

Dear Friends:

NEW RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



Family Prosperity Index

The Family Prosperity Index measures the prosperity of our nation in terms of the economic and social well-being of American families, the core socio-economic unit of society. Utah ranks first for family well-being while West Virginia ranks last, [report](#) researchers at the Family Prosperity Initiative and American Conservative Union.



Well-Being of Children Born to Single Mothers

Children whose biological father enters a marriage or cohabiting union with their single mother have better cognitive and socio-emotional outcomes than children who live with their always-single mother. However, children living with a stepfather and children whose biological father joins but then leaves the family perform no better than children living with always-single mothers, [according](#) to researchers at the London School of Economics.



Rising Morbidity and Mortality Rates among White Americans

Morbidity and mortality rates among white adults in the United States have significantly increased over the past decade, primarily due to increases in suicide, drug/ alcohol poisoning, and liver disease/ cirrhosis, [report](#) researchers at Princeton University.

MARRIPEDIA ENTRIES RELATED TO THESE FINDINGS

- 1) [“State of the Family Across the States”](#)
- 2) [“Effects of Divorce on Children’s Behavior”](#)
- 3) [“Effects of Marriage on Physical Health”](#)

NEW BLOG

The Right of Children to the Marriage of their Parents

The right of children to the marriage of their parents is foundational to religious practice and to strong cultures. This much-neglected right of children is critical to the future of nations. It is a natural right, not a politically conferred right. It arises from the order of nature. [Continue Reading...](#)

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

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