

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

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

2018 - Breastfeeding Initiation in Pennsylvania Birthing Hospitals for Pennsylvania Resident Occurrences

HOSPITAL OF DELIVERY	TOTAL BIRTHS	NUMBER BREASTFED	NUMBER UNKNOWN OR N/A BREASTFEEDING STATUS	PERCENT BREASTFED
UPMC Magee - Women's Hospital	8,437	6,746	156	81.5
PA Hospital of the Univ. of Penn Health Sys.	4,462	4,313	15	97
Abington Memorial Hospital	4,337	3,965	47	92.4
West Penn Hospital	4,310	3,421	42	80.2
Lancaster General Health Women & Babies Hosp.	4,152	3,372	37	81.9
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania	4,094	3,423	55	84.7
UPMC Pinnacle Hospitals	3,680	3,166	49	87.2
Lehigh Valley Hospital - 17th St	3,421	2,844	173	87.6
Reading Hospital	3,338	2,429	27	73.4
Other Than Hospital or F B C	3,088	2,896	48	95.3
WellSpan York Hospital	3,075	2,419	31	79.5
Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 3,000+ Births – 85%				
Chester County Hospital	2,868	2,508	67	89.5
Main Line Health Lankenau Medical Center	2,820	2,787	25	99.7
Albert Einstein Medical Center	2,753	2,075	90	77.9
Holy Redeemer Hospital	2,722	2,133	8	78.6
Temple University Hospital	2,339	1,553	182	72
St Luke's Hospital Bethlehem	2,268	1,922	86	88.1
Moses Taylor Hospital	2,254	1,827	34	82.3
UPMC Hamot	2,116	1,449	12	68.9
Milton S Hershey Medical Center	2,098	1,856	17	89.2
Einstein Medical Center Montgomery	2,055	1,569	300	89.4
Main Line Health Paoli Hospital	2,042	1,964	37	98
St Mary Medical Center	2,011	1,349	130	71.7

Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 2,000-2,999 Births – 84%

Geisinger Medical Center	1,833	1,127	299	73.5
Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center	1,823	1,413	4	77.7
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	1,806	1,237	113	73.1
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center	1,673	1,263	29	76.8
Freestanding Birthing Center	1,654	1,640	5	99.5
Hahnemann University Hospital	1,654	1,153	83	73.4
St. Luke’s Hospital Allentown	1,556	1,180	3	76
St. Clair Memorial Hospital	1,513	1,232	4	81.6
Main Line Hospital Bryn Mawr	1,482	1,374	87	98.5
Forbes Hospital	1,364	1,057	11	78.1
Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg	1,339	960	217	85.6
Chambersburg Hospital	1,307	1,167	37	91.9
Mount Nittany Medical Center	1,294	1,118	5	86.7
Excelsa Health Westmoreland Regional Hospital	1,238	915	6	74.3
Doylestown Hospital	1,207	1,017	69	89.4
UPMC Altoona	1,202	915	2	76.3
Holy Spirit Hospital	1,173	492	203	50.7
Grand View Hospital	1,154	930	90	87.4
Crozer Chester Medical Center	1,139	742	9	65.7
Williamsport Regional Medical Center	1,117	795	97	77.9
Penn Highlands DuBois	1,057	755	14	72.4
Wilkes-Barre General Hospital	1,044	657	17	64
Pocono Medical Center	1,034	740	28	73.6
Jefferson Hospital	1,025	717	8	70.5
UPMC Pinnacle Lititz	1,023	922	5	90.6
UPMC Mercy	1,017	855	7	84.7

Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 1,000 - 1,999 Births – 79%

Delaware County Memorial Hospital	987	736	22	76.3
Butler Memorial Hospital	970	699	55	76.4
Riddle Memorial Hospital	950	749	15	80.1
Curahealth Heritage Valley	902	571	42	66.4
WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital	885	787	25	91.5
Saint Vincent Hospital	876	606	6	69.7
Evangelical Community Hospital	841	690	16	83.6
UPMC Horizon - Shenango	833	582	2	70
Uniontown Hospital	826	461	5	56.2
Washington Hospital	820	503	15	62.5
Phoenixville Hospital	818	785	2	96.2
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hazleton	784	525	79	74.5
Heritage Valley Sewickley	715	387	301	93.5
WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital	701	598	0	85.3
Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center	661	439	107	79.2
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Schuylkill	618	346	8	56.7

UPMC Northwest Medical Center - Seneca	592	419	2	71
Geisinger - Lewistown Hospital	573	431	7	76.1
Meadville Medical Center	525	403	4	77.4
Robert Packer Hospital	523	385	1	73.8
Indiana Regional Medical Center	522	393	4	75.9
UPMC Pinnacle Hanover	493	402	3	82
UPMC Pinnacle Memorial	461	323	3	70.5
WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital	446	379	4	85.7
Geisinger-Bloomsburg Hospital	442	364	6	83.5
Wayne Memorial Hospital	409	282	0	68.9
UPMC Pinnacle Carlisle	406	331	2	81.9
Sharon Regional Health System	383	276	6	73.2
Pottstown Hospital	377	300	3	80.2
Waynesboro Hospital	362	297	3	82.7
ACMH	362	241	4	67.3
Nason Hospital	315	229	3	73.4
Easton Hospital	298	157	11	54.7
Warren General Hospital	276	220	3	80.6
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia	242	216	3	90.4
J C Blair Memorial Hospital	199	132	2	67
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital	190	150	1	79.4
UPMC Cole	187	135	7	75
Penn Highlands Elk	179	107	2	60.5
Bradford Regional Medical Center	162	105	6	67.3
Millcreek Community Hospital	120	89	6	78.1
Punxsutawney Area Hospital	108	79	6	77.5
Clarion Hospital	100	57	3	58.8

Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 50 - 999 Births – 76%

Notes: this report is limited to hospitals with 50 or more live births
 Unknowns excluded in calculations for percent breastfed
 Starting in 2013, calculation method changed to exclude infants
 not living at time of birth certificate report.

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