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2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for Northeastern 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

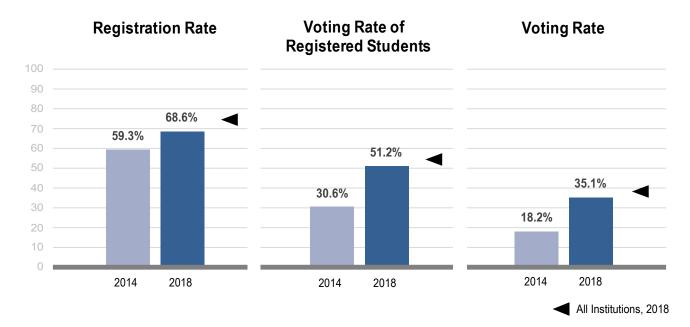
35.1%

CHANGE FROM 2014

+17.0

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS

39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	8,163	7,650	↓ -513
Age under 18/Unknown IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens FERPA records blocked	(101) (118) *	(168) (180) *	
Total eligible voters	7,936	7,298	-638
Number of students who registered	4,709	5,004 1	295
Number of students who voted	1,441	2,562 1	1,121
Registration rate	59.3%	68.6% 1	9.2
Voting rate of registered students	30.6%	51.2% 1	20.6
Voting rate	18.2%	35.1% 1	17.0
Difference from all institutions	-1.5	-4.0	

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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%

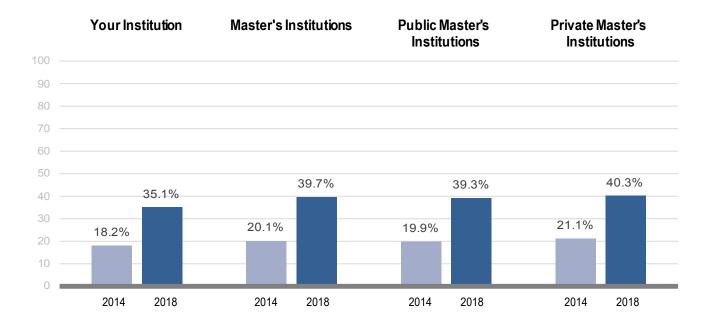
LOW 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions

-1.5

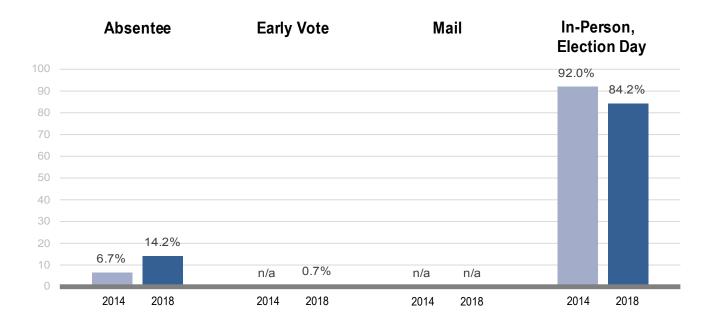
Difference from All Institutions

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By Voting Method*

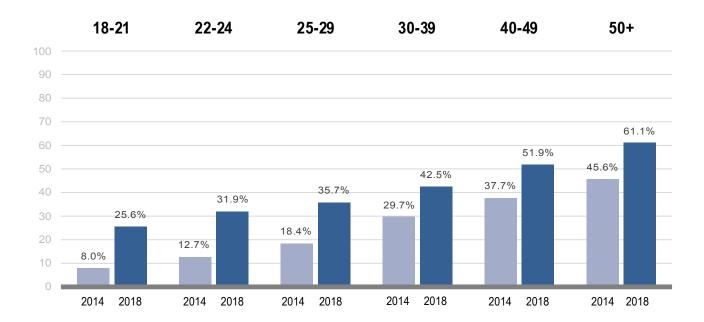


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^{*} Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high number of voting method "Unknown", it means that this information was not reported by local officals where your students voted.

