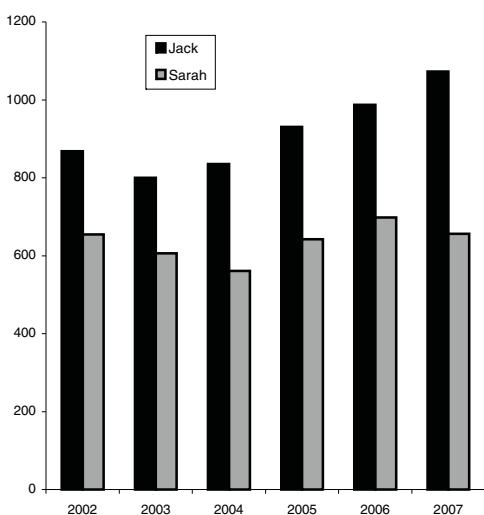




Jack and Sarah 2002-2007



# Irish Babies' Names 2007

## Five most popular babies' names

Boys		Girls	
Name	Count	Name	Count
Jack	1,073	Sarah	656
Sean	965	Emma	632
Conor	821	Ella	601
Daniel	725	Katie	566
James	713	Sophie	556

## Jack and Sarah most popular names

Jack and Sarah were the most popular babies' names registered last year. Jack returns to the top position it last held in 2005 and Sarah retains the top position it held in 2006. There were 1,073 boys named Jack in 2007, 108 more than the number of boys named Sean. There were 656 girls named Sarah, 24 more than the number of girls named Emma, the second most popular girls' name. *See Tables 1 and 2.*

Four of the top five boys' names (Jack, Sean, Conor and James) have been in the top five since 1998, with only their order changing from year to year. Daniel is a new entry to the top five at number four but has been ranked sixth from 2002 to 2006. There has been more change in girls' names. While Emma and Sarah have been in the top five since 1998, Katie has only been in the top five since 2003, Sophie has been in it since 2006 and Ella is in the top five for the first time. See Table 1.

There were six first time entries to the top 100 for boys: Rhys, Oliver, Jayden, Louis, Lucas and Jacob. Also, Edward returned to the top 100 after a 2-year absence and Reece returned after a 3-year absence. The highest new entries at number 76 were Rhys and Oliver, Rhys rose from 109th place in 2002 and 104th in 2006, and Oliver rose from 155th place in 2002 and 101st in 2006. The names rising the most places were Jayden (up 220 places to 85), Louis (up 37 places to 86) and Edward (up 33 places to 82). See Table 6.

There were also six first time entries to the top 100 for girls: Brooke, Millie, Taylor, Muireann, Freya and Maya. Also, Sara returned to the top 100 after a 2-year absence and Lara returned after a 4-year absence. The highest new entry was Brooke, which climbed from 289th place in 2002 and 133rd in 2006 to reach 73rd place. The names rising the most places were Brooke (up 60 places to 73), Millie (up 39 places to 84) and Muireann (up 39 places to 91). See Table 6.

In general, the tables show that girls are given a wider variety of names than boys are, with 42.3% of girls given a name not in the top 100, compared with 32.8% of boys.

Jack was the most popular boys' name in seven of the eight Regional Authority areas. The exception was the Dublin region where Sean was the most popular. Sarah was the most popular girls' name in the Border and South-West regions. Emma was the most popular in the West and Mid-West regions. Ella was the most popular in the Mid-East and South-East regions. Katie was the most popular name in the Midland region and Sophie in the Dublin region.

These results are based on an analysis of the first names recorded on birth returns for registration and vital statistics, begun by CSO in 1998. All birth notifications in 2007 included baby's first name when the statistical return was sent to the CSO.

