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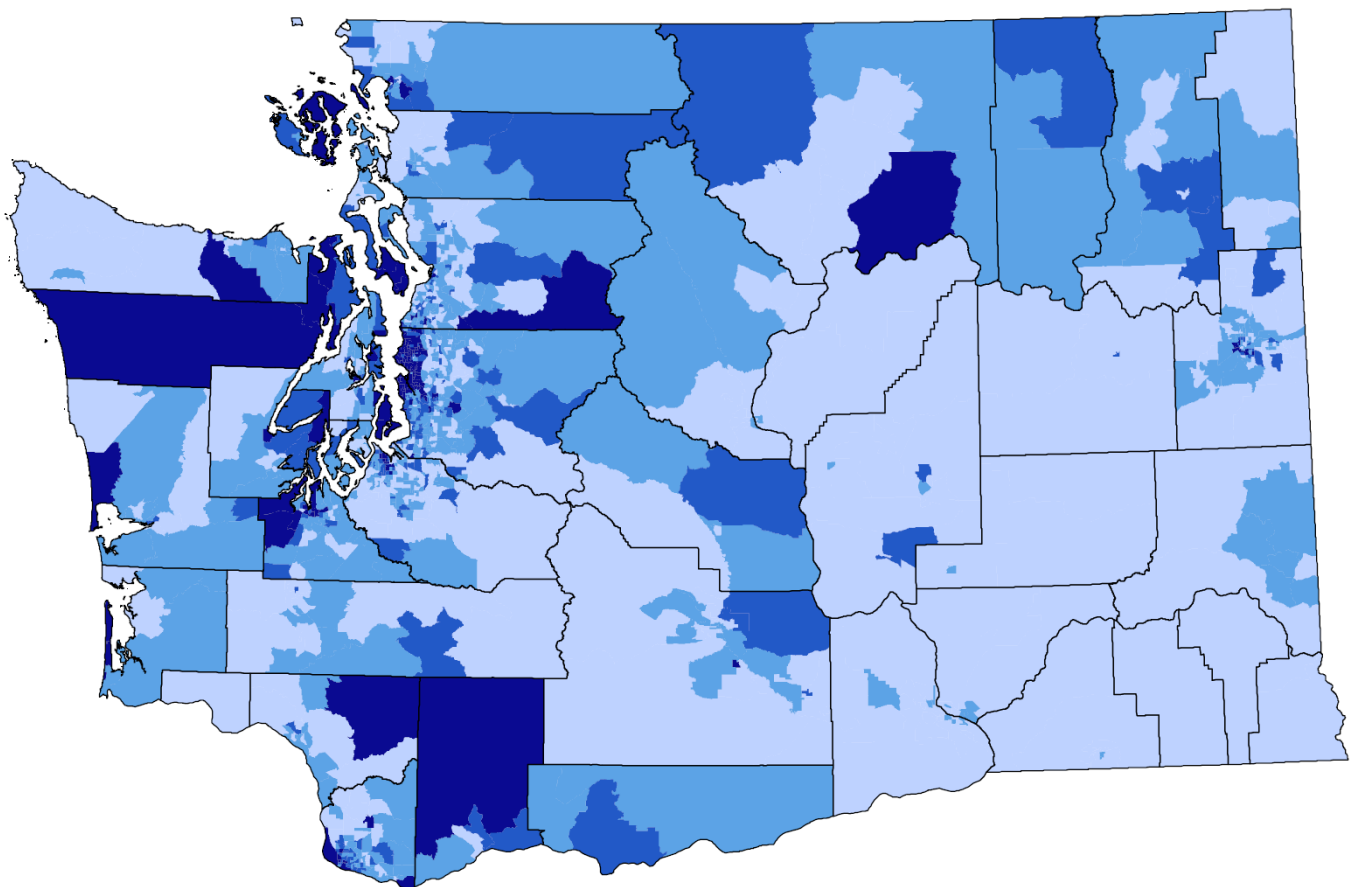
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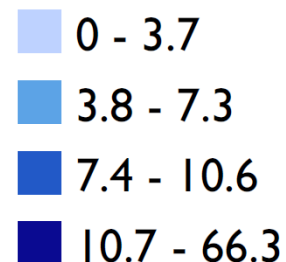


Same-sex couples	19,003	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households	7.3
Husband/wife	3,072	Same-sex "husband/wife" couples per 1,000 "husband/wife" couples	2.4
Unmarried partner	15,931	Same-sex "unmarried partner" couples per 1,000 "unmarried partner" couples	82.8

