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HIGHLIGHTS

- Overall rates of abortion in the United States peaked soon after the procedure was legalized in 1973, remained fairly constant through the 1980s, and have declined steadily since then. However, the overall rate masks large differences and varying patterns across time for demographic subgroups.
- A substantial drop in the abortion rates of teenagers and women aged 20–24 accounts for much of the overall decline from 1989 to 2004. During this period, the abortion rate of women in their 30s changed little, while the rate of women aged 40 or older increased.
- The majority of abortions (57%) are obtained by women in their 20s. Minors account for fewer than 7% of all abortions.
- Abortion is far more common among unmarried women than married women, although rates for both groups have dropped significantly in the past 15 years.
- Abortion rates for all racial and ethnic groups have declined recently. The rates now range from 11 per 1,000 for non-Hispanic white women to 28 per 1,000 for Hispanic women and 50 per 1,000 for black women. The widely varying rates reflect differing patterns of contraceptive use, pregnancy and childbearing.
- Black women account for 37% of abortions, non-Hispanic white women for 34%, Hispanic women 22% and women of other races 8%.
- Most abortions occur before nine weeks' gestation, and the proportion of very early abortions (<7 weeks) has increased substantially since 1994. The proportion of abortions performed after 12 weeks of pregnancy has changed little, and fewer than 0.2% take place after 24 weeks.
- In 2004, 60% of women having abortions already had children, up from 50% in 1989.
- Although 47% of abortions are obtained by women who have had a prior abortion, the proportion of second and subsequent abortions has recently begun to fall. There is no evidence that abortion is being used as a primary method of birth control.
- Further research on abortion in the United States should focus on the circumstances facing women in the groups with the highest rates of unintended pregnancy and abortion.



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Background

Much of our understanding of the current state of reproductive health in the United States depends on the periodic and accurate collection of data on abortion incidence from abortion providers. These data are needed for tracking access to abortion, the need for services and the need for more effective strategies to prevent unintended pregnancies. They are also essential for the measurement and the calculation of rates of unintended pregnancy for this country, including rates of teenage pregnancy and contraceptive failure.

Abortion numbers and rates can be tracked accurately because surveys of all abortion providers conducted periodically since 1974 by the Guttmacher Institute provide counts of the total numbers of abortions, and the abortion reporting systems of state health departments have collected information annually on some basic characteristics of women having abortions, which are compiled by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The rate of legal abortion began to increase rapidly in the United States in 1970, when four states liberalized their laws to allow abortion on request, and continued to rise after the 1973 Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized abortion nationally. Until about 1976, the majority of the increase was attributable to the replacement of uncounted illegal abortions with legal procedures, which became available as increasing numbers of hospitals and freestanding clinics initiated services in all parts of the country.^{1,2,3} By 1980, the rate reached a level higher than in other Western industrialized countries, at which point it remained relatively stable for a decade. Since 1990, the rate has fallen each year through 2004, the latest year for which we have data on patient characteristics, and is now within the range of other developed countries.^{4,5}

However, overall population trends mask underlying differences in population subgroups. The United States differs from other developed countries in the extent of economic inequality, the size of the economically deprived population, the number and size of ethnic minority groups and the extent to which population subgroups differ from the majority in their access to jobs, housing, education and health services. These factors result in large disparities in rates of unintended pregnancy and abortion. As in

other countries, these rates also vary by other demographic characteristics, especially age and marital status.

Variations in abortion rates among population subgroups are likely to reflect the extent and effectiveness of contraceptive practice; rates of sexual activity among unmarried women; attitudes toward abortion, contraceptive use and nonmarital childbearing; and varying availability of abortion and contraceptive services. An analysis of these variations and of their long-term trends has not been performed since 1991.⁶ In the current report, we update this earlier analysis of the characteristics of women having abortions and examine trends in abortion for demographic subgroups of women in the United States from 1974 through 2004. This analysis will fill a research gap by providing a long-term perspective on the history of abortion, contributing to understanding of reproductive behavior and informing policy decisions designed to help women attain their reproductive goals.

Specifically, we look for changes in the likelihood of an induced abortion by age, marital status, race and Hispanic ethnicity, as well as examine changes in the distribution of abortions over time by number of prior births, number of prior abortions and gestational age. This report differs from others that present data on this topic in a number of ways. The National Center for Health Statistics has published information on birth, abortion and pregnancy rates, but for a more limited time period and combination of characteristics.⁷ Data showing the characteristics of women having abortions are also published in the *Statistical Abstract of the United States*, which includes a more limited number of measures.⁸ The CDC publishes annual abortion surveillance reports that include information on characteristics of women, but these data alone are insufficient to project national numbers of abortions and abortion rates by characteristics of the women.⁹ We combine the abortion counts from the Guttmacher national surveys of abortion providers with the CDC's information on characteristics to obtain the most complete and detailed social and demographic profile of women having abortions in the United States.

Data Sources

The number of abortions performed each year in the United States is derived from the Guttmacher Institute's periodic surveys of all identifiable abortion providers. The first of these surveys was conducted in 1974 to assess the availability of abortion services and the characteristics of providers, as well as the number of abortions provided. The Institute's first six abortion provider surveys were conducted annually between 1974 and 1979, with each gathering data for the preceding year. Surveys were subsequently conducted in 1981, 1983, 1986 and 1989; each gathered data for the preceding two years. The survey was carried out in 1993, collecting data for 1991 and 1992; in 1997 (data for 1995 and 1996); in 2001–2002 (data for 1999 and 2000); and in 2006–2007 (data for 2004 and 2005). Data were not collected for 1983, 1986, 1989, 1990, 1993, 1994, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2002 or 2003. Estimates for these years are interpolated between adjacent years.*

We take information on the characteristics of women having abortions from annual CDC abortion surveillance reports. For each year since 1969, the CDC has compiled abortion data provided voluntarily by state health departments, most of which maintain an abortion reporting system similar to the system of reporting births on birth certificates. However, these data are incomplete; not all states require the reporting of abortions, and states that do have reporting systems differ in the completeness of reporting, the types of providers that must report and the specific items of information supplied.† In every survey to date, the number of abortions reported in the Guttmacher surveys has been higher than the number reported by the CDC. The CDC national count of abortions was 15% lower than the Guttmacher survey in 1977 and 1978, 12% lower

in 1987, 11% lower in 1991 and 1992 and 12% lower in 1995. Beginning in 1998, the CDC reported totals for only 48 states and the District of Columbia; since then, the CDC reports have included only 65–69% of the abortions counted in the Guttmacher Institute survey or estimated for the nonsurvey years.^{4,9}

Although the Guttmacher abortion provider surveys supply a more complete estimate of the number of abortions occurring, the CDC data surveillance system is able to obtain important information on the characteristics of women who obtain abortions, including age, marital status, race, Hispanic ethnicity, number of prior births and abortions, and gestational age at abortion. By combining the two data sources, the Guttmacher Institute has been able to estimate the incidence of abortion among large population subgroups with widely varying reproductive needs.

The CDC abortion surveillance data in some cases provide a misleading picture of year-to-year trends in a particular social or demographic characteristic because of changes in the states reporting any abortion data, the states reporting that particular item, the extent of missing data and the way the characteristic is defined. For example, even if in reality there were no change in the proportion of abortions conducted in the second trimester from one year to the next, the CDC totals might show a change if a state was added or deleted from the compilation in the second year or if a state changed the method of calculating gestational age. To eliminate the influence of extraneous year-to-year changes in data sources, we calculated the year-to-year change in the percentage distribution of a characteristic, using only states with comparable information for both years. A state was omitted from the calculation if it provided no data on the characteristic for one or both years, if the proportion unknown changed by four or more percentage points between the two years or if the state changed the definition or data source for the characteristic between the two years. We then applied the percentage change between the two years to the previously estimated percentage for the earlier year. Because of these adjustments, the percentage distributions published here differ slightly from those published in the CDC abortion surveillance reports. To determine the numbers of abortions by patient characteristics, the adjusted

*All provider surveys and reports are listed in the bibliography.

†For 1973 to 1997, the CDC provides data from or estimates for 52 reporting areas in the United States—50 states, the District of Columbia and New York City. In 1998 and 1999, CDC compiled abortion data from 48 reporting areas. Alaska, California, New Hampshire and Oklahoma did not report, and data for these states were not estimated. During 2000–2002, Oklahoma again reported these data, increasing the number of reporting areas to 49; for 2003 and 2004, Alaska again reported but West Virginia did not, maintaining the number of reporting areas at 49 (source: reference 9).

percentages are applied to the total number of abortions estimated with data from the Guttmacher surveys.

The CDC compilation lacks information on the characteristics of many abortion patients either because the abortion was not reported to the state health department or the report did not include information on a particular characteristic. For this reason, we assume that the distribution of characteristics among patients whose abortions are not reported is similar to the distribution among those whose abortions are reported. Therefore, we apply these distributions to the total counts of abortions derived from the Guttmacher abortion provider surveys. Because the CDC total counts of abortion are lower than the Guttmacher counts, and because characteristics data are not obtained for a significant portion of patients whose abortions are counted by the CDC, the distributions of characteristics are based on anywhere from one-third to two-thirds of the total actual number of abortions. For example, the age distributions we applied to all 2004 abortions are based on 60% of all abortion patients; the distributions for gestational age are based on 53% of all abortion patients; marital status, 52%; number of prior births, 52%; number of prior abortions, 50%; race, 46%; and Hispanic ethnicity, 37%. However, reporting of characteristics in states that do collect this information is quite high; in 2004, the woman's age was reported for 99.5% of the reported abortions in states that collect age information, her marital status for 97.5%, her race for 95.5%, whether her ethnicity was Hispanic for 94.8%, her number of prior live births for 97.8%, and her number of prior abortions for 97.6%.* In addition, the distributions of characteristics are similar to those found in nationally representative sample surveys of abortion patients.^{10,11} We assume, therefore, that the distributions of characteristics from states reporting characteristics are representative of all abortion patients, including those from states that do not report characteristics, those with incomplete reporting and those with no reporting at all.

The data have several other limitations. The CDC began collecting information on racial categories other than white and nonwhite only in 1985 and on Hispanic ethnicity only in 1990. Most abortions to Hispanic women were therefore included in the "white" category before 1990. Thus, we are not able to identify distinct racial and ethnic subgroups in earlier years. A number of states still do not ask about Hispanic ethnicity on their abortion reporting forms, so the estimate of the proportion of abortions obtained by Hispanic women is likely to be less accurate

than the estimates for other subgroups. In addition, there is still some overlap between "black," "Hispanic" and "other," such that a small proportion of abortions are both black and Hispanic or other and Hispanic.

The CDC's abortion surveillance reports group all abortions carried out at more than 20 weeks' gestation, although many states obtain more detailed information on their abortion reporting forms. We estimated the number of abortions past 20 weeks from the CDC abortion surveillance report for 2001 and the Guttmacher estimate of the total number of abortions in 2001. We obtained individual reports for 277,334 abortions performed in 2001 in 15 states and New York City. We then tabulated the individual reports to distribute the abortions beyond 20 weeks' gestation to three groupings: 21–22 weeks, 23–24 weeks and more than 24 weeks. Among the 15 states that provided individual abortion data were two of the three states with nationally known providers of late abortions, so our tabulations may overestimate the proportion of pregnancies terminated after 24 weeks in the country as a whole.

*If a state was missing information on a specific characteristic from 15% or more of women obtaining abortions, it was not included in the analysis for that year.

Analysis

Abortion statistics for 1973 are known to be incomplete, as legal abortion services had just been introduced and not all abortion providers could be identified. Our analysis will therefore focus on the 31-year period from 1974 through 2004. In the analysis of trends for population subgroups, we examine estimates at five-year intervals, beginning in 1974.*

There are several ways to measure trends in characteristics of abortion patients, and each measure provides a different analytic tool for assessing changes in abortion behaviors. This analysis examines four measures: frequency, or percentage, of all abortions by population subgroup in a given year; abortion rates; total abortion rates; and abortion ratios.

The percentage of all abortions that were obtained by a particular population subgroup in a given year indicates which demographic subgroups account for the largest (or smallest) proportions of abortions. Such information is important for planning resource allocations and for policy directives because it allows us to predict the number of women who might be affected by changes in abortion services.

The percentage or proportion of all abortions accounted for by a particular group can be misleading, however, if one is interested instead in the *likelihood* of obtaining an abortion in different demographic groups. If the number of women in a particular group grows or shrinks relative to other subgroups over time, the proportion of abortions accounted for by that group will also change, even if there is no change in the probability that a woman in that group will obtain an abortion.

The abortion rate therefore provides a more accurate picture of differences among subgroups in the likelihood of a woman having an abortion because it takes account of the size of the population subgroup. The rate expresses the number of abortions per 1,000 women in the subgroup. We rely mainly on the abortion rate for a comparison of subgroups and changes within them over time because differences in subgroup size do not affect the rate.

*Estimated percentages, rates and ratios for single years from 1973 to 2004 are available on the Guttmacher Institute Web site: <http://www.guttmacher.org>.

When the age distribution is ignored—as it is in the calculation of the abortion rate for the entire population—rates for different years can be affected by shifts in the sizes of the various age-groups and can be misleading when interpreting change in the overall rate from year to year. We therefore employ the total abortion rate (TAR) to examine population trends over time. The TAR estimates the number of abortions a cohort of 1,000 women would have by the end of their reproductive lives, if current age-specific abortion rates remained constant during that period. Because the TAR gives an annual picture of the expected number of abortions, given current rates, it is appropriate for examining changes in the level of abortions over time because the measure is not affected by changes in the size of the population or the distribution of women's ages.

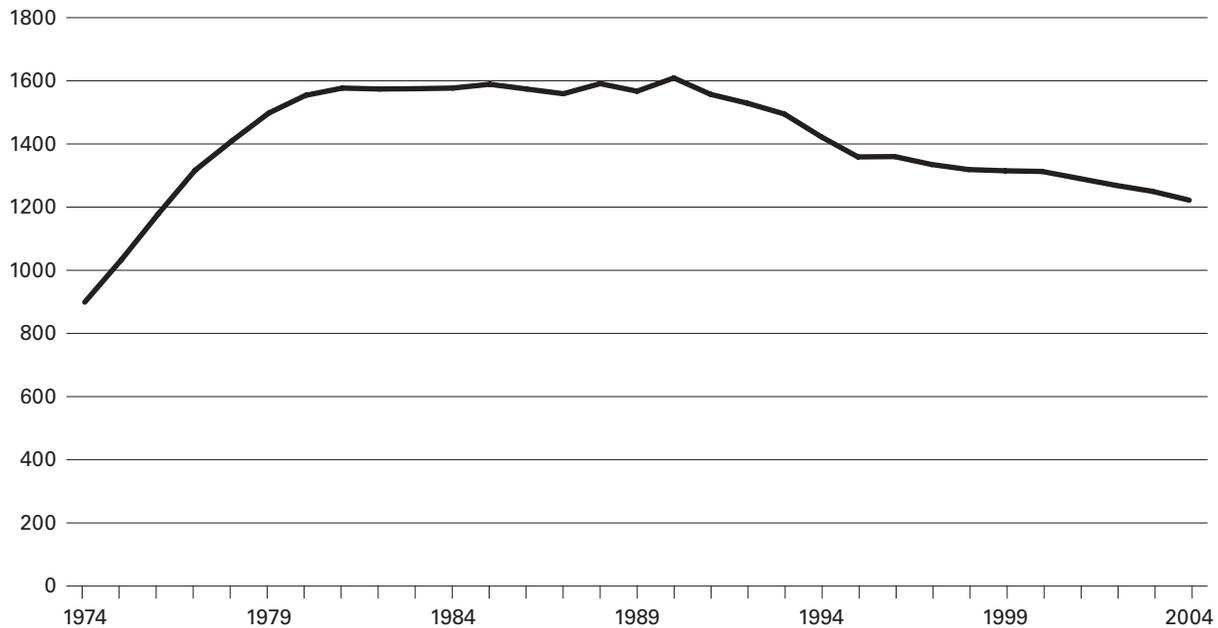
In contrast, the annual abortion rate for the total population—which is affected by the age structure—gives an accurate picture of the *incidence* of abortion. For this reason, we present abortion rates for the population as a whole because they reflect both compositional changes and changes in the likelihood of abortion, and can be used to estimate the actual number of women who have had an abortion in any given year as well as other measures of unintended pregnancy.

While the abortion rate expresses the number of abortions in a population of women, the abortion ratio can be understood as the percentage of pregnancies that end in abortion, excluding those ending in miscarriage or stillbirth. The abortion ratio decreases when the proportion of pregnancies that are intended increases or when a greater proportion of unintended pregnancies are continued to a live birth.

Finally, we give the percentage change in the numbers, rates and ratios for two time periods to examine changes in the years following legalization of abortion (1974–1989) and in a more recent time period (1989–2004).

At the end of this report are tables with state-level measures of abortion, including number and rate of abortions by state in which the abortion occurred, rate by state of the woman's residence, the number of providers in each state, proportion of counties in each state without a provider and proportion of women in each state living in a county without a provider. These measures are provided for each year from 1973 to 2005, if available.

FIGURE 1. Annual number of abortions (in 000s) in selected years, 1974–2004



Source: reference 4.

Trends in the Incidence of Abortion

The number of induced abortions performed annually in the United States increased dramatically in the decade following its legalization. After reaching a peak of 1.61 million in 1990 (Figure 1), the number declined to about 1.22 million in 2004,* even as the population of the country continued to grow. Figure 2 (page 8) shows an alternative view of this trend, with the abortion rate beginning to decline even earlier, from a peak of 29 abortions per 1,000 women aged 15–44 in 1980 to 20 abortions per 1,000 in 2004, a 33% decrease.

Figure 3 (page 8) shows the trend in the TAR, which corrects abortion rates for changes in the age distribution as well as the size of the population. The probability that a woman would have an abortion increased through the 1970s, changed little in the 1980s, reached a high point in 1990, and then declined steadily to 2004.† At its peak, the TAR was 827 per 1,000 women, predicting more than four

*This trend continued in 2005, when 1.21 million abortions were reported in the Guttmacher provider survey (source: reference 4).

†The peaking of the TAR in 1990 (Figure 3) reflects that age-specific abortion rates were higher then than in 1980. In contrast, the peaking of the population abortion rate in 1980 (Figure 2) probably occurred because the proportion of young women—the age-groups with the highest abortion rates—in the population was higher in 1980 than later on.

‡This does not necessarily mean that four out of five women will have an abortion in their lifetime; some women will have more than one abortion.

lifetime abortions for every five women.‡ By 2004 it had fallen by 27% to 607, or about three abortions for every five women.