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**Table 1 Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in order of popularity, with corresponding rank between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Jack	1	2	1	2	2	1	Sarah	1	1	2	3	2	1
Sean	2	1	2	1	1	2	Emma	2	2	1	1	1	4
Conor	3	3	4	3	4	4	Ella	3	8	10	11	14	28
Daniel	4	6	6	6	6	6	Katie	4	3	3	2	5	7
James	5	5	5	4	5	5	Sophie	5	5	7	7	6	9
Adam	6	4	3	4	3	3	Ava	6	6	18	18	24	26
Ryan	7	14	12	13	12	14	Aoife	7	4	5	5	3	2
Luke	8	7	8	8	11	10	Emily	8	11	11	13	20	19
Cian	9	8	7	7	8	7	Grace	9	7	14	20	23	29
Michael	10	9	10	9	7	8	Kate	10	23	22	14	17	18
Dylan	11	12	11	11	10	11	Amy	11	11	4	4	9	6
Aaron	12	11	9	10	13	12	Ciara	12	10	6	6	4	3
Darragh	13	15	20	15	15	24	Hannah	13	16	16	16	13	12
Thomas	14	13	16	20	14	18	Lucy	14	13	24	22	29	36
Matthew	15	17	19	23	25	17	Chloe	15	14	8	8	8	5
David	16	21	14	12	9	9	Leah	16	9	9	9	10	15
Jamie	17	10	13	16	23	23	Caoimhe	17	15	17	12	12	20
Oisin	18	16	21	18	20	25	Niamh	18	18	13	10	11	8
Patrick	19	19	18	24	19	13	Rachel	19	17	12	14	7	13
Alex	20	23	24	26	29	35	Anna	20	21	21	26	22	21
John	21	18	17	21	22	15	Jessica	21	20	20	23	19	17
Cillian	22	28	45	40	60	66	Lauren	22	21	19	17	15	10
Evan	23	25	25	25	26	29	Molly	23	25	25	31	37	33
Eoin	24	26	21	14	15	16	Mia	24	25	33	39	44	47
Shane	25	24	23	19	21	21	Rebecca	25	19	15	21	17	14
Liam	26	30	27	28	24	26	Saoirse	26	29	36	35	36	31
Ben	27	20	14	17	18	19	Roisin	27	27	23	27	27	24
Jake	28	29	30	36	31	30	Lily	28	42	52	59	75	85
Joshua	29	27	25	22	17	19	Abbie	29	31	27	30	33	51
Mark	30	31	29	27	27	22	Megan	30	32	26	19	16	11
Harry	31	41	50	56	56	68	Ellie	31	30	32	38	38	46
Fionn	32	39	38	41	66	66	Holly	32	33	29	25	28	35
Joseph	33	39	31	31	32	33	Laura	32	24	28	24	21	16
Callum	34	22	34	61	46	60	Ruby	34	41	58	121	120	170
Samuel	35	34	35	34	37	43	Ellen	35	34	30	28	25	23
Charlie	36	36	52	65	79	93	Aisling	36	28	31	29	29	27
Nathan	37	32	28	29	28	27	Aine	37	37	35	33	32	39
Cathal	38	35	31	34	39	38	Nicole	38	36	37	40	34	24
Kyle	38	38	35	32	35	36	Clodagh	39	40	42	41	46	45
Robert	40	37	37	38	34	30	Erin	40	34	40	51	42	48
Ciaran	41	33	31	30	30	28	Eva	41	44	49	47	55	50
Ronan	41	47	43	39	51	54	Olivia	42	55	58	69	72	71
Andrew	43	43	39	32	36	41	Isabelle	43	50	62	76	100	77
Kevin	44	48	47	44	38	32	Caitlin	44	46	34	34	31	38
William	44	50	51	54	55	49	Abigail	45	44	45	42	54	68
Ethan	46	54	49	47	44	50	Tara	46	38	39	36	40	32
Tadhg	47	64	69	68	84	80	Katelyn	47	43	41	37	35	52
Rory	48	45	68	48	52	57	Amelia	48	74	91	99	163	210
Noah	49	49	61	79	132	148	Julia	49	71	97	152	139	154
Calum	50	44	70	117	109	123	Shauna	50	39	38	32	26	22
Brian	51	52	43	45	40	38	Eimear	51	48	44	43	46	43
Eoghan	52	50	41	52	41	48	Sophia	51	69	85	71	100	108
Cormac	53	42	39	51	56	52	Kayla	53	59	67	88	106	116
Finn	54	66	57	71	75	88	Zoe	54	47	43	45	41	43
Aidan	55	65	71	62	64	62	Kayleigh	55	58	58	71	63	68
Alexander	56	56	47	59	49	56	Robyn	56	62	50	50	49	63
Benjamin	56	68	55	57	53	53	Mary	57	52	48	44	45	41
Rian	58	77	84	100	129	117	Maria	58	66	58	55	56	53

**Table 1 (continued) Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in order of popularity, with corresponding rank between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Sam	59	58	59	59	70	71	Aoibhe	59	55	64	74	94	131
Stephen	60	46	42	37	33	33	Orla	59	52	53	52	53	40
Christopher	61	53	60	53	46	47	Alannah	61	54	51	53	49	55
Killian	61	59	62	70	67	65	Eabha	62	60	54	62	74	99
Josh	63	67	56	58	56	62	Elizabeth	63	63	69	64	51	62
Gavin	64	75	66	64	62	55	Aimee	64	51	46	47	48	66
Alan	65	80	72	77	71	60	Sinead	65	61	47	47	38	30
Peter	65	62	64	66	50	50	Isabel	66	68	75	67	115	94
Scott	67	56	58	42	59	58	Alexandra	67	79	81	68	88	78
Jason	68	60	65	49	45	37	Amber	68	65	70	78	94	108
Max	69	72	73	88	97	123	Cara	68	67	66	73	86	102
Lee	70	55	46	46	42	46	Sadhbh	70	76	73	86	75	94
Anthony	71	70	75	80	68	64	Shannon	71	49	56	46	52	37
Paul	72	62	54	43	48	45	Isabella	72	64	93	108	151	131
Martin	73	76	76	74	73	74	Brooke	73	133	135	141	200	289
Tom	74	71	79	98	83	90	Eve	73	57	57	59	56	58
Leon	75	73	82	82	85	81	Abby	75	93	71	55	60	65
Niall	76	60	53	50	54	40	Orlaith	75	73	78	83	106	131
Oliver	76	101	121	119	142	155	Victoria	77	100	116	82	79	83
Rhys	76	104	107	114	143	109	Maeve	78	88	85	74	77	75
Dean	79	69	63	62	42	44	Alice	79	80	82	81	83	76
Dara	80	77	81	81	86	97	Zara	80	90	88	104	105	87
Oscar	81	92	79	107	111	112	Sara	81	112	125	94	106	91
Colm	82	73	86	74	73	76	Aoibhinn	82	84	120	142	167	138
Diarmuid	82	91	77	87	97	77	Charlotte	82	70	67	76	72	91
Edward	82	115	104	95	86	89	Clara	84	80	93	113	80	102
Jayden	85	305	323	306	791	521	Jasmine	84	87	150	121	113	106
Christian	86	99	92	93	104	116	Millie	84	123	127	181	212	238
Louis	86	123	112	109	124	135	Faye	87	74	106	98	91	123
Oran	86	97	78	88	80	94	Hazel	87	88	99	110	131	108
Padraig	86	80	84	84	89	84	Isobel	89	106	88	114	106	131
Charles	90	83	99	93	107	103	Taylor	89	108	114	110	110	118
Leo	91	87	97	104	119	107	Aoibheann	91	76	112	129	120	182
Lucas	91	119	157	212	197	190	Muireann	91	130	122	125	159	170
Ross	93	80	66	55	68	74	Alisha	93	82	91	114	124	113
Cameron	94	90	118	110	95	101	Lara	93	113	127	102	102	80
Jacob	94	118	116	132	115	125	Jennifer	95	72	63	54	43	34
Kieran	94	105	90	73	72	69	Alex	96	82	104	93	151	146
Brandon	97	79	98	78	76	70	Freya	97	123	130	205	263	331
Ruairi	97	84	93	104	92	103	Jane	97	94	65	79	70	78
Reece	99	102	117	123	92	98	Heather	99	91	97	114	83	93
Tomas	99	92	86	84	109	103	Maya	99	137	181	146	233	229

