





#### June 2024 **Dear Colleagues:**

We are pleased to share this tailored report containing your students' voting rates for several recent election cycles. For the first time ever, this report contains *four* years of relevant topline data: the midterm elections of 2014, 2018, and 2022, along with contextual data from the 2020 presidential election year. 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 All the Best, to dive into the results with you and share what we see as the major takeaways in the Adam, Duy, Mari, and Victoria 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.

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.

		2014			2018		2014-2018
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change (p.p.)
Asian	_	-	-	-	_	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black		-	5 52	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

#### **Tables**

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.



### **Vessel Chart**

This chart shows rates out of 100%, with arrows to the right of each bar representing relevant national averages (medians), which you can find in Democracy Counts, our national report series.



### Overlapping Donut Chart

This chart is used to show the breakdown of vote method utilization (page 9), with the inner ring showing your campus's method utilization and the outer ring showing the national level utilization. These are described in percentages.

### **Voting, Registration and Yield Rates**

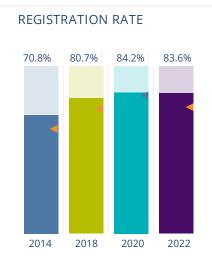
YOUR INSTITUTION

41.2% 2022 Voting Rate

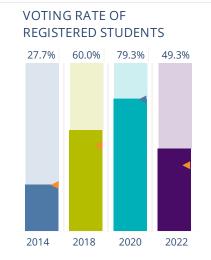
**-7.2**Change From 2018

**ALL INSTITUTIONS** 

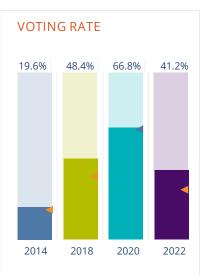
30.6% 2022 Voting Rate



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



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.



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.

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#### **Voting and Registration Rates**

	2014	2018	2020	2022	2018-2022 Change
Total Student Enrollment	14,815	15,258	16,217	15,770	<b>★</b> 511
Age under 18/Unknown	324	947	1,227	1,138	<b>1</b> 91
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	274	214	333	241	<b>1</b> 26
Datasource	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	IPEDS	-
FERPA records blocked	198	67	52	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	189	598	513	-	-
Total eligible voters	13,829	13,431	14,091	14,390	<b>1</b> 959
Number of students who registered	9,786	10,833	11,862	12,025	<b>1</b> ,192
Number of students who voted	2,706	6,505	9,407	5,923	<b>4</b> -582
Registration Rate %	70	80	84	83	<b>1</b> 2
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	27	60	79	49	<b>-</b> 10
Voting Rate %	19	48	66	41	<b>.</b> -7

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**

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions

39.1%

HIGH 79%

LOW 7%

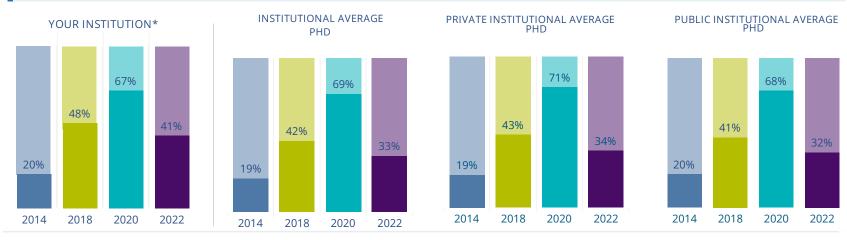
2022 Voting Rate for All Institutions

30.6%

HIGH 68%

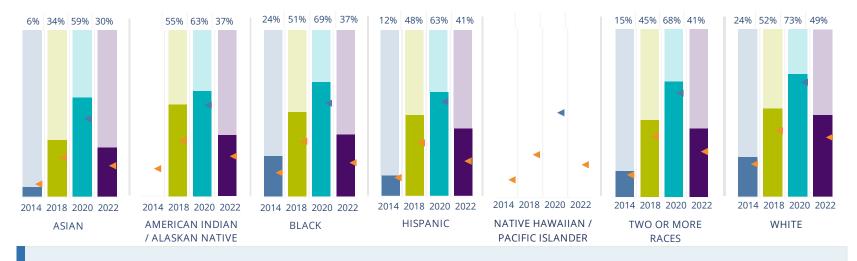
LOW 4%

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.



