

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
University of Iowa

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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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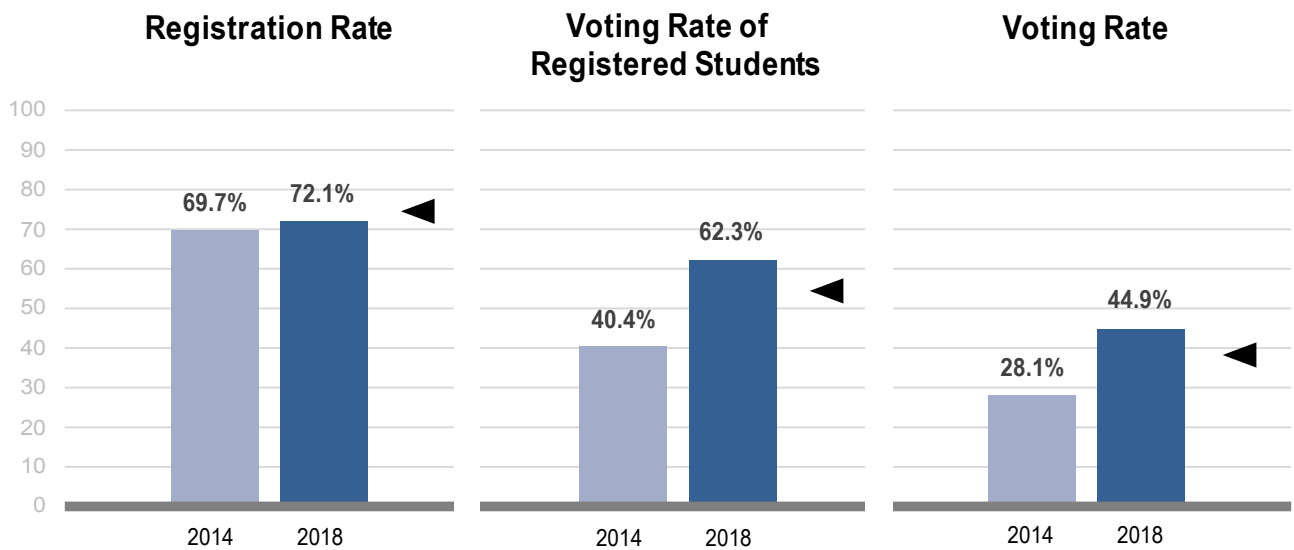
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
44.9%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+16.7

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	29,287	31,774	↑ 2,487
Age under 18/Unknown	(301)	(439)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(3,251)	(2,816)	
FERPA records blocked	(2,749)	(2,333)	
Total eligible voters	22,986	26,186	↑ 3,200
Number of students who registered	16,018	18,868	↑ 2,850
Number of students who voted	6,469	11,751	↑ 5,282
Registration rate	69.7%	72.1%	↑ 2.4
Voting rate of registered students	40.4%	62.3%	↑ 21.9
Voting rate	28.1%	44.9%	↑ 16.7
Difference from all institutions	+8.4	+5.8	

