

Activity A

The goal of this activity is to explore cross-cultural attitudes toward homosexuality. This activity is based on the World Values Survey (WVS) which has data from representative samples in countries across the world. The survey questions cover a variety of social issues.

Instructions

1. Table 1 (below) has a list of countries that are included in one of the more recent waves of the survey.
 - a. As a group, look at Table 1 and choose one of the Waves (survey years) to explore.
 - b. Choose three countries that you believe will be least accepting and three countries you predict will be most accepting of homosexuality. Explain why you chose those countries. (Do this before you look at the data.)
 - c. Table 2 (below) shows the four questions from the WVS that address attitudes toward homosexuality and the variable number for those questions for each wave. Choose the question your group wants to explore.
2. **Go to the Online Analysis Tool** (<http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org/WVSONline.jsp>).

Note this tool is organized by tabs; by clicking on the tabs in order from left to right, you can get the data you need to test your hypothesis.

- a. In Tab 1, select the Wave you decided to examine.
 - b. In Tab 2, select all six countries (3 most positive and 3 most negative) you decided to include by checking the boxes before each country's name. Country names are listed alphabetically, reading horizontally.
 - c. In Tab 3, enter the variable number that matches the question you decided to explore (see Table 2). You can enter the variable in the provided box or you can scroll down to variable and click on the variable number. This will give you the responses for your countries on your variable. Compare the actual answers to your predicted answers.
3. Optional: The Maps Tab has an interactive map that shows responses for the chosen variable for all countries in the wave you chose. For example, for the "neighbors" variable, a list on the right side of the page shows the percentage of people by country (listed alphabetically) that mentioned homosexuality in the "would not want as" group. Also on the Maps Tab, you can select responses for only one continent by clicking the outline of the continent on the top of the map.
 - a. Use this interactive tool to find the three countries that are actually least and the three countries that are actually most accepting of homosexuality.
 - b. What surprised you about the results?
 - c. What country level factors (e.g., religion, developing or developed country) might correlate with the results?



Table 1
Selected Country Inclusion by World Region and Wave Number

World Region	Wave				
	Wave 3 1995-1998	Wave 4 1999-2004	Wave 5 2005-2009	Wave 6 2010-2014	Wave 7 2017-2020
Africa	Nigeria South Africa	Morocco Tanzania Zimbabwe	Ethiopia South Mali South Africa	Ghana South Africa Tunisia	Nigeria Zimbabwe Egypt
Asia	China Philippines Turkey	Bangladesh Jordan South Korea	Hong Kong Iran Malaysia	Azerbaijan Pakistan Singapore	Iraq Kazakhstan Macau SAR Myanmar
Eastern Europe	Albania Bulgaria Czech Republic	Bosnia and Herzegovina Montenegro Serbia	Hungary Poland Russian Federation	Belarus Estonia Romania	Albania Belarus Bulgaria Czech Republic
North America	El Salvador Mexico United States	Canada Mexico United States	Guatemala Mexico Trinidad and Tribago	Mexico Trinidad and Tribago United States	United States Mexico Guatemala
Oceania	Australia New Zealand	-	Australia New Zealand	Australia New Zealand	Australia New Zealand
South America	Argentina Chile Venezuela	Argentina Peru Venezuela	Argentina Brazil Chile	Argentina Chile Peru	Ecuador Peru Bolivia
Western Europe	Norway Spain Sweden Switzerland	Spain Sweden	Andorra France Italy United Kingdom	Germany Netherlands Spain	Andorra Finland Germany Austria



Table 2**Variable Numbers for Questions Assessing Attitudes Toward Homosexuality by Wave**

Question	Wave 3: 1995-1998	Wave 4: 1999-2004	Wave 5: 2005-2009	Wave 6: 2010-2014	Wave 7: 2017-2020
Mentioned would not like to have as neighbors (negative attitude)	V60	V76	V38	V40	Q22
Homosexual couples are as good parents as other couples	-	-	-	-	Q36
A homosexual man is not a "real man"	-	-	-	-	H349
Think homosexuality can always be justified (10), never be justified (1) or something in between	V197	V208	V202	V203	Q182

