

The Best Baby Monitor For New Parents

You don't want to be helicopter parents, but it doesn't hurt having an extra pair of eyes over the little ones.

Baby monitors are for those who need a visual of their baby, whether sleeping in the crib and playing around their room. So, whether you keep your baby close or in a separate room, you can always check on him or her with the help of a camera and a microphone nearby.

In this review, we'll bring you **THREE** of the best-rated baby monitors currently on the market! You'll also learn:

- Why you need to have a sound level indicator
- How to protect your family's privacy against baby monitor hacking
- Why you might want to consider an audio-only baby monitor

And MORE!

Let's get started!

The Winner: Eufy SpaceView

The Eufy SpaceView has been one of the [top rated baby monitors](#) on the market since its release in 2018. Most reviews are positive, mainly praised for its top-notch video quality, innovative user interface, and incredible battery life.

We tested SpaceView for 6 months, and we had enough data to back up these claims. It's no understatement that Eufy raised the bar for its competitions with the quality smartly packed in SpaceView.

On the first impression, the SpaceView has a sleek modern monochromatic and compact design. You can plant the camera and mic set in your nursery or direct in the crib to get a close-up view without taking up too much space. We found the display unibody package well-constructed but not stable due to the off-center kickstand. It gets knocked over easily. Else this baby monitor unit can last you a long time.



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Out of the 10 baby monitors we tried out for this review, SpaceView has the **best baby monitor camera** quality, especially compared to other RF video baby monitors. Eufy offers an optional second camera, but you can get the 360-degree panoptic view of the entire room with the pan-and-tilt primary camera alone. The image is clear and sharp, even in low-light conditions, so you can clearly see your baby sleeping in dimmed lights.

SpaceView was advertised with a range of 460ft. We figured Eufy didn't consider indoor interfering obstacles. Still, we didn't have any serious problem with audio and video transmission around the house and from the front yard.

Mind you that SpaceView doesn't come with Wi-Fi, so you won't have smartphone access. But that also makes it hard to be compromised, according to IT security experts. If you have a privacy concern, the SpaceView is an excellent option.

What makes SpaceView one of the best, if not the best **baby monitor monitors** is its intuitive, user-friendly display interface. It took us no time at all, getting around the menus and changing the settings. Everything is in color and with clean and clear labels. And the best thing is if you find yourself checking on your kids at midnight, you'll know it's 2:11 a.m and 80 degrees in your kid's room, as shown on display.

Though SpaceView still needs to get more positive [best video baby monitor](#) to prove its reliability, it's doing pretty good so far with minor design quirks. We think there is enough room for improvement, but at \$160, SpaceView deserves the top spot.

We're keeping an eye out for the next SpaceView version, so subscribe to our mailing list to not miss out on an update.

The Runner-up: Infant Optics DXR-8

Ask any parents who have experience with baby monitors, and they'll recommend Infant Optics DXR-8. We went through nearly 20,000 **baby video monitor reviews** from multiple sources and found Infant Optics backed by a solid track record.

If you're looking for a reliable audio and video monitoring system and don't mind the quaint 2000 design, get Infant Optics DXR-8. In our test, this baby monitor performed as expected: stable transmission, little interference, clear video and audio quality, easy-to-use interface, and simple camera control. Quality-wise, Infant Optics came second to the Eufy SpaceView.

Like the SpaceView, Infant Optics uses radio frequency (RF) instead of Wi-Fi for transmission. You won't have remote access and control over the monitor set. But you won't risk your family's privacy and security, as in the case of some **baby monitors that work with iPhone**. We didn't have a time-out period with Infant Optics, as with other low-quality monitor sets, but we doubt its advertised 700-ft range is as reliable as its overall quality.

We could turn the camera left and right from the display control set and have a view from a secondary add-on camera, but this maneuvering doesn't guarantee a panoptic view as seen on the SpaceView. It won't be a problem if you have a small room or don't need a broad view scope.

What we liked most about this baby monitor is its on-screen sound indicator, a function only appreciated when you work from home. We started testing this baby monitor at the beginning of the lockdown period.

We were in Zoom meetings with our headphones on most of the time, but we still know if there was a stir in the kids' room thanks to the sound indicator. If the mic picks up some noise, the display bar goes up and down with the volumes, helping us keep tabs on the kid out of the corner of the eyes.

At \$160, Infant Optics is about the price of the SpaceView, and will surely give you the peace of mind with a proven track of record.

The Budget Pick: VTech DM221

Throughout this test, cheap video baby monitors had low quality, unstable connections, and little reliability. If you want to save some bucks but don't want to compromise quality, we'd suggest getting audio-only monitors.

The **best audio baby monitor** on the market right now is VTech DM221, the number one bestseller of many retailers. For less than \$40, you get a high-quality audio transmission and none of the intermittent connecting issues of a cheap video-abled monitor.



Compared to the audio function on video monitors, VTech's talk-back function performs much better and within a much more extensive range (1000ft). If you only need to hear your child's cry or necessary close-range communication such as caregiving instructions or help alert for the disabled and elderly, VTech is the best bang-for-the-buck option you can go for.

The battery lasts almost 20 hours. Of course, it has no LCD screen to power, but considering the handle can double as a nightlight, the battery life is more impressive than most monitors we tested.

We didn't have any trouble navigating the buttons. It has a basic power on-off button, volume control, night lamp mode on-off, and the power indicator. It also comes with a 5-level sound detector to indicate the noise level in the baby's room and a battery indicator, so you know when to charge the unit.

Useful Reference: <https://thekinglive.com/how-do-baby-monitors-work.html>

One drawback of this audio-only unit is its sound alerting system. Sharp and repetitive beeps go off if there's a connectivity issue. We only encounter this once during the 6-month trial. Given the unit's strong and robust connecting signal, we didn't have much to worry about. Still, who could stand the noise beeping at midnight?

Final Words

So, **what is the best baby monitor**, in your opinion? If you want to try out one of our recommendations, feel free to use our links to enjoy some exclusive deals!

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