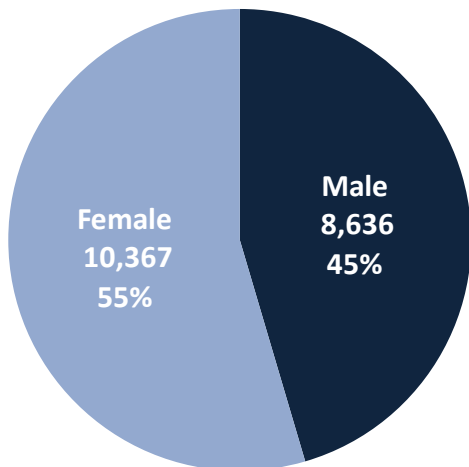
Same-sex couples per 1,000 households
by Census tract (adjusted)



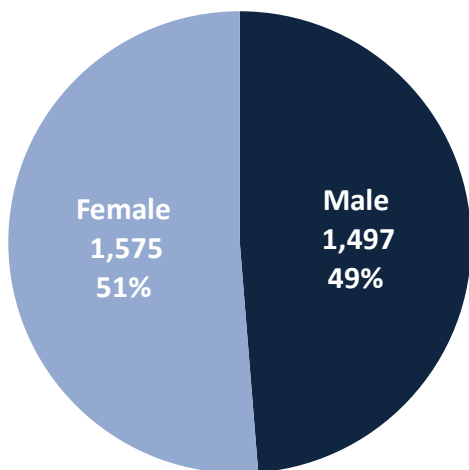
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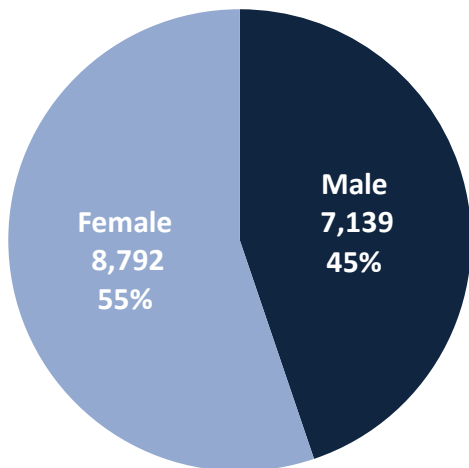
All Same-sex Couples



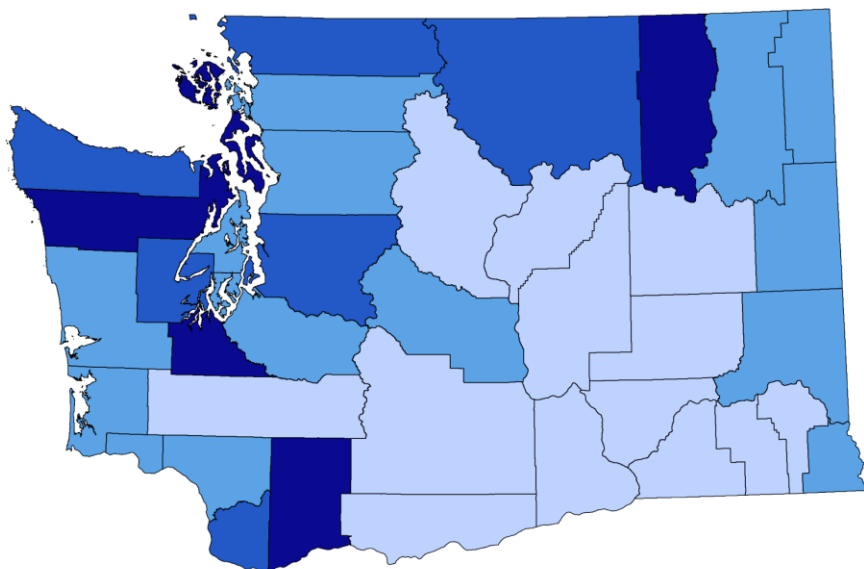
Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners



