

Top ten baby names through the years.

Most popular names 1875

Girls Boys

Mary	William
Anna	John
Elizabeth	Charles
Emma	Harry
Alice	James
Edith	George
Florence	Frank
May	Robert
Helen	Joseph
Katherine	Thomas

Most popular names 1900

Girls Boys

Mary	John
Helen	William
Margaret	James
Anna	George
Ruth	Joseph

Most popular names 1925

Girls Boys

Mary	Robert
Barbara	John
Dorothy	William
Betty	James
Ruth	Charles
Margaret	Richard
Helen	George
Elizabeth	Donald
Jean	Joseph
Ann	Edward

Most popular names 1948

Girls Boys

Linda	Robert
Mary	John
Barbara	James
Patricia	Michael
Susan	William
Kathleen	Richard
Carol	Joseph
Nancy	Thomas
Margaret	Stephen

Diane

David

Alexis

Matthew

Most popular names 1950

Girls Boys

Linda	Robert
Mary	Michael
Patricia	James
Susan	John
Deborah	David
Kathleen	William
Barbara	Thomas
Nancy	Richard
Sharon	Gary
Karen	Charles

Samantha

Joshua

Sarah

Christopher

Ashley

Nicholas

Madison

Andrew

Taylor

Joseph

Jessica

Daniel

Elizabeth

Tyler

Most popular names 2000

Girls Boys

Hannah	Michael
Emily	Jacob
Madison	Matthew
Elizabeth	Joseph
Alexis	Christopher
Sarah	Nicholas
Taylor	Andrew
Lauren	William
Jessica	Joshua
Ashley	Daniel

Most popular names 1974

Girls Boys

Jennifer	Michael
Michelle	John
Christine	Robert
Lisa	David
Marcia	Christopher
Melissa	Anthony
Nicole	Joseph
Elizabeth	Jason
Jessica	James
Erica	Jose

Most popular names 2001

Girls Boys

Emily	Jacob
Madison	Michael
Hannah	Matthew
Ashley	Joshua
Alexis	Christopher
Samantha	Nicholas
Sarah	Andrew
Abigail	Joseph
Elizabeth	Daniel
Jessica	William

Most popular names 1987

Girls Boys

Jessica	Michael
Jennifer	Christopher
Ashley	Matthew
Amanda	Daniel
Christine	Joseph
Sara(h)	David
Nicole	Andrew
Stephanie	Steven
Melissa	Brian
Danielle	Robert

Most popular names 1999

Girls Boys

Emily	Jacob
Hannah	Michael

**Names for characters
born in the 1800's**

Female	Male
Adaline	Abraham
Ann (Anna)	Albert
Catherine (Catharine)	Alfred
Charlotte	Amos
Elizabeth (Elisabeth)	Charles
Eliza	David
Emily	Elijah
Esther	George
Fanny	Henry
Harriet (Harriett)	Isaac
Henrietta	James
Jane	Jeremiah
Louisa	John
Margaret	Joseph
Mariam	Lewis
Martha	Moses
Mary	Nathan
Nancy	Oliver
Phebe	Peter
Polly	Samuel
Sarah (Sara)	Walter
Ruth	William

**Names for characters
born in the early 1900's
(Around 100 years old)**

Female	Male
Alice	Albert
Anna	Arthur
Edna	Charles
Elizabeth (Elisabeth)	Edward
Ethel	Frank
Florence	George
Gladys	Henry
Grace	Harold
Lillian	James

Mabel	John
Margaret	Michael
Marie	Samuel
Mary	William
Rose	
Ruth	

**Names for characters
born around 1920-30's
(Around 70 to 80 years
old)**

Female	Male
Jean	Edward
Dorothy	Frank
Jean	Henry (Hank)
Helen	James (Jim)
Margaret	Joseph (Joe)
Mary	John (Johnny)
Ruth	Robert (Bob)
Shirley	Ronald (Ron)
	Thomas (Tom)
	William (Bill, Billy)

**Names for characters
born around the 1940's
(Around 60 years old)**

Female	Male
Barbara	Edward (Ed)
Judith	James (Jim)
Linda	John
Mary	Richard (Dick, Rick)
Nancy	Robert (Bob, Rob)
	William (Bill, Will)

**Names for characters
born around the 1950's**

**(Around 50 years old)
Also called **Baby Boomers****

Female	Male
Ann (Annie, Anna)	David
Barbara	James (Jim)
Catherine (Katherine, Cathy, Kathy)	John
Carol	Mark
Cynthia	Michael (Mike)
Diane	Patrick
Janet	Richard (Dick)
Lesley	Robert (Bob, Rob)
Linda	Steven (Steve, Stephen)
Lisa	William
Mary	
Sandra	
Susan	

