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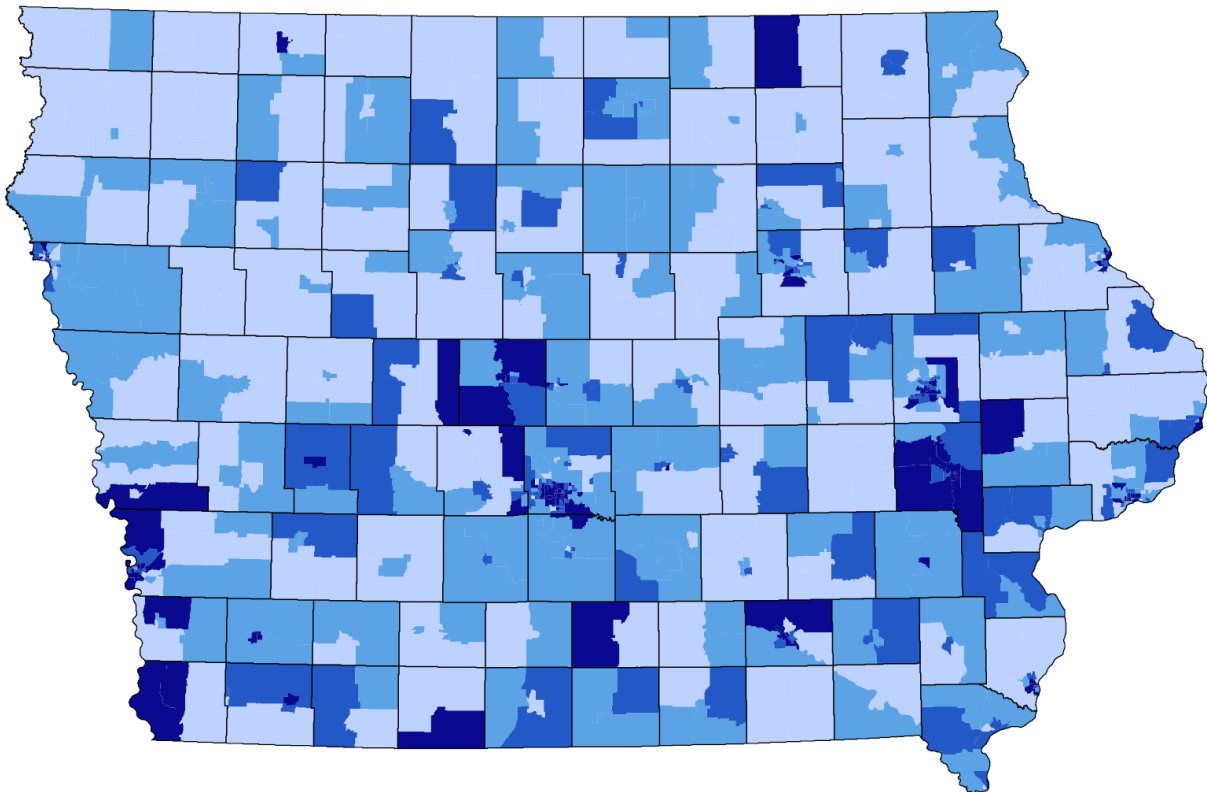
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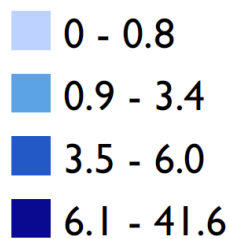


Same-sex couples	4,093	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households	3.4
Husband/wife	1,373	Same-sex "husband/wife" couples per 1,000 "husband/wife" couples	2.2
Unmarried partner	2,720	Same-sex "unmarried partner" couples per 1,000 "unmarried partner" couples	34.7