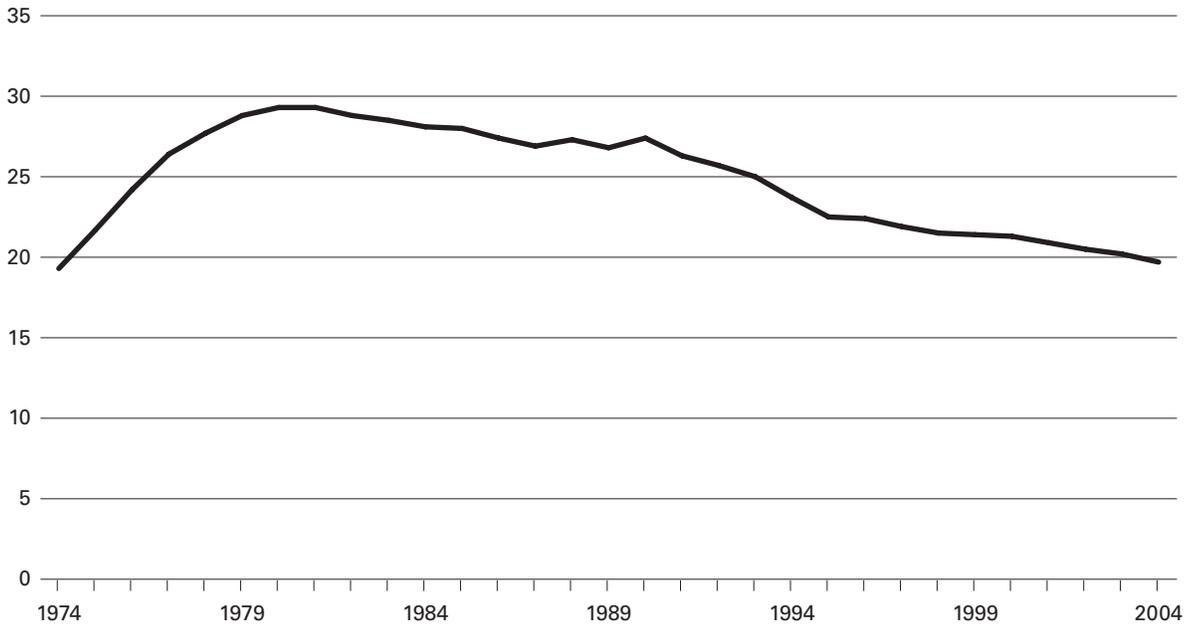
Finally, the abortion ratios in Figure 4 follow a slightly different trend than the abortion rates or the TARs. The proportion of pregnancies terminated by abortion peaked in 1983 at about 30%. By 2004, at 23%, it was only slightly higher than in 1974.

Abortions by Age-Group

In 2004, more than half of all abortions (57%) were obtained by women in their 20s, 17% by women younger than 20 and the remaining 27% by women aged 30 or older (Table 1, page 10). Women in their 20s also had the highest abortion rates (40 per 1,000 20–24-year-olds and 30 per 1,000 among 25–29-year-olds). However, 18–19-year-old women had as high a rate (32 per 1,000) as women in their late 20s. At age 30 and older, the abortion rate drops considerably, from 18 per 1,000 women aged 30–34, to 10 per 1,000 35–39-year-olds and three per 1,000 among women aged 40 or older. The abortion rate was also low among teenagers aged 15–17 (12 per 1,000) and lower still among younger teenagers (three per 1,000).

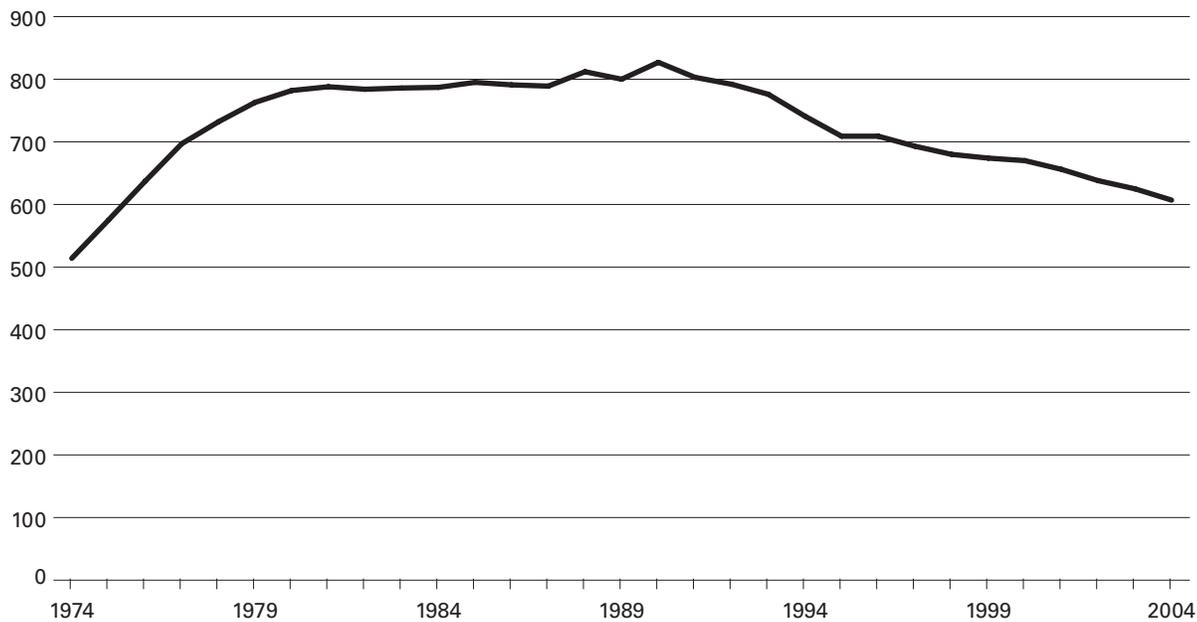
Over the past three decades, there has been little change in the proportion of all abortions obtained by women aged 20–24 (roughly one-third). But the proportion of abortions obtained by women younger than 20 has dropped steadily, from 33% in 1974 to 25% in 1989 (a

FIGURE 2. Abortion rate per 1,000 women aged 15–44 in selected years, 1974–2004



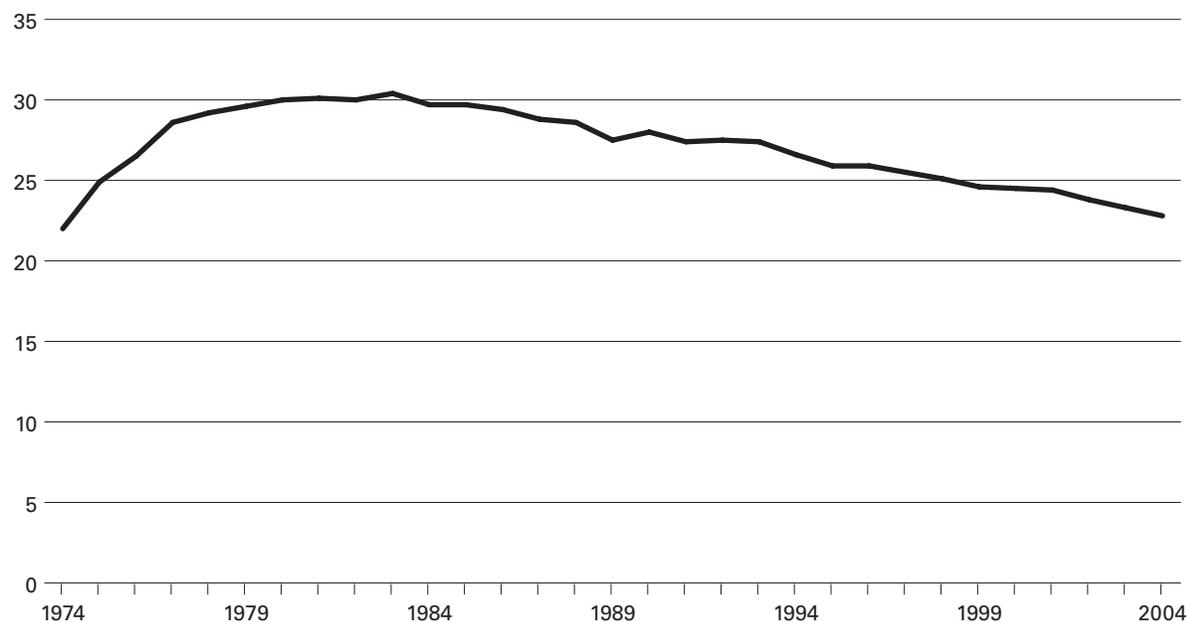
Source: reference 4.

FIGURE 3. Total lifetime abortions per 1,000 women in selected years, 1974–2004



Sources: **Number of abortions:** reference 4. **Age distribution of abortions:** reference 9 and earlier volumes, adjusted for year-to-year changes in reporting states and comparability of data. **Population denominators:** 1972–1979: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Preliminary estimates of the population of the United States, by age, sex and race: 1970–1981, *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25, No. 917, 1982, Table 2; 1980–1989: U.S. Bureau of the Census, U.S. population estimates, by age, sex, race and Hispanic origin: 1980 to 1991, *Current Population Reports*, Series P-25, No. 1095, 1993, Table 1; 1990–2000: Hamilton BE, Sutton PD and Ventura SJ, Revised birth and fertility rates for the 1990s and new rates for Hispanic populations, 2000 and 2001: United States, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2003, Vol. 51, No. 12, Table 1; 2001–2004: Ventura SJ, Hamilton BE and Sutton PD, Revised birth and fertility rates for the United States, 2000 and 2001, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2003, Vol. 51, No. 4, Table 2; Martin JA et al., Births: final data for 2002, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2003, Vol. 52, No. 10, Table 2; Martin JA et al., Births: final data for 2003, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2005, Vol. 54, No. 2, Table 2; Martin SJ, Births: final data for 2004, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2006, Vol. 55, No. 1, Table 2.

FIGURE 4. Abortion ratio per 100 pregnancies* in selected years, 1974–2004



*Excluding miscarriages and stillbirths. *Source:* reference 4.

25% decline), and to 17% in 2004. Correspondingly, the proportions accounted for by other age-groups—particularly women aged 25–29 and 30–34—increased steadily from 1974 to 2004; by 2004, 25–29-year-olds obtained 23% of all abortions, while 30–34-year-olds obtained 15%. Minors and the oldest women—those younger than 18 and those aged 40 or older—together accounted for fewer than 10% of all abortions in 2004.

From 1974 to 1989, women aged 18–19 had the highest rate of abortion among all age-groups, varying from 38 to 62 abortions per 1,000 women 18–19 years old (Table 1). Abortion rates for women aged 20–24 ranged from 30 to 54 during that period. Although the rate in both groups declined from 1989 to 2004, the rate among 18–19-year-olds declined more dramatically than the rate among 20–24-year-olds (by 47% vs. 26%); as a result, women in their early 20s now have the highest abortion rate.

Rates in all age-groups of women younger than 40 increased from 1974 to 1989 and then decreased from 1989 to 2004. The rate among women aged 40 or older decreased in the earlier period by 8% and increased by 9% in the later period. Nevertheless, women aged 40 or older have consistently been the age-group with the lowest abortion rate, except in 2004 for those younger than 15.

*Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women.

The abortion ratio provides another measure of the patterns of abortion among the age-groups. In every year, teenagers and women aged 40 or older terminated a higher proportion of their pregnancies than did women aged 20–39 (Table 1). Even young women—those aged 20–24—were more likely to resolve a pregnancy by abortion than were slightly older women. For women aged 30 or older, the abortion ratio peaked around 1979 and then began a steady decline, reflecting increases in the birth-rates for these age-groups. For women in their 20s, the abortion ratio increased substantially from 1974 to 1979, indicating an increasing proportion of pregnancies were terminated by abortion in that time period. However, since 1979, the abortion ratio for women aged 20–29 appears to have been fairly stable.

The abortion ratios among the youngest teenagers, those younger than 15, peaked at 46 per 100 pregnancies in 1984, declined by 26% to 36 per 100 pregnancies in 1989, and remained at about that level through 2004.

Abortions by Marital Status

Abortions are far more common among unmarried women* than among married women. Unmarried women have always accounted for a majority of abortions (including 86% of all abortions in 2004) and have had a higher abortion rate. In 2004, the abortion rate for unmarried women (31 per 1,000) was five times as high as the rate for married women (six per 1,000; Table 2). The abortion

TABLE 1. Percentage of all abortions, abortion rates and abortion ratios, by age, for selected years, 1974–2004; and percentage change over time

| Measure | 1974 | 1979 | 1984 | 1989 | 1994 | 1999 | 2004 | % change | |
|--|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | | | | | | 1974–1989 | 1989–2004 |
| Total no. | 898,570 | 1,497,670 | 1,577,180 | 1,566,870 | 1,423,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,222,100 | 74 | –22 |
| Abortion rate | 19.3 | 28.8 | 28.1 | 26.8 | 23.7 | 21.4 | 19.7 | 39 | –26 |
| Abortion ratio | 22.0 | 29.6 | 29.7 | 27.5 | 26.6 | 24.6 | 22.9 | 25 | –17 |
| Total abortion rate* | 516 | 763 | 784 | 800 | 741 | 674 | 607 | 56 | –24 |
| % of all women having abortions | | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 32.5 | 30.8 | 26.4 | 24.5 | 20.1 | 19.0 | 16.9 | –25 | –31 |
| <15 | 1.5 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | –47 | –25 |
| 15–19 | 31.0 | 29.7 | 25.3 | 23.7 | 19.3 | 18.3 | 16.3 | –24 | –31 |
| 15–17 | 13.7 | 11.9 | 10.2 | 8.9 | 7.7 | 6.7 | 5.8 | –35 | –35 |
| 18–19 | 17.4 | 17.8 | 15.1 | 14.8 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 10.5 | –15 | –29 |
| 20–24 | 31.9 | 35.1 | 34.9 | 32.5 | 33.4 | 32.1 | 33.2 | 2 | 2 |
| 25–29 | 18.1 | 19.0 | 21.1 | 22.1 | 22.1 | 23.4 | 23.3 | 22 | 5 |
| 30–34 | 10.0 | 9.5 | 11.1 | 12.9 | 14.3 | 14.3 | 15.1 | 29 | 17 |
| 35–39 | 5.4 | 4.3 | 5.2 | 6.3 | 7.8 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 17 | 33 |
| ≥40 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.8 | 3.1 | –19 | 82 |
| Abortion rate | | | | | | | | | |
| <20† | 28.3 | 43.9 | 44.8 | 43.4 | 33.0 | 25.6 | 20.5 | 54 | –53 |
| <15‡ | 6.4 | 8.3 | 9.3 | 7.9 | 6.5 | 4.5 | 3.3 | 24 | –58 |
| 15–19 | 27.0 | 42.4 | 42.9 | 42.0 | 31.6 | 24.7 | 19.8 | 56 | –53 |
| 15–17 | 19.7 | 28.8 | 29.9 | 28.0 | 21.0 | 15.2 | 11.8 | 42 | –58 |
| 18–19 | 38.4 | 61.9 | 60.8 | 60.0 | 47.8 | 38.6 | 31.9 | 56 | –47 |
| 20–24 | 30.4 | 49.9 | 51.6 | 53.8 | 51.9 | 46.4 | 39.9 | 77 | –26 |
| 25–29 | 19.6 | 29.6 | 30.9 | 32.2 | 32.1 | 31.7 | 29.7 | 64 | –8 |
| 30–34 | 13.0 | 16.5 | 17.8 | 18.6 | 18.1 | 18.3 | 18.2 | 43 | –2 |
| 35–39 | 8.4 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 10.1 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 21 | –3 |
| ≥40§ | 3.3 | 3.4 | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | –8 | 9 |
| Abortion ratio** | | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 29.0 | 40.7 | 41.2 | 38.2 | 32.6 | 30.6 | 29.3 | 32 | –23 |
| <15 | u | 43.0 | 45.9 | 36.3 | 32.9 | 37.4 | 33.6 | u | –7 |
| 15–19 | u | 40.6 | 41.6 | 38.3 | 32.5 | 30.3 | 29.1 | u | –24 |
| 15–17 | u | 41.3 | 42.5 | 37.3 | 31.1 | 33.6 | 28.7 | u | –23 |
| 18–19 | u | 40.1 | 40.9 | 39.1 | 33.7 | 27.8 | 29.3 | u | –25 |
| 20–24 | 20.0 | 29.4 | 31.3 | 30.5 | 31.7 | 28.9 | 27.3 | 53 | –11 |
| 25–29 | 15.4 | 21.1 | 22.0 | 21.2 | 22.3 | 21.8 | 20.1 | 38 | –5 |
| 30–34 | 21.7 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 20.1 | 19.1 | 17.6 | 16.6 | –7 | –17 |
| 35–39 | 32.8 | 37.3 | 32.8 | 27.9 | 25.4 | 22.1 | 19.5 | –15 | –30 |
| ≥40 | 44.4 | 50.4 | 49.4 | 43.0 | 39.6 | 35.2 | 31.4 | –3 | –27 |

*The total number of abortions per 1,000 women if current age-specific rates remained constant as the women aged from 15 to 44. †Denominator is women aged 15–19. ‡Denominator is women aged 14. §Denominator is women aged 40–44. **Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth. The age distribution is adjusted to approximate women's age at conception. For each year, the ratio is based on births during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those for pregnancies ending in abortions). *Notes:* Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because of updated population estimates. u=unavailable. *Sources: Number of abortions, national rate and national ratio:* reference 4. **Number of abortions and rates for women age 24 or younger, 1974–1999:** Guttmacher Institute, *U.S. Teenage Pregnancy Statistics: National and State Trends and Trends by Race and Ethnicity*, Tables 2.1–2.6, 2006, www.guttmacher.org. **Percentage distribution of abortions:** reference 9 and earlier volumes, adjusted for year-to-year changes in reporting states and comparability of data. **Births:** National Center for Health Statistics, Births: final data for 2004, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2006, Vol. 55, No. 1, Table 2, and earlier volumes. **Population: 1974, 1979:** U.S. Bureau of the Census, Preliminary estimates of the population of the United States, by age, sex and race: 1970–1981, *Current Population Reports*, 1982, Series P-25, No. 917, Table 2; **1984, 1989:** U.S. Bureau of the Census, U.S. population estimates, by age, sex, race and Hispanic origin: 1980 to 1991, *Current Population Reports*, 1993, Series P-25, No. 1095, Table 1; **1994, 1999:** Hamilton BE, Sutton PD and Ventura SJ, Revised birth and fertility rates for the 1990s and new rates for Hispanic populations, 2000 and 2001: United States, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2003, Vol. 51, No. 12, Table 1; **2004:** Martin JA et al., Births: final data for 2004, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2006, Vol. 55, No. 1, Table 2.

