

First Thing's First:

-Homophobia

[Healing Homophobia](#) (this neatly defines what homophobia is)

[Merriam-Webster Definition of Homophobia-](#)

- *irrational fear of, aversion to, or discrimination against homosexuality or homosexuals*; “disagreeing” with being gay is an aversion to homosexuality and is therefore homophobic, as is “disagreeing” with the presence gay people in the media or gay marriage/adoption

[Internalized Homophobia](#)

[Homophobia is Killing our Youth](#)

[Definition and History of Homophobia](#) (Wikipedia)

[And Another Explanation](#) (and another that offers up the term “sexual prejudice”, as it is farther-reaching)

[Homophobia and It's Horrifying Impact: 7 Good Reasons to End the Hate](#)

[What is Homophobia](#)

[HOMOPHOBIA](#)

Denying some people the option to marry is discriminatory and creates a second class of citizens. On July 25, 2014 Miami-Dade County Circuit Court Judge Sarah Zabel ruled Florida's gay marriage ban unconstitutional and stated that the ban "serves only to hurt, to discriminate, to deprive same-sex couples and their families of equal dignity, to label and treat them as second-class citizens, and to deem them unworthy of participation in one of the fundamental institutions of our society." [105] Christine Gregoire, former Washington governor, said in Jan. 2012: "Throughout our history, we have fought discrimination. We have joined together to recognize equality for racial minorities, women, people with disabilities, immigrants... [Legalizing gay marriage] is the right thing to do and it is time." [139] US Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Richard Posner, in overturning same-sex marriage bans in Wisconsin and Indiana in Sep. 2014, wrote that the bans "discriminate against a minority defined by an immutable characteristic." [40] As well as discrimination based on sexual orientation, gay marriage bans discriminate based on one's sex. As explained by David S. Cohen, JD, Associate Professor at the Drexel University School of Law, "Imagine three people—Nancy, Bill, and Tom... Nancy, a woman, can marry Tom, but Bill, a man, cannot... Nancy can do something (marry Tom) that Bill cannot, simply because Nancy is a woman and Bill is a man." [122]

[Correlation between family acceptance of LGBT+ people and their health](#) (pdf version)

-Biphobia

This ties in and follows the same thread as pansexuality and panphobia, but you should also include the gender arguments down below. Panphobia is like biphobia, but it's also inherently transphobic/cissexist for denying the existence of other genders.

[What Does Biphobia Look Like? \(2\)](#)

[Bisexuals Lack Support — and It's Literally Killing Us](#)

[Why Wouldn't We? The Sad Truth About Biphobia](#)

[3 Ways Biphobia Hurts Bisexual People's Mental Health](#)

[Biphobia and the Pulse Massacre](#)

[Biphobia: The Author Strongly Argues That Bisexuals Face Their Own Discrimination, Especially from Straight Populations](#)

[Biphobia](#) (Wikipedia)

[Biphobia: The Gay Side](#)

[Biphobia: Why Is Everyone So Threatened By Bisexuals?](#)

-Transphobia

[What is transphobia?](#)

[Transphobia](#) (oxford dictionary)

[What Is Transphobia?](#)

[Trans 101: A Primer for the Ignorant and the Intolerant](#)

[Transgender 101: Etiquette](#)

[Tackling Transphobia](#)

[Gender Reveal Parties Help Explain Transphobia](#)

[What is Transphobia. and What is Cissexism?](#)

[Transphobia](#) (Wikipedia)

[Transgender Oppression \(Cissexism\) and Conservative Religion](#)

[Huge New Study of Transgender Americans](#) (stats on their experiences being trans)

[Transphobia](#) (Wikipedia)

[Transgender Prejudice And The Belief In A Biological Basis For Gender](#)

[Transphobia](#) (wiki)

[Beyond Trans: Does Gender Even Matter](#) (title is misleading--it states the ways changing society to be more inclusive of trans and non-cis people can better help the rest of society)

-TERFS

TERF stands for Trans Exclusionary Radical Feminist. Another acronym that can be used is Trans Woman Exterminatory Rhetoric Pusher (TWERP) (coined by @venusisfortransbians on

Tumblr). They are transphobes that claim to be radical feminists. They have been known to ally with right-wingers to harm trans women.

[TERF rhetoric is harmful](#)

-Cissexism

[Cissexism](#) (Wikipedia)

[Cissexism definition](#) (2)

[Feminism 101: What is Cissexism?](#)

-Acephobia/Aphobia and Arophobia

[Asexuality.org forum on aphobia](#)

[Asexuality in a Sexual World: Aphobia](#)

[Definitions of Ace/arophobia](#) (Tumblr)

[Prejudice Against "Group X" \(Asexuals\)](#)

[The Aphobia Masterpost](#) (Tumblr)

-“Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin!” (applies to all religions)

[Why 'Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin' Doesn't Work](#) (video)

[3 Reasons I Quit Hating the Sin and Loving the Sinner](#)

[3 Reasons Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin is an Abomination](#)

[Stop Saying It](#)

[Why It Doesn't Work](#)

[Why I Can't Say Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin Anymore](#)

[Stop Saying You Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin](#)

[One problem with Kim Burrell's 'hate the sin, love the sinner' argument](#)

[The Homophobia of “Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin”](#)

-Support Gay Marriage

[Answers to your questions about Same-Sex marriage](#)

[Ten Reasons to Support Gay Marriage](#) (four reasons)(four reasons part 2)(three reasons) (eight reasons)(ten reasons)

[An Equal Chance At Love: Why We Should Recognize Same-Sex Marriage](#)

[A Good Number of Arguments against Gay Marriage and Why They're all Wrong](#)

[How to Argue for Gay Marriage](#)

[American Psychological Association Reiterates Support for Same-Sex Marriage](#)

- "...allowing same-sex couples to marry would give them access to the social support that already facilitates and strengthens heterosexual marriages, with all of the psychological and physical health benefits associated with that support."

"Marriage is between one man and one woman"

The concept of "traditional marriage" has changed over time, and the definition of marriage as always being between one man and one woman is historically inaccurate.

Harvard University historian Nancy F. Cott stated that until two centuries ago, "monogamous households were a tiny, tiny portion" of the world's population, and were found only in "Western Europe and little settlements in North America." Polygamy has been widespread throughout history, according to Brown University political scientist Rose McDermott, PhD. [\[110\]](#) [\[106\]](#) Interracial marriage was once illegal in a majority of US states, and was still banned in half of US states until the 1950s. [\[108\]](#) Official unions between same-sex couples, indistinguishable from marriages except for gender, are believed by some scholars to have been common until the 13th Century in many countries, with the ceremonies performed in churches and the union sealed with a kiss between the two parties. [\[106\]](#)

From ProCon.org-

Same-sex couples should have access to the same benefits enjoyed by heterosexual married couples. There are 1,138 benefits, rights and protections available to married couples in federal law alone, according to a General Accounting Office assessment made in 2004. [\[86\]](#) Benefits only available to married couples include hospital visitation during an illness, the option of filing a joint tax return to reduce a tax burden, access to family health coverage, US residency and family unification for partners from another country, and bereavement leave and inheritance rights if a partner dies. [\[6\]](#) [\[95\]](#) Married couples also have access to protections if the relationship ends, such as child custody, spousal or child support, and an equitable division of property. [\[93\]](#) Married couples in

the US armed forces are offered health insurance and other benefits unavailable to domestic partners. [\[125\]](#) The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the US Department of Labor also recognize married couples, for the purpose of granting tax, retirement and health insurance benefits. [\[126\]](#) The US federal government does not grant equivalent benefits to gay couples in civil unions or domestic partnerships. [\[153\]](#) [\[154\]](#) An Oct. 2, 2009 analysis by the New York Times estimated that same-sex couples denied marriage benefits will incur an additional \$41,196 to \$467,562 in expenses over their lifetimes compared with married heterosexual couples. [\[7\]](#) A Jan. 2014 analysis published by the Atlantic concluded that unmarried women pay up to one million dollars more over their lifetimes

than married women for healthcare, taxes, and other expenses. [\[94\]](#)

