







#### 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	-	-	1 12	-	-	-	-
Hispanic	-	-	-	-	-	_	-

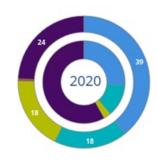
#### **Tables**

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

26.8%

2022 Voting Rate

-14.9

Change From 2018

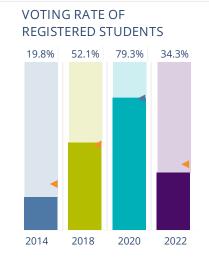
**ALL INSTITUTIONS** 

30.6%

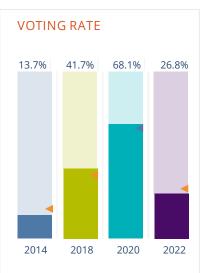
2022 Voting Rate



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	30,138	29,082	28,829	25,465	<b>-</b> 3,617
Age under 18/Unknown	70	70	133	77	<b>1</b> 7
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,917	1,866	1,483	1,640	<b>4</b> -225
Datasource	NSC	NSC	NSC	IPEDS	
FERPA records blocked	19	12	18	-	-
Non-Degree Seeking Students	1,068	1,128	1,044	-	-
Total eligible voters	27,064	26,006	26,151	23,747	<b>-</b> 2,258
Number of students who registered	18,635	20,823	22,452	18,556	<b>-</b> 2,267
Number of students who voted	3,696	10,843	17,803	6,361	<b>-</b> 4,482
Registration Rate %	68	80	85	78	<b>4</b> -1
Voting Rate of Registered Students %	19	52	79	34	<b>4</b> -17
Voting Rate %	13	41	68	26	<b>-</b> 14

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%

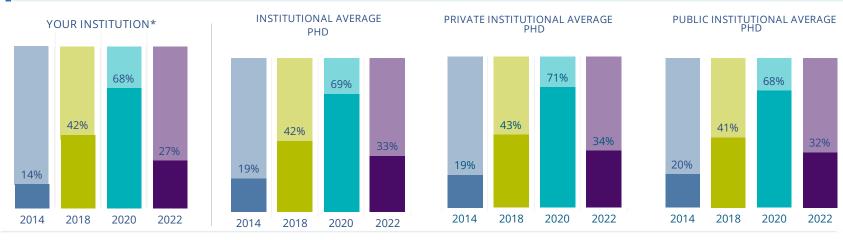
2022 Voting Rate for All Institutions

30.6%

HIGH 68%

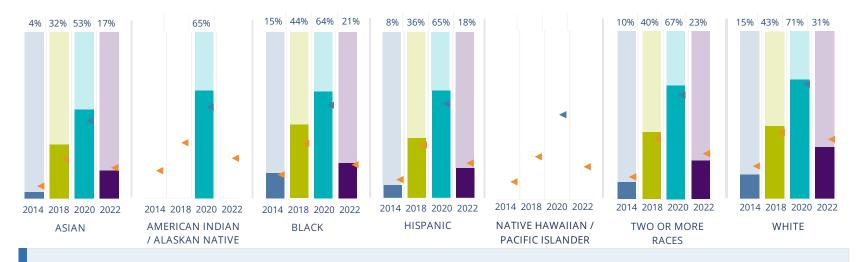
LOW 4%

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>

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 $\verb|^*https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/report-your-data/race-ethnicity-collecting-data-for-reporting-purposes|$ 

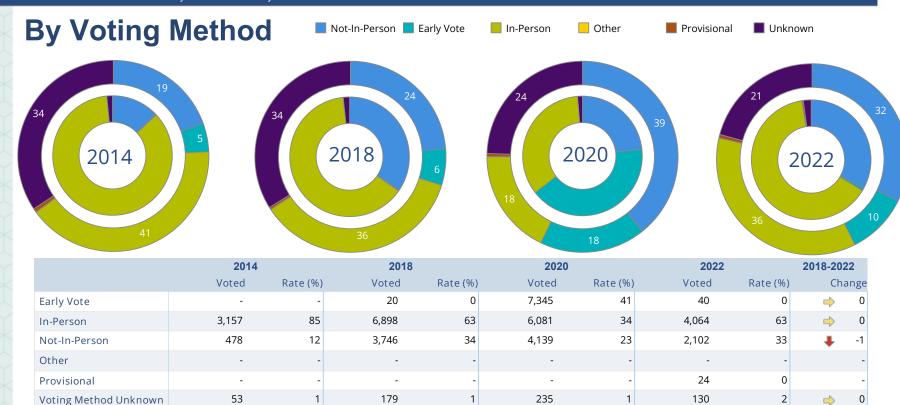
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### By Race/Ethnicity

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			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled '	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Asian	1,197	49	4	1,514	490	32	1,691	896	52	1,820	309	16	<b>4</b> 15
American Indian/ Alaska Native	34	-	-	20	-	-	20	13	65	16	-	-	-
Black	2,724	404	14	2,426	1,070	44	2,517	1,610	63	2,342	493	21	<b>4</b> 23
Hispanic	1,463	116	7	2,047	742	36	2,549	1,645	64	2,718	487	17	<b>4</b> 18
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 or More Races	914	90	9	1,163	461	39	1,260	849	67	1,233	284	23	<b>4</b> 16
White	20,364	2,976	14	18,639	8,013	42	17,942	12,722	70	15,401	4,751	30	<b>4</b> 12
Race Unknown	347	53	15	187	54	28	165	65	39	1,854	34	1	<b>4</b> -27

