

CAMPUS REPORT
Student Voting
Rates for
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About This Report

Thank you for participating in the National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement (NSLVE), housed at the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life, Tufts University. Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, more than 900 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012 and 2014 elections. Participating colleges and universities are located in 50 states and represent all Carnegie classifications. With others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of over 8 million college student records that is already serving as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

NSLVE has recently published several resources including:

- *Talking Politics*: A tool for conversations on your campus regarding how to use the NSLVE report to spark change.
- *Democracy Matters: A Guide to Non-Statutory Barriers to Voting*: In this guide, we identify sometimes-hidden barriers students might face when registering to vote or voting, and strategies to overcome them.
- *National Data*: We have published data about the national landscape for college student political engagement including breakdowns by field of study and region.

Looking Ahead

Over the coming months, NSLVE will be releasing additional tools and resources that you can use to increase political learning and engagement in democracy on your campus. Here is a preview of some of this work.

- *Comparison Data*: We'll continue to aggregate comparison data for groups of participating campuses.
- *Case Studies*: We will be sharing the findings from our studies of campus climates for student political learning and engagement in democracy.

For up-to-date news on NSLVE data and resources visit: Activecitizen.tufts.edu/IDHE

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 2012 and 2014 elections. These results are based on enrollment records your institution submitted to the National Student Clearinghouse ("Clearinghouse") and publicly available voting records collected by Catalist.

Using enrollment records submitted on a date closest to the election, we removed students under age 18 on Election Day. We also deducted an estimated number of students identified by your institution as non-resident aliens. This is based on the percentage of non-resident aliens reported by your institution to the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). Please note that students who blocked the use of their information under FERPA were also removed from the enrollment lists.

When combining two datasets, matching errors can occur. That said, for each record, we receive a "confidence score." The average confidence score for the student records in our database is 96.6%. Nonetheless, some errors are still possible:

- On page three, we indicate the number of students who blocked their records from being used for any purpose, including research. If those students voted at a much lower or higher rate than your other students, it might affect the voting rate.
- Students not found in the voting database are considered non-voters, but we have no way to remove individual noncitizens (resident aliens and non-resident aliens). We use an estimate based on IPEDS data to account for non-resident aliens. We cannot adjust for resident aliens. This may result in your actual voting rate being higher than we report. To recalculate that percentage, see our [FAQ on campus reports](#).

Reviewing the Data

Please use the following key to interpret the charts below:

- * = number of students is less than 10
- = no data was collected for this field

For some colleges and universities, this report will contain categories for which data is "unknown." These categories likely reflect either the quantity or quality of the data your institution provides, a problem that can be corrected by more comprehensive reporting to the Clearinghouse.

NSLVE encourages campuses to share their data as broadly as possible, including posting your campus report. When doing so please reference, *Institute for Democracy and Higher Education: National Study of Learning, Voting, and Engagement*; as the data source.

Your Students' Voting and Registration Rates

2012 Voting Rate

42%

2014 Voting Rate

17%

2012 Presidential Election

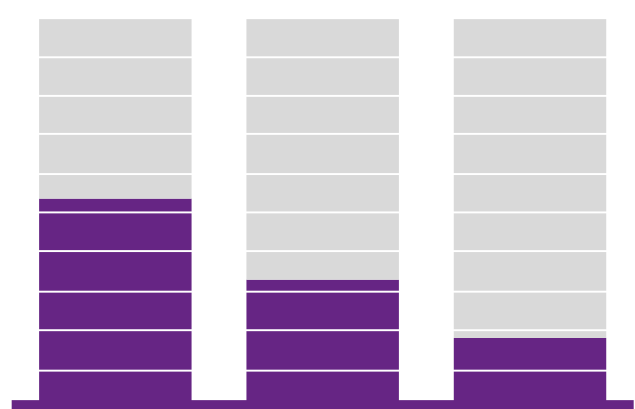


66.8%
Registration Rate

62.9%
Rate of Registered Students who Voted

42.0%
Voting Rate

2014 Midterm Election



53.5%
Registration Rate

32.5%
Rate of Registered Students who Voted

17.4%
Voting Rate

Total student enrollment	39,709
Ineligible to vote because too young	459
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	2,954
FERPA records blocked	1,607
Number of students who registered	23,162
Number of students who voted	14,559

