

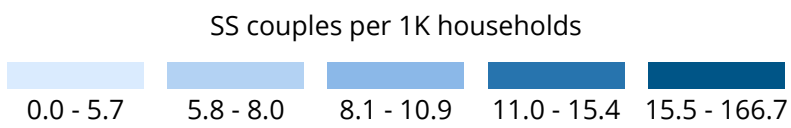
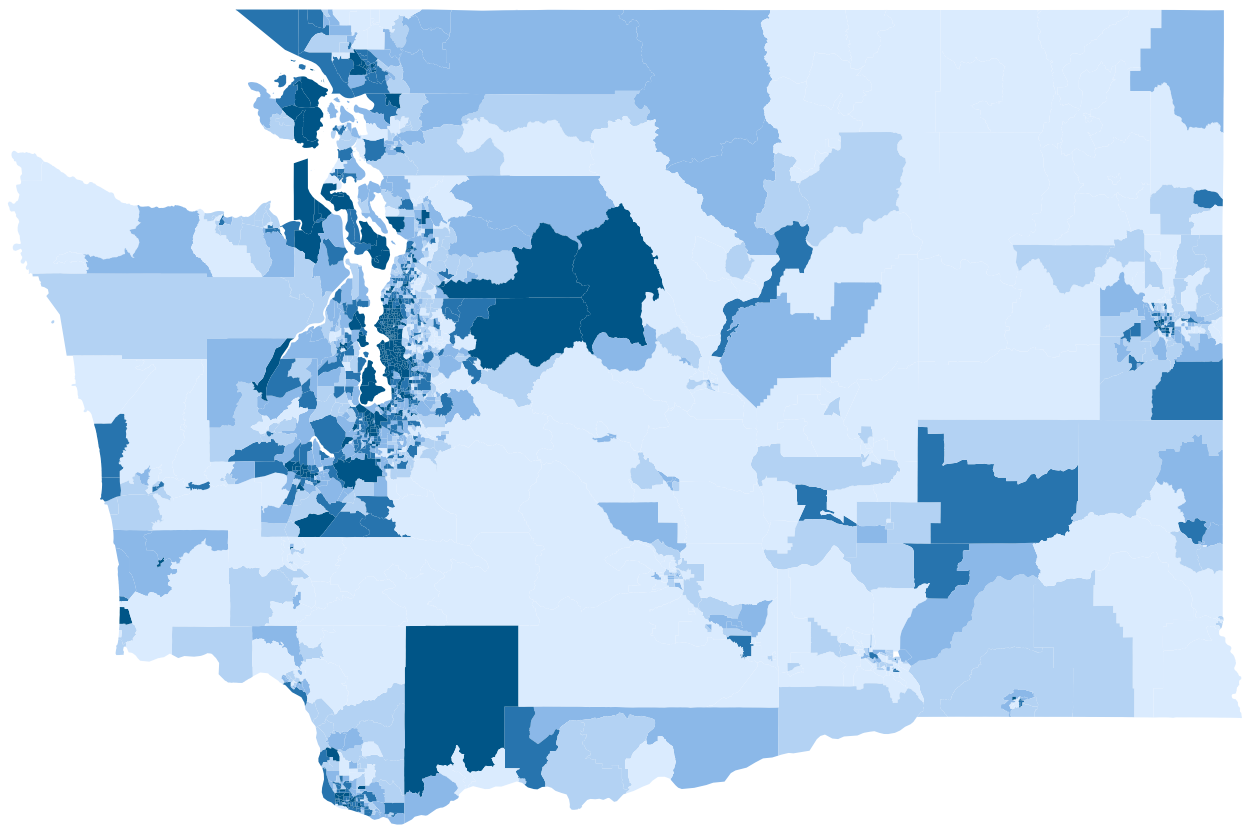


