

About the FLHealthCHARTS.gov Marriage Dissolution Query System

The Marriage Dissolution Query System provides counts and rates of dissolutions from 1989 to the present. Provisional data is updated every morning at approximately 5:00 a.m. In this system, if there are no values for the variable selected, then no data will be displayed. Where row, column and filter variables appear to be duplicated, they actually reflect data from each of the spouse fields on the record. The data within this query system is sourced from the Florida Department of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics.

To present data consistent with Florida legislation and current certificates of marriage and dissolution of marriage, the term spouse is used rather than bride and groom/wife and husband. Each of the spouse fields represents a different partner in the marriage or dissolution. However, neither field is exclusively designated to the husband or wife.

Pivot Table Field List for Modifying and Creating Reports

Measures	Availability	Description
<i>Note: Expand the measures symbol (Σ) to view the options in the online system.</i>		
Number of Dissolutions	Count	The number of dissolutions of marriage
Dissolution Rate	Rate	The rate of dissolution of marriage

Row, Column, and Filter Variables	Availability	Description
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Date of Dissolution	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Month and year of dissolution. Data can be viewed using the standard report called "Dissolution by Month of Dissolution by County Issuing Dissolution".
Number of Minor Children	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Number of minor children: No children, 1 child, 2 children, 3 children, 4 children, 5 children, 6 children, 7 children, 8 or more children, and Unknown.
County Issuing Dissolution	Counts and Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Florida county issuing dissolution. All Florida counties are available for selection.
Duration of Marriage	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duration of marriage: <1 year, 1 year, 2 years, 3 years, 4 years, 5-9 years, 10-14 years, 15-19 years, 20-24 years, 25-29 years, 30-34 years, 35-39 years, 40+ years, and Unknown.
Spouse FL Resident Status	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spouse's Florida state resident status: Florida Resident, Non-Florida Resident, and Unknown. Available for 1989 forward.
Spouse FL Resident Status	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This refers to the other spouse's Florida state resident status: Florida Resident, Non-Florida Resident, and Unknown. Available for 1989 forward.
Type of Dissolution	Counts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of dissolution: Annulment, Divorce, and Other.
Year	Counts and Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year of dissolution, 1989 forward.

Changes and Updates

October 2024: Reviewed for accuracy and completeness. No substantive changes made.
December 2022: Updated to clarify 'spouse' terminology within the data dictionary.
June 2021: Updated in accordance with 'spouse' terminology.