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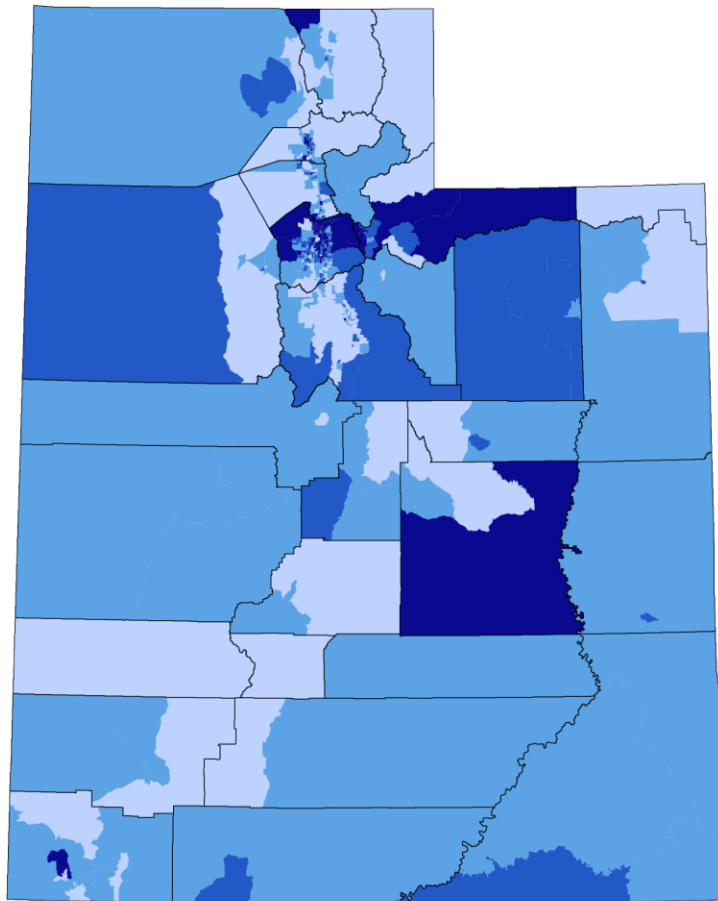
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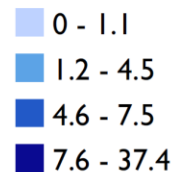


Same-sex couples	3,909	Same-sex couples per 1,000 households	4.5
Husband/wife	809	Same-sex "husband/wife" couples per 1,000 "husband/wife" couples	1.5
Unmarried partner	3,100	Same-sex "unmarried partner" couples per 1,000 "unmarried partner" couples	82.8

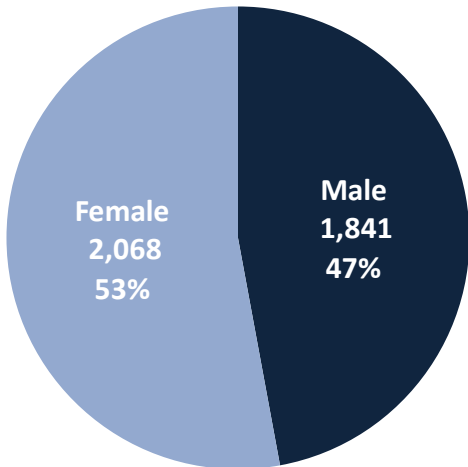
Same-sex couples per 1,000 households
by Census tract (adjusted)



