

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Dakota County Technical
College

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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,

IDHE Team



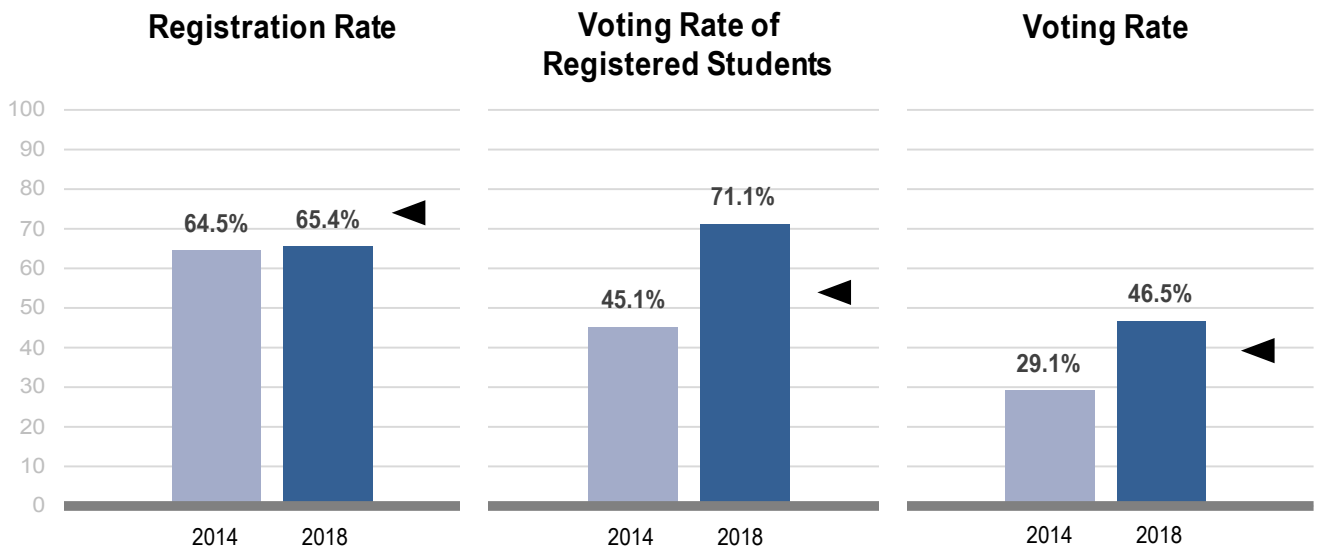
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
46.5%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+17.5

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	2,712	2,399	↓ -313
Age under 18/Unknown	(76)	(57)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(18)	(15)	
FERPA records blocked	*	*	
Total eligible voters	2,616	2,326	↓ -290
Number of students who registered	1,686	1,522	↓ -164
Number of students who voted	760	1,082	↑ 322
Registration rate	64.5%	65.4%	↑ 1.0
Voting rate of registered students	45.1%	71.1%	↑ 26.0
Voting rate	29.1%	46.5%	↑ 17.5
Difference from all institutions	+9.4	+7.4	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions
19.7%

