

HUMANS vs. ANIMALS

Humans are part of the animal kingdom. Specifically, we are *mammals*. Baby mammals develop inside their mothers, are born live (instead of hatching), and drink milk. Human babies take nine months to grow. How long does it take for other mammals?

Less than 1 month: opossum, mouse

1 month: rabbit, squirrel

2 months: cat, dog

3–4 months: lion, leopard, tiger

5 months: sheep, goat

6–7 months: deer, black bear, porcupine

8–9 months: gorilla, human

10–11 months: horse, llama, blue whale

12 months: dolphin

13–15 months: camel, giraffe

16–17 months: walrus, rhinoceros

22 months: elephant

averages vary by species

