
THE FATHER ABSENCE CRISIS IN AMERICA

There is a crisis in America. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 19.7 million children, more than 1 in 4, live without a 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: 2017. U.S. Census Bureau. Data represent children living without a biological, step, or adoptive father.

POVERTY



**4X GREATER
RISK OF
POVERTY**

TEEN PREGNANCY



**7X MORE LIKELY
TO BECOME
PREGNANT
AS 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**

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**

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**MILLION CHILDREN
WITHOUT THEIR FATHER
AT HOME**

**National
Fatherhood
Initiative®**

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