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CHARLOTTE DETHRONED IN 2020 AS TOP BABY NAME

Amelia has unseated Charlotte as the most popular girls' baby name for 2020, while Oliver claimed prime position for the boys for the seventh straight year.

Attorney General Mark Speakman and Minister for Customer Service Victor Dominello today revealed the NSW Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages lists of top 10 baby names in 2020.

"In an unforgettable year, NSW welcomed tens of thousands of babies. I congratulate every family that grew a little bigger," Mr Speakman said.

Mr Speakman said Oliver is still the leading name for boys, followed by Noah and William. The trio's top-three status has remained unchanged for the past five years.

Amelia took out the girls' top spot ahead of Olivia, while the always strong-performer Charlotte was bumped down to third place after being most favoured for the past three years running.

Mr Dominello said choosing a baby name is always a special moment, bringing joy to NSW families in what was a challenging year for most.

"Whether you opt for a classic favourite or forge a new path with a trend-setter, naming a baby is one of the most important decisions new parents make," Mr Dominello said.

The fastest mover in the top 10 for boys over the past decade was Leo – jumping 61 spots up the rankings to reach 4th place in 2020. Isla has also shot up the charts over the past 10 years, climbing 18 spots in the girls' list to place 4th.

Zoe broke into the top 10 names for girls, where Ava, Chloe, Grace and Sophia remained unchanged. Lucas, Liam and Henry gained popularity in the boys' list.

Mia, Jack, Thomas and James stayed in the top 10 lists but moved down the ranks.

Parents have 60 days to register their newborn, which can be done for free online. This establishes the child's legal identity in the community and is important in accessing government services such as schooling and Medicare.

Final lists of the top 100 baby names will be published on the BDM website in April 2021. To find out more, visit www.bdm.nsw.gov.au

The NSW Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages: Top 10 Baby Names – 2020

2020					
Female			Male		
Name	Current rank	Previous year rank	Name	Current rank	Previous year rank
AMELIA	1	3	OLIVER	1	1
OLIVIA	2	2	NOAH	2	2
CHARLOTTE	3	1	WILLIAM	3	3
ISLA	4	5	LEO	4	5
MIA	5	4	LUCAS	5	6
AVA	6	6	HENRY	6	7
CHLOE	7	7	LIAM	7	10
GRACE	8	8	JACK	8	4
SOPHIA	9	9	THOMAS	9	8
ZOE	10	12	JAMES	10	9

Legend
Increase in rank from the previous year
Decrease in rank from the previous year
No change