NSLVE NATIONAL STUDY OF LEARNING, VOTING, AND ENGAGEMENT

CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for

West Hills College Coalinga

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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 Citizenship and Public Service, Tufts University. Since NSLVE's launch in 2013, more than 750 colleges and universities have signed up to receive their voting rates for the 2012 and 2014 elections. Participating colleges and universities are located in 48 states and represent all Carnegie classifications as well as socially and economically diverse students. With others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of over 6.7 million college student records that is already serving as a foundation for innovative research on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

Looking Ahead

In response to our survey, many of you requested resources as well as stories about what other campuses are doing. Over the coming months, NSLVE will be releasing tools and resources that you and others can use to enhance political learning and engagement in democracy on your campus. Here is a sneak peek into some of this work.

❑ *Campus Discussion Guide*: A tool for conversations on your campus regarding how to use the NSLVE report to spark change.

❑ *National Data*: We'll be sharing data about the national landscape for college student voting.

❑ *Comparison Data*: We know campuses are interested in learning more about how their voting compares to other similar institutions. We'll be rolling out aggregate comparison data for groups of participating campuses.

❑ *Case Studies:* We've been on the road, visiting campuses with unpredicted, high voting rates. We will be sharing the findings from our studies of campus climates for student political learning and engagement in democracy.

❑ *Diversity & Democracy*: In November, in partnership with the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AACU), we will publish a special issue on college student political learning and engagement in democracy.

If you or someone else on your campus would like to receive more information about our research and resources, please **join our mailing list**.

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 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), and is more reliable than the demographic data campuses provide to the Clearinghouse at this time. Please note that students who blocked the use of their information under FERPA were also removed from the enrollment lists by the Clearinghouse.

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 your international students. We cannot adjust for undocumented students. 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
\- = zero results in this field

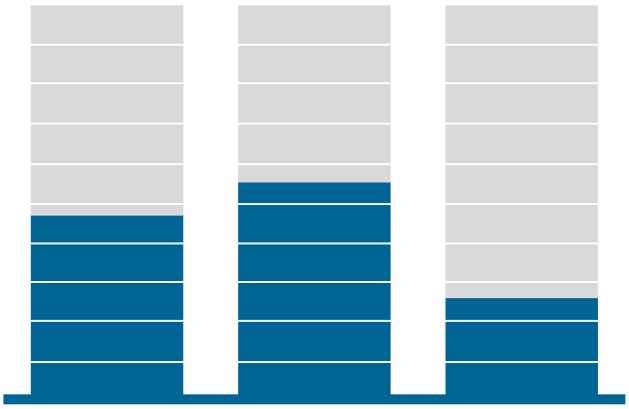
For some colleges and universities, this report will contain some categories for which data is "unknown." These likely reflect the amount or quality of the data the institution provides, a problem that can be corrected by more comprehensive reporting to the Clearinghouse.

Your Students' Voting and Registration Rates

2012 Voting Rate
26%

2014 Voting Rate
11%

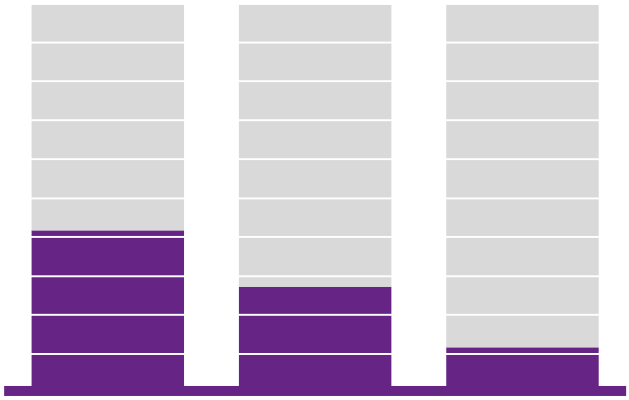
2012 Presidential Election



46.7%	55.1%	25.7%
Registration Rate	Rate of Registered Students who Voted	Voting Rate