By Age Group*

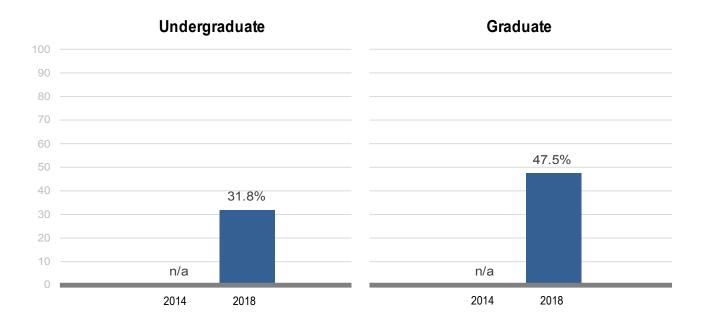


		2014			2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
18-21	2,703	216	8.0%	2,663	682	25.6%	1	17.6	
22-24	1,851	235	12.7%	1,680	536	31.9%	1	19.2	
25-29	1,286	237	18.4%	1,227	438	35.7%	•	17.3	
30-39	1,312	390	29.7%	1,127	479	42.5%	1	12.8	
40-49	615	232	37.7%	547	284	51.9%	1	14.2	
50+	287	131	45.6%	234	143	61.1%	•	15.5	
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*

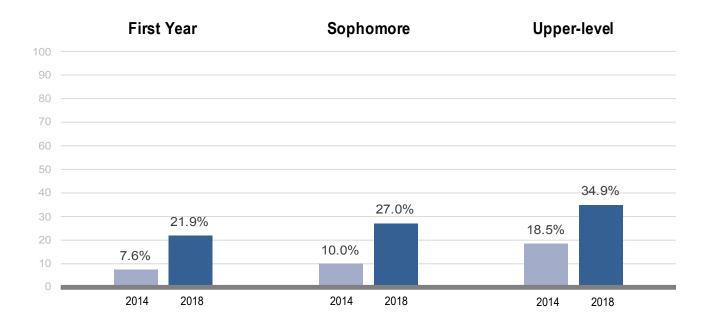


		2014			2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Change	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	6,310	2,007	31.8%	n/a	
Graduate	0	0	n/a	1,168	555	47.5%	n/a	
Unknown	8,054			0				

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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*

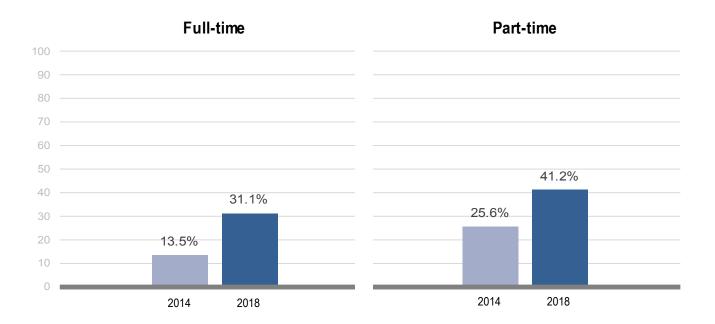


		2014		2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
First Year	1,563	119	7.6%	1,240	272	21.9%	1	14.3
Sophomore	951	95	10.0%	917	248	27.0%	•	17.1
Upper-level	4,023	744	18.5%	3,873	1,352	34.9%	•	16.4

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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*

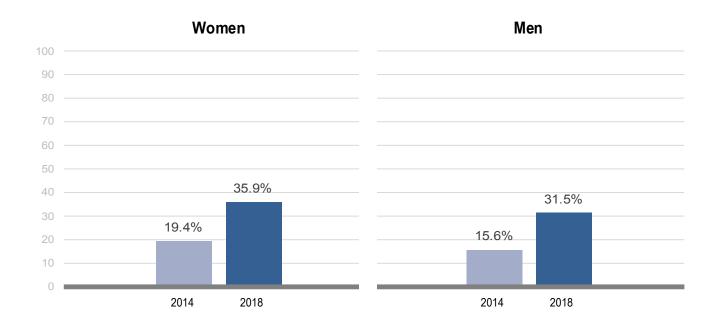


	2014				2018			
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Full-time	5,118	689	13.5%	5,154	1,605	31.1%	•	17.7
Part-time	2,936	752	25.6%	2,324	957	41.2%	•	15.6
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

