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DEFINITIONS AND FORMULAS

Residence Data Data allocated by place of residence of the registrant (deaths), or by place of residence of the infant's mother (births, stillbirths)

Occurrence Data Data allocated by place where event occurred, regardless of the person's place of residence (marriage, divorce)

Marriage A personal relation arising out of a civil contract between capable consenting parties followed by the issuance of a state and federally authorized sanction, license, authentication and recording of such contract

MARRIAGE RATE -- number of marriages per 1,000 population

$$\frac{\text{marriages}}{\text{population}} \times 1{,}000$$

Divorce Those parties in a prior state of legal marriage in which they have been restored to the state of 'unmarried persons' due to the issuance of a decree by the judgment of a jurisdictional court

DIVORCE RATE -- number of divorces per 1,000 population

$$\frac{\text{divorces}}{\text{population}} \times 1{,}000$$

U.S. Data In this publication, there are references to provisional U.S. data in which the most recent U.S. information is provided. The following definition has been added to clarify this type of U.S. data.

U.S. Provisional Data Prior to 1996, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) released U.S. vital data and rates in two basic forms: provisional and final. Provisional data are based on monthly summary counts of marriage and divorce records received in state vital registration offices. Rates for 12-month periods, January through December, are the sum of events for the period per population estimated at the midpoint of the period. Provisional divorce rates are based on 44 reporting states and the District of Columbia. Provisional marriage rates are based on 50 reporting states and the District of Columbia. Populations have been estimated by NCHS for the 12-month divorce and marriage rates based on these reporting states. The 2018 U.S. marriage and divorce rates in this publication are provisional measures[1]. These and U.S. provisional rates for previous years are available at: https://cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/marriage-divorce.htm.

1. "National Marriage and Divorce Rate Trends for 2000-2018," National Vital Statistics System. January 2020.

VITAL REGISTRATION AND DATA COLLECTION

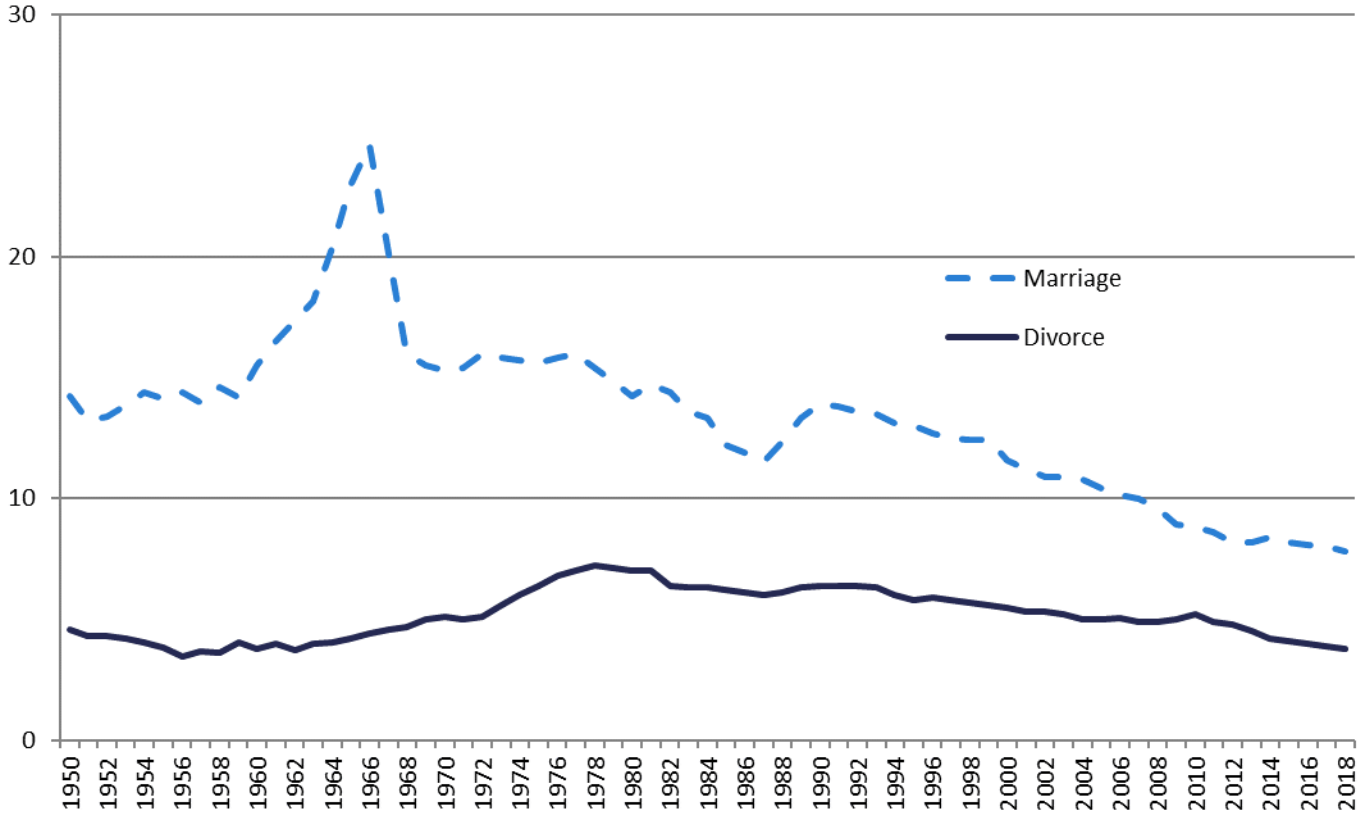
Registration of Records

The Idaho Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics is responsible for managing Idaho's vital records program and for providing health statistics and analysis. Civil laws of every state provide for a continuous, permanent, and compulsory vital registration system. Idaho is responsible for inspecting each Idaho state record for promptness of filing, completeness, and accuracy of information; querying for missing or inconsistent information; numbering the records; preparing indexes; processing the records; issuing certified copies; and storing the documents for permanent reference and safekeeping.

