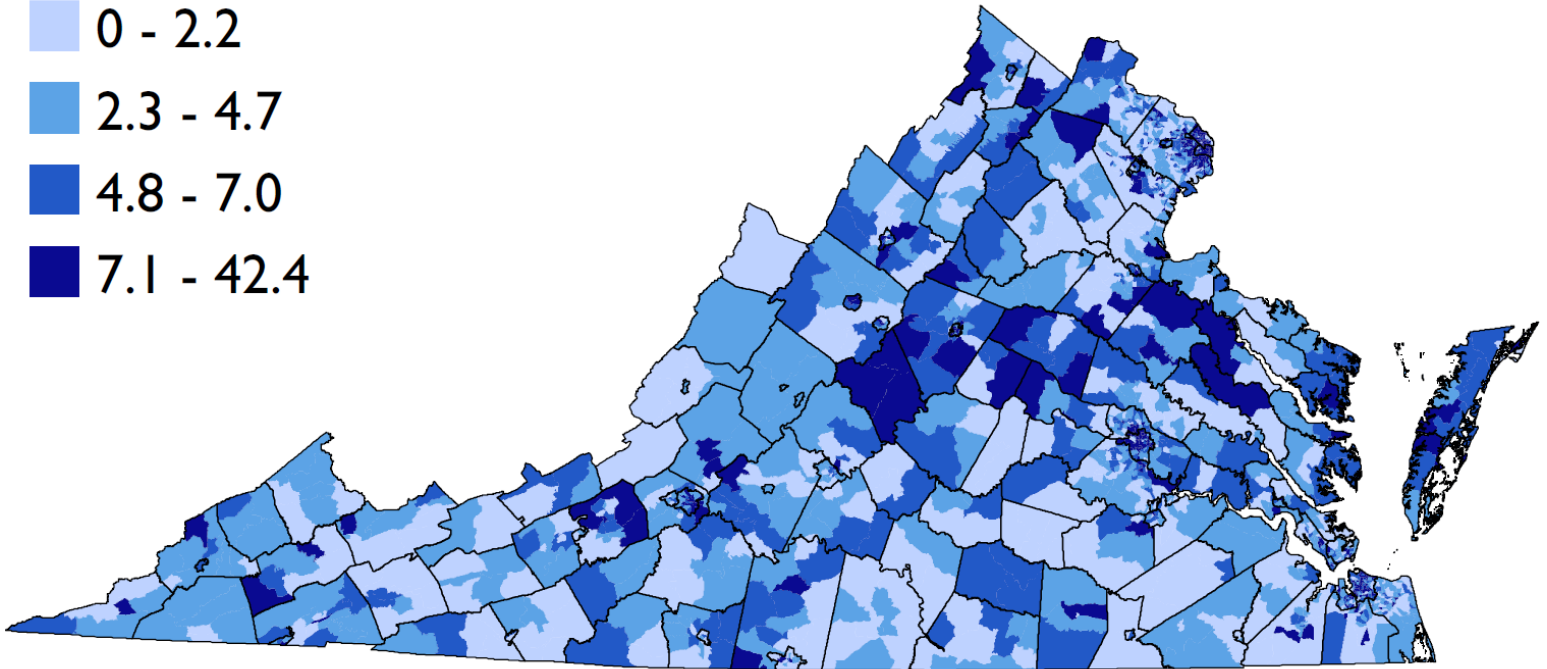
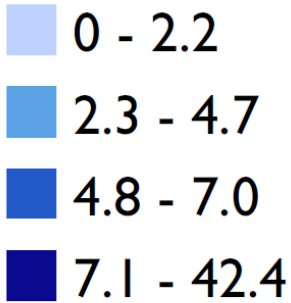


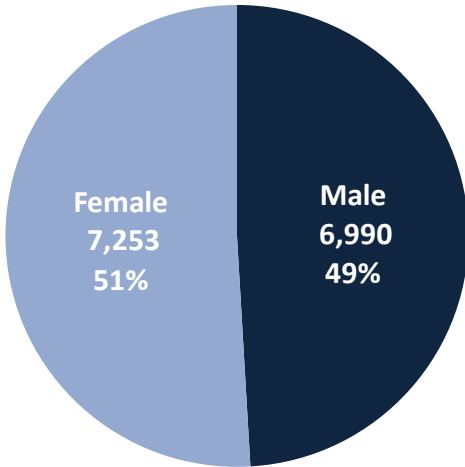


Same-sex couples	14,243	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households	4.7
Husband/wife	2,474	Same-sex "husband/wife" couples per 1,000 "husband/wife" couples	1.6
Unmarried partner	11,769	Same-sex "unmarried partner" couples per 1,000 "unmarried partner" couples	71.3