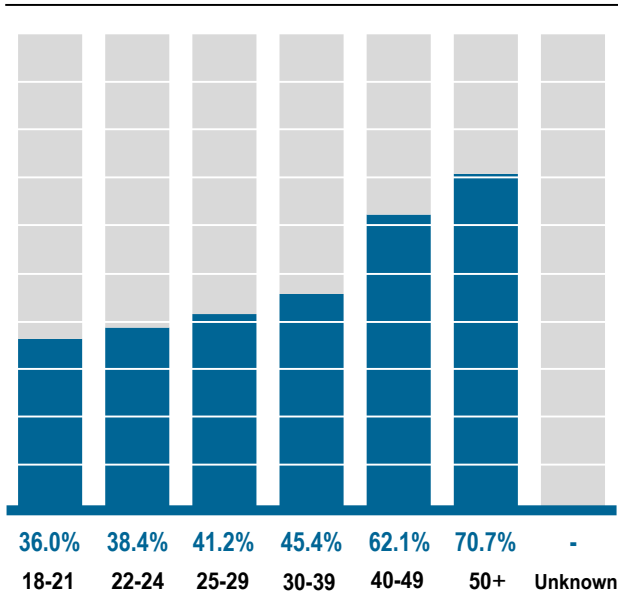
Total student enrollment	41,474
Ineligible to vote because too young	249
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	3,358
FERPA records blocked	923
Number of students who registered	19,776
Number of students who voted	6,425

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY AGE GROUP

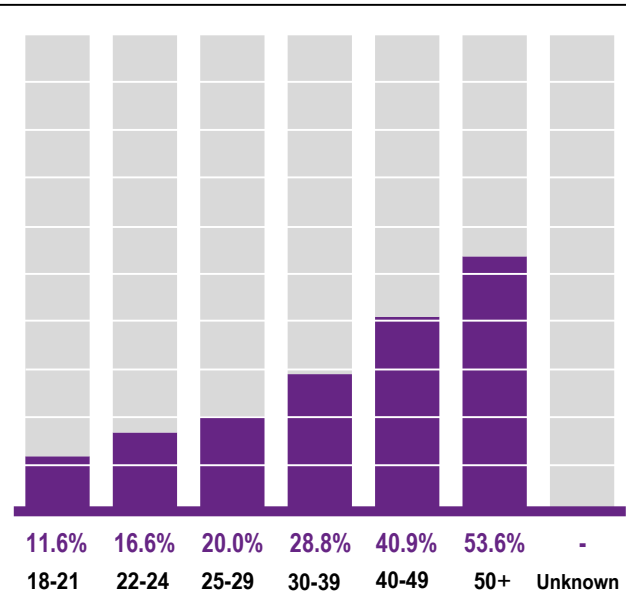
Your students' data broken down by age at the time of the election. The "enrolled" category removes students ineligible to vote because they were too young, as well as records that were FERPA blocked in order to provide more accurate voting rates. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

2012 Presidential Election



AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	22,525	8,113
22-24	6,791	2,607
25-29	4,392	1,811
30-39	2,724	1,238
40-49	771	479
50+	440	311
Unknown	-	-

