Breastfeeding

It's only natural

More and more moms are breastfeeding...



83%

of all babies born in 2015¹ were **ever breastfed** — up from

70% in 2000²



of **African-American**

babies born in 2015¹ were

ever breastfed — up from **47%** in 2000²



58%

of all babies born in 2015¹

were **breastfed at**

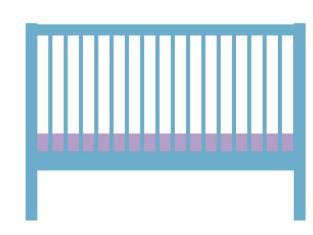
6 months — up from **35%** in 2000²



of **African-American**

babies born in 2015¹

were **breastfed at 6 months** — up
from **17%** in 2000²



...saving lives...

Breastfeeding can **reduce the odds** of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome by 50%

...and saving money.

Families who follow optimal breastfeeding practices can **SaVe** between

\$1,200 and \$1,500

on infant formula⁴



Help for moms:

Most insurance plans cover **breastfeeding equipment**, **supplies**, **and support** at no cost to you.

Need health insurance? Go to **HealthCare.gov** to apply.

Call the OWH Resource Line at 1-800-994-9662 for free help with breastfeeding.

Get answers to your breastfeeding questions at womenshealth.gov/breastfeeding.







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