Total student enrollment	2,388
Ineligible to vote because too young	91
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	53
FERPA records blocked	-
Number of students who registered	1,048
Number of students who voted	577

2014 Midterm Election



41.6%	27.0%	11.3%
Registration Rate	Rate of Registered Students who Voted	Voting Rate

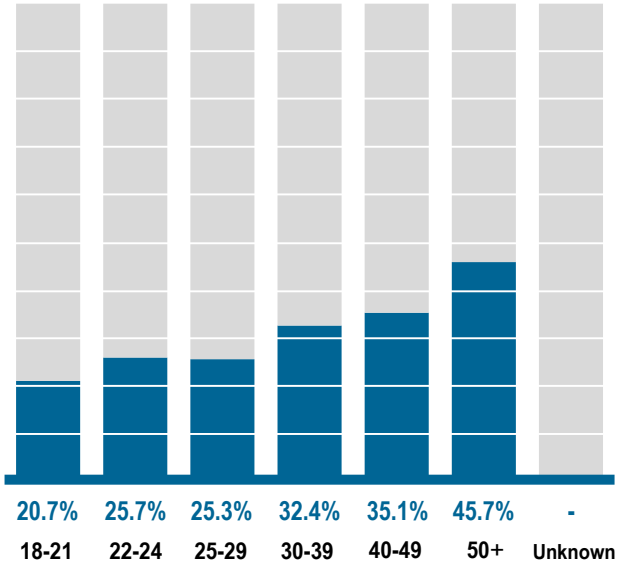
Total student enrollment	2,702
Ineligible to vote because too young	269
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	51
FERPA records blocked	-
Number of students who registered	991
Number of students who voted	268

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY AGE GROUP

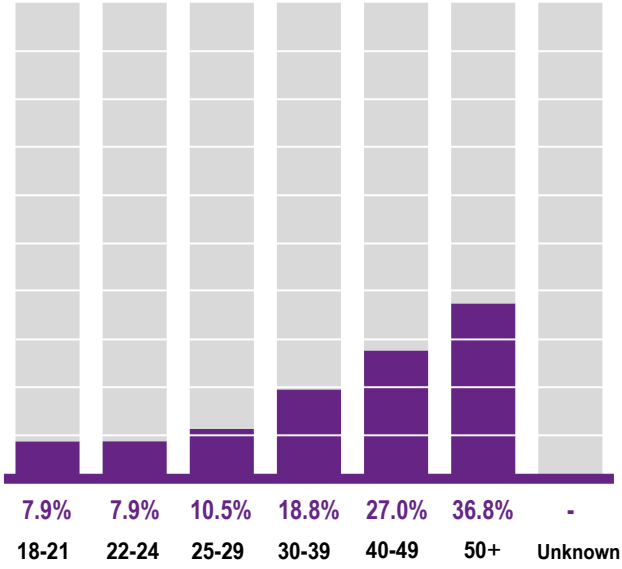
Your students broken down by age at the time of the election. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

2012 Presidential Election



AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	1,157	240
22-24	339	87
25-29	316	80
30-39	281	91
40-49	134	47
50+	70	32
Unknown	-	-

2014 Midterm Election



AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	1,284	101
22-24	393	31
25-29	306	32
30-39	277	52
40-49	115	31
50+	57	21
Unknown	*	-

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY GENDER

Your students broken down by gender. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

