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## Popular baby names



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Level 2

What did parents in British Columbia name their babies in 2015?

This chart shows the top 10 names for girls and boys.

	Girls	Boys
1	Emma	Oliver
2	Emily	Liam
3	Ava	Lucas
4	Charlotte	Jacob
5	Amelia	William
6	Hannah	James
7	Aria	Owen
8	Mia	Carter
9	Avery	Jack
10	Mila	Jackson

### Multicultural names

Some BC parents chose names from their own cultures.

Some popular girls' names were: Annika, Gabriella, Samira, Harnoor, and Valentina.

Some popular boys' names were: Armaan, Omar, Luca, Callum and Niko.

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Photo: Joan Acosta

Meet Olivia.

Her mother is from Canada. Her father is from Brazil.  
Why did they choose the name Olivia?  
It is easy to pronounce in English and Portuguese.

### Language quiz

Can you match the words for  
“baby” with the correct language?

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|------------------|------------|
| 1. Japanese ____ | a. bǎobèi  |
| 2. Spanish ____  | b. dziecko |
| 3. Chinese ____  | c. bebek   |
| 4. Hindi ____    | d. bambino |
| 5. Italian ____  | e. akachan |
| 6. Polish ____   | f. bachcha |
| 7. Arabic ____   | g. tifl    |
| 8. Turkish ____  | h. bebé    |

### AnswerKey

1. e, akachan 2. h, bebe 3. a, baobei 4. f, bachcha 5. d, bambino 6. b, dziecko 7. g, tifl 8. c, bebek

Source: [www.vs.gov.bc.ca/babynames/baby2015.html](http://www.vs.gov.bc.ca/babynames/baby2015.html)