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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	7%	33%	64%	16%
22-24	10%	41%	67%	24%
25-29	14%	49%	69%	28%
30-39	24%	56%	73%	37%
40-49	32%	65%	81%	48%
50+	48%	78%	86%	62%

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	:	2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
18-21	10,566	806	7	12,046	4,025	33	12,170	7,892	64	10,765	1,829	16	<b>↓</b> -16
22-24	6,707	736	10	6,271	2,592	41	6,183	4,193	67	6,214	1,552	24	<b>↓</b> -16
25-29	4,791	703	14	4,034	1,982	49	4,003	2,801	69	4,424	1,265	28	<b>↓</b> -20
30-39	3,141	762	24	2,345	1,334	56	2,441	1,792	73	2,609	983	37	<b>↓</b> -19
40-49	1,304	418	32	884	577	65	940	767	81	937	458	48	<b>↓</b> -16
50+	555	271	48	426	333	78	414	358	86	439	274	62	<b>-</b> 15

### By Sex

		2014		2018				2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change
Female	15,478	2,010	12	15,214	6,434	42	15,805	11,067	70	15,323	3,953	25	<b>-</b> 16
Male	11,586	1,686	14	10,792	4,409	40	10,346	6,736	65	10,065	2,408	23	<b>-</b> 16

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	<b>2014</b> 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	20,393	2,293	11	19,322	7,057	36	19,168	12,466	5 65	16,773	3,31	2 19	<b>-</b> 16
Graduate	6,401	1,336	20	6,433	3,646	56	6,766	5,170	76	7,662	2,59	9 3:	3 4-22
Class Unknown	270	67	24	251	140	55	217	167	7 76	953	44	1 40	5 👃 -9
CLASS YEAR	R												
Freshman	4,582	313	6	4,531	1,263	27	4,392	2,663	3 60	3,956	57	2 14	<b>↓</b> -13
Sophomore	4,719	414	. 8	4,248	1,473	34	4,145	2,650	) 63	3,223	52	9 16	<b>-</b> 18
Upperclassman	11,087	1,574	14	10,483	4,290	40	10,609	7,136	67	9,563	2,19	9 22	<u></u> -17
ENROLLMEN	T STAT	US											
Full-time	19,937	2,311	11	21,119	8,280	39	21,313	14,283	3 67	20,676	4,55	6 2	2 4-17
Part-time	7,127	1,385	5 19	4,887	2,563	52	4,838	3,520	) 72	4,712	1,80	5 3	3 <b>↓</b> -14

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	-	-	-	15	11	73	30	29	96	30	22	73	0
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,257	113	8	1,345	509	37	1,494	993	66	1,427	313	21	<b>1</b> 15
Business, Management, and Marketing	3,663	425	11	3,386	1,252	36	3,126	2,041	65	2,851	578	20	16
Communication and Journalism	989	149	15	853	393	46	815	593	72	683	190	27	<b>1</b> 18

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	812	105	12	1,156	503	43	1,174	725	61	1,447	286	19	<b>1</b> -23
Education	1,369	218	15	1,278	584	45	1,139	827	72	935	256	27	<b>1</b> 8
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,347	248	10	2,323	763	32	2,154	1,297	60	2,218	387	17	<b>↓</b> -15
English Language and Literature	254	53	20	197	120	60	187	148	79	176	68	38	<b>1</b> -22
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	192	33	17	122	57	46	125	87	69	81	27	33	<b>1</b> 3
Health Professions	6,595	713	10	6,977	2,686	38	7,540	5,028	66	7,256	1,592	21	<b>↓</b> -16
History	155	48	30	122	75	61	133	107	80	111	49	44	<b>1</b> -17
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	772	113	14	731	262	35	749	489	65	644	132	20	<b>↓</b> -15
Library Science	175	64	36	247	182	73	297	256	86	372	233	62	<b>1</b> 1
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	925	58	6	571	164	28	482	296	61	423	52	12	<b>4</b> -16

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# By Field of Study

FIELDS		2014			2018			2020			2022		2018-2022
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate (%)	Change									
Legal Professions and Studies	867	279	32	762	486	63	795	637	80	849	376	44	<b>1</b> 9
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	704	142	20	981	428	43	1,005	665	66	1,014	312	30	<b>-</b> 12
Mathematics and Statistics	195	20	10	151	76	50	144	93	64	142	29	20	<b>1</b> -29
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,254	173	13	267	150	56	258	199	77	340	59	17	<b>1</b> -38
Philosophy and Religious Studies	82	18	21	49	26	53	37	25	67	24	-	-	-
Social Sciences	622	145	23	478	265	55	436	321	73	373	138	36	<b>1</b> 8
Visual and Performing Arts	901	86	9	817	351	42	795	592	74	782	213	27	<b>-</b> 15
Unknown	72	14	19	290	157	54	250	189	75	221	98	44	<b>-</b> 9

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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.

#### **Indiana University - Purdue 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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