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.

2017 - 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 - Womens Hospital	8,736	7,036	72	81%
PA Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania Health System	4,639	4,599	11	99%
Abington Memorial Hospital	4,578	4,116	73	91%
Lancaster General Health Women & Babies Hospital	4,362	3,527	44	82%
West Penn Hospital	4,123	3,262	32	80%
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania	4,121	3,101	119	78%
Lehigh Valley Hospital - 17th St	3,930	3,272	210	88%
UPMC Pinnacle Hospitals	3,886	3,371	38	88%
Reading Hospital	3,534	2,613	21	74%
WellSpan York Hospital	3,093	2,760	49	91%
Other Than Hospital or F B C	3,070	2,924	38	96%
Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 3,000+ Births – 86%				
Main Line Health Lankenau Medical Center	2,858	2,810	17	99%
Chester County Hospital	2,811	2,424	11	87%
Albert Einstein Medical Center	2,787	2,049	202	79%
Holy Redeemer Hospital	2,654	2,078	12	79%
Temple University Hospital	2,572	1,492	265	65%
Moses Taylor Hospital	2,353	1,738	76	76%
St Lukes Hospital Bethlehem	2,191	1,827	117	88%
UPMC Hamot	2,181	1,468	22	68%
St Mary Medical Center	2,178	1,246	446	72%
Milton S Hershey Medical Center	2,099	1,831	17	88%
Main Line Health Paoli Hospital	2,054	1,932	13	95%
Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 2,000 - 2,999 Births – 82%				
Einstein Medical Center Montgomery	1,928	1,406	309	87%
Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center	1,879	1,478	5	79%
Geisinger Medical Center	1,812	1,352	110	79%
Hahnemann University Hospital	1,732	1,277	59	76%
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	1,687	1,238	39	75%
Freestanding Birthing Center	1,635	1,619	6	99%
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center	1,613	1,160	32	73%
Main Line Hospital Bryn Mawr	1,545	1,448	68	98%
St. Clair Memorial Hospital	1,498	1,197	7	80%
St. Lukes Hospital Allentown	1,384	1,060	9	77%
Mount Nittany Medical Center	1,347	1,157	6	86%
Chambersburg Hospital	1,314	1,220	12	94%
Excela Health Westmoreland Regional Hospital	1,245	878	1	71%
Doylestown Hospital	1,235	1,020	84	89%
Forbes Hospital	1,230	913	26	76%
Grand View Hospital	1,199	829	131	78%
Crozer Chester Medical Center	1,178	694	157	68%
Holy Spirit Hospital	1,146	987	20	88%
Penn Highlands DuBois	1,109	802	22	74%
Delaware County Memorial Hospital	1,081	663	237	79%
UPMC Pinnacle Lititz	1,080	975	2	90%
UPMC Mercy	1,079	851	3	79%

Wilkes-Barre General Hospital	1,079	683	31	65%
Williamsport Regional Medical Center	1,052	766	110	81%
Pocono Medical Center	1,013	766	26	78%
Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 1,000 - 1,999 Births – 81%				
UPMC Altoona	983	733	0	75%
Saint Vincent Hospital	973	727	4	75%
Jefferson Hospital	973	691	23	73%
Butler Memorial Hospital	952	705	14	75%
Riddle Memorial Hospital	930	730	7	79%
UPMC Horizon - Shenango	928	645	4	70%
Evangelical Community Hospital	896	758	21	87%
Curahealth Heritage Valley	869	554	34	66%
WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital	863	771	23	92%
Washington Hospital	849	509	13	61%
Uniontown Hospital	837	485	0	58%
Phoenixville Hospital	805	758	0	94%
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hazleton	778	476	114	72%
Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg	725	581	88	91%
WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital	708	578	4	82%
Heritage Valley Sewickley	699	421	231	90%
Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center	671	426	138	80%
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Schuylkill	670	374	12	57%
UPMC Northwest Medical Center - Seneca	627	420	4	67%
Robert Packer Hospital	584	445	0	76%
Meadville Medical Center	581	465	3	80%
Indiana Regional Medical Center	520	384	6	75%
UPMC Pinnacle Hanover	516	410	4	80%
Geisinger - Lewistown Hospital	515	386	5	76%
WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital	508	418	13	84%
UPMC Pinnacle Memorial	503	333	1	66%
Wayne Memorial Hospital	449	316	4	71%
ACMH	440	272	10	63%
Pottstown Hospital	418	321	4	78%
Waynesboro Hospital	380	312	2	83%
UPMC Pinnacle Carlisle	375	297	3	80%
Geisinger-Bloomsburg Hospital	369	317	3	87%
Nason Hospital	321	239	1	75%
Warren General Hospital	306	234	5	78%
Sharon Regional Health System	303	208	3	69%
Easton Hospital	253	130	7	53%
UPMC Bedford Memorial	229	166	1	73%
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital	218	166	1	77%
UPMC Cole	208	165	9	83%
Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia	206	61	25	34%
J C Blair Memorial Hospital	205	122	1	60%
St. Luke's Hospital - Sacred Heart Campus	202	109	4	55%
Penn Highlands Elk	184	98	6	55%
Bradford Regional Medical Center	175	97	10	59%
Millcreek Community Hospital	136	86	9	68%
Punxsutawney Area Hospital	118	85	3	74%
Clarion Hospital	104	63	1	61%
Berwick Hospital Center	86	56	0	65%
Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 50 - 999 Births – 75%				

Notes: This report is limited to hospitals with 50 or more live births.

    Unknowns excluded in calculation for percent breastfed.

    Starting in 2013, calculation method changed to exclude infants not living at time of birth certificate reporting.

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