

**Pennsylvania Department of Health  
Bureau of Family Health  
Breastfeeding Awareness and Support Program**

**Data Source:**

**Pennsylvania Certificate of Live Birth**

The Bureau of Health Statistics and Research in the Pennsylvania Department of Health is responsible for collecting and disseminating data from the Certificate of Live Birth. The information below is obtained from the question "Is infant being breastfed?" as reported on the Certificate of Live Birth.

**2008 - Breastfeeding Initiation in Pennsylvania Birthing Hospitals**

HOSPITAL OF DELIVERY*	TOTAL BIRTHS	NUMBER BREASTFED	NUMBER UNKNOWN BREASTFEEDING STATUS	PERCENT BREASTFED**
Magee Womens Hsp of UPMC Health Sys	9,704	6,488	35	67%
Abington Memorial Hsp	5,099	3,941	184	80%
Lancaster General Hsp	5,060	3,823	20	76%
PA Hsp of the Univer of PA Health Sys	4,475	3,302	0	74%
Pinnacle Health Hospitals	4,334	3,042	57	71%
Hsp of the University of PA	4,126	2,085	89	52%
Lehigh Valley Hsp	3,831	3,172	19	83%
Reading Hsp & Medical Center	3,619	2,508	4	69%
York Hsp	3,046	2,066	0	68%
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 3,000+ Births – 71%</b>				
Moses Taylor Hsp	2,798	1,338	5	48%
Holy Redeemer Hsp & Medical Center	2,793	1,680	45	61%
Albert Einstein Medical Center	2,791	1,108	131	42%
St Lukes Hsp Bethlehem	2,732	1,777	349	75%
Western Pennsylvania Hsp	2,664	1,644	3	62%
Chester County Hsp	2,525	1,825	27	73%
Temple University Hsp	2,472	916	65	38%
Saint Vincent Health Center	2,351	1,432	0	61%
Main Line Hsp Paoli	2,220	1,944	24	89%
Main Line Hsp Lankenau	2,187	1,905	4	87%
Thomas Jefferson University Hsp	2,011	988	171	54%
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 2,000-2,999 Births – 63%</b>				
Main Line Hsp Bryn Mawr	1,902	1,805	3	95%
Hahnemann University Hsp	1,865	1,487	1	80%
Crozer Chester Medical Center	1,822	970	0	53%
Northeastern Hsp	1,814	668	31	37%
St Mary Medical Center	1,749	644	673	60%
Delaware County Memorial Hsp	1,702	961	162	62%
Milton S Hershey Medical Center	1,695	1,250	10	74%
Geisinger Medical Center	1,667	1172	11	71%
Excela Health Westmoreland Reg Hsp	1,589	954	13	61%
Chambersburg Hsp	1,485	1,070	9	72%
Grand View Hsp	1,454	1,151	22	80%
St Lukes Hsp Allentown	1,408	900	0	64%
Nesbitt Memorial Hsp	1,401	687	0	49%
UPMC Mercy	1,379	751	0	54%
Conemaugh Valley Memorial Hsp	1,325	804	0	61%
Doylestown Hsp	1,315	1026	106	85%
Mount Nittany Medical Center	1,263	996	1	79%
Allegheny General Hsp	1,227	753	0	61%
Altoona Regional Health System	1,205	687	0	57%

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Schuylkill Medical Ctr-S Jackson St	1,175	503	1	43%
Williamsport Hsp & Medical Center	1,164	823	0	71%
Holy Spirit Hsp	1,163	814	20	71%
St Clair Memorial Hsp	1,161	773	2	67%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Ctr	1,113	586	0	53%
Lower Bucks Hsp	1,105	669	28	62%
Washington Hsp	1,082	540	0	50%
Evangelical Community Hsp	1,055	787	1	75%
Phoenixville Hsp Company LLC	1,018	884	3	87%
DuBois Regional Medical Center	1,018	606	6	60%
Heritage Valley Beaver	1,016	557	30	56%
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 1,000-1,999 Births – 65%</b>				
Good Samaritan Hsp	998	673	4	68%
Hamot Medical Center	986	658	0	67%
Uniontown Hsp	955	354	1	37%
Western PA Hsp Forbes Regional Campus	940	546	98	65%
Heritage Valley Sewickley	875	467	228	72%
Riddle Memorial Hsp	861	544	5	64%
Ephrata Community Hsp	841	677	8	81%
Chestnut Hill Hsp	799	346	373	81%
St Joseph Medical Center Reading	793	440	6	56%
Memorial Hsp York	789	531	0	67%
Pocono Medical Center	764	444	0	58%
Butler Memorial Hsp	762	485	15	65%
Pottstown Memorial Medical Center	758	475	32	65%
Montgomery Hsp	692	391	3	57%
Armstrong County Memorial Hsp	691	362	21	54%
Indiana Regional Medical Center	638	419	3	66%
Hanover Hsp	632	423	2	67%
Shenango Valley Medical Center	631	385	9	62%
Mercy Suburban Hsp Norristown	631	436	61	76%
Hazleton General Hsp	612	339	22	57%
Lewistown Hsp	559	303	1	54%
Meadville Medical Center	554	355	18	66%
Nason Hsp	546	340	0	62%
Gettysburg Hsp	546	408	0	75%
Easton Hsp	520	206	22	41%
UPMC Northwest Seneca	500	289	2	58%
Waynesboro Hsp	460	319	0	69%
Gnaden Huetten Memorial Hsp	453	213	0	47%
Robert Packer Hsp	449	288	0	64%
Jameson Memorial Hsp	430	223	3	52%
Carlisle Regional Medical Center	393	298	0	76%
Somerset Hsp	384	253	1	66%
Clarion Hsp	375	222	0	59%
J C Blair Memorial Hsp	372	211	0	57%
Jennersville Regional Hsp	359	280	0	78%
Warren General Hsp	354	224	1	63%
Lansdale Hsp	349	277	3	80%
Sharon Regional Health System	339	202	0	60%
Wayne Memorial Hsp	324	198	2	61%
Windber Hsp	312	211	0	68%
Ohio Valley General Hsp	304	144	3	48%
Bloomsburg Hsp	303	165	1	55%
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hsp	296	186	0	63%
Bradford Regional Medical Center	295	123	3	42%
Sacred Heart Hsp	288	154	13	56%
UPMC Bedford	287	151	0	53%

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Ellwood City Hsp	283	120	0	42%
Grove City Medical Center	256	164	0	64%
Excelsa Health Latrobe Hsp	256	156	0	61%
Charles Cole Memorial Hsp	249	150	1	60%
Heart of Lancaster Reg Medical Center	243	210	3	88%
Brandywine Hsp	238	44	131	41%
Titusville Area Hsp	231	133	0	58%
Clearfield Hsp	231	101	2	44%
Tyler Memorial Hsp	209	121	0	58%
Millcreek Community Hsp	202	103	6	53%
Elk Regional Health Center	196	89	0	45%
Memorial Hsp Inc Towanda	193	86	1	45%
Lock Haven Hsp	188	104	2	56%
Punxsutawney Area Hsp	134	70	0	52%
Berwick Hsp Center	125	69	1	56%
Mercy Jeannette Hsp	113	53	0	47%
Barnes-Kasson County Hsp	57	30	0	53%

**Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 50-999 Births – 60%**

\*This report is limited to hospitals with 50 or more live births

\*\*Unknowns excluded in calculation for percent breastfed

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