Marriage and Divorce Certificates

Idaho vital statistics law makes marriages and divorces occurring in Idaho reportable events. Marriages are registered with the county recorder in the county where the license was issued; divorces are filed with the clerk of the court where the divorce was granted. These records are then forwarded to the Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics. There is no agreement among states to exchange certificates of resident marriages or divorces that occur out of state. Marriage and divorce data provided in this annual report are based on events occurring in Idaho, regardless of the party's residence. The cut-off date for inclusion in the data base for analysis was August 2019 for marriage records and January 2020 for divorce records. If records are filed with the Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics or revised after the cut-off date, the changes are not included in the database used for analysis.

Idaho Marriage and Divorce Rate per 1,000 Population, 1950-2018



MARRIAGE

U.S., Idaho

The number of marriages occurring in Idaho increased slightly 0.2 percent from 13,691 in 2017 to 13,717 in 2018. Because the population of Idaho increased at a higher rate than marriages, the marriage rate decreased from 8.0 marriages per 1,000 population in 2017 to 7.8 marriages per 1,000 population in 2018. Marriages occur at a higher frequency in Idaho than in the U.S. as a whole; the 2018 U.S. provisional marriage rate was 6.5 per 1,000. Much of the difference between Idaho and U.S. rates can be accounted for by the high number of nonresidents who marry in northern Idaho.

On October 15, 2014, same-sex marriage became legal in Idaho, and a question for each person's title (groom, bride, or partner) was added to the Idaho Marriage License. Marriage licenses vary by county; some counties include a question for sex, and some counties do not include a question for sex. Of the 13,717 marriages in Idaho in 2018, a total of 13,400 marriages were between a bride and groom, and 317 marriages were same-sex or between a partner and a partner. In comparison, 13,408 marriages were between a bride and groom and 283 marriages were same-sex or between a partner and a partner in 2017.

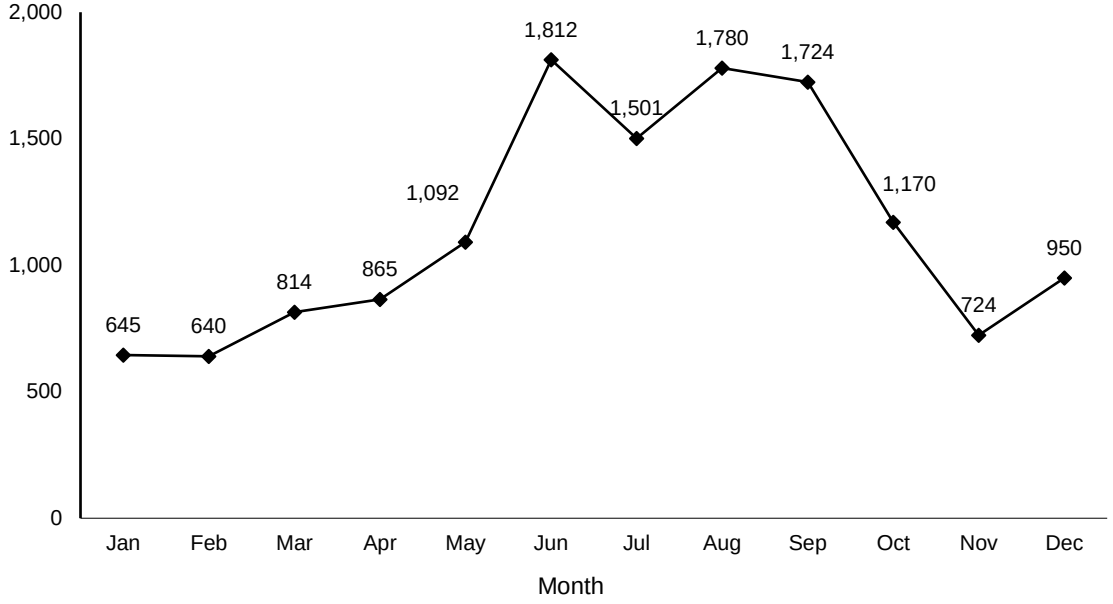
Title of Spouses

To utilize the data collected on title of spouses, data on age and race are displayed in three separate tables. The first table called "Total Marriages" is based on 13,717 marriages occurring in Idaho, regardless of the title of spouse. The first spouse may be a groom, a bride, or a partner; the second spouse may be a groom, a bride, or a partner. The second table called "Groom and Bride" is based on 13,400 marriages between a groom and a bride. The third table called "Partner and Partner" is based on 317 marriages between a groom and a groom, a bride and a bride, partner and partner, partner and groom, or partner and bride. It is possible for a person to label their sex as female and label their title as "groom" and vice versa, for a person to label their sex as male and label their title as "bride" on the Idaho marriage license.

Fast Facts

Age of Oldest Groom:	90
Age of Oldest Bride:	88
Age of Youngest Groom	16
Age of Youngest Bride:	16
Groom and Bride Marriages:	13,400
Groom and Groom Marriages:	18
Bride and Bride Marriages:	54
Partner and Partner Marriages:	235
Partner and Groom or Partner and Bride:	10
Day Most Marriages Occurred:	August 18, 2018 (355 marriages)
Day Fewest Marriages Occurred:	January 21, 2018 (1 marriage)

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO IN 2018
Number of Marriages by Month



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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
District and County of Marriage
2009-2018

