DELAWARE VITAL STATISTICS ANNUAL REPORT MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE, 2017



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In 2017 there were 5,071 marriages and 2,851 divorces in Delaware. Over half of all divorces in 2017 were of marriages that lasted less than 10 years.

Marriage

Male Female

Youngest: 17 Youngest: 16 Oldest: 94 Oldest: 83

Marriage with the greatest age difference between bride and groom: 59 years.

Most popular month to get married: October.

Divorce

Male Female

Youngest: 19 Youngest: 18 Oldest: 89 Oldest: 83

Shortest duration of marriage: 47 days Longest duration of marriage: 59 years Median duration of marriage: 10 years Total children under 18 years of age: 1,794

Between 2002-2006 and 2013-2017, the five-year average marriage rate decreased from 6.1 to 5.8 marriages per 1,000 population. The five-year average divorce rate declined 16 percent from 3.7 in 2002-2006 to 3.1 divorces per 1,000 population in 2013-2017.

Figure 7. Five-year Average Marriage and Divorce Rates, per 1,000 Population, Delaware, 2002-2017

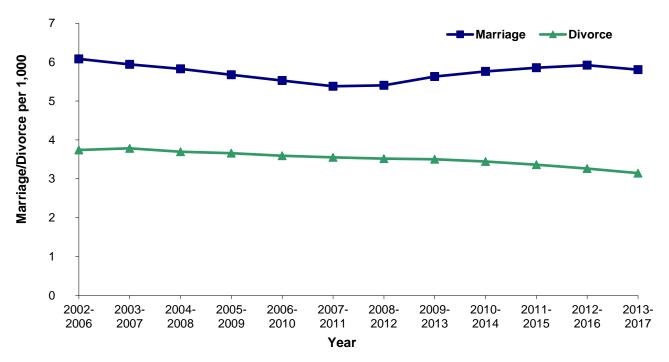


TABLE B-1. NUMBER OF MARRIAGES BY PLACE OF CEREMONY U.S., DELAWARE AND COUNTIES, 2002-2017

| Year | U.S. | Delaware | Kent | New Castle | Sussex |
|------|-----------|----------|-------|------------|--------|
| 2002 | 2,290,000 | 5,171 | 1,015 | 2,899 | 1,257 |
| 2003 | 2,245,000 | 4,923 | 923 | 2,784 | 1,216 |
| 2004 | 2,279,000 | 5,088 | 998 | 2,801 | 1,289 |
| 2005 | 2,249,000 | 5,018 | 973 | 2,726 | 1,319 |
| 2006 | 2,193,000 | 5,105 | 993 | 2,754 | 1,358 |
| 2007 | 2,197,000 | 4,970 | 944 | 2,670 | 1,356 |
| 2008 | 2,157,000 | 4,828 | 984 | 2,429 | 1,415 |
| 2009 | 2,080,000 | 4,772 | 930 | 2,491 | 1,351 |
| 2010 | 2,096,000 | 4,677 | 908 | 2,384 | 1,385 |
| 2011 | 2,118,000 | 4,727 | 927 | 2,421 | 1,379 |
| 2012 | 2,131,000 | 5,314 | 932 | 2,701 | 1,681 |
| 2013 | 2,081,301 | 6,086 | 972 | 3,007 | 2,107 |
| 2014 | 2,140,272 | 5,633 | 946 | 2,759 | 1,928 |
| 2015 | 2,221,579 | 5,404 | 887 | 2,688 | 1,829 |
| 2016 | 2,251,411 | 5,344 | 888 | 2,777 | 1,679 |
| 2017 | 2,236,496 | 5,071 | 911 | 2,559 | 1,601 |

U.S. numbers are based on National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) estimate.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics Delaware Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health

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TABLE B-2. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE MARRIAGE RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION BY PLACE OF CEREMONY BY COUNTY,U.S., DELAWARE, 2002-2017

| Years | U.S. | Delaware | Kent | New Castle | Sussex |
|-----------|------|----------|------|------------|--------|
| 2002-2006 | 7.7 | 6.1 | 7.0 | 5.4 | 7.4 |
| 2003-2007 | 7.6 | 5.9 | 6.7 | 5.3 | 7.4 |
| 2004-2008 | 7.4 | 5.8 | 6.6 | 5.1 | 7.4 |
| 2005-2009 | 7.2 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 4.9 | 7.3 |
| 2006-2010 | 7.1 | 5.5 | 6.1 | 4.8 | 7.2 |
| 2007-2011 | 6.9 | 5.4 | 5.9 | 4.6 | 7.1 |
| 2008-2012 | 6.8 | 5.4 | 5.7 | 4.6 | 7.3 |
| 2009-2013 | 6.7 | 5.6 | 5.6 | 4.8 | 7.9 |
| 2010-2014 | 6.7 | 5.8 | 5.6 | 4.9 | 8.3 |
| 2011-2015 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 5.5 | 4.9 | 8.6 |
| 2012-2016 | 6.8 | 5.9 | 5.3 | 5.0 | 8.7 |
| 2013-2017 | 6.9 | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.0 | 8.5 |

Note:
U.S. rates are based on NCHS estimate.

