

PROS & CONS on types of diapers

DIAPER	PROS	CONS
PREFOLDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - very affordable - natural fibers - very absorbent - can also be used as an insert or doubler - will remain in great shape, even after years of use - can easily adjust to fit your baby - easy to wash - provide many other uses such as dust cloths, burp rags, changing pads...etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - may require pins or snappis, depending on your child's age & your preferences - requires a little folding - takes a little more time to put on - requires a cover - may be bulky - will typically take up more space (in the drawer, diaper pail & diaper bag)
FITTEDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - doesn't have to be pinned or folded - similar to using disposables - contains elastic at the legs (& sometimes the waist) to hold in messes, especially the bf poo! - doesn't take up as much space as prefolds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - requires a cover - may take longer to dry due to the many layers, unless made of a 'quick-dry' material - some covers will not fit well over some fitteds, so it's necessary to try out the cover and fitted together before buying
FLATS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - can be folded in many different ways, making it easy to customize the absorption - a lot trimmer than prefolds, and slightly cheaper, too - cleans well - fits all babies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - requires folding, which means more time - requires a cover - involves more learning & training of others on how to fold
CONTOURS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - no folding necessary - very affordable 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - requires pins or snappis, as well as a cover - will not hold in bf poo as well as a fitted, but about the same as a prefold