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## 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: <a href="https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nslve-report-faq">https://tufts.app.box.com/v/idhe-nslve-report-faq</a>

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.

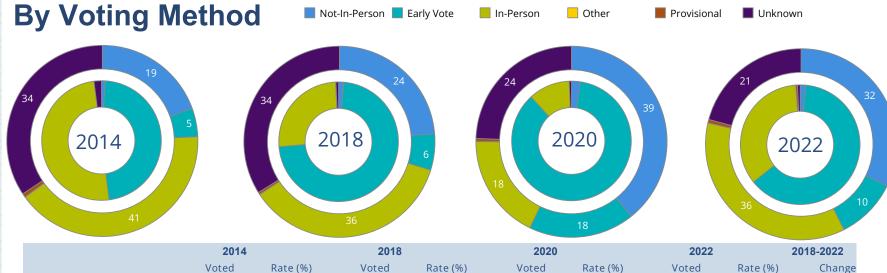
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### By Race/Ethnicity

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		2014			2018			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Asian	1,221	74	6	1,276	431	33	1,387	821	59	1,428	423	29	<b>↓</b> -4
American Indian/ Alaska Native	58	-	-	47	26	55	38	24	63	41	15	36	<b>4</b> 18
Black	2,766	657	23	2,324	1,179	50	2,508	1,721	68	2,443	904	37	<b>↓</b> 13
Hispanic	2,909	357	12	3,633	1,758	48	4,030	2,519	62	4,401	1,784	40	<b>↓</b> -7
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	19	-	-	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 or More Races	443	67	15	436	198	45	478	326	68	505	206	40	<b>-</b> 4
White	6,299	1,507	23	5,064	2,653	52	5,014	3,661	73	4,926	2,396	48	<b>-</b> 3
Race Unknown	380	31	8	814	259	31	921	329	35	878	193	21	<b>4</b> -9

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	2014		2018		202	0	202	22	2018-20	)22
	Voted	Rate (%)	Cł	nange						
Early Vote	1,271	47	4,704	72	8,071	85	3,719	62	+	-9
In-Person	1,354	50	1,661	25	1,055	11	2,044	34	1	9
Not-In-Person	28	1	90	1	224	2	91	1	<b>⇒</b>	0
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Provisional	-	-	-	-	-	-	28	0		-
Voting Method Unknown	53	2	46	0	56	0	41	0	<b>⇒</b>	0

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. <a href="https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/nslve-faq#CampusReports.">https://idhe.tufts.edu/nslve/nslve-faq#CampusReports.</a>. 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	2020	2022
18-21	8%	43%	62%	36%
22-24	13%	44%	63%	36%
25-29	17%	44%	62%	38%
30-39	24%	53%	67%	45%
40-49	38%	63%	80%	54%
50+	49%	69%	82%	61%

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.

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			2020			2022	2	2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted F	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
18-21	3,910	334	8	4,400	1,906	43	4,413	2,757	62	4,482	1,639	36	<b>4</b> -6
22-24	2,763	380	13	3,008	1,326	44	3,417	2,163	63	3,334	1,230	36	<b>4</b> -7
25-29	2,677	456	17	2,532	1,123	44	2,761	1,718	62	2,793	1,063	38	<b>4</b> -6
30-39	2,697	673	24	2,221	1,197	53	2,296	1,560	67	2,420	1,089	45	<b>4</b> -8
40-49	1,414	548	38	1,010	639	63	1,052	842	80	1,126	610	54	<b>4</b> -9
50+	634	315	49	451	314	69	446	367	82	477	292	61	<b>4</b> -8

