



DIVERSE FAMILIES – READ AROUNDS

25 percent or almost 18 million children in the U.S. live with a grandparent or other relative in their home.

Living Arrangements of Children under 18 Years: 2016, Current Population Survey. U.S. Census Bureau.

Over 2.8 million fathers are the primary caregivers for their children.

America's Families and Living Arrangements: 2014, Current Population Survey. U.S. Census Bureau.

1.5 million children are adopted and almost 35% percent of adopted children are of a different race, culture or ethnicity from their parents.

Rose Kreider & Daphne Lofquist, *Adopted Children and Stepchildren:2010* (2014) U.S. Census Bureau.

About half of the children in the U.S. under age 5 are Hispanic, Black, Asian-American, Native American, mixed-race or a member of a minority group as of 2016.

Living Arrangements of Children under 18 Years: 2016, Current Population Survey. U.S. Census Bureau.

Close to 4 million children identify as being of more than one race.

American Fact Finder 2015 Estimate Resident Population by Sex, Age, Race and Hispanic Origin. U.S. Census Bureau.

Over 6 million American children and adults have an LGBTQ parent.

Gary Gates (2013) *LGBT Parenting in the United States*, The Williams Institute.

Hispanic and African-American same-sex couples are about twice as likely to be raising children as white non-Hispanic same-sex couples.

Gary Gates (2012) *Same-sex Couples in Census 2010: Race and Ethnicity*. The Williams Institute.

In rural states, such as, Wyoming and Montana, and in southern states households headed by same-sex couples are more likely to have children than same-sex households in other states.

Gary Gates (2013) *LGBT Parenting in the United States*, The Williams Institute.

16 percent of all children live in blended families including stepparents and step- or half-siblings.

Rose Kreider & Renee Ellis (2011) *Living Arrangements of Children: 2009, Current Population Reports*. U.S. Census Bureau.

Almost one-quarter of children in the U.S., have at least one parent who was born in another country, in 2014.

America's Families and Living Arrangements: 2016, Current Population Survey. U.S. Census Bureau.

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