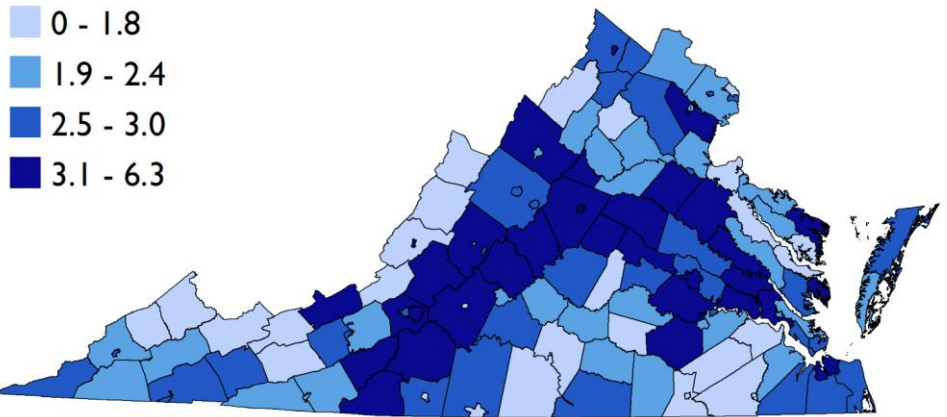
Same-sex couples per 1,000 households
by Census tract (adjusted)



All Same-sex Couples

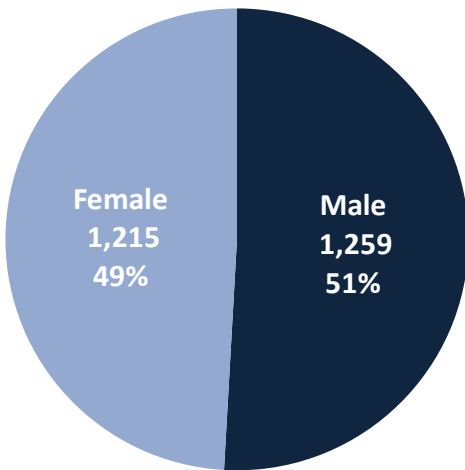


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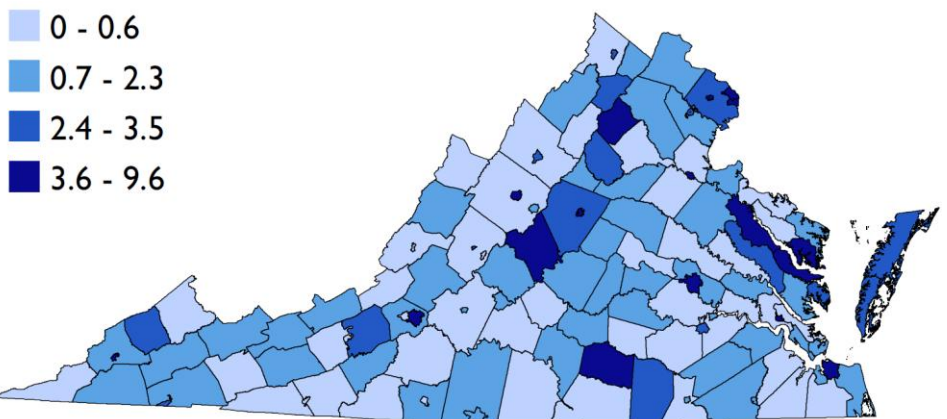


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Same-sex couples who identify as spouses

