

Breastfeeding Initiation and Duration for Minnesota WIC Infants by Mother's Prenatal Participation in WIC by CHB, 2021

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| Prenatal WIC Participation by Community Health Board (CHB) ¹ | Total ² | Breastfeeding ³ | No prenatal total ⁴ | No prenatal BF ⁵ | < 3 months Total ⁶ | < 3 months BF ⁷ | 3 or more months total ⁸ | 3 or more months BF ⁹ |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| MINNESOTA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated ¹⁰ | 23,219 | 18,438 (79.4) | 7,574 | 5,871 (77.5) | 4,076 | 3,182 (78.1) | 11,569 | 9,385 (81.1) |
| 2 weeks ¹¹ | 23,084 | 16,722 (72.4) | 7,509 | 5,349 (71.2) | 4,051 | 2,858 (70.6) | 11,524 | 8,515 (73.9) |
| 2 months ¹² | 22,726 | 12,937 (56.9) | 7,351 | 4,085 (55.6) | 3,973 | 2,186 (55.0) | 11,402 | 6,666 (58.5) |
| 3 months ¹³ | 22,547 | 11,421 (50.7) | 7,287 | 3,593 (49.3) | 3,928 | 1,887 (48.0) | 11,332 | 5,941 (52.4) |
| 6 months ¹⁴ | 21,400 | 7,767 (36.3) | 6,922 | 2,368 (34.2) | 3,717 | 1,240 (33.4) | 10,761 | 4,159 (38.6) |
| 12 months ¹⁵ | not | available | | | | | | |
| AITKIN ITASCA KOOCHI | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 296 | 228 (77.0) | 113 | 89 (78.8) | 49 | 37 (75.5) | 134 | 102 (76.1) |
| 2 weeks | 296 | 199 (67.2) | 113 | 78 (69.0) | 49 | 33 (67.3) | 134 | 88 (65.7) |
| 2 months | 288 | 127 (44.1) | 108 | 45 (41.7) | 49 | 21 (42.9) | 131 | 61 (46.6) |
| 3 months | 287 | 105 (36.6) | 107 | 33 (30.8) | 49 | 18 (36.7) | 131 | 54 (41.2) |
| 6 months | 276 | 66 (23.9) | 105 | 22 (21.0) | 48 | 11 (22.9) | 123 | 33 (26.8) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| ANOKA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 1,246 | 970 (77.8) | 428 | 330 (77.1) | 223 | 173 (77.6) | 595 | 467 (78.5) |
| 2 weeks | 1,234 | 856 (69.4) | 420 | 288 (68.6) | 222 | 161 (72.5) | 592 | 407 (68.8) |
| 2 months | 1,220 | 668 (54.8) | 414 | 220 (53.1) | 221 | 127 (57.5) | 585 | 321 (54.9) |
| 3 months | 1,215 | 587 (48.3) | 412 | 195 (47.3) | 220 | 106 (48.2) | 583 | 286 (49.1) |
| 6 months | 1,164 | 407 (35.0) | 393 | 126 (32.1) | 214 | 80 (37.4) | 557 | 201 (36.1) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| BELTRAMI | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 312 | 166 (53.2) | 159 | 58 (36.5) | 32 | 23 (71.9) | 121 | 85 (70.2) |
| 2 weeks | 312 | 153 (49.0) | 159 | 51 (32.1) | 32 | 20 (62.5) | 121 | 82 (67.8) |
| 2 months | 310 | 113 (36.5) | 158 | 38 (24.1) | 32 | 17 (53.1) | 120 | 58 (48.3) |
| 3 months | 309 | 104 (33.7) | 158 | 36 (22.8) | 32 | 16 (50.0) | 119 | 52 (43.7) |
| 6 months | 296 | 66 (22.3) | 154 | 21 (13.6) | 29 | 8 (****) | 113 | 37 (32.7) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| BENTON | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 186 | 115 (61.8) | 75 | 41 (54.7) | 28 | 15 (****) | 83 | 59 (71.1) |
| 2 weeks | 186 | 111 (59.7) | 75 | 40 (53.3) | 28 | 15 (****) | 83 | 56 (67.5) |
| 2 months | 184 | 97 (52.7) | 75 | 34 (45.3) | 27 | 12 (****) | 82 | 51 (62.2) |
| 3 months | 183 | 83 (45.4) | 75 | 32 (42.7) | 27 | 9 (****) | 81 | 42 (51.9) |
| 6 months | 176 | 59 (33.5) | 71 | 21 (29.6) | 27 | 7 (****) | 78 | 31 (39.7) |
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| BLUE EARTH | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 250 | 187 (74.8) | 83 | 63 (75.9) | 46 | 31 (67.4) | 121 | 93 (76.9) |
| 2 weeks | 250 | 172 (68.8) | 83 | 56 (67.5) | 46 | 28 (60.9) | 121 | 88 (72.7) |
| 2 months | 246 | 134 (54.5) | 82 | 42 (51.2) | 45 | 24 (53.3) | 119 | 68 (57.1) |
| 3 months | 246 | 116 (47.2) | 82 | 36 (43.9) | 45 | 20 (44.4) | 119 | 60 (50.4) |
| 6 months | 231 | 74 (32.0) | 76 | 20 (26.3) | 42 | 9 (21.4) | 113 | 45 (39.8) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| BROWN NICOLLET | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 211 | 165 (78.2) | 76 | 60 (78.9) | 23 | 17 (****) | 112 | 88 (78.6) |
| 2 weeks | 210 | 153 (72.9) | 76 | 57 (75.0) | 23 | 16 (****) | 111 | 80 (72.1) |
| 2 months | 207 | 111 (53.6) | 74 | 37 (50.0) | 22 | 10 (****) | 111 | 64 (57.7) |
| 3 months | 203 | 92 (45.3) | 74 | 32 (43.2) | 22 | 7 (****) | 107 | 53 (49.5) |
| 6 months | 195 | 64 (32.8) | 71 | 19 (26.8) | 22 | 5 (****) | 102 | 40 (39.2) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| CARLTON-COOK-LAKE-S | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 901 | ♥742 (82.4) | 288 | 229 (79.5) | 141 | ♥117 (83.0) | 472 | ♥396 (83.9) |
| 2 weeks | 895 | 662 (74.0) | 286 | 203 (71.0) | 139 | 98 (70.5) | 470 | 361 (76.8) |
| 2 months | 879 | 483 (54.9) | 280 | 150 (53.6) | 134 | 65 (48.5) | 465 | 268 (57.6) |
| 3 months | 872 | 422 (48.4) | 277 | 124 (44.8) | 132 | 53 (40.2) | 463 | 245 (52.9) |
| 6 months | 832 | 276 (33.2) | 266 | 87 (32.7) | 126 | 29 (23.0) | 440 | 160 (36.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| CARVER | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 151 | ♥127 (84.1) | 74 | 60 (81.1) | 30 | ♥26 (86.7) | 47 | ♥41 (87.2) |
| 2 weeks | 151 | 121 (80.1) | 74 | 57 (77.0) | 30 | 25 (83.3) | 47 | 39 (83.0) |
| 2 months | 145 | 94 (64.8) | 72 | 43 (59.7) | 27 | 18 (****) | 46 | 33 (71.7) |
| 3 months | 142 | 88 (62.0) | 71 | 40 (56.3) | 27 | 17 (****) | 44 | ♥31 (70.5) |
| 6 months | 133 | 66 (49.6) | 69 | 31 (44.9) | 22 | 12 (****) | 42 | 23 (54.8) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| CASS | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 147 | 107 (72.8) | 52 | 32 (61.5) | 25 | 18 (****) | 70 | 57 (81.4) |
| 2 weeks | 147 | 95 (64.6) | 52 | 27 (51.9) | 25 | 17 (****) | 70 | 51 (72.9) |
| 2 months | 145 | 66 (45.5) | 52 | 23 (44.2) | 24 | 10 (****) | 69 | 33 (47.8) |
| 3 months | 145 | 55 (37.9) | 52 | 18 (34.6) | 24 | 9 (****) | 69 | 28 (40.6) |
| 6 months | 138 | 31 (22.5) | 51 | 13 (25.5) | 23 | **** | 64 | 16 (25.0) |
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| CHISAGO | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 141 | ♥125 (88.7) | 49 | ♥42 (85.7) | 23 | 20 (****) | 69 | ♥63 (91.3) |
| 2 weeks | 141 | 113 (80.1) | 49 | 35 (71.4) | 23 | 20 (****) | 69 | 58 (84.1) |
| 2 months | 138 | 87 (63.0) | 48 | 27 (56.3) | 22 | 14 (****) | 68 | 46 (67.6) |
| 3 months | 137 | 80 (58.4) | 47 | 22 (46.8) | 22 | 13 (****) | 68 | 45 (66.2) |
| 6 months | 127 | 53 (41.7) | 45 | 15 (33.3) | 20 | 8 (****) | 62 | 30 (48.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| COUNTRYSIDE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 251 | 196 (78.1) | 72 | 55 (76.4) | 29 | 24 (****) | 150 | 117 (78.0) |
| 2 weeks | 251 | 183 (72.9) | 72 | 51 (70.8) | 29 | 22 (****) | 150 | 110 (73.3) |
| 2 months | 248 | 137 (55.2) | 71 | 39 (54.9) | 29 | 17 (****) | 148 | 81 (54.7) |
| 3 months | 244 | 122 (50.0) | 70 | 34 (48.6) | 28 | 15 (****) | 146 | 73 (50.0) |
| 6 months | 230 | 76 (33.0) | 68 | 23 (33.8) | 26 | 6 (****) | 136 | 47 (34.6) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| CROW WING | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 260 | ♥219 (84.2) | 81 | 66 (81.5) | 34 | ♥28 (82.4) | 145 | ♥125 (86.2) |
| 2 weeks | 259 | 187 (72.2) | 81 | 58 (71.6) | 34 | 23 (67.6) | 144 | 106 (73.6) |
| 2 months | 254 | 138 (54.3) | 79 | 45 (57.0) | 33 | 15 (45.5) | 142 | 78 (54.9) |
| 3 months | 254 | 125 (49.2) | 79 | 41 (51.9) | 33 | 12 (36.4) | 142 | 72 (50.7) |
| 6 months | 241 | 89 (36.9) | 73 | 26 (35.6) | 32 | 9 (28.1) | 136 | 54 (39.7) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| DAKOTA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 1,380 | ♥1,216 (88.1) | 523 | ♥459 (87.8) | 261 | ♥228 (87.4) | 596 | ♥529 (88.8) |
| 2 weeks | 1,373 | 1,127 (82.1) | 522 | 431 (82.6) | 260 | 211 (81.2) | 591 | 485 (82.1) |
| 2 months | 1,339 | 872 (65.1) | 504 | 328 (65.1) | 251 | 159 (63.3) | 584 | 385 (65.9) |
| 3 months | 1,330 | 768 (57.7) | 502 | 278 (55.4) | 247 | 143 (57.9) | 581 | 347 (59.7) |
| 6 months | 1,232 | 509 (41.3) | 472 | 171 (36.2) | 225 | 100 (44.4) | 535 | 238 (44.5) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| DES MOINES VALLEY | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 113 | 91 (80.5) | 33 | 25 (75.8) | 15 | 12 (****) | 65 | ♥54 (83.1) |
| 2 weeks | 113 | 78 (69.0) | 33 | 22 (66.7) | 15 | 11 (****) | 65 | 45 (69.2) |