Sources: National Center for Health Statistics

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Delaware Health Statistics Center

TABLE B-3. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY RACE OF GROOM AND BRIDE, DELAWARE, 2017

| | | | | | | Race o | f bride | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------|---|-------------|--------------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|------|
| Race of Groom | | on-Hispanic Non-Hispanic Black | | | | | Non-Hispanic Asian/Pacific Islander | | panic Asian/Pacific Non-Hispar | | | Hisp | anic |
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | |
| Non-Hispanic White Non-Hispanic Black | 2,885 150 | 90.1 4.7 | 64 891 | 6.5 90.0 | 5 1 | 18.5 3.7 | 69 13 | 41.8 7.9 | 80 37 | 22.9 10.6 | 45 23 | 13.4 6.8 | |
| Non-Hispanic American Indian Non-Hispanic | 4 | 0.1 | 5 | 0.5 | 20 | 74.1 | 1 | 0.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 0.6 | |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 22 | 0.7 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 75 | 45.5 | 5 | 1.4 | 1 | 0.3 | |
| Non-Hispanic Other | 71 | 2.2 | 19 | 1.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 2.4 | 227 | 64.9 | 6 | 1.8 | |
| Hispanic | 70 | 2.2 | 10 | 1.0 | 1 | 3.7 | 3 | 1.8 | 1 | 0.3 | 260 | 77.2 | |

- Notes:
 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
 2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages in each race of bride.

TABLE B-4. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY PREVIOUS MARITAL STATUS AND RACE OF **BRIDE AND GROOM, DELAWARE, 2017**

| Descriptor Manifest | Race | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|---------|----------|----------------|-------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Previous Marital Status | All R | aces | White No | nHispanic | Black NonHispanic | | | | | | |
| Otatao | Number | Percent | Number | Number Percent | | Percent | | | | | |
| Groom | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Single | 3,443 | 67.9 | 2,120 | 67.3 | 696 | 62.4 | | | | | |
| Widowed | 80 | 1.6 | 63 | 2.0 | 15 | 1.3 | | | | | |
| Divorced | 1,548 | 30.5 | 965 | 30.7 | 404 | 36.2 | | | | | |
| Bride | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Single | 3,501 | 69.0 | 2,151 | 67.2 | 684 | 69.1 | | | | | |
| Widowed | 75 | 1.5 | 52 | 1.6 | 18 | 1.8 | | | | | |
| Divorced | 1,495 | 29.5 | 999 | 31.2 | 288 | 29.1 | | | | | |

Notes:

- 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
 2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages in each race.
 3. "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.

TABLE B-5. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY MARRIAGE ORDER, TYPE OF CEREMONY, AND RACE OF BRIDE AND GROOM, DELAWARE, 2017

| Marriage | Type of | Race | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------|--------|---------|----------|-----------|-------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| Order | Ceremony | All R | aces | White No | nHispanic | Black NonHispanic | | | | | |
| Oldel | Ceremony | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | | | | |
| Groom | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Marriage | Civil | 2,404 | 69.8 | 1,690 | 79.7 | 392 | 56.3 | | | | |
| | Religious | 1,039 | 30.2 | 430 | 20.3 | 304 | 43.7 | | | | |
| Remarriage | Civil | 1,077 | 66.2 | 763 | 74.2 | 233 | 55.6 | | | | |
| | Religious | 551 | 33.8 | 265 | 25.8 | 186 | 44.4 | | | | |
| Bride | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Marriage | Civil | 2,476 | 70.7 | 1,752 | 81.5 | 385 | 56.3 | | | | |
| | Religious | 1,025 | 29.3 | 399 | 18.5 | 299 | 43.7 | | | | |
| Remarriage | Civil | 1,005 | 64.0 | 764 | 72.7 | 147 | 48.0 | | | | |
| | Religious | 565 | 36.0 | 287 | 27.3 | 159 | 52.0 | | | | |

- 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
- Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages in each marriage order category and race.
- 3. "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

TABLE B-6. MEDIAN AND MEAN AGE OF BRIDE AND GROOM BY MARRIAGE ORDER AND RACE, DELAWARE, 2017

| | Race | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|--------|------|----------|------------|--------------------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Marriage Order | All R | aces | Non-Hisp | anic White | Non-Hispanic Black | | | | | | |
| | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | | | | | |
| Groom | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Marriage | 30 | 32 | 29 | 31 | 32 | 34 | | | | | |
| Remarriage | 47 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 48 | 48 | | | | | |
| Bride | | | | | | | | | | | |
| First Marriage | 28 | 30 | 28 | 29 | 31 | 33 | | | | | |
| Remarriage | 44 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | | | | | |

Note

"All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.

