

Census Bureau Certification **Unmarried Majority District**



Presentation by AASP for National Singles Week (September 16 - 22, 2001)

As a part of our activities commemorating National Singles Week, leaders of the American Association for Single People are in Washington, D.C. to present certificates to 135 members of Congress -- 12 Senators and 123 Representatives. These document certificates the fact that unmarried households are the dominant form of living arrangement in the areas represented by these legislators.

The 2000 Census shows that 51.7 percent of the nation's households contain a married couple, with the other 48.3 percent being headed by unmarried adults. It is likely that before the next Census is taken the majority of the nation's households will fall into the unmarried category.

AASP is a nonprofit and nonpartisan association dedicated to promoting the well being and human rights of unmarried individuals, couples, parents, and families. We strive to achieve fairness in the workplace, marketplace, and in government programs for all unmarried adults, whether they live alone, have a roommate or domestic partner, are single parents, or live with other relatives.

National Singles Week is an excellent time for these certificates to be presented to these "unmarried majority" members of Congress. Each of these elected officials should display the certificate in appropriate place so that it serves as a reminder of the diversity constituencies they represent.

We trust that each of these members of the House and Senate will reach out to the unmarried majority in their district or state unmarried America.com and will do their best to represent them in an effective manner.

Congressional District 5 **Tennessee**



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March 2000: Census Certification for Congressional Districts

The United States Census Bureau has certified results from the 2000 Census for various geographical areas, including each congressional district.

According to data tables from the 2000 Census (Table DP-1, Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000). there are 123 congressional districts in which a majority of households are headed by unmarried adults.

Congressman Bob Clement represents "unmarried one of these majority" districts.

The marital status profile for households in this district and data showing other relevant household characteristics appear in the table below.

Households by Marital Status	Number	Percent
total households	250,719	100.0%
headed by unmarried adults	147,699	58.9%
headed by married couples	103,020	41.1%

Other household data

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adults living alone	81,449	32.5%
married couples with children	43,076	17.2%
unmarried partners	12,899	5.1%
total households with children	77,114	30.8%