

Selected reference list.

Fagan J, Day R, Lamb ME & Cabrera NJ.

Should Researchers Conceptualize Differently the Dimensions of Parenting for Fathers and Mothers?

Journal of Family Theory and Review, 2014, 6 (4), 390-405.

A recent discussion paper which considers the similarities and differences in mothers' and fathers' parenting. One of its conclusions is that mothering and fathering should not be thought of as separate and distinct, as the overlaps are greater than the differences.

Grossman, K. E., Grossman, K., Fremmer-Bombik, E., Kindler, H., Scheuerer-Englisch, H., & Zimmerman, P. (2002). The uniqueness of the child-father attachment relationship: Fathers' sensitive and challenging play as pivotal variable in a 16-year longitudinal study. *Social Development*, 11, 307–331.

Fathers sensitive and challenging interactions in play predicted adolescent offsprings own subsequent attachment representations in this longitudinal study. One of the first robust studies to demonstrate and independent effect of fathers' parenting, that may be different from the effect of mothers' parenting.

Kiernan K

Non-residential Fatherhood and Child Involvement: Evidence from the Millennium Cohort Study

CASE paper 100, May 2005. Centre for Analysis of Social Exclusion, London School of Economics.

Some of the best, and most recent, data we have on father involvement in families in the UK is from the Millenium Cohort. Kathleen Kiernan's report summarises some of the key data relating to this.

Panter-Brick C, Burgess A, Eggerman M, McAllister F, Pruett K, Leckman JF.

Practitioner review: Engaging fathers--recommendations for a game change in parenting interventions based on a systematic review of the global evidence.

J Child Psychol Psychiatry. 2014 Nov;55(11):1187-212.

A key systematic review and discussion paper considering the current state of father involvement in parenting interventions.

Ramchandani PG, Domoney J, Sethna V, Psychogiou L, Vlachos H, Murray L.

Do early father-infant interactions predict the onset of externalising behaviours in young children? Findings from a longitudinal cohort study.

J Child Psychol Psychiatry. 2013 Jan;54(1):56-64

Findings from the Father Study in the UK, showing that disengagement of fathers in interaction predicted the early onset of behavioural problems (at one year of age). An open access publication:

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1469-7610.2012.02583.x/full>

Sarkadi A, Kristiansson R, Oberklaid F, Bremberg S.

Fathers' involvement and children's developmental outcomes: a systematic review of longitudinal studies.

Acta Paediatr. 2008 Feb;97(2):153-8.

Systematic review of 24 longitudinal studies investigating father involvement and children's outcome. Fairly consistent finding (22 studies) of more positive outcomes where fathers are more involved in children's lives. Some, but not all, studies controlled for socio-economic and other potential confounding variables.

Sethna V, Murray L, Netsi E, Psychogiou L, Ramchandani PG.

Paternal Depression in the Postnatal Period and Early Father-Infant Interactions.

Parent Sci Pract. 2015 Jan 2;15(1):1-8.

In this paper from the Fathers Project, paternal depression was found to independently predict increased withdrawal in interactions with infants, but no changes in sensitivity.

Open Access - <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4337747/>

Trautmann-Villalba P, Gschwendt M, Schmidt MH, Laucht M.

Father-infant interaction patterns as precursors of children's later externalizing behavior problems: a longitudinal study over 11 years.

Eur Arch Psychiatry Clin Neurosci. 2006 Sep;256(6):344-9

One of the longer running longitudinal studies examining father infant interaction and child outcome. Less responsive fathering at 3 months was associated with increased externalising problems at age 11 years.