

"These are not the same."

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[Lots of folks have had tons to say](#) about Mark Regnerus's [new study](#) finding that children whose parents have had same-sex relationships fare worse than those reared in "stable, biologically-intact mom-and-pop families." Rob Tisinai [sums it up concisely](#):

The study compares the children of married biological parents with those from broken homes — and the study's "lesbian mothers" that our opponents are vilifying generally weren't married to each other; nor were the gay fathers. No, they were often in opposite-sex relationships that broke down.

Our opponents' reporting hasn't focused on that. But I can easily imagine how how an unstable, dishonest mom/dad relationship would (a) be harmful to the kids, and (b) *have nothing to do with same-sex parenting!*

Tisinai also offers this helpful diagram, for reference next time a study like this comes out:

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