OCCURRENCE	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
IDAHO	13,717	13,691	13,595	13,500	13,699	13,207	13,114	13,696	13,757	13,771
District 1	3,077	2,957	3,101	3,052	3,093	3,232	3,302	3,456	3,511	3,639
District 2	695	698	718	762	711	638	683	712	686	709
District 3	1,779	1,786	1,718	1,648	1,742	1,590	1,591	1,740	1,761	1,698
District 4	3,893	3,862	3,835	3,805	3,702	3,520	3,158	3,309	3,449	3,357
District 5	1,418	1,392	1,454	1,430	1,461	1,432	1,465	1,492	1,432	1,416
District 6	956	977	992	967	1,057	949	1,003	1,027	1,104	1,069
District 7	1,899	2,019	1,777	1,836	1,933	1,846	1,912	1,960	1,814	1,883
Ada	3,281	3,257	3,266	3,228	3,166	3,006	2,664	2,847	2,959	2,890
Adams	30	28	15	22	35	38	30	39	30	19
Bannock	520	516	505	502	552	491	519	522	553	544
Bear Lake	46	35	40	47	42	54	54	45	59	53
Benewah	70	67	53	54	61	60	48	43	48	50
Bingham	209	236	231	235	272	225	274	261	300	269
Blaine	243	170	190	170	168	182	150	167	172	174
Boise	104	105	87	78	62	69	58	72	58	66
Bonner	393	385	369	359	362	344	332	364	305	339
Bonneville	1,121	1,107	712	829	1,169	1,083	1,104	1,139	1,079	1,089
Boundary	77	76	61	85	72	68	71	57	83	68
Butte	14	16	15	18	15	10	6	10	12	21
Camas	11	10	12	14	14	18	13	9	13	8
Canyon	1,232	1,305	1,244	1,190	1,233	1,130	1,117	1,241	1,256	1,230
Caribou	40	40	34	44	53	28	32	40	34	44
Cassia	169	180	174	154	191	187	196	197	169	178
Clark	3	10	5	7	4	6	5	2	5	9
Clearwater	78	82	74	82	66	79	84	68	54	70
Custer	103	99	89	76	71	77	71	76	70	72
Elmore	220	194	226	216	229	227	215	204	263	236
Franklin	73	72	85	69	67	83	53	75	61	74
Fremont	82	107	94	90	85	85	72	101	85	92
Gem	165	162	161	147	142	130	143	146	131	134
Gooding	71	80	77	100	80	81	75	72	70	88
Idaho	95	101	100	110	95	107	101	106	107	98
Jefferson	193	208	186	166	167	152	163	144	110	114
Jerome	157	159	168	177	157	141	143	135	104	129
Kootenai	2,427	2,323	2,500	2,469	2,479	2,651	2,759	2,912	2,980	3,089
Latah	227	225	224	227	231	182	200	215	179	205
Lemhi	58	61	59	62	59	56	52	64	57	62
Lewis	24	19	18	24	17	15	18	15	27	12
Lincoln	28	20	23	19	12	26	16	17	17	12
Madison	251	346	554	529	295	309	384	375	347	388
Minidoka	124	127	157	151	153	127	134	125	132	126
Nez Perce	271	271	302	319	302	255	280	308	319	324
Oneida	27	21	29	16	19	22	22	21	22	23
Owyhee	97	85	69	64	70	70	65	61	58	44
Payette	163	147	163	165	190	163	177	188	211	201
Power	27	41	53	36	37	36	43	53	63	41
Shoshone	110	106	118	85	119	109	92	80	95	93
Teton	88	81	78	77	83	78	61	59	61	57
Twin Falls	615	646	653	645	686	670	738	770	755	701
Valley	288	306	256	283	245	218	221	186	169	165
Washington	92	59	66	60	72	59	59	65	75	70

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
District and County of Marriage By Title of Spouses
2018

OCCURRENCE OF MARRIAGE	TOTAL MARRIAGES	MARRIAGES BETWEEN GROOM AND BRIDE	MARRIAGES BETWEEN PARTNER/PARTNER*
IDAHO	13,717	13,400	317
District 1	3,077	3,010	67
District 2	695	675	20
District 3	1,779	1,735	44
District 4	3,893	3,770	123
District 5	1,418	1,392	26
District 6	956	939	17
District 7	1,899	1,879	20
Ada	3,281	3,174	107
Adams	30	30	-
Bannock	520	511	9
Bear Lake	46	45	1
Benewah	70	70	-
Bingham	209	205	4
Blaine	243	237	6
Boise	104	100	4
Bonner	393	385	8
Bonneville	1,121	1,108	13
Boundary	77	77	-
Butte	14	14	-
Camas	11	11	-
Canyon	1,232	1,196	36
Caribou	40	40	-
Cassia	169	164	5
Clark	3	3	-
Clearwater	78	75	3
Custer	103	101	2
Elmore	220	216	4
Franklin	73	71	2
Fremont	82	81	1
Gem	165	165	-
Gooding	71	70	1
Idaho	95	93	2
Jefferson	193	193	-
Jerome	157	155	2
Kootenai	2,427	2,369	58
Latah	227	218	9
Lemhi	58	57	1
Lewis	24	24	-
Lincoln	28	28	-
Madison	251	249	2
Minidoka	124	122	2
Nez Perce	271	265	6
Oneida	27	26	1
Owyhee	97	97	-
Payette	163	157	6
Power	27	27	-
Shoshone	110	109	1
Teton	88	87	1
Twin Falls	615	605	10
Valley	288	280	8
Washington	92	90	2

Same-sex marriage became legal in Idaho on October 15, 2014, and a new question regarding title of spouse was added to the Idaho marriage license. Marriages between partner and partner include marriages between groom and groom, bride and bride, partner and groom, and partner and bride.

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Total Marriages by Age
2018

AGE OF FIRST SPOUSE	TOTAL	AGE OF SECOND SPOUSE												
		<16	16	17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+
TOTAL	13,717	-	28	49	836	3,606	2,899	1,808	1,252	859	1,388	679	259	54
<16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	4	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	16	-	6	3	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-19	408	-	9	20	267	100	8	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	3,090	-	9	21	485	2,205	296	54	9	6	5	-	-	-
25-29	2,905	-	2	5	60	993	1,482	256	75	17	13	2	-	-
30-34	1,967	-	1	-	11	209	760	711	204	55	13	3	-	-
35-39	1,334	-	-	-	3	58	225	463	406	131	46	2	-	-
40-44	1,024	-	-	-	2	23	72	184	330	262	145	5	1	-
45-54	1,507	-	-	-	2	10	46	115	177	327	705	113	12	-
55-64	923	-	-	-	-	3	9	16	41	53	394	363	41	3
65-74	391	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	8	5	61	160	146	5
75+	148	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3	6	31	59	46

Total marriages in Idaho include marriages between a bride and groom, a bride and bride, a groom and groom, a partner and partner, a bride and partner, and a groom and partner.

