

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Rutgers University-New
Brunswick

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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.

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,

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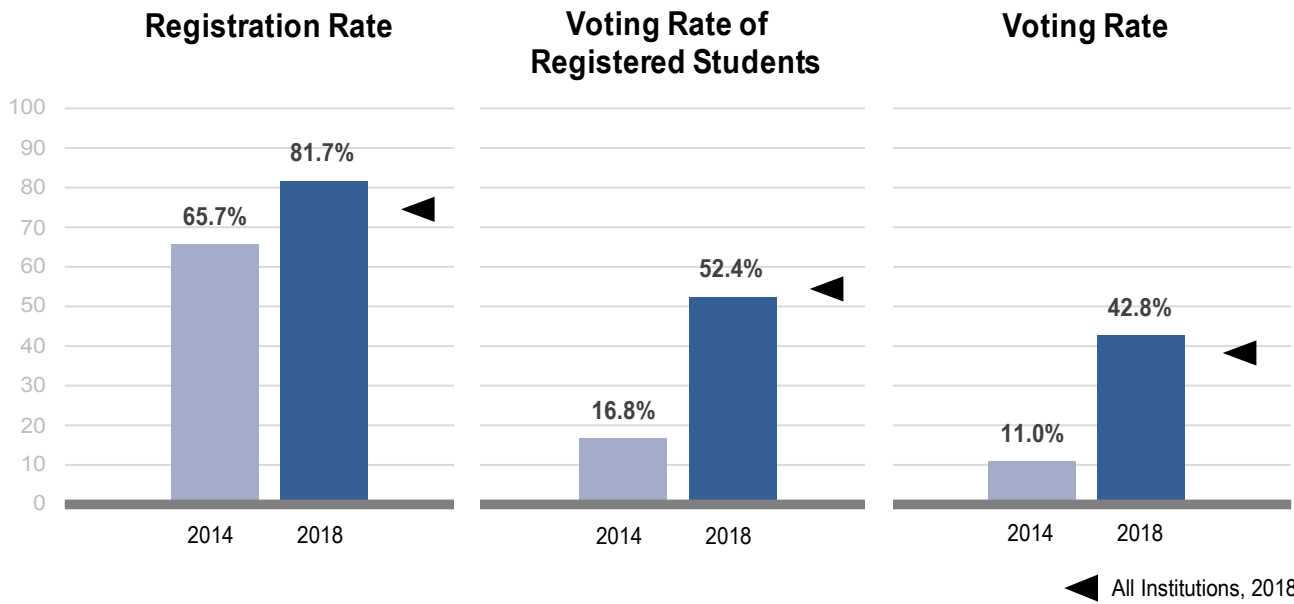
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
42.8%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+31.7

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	40,572	47,242	↑ 6,670
Age under 18/Unknown	(301)	(289)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(4,016)	(5,677)	
FERPA records blocked	(26)	(73)	
Total eligible voters	36,229	41,203	↑ 4,974
Number of students who registered	23,810	33,647	↑ 9,837
Number of students who voted	3,993	17,620	↑ 13,627
Registration rate	65.7%	81.7%	↑ 15.9
Voting rate of registered students	16.8%	52.4%	↑ 35.6
Voting rate	11.0%	42.8%	↑ 31.7
Difference from all institutions	-8.7	+3.7	

