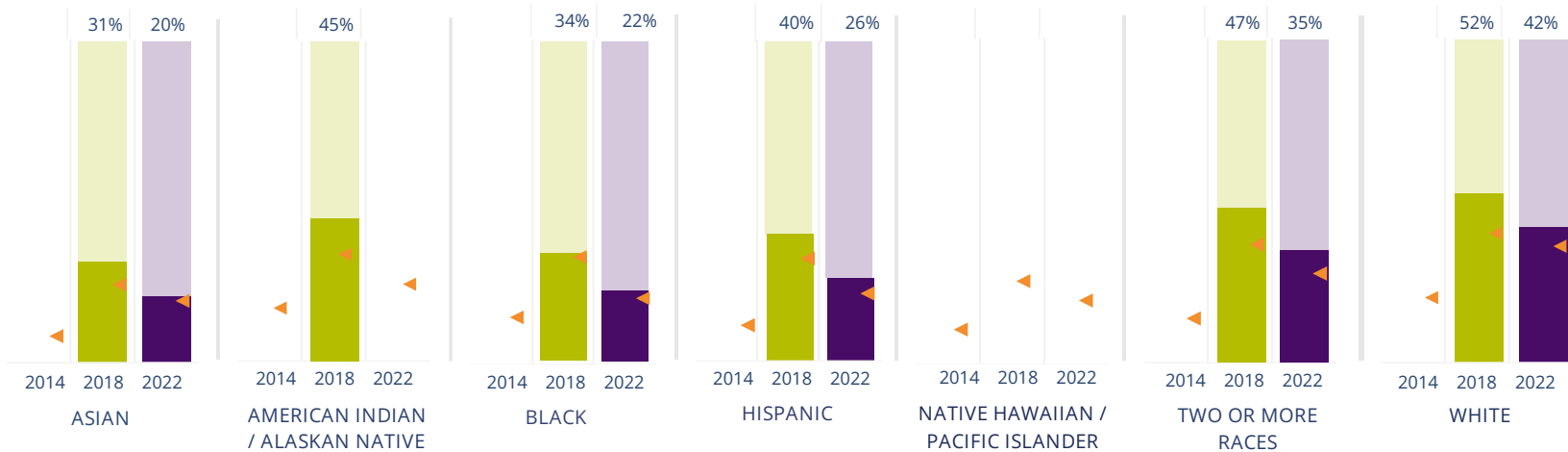
By Institution Types



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>

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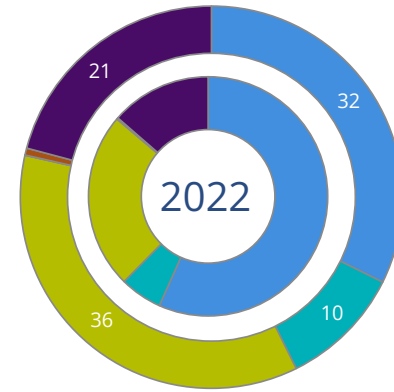
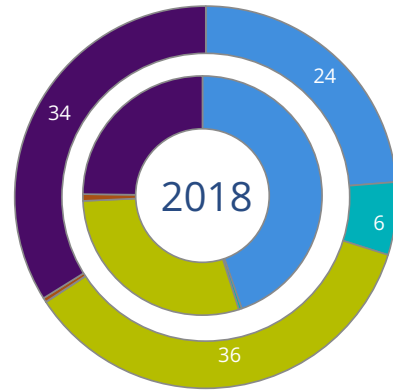
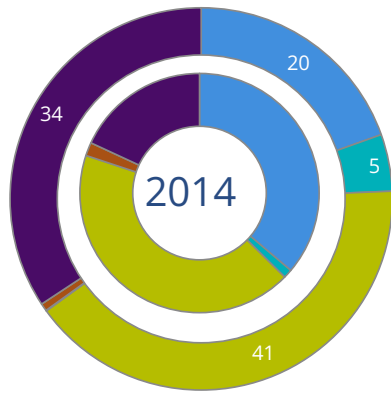
By Race/Ethnicity

