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It's that time of the year again. We're looking at the **most popular baby names** from the last 12 months – as voted by you, our **Baby Club members**. So, whether you're here because you're looking for some baby name ideas, or you're just curious to see which ones made the list, it's time to find out the **Huggies 2012 Most Popular Baby Names!**



## GIRLS

1. Ava
2. Amelia
3. Ella
4. Grace
5. Mia
6. Aria
7. Ruby
8. Sienna
9. Sophie
10. Chloe
11. Olivia
12. Lily
13. Isla
14. Emily
15. Isabella
16. Zoe
17. Zara
18. Scarlett
19. Evie
20. Matilda
21. Lucy
22. Georgia
23. Emma
24. Sophia
25. Abigail
26. Indie
27. Layla
28. Eva
29. Poppy
30. Maya
31. Annabelle
32. Holly
33. Violet
34. Stella
35. Savannah
36. Imogen
37. Rose
38. Aaliyah
39. Lexie
40. Ayla
41. Isabelle
42. Lilly
43. Bella
44. Charli
45. Alice
46. Audrey
47. Jessica
48. Elizabeth
49. Summer
50. Madeleine

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## BOYS

1. Noah
2. Flynn
3. Oliver
4. Cooper
5. Ethan
6. Archer
7. Jack
8. Lachlan
9. Xavier
10. Blake
11. William
12. Mason
13. Ryder
14. Braxton
15. Hunter
16. Liam
17. Harrison
18. James
19. Jacob
20. Harper
21. Max
22. Thomas
23. Joshua
24. Alexander
25. Oscar
26. Nate
27. Logan
28. Samuel
29. Levi
30. Archie
31. Elijah
32. Harry
33. Jackson
34. Declan
35. Addison
36. Hudson
37. Aidan
38. Leo
39. Ashton
40. Jake
41. Isaac
42. Caleb
43. Luca
44. Benjamin
45. Sebastian
46. Zachary
47. Henry
48. Jasper
49. Jaxon
50. Angus

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## CHART TOPPERS

Favourite names for girls include Charlotte, Ava and Amelia in the first three positions, while the top three places for boys have been taken up by Lucas, Noah and Flynn.

## NAMES WITH FAME

It seems as though while certain celebrities might go in and out of the spotlight, the trend of naming our children after them is something that is very much here for good. **Celebrity baby names** are a firm feature of the 2012 baby name list, with people naming newborns after rappers, rock stars, and actors, alike.

Some standouts are Axel, Freddie and Britney as clear homages to people in the music industry and Angelina and Denzel being very recognisable salutes to stars of the screen.

On a local note, we also saw a rise in baby names which seem to have been inspired by Masterchefs, like Adriano, Matt, Gary and George.

## UNIQUE NAMES

Coming up with a brand new name, or naming a child something that is not typically thought of as being a person's name, is a growing phenomenon.

Love them or hate them, baby names that are more on the original side are here to stay. Within the unique and **unusual baby names** charts for 2012, we are seeing a gradual shift from names that are essentially a shortened version of an existing name, like Ash or Sky, to names that are more blatantly nouns, such as Anemone, Field, and Wind.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Although there has been a rise in “new” names where the meaning behind the name is quite clearly expressed, the names at the top of the list are quite traditional and generally have origins in Old English and European languages.

The meanings of popular baby names can be as significant as the names themselves, with the most popular girl's names meaning things like “petite” and “feminine”, and the top boy's names being quite heroic in nature with translations like “bringer of light” and “dignity”.

For more information on the origins and meanings of our **top baby names**, please visit our site. **Become a Huggies member** to create and share your own baby name list.

To take a look at the names that received the most nods in 2012, check out the **most popular baby names of 2011**.