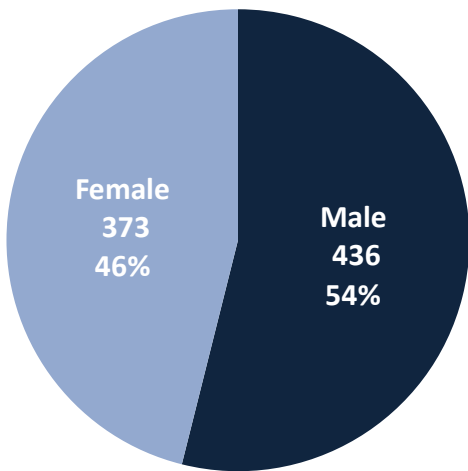
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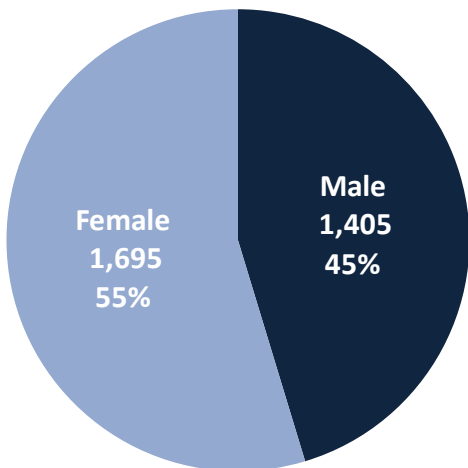
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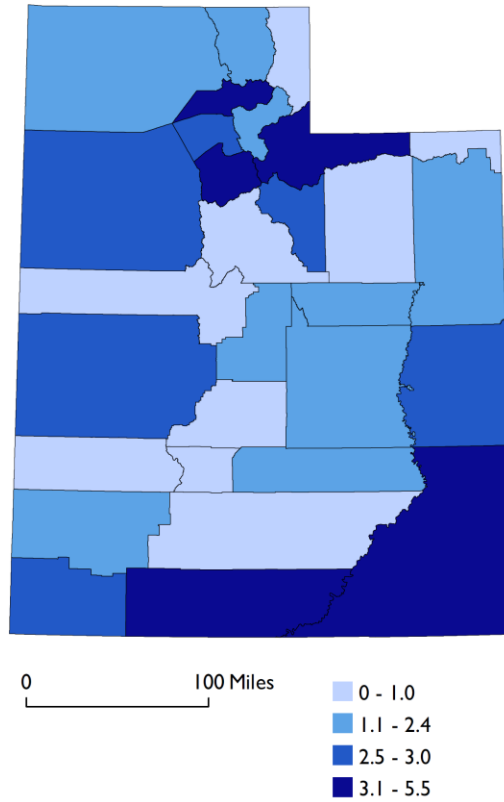
Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



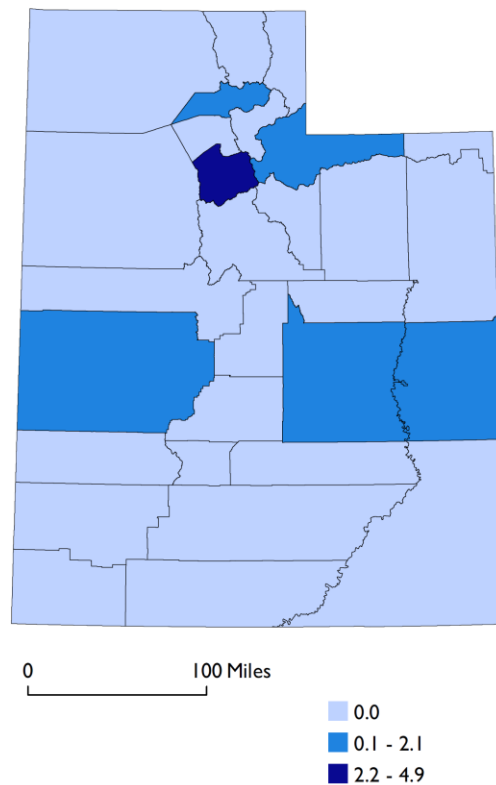
Same-sex couples who identify as unmarried partners



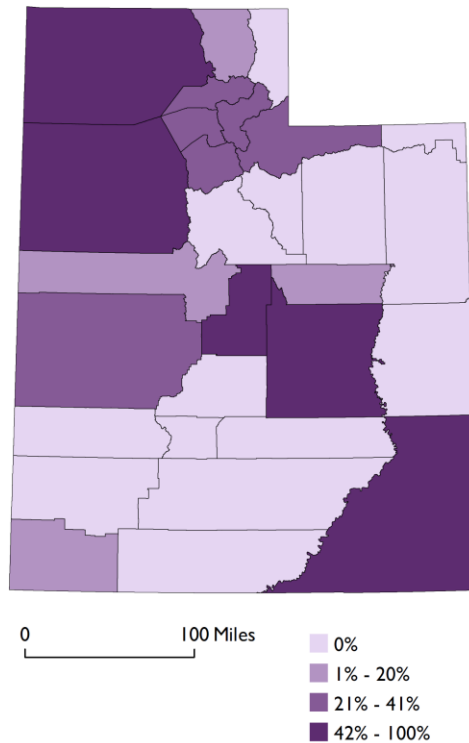
Same-sex female couples per 1,000 households by county (adjusted)