TABLE 2. Percentage of all abortions, abortion rates and abortion ratios, by marital status and race and ethnicity, for selected years, 1974–2004; and percentage change over time

| Characteristic | 1974 | 1979 | 1984 | 1989 | 1994 | 1999 | 2004 | % change | |
|--|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------|------------|
| | | | | | | | | 1974–1989 | 1989–2004* |
| MARITAL STATUS† | | | | | | | | | |
| % of all women having abortions | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 27.6 | 21.5 | 18.2 | 17.3 | 16.4 | 15.7 | 13.8 | -37 | -20 |
| Unmarried | 72.4 | 78.5 | 81.8 | 82.7 | 83.6 | 84.3 | 86.2 | 14 | 4 |
| Abortion rate | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 9.2 | 11.6 | 9.9 | 9.1 | 7.9 | 7.2 | 5.9 | -1 | -35 |
| Unmarried | 33.4 | 48.7 | 47.6 | 45.3 | 38.9 | 33.7 | 31.4 | 36 | -31 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 8.3 | 9.9 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 8.1 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 0 | -28 |
| Unmarried | 59.9 | 66.0 | 61.6 | 53.3 | 48.3 | 45.4 | 41.3 | -11 | -23 |
| RACE/HISPANIC ETHNICITY§ | | | | | | | | | |
| % of all women having abortions | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | 44.6 | 37.5 | 34.2 | u | -23 |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | 16.1 | 19.7 | 22.0 | u | 37 |
| Black | u | u | u | 31.6 | 34.5 | 36.9 | 37.1 | u | 8 |
| Other | u | u | u | 3.3 | 5.3 | 6.6 | 7.8 | u | 47 |
| Abortion rate | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | 14.9 | 11.9 | 10.5 | u | -30 |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | 34.7 | 31.4 | 27.8 | u | -20 |
| Black | u | u | u | 63.4 | 58.6 | 54.8 | 49.7 | u | -15 |
| Other | u | u | u | 21.0 | 24.9 | 24.0 | 22.9 | u | -8 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | 20.5 | 17.0 | 15.4 | u | -25 |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | 25.4 | 24.6 | 21.8 | u | -15 |
| Black | u | u | u | 42.1 | 44.3 | 43.9 | 42.0 | u | -5 |
| Other | u | u | u | 22.1 | 27.8 | 27.5 | 25.7 | u | -8 |

*Changes by race and ethnicity are calculated for 1994–2004. †Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). §The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. Notes: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because of updated population estimates. u=unavailable. Sources: **Number of abortions:** reference 4. **Percentage distribution of abortions:** reference 9 and earlier volumes, adjusted for year-to-year changes in reporting states and comparability of data. **Births:** National Center for Health Statistics, Births: final data for 2004, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2006, Vol. 55, No. 1, Tables 2, 6 and 18, and earlier volumes. **Population: 1974, 1979:** U.S. Bureau of the Census, Preliminary estimates of the population of the United States, by age, sex and race: 1970–1981, *Current Population Reports*, 1982, Series P-25, No. 917, Table 2; 1984, 1989: U.S. Bureau of the Census, U.S. population estimates, by age, sex, race and Hispanic origin: 1980 to 1991, *Current Population Reports*, 1993, Series P-25, No. 1095, Table 1; **1994, 1999:** Hamilton BE, Sutton PD and Ventura SJ, Revised birth and fertility rates for the 1990s and new rates for Hispanic populations, 2000 and 2001: United States, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2003, Vol. 51, No. 12, Table 1; **2004:** Martin SJ, Births: final data for 2004, *National Vital Statistics Reports*, 2006, Vol. 55, No. 1, Table 2. **Population distribution by marital status:** Tabulations of the March Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of the Census.

rate among unmarried women rose by 36% in the first 15 years after abortion was legalized, but then declined by 31% during the next 15 years. The abortion rate for married women did not undergo a similar increase in the earlier period, but did decline between 1989 and 2004. In recent years, the changes in rates have been similar for the two groups.

The abortion ratios—the proportion of pregnancies ending in abortion—for unmarried women were six to seven times as high as those for married women over the entire three decades. The abortion ratio for unmarried

women reached its highest point in 1979 at 66 abortions per 100 pregnancies. The abortion ratio for married women also reached its peak in 1979, at 10 abortions for every 100 pregnancies. The ratios for both unmarried and married women fell steadily thereafter, to 41 for unmarried women and six for married women in 2004. The percentage decline was greater for unmarried women than for married women in the period from 1974 to 1989 (11% vs. 0%), but slightly greater for married women between 1989 and 2004 (28% vs. 23%).

TABLE 3. Percentage of abortions, by women's reproductive characteristics, for selected years, 1974–2004

| Characteristic | 1974 | 1979 | 1984 | 1989 | 1994 | 1999 | 2004 |
|----------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Prior births | | | | | | | |
| 0 | 53.7 | 58.0 | 55.6 | 50.5 | 45.7 | 40.5 | 40.5 |
| 1 | 17.3 | 19.2 | 21.5 | 24.0 | 26.0 | 28.0 | 27.5 |
| ≥2 | 29.0 | 22.8 | 22.9 | 25.5 | 28.3 | 31.5 | 32.0 |
| Prior abortions | | | | | | | |
| 0 | 84.8 | 68.4 | 60.1 | 56.1 | 52.5 | 51.8 | 53.4 |
| 1 | 12.5 | 23.5 | 26.2 | 27.4 | 28.2 | 27.8 | 26.8 |
| ≥2 | 2.7 | 8.1 | 13.7 | 16.5 | 19.3 | 20.4 | 19.8 |
| Gestation, in weeks | | | | | | | |
| ≤12 | 88.0 | 91.2 | 89.3 | 88.7 | 88.0 | 88.0 | 88.7 |
| <9 | 44.5 | 50.0 | 49.1 | 49.4 | 53.1 | 56.4 | 61.3 |
| <7 | u | u | u | u | 15.5 | 21.4 | 28.3 |
| 7 | u | u | u | u | 16.3 | 17.2 | 18.0 |
| 8 | u | u | u | u | 21.4 | 17.8 | 15.1 |
| 9–10 | 28.5 | 27.6 | 26.7 | 26.3 | 23.7 | 21.0 | 17.8 |
| 11–12 | 15.0 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 13.0 | 11.2 | 10.6 | 9.6 |
| ≥13 | 12.0 | 8.8 | 10.7 | 11.3 | 12.0 | 12.0 | 11.3 |
| 13–15 | 4.9 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.7 |
| 16–20 | 6.0 | 3.3 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.1 | 3.5 |
| ≥21 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.1 |

Notes: Method of calculating gestation changed slightly in 1980. u=unavailable. Sources: reference 9 and earlier volumes, adjusted for year-to-year changes in reporting states and comparability of data.

Abortions by Race and Ethnicity

In the early years of abortion data collection, women's racial and ethnic classification was limited to "white" and "nonwhite," with many Hispanic women categorized as "white."* In the early 1970s, more than two-thirds of all women obtaining abortions were white (70%, not shown). But beginning around 1980, the proportion of all abortions accounted for by nonwhite women began to increase steadily. By 2004, 37% of abortions were obtained by black women, 34% by non-Hispanic white women, 22% by Hispanic women and 8% by women of races other than white and black (Table 2).† To a large extent, these increased proportions reflect the increasing size of the minority population in the United States.

Of the racial and ethnic groups, non-Hispanic white women had the lowest abortion rate in 2004, 11 per 1,000. Black women had the highest abortion rate (50). The abortion rate among Hispanic women in 2004 (28) fell between those of non-Hispanic white women and black

*Information on racial categories other than "white" and "non-white" has been available only since 1985 and on Hispanic ethnicity only since 1990.

†These percentages add to more than 100% because a few women are counted twice, once as Hispanic and once as black or other.

women. From 1994 to 2004, the abortion rate for Hispanic women fell by 20%, less than that for non-Hispanic white women (29%) but more than those for black women and other women (15% and 8%, respectively). The category of "other" races includes Asians of many nationalities, Pacific Islanders and Native Americans, groups that may have widely differing abortion rates, and is therefore difficult to interpret.

Although the abortion rate of Hispanic women was considerably higher than that of non-Hispanic white women in 2004, the difference in abortion ratios (22 per 100 pregnancies for Hispanics vs. 15 per 100 for non-

TABLE 4. Numeric and percentage distributions of abortions, by weeks since woman's last menstrual period, United States, 2001

| Weeks | No. | % |
|------------|------------------|--------------|
| All | 1,291,000 | 100.0 |
| 3–20 | 1,272,500 | 98.6 |
| 21–22 | 8,800 | 0.7 |
| 23–24 | 7,200 | 0.6 |
| >24 | 2,400 | 0.2 |

Sources: **Number of abortions:** reference 4. **Percentage after 20 weeks:** reference 12. **Distribution of abortions after 20 weeks:** Tabulation of 277,334 individual abortion reports from 15 states and New York City.

Hispanic whites) was much smaller because of the higher birthrate among Hispanic women. The abortion ratio of non-Hispanic white women fell by 25% between 1994 and 2004, indicating that a decreasing proportion of their pregnancies ended in abortion. During this same period, the ratio among Hispanic women fell by 15% and the ratio among black women by 5%.

Previous Pregnancy Experience and Gestation

Women who had given birth accounted for fewer than half of all abortions from 1974 to the end of the 1980s (Table 3). By the beginning of the 1990s, their proportion of all abortions had begun to increase, reaching 60% by 2004.

The proportion of abortions obtained by women who had had a prior legal abortion increased from 15% in 1974 to a high of 49% in 1997 (not shown). The proportion then fell to 47% in 2004. In that year, 27% had had one prior abortion, and 20% had had two or more.

Gestational age is typically defined as the number of completed weeks between the onset of a woman's last menstrual period and the date of her abortion.* Almost 90% of all abortions are performed during the first 12 weeks of gestation; this proportion has remained relatively constant since abortion was legalized (Table 3). However, the proportion of procedures performed in the earliest weeks of pregnancy (before nine weeks of gestation) has increased from about 50% in the early 1980s to 61% in 2004. Table 3 indicates that this increase appears to be mostly a shift of abortions from the latter weeks of the first trimester (weeks 9–12) to the earlier weeks.

The CDC abortion surveillance report for 2001 found that 1.4% of abortions occurred after 20 weeks of gestation.¹² A special tabulation of the abortion reports from 15 states and New York City indicates that almost half of these were at 21–22 weeks (Table 4). An estimated 2,400 abortions, 0.2% of all abortions, took place after 24 weeks. The accuracy of these figures is subject to a degree of uncertainty because of random error in recording gestational age and the possibility that the reporting states are unrepresentative of all states.

*Rather than using the starting date of the woman's last menstrual period, some states report the estimates of the physicians, who date fertilization from the size of the embryo or fetus and consider gestation to have begun two weeks before.

Discussion

Abortion is a consequence of unintended pregnancy. Despite near universal knowledge and high levels of use of contraceptives, unintended pregnancy is common in the United States. In 2001, for example, 49% of pregnancies were unintended.^{13*}

About half of unintended pregnancies in the United States end in abortion, but the percentages have varied over time, as have the proportion of pregnancies that are unintended. Despite the sharp increase in the legal abortion rate after the *Roe v. Wade* decision in 1973, the rate remained fairly stable through the 1980s, and then declined steadily through 2004. A substantial drop in the abortion rates of teenagers and women aged 20–24 accounts for much of the overall decline from 1989 to 2004.

A large part of the drop among teenagers is likely attributable to more use of contraceptives and more effective method use.^{14,15} However, the decrease in the abortion rates among teenagers and women aged 20–24 from the early 1990s to 2001 was accompanied by an increase in the proportion of unintended pregnancies ending in birth,¹³ suggesting that at least part of the decline in the abortion rate among these women was due to an increase in the proportion of unintended pregnancies continued to a birth. Among the possible reasons for this are greater acceptance in society of nonmarital childbearing, more difficulties in obtaining abortion services in some parts of the United States and changing attitudes toward abortion.

Counter to the overall trend, there was little change in the abortion rate of women in their 30s between 1989 and 2004, and the rate among women aged 40 or older increased. The latter trend may be related to a decrease in use of male and female sterilization, as women who have postponed childbearing want to retain their fertility options.¹⁶

Although abortion rates declined among all racial and ethnic groups between 1974 and 2004, there continue to be large disparities in abortion rates across these groups, with black and Hispanic women obtaining abortions at rates higher than non-Hispanic white women. The abortion rate of black women is much higher than that of non-Hispanic white women, and that of Hispanic women is between that of black and non-Hispanic white women.

However, the disparate rates reflect different pregnancy and childbearing patterns across groups. For example, Hispanic women have higher abortion rates than non-Hispanic white women, but they also have higher pregnancy rates—and therefore higher birthrates, both intended and unintended. A higher proportion of their pregnancies are unintended, but unintended pregnancies among Hispanic women are no more likely to end in abortion than unintended pregnancies among non-Hispanic white women.¹³

Like Hispanic women, black women have much higher pregnancy rates than non-Hispanic white women, but unlike Hispanic women and non-Hispanic white women, they have an extremely high rate of unintended pregnancy (almost 70%). Lower levels of contraceptive use, higher failure rates and greater use of less-effective methods are likely to be partially responsible for these differentials.^{15,16}

Although abortion rates have declined about equally among married and unmarried women, the reasons may be somewhat different. As couples have delayed marriage, the average age of married women has increased, and older women have lower abortion rates. The trend in the rate among unmarried women is strongly influenced by the reduced abortion rate among teenagers and women aged 20–24.

The continuing increase in the proportion of abortions before eight weeks is most likely due to the increased availability and use of home pregnancy detection kits, greater availability of early surgical procedures and increasing use of abortion drugs such as mifepristone, which can be administered as soon as pregnancy is detected. These changes do not appear to have affected the proportion of abortions performed in the second trimester of pregnancy, which has changed little; only about 0.2% take place after 24 weeks.

In recent years, the proportion of women obtaining abortions who already have at least one child has increased. Part of the reason is that fewer teenagers and young women are having abortions. In addition, an increasing proportion of abortions are obtained by black and Hispanic women, who tend to begin childbearing early and therefore spend more years at risk of unintended pregnancy after they have children. Because they already have children, a majority of women having abortions are

*Unintended pregnancies can end as wanted births, and some women report being happy to find they are accidentally pregnant.

aware of the implications of assuming responsibility for an additional child.

Although 47% of abortions in 2004 were obtained by women who had already had at least one abortion, this does not mean that women are relying on abortion as their primary means of birth control. A woman who used only abortion to limit her number of children to two would have more than 30 abortions during her lifetime.¹⁷ There is no evidence of American women having such large numbers of abortions.

In the first years following the legalization of abortion in 1973, we would expect the proportion of women who had never had a prior abortion to be high because of the procedure had been illegal in most states; indeed, in 1974, the proportion having an abortion who had not had a prior abortion was 85%. Over the next 25 or so years, these women moved through and out of their reproductive years and younger women entered their reproductive years. Consequently, the proportion exposed to the availability of legal abortion increased steadily until about 1999, as did the proportion of women having more than one abortion. In recent years, the population of women able to obtain a legal abortion is now made up almost entirely of women who reached the onset of their reproductive years after the procedure was legalized. Therefore, it has only been recently that the proportion of women in the population who have never had an abortion has not been affected by the change in the legality of the procedure. This means that the observed recent decline in the proportion of repeat abortions is most likely a reflection of decreases in the abortion rate.

Even though women tend to improve their contraceptive use after having an abortion,¹⁸ they remain at high risk for unintended pregnancy ending in abortion because they are sexually active, have difficulty using contraceptive methods effectively, may become pregnant more

easily than other women and are willing to terminate an unintended pregnancy by abortion. Thus, efforts should be made to improve access to contraceptive services for these women, including highly effective methods that are easier to use.

The need for better contraceptive services is even more apparent when we calculate abortion rates only among the women at risk of unintended pregnancy. For example, only 38% of women aged 15–19 in 2002 were sexually active, able to become pregnant and not seeking pregnancy.¹⁶ The abortion rate in 2001 was 60 abortions per 1,000 sexually active women aged 15–19, compared with 23 per 1,000 among all women in this age-group. Similarly, the abortion rate among 20–24-year-old women at risk of unintended pregnancy was 68 per 1,000 compared with 45 per 1,000 among all women aged 20–24. The rates are even higher among poor women and other particularly vulnerable groups.

Forty-two percent of the 3.1 million unintended pregnancies (including miscarriages) in the United States each year end in induced abortion.¹³ Clearly, abortion remains a common experience for women in the U.S.; roughly one-third of women will have an abortion during their reproductive lifetime.^{19,20} The overall abortion rate for the United States ranged from 19 to 29 abortions per 1,000 women over the last 30 years. But the overall U.S. rate masks large differences and varying patterns across time for demographic subgroups. Further research on abortion in the United States should focus specifically on the circumstances facing women in the population subgroups with the highest rates of abortion and unintended pregnancy. In turn, policies intended to increase access to abortion services and to increase women's ability to avoid unintended pregnancy should likewise direct more attention to these subgroups.

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APPENDIX TABLE 1. Number of legal abortions, by state of occurrence

