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EVERY WEEK COUNTS TOWARDS THE END OF PREGNANCY



WEEKS' GESTATION

35 weeks

36 weeks

37 weeks

38 weeks

39 weeks

40 weeks

BABY'S BRAIN

A baby's brain at 35 weeks weighs only two-thirds of what it will weigh at 39-40 weeks



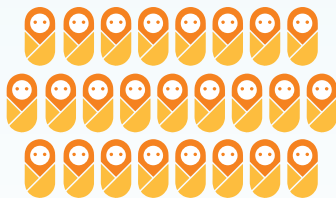
Still more

growing

to do

BABY'S RISK AT BIRTH

Number of babies spending time in a special care baby unit



LEARNING DIFFICULTIES AT SCHOOL ENTRY



Brain development is responsible for learning, movement and coordination

Babies are less likely to need specialised care for breathing and feeding difficulties when born closer to their due date

There is less risk of learning difficulties at school entry when born closer to their due date