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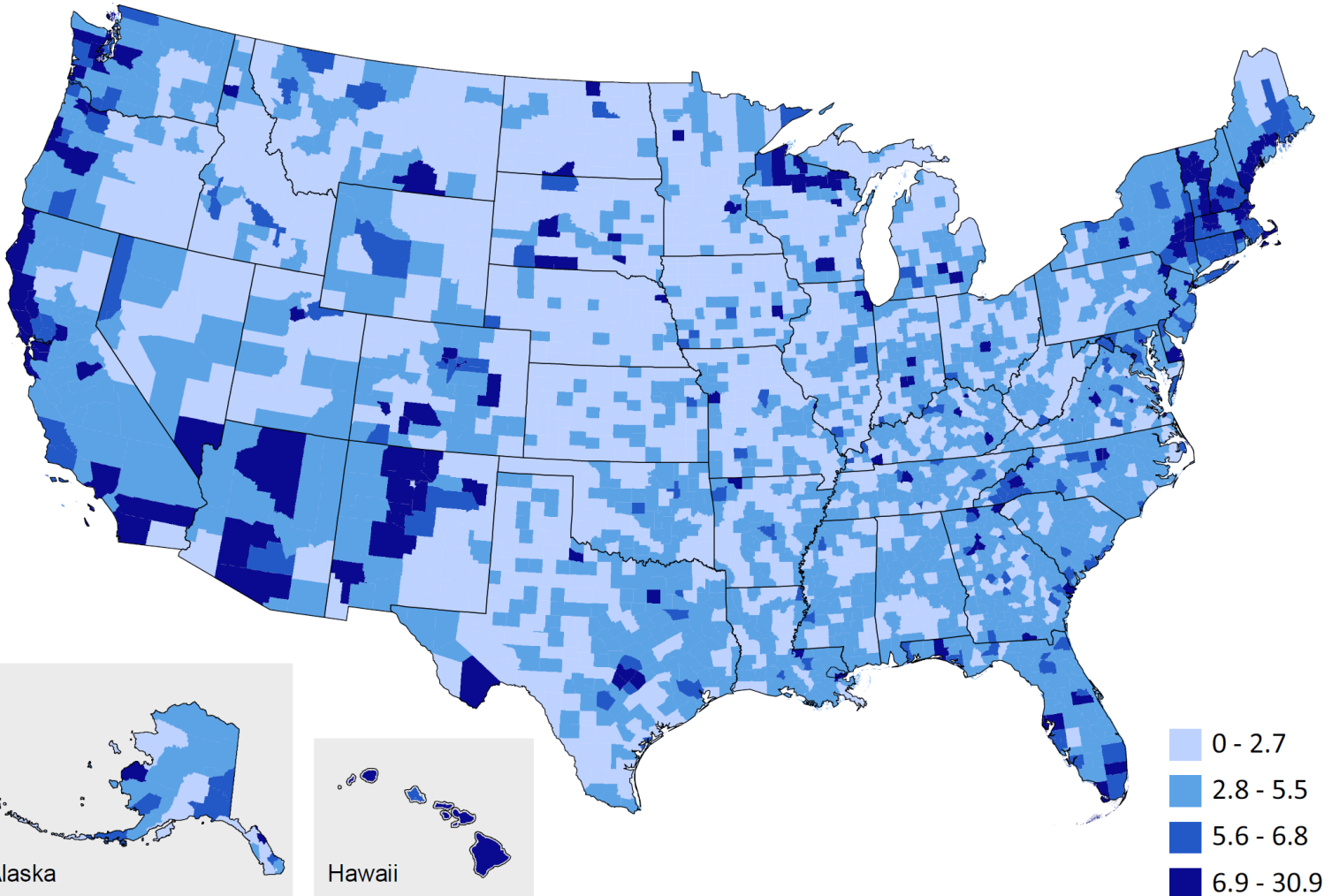
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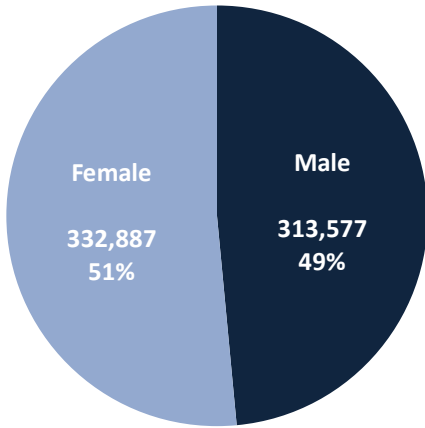