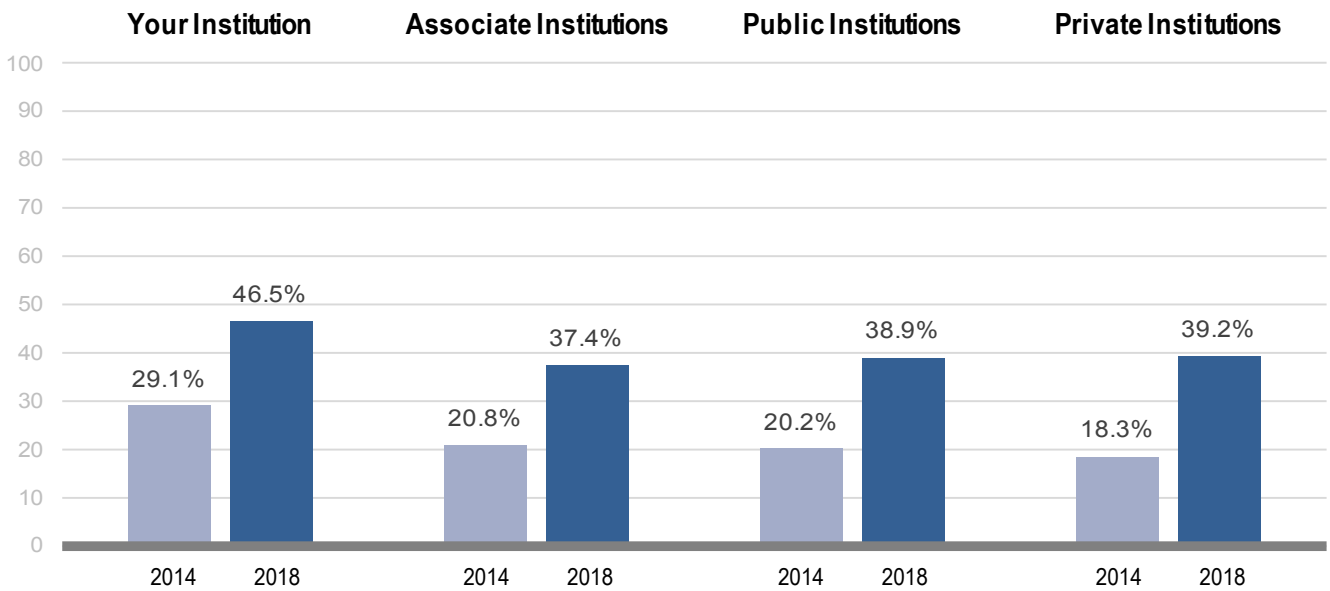
HIGH 54.0%
 LOW 1.5%

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions
39.1%

HIGH 64.1%
 LOW 11.5%

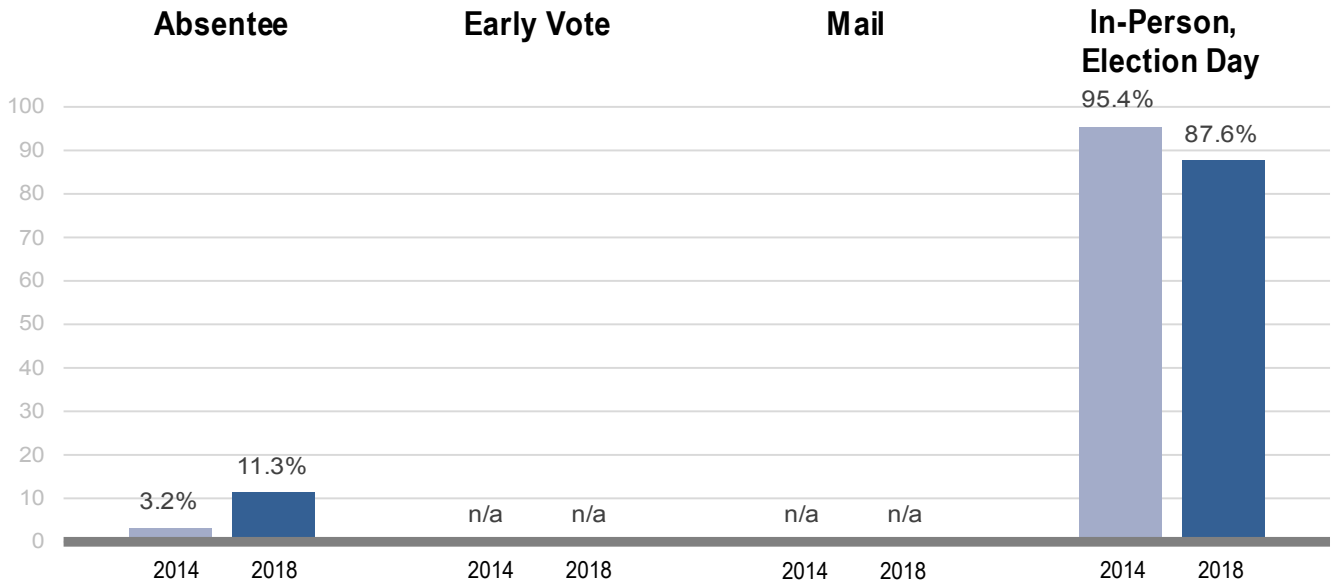
Difference from All Institutions **+9.4**

