Oh baby!

Records have been broken at Sunshine Coast University Hospital (SCUH) with a baby boom in August.

Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service experienced its greatest number of births in one month, welcoming 284 newborn babies at SCUH.

August’s baby boom beat the health service’s previous monthly average of 225 births.

Nursing and Midwifery Service Director, Cathy Styles said the baby boom kept staff on their toes.

“Last month was extremely busy but our staff were amazing. They provided quality care to the many new mothers and babies both in the hospital and once they returned home,” Ms Styles said.

“We have such wonderful facilities at SCUH which is credit to all those who contributed to planning and design.

“Our postnatal Extended Midwifery Service provides a home visiting service available to any new mum following the birth of her baby.

“The home visits enable midwives to give ongoing personalised feeding and other advice to new mums in the comfort of their own homes.

“Each day we have three mobile services visiting new mothers and their babies in their homes, providing the right care and support to allow them to return home with confidence,” Ms Styles said.

Ms Styles said it was estimated more than 3000 babies would be born at SCUH this year.

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Photo opportunity: new mums and bubs, 10am Monday, 11 September 2017, Sunshine Coast University Hospital

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