

# Differences Among Children Raised By Working And Home-Stay Moms

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Motherhood refers to the dedication and responsibility of the mother to care for a child. Motherhood brings about changes in how women are perceived and viewed within the societal and workplace setting. In this essence, new mothers are left in a dilemma on whether to continue working or be homestay moms and take care of their kids. In other words, mothers are faced with difficulties in choosing between family and career (Bettinger et al. 252). This is because, in some societies, working women are perceived as unselfish, unnatural and unable to take care of their children fully. Most societies view the women who choose family over a career as wholly responsible to their children and the society as well. Due to the explicit assumptions that the role of childcare is that of the mother and the assumptions on differences among children raised by working and home-stay moms, the general and working life of women has been greatly affected.

The employment status of moms is beneficial to the children as it positively impacts and improves the family income, ensures that the kids adopt better working behaviours, and builds better and stronger family structure routines. It has been noted that maternal higher education powerfully mitigates a large number of possible negative impacts on the children raised by mothers who were working from financial necessity. The difference in family interrelationships and parent-child for non-employed and employed moms have been explored. It has been found that working moms have significant positive perceptions and are bound to establish enriching home environments for their children; additionally, consistency and employment have beneficial implications for the relationship between mothers and their children.

Mothers should be allowed to make their own decisions when it comes to deciding whether to work and support their kids financially or be stay-at-home moms and support their kids socially (Duncan and Apryl). This is because being a mother institutionalizes the mother with her own designed rights. However, being able to work is deemed to bring more joy to the mother as it ensures that the kids are catered for. Financial independence has been attained, and demands for effective motherhood have been met. Moreover, it is important to ascertain that both career and family responsibilities are extremely demanding, and it would be fair if each responsibility were met without neglecting the other.

Differences are evident in children brought up by working moms and stay-at-home moms. A child raised by a working mom is deemed to be safer and be raised in a more stimulating environment than kids raised by stay-at-home moms. This is because the children belonging to the working mums have access to better living conditions and reduced family stress, which in turn affects their overall growth and development. Working moms have the ability to provide their kids with luxuries and necessities

that are affordable to them, and hence, the kids have a better and more favourable environment for growing up. However, long working hours are bound to have adverse effects on the relationships between mothers and their kids.

Most researchers have supported the fact that working women positively impact the overall development of their kids. In relevance to these facts, it is clear that working moms are in a position to effectively combine their careful consideration of their children with their careers and hence ensure their working and motherhood cultures negatively impact none of them. Being employed drives the major force of effectiveness. Working moms, in most cases, raise a good fortune, which enables them to balance their work life and home life and, in turn, enjoy motherhood and the stimulations that come along with a successful career.

Children raised by working moms are bound to adopt meaningful lives and careers, and their parents act as role models. The kids absorb several life lessons and learn from them and their parents. In reference to the cognitive perspective, working moms are believed to raise meaningful members of society. This is because the children raised by working moms look up to their parents and adopt the same traits as them. In this ideology, we can relate to the fact that most daughters, especially single working mothers, lead more successful lives and eventually take after their moms' careers.

According to research conducted by Kathleen and McGinn, women raised by moms who worked outside the home place had jobs, held supervisory roles and responsibilities at their workplaces and earned higher wage rates compared to women raised by stay-at-home moms. On the other hand, men raised by working moms were responsible for household chores and efficiently took care of their family members. In this essence, working women created positive reinforcement and benefited their kids' future. They preferred to perform their jobs effectively like their moms and hence assumed higher job roles, positions, and overall performance efficacy.

Kids raised by independent moms are more independent. This is because the family's busy schedules foster a climate through which children are expected to be more responsible. These kids raised by working mothers have to do everything for themselves and assume their undoubted duties during their parents' absence. Children in such an environment are bound to rely on themselves and do not have to wait for anyone to perform their duties. Additionally, these kids are responsible and strive to be the best for their moms.

Among other several things, working moms shape their kids into flexible future men and women. These kids are flexible in helping their moms solve their puzzles. For instance, they may strive to condense the early morning routine to avoid inconveniencing their mom's work routines. Additionally, most of these kids ensure that their parents can count on them despite their wayward schedules. Flexibility among the kids enables them to get almost everything done and helps relieve their parents of some duties. Flexibility impacts the kids' future and success in enabling them to meet their complex job roles in the future and, hence, end up as successful and objective workers.

Moreover, kids brought up by working moms became effective and intellectual future planners. They

are able to plan their activities and avoid inconveniences effectively. They are deemed to keep time and meet schedules and job demands due to their ability to plan and manage their desired daily routines. These children learn these skills in the absence of their parents and hence have to learn how to plan and achieve the desired goal effectively. In the future, these kids, in turn, will have more objective life plans, which they will incorporate into their finances, hence enabling them to plan their expenditures and investments well. Therefore, working women play a significant role in teaching their kids about the importance of saving and budgeting. Additionally, these kids are more conservative and understand that things do not come easily as they see their parents working in order to get everything.

