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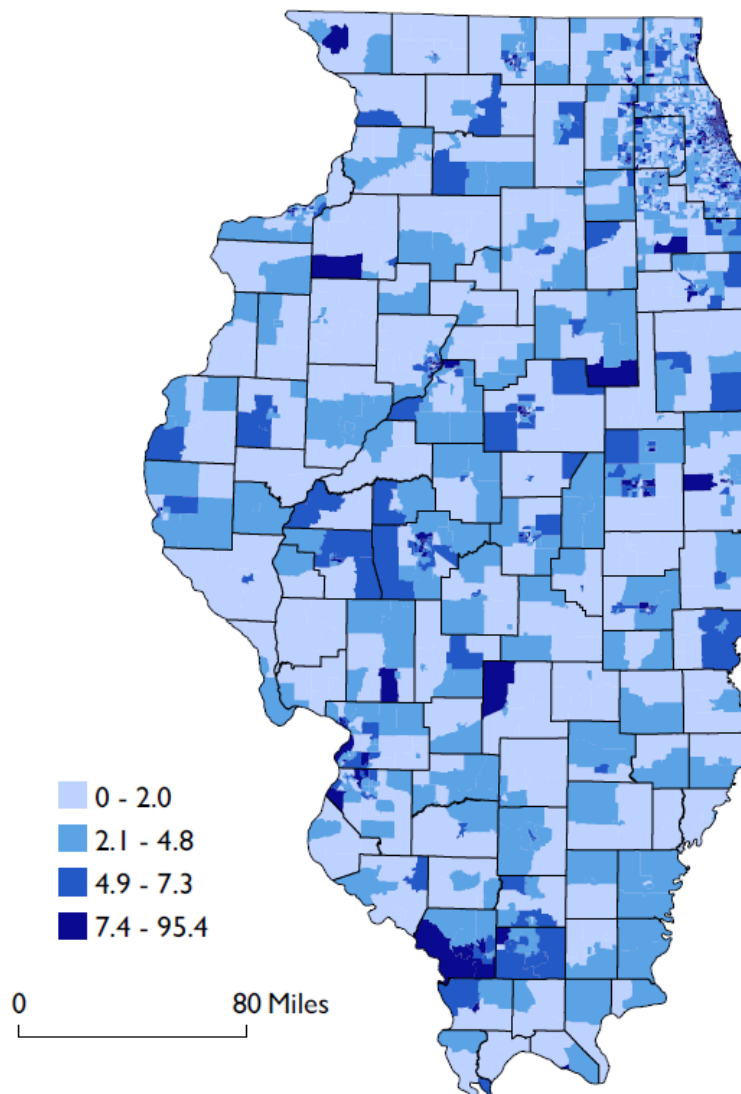


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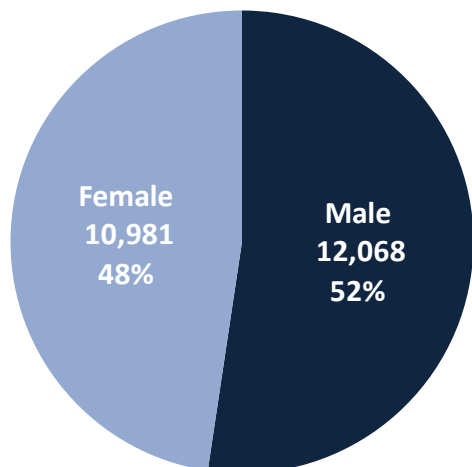
<b>Same-sex couples</b>	<b>23,049</b>	<b>Same-sex couples per 1,000 households</b>	<b>4.8</b>
<b>Husband/wife</b>	<b>3,607</b>	<b>Same-sex “husband/wife” couples per 1,000 “husband/wife” couples</b>	<b>1.5</b>
<b>Unmarried partner</b>	<b>19,442</b>	<b>Same-sex “unmarried partner” couples per 1,000 “unmarried partner” couples</b>	<b>66.3</b>