Gay marriage is protected by the US Constitution's commitments to liberty and equality. The US Supreme Court ruled 7-2 in the 1974 case *Cleveland Board of Education v. LaFleur* that the "freedom of personal choice in matters of marriage and family life is one of the liberties protected by the Due Process Clause." US District Judge Vaughn Walker wrote on Aug. 4, 2010 that Prop. 8 in California banning gay marriage was "unconstitutional under both the Due Process and Equal Protection Clauses." [\[41\]](#) The Due Process Clause in both the Fifth and 14th Amendments of the US Constitution states that no person shall be "deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law." [\[111\]](#) The Equal Protection Clause in the 14th Amendment states that no state shall "deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." [\[112\]](#)

Marriage is an internationally recognized human right for all people. Since 1888 the US Supreme Court has declared 14 times that marriage is a fundamental right for all, according to the American Foundation for Equal Rights. [\[3\]](#) Article 16 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights guarantees "men and women of full age, without any limitation due to race, nationality or religion... the right to marry and to found a family. They are entitled to equal rights as to marriage, during marriage and at its dissolution." [\[103\]](#) Amnesty International states that "this non-discrimination principle has been interpreted by UN treaty bodies and numerous inter-governmental human rights bodies as prohibiting discrimination based on gender or sexual orientation.

Non-discrimination on grounds of sexual orientation has therefore become an internationally recognized principle." [\[104\]](#)

Same-sex marriage is a civil right. The NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), on May 21, 2012, named same-sex marriage as "one of the key civil rights struggles of our time." [\[61\]](#) In 1967 the US Supreme Court unanimously confirmed in *Loving v. Virginia* that marriage is "one of the basic civil rights of man." [\[60\]](#) The White House website lists same-sex marriage amongst a selection of civil rights, along with freedom from employment discrimination, equal pay for women, and fair sentencing for minority criminals. [\[118\]](#)

Marriage provides both physical and psychological health benefits, and banning gay marriage increases rates of psychological disorders. [\[5\]](#) The American Psychological Association, American Psychiatric Association, and others wrote in a Sep. 2007 amicus brief, "...allowing same-sex couples to marry would give them access to the social support that already facilitates and strengthens heterosexual marriages, with all of the psychological and physical health benefits associated with that support." [\[47\]](#) A 2012 study by researchers from UCLA, San Francisco State University, and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst found that same-sex married couples were "significantly less distressed than lesbian, gay, and bisexual persons not in a legally recognized relationship." [\[113\]](#) A 2010 analysis published in the *American Journal of Public Health* found that after their states had banned gay marriage, gay, lesbian and bisexual people suffered a 37% increase in

mood disorders, a 42% increase in alcohol-use disorders, and a 248% increase in generalized anxiety disorders. [69]

Legalizing gay marriage will not harm the institution of marriage, and same-sex marriages may even be more stable than heterosexual marriages. A study published on Apr. 13, 2009 in Social Science Quarterly found that "[l]aws permitting same-sex marriage or civil unions have no adverse effect on marriage, divorce, and abortion rates, [or] the percent of children born out of wedlock." [48] A Nov. 2011 study by UCLA's Williams Institute reported that the rate at which legally recognized same-sex couples (in marriages or civil unions, etc.) end their relationships is 1.1% on average, while 2% of married different-sex couples divorce annually. [115] The Executive Board of the American Anthropological Association found that more than a century of research has shown "no support whatsoever for the view that either civilization or viable social orders depend

upon marriage as an exclusively heterosexual institution. Rather, anthropological research supports the conclusion that a vast array of family types, including families built upon same-sex partnerships, can contribute to stable and humane societies." [8]

Gay marriage legalization is correlated with lower divorce rates, while gay marriage bans are correlated with higher divorce rates. Massachusetts, which became the first US state to legalize gay marriage in 2004, had the lowest divorce rate in the country in 2008. Its divorce rate declined 21% between 2003 and 2008. Alaska, which altered its constitution to prohibit gay marriage in 1998, saw a 17.2% increase in its divorce rate over the same period. The seven states with the highest divorce rates between 2003 and 2008 all had constitutional prohibitions to gay marriage

[Drop in teenage suicide attempts linked to legislation of same-sex marriage](#)
[Same-sex marriage laws helped reduce suicide attempts by gay, lesbian and bisexual teens, study says](#)

-Coercive Heterosexuality (comp het)

Religion

Many religious leaders and churches support gay marriage and say it is consistent with scripture. Gene Robinson, openly gay former Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire, stated in Sep. 2012: "Scripture says where love is, there is God also. And they [religious people] see that love in our families, and I think people can't help but be supportive." [128] Lee Jefferson, Assistant Professor of Religion at Centre College, wrote that the Bible makes no mention of same-sex marriage at all, nor does it make reference to sexual orientation

as it is understood today. [129] Reform Judaism, which comprises about 80% of the American Jewish population, endorses same-sex marriage, and the Central Conference of American Rabbis has supported gay marriage since 1996. [130] The Episcopal Church stated in Resolution A095, made in 2006, that it "oppose[s] any state or federal constitutional amendment that prohibits same-sex civil marriage or civil unions." The Presbyterian Church (USA) voted in June 2014 to allow its pastors to marry same-sex couples. The United Church of Christ General Synod voted in July 2005 to affirm "equal marriage rights for couples regardless of gender." The 1996 General Assembly of the Unitarian Universalist Association adopted "a position in support of legal recognition for marriage between members of the same sex." [119] [141][142] [143]

Legal marriage is a secular institution that should not be limited by religious objections to same-sex marriage. Religious institutions can decline to marry gay and lesbian couples if they wish, but they should not dictate marriage laws for society at large. As explained by People for the American Way, "As a legal matter, marriage is a civil institution... Marriage is also a religious institution, defined differently by different faiths and congregations. In America, the distinction can get blurry because states permit clergy to carry out both religious and civil marriage in a single ceremony. Religious Right leaders have exploited that confusion by claiming that granting same-sex couples equal access to civil marriage would somehow also redefine the religious institution of marriage... this is grounded in falsehood and deception." [132] Nancy Cott, PhD, testified in *Perry v. Schwarzenegger* that "[c]ivil law has always been supreme in defining and regulating marriage." [41]

-Gender/Gender Identity (Christianity)

[YouTube Series that talks about being Trans and the Bible](#)
[The Old Testament/Torah and women](#)
[Dismantling gender constructs & anti-LGBT beliefs using the Bible](#)
[God Beyond Gender Tag on a Tumblr Blog](#)
[Gender Identity and the Bible](#) (Jewish and Christian)
[Of Sex, Gender, and the Universe](#) (pro trans and pro intersex)
[Trans and Christian?](#)
[Trans Christians](#)

-Sexuality (Christianity)

[Created Gay](#)
[Gay Christian](#)
[Turtle's Travels Blog: The Clobber Claims](#)
[Not All Like That \(NALT\) Christians Project](#)
[Same Sex relationships CAN bear good fruit](#) (tumblr post)
[It's okay to be Gay- Clobber Passages](#)
[Would Jesus Discriminate?](#)

[Sexuality in Biblical Society](#)

[Why Christians should embrace same-sex relationships](#)

[Matthew Vines: God and the Gay Christian](#) (YouTube video)

[A Short History of Christian Marriage](#)

[Rebuttals against common Christian claims about sexuality](#) (Tumblr blog)

[Would Jesus Discriminate?](#)

[What does the Bible say on Homosexuality?](#) (with some bits on Biblical marriage vs. marriage today)

[LGBTQ People and Religion](#)

[Aren't the Sexes Meant to Complement Each Other?](#)

[The Gay Debate: The Bible and Homosexuality](#) (transcript)

Matthew 19:12- **For there are eunuchs who were born that way**, and there are eunuchs who have been made eunuchs by others--and there are those who choose to live like eunuchs for the sake of the kingdom of heaven. The one who can accept this should accept it.