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

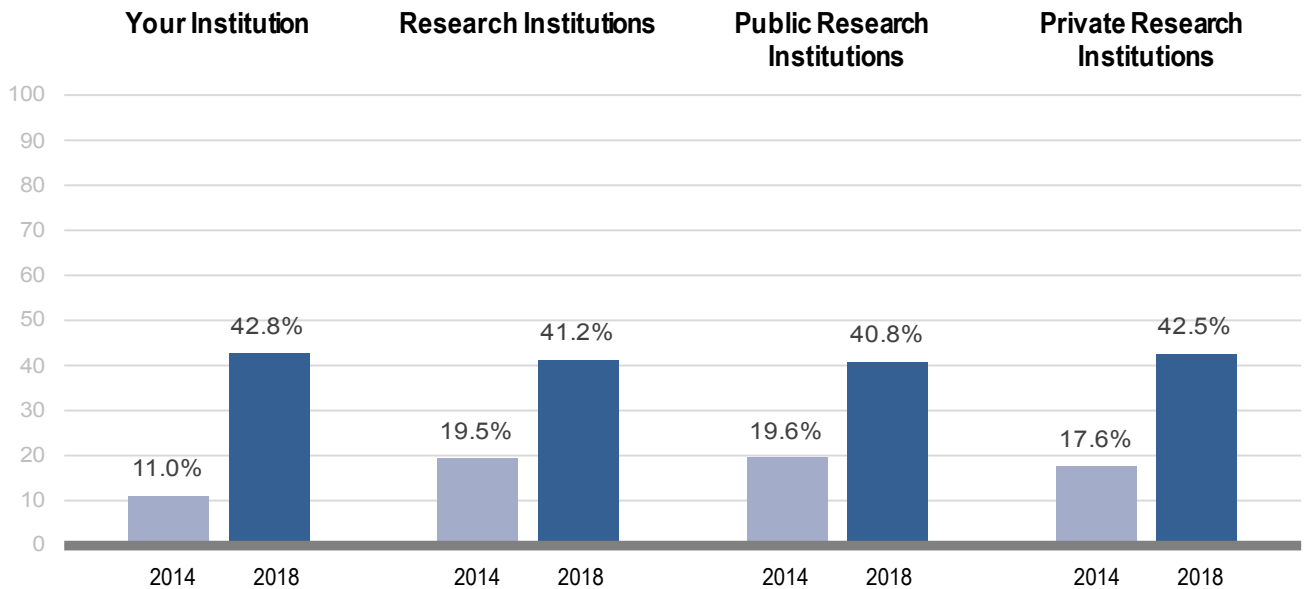
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

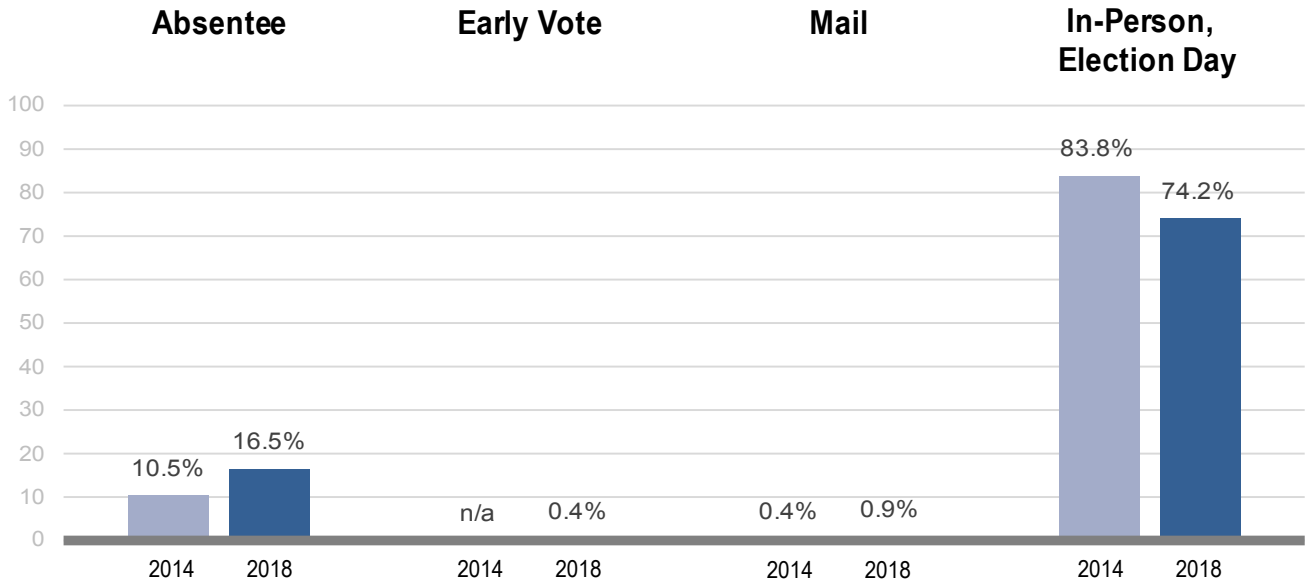
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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

