

2014 & 2018 CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for
Piedmont Virginia
Community 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,

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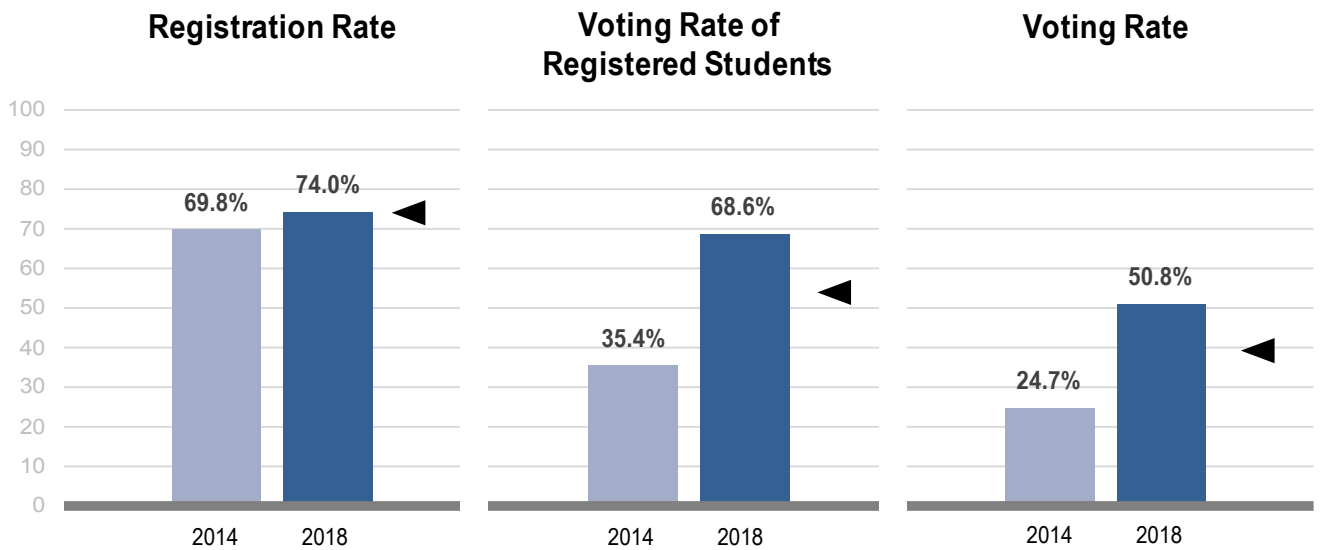
YOUR STUDENTS' VOTING DATA | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

Voting and Registration Rates

2018 Voting Rate
50.8%

CHANGE FROM 2014
+26.1

2018 VOTING RATE FOR ALL INSTITUTIONS
39.1%



◀ All Institutions, 2018

	2014	2018	Change
Total student enrollment	4,515	4,196	↓ -319
Age under 18/Unknown	(749)	(909)	
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	(24)	(33)	
FERPA records blocked	*	*	
Total eligible voters	3,741	3,245	↓ -496
Number of students who registered	2,612	2,401	↓ -211
Number of students who voted	925	1,648	↑ 723
Registration rate	69.8%	74.0%	↑ 4.2
Voting rate of registered students	35.4%	68.6%	↑ 33.2
Voting rate	24.7%	50.8%	↑ 26.1
Difference from all institutions	+5.0	+11.7	