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

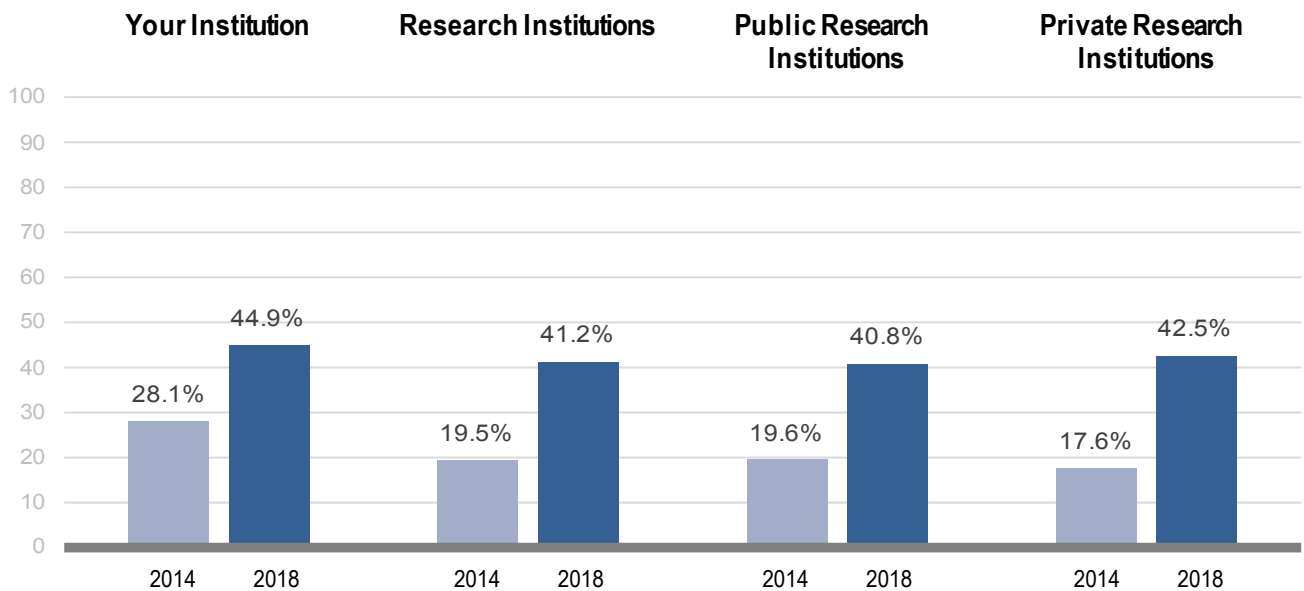
39.1%

HIGH
64.1%

LOW
11.5%

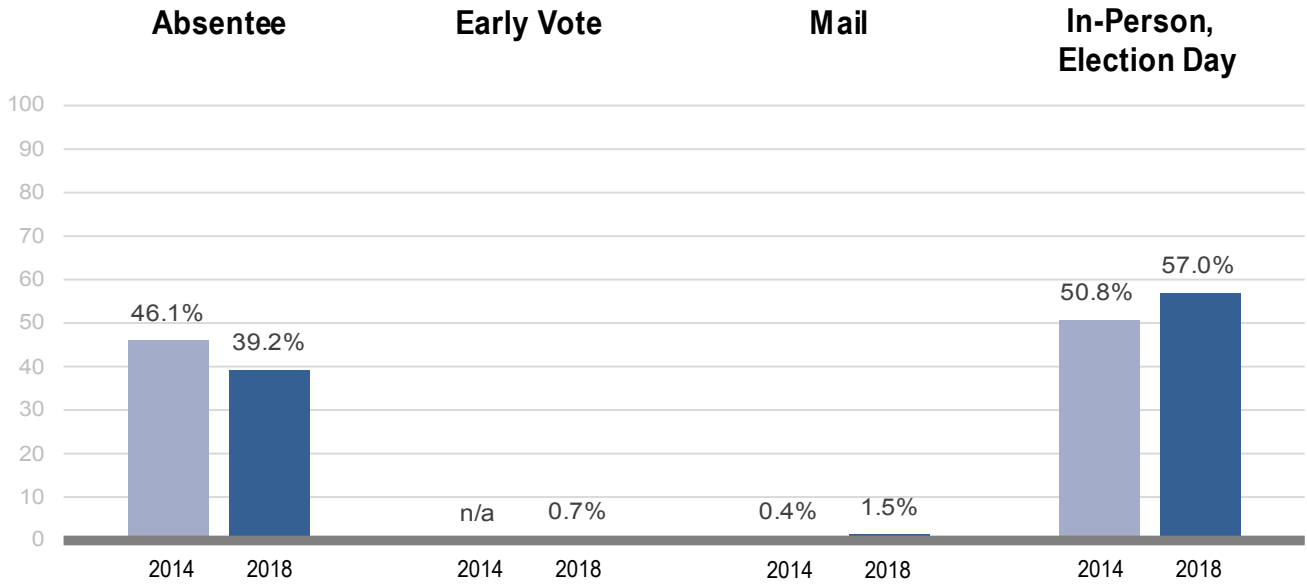
Difference from All Institutions **+8.4**