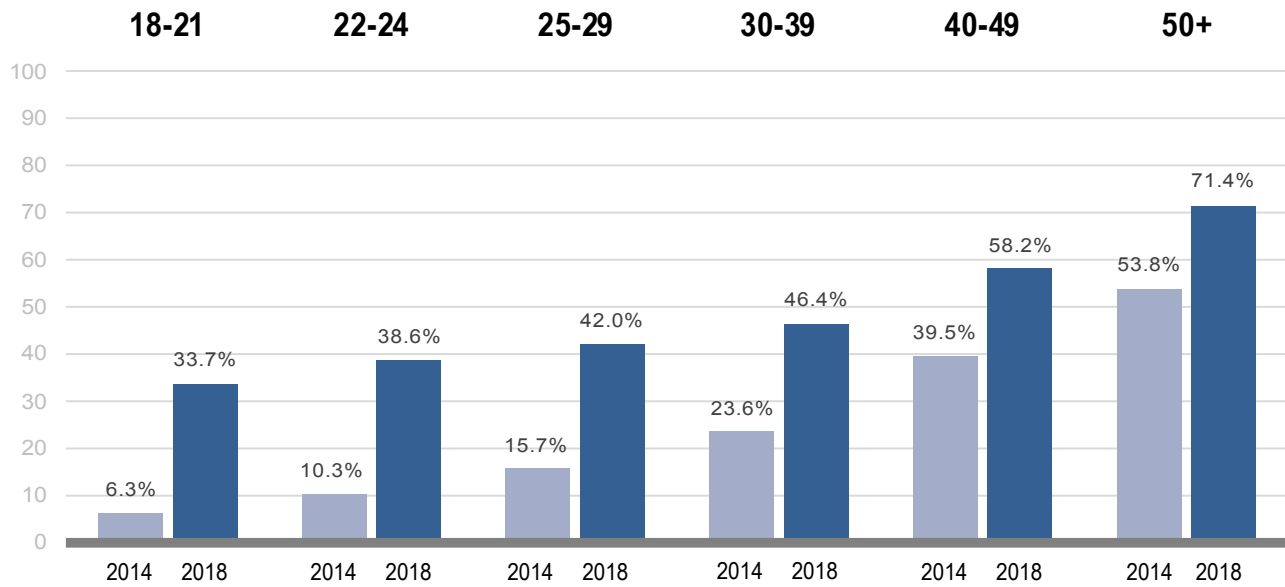


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	418	10.5%	2,908	16.5%	↑ 6.0
Early Vote	*	n/a	65	0.4%	n/a
Mail	17	0.4%	156	0.9%	↑ 0.5
In-Person, Election Day	3,346	83.8%	13,067	74.2%	↓ -9.6
Unknown	204	5.1%	1,424	8.1%	
Total	3,993		17,620		