[Thesis: Eunuchs are Gay Men](#)

[Eunuchs Means Gay Men](#)

[Equally-Blessed Families/Equally-Blessed](#)

[New Ways Ministry](#)

[A Series of Resources](#)

[Institute for Welcoming Resources](#)

[Broderick Greer](#) (a pro-LGBT+ black theologian)

[The Politics of Visibility Healing from Homophobia in Faith Communities](#)

-Gender/Gender Identity (Judaism)

[Gender Identity and the Bible](#) (Jewish and Christian) (I know I placed this twice)

[Terms for Gender Diversity in Classical Jewish Texts](#) (PDF)

-Sexuality (Judaism)

[Keshet Online](#)

[Coming Home to Judaism and to Self](#)

[A Whole Bunch of Jewish LGBT+ Organizations](#) (more)

[Orthodox Gays](#)

[Homosexuality is Part of Jewish Tradition](#)

[Jewish LGBT+ Network](#)

[BnaiKeshet Reconstructionist Synagogue](#)

[Miscellaneous from the NYPL](#)

Tumblr blogs:

[@queerjews](#) (last posted June 2016)

[@jewishtransition](#) (trans specific; active)

[@queerjewconfessions](#) (last posted January 2015)

-Gender/Gender Identity (Islam)

-Sexuality (Islam)

[I am Not Haraam](#)

[21 LGBT Muslims Who Are Changing the World](#)

[LGBT Muslim](#)

[LGBT+ Resources](#)

[LGBTQ Muslim Retreat](#)

Tumblr blogs:

- [@allahmademequeer](#) (last posted November 2016)
- [@queermuslims](#) (active)
- [@trans-muslims](#) (last posted November 2016)
- [@homojabi](#) blogs about being a trans lesbian Muslim frequently
- [Link: masterpost](#) of LGBTQ Muslim bloggers

LGBTQI Muslims (on Tumblr):

1. [afghanalgorithm](#)
2. [forever-untill-theend](#)
3. [middleeasternlesbian](#)
4. [swagyoulater](#)
5. [biculturalist](#)
6. [malumelon](#)
7. [40secondstovenus](#)
8. [reasonsaresimple](#)
9. [a-view-so-cruel](#)
10. [gayjasmine](#)
11. [darkmixedpale](#)
12. [i-dare-to-dream](#)
13. [2am-hurricanes](#)

14. [yasmine69soliman](#)
15. [myheartisstrongerthanever](#)
16. [hoshizorah](#)
17. [croissanted](#)
18. [academiqueer](#) (recently converted to Islam)
19. [theunbreakablevx](#)
20. [princessmiakitten](#)
21. [life-is-my-playstation](#)
22. [immortal-euphoria](#)
23. [polysymorous](#)
24. [zahhaked](#)
25. [postrhythmicarabesque](#)
26. [humjinsiyat](#)
27. [medicalstudent1](#)
28. [erythrophyll](#)
29. [hippiehijabi](#)
30. [mohammad-hegazy](#)
31. [tagyo](#)
32. [ishtar-siduri](#)
33. [xrgxsmic](#)
34. [priorincantatems](#)
35. [r-radishspirit](#)
36. [oshondavalwa](#)
37. [yourunlikelyhero](#)
38. [photoloverex](#)
39. [howgayami](#)
40. [theunapologeticsoul](#)
41. [aesorybur](#)
42. [qalbee](#)
43. [chirikli](#)
44. [schakira](#)
45. [allhaletspark](#)
46. [kickingsigns](#)
47. [themindislimitless](#)
48. [whatamievensaying](#)
49. [bows-n-beanies](#)
50. [saddned](#)
51. [xochilpilli](#)
52. [whimslcott](#)
53. [takemetoheaven77](#)
54. [courtney-lamonte](#)
55. [maskrosprins](#) (Transgender)
56. [oualidali](#)

57. [jank-homme](#)
58. [tradeyouforchaai](#)
59. [queerhijabi](#)
60. [arosemorose](#) (converted to Islam)
61. [hordanian](#)
62. [thatalainlesbo](#)
63. [angelslustdevils](#)
64. [vanillasweets](#)
65. [for-cryingg-out-loud](#)
66. [elleandsaphina](#) (blog run by an adorable couple. One is Muslim)
67. [haramdaddy](#)
68. [twelvewhispersandbooks](#)
69. [samwinchestrash](#)
70. [unconventionalmuslim](#)
71. [not-your-average-lesbian](#)
72. [voguedemigod](#)
73. [angrymeninist](#)
74. [pierre-anthon](#)
75. [dragonsandmisandry](#)
76. [frostd-snow](#)
77. [eats-basics-for-breakfast](#)
78. [@racistpikachu](#)
79. [@novennber](#)
80. [negelirelden](#)
81. [if4rted](#)
82. [croatsandbosniansandserbsohmy](#)
83. [flowerofstone](#)
84. [dis-clarity](#)
85. [justimagine-4](#)
86. [@tapeddreams](#)
87. [@h-o-t-and-bothered](#) (trans revert)
88. [@muslimlesbians](#)
89. [@absentzindagi](#)
90. [rosetem](#)
91. [deadconscious](#)
92. [@emmaizwaf](#)
93. [@whxt-a-life](#)
94. [@couplesandsadness](#)
95. [couragemurieleustace](#)
96. [thegamesthatplayedus](#)
97. [whowantsbongripsandcoffee](#)
98. [@livelifesimple9188](#)
99. [@redsurvivor](#)

100. [@queerlypalestinian](#)
101. [@glxxmyplvme](#)
102. [ausernameisuseless](#)
103. [@psychicghostninja](#)
104. [@otsuchigumo](#)
105. [@rainbowsonmyway](#)
106. [@chatta77](#)

Blogs for LGBTQI Muslims:

1. [queerabs](#) (Run by two Muslim Lesbians)
2. [trans-muslims](#)
3. [youknow-youreaqueermuslim-when](#)
4. [queermuslims](#)
5. [@tawseet-al-sharq](#) (Supports & promotes LGBTQI/Arab Artist, send your art to him!)
6. [arablgbtq](#) (Support all arab lgbs from all faiths)
7. [saudilgbt](#)
8. [queersoflevant](#)
9. [@lgbtqafghans](#)

[Queer Muslim Masterpost](#)

-Other Religions

Tumblr

Bahai

[@lgbtbahai](#) (last posted April 2016)

Hinduism

[@queersanatani](#) (active)

Link: [post](#) from the perspective of a queer Hindu

Sikhism

[@shieldsandswords](#) (active; personal blog I think)

Link: [post](#) on "Queerness and Sikhi"

Wiccan

[@thatqueerwiccan](#)

Science/Secular

-“Nobody thinks it’s okay.”

[Changing views on gay marriage.](#)

[Most U.S. Christian groups grow more accepting of homosexuality](#)

[Americans Move Dramatically Towards Acceptance of Gay People](#)

[Justice Department sides with transgender students, says bathroom policy is illegal](#)

[How Many People Are Gay? More LGBT Americans Self-Identifying As Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay Or Transgender](#)

[In U.S., More Adults Identifying as LGBT](#)

[Satisfaction With Acceptance of Gays in U.S. at New High](#) (2016)

[Record-High 60% of Americans Support Same-Sex Marriage](#) (2015)

[Majority Remains Satisfied With Acceptance of Gays in U.S.](#) (2018)

[U.S. Support for Gay Marriage Edges to New High](#) (2017)

[Vermont Leads States in LGBT Identification](#)

[Americans' Support for Gay Marriage Remains High, at 61%](#) (2016)

[Majority in U.S. Now Say Gays and Lesbians Born, Not Made](#)

[In U.S., Record-High Say Gay, Lesbian Relations Morally OK](#)

-“It’s a choice.” (sexuality)

[Sexual Orientation and Homosexuality Introduction \(this basically covers all your bases\)](#)

[Male Sexuality Influenced by Genes](#) (2)

[Biological Factors on Sexuality](#)

[The Role of Genes](#)

[Linkage between sexual orientation and chromosome Xq28 in males but not in females](#) (2) (3) (4)

[Biological Basis of Sexual Orientation](#)

[Genetic and Environmental Effects on Same-sex Sexual Behavior: A Population Study of Twins in Sweden](#)

[Genetic and Environmental Influences on Sexual Orientation](#)