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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*

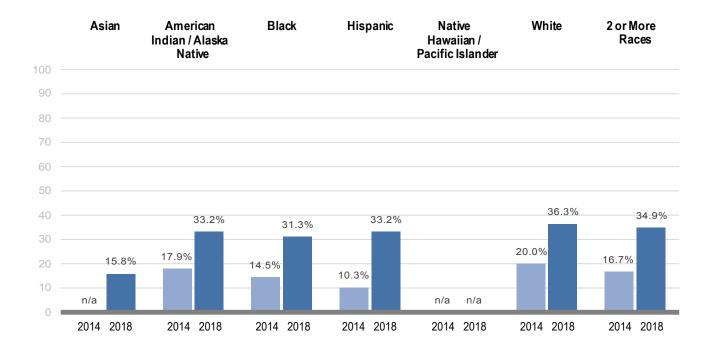


		2014		2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change
Women	4,984	966	19.4%	4,724	1,695	35.9%	1	16.5
Men	2,995	466	15.6%	2,751	866	31.5%	1	15.9
Unknown	75		'	*				

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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				2018				
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		Change	
Asian	172	*	n/a	202	32	15.8%		n/a	
American Indian/ Alaska Native	1,678	301	17.9%	1,273	423	33.2%	⇧	15.3	
Black	351	51	14.5%	326	102	31.3%	•	16.8	
Hispanic	331	34	10.3%	452	150	33.2%	1	22.9	
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a		n/a	
White	4,137	828	20.0%	3,646	1,324	36.3%	1	16.3	
2 or More Races	1,094	183	16.7%	1,484	518	34.9%	1	18.2	
Unknown	282			95			,		

^{*} 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	35	10	28.6%	36	20	55.6% 👚	27.0
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	494	60	12.2%	379	114	30.1% 🁚	17.9
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,265	213	16.8%	1,217	406	33.4% 🁚	16.5
Communication and Journalism	110	14	12.7%	128	47	36.7% 🁚	24.0
Computer and Information Sciences	128	13	10.2%	171	77	45.0% 🁚	34.9
Education	1,489	421	28.3%	1,012	456	45.1% 🁚	16.8
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	255	35	13.7%	219	64	29.2% 🎓	15.5
English Language and Literature	135	41	30.4%	114	47	41.2% 👚	10.9
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	235	46	19.6%	12	*	n/a	n/a
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	*	*	n/a	11	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	579	87	15.0%	874	313	35.8% 👚	20.8
History	33	*	n/a	41	21	51.2%	n/a
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	407	82	20.2%	411	124	30.2% 🎓	10.0
Legal Professions and Studies	0	0	n/a	40	18	45.0%	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,356	151	11.1%	1,351	338	25.0% 👚	13.9
Library Science	46	19	41.3%	48	31	64.6% 👚	23.3
Mathematics and Statistics	46	*	n/a	37	10	27.0%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	84	36	42.9%	116	58	50.0% 👚	7.1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	291	20	6.9%	281	57	20.3% 👚	13.4
Physical Sciences	39	*	n/a	83	22	26.5%	n/a
Psychology	583	95	16.3%	568	209	36.8% 👚	20.5
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	199	41	20.6%	168	64	38.1% 👚	17.5
Social Sciences	89	17	19.1%	69	21	30.4% 🁚	11.3

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Visual and Performing Arts	143	15	10.5%	88	34	38.6% 👚	28.2
Unknown	*	*	n/a	*	*	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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