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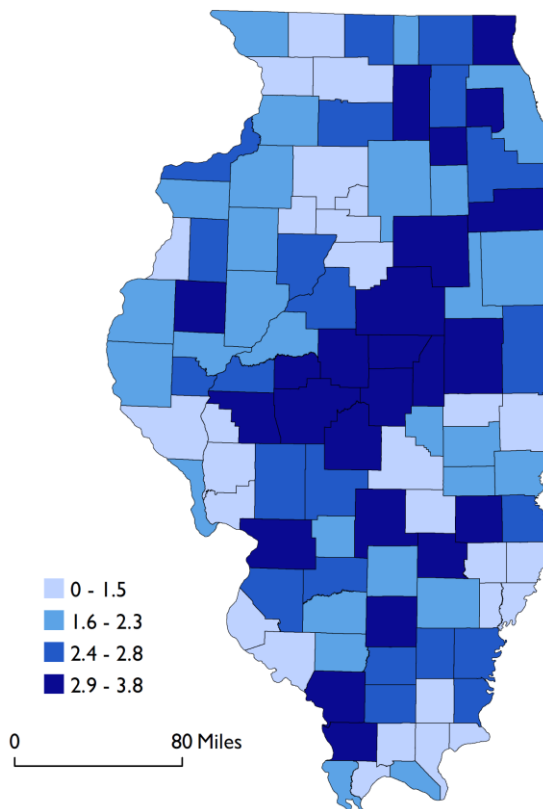
**Same-sex couples per 1,000 households  
by Census tract (adjusted)**



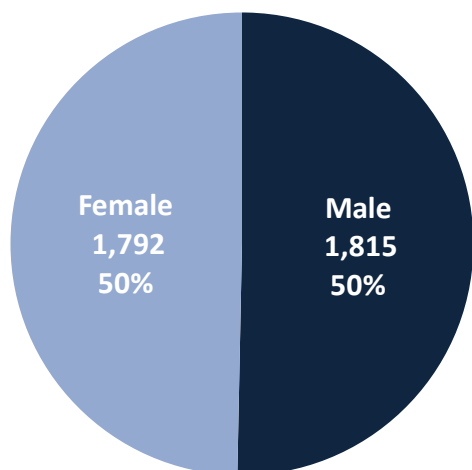
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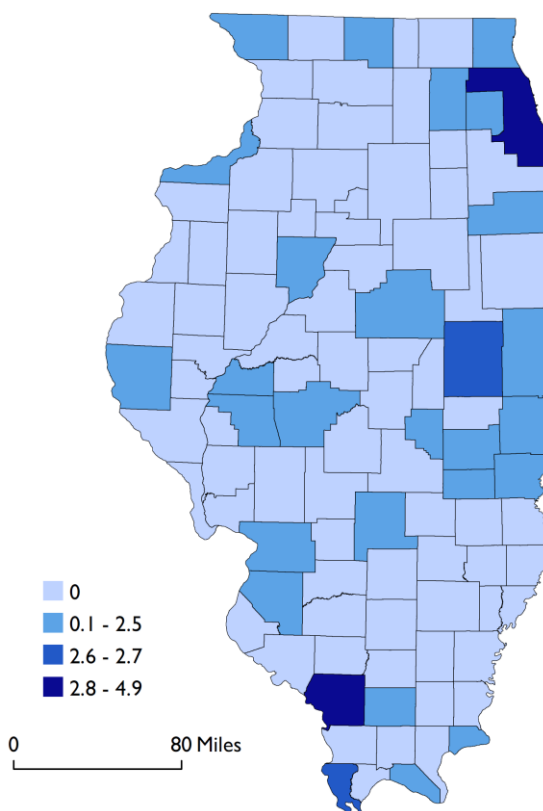
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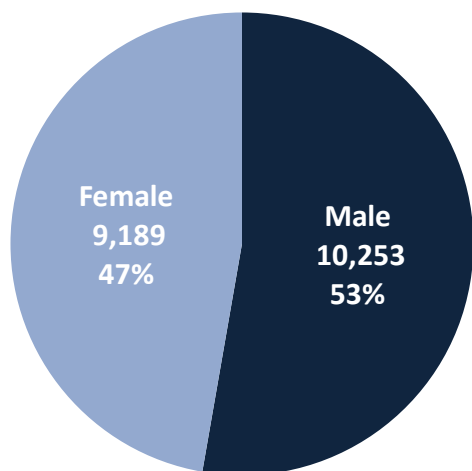
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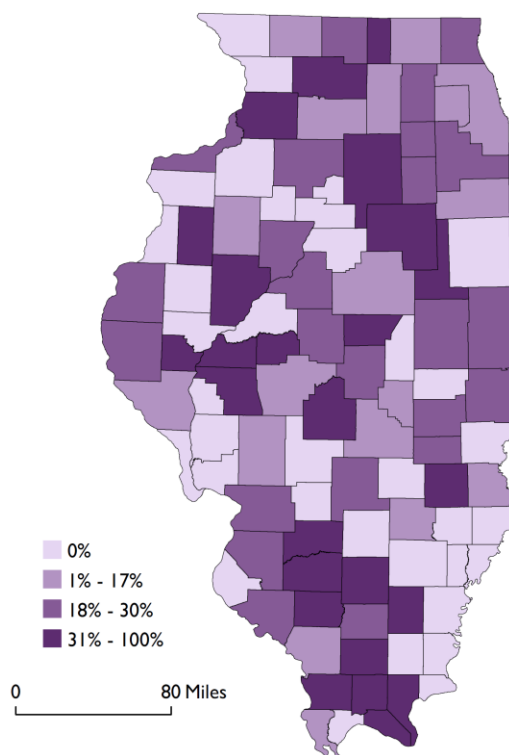
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**Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners**

