

## Epidural Statistics

The statistics shown below are taken from 'Breech Birth' by Benna Waites.

An epidural can have a number of knock on effects for a pregnant woman. Statistics show that this will include:

- 3 x increase in use of synthetic oxytocin
- 3 x increase in instrumental delivery
- Significant increase in length of second stage
- 2 x increase in Caesarean rate
- Drop in blood pressure reduces oxygen supply to baby