

Frequently Asked Questions

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How long does it take to get my baby's Social Security card that I applied for in the hospital?

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Each state or jurisdiction has different processing times. See the chart below to find out how long your state takes to process the card application.

If you waited the indicated length of time and still have not received your child's Social Security card, visit your local Social Security office (<https://secure.ssa.gov/apps6z/FOLO/fo001.jsp>). You also can call us at **1-800-772-1213** (TTY **1-800-325-0778**), 8:00 am – 7:00 pm, Monday through Friday. If you live outside the United States, refer to Service Around the World (<https://www.ssa.gov/foreign/index.html>).

Keep your child's Social Security card in a safe place with other important documents. Do not carry it with you.

The chart below shows the time it takes for each state to send the application and paperwork to Social Security. *Allow an additional two weeks for Social Security to send the card in the mail.*

Social Security Card Application at Birth: Average Processing Times by State (S) in Weeks (W)

For the period 1/1/2021 through 3/26/2021.

S	W	S	W	S	W	S	W	S	W
AK	6	AL	2	AR	2	AZ	2	CA	2
CO	2	CT	2	DC	2	DE	4	FL	1
GA	1	HI	2	IA	2	ID	2	IL	2
IN	2	KS	1	KY	1	LA	4	MA	2
MD	2	ME	1	MI	2	MN	1	MO	2
MS	2	MT	2	NC	2	ND	2	NE	2
NH	2	NJ	2	NM	6	NV	2	NYC	2
NY	2	OH	1	OK	3	OR	2	PA	2
PR	10	RI	2	SC	1	SD	1	TN	1
TX	2	UT	1	VA	4	VT	1	WA	3
WI	4	WV	5	WY	2				

Avg. processing time: 2 weeks