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Opposite-Sex Marriages Between Bride and Groom by Age
2018

AGE OF GROOM	TOTAL	AGE OF BRIDE												
		<16	16	17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+
TOTAL	13,400	-	28	49	821	3,541	2,826	1,749	1,218	841	1,359	665	251	52
<16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	3	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	16	-	6	3	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-19	399	-	9	20	263	98	7	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	3,029	-	9	21	478	2,167	286	48	9	6	5	-	-	-
25-29	2,827	-	2	5	58	977	1,445	243	71	17	9	-	-	-
30-34	1,915	-	1	-	10	207	747	691	194	52	12	1	-	-
35-39	1,293	-	-	-	3	54	216	455	393	127	43	2	-	-
40-44	1,009	-	-	-	2	23	71	182	325	259	142	4	1	-
45-54	1,474	-	-	-	2	7	45	109	176	321	693	110	11	-
55-64	907	-	-	-	-	3	8	14	41	52	389	359	38	3
65-74	383	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	7	4	60	159	142	5
75+	145	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	3	6	30	59	44

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Same-Sex Marriages Between Partner and Partner* by Age
2018

AGE OF FIRST PARTNER	TOTAL	AGE OF SECOND PARTNER												
		<16	16	17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+
TOTAL	317	-	-	-	15	65	73	59	34	18	29	14	8	2
<16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18-19	9	-	-	-	4	2	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
20-24	61	-	-	-	7	38	10	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
25-29	78	-	-	-	2	16	37	13	4	-	4	2	-	-
30-34	52	-	-	-	1	2	13	20	10	3	1	2	-	-
35-39	41	-	-	-	-	4	9	8	13	4	3	-	-	-
40-44	15	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	3	3	1	-	-
45-54	33	-	-	-	-	3	1	6	1	6	12	3	1	-
55-64	16	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	5	4	3	-
65-74	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	4	-
75+	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Total Marriages by Race
2018

RACE OF FIRST SPOUSE	TOTAL	RACE OF SECOND SPOUSE					
		White	Black	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other race	Not stated
TOTAL	13,717	12,702	103	222	501	63	126
White	12,764	12,147	53	152	361	38	13
Black	215	150	46	8	11	-	-
American Indian/Alaska Native	174	117	1	52	4	-	-
Asian/Pacific Islander	352	218	3	6	122	1	2
Other race	79	50	-	3	2	24	-
Not stated	133	20	-	1	1	-	111

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Opposite-Sex Marriages Between Bride and Groom by Race
2018

GROOM'S RACE	TOTAL	BRIDE'S RACE					
		White	Black	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other race	Not stated
TOTAL	13,400	12,417	100	212	486	61	124
White	12,470	11,877	51	143	350	37	12
Black	211	147	45	8	11	-	-
American Indian/Alaska Native	172	115	1	52	4	-	-
Asian/Pacific Islander	341	211	3	6	118	1	2
Other race	74	47	-	2	2	23	-
Not stated	132	20	-	1	1	-	110

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Same-Sex Marriages Between Partner and Partner* by Race
2018

RACE OF PARTNER ONE	TOTAL	RACE OF PARTNER TWO					
		White	Black	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian or Pacific Islander	Other race	Not stated
TOTAL	317	285	3	10	15	2	2
White	294	270	2	9	11	1	1
Black	4	3	1	-	-	-	-
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Asian/Pacific Islander	11	7	-	-	4	-	-
Other race	5	3	-	1	-	1	-
Not stated	1	-	-	-	-	-	1

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Number of Marriages and Spouses by Type of Marriage and Title
2018

MARRIAGES AND SPOUSES	NUMBER
Total Marriages	13,717
Groom and Bride	13,400
Partner/Partner, Bride/Bride, Groom/Groom	317
Total Spouses	27,434
Brides	13,516
Grooms	13,438
Partners	480

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Number of Spouses and Mean Age by Title and Previous Marital Status
2018

TITLE	PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS				
	Total	Single	Divorced	Widowed	Not Stated
Number of Spouses					
Total	27,434	17,512	9,160	762	-
Bride	13,516	8,583	4,558	375	-
Groom	13,438	8,556	4,499	383	-
Partner	480	373	103	4	-
Mean Age					
Bride	32.4	26.2	41.9	58.3	NA
Groom	34.7	28.1	45.0	62.9	NA
Partner	33.7	31.9	39.4	52.8	NA

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NA: not applicable.

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MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
District and County of Occurrence by Idaho Residence
2018

OCCURRENCE	TOTAL MARRIAGES	RESIDENCE			
		Both Residents of Idaho	One Resident and One Non-Resident of Idaho	Both Non-Residents of Idaho	One or Both With State of Residence Not Stated
IDAHO	13,717	10,585	863	2,265	4
District 1	3,077	1,488	209	1,378	2
District 2	695	515	67	113	-
District 3	1,779	1,599	81	99	-
District 4	3,893	3,361	240	292	-
District 5	1,418	1,221	57	140	-
District 6	956	844	55	57	-
District 7	1,899	1,557	154	186	2
Ada	3,281	2,854	215	212	-
Adams	30	21	4	5	-
Bannock	520	476	20	24	-
Bear Lake	46	30	1	15	-
Benewah	70	57	2	11	-
Bingham	209	196	8	5	-
Blaine	243	152	11	80	-
Boise	104	96	-	8	-
Bonner	393	245	31	117	-
Bonneville	1,121	929	116	76	-
Boundary	77	64	8	5	-
Butte	14	14	-	-	-
Camas	11	9	-	2	-
Canyon	1,232	1,139	45	48	-
Caribou	40	32	2	6	-
Cassia	169	154	3	12	-
Clark	3	3	-	-	-
Clearwater	78	67	2	9	-
Custer	103	73	4	26	-
Elmore	220	191	16	13	-
Franklin	73	57	12	4	-
Fremont	82	60	3	19	-
Gem	165	153	7	5	-
Gooding	71	68	1	2	-
Idaho	95	76	9	10	-
Jefferson	193	178	4	11	-
Jerome	157	146	8	3	-
Kootenai	2,427	1,042	165	1,218	2
Latah	227	170	24	33	-
Lemhi	58	52	-	6	-
Lewis	24	18	2	4	-
Lincoln	28	26	1	1	-
Madison	251	205	26	18	2
Minidoka	124	114	4	6	-
Nez Perce	271	184	30	57	-
Oneida	27	14	12	1	-
Owyhee	97	87	5	5	-
Payette	163	128	12	23	-
Power	27	25	-	2	-
Shoshone	110	80	3	27	-
Teton	88	57	1	30	-
Twin Falls	615	552	29	34	-
Valley	288	220	9	59	-
Washington	92	71	8	13	-

DIVORCE

U.S. and Idaho

The number of divorces occurring in Idaho increased 0.9 percent from 6,674 in 2017 to 6,735 in 2018. In the past ten years, the divorce rate declined 23.2 percent from 5.0 divorces per 1,000 population in 2009 to 3.8 in 2018. Like marriages, divorces occur more frequently in Idaho than in the remainder of the nation; the 2018 U.S. provisional divorce rate was 2.9 per 1,000 population.

