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SEVENTH TIME'S THE CHARM FOR TOP BABY NAME OLIVER

Oliver has taken out top spot as the most popular boys' baby name in Victoria for the seventh year running, while the always strong-performer Charlotte has reclaimed prime position for the girls.

Attorney-General Jaclyn Symes today revealed the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages list of most popular baby names in 2020 – a year which saw 75,000 babies born in Victoria.

In a year we'll never forget, 546 Victorian babies were named Oliver – with Noah, William, Jack and Charlie rounding out the top five.

Victoria also welcomed 413 Charlottes in 2020 – just 11 more than Amelia, which placed second, followed closely by Olivia, Mia and Isla.

Recent years have seen little movement in the most popular names for both boys and girls, with Oliver, Jack, William, Olivia and Charlotte claiming a top five spot each year for the past decade.

However, 2020 did see some new entrants with Archie and Theodore appearing in the top 20 boys names for the first time ever.

Archie and Levi broke into the top 10 names for boys this year, while Ella, Grace and Matilda surged into the top 10 for the girls.

In the top 100, the fastest mover for boys went to River – jumping 49 spots up the rankings to 57th place. Rosie climbed 54 spots up the girls' list to place 62nd.

Registering the arrival of your new baby with the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages is easier than ever – it's free and you can do it online from the comfort of your living room.

For the full list of popular baby names visit www.bdm.vic.gov.au/names.

Quotes attributable to Attorney-General Jaclyn Symes

"As if 2020 wasn't momentous enough, Victorian parents welcomed over 75,000 babies to the world. Congratulations to each and every family on their new addition."

"Naming a child is often the first of many important decisions we make as parents – and it's always fascinating to see which names are the most popular each year."

TOP 20 OF 2020

BOYS	GIRLS
1. Oliver	1. Charlotte
2. Noah	2. Amelia
3. William	3. Olivia
4. Jack	4. Mia
5. Charlie	5. Isla
6. Thomas	6. Ava
7. Leo	7. Matilda
8. Henry	8. Chloe
9. Levi	9. Grace
10. Archie	10. Ella
11. Oscar	11. Willow
12. Lucas	12. Sophie
13. Ethan	13. Zoe
14. Liam	14. Harper
15. Hudson	15. Evie
16. James	16. Ruby
17. Theodore	17. Ivy
18. Alexander	18. Isabella
19. Elijah	19. Mila
20. Isaac	20. Evelyn