Among 65+, 72% of men and 45% of women are married and living with a spouse. 

*Majority of women (55%) unmarried*

Black women 85+ are least likely to be living with spouse.

Non-Hispanic White men a 65-74 most likely to be living with spouse.

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*Do you, personally, identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender?*

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Gallup Daily tracking
June 1-Sept. 30, 2012

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Support for Legal Same-Sex Marriage by Age, 1996, 2013, and 2014

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Percent who had intercourse in the previous year

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Social Relationships

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Widowhood

- Study conducted by Morgan and Neal
- Widows were interviewed three times. Each interview was separated by 6 months.
- Three cohorts in which the initial interviewing started either 3 months after the loss of the spouse, 15 months after the loss of the spouse, or 27 months after the loss of the spouse.
- Changes in depression occur over a period of 18 months for each widow.

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Widowhood

Depression Scores vs Months Since Loss for three cohorts of women who experienced widowhood.

- Cohort 1: Initial depression scores were relatively high but showed a steady decline over the months.
- Cohort 2: Had moderate depression scores initially, which also showed a decline, but not as steep as Cohort 1.
- Cohort 3: Started with the lowest depression scores, which showed a more gradual increase compared to the other two cohorts.

N = 234 women.
Widowhood

Within 3 months,

**Men 87%** more likely to die within 3 months of wife’s death

**Women 47%** more likely to die within 3 months of husband’s death

Compared with controls, adjusting for age, gender, race and baseline SES (education, household wealth and household income), behavioral risk factors and co-morbidities.

After 12 months this difference nearly disappears

Widowhood effect mediated by conditions such as depression, stress, economic hardship, and loss of social support.

Changes in lifestyle may occur as well.
Widowhood


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Grandparents

Figure 1. Grandchildren in Grandparents’ Homes by Presence of Parents


Grandparents


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Figure 3. Percent of Children Residing in Different Household Types Who Are in Poverty, Uninsured, and Receiving Public Assistance


**Grandparents**

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