[Heritable Factors Influence Sexual Orientation in Women](#)

[The Environmental and Biological Factors that Contribute to Sexual Orientation](#)

[Sexual Orientation- in the genes?](#)

[Homosexuality may be caused by chemical modifications to DNA](#)

[Scientists find DNA differences between gay men and their straight twin brothers](#)

[Homosexuality is Genetic: Strongest Evidence Yet](#)

[Study Says Brains of Gay Men and Women Are Similar](#)

[Paper/Bibliography on Genetic, Developmental, and Neuroanatomical Causes for Sexual Orientation](#)

[The science of sexuality: From having older brothers to certain genes, experts study what really influences sexual orientation](#)

[Here's What We Know about the Science of Sexual Orientation](#)

[TED Talk: How Homosexuality Benefits Evolution \(loose summary/transcript\)](#)

[Almost 50% of Straight People Carry Gay Gene](#)

[Being Gay is not a choice](#)

[10 Anti-Gay Myths Debunked](#)

[Can People Stop Being Gay?](#) (short answer: no)

[60 percent of heterosexual women are attracted to other women \(2\) \(study\) \(study\)](#)

[Prenatal endocrine influences on sexual orientation and on sexually differentiated childhood behavior.](#)

[Born to Bottom](#) (gay men)

-“They’re/You’re just confused.” (gender identity)

[Definition of Transgender](#)

[Transgender 101](#)

[What does Transgender mean?](#)

[Gender Identity Issues](#)

[Difference Between Gender ID and Sex](#) (Tumblr post)

[Gender Cognition of Transgender Children](#)

[Brains are not Male/Female](#)

[Sex Beyond the Genitalia: The Human Brain Mosaic](#)

[Gender: When the Body and Brain Disagree](#)

- When it comes to sex, researchers have learned that biology can be more complicated than just ‘boy’ or ‘girl.’ For instance, some people carry two X chromosomes mixed with a fragment of a Y chromosome. These people develop into what look to be males. That happens even though the presence of two X chromosomes means that they are female, at least biologically.

[The brains of men and women aren’t really that different, study finds](#)

- The findings have broad implications, Joel says. For one, she contends, researchers studying the brain may not need to compare males and females when analyzing their data. For another, she says, the extreme variability of human brains undermines the

justifications for single-sex education based on innate differences between males and females, and perhaps even our definitions of gender as a social category.

[Transgender Brains](#)

[BU researchers find biological basis for transgender identity](#)

[Delaying Puberty Helps Trans Kids \(2\)](#)

[Cakeworld](#) (it's an explanation of being trans/the trans identity but it has outdated language [transsexual/transsexualism])

[Transgender Identity Is Not a Mental Health Disorder, Study Finds](#)

[American College of Pediatrics \(a FAKE organization\) has their "study" on trans kids very thoroughly debunked](#)

[Science Teacher Debunks Transphobic Comment](#)

[New Study Finds that Transgender Identity is Not a Mental Disorder](#)

[Delusions of Gender by Cordelia Fine](#)

[Gender confirmation surgery improves transgender people's lives, research confirms](#)

[Transgender people are born that way, a new study has found](#)

[Practice parameter on gay, lesbian or bisexual sexual orientation, gender nonconformity, and gender discordance in children and adolescents.](#)

-“In people, it's only male and female/XX and XY”

[Between XX and XY--Intersexuality and the Myth of Two Sexes](#)

[What does intersex mean? \(2\)](#)

[This is What Intersex Means](#)

[What is Intersex?](#)

[What It's Like to Be Intersex](#) (YouTube Video)

[‘We Don't Know if Your Baby's a Boy or a Girl': growing up intersex](#)

[The Different Kinds of Intersex](#)

[Sex isn't chromosomes: the story of a century of misconceptions about X & Y](#)

[Nonbinary Gender](#)

[INSA](#)

[Advocates for Informed Choice](#)

[Interact Youth](#)

[What it's Like](#) (Video)

[What is Intersex?](#)

[Intersex Definition](#)

[Male, Female, or Intersex](#)

[Explainer: Sometimes the Body Mixes Up Male and Female](#) (Intersex)

[Sex Talk Realness: What It's Like to Be Intersex](#)

[Cissexism](#)

[How common is intersex?](#)

[Human Sex is Not Simply Male or Female. So What?](#)

[Sex biology redefined: Genes don't indicate binary sexes](#)

-“In nature there’s only male and female.”

[Scientists discover the animal kingdom’s first ‘female penis’](#)

-“They can change.”

[Your gaydar is ass](#)

[A list of "Ex-gay" scandals](#)

[Books against "Ex-gay" ministry](#)

[Empirical Evidence \(Ex-gay\)](#)

[Statements by Psychology Associations in America](#)

[NARTH Report: Suicide Attempts Increase during sexual orientation change therapy](#)

[Gay Conversion Therapy Ruins Lives](#)

[The Insanity of "Reparative" Therapy](#)

[Five "Surprising" facts about Conversion Therapy](#)

[The Lies and Dangers of "Reparative" Therapy](#)

[‘Ex-gay therapy’: What reputable experts have to say](#)

[Why Gay Conversion Therapy is Harmful](#)

[Exgaytherapysurvivor](#) on Tumblr

[Praying the gay away: Springfield man shares experience with conversion therapy](#)

Twelve studies that conclude that conversion therapy is ineffective or harmful:

1. [Mormon Clients’ Experiences of Conversion Therapy: *The Need for a New Treatment Approach*](#)
2. [Failed Reparative Therapy of Orthodox Jewish Homosexuals](#)
3. [Sexual orientation change efforts and the search for authenticity.](#)
4. [Sexual orientation change efforts among current or former LDS church members.](#)
5. [Therapeutic Antidotes: Helping Gay and Bisexual Men Recover from Conversion Therapies](#) (pdf)
6. [Sexual Reorientation Therapy Interventions: Perspectives of Ex-Ex-Gay Individuals](#)
7. [Self-Reported Sexual Orientation and Identity Before and After Sexual Reorientation Therapy](#)
8. [Predictors of Psychotherapeutic Benefit of Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Clients: The Effects of Sexual Orientation Matching and Other Factors](#)
9. [Ethical Issues in Sexual Orientation Conversion Therapies: An Empirical Study of Consumers](#)

10. [Changing sexual orientation: A consumers' report](#)
11. [A Qualitative Study of Ex-Gay and Ex-Ex-Gay Experiences](#)
12. [Treatments of homosexuality in Britain since the 1950s—an oral history: the experience of patients](#)

-“But children need a mom and a dad!”

Gay marriage bans cause humiliation and uncertainty for children being raised by same-sex couples. In ruling Texas' gay marriage ban unconstitutional, San Antonio-based federal judge Orlando Garcia stated that the ban "causes needless stigmatization and humiliation for children being raised by the loving same-sex couples being targeted." [138] Children of unmarried same-sex couples are denied the stability that comes with having married parents, including the guarantee of child support in the case of divorce and an automatic legal connection to both parents. [107] If no legal relationship is established, the child cannot be sure of receiving financial support from the non-biologically related partner, and is not guaranteed an inheritance if that partner dies without leaving a will. [151]

Also See: Marriage is not only for procreation, otherwise infertile couples or couples not wishing to have children would be prevented from marrying. Ability or desire to create offspring has never been a qualification for marriage. From 1970 through 2012 roughly 30% of all US households were married couples without children, and in 2012, married couples without children outnumbered married couples with children by 9%. [96] 6% of married women aged 15-44 are infertile, according to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. [97] In a 2010 Pew Research Center survey, both married and unmarried people rated love, commitment, and companionship higher than having children as "very important" reasons to get married, and only 44% of unmarried people and 59% of married people rated having children as a very important reason. [42] Several US presidents never had their own biological children, including George Washington, often referred to as "the Father of Our Country." [9] [12] As US Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan noted, a marriage license would be granted to a couple in which the man and woman are both over the age of 55, even though "there are not a lot of children coming out of that marriage." [88]

[Children of Same-sex parents generally happier \(2\) \(study\)](#)

[Why Gay Parenting May be the Best Parenting](#)