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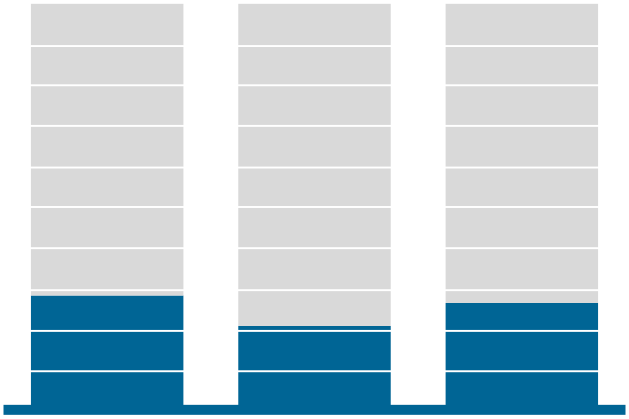
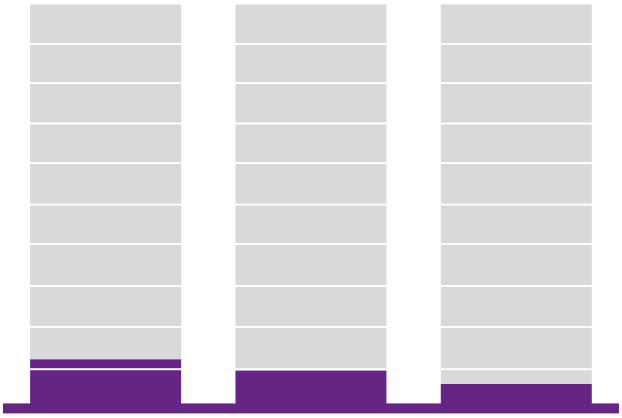


28.2%	20.6%	26.3%
Women	Men	Unknown

GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	925	381
Men	925	191
Unknown	19	*

2014 Midterm Election



12.2%	9.4%	6.1%
Women	Men	Unknown

GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	1,445	176
Men	955	90
Unknown	33	*

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY RACE/ETHNICITY

Your students broken down by race/ethnicity. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

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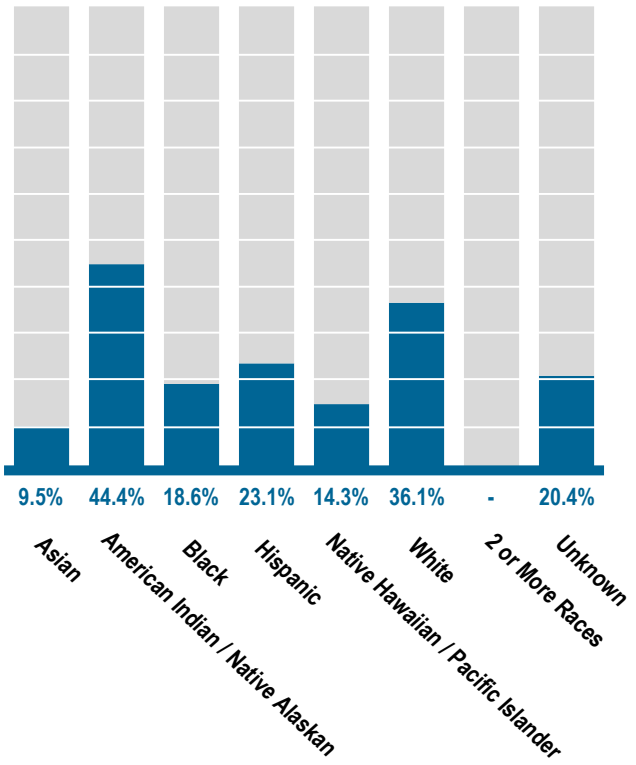
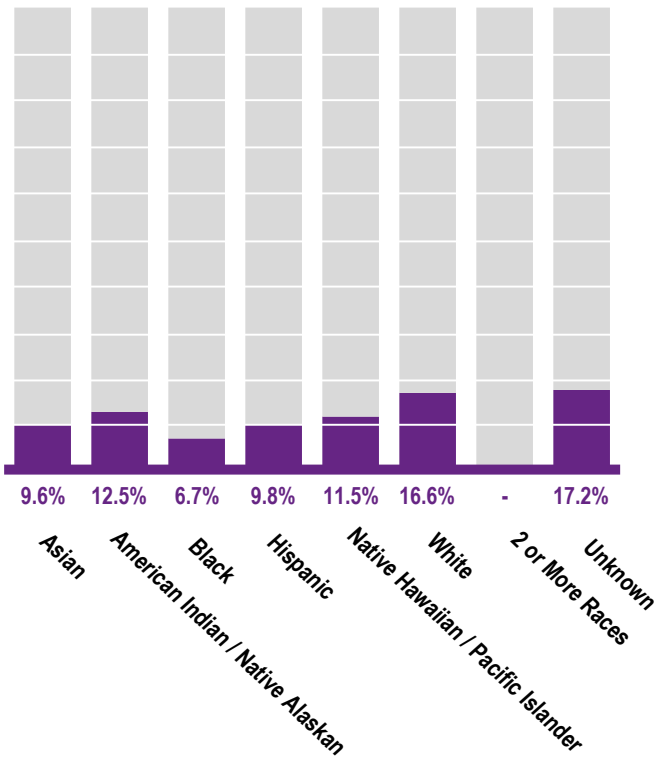


RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	74	*
American Indian/ Native Alaskan	*	*
Black	145	27
Hispanic	1,331	307
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	56	*
White	537	194
2 or More Races	-	-
Unknown	103	21

2014 Midterm Election



RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	83	*
American Indian/ Native Alaskan	16	*
Black	178	12
Hispanic	1,494	147
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	61	*
White	488	81
2 or More Races	-	-
Unknown	58	10

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY FIELD OF STUDY

Your students broken down by field of study. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

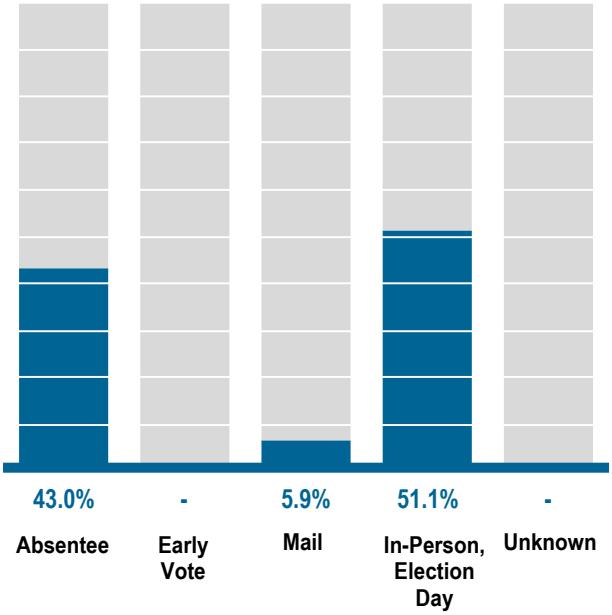
	2012 Presidential Election			2014 Midterm Election		
	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout
Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences	39	*	23.1%	39	10	25.6%
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	40	12	30.0%	37	*	8.1%
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support	226	60	26.5%	262	27	10.3%
Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs	-	-	-	*	-	-
Computer and Information and Library Sciences	64	17	26.6%	52	14	26.9%
Education	-	-	-	*	*	40.0%
Engineering	18	*	27.8%	27	*	11.1%
Health Professions and Related Sciences, Knowledge, and Skills	441	110	24.9%	505	55	10.9%
Humanities	18	*	22.2%	-	-	-
Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies, and Humanities	515	119	23.1%	787	73	9.3%
Mathematics and Statistics	21	*	14.3%	32	*	3.1%
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parks and Recreation	68	10	14.7%	51	*	7.8%
Physical Sciences	-	-	-	*	-	-
Professions	-	-	-	-	-	-
Psychology, Personal Awareness, and Self-Improvement	130	40	30.8%	105	*	7.6%
Social Sciences	21	*	28.6%	16	*	12.5%
Technologies/Technicians	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trades	336	95	28.3%	281	31	11.0%
Visual and Performing Arts	69	11	15.9%	43	*	11.6%

