

## **2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT**

# Student Voting Rates for University of Nevada- Reno

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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.

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We appreciate hearing from you! Please email us at [NSLVE@tufts.edu](mailto:NSLVE@tufts.edu).

Warm regards,

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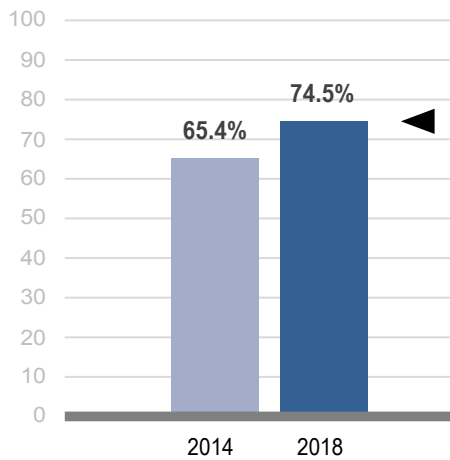
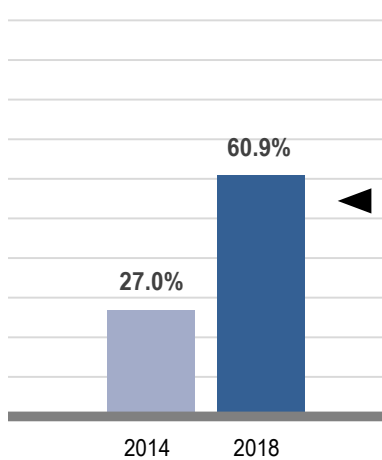
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## Voting and Registration Rates

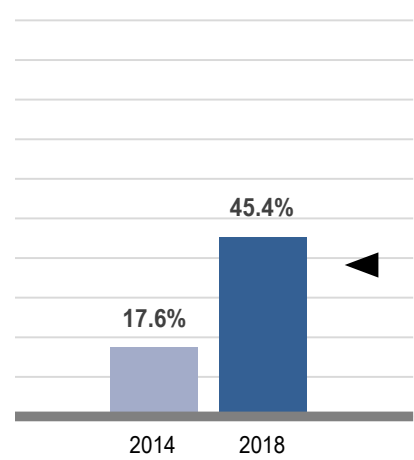
2018 Voting Rate

**45.4%**CHANGE  
FROM 2014**+27.8**2018 VOTING RATE  
FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS**39.1%**

Registration Rate

Voting Rate of  
Registered Students

Voting Rate



All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	19,606	21,175	↑ 1,569
Age under 18/Unknown	(215)	(213)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(573)	(611)	
FERPA records blocked	(1,478)	(810)	
Total eligible voters	17,340	19,541	↑ 2,201
Number of students who registered	11,332	14,566	↑ 3,234
Number of students who voted	3,055	8,870	↑ 5,815
Registration rate	65.4%	74.5%	↑ 9.2
Voting rate of registered students	27.0%	60.9%	↑ 33.9
Voting rate	17.6%	45.4%	↑ 27.8
Difference from all institutions	-2.1	+6.3	

