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So your baby at 33 to 36 weeks is actually fairly large at this point. The baby can be five to six pounds or even bigger in some pregnancies at this point.

Babies also at this stage may start turn into the head down position to get ready for birth but not all babies do at this stage yet.

All its organs are functioning well, it's breathing well but it still needs time to practice breathing and it still is going through a physiological process of making sure the lungs are fully developed.

Babies that are born prematurely at this stage tend to do very, very well but they're still not fully grown. They're still getting a little bit more lung development, a little bit more brain development; they tend to do very well but we hope to keep them in a little longer if we can. However should you go into labor after 36 weeks we don't do anything aggressively to try to stop you because babies do so well at this point.

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