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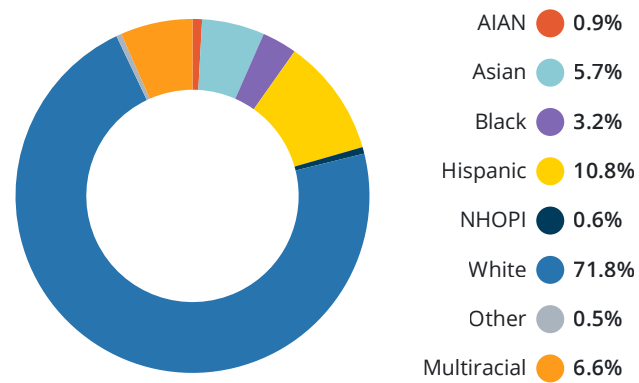
Total same-sex couples	SS couples per 1K households	% of SS couples who are married
35,352	11.88	61.3%

Population density of same-sex couples in Washington by Census tract

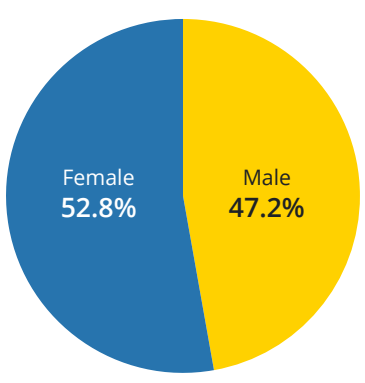


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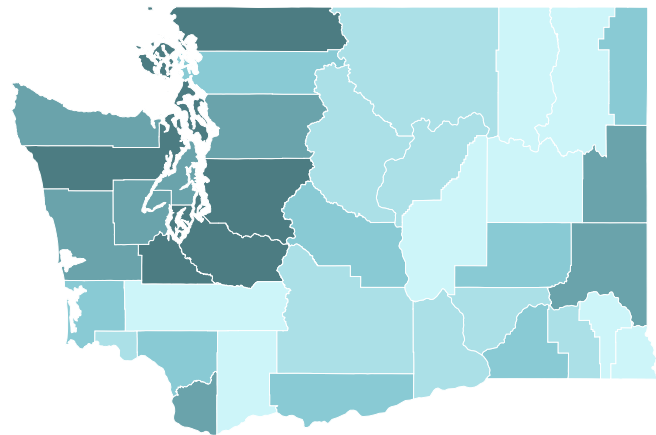
Race/ethnicity of same-sex couples (householder)