Opposite-sex and Same-sex Divorce

On October 15, 2014, same-sex marriage became legal in Idaho, and was legal in some states prior to legalization in Idaho, and in 2015, the Idaho Certificate of Divorce was revised. Prior to 2015, information was collected on the husband and on the wife. Beginning in 2015, information began being collected on the petitioner and the respondent. The petitioner may be male, female, or unknown and the respondent may be male, female, or unknown; a question regarding sex of petitioner and respondent was added to the certificate in 2015.

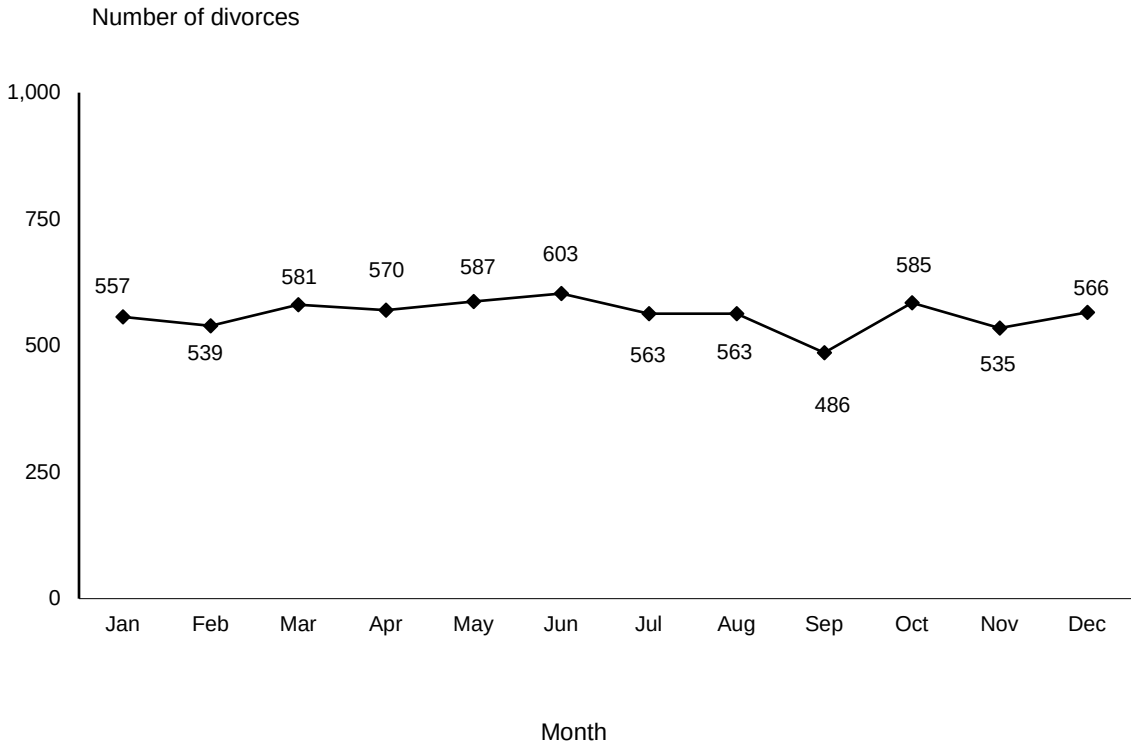
Of the 6,735 divorces in Idaho in 2018, 6,539 (97.1 percent) were opposite-sex divorces, 79 were same-sex divorces in which both the petitioner and the respondent were female, 20 divorces were same-sex divorces in which both the petitioner and the respondent were male, and 92 divorce records did not report the sex either petitioner or respondent. A total of 4,323 petitioners were female (64.2 percent), 2,388 were male (35.5 percent), and the sex of 24 petitioners was not stated.

Fast Facts

Oldest Male Divorcee:	96
Oldest Female Divorcee:	96
Youngest Male Divorcee:	18
Youngest Female Divorcee:	17
Day Most Divorces Finalized (45 divorces):	April 17, & December 17
Marriage of Longest Duration Ending in a Divorce:	58 years
Marriage of Shortest Duration Ending in a Divorce:	28 days

Divorces by Month

DIVORCES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Month of Divorce
2018



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DIVORCES GRANTED IN IDAHO
District and County of Divorce
2009-2018