**Table 2 Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in order of popularity - numbers registered between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Jack	1,073	987	931	835	800	868	Sarah	656	698	642	561	606	655
Sean	965	994	893	928	897	866	Emma	632	593	703	787	791	532
Conor	821	731	705	736	705	748	Ella	601	447	405	381	327	204
Daniel	725	636	654	630	617	559	Katie	566	571	575	574	468	418
James	713	678	699	688	626	581	Sophie	556	497	451	468	432	404
Adam	659	693	710	688	787	798	Ava	555	463	339	308	255	216
Ryan	553	431	432	451	425	365	Aoife	527	546	492	534	571	585
Luke	538	536	544	544	474	489	Emily	475	396	385	346	273	278
Cian	527	520	561	546	501	536	Grace	473	450	369	295	258	191
Michael	521	509	484	527	525	520	Kate	426	307	284	342	295	301
Dylan	516	456	467	479	478	485	Amy	415	396	510	546	410	485
Aaron	485	488	488	503	411	467	Ciara	410	408	484	500	535	577
Darragh	472	429	377	414	356	310	Hannah	407	357	350	340	340	368
Thomas	440	432	397	371	375	349	Lucy	404	390	275	276	203	169
Matthew	430	395	379	361	304	351	Chloe	388	375	440	453	412	516
David	418	383	401	459	480	501	Leah	364	444	427	424	395	351
Jamie	412	494	408	406	327	333	Caoimhe	361	363	345	357	357	272
Oisin	407	413	370	384	342	300	Niamh	340	350	375	421	370	407
Patrick	402	392	381	357	343	366	Rachel	323	355	381	342	431	364
Alex	401	367	336	322	268	193	Anna	316	320	290	245	265	247
John	392	394	386	366	333	362	Jessica	298	322	311	264	292	302
Cillian	377	300	167	176	116	99	Lauren	283	320	312	318	311	402
Evan	360	364	324	337	303	245	Molly	281	235	261	206	163	179
Eoin	354	356	370	429	356	361	Mia	275	235	192	163	131	119
Shane	343	366	355	379	335	343	Rebecca	267	324	353	290	295	361
Liam	339	295	297	310	316	290	Saoirse	247	217	186	176	172	181
Ben	336	385	401	399	348	345	Roisin	233	233	280	237	222	228
Jake	320	297	276	206	236	227	Lily	232	153	119	101	66	58
Joshua	311	341	324	364	352	345	Abbie	231	211	236	210	182	111
Mark	264	265	285	316	302	336	Megan	229	210	248	299	310	387
Harry	251	193	150	137	118	98	Ellie	227	215	193	169	153	122
Fionn	246	195	184	172	102	99	Holly	224	203	228	253	213	171
Joseph	242	195	226	232	218	201	Laura	224	248	231	261	268	349
Callum	239	368	216	130	138	110	Ruby	222	158	99	41	42	23
Samuel	225	224	210	209	193	166	Ellen	214	196	220	222	253	229
Charlie	221	218	148	118	79	58	Aisling	209	224	204	217	203	210
Nathan	215	255	296	271	275	258	Aine	203	175	187	190	183	149
Cathal	210	219	226	209	170	179	Nicole	200	191	172	161	179	228
Kyle	210	202	210	216	200	190	Clodagh	199	161	152	153	125	127
Robert	207	206	205	196	204	227	Erin	189	196	158	119	135	117
Ciaran	200	227	226	253	244	252	Eva	178	146	131	127	100	112
Ronan	200	164	169	182	132	122	Olivia	172	120	99	83	70	74
Andrew	189	182	183	216	199	172	Isabelle	167	129	98	72	51	64
Kevin	179	159	152	166	180	214	Caitlin	164	143	191	189	192	151
William	179	149	149	141	125	139	Abigail	162	146	146	140	102	75
Ethan	176	139	151	160	141	128	Tara	151	173	165	175	147	180
Tadhg	170	122	112	100	73	68	Katelyn	142	152	153	171	173	109
Rory	169	170	114	156	130	116	Amelia	141	80	63	53	25	18
Noah	163	158	123	83	33	26	Julia	140	85	61	30	32	26
Calum	159	179	110	46	46	37	Shauna	139	162	168	194	231	232
Brian	156	145	169	165	169	179	Eimear	137	138	148	135	125	133
Eoghan	154	149	171	145	158	144	Sophia	137	87	65	81	51	46
Cormac	153	185	183	147	118	127	Kayla	136	112	86	64	47	42
Finn	150	116	137	92	83	63	Zoe	135	141	150	132	136	133
Aidan	149	120	106	124	109	109	Kayleigh	126	115	99	81	80	75
Alexander	145	134	152	132	136	119	Robyn	125	108	126	122	117	82
Benjamin	145	109	143	135	129	125	Mary	124	124	133	133	128	140
Rian	139	86	75	59	36	40	Maria	119	92	99	103	91	104

