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Americans Don't Agree On Much, But They Sure Like Lesbian Porn

It's a favorite in 30 states across the nation.

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Even in a divisive election year, Americans are largely united in their appreciation of woman-on-woman porn.

"Lesbian" was the most-searched term in 30 U.S. states in the first month of 2016, according to [data](#) from news site Vocativ and Pornhub, one of the [top destinations for adult content](#) on the web. That same term was also the most-searched on Pornhub [internationally](#) in 2015.

Not everyone searching for lesbian porn is likely to place themselves on the lesbian or gay end of the [sexuality spectrum](#). In fact, "Lesbian" was the top-viewed category among "straight" women in 2014, according to an earlier [study](#) from Pornhub.

Why are straight women watching other women get frisky? The sex depicted in "lesbian" porn might just be more appealing to female viewers, according to a Huffington Post [report](#) last year.

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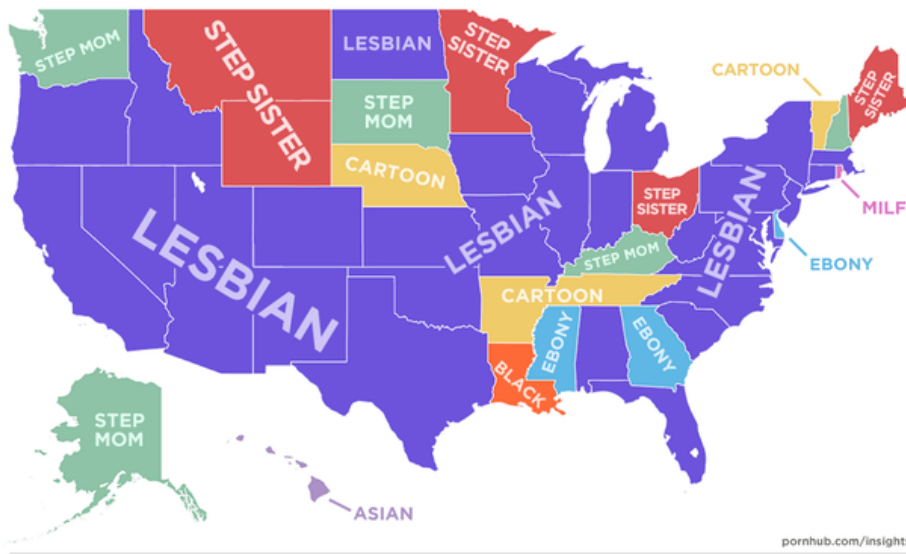
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"There ... tends to be more foreplay," sex therapist Kimberly Resnick Anderson said of lesbian porn, per a 2015 interview with HuffPost. "Whereas in the straight porn, it may go straight to the f**k scene or money shot. In lesbian porn there's a focus on breast stimulation. It tends to be more tender and more intimate."

Although "lesbian" tops Pornhub's search rankings, several Western states prefer watching sex of the almost-incestuous variety. "Step sister" and "step mom" were the most-searched terms in Montana, Wyoming and Minnesota, as well as in Ohio and Maine.

"Ebony" or "black" were the most-searched terms in a few southern states. While it's tempting to see that as indicative of those states' large African-American populations, Pornhub did not release additional demographic information on its viewers.

And, importantly, there is a long history in the U.S. of [sexualizing black female bodies](#), often by white men.

"For centuries the black woman has served as the primary pornographic 'outlet' for white men in Europe and America," Alice Walker wrote in her [book](#) *You Can't Keep A Good Woman Down*.

But don't worry, you're probably watching lesbian porn anyway.

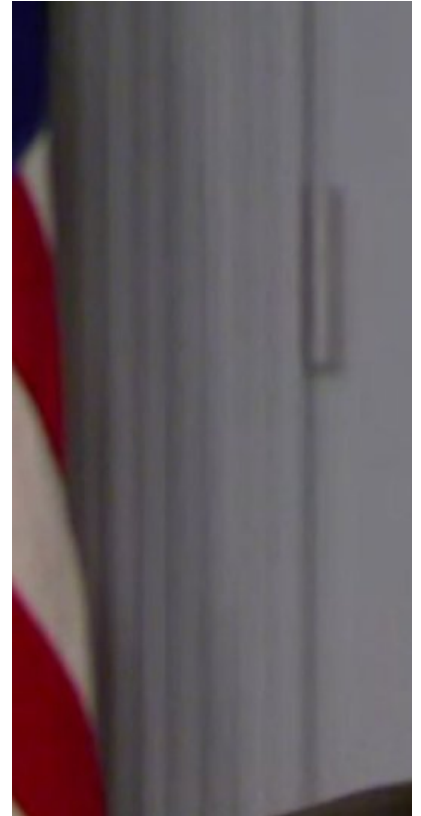
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OK, so nothing in particular wrong with wanting to watch two women have sex. But let's get real: it's not "lesbian" porn. It's two straight women having sex for money in ways that engage male porn viewers' fantasies, but has little to do with the way actual lesbians have sex. But, hey, it's women having sex without men, so it's all good.

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**Deborah Brouhard**

Not surprising as the people most watching are probably evangelicals, and other religious extremist who feel repressed in their life and marriages.

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As a Lesbian who has been asked out by "straight" women...more than once, I was always 'complimented' by how "sensuous" their experience was. That was very important.

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**Eric John**

"Rhode Island, MILF". Hilarious!

Such an odd little state! I've never even been there, but I think I would love

it there.

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Wil Smith · Prince George High School

The reason why there is so much "lesbian" porn is that most porn is made by and marketed to straight men. The reason why I put the word "lesbian" in quotes, is that most of the lesbians I know even with porn interest have zero interest in that type of porn. Actual lesbian porn is something different. I still like how surprised and shocked some people are that many women have an interest in guy on guy stuff or that they have an interest in gay porn and not straight porn. Once I found out about this about this, the answer was so simple and obvious.

Look at these female audience members authentic, visceral responses to a live, torrid (not porn), two man tango. <https://youtu.be/xSFwrTqWbno>

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Eric John

Recently, in the bowls of HP there was an article about 'Tumblr Porn for women' and there was a substantial amount of F/F material specifically for women.

So apparently it's not just for dudes.

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Gene Smolko

Why are people serching for "step mom" and "step sister" so much?

I can understand "lesbian," but those two?

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No one wants to look at the "dude".

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Not one mention of the fact that four states prefer 'cartoon'?!?

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Yeah, WHATS UP WITH THAT? Dad forgets to close his browser and the kids get on?

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Apparently, in some states toddlers are the most computer literate.

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Horace Finkelstein

Wait, "Lesbian Step Sisters"?? C'mon, Montana! You're better than that!!

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No, no they're not. And don't leave out their neighbor's lesbian step-sister in that mix.

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Christian Aragon · Reno, Nevada

The step sisters and step moms seem a little disturbing for some reason ...

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At least it's better than "sister" or "mom" without the "step" Low hurdle, I guess, but trying to look on the bright side.

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