

92% of Biracial Children with Black Dads are Born out of Wedlock

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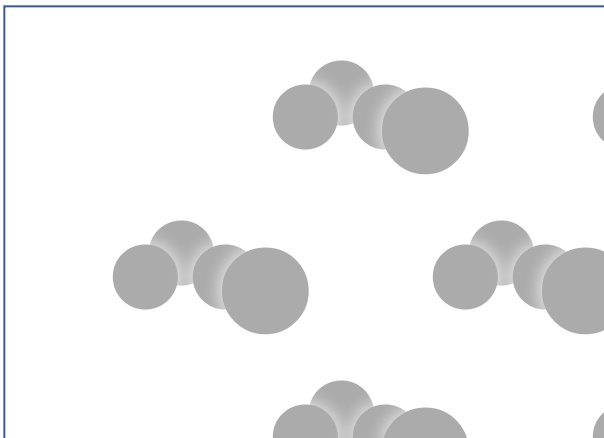
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In 2013, 72% was the figure about African American families that had us all balking. That number was reportedly the percentage of Black children born out of wedlock, according to a study from the CDC. This summer, *New York Times* writer [Charles M. Blow](#) said there was more to that number than what appeared on the surface and that may be why another shocking study released around that time flew largely under the radar.

In an [independent study](#) on the Social Science Research Network “Examining the Birth Trends, Family Structure, Economic Standing, Paternal Relationships, and Emotional Stability of Biracial Children with African American Fathers,” Tiffany Calloway, B.S. J.M., claimed “92% of biracial children with African American fathers are born out of wedlock and 82% end up on government assistance.”



Calloway used quantitative research to come to that startling conclusion. Questionnaires were given out to Caucasian, Asian, and non-black Hispanic women in the United States with children between the ages of 1-17 whose paternal parent is African American. Respondents also had to provide documentation proving those factors and the researchers conducted subsequent interviews which produced the following findings:

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Number of children

Table 3. Number of children that the participant has

	1	2-4	5-8	9+
Caucasian	50%	49%	1%	0%
Asian	86%	14%	0%	0%
Hispanic	15%	80%	5%	0%

Table 4. For women with multiple children do the children have the same father?

	NO	YES
Caucasian	82%	18%
Asian	75%	25%
Hispanic	81%	19%

- 100% of these women said that the father of all of their children were black

Table 5. What are your annual earnings?

	Unemployed	0-10,000	10,000-30,000	30,000-80,000	100,000+
Caucasian	15%	75%	5%	5%	0%
Asian	2%	63%	17%	13%	5%
Hispanic	20%	58%	19%	3%	0%

Table 6. Does the father of your children support financially

	NO	YES
Caucasian	98%	2%
Asian	81%	19%
Hispanic	86%	14%

Table 7. Have you ever had to use government assistance to supplement your income?

	NO	YES
Caucasian	3%	97%
Asian	49%	51%
Hispanic	2%	98%

Paternal involvement

Table 8. Is the father active in the child's life?

	NO	YES
Caucasian	97%	3%
Asian	88%	12%
Hispanic	85%	15%

Table 9. Does your child have a good relationship with their father?

	NO	YES
Caucasian	94%	6%
Asian	89%	11%
Hispanic	98%	2%

Calloway concluded:

From the data amassed it can be suitably deduced that on average 92% of biracial children with African American fathers are born out of wedlock, with Caucasian mothers leading in that percentage. 90% of women who have children out of wedlock with African American men will not end up marrying that man, where as 10% will wed, yet those that wed or do have their children in wedlock typically end up a single mother nonetheless due to divorce. Of women that had biracial children with African American men out of wedlock 50% had only one child out of wedlock and 50% had more than one child out of wedlock, and when they do have multiple children out of wedlock 79% of the time the children do not have the same father. 77% of biracial children with African American fathers presently live below the poverty line and 82% end up on government assistance at some point. 88% of the time the father of the child does not financial support or help with the economic costs of the child, consequently leaving the encumbrance of fiscal care exclusively on the mother. 90% of biracial children with African American fathers don't have their father in their life. 94% of the surveyed mothers believe the father of their child doesn't have a good relationship with the child. 63% of biracial children who are raised without an active father in their life exhibit major behavioral problems, where as 37% of biracial children raised without an active father don't exhibit major behavioral problem. Biracial children with African American fathers who have an active father in their life exhibit major behavioral problems 17% of the time leaving 83% who won't exhibit those behaviors.

Unmistakably it is within the interest of the public to endorse and advocate black fatherhood and find resolutions to remedy black paternal absenteeism.

What's primarily missing from the researchers' analysis is the number of respondents included in the study which led to this 92% conclusion. If there were not a significant number of women surveyed, it's very hard to believe this finding is applicable to the greater biracial population at large. Furthermore, it'd be far more helpful for Calloway to offer up her own resolutions for remedying black paternal absenteeism as there has been quite a bit of public endorsement on the issue but a lack of quality solutions. At the end of the day, this is one of those studies best taken with a grain of salt.