**Table 2 (continued) Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in order of popularity - numbers registered between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Sam	138	128	134	132	93	88	Aoibhe	118	120	95	75	53	33
Stephen	131	165	170	205	214	201	Orla	118	124	115	116	113	141
Christopher	130	144	132	142	138	150	Alannah	117	121	123	113	117	93
Killian	130	127	120	96	101	100	Eabha	114	111	109	95	68	51
Josh	126	114	142	134	118	109	Elizabeth	110	106	85	91	116	83
Gavin	123	95	115	123	113	121	Aimee	108	128	141	127	119	77
Alan	121	83	98	86	91	110	Sinead	105	110	137	127	153	182
Peter	121	125	117	108	134	128	Isabel	101	88	76	85	43	52
Scott	119	134	135	168	117	114	Alexandra	98	75	69	84	59	63
Jason	117	126	116	155	140	183	Amber	96	95	84	71	53	46
Max	116	98	92	67	56	37	Cara	96	91	87	76	60	48
Lee	114	138	162	161	147	153	Sadhbh	95	78	77	65	66	52
Anthony	113	104	89	81	94	103	Shannon	93	137	107	129	114	166
Paul	111	125	145	167	137	154	Isabella	92	99	62	46	29	33
Martin	109	91	86	88	86	85	Brooke	87	40	36	33	19	11
Tom	107	100	80	60	74	61	Eve	87	117	106	101	91	91
Leon	106	97	77	76	71	67	Abby	85	61	79	103	88	79
Niall	99	126	147	152	128	175	Orlaith	85	83	72	66	47	33
Oliver	99	61	46	46	30	25	Victoria	83	55	44	67	63	59
Rhys	99	58	54	48	30	45	Maeve	82	67	65	75	64	69
Dean	94	106	118	124	147	157	Alice	81	74	68	68	61	66
Dara	93	86	78	80	70	51	Zara	79	65	64	49	48	56
Oscar	89	68	80	54	45	42	Sara	76	50	40	57	47	54
Colm	85	97	74	88	86	83	Aoibhinn	72	71	42	33	24	32
Diarmuid	85	69	84	68	56	75	Charlotte	72	86	86	72	70	54
Edward	85	53	58	63	70	62	Clara	71	74	62	44	62	48
Jayden	83	13	8	9	3	3	Jasmine	71	68	31	41	46	47
Christian	81	62	69	64	51	40	Millie	71	44	39	23	18	15
Louis	81	48	50	52	39	32	Faye	69	80	53	54	57	36
Oran	81	64	81	67	77	55	Hazel	69	67	60	45	37	46
Padraig	81	83	75	72	68	65	Isobel	68	52	64	43	47	33
Charles	79	79	62	64	48	39	Taylor	68	51	45	45	46	40
Leo	78	73	64	57	40	44	Aoibheann	67	78	48	37	42	21
Lucas	78	49	28	15	16	17	Muireann	67	42	41	40	27	23
Ross	76	83	115	139	94	85	Alisha	66	73	63	43	40	45
Cameron	75	70	47	51	57	48	Lara	66	49	39	52	50	62
Jacob	75	49	48	38	42	37	Jennifer	65	84	97	106	133	176
Kieran	75	57	90	89	87	94	Alex	63	73	55	58	29	29
Brandon	74	84	63	85	80	92	Freya	62	44	37	19	13	9
Ruairi	74	78	68	57	59	48	Jane	62	60	94	70	73	63
Reece	73	61	49	45	61	53	Heather	61	63	61	43	61	53
Tomas	73	68	74	72	46	48	Maya	61	38	24	31	15	16
Total in top 100	24,212	23,034	22,238	22,067	20,431	20,185		19,954	18,698	18,027	17,453	16,371	15,875
Total with first name recorded	36,010	33,085	31,360	30,985	29,249	28,314		34,610	31,152	29,666	29,050	28,006	27,005
Top 100 as % of total	67.2	69.6	70.9	71.2	69.9	71.3		57.7	60.0	60.8	60.1	58.5	58.8
Total births registered	36,010	33,085	31,369	31,817	31,414	31,001		34,610	31,152	29,673	29,867	30,103	29,520