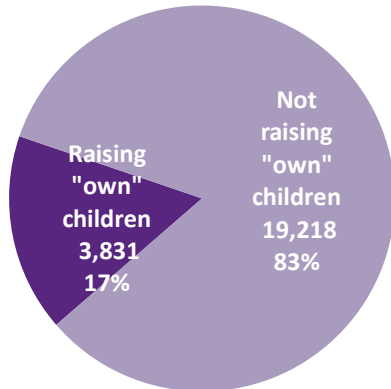


## Percent of same-sex couples raising “own” children\* by county (adjusted)

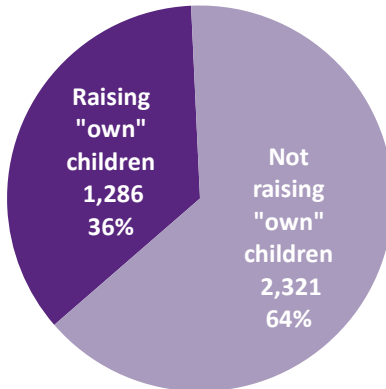


\*“Own” children are never-married children under 18 who are sons or daughters of one partner or spouse (Person 1) by birth, marriage (stepchild), or adoption.

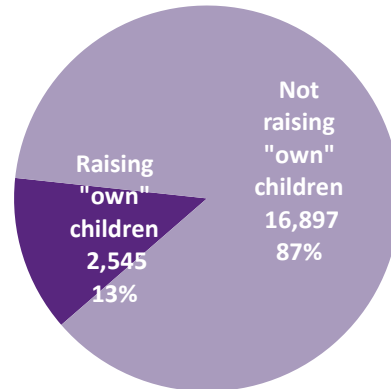
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Same-sex couples  
who identify as spouses



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	115	Cook	14047	7.14	9599	4448	16%
2	190	Jackson	156	6.10	69	87	13%
3	250	Champaign	455	5.63	206	248	17%
4	275	Sangamon	451	5.43	196	255	13%
5	337	Morgan	71	5.05	30	42	35%
6	364	Williamson	135	4.93	67	69	32%
7	435	McLean	299	4.60	84	216	12%
8	453	Coles	97	4.52	48	49	17%
9	463	Peoria	340	4.48	154	186	23%
10	629	Kane	670	3.93	203	467	23%
11	692	Winnebago	432	3.74	169	263	19%
12	711	Macon	169	3.69	0	169	22%
13	716	Rock Island	225	3.68	81	145	26%
14	727	Madison	395	3.65	76	319	21%
15	810	Livingston	50	3.45	0	50	34%
16	851	Jefferson	51	3.35	0	51	52%
17	875	Adams	89	3.26	28	62	18%
18	888	Kankakee	135	3.24	1	133	16%
19	910	Vermilion	103	3.17	19	84	24%
20	940	Lake	745	3.08	30	715	26%
21	941	St. Clair	324	3.08	50	274	25%
22	964	DeKalb	116	3.03	0	116	4%
23	969	Kendall	115	3.01	0	115	25%
24	1003	DuPage	964	2.86	14	950	9%
25	1021	Will	626	2.78	0	626	20%
26	1053	Tazewell	143	2.63	0	143	21%
27	1058	McHenry	284	2.60	0	284	3%
28	1114	LaSalle	99	2.18	0	99	48%

### Counties with <50 same-sex couples

	Alexander	14	4.28	9	5	5%
	Bond	13	2.01	0	13	0%
	Boone	37	1.99	0	37	43%
	Brown	6	2.65	0	6	52%
	Bureau	17	1.17	0	17	18%
	Calhoun	3	1.68	0	3	0%
	Carroll	8	1.17	0	8	0%
	Cass	24	4.50	9	15	37%
	Christian	40	2.88	0	40	44%
	Clark	13	1.96	1	12	0%
	Clay	21	3.76	0	21	5%
	Clinton	39	2.80	0	39	43%
	Crawford	19	2.45	0	19	3%
	Cumberland	9	2.08	0	9	21%