[Study Finds Same Sex Couples Make Better Parents: Is It Because They're More Prepared?](#)

[What does the scholarly research say about the wellbeing of children with gay or lesbian parents?](#)

[Children of Same-Sex Couples are happier and healthier than their peers, research shows](#)

[Gay Parents as Good as Straight Ones](#)

[The Science is Clear: Children Raised by Same-Sex Parents are at no Disadvantage](#)

[Effects of same-sex parents on children's adult outcomes: Reviewing a controversial study](#)

[What We Know—Really—About Lesbian and Gay Parenting](#)

[Why Gay Parents are Good Parents](#)

[Gay Parents: Just As Good for Kids, and With Added Benefits](#)

[Children raised by same-sex couples healthier and happier, research suggests](#) (mainly due to a lack of gender roles/gender stereotyping)

['No differences' between children of same-sex and opposite-sex parents](#)

[World's largest study on same-sex parents finds kids are healthier and happier than peers\](#)

[Children of Gay Fathers Well Adjusted](#)

[No evidence that children of same sex couples negatively impacted, study shows](#)

[Benefits of LGBT+ Adoption \(2\)](#)

[LGBT Adoption Advantages](#)

[Overview of Lesbian and Gay Parenting, Adoption and Fostercare](#)

[LGBT Parenting in the United States](#) (PDF)

- **Same-sex couples raising children are four times more likely** than their different-sex counterparts **to be raising an adopted child**. An estimated 16,000 same-sex couples are raising more than 22,000 adopted children in the US.
- **Same-sex couples are six times more likely** than their different-sex counterparts **to be raising foster children**. Approximately 2,600 same-sex couples are raising an estimated 3,400 foster children in the US.
- (Rough summary: same-sex couples are more likely to adopt girls and non-white children, as well as more likely to adopt and foster children in general as compared to opposite-sex couples)

[A scientific look at the damage parents do when they bully their gay kids](#)

[Health, well-being no different for children raised in same-sex parent families](#)

Gay couples make good parents. A June 2014 peer-reviewed University of Melbourne study showed that children raised by same-sex parents score about six percent higher than the general population on measures of general health and family cohesion. [92] A study published in Pediatrics on June 7, 2010 found that children of lesbian mothers were rated higher than children of heterosexual parents in social and academic competence and had fewer social problems. [45] A July 2010 study found that children of gay fathers were "as well-adjusted as those adopted by heterosexual parents." [46] As former Washington Post columnist Ezra Klein wrote, "We should be begging gay couples to adopt children. We should see this as a great boon that gay marriage could bring to kids who need nothing more than two loving parents." [68] In the United States, around 115,000 children are waiting to be adopted. [44]

-“Homo/transphobia isn’t that bad.” OR “Transitioning is always harmful.”

[Discrimination and Violence against Trans People](#)

- **41 percent of 6,450 transgender and gender-nonconforming adults** recently surveyed jointly by the National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE) and the National Lesbian and Gay Task Force (NGLTF) **said they had attempted suicide.**
- In the NCTE and NGLTF joint survey of 6,450 transgender and gender nonconforming adults, **nine out of 10 said they were harassed while on the job** because of gender identity. And **nearly half—47 percent—said they’d been fired, not hired, or refused a promotion because of gender identity.**
- A 2011 survey by the Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) found that **80 percent of transgender students (K–12) felt unsafe because they were transgender**, and **45 percent of gay males** and **35 percent of lesbians** said they were **harassed based on gender expression.**

[Colorful Infographic on LGBT Discrimination](#)

[Gay and Lesbian Teens Bullied More Than Heterosexuals \(links to similar articles inside\)End Trans Discrimination](#)

[Injustice at Every Turn](#) (survey of 6,400 trans people and the discrimination they face)

[More Than Half Of Transgender Teachers Surveyed Tell NPR They Are Harassed At Work](#)

[L.G.B.T. People Are More Likely to Be Targets of Hate Crimes Than Any Other Minority Group](#)

[2016 was the deadliest year on record for the LGBTQ community](#)

[The Forsaken: Rising Number of Homeless Gay teens are Being Cast out by Religious Families](#)

[Life Evaluations of LGBT Americans Decline After Election](#)

[Chosen Name Use Is Linked to Reduced Depressive Symptoms, Suicidal Ideation, and Suicidal Behavior Among Transgender Youth](#)

[HRT Helps Trans People's Mental Health](#) (2) (3) (4) (5)

[Trans people benefit from transitioning summary](#) (52 studies that support this)

[Supportive Families Make a Difference for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Youth](#)

Historical/Cultural Views of LGBT+ People

-“It’s a trend.”

[Gay People throughout American History](#) (slur tw)

[History of Lesbian, Gay, & Bisexual Social Movements](#)

[History of Oppression of LGBT+ People](#)

[Study examines the same-sex relationships of Medieval Arab Women](#)

[General Summary of the World](#)

[Taking a Husband- A History of Gay marriage](#)

[History of Same-Sex Marriages](#)

[Women Lovers are Depicted Exchanging Love Letters](#) (India)

[Gay Art History](#)

[History of Homosexuality](#)

[15 Trans People Who Made History](#) (Tumblr post)

[Third Gender](#) (Wikipedia)

[History of Nonbinary Gender](#)

-“It doesn’t exist anywhere else.”

[LGBT Culture](#)

[What It’s Like Being LGBT+ Around the World](#)

[The Homosexual Tradition in China](#)

[Paths to the Divine: Ancient and Indian](#) (pg 271)

[It is homophobia, not homosexuality, that is alien to traditional African culture](#)

[Men as Women, Women as Men: Changing Gender in Native American Cultures](#)

[The Third Gender in Ancient Egypt](#)

[Gender Transgression in Ancient Religion](#)

[Colonialism, Two-Spirit Identity, and the Logics of White Supremacy](#) (PDF)

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[Interactive Map of Number of Genders found around the World](#)

[A Map of Gender-Diverse Cultures](#)

[Hijra Wikipedia](#)

[Hijra Takes place in Indian Law](#)

[Kathoey Wikipedia](#)

[Where the ‘Ladyboys’ are](#)

[Muxe Wikipedia](#)

[In Mexico, Mixed Genders and Muxe](#)

[Fa’afafines Wikipedia](#)

[Fa’afafines: The Third Gender](#)

[2spirits](#)

[Who Are They?](#)

[Native American Concepts](#)

[Of Indigenous North Americans](#)

[As They Are](#)

[Two Spirits: The Story of a Movement](#)

-Gender vs. Sex in Western Culture/Gender is a social construct

[Believing is Seeing: Biology as Ideology](#) (PDF)

[The Coloniality of Gender](#) (PDF)

[Sexing the X: How the X Became the “Female Chromosome”](#)

BLIND TO SAMENESS: THE SOCIO-OPTICAL CONSTRUCTION OF MALE AND FEMALE BODIES

(file:///home/chronos/u-004f9f3951bccbe6152ff3e9eaca54f42fa38164/Downloads/rutgers-lib-30060_PDF-1.pdf)

[The Sex/Gender Perplex](#)

[Sex in Question: French Materialist Feminism](#)

[Heterosexualism and the Colonial / Modern Gender System](#)

[Gender Neutrality in Genderless Languages](#) (Wikipedia)

[The myth that gender is binary is perpetuated by a flawed education system](#)

-People and Relationships

[Famous and Inspirational LGBT+ People](#) (and [their resources](#))

[Famous LGBT+ People](#)

[List of Lesbian, Gay, or Bisexual People](#)

[33 Gay Historical Figures Who Will Change Your View of the Past](#)

[Famous Gay People](#)

[Married Lesbian Couple in 19th Century Vermont](#)

[Letters reveal Alan Turing's battle with his sexuality](#)

[Alan Turing's Story](#)

-Media

[TV Shows and movies with LGBT+ characters](#) (Tumblr post)

[Queer Webcomics](#) (Tumblr post)

[I have no clue what queer zines are but here you go.](#)

[The HEDA Project -Stories by and for LGBT youth, all with happy endings. Brought to you by the BAHS QSA.](#)

