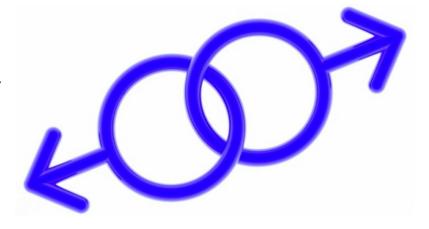




## Pseudo-science Behind the 10 Percent Myth

The absurd assertion that one tenth of the human population of this planet is "gay" owes its genesis to the corrupt pseudoscience of biologist-sexologist Alfred Kinsey. However, although his "research" is regularly cited as gospel in the matter, it is important to understand that even Kinsey never said that 10 percent of the population is homosexual. What he did say, among other things, in his *Sexual Behavior in the Human Male* (1948), is that 10 percent of adult white males had been predominantly homosexual for a period of three years. And he had stacked the deck to arrive even at that figure.



How? By selecting as high as 25 percent of his survey subjects from the prison population, even though his associates warned him that inmates are notorious for engaging in homosexual behavior at a rate much higher than the general male population. In addition, Kinsey tilted his findings even more, according to admissions by Kinsey associate Wardell Pomeroy, by giving inmates rewards — candy, soft drinks, tobacco — when they "admitted" to homosexual behavior, and withholding rewards when they balked at providing the answers he desired. But he went even further, conducting some of his survey in homosexual bars and rooming houses, guaranteeing a disproportionate representation of deviates.

Numerous studies over the past three decades have repeatedly shown that homosexuals probably account for less than two percent of the total adult population. The following are a few of the significant surveys and their results:

- 1970. In a nationwide random survey of 3,018 adults by Klassen, Williams and Levitt, 2.4 percent of males and 1.8 percent of females reported having homosexual relations "fairly often."
- **1984**. In a study of 2,787 13 to 18-year-old inner city youths at sex clinics in 10 cities by Stiffman and Earls, 3.1 percent of males and 0.5 percent of females reported engaging in some homosexual activity over the past year.
- **1988**. In a study of 1,481 U.S. adults by Michael, Laumann, Gagnon and Smith reported that 2.7 percent of males and 0.1 percent of females had engaged in homosexual acts in the previous year.
- 1989. In a study of U.S. adults conducted by the University of Chicago's National Opinion Research Center (NORC), only 1.2 percent reported any homosexual partners in the past year.
- **1991**. In the federal government's *National Household Seroprevalence Survey*, which reached 119,347 adults the largest sampling ever only three percent of males reported engaging in homosexual activity.
- 1994. In a nationwide study of 3,432 adults by NORC, 2.8 percent of men and 1.4 percent of women identified themselves as homosexual or bisexual

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