

# NEWBORN SAFE SURRENDER REPORT 2023



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## Newborn Safe Surrender

### Data

### Per Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 13.34.360(5):

"The department shall collect and compile information concerning the number of newborns transferred under this section after June 7, 2018. The department shall report its findings to the public annually, which may be on its website, beginning July 31, 2018."

The information below outlines, per region, how many Newborn Safe Surrenders occurred from calendar year 2009 to 2022.

Year	Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6	Total
2009	3	1	0	1	0	0	5
2010	3	0	0	1	0	0	4
2011	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
2012	0	6	0	1	0	1	8
2013	1	7	0	0	2	0	10
2014	0	1	1	1	0	3	6
2015	2	1	1	0	0	1	5
2016	1	0	0	0	1	1	3
2017	1	0	1	2	1	2	7
2018	1	2	1	0	1	0	5
2019	0	0	0	0	3	1	4
2020	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
2021	0	1	1	0	0	1	3
2022	1	0	2	3	1	0	7
Total	13	20	7	9	11	11	71

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