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YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Voting Method*

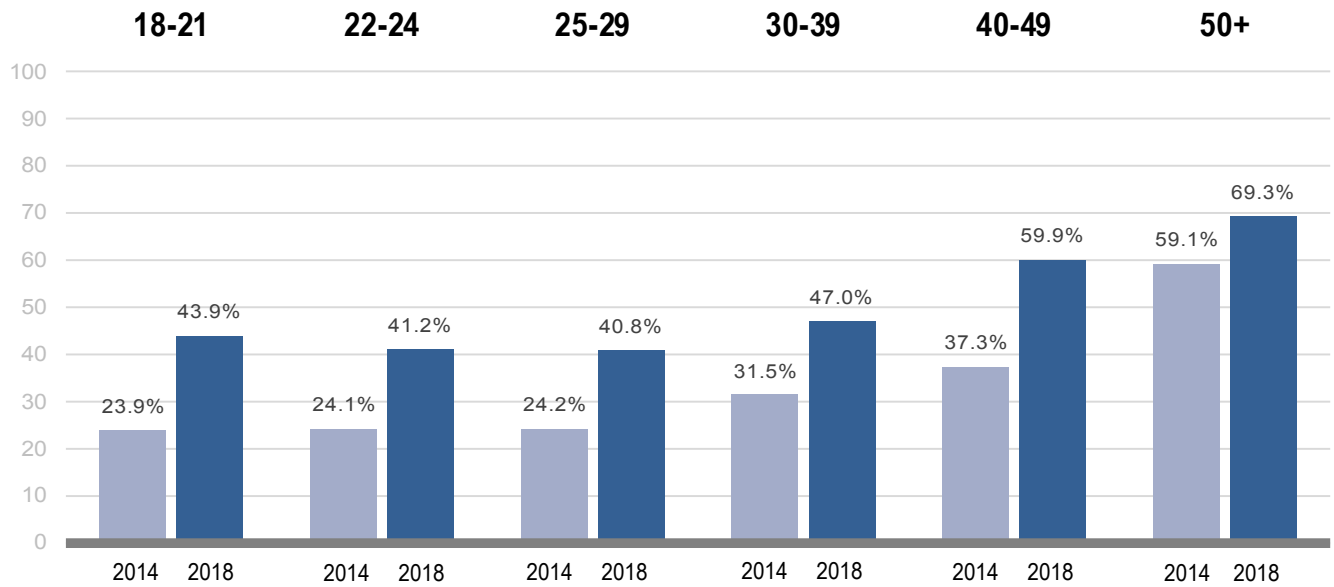


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	24	3.2%	122	11.3%	↑ 8.1
Early Vote	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
Mail	*	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	725	95.4%	948	87.6%	↓ -7.8
Unknown	*	n/a	*	n/a	
Total	760		1,082		