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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

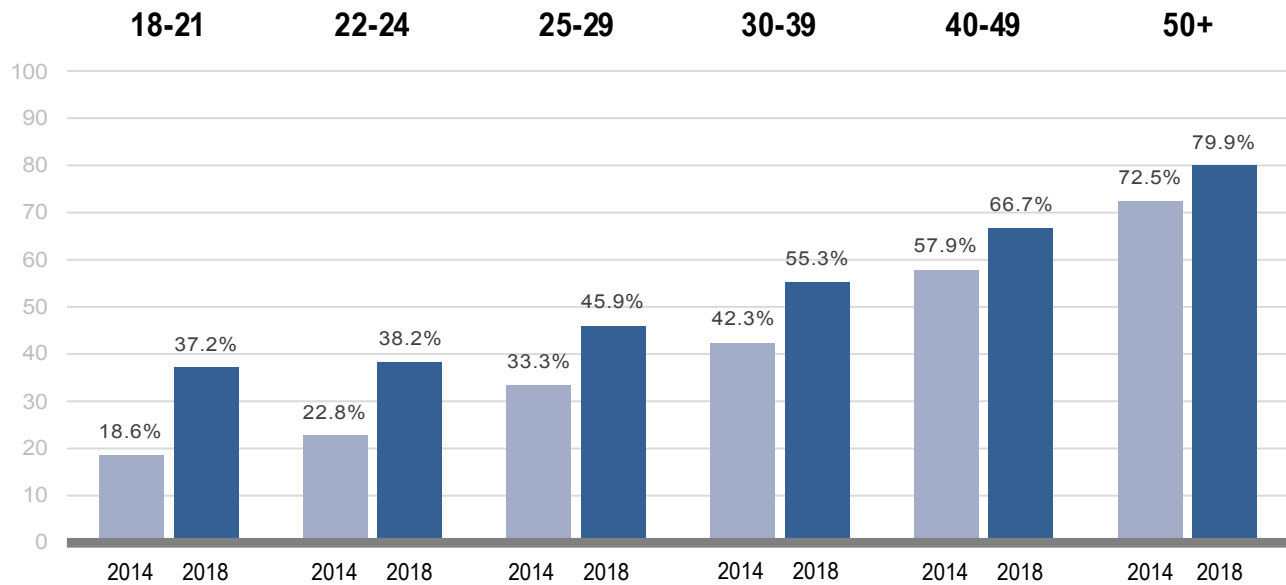


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	2,985	46.1%	4,600	39.2%	↓ -7.0
Early Vote	*	n/a	78	0.7%	n/a
Mail	24	0.4%	172	1.5%	↑ 1.1
In-Person, Election Day	3,285	50.8%	6,700	57.0%	↑ 6.2
Unknown	166	2.6%	201	1.7%	
Total	6,469		11,751		

