

**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.

**2019 - 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	9,348	7,570	147	82.3
PA Hospital of the Univ. of Penn Health Sys.	4,527	4,358	34	97
Abington Memorial Hospital	4,325	3,978	30	92.6
West Penn Hospital	4,320	3,419	58	80.2
Lancaster General Health Women & Babies Hosp.	4,199	3,426	40	82.4
Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania	4,064	3,487	82	87.6
UPMC Pinnacle Hospitals	3,828	3,338	23	87.7
Reading Hospital	3,381	2,565	27	73.4
WellSpan York Hospital	3,023	2,459	14	81.7
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 3,000+ Births – 85%</b>				
Chester County Hospital	2,869	2,436	108	88.2
Main Line Health Lankenau Medical Center	2,872	2,833	27	99.6
Albert Einstein Medical Center	2,813	1,557	166	58.8
Holy Redeemer Hospital	2,707	2,030	17	75.5
Temple University Hospital	2,413	1,694	196	76.4
St Lukes Hospital Bethlehem	2,307	1,987	71	88.9
Moses Taylor Hospital	2,149	1,811	24	85.2
UPMC Hamot	2,026	1,363	67.7	68.9
Milton S Hershey Medical Center	2,090	1,833	25	88.8
Einstein Medical Center Montgomery	2,068	1,621	250	89.2
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Cedar Crest	2,342	1,888	165	86.7
Thomas Jefferson University Hospital	2,310	1,529	223	73.3
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 2,000-2,999 Births – 82%</b>				
Main Line Health Paoli Hospital	1,980	1,922	24	98.3
Geisinger Medical Center	1,966	1,345	198	76.1
St Mary Medical Center	1,946	1,338	139	74
Conemaugh Memorial Medical Center	1,702	1,316	15	78
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center	1,937	1,379	101	75.1
Main Line Hospital Bryn Mawr	1,462	1,328	101	97.6
St. Clair Memorial Hospital	1,455	1,177	3	81.1
UPMC Altoona	1,386	1,113	4	80.5
Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg	1,381	1,047	202	88.8
Forbes Hospital	1,336	990	17	75.1
AHN Jefferson Hospital	1,294	881	23	69.3
Chambersburg Hospital	1,270	1,179	30	95.1
Excela Health Westmoreland Regional Hospital	1,254	910	2	72.7
Doylestown Hospital	1,249	1,072	69	90.8
Mount Nittany Medical Center	1,244	1,067	6	86.2
UPMC Williamsport	1,148	801	131	78.8
Penn Highlands DuBois	1,078	785	11	73.6
Crozer Chester Medical Center	1,077	670	14	63
Lehigh Valley Hospital - 17th Street	1,055	829	92	86.1
Grand View Hospital	1,049	881	79	90.8
Saint Vincent Hospital	1,021	708	9	70
UPMC Pinnacle Lititz	1,005	904	6	90.5

St. Lukes Hospital Allentown	1,527	1,249	1	81.8
<b>Average Percent Breastfed in Hospitals with 1,000 - 1,999 Births – 82%</b>				
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Pocono	960	708	36	76.6
Delaware County Memorial Hospital	943	712	4	75.8
Butler Memorial Hospital	933	670	67	77.4
Curahealth Heritage Valley	861	579	30	69.7
WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital	860	785	17	93.1
Riddle Memorial Hospital	837	671	19	82
UPMC Horizon - Shenango	822	583	0	70.9
Phoenixville Hospital	812	778	0	95.8
Hahnemann University Hospital	781	536	41	72.4
Wilkes-Barre General Hospital	765	520	5	68.4
Washington Hospital	758	475	13	63.8
WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital	722	607	4	84.5
Evangelical Community Hospital	717	604	12	85.7
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Hazleton	707	452	80	72.1
Penn State Health St. Joseph Medical Center	700	514	23	75.9
Heritage Valley Sewickley	640	312	300	91.8
UPMC Northwest Medical Center - Seneca	577	400	1	69.4
Schuylkill East	573	331	10	58.8
Geisinger - Lewistown Hospital	572	427	8	75.7
UPMC Pinnacle Hanover	519	446	4	86.6
Meadville Medical Center	506	393	4	78.3
Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital	494	371	1	75.3
UPMC Pinnacle Memorial	463	342	0	73.9
Indiana Regional Medical Center	461	331	3	72.3
Geisinger-Bloomsburg Hospital	444	354	4	80.5
Wayne Memorial Hospital	439	319	1	72.8
WellSpan Gettysburg Hospital	432	354	7	83.3
Pottstown Hospital	416	334	5	81.3
UPMC Pinnacle Carlisle	395	303	0	76.7
ACMH	386	236	9	62.6
Uniontown Hospital	381	207	1	54.5
Waynesboro Hospital	355	276	3	78.4
Sharon Regional Health System	317	252	6	81
Conemaugh Nason Medical Center	259	180	1	69.8
Warren General Hospital	254	186	14	77.5
Childrens Hospital of Philadelphia	237	227	5	97.8
Easton Hospital	225	107	13	50.3
Penn Highlands Elk	219	130	6	61
UPMC Cole	199	158	7	82.3
UPMC Mercy	193	166	0	86
Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hospital	167	128	1	77.1
Clarion Hospital	117	66	8	60.6
Bradford Regional Medical Center	107	67	7	67
Punxsutawney Area Hospital	102	70	8	74.5
Geisinger-Community Medical Center	78	61	0	78.2
Millcreek Community Hospital	64	40	2	64.5
Lehigh Valley Hospital - Schuylkill	55	33	1	61.1

**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 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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