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

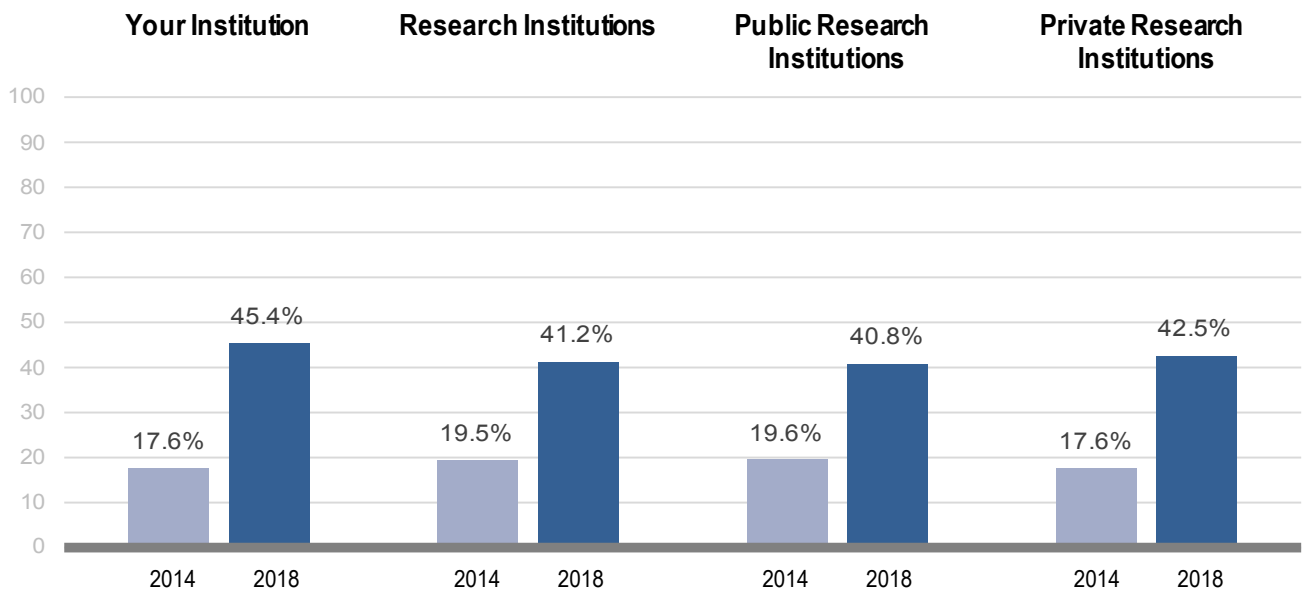
**39.1%**

HIGH  
64.1%

LOW  
11.5%

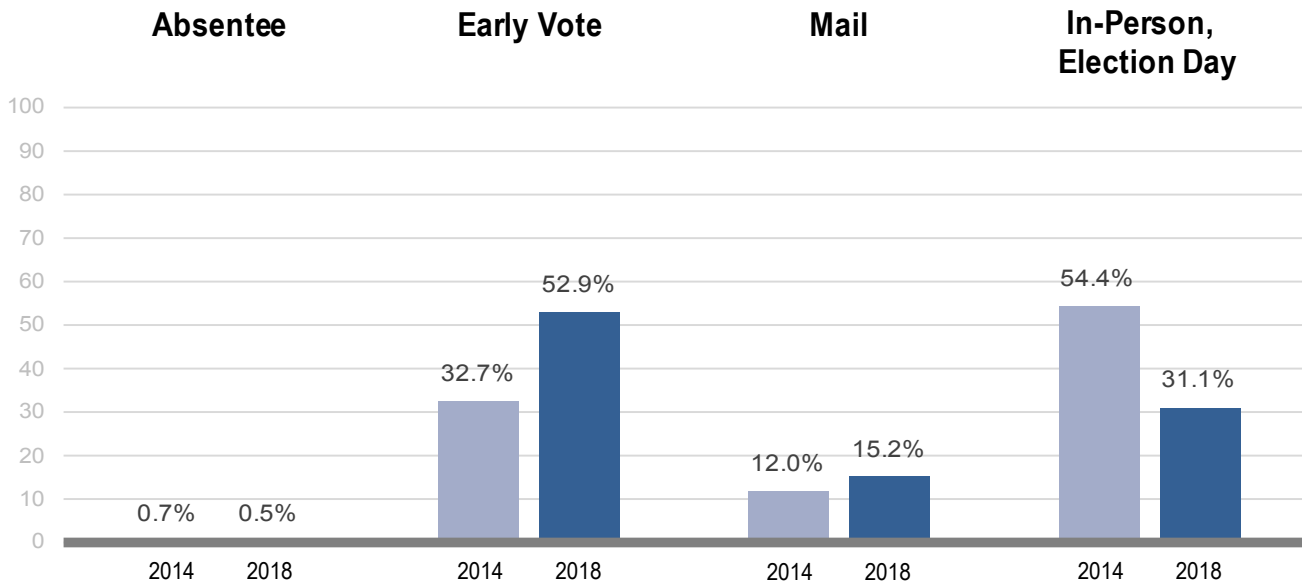
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## YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