2014 Midterm Election



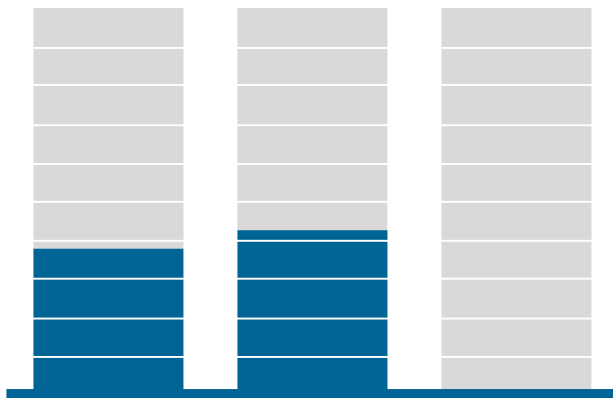
AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	23,775	2,749
22-24	7,204	1,193
25-29	4,826	963
30-39	3,143	906
40-49	876	358
50+	478	256
Unknown	-	-

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY EDUCATION LEVEL

Your students' data broken down by undergraduate and graduate students. The "enrolled" category removes students ineligible to vote because they were too young, as well as records that were FERPA blocked in order to provide more accurate voting rates. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

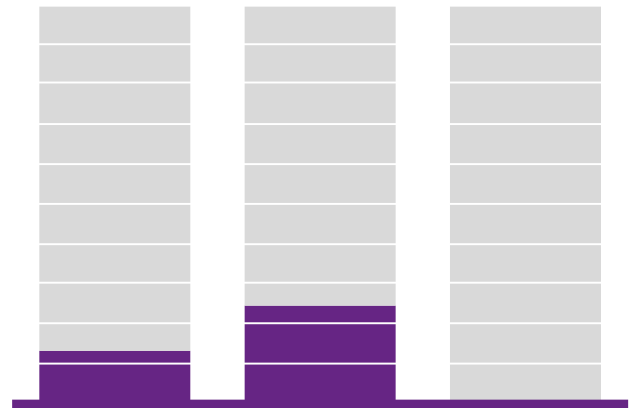
2012 Presidential Election



37.7% Undergraduate **42.5%** Graduate **-** Unknown

EDUCATION LEVEL	ENROLLED	VOTED
Undergraduate	30,113	11,361
Graduate	7,530	3,198
Unknown	-	-

2014 Midterm Election



13.5% Undergraduate **24.9%** Graduate **-** Unknown

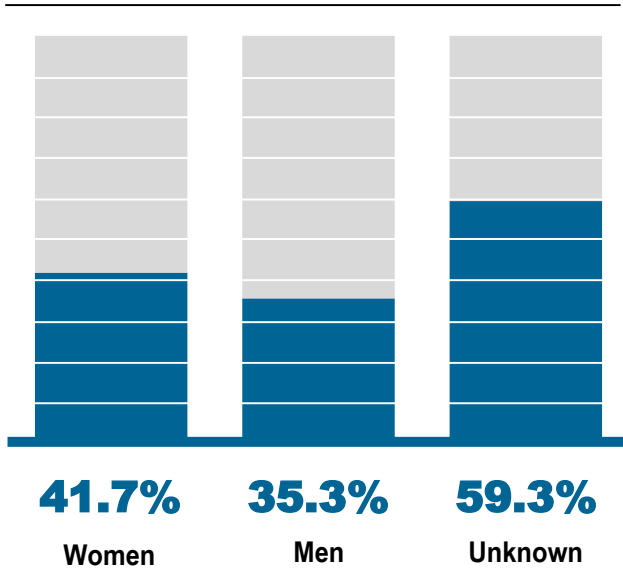
EDUCATION LEVEL	ENROLLED	VOTED
Undergraduate	31,735	4,294
Graduate	8,565	2,131
Unknown	*	-