* 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*

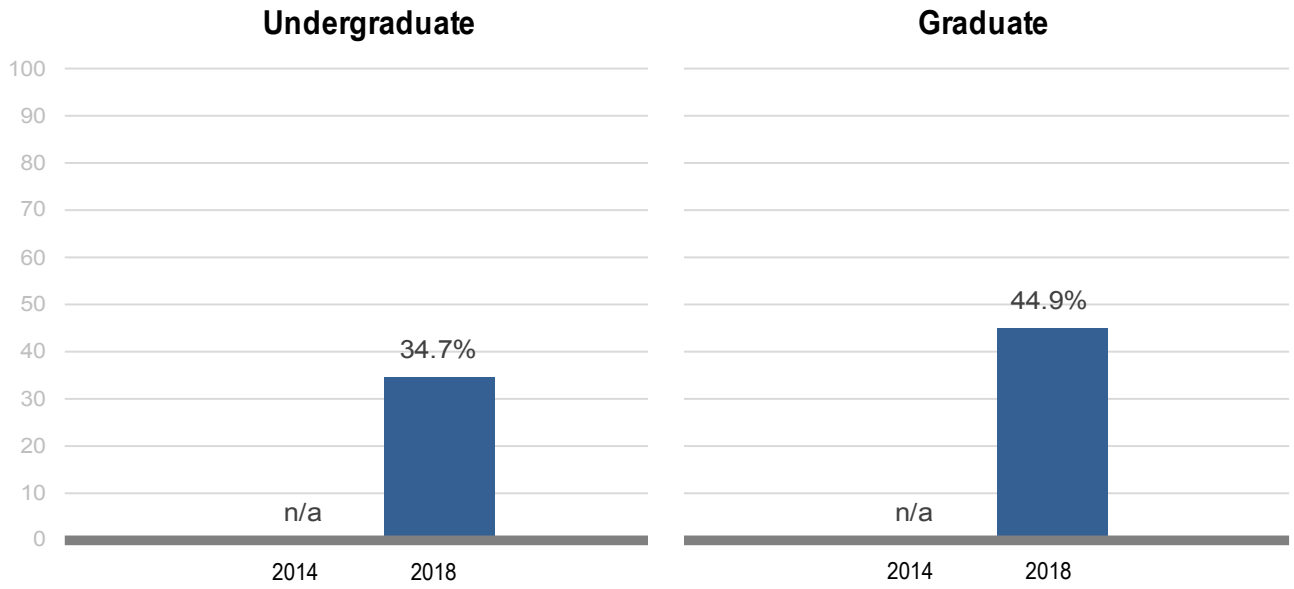


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	25,596	1,616	6.3%	26,972	9,086	33.7%	↑ 27.4
22-24	7,832	803	10.3%	9,709	3,752	38.6%	↑ 28.4
25-29	3,620	568	15.7%	5,449	2,288	42.0%	↑ 26.3
30-39	2,030	479	23.6%	2,984	1,383	46.4%	↑ 22.8
40-49	706	279	39.5%	1,133	659	58.2%	↑ 18.6
50+	461	248	53.8%	633	452	71.4%	↑ 17.6
Unknown	0			*			