* 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*

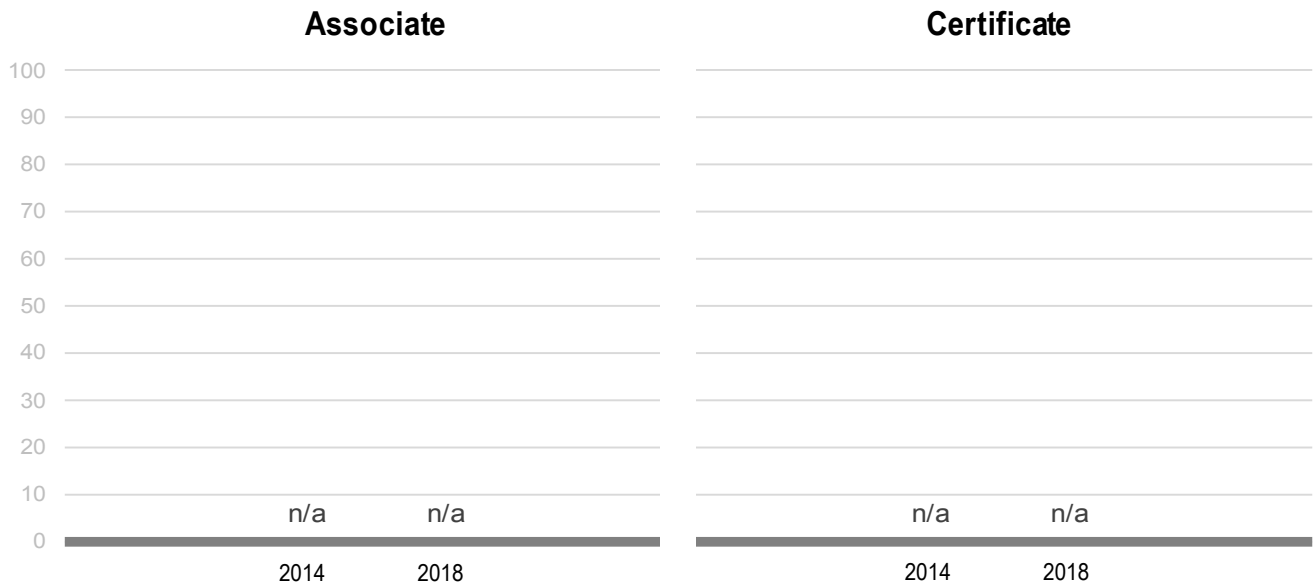


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	884	211	23.9%	976	428	43.9%	↑ 20.0
22-24	436	105	24.1%	384	158	41.2%	↑ 17.1
25-29	401	97	24.2%	331	135	40.8%	↑ 16.6
30-39	486	153	31.5%	321	151	47.0%	↑ 15.6
40-49	268	100	37.3%	192	115	59.9%	↑ 22.6
50+	159	94	59.1%	137	95	69.3%	↑ 10.2
Unknown	21			24			

* 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.

