

24 LGBTI attitudes in the GCR



Democratic South Africa has brought with it increased rights for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual and Intersex (LGBTI) people. This is exemplified by South Africa being one of the first countries in the world, and the only country in Africa, to allow same-sex marriage.

THE GCRO'S 2013 QUALITY OF LIFE SURVEY FOUND THAT:



71%
Respondents believe that gay and lesbian people deserve equal rights with other South Africans.

22%
Respondents still believe that gay and lesbian people do not deserve equal rights with other South Africans.

13%
Despite the tolerance demonstrated by the majority of Gauteng society 13%, or the equivalent of 1,2 million people, believe that it is acceptable to be violent towards gay and lesbian people.



Please visit the www.gcro.ac.za for more information on the *Quality of Life 2013 Survey* and the specific LGBTI questions it contained.

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CREATING A MORE COHESIVE SOCIETY:

Creating a just and equal society is an ongoing process. This research demonstrates that the more educated people are, the more likely they are to accept LGBTI people. As a highly educated and cosmopolitan province, Gauteng will presumably demonstrate higher levels of tolerance than a South African average. Building an educated and tolerant Gauteng is a challenge for policy makers. Improving the ability for teachers and curricula to support and celebrate difference is an important place to start.

A correlation was found between levels of education and tolerance towards LGBTI people.