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			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Asian	-	-	-	1,274	399	31	1,233	251	20	↓ -10
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	29	13	44	25	-	-	-
Black	-	-	-	567	190	33	606	134	22	↓ -11
Hispanic	-	-	-	962	382	39	668	174	26	↓ -13
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 or More Races	-	-	-	494	234	47	622	217	34	↓ -12
White	-	-	-	3,915	2,042	52	2,975	1,243	41	↓ -10
Race Unknown	8,600	1,120	13	2,070	242	11	4,344	656	15	↑ 3

By Voting Method

■ Not-In-Person
 ■ Early Vote
 ■ In-Person
 ■ Other
 ■ Provisional
 ■ Unknown



	2014		2018		2022		2018-2022	
	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Early Vote	13	1	13	0	154	5	↑	5
In-Person	478	42	1,022	29	640	23	↓	-5
Not-In-Person	406	36	1,566	44	1,524	56	↑	12
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provisional	20	1	30	0	-	-	-	-
Voting Method Unknown	203	18	874	24	363	13	↓	-11

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/nslve/nslve-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	2022
18-21	11%	39%	26%
22-24	12%	31%	21%
25-29	14%	34%	25%
30-39	22%	33%	25%
40-49	46%	52%	38%
50+	-	-	58%

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			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
18-21	5,547	654	11	5,870	2,345	39	6,331	1,680	26	↓ -13
22-24	1,392	169	12	1,575	499	31	1,986	429	21	↓ -10
25-29	1,163	167	14	1,348	470	34	1,453	372	25	↓ -9
30-39	425	96	22	474	161	33	594	153	25	↓ -8
40-49	60	28	46	42	22	52	90	35	38	↓ -13
50+	13	-	-	12	-	-	29	17	58	-

Looking Closer

By Sex

	2014			2018			2022			2018-2022	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Female	4,378	581	13	4,858	1,997	41	5,357	1,496	27		-13
Male	4,222	539	12	4,463	1,508	33	5,125	1,190	23		-10

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			2022			2018-2022 Rate Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	
EDUCATION LEVEL										
Undergraduate	6,130	731	11	6,460	2,570	39	7,127	1,913	26	↓ -12
Graduate	2,469	389	15	2,861	935	32	3,350	771	23	↓ -9
Class Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CLASS YEAR										
Freshman	1,359	170	12	1,548	558	36	1,663	401	24	↓ -11
Sophomore	1,513	149	9	1,600	605	37	1,829	492	26	↓ -10
Upperclassman	3,259	412	12	3,321	1,409	42	3,654	1,023	27	↓ -14
ENROLLMENT STATUS										
Full-time	8,498	1,077	12	9,181	3,445	37	10,346	2,651	25	↓ -11
Part-time	102	43	42	140	60	42	137	35	25	↓ -17

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			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Architecture	-	-	-	37	14	37	47	-	-	-
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	242	25	10	339	137	40	358	86	24	 -16
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,260	137	10	1,087	399	36	1,116	272	24	 -12
Business, Management, and Marketing	287	18	6	293	65	22	74	19	25	 3
Communication and Journalism	94	13	13	109	48	44	136	38	27	 -16







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			2022			2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Computer and Information Sciences	469	50	10	688	211	30	1,000	184	18	 -12
Education	145	33	22	107	45	42	107	37	34	 -7
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	755	72	9	545	154	28	734	120	16	 -11
English Language and Literature	345	37	10	374	177	47	341	111	32	 -14
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	261	50	19	220	96	43	237	67	28	 -15
Health Professions	751	147	19	870	422	48	1,135	375	33	 -15
History	249	55	22	258	110	42	215	80	37	 -5

By Field of Study

FIELDS	2014			2018			2022			2018-2022	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change	
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	119	12	10	171	50	29	132	27	20		-8
Mathematics and Statistics	461	54	11	551	169	30	676	146	21		-9
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	326	52	15	483	181	37	669	165	24		-12
Philosophy and Religious Studies	125	17	13	160	56	35	184	59	32		-2
Social Sciences	1,308	171	13	1,462	553	37	1,719	497	28		-8
Visual and Performing Arts	359	48	13	375	155	41	432	121	28		-13
Unknown	-	-	-	11	-	-	18	-	-		-

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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