



Fathers Absence – Sexual Activity

Having loving parents you can talk to can help reduce teen pregnancy. Fathers (especially) are very influential in the decision to have sex.

- Survey of Teen Girls conducted by Mark Clements Research as cited in *Parade*, 1997

- A survey of 72 teen girls found:
 - 97% said that having parents they could talk to would help reduce pregnancy
 - 93% said having loving parents reduced the risk of teen pregnancy
 - 76% said that their fathers were very or somewhat influential on their decision to have sex.
- Being raised by a single-mother raises the risk of teen pregnancy...

Father Facts, 5th Edition, National Fatherhood Initiative, www.fatherhood.org

“Child Need Both Parents”, American Coalition for Fathers and Children, www.acfc.org