* 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*

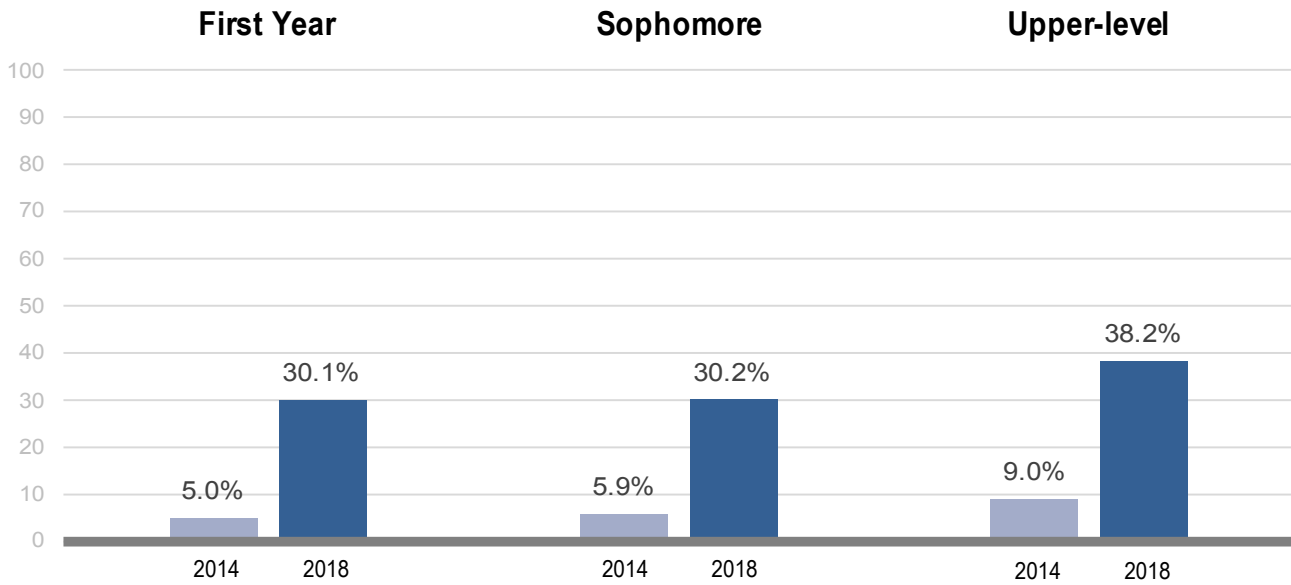


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	0	0	n/a	34,272	11,900	34.7%	n/a
Graduate	0	0	n/a	11,806	5,304	44.9%	n/a
Unknown	40,245			802			

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Undergraduate Class Year*

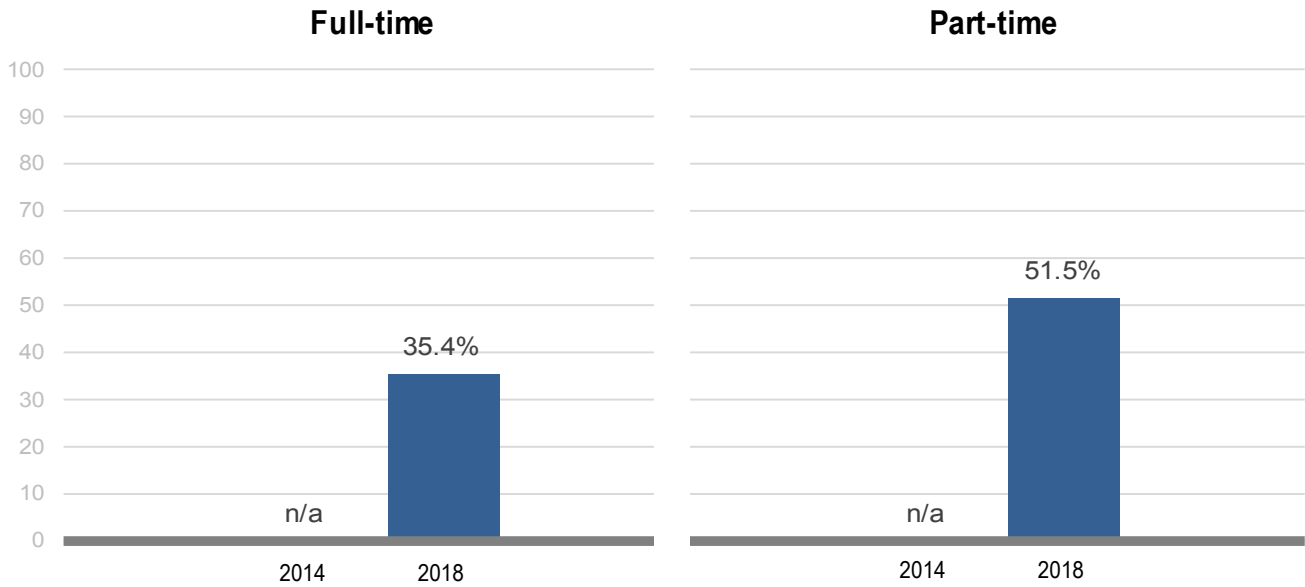


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	6,268	313	5.0%	6,701	2,016	30.1%	↑ 25.1
Sophomore	7,689	455	5.9%	7,384	2,227	30.2%	↑ 24.2
Upper-level	17,705	1,595	9.0%	19,663	7,505	38.2%	↑ 29.2