## By Voting Method\*

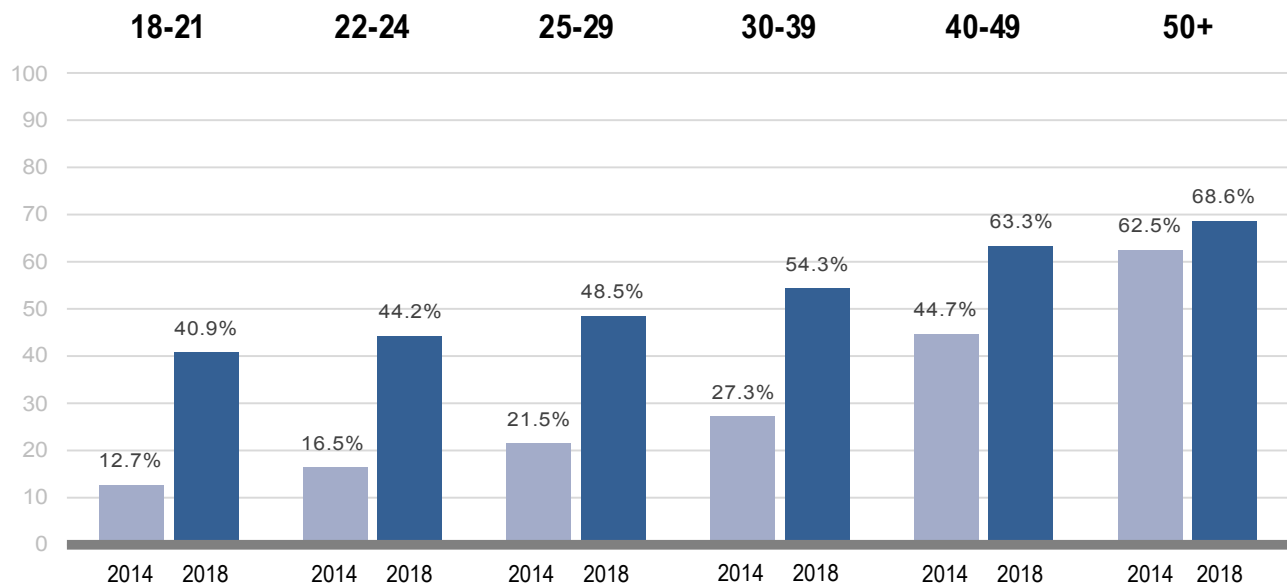


	2014		2018			
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	Change	
Absentee	20	0.7%	48	0.5%	↓	-0.1
Early Vote	998	32.7%	4,693	52.9%	↑	20.2
Mail	365	12.0%	1,348	15.2%	↑	3.3
In-Person, Election Day	1,661	54.4%	2,754	31.1%	↓	-23.3
Unknown	11	0.4%	27	0.3%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,055</b>		<b>8,870</b>			