**Table 3 Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in alphabetical order - rank between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Aaron	12	11	9	10	13	12	Abbie	29	31	27	30	33	51
Adam	6	4	3	4	3	3	Abby	75	93	71	55	60	65
Aidan	55	65	71	62	64	62	Abigail	45	44	45	42	54	68
Alan	65	80	72	77	71	60	Aimee	64	51	46	47	48	66
Alex	20	23	24	26	29	35	Aine	37	37	35	33	32	39
Alexander	56	56	47	59	49	56	Aisling	36	28	31	29	29	27
Andrew	43	43	39	32	36	41	Alannah	61	54	51	53	49	55
Anthony	71	70	75	80	68	64	Alex	96	82	104	93	151	146
Ben	27	20	14	17	18	19	Alexandra	67	79	81	68	88	78
Benjamin	56	68	55	57	53	53	Alice	79	80	82	81	83	76
Brandon	97	79	98	78	76	70	Alisha	93	82	91	114	124	113
Brian	51	52	43	45	40	38	Amber	68	65	70	78	94	108
Callum	34	22	34	61	46	60	Amelia	48	74	91	99	163	210
Calum	50	44	70	117	109	123	Amy	11	11	4	4	9	6
Cameron	94	90	118	110	95	101	Anna	20	21	21	26	22	21
Cathal	38	35	31	34	39	38	Aoibhe	59	55	64	74	94	131
Charles	90	83	99	93	107	103	Aoibheann	91	76	112	129	120	182
Charlie	36	36	52	65	79	93	Aoibhinn	82	84	120	142	167	138
Christian	86	99	92	93	104	116	Aoife	7	4	5	5	3	2
Christopher	61	53	60	53	46	47	Ava	6	6	18	18	24	26
Cian	9	8	7	7	8	7	Brooke	73	133	135	141	200	289
Ciaran	41	33	31	30	30	28	Caitlin	44	46	34	34	31	38
Cillian	22	28	45	40	60	66	Caoimhe	17	15	17	12	12	20
Colm	82	73	86	74	73	76	Cara	68	67	66	73	86	102
Conor	3	3	4	3	4	4	Charlotte	82	70	67	76	72	91
Cormac	53	42	39	51	56	52	Chloe	15	14	8	8	8	5
Daniel	4	6	6	6	6	6	Ciara	12	10	6	6	4	3
Dara	80	77	81	81	86	97	Clara	84	80	93	113	80	102
Darragh	13	15	20	15	15	24	Clodagh	39	40	42	41	46	45
David	16	21	14	12	9	9	Eabha	62	60	54	62	74	99
Dean	79	69	63	62	42	44	Eimear	51	48	44	43	46	43
Diarmuid	82	91	77	87	97	77	Elizabeth	63	63	69	64	51	62
Dylan	11	12	11	11	10	11	Ella	3	8	10	11	14	28
Edward	82	115	104	95	86	89	Ellen	35	34	30	28	25	23
Eoghan	52	50	41	52	41	48	Ellie	31	30	32	38	38	46
Eoin	24	26	21	14	15	16	Emily	8	11	11	13	20	19
Ethan	46	54	49	47	44	50	Emma	2	2	1	1	1	4
Evan	23	25	25	25	26	29	Erin	40	34	40	51	42	48
Finn	54	66	57	71	75	88	Eva	41	44	49	47	55	50
Fionn	32	39	38	41	66	66	Eve	73	57	57	59	56	58
Gavin	64	75	66	64	62	55	Faye	87	74	106	98	91	123
Harry	31	41	50	56	56	68	Freya	97	123	130	205	263	331
Jack	1	2	1	2	2	1	Grace	9	7	14	20	23	29
Jacob	94	118	116	132	115	125	Hannah	13	16	16	16	13	12
Jake	28	29	30	36	31	30	Hazel	87	88	99	110	131	108
James	5	5	5	4	5	5	Heather	99	91	97	114	83	93
Jamie	17	10	13	16	23	23	Holly	32	33	29	25	28	35
Jason	68	60	65	49	45	37	Isabel	66	68	75	67	115	94
Jayden	85	305	323	306	791	521	Isabella	72	64	93	108	151	131
John	21	18	17	21	22	15	Isabelle	43	50	62	76	100	77
Joseph	33	39	31	31	32	33	Isobel	89	106	88	114	106	131
Josh	63	67	56	58	56	62	Jane	97	94	65	79	70	78
Joshua	29	27	25	22	17	19	Jasmine	84	87	150	121	113	106
Kevin	44	48	47	44	38	32	Jennifer	95	72	63	54	43	34
Kieran	94	105	90	73	72	69	Jessica	21	20	20	23	19	17
Killian	61	59	62	70	67	65	Julia	49	71	97	152	139	154
Kyle	38	38	35	32	35	36	Kate	10	23	22	14	17	18
Lee	70	55	46	46	42	46	Katelyn	47	43	41	37	35	52

**Table 3 (continued) Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in alphabetical order - rank between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Leo	91	87	97	104	119	107	Katie	4	3	3	2	5	7
Leon	75	73	82	82	85	81	Kayla	53	59	67	88	106	116
Liam	26	30	27	28	24	26	Kayleigh	55	58	58	71	63	68
Louis	86	123	112	109	124	135	Lara	93	113	127	102	102	80
Lucas	91	119	157	212	197	190	Laura	32	24	28	24	21	16
Luke	8	7	8	8	11	10	Lauren	22	21	19	17	15	10
Mark	30	31	29	27	27	22	Leah	16	9	9	9	10	15
Martin	73	76	76	74	73	74	Lily	28	42	52	59	75	85
Matthew	15	17	19	23	25	17	Lucy	14	13	24	22	29	36
Max	69	72	73	88	97	123	Maeve	78	88	85	74	77	75
Michael	10	9	10	9	7	8	Maria	58	66	58	55	56	53
Nathan	37	32	28	29	28	27	Mary	57	52	48	44	45	41
Niall	76	60	53	50	54	40	Maya	99	137	181	146	233	229
Noah	49	49	61	79	132	148	Megan	30	32	26	19	16	11
Oisin	18	16	21	18	20	25	Mia	24	25	33	39	44	47
Oliver	76	101	121	119	142	155	Millie	84	123	127	181	212	238
Oran	86	97	78	88	80	94	Molly	23	25	25	31	37	33
Oscar	81	92	79	107	111	112	Muireann	91	130	122	125	159	170
Padraig	86	80	84	84	89	84	Niamh	18	18	13	10	11	8
Patrick	19	19	18	24	19	13	Nicole	38	36	37	40	34	24
Paul	72	62	54	43	48	45	Olivia	42	55	58	69	72	71
Peter	65	62	64	66	50	50	Orla	59	52	53	52	53	40
Reece	99	102	117	123	92	98	Orlaith	75	73	78	83	106	131
Rhys	76	104	107	114	143	109	Rachel	19	17	12	14	7	13
Rian	58	77	84	100	129	117	Rebecca	25	19	15	21	17	14
Robert	40	37	37	38	34	30	Robyn	56	62	50	50	49	63
Ronan	41	47	43	39	51	54	Roisin	27	27	23	27	27	24
Rory	48	45	68	48	52	57	Ruby	34	41	58	121	120	170
Ross	93	80	66	55	68	74	Sadhbh	70	76	73	86	75	94
Ruairi	97	84	93	104	92	103	Saoirse	26	29	36	35	36	31
Ryan	7	14	12	13	12	14	Sara	81	112	125	94	106	91
Sam	59	58	59	59	70	71	Sarah	1	1	2	3	2	1
Samuel	35	34	35	34	37	43	Shannon	71	49	56	46	52	37
Scott	67	56	58	42	59	58	Shauna	50	39	38	32	26	22
Sean	2	1	2	1	1	2	Sinead	65	61	47	47	38	30
Shane	25	24	23	19	21	21	Sophia	51	69	85	71	100	108
Stephen	60	46	42	37	33	33	Sophie	5	5	7	7	6	9
Tadhg	47	64	69	68	84	80	Tara	46	38	39	36	40	32
Thomas	14	13	16	20	14	18	Taylor	89	108	114	110	110	118
Tom	74	71	79	98	83	90	Victoria	77	100	116	82	79	83
Tomas	99	92	86	84	109	103	Zara	80	90	88	104	105	87
William	44	50	51	54	55	49	Zoe	54	47	43	45	41	43