| STATE | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 |
|-------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| All | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,577,180 |
| Alabama | 4,630 | 5,080 | 6,020 | 8,350 | 11,680 | 15,120 | 17,590 | 20,780 | 19,840 | 19,930 | 19,210 |
| Alaska | 1,150 | 1,160 | 1,620 | 1,660 | 2,630 | 2,600 | 1,890 | 1,890 | 1,880 | 1,930 | 3,170 |
| Arizona | 2,770 | 5,610 | 6,730 | 7,930 | 9,600 | 13,370 | 14,500 | 15,790 | 16,500 | 15,830 | 21,190 |
| Arkansas | 1,140 | 1,940 | 2,610 | 4,210 | 3,590 | 5,150 | 6,110 | 6,190 | 6,370 | 6,660 | 4,680 |
| California | 143,910 | 158,890 | 165,550 | 192,930 | 209,250 | 234,520 | 248,080 | 250,380 | 262,710 | 265,740 | 297,730 |
| Colorado | 7,580 | 11,310 | 13,640 | 14,920 | 18,680 | 19,800 | 22,420 | 23,140 | 23,860 | 25,170 | 24,600 |
| Connecticut | 6,770 | 9,320 | 11,440 | 15,670 | 16,680 | 17,800 | 18,390 | 18,450 | 22,620 | 23,180 | 21,490 |
| Delaware | 2,050 | 2,190 | 2,350 | 2,550 | 3,030 | 3,470 | 3,650 | 3,740 | 4,040 | 3,870 | 4,710 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 44,550 | 33,010 | 31,440 | 32,150 | 31,640 | 30,850 | 28,670 | 28,520 | 30,310 | 28,630 | 23,690 |
| Florida | 22,850 | 30,390 | 46,500 | 51,110 | 57,340 | 63,470 | 70,190 | 73,580 | 77,040 | 76,910 | 75,800 |
| Georgia | 10,970 | 21,740 | 23,780 | 25,820 | 32,380 | 36,080 | 38,760 | 37,890 | 37,940 | 38,480 | 38,710 |
| Hawaii | 4,730 | 5,310 | 5,930 | 5,870 | 7,940 | 7,090 | 7,600 | 7,960 | 8,830 | 9,140 | 10,430 |
| Idaho | 380 | 780 | 1,080 | 1,330 | 1,740 | 1,800 | 2,050 | 2,740 | 3,010 | 3,020 | 2,740 |
| Illinois | 32,760 | 46,800 | 60,340 | 73,260 | 71,710 | 70,280 | 70,920 | 69,110 | 66,830 | 65,860 | 65,940 |
| Indiana | 1,760 | 5,990 | 7,680 | 8,720 | 10,370 | 15,340 | 18,910 | 19,630 | 16,040 | 15,680 | 16,070 |
| Iowa | 2,320 | 6,010 | 6,220 | 6,770 | 7,010 | 7,530 | 9,280 | 9,280 | 8,510 | 8,230 | 10,430 |
| Kansas | 12,560 | 13,420 | 14,320 | 12,990 | 14,700 | 12,870 | 13,720 | 13,570 | 14,530 | 14,440 | 12,420 |
| Kentucky | 2,600 | 7,750 | 8,540 | 10,200 | 11,440 | 12,470 | 12,860 | 12,820 | 10,230 | 10,830 | 10,090 |
| Louisiana | 0 | 4,370 | 5,260 | 8,570 | 14,600 | 13,290 | 16,040 | 17,680 | 20,680 | 22,310 | 20,730 |
| Maine | 710 | 1,850 | 1,980 | 2,620 | 3,310 | 5,150 | 4,680 | 4,750 | 5,690 | 5,470 | 5,180 |
| Maryland | 11,070 | 17,140 | 21,820 | 23,580 | 23,710 | 25,780 | 28,020 | 30,490 | 33,970 | 34,810 | 29,120 |
| Massachusetts | 12,400 | 27,800 | 33,260 | 38,340 | 39,310 | 42,610 | 45,110 | 45,590 | 41,660 | 41,250 | 36,340 |
| Michigan | 37,480 | 37,610 | 42,700 | 49,890 | 53,470 | 56,550 | 63,020 | 65,230 | 65,230 | 64,190 | 66,010 |
| Minnesota | 7,340 | 11,610 | 12,790 | 15,680 | 17,150 | 17,580 | 19,080 | 19,920 | 19,900 | 19,020 | 17,410 |
| Mississippi | 110 | 380 | 310 | 1,670 | 2,780 | 4,010 | 5,060 | 6,080 | 5,430 | 5,500 | 5,490 |
| Missouri | 3,440 | 8,370 | 10,970 | 13,560 | 14,830 | 15,570 | 17,740 | 21,620 | 19,630 | 19,780 | 22,140 |
| Montana | 450 | 1,240 | 1,490 | 1,670 | 2,280 | 3,100 | 3,550 | 3,670 | 4,190 | 4,230 | 3,880 |
| Nebraska | 2,270 | 3,180 | 4,610 | 4,600 | 5,420 | 6,630 | 5,660 | 6,350 | 6,730 | 6,580 | 6,730 |
| Nevada | 950 | 1,470 | 3,000 | 3,840 | 4,310 | 6,060 | 8,200 | 9,170 | 9,700 | 9,960 | 9,370 |
| New Hampshire | 570 | 830 | 1,820 | 2,540 | 3,450 | 3,980 | 4,210 | 4,660 | 5,870 | 5,600 | 6,740 |
| New Jersey | 10,230 | 22,700 | 32,420 | 39,880 | 44,910 | 48,040 | 51,230 | 55,460 | 59,480 | 61,080 | 65,860 |
| New Mexico | 4,660 | 3,600 | 5,090 | 5,720 | 6,290 | 6,250 | 8,020 | 8,410 | 7,280 | 7,470 | 5,380 |
| New York | 212,700 | 168,960 | 170,690 | 170,900 | 185,580 | 187,050 | 183,190 | 187,460 | 187,610 | 182,700 | 192,020 |
| North Carolina | 12,260 | 16,850 | 19,960 | 23,710 | 24,960 | 30,120 | 30,370 | 31,890 | 33,220 | 33,230 | 35,800 |
| North Dakota | 0 | 150 | 890 | 1,630 | 1,900 | 2,240 | 2,810 | 3,140 | 3,180 | 3,350 | 2,940 |
| Ohio | 17,270 | 30,400 | 44,600 | 53,420 | 60,190 | 57,140 | 64,380 | 67,140 | 60,700 | 61,440 | 58,040 |
| Oklahoma | 590 | 4,350 | 6,780 | 7,550 | 10,000 | 11,180 | 10,820 | 11,280 | 12,360 | 12,690 | 12,630 |
| Oregon | 11,440 | 13,390 | 13,270 | 12,820 | 15,070 | 14,450 | 17,690 | 17,670 | 15,990 | 16,350 | 15,310 |
| Pennsylvania | 29,920 | 41,620 | 47,450 | 56,350 | 62,050 | 65,150 | 64,920 | 68,910 | 64,850 | 64,060 | 60,680 |
| Rhode Island | 1,140 | 2,910 | 3,310 | 3,890 | 4,200 | 4,570 | 5,650 | 6,640 | 7,500 | 7,770 | 7,450 |
| South Carolina | 2,180 | 5,120 | 6,170 | 5,750 | 8,870 | 13,050 | 13,170 | 13,660 | 15,200 | 16,140 | 11,280 |
| South Dakota | 1,640 | 1,630 | 1,560 | 1,600 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,440 | 1,360 | 1,590 | 1,770 | 1,770 |
| Tennessee | 5,320 | 15,800 | 17,590 | 22,940 | 30,440 | 23,040 | 25,430 | 25,590 | 24,240 | 26,100 | 22,570 |
| Texas | 17,340 | 37,710 | 51,210 | 60,710 | 70,740 | 83,280 | 94,080 | 102,000 | 110,110 | 105,820 | 99,960 |
| Utah | 110 | 1,480 | 2,010 | 2,590 | 3,070 | 3,150 | 3,810 | 4,200 | 4,080 | 4,180 | 4,240 |
| Vermont | 1,490 | 1,860 | 2,250 | 2,750 | 2,370 | 3,290 | 3,380 | 3,760 | 3,760 | 3,710 | 3,450 |
| Virginia | 8,390 | 16,500 | 20,290 | 25,180 | 28,040 | 30,370 | 31,380 | 31,760 | 35,760 | 34,880 | 31,670 |
| Washington | 17,270 | 19,910 | 20,890 | 22,920 | 31,310 | 34,490 | 35,580 | 37,030 | 35,250 | 34,130 | 29,510 |
| West Virginia | 50 | 30 | 100 | 970 | 2,230 | 2,840 | 3,100 | 3,000 | 3,100 | 3,420 | 4,680 |
| Wisconsin | 8,160 | 10,730 | 11,310 | 14,450 | 16,140 | 17,510 | 20,240 | 21,790 | 21,360 | 20,380 | 18,640 |
| Wyoming | 180 | 320 | 530 | 570 | 910 | 1,070 | 1,020 | 1,070 | 950 | 1,020 | 1,060 |

Note: Columns may not add to total because of rounding. Source: Tabulations of data from the Guttmacher Abortion Provider Surveys.

| | 1985 | 1987 | 1988 | 1991 | 1992 | 1995 | 1996 | 1999 | 2000 | 2004 | 2005 | % change 1996-2005 |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| | 1,588,550 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 | 1,314,780 | 1,312,990 | 1,222,100 | 1,206,200 | -11.3 |
| | 19,380 | 19,630 | 18,220 | 17,400 | 17,450 | 14,580 | 15,150 | 14,300 | 13,830 | 11,400 | 11,340 | -25.1 |
| | 3,450 | 2,560 | 2,390 | 2,400 | 2,370 | 1,990 | 2,040 | 1,920 | 1,660 | 1,920 | 1,880 | -7.8 |
| | 22,330 | 22,130 | 23,070 | 19,690 | 20,600 | 18,120 | 19,310 | 17,590 | 17,940 | 17,930 | 19,480 | 0.9 |
| | 5,420 | 7,030 | 6,250 | 7,150 | 7,130 | 6,010 | 6,200 | 5,520 | 5,540 | 4,620 | 4,710 | -24.0 |
| | 304,130 | 300,830 | 311,720 | 320,960 | 304,230 | 240,240 | 237,830 | 237,510 | 236,060 | 208,180 | 208,430 | -12.4 |
| | 24,350 | 18,850 | 18,740 | 21,010 | 19,880 | 15,690 | 18,310 | 15,880 | 15,530 | 15,550 | 16,120 | -12.0 |
| | 21,850 | 22,380 | 23,630 | 20,530 | 19,720 | 16,680 | 16,230 | 14,840 | 15,240 | 16,810 | 16,780 | 3.4 |
| | 4,590 | 5,680 | 5,710 | 5,720 | 5,730 | 5,790 | 4,090 | 5,200 | 5,440 | 4,990 | 5,150 | 25.9 |
| | 23,910 | 25,840 | 26,120 | 21,510 | 21,320 | 16,840 | 15,220 | 11,200 | 9,800 | 7,130 | 7,230 | -52.5 |
| | 76,650 | 80,560 | 82,850 | 84,570 | 84,680 | 87,500 | 94,050 | 99,590 | 103,050 | 96,680 | 92,300 | -1.9 |
| | 38,340 | 36,030 | 36,720 | 39,720 | 39,680 | 36,940 | 37,320 | 33,830 | 32,140 | 34,100 | 33,180 | -11.1 |
| | 11,160 | 11,290 | 11,170 | 12,130 | 12,190 | 7,510 | 6,930 | 6,310 | 5,630 | 5,190 | 5,350 | -22.8 |
| | 2,660 | 1,980 | 1,920 | 1,740 | 1,710 | 1,500 | 1,600 | 2,060 | 1,950 | 2,000 | 1,810 | 13.1 |
| | 64,960 | 72,180 | 72,570 | 64,990 | 68,420 | 68,160 | 69,390 | 59,390 | 63,690 | 52,870 | 50,970 | -26.5 |
| | 16,090 | 14,750 | 15,760 | 15,940 | 15,840 | 14,030 | 14,850 | 12,520 | 12,490 | 11,010 | 11,150 | -24.9 |
| | 9,930 | 8,900 | 9,420 | 7,200 | 6,970 | 6,040 | 5,780 | 6,140 | 5,970 | 6,160 | 6,370 | 10.2 |
| | 10,150 | 11,430 | 11,440 | 12,770 | 12,570 | 10,310 | 10,630 | 12,360 | 12,270 | 11,330 | 10,410 | -2.1 |
| | 9,820 | 11,550 | 11,520 | 8,270 | 10,000 | 7,770 | 8,470 | 5,540 | 4,700 | 3,670 | 3,870 | -54.3 |
| | 19,240 | 16,550 | 17,340 | 13,930 | 13,600 | 14,820 | 14,740 | 13,310 | 13,100 | 12,760 | 11,400 | -22.7 |
| | 4,960 | 4,950 | 4,620 | 4,210 | 4,200 | 2,690 | 2,700 | 2,500 | 2,650 | 2,910 | 2,770 | 2.6 |
| | 29,480 | 31,240 | 32,670 | 33,000 | 31,260 | 30,520 | 31,310 | 34,010 | 34,560 | 38,020 | 37,590 | 20.1 |
| | 40,310 | 41,490 | 43,720 | 44,150 | 40,660 | 41,190 | 41,160 | 29,400 | 30,410 | 26,330 | 27,270 | -33.7 |
| | 64,390 | 61,060 | 63,410 | 55,800 | 55,580 | 49,370 | 48,780 | 48,000 | 46,470 | 43,590 | 40,600 | -16.8 |
| | 16,850 | 17,810 | 18,580 | 16,880 | 16,180 | 14,910 | 14,660 | 14,420 | 14,610 | 13,980 | 13,910 | -5.1 |
| | 5,890 | 5,430 | 5,120 | 8,160 | 7,550 | 3,420 | 4,490 | 3,840 | 3,780 | 3,500 | 3,090 | -31.2 |
| | 20,100 | 20,190 | 19,490 | 15,770 | 13,510 | 10,540 | 10,810 | 7,820 | 7,920 | 8,740 | 8,400 | -22.3 |
| | 3,710 | 3,280 | 3,050 | 3,680 | 3,300 | 3,010 | 2,900 | 2,590 | 2,510 | 2,370 | 2,150 | -25.9 |
| | 6,680 | 6,580 | 6,490 | 6,230 | 5,580 | 4,360 | 4,460 | 4,600 | 4,250 | 3,710 | 3,220 | -27.8 |
| | 9,910 | 10,710 | 10,190 | 14,450 | 13,300 | 15,600 | 15,450 | 12,370 | 13,740 | 13,210 | 13,530 | -12.4 |
| | 7,030 | 4,680 | 4,710 | 4,260 | 3,890 | 3,240 | 3,470 | 2,750 | 3,010 | 3,160 | 3,170 | -8.6 |
| | 69,190 | 63,570 | 63,900 | 55,800 | 55,320 | 61,130 | 63,100 | 65,300 | 65,780 | 58,050 | 61,150 | -3.1 |
| | 6,110 | 6,650 | 6,810 | 6,190 | 6,410 | 5,450 | 5,470 | 5,640 | 5,760 | 6,260 | 6,220 | 13.7 |
| | 195,120 | 184,420 | 183,980 | 190,410 | 195,390 | 176,420 | 167,600 | 170,090 | 164,630 | 160,140 | 155,960 | -6.9 |
| | 34,180 | 37,630 | 39,720 | 37,210 | 36,180 | 34,600 | 33,550 | 38,280 | 37,610 | 36,220 | 34,500 | 2.8 |
| | 2,850 | 2,560 | 2,230 | 1,600 | 1,490 | 1,330 | 1,290 | 1,350 | 1,340 | 1,360 | 1,230 | -4.7 |
| | 57,360 | 51,490 | 53,400 | 52,030 | 49,520 | 40,940 | 42,870 | 40,250 | 40,230 | 35,050 | 35,060 | -18.2 |
| | 13,100 | 11,000 | 12,120 | 9,130 | 8,940 | 9,130 | 8,400 | 7,770 | 7,390 | 7,140 | 6,950 | -17.3 |
| | 15,230 | 14,370 | 15,960 | 16,580 | 16,060 | 15,590 | 15,050 | 17,230 | 17,010 | 13,320 | 13,200 | -12.3 |
| | 57,370 | 51,800 | 51,830 | 51,780 | 49,740 | 40,760 | 39,520 | 35,860 | 36,570 | 35,760 | 34,150 | -13.6 |
| | 7,770 | 7,390 | 7,190 | 7,500 | 6,990 | 5,720 | 5,420 | 5,560 | 5,600 | 5,730 | 5,290 | -2.4 |
| | 11,200 | 12,770 | 14,160 | 13,520 | 12,190 | 11,020 | 9,940 | 8,470 | 8,210 | 6,650 | 7,080 | -28.8 |
| | 1,650 | 860 | 900 | 980 | 1,040 | 1,040 | 1,030 | 740 | 870 | 820 | 790 | -23.3 |
| | 22,350 | 22,050 | 22,090 | 19,840 | 19,060 | 18,240 | 17,990 | 18,410 | 19,010 | 18,490 | 18,140 | 0.8 |
| | 100,820 | 100,210 | 100,690 | 95,930 | 97,400 | 89,240 | 91,270 | 87,880 | 89,160 | 85,210 | 85,760 | -6.0 |
| | 4,440 | 4,830 | 5,030 | 4,250 | 3,940 | 3,740 | 3,700 | 3,400 | 3,510 | 3,610 | 3,630 | -1.9 |
| | 3,430 | 3,690 | 3,580 | 3,110 | 2,900 | 2,420 | 2,300 | 1,730 | 1,660 | 1,720 | 1,490 | -35.2 |
| | 34,180 | 34,410 | 35,420 | 35,170 | 35,020 | 31,480 | 29,940 | 28,960 | 28,780 | 26,340 | 26,520 | -11.4 |
| | 30,990 | 29,840 | 31,220 | 32,640 | 33,190 | 25,190 | 26,340 | 26,390 | 26,200 | 24,060 | 23,260 | -11.7 |
| | 4,590 | 2,990 | 3,270 | 2,590 | 3,140 | 3,050 | 2,610 | 2,510 | 2,540 | 2,420 | 2,360 | -9.6 |
| | 17,830 | 18,330 | 18,040 | 15,510 | 15,450 | 13,300 | 14,160 | 11,430 | 11,130 | 9,870 | 9,800 | -30.8 |
| | 1,070 | 680 | 600 | 520 | 460 | 280 | 280 | 220 | 100 | 80 | 70 | -75.0 |

APPENDIX TABLE 2. Legal abortion rate per 1,000 women aged 15–44, by state of occurrence