Same-sex couples	646,464	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households	5.5
Husband/wife	131,729	Same-sex "husband/wife" couples per 1,000 "husband/wife" couples	2.3
Unmarried partner	514,735	Same-sex "unmarried partner" couples per 1,000 "unmarried partner" couples	70.0

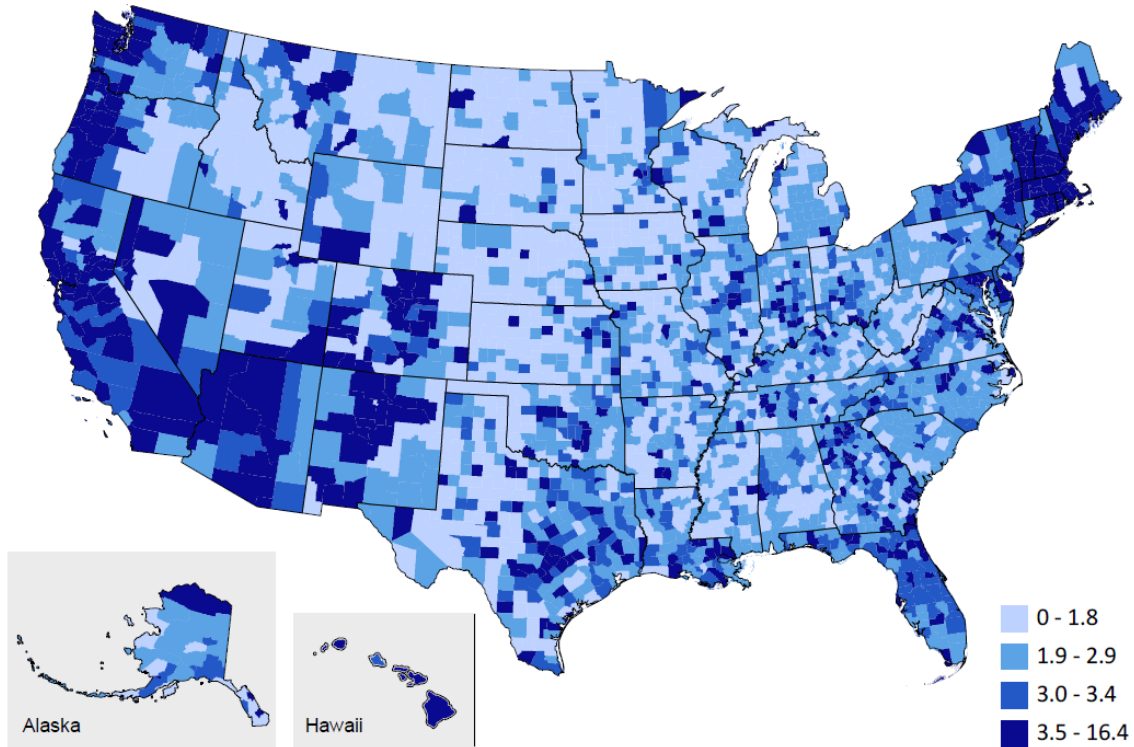
**Same-sex couples per 1,000 households
by county (adjusted)**