TABLE B-7. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY MARRIAGE ORDER, AGE, AND RACE OF BRIDE AND GROOM, DELAWARE, 2017

| ORDER, AG | L, AND | NACE U | LAWARE | ., 2017 | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|
| Marriage Order | Age | All R | aces | | anic White | Non-Hispa | anic Black |
| Marriage Order | Age | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| Groom | | INGITIBEI | 1 CICCIII | Number | 1 CICCIII | IVUITIBEI | 1 CICCIII |
| All Marriages | <20 | 38 | 0.7 | 18 | 0.6 | 6 | 0.5 |
| 7 III Marriagoo | 20-29 | 1,716 | 33.8 | 1,126 | 35.8 | 283 | 25.4 |
| | 30-39 | 1,664 | 32.8 | 1,008 | 32.0 | 347 | 31.1 |
| | 40-49 | 787 | 15.5 | 425 | 13.5 | 242 | 21.7 |
| | 50-64 | 678 | 13.4 | 428 | 13.6 | 200 | 17.9 |
| | 65+ | 188 | 3.7 | 143 | 4.5 | 37 | 3.3 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| First Marriage | <20 | 38 | 1.1 | 18 | 0.0 | 6 | 0.0 |
| First Marriage | | | | | | | |
| | 20-29 | 1,641 1,311 | 47.7 | 1,080 | 50.9 | 268 | 38.5 |
| | 30-39 | | 38.1 | 783 | 36.9 | 273 | 39.2 |
| | 40-49 | 283 | 8.2 | 131 | 6.2 | 98 | 14.1 |
| | 50-64 | 145 | 4.2 | 93 | 4.4 | 42 | 6.0 |
| | 65+ | 25 | 0.7 | 15 | 0.7 | 9 | 1.3 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Remarriage | <20 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 20-29 | 75 | 4.6 | 46 | 4.5 | 15 | 3.6 |
| | 30-39 | 353 | 21.7 | 225 | 21.9 | 74 | 17.7 |
| | 40-49 | 504 | 31.0 | 294 | 28.6 | 144 | 34.4 |
| | 50-64 | 533 | 32.7 | 335 | 32.6 | 158 | 37.7 |
| | 65+ | 163 | 10.0 | 128 | 12.5 | 28 | 6.7 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Bride | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | <20 | 93 | 1.8 | 58 | 1.8 | 11 | 1.1 |
| , marnagee | 20-29 | 2,087 | 41.2 | 1,398 | 43.7 | 303 | 30.6 |
| | 30-39 | 1,544 | 30.4 | 918 | 28.7 | 324 | 32.7 |
| | 40-49 | 688 | 13.6 | 368 | 11.5 | 199 | 20.1 |
| | 50-64 | 541 | 10.7 | 366 | 11.4 | 134 | 13.5 |
| | 65+ | 118 | 2.3 | 94 | 2.9 | 19 | 1.9 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| First Marriage | <20 | 93 | 2.7 | 58 | 2.7 | 11 | 1.6 |
| i not marriago | 20-29 | 1,976 | 56.4 | 1,311 | 60.9 | 291 | 42.5 |
| | 30-39 | 1,057 | 30.2 | 612 | 28.5 | 233 | 34.1 |
| | 40-49 | 229 | 6.5 | 84 | 3.9 | 100 | 14.6 |
| | 50-64 | 127 | 3.6 | 74 | 3.4 | 42 | 6.1 |
| | 65+ | 19 | 0.5 | 12 | 0.6 | 7 | 1.0 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Remarriage | <20 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| i vernaniaye | 20-29 | 111 | 7.1 | 87 | 8.3 | 12 | 3.9 |
| | 30-39 | 487 | 31.0 | 306 | 29.1 | 91 | 3.9 29.7 |
| | 40-49 | 467 459 | 29.2 | 284 | 29.1 27.0 | 99 | 32.4 |
| | 50-64 | 459 414 | 29.2 26.4 | 204 292 | 27.0 27.8 | 99 | 32.4 30.1 |
| | 50-64 65+ | 99 | ∠6.4 6.3 | 292 82 | | 92 12 | 30.1 |
| | | | | | 7.8 | | |
| | Unk | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |

^{1.} Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

^{2.} Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages in each marriage order category and race.

3. "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.

4. "All Marriages" includes unknown number of this marriage.

