Gay and Lesbian Families in the Census: Couples With Children

96 percent of all U.S. counties have at least one same-sex couple with children under 18 in the household, Census 2000 reveals. Yet only seven states and the District of Columbia have laws supportive of gay and lesbian couple adoption. More than a third of all U.S. counties (1,082) have a higher proportion of same-sex couples with children than the national average of two per thousand.