| 2 months | 109 | 40 (36.7) | 32 | 9 (28.1) | 15 | 8 (****) | 62 | 23 (37.1) |
| 3 months | 109 | 31 (28.4) | 32 | 6 (18.8) | 15 | 6 (****) | 62 | 19 (30.6) |
| 6 months | 105 | 19 (18.1) | 32 | **** | 15 | **** | 58 | 11 (19.0) |
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| DODGE STEELE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 239 | ♥197 (82.4) | 70 | ♥59 (84.3) | 31 | 22 (71.0) | 138 | ♥116 (84.1) |
| 2 weeks | 229 | 171 (74.7) | 67 | 54 (80.6) | 28 | 18 (****) | 134 | 99 (73.9) |
| 2 months | 228 | 121 (53.1) | 67 | 37 (55.2) | 28 | 14 (****) | 133 | 70 (52.6) |
| 3 months | 228 | 112 (49.1) | 67 | 35 (52.2) | 28 | 12 (****) | 133 | 65 (48.9) |
| 6 months | 217 | 76 (35.0) | 65 | 23 (35.4) | 25 | 8 (****) | 127 | 45 (35.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| FARIBAULT MARTIN | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 174 | 138 (79.3) | 62 | 46 (74.2) | 30 | 22 (73.3) | 82 | ♥70 (85.4) |
| 2 weeks | 173 | 109 (63.0) | 61 | 40 (65.6) | 30 | 13 (43.3) | 82 | 56 (68.3) |
| 2 months | 173 | 83 (48.0) | 61 | 33 (54.1) | 30 | 9 (30.0) | 82 | 41 (50.0) |
| 3 months | 171 | 77 (45.0) | 61 | 32 (52.5) | 30 | 9 (30.0) | 80 | 36 (45.0) |
| 6 months | 160 | 55 (34.4) | 55 | 21 (38.2) | 28 | 6 (****) | 77 | 28 (36.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| FILLMORE-HOUSTON | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 139 | 109 (78.4) | 48 | ♥45 (93.8) | 18 | 11 (****) | 73 | 53 (72.6) |
| 2 weeks | 139 | 103 (74.1) | 48 | 43 (89.6) | 18 | 11 (****) | 73 | 49 (67.1) |
| 2 months | 135 | 72 (53.3) | 47 | 33 (70.2) | 16 | 6 (****) | 72 | 33 (45.8) |
| 3 months | 130 | 61 (46.9) | 46 | 30 (65.2) | 15 | **** | 69 | 28 (40.6) |
| 6 months | 123 | 42 (34.1) | 41 | 19 (46.3) | 15 | **** | 67 | 21 (31.3) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| FREEBORN | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 169 | 111 (65.7) | 44 | 30 (68.2) | 34 | 23 (67.6) | 91 | 58 (63.7) |
| 2 weeks | 169 | 97 (57.4) | 44 | 27 (61.4) | 34 | 19 (55.9) | 91 | 51 (56.0) |
| 2 months | 167 | 75 (44.9) | 42 | 18 (42.9) | 34 | 17 (50.0) | 91 | 40 (44.0) |
| 3 months | 166 | 64 (38.6) | 41 | 15 (36.6) | 34 | 16 (47.1) | 91 | 33 (36.3) |
| 6 months | 158 | 37 (23.4) | 40 | 9 (22.5) | 33 | 13 (39.4) | 85 | 15 (17.6) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| GOODHUE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 133 | ♥115 (86.5) | 53 | ♥45 (84.9) | 20 | 18 (****) | 60 | ♥52 (86.7) |
| 2 weeks | 133 | 104 (78.2) | 53 | 43 (81.1) | 20 | 15 (****) | 60 | 46 (76.7) |
| 2 months | 132 | 70 (53.0) | 53 | 26 (49.1) | 20 | 9 (****) | 59 | 35 (59.3) |
| 3 months | 132 | 59 (44.7) | 53 | 23 (43.4) | 20 | 7 (****) | 59 | 29 (49.2) |
| 6 months | 127 | 36 (28.3) | 52 | 13 (25.0) | 20 | 6 (****) | 55 | 17 (30.9) |
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| HENNEPIN BLOOMING | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 309 | ♥274 (88.7) | 120 | ♥105 (87.5) | 60 | ♥51 (85.0) | 129 | ♥118 (91.5) |
| 2 weeks | 308 | 262 (85.1) | 120 | 100 (83.3) | 59 | 48 (81.4) | 129 | 114 (88.4) |
| 2 months | 302 | 216 (71.5) | 115 | 78 (67.8) | 59 | 43 (72.9) | 128 | 95 (74.2) |
| 3 months | 301 | 198 (65.8) | 114 | 74 (64.9) | 59 | 41 (69.5) | 128 | 83 (64.8) |
| 6 months | 278 | 141 (50.7) | 106 | 50 (47.2) | 53 | 31 (58.5) | 119 | 60 (50.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| HENNEPIN EDINA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 44 | ♥41 (93.2) | 22 | 21 (****) | 6 | 5 (****) | 16 | 15 (****) |
| 2 weeks | 43 | 38 (88.4) | 21 | 20 (****) | 6 | **** | 16 | 14 (****) |
| 2 months | 42 | 33 (78.6) | 20 | 17 (****) | 6 | **** | 16 | 12 (****) |
| 3 months | 41 | ♥31 (75.6) | 19 | 15 (****) | 6 | **** | 16 | 12 (****) |
| 6 months | 38 | 23 (60.5) | 17 | 10 (****) | 5 | **** | 16 | 10 (****) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| HENNEPIN RICHFIELD | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 144 | ♥127 (88.2) | 41 | 33 (80.5) | 29 | 26 (****) | 74 | ♥68 (91.9) |
| 2 weeks | 142 | 110 (77.5) | 40 | 30 (75.0) | 29 | 23 (****) | 73 | 57 (78.1) |
| 2 months | 141 | 100 (70.9) | 39 | 24 (61.5) | 29 | 23 (****) | 73 | 53 (72.6) |
| 3 months | 139 | 94 (67.6) | 39 | 23 (59.0) | 29 | 22 (****) | 71 | 49 (69.0) |
| 6 months | 130 | 62 (47.7) | 38 | 13 (34.2) | 26 | 13 (****) | 66 | 36 (54.5) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| HENNEPIN MINNEAPOLIS | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 2,060 | 1,669 (81.0) | 794 | 602 (75.8) | 346 | 283 (81.8) | 920 | ♥784 (85.2) |
| 2 weeks | 2,044 | 1,557 (76.2) | 784 | 545 (69.5) | 342 | 262 (76.6) | 918 | 750 (81.7) |
| 2 months | 1,991 | 1,325 (66.5) | 757 | 447 (59.0) | 331 | 220 (66.5) | 903 | 658 (72.9) |
| 3 months | 1,966 | 1,209 (61.5) | 745 | 403 (54.1) | 326 | 198 (60.7) | 895 | 608 (67.9) |
| 6 months | 1,846 | 878 (47.6) | 705 | 283 (40.1) | 300 | 143 (47.7) | 841 | 452 (53.7) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| HENNEPIN SUBURBAN | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 2,131 | 1,689 (79.3) | 773 | 602 (77.9) | 412 | 331 (80.3) | 946 | 756 (79.9) |
| 2 weeks | 2,104 | 1,547 (73.5) | 757 | 547 (72.3) | 406 | 301 (74.1) | 941 | 699 (74.3) |
| 2 months | 2,047 | 1,228 (60.0) | 729 | 425 (58.3) | 392 | 239 (61.0) | 926 | 564 (60.9) |
| 3 months | 2,026 | 1,116 (55.1) | 718 | 390 (54.3) | 386 | 214 (55.4) | 922 | 512 (55.5) |
| 6 months | 1,888 | 765 (40.5) | 664 | 259 (39.0) | 359 | 140 (39.0) | 865 | 366 (42.3) |
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| HORIZON | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 260 | 202 (77.7) | 65 | 52 (80.0) | 44 | 34 (77.3) | 151 | 116 (76.8) |
| 2 weeks | 260 | 182 (70.0) | 65 | 47 (72.3) | 44 | 32 (72.7) | 151 | 103 (68.2) |
| 2 months | 258 | 134 (51.9) | 64 | 35 (54.7) | 44 | 27 (61.4) | 150 | 72 (48.0) |
| 3 months | 253 | 113 (44.7) | 63 | 33 (52.4) | 44 | 23 (52.3) | 146 | 57 (39.0) |
| 6 months | 244 | 76 (31.1) | 63 | 21 (33.3) | 42 | 18 (42.9) | 139 | 37 (26.6) |
| 12 months | not available | not available | | | | | | |
| ISANTI | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 182 | ♥150 (82.4) | 74 | ♥64 (86.5) | 23 | 13 (****) | 85 | ♥73 (85.9) |
| 2 weeks | 181 | 137 (75.7) | 74 | 56 (75.7) | 23 | 13 (****) | 84 | 68 (81.0) |
| 2 months | 178 | 103 (57.9) | 72 | 42 (58.3) | 23 | 7 (****) | 83 | 54 (65.1) |
| 3 months | 175 | 83 (47.4) | 71 | 37 (52.1) | 22 | 6 (****) | 82 | 40 (48.8) |
| 6 months | 167 | 51 (30.5) | 70 | 24 (34.3) | 20 | **** | 77 | 25 (32.5) |
| 12 months | not available | not available | | | | | | |
| KANABEC | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 78 | ♥64 (82.1) | 23 | 17 (****) | 10 | 10 (****) | 45 | ♥37 (82.2) |
| 2 weeks | 78 | 53 (67.9) | 23 | 14 (****) | 10 | 8 (****) | 45 | 31 (68.9) |
| 2 months | 75 | 35 (46.7) | 22 | 9 (****) | 10 | 6 (****) | 43 | 20 (46.5) |
| 3 months | 75 | 30 (40.0) | 22 | 8 (****) | 10 | 5 (****) | 43 | 17 (39.5) |
| 6 months | 70 | 14 (20.0) | 21 | **** | 8 | **** | 41 | 11 (26.8) |
| 12 months | not available | not available | | | | | | |
| KANDIYOHI-RENVILLE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 368 | 294 (79.9) | 93 | 75 (80.6) | 60 | 49 (81.7) | 215 | 170 (79.1) |
| 2 weeks | 365 | 265 (72.6) | 92 | 67 (72.8) | 59 | 44 (74.6) | 214 | 154 (72.0) |
| 2 months | 363 | 209 (57.6) | 92 | 53 (57.6) | 59 | 32 (54.2) | 212 | 124 (58.5) |
| 3 months | 361 | 184 (51.0) | 92 | 44 (47.8) | 57 | 24 (42.1) | 212 | 116 (54.7) |
| 6 months | 345 | 119 (34.5) | 90 | 26 (28.9) | 52 | 14 (26.9) | 203 | 79 (38.9) |
| 12 months | not available | not available | | | | | | |
| LE SUEUR WASECA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 200 | 147 (73.5) | 72 | 50 (69.4) | 31 | 20 (64.5) | 97 | 77 (79.4) |
| 2 weeks | 200 | 130 (65.0) | 72 | 46 (63.9) | 31 | 18 (58.1) | 97 | 66 (68.0) |
| 2 months | 198 | 101 (51.0) | 71 | 29 (40.8) | 31 | 16 (51.6) | 96 | 56 (58.3) |
| 3 months | 196 | 81 (41.3) | 70 | 20 (28.6) | 30 | 14 (46.7) | 96 | 47 (49.0) |
| 6 months | 189 | 54 (28.6) | 68 | 15 (22.1) | 29 | 7 (****) | 92 | 32 (34.8) |
| 12 months | not available | not available | | | | | | |