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

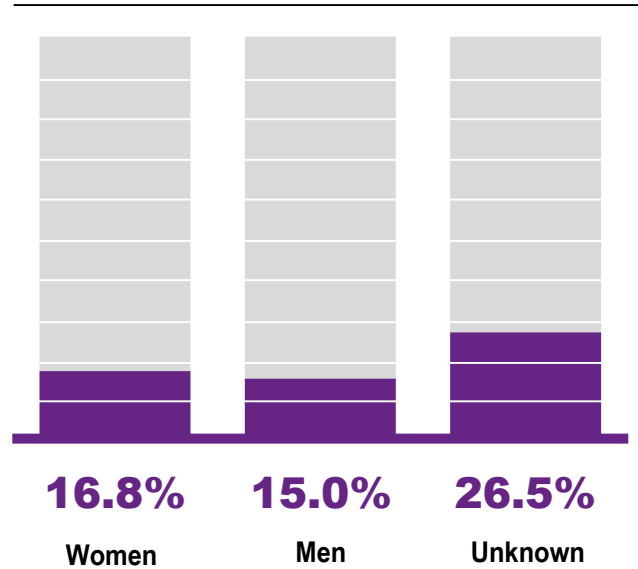
BY GENDER

Your students' data broken down by gender. The "enrolled" category removes students ineligible to vote because they were too young, as well as records that were FERPA blocked in order to provide more accurate voting rates. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

2012 Presidential Election



2014 Midterm Election



GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	19,531	8,139
Men	18,026	6,369
Unknown	86	51

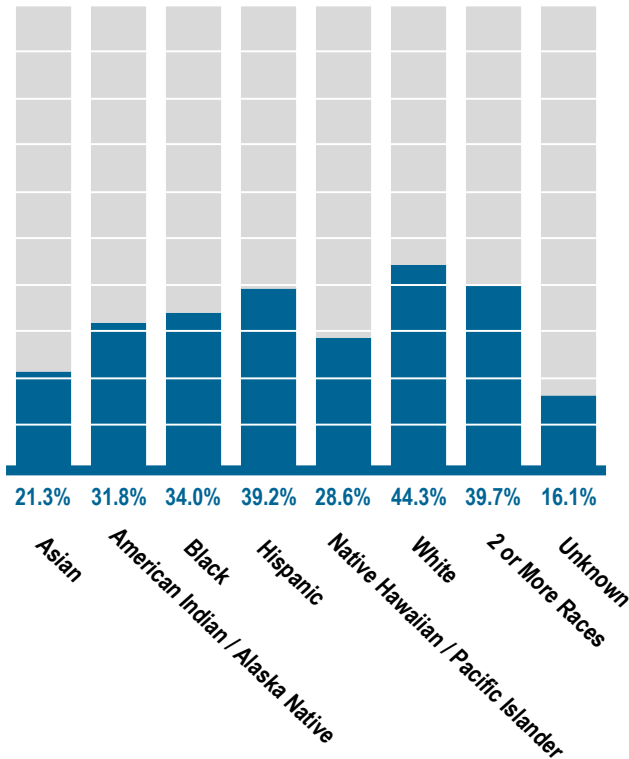
GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	20,840	3,502
Men	19,394	2,905
Unknown	68	18