\* 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\*

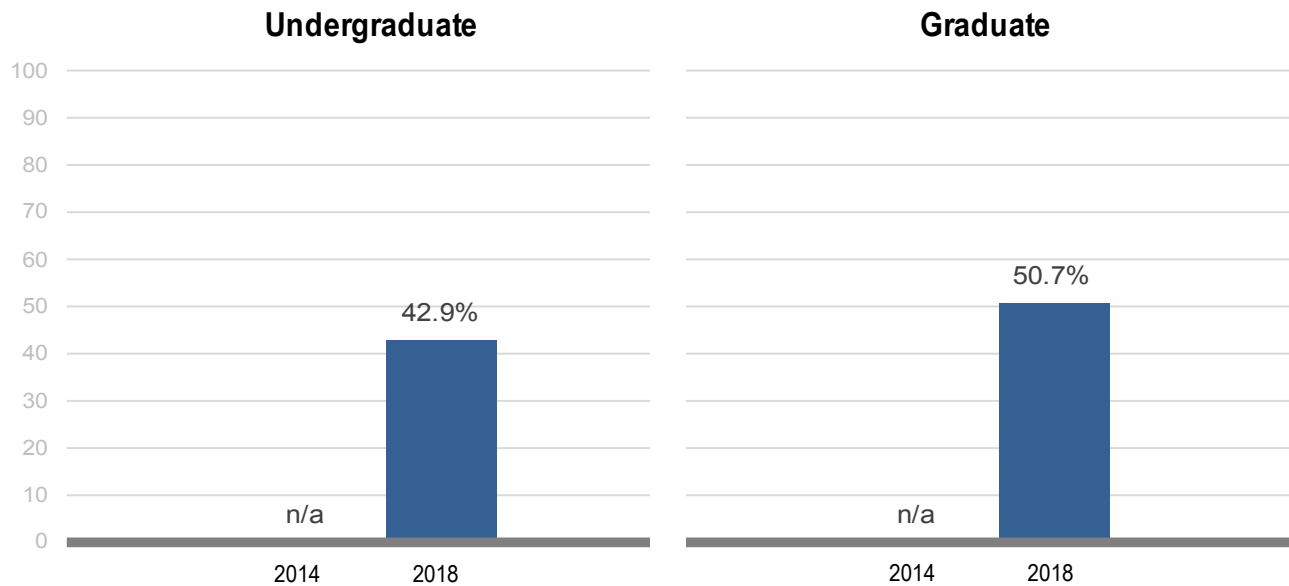


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
18-21	10,177	1,288	12.7%	12,378	5,057	40.9%	↑	28.2
22-24	3,737	617	16.5%	3,608	1,596	44.2%	↑	27.7
25-29	1,987	427	21.5%	2,099	1,017	48.5%	↑	27.0
30-39	1,295	354	27.3%	1,354	735	54.3%	↑	26.9
40-49	445	199	44.7%	452	286	63.3%	↑	18.6
50+	272	170	62.5%	261	179	68.6%	↑	6.1
Unknown	*			*				

