

The Shipping Chart™

General

It has been over a year since [the last shipping chart](#) was made, so I decided it was time for a new one. Different [people](#) have been making the art, but I have been gathering all the data for this and [older charts](#). This round counts all fanfiction posted before the 17th of April 2013.

I was unable to find an artist this year, so this graph is made by computer. You can find it [here](#). The program used, [Gephi](#), is really good for graphing stuff. If interested, [here is the data chart containing all numbers](#). Below are some tables I calculated, showing interesting statistics. Tables marked with * only count characters with at least 10 ships total.

Other info

I gathered my data from stories on Equestria Daily and FIMFiction (mostly the latter) that are tagged [Shipping] or [Romance]. A ship counts as a pair of characters where at least one feels romantic or sexual attraction to the other.

Valid characters are ponies, intelligent creatures, animals and named objects that are either shown or mentioned in the show. Examples of non-valid characters are OCs, characters crossed over from other series and self-inserts. A humanized, genderswapped or alternate universe version of a character counts as the same character. If you're unsure who somepony is, look at the [list of ponies](#).

By my calculations, stories are posted to fimfiction faster than I can read, even if I stopped sleeping. Therefore I can only look at the summary of the story to get what the ships are. If the ship can't be deduced from the title, description, character tags, image or chapter names then I simply skip it. If you know a ship that isn't shown here then this is probably why.

Lastly, a word on the purpose of this. Since I could not count every story and I may have done a few errors in the weeks of counting, this is not a 100% accurate "list of all ships". The point of this is to show the relative frequency of different ships, not absolute numbers.

For all comments and questions, go to [the graph image on DeviantArt](#).

The Tables

Battlefleet Awards: most number of ships, total

- 1: Rainbow Dash, 1291
- 2: Twilight Sparkle, 1008
- 3: Fluttershy, 682
- 4: Applejack, 603
- 5: Rarity, 561
- 6: Pinkie Pie, 452
- 7: Spike, 370
- 8: Big Macintosh, 318
- 9: Princess Luna, 225

- 10: Octavia, 215
- 11: Vinyl Scratch, 214
- 12: Princess Celestia, 194
- 13: Soarin, 180
- 14: Trixie, 148
- 15: Lyra, 129
- 16: Derpy Hooves, 119
- 17: Bon-bon, 109
- 18: Discord, 103
- 19: Scootaloo, 100
- 20: Shining Armor, 92

Versatility Awards: shipped with the most characters

- 1: Twilight Sparkle, 43
- 1: Fluttershy, 43
- 3: Rainbow Dash, 40
- 4: Rarity, 39
- 5: Big Macintosh, 34
- 6: Applejack, 33
- 7: Princess Luna, 31
- 8: Pinkie Pie, 30
- 9: Spike, 28
- 9: Trixie, 28
- 11: Derpy Hooves, 24
- 12: Scootaloo, 22
- 12: Princess Celestia, 22
- 14: Soarin, 20
- 15: Vinyl Scratch, 19
- 15: Caramel, 19
- 17: Braeburn, 18
- 18: Octavia, 17
- 19: Applebloom, 16
- 19: Sweetie Belle, 16

**Rainbow Pride Awards: highest percentage of same-sex ships*

- 1: Bon-bon, 98.1%
- 2: Vinyl Scratch, 96.2%
- 3: Lyra, 95.3%
- 4: Octavia, 92.5%
- 5: Daring Do, 90.0%
- 6: Rainbow Dash, 88.2%

- 7: Applejack, 87.3%
- 7: Pinkie Pie, 87.3%
- 9: Trixie, 87.1%
- 10: Colgate, 85.7%
- 11: Nightmare Moon, 84.6%
- 12: Berry Punch, 83.3%
- 12: Diamond Tiara, 83.3%
- 14: Twilight Sparkle, 83.1%
- 15: Gilda, 82.7%
- 16: Princess Luna, 81.3%
- 17: Fluttershy, 79.3%
- 18: Silver Spoon, 72.7%
- 19: Princess Celestia, 72.1%
- 20: Zecora, 70.5%