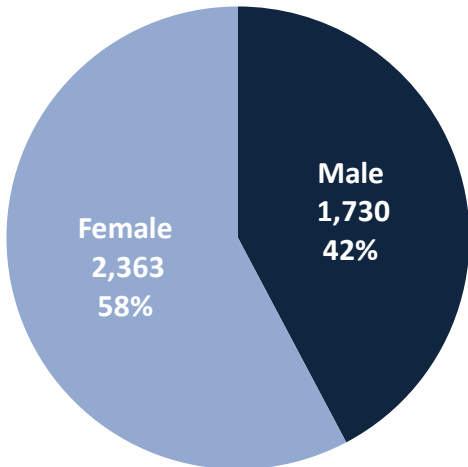
Same-sex couples per 1,000 households
by Census tract (adjusted)



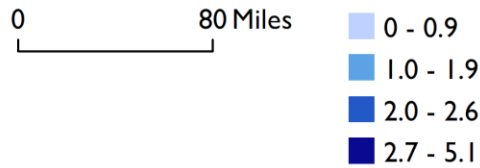
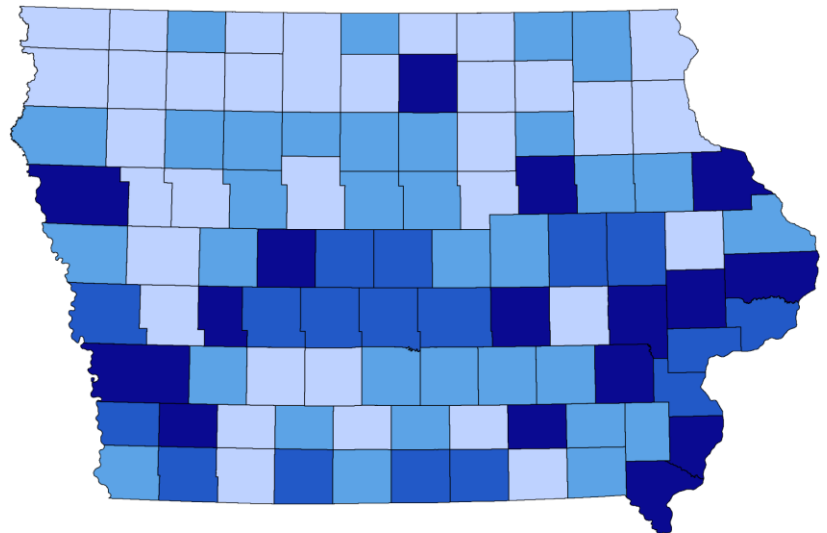
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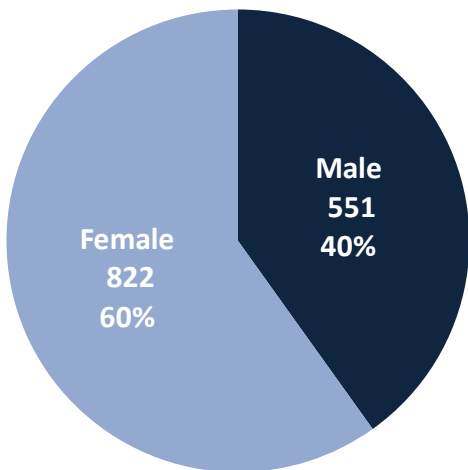
All Same-sex Couples