| STATE | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| All | 16.3 | 19.3 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.3 | 29.3 | 28.8 | 28.1 | 28.0 |
| Alabama | 6.0 | 6.4 | 7.4 | 10.1 | 13.8 | 17.5 | 19.9 | 23.1 | 21.7 | 21.6 | 20.3 | 20.2 |
| Alaska | 14.8 | 14.2 | 18.9 | 18.5 | 28.0 | 26.6 | 18.6 | 17.9 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 26.2 | 27.7 |
| Arizona | 6.1 | 11.8 | 13.4 | 15.0 | 17.3 | 23.1 | 23.9 | 25.0 | 25.2 | 23.4 | 29.2 | 29.9 |
| Arkansas | 2.7 | 4.5 | 5.9 | 9.3 | 7.7 | 10.7 | 12.4 | 12.3 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 8.8 | 10.1 |
| California | 30.5 | 32.7 | 33.2 | 37.5 | 39.6 | 43.1 | 44.4 | 43.7 | 44.9 | 44.5 | 47.8 | 47.9 |
| Colorado | 13.5 | 19.3 | 22.3 | 23.4 | 28.2 | 28.8 | 31.4 | 31.4 | 31.4 | 32.2 | 29.8 | 28.8 |
| Connecticut | 10.4 | 14.1 | 17.1 | 23.0 | 24.1 | 25.4 | 25.8 | 25.6 | 31.2 | 31.8 | 29.0 | 29.3 |
| Delaware | 16.3 | 17.0 | 17.9 | 19.1 | 22.2 | 24.9 | 25.7 | 25.9 | 27.8 | 26.5 | 31.8 | 30.9 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 251.4 | 187.7 | 180.1 | 185.2 | 183.3 | 179.7 | 168.0 | 168.3 | 178.7 | 169.9 | 142.9 | 145.9 |
| Florida | 14.7 | 18.7 | 27.4 | 28.8 | 31.0 | 33.0 | 35.1 | 35.5 | 35.9 | 34.8 | 32.3 | 31.8 |
| Georgia | 10.0 | 19.2 | 20.4 | 21.5 | 26.3 | 28.5 | 29.8 | 28.4 | 27.8 | 27.7 | 26.8 | 26.1 |
| Hawaii | 24.9 | 27.2 | 29.5 | 28.3 | 37.2 | 32.3 | 33.7 | 34.4 | 37.4 | 37.9 | 41.6 | 43.7 |
| Idaho | 2.3 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 7.1 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 9.8 | 12.7 | 13.6 | 13.4 | 11.6 | 11.1 |
| Illinois | 13.6 | 19.2 | 24.4 | 29.1 | 28.1 | 27.1 | 26.9 | 25.9 | 24.9 | 24.4 | 24.2 | 23.8 |
| Indiana | 1.5 | 5.1 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 8.5 | 12.3 | 15.0 | 15.3 | 12.4 | 12.1 | 12.2 | 12.2 |
| Iowa | 4.0 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 11.1 | 11.3 | 11.9 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 13.0 | 12.6 | 15.8 | 15.0 |
| Kansas | 26.5 | 27.8 | 29.2 | 26.1 | 29.0 | 25.0 | 26.2 | 25.6 | 27.0 | 26.6 | 22.4 | 18.2 |
| Kentucky | 3.6 | 10.6 | 11.4 | 13.2 | 14.5 | 15.4 | 15.5 | 15.1 | 11.9 | 12.5 | 11.4 | 11.0 |
| Louisiana | 0.0 | 5.1 | 6.0 | 9.4 | 15.7 | 13.9 | 16.4 | 17.6 | 20.1 | 21.3 | 19.1 | 17.4 |
| Maine | 3.3 | 8.4 | 8.8 | 11.3 | 14.0 | 21.2 | 18.8 | 18.6 | 22.2 | 21.1 | 19.6 | 18.6 |
| Maryland | 12.2 | 18.5 | 23.1 | 24.4 | 24.0 | 25.6 | 27.3 | 29.2 | 32.2 | 32.7 | 26.8 | 26.9 |
| Massachusetts | 10.1 | 22.4 | 26.4 | 29.9 | 30.2 | 32.2 | 33.6 | 33.5 | 30.6 | 30.2 | 26.4 | 29.3 |
| Michigan | 19.1 | 18.8 | 21.1 | 24.2 | 25.5 | 26.5 | 29.1 | 29.7 | 29.6 | 29.0 | 29.6 | 28.7 |
| Minnesota | 8.8 | 13.7 | 14.8 | 17.7 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 20.2 | 20.7 | 20.5 | 19.4 | 17.3 | 16.6 |
| Mississippi | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 3.2 | 5.2 | 7.3 | 9.0 | 10.6 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.1 | 9.7 |
| Missouri | 3.5 | 8.3 | 10.7 | 13.0 | 13.9 | 14.4 | 16.1 | 19.4 | 17.4 | 17.4 | 19.2 | 17.3 |
| Montana | 3.0 | 7.9 | 9.3 | 10.1 | 13.5 | 17.8 | 19.9 | 20.1 | 22.6 | 22.5 | 20.1 | 19.0 |
| Nebraska | 7.2 | 10.0 | 14.2 | 13.9 | 16.1 | 19.3 | 16.2 | 17.9 | 18.8 | 18.3 | 18.4 | 18.2 |
| Nevada | 7.1 | 10.3 | 19.9 | 24.0 | 25.4 | 33.9 | 43.7 | 46.6 | 46.9 | 46.0 | 39.8 | 40.5 |
| New Hampshire | 3.3 | 4.7 | 9.9 | 13.2 | 17.3 | 19.3 | 19.7 | 21.1 | 26.1 | 24.5 | 28.3 | 29.0 |
| New Jersey | 6.7 | 14.6 | 20.6 | 24.9 | 27.7 | 29.2 | 30.7 | 32.8 | 34.9 | 35.7 | 37.9 | 39.6 |
| New Mexico | 18.9 | 14.1 | 19.2 | 20.8 | 22.2 | 21.3 | 26.5 | 27.0 | 22.7 | 22.8 | 15.6 | 17.4 |
| New York | 54.5 | 43.1 | 43.3 | 43.0 | 46.3 | 46.4 | 45.1 | 45.8 | 45.8 | 44.5 | 46.6 | 47.4 |
| North Carolina | 10.2 | 13.8 | 16.0 | 18.5 | 19.0 | 22.5 | 22.2 | 22.8 | 23.3 | 23.0 | 24.0 | 22.6 |
| North Dakota | 0.0 | 1.2 | 6.7 | 12.1 | 13.8 | 15.9 | 19.6 | 21.5 | 21.5 | 22.4 | 19.3 | 18.5 |
| Ohio | 7.4 | 13.0 | 18.8 | 22.3 | 24.8 | 23.3 | 25.9 | 26.8 | 24.1 | 24.3 | 22.7 | 22.4 |
| Oklahoma | 1.0 | 7.4 | 11.2 | 12.2 | 15.7 | 17.1 | 16.1 | 16.4 | 17.6 | 17.6 | 16.8 | 17.1 |
| Oregon | 23.3 | 26.3 | 25.1 | 23.4 | 26.6 | 24.6 | 29.2 | 28.3 | 25.1 | 25.2 | 22.8 | 22.3 |
| Pennsylvania | 12.2 | 16.8 | 18.9 | 22.2 | 24.2 | 25.1 | 24.8 | 26.1 | 24.4 | 24.1 | 22.6 | 21.3 |
| Rhode Island | 5.8 | 14.7 | 16.5 | 19.1 | 20.3 | 21.7 | 26.5 | 30.7 | 34.7 | 35.8 | 34.1 | 35.5 |
| South Carolina | 3.5 | 8.1 | 9.5 | 8.5 | 12.8 | 18.3 | 18.0 | 18.2 | 19.8 | 20.7 | 14.0 | 13.7 |
| South Dakota | 12.2 | 11.9 | 11.2 | 11.3 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 9.7 | 9.0 | 10.5 | 11.6 | 11.4 | 10.6 |
| Tennessee | 5.8 | 16.9 | 18.3 | 23.3 | 30.2 | 22.3 | 24.0 | 23.6 | 22.0 | 23.3 | 19.5 | 19.1 |
| Texas | 6.4 | 13.5 | 17.7 | 20.3 | 22.8 | 26.0 | 28.5 | 30.0 | 31.3 | 29.2 | 26.0 | 25.5 |
| Utah | 0.4 | 5.4 | 7.0 | 8.7 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 11.5 | 12.3 | 11.5 | 11.4 | 10.9 | 11.1 |
| Vermont | 14.8 | 17.9 | 21.0 | 24.9 | 20.8 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 30.4 | 30.1 | 29.4 | 26.7 | 26.2 |
| Virginia | 7.6 | 14.6 | 17.5 | 21.1 | 22.9 | 24.2 | 24.4 | 24.2 | 26.8 | 25.7 | 22.6 | 24.0 |
| Washington | 21.8 | 24.3 | 24.7 | 26.2 | 34.6 | 37.0 | 37.0 | 37.5 | 34.8 | 32.9 | 27.2 | 28.0 |
| West Virginia | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 5.5 | 6.8 | 7.3 | 6.9 | 7.1 | 7.7 | 10.4 | 10.1 |
| Wisconsin | 8.6 | 11.1 | 11.5 | 14.4 | 15.7 | 16.7 | 19.0 | 20.1 | 19.5 | 18.5 | 16.6 | 15.7 |
| Wyoming | 2.2 | 3.7 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 9.2 | 10.3 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 8.1 | 8.4 | 8.1 | 7.9 |

Note: Rates are based on population estimates current at the time and not updated after the decennial census.

| STATE | 1987 | 1988 | 1991 | 1992 | 1995 | 1996 | 1999 | 2000 | 2004 | 2005 | % change 1996–2005 |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| All | 26.9 | 27.3 | 26.3 | 25.7 | 22.5 | 22.4 | 21.4 | 21.3 | 19.7 | 19.4 | -13.4 |
| Alabama | 20.2 | 18.7 | 18.1 | 18.1 | 14.9 | 15.5 | 14.7 | 14.3 | 12.0 | 11.9 | -23.0 |
| Alaska | 19.7 | 18.2 | 17.1 | 16.5 | 13.7 | 14.1 | 13.5 | 11.7 | 13.8 | 13.5 | -4.0 |
| Arizona | 28.2 | 28.8 | 23.0 | 23.5 | 18.5 | 19.2 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 15.2 | 16.0 | -16.6 |
| Arkansas | 13.1 | 11.6 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 11.0 | 11.2 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 8.2 | 8.3 | -25.9 |
| California | 45.0 | 45.9 | 44.3 | 41.8 | 33.2 | 32.9 | 31.6 | 31.2 | 26.9 | 27.1 | -17.6 |
| Colorado | 22.4 | 22.4 | 25.4 | 23.6 | 17.3 | 19.8 | 16.5 | 15.9 | 15.6 | 16.1 | -18.9 |
| Connecticut | 29.4 | 31.2 | 26.5 | 26.0 | 22.6 | 22.1 | 20.5 | 21.1 | 23.5 | 23.6 | 7.1 |
| Delaware | 35.9 | 35.7 | 34.9 | 34.9 | 34.3 | 24.0 | 30.0 | 31.3 | 28.0 | 28.8 | 20.1 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 158.5 | 163.3 | 131.8 | 133.1 | 112.0 | 103.2 | 77.6 | 68.1 | 52.3 | 54.2 | -47.4 |
| Florida | 31.2 | 31.5 | 29.6 | 29.3 | 29.0 | 30.7 | 31.2 | 31.9 | 28.4 | 26.8 | -12.8 |
| Georgia | 23.3 | 23.5 | 24.0 | 23.7 | 20.9 | 20.8 | 18.0 | 16.9 | 17.2 | 16.3 | -21.4 |
| Hawaii | 44.1 | 43.0 | 46.0 | 46.0 | 28.6 | 26.5 | 24.6 | 22.2 | 21.0 | 21.8 | -17.8 |
| Idaho | 8.5 | 8.2 | 7.5 | 7.2 | 5.7 | 6.0 | 7.5 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 6.1 | 1.1 |
| Illinois | 26.2 | 26.4 | 24.0 | 25.2 | 24.9 | 25.3 | 21.6 | 23.2 | 19.5 | 18.9 | -25.3 |
| Indiana | 11.2 | 11.9 | 12.1 | 12.0 | 10.5 | 11.1 | 9.4 | 9.4 | 8.5 | 8.6 | -22.4 |
| Iowa | 13.8 | 14.6 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 10.0 | 9.8 | 10.2 | 10.6 | 13.9 |
| Kansas | 20.2 | 20.1 | 22.9 | 22.4 | 18.0 | 18.5 | 21.5 | 21.4 | 19.9 | 18.4 | -0.8 |
| Kentucky | 13.1 | 13.0 | 9.4 | 11.4 | 8.7 | 9.5 | 6.2 | 5.3 | 4.2 | 4.4 | -53.2 |
| Louisiana | 15.4 | 16.3 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 14.5 | 14.4 | 13.1 | 13.0 | 13.0 | 11.7 | -18.9 |
| Maine | 17.7 | 16.2 | 14.7 | 14.9 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 9.3 | 9.9 | 10.9 | 10.5 | 6.5 |
| Maryland | 27.6 | 28.6 | 27.5 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 26.3 | 28.6 | 29.0 | 31.7 | 31.5 | 19.9 |
| Massachusetts | 28.7 | 30.2 | 30.0 | 28.1 | 28.8 | 28.8 | 20.6 | 21.4 | 18.9 | 19.9 | -31.0 |
| Michigan | 27.3 | 28.5 | 25.0 | 25.1 | 22.4 | 22.1 | 22.2 | 21.6 | 20.6 | 19.4 | -12.3 |
| Minnesota | 17.5 | 18.2 | 16.3 | 15.6 | 14.1 | 13.7 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 12.8 | 12.7 | -7.2 |
| Mississippi | 8.9 | 8.4 | 13.4 | 12.4 | 5.5 | 7.1 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.6 | 4.9 | -30.6 |
| Missouri | 17.0 | 16.4 | 13.4 | 11.5 | 8.8 | 9.0 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 7.2 | 6.9 | -22.8 |
| Montana | 17.7 | 16.5 | 20.7 | 18.4 | 16.0 | 15.3 | 13.9 | 13.5 | 12.9 | 11.7 | -23.3 |
| Nebraska | 18.0 | 17.7 | 17.5 | 15.6 | 12.0 | 12.1 | 12.6 | 11.6 | 10.2 | 8.9 | -26.8 |
| Nevada | 43.9 | 40.3 | 48.5 | 43.3 | 44.5 | 42.2 | 29.9 | 32.2 | 27.2 | 27.0 | -35.9 |
| New Hampshire | 17.8 | 17.5 | 15.7 | 14.6 | 12.2 | 13.0 | 10.2 | 11.2 | 11.6 | 11.7 | -9.6 |
| New Jersey | 34.9 | 35.1 | 30.5 | 30.4 | 33.7 | 34.8 | 35.9 | 36.3 | 32.3 | 34.3 | -1.3 |
| New Mexico | 18.6 | 19.1 | 17.2 | 17.6 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.4 | 14.7 | 15.8 | 15.7 | 12.1 |
| New York | 43.3 | 43.3 | 44.2 | 45.6 | 41.6 | 39.6 | 40.3 | 39.1 | 38.9 | 38.2 | -3.6 |
| North Carolina | 24.2 | 25.4 | 22.9 | 22.2 | 20.4 | 19.5 | 21.6 | 21.0 | 20.0 | 18.8 | -3.4 |
| North Dakota | 17.0 | 14.9 | 11.5 | 10.7 | 9.5 | 9.2 | 9.8 | 9.9 | 10.5 | 9.6 | 4.6 |
| Ohio | 20.2 | 21.0 | 20.4 | 19.5 | 16.2 | 17.1 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 14.8 | 14.9 | -12.7 |
| Oklahoma | 14.5 | 16.2 | 12.8 | 12.5 | 12.7 | 11.6 | 10.6 | 10.1 | 9.8 | 9.5 | -17.8 |
| Oregon | 21.8 | 23.9 | 24.9 | 23.9 | 22.2 | 21.1 | 23.9 | 23.5 | 18.0 | 17.7 | -16.2 |
| Pennsylvania | 18.9 | 18.9 | 19.2 | 18.6 | 15.4 | 15.0 | 13.9 | 14.3 | 14.3 | 13.8 | -7.9 |
| Rhode Island | 31.3 | 30.6 | 31.3 | 29.5 | 24.6 | 23.3 | 24.0 | 24.1 | 24.7 | 23.2 | -0.6 |
| South Carolina | 15.2 | 16.7 | 15.7 | 14.2 | 12.7 | 11.4 | 9.6 | 9.3 | 7.5 | 7.9 | -30.7 |
| South Dakota | 5.5 | 5.7 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 5.2 | 5.0 | -21.9 |
| Tennessee | 18.9 | 18.9 | 16.9 | 16.1 | 14.9 | 14.6 | 14.7 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.4 | -1.2 |
| Texas | 24.7 | 24.8 | 23.0 | 23.1 | 20.1 | 20.3 | 18.7 | 18.8 | 17.3 | 17.3 | -14.8 |
| Utah | 12.4 | 12.8 | 10.3 | 9.2 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | -14.6 |
| Vermont | 26.9 | 25.8 | 22.8 | 21.5 | 18.2 | 17.3 | 13.2 | 12.7 | 13.6 | 11.7 | -32.1 |
| Virginia | 23.3 | 23.7 | 22.7 | 22.6 | 20.1 | 19.0 | 18.3 | 18.1 | 16.5 | 16.5 | -13.1 |
| Washington | 26.9 | 27.6 | 27.6 | 27.7 | 20.1 | 20.9 | 20.4 | 20.2 | 18.2 | 17.5 | -16.3 |
| West Virginia | 6.8 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 7.8 | 7.7 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 6.8 | 6.7 | 0.7 |
| Wisconsin | 16.3 | 16.0 | 13.6 | 13.5 | 11.4 | 12.1 | 9.9 | 9.6 | 8.5 | 8.5 | -29.7 |
| Wyoming | 5.7 | 5.1 | 5.0 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | -73.3 |

Source: Tabulations of data from the Guttmacher Abortion Provider Surveys.

APPENDIX TABLE 3. Number of legal abortions, by woman's state of residence

| STATE | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1987 |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| All* | 1,409,600 | 1,489,460 | 1,545,170 | 1,566,230 | 1,565,030 | 1,566,620 | 1,578,800 | 1,549,310 |
| Alabama | 16,510 | 18,270 | 20,540 | 20,230 | 20,470 | 19,180 | 19,620 | 21,160 |
| Alaska | 3,110 | 2,400 | 2,340 | 2,300 | 2,350 | 3,540 | 3,780 | 2,800 |
| Arizona | 13,650 | 14,760 | 15,920 | 16,350 | 15,960 | 21,420 | 22,590 | 21,400 |
| Arkansas | 6,930 | 7,700 | 7,710 | 7,890 | 8,270 | 6,590 | 7,050 | 8,490 |
| California | 232,700 | 246,460 | 249,330 | 262,840 | 266,370 | 297,900 | 304,120 | 301,100 |
| Colorado | 18,480 | 20,930 | 21,670 | 21,980 | 23,620 | 23,510 | 23,120 | 17,710 |
| Connecticut | 20,040 | 20,380 | 19,860 | 24,370 | 24,610 | 22,530 | 22,780 | 22,880 |
| Delaware | 4,270 | 3,730 | 3,770 | 4,030 | 3,730 | 3,740 | 3,490 | 4,570 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 14,680 | 14,210 | 15,100 | 15,720 | 15,390 | 12,360 | 12,340 | 13,760 |
| Florida | 56,460 | 67,550 | 70,760 | 74,270 | 74,070 | 70,160 | 70,750 | 73,820 |
| Georgia | 34,950 | 36,140 | 36,430 | 37,310 | 37,260 | 37,690 | 37,860 | 34,840 |
| Hawaii | 6,870 | 7,480 | 7,890 | 8,760 | 9,080 | 10,340 | 11,030 | 11,210 |
| Idaho | 2,650 | 2,890 | 3,370 | 3,490 | 3,460 | 3,110 | 3,060 | 2,590 |
| Illinois | 70,250 | 72,460 | 71,390 | 67,950 | 67,790 | 69,520 | 67,490 | 73,380 |
| Indiana | 24,650 | 24,710 | 25,230 | 21,290 | 20,490 | 20,920 | 20,970 | 20,020 |
| Iowa | 8,920 | 10,600 | 9,910 | 9,620 | 9,290 | 11,160 | 10,870 | 10,090 |
| Kansas | 8,630 | 8,940 | 9,030 | 9,530 | 9,670 | 8,860 | 7,190 | 7,570 |
| Kentucky | 12,910 | 11,770 | 11,710 | 9,300 | 9,710 | 8,940 | 8,690 | 9,240 |
| Louisiana | 12,970 | 17,460 | 19,360 | 20,940 | 23,730 | 20,490 | 19,000 | 16,880 |
| Maine | 5,420 | 4,530 | 4,750 | 5,800 | 5,410 | 5,290 | 5,190 | 4,120 |
| Maryland | 38,230 | 37,350 | 38,980 | 43,330 | 43,130 | 37,140 | 37,940 | 39,720 |
| Massachusetts | 40,760 | 43,350 | 44,240 | 42,730 | 42,670 | 38,120 | 42,180 | 43,130 |
| Michigan | 53,870 | 60,500 | 64,010 | 64,120 | 63,270 | 64,760 | 63,390 | 60,440 |
| Minnesota | 15,300 | 16,800 | 17,950 | 17,900 | 17,450 | 16,480 | 16,030 | 16,600 |
| Mississippi | 8,080 | 8,400 | 9,160 | 7,900 | 8,020 | 7,600 | 7,570 | 7,120 |
| Missouri | 20,180 | 22,330 | 25,180 | 23,460 | 22,730 | 23,980 | 21,800 | 23,190 |
| Montana | 3,720 | 3,720 | 3,710 | 3,610 | 3,440 | 3,210 | 3,210 | 2,440 |
| Nebraska | 5,000 | 4,340 | 5,140 | 5,630 | 5,650 | 5,760 | 5,780 | 5,670 |
| Nevada | 6,180 | 7,260 | 8,170 | 8,540 | 8,720 | 8,460 | 9,100 | 9,900 |
| New Hampshire | 4,520 | 4,810 | 5,280 | 4,990 | 4,780 | 5,800 | 5,960 | 5,740 |
| New Jersey | 57,640 | 58,720 | 62,110 | 64,290 | 65,630 | 68,890 | 71,940 | 66,350 |
| New Mexico | 6,590 | 7,900 | 8,370 | 9,390 | 8,960 | 6,510 | 7,160 | 7,620 |
| New York | 174,650 | 172,200 | 178,180 | 179,220 | 175,230 | 185,640 | 189,840 | 179,700 |
| North Carolina | 30,510 | 30,660 | 31,820 | 32,970 | 33,320 | 35,630 | 33,880 | 36,390 |
| North Dakota | 1,410 | 1,750 | 1,840 | 1,900 | 1,740 | 1,740 | 1,610 | 1,540 |
| Ohio | 56,170 | 64,330 | 65,880 | 59,710 | 60,310 | 56,310 | 55,720 | 49,350 |
| Oklahoma | 10,500 | 11,300 | 11,630 | 12,600 | 15,380 | 13,050 | 13,380 | 11,150 |
| Oregon | 15,950 | 19,170 | 18,100 | 15,930 | 16,240 | 14,590 | 14,520 | 13,530 |
| Pennsylvania | 62,650 | 63,600 | 67,810 | 64,860 | 64,010 | 62,160 | 59,360 | 53,330 |
| Rhode Island | 5,350 | 5,910 | 6,220 | 6,030 | 6,150 | 5,900 | 6,170 | 6,000 |
| South Carolina | 15,340 | 15,050 | 15,060 | 16,830 | 17,570 | 12,770 | 12,700 | 14,810 |
| South Dakota | 2,170 | 1,920 | 1,900 | 1,880 | 1,810 | 1,730 | 1,630 | 1,410 |
| Tennessee | 19,420 | 21,610 | 22,530 | 21,470 | 23,000 | 20,220 | 20,090 | 19,640 |
| Texas | 82,790 | 89,960 | 97,680 | 102,790 | 98,030 | 95,840 | 96,620 | 97,030 |
| Utah | 3,650 | 3,770 | 4,120 | 4,040 | 4,150 | 4,300 | 4,440 | 4,660 |
| Vermont | 3,260 | 3,330 | 3,650 | 3,170 | 3,060 | 2,800 | 2,820 | 2,830 |
| Virginia | 34,500 | 34,600 | 35,200 | 39,440 | 38,500 | 34,970 | 37,470 | 38,860 |
| Washington | 31,440 | 32,540 | 34,710 | 33,270 | 32,140 | 28,810 | 30,370 | 29,120 |
| West Virginia | 6,170 | 5,550 | 5,490 | 5,270 | 5,350 | 5,520 | 5,200 | 4,240 |
| Wisconsin | 16,510 | 21,280 | 22,720 | 22,570 | 21,510 | 18,550 | 17,740 | 18,770 |
| Wyoming | 2,040 | 2,080 | 2,260 | 2,420 | 2,350 | 2,130 | 2,190 | 1,400 |