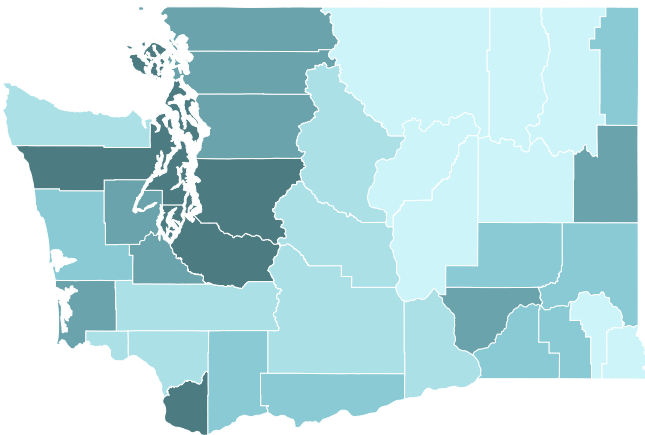
Gender of same-sex couples



Female SS couples per 1K households by county

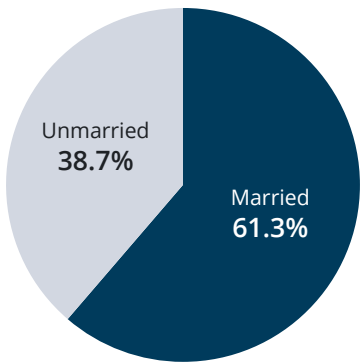


Male SS couples per 1K households by county

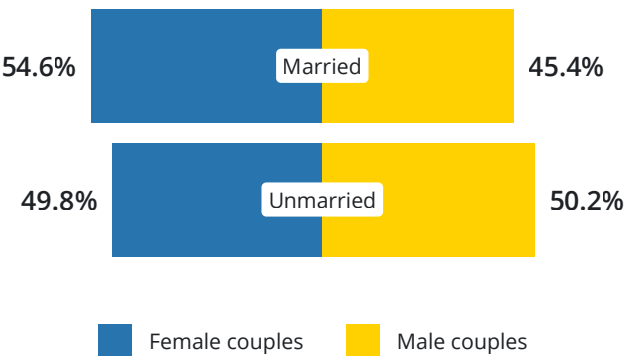


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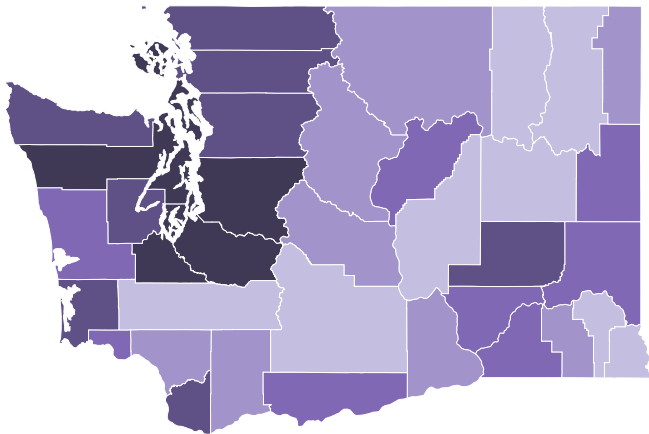
Marital status of same-sex couples



Gender of same-sex couples by marital status

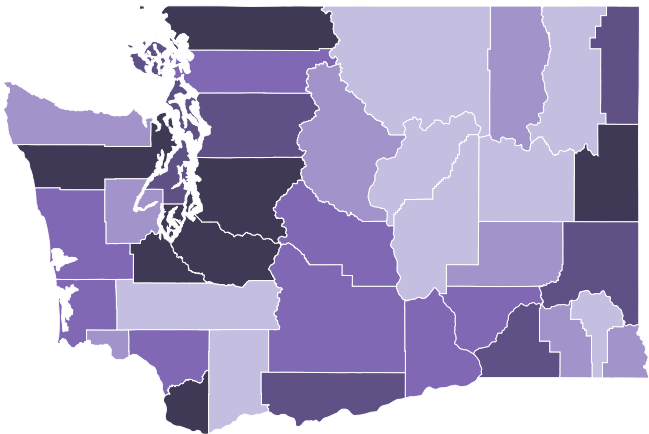


Married SS couples per 1K households by county



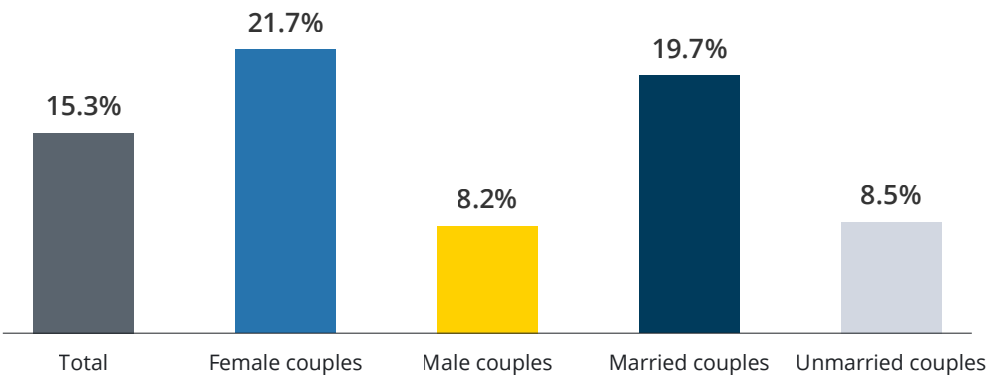
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Unmarried SS couples per 1K households by county