HOW YOUR NUMBERS COMPARE | MIDTERM ELECTIONS

By Carnegie Classification

2014 Voting Rate for All Institutions
19.7%

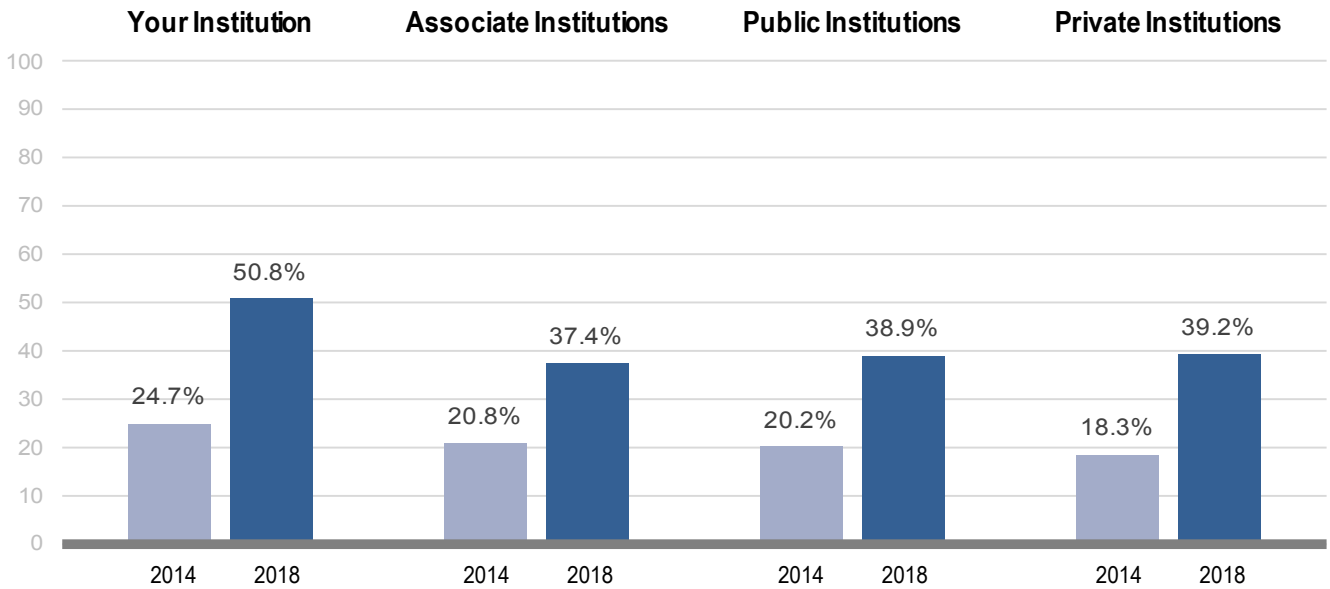
HIGH 54.0%
 LOW 1.5%

2018 Voting Rate for All Institutions
39.1%

HIGH 64.1%
 LOW 11.5%

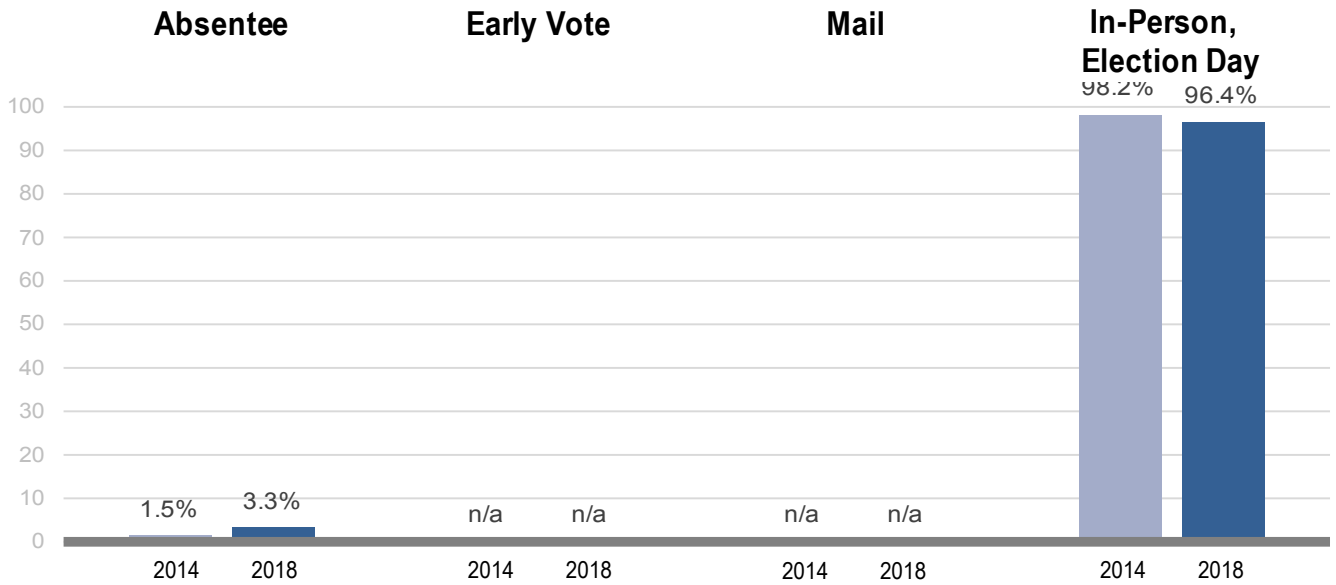
Difference from All Institutions **+5.0**