OCCURRENCE	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
IDAHO	6,735	6,674	6,786	6,817	6,943	7,248	7,598	7,773	8,136	7,729
District 1	927	950	1,051	1,001	1,010	1,069	1,118	1,124	1,192	1,112
District 2	334	373	388	412	368	481	436	493	432	438
District 3	1,192	1,121	1,110	1,117	1,130	1,148	1,285	1,276	1,402	1,297
District 4	2,121	2,009	2,077	2,065	2,157	2,138	2,311	2,329	2,404	2,346
District 5	821	818	757	839	847	858	957	916	976	915
District 6	562	575	563	575	567	653	644	690	788	711
District 7	778	828	840	808	864	901	847	945	942	910
Ada	1,904	1,794	1,856	1,887	1,959	1,944	2,072	2,068	2,138	2,065
Adams	15	12	16	24	10	11	17	11	18	18
Bannock	308	285	273	274	293	336	346	328	399	357
Bear Lake	11	17	18	16	21	27	12	21	29	28
Benewah	44	29	34	33	31	39	41	39	60	40
Bingham	122	159	160	165	131	166	160	175	199	181
Blaine	87	93	75	74	85	63	69	72	100	102
Boise	16	16	13	7	11	3	7	15	27	26
Bonner	137	163	178	160	180	167	166	179	221	214
Bonneville	463	557	536	555	576	631	588	634	641	634
Boundary	38	41	41	33	30	27	37	37	40	52
Butte	7	9	5	3	8	8	6	11	7	5
Camas	2	6	3	4	1	5	9	8	7	6
Canyon	936	876	831	854	861	872	957	954	1,051	982
Caribou	12	14	20	19	19	32	22	21	38	26
Cassia	92	92	94	107	103	113	160	140	135	116
Clark	4	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	2	1
Clearwater	32	34	20	16	23	33	18	43	38	43
Custer	15	13	11	8	9	10	9	13	11	13
Elmore	168	161	171	140	153	150	197	204	203	196
Franklin	56	44	38	57	48	34	44	57	42	53
Fremont	28	31	37	26	37	47	30	45	40	37
Gem	84	79	90	89	89	90	89	99	102	84
Gooding	37	36	38	43	41	44	46	50	45	53
Idaho	34	53	59	51	52	61	57	58	53	48
Jefferson	89	71	89	76	95	75	70	99	99	77
Jerome	63	94	79	73	96	97	98	94	119	87
Kootenai	666	668	729	709	701	763	811	788	794	753
Latah	101	102	109	120	109	167	123	145	108	104
Lemhi	28	25	23	22	29	27	22	30	35	43
Lewis	9	8	10	13	5	12	7	13	9	11
Lincoln	26	18	23	19	20	25	28	21	16	16
Madison	116	100	103	81	93	73	90	88	76	62
Minidoka	60	63	52	72	73	66	68	64	52	62
Nez Perce	158	165	179	197	179	204	222	229	213	228
Oneida	11	13	10	14	18	15	11	13	23	18
Owyhee	22	18	23	17	19	27	13	25	25	29
Payette	94	96	111	93	115	107	168	139	152	144
Power	15	14	23	13	17	26	18	33	29	15
Shoshone	35	44	63	54	59	69	56	72	73	49
Teton	35	31	41	39	24	37	37	35	38	43
Twin Falls	454	416	393	447	428	445	479	467	502	473
Valley	33	38	37	31	34	41	35	42	36	59
Washington	41	40	39	40	36	41	41	48	54	40
Tribal Courts:										
Coeur d'Alene	7	5	6	12	9	4	7	9	4	4
Kootenai	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nez Perce	-	11	11	15	-	4	9	5	11	4
Shoshone-Bannock	20	20	16	14	12	9	25	31	22	28

Tribal court data are included in District totals.

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DIVORCES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
District and County of Occurrence by Idaho Residence
2018

OCCURRENCE	TOTAL DIVORCES	RESIDENCE			
		Both Residents of Idaho	One Resident and One Non-Resident of Idaho	Both Non-Residents of Idaho	One or Both With State of Residence Not Stated
IDAHO	6,735	5,399	1,253	15	68
District 1	927	685	233	2	7
District 2	334	243	89	1	1
District 3	1,192	990	181	6	15
District 4	2,121	1,748	354	4	15
District 5	821	678	124	-	19
District 6	562	440	117	-	5
District 7	778	615	155	2	6
Ada	1,904	1,602	286	4	12
Adams	15	12	1	1	1
Bannock	308	253	54	-	1
Bear Lake	11	8	2	-	1
Benewah	44	34	10	-	-
Bingham	122	94	26	-	2
Blaine	87	73	13	-	1
Boise	16	8	8	-	-
Bonner	137	91	40	1	5
Bonneville	463	368	91	2	2
Boundary	38	27	9	-	2
Butte	7	5	2	-	-
Camas	2	2	-	-	-
Canyon	936	786	138	4	8
Caribou	12	10	2	-	-
Cassia	92	78	10	-	4
Clark	4	4	-	-	-
Clearwater	32	23	8	-	1
Custer	15	13	2	-	-
Elmore	168	112	53	-	3
Franklin	56	35	20	-	1
Fremont	28	22	5	-	1
Gem	84	70	10	-	4
Gooding	37	32	5	-	-
Idaho	34	29	5	-	-
Jefferson	89	74	14	-	1
Jerome	63	51	12	-	-
Kootenai	666	502	163	1	-
Latah	101	80	21	-	-
Lemhi	28	21	5	-	2
Lewis	9	7	1	1	-
Lincoln	26	23	3	-	-
Madison	116	87	29	-	-
Minidoka	60	50	7	-	3
Nez Perce	158	104	54	-	-
Oneida	11	5	6	-	-
Owyhee	22	20	2	-	-
Payette	94	72	20	1	1
Power	15	12	3	-	-
Shoshone	35	27	8	-	-
Teton	35	26	9	-	-
Twin Falls	454	369	74	-	11
Valley	33	26	7	-	-
Washington	41	30	10	-	1
Tribal Courts:					
Coeur d'Alene	7	4	3	-	-
Kootenai	-	-	-	-	-
Nez Perce	-	-	-	-	-
Shoshone-Bannock	20	18	2	-	-

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DIVORCES GRANTED IN IDAHO
Number and Percentages of Marriages by Duration of Marriage
2016-2018

DURATION OF MARRIAGE	2018		2017	2016
	Number	Percent	Percent	Percent
TOTAL	6,735	100.0%	100.0%	(6,786)
0-4 years	2,342	34.9%	35.0%	36.9%
<1 year	342	5.1	5.0	5.0
1-4 years	2,000	29.8	30.0	31.9
5-9 years	1,572	23.4	24.3	22.5
10-14 years	1,050	15.7	15.3	15.5
15-19 years	678	10.1	10.4	9.8
20-24 years	496	7.4	6.6	7.1
25-29 years	277	4.1	4.0	4.2
30-34 years	128	1.9	2.1	2.1
35-39 years	89	1.3	1.4	1.1
40+ years	74	1.1	1.0	0.8
Not stated	29	NA	NA	NA
Average years duration*	10.2 Years		10.0 Years	9.9 Years

Percentages based on records with stated duration of marriage.

