Here are the full results from the recent Bermuda public opinion research conducted in late August 2020 (as well as contrasting findings from a similar poll conducted in 2016); here are some highlights.

- 92% believe that gays and lesbians deserved human rights protection (vs. 73% in 2016).
- 95% believe that gays and lesbians deserved civil rights protection (vs. 68% in 2016).
- 53% are in favor of same-sex marriage in Bermuda (vs. 36% in 2016).
- 72% believe that a church should be allowed to perform a wedding between two consenting adults (vs. 54% in 2016).
- 75% oppose the Bermuda Government spending more money on litigation to ban same-sex marriage; 15% supported it.
- 3% stated that they had been negatively affected by same-sex couples being able to marry, adopt or live together over the past three years.

**Methodology:**
Global Research utilized Computer Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) to interview 520 Bermuda residents aged 18 years and older (including 450 registered Bermuda voters). These telephone interviews were conducted between August 20th – August 27th 2020, and the results were weighted to be representative of Bermuda’s population based on age, race and gender. The survey’s margin of error for the study is +/- 4.3%. Reported percentages and summary values may not sum to 100% due to rounding. Where possible, the results obtained are compared to a similar demographically weighted survey conducted in 2016 with 400 registered voters in Bermuda.

**About OUTBermuda:** OUTBermuda is a registered charity (#973), which promotes and supports the wellbeing, health, dignity, security, safety and protection of the LGBTQ community in Bermuda. Its website is [www.OUTBermuda.org](http://www.OUTBermuda.org). Through its mission, OUTBermuda helps advance human rights, and the promotion of equality and diversity relating to the LGBTQ community in Bermuda.

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Should the Bermuda Government spend more money on litigation to ban same-sex marriage? (August 2020)

- Yes: 75%
- No: 15%

Have you been negatively affected by same-sex couples being able to marry, adopt or live together over the past three years? (August 2020)

- Yes: 3%
- No: 97%
Support for Same-Sex Marriage in Bermuda in Comparison to Other Jurisdictions (August 2020)

The acceptance of same-sex marriage still significantly lags other jurisdictions.

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Awareness of LGBTQI resources and OUTBermuda

- Aware of helping agencies trained in supporting the emotional health of the LGBTQI population in Bermuda: 11%
- Those who would refer someone to a helping agency trained to support Bermuda’s LGBTQI population: 86%
- Heard of OUTBermuda: 43%
Do you know what transgender means? (August 2020)

- Yes: 95%
- No: 3%
- Don't know/Not sure: 2%

Do you have any friends who are transgender? (August 2020)

- Yes: 73%
- No: 20%
- Don't know/Not sure: 7%

Has a co-worker ever told you that they are transgender? (August 2020)

- Yes: 3%
- No: 96%
- Don't know/Not sure: 1%
Do you think gay and lesbian Bermudians deserve human rights protection (i.e. the right to life and liberty, freedom from slavery and torture, freedom of opinion and expression, the right to work)? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- Yes: 92% (2016), 73% (2020)
- No: 22% (2016), 3% (2020)
- Don't know/Not sure: 5% (2016), 5% (2020)

Do you think gay and lesbian Bermudians deserve civil rights (i.e. the right to vote, the right to a fair trial, the right to government services, the right to a public education, and the right to use public facilities)? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- Yes: 95% (2016), 68% (2020)
- No: 26% (2016), 2% (2020)
- Don't know/Not sure: 6% (2016), 3% (2020)
Are you in favour of same-sex marriage in Bermuda? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- Yes: 36% (2016), 53% (2020)
- No: 58% (2016), 35% (2020)
- Don't know/Not sure: 6% (2016), 11% (2020)

Why are you not in favour of same-sex marriage in Bermuda? (August 2020)

- Religious beliefs / Bible: 41%
- Marriage is between a man and a woman: 26%
- Do not believe in it / My preference: 8%
- It is not natural: 7%
- Personal views / beliefs: 5%
- They are unable to procreate: 4%
- It has negative effects on family values / children: 4%
- It is immoral / wrong: 2%
- Do not believe marriage is a human right: 1%
- Mother nature: 1%
- Tradition / Culture: 1%
Are you aware that same-sex couples have lawfully been allowed to marry in Bermuda and have been granted marriage licenses since 2017? (August 2020)

The Bermuda Government has lost three legal cases in a row to stop gay and lesbian people from getting married in Bermuda. In February, the final case is going to the Privy Council. Do you think the Government should be pursuing/spending any more money on
Have you personally been negatively affected by same-sex couples being able to be married, adopt, or live together over the past three years? (August 2020)

Yes: 95%
No: 2%
Don't know/Not sure: 3%

If yes: How have you been negatively affected? (August 2020)

- Public displays of affection / Uncomfortable to witness: 67%
- Learning about a gay family member ruined my relationship with them: 25%
- Having to explain it to my kids when they see it is difficult: 8%
If a church wants to perform a wedding for two consenting adults, should it be allowed to do so? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- **Yes**: 2016: 54%, 2020: 72%
- **No**: 2016: 29%, 2020: 18%
- **Don't know/Not sure**: 2016: 17%, 2020: 10%

Do you think that Bermudians are more accepting or less accepting of gay and lesbian people today, than they were five years ago? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- **More Accepting**: 2016: 59%, 2020: 59%
- **Less Accepting**: 2016: 12%, 2020: 8%
- **Same**: 2016: 26%, 2020: 25%
- **Don't Know / Not Sure**: 2016: 2%, 2020: 8%
Are you personally more accepting or less accepting of gay and lesbian people today than you were five years ago? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- More Accepting 2016: 28%, 2020: 40%
- Less Accepting 2016: 4%, 2020: 9%
- Same 2016: 62%, 2020: 55%
- Don't Know / Not Sure 2016: 2%, 2020: 2%

Do you think most Bermudians will come to accept same-sex marriage in Bermuda over time? (June 2016 v August 2020)

- Yes 2016: 40%, 2020: 46%
- No 2016: 51%, 2020: 30%
- Don’t know/Not sure 2016: 9%, 2020: 24%
Would you go to a helping or counselling/support organisation for help if you were as an identified LGBTQI person and were struggling? (August 2020)

- Yes: 64%
- No: 14%
- Don't know/Not sure: 23%

Would you refer an LGBTQI identified friend or family member to a helping/counselling support organisation for help if they were struggling? (August 2020)

- Yes: 86%
- No: 6%
- Don't know/Not sure: 9%