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By Voting Method*

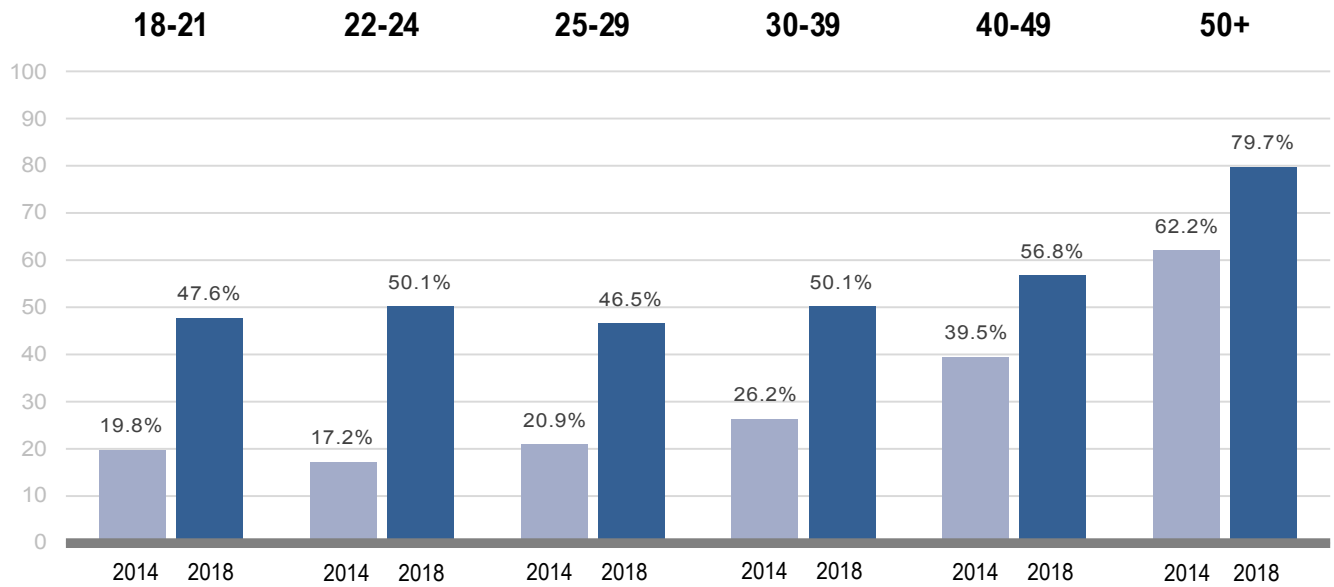


	2014		2018		Change
	Voted	Rate	Voted	Rate	
Absentee	14	1.5%	54	3.3%	↑ 1.8
Early Vote	0	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
Mail	0	n/a	*	n/a	n/a
In-Person, Election Day	908	98.2%	1,588	96.4%	↓ -1.8
Unknown	*	n/a	*	n/a	
Total	925		1,648		

