



**The Good and Bad News
about Masculinity in America**

The Good News About Masculine Traits

*"You can't turn a bully into a flower child. But you can turn him into a knight...
Affirm the knight."— [IFS Blog](#)*



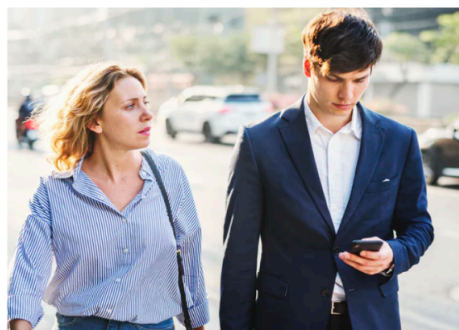
Risk Taking

The relative state model, by [Sandeep et. al \(2017\)](#), shows that risk-taking is a desirable skill in finance, trading, cooperation, mating, and sport strategy.

Toughness

Employing inner strength helps individuals to succeed [academically](#), build [resilience](#), and have lower odds of [depression](#).

The Bad News for Women: Fruits of the Sexual Revolution



Declining Marriage Market:

Fewer Men are Desirable as Spouses

An increasing number of [middle class](#) and [disadvantaged](#) women are choosing single-motherhood. [Disadvantaged women](#) report a lack of [adequate partners](#) and fear of [divorce](#).

Single Women Need Dependable Husbands to Parent Their Children

The financial hardship and stress prevalent in single mother households lowers the [psychological wellbeing](#) of children of single mothers by choice.

Nature Never Meant It To Be This Way

A study of donor-conceived children in single mother households reveals that all children stated [wanting a father](#).

Gender Inequality:

Illness Sifts the Weak from the Tough Husbands

The risk of divorce increases [six-fold](#) when [wives](#) are diagnosed with a serious illness. [Divorced or separated](#) patients are less likely to participate in a clinical trial or to receive extensive treatment.



Explore more research about [gender issues](#) and [masculinity](#) at [Marri.us](#).

BLOG: A Deliberate Rejection of "Traditional" Men.



The last blog before the Christmas/New Year break was “[Rebuilding our nation, one son at a time](#)” which laid out the work a father implicitly takes on with the birth of his child. Since then the American Psychological Association (APA) issued [Guidelines for Psychological Practice with Men and Boys](#), causing an uproar among “traditional value” folk who felt (reasonably so, as a quick read of the preamble and the titles of the guidelines will indicate). Two practicing psychologists have severe critiques that give substance to concerns of the layfolk: [Dr. Sean Smith](#) of Denver and [Dr. Leonard Sax](#) (psychologist and physician) of Maryland. That many of the members of APA likely agree with them is beside the point. The leadership of APA is determined to push the nation in a direction abhorrent to most of its citizens. [Continue reading here.](#)

For the good of the child --- the future of America,
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