

LGBT CHARACTERS 2005-2006

Broadcast Networks*

Show	Network	Character	Actor	Orientation/Ethnicity
Lead (link to photo page)				
Crumbs	ABC	Mitch	Fred Savage	gay/white
Emily's Reasons Why Not	ABC	Josh	Khary Payton	gay/African Am.
Out of Practice	CBS	Regina Barnes	Paula Marshall	lesbian/white
Will & Grace	NBC	Will Truman	Eric McCormack,	gay/white
		Jack McFarland	Sean Hayes	gay/white
			Subtotal	5
Supporting (link)				
Book of Daniel	NBC	Peter Webster	Christian Campbell	gay/white
Desperate Housewives	ABC	Andrew Van De Kamp	Shawn Pyform	bisexual/white
Half and Half	UPN	Adam Benet	Alec Mapa	gay/Filipino Am.
Inconceivable	NBC	Scott Garcia	David Norona	gay/Latino
Love Monkey	CBS	Jake Dunne	Christopher Wehl	gay/white
			Subtotal	5
Recurring (link)				
ER	NBC	Kerry Weaver	Laura Innes	lesbian/white
Inconceivable	NBC	Jim	Jonathan Slavin	gay/white
Kitchen Confidential	FOX	Cameron	Sam Pancake	gay/white
The Simpsons	FOX	Patty Bouvier	Julie Kavner	lesbian/white
The War at Home	FOX	Kenny	Rami Malek	gay/white
Twins	The WB	Neil	Christopher Fitzgerald	gay/white
			Subtotal	6
			TOTAL	16

By the Numbers: Scripted Television on the Broadcast Networks (as of 9/1/05)

Number of series with gay characters: 14 Total number of scripted series: 110 Percentage: 13%

Number of "series regular"+ LGBT characters: 10 Total number of "series regulars": 700 2%

Gay Men: 12
 Lesbians: 3
 Bisexual: 1
 Transgender: 0

White: 13
 African American: 1

White: 535 (76% of all characters)
 African American: 99 (14%)

Latino: 1
Asian Pacific Islander: 1
Indian: 0
Other/Unknown: 0

Latino: 43 (6%)
Asian Pacific Islander: 14 (2%)
Indian: 4 (1%)
Other/Unknown: 5 (1%)

These figures were derived from a total count of “series regular” characters on all announced network series for the 2005-2006 television season, with information provided by the networks.

*ABC, CBS, FOX, NBC, The WB, UPN

+series regular = all lead and supporting characters that regularly appear on program