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|---|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| MEEKER MCLEOD SIBLE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 311 | ♥258 (83.0) | 78 | ♥64 (82.1) | 58 | 47 (81.0) | 175 | ♥147 (84.0) |
| 2 weeks | 310 | 232 (74.8) | 78 | 62 (79.5) | 58 | 41 (70.7) | 174 | 129 (74.1) |
| 2 months | 307 | 170 (55.4) | 76 | 45 (59.2) | 58 | 25 (43.1) | 173 | 100 (57.8) |
| 3 months | 307 | 149 (48.5) | 76 | 38 (50.0) | 58 | 22 (37.9) | 173 | 89 (51.4) |
| 6 months | 290 | 112 (38.6) | 71 | 23 (32.4) | 57 | 19 (33.3) | 162 | 70 (43.2) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| MILLE LACS | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 113 | 72 (63.7) | 42 | 18 (42.9) | 17 | 11 (****) | 54 | 43 (79.6) |
| 2 weeks | 113 | 64 (56.6) | 42 | 15 (35.7) | 17 | 11 (****) | 54 | 38 (70.4) |
| 2 months | 112 | 39 (34.8) | 41 | 8 (19.5) | 17 | 7 (****) | 54 | 24 (44.4) |
| 3 months | 111 | 35 (31.5) | 41 | 8 (19.5) | 17 | 7 (****) | 53 | 20 (37.7) |
| 6 months | 109 | 25 (22.9) | 40 | 6 (15.0) | 17 | 5 (****) | 52 | 14 (26.9) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| MORRISON-TODD-WAD | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 384 | 296 (77.1) | 123 | 95 (77.2) | 60 | 47 (78.3) | 201 | 154 (76.6) |
| 2 weeks | 382 | 249 (65.2) | 123 | 86 (69.9) | 60 | 40 (66.7) | 199 | 123 (61.8) |
| 2 months | 378 | 164 (43.4) | 121 | 61 (50.4) | 60 | 26 (43.3) | 197 | 77 (39.1) |
| 3 months | 377 | 136 (36.1) | 121 | 51 (42.1) | 60 | 22 (36.7) | 196 | 63 (32.1) |
| 6 months | 364 | 88 (24.2) | 116 | 30 (25.9) | 59 | 14 (23.7) | 189 | 44 (23.3) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| MOWER | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 281 | 213 (75.8) | 79 | 58 (73.4) | 59 | 43 (72.9) | 143 | 112 (78.3) |
| 2 weeks | 279 | 190 (68.1) | 77 | 49 (63.6) | 59 | 38 (64.4) | 143 | 103 (72.0) |
| 2 months | 275 | 130 (47.3) | 77 | 38 (49.4) | 59 | 28 (47.5) | 139 | 64 (46.0) |
| 3 months | 273 | 105 (38.5) | 77 | 32 (41.6) | 58 | 21 (36.2) | 138 | 52 (37.7) |
| 6 months | 262 | 66 (25.2) | 72 | 19 (26.4) | 55 | 10 (18.2) | 135 | 37 (27.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| NOBLES | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 248 | 197 (79.4) | 67 | 52 (77.6) | 65 | 52 (80.0) | 116 | 93 (80.2) |
| 2 weeks | 248 | 178 (71.8) | 67 | 50 (74.6) | 65 | 45 (69.2) | 116 | 83 (71.6) |
| 2 months | 245 | 130 (53.1) | 67 | 41 (61.2) | 63 | 38 (60.3) | 115 | 51 (44.3) |
| 3 months | 245 | 115 (46.9) | 67 | 39 (58.2) | 63 | 36 (57.1) | 115 | 40 (34.8) |
| 6 months | 236 | 73 (30.9) | 65 | 28 (43.1) | 61 | 23 (37.7) | 110 | 22 (20.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |

