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*"How I wish that my divorced parents had taken the steps to overcome and repair the issues they faced as a married couple... Two years ago, they finalized their divorce...on what would have been their 39<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary."- [Dr. Scott Sibley](#)*

## **"The Grey Divorce Revolution"**

A recent [assessment](#) using two national data sets reveals that the divorce among adults aged 50 and older has doubled between 1990 and 2010. That rate increases 2.5 times when adults remarry. However for those who remain married the risk of divorce decreases with time.

## **Factors that Contribute to Long-Term Marital Happiness**

A [study](#) examining 20 years of data, found that belief in lifelong marriage, high religiosity, shared decision-making, shared housework, increased the odds of high happiness and low conflict in marriage.

## **Intergenerational Transmission of Divorce**

In line with previous [studies](#), Amato et al. ([2017](#)), reports that *each* parental separation increases offspring's risk of relationship disruption by 16%. Lyngstad et al. ([2009](#)) and Diekmann et al. ([2013](#)), show that the inter-generational transmission of divorce holds across nations.

## **Marriage Quality Improves Over Time**

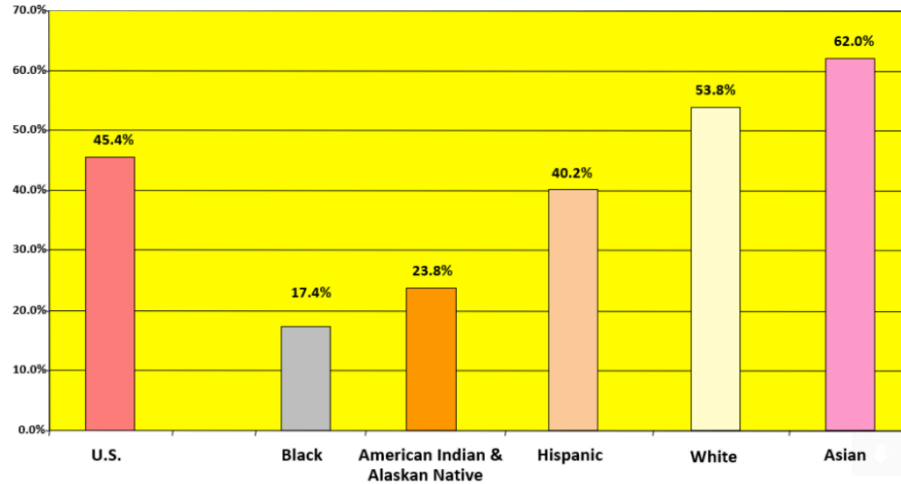
According to new research by [Penn State and BYU](#), marriages that remain together for more than 20 years experience a return to initial levels of happiness, continuous declines in discord, and increased shared activities.



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## BLOG: Black Americans Losing Their Freedom Index of Belonging, Ethnic Groups

Source: American Community Survey 2008



Most Black Americans are less free than their ancestors under Jim Crow laws.

They no longer can marry and stay married.

Most Black Americans today grow up in broken families and suffer their parents rejecting each other. (Other ethnic children do also, but less so.)

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For the good of the child --- the future of America,

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