\* 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\*

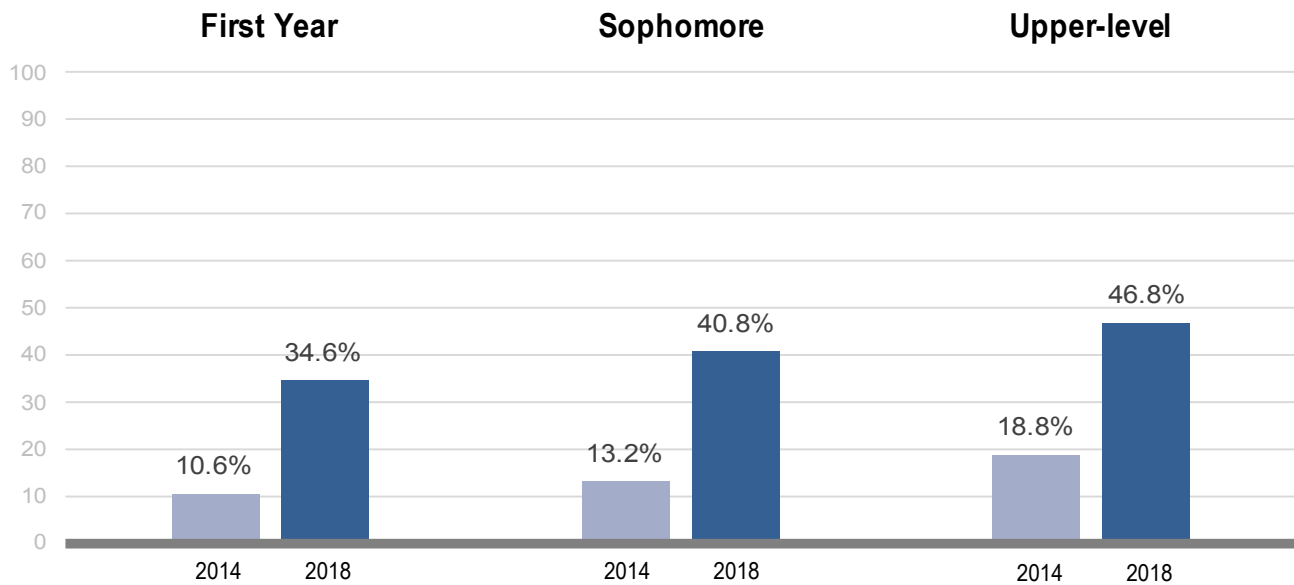


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	16,573	7,114	42.9%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	2,859	1,448	50.7%	n/a
Unknown	17,913			720			

\* 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\*



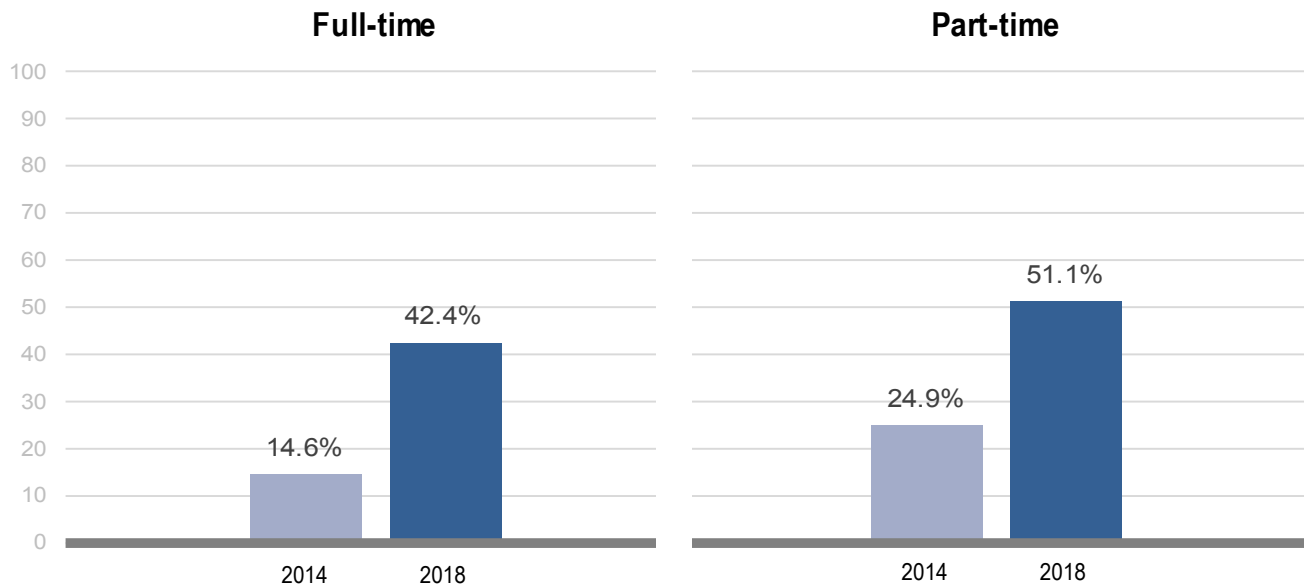
	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
First Year	4,237	450	10.6%	4,222	1,460	34.6%	↑	24.0
Sophomore	3,071	406	13.2%	3,425	1,397	40.8%	↑	27.6
Upper-level	7,430	1,400	18.8%	8,977	4,200	46.8%	↑	28.0