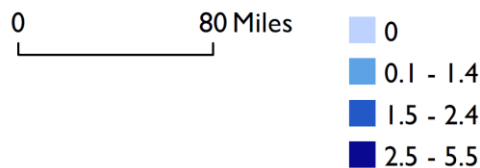
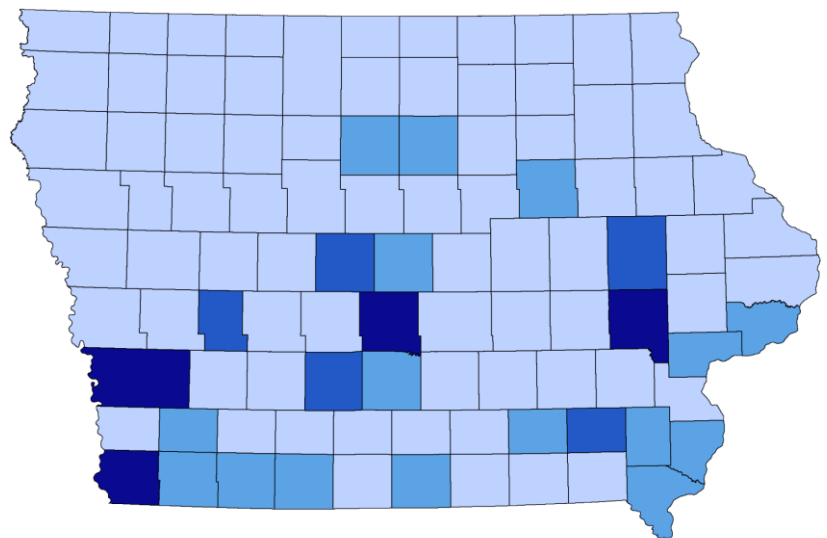
Same-sex female couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



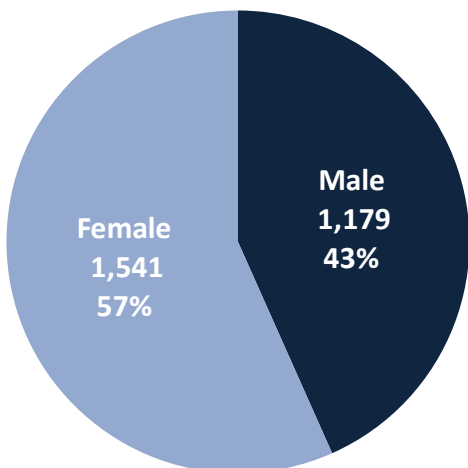
Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



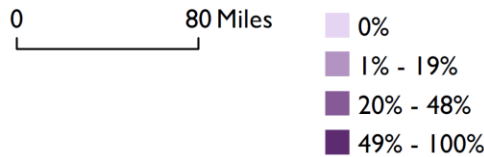
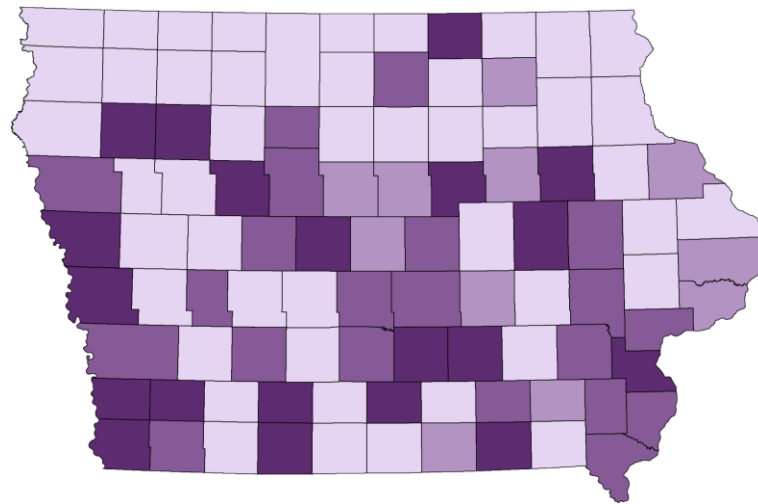
Same-sex male couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners

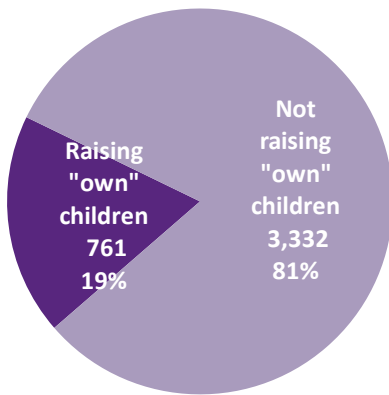


Percent of same-sex couples raising “own” children* by county (adjusted)

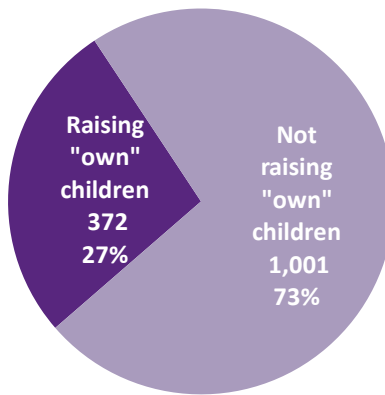


*“Own” children are never-married children under 18 who are sons or daughters of one partner or spouse (Person 1) by birth, marriage (stepchild), or adoption.