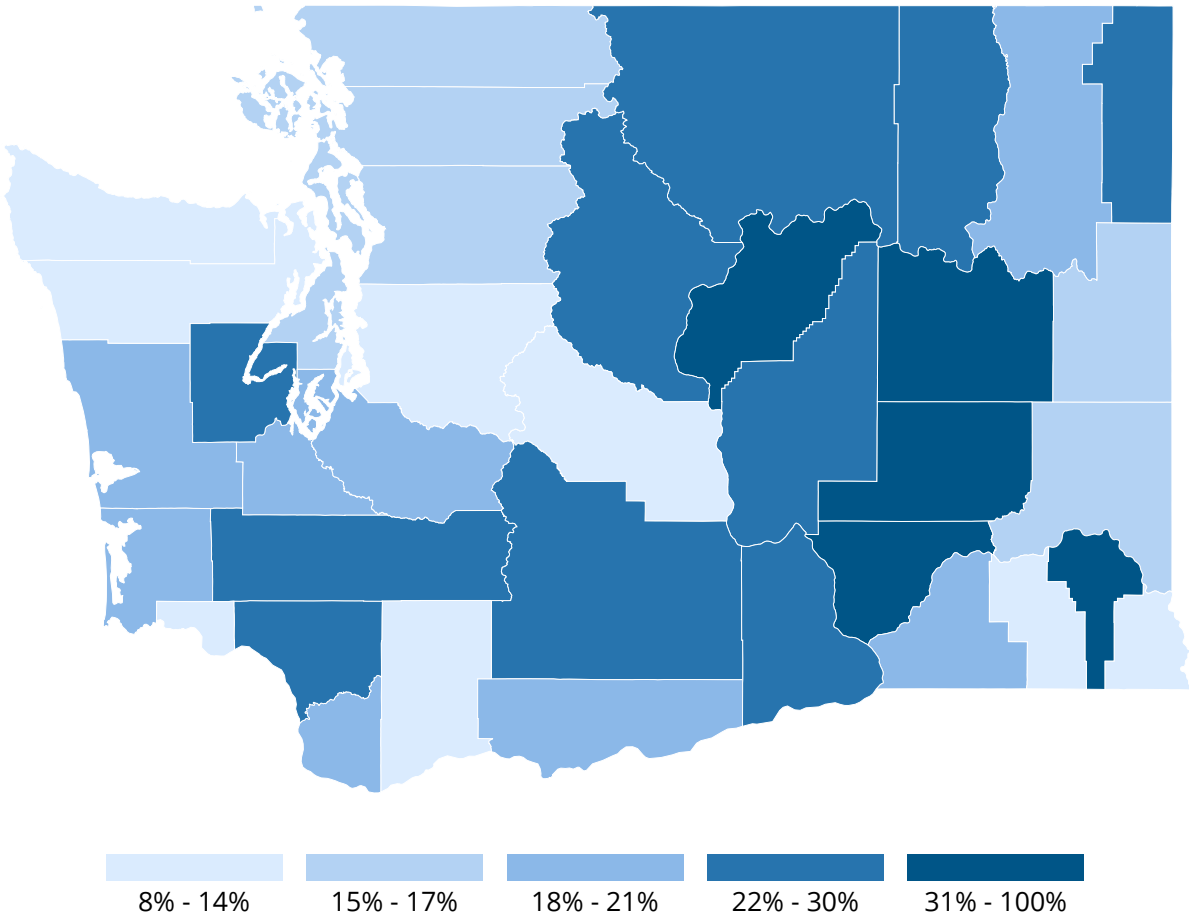


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Percent of same-sex couples raising own children