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| NORTH COUNTRY | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 180 | ♥153 (85.0) | 47 | 37 (78.7) | 23 | 19 (****) | 110 | ♥97 (88.2) |
| 2 weeks | 180 | 141 (78.3) | 47 | 33 (70.2) | 23 | 17 (****) | 110 | 91 (82.7) |
| 2 months | 179 | 106 (59.2) | 47 | 24 (51.1) | 23 | 14 (****) | 109 | 68 (62.4) |
| 3 months | 178 | 93 (52.2) | 47 | 21 (44.7) | 23 | 14 (****) | 108 | 58 (53.7) |
| 6 months | 170 | 62 (36.5) | 47 | 13 (27.7) | 23 | 8 (****) | 100 | 41 (41.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| OLMSTED | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 631 | ♥562 (89.1) | 172 | ♥156 (90.7) | 137 | ♥118 (86.1) | 322 | ♥288 (89.4) |
| 2 weeks | 619 | 514 (83.0) | 165 | 137 (83.0) | 135 | 107 (79.3) | 319 | 270 (84.6) |
| 2 months | 611 | 401 (65.6) | 162 | 108 (66.7) | 134 | 77 (57.5) | 315 | 216 (68.6) |
| 3 months | 602 | 338 (56.1) | 159 | 92 (57.9) | 130 | 61 (46.9) | 313 | 185 (59.1) |
| 6 months | 571 | 231 (40.5) | 151 | 58 (38.4) | 126 | 42 (33.3) | 294 | 131 (44.6) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| PARTNERSHIP 4 HEALTH | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 782 | ♥645 (82.5) | 228 | 183 (80.3) | 154 | 126 (81.8) | 400 | ♥336 (84.0) |
| 2 weeks | 782 | 583 (74.6) | 228 | 173 (75.9) | 154 | 108 (70.1) | 400 | 302 (75.5) |
| 2 months | 762 | 433 (56.8) | 223 | 130 (58.3) | 148 | 77 (52.0) | 391 | 226 (57.8) |
| 3 months | 757 | 388 (51.3) | 221 | 116 (52.5) | 147 | 69 (46.9) | 389 | 203 (52.2) |
| 6 months | 729 | 271 (37.2) | 213 | 84 (39.4) | 140 | 40 (28.6) | 376 | 147 (39.1) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| PINE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 150 | 115 (76.7) | 47 | 31 (66.0) | 23 | 17 (****) | 80 | ♥67 (83.8) |
| 2 weeks | 149 | 100 (67.1) | 47 | 28 (59.6) | 22 | 14 (****) | 80 | 58 (72.5) |
| 2 months | 149 | 62 (41.6) | 47 | 16 (34.0) | 22 | 11 (****) | 80 | 35 (43.8) |
| 3 months | 149 | 53 (35.6) | 47 | 12 (25.5) | 22 | 10 (****) | 80 | 31 (38.8) |
| 6 months | 146 | 33 (22.6) | 47 | 9 (19.1) | 22 | 6 (****) | 77 | 18 (23.4) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| POLK-NORMAN-MAHNOE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 256 | 201 (78.5) | 69 | 49 (71.0) | 46 | 32 (69.6) | 141 | ♥120 (85.1) |
| 2 weeks | 256 | 182 (71.1) | 69 | 46 (66.7) | 46 | 29 (63.0) | 141 | 107 (75.9) |
| 2 months | 253 | 132 (52.2) | 68 | 34 (50.0) | 45 | 16 (35.6) | 140 | 82 (58.6) |
| 3 months | 251 | 112 (44.6) | 67 | 28 (41.8) | 44 | 15 (34.1) | 140 | 69 (49.3) |
| 6 months | 243 | 79 (32.5) | 66 | 18 (27.3) | 44 | 12 (27.3) | 133 | 49 (36.8) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |