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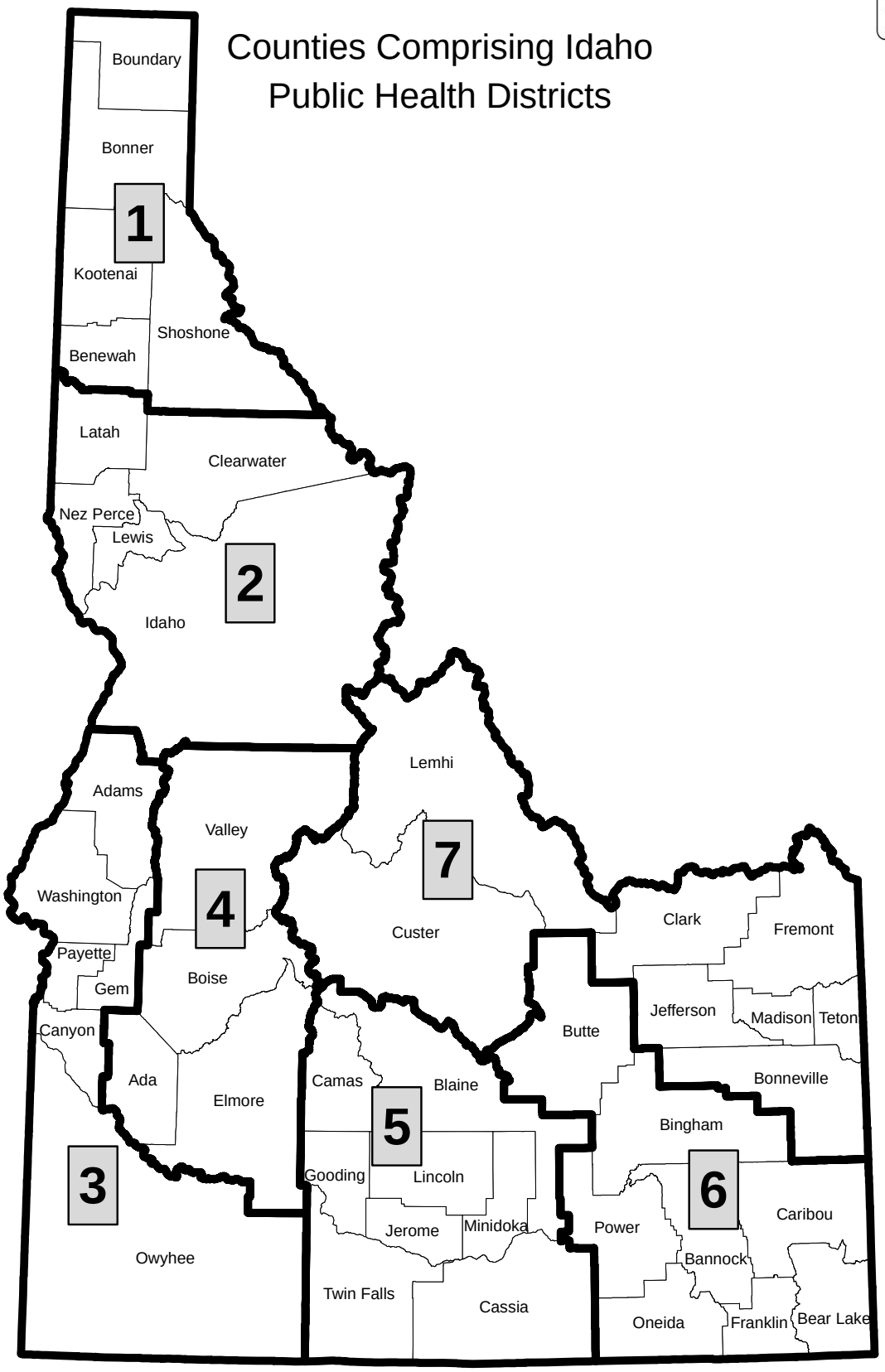
DIVORCES GRANTED IN IDAHO
Number of Children <18 Years of Age in Household
2018

NUMBER OF CHILDREN <18 YEARS OF AGE IN HOUSEHOLD	TOTAL DIVORCES	TOTAL CHILDREN
TOTAL	6,735	6,590
No children	3,376	-
1 child	1,244	1,244
2 children	1,248	2,496
3 children	555	1,665
4 children	190	760
5 children	56	280
6 children	15	90
7 children	5	35
8 children	-	-
9 children	-	-
10+ children	2	20
Not stated	44	NA

DIVORCES GRANTED IN IDAHO
Legal Grounds
2018

LEGAL GROUNDS	TOTAL	DIVORCES	ANNULMENTS
TOTAL	6,735	6,706	29
Adultery	19	19	
Bigamy	1	-	1
Conviction of a felony	-	-	-
Habitual intemperance	3	3	-
Extreme cruelty	10	10	-
Five-year continuous separation without cohabitation	1	1	-
Fraud, misrepresentation	21	1	20
Incapacity	14	12	2
Irreconcilable differences	6,653	6,653	-
Permanent insanity	-	-	-
Underage	1	-	1
Willful desertion	2	2	-
Willful neglect or nonsupport	-	-	-
Other	7	3	4
Not stated	3	2	1

Counties Comprising Idaho Public Health Districts



District 1	District 2	District 3	District 4	District 5	District 6	District 7
Benewah	Clearwater	Adams	Ada	Blaine	Bannock	Bonneville
Bonner	Idaho	Canyon	Boise	Camas	Bear Lake	Clark
Boundary	Latah	Gem	Elmore	Cassia	Bingham	Custer
Kootenai	Lewis	Owyhee	Valley	Gooding	Butte	Fremont
Shoshone	Nez Perce	Payette		Jerome	Caribou	Jefferson
		Washington		Lincoln	Franklin	Lemhi
				Minidoka	Oneida	Madison
				Twin Falls	Power	Teton

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APPENDIX A
MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES OCCURRING IN IDAHO
Number and Rate per 1,000 Population, 1950-2018

