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CAMPUS REPORT

Student Voting Rates for

Wayne State University

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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 850 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. With others, your institution's participation in this study has allowed us to build a robust database of over 7.5 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.
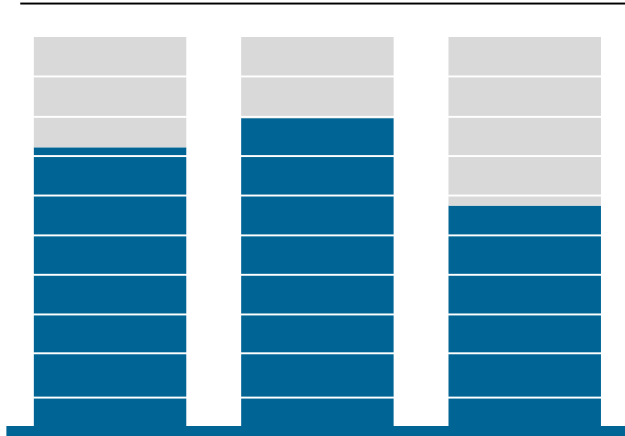
Your Students' Voting and Registration Rates

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57%</td><td>2014 Voting Rate
27%</td></tr>
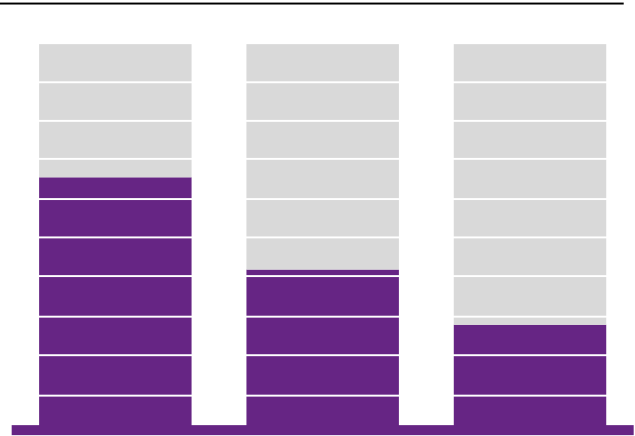</table>

2012 Presidential Election

72.0%	79.4%	57.2%
Registration Rate	**Rate of Registered Students who Voted**	**Voting Rate**

Total student enrollment	26,066
Ineligible to vote because too young	193
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,442
FERPA records blocked	482
Number of students who registered	17,246
Number of students who voted	13,691

2014 Midterm Election

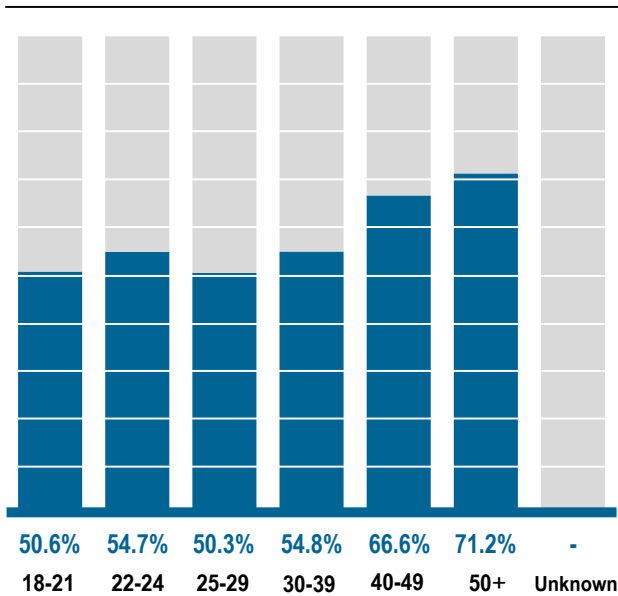| 65.5%	41.6%	27.3%
Registration Rate	**Rate of Registered Students who Voted**	**Voting Rate**

