

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BABIES REGISTERED AS HAVING ONE OR MORE MAJOR ANOMALIES  
MALTA CONGENITAL ANOMALIES REGISTER (as at January 2022)**

YEAR	TOTAL BIRTHS (Malta & Gozo)*/**			BABIES REGISTERED WITH ANOMALIES			PREVALENCE /1000 TOTAL BIRTHS
	Live	Still	Total	Live	Still	Total	
1993*	5147	25	5172	159	4	163	31.5
1994	4826	37	4863	179	8	187	38.5
1995	4613	20	4633	189	1	190	41.0
1996	4944	34	4978	170	5	175	35.2
1997	4835	34	4869	200	5	205	42.1
1998	4488	23	4511	180	3	183	40.6
1999	4308	31	4339	175	12	187	43.1
2000**	4361	16	4377	145	2	147	33.6
2001	3935	20	3955	147	1	148	37.4
2002	3905	21	3926	140	5	145	36.9
2003†	4036	18	4054	115	4	119	29.4
2004	3887	15	3902	140	4	144	36.9
2005	3857	8	3865	124	1	125	32.3
2006	3880	11	3891	101	2	103	26.5
2007	3886	12	3898	97	5	102	26.2
2008	4199	29	4228	137	8	145	34.3
2009	4152	28	4180	135	8	143	34.2
2010	4018	18	4036	103	3	106	26.3
2011	4283	28	4311	139	7	146	33.9
2012	4239	19	4258	149	3	152	35.7
2013	4127	22	4149	126	5	131	31.6
2014	4308	27	4335	133	3	136	31.4
2015	4435	18	4453	145	4	149	33.5
2016	4532	23	4555	157	2	159	34.9
2017	4379	19	4398	139	1	140	31.8
2018	4491	25	4516	129	1	130	28.8
2019	4439	16	4455	134	0	134	30.1
<b>1993-2019</b>	<b>116510</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>117107</b>	<b>3887</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>3994</b>	<b>34.1</b>

\* Total births from 1993-1999 taken from Demographic Review of Malta - NSO and relate to births to residents of the Maltese Islands

\*\* Total births from 2000 taken from the National Obstetrics Information System - NOIS Register, Directorate for Health Information and Research and relate to all births on the Maltese Islands

† As of 2003, the Registry has updated Registration criteria including exclusion of babies having isolated Atrial Septal Defects which closed spontaneously in the first months of life and inclusion of babies having glanular hypospadias. These changes follow EUROCAT guidelines and partly account for the difference in the total number of babies registered with congenital anomalies.

**Source: Malta Congenital Anomalies Register, Directorate for Health Information and Research (January 2022)**