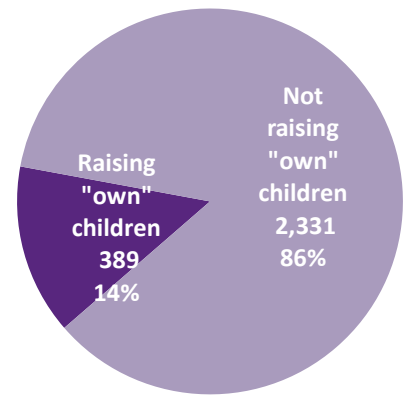
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Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners



Data and methodology

Data are compiled using the US Census Bureau’s state-level preferred estimates for same-sex couples found [here](#). Same-sex couples are identified in households where Person 1 describes his or her relationship with another adult of the same sex as either a “husband/wife” or “unmarried partner”. The Census Bureau preferred estimates adjust original Census tabulations reported in the Census 2010 SF-1, PCT15 to account for the likelihood that a small portion of different-sex couples miscode the sex of a spouse or partner and are incorrectly counted as a same-sex couple.

Adjusted data

The Census Bureau only released preferred estimates for states. County, city, and tract data used in this report are adjusted by the authors and do not represent official Census Bureau tabulations. Like the Census Bureau preferred estimates, the adjustment procedure accounts for the likelihood that a small portion of different-sex couples miscode the sex of a spouse or partner and are incorrectly counted as a same-sex couple.

Undercount

The adjusted figures do not take into account the possibility that some same-sex couples may not be counted in Census tabulations due to concerns about confidentiality or because neither partner was Person 1 in the household.

Go [here](#) for a complete description of the adjustment procedure.

Counties with 50+ same-sex couples ranked by same-sex couples per 1,000 households

State rank	US rank among 1,142 counties with 50+ same-sex couples	County	Same-sex couples (adjusted)	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households (adjusted)	Same-sex male couples (adjusted)	Same-sex female couples (adjusted)	% Raising "own" children among same-sex couples (adjusted)
1	47	Johnson	499	9.46	288	211	24%
2	198	Polk	1028	6.04	679	349	21%
3	310	Pottawattamie	191	5.20	94	97	42%
4	312	Wapello	76	5.20	2	74	27%
5	401	Boone	51	4.74	24	26	62%
6	476	Linn	383	4.44	203	180	21%
7	607	Lee	58	3.97	19	39	31%
8	622	Des Moines	67	3.94	18	49	48%
9	678	Scott	252	3.77	87	165	5%
10	764	Black Hawk	187	3.57	42	145	2%
11	787	Story	122	3.50	39	83	16%
12	802	Muscatine	57	3.47	20	37	42%
13	929	Warren	54	3.12	20	33	19%
14	949	Woodbury	119	3.06	0	119	43%
15	950	Cerro Gordo	59	3.06	0	59	29%
16	956	Clinton	62	3.05	0	62	17%
17	1002	Dubuque	105	2.86	0	105	10%
18	1060	Dallas	66	2.60	0	66	0%

