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## Tell Me More's Summer Blend Book Club exploring being mixed race and multicultural, NPR, 2011

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"In 2000, the U.S. government — for the first time — gave census takers the option to identify themselves with more than one race. That year, 6.8 million Americans selected two or more races. In 2010, 9 million did.

These numbers paint a portrait of an increasingly diverse America — and of Americans who are becoming more comfortable identifying themselves as multicultural and mixed race. And it's no surprise that this shift has been reflected in the country's literature as well.

This summer, Tell Me More read stories and novels — by and about people — exploring what it means to be mixed race. Heidi Durrow, author of *The Girl Who Fell From The Sky*, helped us kick off the series.

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