Breastfeeding My Baby

Breastfeeding is the normal and healthiest way to feed your baby. It is the only food your baby needs.

How do I know if my baby is getting enough breast milk? The best way is by the number of wet and soiled diapers and your baby's weight gain.

| Your Baby's Age | | 1 week | | | | | 2 Wooks | |
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| | 1 Day | 2 Days | 3 Days | 4 Days | 5, 6, 7 Days | 2 Weeks | 3 Weeks | |
| How often do I brea feed? Per day, on averag over 24 hours | | I am feeding my baby 8 or more times per day (every 1-3 hours), including 2-3 night time feeds | | | | | | |
| How big is my baby tummy? *approximatel | | 5-7 ml • Size of a Marble | | 22-27 ml ● Size of a Ping Pong Ball | | | 60-80 ml • Size of an Egg | |
| How many wet diapers will my baby have? Per day, on average over 24 hours *Clear pale yellow urine | | At least 2 WET | At least 3 WET | At least 4 WET | At least 5 WET | At least | 6 WET | |
| How many soiled diapers will my baby have? Per day, on average over 24 hours | ge, At le | At least 1-2 black or dark green | | At least 2-3 rown, green or yellow | | At least 2-3 soft and seedy yellow | | |
| How much will my baby weigh? | Your baby may lose | Your baby may lose 7-10% of its birth weight in the first 3 days after birth | | | Your baby gains 20-35 grams (2/3 to 1 1/3 oz.) per day and regains his/her birth weight by 10-14 days | | Your baby now gains 120-240 grams (4-8 oz.) per week | |
| Other Signs | | Your baby has a strong cry, moves actively, and wakes easily. Your breasts feel softer and less full after a feeding. After a few weeks it is normal for your breasts to feel soft and still have lots of milk. | | | | | | |
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This "Breastfeeding my Baby" is taken from the Pregnancy Passport.

Ask your health care provider for this important booklet.

It will support you to have a healthy pregnancy and help prepare you to welcome your baby into the world.