Kids being brought up by working moms are faced with fewer problems than the children raised by stay-at-home moms. This is due to the fact that working women work towards both the sustenance and betterment of the kids. Most of these women put themselves out of the house for the betterment of the kids and family in order to avoid problems financial problems which adversely affect all kid's living conditions as well as their nutritional value. Most researchers term working women as good mothers as they take the extra burden on the move to meet their kids' problems and needs. Working women definitely become less affluent members of society and hence generate more income from their busy work schedules. This, in turn, enables them to meet their family responsibilities and ensure that their kids refrain from economic, social and societal problems. In this essence, it can be considered that working women are more -considerate of their children's well-being than stay-at-home moms.

Kids from working moms have a strong bond with their parents and spend more quality time with their moms. In relation to journals on family and marriage, working outside or staying at home, moms spend the same amount of time with their kids. However, the variations are in the differences in the quality of time spent. Kids from working moms ensure that their kids get 100 per cent of their time, especially when they are on leave. This happens by giving the kids maximum attention and ensuring that they have all the fun that they desire during the parent's absence. Additionally, working parents ensure that a strong bond is established before and after work, during holidays, and on weekends, which makes the kids feel valued and special.

Based on various research, children exposed to working mothers grew up holding more egalitarian views as adults than their peers (Poduval). This is because these kids were exposed to real-life situations and circumstances in their parents' absence. This situation enables children to be responsible for their actions based on their views of what is right or bad. Giving children space to determine their actions provides them with the ability to express and discover new ideas and solutions by themselves without relying on their mother's assistance. The ability to think and reach sound decisions is acquired and adopted in the early stages of life. On the contrary, children raised by stay-at-home moms lack the ability to make independent decisions as their mothers solely influence most of their actions and decisions. Under these circumstances, it is difficult to nurture self-dependent individuals who have the ability to dictate their own course of action.

On the other hand, childhood obesity incidences have been found to increase with the increase in maternal employment. This was due to the kids' inability to access to healthy and nutritious food as most of the kids from working moms depend on junk and fast foods. The long working hours impede the small kid's access to healthy foods as well as physical activities. However, stay-at-home moms ensure that their kids have access to foods with the required nutritional value; hence, their kids are far away from contradicting health and nutritional complications. Due to this, staying home with the kids benefited them and ensured that they developed faster in reference to the ideology of adhering to healthy and nutritional consumption of foods.

Every kid is born with unique talents and gifts, which require parents to play an important role in nurturing and exploring talents. In this regard, kids brought up by stay-at-home moms discover their talents at a younger stage since their parents give closer attention to nurturing their skills, abilities, and talents (Spencer). Children brought up by stay-at-home moms are well rounded as a strong support system is established between the kids and their parents. This enables them to grow up with a feeling of great satisfaction, ambition, and achievement. Most stay-at-home mothers aim to ensure that their kids are confident and competent and, hence, develop a deep sense of purpose and passion. Giving a kid these opportunities is vital in bringing up skilled and competent kids.

As Smith indicates, a mother plays a vital role in child development, and it is expected that every mother should establish a mother-child bond. The mother-child bond is created through intimate and close relationships as the children experience and recognize the connection with their mothers through emotions and feelings linked to the mother. These feelings and emotions require being regular, and a mother has to show her kids she has time for her children. This is only possible for stay-at-home moms who have enough time to spend profitably with their kids and express their feelings. On the contrary, working moms are faced with difficulties in establishing a strong mother bond based on true feelings and emotions. This is because employed moms are not present during the vital stages of the child's growth and development form, where strong relationship bonds are founded.

Parents, especially mothers, play a crucial role which is irreversible in their child's character, attitudes, and development. It is a basic concept in children to adopt characters they see from the people surrounding them. Children's primary source of character comes from the person with whom they spend the most time, and in this essence, children brought up by stay-at-home moms have the advantage of imitating their mother's behaviours and characters. Hence, their development is shaped based on these characters. In reference to this, mothers can nurture their children based on the behaviours, attitudes, and characters that they deem right by showing and guiding them. On the contrary, working moms have less or no time to define the attitudes and characters of their kids as they are busy with their work routines and, in most cases, dealing with workplace stresses.

Teaching trust and providing emotional security to mothers is an important life skill. The importance of being trustworthy is gained from mothers. In return, this helps children to be confident and emotionally secure. Stay-at-home moms provide children with support by encouraging them to do better. A child learns the norm of telling the truth from his/ her mouth, and also, a child requires

support and emotional security gained from unconditional love given by mothers. The difference between stay-at-home and working moms in this essence is that working moms are more concerned with the financial security of the kids, unlike stay-at-home moms who are inconsiderate of their kid's emotional security.

According to Raja, a strong family is all about being together. Mothers are required to teach their children about the importance and meaning of a family. A child develops a positive attitude and response towards his/ her own family by learning and appreciating the values of the family and the importance of family relationships learned from their mothers. Stay-at-home moms have enough time to interact with their children, teach them, and introduce them to various family values and cultures, which they must adhere to as they grow up.

In conclusion, women's domain is still considered and linked to housing chores and childcare. Although the difference between children brought up by stay-at-home moms and working moms has been widely refuted, researchers have proven the existence of these differences. While working mothers ensure financial security, their responsibility towards their kids has been doubted. Stay-at-home mothers provide a better establishment based on a realistic approach to better child development of character, personality, and behaviours. The differences between these kids are in relation to their behaviours and attitudes as well as their current and future growth and development.

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