

Dear Friends,

This week we highlight research on diverging ideological views of the American family, on the effects of fathers' childbearing intentions upon their involvement with their children, and on family profiles based on recent national data.

NEW RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



American Family Survey: Marriage, Family, and Policy Attitudes

Although liberals and conservatives disagree about the social significance and merits of marriage, they differ minimally in their day-to-day family functioning, [reports](#) Brigham Young University and Desert News.



Fathers' Childbearing Intentions and Child Involvement

Whether a father considers a pregnancy intended, mistimed, or unintended affects his involvement in the child's life and self-assessed parenting quality, [according to](#) researchers at the Guttmacher Institute.



Family Profiles

Bowling Green State University released their 2016 "[Family Profiles](#)", a series of reports summarizing recent data on the state of U.S. families.

MARRIPEDIA ENTRIES RELATED TO THESE FINDINGS

- 1) "[State of the Family in America](#)"
- 2) "[Effects of Out-of-Wedlock Birth on Children](#)"

With an eye to the child, the future of America,

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