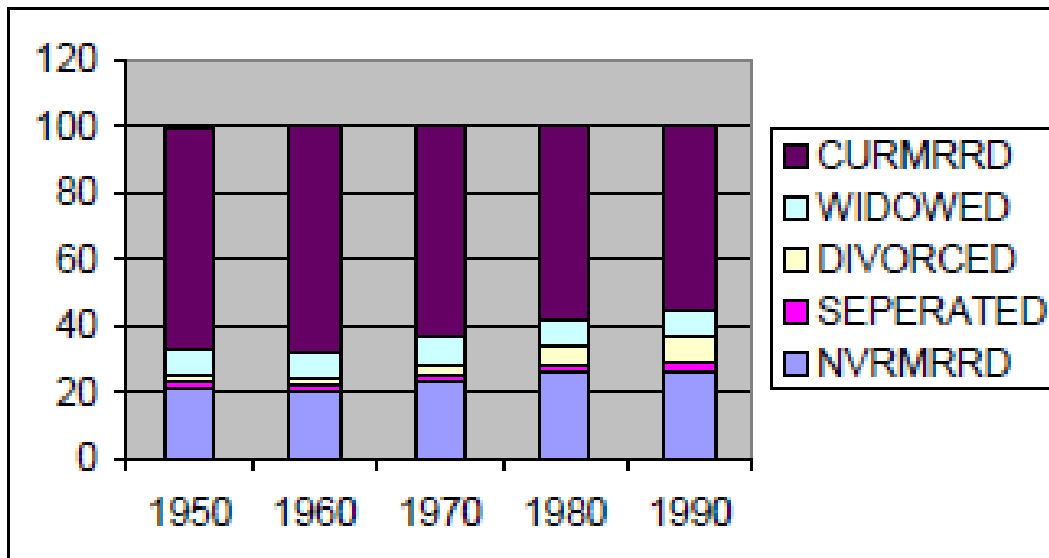


EXERCISE 1

Examine the marital status distribution of Americans from 1950 to 1990.

Marital status 1950 – 1990

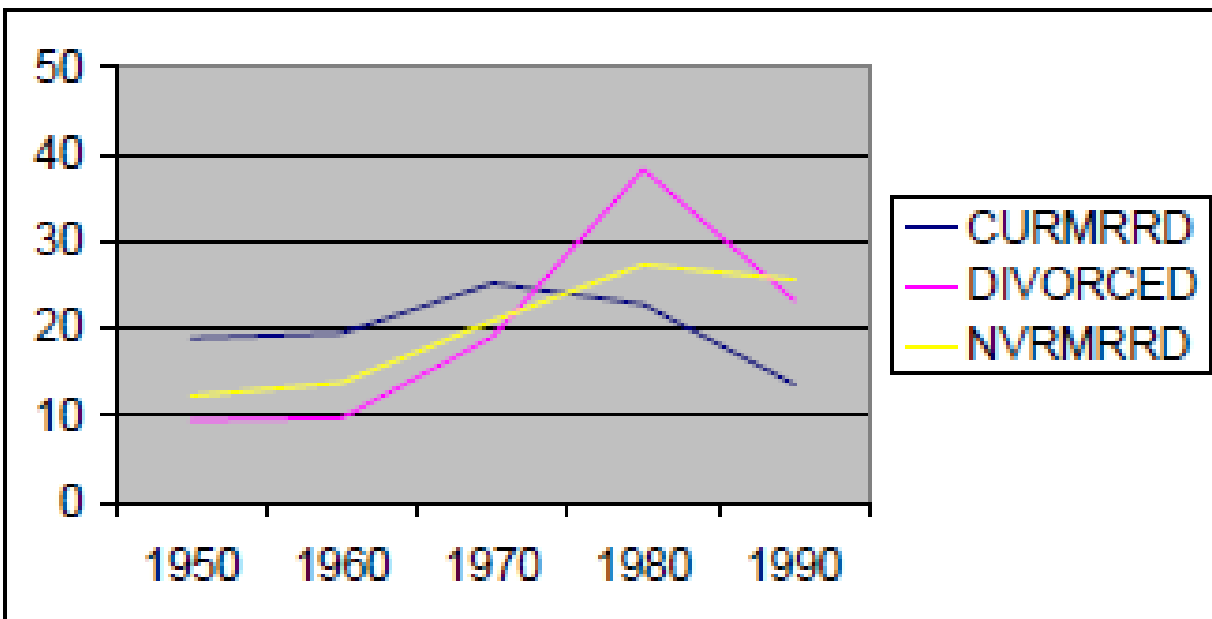


What patterns do you see emerging? Number of Widowed, Divorced, Separated and Never Married are increasing; and the number of Currently Married is decreasing.

