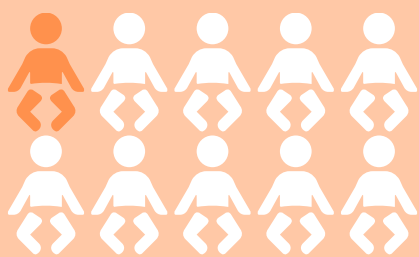


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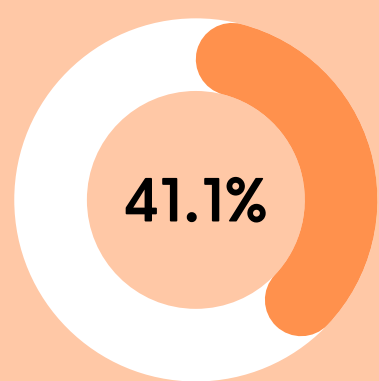
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The Joint Committee on Infant Hearing recommends all infants who do not pass the newborn hearing screening receive a diagnostic evaluation by three months of age.

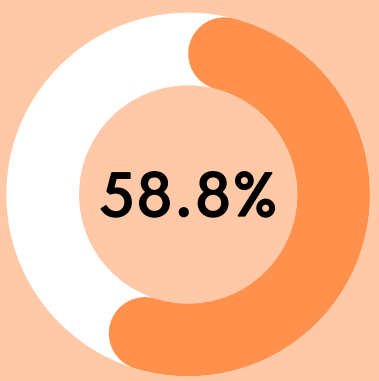
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Out of 34,451 babies screened in 2021, 527 babies did not pass the newborn hearing screening.



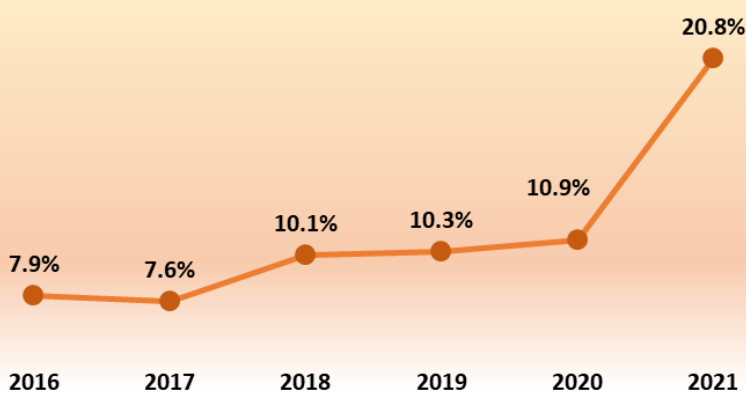
217 babies received a completed diagnostic evaluation indicating normal hearing or a hearing condition.



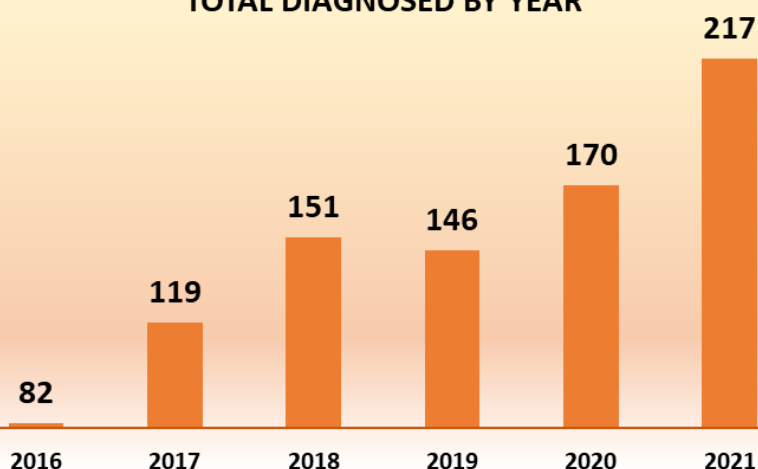
310 babies missed a diagnostic evaluation after not passing the screen.

According to the 2021 diagnostic data, 120 infants were identified as having hearing condition. Of those 120 infants, 61 infants were diagnosed within in the recommended guidelines of three months. Additionally, 48 infants were identified as having permanent hearing condition, and 30 of those identified infants were diagnosed by three months of age.

PERCENT DIAGNOSED BY 3 MONTHS OF AGE



TOTAL DIAGNOSED BY YEAR



Source: ERAVE Hearing Screening an Follow-Up Survey, run 2-21-23. [CDC EHDI Annual Data](#).

All infants that refer at birth and are older than 1 month or with two abnormal screens should be referred for diagnostic evaluation without repeating further screening test.

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