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

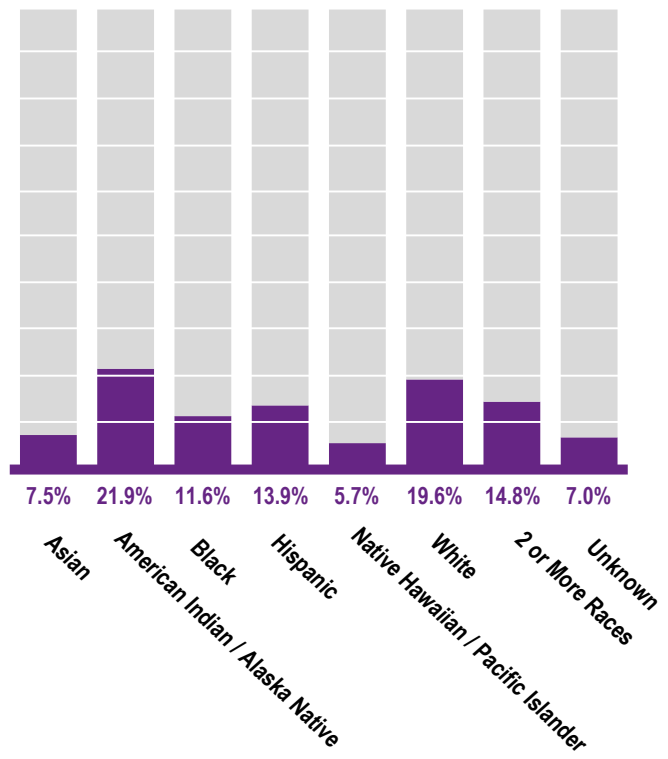
BY RACE/ETHNICITY

Your students' data broken down by race/ethnicity. The "enrolled" category removes students ineligible to vote because they were too young, as well as records that were FERPA blocked in order to provide more accurate voting rates. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

**2012
Presidential Election**



**2014
Midterm Election**



RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	2,427	517
American Indian/ Alaska Native	437	139
Black	1,136	386
Hispanic	4,939	1,935
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	77	22
White	21,115	9,348
2 or More Races	4,236	1,683
Unknown	3,276	529

RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	2,385	179
American Indian/ Alaska Native	73	16
Black	1,343	156
Hispanic	4,611	643
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	87	*
White	21,259	4,164
2 or More Races	6,757	997
Unknown	3,787	265

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY FIELD OF STUDY

Your students' data broken down by field of study. The "enrolled" category removes students ineligible to vote because they were too young, as well as records that were FERPA blocked. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

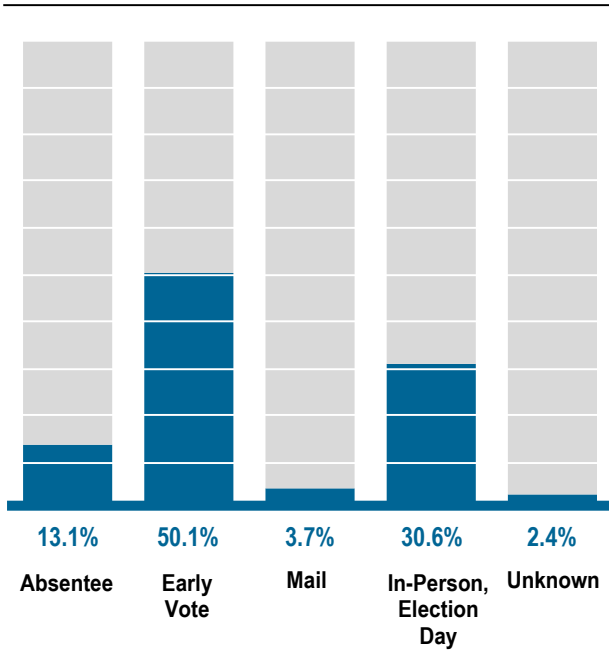
	2012 Presidential Election			2014 Midterm Election		
	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout
Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences	575	238	41.4%	620	124	20.0%
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	3,959	1,418	35.8%	4,319	569	13.2%
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support	5,689	1,868	32.8%	6,139	710	11.6%
Communications, Journalism, and Related Programs	982	367	37.4%	1,008	126	12.5%
Computer and Information and Library Sciences	1,025	389	38.0%	1,470	255	17.3%
Education	1,788	884	49.4%	1,844	433	23.5%
Engineering	1,751	639	36.5%	2,843	401	14.1%
Health Professions and Related Sciences, Knowledge, and Skills	3,874	1,673	43.2%	4,932	987	20.0%
Humanities	2,274	1,050	46.2%	1,911	411	21.5%
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and General Studies	589	198	33.6%	2,038	250	12.3%
Mathematics and Statistics	462	158	34.2%	474	69	14.6%
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	1,036	362	34.9%	2,141	259	12.1%
Parks and Recreation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Physical Sciences	1,941	734	37.8%	1,991	366	18.4%
Professions	1,691	710	42.0%	1,518	290	19.1%
Psychology, Personal Awareness, and Self-Improvement	2,613	1,077	41.2%	1,998	286	14.3%
Social Sciences	2,364	968	40.9%	2,436	457	18.8%
Technologies/Technicians	204	96	47.1%	213	62	29.1%
Trades	608	243	40.0%	1,031	155	15.0%
Visual and Performing Arts	1,516	630	41.6%	1,337	205	15.3%
Unknown	2,702	857	31.7%	39	10	25.6%