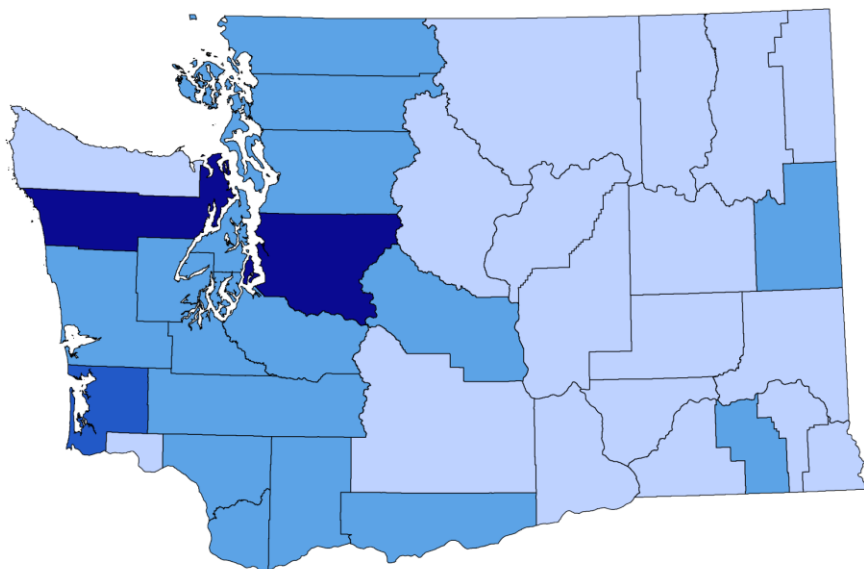
Same-sex female couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



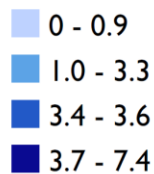
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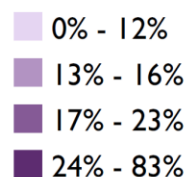
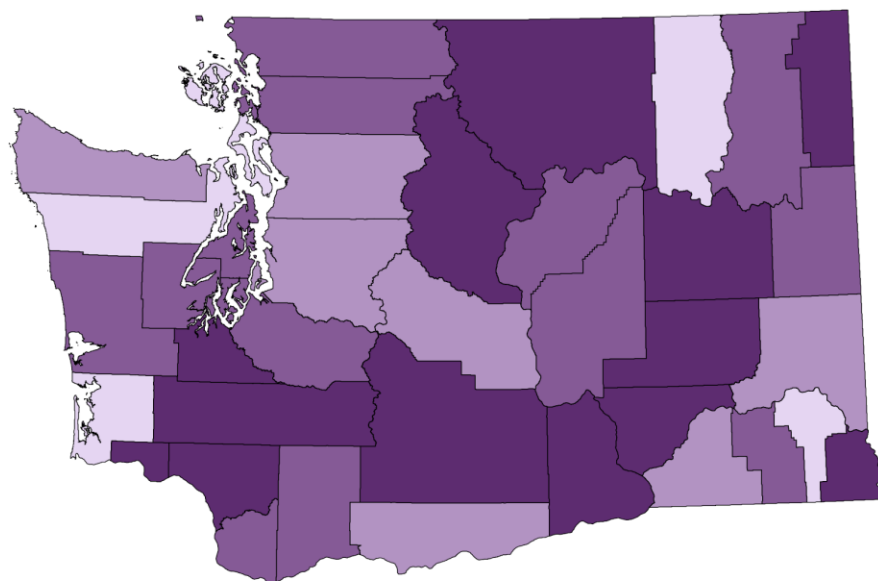
Same-sex male couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



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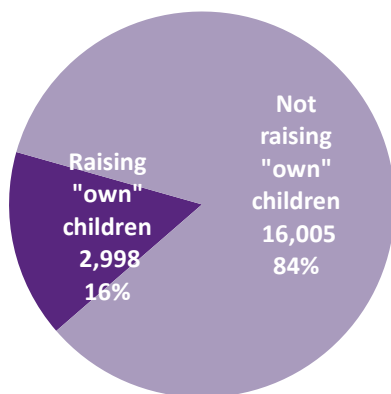


Percent of same-sex couples raising “own” children* by county (adjusted)

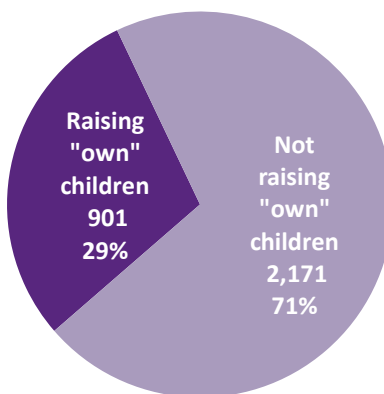


*“Own” children are never-married children under 18 who are sons or daughters of one partner or spouse (Person 1) by birth, marriage (stepchild), or adoption.