**Table 4 Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in alphabetical order, numbers registered between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Aaron	485	488	488	503	411	467	Abbie	231	211	236	210	182	111
Adam	659	693	710	688	787	798	Abby	85	61	79	103	88	79
Aidan	149	120	106	124	109	109	Abigail	162	146	146	140	102	75
Alan	121	83	98	86	91	110	Aimee	108	128	141	127	119	77
Alex	401	367	336	322	268	193	Aine	203	175	187	190	183	149
Alexander	145	134	152	132	136	119	Aisling	209	224	204	217	203	210
Andrew	189	182	183	216	199	172	Alannah	117	121	123	113	117	93
Anthony	113	104	89	81	94	103	Alex	63	73	55	58	29	29
Ben	336	385	401	399	348	345	Alexandra	98	75	69	84	59	63
Benjamin	145	109	143	135	129	125	Alice	81	74	68	68	61	66
Brandon	74	84	63	85	80	92	Alisha	66	73	63	43	40	45
Brian	156	145	169	165	169	179	Amber	96	95	84	71	53	46
Callum	239	368	216	130	138	110	Amelia	141	80	63	53	25	18
Calum	159	179	110	46	46	37	Amy	415	396	510	546	410	485
Cameron	75	70	47	51	57	48	Anna	316	320	290	245	265	247
Cathal	210	219	226	209	170	179	Aoibhe	118	120	95	75	53	33
Charles	79	79	62	64	48	39	Aoibheann	67	78	48	37	42	21
Charlie	221	218	148	118	79	58	Aoibhinn	72	71	42	33	24	32
Christian	81	62	69	64	51	40	Aoife	527	546	492	534	571	585
Christopher	130	144	132	142	138	150	Ava	555	463	339	308	255	216
Cian	527	520	561	546	501	536	Brooke	87	40	36	33	19	11
Ciaran	200	227	226	253	244	252	Caitlin	164	143	191	189	192	151
Cillian	377	300	167	176	116	99	Caoimhe	361	363	345	357	357	272
Colm	85	97	74	88	86	83	Cara	96	91	87	76	60	48
Conor	821	731	705	736	705	748	Charlotte	72	86	86	72	70	54
Cormac	153	185	183	147	118	127	Chloe	388	375	440	453	412	516
Daniel	725	636	654	630	617	559	Ciara	410	408	484	500	535	577
Dara	93	86	78	80	70	51	Clara	71	74	62	44	62	48
Darragh	472	429	377	414	356	310	Clodagh	199	161	152	153	125	127
David	418	383	401	459	480	501	Eabha	114	111	109	95	68	51
Dean	94	106	118	124	147	157	Eimear	137	138	148	135	125	133
Diarmaid	85	69	84	68	56	75	Elizabeth	110	106	85	91	116	83
Dylan	516	456	467	479	478	485	Ella	601	447	405	381	327	204
Edward	85	53	58	63	70	62	Ellen	214	196	220	222	253	229
Eoghan	154	149	171	145	158	144	Ellie	227	215	193	169	153	122
Eoin	354	356	370	429	356	361	Emily	475	396	385	346	273	278
Ethan	176	139	151	160	141	128	Emma	632	593	703	787	791	532
Evan	360	364	324	337	303	245	Erin	189	196	158	119	135	117
Finn	150	116	137	92	83	63	Eva	178	146	131	127	100	112
Fionn	246	195	184	172	102	99	Eve	87	117	106	101	91	91
Gavin	123	95	115	123	113	121	Faye	69	80	53	54	57	36
Harry	251	193	150	137	118	98	Freya	62	44	37	19	13	9
Jack	1,073	987	931	835	800	868	Grace	473	450	369	295	258	191
Jacob	75	49	48	38	42	37	Hannah	407	357	350	340	340	368
Jake	320	297	276	206	236	227	Hazel	69	67	60	45	37	46
James	713	678	699	688	626	581	Heather	61	63	61	43	61	53
Jamie	412	494	408	406	327	333	Holly	224	203	228	253	213	171
Jason	117	126	116	155	140	183	Isabel	101	88	76	85	43	52
Jayden	83	13	8	9	3	3	Isabella	92	99	62	46	29	33
John	392	394	386	366	333	362	Isabelle	167	129	98	72	51	64
Joseph	242	195	226	232	218	201	Isobel	68	52	64	43	47	33
Josh	126	114	142	134	118	109	Jane	62	60	94	70	73	63
Joshua	311	341	324	364	352	345	Jasmine	71	68	31	41	46	47
Kevin	179	159	152	166	180	214	Jennifer	65	84	97	106	133	176
Kieran	75	57	90	89	87	94	Jessica	298	322	311	264	292	302
Killian	130	127	120	96	101	100	Julia	140	85	61	30	32	26
Kyle	210	202	210	216	200	190	Kate	426	307	284	342	295	301
Lee	114	138	162	161	147	153	Katelyn	142	152	153	171	173	109