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| QUIN | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 244 | 186 (76.2) | 77 | 62 (80.5) | 29 | 20 (****) | 138 | 104 (75.4) |
| 2 weeks | 244 | 158 (64.8) | 77 | 48 (62.3) | 29 | 18 (****) | 138 | 92 (66.7) |
| 2 months | 244 | 123 (50.4) | 77 | 39 (50.6) | 29 | 13 (****) | 138 | 71 (51.4) |
| 3 months | 244 | 109 (44.7) | 77 | 34 (44.2) | 29 | 11 (****) | 138 | 64 (46.4) |
| 6 months | 236 | 78 (33.1) | 75 | 23 (30.7) | 27 | 6 (****) | 134 | 49 (36.6) |
| 12 months | not available | available | | | | | | |
| RAMSEY | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 3,494 | 2,579 (73.8) | 938 | 683 (72.8) | 657 | 476 (72.5) | 1,899 | 1,420 (74.8) |
| 2 weeks | 3,476 | 2,339 (67.3) | 930 | 628 (67.5) | 654 | 425 (65.0) | 1,892 | 1,286 (68.0) |
| 2 months | 3,445 | 1,824 (52.9) | 917 | 489 (53.3) | 647 | 326 (50.4) | 1,881 | 1,009 (53.6) |
| 3 months | 3,422 | 1,597 (46.7) | 913 | 436 (47.8) | 639 | 273 (42.7) | 1,870 | 888 (47.5) |
| 6 months | 3,257 | 1,065 (32.7) | 857 | 275 (32.1) | 611 | 182 (29.8) | 1,789 | 608 (34.0) |
| 12 months | not available | available | | | | | | |
| RICE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 289 | ♥245 (84.8) | 86 | ♥74 (86.0) | 46 | 37 (80.4) | 157 | ♥134 (85.4) |
| 2 weeks | 289 | 228 (78.9) | 86 | 71 (82.6) | 46 | 34 (73.9) | 157 | 123 (78.3) |
| 2 months | 285 | 173 (60.7) | 83 | 48 (57.8) | 46 | 29 (63.0) | 156 | 96 (61.5) |
| 3 months | 283 | 156 (55.1) | 82 | 41 (50.0) | 45 | 25 (55.6) | 156 | 90 (57.7) |
| 6 months | 263 | 97 (36.9) | 75 | 21 (28.0) | 40 | 14 (35.0) | 148 | 62 (41.9) |
| 12 months | not available | available | | | | | | |
| SCOTT | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 410 | ♥343 (83.7) | 136 | ♥115 (84.6) | 85 | 67 (78.8) | 189 | ♥161 (85.2) |
| 2 weeks | 408 | 309 (75.7) | 135 | 105 (77.8) | 85 | 64 (75.3) | 188 | 140 (74.5) |
| 2 months | 401 | 254 (63.3) | 131 | 80 (61.1) | 84 | 53 (63.1) | 186 | 121 (65.1) |
| 3 months | 395 | 227 (57.5) | 128 | 68 (53.1) | 82 | 49 (59.8) | 185 | 110 (59.5) |
| 6 months | 372 | 156 (41.9) | 118 | 46 (39.0) | 80 | 32 (40.0) | 174 | 78 (44.8) |
| 12 months | not available | available | | | | | | |
| SHERBURNE | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 334 | ♥287 (85.9) | 115 | ♥103 (89.6) | 58 | 47 (81.0) | 161 | ♥137 (85.1) |
| 2 weeks | 334 | 259 (77.5) | 115 | 96 (83.5) | 58 | 42 (72.4) | 161 | 121 (75.2) |
| 2 months | 330 | 209 (63.3) | 114 | 78 (68.4) | 57 | 33 (57.9) | 159 | 98 (61.6) |
| 3 months | 329 | 187 (56.8) | 113 | 69 (61.1) | 57 | 27 (47.4) | 159 | 91 (57.2) |
| 6 months | 313 | 137 (43.8) | 108 | 52 (48.1) | 52 | 14 (26.9) | 153 | 71 (46.4) |
| 12 months | not available | available | | | | | | |