[Best Gay/Lesbian Fiction With Happy Endings](#)

-Around the World

[Equaldex keeps track of LGBT+ phobia around the world](#)

Positivity (mostly)

-Stories

[LGBT Christian Testimonies](#)

[Out and Proud: LGBT Youth Share Their Stories](#)

[I am a transwoman. I am not coming out.](#)

[My LGBT Plus Stories](#)

[Coming Out- Your Stories](#)

[When I Came Out](#)

[The Trans 100](#)

[We Happy Trans](#)

-Religious

[Is God Transgender?](#)

[How This Queer Christian is Choosing Joy](#)

[By a priest: "The Church needs to accept LGBT+ people."](#)

Quotes and Excerpts

[Various Interviews by Scientists who studied sexuality and gender identity](#)

"If you hear someone say that homosexuality is unnatural, you can be pretty sure you are not listening to a scientist." **Dr. Marc Breedlove, Michigan State University, Rosenberg Professor of Neuroscience**

-About Conversion Therapy

"The potential risks of 'reparative therapy' are great, including depression, anxiety and self destructive behavior, since therapist alignment with societal prejudices against homosexuality may reinforce self hatred already experienced by the patient. Many patients who have undergone 'reparative therapy' relate that they were inaccurately told that homosexuals are lonely, unhappy individuals who never achieve acceptance or satisfaction. The possibility that the person might achieve happiness and satisfying interpersonal relationships as a gay man or lesbian is not presented, nor are alternative approaches to dealing with the effects of societal stigmatization discussed." --**American Psychiatric Association**

"...the American Psychological Association opposes portrayals of lesbian, gay, and bisexual youth and adults as mentally ill due to their sexual orientation and supports the dissemination of accurate information about sexual orientation, and mental health, and appropriate interventions in order to counteract bias that is based in ignorance or unfounded beliefs about sexual

orientation." --American Psychological Association, supported by the National Association of School Psychologists

"Clinicians should be aware that there is no evidence that sexual orientation can be altered through therapy, and that attempts to do so may be harmful. There is no empirical evidence adult homosexuality can be prevented if gender nonconforming children are influenced to be more gender conforming. Indeed, there is no medically valid basis for attempting to prevent homosexuality, which is not an illness. On the contrary, such efforts may encourage family rejection and undermine self-esteem, connectedness and caring, important protective factors against suicidal ideation and attempts. Given that there is no evidence that efforts to alter sexual orientation are effective, beneficial or necessary, and the possibility that they carry the risk of significant harm, such interventions are contraindicated." --**Practice Parameter on Gay, Lesbian, or Bisexual Orientation, Gender Nonconformity, and Gender Discordance in Children and Adolescents.**

"[T]he association does not consider homosexuality a disorder that requires treatment, and as such, we see no basis for [reparative therapy]. AAMFT expects its members to practice based on the best research and clinical evidence available."

AAMFT Position on Couples and Families.

-On the development of one's sexuality

1. *"There is also evidence, albeit clinical, for a role of testosterone in the sexual differentiation of the human brain, in particular in inducing male gender role behavior and heterosexual orientation."* - [Julie Baker](#), Focus on Sexuality Research, 2014

2. *"...We conclude that there is sufficient evidence that EDCs modify behavioral sexual dimorphism in children, presumably by interacting with the hypothalamic-pituitary-gonadal (HPG) axis."* [Winneke et al](#), Environmental health perspectives, 2013

3. *"Gender-dependent differentiation of the brain has been detected at every level of organization—morphological, neurochemical, and functional—and has been shown to be primarily controlled by sex differences in gonadal steroid hormone levels during perinatal development."* [Chung and Wilson](#), European Journal of Physiology, 2013

4. *"Gender identity (the conviction of belonging to the male or female gender), sexual orientation (hetero-, homo-, or bisexuality), pedophilia, and the risks for neuropsychiatric disorders are programmed into our brain during early development. There is no proof that postnatal social environment has any crucial effect on gender identity or sexual orientation."* [Swaab and Bao](#), Neuroscience in the 21st century, 2013

5. *"Testosterone, estrogen and dihydrotestosterone are the main steroid hormones responsible for the organization and sexual differentiation of brain structures during early development."*

[Serkan Karaismailoğlu: Ayşen Erdem](#), Journal of the Turkish-German Gynecological Association, 2013

6. *"In human males, we show that variation in fetal testosterone (FT) predicts later local gray matter volume of specific brain regions in a direction that is congruent with sexual dimorphism observed in a large independent sample of age-matched males and females from the NIH Pediatric MRI Data Repository."* [Lombardo. et al.](#), The Journal of Neuroscience, 2012

7. *"Testosterone measured in infancy predicts subsequent sex-typed behavior in boys and in girls."* [Lamminmäki. et al.](#), Hormones and Behavior, 2012

8. *"The finger length ratio between the second and fourth digits in transgender men was significantly lower than in female controls in the right hand in this study. 2D : 4D showed a positive correlation with GIS score. Because 2D : 4D influences are assumed to be established in early life and to reflect testosterone exposure, our results suggest a relationship between GID-FtM and perinatal testosterone."* [Sasaki, Tsukamotoa. and Horie](#), The Journal of Sexual Medicine, 2012

9. *"...growing evidence shows that testosterone exposure contributes similarly to the development of other human behaviors that show sex differences, including sexual orientation, core gender identity, and some, though not all, sex-related cognitive and personality characteristics."* [Hines](#), Annual review of neuroscience, 2011

10. *"There is strong evidence that high concentrations of androgens lead to more male-typical behavior and that this also influences gender identity."* [Jürgensen. et al.](#), Journal of Pediatric Endocrinology and Metabolism, 2010

11. *"However, when the process of genital development and of brain sexual development does not match the same sex, females with a male brain and vice versa can arise. These transsexual people have problems with their gender identity and have the conviction of being born in the wrong body."* [Worrell](#), Master Thesis, Faculty of Medicine, Universiteit Utrecht, 2010

12. *"In this study, more than 150 individuals with confirmed or suspected prenatal diethylstilbestrol (DES) exposure reported moderate to severe feelings of gender dysphoria across the lifespan."* [Kerlin](#), Paper prepared for the International Behavioral Development Symposium, 2005

13. *"Secondly, as predicted twin girls where one displayed gender dysphoria had a more masculine pattern of cerebral lateralization, than non-transgender girls. These findings support*

the notion of an influence of prenatal T on early brain organization in girls.” [Cohen-Bendahan: Buitelaar; van Goozen; and Cohen-Kettenis](#), Psychoneuroendocrinology, 2004

14. *“It thus appears conceivable that due to local hormone dependent changes during development at least some areas of the brain may follow a different course than the genitals during the process of sexual differentiation. A partial or even complete brain-body sex reversal may eventually be the result.”* [Kruijver](#), Dissertation, Faculty of Medicine, University of Amsterdam, 2004

15. *“Results support the notion that the gender identity is related to the sex steroid-driven sexual differentiation of the brain, and that certain genetic variants of three of the genes critically involved in this process, may enhance the susceptibility for transsexualism.”* [Landén](#), Doctoral Thesis, University of Gothenburg, 1999

LGBT+ Resources

-Healing From Homophobia

[Homophobia: Healing it From the Inside Out](#)

[30 Ways to Combat Internalized Homophobia for Gay and Lesbian People](#)

[A whole website dedicated to people who suffered from "ex-gay" ministry](#)

[Find an affirming Church near you](#)

[Trevor Support Center](#)

-For parents/friends of LGBT+ people

[Reading Material: Heterosexual Parents of LGBT Children](#)

[Helping Families Support Their Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender \(LGBT\) Children](#) (PDF)

[Suggested Reading on Coming Out, Families & Other LGBT Topics](#) (a series of books)

[To Christian Parents of Gay Children](#)

[Ten Tips for Parents of an LGBT+ Child](#)

[LGBTQ Youth Resources](#) (includes links for educators/administrators and LGBT+ Health)

[Resources for Parents of LGBTQ Children](#)

[Lead with Love Resources for Parents of LGBTQ Youth](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions and answers to them](#)