Exercise 2

Using data from 1950 – 1990, look specifically at the marital status distribution of people ages 15 – 24.

Marital Status of 15-24 Year Olds, 1950-1990

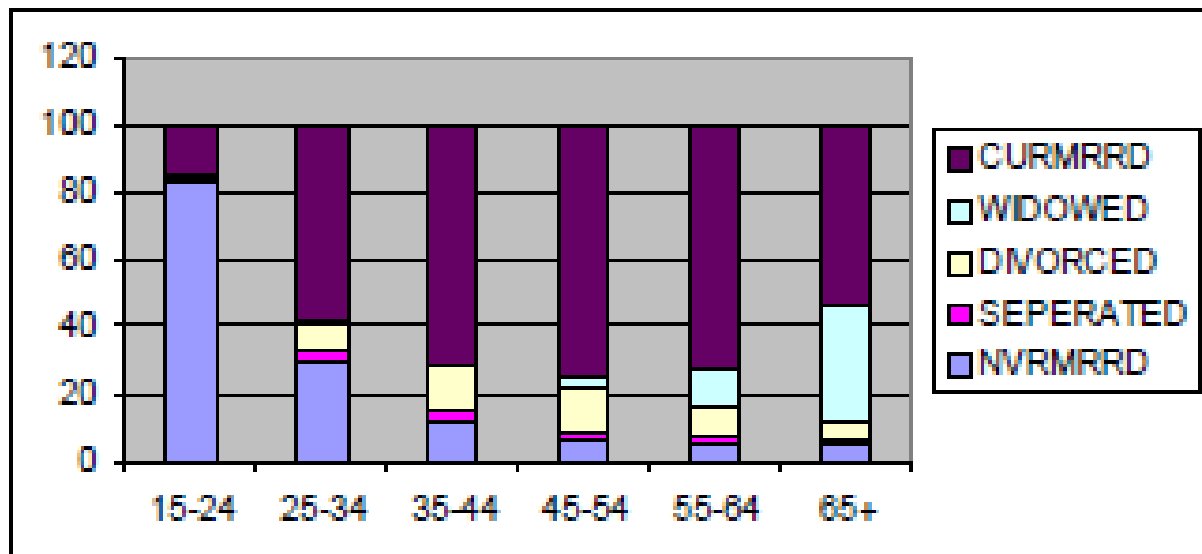


What trends do you notice? Divorce rate is rising. Currently Married is dropping and Never Married is rising also.

Exercise 3

Traditionally people have married when they were 18-21 years of age. Has that pattern of behavior changed? Has that pattern of behavior changed? Yes that number is much lower now.
More people are waiting between 34-44.

Marital Status by Age



What was the dominant marital status in each age group? 15-24 It is NvrMrrd. All other ages groups it's CrMrrd.

Exercise 4

Examine the marital status difference between blacks and non-blacks between 1950 – 1990.

Marital Status of Blacks and Non-blacks, 1950 to 1990

NONBLACK	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990
CURMRD	19.1	18.1	19.9	22.2	23.7
WIDOWED	15.7	16.9	20.2	22.8	24.5
DIVORCED	6.9	8.5	13.1	28.6	42.9
SEPERATED	12.8	13.4	17.5	25.8	30.6
NEVMRD	13.8	14.4	19.1	25	27.7