	De Witt	23	3.42	0	23	43%
	Douglas	4	0.50	0	4	0%
	Edgar	23	2.88	13	10	27%
	Edwards	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Effingham	12	0.92	0	12	0%
	Fayette	26	3.16	2	25	27%
	Ford	11	1.91	0	11	52%
	Franklin	43	2.58	0	43	26%
	Fulton	24	1.64	0	24	56%
	Gallatin	6	2.45	0	6	0%
	Greene	2	0.33	0	2	0%
	Grundy	41	2.20	0	41	23%
	Hamilton	9	2.71	0	9	74%
	Hancock	18	2.21	0	18	18%
	Hardin	5	2.68	4	1	0%
	Henderson	2	0.74	0	2	0%
	Henry	40	1.96	0	40	0%
	Iroquois	26	2.17	0	26	0%
	Jasper	11	2.82	0	11	49%
	Jersey	2	0.17	0	2	0%
	Jo Daviess	22	2.25	5	17	0%
	Johnson	2	0.49	0	2	100%
	Knox	32	1.51	0	32	2%
	Lawrence	9	1.44	0	9	0%
	Lee	36	2.59	0	36	5%
	Logan	33	2.95	0	33	18%
	Macoupin	45	2.30	0	45	9%
	Marion	29	1.79	0	29	0%
	Marshall	2	0.36	0	2	0%
	Mason	10	1.56	0	10	0%
	Massac	16	2.56	2	14	40%
	McDonough	40	3.03	0	40	0%
	Menard	19	3.66	0	19	32%
	Mercer	12	1.84	0	12	0%
	Monroe	16	1.27	0	16	0%
	Montgomery	31	2.62	0	31	0%
	Moultrie	13	2.29	2	12	10%
	Ogle	23	1.10	0	23	30%
	Perry	17	1.98	0	17	34%
	Piatt	23	3.42	0	23	0%
	Pike	8	1.21	0	8	10%
	Pope	1	0.81	0	1	32%
	Pulaski	3	1.24	0	3	0%
	Putnam	2	0.79	0	2	0%
	Randolph	16	1.32	0	16	21%
	Richland	8	1.18	0	8	0%
	Saline	11	1.02	0	11	0%
	Schuyler	5	1.69	0	5	0%

	Scott	3	1.39	0	3	0%
	Shelby	10	1.13	0	10	11%
	Stark	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Stephenson	30	1.49	0	30	6%
	Union	25	3.42	0	25	50%
	Wabash	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Warren	17	2.46	0	17	34%
	Washington	11	1.94	0	11	74%
	Wayne	12	1.75	0	12	0%
	White	17	2.62	0	17	0%
	Whiteside	44	1.83	0	44	41%
	Woodford	20	1.43	0	20	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	71	Oak Park	356	15.70
2	100	Forest Park	95	13.26
3	154	Evanston	327	10.87
4	177	Chicago	10849	10.38
5	477	Alton	82	6.98
6	496	Berwyn	130	6.86
7	504	Champaign	218	6.78
8	532	Collinsville	73	6.65
9	567	Springfield	328	6.48
10	591	Rock Island	101	6.37
11	607	Blue Island	50	6.27
12	661	Peoria	284	6.03
13	700	Urbana	100	5.88
14	705	Elgin	206	5.86
15	738	Bloomington	181	5.72
16	840	Aurora	326	5.21
17	865	Streamwood	66	5.09
18	869	DeKalb	78	5.07
19	885	Carbondale	55	5.03
20	890	Bolingbrook	111	5.01
21	896	Rockford	299	4.99
22	944	Waukegan	136	4.84
23	954	Normal	86	4.78
24	960	Highland Park	54	4.76
25	1036	Decatur	145	4.47
26	1079	Lombard	75	4.32
27	1133	Calumet	58	4.16
28	1152	Belleville	77	4.09
29	1182	Danville	51	3.96
30	1188	Skokie	93	3.95
31	1225	Elmhurst	60	3.78
32	1229	Quincy	64	3.76
33	1262	Cicero	79	3.59
34	1267	Joliet	171	3.56
35	1304	Moline	63	3.40
36	1316	Oak Lawn	75	3.36
37	1325	Des Plaines	75	3.30
38	1337	Schaumburg	100	3.17
39	1350	Mount Prospect	64	3.10
40	1373	Downers Grove	56	2.91
41	1378	Hoffman Estates	52	2.88
42	1392	Palatine	74	2.77



43	1410	Naperville	104	2.08
44	1413	Arlington Heights	61	1.98

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