[For Parents of Gay Kids](#)

[Resources for Serving Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Youth](#) (PDF)

[How to support a friend who 'comes out' to you](#)

[How to React When Someone Comes Out: Dos and Don'ts for Straight Allies](#)

[If Someone Comes Out to You](#)

[How to Respond when a Friend Comes out of the closet](#)

[8 Things Your LGBTQ Friend Wants You To Know When They Come Out to You](#)

[10 Things to Say \(and Not to Say\) When a Friend Comes Out](#)

[My Friend Just Came Out to Me--Now What?](#)

-Coming Out

Dealing with unsupportive parents and family members

[Link One](#) / [Two](#) / [Three](#) / [Four](#) / [Five](#) / [Six](#) / [Seven](#) / [Eight](#)

Dealing with anxiety about coming out

[Link One](#) / [Two](#) / [Three](#) / [Four](#)

Talking to parents about transitioning

[Link One](#) / [Two](#) / [Three](#) / [Four](#)

Coming out to parents and family members

[Link One](#) / [Two](#) / [Three](#) / [Four](#)

Coming out at work

[Link One](#) / [Two](#) / [Three](#) / [Four](#) / [Five](#)

Coming out at school

[Link One](#) / [Two](#)

Coming out to friends

[Link One](#) / [Two](#)

Coming out to a potential partner

[Link One](#) / [Two](#)

Coming out to young children

[Link One](#) / [Two](#)

Coming out a second time

[Link One](#)

Resources for coming out

[Link One](#)

[coming out tips](#)

[Coming Out to Family and Friends](#)

[Coming Out to Friends](#)

[Coming Out to Partners](#)

[Resources for Coming Out](#)

[Coming Out as Nonbinary](#)

[When Should You?](#)

[How to Come Out to Parents](#)

[Tips and Advice](#) (Video)

[Coming out & family issues](#)

[How to Deal with Parents that are Not Accepting](#)

[Tips for Coming out and Dealing with People](#)

[Explaining Your Transition to Kids/Younger Family Members](#)

-Health

[A host of LGBT+ health sites and resources.](#)

[If you're trans and have questions about health.](#)

[Trans Student Equality Resources-](#)

[Preventing Suicide](#)

[Pride Institute](#)

[LGBT Health](#)

[National LGBT+ Health Institute](#)

[Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Health](#)

[Gender spectrum: mental health](#)

[More Subtle Dysphoria](#)

[Dealing with Dysphoria and Helplessness](#)

[8 Signs and Symptoms of Dysphoria](#)

[25 Ways to Ease Dysphoria](#)

[tips on coping with gender dysphoria](#)

[How do I deal with dysphoria?](#)

[how to cope with Gender Dysphoria](#)

[transselfies: a trans body positivity blog](#)
[How to Deal with Parents that are Not Accepting](#)
[Trans suicide hotline](#)
[emergency hotlines](#) (U.S. only)
[international emergency hotlines](#)
[Doubts, Decision, and Detransition](#)
[Trans Lifeline](#)

[Resources for LGBTQ Youth By State](#) (PDF)
[Basic Legal Rights of LGBT+ People](#)

[HIV/AIDS Resources](#) (books and online)

-Hotlines

[GLBT National Help Center](#)
[It Gets Better Project](#)
[The Trevor Project--Get Help Now](#) (certain services are only available during certain hours)
[A list of suicide hotlines by state](#) (US)
[GLCCB](#) (Baltimore/Central Maryland)
[Galup](#) (UK-based anti-violence organization)
[Youthline](#) (chat format)
[Lifeline Crisis Chat](#)

-Trans-specific Support

Trans resources (via @macpye on tumblr)

General resources:

- [local resources](#)
- [gender masterpost](#)
- [LGBT social group meetups](#)
- [agender chatroom](#)
- [trans chatroom](#)
- [transgender faq](#)
- [Everything Gender Part 1](#) (Video)
- [Everything Gender Part 2](#) (Video)
- [The trans teen's guide to dating](#)
- [Literature with LGBT+ characters](#)
- [LGBT+ Films](#)
- [Transgender advice](#)

- [family issues](#)
- [Transgénero](#) (Spanish article on all things trans)
- [Transgender Religious Expression and Spirituality](#)
- [tips for living stealth](#) (written for trans men but also applies for trans women)
- [gender therapy](#)

Nonbinary resources:

- [Nonbinary support blog](#)
- [Unisex names](#)
- [Living as Nonbinary](#) (Spanish)
- [Genderqueer](#) (Spanish)
- [Nonbinary Flowchart](#)
- [Explaining Genderqueer](#)
- [Genderqueer and Hormones](#) (Video)
- [The Nonbinary Safespace](#)
- [Nonbinary Autistics](#)
- [Gender Queeries](#)
- [Ask a Nonbinary](#)
- [Nonbinary.org](#)
- [Genderqueer ID](#)
- [Hell Yeah, Agender!](#)
- [A-Gender](#)
- [Genderless Person](#) (Video)
- [When no Gender Fits](#)
- [Androgyne Online](#)
- [Practical Androgyne](#)
- [Ambiguous Sexuality](#)
- [Neutrois.me](#)
- [Neutrois.com](#)
- [Neutrois Nonsense](#)
- [What is Neutrois?](#)
- [Experiences as Neutrois](#)
- [Bigender Resources](#)
- [What it's Like Being Bigender](#)
- [Demigender Safe Space](#)
- [Demi Safe Spot](#)
- [Introducing Demigender](#)
- [Subgenders](#)
- [Genderfluidity](#)
- [Genderfluid Facts](#)
- [Genderflux Support](#)

- [Teaching About Gender Fluidity](#) (PDF)
- [How can I Live as Genderfluid?](#)
- [Genderfluid Definitions](#)

Trans related terminology:

- [transwhat](#)
- [transhealth](#)
- [transgender glossary](#) (this one's a bit outdated)
- [transadvocate](#)
- [becomingus](#) (includes the dos and don'ts of using certain trans-related words)
- [transgender faq](#)
- [list of gender identities](#)
- [Glossary of Transgender, Non-Binary and Genderqueer Words](#)
- [Definitions](#)

Understanding your gender identity:

- [Gender identity flowchart](#)
- [What is gender?](#)
- [Understanding gender](#)
- [What am I?](#)
- [list of gender identities](#)
- [Am I Transgender?](#) (Video)
- [Being Trans](#) (Video)
- [I Think I Might be Transgender. Now what do I do?](#)

Pronouns:

- [What's a pronoun?](#)
- [Gender Neutral Pronouns](#) (Video)
- [The Pronoun Place](#)
- [Gender Neutral Language](#)
- [How Non-Binary Pronouns Work](#)
- [Guide to Non-Binary Pronouns](#)
- [Gender Neutral Titles](#)
- [pronouns](#)

- [How to Correct People's Pronoun and Name Slip-Ups](#)

Transfeminine resources:

- [tucking masterpost](#)
- [Tucking and other skills](#)
- [trans women resources master post](#)
- [Makeup for beginners](#)
- [MtF resources](#)
- [Ask a transwoman](#)
- [Tucking and other skills](#)
- [Male to Female Support](#)
- [How to hide stubble](#)
- [tucking forum and thread](#)
- [Tucking How-to Guide](#)
- [low budget diy breast forms \[video\]](#)
- [Realistic Breast Form Tutorial \(Video\)](#)
- [The Breast Form Store](#)
- [How to make home made breast forms](#)
- [Women's Clothing Terminology](#)
- [TheLeelahProject](#)
- [surgery booklet](#)
- [hrt booklet](#)
- [Trans Health Matters: Trans Women](#)
- [girl names + their meanings](#)
- [etiquette for women's bathrooms](#)
- [MtF HRT](#)
- [Hormones: A guide for MTFs](#)
- [Hormone replacement therapy \(male-to-female\)](#)
- [Transgender Hormones - Transgender Care](#)
- [Feminizing HRT \(for Male-to-Females\) - Michele O'Mara, PhD](#)
- [Sex reassignment surgery](#) (male-to-female)
- [Vaginoplasty: Male to Female Sex Reassignment Surgery](#)
- [Surgery: A guide for MTFs \(PDF\)](#)
- [MTF GRS](#)
- [MTF surgeries price list](#) (this is just for one surgery centre but can give you an idea of the estimated cost of any surgeries)