* 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*

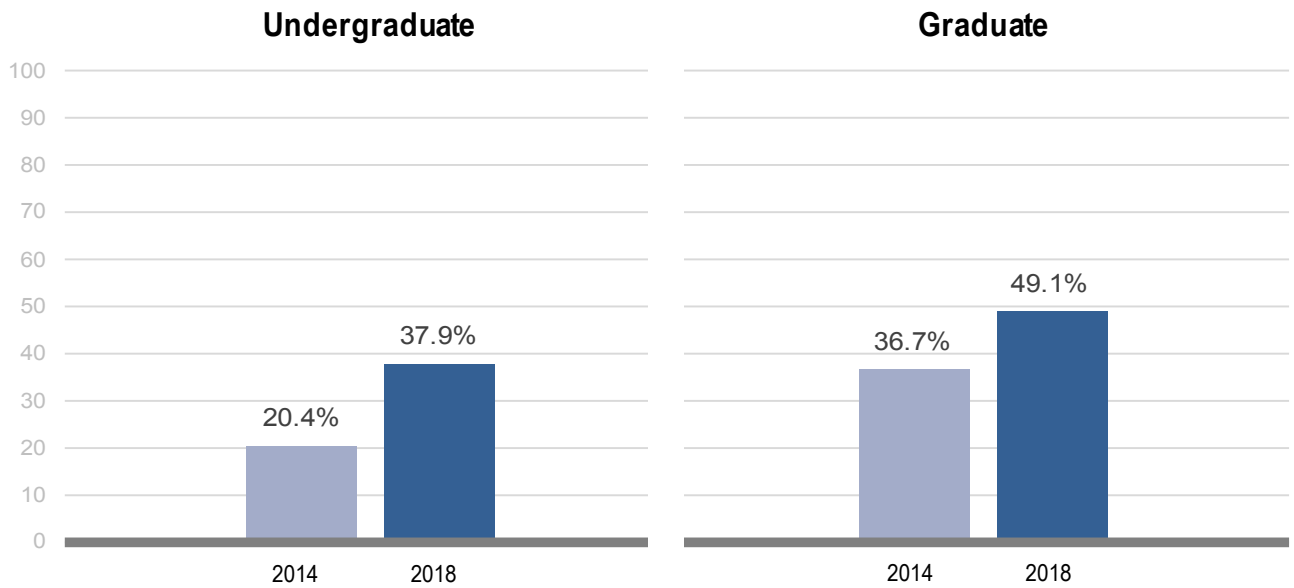


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	14,916	2,770	18.6%	17,781	6,607	37.2%	↑ 18.6
22-24	5,016	1,142	22.8%	5,364	2,051	38.2%	↑ 15.5
25-29	3,222	1,073	33.3%	2,987	1,371	45.9%	↑ 12.6
30-39	2,186	924	42.3%	2,001	1,106	55.3%	↑ 13.0
40-49	617	357	57.9%	595	397	66.7%	↑ 8.9
50+	280	203	72.5%	274	219	79.9%	↑ 7.4
Unknown	0			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*