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By Program of Study*

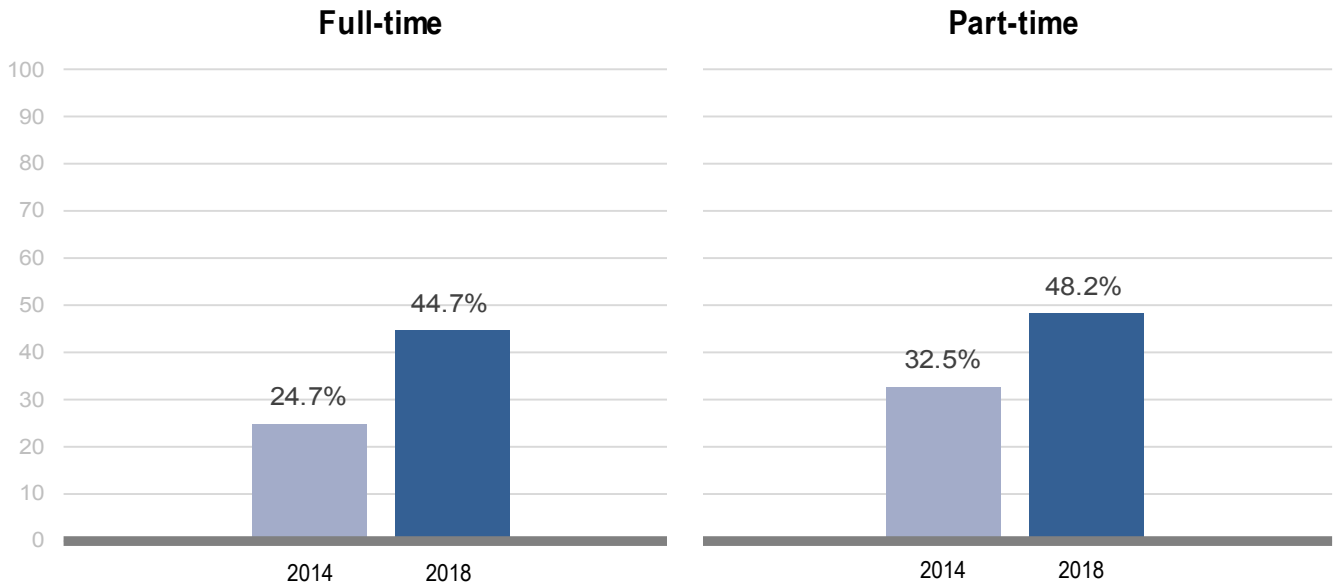


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Associate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Certificate	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a

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By Enrollment Status*

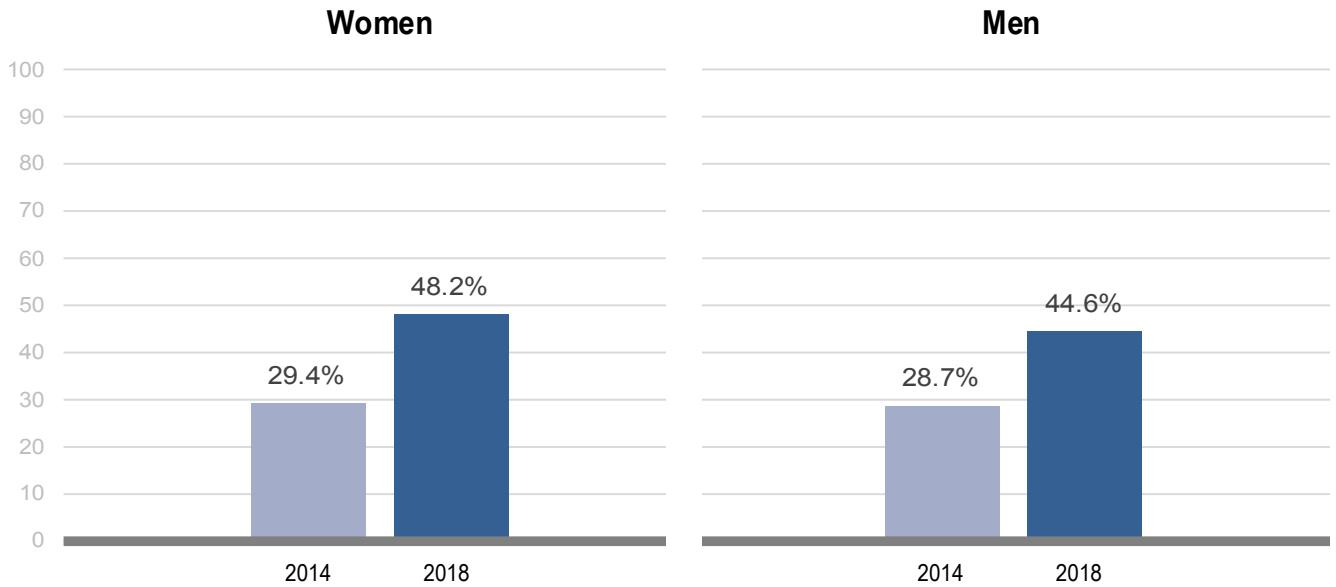


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	1,229	303	24.7%	1,317	588	44.7%	↑ 20.0
Part-time	1,405	457	32.5%	1,024	494	48.2%	↑ 15.7
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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*