* 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*

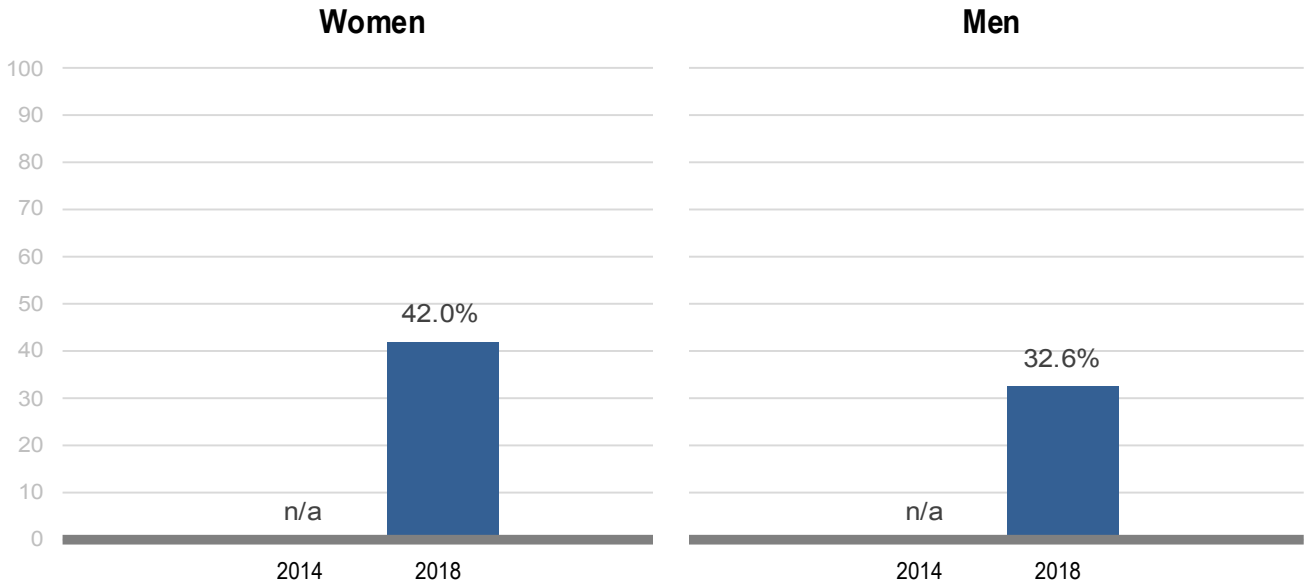


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	0	0	n/a	40,609	14,389	35.4%	n/a
Part-time	0	0	n/a	6,271	3,231	51.5%	n/a
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Gender*