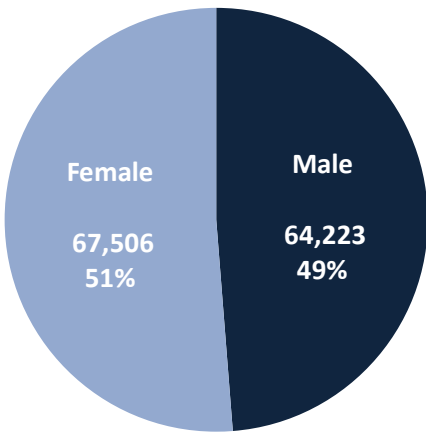
All Same-sex Couples



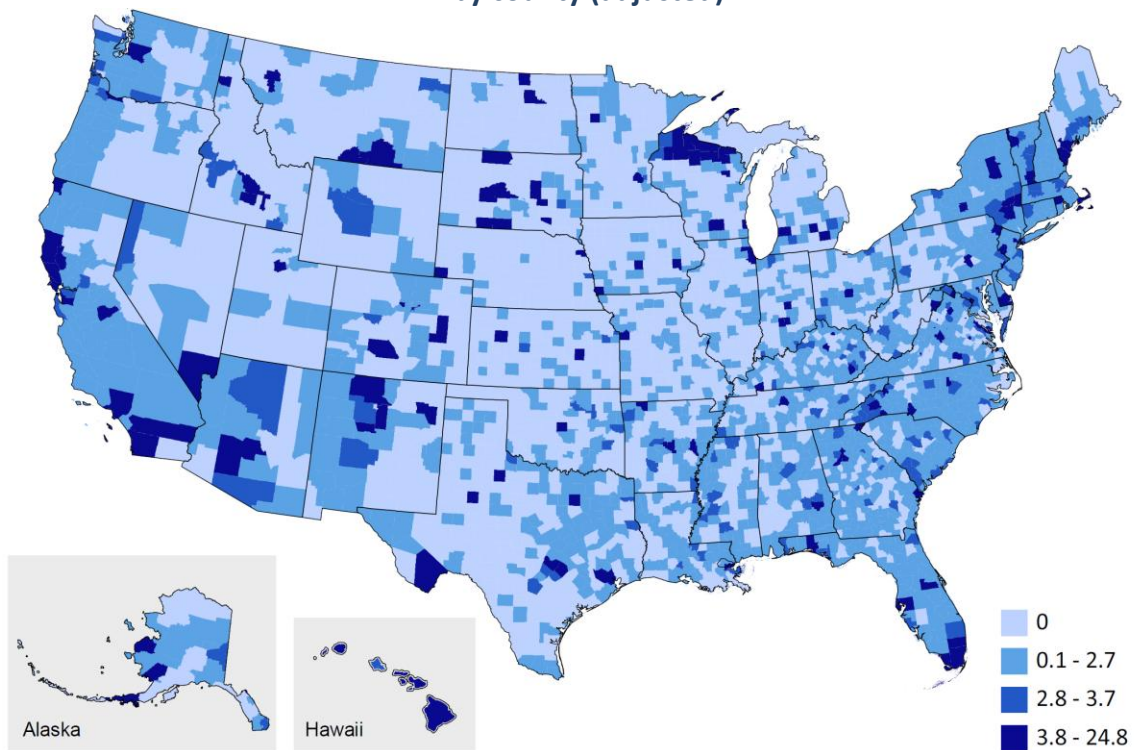
Same-sex female couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



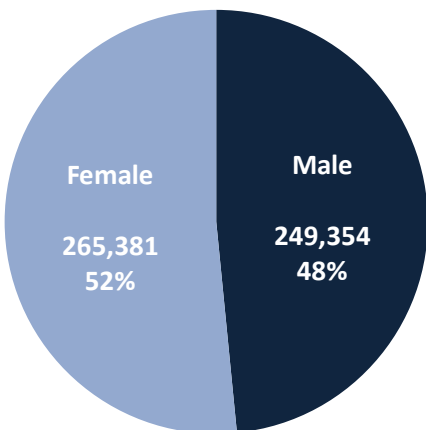
Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



