Sexual Orientation Among Medicare Beneficiaries Living in the Community

This infographic shows percentages of survey-reported sexual orientation, overall and by age, among Medicare beneficiaries living in the community in 2023

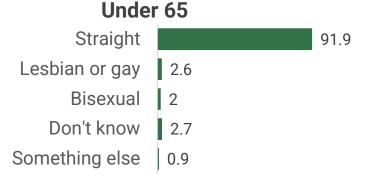


1.6% Lesbian or gay

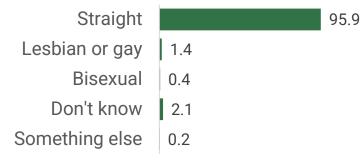
0.6% Bisexual

2.1% Don't know

0.3% Something else



65 and Over



SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey, Preliminary Data from the 2023 Survey File.

This infographic presents preliminary estimates for beneficiaries who were enrolled in Medicare at any point in 2023 and were still alive, living in the community, and eligible and enrolled in Medicare at the time of their Fall 2023 interview. These preliminary estimates are produced prior to final data editing and final weighting to provide early access to the most recent information from the MCBS. The preliminary data will undergo final processing and be released with the forthcoming 2023 Survey File. The preliminary dataset includes 11,419 beneficiaries (weighted N = 58,432,046). Sexual orientation is only asked of beneficiary respondents (i.e., not proxy respondents). "Beneficiaries living in the community" refers to beneficiaries who live in their own residence or with family or friends (i.e., not in a long-term care facility such as a nursing home). Responses of "Refused" (<1%) are excluded from preliminary estimates. Percentages may not sum to 100% due to rounding.