*Excludes nonresidents of the United States who obtained abortions in the United States. Note: The procedure for estimating state of

| STATE | 1988 | 1991 | 1992 | 1996 | 1999 | 2000 | 2004 | % change 1996-2004 |
|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| All* | 1,580,710 | 1,549,180 | 1,520,810 | 1,351,470 | 1,308,950 | 1,306,680 | 1,216,050 | -10.0 |
| Alabama | 20,100 | 17,860 | 17,720 | 14,940 | 13,490 | 13,060 | 11,250 | -24.7 |
| Alaska | 2,700 | 2,770 | 2,800 | 2,310 | 2,170 | 1,900 | 2,180 | -5.6 |
| Arizona | 22,200 | 20,420 | 21,200 | 20,120 | 18,110 | 18,410 | 18,230 | -9.4 |
| Arkansas | 7,860 | 8,760 | 8,690 | 6,680 | 6,080 | 5,880 | 5,230 | -21.7 |
| California | 311,440 | 320,630 | 303,850 | 237,870 | 237,220 | 235,670 | 207,800 | -12.6 |
| Colorado | 17,550 | 19,480 | 18,410 | 16,670 | 13,730 | 12,950 | 14,320 | -14.1 |
| Connecticut | 24,470 | 20,830 | 20,100 | 16,510 | 15,100 | 15,460 | 16,950 | 2.7 |
| Delaware | 4,570 | 4,630 | 4,620 | 2,970 | 3,610 | 3,920 | 3,840 | 29.3 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 13,830 | 11,670 | 11,040 | 5,620 | 6,180 | 5,750 | 5,930 | 5.5 |
| Florida | 75,820 | 77,990 | 77,320 | 90,160 | 93,190 | 96,000 | 89,620 | -0.6 |
| Georgia | 35,320 | 40,360 | 39,970 | 35,230 | 33,650 | 32,270 | 32,570 | -7.6 |
| Hawaii | 11,120 | 12,110 | 12,180 | 6,930 | 6,310 | 5,630 | 5,190 | -25.1 |
| Idaho | 2,760 | 2,370 | 2,420 | 2,450 | 2,810 | 2,750 | 2,680 | 9.4 |
| Illinois | 72,500 | 63,820 | 66,500 | 66,920 | 55,270 | 58,370 | 50,300 | -24.8 |
| Indiana | 20,930 | 20,780 | 21,170 | 18,340 | 15,350 | 15,140 | 13,050 | -28.8 |
| Iowa | 10,480 | 7,790 | 7,480 | 6,150 | 6,530 | 6,280 | 6,050 | -1.6 |
| Kansas | 7,210 | 7,450 | 7,140 | 6,940 | 6,520 | 6,440 | 5,990 | -13.7 |
| Kentucky | 10,090 | 7,660 | 9,850 | 7,890 | 7,100 | 6,720 | 6,190 | -21.5 |
| Louisiana | 17,030 | 12,530 | 11,800 | 13,110 | 11,600 | 11,380 | 10,950 | -16.5 |
| Maine | 4,140 | 4,210 | 4,260 | 3,390 | 2,710 | 2,910 | 3,030 | -10.6 |
| Maryland | 41,090 | 41,000 | 39,490 | 36,940 | 39,330 | 38,670 | 36,460 | -1.3 |
| Massachusetts | 44,260 | 45,410 | 41,610 | 40,150 | 29,390 | 29,870 | 26,920 | -33.0 |
| Michigan | 62,770 | 54,730 | 54,530 | 47,430 | 47,080 | 45,710 | 42,710 | -10.0 |
| Minnesota | 17,400 | 15,840 | 15,090 | 13,950 | 13,680 | 13,940 | 13,550 | -2.9 |
| Mississippi | 6,480 | 8,950 | 8,830 | 9,020 | 8,920 | 9,060 | 8,140 | -9.8 |
| Missouri | 23,940 | 21,820 | 19,870 | 16,050 | 16,790 | 17,410 | 15,330 | -4.5 |
| Montana | 2,350 | 2,760 | 2,810 | 2,430 | 2,230 | 2,220 | 2,210 | -9.1 |
| Nebraska | 5,490 | 5,470 | 4,950 | 3,930 | 4,110 | 3,920 | 3,380 | -14.0 |
| Nevada | 9,450 | 13,360 | 12,400 | 14,080 | 11,430 | 12,880 | 12,660 | -10.1 |
| New Hampshire | 5,940 | 4,840 | 4,490 | 4,670 | 3,560 | 4,020 | 3,390 | -27.4 |
| New Jersey | 66,300 | 58,570 | 58,420 | 64,230 | 64,340 | 66,110 | 57,950 | -9.8 |
| New Mexico | 8,180 | 7,750 | 7,780 | 6,560 | 6,690 | 6,890 | 6,710 | 2.3 |
| New York | 179,830 | 186,440 | 191,100 | 164,080 | 166,480 | 161,160 | 156,920 | -4.4 |
| North Carolina | 38,120 | 35,320 | 34,000 | 31,070 | 33,870 | 33,620 | 31,720 | 2.1 |
| North Dakota | 1,510 | 1,170 | 1,190 | 1,050 | 970 | 940 | 940 | -10.5 |
| Ohio | 50,780 | 49,840 | 46,190 | 41,320 | 38,020 | 38,090 | 33,280 | -19.5 |
| Oklahoma | 12,240 | 9,240 | 9,080 | 8,490 | 8,070 | 7,780 | 7,340 | -13.5 |
| Oregon | 14,850 | 15,270 | 14,620 | 13,540 | 15,370 | 15,270 | 12,240 | -9.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 53,050 | 52,290 | 50,720 | 42,080 | 40,370 | 39,670 | 38,850 | -7.7 |
| Rhode Island | 5,800 | 6,260 | 5,830 | 5,290 | 4,740 | 4,900 | 4,810 | -9.1 |
| South Carolina | 16,440 | 15,650 | 14,410 | 12,450 | 12,580 | 12,120 | 12,810 | 2.9 |
| South Dakota | 1,420 | 1,400 | 1,340 | 1,200 | 1,060 | 1,020 | 980 | -18.3 |
| Tennessee | 20,060 | 19,700 | 19,110 | 16,690 | 16,810 | 17,270 | 15,950 | -4.4 |
| Texas | 97,450 | 92,970 | 94,590 | 88,250 | 85,840 | 87,110 | 84,750 | -4.0 |
| Utah | 4,590 | 4,080 | 3,800 | 3,850 | 3,440 | 3,500 | 3,600 | -6.5 |
| Vermont | 2,920 | 2,280 | 2,160 | 2,050 | 1,550 | 1,510 | 1,790 | -12.7 |
| Virginia | 40,240 | 38,220 | 38,130 | 32,450 | 30,910 | 30,690 | 30,170 | -7.0 |
| Washington | 30,890 | 33,010 | 33,620 | 26,960 | 27,350 | 26,970 | 24,270 | -10.0 |
| West Virginia | 4,800 | 3,680 | 4,460 | 3,400 | 2,800 | 2,930 | 2,760 | -18.8 |
| Wisconsin | 18,580 | 16,290 | 16,280 | 14,980 | 12,670 | 12,450 | 11,000 | -26.6 |
| Wyoming | 1,370 | 1,450 | 1,390 | 1,630 | 1,770 | 2,090 | 1,110 | -31.9 |

residence changed somewhat after 1978. Source: Tabulations of data from the Guttmacher Abortion Provider Surveys.

APPENDIX TABLE 4. Legal abortion rate per 1,000 women aged 15–44, by state of residence

| STATE | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 | 1987 | 1988 | 1991 | 1992 | 1996 | 1999 | 2000 | 2004 | % change 1996–2004 |
|-------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----------------------|
| All* | 27.7 | 28.6 | 29.1 | 29.1 | 28.6 | 27.9 | 27.8 | 26.7 | 27.2 | 26.1 | 25.6 | 22.3 | 21.3 | 21.2 | 19.6 | -12.1 |
| Alabama | 19.3 | 20.7 | 22.8 | 22.1 | 22.1 | 20.3 | 20.5 | 21.8 | 20.7 | 18.6 | 18.4 | 15.3 | 13.8 | 13.4 | 11.8 | -22.6 |
| Alaska | 27.5 | 23.6 | 22.1 | 20.9 | 20.7 | 29.3 | 30.4 | 21.5 | 20.6 | 19.7 | 19.5 | 16.0 | 15.3 | 13.5 | 15.7 | -1.6 |
| Arizona | 23.3 | 24.4 | 25.2 | 25.0 | 23.5 | 29.5 | 30.2 | 27.3 | 27.7 | 23.8 | 24.2 | 20.0 | 16.9 | 17.1 | 15.5 | -22.7 |
| Arkansas | 14.0 | 15.6 | 15.3 | 15.4 | 16.0 | 12.5 | 13.2 | 15.8 | 14.6 | 16.6 | 16.4 | 12.1 | 10.8 | 10.4 | 9.3 | -23.2 |
| California | 45.4 | 44.1 | 43.6 | 44.9 | 44.5 | 47.8 | 47.9 | 45.1 | 45.8 | 44.2 | 41.7 | 32.9 | 31.6 | 31.1 | 26.9 | -18.3 |
| Colorado | 26.6 | 29.3 | 29.4 | 28.9 | 30.2 | 28.5 | 27.4 | 21.1 | 21.0 | 23.6 | 21.9 | 18.1 | 14.3 | 13.4 | 14.4 | -20.4 |
| Connecticut | 28.6 | 28.6 | 27.5 | 33.6 | 33.7 | 30.4 | 30.6 | 30.0 | 32.3 | 26.9 | 26.5 | 22.4 | 20.9 | 21.5 | 23.7 | 5.6 |
| Delaware | 29.8 | 26.3 | 26.1 | 30.8 | 25.5 | 25.3 | 23.5 | 28.9 | 28.6 | 28.2 | 28.1 | 17.4 | 20.8 | 22.4 | 21.5 | 23.7 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 82.5 | 83.3 | 89.1 | 92.7 | 91.1 | 74.5 | 75.3 | 84.4 | 86.4 | 71.5 | 68.9 | 38.1 | 42.9 | 39.7 | 43.5 | 14.2 |
| Florida | 28.6 | 33.8 | 34.1 | 34.7 | 33.5 | 29.9 | 29.4 | 28.6 | 28.9 | 27.3 | 26.8 | 29.4 | 29.2 | 29.9 | 26.4 | -10.4 |
| Georgia | 28.2 | 27.8 | 27.3 | 27.4 | 26.8 | 26.1 | 25.7 | 22.5 | 22.6 | 24.4 | 23.9 | 19.6 | 17.9 | 17.0 | 16.4 | -16.1 |
| Hawaii | 31.9 | 33.2 | 34.1 | 37.1 | 37.6 | 41.2 | 43.2 | 43.8 | 42.8 | 45.9 | 46.0 | 26.5 | 24.6 | 22.2 | 21.0 | -20.6 |
| Idaho | 13.2 | 13.8 | 15.6 | 15.8 | 15.3 | 13.2 | 12.7 | 11.2 | 11.8 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 9.2 | 10.2 | 9.9 | 9.2 | -0.2 |
| Illinois | 27.6 | 27.5 | 26.8 | 25.3 | 25.1 | 25.5 | 24.7 | 26.7 | 26.4 | 23.5 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 20.1 | 21.3 | 18.5 | -24.0 |
| Indiana | 20.5 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 16.5 | 15.8 | 15.9 | 15.9 | 15.2 | 15.9 | 15.8 | 16.0 | 13.7 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 10.0 | -26.7 |
| Iowa | 14.3 | 16.5 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 16.9 | 16.4 | 15.7 | 16.2 | 12.7 | 12.2 | 9.9 | 10.6 | 10.2 | 10.0 | 1.4 |
| Kansas | 17.0 | 17.1 | 17.0 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 16.0 | 12.9 | 13.4 | 12.7 | 13.4 | 12.7 | 12.1 | 11.3 | 11.2 | 10.5 | -12.8 |
| Kentucky | 16.1 | 14.2 | 13.8 | 10.9 | 11.2 | 10.1 | 9.7 | 10.4 | 11.4 | 8.7 | 11.2 | 8.8 | 8.0 | 7.5 | 7.1 | -19.9 |
| Louisiana | 14.3 | 17.8 | 19.3 | 20.4 | 22.6 | 18.8 | 17.2 | 15.7 | 16.0 | 12.4 | 11.7 | 12.8 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.2 | -13.0 |
| Maine | 22.0 | 18.2 | 18.6 | 22.6 | 20.9 | 20.0 | 19.5 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.7 | 15.1 | 12.4 | 10.2 | 10.8 | 11.4 | -8.2 |
| Maryland | 37.3 | 36.4 | 37.3 | 41.0 | 40.4 | 34.2 | 34.7 | 35.1 | 36.0 | 34.1 | 33.1 | 31.0 | 33.1 | 32.5 | 30.4 | -1.8 |
| Massachusetts | 30.4 | 32.3 | 32.5 | 31.4 | 31.2 | 27.7 | 30.6 | 29.8 | 30.6 | 30.9 | 28.7 | 28.1 | 20.6 | 20.9 | 19.4 | -31.1 |
| Michigan | 25.2 | 27.9 | 29.2 | 29.1 | 28.5 | 29.0 | 28.3 | 27.1 | 28.2 | 24.6 | 24.6 | 21.5 | 21.7 | 21.2 | 20.2 | -5.9 |
| Minnesota | 17.0 | 17.8 | 18.6 | 18.4 | 17.7 | 16.4 | 15.8 | 16.4 | 17.0 | 15.3 | 14.5 | 13.1 | 12.7 | 12.8 | 12.4 | -5.2 |
| Mississippi | 14.3 | 15.0 | 16.0 | 13.6 | 13.6 | 12.6 | 12.4 | 11.7 | 10.6 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 13.0 | -9.3 |
| Missouri | 18.8 | 20.3 | 22.6 | 20.8 | 20.0 | 20.8 | 18.8 | 19.6 | 20.2 | 18.5 | 16.9 | 13.4 | 13.9 | 14.4 | 12.7 | -5.1 |
| Montana | 20.6 | 20.8 | 20.3 | 19.5 | 18.3 | 16.6 | 16.4 | 13.2 | 12.7 | 15.5 | 15.7 | 12.8 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 12.0 | -5.9 |
| Nebraska | 14.1 | 12.4 | 14.5 | 15.8 | 15.7 | 15.8 | 15.7 | 15.5 | 15.0 | 15.4 | 13.8 | 10.7 | 11.2 | 10.7 | 9.3 | -13.0 |
| Nevada | 38.9 | 38.7 | 41.6 | 41.3 | 40.3 | 35.9 | 37.2 | 40.6 | 37.4 | 44.8 | 40.4 | 38.4 | 27.6 | 30.6 | 26.1 | -32.1 |
| New Hampshire | 23.8 | 22.5 | 24.0 | 22.2 | 20.9 | 24.4 | 24.6 | 21.8 | 22.1 | 17.9 | 16.9 | 17.5 | 14.2 | 14.9 | 12.4 | -28.8 |
| New Jersey | 35.0 | 35.2 | 36.7 | 37.8 | 38.3 | 39.7 | 41.2 | 36.4 | 36.4 | 32.0 | 32.1 | 35.4 | 35.4 | 36.5 | 32.3 | -8.9 |
| New Mexico | 22.0 | 26.1 | 26.8 | 29.3 | 27.3 | 18.9 | 20.4 | 21.3 | 23.0 | 21.6 | 21.4 | 16.8 | 17.1 | 17.6 | 17.0 | 1.3 |
| New York | 43.0 | 42.4 | 43.6 | 43.7 | 42.6 | 45.1 | 46.1 | 42.2 | 42.4 | 43.3 | 44.6 | 38.8 | 39.4 | 38.1 | 38.1 | -1.8 |
| North Carolina | 22.9 | 22.4 | 22.8 | 23.1 | 23.0 | 23.9 | 22.4 | 23.4 | 24.4 | 21.7 | 20.9 | 18.0 | 19.1 | 18.9 | 17.5 | -3.1 |
| North Dakota | 9.2 | 12.2 | 12.6 | 12.9 | 11.6 | 11.4 | 10.4 | 10.2 | 10.1 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 7.3 | -2.7 |
| Ohio | 23.1 | 25.9 | 26.3 | 23.7 | 23.8 | 22.1 | 21.8 | 19.3 | 19.9 | 19.5 | 18.2 | 16.4 | 15.5 | 15.6 | 14.0 | -14.8 |
| Oklahoma | 16.8 | 16.8 | 16.9 | 17.9 | 21.4 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 14.7 | 16.4 | 13.0 | 12.7 | 11.7 | 11.0 | 10.6 | 10.1 | -14.0 |
| Oregon | 29.5 | 31.6 | 28.9 | 25.0 | 25.0 | 21.7 | 21.2 | 20.5 | 22.3 | 22.9 | 21.7 | 19.0 | 21.3 | 21.2 | 16.6 | -12.8 |
| Pennsylvania | 24.3 | 24.3 | 25.7 | 24.4 | 24.0 | 23.2 | 22.1 | 19.4 | 19.4 | 19.3 | 18.9 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 15.5 | 15.6 | -2.3 |
| Rhode Island | 26.8 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.2 | 28.3 | 27.0 | 28.2 | 25.4 | 24.7 | 26.1 | 24.6 | 22.8 | 20.8 | 21.0 | 20.7 | -9.1 |
| South Carolina | 21.8 | 20.6 | 20.1 | 21.9 | 22.5 | 15.8 | 15.5 | 17.7 | 19.4 | 18.2 | 16.8 | 14.3 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 14.4 | 0.7 |
| South Dakota | 14.3 | 12.9 | 12.6 | 12.4 | 11.8 | 11.2 | 10.5 | 9.0 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 8.8 | 7.5 | 6.7 | 6.4 | 6.3 | -16.7 |
| Tennessee | 19.5 | 20.4 | 20.8 | 19.5 | 20.5 | 17.5 | 17.1 | 16.8 | 17.1 | 16.7 | 16.2 | 13.5 | 13.4 | 13.8 | 12.7 | -6.1 |
| Texas | 27.3 | 27.2 | 28.7 | 29.2 | 27.0 | 24.9 | 24.5 | 23.9 | 24.0 | 22.3 | 22.4 | 19.6 | 18.3 | 18.4 | 17.2 | -12.2 |
| Utah | 12.1 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 11.4 | 11.3 | 11.1 | 11.1 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 9.9 | 8.9 | 7.8 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | -15.5 |
| Vermont | 29.9 | 27.6 | 29.5 | 25.4 | 24.2 | 21.7 | 21.6 | 20.7 | 21.0 | 16.7 | 16.0 | 15.4 | 11.9 | 11.5 | 14.1 | -8.3 |
| Virginia | 27.5 | 26.9 | 26.8 | 29.5 | 28.3 | 25.0 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 27.0 | 24.7 | 24.6 | 20.6 | 19.5 | 19.3 | 18.9 | -8.5 |
| Washington | 38.4 | 33.9 | 35.1 | 32.8 | 31.0 | 26.6 | 27.4 | 26.2 | 27.3 | 27.9 | 28.0 | 21.3 | 21.2 | 20.8 | 18.3 | -14.2 |
| West Virginia | 15.4 | 13.0 | 12.7 | 12.1 | 12.1 | 12.3 | 11.4 | 9.7 | 11.1 | 9.1 | 11.1 | 8.6 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 7.7 | -10.4 |
| Wisconsin | 15.9 | 19.9 | 20.9 | 20.6 | 19.5 | 16.5 | 15.7 | 16.7 | 16.5 | 14.3 | 14.3 | 12.8 | 10.9 | 10.7 | 9.5 | -25.8 |
| Wyoming | 20.6 | 19.2 | 20.0 | 20.7 | 19.3 | 16.3 | 16.2 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 13.9 | 13.2 | 15.0 | 16.8 | 19.9 | 10.8 | -27.8 |

*Excludes nonresidents of the United States who obtained abortions in the United States. Note: Rates are based on population estimates current at the time and not updated after the decennial census. Source: Tabulations of data from the Guttmacher Abortion Provider Surveys.