\* 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\*

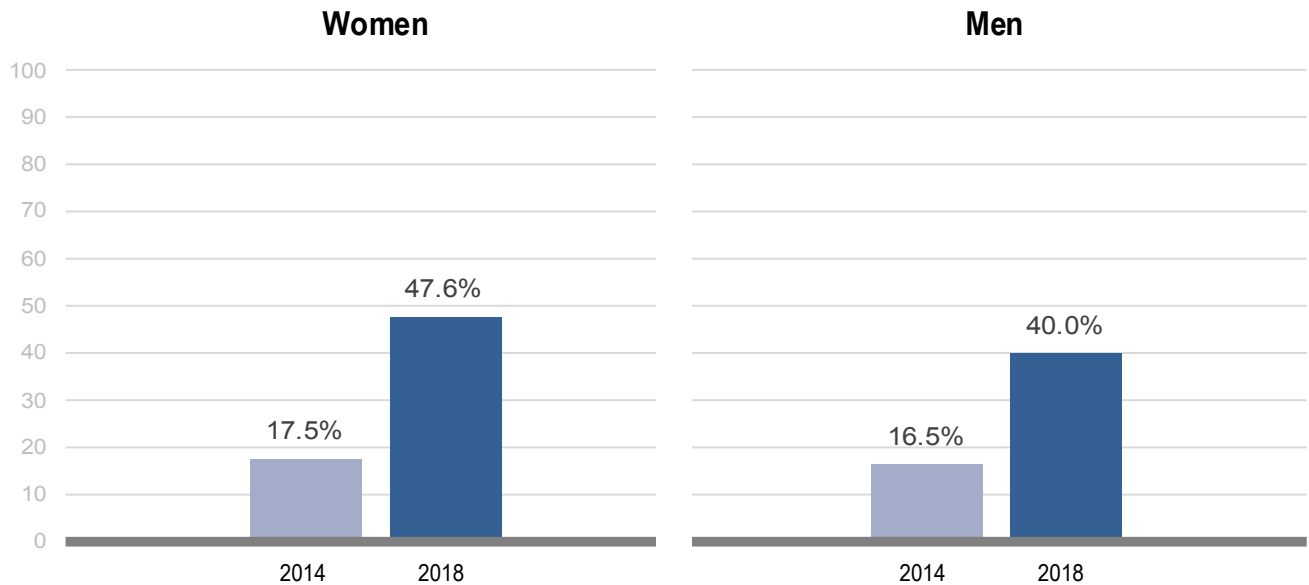


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Full-time	13,647	1,993	14.6%	16,327	6,914	42.4%	↑	27.8
Part-time	4,266	1,062	24.9%	3,825	1,956	51.1%	↑	26.3
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a		

\* 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.