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#### By Sex

		2014			2018			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Female	12,544	2,406	19	12,192	5,896	48	12,951	8,523	65	13,252	5,385	40	<b>-</b> 7
Male	1,551	300	19	1,430	609	42	1,434	884	61	1,351	534	39	<b>-</b> 3

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

### By Education Level / Undergraduate Class Year

	Enrolled	2014 Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	2018 Voted R	Rate (%)	Enrolled	<b>2020</b> Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	<b>2022</b> Voted	Rate (%)	2018-2022 Rate Change
EDUCATION	LEVEL												
Undergraduate	9,024	1,306	14	8,987	4,013	44	9,072	5,548	8 61	8,716	3,16	5 36	5 👢 -8
Graduate	4,921	1,337	27	4,558	2,442	53	5,276	3,829	9 72	5,387	2,48	3 46	5 👃 -7
Class Unknown	150	63	42	77	50	64	37	30	0 81	529	20	4 38	<b>4</b> -26
CLASS YEAR	R												
Freshman	1,604	122	. 7	1,493	575	38	922	468	3 50	1,186	35	5 29	-8
Sophomore	1,502	156	10	1,578	698	44	1,319	820	0 62	1,144	37	9 33	<b>4</b> -11
Upperclassman	5,305	891	16	5,370	2,473	46	6,313	3,89	6 61	6,130	2,30	2 37	<b>,</b> -8
ENROLLMEN	IT STATI	US											
Full-time	9,949	1,555	5 15	9,236	4,209	45	9,727	6,26	1 64	9,371	3,61	4 38	3 👃 -7
Part-time	4,146	1,151	27	4,386	2,296	52	4,658	3,14	6 67	5,261	2,30	9 43	3 4 -8

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			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, and Gender Studies	40	15	37	37	20	54	26	17	65	41	26	63	<b>1</b> 9
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	539	39	7	553	198	35	561	291	51	588	174	29	<b>4</b> -6
Business, Management, and Marketing	1,662	387	23	1,548	763	49	1,861	1,227	65	1,817	723	39	<b>4</b> -9

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			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Computer and Information Sciences	71	-	-	141	60	42	199	92	46	212	67	31	<b>1</b> 0
Education	443	145	32	369	224	60	1,158	796	68	1,138	489	42	<b>4</b> -17
English Language and Literature	159	48	30	178	121	67	193	138	71	198	105	53	<b>1</b> 4
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	636	129	20	658	318	48	671	467	69	712	314	44	<b>4</b> -4
Health Professions	5,307	894	16	5,514	2,572	46	5,781	3,774	65	5,767	2,190	37	-8
History	83	27	32	93	68	73	82	57	69	86	55	63	<b>4</b> -9
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	186	33	17	123	55	44	110	67	60	95	38	40	<b>-</b> 4
Library Science	367	168	45	298	205	68	378	312	82	562	380	67	<b>-</b> 1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	788	79	10	745	275	36	690	399	57	588	195	33	<b>-</b> 3

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# By Field of Study

FIELDS		2014			2018			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	647	159	24	421	219	52	405	283	69	483	194	40	<b>1</b> 11
Mathematics and Statistics	125	20	16	99	48	48	85	55	64	68	20	29	<b>4</b> -19
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,286	199	15	1,072	461	43	410	249	60	315	122	38	-4
Personal and Culinary Services	16	-	-	22	-	-	17	12	70	15	-	-	-
Social Sciences	151	45	29	297	179	60	290	201	69	255	135	52	-7
Visual and Performing Arts	646	114	17	617	280	45	542	367	67	628	265	42	-3
Unknown	151	63	41	80	53	66	37	30	81	84	33	39	<b>4</b> -26

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### **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.

#### **Texas Woman's University**

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: <a href="https://nslve.tufts.edu">https://nslve.tufts.edu</a>.

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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