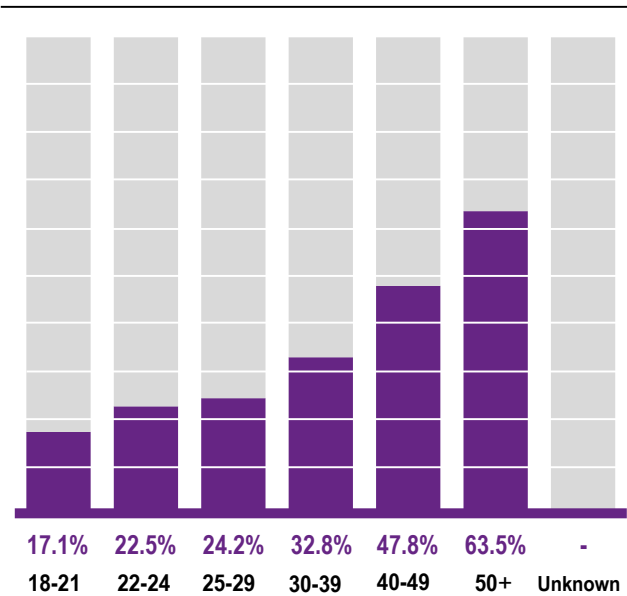|	
Total student enrollment	23,857
Ineligible to vote because too young	238
IPEDS estimated non-resident aliens	1,581
FERPA records blocked	354
Number of students who registered	14,209
Number of students who voted	5,913

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

50.6%	54.7%	50.3%	54.8%	66.6%	71.2%	-
18-21	22-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Unknown

2014 Midterm Election

17.1%	22.5%	24.2%	32.8%	47.8%	63.5%	-
18-21	22-24	25-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Unknown

AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	8,151	**4,122**
22-24	5,892	**3,223**
25-29	5,049	**2,539**
30-39	3,658	**2,004**
40-49	1,669	**1,111**
50+	972	**692**
Unknown	-	**-**

AGE GROUP	ENROLLED	VOTED
18-21	7,382	**1,262**
22-24	5,833	**1,311**
25-29	4,717	**1,141**
30-39	3,193	**1,047**
40-49	1,312	**627**
50+	827	**525**
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.

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Presidential Election
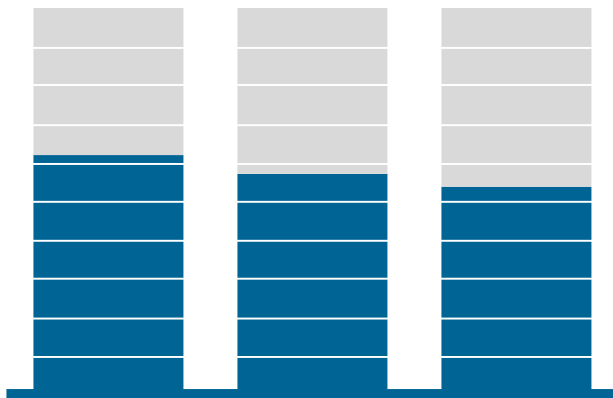
61.9%	57.0%	53.7%
Undergraduate	**Graduate**	**Unknown**

EDUCATION LEVEL	ENROLLED	VOTED
Undergraduate	533	330
Graduate	291	166
Unknown	24,567	13,195

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Midterm Election
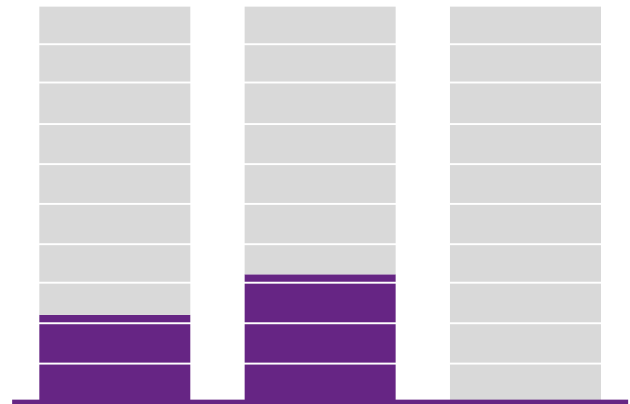
22.6%	32.7%	-
Undergraduate	**Graduate**	**Unknown**