Percent of SS couples raising own children by county



TABLES

Counties with 50+ same-sex couples ranked by SS per 1K households

STATE RANK	US RANK	COUNTY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH	SS FEMALE COUPLES	SS MALE COUPLES	% RAISING OWN CHILDREN
1	14	King County	16,214	17.67	7,245	8,969	12%
2	34	Jefferson County	243	15.47	157	86	9%
3	63	Island County	468	13.03	316	152	15%
4	64	San Juan County	110	13.02	68	42	15%
5	75	Thurston County	1,439	12.47	999	440	20%
6	114	Pierce County	3,817	11.23	2,248	1,569	18%
7	122	Clark County	2,071	11.06	1,195	876	18%
8	140	Whatcom County	962	10.67	604	358	16%
9	143	Kitsap County	1,125	10.63	595	530	16%
10	222	Snohomish County	2,934	9.56	1,683	1,251	17%
11	287	Spokane County	1,890	8.90	1,126	764	17%
12	296	Mason County	225	8.82	131	94	22%
13	335	Pacific County	89	8.46	46	43	19%
14	344	Whitman County	156	8.36	99	57	17%
15	377	Skagit County	405	8.04	228	177	17%
16	451	Grays Harbor County	228	7.63	147	81	19%
17	454	Walla Walla County	176	7.62	112	64	20%
18	473	Clallam County	257	7.53	172	85	11%
19	529	Klickitat County	67	7.27	41	26	19%
20	630	Cowlitz County	291	6.80	181	110	27%
21	641	Kittitas County	126	6.76	81	45	13%
22	685	Franklin County	190	6.61	94	96	35%
23	898	Chelan County	178	5.88	109	69	30%
24	901	Benton County	448	5.87	276	172	26%
25	996	Yakima County	486	5.66	290	196	26%
26	1,024	Douglas County	86	5.58	54	32	40%
27	1,093	Okanogan County	91	5.37	56	35	23%
28	1,233	Lewis County	157	4.95	78	79	24%
29	1,395	Grant County	150	4.40	79	71	29%
30	1,515	Stevens County	68	3.62	37	31	21%

Counties with <50 same-sex couples

COUNTY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH	SS FEMALE COUPLES	SS MALE COUPLES	% RAISING OWN CHILDREN
Adams County	45	7.23	25	20	42%
Asotin County	44	4.71	25	19	11%
Pend Oreille County	40	7.12	22	18	30%
Skamania County	28	5.90	13	15	14%

COUNTY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH	SS FEMALE COUPLES	SS MALE COUPLES	% RAISING OWN CHILDREN
Lincoln County	14	3.09	4	10	71%
Wahkiakum County	12	6.37	7	5	8%
Columbia County	11	6.23	6	5	9%
Ferry County	10	3.18	5	5	30%
Garfield County	1	1.04	0	1	100%

Cities with 50+ same-sex couples ranked by SS per 1K households

STATE RANK	US RANK	CITY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH
1	29	Vashon	166	35.20
2	44	Seattle	9,891	28.60
3	66	White Center	147	24.90
4	72	Bryn Mawr-Skyway	148	23.40
5	107	Normandy Park	55	20.60
6	109	Tukwila	167	20.50
7	112	Burien	405	20.40
8	156	Olympia	440	18.00
9	177	Lake Forest Park	92	17.30
10	207	Tacoma	1,408	16.10
11	228	Shoreline	364	15.70
12	235	Bainbridge Island	158	15.60
13	260	Port Townsend	78	15.20
14	280	Hazel Dell	139	15.00
15	294	Martha Lake	114	14.80
16	314	Lakeland South	65	14.50
17	346	Bremerton	237	14.10
18	361	Bellingham	548	14.00
19	376	SeaTac	152	13.70
20	378	Des Moines	170	13.70
21	394	Edgewood	63	13.50
22	403	North Lynnwood	125	13.40
23	424	Renton	547	13.20
24	427	Vancouver	1,027	13.20
25	447	Mountlake Terrace	114	13.00
26	490	Port Orchard	73	12.50
27	493	Federal Way	451	12.50
28	497	Lakeland North	55	12.40
29	502	Tumwater	130	12.40
30	531	Lakewood	310	12.20
31	609	Birch Bay	51	11.70