TABLE B-8. NUMBER OF MARRIAGES BY MARRIAGE ORDER AND AGE OF BRIDE, BY MARRIAGE ORDER, AND BY AGE OF GROOM, DELAWARE, 2017

| Marriage Order | Age of Groom \ | | | | | | Mai | rriage Oı | der of B | ride | | | | | |
|----------------|----------------|-----|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-----|-----------|----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-----|-----|
| of Groom | Age of Bride | | | Fir | st Marria | ge | | | | | R | emarriag | e | | |
| of Gloom | Age of Bride | <20 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Unk | <20 | 20-29 | 30-39 | 40-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Unk |
| | 0.0 | 00 | 4.5 | ٠ | | 0 | | | | | 0 | 0 | | | |
| First Marriage | <20 | 22 | 15 | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20-29 | 66 | 1,328 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 43 | 41 | 10 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| | 30-39 | 1 | 459 | 573 | 33 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 167 | 40 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| | 40-49 | 0 | 18 | 85 | 58 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 35 | 57 | 15 | 1 | 0 |
| | 50-64 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 15 | 44 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 19 | 45 | 2 | 0 |
| | 65+ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Remarriage | <20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20-29 | 2 | 39 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 30-39 | 2 | 75 | 105 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 117 | 26 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| | 40-49 | 0 | 27 | 92 | 68 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 88 | 179 | 37 | 2 | 0 |
| | 50-64 | 0 | 10 | 35 | 35 | 41 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 23 | 120 | 250 | 14 | 0 |
| | 65+ | 0 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 13 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 50 | 74 | 0 |
| | Unk | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

TABLE B-9. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY MONTH OF CEREMONY, DELAWARE, 2017

| Month | Number | Percent |
|-----------|--------|---------|
| January | 241 | 4.8 |
| February | 273 | 5.4 |
| March | 347 | 6.8 |
| April | 432 | 8.5 |
| May | 586 | 11.6 |
| June | 606 | 12.0 |
| July | 504 | 9.9 |
| August | 453 | 8.9 |
| September | 598 | 11.8 |
| October | 585 | 11.5 |
| November | 356 | 7.0 |
| December | 90 | 1.8 |
| Total | 5,071 | 100.0 |

- Notes:

 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

 2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages.

TABLE B-10. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF MARRIAGES BY DAY OF WEEK CEREMONY PERFORMED, DELAWARE, 2017

| Day | Number | Percent | | |
|-----------|--------|---------|--|--|
| Sunday | 342 | 6.7 | | |
| Monday | 264 | 5.2 | | |
| Tuesday | 282 | 5.6 | | |
| Wednesday | 680 | 13.4 | | |
| Thursday | 321 | 6.3 | | |
| Friday | 899 | 17.7 | | |
| Saturday | 2,283 | 45.0 | | |
| Total | 5,071 | 100.0 | | |

- Notes:

 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
 2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of marriages.

TABLE B-11. NUMBER OF DIVORCES/ANNULMENTS* BY PLACE OF DECREE, DELAWARE AND COUNTIES, 2002-2017

| Year | Delaware | Kent | New Castle | Sussex |
|------|----------|------|------------|--------|
| 2002 | 2,792 | 714 | 1,392 | 686 |
| 2003 | 3,178 | 673 | 1,834 | 671 |
| 2004 | 3,108 | 701 | 1,744 | 663 |
| 2005 | 3,250 | 708 | 1,753 | 789 |
| 2006 | 3,239 | 673 | 1,836 | 730 |
| 2007 | 3,215 | 721 | 1,771 | 723 |
| 2008 | 3,057 | 704 | 1,753 | 600 |
| 2009 | 3,169 | 694 | 1,795 | 680 |
| 2010 | 3,152 | 690 | 1,771 | 691 |
| 2011 | 3,230 | 706 | 1,766 | 758 |
| 2012 | 3,239 | 742 | 1,843 | 654 |
| 2013 | 3,133 | 729 | 1,607 | 797 |
| 2014 | 3,047 | 659 | 1,717 | 671 |
| 2015 | 2,954 | 632 | 1,590 | 732 |
| 2016 | 2,932 | 676 | 1,637 | 619 |
| 2017 | 2,851 | 611 | 1,557 | 683 |

*Annulments represent less than 0.3% of the totals.

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics Center

TABLE B-12. FIVE-YEAR AVERAGE DIVORCE/ANNULMENT* RATES PER 1,000 POPULATION BY PLACE OF DECREE BY COUNTY, DELAWARE, 2002-2017

| Years | Delaware | Kent | New Castle | Sussex |
|-----------|----------|------|------------|--------|
| 2002-2006 | 3.7 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 4.1 |
| 2003-2007 | 3.8 | 4.8 | 3.4 | 4.0 |
| 2004-2008 | 3.7 | 4.7 | 3.4 | 3.8 |
| 2005-2009 | 3.7 | 4.6 | 3.4 | 3.8 |
| 2006-2010 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 3.6 |
| 2007-2011 | 3.6 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 3.5 |
| 2008-2012 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 3.3 | 3.4 |
| 2009-2013 | 3.5 | 4.3 | 3.2 | 3.6 |
| 2010-2014 | 3.4 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 3.5 |
| 2011-2015 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 3.1 | 3.5 |
| 2012-2016 | 3.3 | 4.0 | 3.0 | 3.3 |
| 2013-2017 | 3.1 | 3.8 | 2.9 | 3.3 |

Note:

*Annulments represent less than 0.3% of the totals.