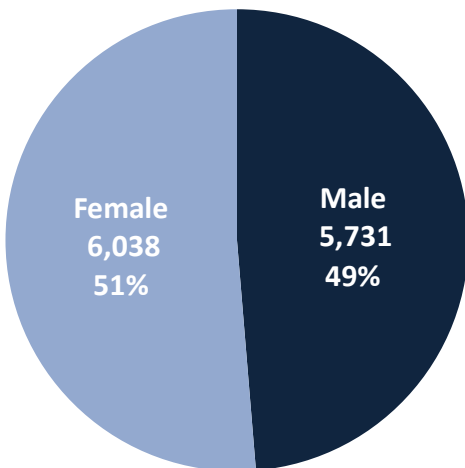


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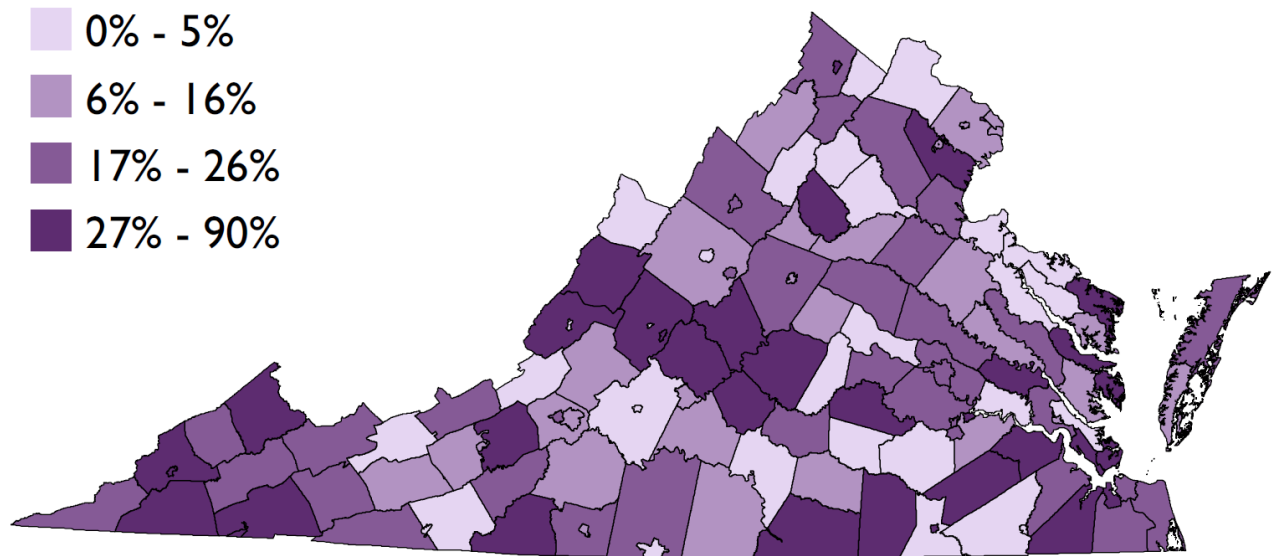


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Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners



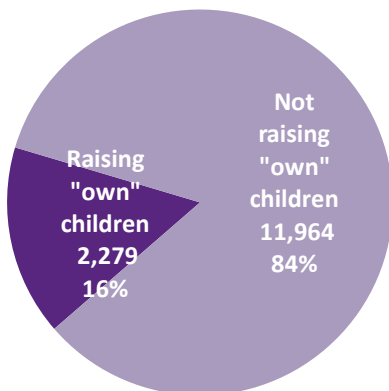
Percent of same-sex couples raising "own" children* by county (adjusted)



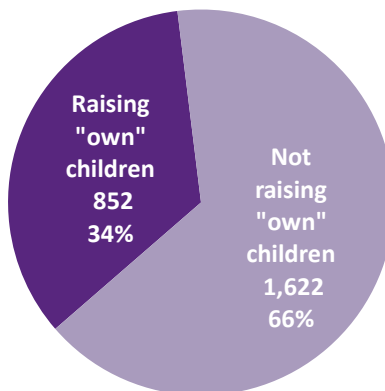
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*"Own" children are never-married children under 18 who are sons or daughters of one partner or spouse (Person 1) by birth, marriage (stepchild), or adoption.