STATE RANK	US RANK	CITY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH
32	635	Lacey	242	11.60
33	645	Oak Harbor	110	11.50
34	647	Kelso	57	11.50
35	648	Parkland	161	11.50
36	659	Everett	513	11.40
37	677	Spokane	1,072	11.30
38	706	Kenmore	104	11.20
39	723	Ferndale	60	11.10
40	724	Edmonds	206	11.10
41	734	Bothell West	87	11.10
42	779	Poulsbo	53	10.80
43	788	Kent	508	10.80
44	809	Mill Creek	93	10.70
45	839	University Place	147	10.50
46	852	Auburn	323	10.50
47	860	Bothell	200	10.40
48	905	Washougal	64	10.20
49	920	Cheney	50	10.20
50	947	Lake Stickney	58	10.10
51	958	Fairwood (King County)	72	10.10
52	960	Bonney Lake	74	10.10
53	988	Aberdeen	64	9.90
54	1,024	Lynnwood	151	9.80
55	1,028	Salmon Creek	80	9.80
56	1,030	Spanaway	114	9.80
57	1,041	Frederickson	78	9.80
58	1,054	Monroe	58	9.70
59	1,060	Orchards	91	9.70
60	1,086	Pullman	117	9.60
61	1,097	Five Corners	66	9.60
62	1,110	Walla Walla	120	9.50
63	1,114	Camas	84	9.50
64	1,167	Issaquah	153	9.30
65	1,225	Ellensburg	74	9.10
66	1,302	Kirkland	338	8.90
67	1,340	Mount Vernon	113	8.80
68	1,368	Marysville	216	8.70
69	1,400	Silverdale	72	8.60
70	1,406	Anacortes	67	8.60
71	1,410	Arlington	63	8.60

STATE RANK	US RANK	CITY	SAME-SEX COUPLES	SS COUPLES PER 1K HH
72	1,423	Lake Stevens	103	8.50
73	1,461	Redmond	251	8.50
74	1,463	Camano	63	8.50
75	1,561	South Hill	180	8.20
76	1,598	Puyallup	137	8.10
77	1,625	Covington	56	8.00
78	1,767	Mukilteo	64	7.60
79	1,781	Graham	81	7.60
80	1,792	Centralia	54	7.60
81	1,893	Bellevue	448	7.40
82	1,905	Port Angeles	65	7.30
83	1,928	Mercer Island	72	7.30
84	1,931	Battle Ground	52	7.20
85	1,950	Spokane Valley	302	7.20
86	1,966	Eastmont	57	7.20
87	2,079	Richland	166	6.80
88	2,094	Longview	105	6.80
89	2,133	Pasco	158	6.70
90	2,173	Yakima	232	6.60
91	2,213	Cottage Lake	50	6.40
92	2,255	Wenatchee	87	6.30
93	2,283	Maple Valley	57	6.20
94	2,302	Kennewick	188	6.10
95	2,549	Sammamish	100	4.60

METHODOLOGY

Data was compiled using the US Census Bureau's state, county, city, and Census tract counts for same-sex couples found [here](#). In this analysis, the authors combined incorporated places, independent cities, and consolidated cities to create the "city" category. Geographies listed as "independent cities" (such as Richmond City, VA) are included in both the "county" and "city" designation in this analysis. "Independent cities" are cities that are outside the jurisdiction of any county and are recognized as "county equivalents" by the U.S. Census Bureau. They are assigned a Federal Information Processing Series (FIPS) code. Despite their equivalence to counties, they are also still recognized as cities (as they often have comparable populations to cities of similar geographic size). Independent cities are only located in Virginia, Maryland, Nevada, and Missouri.

The householder is the person, or one of the people, who primarily own or rent the house. Same-sex couples are identified in households where householder describes their relationship with another adult of the same sex as either a "husband/wife" or "unmarried partner". In addition, we utilized the 2020 Census Privacy Protected Microdata Files (PPMF) to identify the race/ethnicity of the householder and the presence of the householder's own child/children.

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In order to preserve the privacy of individuals in the PPMF data, 2020 Census utilized a differential privacy approach to inject noise into the data at smaller demographics and geographies, then conducted postprocessing steps to ensure that the noised data matched data in the public use tables. This top-down algorithm preserves data reliability at larger universe sizes while maintaining trust in data privacy. Due to the disclosure avoidance process, use caution when interpreting findings from smaller geographies or populations.

We include all values at the national, state, county, city, and Census tract levels. When ranking counties and cities by the number of same sex couples per 1,000 households, the authors only ranked counties with 50 or more same-sex couples. Cities with fewer than 50 same-sex couples were not listed. For our full methodology note, see [here](#).

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