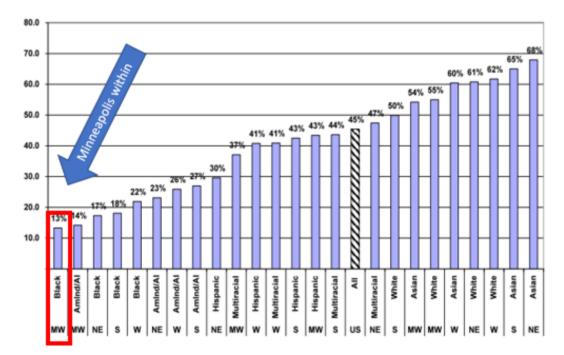


# Blog: Marriage in the US: Impact on Black "Privilege"

## Family Intactness by Ethnic Group and Region



The chart above explains why the Midwest would be the prime spot for racial protest, either spontaneous or planned. This chart shows the rate of marriage among the parents of 17-year olds in each major ethnic group, in four regions of the US: Midwest (MW), South (S) Northeast (NE) and West (W). The lowest marriage rate (extreme left) is where the recent violence has been most intense, the Midwest which includes Minneapolis. <u>Continue Reading Here...</u>

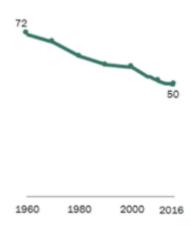
# **The State of US Martial Relationships**

"My most brilliant achievement was ... to persuade my love to marry me" – Sir Winston Churchill, former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

### Marriage Gap Widens

#### Half of U.S. adults are married today

% of adults ages 18 and older who are married



A <u>2017 Pew Research Center report</u> analysis of Census Bureau data found that only 50% of US adults are married. The decline in the share of married adults can be partially explained by the fact that Americans are marrying later in life. The median age for marriage was 27.4 years for women and 29.5 years for men, which is much older than the median ages in 1960 (20.3 years for women and 22.8 years for men). However, delayed marriage does not fully explain the marriage rate. The two biggest obstacles: it is harder to find "the right person" and income is not adequate to start family life together.

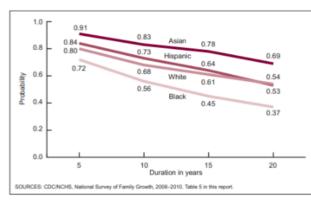
## Young Americans More Likely to Push Emotional and Sexual Boundaries Online



The <u>2019 State of Our Unions Report</u> from the National Marriage Project at the University of Virginia found that today's young adults are more likely to cross online boundaries related to sex and romance, and have markedly lower quality relationships despite expressed support for sexual fidelity in their relationships and

reported sexual fidelity in real life. Though there is a marked decline in what people believe is "infidelity, cheating or unfaithful behavior", those who keep strong boundaries on their internet viewing behavior are much happier in their relationships.

### Ethnic Background Impacts Marital Longevity



A <u>2012 National Health Statistics</u> <u>Report</u> found that ethnic background has a significant impact on marital stability.

Figure 4. Probability that a first marriage will remain intact (without disruption) for up to 20 years among women 15–44 years of age by Hispanic origin and race: United States, 2006–1010



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