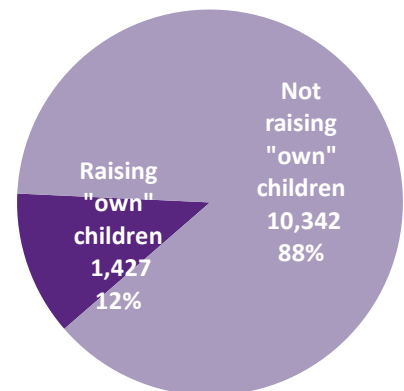
All Same-sex Couples



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	22	Alexandria (city)	775	11.38	605	170	11%
2	27	Arlington	1094	11.16	937	157	5%
3	29	Nelson	71	11.07	31	40	26%
4	35	Richmond (city)	907	10.41	621	286	16%
5	62	Norfolk (city)	752	8.69	472	280	17%
6	79	Charlottesville (city)	142	7.97	80	61	14%
7	87	Roanoke (city)	334	7.81	192	141	15%
8	102	Fredericksburg (city)	71	7.45	45	26	14%
9	107	Staunton (city)	77	7.38	47	31	0%
10	133	Fairfax (city)	56	6.73	34	22	16%
11	219	Accomack	81	5.85	43	37	26%
12	229	Louisa	75	5.77	29	46	24%
13	242	Winchester (city)	60	5.70	25	35	30%
14	252	Warren	78	5.57	44	34	20%
15	286	Caroline	56	5.37	18	38	9%
16	291	Albemarle	204	5.35	89	115	18%
17	296	Portsmouth (city)	197	5.29	80	118	32%
18	308	Manassas (city)	65	5.21	37	28	16%
19	367	Fairfax	1923	4.91	1099	824	8%
20	375	Harrisonburg (city)	78	4.88	45	34	19%
21	405	Petersburg (city)	64	4.72	35	30	26%
22	407	Montgomery	169	4.71	85	84	30%
23	471	Hampton (city)	246	4.47	91	155	30%
24	482	Henrico	553	4.43	179	374	16%
25	506	Roanoke	164	4.35	23	140	15%
26	532	Russell	50	4.22	25	26	26%
27	567	Prince William	538	4.11	111	426	27%
28	579	Newport News (city)	288	4.07	105	183	44%
29	585	Washington	93	4.06	25	68	30%
30	600	Gloucester	57	4.01	17	40	7%
31	606	Wise	63	3.97	33	31	30%
32	623	Botetourt	52	3.94	10	42	7%
33	759	Henry	83	3.58	25	58	20%
34	769	Spotsylvania	149	3.56	0	149	21%
35	770	Pittsylvania	93	3.56	17	76	17%
36	773	Rockingham	103	3.55	0	103	22%
37	780	James City	95	3.53	0	95	20%
38	791	Lynchburg (city)	100	3.50	43	57	14%
39	798	Fauquier	82	3.48	21	61	23%
40	829	Bedford	93	3.39	0	93	5%
41	861	Virginia Beach (city)	548	3.32	135	413	17%
42	878	Chesterfield	377	3.26	0	377	17%
43	892	Tazewell	59	3.22	28	31	18%

44	935	Loudoun	324	3.10	77	248	0%
45	936	Franklin	71	3.10	0	71	11%
46	939	Shenandoah	53	3.09	22	30	9%
47	989	Campbell	65	2.92	5	61	14%
48	992	Suffolk (city)	89	2.90	3	86	46%
49	1025	Frederick	80	2.77	3	77	20%
50	1035	Augusta	78	2.73	8	70	7%
51	1059	Chesapeake (city)	207	2.60	0	207	24%
52	1077	Hanover	91	2.48	0	91	23%
53	1097	Stafford	98	2.35	0	98	21%
54	1110	York	53	2.19	0	53	2%

Counties with <50 same-sex couples

	Alleghany	12	1.73	3	9	31%
	Amelia	18	3.76	9	9	68%
	Amherst	47	3.73	8	39	35%
	Appomattox	13	2.17	0	13	45%
	Bath	6	2.65	4	2	87%
	Bedford (city)	7	2.63	4	3	1%
	Bland	3	1.06	3	0	0%
	Bristol (city)	42	5.37	22	20	37%
	Brunswick	33	5.18	22	11	59%
	Buchanan	18	1.81	4	14	67%
	Buckingham	24	4.10	9	16	67%
	Buena Vista (city)	7	2.85	0	7	37%
	Carroll	27	2.07	0	27	2%
	Charles City	12	4.07	0	12	1%
	Charlotte	11	2.22	7	4	0%
	Clarke	20	3.63	6	14	0%
	Colonial Heights (city)	28	3.88	4	25	23%
	Covington (city)	8	3.15	0	8	0%
	Craig	4	1.75	0	4	0%
	Culpeper	34	2.08	3	31	4%
	Cumberland	7	1.82	5	3	0%
	Danville (city)	47	2.49	24	23	0%
	Dickenson	28	4.22	17	11	19%
	Dinwiddie	37	3.56	3	34	0%
	Emporia (city)	8	3.61	5	3	86%
	Essex	21	4.68	18	3	2%
	Falls Church (city)	36	7.05	24	12	27%
	Floyd	31	4.82	8	23	17%
	Fluvanna	49	5.21	19	31	15%
	Franklin (city)	7	2.11	7	1	0%
	Galax (city)	8	2.75	1	7	0%
	Giles	33	4.61	4	29	24%
	Goochland	31	3.90	0	31	0%
	Grayson	14	2.03	1	13	20%
	Greene	37	5.42	15	22	13%

