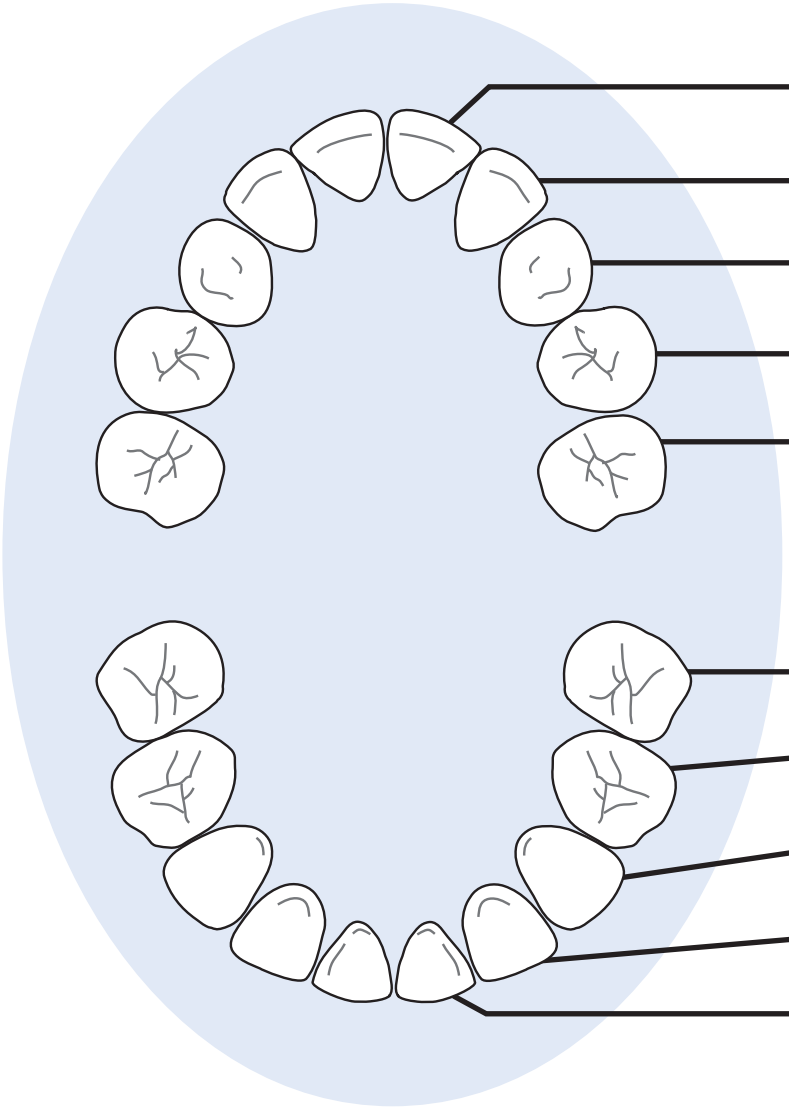
When Do Baby Teeth Appear?



There are 20 baby teeth, or primary teeth: ten in the upper jaw and ten in the lower.

Healthy baby teeth are important for chewing food, for speaking clearly, for normal jaw growth, and a healthy appearance. But most important, baby teeth keep the spacing for the adult teeth, or permanent teeth. Baby teeth are replaced by permanent teeth as your child gets older. Baby teeth lost early because of tooth decay is the leading cause for crowded and crooked permanent teeth.

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