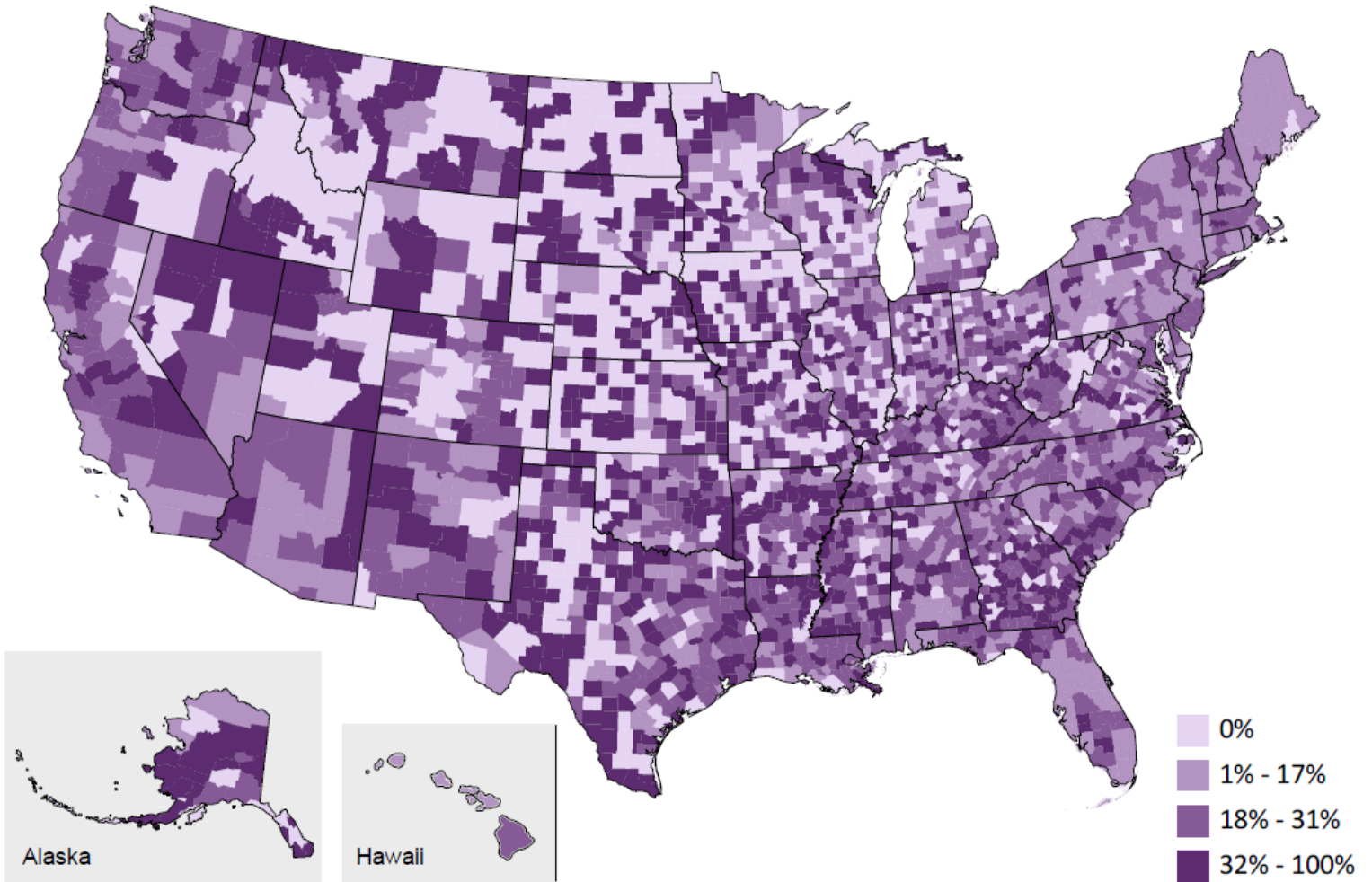
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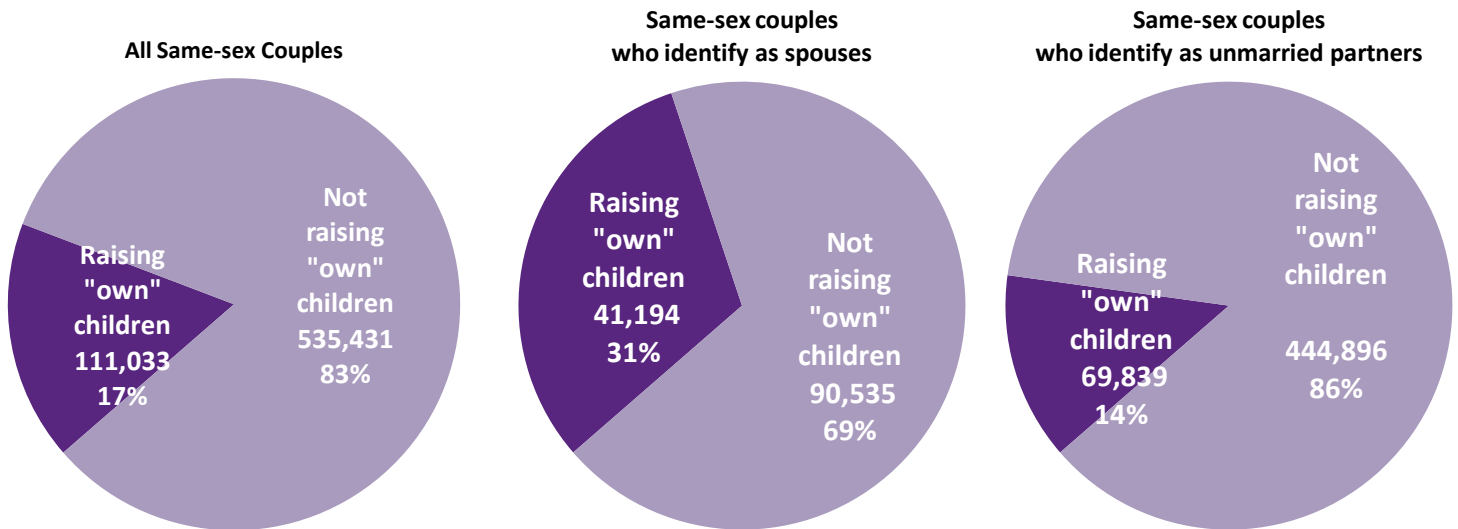
Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners



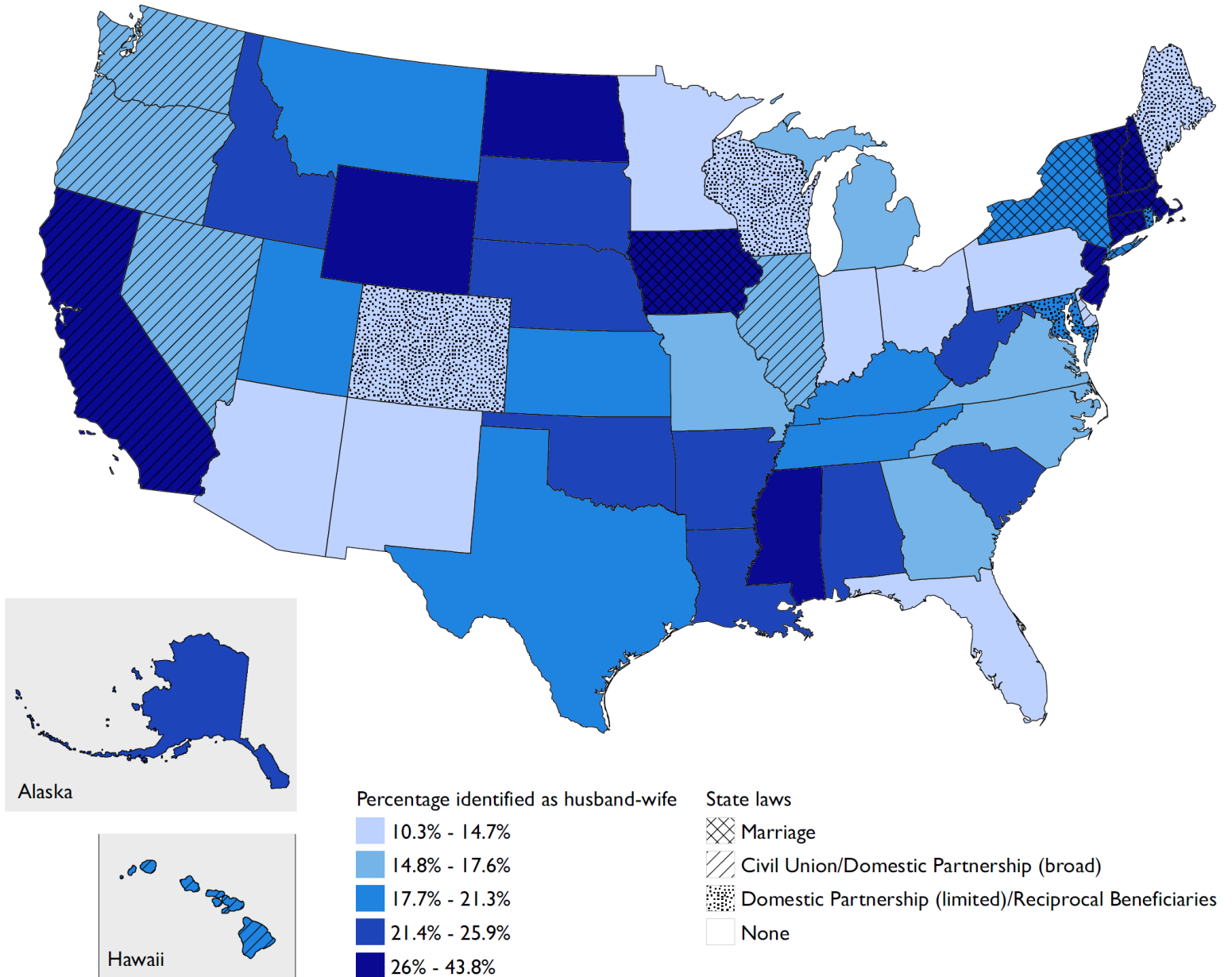
Percent of same-sex couples raising "own" children* by county (adjusted)



*"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.



