

DO I HAVE POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION?



Between 10% and 20% of new moms experience postpartum depression.

Answer the questions below based on how you've felt for the past seven days. Tally up your score and discuss your results with your provider.

1. I have been able to laugh and see the funny side of things.

- As much as I always could (0)
- Not quite so much now (1)
- Definitely not so much now (2)
- Not at all (3)

2. I have looked forward with enjoyment to things.

- As much as I ever did (0)
- Rather less than I used to (1)
- Definitely less than I used to (2)
- Hardly at all (3)

3. I have blamed myself unnecessarily when things went wrong.

- Yes, most of the time (3)
- Yes, some of the time (2)
- Not very often (1)
- No, never (0)

4. I have been anxious or worried for no good reason.

- No, not at all (0)
- Hardly ever (1)
- Yes, sometimes (2)
- Yes, very often (3)

5. I have felt scared or panicky for no very good reason.

- Yes, quite a lot (3)
- Yes, sometimes (2)
- No, not much (1)
- No, not at all (0)

6. Things have been getting on top of me.

- Yes, most of the time I haven't been able to cope at all (3)
- Yes, sometimes I haven't been coping as well as usual (2)
- No, most of the time I have coped quite well (1)
- No, I have been coping as well as ever (0)

7. I have been so unhappy that I have had difficulty sleeping.

- Yes, most of the time (3)
- Yes, sometimes (2)
- Not very often (1)
- No, not at all (0)

8. I have felt sad or miserable.

- Yes, most of the time (3)
- Yes, sometimes (2)
- Not very often (1)
- No, not at all (0)

9. I have been so unhappy that I have been crying.

- Yes, most of the time (3)
- Yes, quite often (2)
- Only occasionally (1)
- No, never (0)

10. The thought of harming myself has occurred to me.

- Yes, quite often (3)
- Sometimes (2)
- Hardly ever (1)
- Never (0)

TOTAL SCORE: _____

A score of 10 or higher might indicate you have depression. **Call your provider as soon as possible, so you can discuss your score and possible treatment options.**