Counties with <50 same-sex couples

	Adair	1	0.16	0	1	23%
	Adams	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Allamakee	3	0.54	0	3	0%
	Appanoose	11	1.97	0	11	1%
	Audubon	13	5.08	6	7	47%
	Benton	23	2.24	0	23	86%
	Bremer	11	1.14	0	11	0%
	Buchanan	8	1.00	0	8	76%
	Buena Vista	7	0.91	0	7	100%
	Butler	1	0.15	0	1	0%
	Calhoun	6	1.38	0	6	94%
	Carroll	8	0.91	0	8	0%
	Cass	11	1.86	0	11	0%
	Cedar	20	2.63	0	20	0%
	Cherokee	4	0.73	0	4	100%
	Chickasaw	3	0.60	0	3	12%
	Clarke	1	0.21	0	1	0%
	Clay	1	0.20	0	1	0%
	Clayton	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Crawford	2	0.38	0	2	0%
	Davis	2	0.49	0	2	100%
	Decatur	5	1.60	0	5	0%
	Delaware	12	1.74	0	12	0%

Dickinson	7	0.95	0	7	0%
Emmet	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Fayette	8	0.87	0	8	0%
Floyd	2	0.34	0	2	0%
Franklin	9	2.12	4	5	0%
Fremont	19	6.19	15	4	60%
Greene	11	2.76	0	11	30%
Grundy	3	0.49	0	3	100%
Guthrie	9	1.99	0	9	0%
Hamilton	11	1.75	0	11	15%
Hancock	1	0.24	0	1	0%
Hardin	11	1.56	0	11	12%
Harrison	12	1.96	0	12	90%
Henry	16	2.13	2	14	48%
Howard	5	1.26	0	5	0%
Humboldt	6	1.50	0	6	37%
Ida	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Iowa	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Jackson	11	1.28	0	11	0%
Jasper	32	2.13	0	32	32%
Jefferson	21	3.00	11	9	16%
Jones	1	0.09	0	1	0%
Keokuk	5	1.02	0	5	0%
Kossuth	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Louisa	11	2.45	0	11	54%
Lucas	6	1.59	0	6	100%
Lyon	3	0.58	0	3	0%
Madison	18	3.00	15	4	0%
Mahaska	15	1.64	0	15	57%
Marion	21	1.67	0	21	58%
Marshall	19	1.22	0	19	44%
Mills	13	2.40	0	13	62%
Mitchell	1	0.18	0	1	100%
Monona	7	1.74	0	7	77%
Monroe	2	0.77	0	2	0%
Montgomery	27	5.93	6	21	60%
O'Brien	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Osceola	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Page	22	3.38	9	13	37%
Palo Alto	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Plymouth	10	1.05	0	10	0%
Pocahontas	3	1.03	0	3	0%
Poweshiek	24	3.22	0	24	17%
Ringgold	7	3.52	3	4	65%
Sac	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Shelby	2	0.44	0	2	0%
Sioux	0	0.00	0	0	0%
Tama	8	1.13	0	8	0%

	Taylor	4	1.55	2	2	0%
	Union	6	1.10	0	6	100%
	Van Buren	4	1.32	0	4	0%
	Washington	23	2.63	0	23	46%
	Wayne	8	2.99	3	5	0%
	Webster	13	0.83	0	13	31%
	Winnebago	4	0.97	0	4	0%
	Winneshiek	12	1.53	0	12	0%
	Worth	1	0.17	0	1	0%
	Wright	12	2.07	4	8	0%

**Cities with 50+ same-sex couples
ranked by same-sex couples per 1,000 households**

State rank	US rank among 1,415 cities with 50+ same-sex couples	City	Same-sex couples (adjusted)	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households (adjusted)
1	148	Iowa	309	11.17
2	237	North Liberty	51	9.25
3	261	Des Moines	718	8.82
4	326	Coralville	63	8.06
5	664	Council Bluffs	149	6.02
6	667	Burlington	66	6.00
7	775	Cedar Rapids	299	5.61
8	794	Davenport	224	5.51
9	815	Ottumwa	55	5.40
10	888	West Des Moines	122	5.02
11	964	Waterloo	136	4.76
12	1191	Ames	90	3.94
13	1209	Urbandale	60	3.86
14	1221	Dubuque	89	3.80
15	1291	Cedar Falls	51	3.47
16	1324	Sioux	104	3.30

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