EDUCATION LEVEL	ENROLLED	VOTED
Undergraduate	16,728	3,773
Graduate	6,536	2,140
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.
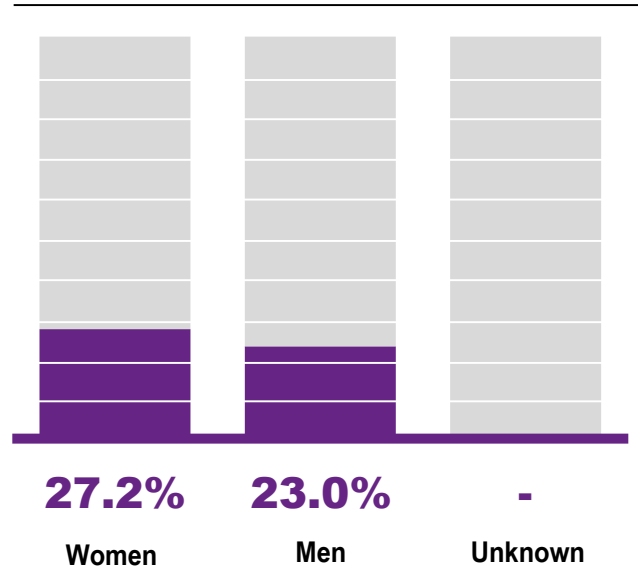
2012 Presidential Election

-	-	53.9%
Women	Men	Unknown

2014 Midterm Election

27.2%	23.0%	-
Women	Men	Unknown
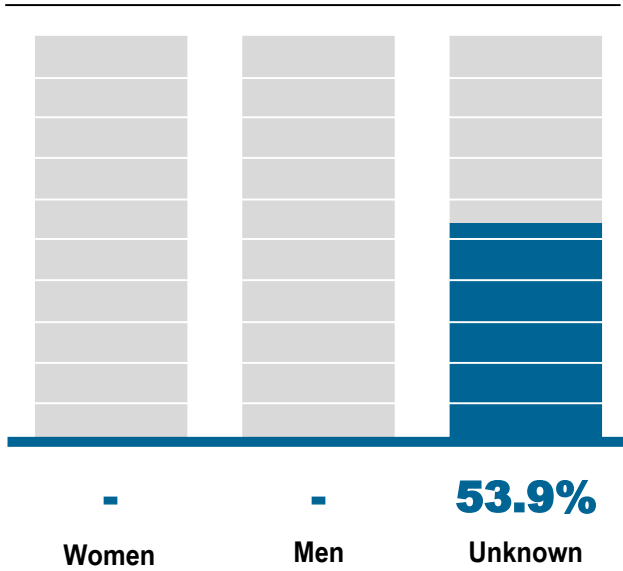
GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	-	-
Men	-	-
Unknown	25,391	13,691

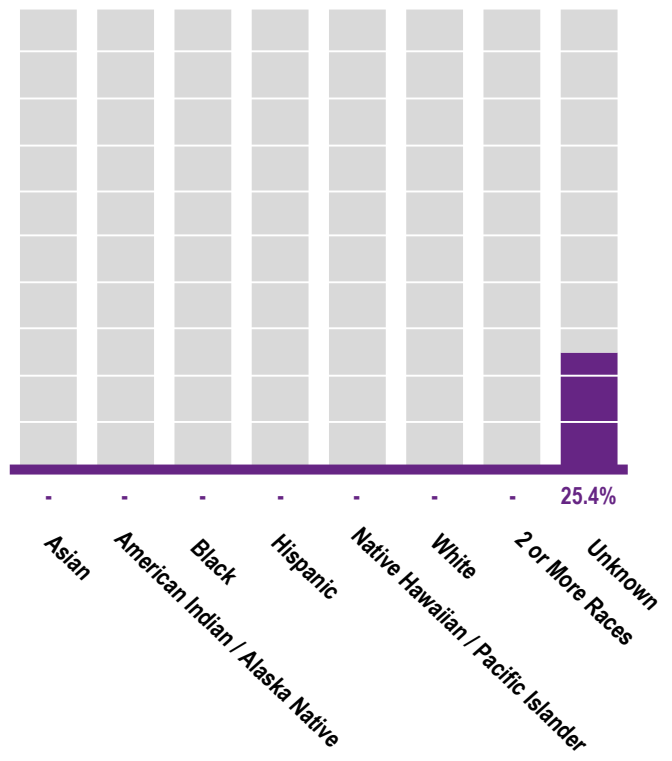| GENDER	ENROLLED	VOTED
Women	13,370	3,642
Men	9,894	2,271
Unknown	*	-