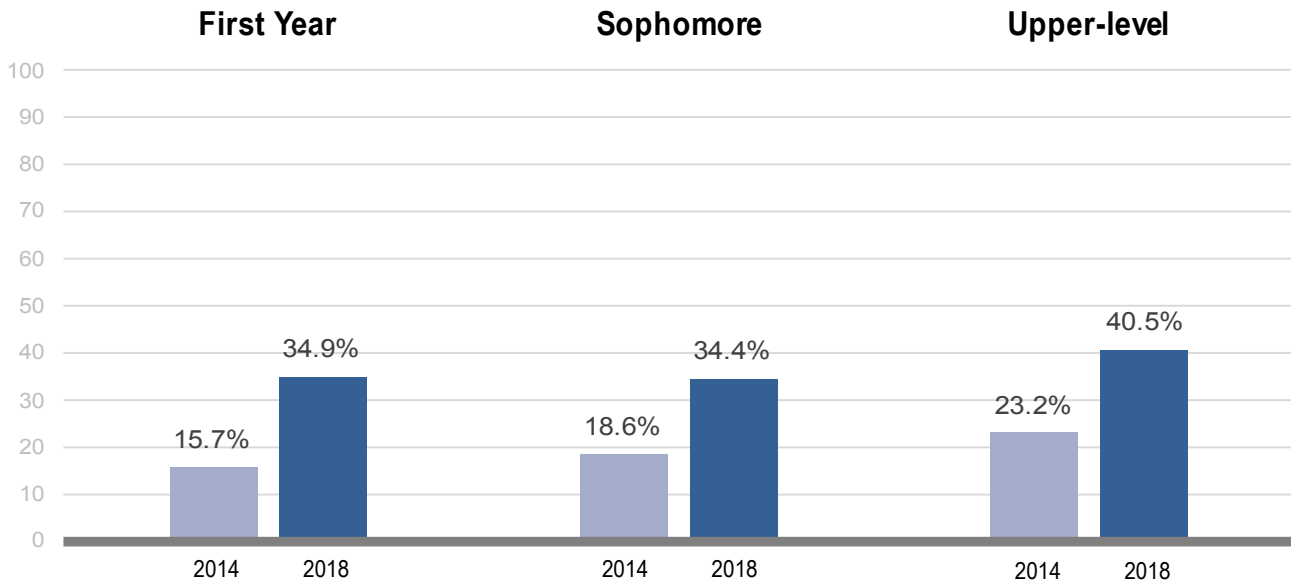


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Undergraduate	19,364	3,958	20.4%	22,285	8,434	37.9%	↑ 17.4
Graduate	5,970	2,193	36.7%	5,920	2,906	49.1%	↑ 12.4
Unknown	903			797			

* 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.

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By Undergraduate Class Year*

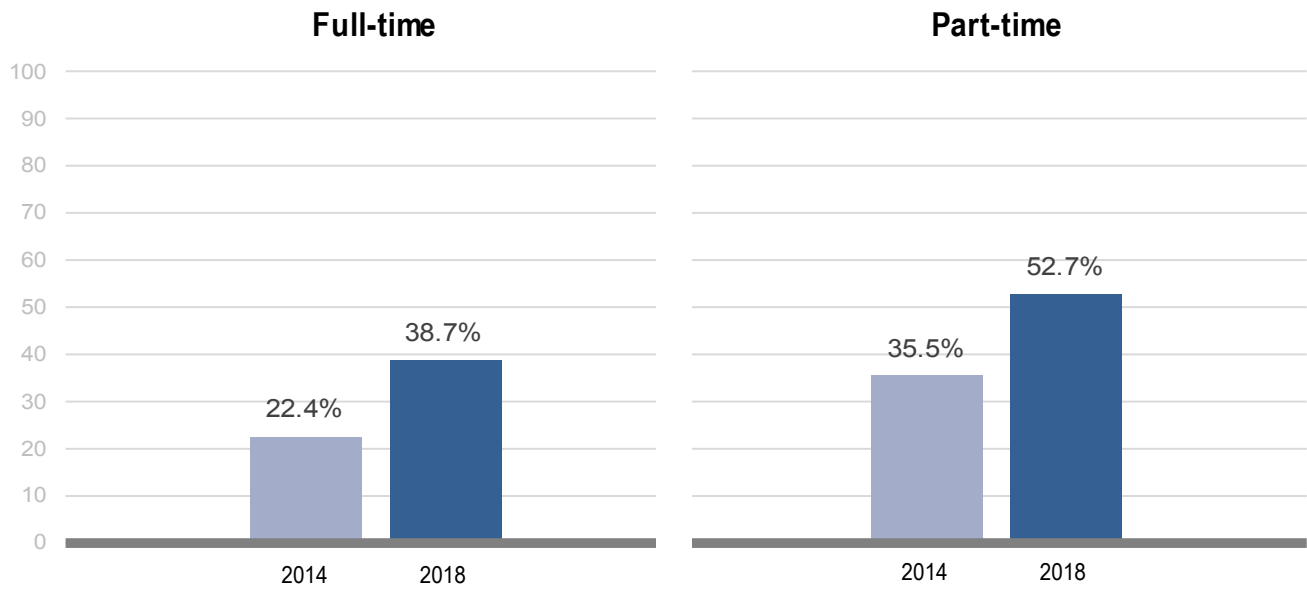


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
First Year	4,913	773	15.7%	5,151	1,797	34.9%	↑ 19.2
Sophomore	4,305	800	18.6%	4,938	1,700	34.4%	↑ 15.9
Upper-level	10,006	2,320	23.2%	12,060	4,889	40.5%	↑ 17.4