APPENDIX TABLE 5. Percentage of counties without a known abortion provider, and percentage of women aged 15–44 living in a county without a provider

| STATE | % of counties without a provider | | | | | | | % of women living in counties without a provider | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--------------------------|--|------|------|------|------|--------------------------|--|
| | 1976 | 1988 | 1992 | 1996 | 2000 | 2005 | Change in % 1996–2005 | 1988 | 1992 | 1996 | 2000 | 2005 | Change in % 1996–2005 | |
| Alabama | 82 | 91 | 91 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 56 | 56 | 58 | 59 | 61 | 3 | |
| Alaska | 79 | 74 | 72 | 76 | 85 | 81 | 5 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 39 | 23 | 0 | |
| Arizona | 79 | 79 | 73 | 80 | 80 | 73 | -7 | 19 | 16 | 19 | 18 | 16 | -3 | |
| Arkansas | 89 | 96 | 96 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 0 | 74 | 74 | 78 | 79 | 79 | 1 | |
| California | 19 | 31 | 33 | 36 | 41 | 41 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 1 | |
| Colorado | 68 | 75 | 76 | 79 | 78 | 78 | -1 | 15 | 14 | 34 | 26 | 23 | -11 | |
| Connecticut | 13 | 13 | 12 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 0 | |
| Delaware | 0 | 0 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 17 | 18 | 3 | |
| Dist. of Columbia | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Florida | 61 | 70 | 69 | 73 | 70 | 69 | -4 | 20 | 17 | 22 | 19 | 20 | -2 | |
| Georgia | 88 | 87 | 86 | 90 | 94 | 92 | 2 | 43 | 42 | 49 | 56 | 62 | 13 | |
| Hawaii | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Idaho | 84 | 91 | 89 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 61 | 58 | 67 | 67 | 68 | 1 | |
| Illinois | 75 | 91 | 91 | 90 | 90 | 92 | 2 | 32 | 32 | 30 | 30 | 34 | 4 | |
| Indiana | 85 | 87 | 90 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 52 | 55 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 2 | |
| Iowa | 86 | 93 | 96 | 96 | 95 | 93 | -3 | 68 | 70 | 69 | 64 | 56 | -13 | |
| Kansas | 86 | 90 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 96 | 1 | 43 | 47 | 48 | 54 | 57 | 9 | |
| Kentucky | 94 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 0 | 75 | 74 | 75 | 75 | 77 | 2 | |
| Louisiana | 95 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 0 | 58 | 59 | 60 | 61 | 62 | 2 | |
| Maine | 44 | 38 | 50 | 56 | 63 | 63 | 7 | 21 | 36 | 39 | 45 | 46 | 7 | |
| Maryland | 46 | 38 | 50 | 54 | 67 | 58 | 4 | 8 | 13 | 15 | 24 | 19 | 4 | |
| Massachusetts | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 21 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 7 | |
| Michigan | 69 | 75 | 78 | 81 | 83 | 83 | 2 | 24 | 25 | 28 | 31 | 33 | 5 | |
| Minnesota | 95 | 94 | 95 | 95 | 95 | 95 | 0 | 55 | 55 | 57 | 58 | 62 | 5 | |
| Mississippi | 94 | 96 | 95 | 96 | 98 | 99 | 3 | 79 | 79 | 82 | 86 | 91 | 9 | |
| Missouri | 95 | 94 | 96 | 96 | 97 | 96 | 0 | 50 | 52 | 53 | 71 | 68 | 15 | |
| Montana | 89 | 89 | 87 | 89 | 91 | 91 | 2 | 49 | 42 | 41 | 43 | 49 | 8 | |
| Nebraska | 96 | 98 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 97 | 0 | 57 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 45 | -2 | |
| Nevada | 82 | 88 | 82 | 82 | 82 | 88 | 6 | 16 | 13 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 0 | |
| New Hampshire | 40 | 60 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 0 | 29 | 26 | 26 | 26 | 19 | -7 | |
| New Jersey | 24 | 24 | 24 | 10 | 10 | 19 | 9 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 10 | 7 | |
| New Mexico | 59 | 75 | 82 | 88 | 88 | 88 | 0 | 43 | 44 | 47 | 48 | 47 | 0 | |
| New York | 8 | 23 | 40 | 42 | 42 | 40 | -2 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | -1 | |
| North Carolina | 29 | 58 | 66 | 74 | 78 | 83 | 9 | 27 | 31 | 39 | 44 | 48 | 9 | |
| North Dakota | 96 | 94 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 0 | 68 | 81 | 80 | 77 | 75 | -5 | |
| Ohio | 87 | 88 | 90 | 91 | 91 | 90 | -1 | 45 | 46 | 50 | 50 | 51 | 1 | |
| Oklahoma | 92 | 95 | 95 | 95 | 96 | 96 | 1 | 56 | 55 | 54 | 56 | 57 | 3 | |
| Oregon | 42 | 67 | 75 | 81 | 78 | 78 | -3 | 27 | 27 | 38 | 26 | 26 | -12 | |
| Pennsylvania | 37 | 72 | 70 | 75 | 75 | 78 | 3 | 35 | 34 | 37 | 39 | 40 | 3 | |
| Rhode Island | 80 | 60 | 60 | 60 | 80 | 80 | 20 | 37 | 36 | 37 | 39 | 39 | 2 | |
| South Carolina | 78 | 87 | 78 | 80 | 87 | 91 | 11 | 64 | 51 | 58 | 66 | 72 | 14 | |
| South Dakota | 99 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 98 | 0 | 80 | 79 | 79 | 78 | 78 | -1 | |
| Tennessee | 84 | 88 | 89 | 93 | 94 | 94 | 1 | 46 | 47 | 54 | 56 | 59 | 5 | |
| Texas | 86 | 91 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 32 | 35 | 3 | |
| Utah | 90 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 48 | 48 | 49 | 51 | 55 | 6 | |
| Vermont | 43 | 50 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 0 | 26 | 22 | 23 | 23 | 24 | 1 | |
| Virginia | 84 | 79 | 75 | 79 | 84 | 86 | 7 | 54 | 43 | 48 | 47 | 57 | 9 | |
| Washington | 36 | 64 | 72 | 69 | 74 | 67 | -2 | 19 | 19 | 15 | 17 | 14 | -1 | |
| West Virginia | 91 | 95 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 96 | 0 | 80 | 83 | 84 | 83 | 84 | 0 | |
| Wisconsin | 83 | 92 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 93 | 0 | 62 | 61 | 62 | 62 | 63 | 1 | |
| Wyoming | 78 | 83 | 87 | 87 | 91 | 96 | 9 | 68 | 75 | 75 | 88 | 96 | 21 | |

Source: Tabulations of data from the Guttmacher Abortion Provider Surveys.

APPENDIX TABLE 6. Number of abortion providers, by state

| STATE | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 | 1981 | 1982 | 1984 | 1985 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| All | 1,558 | 2,004 | 2,349 | 2,526 | 2,685 | 2,749 | 2,734 | 2,758 | 2,896 | 2,908 | 2,710 | 2,680 |
| Alabama | 11 | 18 | 20 | 26 | 28 | 32 | 36 | 39 | 44 | 45 | 27 | 27 |
| Alaska | 8 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 23 | 12 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 13 |
| Arizona | 10 | 18 | 30 | 32 | 43 | 39 | 40 | 41 | 37 | 37 | 32 | 32 |
| Arkansas | 6 | 9 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 |
| California | 390 | 455 | 494 | 508 | 508 | 527 | 527 | 535 | 588 | 583 | 583 | 571 |
| Colorado | 25 | 35 | 49 | 63 | 69 | 65 | 81 | 77 | 70 | 73 | 70 | 71 |
| Connecticut | 11 | 22 | 37 | 38 | 48 | 49 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 46 | 47 | 47 |
| Delaware | 5 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 16 | 17 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| Florida | 55 | 73 | 94 | 109 | 113 | 119 | 152 | 152 | 154 | 140 | 125 | 127 |
| Georgia | 34 | 45 | 47 | 44 | 55 | 53 | 74 | 77 | 85 | 82 | 66 | 65 |
| Hawaii | 23 | 28 | 30 | 30 | 43 | 42 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 51 | 50 | 53 |
| Idaho | 2 | 6 | 7 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 15 | 11 | 11 |
| Illinois | 32 | 51 | 78 | 87 | 72 | 70 | 65 | 58 | 59 | 58 | 50 | 48 |
| Indiana | 16 | 19 | 20 | 19 | 19 | 25 | 27 | 29 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 28 |
| Iowa | 19 | 25 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 21 |
| Kansas | 9 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 26 | 22 | 24 | 25 | 23 | 23 | 18 | 18 |
| Kentucky | 7 | 10 | 14 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 15 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Louisiana | 0 | 7 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 16 | 15 |
| Maine | 4 | 8 | 9 | 18 | 21 | 22 | 24 | 22 | 36 | 39 | 25 | 24 |
| Maryland | 27 | 34 | 34 | 37 | 43 | 44 | 51 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 48 | 48 |
| Massachusetts | 47 | 49 | 65 | 78 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 84 | 77 | 78 | 80 | 77 |
| Michigan | 51 | 72 | 67 | 72 | 85 | 78 | 82 | 80 | 82 | 83 | 81 | 83 |
| Minnesota | 13 | 20 | 23 | 21 | 25 | 19 | 19 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 18 | 18 |
| Mississippi | 2 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 14 | 13 | 9 | 8 |
| Missouri | 5 | 12 | 16 | 21 | 22 | 22 | 26 | 27 | 25 | 29 | 26 | 25 |
| Montana | 4 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 23 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 14 |
| Nebraska | 5 | 9 | 11 | 13 | 10 | 14 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 9 |
| Nevada | 10 | 12 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 24 | 25 | 25 | 25 |
| New Hampshire | 3 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 12 | 16 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 20 |
| New Jersey | 38 | 56 | 69 | 70 | 86 | 93 | 85 | 86 | 97 | 100 | 101 | 102 |
| New Mexico | 18 | 19 | 24 | 28 | 32 | 30 | 26 | 26 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 28 |
| New York | 238 | 282 | 307 | 299 | 310 | 312 | 289 | 289 | 295 | 302 | 301 | 299 |
| North Carolina | 100 | 105 | 106 | 114 | 116 | 115 | 112 | 111 | 111 | 114 | 110 | 108 |
| North Dakota | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Ohio | 26 | 39 | 42 | 42 | 47 | 49 | 50 | 52 | 52 | 55 | 54 | 54 |
| Oklahoma | 3 | 7 | 11 | 13 | 16 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 16 |
| Oregon | 49 | 50 | 50 | 46 | 58 | 51 | 55 | 55 | 63 | 60 | 52 | 50 |
| Pennsylvania | 53 | 77 | 133 | 146 | 140 | 147 | 109 | 110 | 115 | 114 | 105 | 101 |
| Rhode Island | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| South Carolina | 11 | 12 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 12 | 12 |
| South Dakota | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Tennessee | 11 | 17 | 39 | 42 | 45 | 45 | 50 | 51 | 45 | 47 | 40 | 41 |
| Texas | 29 | 82 | 90 | 121 | 129 | 119 | 119 | 126 | 134 | 128 | 102 | 102 |
| Utah | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 |
| Vermont | 6 | 7 | 9 | 16 | 16 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 16 | 16 |
| Virginia | 26 | 24 | 33 | 37 | 41 | 68 | 60 | 59 | 74 | 81 | 65 | 61 |
| Washington | 71 | 86 | 96 | 95 | 104 | 102 | 91 | 90 | 93 | 95 | 84 | 83 |
| West Virginia | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 9 |
| Wisconsin | 17 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 25 | 28 | 28 | 31 | 29 | 29 | 26 | 25 |
| Wyoming | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |

Note: A provider is a hospital, clinic or physician's office where abortions are performed.

| STATE | 1987 | 1988 | 1991 | 1992 | 1995 | 1996 | 1999 | 2000 | 2005 | % change 1996-2005 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| All | 2,618 | 2,582 | 2,434 | 2,380 | 2,087 | 2,042 | 1,841 | 1,819 | 1,787 | -12.5 |
| Alabama | 21 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | -7.1 |
| Alaska | 13 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 12.5 |
| Arizona | 30 | 29 | 29 | 28 | 26 | 24 | 20 | 21 | 19 | -20.8 |
| Arkansas | 10 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 3 | -50.0 |
| California | 606 | 608 | 582 | 554 | 510 | 492 | 415 | 400 | 424 | -13.8 |
| Colorado | 63 | 61 | 59 | 59 | 47 | 47 | 40 | 40 | 43 | -8.5 |
| Connecticut | 45 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 39 | 40 | 50 | 50 | 52 | 30.0 |
| Delaware | 11 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 28.6 |
| Dist. of Columbia | 17 | 17 | 15 | 15 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 15 | 12 | -33.3 |
| Florida | 142 | 143 | 131 | 133 | 114 | 114 | 108 | 108 | 103 | -9.6 |
| Georgia | 58 | 55 | 59 | 55 | 40 | 41 | 27 | 26 | 34 | -17.1 |
| Hawaii | 55 | 53 | 53 | 52 | 43 | 44 | 52 | 51 | 39 | -11.4 |
| Idaho | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 0.0 |
| Illinois | 52 | 52 | 45 | 47 | 40 | 38 | 35 | 37 | 38 | 0.0 |
| Indiana | 22 | 24 | 19 | 19 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 15 | -6.3 |
| Iowa | 17 | 16 | 11 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 12.5 |
| Kansas | 19 | 19 | 14 | 15 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | -30.0 |
| Kentucky | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 3 | -62.5 |
| Louisiana | 13 | 13 | 16 | 17 | 14 | 15 | 12 | 13 | 9 | -40.0 |
| Maine | 22 | 21 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 15 | 13 | -18.8 |
| Maryland | 54 | 53 | 52 | 51 | 46 | 47 | 42 | 42 | 41 | -12.8 |
| Massachusetts | 63 | 64 | 65 | 64 | 56 | 51 | 46 | 47 | 45 | -11.8 |
| Michigan | 78 | 78 | 71 | 70 | 62 | 59 | 51 | 50 | 51 | -13.6 |
| Minnesota | 13 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 11 | -15.4 |
| Mississippi | 6 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 2 | -66.7 |
| Missouri | 20 | 20 | 15 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 7 | -30.0 |
| Montana | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 9 | 9 | 8 | -27.3 |
| Nebraska | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | -25.0 |
| Nevada | 21 | 20 | 17 | 17 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 8 | -42.9 |
| New Hampshire | 16 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 13 | -18.8 |
| New Jersey | 90 | 89 | 89 | 88 | 94 | 94 | 89 | 86 | 85 | -9.6 |
| New Mexico | 26 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 13 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 12 | -7.7 |
| New York | 306 | 305 | 298 | 289 | 273 | 266 | 231 | 234 | 261 | -1.9 |
| North Carolina | 104 | 97 | 89 | 86 | 67 | 59 | 56 | 55 | 37 | -37.3 |
| North Dakota | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0.0 |
| Ohio | 53 | 53 | 46 | 45 | 36 | 37 | 35 | 35 | 27 | -27.0 |
| Oklahoma | 14 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 7 | 6 | 6 | -45.5 |
| Oregon | 45 | 45 | 41 | 40 | 36 | 35 | 33 | 34 | 32 | -8.6 |
| Pennsylvania | 90 | 90 | 83 | 81 | 62 | 61 | 70 | 73 | 56 | -8.2 |
| Rhode Island | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 4 | -20.0 |
| South Carolina | 15 | 15 | 20 | 18 | 19 | 14 | 12 | 10 | 6 | -57.1 |
| South Dakota | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 100.0 |
| Tennessee | 46 | 41 | 33 | 33 | 20 | 20 | 16 | 16 | 13 | -35.0 |
| Texas | 90 | 91 | 83 | 79 | 67 | 64 | 66 | 65 | 64 | 0.0 |
| Utah | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 6 | -14.3 |
| Vermont | 15 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 12 | -7.7 |
| Virginia | 76 | 73 | 63 | 64 | 52 | 57 | 49 | 46 | 46 | -19.3 |
| Washington | 71 | 68 | 65 | 65 | 55 | 57 | 51 | 53 | 49 | -14.0 |
| West Virginia | 4 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0.0 |
| Wisconsin | 20 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 9 | -18.2 |
| Wyoming | 7 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | -50.0 |

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Supplementary Tables

Abortion statistics for the U.S. population by selected characteristics of the woman: 1973–2004

Tables 1a-d: Selected measures of abortion, by woman's age, United States, 1973-2004

Tables 2a-d: Selected measures of abortion, by woman's marital status, United States, 1973-2004

Tables 3a-d: Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race and woman's Hispanic ethnicity, United States, 1973-2004.