**Table 4 (continued) Top 100 babies' names registered in 2007, in alphabetical order, numbers registered between 2002 and 2007**

Boys' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	Girls' name	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Leo	78	73	64	57	40	44	Katie	566	571	575	574	468	418
Leon	106	97	77	76	71	67	Kayla	136	112	86	64	47	42
Liam	339	295	297	310	316	290	Kayleigh	126	115	99	81	80	75
Louis	81	48	50	52	39	32	Lara	66	49	39	52	50	62
Lucas	78	49	28	15	16	17	Laura	224	248	231	261	268	349
Luke	538	536	544	544	474	489	Lauren	283	320	312	318	311	402
Mark	264	265	285	316	302	336	Leah	364	444	427	424	395	351
Martin	109	91	86	88	86	85	Lily	232	153	119	101	66	58
Matthew	430	395	379	361	304	351	Lucy	404	390	275	276	203	169
Max	116	98	92	67	56	37	Maeve	82	67	65	75	64	69
Michael	521	509	484	527	525	520	Maria	119	92	99	103	91	104
Nathan	215	255	296	271	275	258	Mary	124	124	133	133	128	140
Niall	99	126	147	152	128	175	Maya	61	38	24	31	15	16
Noah	163	158	123	83	33	26	Megan	229	210	248	299	310	387
Oisin	407	413	370	384	342	300	Mia	275	235	192	163	131	119
Oliver	99	61	46	46	30	25	Millie	71	44	39	23	18	15
Oran	81	64	81	67	77	55	Molly	281	235	261	206	163	179
Oscar	89	68	80	54	45	42	Muireann	67	42	41	40	27	23
Padraig	81	83	75	72	68	65	Niamh	340	350	375	421	370	407
Patrick	402	392	381	357	343	366	Nicole	200	191	172	161	179	228
Paul	111	125	145	167	137	154	Olivia	172	120	99	83	70	74
Peter	121	125	117	108	134	128	Orla	118	124	115	116	113	141
Reece	73	61	49	45	61	53	Orlaith	85	83	72	66	47	33
Rhys	99	58	54	48	30	45	Rachel	323	355	381	342	431	364
Rian	139	86	75	59	36	40	Rebecca	267	324	353	290	295	361
Robert	207	206	205	196	204	227	Robyn	125	108	126	122	117	82
Ronan	200	164	169	182	132	122	Roisin	233	233	280	237	222	228
Rory	169	170	114	156	130	116	Ruby	222	158	99	41	42	23
Ross	76	83	115	139	94	85	Sadhbh	95	78	77	65	66	52
Ruairi	74	78	68	57	59	48	Saoirse	247	217	186	176	172	181
Ryan	553	431	432	451	425	365	Sara	76	50	40	57	47	54
Sam	138	128	134	132	93	88	Sarah	656	698	642	561	606	655
Samuel	225	224	210	209	193	166	Shannon	93	137	107	129	114	166
Scott	119	134	135	168	117	114	Shauna	139	162	168	194	231	232
Sean	965	994	893	928	897	866	Sinead	105	110	137	127	153	182
Shane	343	366	355	379	335	343	Sophia	137	87	65	81	51	46
Stephen	131	165	170	205	214	201	Sophie	556	497	451	468	432	404
Tadhg	170	122	112	100	73	68	Tara	151	173	165	175	147	180
Thomas	440	432	397	371	375	349	Taylor	68	51	45	45	46	40
Tom	107	100	80	60	74	61	Victoria	83	55	44	67	63	59
Tomas	73	68	74	72	46	48	Zara	79	65	64	49	48	56
William	179	149	149	141	125	139	Zoe	135	141	150	132	136	133
Total in top 100	24,212	23,034	22,238	22,067	20,431	20,185		19,954	18,698	18,027	17,453	16,371	15,875
Total with first name recorded	36,010	33,085	31,360	30,985	29,249	28,314		34,610	31,152	29,666	29,050	28,006	27,005
Top 100 as % of total	67.2	69.6	70.9	71.2	69.9	71.3		57.7	60.0	60.8	60.1	58.5	58.8
Total births registered	36,010	33,085	31,369	31,817	31,414	31,001		34,610	31,152	29,673	29,867	30,103	29,520