Percent of same-sex couples who identify as spouses by state



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 and city 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. Note that 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.

States ranked by same-sex couples per 1,000 households

Rank		Same-sex couples	Same-sex couples per 1000 households	Rank		Same-sex couples	Same-sex couples per 1000 households
1	District of Columbia	4,822	18.08	26	Alaska	1,228	4.76
2	Vermont	2,143	8.36	27	Louisiana	8,076	4.67
3	Massachusetts	20,256	7.95	28	Virginia	14,243	4.66
4	California	98,153	7.80	29	Utah	3,909	4.45
5	Oregon	11,773	7.75	30	Pennsylvania	22,336	4.45
6	Delaware	2,646	7.73	31	Missouri	10,557	4.44
7	New Mexico	5,825	7.36	32	Indiana	11,074	4.43
8	Washington	19,003	7.25	33	Tennessee	10,898	4.37
9	Hawaii	3,239	7.11	34	Ohio	19,684	4.28
10	Maine	3,958	7.10	35	Oklahoma	6,134	4.20
11	Nevada	7,140	7.10	36	Kentucky	7,195	4.18
12	Rhode Island	2,785	6.73	37	Wisconsin	9,179	4.03
13	New York	48,932	6.69	38	South Carolina	7,214	4.01
14	Arizona	15,817	6.64	39	Michigan	14,598	3.77
15	Florida	48,496	6.54	40	West Virginia	2,848	3.73
16	Colorado	12,424	6.30	41	Arkansas	4,226	3.68
17	New Hampshire	3,260	6.28	42	Kansas	4,009	3.60
18	Georgia	21,318	5.95	43	Idaho	2,042	3.52
19	Maryland	12,538	5.81	44	Alabama	6,582	3.49
20	Connecticut	7,852	5.73	45	Iowa	4,093	3.35
21	New Jersey	16,875	5.25	46	Montana	1,348	3.29
22	Texas	46,401	5.20	47	Nebraska	2,356	3.27
23	Minnesota	10,207	4.89	48	Mississippi	3,484	3.12
24	North Carolina	18,309	4.89	49	Wyoming	657	2.90
25	Illinois	23,049	4.77	50	South Dakota	714	2.22
				51	North Dakota	559	1.99

States ranked by percent same-sex couples identifying as husbands or wives

Rank		% Same-sex couples identifying as husband or wife	Same-sex husband/wife couples	Same-sex unmarried partner couples	Rank		% Same-sex couples identifying as husband or wife	Same-sex husband/wife couples	Same-sex unmarried partner couples
1	Massachusetts	44%	8,863	11,393	26	Maryland	19%	2,321	10,217
2	Vermont	35%	755	1,388	27	Kentucky	18%	1,328	5,867
3	Connecticut	34%	2,704	5,148	28	Texas	18%	8,397	38,004
4	Iowa	34%	1,373	2,720	29	Tennessee	18%	1,959	8,939
5	New Hampshire	31%	1,016	2,244	30	Hawaii	18%	580	2,659
6	Mississippi	30%	1,050	2,434	31	North Carolina	18%	3,224	15,085
7	California	29%	28,312	69,841	32	Nevada	18%	1,252	5,888
8	Wyoming	27%	179	478	33	Virginia	17%	2,474	11,769
9	New Jersey	26%	4,447	12,428	34	Georgia	17%	3,661	17,657
10	North Dakota	26%	146	413	35	Oregon	17%	2,002	9,771
11	Alabama	26%	1,704	4,878	36	Washington	16%	3,072	15,931
12	Arkansas	25%	1,040	3,186	37	Illinois	16%	3,607	19,442
13	South Dakota	25%	175	539	38	DC	15%	745	4,077
14	West Virginia	24%	680	2,168	39	Michigan	15%	2,202	12,396
15	Alaska	23%	278	950	40	Missouri	15%	1,592	8,965
16	South Carolina	22%	1,596	5,618	41	New Mexico	15%	858	4,967
17	Idaho	22%	446	1,596	42	Indiana	14%	1,603	9,471
18	Oklahoma	22%	1,335	4,799	43	Pennsylvania	14%	3,228	19,108
19	Nebraska	22%	510	1,846	44	Delaware	14%	380	2,266
20	Louisiana	21%	1,731	6,345	45	Arizona	14%	2,265	13,552
21	Rhode Island	21%	592	2,193	46	Florida	14%	6,784	41,712
22	Montana	21%	286	1,062	47	Ohio	14%	2,661	17,023
23	Kansas	21%	833	3,176	48	Minnesota	13%	1,330	8,877
24	Utah	21%	809	3,100	49	Colorado	13%	1,618	10,806
25	New York	21%	10,125	38,807	50	Wisconsin	13%	1,194	7,985
					51	Maine	10%	407	3,551