TABLE B-13. NUMBER OF DIVORCES/ANNULMENTS* BY RACE OF WIFE AND RACE OF HUSBAND, DELAWARE, 2017

| Race of | Race of Wife | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|--------------|-------|----------|---------|----------|----------|-------|-------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Husband | | | American | | | | Other | Other | Not | | | |
| Husband | White | Black | Indian | Chinese | Hawaiian | Filipino | Asian | Race | Classifiable | | | |
| White | 1,590 | 35 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 15 | 39 | 18 | | | |
| Black | 99 | 666 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 23 | 11 | | | |
| American Indian | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | |
| Chinease | 0 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | |
| Hawaiian | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | | | |
| Filipino | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| Other Asian | 5 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| Other Race | 62 | 20 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 110 | 4 | | | |
| Not Classifiable | 9 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 31 | | | |

Source: Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, Delaware Health Statistics

TABLE B 14. MEAN AND MEDIAN AGE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AT TIME OF DIVORCE DECREE BY NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE, DELAWARE, 2017

| Number of Marriage | All R | aces | Non-Hispa | anic White | Non-Hispanic Black | | |
|--------------------|--------|------|-----------|------------|--------------------|------|--|
| Number of Marriage | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Husband | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | 44 | 44 | 42 | 43 | 42 | 43 | |
| First Marriage | 40 | 41 | 39 | 40 | 39 | 40 | |
| Second Marriage | 49 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 47 | 48 | |
| Third Marriage+ | 55 | 55 | 52 | 53 | 52 | 51 | |
| Not Stated | 47 | 47 | 44 | 48 | 52 | 50 | |
| Wife | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | 41 | 42 | 40 | 41 | 41 | 41 | |
| First Marriage | 38 | 39 | 37 | 38 | 37 | 39 | |
| Second Marriage | 47 | 47 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 47 | |
| Third Marriage+ | 51 | 51 | 51 | 51 | 50 | 48 | |
| Not Stated | 44 | 44 | 46 | 46 | 43 | 41 | |

Notes:

- See Definitions Section for explanation of the mean and median.
 "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.
- 3. "All Marriages" includes unknown number of this marriage.

^{*}Annulments represent less than 0.3% of the totals.

TABLE B-15. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF DIVORCES/ANNULMENTS* BY MARRIAGE ORDER, AGE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AT TIME OF DIVORCE DECREE AND RACE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE, DELAWARE, 2017

| Husbar | | | | | | | • | Wife's Race | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|---------|----------|------------|----------|------------|
| Marriage Order | Age | All R | laces | Non-Hispa | anic White | Non-Hispa | anic Black | All R | aces | Non-Hisp | anic White | Non-Hisp | anic Black |
| - | | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | <20 | 1 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.3 |
| | 20-29 | 275 | 9.6 | 124 | 12.2 | 41 | 9.6 | 382 | 13.4 | 175 | 16.9 | 43 | 11.3 |
| | 30-39 | 775 | 27.2 | 291 | 28.7 | 129 | 30.2 | 863 | 30.3 | 333 | 32.2 | 133 | 34.9 |
| | 40-49 | 896 | 31.4 | 306 | 30.2 | 145 | 34.0 | 819 | 28.7 | 277 | 26.8 | 109 | 28.6 |
| | 50-64 | 718 | 25.2 | 226 | 22.3 | 96 | 22.5 | 628 | 22.0 | 200 | 19.3 | 82 | 21.5 |
| | 65+ | 158 | 5.5 | 65 | 6.4 | 11 | 2.6 | 96 | 3.4 | 39 | 3.8 | 6 | 1.6 |
| | Unk | 28 | 1.0 | 1 | 0.1 | 5 | 1.2 | 59 | 2.1 | 10 | 1.0 | 7 | 1.8 |
| First Marriage | <20 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 4 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.4 |
| | 20-29 | 259 | 13.5 | 122 | 17.2 | 37 | 12.9 | 345 | 18.4 | 163 | 22.6 | 38 | 15.0 |
| | 30-39 | 644 | 33.7 | 240 | 33.8 | 110 | 38.3 | 666 | 35.5 | 267 | 37.0 | 110 | 43.3 |
| | 40-49 | 590 | 30.9 | 213 | 30.0 | 90 | 31.4 | 502 | 26.8 | 174 | 24.1 | 65 | 25.6 |
| | 50-64 | 352 | 18.4 | 112 | 15.8 | 45 | 15.7 | 286 | 15.3 | 96 | 13.3 | 32 | 12.6 |
| | 65+ | 50 | 2.6 | 22 | 3.1 | 3 | 1.0 | 36 | 1.9 | 17 | 2.4 | 3 | 1.2 |
| | Unk | 16 | 0.8 | 1 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.7 | 35 | 1.9 | 4 | 0.6 | 5 | 2.0 |
| Second Marriage | <20 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 20-29 | 8 | 1.3 | 2 | 0.9 | 3 | 3.0 | 17 | 2.8 | 10 | 4.3 | 1 | 1.1 |
| | 30-39 | 94 | 14.9 | 42 | 18.3 | 17 | 17.0 | 119 | 19.8 | 51 | 22.1 | 16 | 18.4 |
| | 40-49 | 225 | 35.8 | 69 | 30.0 | 44 | 44.0 | 218 | 36.3 | 86 | 37.2 | 31 | 35.6 |
| | 50-64 | 234 | 37.2 | 92 | 40.0 | 30 | 30.0 | 198 | 33.0 | 65 | 28.1 | 35 | 40.2 |
| | 65+ | 67 | 10.7 | 25 | 10.9 | 6 | 6.0 | 40 | 6.7 | 16 | 6.9 | 3 | 3.4 |
| | Unk | 1 | 0.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 8 | 1.3 | 3 | 1.3 | 1 | 1.1 |
| Third Marriage and more | <20 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 20-29 | 1 | 0.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 3.1 | 2 | 1.1 | 1 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 30-39 | 12 | 6.7 | 7 | 10.9 | 2 | 6.3 | 26 | 14.1 | 12 | 17.6 | 4 | 16.7 |
| | 40-49 | 41 | 22.8 | 21 | 32.8 | 9 | 28.1 | 52 | 28.1 | 14 | 20.6 | 8 | 33.3 |
| | 50-64 | 92 | 51.1 | 19 | 29.7 | 18 | 56.3 | 87 | 47.0 | 34 | 50.0 | 12 | 50.0 |
| | 65+ | 33 | 18.3 | 17 | 26.6 | 2 | 6.3 | 15 | 8.1 | 6 | 8.8 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Unk | 1 | 0.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 1.6 | 1 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Not Stated | <20 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 20-29 | 7 | 5.4 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 18 | 9.4 | 1 | 7.1 | 4 | 25.0 |
| | 30-39 | 25 | 19.2 | 2 | 22.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 27.1 | 3 | 21.4 | 3 | 18.8 |
| | 40-49 | 40 | 30.8 | 3 | 33.3 | 2 | 25.0 | 47 | 24.5 | 3 | 21.4 | 5 | 31.3 |
| | 50-64 | 40 | 30.8 | 3 | 33.3 | 3 | 37.5 | 57 | 29.7 | 5 | 35.7 | 3 | 18.8 |
| | 65+ | 8 | 6.2 | 1 | 11.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 2.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Unk | 10 | 7.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 37.5 | 13 | 6.8 | 2 | 14.3 | 1 | 6.3 |