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| SOUTHWEST | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 404 | 328 (81.2) | 117 | 95 (81.2) | 70 | 53 (75.7) | 217 | ♥180 (82.9) |
| 2 weeks | 400 | 292 (73.0) | 115 | 85 (73.9) | 70 | 41 (58.6) | 215 | 166 (77.2) |
| 2 months | 399 | 215 (53.9) | 115 | 67 (58.3) | 70 | 30 (42.9) | 214 | 118 (55.1) |
| 3 months | 395 | 184 (46.6) | 113 | 55 (48.7) | 69 | 24 (34.8) | 213 | 105 (49.3) |
| 6 months | 375 | 125 (33.3) | 109 | 42 (38.5) | 63 | 10 (15.9) | 203 | 73 (36.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| STEARNS | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 856 | ♥728 (85.0) | 244 | 193 (79.1) | 151 | ♥127 (84.1) | 461 | ♥408 (88.5) |
| 2 weeks | 856 | 679 (79.3) | 244 | 178 (73.0) | 151 | 116 (76.8) | 461 | 385 (83.5) |
| 2 months | 846 | 551 (65.1) | 242 | 146 (60.3) | 148 | 89 (60.1) | 456 | 316 (69.3) |
| 3 months | 843 | 493 (58.5) | 240 | 130 (54.2) | 148 | 80 (54.1) | 455 | 283 (62.2) |
| 6 months | 813 | 343 (42.2) | 233 | 93 (39.9) | 142 | 52 (36.6) | 438 | 198 (45.2) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| WABASHA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 68 | ♥56 (82.4) | 17 | 15 (****) | 10 | 9 (****) | 41 | 32 (78.0) |
| 2 weeks | 68 | 50 (73.5) | 17 | 15 (****) | 10 | 7 (****) | 41 | 28 (68.3) |
| 2 months | 68 | 36 (52.9) | 17 | 10 (****) | 10 | 5 (****) | 41 | 21 (51.2) |
| 3 months | 67 | 31 (46.3) | 16 | 7 (****) | 10 | **** | 41 | 20 (48.8) |
| 6 months | 65 | 20 (30.8) | 15 | **** | 10 | **** | 40 | 14 (35.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| WASHINGTON | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 660 | 524 (79.4) | 219 | 175 (79.9) | 104 | 81 (77.9) | 337 | 268 (79.5) |
| 2 weeks | 657 | 465 (70.8) | 218 | 164 (75.2) | 104 | 68 (65.4) | 335 | 233 (69.6) |
| 2 months | 649 | 367 (56.5) | 213 | 123 (57.7) | 101 | 54 (53.5) | 335 | 190 (56.7) |
| 3 months | 643 | 323 (50.2) | 211 | 108 (51.2) | 100 | 43 (43.0) | 332 | 172 (51.8) |
| 6 months | 619 | 224 (36.2) | 198 | 71 (35.9) | 97 | 30 (30.9) | 324 | 123 (38.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| WATONWAN | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 119 | 70 (58.8) | 28 | 17 (****) | 29 | 10 (****) | 62 | 43 (69.4) |
| 2 weeks | 119 | 64 (53.8) | 28 | 16 (****) | 29 | 9 (****) | 62 | 39 (62.9) |
| 2 months | 119 | 52 (43.7) | 28 | 14 (****) | 29 | 6 (****) | 62 | 32 (51.6) |
| 3 months | 117 | 47 (40.2) | 28 | 13 (****) | 29 | 5 (****) | 60 | 29 (48.3) |
| 6 months | 113 | 31 (27.4) | 27 | 9 (****) | 29 | **** | 57 | 18 (31.6) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |

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| WINONA | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 136 | 103 (75.7) | 51 | 40 (78.4) | 12 | 9 (****) | 73 | 54 (74.0) |
| 2 weeks | 135 | 88 (65.2) | 51 | 34 (66.7) | 12 | 8 (****) | 72 | 46 (63.9) |
| 2 months | 135 | 66 (48.9) | 51 | 23 (45.1) | 12 | 6 (****) | 72 | 37 (51.4) |
| 3 months | 134 | 59 (44.0) | 51 | 21 (41.2) | 12 | 5 (****) | 71 | 33 (46.5) |
| 6 months | 127 | 37 (29.1) | 49 | 15 (30.6) | 12 | **** | 66 | 19 (28.8) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |
| WRIGHT | | | | | | | | |
| Initiated | 394 | 296 (75.1) | 134 | 101 (75.4) | 70 | 47 (67.1) | 190 | 148 (77.9) |
| 2 weeks | 394 | 283 (71.8) | 134 | 97 (72.4) | 70 | 47 (67.1) | 190 | 139 (73.2) |
| 2 months | 392 | 228 (58.2) | 134 | 77 (57.5) | 68 | 34 (50.0) | 190 | 117 (61.6) |
| 3 months | 389 | 194 (49.9) | 133 | 65 (48.9) | 67 | 22 (32.8) | 189 | 107 (56.6) |
| 6 months | 371 | 130 (35.0) | 129 | 43 (33.3) | 64 | 14 (21.9) | 178 | 73 (41.0) |
| 12 months | not | available | | | | | | |