* 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*

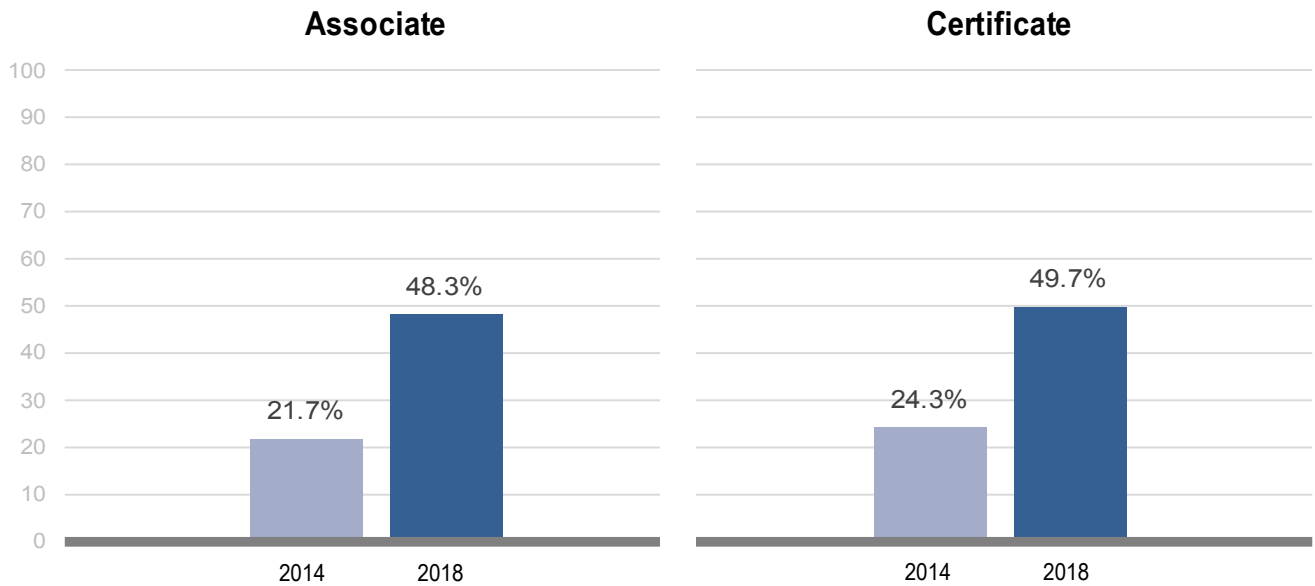


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
18-21	1,584	313	19.8%	1,560	743	47.6%	↑ 27.9
22-24	534	92	17.2%	429	215	50.1%	↑ 32.9
25-29	555	116	20.9%	460	214	46.5%	↑ 25.6
30-39	581	152	26.2%	447	224	50.1%	↑ 24.0
40-49	289	114	39.5%	229	130	56.8%	↑ 17.3
50+	222	138	62.2%	153	122	79.7%	↑ 17.6
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.