Transmasculine resources:

- [The Art of Transliness](#)
- [Ask a trans guy](#)
- [What it's like being on T](#)
- [Transmasc tips](#)
- [GC2B Binders](#)
- [Swimwear binders](#)
- [Binding : how to guide + safety](#)
- [FTM masterpost](#)
- [boy names + their meanings](#)
- [Workouts to Promote a More Masculine Figure](#)
- [Where to Get Men's Clothes that Fit](#)
- [Dealing with the Dreaded Period](#)
- [Pros and Cons of Strap-On Sex for Trans Guys](#)
- [Relationship Tips for Trans Guys](#)
- [A Guide to STPs and Standing to Pee](#)
- [To Pack or Not to Pack](#)
- [Swimming as a Trans Guy](#)
- [Packing and Packers 101](#)
- [Everything You Need to Know About Binders and Binding](#)
- [Using the Men's Bathroom](#)
- [All About Top Surgery and Nipples](#)
- [Androgel Q & A](#)
- [What to Expect from Testosterone and When](#)
- [Risks and Dangers of Illegal Testosterone](#)
- [Genital Changes on T](#)
- [10 Common Myths about Medical Transition](#)
- [FTM Testosterone Therapy Basics](#)
- [FTM resource guide](#)
- [FTM transitioning guide](#)
- [effects of testosterone therapy](#)
- [FTM Chest Reconstruction Surgeries](#) (includes Spanish translation link)
- [Hysterectomy/Oophorectomy](#)
- [FTM Genital Reconstruction Surgeries](#) (GRS)
- [FTM Basics: Terminology](#)
- [Myths and Misconceptions about Testosterone, Transition, and Trans Men](#)
- [1 year on testosterone: timeline of changes](#)
- [FtM HRT](#)
- [Hormones: A Guide for FTMs](#) (PDF)
- [The Philadelphia Centre for Transgender Surgery](#)

Trans advice/resource/discussion blogs and sites:

- [Genderfork](#)
- [Gender inbetween](#)
- [anagnori](#)
- [transgenderteensurvivalguide](#)
- [transclothesexchange](#)
- [transresource](#)
- [the-lgbt-youth-blog](#)
- [transcending-anatomy](#)
- [transgenderhousingnetwork](#)
- [Transyada](#)
- [Susan's Place](#)
- [transwhat](#)
- [transselfies](#)
- [Nonbinary support blog](#)
- [helpfultransinfo](#)
- [trans tips](#)
- [transgenderadvice](#)
- [Transgenderbenders](#)

[TransTech Social Enterprises](#) (economic empowerment)

[L.A. LGBT Center's Transgender Economic Empowerment Project](#) (economic empowerment)

[SF Transgender Economic Empowerment Initiative](#) (economic empowerment)

[TransAthlete.com](#) (info about trans athletes)

[Transfaith](#) (trans-led organization focused on issues of faith and spirituality)

[Transgender Lives: Your Stories](#) (made by the New York Times, allows trans people to tell their own stories)

[TSER](#), (provides trans-related information on school issues and supports efforts for creating policy change in school districts)

Trans Lifeline Info

Important info about Trans Lifeline, from a trans woman who will be starting to work as a volunteer operator for them soon:

- **We do not do active rescue:** What does this mean? This means that no matter what you might tell us about your situation, we will never call the cops to intervene and try to hospitalize you. You can be as honest as possible because under no circumstances will you be reported to police or medical authorities. Being an organization led and operated by trans people, we

understand the immense violence and discrimination our community faces from cops and doctors, and that their actions often only make things worse. Which leads to my second point...

- **When you call, you will be speaking with another trans person:** All of Trans Lifeline's operators are themselves trans or nonbinary. While other organizations seek to exclude us from providing this sort of assistance, Trans Lifeline recognizes that having operators who themselves have struggled with the same problems, up to and including dysphoria, mental illness, self-harm, and thoughts of suicide, are in fact better qualified to lend a hand than folks who are ignorant to these issues. This is trans people helping trans people.

Our hotline numbers are

US: (877) 565-8860

Canada: (877) 330-6366

If you are interested in donating to us (we run on donations and are not as well-funded as most crisis lines, despite having become the #1 mental health resource for trans people in the country) or volunteering your time to help us out, our website is <http://www.translifeline.org/>

[Gender Spectrum](#) (support for families, trans youth, and educators)

[Gender Diversity](#) (support for families, trans youth, and educators)

[Trans Youth Equality Federation](#) (support for families and trans youth)

[Trans Youth Family Allies \(TYFA\)](#) (support for families and trans youth)

[Transgender Support Network at PFLAG](#) (support for families)

[TransLife Center at Chicago House](#) (support services)

[Gender Identity Project at the NYC LGBT Center](#) (support services)

[COLAGE Kids of Trans Community](#) (support for kids of trans parents)

Advocacy and Legal Services (UNITED STATES)

[National Center for Transgender Equality \(NCTE\)](#) (advocacy)

[Transgender Law Center \(TLC\)](#) (legal services and advocacy)

[Gender Proud](#) (advocacy)

[Sylvia Rivera Law Project \(SRLP\)](#) (legal services)

[Transgender Legal Defense and Education Fund \(TLDEF\)](#) (legal services)

[Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition \(MTPC\)](#) (advocacy)

[Trans People of Color Coalition \(TPOCC\)](#) (advocacy)

[Trans Women of Color Collective](#) (TWOCC) (advocacy)

[Black Trans Advocacy](#) (advocacy)

[Trans Latina Coalition](#) (advocacy)

[SPART*A](#) (advocacy for trans military service members)

[Transgender American Veterans Association](#) (advocacy for trans veterans)
[PFLAG's Transgender Ally campaign](#) (advocacy)
[Campaign for Southern Equality](#) (advocacy, Southern states)
[American Civil Liberties Union \(ACLU\)](#) (legal services)
[Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders \(GLAD\) Transgender Rights Project](#) (legal services)
[The Task Force's Transgender Civil Rights Project](#) (advocacy)
[HRC's transgender resources](#) (advocacy)
[National Center for Lesbian Rights – Transgender Law](#) (legal services)
[TransJustice at the Audre Lorde Project](#) (advocacy)
[GLAAD's Transgender Media Program](#) (media advocacy)
[Freedom for All Americans](#) (policy and legislative advocacy)

-Organizations/Groups

[Gay-Straight Alliance Network](#)
[The Trevor Project](#)
[TrueColorsFund](#)
[GLAAD](#)
[LGBT-Initiative](#)
[Human Rights Campaign](#)
[LGBT Organizations](#) in various countries (not alphabetical)
[Five more LGBT nonprofits](#)
[ACLU LGBT](#)
[Lesbian Resources](#)
[List of LGBT Groups \(by state\)](#)
[An LGBT+ Center in New Jersey](#)
[List of LGBT Organizations](#) (by country)
[It Gets Better Project](#) (main page)
[Gender Spectrum](#)

[PFLAG NYC](#)
[TransYouth Family Allies](#)
[FORGE](#)
[LGBT Foundation](#)

[Point Foundation](#) (LGBT+ scholarship funds)
[Lesson Plans for LGBT+ groups](#)

[The Naming Project](#) (a pro-LGBT+ Christian summer camp)

[Queerly Represent Me: A database for games that represent sexuality, gender, and relationships](#)

-Books

[Torn: Rescuing the Gospel from the Gays-vs.-Christians Debate](#)

[Here are some more books.](#)

[Gay, Straight, and the Reason Why](#)

[Same-Sex Marriages and Unions](#)

[God and the Gay Christian by Matthew Vines](#)

[Redefining Girly](#)

[Beyond Pink and Blue](#)

[Gender Trouble](#)

[Sexing the Body by Fausto-Sterling](#)

[Sex, Lies, and Stereotypes](#) (not necessarily LGBT+ related, but an interesting study by Harvard)

RAW LINKS

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