* 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*

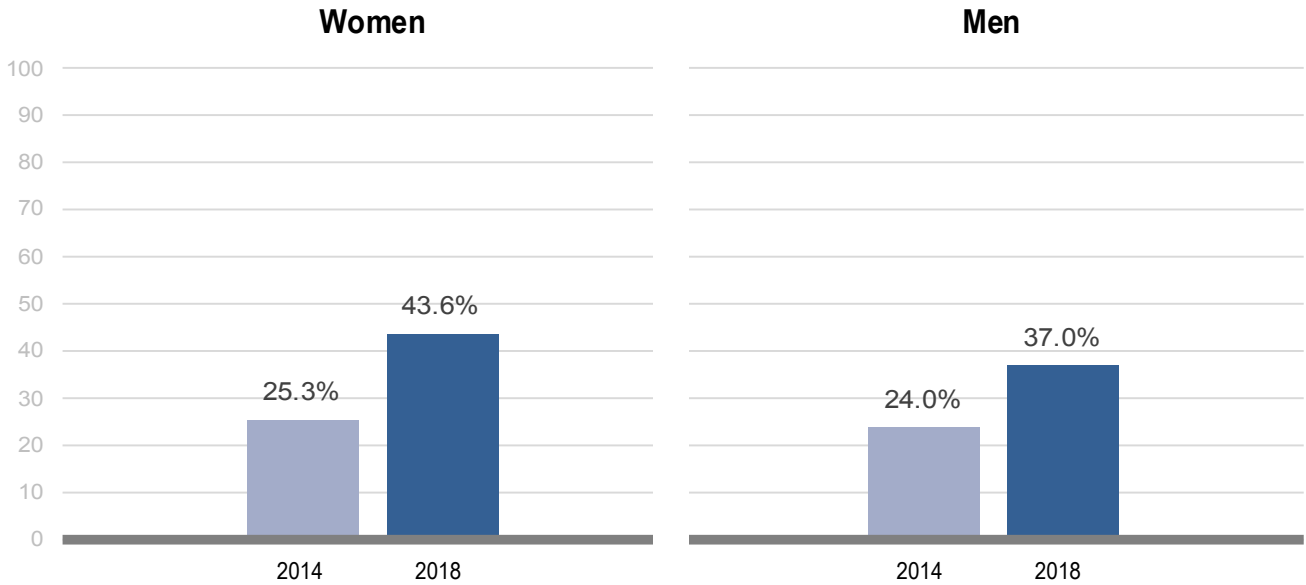


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	21,772	4,885	22.4%	25,291	9,797	38.7%	↑ 16.3
Part-time	4,465	1,584	35.5%	3,711	1,954	52.7%	↑ 17.2
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

