

Working Mothers

What the Current Research Tells Us

Did you know?

Current Research on Working Mothers has found

- ◎ NO significant detrimental effects on a child's social or emotional development if their mothers work during their early years. *(McMunn, A., et al., 2011)*

Did you know?

- ◎ Children of working mothers were rated as higher-achieving by teachers and had fewer problems with depression and anxiety.

(Lucas-Thompson, R., et al., November 2010)

Did you know?

Working Mothers...

- ◎ had better mental health
- ◎ were able to build healthier relationships within the family
- ◎ boosted the household income
- ◎ balanced all the different considerations and did the best thing for their families

(Brooks-Gunn, J., Wen-Jui, H., & Waldfogel, J., 2010)

ALL of which

aided the child's development
&
translated to many important
benefits

(Brooks-Gunn, J., Wen-Jui, H., & Waldfogel, J., 2010; Lucas-Thompson, R., et al., 2010)

**Let's Celebrate
Working Mothers &
All They Do**

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