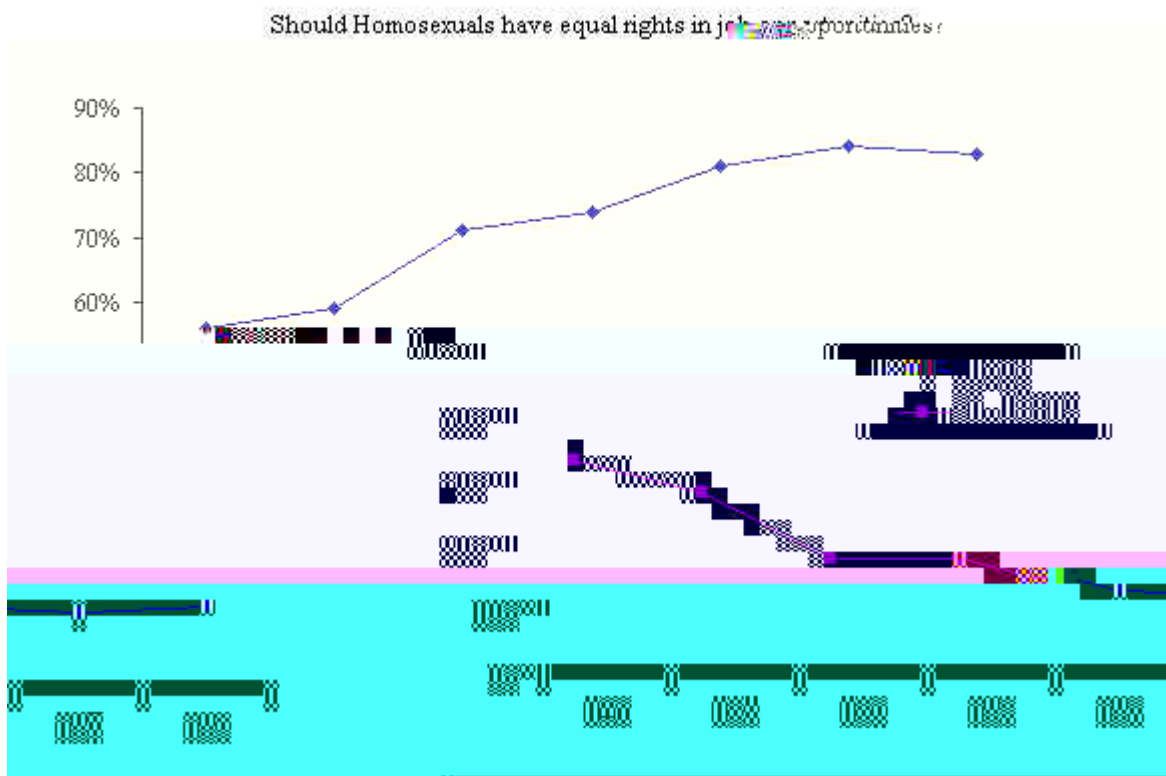




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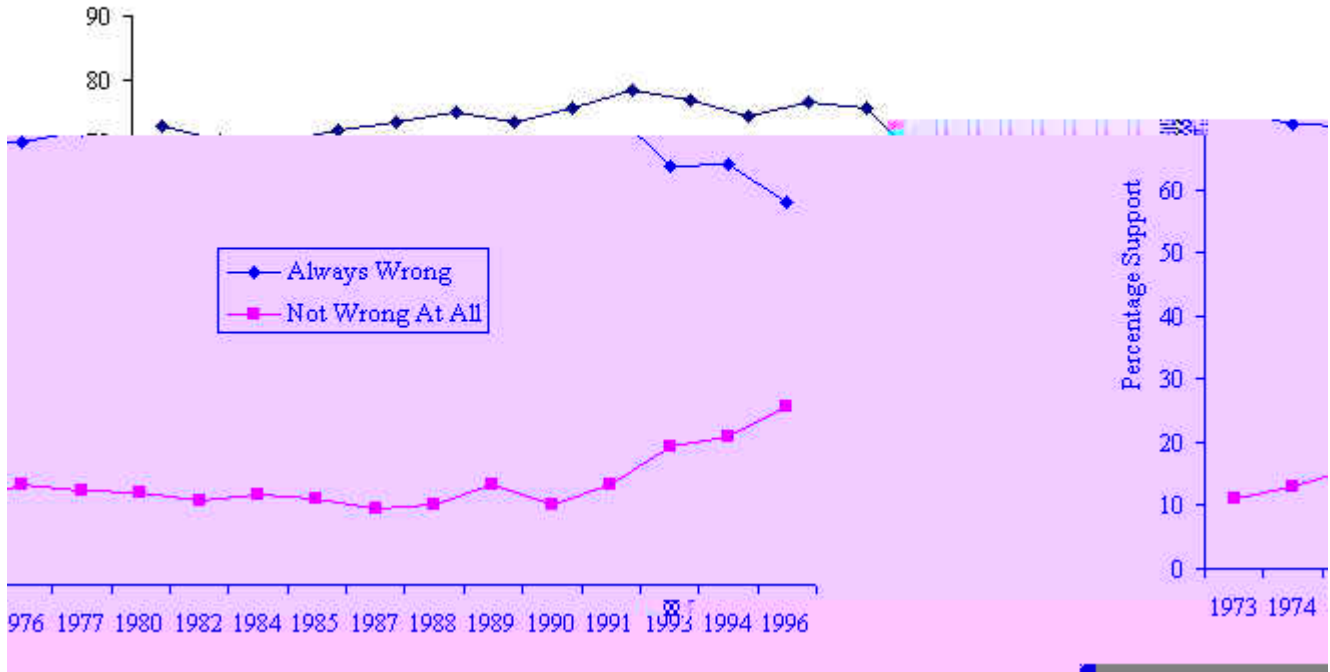


Source: Kenneth Sherrill and Alan Yang, *F*

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Same-Sex Public Opinion



Source: National Opinion Research Center General Social Survey Cumulative File (1972-1996) : <http://csa.berkeley.edu:7502/cgi-bin12/hsda3>

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In answer to a Gallup question, whether 'homosexuality should be considered an acceptable lifestyle or not,' 34% of Americans choose "acceptable" in 1982; that rose to 50% in 1999, when survey participants were asked the same question (Kenneth Sherrill and Alan Yang 2000). The same Gallup poll found that the percentage of people who do not consider homosexuality to be an acceptable alternative lifestyle dropped from 51% in 1982 to 46% in 1999. "Similarly, Yankelovich Partners found that the percentage of Americans who feel 'lifestyles . . . such as homosexual relationships' are 'not acceptable at all' dropped from a clear majority in 1978 (59%) to a clear minority in 1998 (33%)" (Kenneth Sherrill and Alan Yang 2000, p. 21).