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY VOTING METHOD

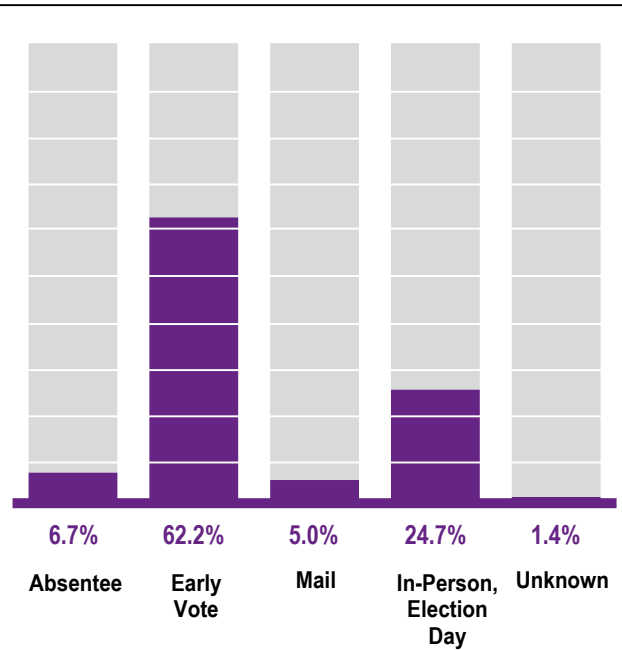
Your students' data broken down by voting method. If your campus has a high percentage of "unknown" voting methods, it means that this information is not reported by local officials.

2012 Presidential Election



VOTING METHOD	VOTED
Absentee	1,912
Early Vote	7,301
Mail	544
In-person, Election Day	4,449
Unknown	353
Total	14,559

2014 Midterm Election



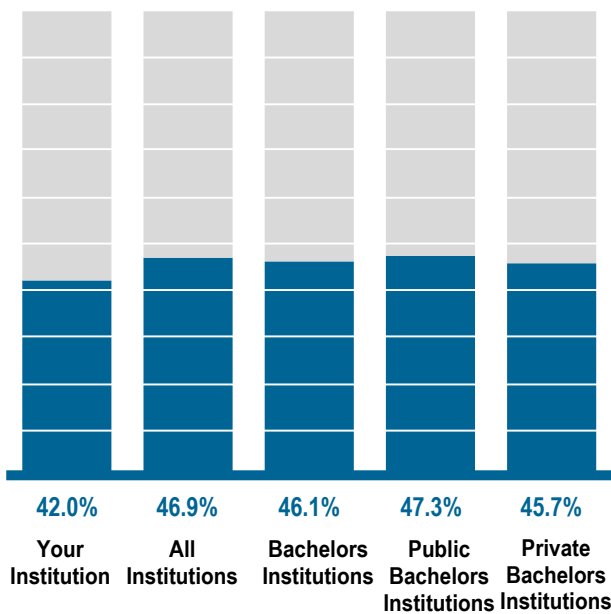
VOTING METHOD	VOTED
Absentee	430
Early Vote	3,994
Mail	324
In-person, Election Day	1,589
Unknown	88
Total	6,425

How Your Numbers Compare

BY CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION

See how your campus voting rate compares to others in your institution's Carnegie classification. This comparison data allows your campus to understand your voting rate in the context of similar institutions.

2012 Presidential Election



2014 Midterm Election

