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MOST POPULAR BABY NAMES
CALIFORNIA, 1998

GIRLS			BOYS		
NAME	1998 NUMBER	1997 RANK	NAME	1998 NUMBER	1997 RANK
1. Jessica	2,828	1	1. Daniel	4,302	1
2. Ashley	2,691	3	2. Jose	4,256	3
3. Samantha	2,661	5	3. Michael	4,107	2
4. Emily	2,660	4	4. Anthony	3,859	4
5. Jennifer	2,543	2	5. Jacob	3,542	8
6. Sarah	2,122	7	6. David	3,442	6
7. Alexis	2,015	10	7. Andrew	3,426	7
8. Vanessa	1,964	8	8. Matthew	3,408	9
9. Alyssa	1,948	13	9. Christopher	3,378	5
10. Stephanie	1,937	6	10. Joshua	3,223	11
11. Elizabeth	1,914	9	11. Jonathan	3,067	10
12. Jasmine	1,700	12	12. Joseph	2,936	12
13. Hannah	1,652	15	13. Nicholas	2,739	14
14. Maria	1,610	11	14. Brandon	2,712	13
15. Natalie	1,525	21	15. Ryan	2,415	18
16. Madison	1,434	22	16. Christian	2,347	15
17. Victoria	1,414	17	17. Juan	2,343	19
18. Kimberly	1,394	16	18. Luis	2,286	17
19. Taylor	1,369	18	19. Alexander	2,222	20
20. Melissa	1,354	14	20. Kevin	2,214	16
21. Brianna	1,324	-	21. Justin	2,081	21
22. Diana	1,315	25	22. Angel	1,944	-
23. Amanda	1,313	19	23. Jesus	1,917	22
24. Michelle	1,280	23	24. Tyler	1,809	24
25. Nicole	1,270	-	25. Robert	1,774	-

- Not in top 25.

Source: State of California, Department of Health Services, Birth Records.