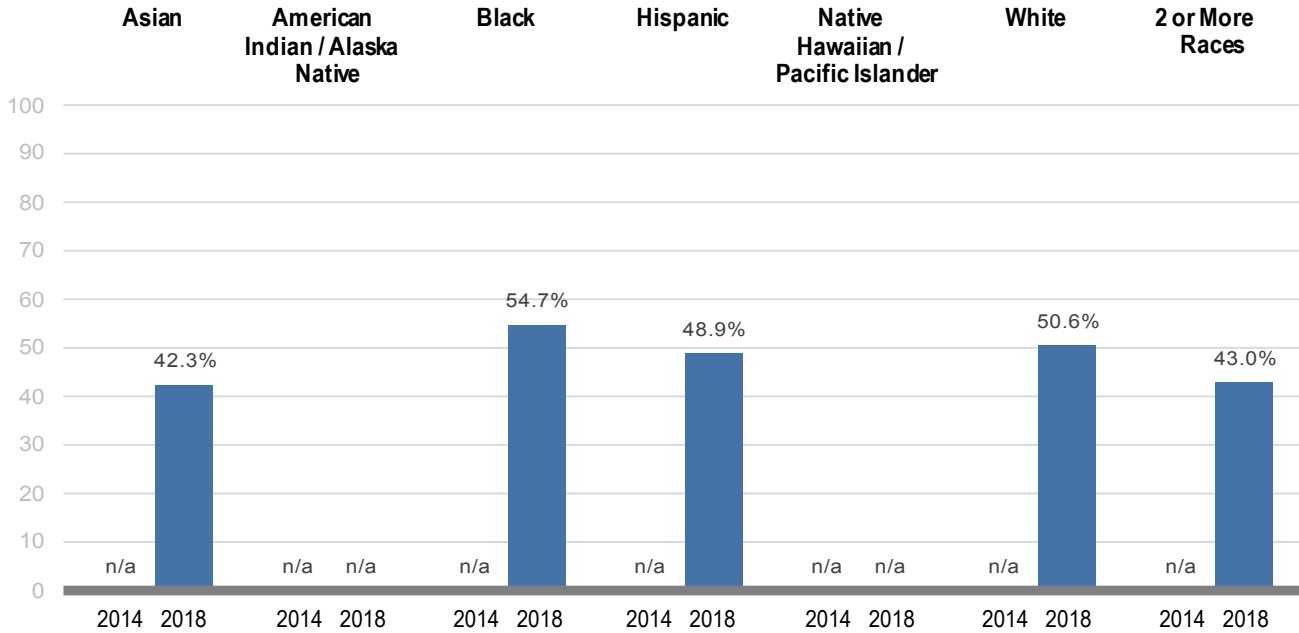


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	0	0	n/a	24,942	10,465	42.0%	n/a
Men	0	0	n/a	21,896	7,138	32.6%	n/a
Unknown	40,245			42			

* 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	0	0	n/a	986	417	42.3%	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0	0	n/a	*	0	n/a	n/a
Black	0	0	n/a	527	288	54.7%	n/a
Hispanic	0	0	n/a	568	278	48.9%	n/a
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	0	0	n/a	2,037	1,030	50.6%	n/a
2 or More Races	0	0	n/a	156	67	43.0%	n/a
Unknown	40,245			42,600			

* 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	690	59	8.6%	661	236	35.7% ↑	27.2
Architecture	286	64	22.4%	161	82	50.9% ↑	28.6
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	199	32	16.1%	159	86	54.1% ↑	38.0
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	2,060	182	8.8%	2,471	909	36.8% ↑	28.0
Business, Management, and Marketing	5,782	354	6.1%	6,554	1,987	30.3% ↑	24.2
Communication and Journalism	1,339	115	8.6%	1,017	480	47.2% ↑	38.6
Computer and Information Sciences	1,031	86	8.3%	2,161	694	32.1% ↑	23.8
Education	671	185	27.6%	658	408	62.0% ↑	34.4
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	3,687	248	6.7%	3,750	1,189	31.7% ↑	25.0
English Language and Literature	476	58	12.2%	389	220	56.6% ↑	44.4
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	431	48	11.1%	288	126	43.8% ↑	32.6
Health Professions	1,773	99	5.6%	6,412	2,661	41.5% ↑	35.9
History	439	91	20.7%	325	182	56.0% ↑	35.3
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	685	67	9.8%	533	208	39.0% ↑	29.2
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	11,134	745	6.7%	10,605	3,232	30.5% ↑	23.8
Library Science	328	140	42.7%	515	344	66.8% ↑	24.1
Mathematics and Statistics	673	46	6.8%	713	158	22.2% ↑	15.3
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	599	83	13.9%	646	278	43.0% ↑	29.2
Natural Resources and Conservation	391	58	14.8%	338	190	56.2% ↑	41.4
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	726	55	7.6%	955	295	30.9% ↑	23.3
Philosophy and Religious Studies	177	27	15.3%	178	74	41.6% ↑	26.3
Physical Sciences	655	85	13.0%	538	207	38.5% ↑	25.5
Psychology	882	81	9.2%	1,084	456	42.1% ↑	32.9

Public Administration and Social Service Professions	2,003	586	29.3%	1,926	1,192	61.9% ↑	32.6
Social Sciences	1,866	271	14.5%	1,706	713	41.8% ↑	27.3
Visual and Performing Arts	1,245	127	10.2%	1,333	598	44.9% ↑	34.7
Unknown	17	*	n/a	804	415	51.6%	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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