

Fertility treatment babies set record in US

17 February 2014, by The Associated Press

A new report finds that one or two of every 100 babies born in the United States now are conceived with advanced fertility help.

In vitro fertilization, or IVF, in which eggs and sperm are mixed in a lab dish, led to a record 61,740 babies in 2012. That is 2,000 more than the previous year and 1.5 percent of all births in the nation.

The report by the Society for Assisted Reproductive Technology also finds that more women are using one embryo at a time to avoid [multiple births](#), which raise the risk of prematurity and other problems. Only 4 percent of women under 35 used single embryos in 2007 but that rose to 15 percent in 2012.

© 2014 The Associated Press. All rights reserved.

APA citation: Fertility treatment babies set record in US (2014, February 17) retrieved 8 December 2021 from <https://medicalxpress.com/news/2014-02-fertility-treatment-babies.html>

This document is subject to copyright. Apart from any fair dealing for the purpose of private study or research, no part may be reproduced without the written permission. The content is provided for information purposes only.