V.2- 2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for Rutgers University-New Brunswick

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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,

IDHE Team
Voting and Registration Rates

**2018 Voting Rate**

42.2%  

**Change from 2014**

+31.1

**2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions**

39.1%

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**Total student enrollment**

2014: 40,572  
2018: 42,049 (Change: +1,477)

**Age under 18/Unknown**

2014: 301  
2018: 287 (Change: -14)

**IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens**

2014: 4,160  
2018: 5,370 (Change: +1,210)

**FERPA records blocked**

2014: 26  
2018: 16 (Change: -10)

**Total eligible voters**

2014: 36,085  
2018: 36,376 (Change: +291)

**Number of students who registered**

2014: 23,744  
2018: 29,815 (Change: +6,071)

**Number of students who voted**

2014: 3,993  
2018: 15,354 (Change: +11,361)

**Registration rate**

2014: 65.8%  
2018: 82.0% (Change: +16.2)

**Voting rate of registered students**

2014: 16.8%  
2018: 51.5% (Change: +34.7)

**Voting rate**

2014: 11.1%  
2018: 42.2% (Change: +31.1)

**Difference from all institutions**

-8.6  
+3.1
### By Carnegie Classification

#### 2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions
- **HIGH**: 54.0%
- **LOW**: 1.5%

#### 2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions
- **HIGH**: 64.1%
- **LOW**: 11.5%

Difference from All Institutions:
- 2014: -8.6%
- 2018: +3.1%

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