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By Program of Study*

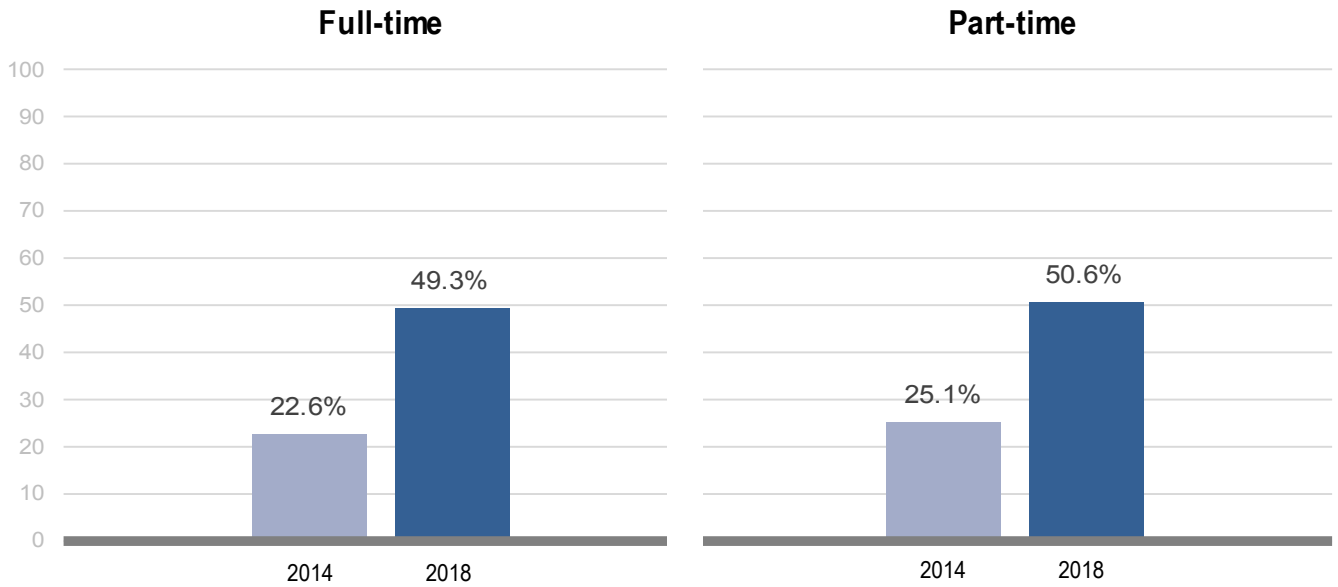


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Associate	2,762	598	21.7%	2,457	1,187	48.3%	↑ 26.7
Certificate	461	112	24.3%	386	192	49.7%	↑ 25.4

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By Enrollment Status*

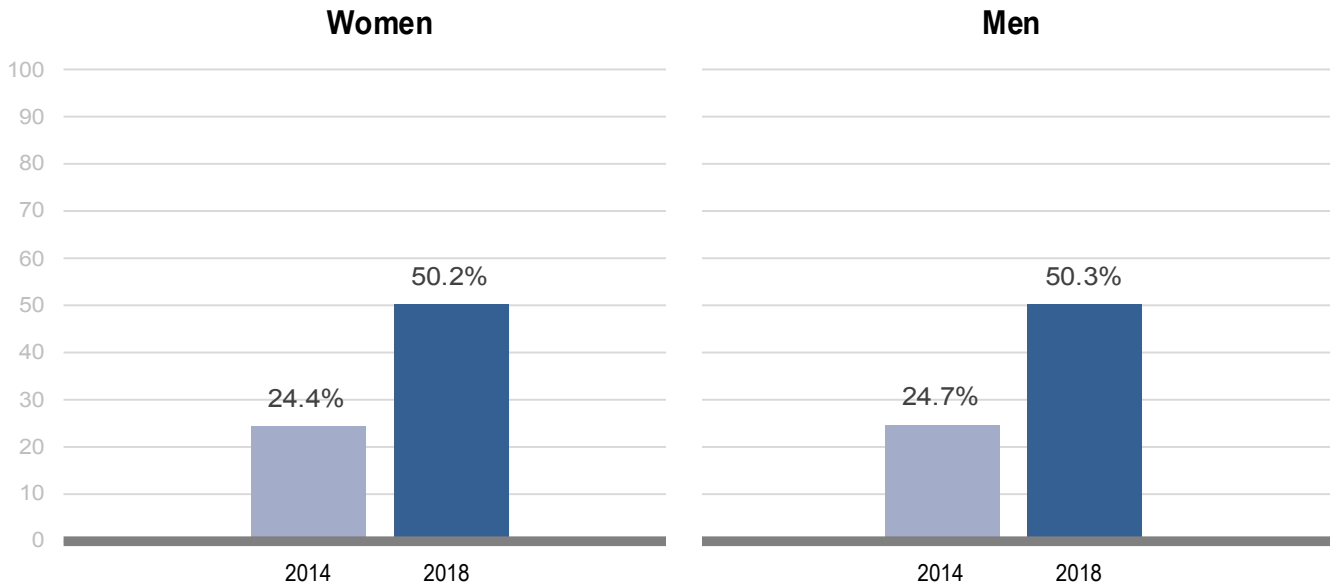


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Full-time	818	185	22.6%	873	430	49.3%	↑ 26.6
Part-time	2,947	740	25.1%	2,405	1,218	50.6%	↑ 25.5
Unknown	0	0	n/a	0	0	n/a	

* 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.

