

THE FATHER ABSENCE CRISIS IN AMERICA

There is a crisis in America. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 18.4 million children, 1 in 4, live without a biological, step, or adoptive father in the home. Consequently, there is a “father factor” in nearly all of the societal ills facing America today. Research shows when a child is raised in a father-absent home, he or she is affected in the following ways...

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. (2021). Living arrangements of children under 18 years old: 1960 to present. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Census Bureau.



POVERTY

4X GREATER RISK OF POVERTY

TEEN PREGNANCY

7X MORE LIKELY TO BECOME PREGNANT AS A TEEN



BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS



MORE LIKELY TO HAVE BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS

CHILD ABUSE

MORE LIKELY TO FACE ABUSE AND NEGLECT



MOM-CHILD HEALTH



2X GREATER RISK OF INFANT MORTALITY

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

MORE LIKELY TO ABUSE DRUGS AND ALCOHOL



INCARCERATION



MORE LIKELY TO GO TO PRISON

CHILD OBESITY

2X MORE LIKELY TO SUFFER OBESITY



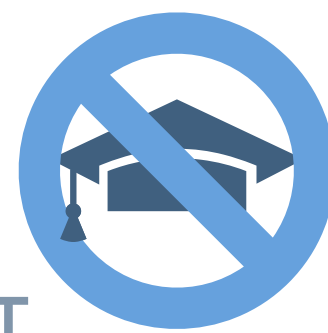
CRIME



MORE LIKELY TO COMMIT CRIME

EDUCATION

2X MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL



18.4

MILLION CHILDREN WITHOUT THEIR BIOLOGICAL FATHER AT HOME

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