MARRIAGES OCCURRING IN IDAHO					
Year	Number	Rate	Year	Number	Rate
1950	8,345	14.2	1985	12,277	12.2
1951	7,849	13.2	1986	11,957	11.9
1952	8,120	13.4	1987	11,428	11.5
1953	8,486	13.9	1988	12,165	12.3
1954	8,915	14.4	1989	13,193	13.3
1955	8,879	14.1	1990	14,064	13.9
1956	9,132	14.4	1991	14,352	13.8
1957	8,995	14.0	1992	14,458	13.6
1958	9,522	14.6	1993	14,836	13.5
1959	9,343	14.2	1994	14,895	13.1
1960	10,325	15.5	1995	15,106	13.0
1961	11,151	16.5	1996	15,027	12.7
1962	11,934	17.4	1997	15,114	12.5
1963	12,680	18.1	1998	15,266	12.4
1964	14,019	20.4	1999	15,489	12.4
1965	15,864	22.9	2000	15,057	11.6
1966	17,129	24.6	2001	14,820	11.2
1967	14,108	20.1	2002	14,683	10.9
1968	11,130	16.0	2003	14,867	10.9
1969	10,993	15.5	2004	14,997	10.8
1970	10,915	15.3	2005	14,933	10.4
1971	11,356	15.4	2006	14,855	10.1
1972	12,086	16.0	2007	14,973	10.0
1973	12,236	15.8	2008	14,641	9.6
1974	12,489	15.7	2009	13,771	8.9
1975	12,688	15.6	2010	13,757	8.8
1976	13,104	15.8	2011	13,696	8.6
1977	13,691	16.0	2012	13,114	8.2
1978	13,570	15.4	2013	13,207	8.2
1979	13,429	14.8	2014	13,699	8.4
1980	13,428	14.2	2015	13,500	8.2
1981	14,175	14.7	2016	13,595	8.1
1982	14,066	14.4	2017	13,691	8.0
1983	13,421	13.6	2018	13,717	7.8
1984	13,264	13.3			

DIVORCES OCCURRING IN IDAHO					
Year	Number	Rate	Year	Number	Rate
1950	2,696	4.6	1985	6,207	6.2
1951	2,569	4.3	1986	6,067	6.1
1952	2,586	4.3	1987	5,892	6.0
1953	2,584	4.2	1988	5,987	6.1
1954	2,523	4.1	1989	6,275	6.3
1955	2,414	3.8	1990	6,446	6.4
1956	2,214	3.5	1991	6,619	6.4
1957	2,360	3.7	1992	6,857	6.4
1958	2,372	3.6	1993	6,899	6.3
1959	2,652	4.0	1994	6,799	6.0
1960	2,515	3.8	1995	6,749	5.8
1961	2,685	4.0	1996	6,985	5.9
1962	2,547	3.7	1997	7,035	5.8
1963	2,798	4.0	1998	6,980	5.7
1964	2,876	4.1	1999	6,947	5.6
1965	2,874	4.2	2000	7,110	5.5
1966	3,062	4.4	2001	7,025	5.3
1967	3,183	4.6	2002	7,087	5.3
1968	3,278	4.7	2003	7,080	5.2
1969	3,506	5.0	2004	6,921	5.0
1970	3,612	5.1	2005	7,118	5.0
1971	3,664	5.0	2006	7,392	5.0
1972	3,847	5.1	2007	7,344	4.9
1973	4,341	5.6	2008	7,424	4.9
1974	4,808	6.0	2009	7,729	5.0
1975	5,203	6.4	2010	8,136	5.2
1976	5,699	6.8	2011	7,773	4.9
1977	6,013	7.0	2012	7,598	4.8
1978	6,356	7.2	2013	7,248	4.5
1979	6,449	7.1	2014	6,943	4.2
1980	6,596	7.0	2015	6,817	4.1
1981	6,770	7.0	2016	6,786	4.0
1982	6,238	6.4	2017	6,674	3.9
1983	6,228	6.3	2018	6,735	3.8
1984	6,210	6.3			

Note: Marriage and divorce partner's residency may have been in Idaho or out of state.
Marriage rate: Number of marriages occurring in Idaho per 1,000 population in Idaho in corresponding year.
Divorce rate: Number of divorces occurring in Idaho per 1,000 population in Idaho in corresponding year.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Marriage and Divorce

Same-Sex Marriage and Divorce

On October 7, 2014, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit ruled that the State of Idaho's prohibitions on same sex marriage and the recognition of same sex marriages from other states violated the Equal Protection clause of the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution. These changes became effective in Idaho on October 15, 2014.

The ruling on same-sex marriage resulted in a review of Idaho Vital Statistics law and a determination was made that it is legal to record same sex couples on an Idaho marriage certificate and an Idaho divorce certificate.

Marriage Titles

A marriage license must be issued at an Idaho county clerk's office prior to the rites of Matrimony being conducted in the state. Prior to 2014, the information on the marriage license was collected for the groom and for the bride. When same-sex marriage became legal, the marriage license in most, but not all, Idaho counties was revised. For some counties, the label of "groom" and "bride" was removed, and a check box for each person's title and sex was added to the license. For other counties, the title for each person was added, but sex of each person was not added on the license. The titles added to the marriage license are Bride, Groom, and Partner.

Divorce Titles

Traditionally, the divorce certificate has referenced husband and wife. In 2015, the Idaho divorce certificate was revised, and husband and wife was replaced with Petitioner and Respondent. In addition, the sex of petitioner and respondent was added to the certificate.

Race

Race of each person is collected on the marriage license and on the divorce certificate. Race is a write-in category on both documents. For statistical purposes, races listed on the certificate were collapsed into five race categories: White, Black, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian or Pacific Islander, or "other race". If "Hispanic", "Mexican", "Spanish", or "Latino" was written in for race, the person's race was categorized as white. If "mixed race" was written for person's race, the person's race was categorized as "other race". Information on race of petitioner and of respondent is missing for over 50 percent of divorce records; therefore, data on race is not included in this report.

Ethnicity

Hispanic origin is not collected on the Idaho marriage license, and is collected on the Idaho divorce certificate. The divorce certificate includes one check box for Hispanic origin (yes or no) for the petitioner and for the respondent. If Hispanic origin was specified as "yes", then origin is specified as "Cuban". "Mexican", "Puerto Rican", etc. Information on ethnicity of petitioner and respondent is missing for over 50 percent of divorce records; therefore, data on ethnicity are not provided in this report.

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