**As A Ruler Awards: lowest percentage of same-sex ships*

- 1: Cup Cake, 0.0%
- 1: King Sombra, 0.0%
- 3: Spike, 0.81%
- 4: Doctor Whooves, 1.96%
- 5: Discord, 4.85%
- 6: Pipsqueak, 6.66%
- 7: Carrot Cake, 7.69%
- 8: Rumble, 10.5%
- 9: Big Macintosh, 11.6%
- 10: Snails, 11.7%
- 11: Fancypants, 12.5%
- 12: Shining Armor, 15.2%
- 13: Soarin, 16.6%
- 14: Cadence, 18.0%
- 15: Twist, 18.1%
- 16: Fleur de Lis, 18.5%
- 17: Prince Blueblood, 18.7%
- 18: Doughnut Joe, 23.0%
- 19: Thunderlane, 31.5%
- 20: Caramel, 39.4%

Fandom Gayness Rating: percentage of ships that are homosexual

67.4%

Of which are lesbian: 96.0% (64.7% of total)

Of which are male gay ships: 4.0% (2.7% of total)

**Faithfulness Awards: characters with highest percentage of ships with the same character*

- 1: Bon-bon with Lyra, 94.4%
- 2: Vinyl Scratch with Octavia, 81.7%
- 3: Octavia with Vinyl Scratch, 81.3%
- 4: Lyra with Bon-bon, 79.8%
- 5: Cadence with Shining Armor, 78.6%
- 6: Cup Cake with Carrot Cake, 76.9%
- 6: Carrot Cake with Cup Cake, 76.9%
- 8: Fleur de Lis with Fancypants, 70.3%
- 9: Daring Do with Rainbow Dash, 70.0%
- 10: Fancypants with Fleur de Lis, 59.3%
- 11: Doctor Whooves with Derpy Hooves, 58.8%
- 12: Trixie with Twilight Sparkle, 55.4%
- 13: Shining Armor with Cadence, 52.1%
- 14: Soarin with Rainbow Dash, 47.2%
- 15: Cloudchaser with Flitter, 46.6%
- 16: Applejack with Rainbow Dash, 45.7%
- 17: Spike with Rarity, 44.8%
- 18: Princess Celestia with Twilight Sparkle, 43.8%
- 19: Discord with Princess Celestia, 42.7%
- 20: Spitfire with Rainbow Dash, 42.3%

Battleship Awards: most popular ships

- 1: Applejack with Rainbow Dash (276)
- 2: Twilight Sparkle with Rainbow Dash (253)
- 3: Fluttershy with Rainbow Dash (242)
- 4: Octavia with Vinyl Scratch (175)
- 5: Spike with Rarity (166)
- 6: Pinkie Pie with Rainbow Dash (162)
- 7: Bon-bon with Lyra (103)
- 8: Big Macintosh with Fluttershy (98)
- 9: Rarity with Applejack (97)
- 10: Princess Luna with Twilight Sparkle (94)
- 11: Princess Celestia with Twilight Sparkle (85)
- 11: Soarin with Rainbow Dash (85)
- 13: Trixie with Twilight Sparkle (82)
- 14: Twilight Sparkle with Pinkie Pie (79)
- 15: Fluttershy with Twilight Sparkle (72)
- 16: Rarity with Rainbow Dash (64)

- 17: Fluttershy with Pinkie Pie (58)
- 18: Rarity with Twilight Sparkle (57)
- 19: Fluttershy with Rarity (54)
- 20: Spike with Twilight Sparkle (53)

Honorary Mentions: less serious stuff

Selfcest Is Best Cest Awards: self-shipping

- 1: Pinkie Pie (9)
- 1: Twilight Sparkle (9)
- 3: Rainbow Dash (8)
- 4: Rarity (6)
- 5: Fluttershy (5)
- 6: Applejack (4)
- 7: Trixie (3)
- 8: Discord (2)
- 9: Roseluck (1)

Wincest Awards: incest ships

- 1: Princess Celestia with Princess Luna (25)
- 2: Applejack with Big Macintosh, Twilight Sparkle with Shining Armor (18 each)
- 4: Applebloom with Big Macintosh (4)
- 5: Rarity with Sweetie Belle, Applejack with Applebloom (3 each)
- 7: All Heterosexual Cakecest, Big Macintosh with Granny Smith (1 each)

Weirdness Awards: strange ships on the list, editors choice

- 1: Princess Celestia with Tank
- 2: Owoowiscious with Elizabeak
- 3: Tom with Bloomberg (5 fics, independently of each other)
- 4: King Sombra with Derpy
- 5: Princess Luna with Nightmare Moon (3 of them)

Feel free to scrounge [the data chart](#) for more fun stuff, and don't forget to [tell me](#) if you find anything interesting.