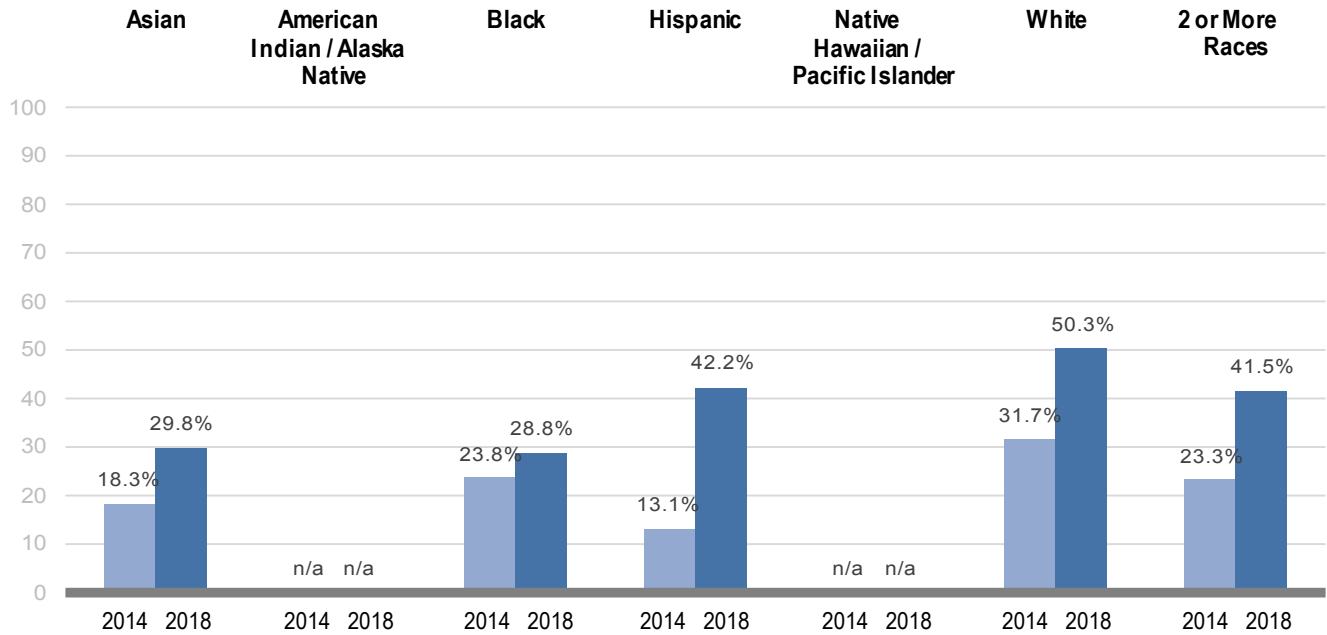


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	1,090	320	29.4%	896	432	48.2%	↑ 18.9
Men	1,515	434	28.7%	1,392	621	44.6%	↑ 16.0
Unknown	29			53			

* 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	93	17	18.3%	104	31	29.8%	↑ 11.5
American Indian/ Alaska Native	14	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Black	202	48	23.8%	229	66	28.8%	↑ 5.1
Hispanic	145	19	13.1%	180	76	42.2%	↑ 29.1
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	1,990	631	31.7%	1,623	816	50.3%	↑ 18.6
2 or More Races	90	21	23.3%	94	39	41.5%	↑ 18.2
Unknown	100			103			

* 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	34	14	41.2%	13	12	92.3% ↑	51.1
Business, Management, and Marketing	564	175	31.0%	300	126	42.0% ↑	11.0
Computer and Information Sciences	216	67	31.0%	219	116	53.0% ↑	22.0
Construction Trades	147	36	24.5%	195	84	43.1% ↑	18.6
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	196	58	29.6%	122	68	55.7% ↑	26.2
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	106	33	31.1%	76	40	52.6% ↑	21.5
Health Professions	366	95	26.0%	413	176	42.6% ↑	16.7
Legal Professions and Studies	10	*	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	29	15	51.7%	23	13	56.5% ↑	4.8
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	382	105	27.5%	335	136	40.6% ↑	13.1
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	179	46	25.7%	142	58	40.9% ↑	15.2
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	84	18	21.4%	43	20	46.5% ↑	25.1
Precision Production	71	18	25.4%	64	25	39.1% ↑	13.7
Transportation and Materials Moving	33	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	187	54	28.9%	110	53	48.2% ↑	19.3
Unknown	30	14	46.7%	278	153	55.0% ↑	8.4

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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