**Names for characters
born around the 1960's
(Around 40 years old)**

Female	Male
Barbara	David
Debra (Deborah)	James (Jim)
Donna	John
Elizabeth (Elisabeth)	Michael (Mike)
Linda	Mark
Lisa	Robert (Bob, Bobbie)
Mary	Timothy
Susan	William

**Names for characters
born around the 1970's
(Around 30 years old)**

Female	Male
Amy	Andrew
Catherine (Katherine, Cathy, Kathy)	Brian
Kelly	Eric
Michelle	Jeffery (Jeff)
Nicole	Matthew

**Names for characters
born around the 1980's
(Around 20 years old)**

Female	Male
Alexandra (Alexis)	Benjamin (Ben)
Amanda (Mandy)	Christopher (Chris)
Danielle	Daniel (Dan)
Heather	David
Jennifer (Jenny)	Jason
Jessica	Jonathan
Katherine (Kate, Katie)	Justin
Kristen (Kristy, Kristin, Kristina)	Michael (Mike)
Lindsey (Lindsay)	Ryan
Melissa	Stephen (Steve)
Rebecca (Becky, Rebekah)	
Sara (Sarah)	
Stephanie	

**Names for characters
born around the 1990's
(Around 10 years old)**

Female	Male
Ashley	Jonathan
Amanda	Joshua
Brianna	Matthew
Brittany	Michael
Emily	Ryan
Jennifer	Tyler
Jessica	Zachary
Kaitlyn (Caitlyn)	
Laurie	
Megan	
Sarah (Sara)	

**Popular Baby Names for
beginning of 2001* -
National - **New!****

Female	Male
Abigail	Andrew
Alexis	Christopher
Ashley	Daniel
Elizabeth	Jacob
Emily	Joseph
Hannah	Joshua
Jessica	Matthew
Madison	Michael
Sarah	Nicholas
Samantha	William

*Source: SSA

**Baby Names for 2001* -
California**

Female	Male
Alyssa	Andrew

Ashley	Anthony
Emily	Daniel
Jessica	Jacob
Samantha	Jose

*Source: SSA

**General Top 10 Names
(Not related to age, to use
or avoid!)**

Female	Male
Barbara	Charles
Dorothy	David
Elizabeth	James
Jennifer	John
Linda	Joseph
Margaret	Michael
Maria	Richard
Mary	Robert
Patricia	Thomas
Susan	William

1970's

Rank	Male	Female
1	Michael	Jennifer
2	Christopher	Amy
3	Jason	Melissa
4	David	Michelle
5	James	Kimberly
6	John	Lisa
7	Robert	Angela
8	Brian	Heather
9	William	Stephanie
10	Matthew	Jessica

1960's

Rank	Male	Female
1	Michael	Lisa
2	David	Mary
3	John	Karen
4	James	Susan
5	Robert	Kimberly
6	Mark	Patricia
7	William	Linda
8	Richard	Donna
9	Thomas	Michelle
10	Jeffrey	Cynthia

1950's

Rank	Male	Female
1	Michael	Mary

2	James	Linda
3	Robert	Patricia
4	John	Susan
5	David	Deborah
6	William	Barbara
7	Richard	Debra
8	Thomas	Karen
9	Mark	Nancy
10	Charles	Donna

1940's

Rank	Male	Female
1	James	Mary
2	Robert	Linda
3	John	Barbara
4	William	Patricia
5	Richard	Carol
6	David	Sandra
7	Charles	Nancy
8	Thomas	Judith
9	Michael	Sharon
10	Ronald	Susan

1930's

Rank	Male	Female
1	Robert	Mary
2	James	Betty
3	John	Barbara
4	William	Shirley
5	Richard	Patricia
6	Charles	Dorothy

7	Donald	Joan
8	George	Margaret
9	Thomas	Nancy
10	Joseph	Helen

1920's

	Rank	Male	Female
	1	Robert	Mary
	2	John	Dorothy
	3	James	Helen
	4	William	Betty
	5	Charles	Margaret
	6	George	Ruth
	7	Joseph	Virginia
	8	Richard	Doris
	9	Edward	Mildred
	10	Donald	Elizabeth

1910's

	Rank	Male	Female
	1	John	Mary
	2	William	Helen
	3	James	Dorothy
	4	Robert	Margaret
	5	Joseph	Ruth
	6	George	Mildred
	7	Charles	Anna
	8	Edward	Elizabeth
	9	Frank	Frances
	10	Walter	Marie

1900's

Rank	Male	Female
1	John	Mary
2	William	Helen
3	James	Margaret
4	George	Anna
5	Joseph	Ruth
6	Charles	Elizabeth
7	Robert	Dorothy
8	Frank	Marie
9	Edward	Mildred
10	Henry	Alice