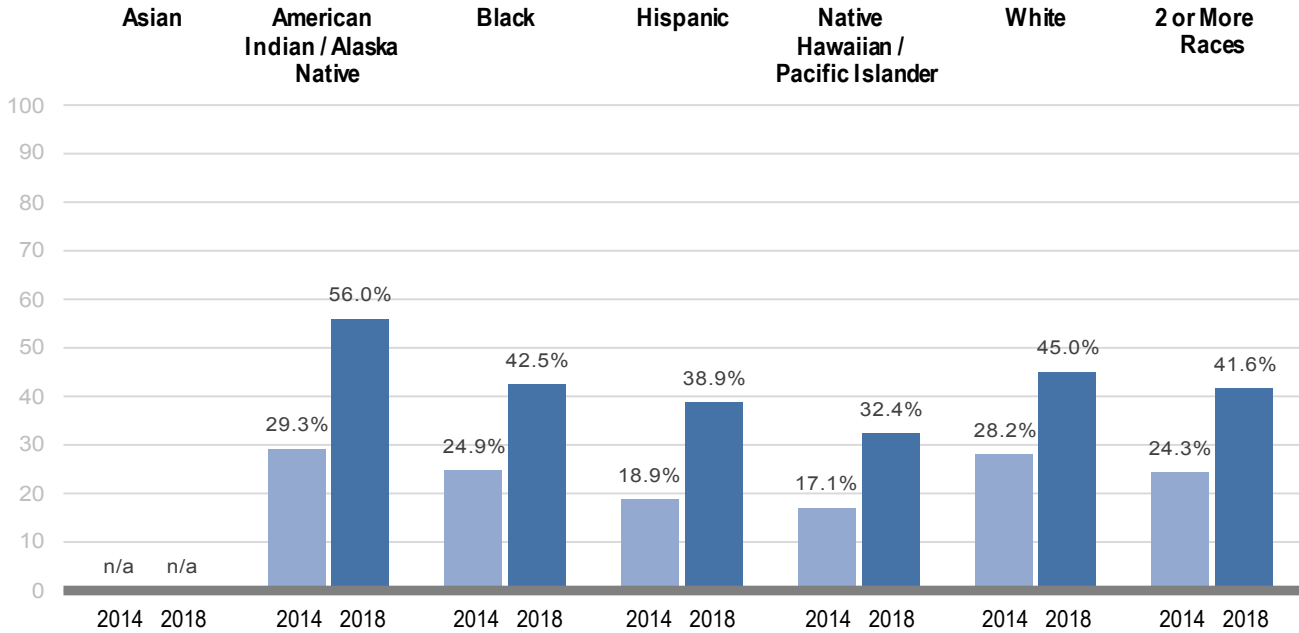


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	13,262	3,361	25.3%	15,285	6,667	43.6%	↑ 18.3
Men	12,966	3,106	24.0%	13,661	5,051	37.0%	↑ 13.0
Unknown	*			56			

* 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	0	0	n/a	n/a
American Indian/ Alaska Native	41	12	29.3%	50	28	56.0%	↑ 26.7
Black	748	186	24.9%	863	367	42.5%	↑ 17.7
Hispanic	713	135	18.9%	817	318	38.9%	↑ 20.0
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	937	160	17.1%	1,419	459	32.4%	↑ 15.3
White	18,198	5,122	28.2%	20,722	9,328	45.0%	↑ 16.9
2 or More Races	1,385	337	24.3%	2,147	894	41.6%	↑ 17.3
Unknown	4,215			2,984			

* 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	
Architecture	40	23	57.5%	0	0	n/a	n/a
Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	88	32	36.4%	144	69	47.9% ↑	11.6
Basic Skills and Developmental Education	61	0	n/a	95	*	n/a	n/a
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	1,037	259	25.0%	1,006	428	42.5% ↑	17.6
Business, Management, and Marketing	4,862	1,017	20.9%	6,158	2,173	35.3% ↑	14.4
Communication and Journalism	1,288	280	21.7%	946	395	41.8% ↑	20.0
Computer and Information Sciences	476	104	21.9%	712	214	30.1% ↑	8.2
Education	818	290	35.5%	1,042	506	48.6% ↑	13.1
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	2,225	433	19.5%	2,176	776	35.7% ↑	16.2
English Language and Literature	818	275	33.6%	887	464	52.3% ↑	18.7
Foreign Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	275	91	33.1%	272	135	49.6% ↑	16.5
Health Professions	4,183	1,067	25.5%	5,772	2,282	39.5% ↑	14.0
History	251	86	34.3%	186	100	53.8% ↑	19.5
Legal Professions and Studies	394	166	42.1%	733	380	51.8% ↑	9.7
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,632	425	26.0%	1,164	464	39.9% ↑	13.8
Library Science	59	38	64.4%	52	39	75.0% ↑	10.6
Mathematics and Statistics	369	51	13.8%	359	88	24.5% ↑	10.7
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	463	185	40.0%	494	279	56.5% ↑	16.5
Natural Resources and Conservation	163	53	32.5%	165	85	51.5% ↑	19.0
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	2,131	347	16.3%	1,779	618	34.7% ↑	18.5
Philosophy and Religious Studies	84	34	40.5%	78	43	55.1% ↑	14.7
Physical Sciences	440	96	21.8%	394	145	36.8% ↑	15.0
Psychology	1,129	233	20.6%	918	387	42.2% ↑	21.5

Public Administration and Social Service Professions	351	154	43.9%	361	244	67.6% ↑	23.7
Social Sciences	1,294	366	28.3%	1,205	522	43.3% ↑	15.0
Visual and Performing Arts	1,258	343	27.3%	1,248	593	47.5% ↑	20.3
Other	0	0	n/a	59	20	33.9%	n/a
Unknown	48	21	43.8%	597	299	50.1% ↑	6.3

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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