	Greensville	5	1.42	0	5	0%
	Halifax	27	1.76	0	27	8%
	Highland	0	0.00	0	0	0%
	Hopewell (city)	31	3.44	7	24	39%
	Isle of Wight	29	2.15	0	29	22%
	King and Queen	14	4.87	9	5	23%
	King George	29	3.45	15	13	0%
	King William	21	3.50	0	21	15%
	Lancaster	36	6.87	31	6	10%
	Lee	27	2.68	0	27	19%
	Lexington (city)	10	4.42	6	4	0%
	Lunenburg	30	6.03	20	10	8%
	Madison	26	5.15	15	11	36%
	Manassas Park (city)	18	3.91	1	16	41%
	Martinsville (city)	10	1.71	0	10	10%
	Mathews	25	6.37	9	15	29%
	Mecklenburg	36	2.66	0	36	38%
	Middlesex	25	5.38	19	6	27%
	New Kent	31	4.58	6	25	34%
	Northampton	28	5.21	17	11	13%
	Northumberland	28	5.09	6	22	29%
	Norton (city)	11	6.13	6	5	28%
	Nottoway	6	1.00	2	4	0%
	Orange	40	3.12	13	27	11%
	Page	23	2.34	0	23	0%
	Patrick	28	3.46	0	28	30%
	Poquoson (city)	9	1.92	0	9	90%
	Powhatan	36	3.75	8	28	18%
	Prince Edward	27	3.37	10	17	20%
	Prince George	23	2.00	0	23	15%
	Pulaski	47	3.16	7	40	15%
	Radford (city)	15	2.49	0	15	14%
	Rappahannock	20	6.39	15	4	0%
	Richmond	6	1.88	0	6	0%
	Rockbridge	35	3.65	2	32	32%
	Salem (city)	27	2.64	0	27	26%
	Scott	27	2.79	7	20	38%
	Smyth	35	2.61	1	34	18%
	Southampton	17	2.60	8	9	2%
	Surry	8	2.75	4	4	61%
	Sussex	5	1.25	5	0	46%
	Waynesboro (city)	44	4.92	19	25	21%
	Westmoreland	17	2.29	0	17	0%
	Williamsburg (city)	25	5.55	17	9	5%
	Wythe	34	2.76	13	21	9%

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

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2	142	Alexandria	776	11.39
3	151	Arlington	1087	11.08
4	152	Lincolnia	91	11.07
5	171	Groveton	56	10.47
6	172	Huntington	61	10.45
7	174	Richmond	908	10.42
8	194	West Falls Church	103	10.05
9	234	Rose Hill	66	9.26
10	274	Norfolk	753	8.70
11	332	Franconia	59	7.99
12	333	Charlottesville	142	7.98
13	341	Bailey's Crossroads	70	7.89
14	350	Roanoke	334	7.82
15	396	Fredericksburg	71	7.46
16	408	Staunton	77	7.39
17	438	Annandale	102	7.20
18	514	Fairfax	56	6.74
19	687	Christiansburg	53	5.93
20	745	Winchester	60	5.70
21	800	Reston	140	5.47
22	830	Portsmouth	198	5.29
23	837	Manassas	65	5.22
24	920	Harrisonburg	78	4.89
25	971	Petersburg	64	4.73
26	1035	Hampton	246	4.47
27	1141	Dale City	82	4.12
28	1156	Newport News	288	4.07
29	1158	Fair Oaks	56	4.06
30	1211	Leesburg	56	3.86
31	1232	McLean	64	3.75
32	1243	Lake Ridge	56	3.71
33	1280	Lynchburg	100	3.50
34	1288	Tuckahoe	64	3.47
35	1321	Virginia Beach	548	3.32
36	1377	Suffolk	90	2.90
37	1386	Centreville	70	2.82
38	1395	Chesapeake	207	2.60

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