| Breastfeeding Benchmark References | Breastfeeding Initiation | Breastfeeding at Three months | Breastfeeding at Six months | Breastfeeding at Twelve months |
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| Healthy People 2020 Objectives * Percent met Healthy People 2020 Objective | 81.9% | | 60.6% | 34.1% |
| Minnesota WIC Program 2020 Objective | | 70.0% | | |
| National Immunization Survey Data Nationwide (Infants born in 2018) ¹⁶ | 83.9% | | 56.7% | 35.0% |
| National Immunization Survey Data Minnesota (Infants born in 2018) ¹⁶ | 88.6% | | 66.2% | 40.1% |
| Minnesota Birth Certificate Data (Infants born in 2021) ¹⁷ | 88.8% | | | |

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¹ Community Health Board of residence when infant initially enrolled in WIC

² Total number of MN WIC infants born during report year with breastfeeding information as of June 21, 2022

³ Number of WIC participants breastfeeding (percent of total WIC participants born during year with breastfeeding information)

⁴ Total number of WIC participants who did not participate in WIC prenatally

⁵ Number of WIC participants who did not participate in WIC prenatally who were breastfeeding

⁶ Total number of WIC participants who participated in WIC for less than three months prenatally

⁷ Number of WIC participants who participated in WIC for less than three months prenatally who were breastfeeding

⁸ Total number of WIC participants who participated in WIC for three or more months prenatally

⁹ Number of WIC participants who participated in WIC for three or more months prenatally who were breastfeeding

¹⁰ Infants who initiated breastfeeding

¹¹ Infants who continued to breastfeed at two weeks

¹² Infants who continued to breastfeed at two months

¹³ Infants who continued to breastfeed at three months

¹⁴ Infants who continued to breastfeed at six months

¹⁵ Infants who continued to breastfeed at twelve months

¹⁶ [National Immunization Survey Data \(All 2018 births, accessed June 29, 2021\)](#)

¹⁷ [Breastfeeding Initiation for all Infants born in Minnesota Reports \(All Minnesota births with initiation data, accessed June 29, 2021\)](#)