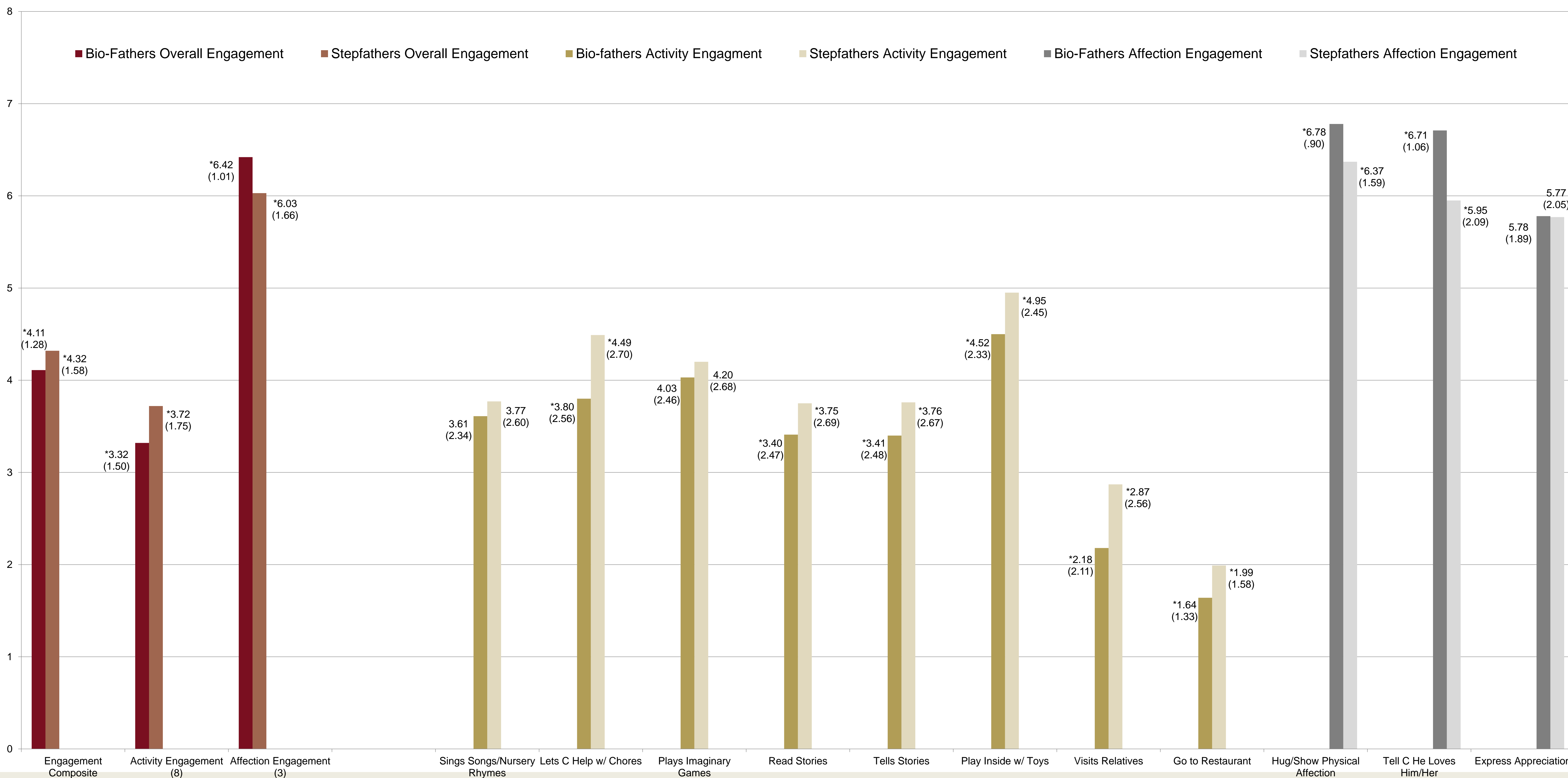




# Differences in Engagement Among Biological Fathers and Stepfathers: What's Lost with a Composite Score



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Source: Fragile Families and Child Wellbeing Study, Wave 3 (2001-2003), mothers' reports of father engagement in days per week with the focal child. For these analyses the sample was limited to mothers living with the focal child and the biological father or stepfather ( $N = 2,121$  bio-fathers,  $N = 366$  stepfathers). Analysis: Mean comparison of composite scores, subscale scores, and individual item scores by father status. Standard deviations in parentheses.  $p < .05 = *$