- 1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.
- 2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of divorces in each marriage order category and race.
- 3. "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.
- 4. "All Marriages" includes unknown number of this marriage.

TABLE B-16. MEDIAN AND MEAN DURATION OF MARRIAGE IN YEARS AT TIME OF DIVORCE DECREE BY NUMBER OF THIS MARRIAGE AND RACE OF HUSBAND AND **WIFE, DELAWARE, 2017**

| ,,,, | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|--------|------|-----------|------------|--------------------|------|--|
| Number of | All R | aces | Non-Hispa | anic White | Non-Hispanic Black | | |
| Marriage | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | Median | Mean | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Husband | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | 9.5 | 12.0 | 9.5 | 12.4 | 7.6 | 9.4 | |
| First Marriage | 10.2 | 12.8 | 9.8 | 12.9 | 7.9 | 10.0 | |
| Second Marriage | 9.0 | 10.8 | 10.1 | 11.7 | 7.0 | 8.5 | |
| Third Marriage+ | 6.9 | 8.7 | 7.4 | 8.8 | 5.7 | 6.8 | |
| Not Stated | 9.5 | 11.4 | 9.5 | 10.7 | 9.8 | 10.9 | |
| Wife | | | | | | | |
| All Marriages | 9.5 | 12.0 | 9.5 | 12.3 | 7.5 | 9.6 | |
| First Marriage | 10.6 | 12.9 | 10.1 | 13.1 | 8.5 | 10.5 | |
| Second Marriage | 8.2 | 11.0 | 8.4 | 11.0 | 6.0 | 8.6 | |
| Third Marriage+ | 6.0 | 8.1 | 7.7 | 9.0 | 4.5 | 4.6 | |
| Not Stated | 8.6 | 10.5 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 6.4 | 8.9 | |

- See Definitions Section for explanation of the mean and median.
 "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.
 "All Marriages" includes unknown number of this marriage.