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.

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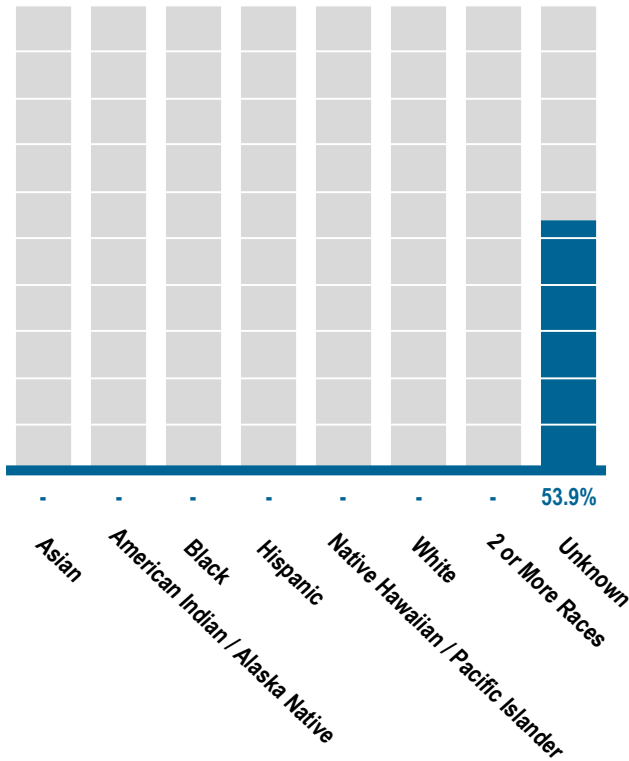
2014 Midterm Election

RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-
Black	-	-
Hispanic	-	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-
White	-	-
2 or More Races	-	-
Unknown	25,391	**13,691**

RACE/ETHNICITY	ENROLLED	VOTED
Asian	-	-
American Indian/ Alaska Native	-	-
Black	-	-
Hispanic	-	-
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	-	-
White	-	-
2 or More Races	-	-
Unknown	23,265	**5,913**