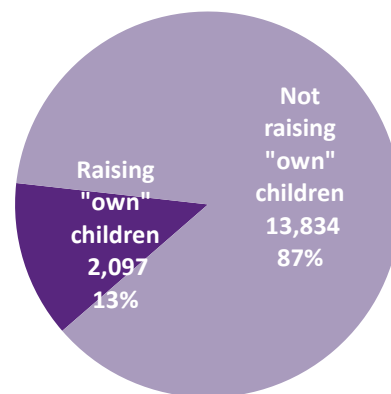
All Same-sex Couples



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	19	King	9544	12.09	5805	3739	12%
2	36	Jefferson	144	10.28	51	94	10%
3	43	San Juan	73	9.62	24	49	6%
4	98	Thurston	769	7.64	148	620	25%
5	119	Mason	168	7.05	57	111	17%
6	127	Pacific	65	6.84	34	31	0%
7	151	Island	210	6.42	54	156	9%
8	153	Clark	1007	6.37	355	652	22%
9	157	Kitsap	617	6.35	255	362	20%
10	204	Whatcom	479	5.97	136	343	16%
11	243	Grays Harbor	163	5.69	59	104	18%
12	284	Pierce	1614	5.38	439	1174	19%
13	314	Snohomish	1391	5.18	377	1014	15%
14	374	Spokane	914	4.88	231	683	18%
15	434	Kittitas	76	4.60	24	53	14%
16	467	Okanogan	74	4.47	5	69	28%
17	507	Cowlitz	175	4.34	39	135	42%
18	511	Clallam	136	4.33	0	136	14%
19	539	Skagit	191	4.20	55	136	17%
20	562	Stevens	71	4.13	13	59	21%
21	703	Yakima	299	3.71	73	226	37%
22	755	Whitman	63	3.59	11	51	12%
23	772	Lewis	106	3.55	33	72	26%
24	937	Franklin	72	3.10	19	53	30%
25	1023	Walla Walla	60	2.78	0	60	14%
26	1026	Chelan	77	2.77	0	77	32%
27	1055	Benton	171	2.63	0	171	24%
28	1083	Grant	73	2.43	0	73	20%

Counties with <50 same-sex couples

	Adams	16	2.75	0	16	83%
	Asotin	26	2.85	0	26	38%
	Columbia	4	2.47	3	2	19%
	Douglas	33	2.36	0	33	23%
	Ferry	16	4.98	0	16	9%
	Garfield	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Klickitat	45	5.40	27	18	12%
	Lincoln	5	1.04	0	5	37%
	Pend Oreille	19	3.46	0	19	37%
	Skamania	30	6.65	5	25	19%
	Wahkiakum	6	3.69	0	6	64%

**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	22	Vashon	152	33.03
2	38	Seattle	6537	23.06
3	97	Bryn Mawr-Skyway	79	13.60
4	134	Lake Forest Park	58	11.64
5	138	Olympia	241	11.60
6	141	Shoreline	246	11.39
7	175	Bainbridge Island	99	10.41
8	180	White Center	51	10.35
9	201	Bremerton	147	9.82
10	224	Burien	126	9.48
11	242	Hazel Dell	71	9.14
12	277	Tacoma	679	8.64
13	322	Des Moines	94	8.08
14	354	Lynnwood	110	7.76
15	389	Tukwila	54	7.53
16	393	Renton	269	7.47
17	395	Bellingham	259	7.46
18	417	Vancouver	481	7.32
19	551	Spokane	574	6.58
20	568	Edmonds	112	6.47
21	573	Lacey	110	6.46
22	615	Mountlake Terrace	51	6.24
23	649	Kent	208	6.12
24	657	Everett	251	6.07
25	693	SeaTac	56	5.91
26	781	Spanaway	53	5.56
27	834	University Place	67	5.27
28	864	Auburn	133	5.09
29	904	Bothell	67	4.96
30	930	Federal Way	162	4.87
31	947	Parkland	63	4.82
32	1015	Issaquah	58	4.53
33	1068	Redmond	99	4.37
34	1130	Kirkland	94	4.18
35	1140	Bellevue	207	4.12
36	1143	Lakewood	99	4.11
37	1165	Marysville	85	4.03
38	1217	South Hill	68	3.81
39	1224	Pasco	68	3.78
40	1226	Longview	58	3.77

41	1332	Spokane Valley	118	3.22
42	1341	Richland	62	3.16
43	1352	Yakima	102	3.08
44	1360	Kennewick	83	3.03

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