TABLE B-17. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF DIVORCES/ANNULMENTS* BY MARRIAGE ORDER, DURATION OF THIS MARRIAGE. AND RACE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE. DELAWARE. 2017

| MARRIAGE, A | Duration of | | | | d's Race | | | | Wife's Race | | | | |
|-----------------|-------------|--------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|--------|-------------|--------|---------|-----------|------------|
| Marriage Order | this | All R | aces | Non-Hispa | anic White | Non-Hispa | anic Black | All R | aces | | | Non-Hispa | anic Black |
| | Marriage | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent |
| All Marriages | <1 | 75 | 2.6 | 19 | 1.9 | 16 | 3.7 | 75 | 2.6 | 20 | 1.9 | 13 | 3.4 |
| All Ivialliages | 1-4 | 676 | 23.7 | 253 | 25.0 | 114 | 26.7 | 676 | 23.7 | 264 | 25.5 | 106 | 27.8 |
| | 5-9 | 703 | 24.7 | 247 | 24.4 | 134 | 31.4 | 703 | 24.7 | 250 | 24.2 | 111 | 29.1 |
| | 10-14 | 481 | 16.9 | 164 | 16.2 | 73 | 17.1 | 481 | 16.9 | 165 | 15.9 | 66 | 17.3 |
| | 15-19 | 352 | 12.3 | 132 | 13.0 | 48 | 11.2 | 352 | 12.3 | 135 | 13.0 | 44 | 11.5 |
| | 20-24 | 233 | 8.2 | 82 | 8.1 | 20 | 4.7 | 233 | 8.2 | 82 | 7.9 | 22 | 5.8 |
| | 25-29 | 122 | 4.3 | 48 | 4.7 | 7 | 1.6 | 122 | 4.3 | 49 | 4.7 | 6 | 1.6 |
| | 30+ | 161 | 5.6 | 64 | 6.3 | 7 | 1.6 | 161 | 5.6 | 64 | 6.2 | 7 | 1.8 |
| | Not Stated | 48 | 1.7 | 5 | 0.5 | 8 | 1.9 | 48 | 1.7 | 6 | 0.2 | 6 | 1.6 |
| First Marriage | <1 | 41 | 2.1 | 11 | 1.5 | 11 | 3.8 | 39 | 2.1 | 12 | 1.7 | 9 | 3.5 |
| i iist marriage | 1-4 | 415 | 21.7 | 174 | 24.5 | 64 | 22.3 | 401 | 21.4 | 171 | 23.7 | 58 | 22.8 |
| | 5-9 | 477 | 24.9 | 172 | 24.2 | 95 | 33.1 | 441 | 23.5 | 172 | 23.8 | 74 | 29.1 |
| | 10-14 | 306 | 16.0 | 104 | 14.6 | 48 | 16.7 | 330 | 17.6 | 115 | 15.9 | 48 | 18.9 |
| | 15-19 | 257 | 13.4 | 96 | 13.5 | 36 | 12.5 | 252 | 13.4 | 95 | 13.2 | 36 | 14.2 |
| | 20-24 | 167 | 8.7 | 63 | 8.9 | 17 | 5.9 | 164 | 8.8 | 56 | 7.8 | 15 | 5.9 |
| | 25-29 | 89 | 4.7 | 33 | 4.6 | 7 | 2.4 | 92 | 4.9 | 42 | 5.8 | 5 | 2.0 |
| | 30+ | 133 | 7.0 | 55 | 7.7 | 5 | 1.7 | 129 | 6.9 | 55 | 7.6 | 6 | 2.4 |
| | Not Stated | 27 | 1.4 | 3 | 0.4 | 4 | 1.4 | 26 | 1.4 | 4 | 0.6 | 3 | 1.2 |
| Second Marriage | <1 | 21 | 3.3 | 5 | 2.2 | 4 | 4.0 | 18 | 3.0 | 6 | 2.6 | 1 | 1.1 |
| eccona mamage | 1-4 | 164 | 26.1 | 57 | 24.8 | 34 | 34.0 | 160 | 26.7 | 65 | 28.1 | 34 | 39.1 |
| | 5-9 | 150 | 23.8 | 52 | 22.6 | 28 | 28.0 | 153 | 25.5 | 58 | 25.1 | 22 | 25.3 |
| | 10-14 | 135 | 21.5 | 48 | 20.9 | 21 | 21.0 | 98 | 16.3 | 35 | 15.2 | 16 | 18.4 |
| | 15-19 | 63 | 10.0 | 29 | 12.6 | 7 | 7.0 | 65 | 10.8 | 28 | 12.1 | 6 | 6.9 |
| | 20-24 | 41 | 6.5 | 16 | 7.0 | 3 | 3.0 | 48 | 8.0 | 23 | 10.0 | 6 | 6.9 |
| | 25-29 | 25 | 4.0 | 13 | 5.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 21 | 3.5 | 6 | 2.6 | 1 | 1.1 |
| | 30+ | 22 | 3.5 | 8 | 3.5 | 2 | 2.0 | 24 | 4.0 | 8 | 3.5 | 1 | 1.1 |
| | Not Stated | 8 | 1.3 | 2 | 0.9 | 1 | 1.0 | 13 | 2.2 | 2 | 0.9 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Third Marriage | <1 | 9 | 5.0 | 3 | 4.7 | 1 | 3.1 | 12 | 6.5 | 2 | 2.9 | 3 | 12.5 |
| and more | 1-4 | 63 | 35.0 | 19 | 29.7 | 14 | 43.8 | 67 | 36.2 | 24 | 35.3 | 11 | 45.8 |
| | 5-9 | 51 | 28.3 | 21 | 32.8 | 10 | 31.3 | 52 | 28.1 | 17 | 25.0 | 8 | 33.3 |
| | 10-14 | 25 | 13.9 | 11 | 17.2 | 4 | 12.5 | 27 | 14.6 | 12 | 17.6 | 1 | 4.2 |
| | 15-19 | 14 | 7.8 | 5 | 7.8 | 3 | 9.4 | 12 | 6.5 | 8 | 11.8 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 20-24 | 13 | 7.2 | 3 | 4.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 7 | 3.8 | 3 | 4.4 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 25-29 | 2 | 1.1 | 1 | 1.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 1.6 | 1 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 30+ | 3 | 1.7 | 1 | 1.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 1.6 | 1 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Not Stated | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 1.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 4.2 |
| Not Stated | <1 | 4 | 3.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 6 | 3.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 1-4 | 34 | 26.2 | 3 | 33.3 | 2 | 25.0 | 48 | 25.9 | 4 | 28.6 | 3 | 18.8 |
| | 5-9 | 25 | 19.2 | 2 | 22.2 | 1 | 12.5 | 57 | 30.8 | 3 | 21.4 | 7 | 43.8 |
| | 10-14 | 15 | 11.5 | 1 | 11.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 26 | 14.1 | 3 | 21.4 | 1 | 6.3 |
| | 15-19 | 18 | 13.8 | 2 | 22.2 | 2 | 25.0 | 23 | 12.4 | 4 | 28.6 | 2 | 12.5 |
| | 20-24 | 12 | 9.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 14 | 7.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 6.3 |
| | 25-29 | 6 | 4.6 | 1 | 11.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 6 | 3.2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | 30+ | 3 | 2.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 2.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| | Not Stated | 13 | 10.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 3 | 37.5 | 7 | 3.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 12.5 |