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.
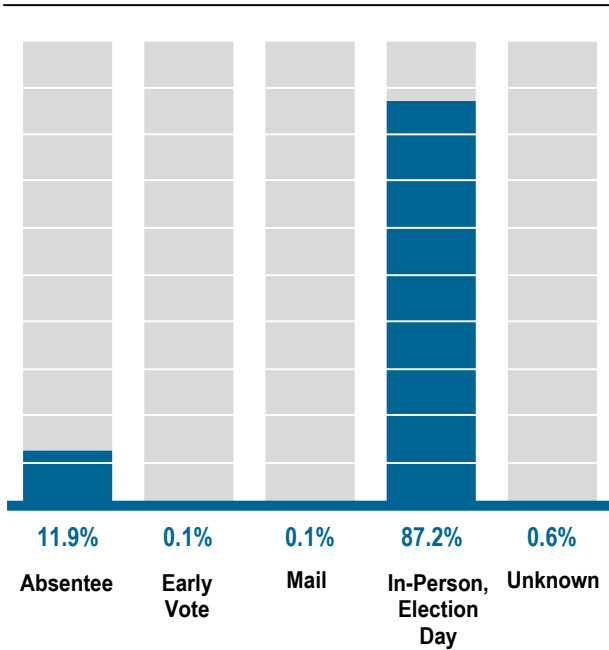
	2012 Presidential Election			2014 Midterm Election		
	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout	Enrolled	Voted	Turnout
Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences	-	-	-	-	-	-
Biological and Biomedical Sciences	17	10	58.8%	1,598	268	16.8%
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support	149	82	55.0%	2,746	677	24.7%
Communications, Journalism, and Related Programs	31	19	61.3%	685	198	28.9%
Computer and Information and Library Sciences	43	27	62.8%	1,021	337	33.0%
Education	76	53	69.7%	2,397	881	36.8%
Engineering	63	28	44.4%	1,715	291	17.0%
Health Professions and Related Sciences, Knowledge, and Skills	83	53	63.9%	3,126	593	19.0%
Humanities	19	16	84.2%	685	237	34.6%
Liberal Arts and Sciences, and General Studies	-	-	-	1,954	438	22.4%
Mathematics and Statistics	*	*	57.1%	169	32	18.9%
Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	-	-	-	98	41	41.8%
Parks and Recreation	-	-	-	63	22	34.9%
Physical Sciences	*	*	60.0%	824	148	18.0%
Professions	46	32	69.6%	1,497	642	42.9%
Psychology, Personal Awareness, and Self-Improvement	56	33	58.9%	1,389	289	20.8%
Social Sciences	21	15	71.4%	794	258	32.5%
Technologies/Technicians	24	15	62.5%	221	68	30.8%
Trades	51	26	51.0%	1,037	184	17.7%
Visual and Performing Arts	31	23	74.2%	1,176	290	24.7%
Unknown	24,669	13,252	53.7%	70	19	27.1%

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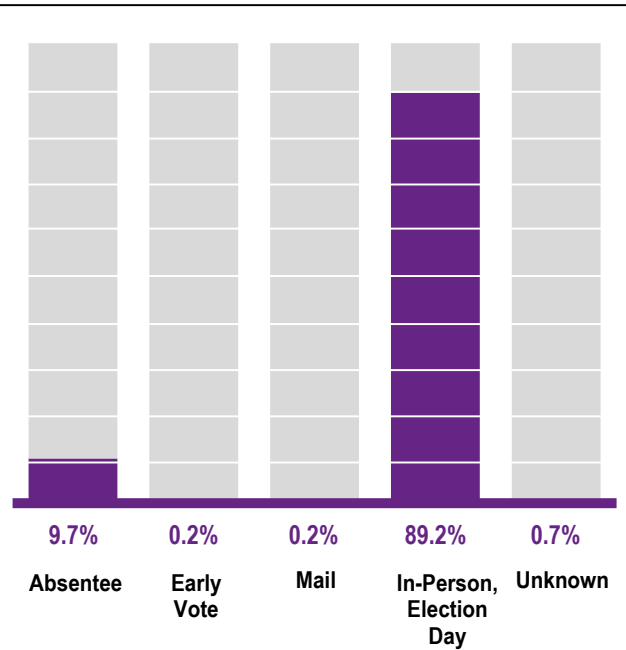
BY VOTING METHOD

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 officals.

2012
Presidential Election

| 11.9% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 87.2% | 0.6% |
| Absentee | Early Vote | Mail | In-Person, Election Day | Unknown |

VOTING METHOD	VOTED
Absentee	1,632
Early Vote	14
Mail	14
In-person, Election Day	11,944
Unknown	87
Total	**13,691**

2014
Midterm Election

| 9.7% | 0.2% | 0.2% | 89.2% | 0.7% |
| Absentee | Early Vote | Mail | In-Person, Election Day | Unknown |

VOTING METHOD	VOTED
Absentee	575
Early Vote	11
Mail	12
In-person, Election Day	5,275
Unknown	40
Total	**5,913**

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

57.2%	46.9%	47.8%	48.2%	47.1%
Your Institution	All Institutions	Research Institutions	Public Research Institutions	Private Research Institutions

2014 Midterm Election

27.3%	18.8%	18.9%	19.2%	18.4%
Your Institution	All Institutions	Research Institutions	Public Research Institutions	Private Research Institutions