

33 Year-old Man Fathers 30 Children

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Issue: A man who has fathered 30 children by 11 different women is asking the courts to give him a break from paying child-support. Desmond Hatchett, 33, of Knoxville, Tennessee, has reportedly set a Knox County record for the number of children he has managed to reproduce with individual women. However, Hatchett is claiming to be a victim of his own success with the ladies, as he has become unable to make child-support payments and was back in court again this month asking for help.

Only bringing in a minimum wage salary, Hatchett legally has half of his pay check taken from him by the state every month which is divided among his 30 children. In theory, Hatchett's obligations to his children would have him paying anywhere from \$25 to \$309 to the mothers of his enormous brood. In reality, after half his pay is deducted, the virile dad is only able to provide the mother's of his children \$1.49 a month. The child support payments are based in part on the ages and needs of the children that Hatchett has produced and the 33-year-old's oldest child is 14-years-old. Desmond explained how it all snowballed out of control financially for him: 'I had four kids in the same year. Twice.' Asked in a TV interview whether he can 'keep up with it all', the 33-year-old said he knows all their names, ages and birth dates. In 2009 when he first appeared in court on charges that most of the mothers were not receiving child support, he had 21 children. At the time, he said he was not going to father any more kids, but he ended up having nine more in the past three years. He said: 'I didn't intend to have this many, it just happened. The state cannot order Hatchett to stop making babies. He hasn't broken any laws, according to the report.

Question: Should we have some kind of law or restrictions against having so many kids,

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kids you can't take care of at that?



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No one seems to want to blame the mothers for their poor judgment. Ladies, having babies with a man v

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I don't feel sorry for this man, or any of the women that he knocked up. I only feel sorry for the kids that t



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After the first few he should have learned how to prevent having more children or to keep his pants on. I



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There is not a law to stop this boy from producing, but there should be a cap, especially when he can't a

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