

Marriage and Divorce Statistics

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There will always be the question of the number of marriages versus divorce in the western world. There are many researchers who have sought out to explain this question. From my research, the best one that I could find defines it by race, age, and educational attainment. Would it be accurate to say that most marriages that stay together are divorce are dependent on these three elements?

The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979 says that race has a part to do with it. When it is compared between white and blacks, blacks married later than that of the white race. It farther shows that college graduates black or white and noncollege graduates married at the same rate but college graduates married later in life. Those that had a college education was more likely to stay married or less likely to divorce than those with less education.

When it comes down to age that from the age of 15-46 regardless of age it usually ended in divorce. This was also based on the education status of the marriage. This also changed the age at which the person would marry. Men and woman would marry at a later age if they were college educated around the age of 26 for a woman and 27 for men. Each one includes education as well, so is it safe to say that this an accurate study? From what these numbers say and the long study it says that this is an accurate result. I think it takes more than a study to show the reason

for divorce because there are more answers that could be added to this study than age, race, and education.

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