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By Gender*

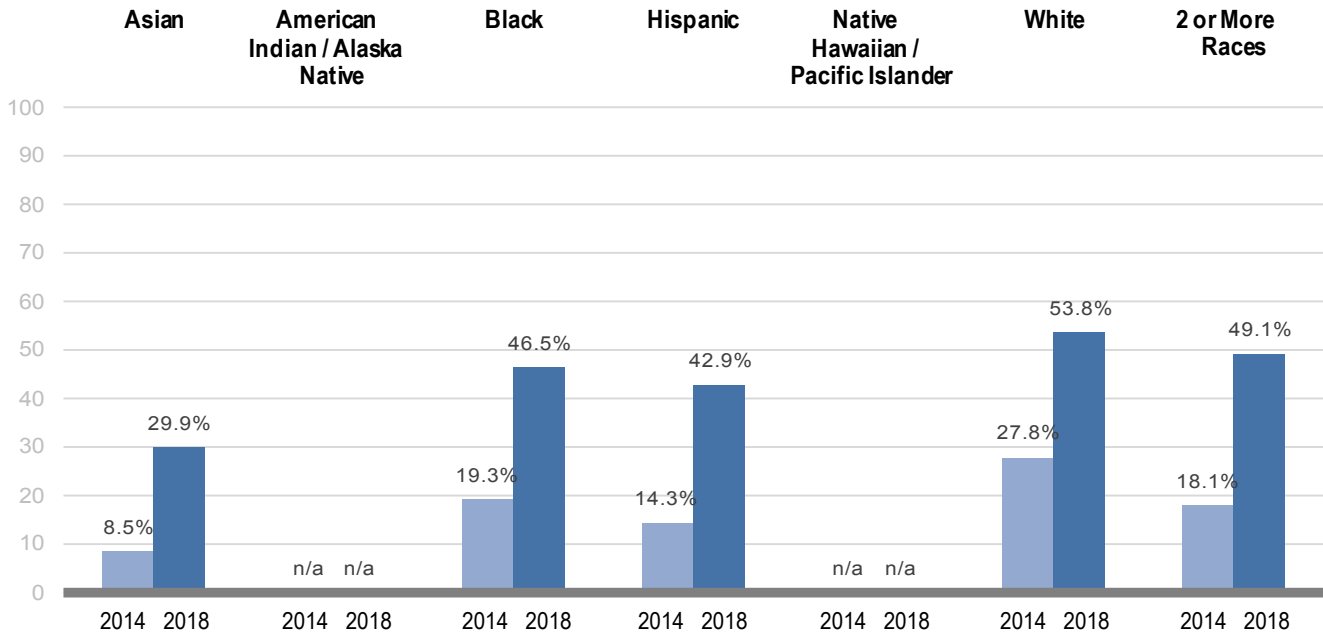


	2014			2018			Change
	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	Enrolled	Voted	Rate	
Women	2,230	544	24.4%	1,935	971	50.2%	↑ 25.8
Men	1,527	377	24.7%	1,333	671	50.3%	↑ 25.7
Unknown	*			10			

* 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	118	10	8.5%	147	44	29.9%	↑ 21.5
American Indian/ Alaska Native	13	*	n/a	10	*	n/a	n/a
Black	561	108	19.3%	441	205	46.5%	↑ 27.2
Hispanic	70	10	14.3%	112	48	42.9%	↑ 28.6
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	*	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
White	2,642	735	27.8%	2,216	1,191	53.8%	↑ 25.9
2 or More Races	276	50	18.1%	281	138	49.1%	↑ 31.0
Unknown	78			71			

* 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	
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	14	*	n/a	0	0	n/a	n/a
Business, Management, and Marketing	388	94	24.2%	321	151	47.0% ↑	22.8
Computer and Information Sciences	146	40	27.4%	159	82	51.6% ↑	24.2
Education	97	27	27.8%	57	36	63.2% ↑	35.3
Engineering and Engineering Technologies	140	29	20.7%	137	66	48.2% ↑	27.5
Family and Consumer/Human Sciences	0	0	n/a	*	*	n/a	n/a
Health Professions	519	135	26.0%	253	125	49.4% ↑	23.4
Law Enforcement, Firefighting, and Protective Services	57	19	33.3%	33	14	42.4% ↑	9.1
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Humanities	1,603	314	19.6%	1,637	777	47.5% ↑	27.9
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	24	*	n/a	33	18	54.6%	n/a
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	157	35	22.3%	126	59	46.8% ↑	24.5
Personal and Culinary Services	52	*	n/a	33	14	42.4%	n/a
Visual and Performing Arts	94	20	21.3%	80	49	61.3% ↑	40.0
Unknown	474	197	41.6%	401	256	63.8% ↑	22.3

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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