**Table 5 Most popular babies' names registered in each regional authority**

Year	Regional Authority	Boys		Girls	
		Name	%	Name	%
2007	Border	Jack	2.65	Sarah	2.08
	Midland	Jack	2.73	Katie	2.26
	West	Jack	2.94	Emma	2.58
	Dublin	Sean	2.77	Sophie	1.84
	Mid-East	Jack	3.35	Ella	1.89
	Mid-West	Jack	4.06	Emma	2.24
	South-East	Jack	3.51	Ella	2.20
	South-West	Jack	3.15	Sarah	2.02
	Ireland	Jack	2.98	Sarah	1.90
2006	Border	Jack	2.97	Katie	2.11
	Midland	Sean	2.98	Emma	2.84
	West	Jack	2.88	Sarah	2.61
	Dublin	Sean	3.28	Sophie	2.11
	Mid-East	Sean	3.34	Sarah	2.33
	Mid-West	Jack	3.22	Emma	2.49
	South-East	Jack	3.73	Sarah	2.74
	South-West	Jack	3.86	Sarah	2.64
	Ireland	Sean	3.00	Sarah	2.24
2005	Border	Conor	2.60	Katie	2.54
	Midland	Jack	3.59	Emma	2.65
	West	Sean	2.81	Emma	2.41
	Dublin	Sean	2.98	Emma	2.02
	Mid-East	Jack	3.57	Emma	2.95
	Mid-West	Jack	2.98	Emma	2.50
	South-East	Jack	3.64	Emma	2.87
	South-West	Sean	3.11	Sarah	2.66
	Ireland	Jack	2.96	Emma	2.37
2004	Border	Conor	2.42	Niamh	2.36
	Midland	Conor	3.37	Emma	3.17
	West	Michael	2.61	Emma	2.96
	Dublin	Sean	3.46	Emma	2.44
	Mid-East	Sean	3.31	Emma	2.67
	Mid-West	Jack	3.39	Emma	3.43
	South-East	Jack	3.51	Emma	2.92
	South-West	Jack	3.01	Emma	2.70
	Ireland	Sean	2.99	Emma	2.71
2003	Border	Conor	2.60	Emma	3.08
	Midland	Sean	3.50	Sarah	3.27
	West	Sean	3.00	Emma	2.80
	Dublin	Sean	3.11	Emma	2.44
	Mid-East	Sean	4.08	Emma	3.31
	Mid-West	Conor	3.72	Emma	3.55
	South-East	Jack	3.94	Aoife	2.89
	South-West	Sean	3.02	Emma	2.74
	Ireland	Sean	3.07	Emma	2.82
2002	Border	Conor	2.76	Ciara	2.86
	Midland	Adam	3.35	Ciara	3.27
	West	Jack	2.71	Sarah	3.08
	Dublin	Sean	2.56	Sarah	2.22
	Mid-East	Jack	3.66	Sarah	2.63
	Mid-West	Jack	3.28	Sarah	2.48
	South-East	Jack	3.85	Ciara	2.31
	South-West	Jack	3.42	Sarah	2.63
	Ireland	Jack	3.07	Sarah	2.43

**Table 6 Babies' names with most growth in popularity between 2006 and 2007, and between 2002 and 2007, measured by change in rank**

Rank - Boys			Rank - Girls				
	2007	2006		2007	2006		
			Change in Rank		Change in Rank		
Jayden	85	305	220	Brooke	73	133	60
Louis	86	123	37	Millie	84	123	39
Edward	82	115	33	Muireann	91	130	39
Lucas	91	119	28	Maya	99	137	38
Rhys	76	104	28	Sara	81	112	31

Rank - Boys			Rank - Girls				
	2007	2002		2007	2002		
			Change in Rank		Change in Rank		
Jayden	85	521	436	Freya	97	331	234
Noah	49	148	99	Brooke	73	289	216
Lucas	91	190	99	Amelia	48	210	162
Oliver	76	155	79	Millie	84	238	154
Calum	50	123	73	Ruby	34	170	136

**Table 7 Babies' names with most growth in popularity between 2006 and 2007, and between 2002 and 2007, measured by number of names**

Number of Boys			Number of Girls				
	2007	2006		2007	2006		
			Increase in Number		Increase in Number		
Ryan	553	431	122	Ella	601	447	154
Conor	821	731	90	Kate	426	307	119
Daniel	725	636	89	Ava	555	463	92
Jack	1,073	987	86	Emily	475	396	79
Cillian	377	300	77	Lily	232	153	79

Number of Boys			Number of Girls				
	2007	2002		2007	2002		
			Increase in Number		Increase in Number		
Cillian	377	99	278	Ella	601	204	397
Alex	401	193	208	Ava	555	216	339
Jack	1,073	868	205	Grace	473	191	282
Ryan	553	365	188	Lucy	404	169	235
Daniel	725	559	166	Ruby	222	23	199

## Background Notes

<b>Source</b>	These results are based on an analysis of the first names recorded on birth returns for registration and vital statistics, begun by the CSO in 1998. All birth notifications in 2007 included the baby's first name when the statistical return was sent to the CSO. This compares with over 99% in 2005, 97% in 2004, 93% in 2003, 91% in 2002, 93% in 2001 and 2000, 90% in 1999 and 80% in 1998.																							
<b>Information recorded</b>	Only the first name was used for this analysis. Babies' surnames and additional forenames were not extracted by the CSO.																							
<b>Spellings and variants</b>	<p>Different spellings of a name have been treated as separate names. For example, while there were 239 boys named Callum, another 159 boys had the alternate spelling Calum.</p> <p>Variants of names and abbreviations have also been treated as separate names. For example, Jack, Sean and John account between them for 2,432 boys. These were counted as separate names and rank first, second and twenty-first respectively. If treated as variants of John, it would rank as the most popular boys' name.</p> <p>Names containing accents have been recorded without those accents e.g. Pádraig was recorded as Padraig.</p>																							
<b>Ranking</b>	Names of equal rank have been placed in alphabetical order in Table 1.																							
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