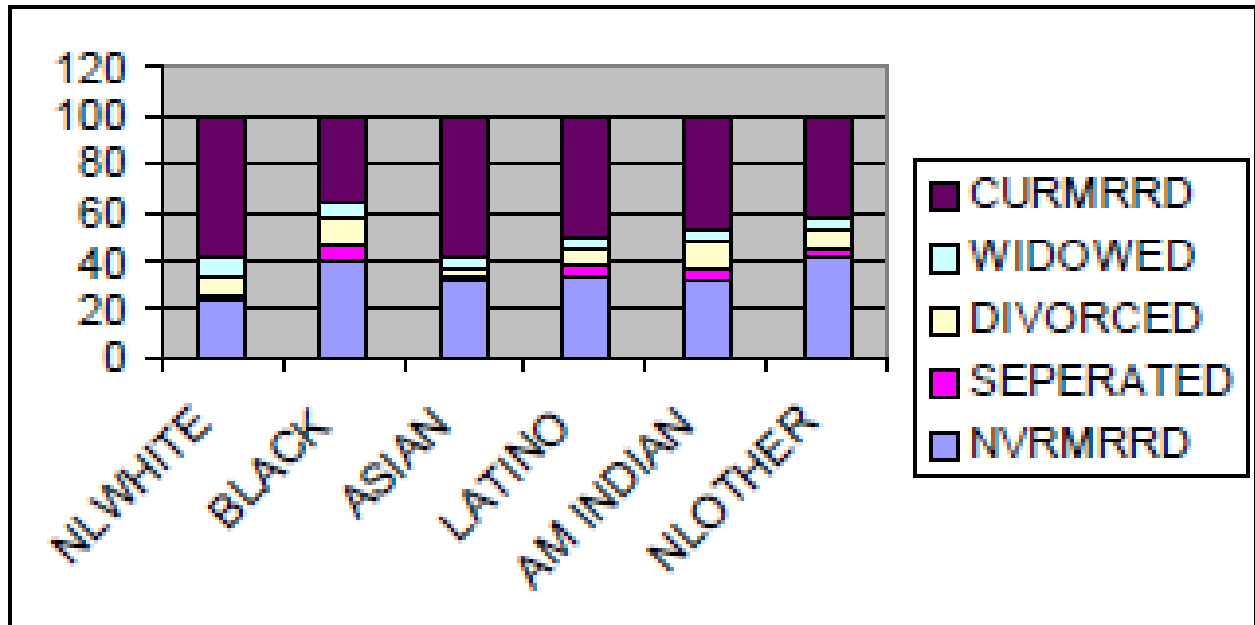
BLACK	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990
CURMRD	17.3	18.9	20.3	21.4	22.1
WIDOWED	15.7	16.7	20	22.9	24.8
DIVORCED	5	7.6	12.7	29.7	45
SEPERATED	14.4	16.1	19.5	24.5	25.5
NEVMRD	9.1	11	16.8	28	35.1

Discuss your finding and identify specific differences if they exist. Increasing number of blacks are Never Married, whereas Non-Blacks are increasingly getting married.

Exercise 5

Focusing on 1990, compare the marital status of distribution of Blacks, Latinos, Whites, Asians, and American Indians.

Marital Status by Race/Ethnicity



Identify and describe any significant findings. Currently Married Whites and Asians are higher than the rest.

Exercise 6

Using 1990 data, examine the education levels of 23-28 year old women who have never been married.

Percent Never Married Women

HS Grad	NEVMARRD	Col Grad	NEVMARRD
28	12.5	28	12.1
27	14.3	27	13.9
26	15.2	26	16.4
25	17.9	25	18.2
24	18.7	24	19.3
23	21.4	23	20.1

PERCENT KEY

EXERCISE 1

	1950	1970	1980	1990
NVRMRD	21.1	23.3	26	26.4
SEPERATED	1.9	1.9	2.2	2.3
DIVORCED	2.2	3.4	6.2	8.3
WIDOWED	8.2	8.2	7.6	7.4
CURMRD	66	63.2	58	55.6

EXERCISE 2

	1950	1970	1980	1990
CURMRD	18.9	25.2	22.8	13.6
DIVORCED	9.5	19.1	38.3	23.3
NVRMRD	12.3	20.9	27.4	25.6

EXERCISE 3

	15-24	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
NVRMRD	83.6	11.2	5.9	4.8	5.1
SEPERATED	0.9	3.3	2.9	2.1	1.1
DIVORCED	1.2	13.4	13.7	9.8	5.3
WIDOWED	0.1	1	3.1	10	35.2
CURMRD	14.1	71.1	74.3	73.3	53.4

EXERCISE 4

	1950	1970	1980	1990
NONBLACK				
CURMRD	19.1	19.9	22.2	23.7
WIDOWED	15.7	20.2	22.8	24.5
DIVORCED	6.9	13.1	28.6	42.9
SEPERATED	12.8	17.5	25.8	30.6
NEVMRD	13.8	19.1	25	27.7

	1950	1970	1980	1990
BLACK				
CURMRD	17.3	20.3	21.4	22.1
WIDOWED	15.7	20	22.9	24.8
DIVORCED	5	12.7	29.7	45
SEPERATED	14.4	19.5	24.5	25.5
NEVMRD	9.1	16.8	28	35.1

EXERCISE 5

	NLWHITE	ASIAN	LATINO	AM INDIAN	NLOTHER
NVRMRD	23.5	31.8	33.7	32.7	41.3
SEPERATED	1.5	1.5	3.8	3.5	3.3
DIVORCED	8.3	3.8	7.2	11.7	8.5
WIDOWED	7.8	4.3	3.8	5.5	4.2
CURMRD	58.9	58.6	51.5	46.6	42.6

EXERCISE 6

HSGrad		CollGrad	
	NEVMRED		NEVMRED
28	12.5	28	12.1
27	14.3	27	13.9
26	15.2	26	16.4
25	17.9	25	18.2
24	18.7	24	19.3
23	21.4	23	20.1