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

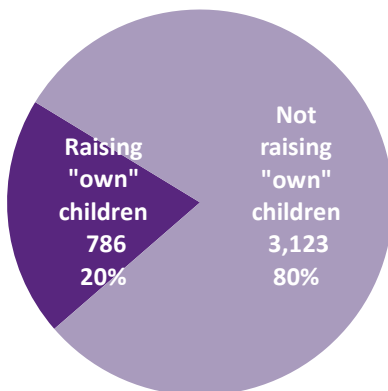


Percent of same-sex couples raising “own” children* by county (adjusted)

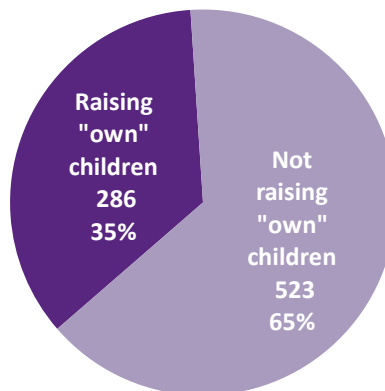


*“Own” children are never-married children under 18 who are sons or daughters of one partner or spouse (Person 1) by birth, marriage (stepchild), or adoption.

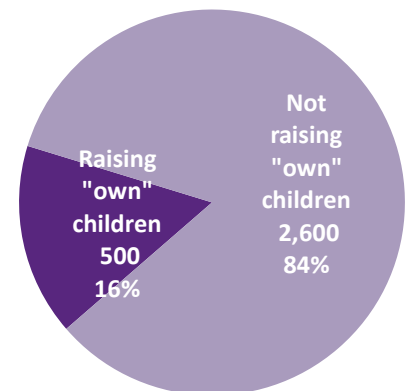
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Same-sex couples who identify as spouses



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	81	Salt Lake	2717	7.93	1693	1024	26%
2	195	Summit	79	6.06	7	72	30%
3	549	Weber	328	4.16	29	298	41%
4	1000	Davis	268	2.86	0	268	21%
5	1020	Tooele	50	2.78	0	50	47%
6	1065	Washington	119	2.57	0	119	2%
7	1138	Cache	52	1.50	0	52	0%
8	1142	Utah	88	0.63	0	88	0%

Counties with <50 same-sex couples

		Beaver	0	0.00	0	0	0%
		Box Elder	28	1.77	0	28	82%
		Carbon	19	2.35	0	19	1%
		Daggett	0	0.00	0	0	0%
		Duchesne	5	0.75	0	5	0%
		Emery	13	3.58	6	8	63%
		Garfield	2	0.78	0	2	0%
		Grand	18	4.72	7	12	0%
		Iron	18	1.20	0	18	0%
		Juab	3	0.87	0	3	15%
		Kane	10	3.44	0	10	0%
		Millard	14	3.29	1	12	32%
		Morgan	5	1.75	0	5	22%
		Piute	0	0.00	0	0	0%
		Rich	0	0.00	0	0	0%
		San Juan	17	3.69	0	17	100%
		Sanpete	14	1.80	0	14	100%
		Sevier	2	0.27	0	2	0%
		Uintah	21	1.94	0	21	0%
		Wasatch	19	2.60	0	19	0%
		Wayne	2	2.06	0	2	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	74	Salt Lake City	1145	15.36
2	128	South Salt Lake	100	11.73
3	210	Millcreek	238	9.68
4	262	Midvale	96	8.82
5	336	Holladay	79	7.95
6	342	Murray	144	7.89
7	449	Magna	55	7.13
8	499	Cottonwood Heights	85	6.84
9	563	Ogden	192	6.49
10	587	West Valley City	237	6.38
11	608	Kearns	61	6.26
12	771	Taylorsville	111	5.61
13	909	West Jordan	147	4.93
14	1333	Sandy	91	3.22
15	1346	Layton	67	3.13
16	1389	St. George	72	2.80

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