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## By Gender\*

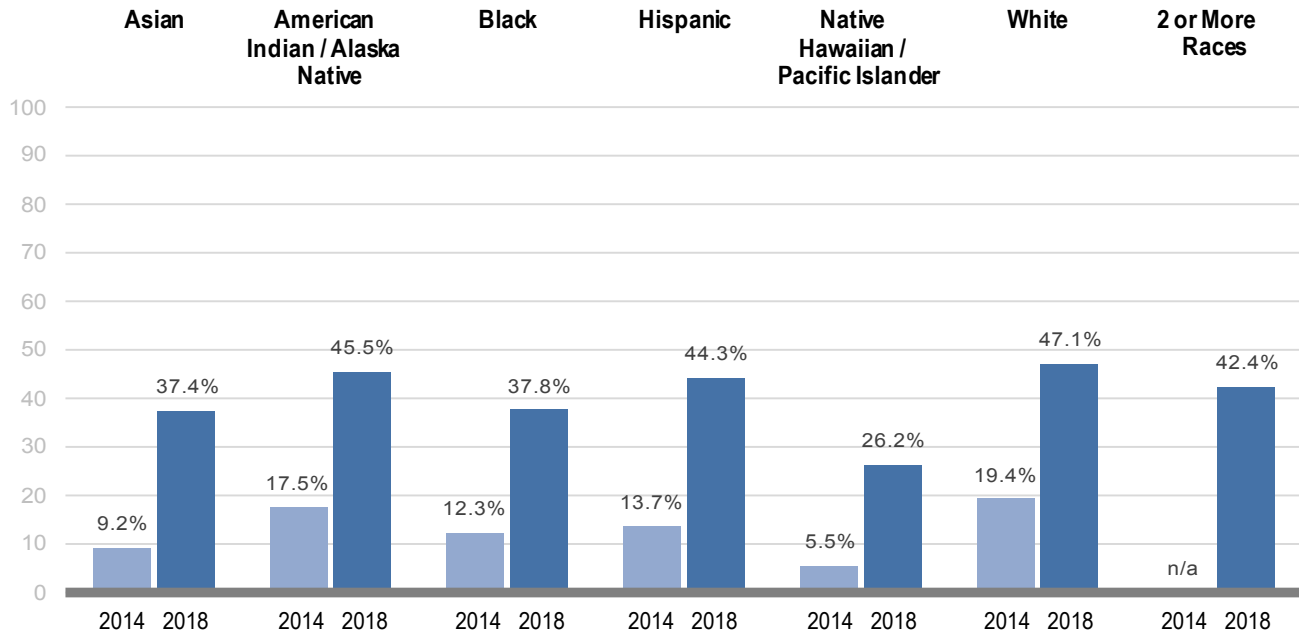


	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Women	9,374	1,642	17.5%	10,798	5,134	47.6%	↑	30.0
Men	8,534	1,411	16.5%	9,352	3,736	40.0%	↑	23.4
Unknown	*			*				

\* 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 Race/Ethnicity\*



	2014			2018			Change	
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate		
Asian	1,290	118	9.2%	1,563	585	37.4%	↑	28.3
American Indian/ Alaska Native	154	27	17.5%	132	60	45.5%	↑	27.9
Black	628	77	12.3%	651	246	37.8%	↑	25.5
Hispanic	1,951	268	13.7%	3,995	1,769	44.3%	↑	30.5
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	200	11	5.5%	103	27	26.2%	↑	20.7
White	12,971	2,516	19.4%	11,555	5,446	47.1%	↑	27.7
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	1,327	563	42.4%		n/a
Unknown	719			826				

\* 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.

## 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	
Agriculture and Agriculture Operations	41	10	24.4%	67	29	43.3% ↑	18.9
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	*	*	n/a	15	11	73.3%	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,691	215	12.7%	1,932	874	45.2% ↑	32.5
Business, Management, and Marketing	2,495	428	17.2%	3,065	1,182	38.6% ↑	21.4
Communication and Journalism	699	111	15.9%	667	308	46.2% ↑	30.3
Computer and Information Sciences	215	51	23.7%	223	99	44.4% ↑	20.7
Education	1,146	281	24.5%	1,183	620	52.4% ↑	27.9
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,457	321	13.1%	2,949	1,184	40.2% ↑	27.1
English Language and Literature	293	70	23.9%	285	166	58.3% ↑	34.4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	321	56	17.5%	401	191	47.6% ↑	30.2
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	98	30	30.6%	87	48	55.2% ↑	24.6
Health Professions	2,582	349	13.5%	3,333	1,355	40.7% ↑	27.1
History	129	41	31.8%	125	73	58.4% ↑	26.6
Legal Professions and Studies	72	38	52.8%	66	34	51.5% ↓	-1.3
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,402	165	11.8%	532	210	39.5% ↑	27.7
Mathematics and Statistics	122	25	20.5%	181	91	50.3% ↑	29.8
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	193	30	15.5%	172	66	38.4% ↑	22.8
Natural Resources and Conservation	283	43	15.2%	365	180	49.3% ↑	34.1
Philosophy and Religious Studies	59	*	n/a	58	25	43.1%	n/a
Physical Sciences	443	69	15.6%	459	193	42.1% ↑	26.5
Psychology	849	136	16.0%	890	404	45.4% ↑	29.4
Public Administration and Social Service Professions	288	84	29.2%	594	357	60.1% ↑	30.9
Social Sciences	1,324	302	22.8%	1,428	678	47.5% ↑	24.7

Visual and Performing Arts	354	64	18.1%	374	198	52.9% ↑	34.9
Unknown	351	126	35.9%	701	294	41.9% ↑	6.0

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>.

**References:** IDHE 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: Institute for Democracy & Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting and Engagement. (2019). *2014 and 2018 report for \_\_\_\_\_* [name of institution]. Medford, MA.

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