Cities ranked by same-sex couples per 1,000 households

Rank	Large cities Population above 250,000			Mid-size cities Population between 100,000 and 250,000			Small cities Population below 100,000		
	City	Same-sex couples (adjusted)	Same-sex couples per 1000 households (adjusted)	City	Same-sex couples (adjusted)	Same-sex couples per 1000 households (adjusted)	City	Same-sex couples (adjusted)	Same-sex couples per 1000 households (adjusted)
1	San Francisco, CA	10,461	30.25	Fort Lauderdale, FL	2,324	31.08	Provincetown, MA	237	148.08
2	Seattle, WA	6,537	23.06	Berkeley, CA	949	20.61	Wilton Manors, FL	781	125.33
3	Oakland, CA	3,359	21.84	Salt Lake City, UT	1,145	15.36	Palm Springs, CA	2,440	107.28
4	Minneapolis, MN	3,555	21.74	Cambridge, MA	633	14.39	Rehoboth Beach, DE	76	99.97
5	Atlanta, GA	3,656	19.75	Orlando, FL	1,414	13.80	Guerneville, CA	185	80.36
6	Portland, OR	4,784	19.25	St. Petersburg, FL	1,500	13.78	West Hollywood, CA	1,397	62.05
7	Long Beach, CA	3,128	19.13	Madison, WI	1,358	13.24	Pleasant Ridge, MI	61	54.77
8	Washington, DC	4,822	18.08	Alexandria, VA	776	11.39	Rancho Mirage, CA	462	52.29
9	Denver, CO	4,117	15.65	Pasadena, CA	627	11.35	New Hope, PA	63	49.99
10	Boston, MA	3,715	14.70	Jersey City, NJ	1,080	11.15	Oakland Park, FL	865	49.41
11	St. Louis, MO	1,998	14.06	Arlington, VA	1,087	11.08	Cathedral City, CA	790	46.33
12	Sacramento, CA	2,271	13.00	Providence, RI	693	11.05	Miami Shores, FL	155	42.87
13	Dallas, TX	5,610	12.25	Richmond, VA	908	10.42	Avondale Estates, GA	58	42.78
14	San Diego, CA	5,910	12.23	Vallejo, CA	420	10.34	Northwest Harbor, NY	56	42.74
15	Austin, TX	3,820	11.76	Lansing, MI	501	10.34	Northampton, MA	484	40.31
16	Columbus, OH	3,786	11.42	Rochester, NY	894	10.28	Ocean Grove, NJ	78	40.16
17	Baltimore, MD	2,689	10.76	Santa Rosa, CA	650	10.22	Eldorado at Santa Fe, NM	115	40.00
18	New Orleans, LA	1,518	10.68	Durham, NC	951	10.17	Lambertville, NJ	77	39.28
19	St. Paul, MN	1,179	10.62	Richmond, CA	367	10.16	Asbury Park, NJ	255	37.91
20	Phoenix, AZ	5,450	10.59	Ann Arbor, MI	476	10.12	Signal Hill, CA	157	37.85
21	Chicago, IL	10,849	10.38	Eugene, OR	663	9.98	Decatur, GA	294	34.15
22	Tampa, FL	1,410	10.37	Enterprise, NV	387	9.72	Vashon, WA	152	33.03
23	Kansas City, MO	1,955	10.16	Concord, CA	426	9.62	Brisbane, CA	59	32.39
24	Los Angeles, CA	13,292	10.08	Hollywood, FL	558	9.55	North Druid Hills, GA	311	31.99
25	Albuquerque, NM	2,260	10.07	Paradise, NV	857	9.52	Ferndale, MI	303	31.72

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