^{1.} Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

^{2.} Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of divorces in each marriage order category and race.

^{3. &}quot;All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.

^{4. &}quot;All Marriages" includes unknown number of this marriage.

TABLE B-18. NUMBER AND PERCENT OF DIVORCES BY RACE OF HUSBAND AND WIFE AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN UNDER 18, DELAWARE, 2017

| | | Race | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------|----------|---------|--|--|
| Number of Children Under 18 | All Ra | aces | Non-Hispanic White | | Non-Hi Bla | | Non-Hi Oth | | HISPANIC | | | |
| | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | Number | Percent | | |
| Husband | 2,851 | 100.0 | 1,014 | 100.0 | 427 | 100.0 | 75 | 100.0 | 1,335 | 100.0 | | |
| None | 1,358 | 47.6 | 469 | 46.3 | 212 | 49.6 | 46 | 61.3 | 631 | 47.3 | | |
| 1 | 432 | 15.2 | 174 | 17.2 | 62 | 14.5 | 11 | 14.7 | | 13.9 | | |
| 2 | 388 | 13.6 | 164 | 16.2 | 57 | 13.3 | 7 | 9.3 | 160 | 12.0 | | |
| 3 | 130 | 4.6 | 55 | 5.4 | 25 | 5.9 | 0 | 0.0 | 50 | 3.7 | | |
| 4 | 28 | 1.0 | 6 | 0.6 | 10 | 2.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 12 | 0.9 | | |
| 5+ | 15 | 0.5 | 8 | 0.8 | 4 | 0.9 | 1 | 1.3 | 2 | 0.1 | | |
| Unknown | 500 | 17.5 | 138 | 13.6 | 57 | 13.3 | 10 | 13.3 | 295 | 22.1 | | |
| Wife | 2,851 | 100.0 | 1,035 | 100.0 | 381 | 100.0 | 75 | 100.0 | 1,360 | 100.0 | | |
| None | 1,358 | 47.6 | 473 | 45.7 | 198 | 52.0 | 44 | 58.7 | 643 | 47.3 | | |
| 1 | 432 | 15.2 | 181 | 17.5 | 47 | 12.3 | 16 | 21.3 | 188 | 13.8 | | |
| 2 | 388 | 13.6 | 172 | 16.6 | 42 | 11.0 | 8 | 10.7 | 166 | 12.2 | | |
| 3 | 130 | 4.6 | 53 | 5.1 | 24 | 6.3 | 1 | 1.3 | 52 | 3.8 | | |
| 4 | 28 | 1.0 | 6 | 0.6 | 9 | 2.4 | 2 | 2.7 | 11 | 0.8 | | |
| 5+ | 15 | 0.5 | 7 | 0.7 | 3 | 0.8 | 1 | 1.3 | 4 | 0.3 | | |
| Unknown | 500 | 17.5 | 143 | 13.8 | 58 | 15.2 | 3 | 4.0 | 296 | 21.8 | | |

Notes:1. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.2. Percentages are calculated based upon the total number of divorces in each race category.
3. "All Races" includes "Other" and "Unknown" race categories.