Your Students' Voting Rate Breakdown

BY VOTING METHOD

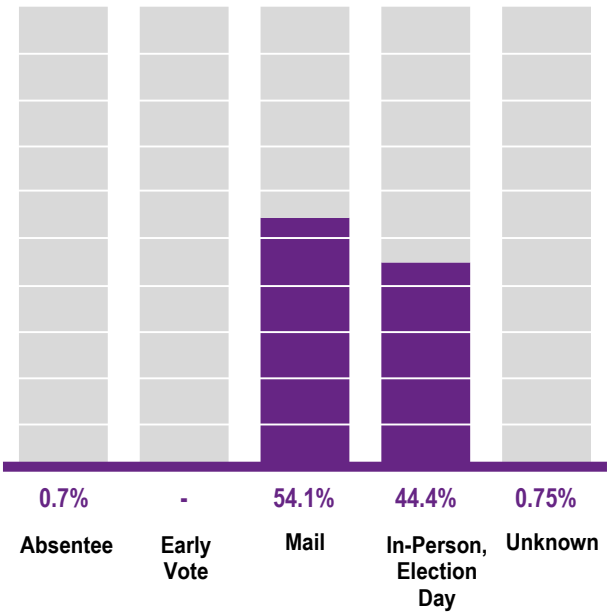
Your students broken down by voting method. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens. If your campus has a high percentage of "unknown" voting methods, it means that this information is not reported by local officals.

2012 Presidential Election



VOTING METHOD	ENROLLED	VOTED
Absentee	2,388	248
Early Vote	2,388	-
Mail	2,388	34
In-Person, Election Day	2,388	295
Unknown	2,388	-

2014 Midterm Election



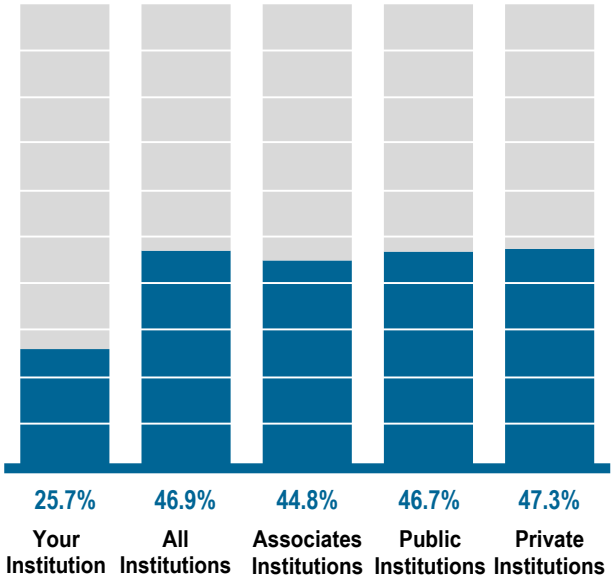
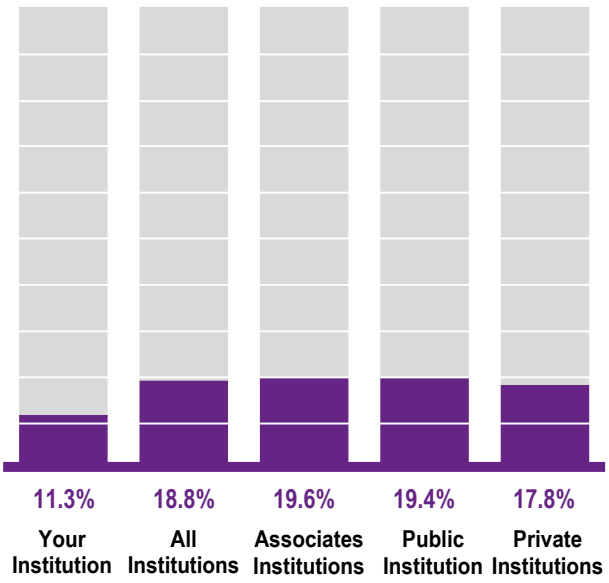
VOTING METHOD	ENROLLED	VOTED
Absentee	2,702	*
Early Vote	2,702	-
Mail	2,702	145
In-Person, Election Day	2,702	119
Unknown	2,702	*

How Your Numbers Compare

BY CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION

See how your campus voting rate compares to others in your Carnegie Classification. This comparison data allows your campus to understand your individual voting rates in the context of similar institutions. Please note that we are not able to adjust these voting rates by removing non-resident aliens.

2012 Presidential Election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