Tables 4a-d: Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race/Hispanic ethnicity, United States, 1973-2004.

Tables 5a-d: Number and percentage distribution of abortions, by weeks of pregnancy gestation, United States, 1973-2004.

Tables 6a-d: Number and percentage distribution of abortions, by woman's number of previous live births, United States, 1973-2004.

Tables 7a-d: Number and percentage distribution of abortions, by woman's number of prior induced abortions, United States, 1973-2004.

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Table 1a. Selected measures of abortion, by age of woman, United States, 1973-1980

| Measure and age of woman | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| <20 | 243,530 | 293,120 | 342,040 | 378,500 | 412,280 | 433,900 | 460,820 | 460,120 |
| <15 | 11,630 | 13,420 | 15,260 | 15,820 | 15,650 | 15,110 | 16,220 | 15,340 |
| 15-19 | 231,900 | 279,700 | 326,780 | 362,680 | 396,630 | 418,790 | 444,600 | 444,780 |
| 15-17 | 104,590 | 123,350 | 140,520 | 152,700 | 165,610 | 169,270 | 178,570 | 183,350 |
| 18-19 | 127,310 | 156,350 | 186,260 | 209,980 | 231,020 | 249,520 | 266,030 | 261,430 |
| 20-24 | 240,610 | 286,600 | 331,640 | 392,280 | 449,660 | 489,410 | 525,710 | 549,410 |
| 25-29 | 129,600 | 162,690 | 188,900 | 220,500 | 246,680 | 265,990 | 284,200 | 303,820 |
| 30-34 | 72,550 | 89,810 | 100,170 | 110,050 | 124,380 | 134,280 | 141,970 | 153,060 |
| 35-39 | 40,960 | 48,770 | 52,740 | 56,720 | 61,700 | 65,350 | 65,070 | 66,580 |
| ≥ 40 | 16,820 | 19,000 | 20,530 | 21,250 | 22,000 | 20,670 | 19,900 | 20,900 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 32.8 | 32.5 | 32.9 | 32.1 | 31.3 | 30.8 | 30.8 | 29.6 |
| <15 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| 15-19 | 31.2 | 31.0 | 31.4 | 30.8 | 30.1 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 28.6 |
| 15-17 | 14.0 | 13.7 | 13.6 | 13.0 | 12.6 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 11.8 |
| 18-19 | 17.1 | 17.4 | 18.0 | 17.8 | 17.5 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 16.8 |
| 20-24 | 32.3 | 31.9 | 32.1 | 33.3 | 34.2 | 34.7 | 35.1 | 35.4 |
| 25-29 | 17.4 | 18.1 | 18.2 | 18.7 | 18.7 | 18.9 | 19.0 | 19.6 |
| 30-34 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.3 | 9.4 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.8 |
| 35-39 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| ≥ 40 | 2.3 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate* | 16.3 | 19.3 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.3 |
| <20† | 23.9 | 28.3 | 32.7 | 35.8 | 39.0 | 41.1 | 43.9 | 44.3 |
| <15‡ | 5.6 | 6.4 | 7.2 | 7.6 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 8.3 | 8.4 |
| 15-19 | 22.8 | 27.0 | 31.2 | 34.3 | 37.5 | 39.7 | 42.4 | 42.8 |
| 15-17 | 16.9 | 19.7 | 22.3 | 24.2 | 26.2 | 26.9 | 28.8 | 30.2 |
| 18-19 | 31.8 | 38.4 | 44.6 | 49.3 | 54.1 | 58.4 | 61.9 | 60.5 |
| 20-24 | 26.2 | 30.4 | 34.3 | 39.6 | 44.3 | 47.2 | 49.9 | 51.4 |
| 25-29 | 16.4 | 19.6 | 21.8 | 24.1 | 26.9 | 28.4 | 29.6 | 30.8 |
| 30-34 | 10.9 | 13.0 | 14.0 | 15.0 | 15.7 | 16.4 | 16.5 | 17.1 |
| 35-39 | 7.1 | 8.4 | 8.9 | 9.3 | 9.8 | 9.8 | 9.4 | 9.3 |
| ≥ 40§ | 2.9 | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.7 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.4 | 3.5 |
| Total Abortion Rate** | 437.4 | 515.8 | 576.3 | 637.3 | 697.4 | 732.0 | 762.5 | 780.5 |
| Abortion ratio†† | 19.3 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 26.5 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 29.6 | 30.0 |
| <20 | 25.6 | 29.0 | 33.4 | 35.8 | 38.4 | 39.6 | 40.7 | 41.2 |
| <15 | u | u | u | u | 41.1 | 40.9 | 43.0 | 42.7 |
| 15-19 | u | u | u | u | 38.3 | 39.5 | 40.6 | 41.1 |
| 15-17 | u | u | u | u | 38.7 | 39.7 | 41.3 | 42.4 |
| 18-19 | u | u | u | u | 37.9 | 39.3 | 40.1 | 40.1 |
| 20-24 | 17.6 | 20.0 | 22.8 | 25.0 | 27.6 | 28.7 | 29.4 | 30.1 |
| 25-29 | 13.2 | 15.4 | 17.2 | 18.6 | 20.2 | 20.8 | 21.1 | 21.8 |
| 30-34 | 18.7 | 21.7 | 23.5 | 23.1 | 23.7 | 23.5 | 23.0 | 23.3 |
| 35-39 | 28.3 | 32.8 | 35.4 | 36.6 | 38.5 | 38.6 | 37.3 | 37.2 |
| ≥ 40 | 39.7 | 44.4 | 48.6 | 50.2 | 52.5 | 51.6 | 50.4 | 51.7 |

*Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. †Denominator is women aged 15-19. ‡Numerator is abortions obtained by girls younger than 15; denominator is number of 14-year-old females. §Numerator is abortions obtained by women 40 and over; denominator is women aged 40-44. **Number of abortions that would be experienced by 1,000 women if exposed to current age-specific abortion rates for their entire reproductive lifetimes. The Total Abortion Rate adjusts for changes in the age distribution of the population. ††Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 1b. Selected measures of abortion, by age of woman, United States, 1981-1988

| Measure and age of woman | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| <20 | 448,570 | 433,330 | 427,680 | 415,790 | 416,170 | 404,930 | 395,910 | 406,370 |
| <15 | 15,240 | 14,590 | 16,350 | 16,920 | 16,970 | 15,690 | 14,270 | 13,650 |
| 15-19 | 433,330 | 418,740 | 411,330 | 398,870 | 399,200 | 389,240 | 381,640 | 392,720 |
| 15-17 | 175,930 | 168,410 | 166,440 | 160,900 | 165,630 | 165,240 | 161,120 | 158,330 |
| 18-19 | 257,400 | 250,330 | 244,890 | 237,970 | 233,570 | 224,000 | 220,520 | 234,390 |
| 20-24 | 554,940 | 551,680 | 548,130 | 551,110 | 548,020 | 531,380 | 518,290 | 519,600 |
| 25-29 | 316,260 | 326,380 | 328,280 | 332,280 | 336,280 | 339,450 | 337,450 | 347,250 |
| 30-34 | 167,240 | 168,020 | 171,560 | 175,780 | 180,560 | 185,830 | 191,540 | 197,210 |
| 35-39 | 69,510 | 73,250 | 78,090 | 81,840 | 86,540 | 91,730 | 93,030 | 95,870 |
| ≥ 40 | 20,820 | 21,260 | 21,260 | 20,380 | 20,980 | 20,680 | 22,890 | 24,450 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 28.5 | 27.5 | 27.1 | 26.4 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.4 | 25.6 |
| <15 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| 15-19 | 27.5 | 26.6 | 26.1 | 25.3 | 25.1 | 24.7 | 24.5 | 24.7 |
| 15-17 | 11.2 | 10.7 | 10.6 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 10.0 |
| 18-19 | 16.3 | 15.9 | 15.5 | 15.1 | 14.7 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.7 |
| 20-24 | 35.2 | 35.0 | 34.8 | 34.9 | 34.5 | 33.8 | 33.2 | 32.7 |
| 25-29 | 20.0 | 20.7 | 20.8 | 21.1 | 21.2 | 21.6 | 21.6 | 21.8 |
| 30-34 | 10.6 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 11.1 | 11.4 | 11.8 | 12.3 | 12.4 |
| 35-39 | 4.4 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| ≥ 40 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate* | 29.3 | 28.8 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 27.4 | 26.9 | 27.3 |
| <20† | 44.4 | 44.2 | 44.9 | 44.8 | 45.4 | 44.0 | 43.3 | 45.0 |
| <15‡ | 8.5 | 8.3 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 9.2 | 9.2 | 8.8 | 8.7 |
| 15-19 | 42.9 | 42.7 | 43.2 | 42.9 | 43.5 | 42.3 | 41.8 | 43.5 |
| 15-17 | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.7 | 29.9 | 30.6 | 29.9 | 29.6 | 30.2 |
| 18-19 | 60.6 | 59.7 | 59.8 | 60.8 | 62.0 | 60.8 | 59.8 | 62.0 |
| 20-24 | 51.4 | 51.1 | 50.9 | 51.6 | 52.0 | 51.8 | 52.0 | 53.6 |
| 25-29 | 31.4 | 31.5 | 31.1 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.9 | 30.8 | 31.8 |
| 30-34 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.8 | 17.9 | 17.9 | 18.1 |
| 35-39 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.9 |
| ≥ 40§ | 3.4 | 3.3 | 3.1 | 2.9 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| Total Abortion Rate** | 787.0 | 782.2 | 783.4 | 784.1 | 791.5 | 786.0 | 784.2 | 805.3 |
| Abortion ratio†† | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.4 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 29.4 | 28.8 | 28.6 |
| <20 | 41.3 | 41.2 | 42.3 | 41.2 | 42.1 | 41.8 | 41.0 | 40.6 |
| <15 | 43.7 | 42.9 | 46.0 | 45.9 | 45.7 | 43.8 | 41.0 | 39.1 |
| 15-19 | 41.2 | 41.2 | 42.2 | 41.6 | 42.0 | 41.7 | 41.0 | 40.7 |
| 15-17 | 42.2 | 42.0 | 43.2 | 42.5 | 43.2 | 42.9 | 42.0 | 40.9 |
| 18-19 | 40.3 | 40.5 | 41.4 | 40.9 | 41.0 | 40.7 | 40.2 | 40.6 |
| 20-24 | 30.4 | 30.6 | 31.4 | 31.3 | 31.5 | 31.5 | 31.3 | 31.3 |
| 25-29 | 22.0 | 22.3 | 22.5 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 22.0 | 21.6 | 21.7 |
| 30-34 | 23.9 | 23.2 | 23.0 | 22.1 | 21.8 | 21.5 | 21.1 | 20.6 |
| 35-39 | 35.7 | 34.2 | 34.2 | 32.8 | 32.2 | 31.8 | 30.4 | 29.1 |
| ≥ 40 | 51.3 | 51.4 | 51.4 | 49.4 | 49.4 | 46.2 | 45.4 | 44.0 |

*Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. †Denominator is women aged 15-19. ‡Numerator is abortions obtained by girls younger than 15; denominator is number of 14-year-old females. §Numerator is abortions obtained by women 40 and over; denominator is women aged 40-44. **Number of abortions that would be experienced by 1,000 women if exposed to current age-specific abortion rates for their entire reproductive lifetimes. The Total Abortion Rate adjusts for changes in the age distribution of the population. ††Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 1c. Selected measures of abortion, by age of woman, United States, 1989-1996

| Measure and age of woman | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| <20 | 383,650 | 363,550 | 326,620 | 308,190 | 300,120 | 286,920 | 273,760 | 273,170 |
| <15 | 12,750 | 12,580 | 12,270 | 12,830 | 12,410 | 12,080 | 10,830 | 10,360 |
| 15-19 | 370,900 | 350,970 | 314,350 | 295,360 | 287,710 | 274,840 | 262,930 | 262,810 |
| 15-17 | 139,130 | 129,820 | 118,050 | 114,400 | 112,960 | 110,280 | 105,970 | 103,810 |
| 18-19 | 231,770 | 221,150 | 196,300 | 180,960 | 174,750 | 164,560 | 156,960 | 159,000 |
| 20-24 | 509,420 | 532,480 | 533,280 | 526,490 | 512,340 | 475,450 | 440,780 | 432,130 |
| 25-29 | 345,480 | 359,900 | 347,820 | 340,890 | 330,760 | 314,560 | 307,510 | 316,430 |
| 30-34 | 202,800 | 216,410 | 212,540 | 212,630 | 209,940 | 203,790 | 195,600 | 193,840 |
| 35-39 | 99,420 | 107,730 | 107,490 | 110,230 | 110,910 | 110,210 | 109,490 | 111,250 |
| ≥ 40 | 26,100 | 28,550 | 28,760 | 30,500 | 30,930 | 32,070 | 32,300 | 33,340 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 24.5 | 22.6 | 21.0 | 20.2 | 20.1 | 20.1 | 20.1 | 20.1 |
| <15 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.8 |
| 15-19 | 23.7 | 21.8 | 20.2 | 19.4 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 19.3 | 19.3 |
| 15-17 | 8.9 | 8.1 | 7.6 | 7.5 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.6 |
| 18-19 | 14.8 | 13.7 | 12.6 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 11.7 |
| 20-24 | 32.5 | 33.1 | 34.3 | 34.4 | 34.3 | 33.4 | 32.4 | 31.8 |
| 25-29 | 22.1 | 22.4 | 22.3 | 22.3 | 22.1 | 22.1 | 22.6 | 23.3 |
| 30-34 | 12.9 | 13.4 | 13.7 | 13.9 | 14.0 | 14.3 | 14.4 | 14.2 |
| 35-39 | 6.3 | 6.7 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.4 | 7.8 | 8.1 | 8.2 |
| ≥ 40 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 2.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate* | 26.8 | 27.4 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 23.7 | 22.5 | 22.4 |
| <20† | 43.4 | 42.0 | 38.8 | 36.7 | 35.3 | 33.0 | 30.7 | 29.7 |
| <15‡ | 7.9 | 7.9 | 7.3 | 7.6 | 7.1 | 6.5 | 5.8 | 5.4 |
| 15-19 | 42.0 | 40.5 | 37.4 | 35.2 | 33.9 | 31.6 | 29.4 | 28.6 |
| 15-17 | 28.0 | 26.6 | 24.2 | 22.9 | 22.2 | 21.0 | 19.5 | 18.6 |
| 18-19 | 60.0 | 58.7 | 55.7 | 53.3 | 51.2 | 47.8 | 44.8 | 44.0 |
| 20-24 | 53.8 | 56.7 | 56.4 | 55.9 | 54.9 | 51.9 | 49.1 | 49.3 |
| 25-29 | 32.2 | 34.0 | 33.4 | 33.5 | 33.2 | 32.1 | 31.5 | 32.1 |
| 30-34 | 18.6 | 19.6 | 19.0 | 18.9 | 18.6 | 18.1 | 17.5 | 17.7 |
| 35-39 | 10.1 | 10.7 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 10.2 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.7 |
| ≥ 40§ | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Total Abortion Rate** | 800.4 | 825.7 | 802.5 | 792.0 | 776.4 | 740.9 | 708.5 | 709.1 |
| Abortion ratio†† | 27.5 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.9 |
| <20 | 38.2 | 36.9 | 34.7 | 34.0 | 33.5 | 32.6 | 32.0 | 32.2 |
| <15 | 36.3 | 35.4 | 34.1 | 34.6 | 33.3 | 32.9 | 32.0 | 32.6 |
| 15-19 | 38.3 | 37.0 | 34.8 | 34.0 | 33.5 | 32.5 | 32.0 | 32.2 |
| 15-17 | 37.3 | 35.3 | 33.0 | 32.4 | 31.9 | 31.1 | 30.8 | 30.8 |
| 18-19 | 39.1 | 38.1 | 36.0 | 35.1 | 34.7 | 33.7 | 32.9 | 33.2 |
| 20-24 | 30.5 | 31.6 | 31.9 | 32.3 | 32.5 | 31.7 | 30.7 | 30.4 |
| 25-29 | 21.2 | 22.3 | 22.2 | 22.6 | 22.7 | 22.3 | 22.1 | 22.5 |
| 30-34 | 20.1 | 20.7 | 20.2 | 20.1 | 19.7 | 19.1 | 18.6 | 18.5 |
| 35-39 | 27.9 | 28.3 | 27.3 | 27.1 | 26.3 | 25.4 | 24.6 | 24.0 |
| ≥ 40 | 43.0 | 43.5 | 41.8 | 41.7 | 40.3 | 39.6 | 38.3 | 37.3 |

*Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. †Denominator is women aged 15-19. ‡Numerator is abortions obtained by girls younger than 15; denominator is number of 14-year-old females. §Numerator is abortions obtained by women 40 and over; denominator is women aged 40-44. **Number of abortions that would be experienced by 1,000 women if exposed to current age-specific abortion rates for their entire reproductive lifetimes. The Total Abortion Rate adjusts for changes in the age distribution of the population. ††Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 1d. Selected measures abortion, by age of woman, United States, 1997-2004

| Measure and age of woman | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| <20 | 265,280 | 258,040 | 249,660 | 244,030 | 230,840 | 218,410 | 213,450 | 206,800 |
| <15 | 9,640 | 9,360 | 8,720 | 8,560 | 8,050 | 7,640 | 7,550 | 7,050 |
| 15-19 | 255,640 | 248,680 | 240,940 | 235,470 | 222,790 | 210,770 | 205,900 | 199,750 |
| 15-17 | 98,460 | 94,810 | 88,420 | 84,770 | 79,540 | 76,450 | 75,050 | 71,400 |
| 18-19 | 157,180 | 153,870 | 152,520 | 150,700 | 143,250 | 134,320 | 130,850 | 128,350 |
| 20-24 | 422,170 | 418,030 | 422,550 | 429,610 | 429,930 | 423,060 | 417,910 | 405,510 |
| 25-29 | 314,790 | 311,550 | 307,800 | 302,590 | 292,620 | 289,100 | 285,600 | 284,570 |
| 30-34 | 189,570 | 187,010 | 187,500 | 190,140 | 192,320 | 192,810 | 189,890 | 184,130 |
| 35-39 | 109,420 | 109,360 | 111,030 | 109,960 | 107,720 | 106,390 | 104,410 | 102,670 |
| ≥ 40 | 33,770 | 35,010 | 36,250 | 36,660 | 37,570 | 39,230 | 38,740 | 38,420 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| <20 | 19.9 | 19.5 | 19.0 | 18.6 | 17.9 | 17.2 | 17.1 | 16.9 |
| <15 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| 15-19 | 19.2 | 18.8 | 18.3 | 17.9 | 17.3 | 16.6 | 16.5 | 16.3 |
| 15-17 | 7.4 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 6.5 | 6.2 | 6.0 | 6.0 | 5.8 |
| 18-19 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.4 | 11.1 | 10.6 | 10.5 | 10.5 |
| 20-24 | 31.6 | 31.7 | 32.1 | 32.7 | 33.3 | 33.3 | 33.4 | 33.2 |
| 25-29 | 23.6 | 23.6 | 23.4 | 23.0 | 22.7 | 22.8 | 22.8 | 23.3 |
| 30-34 | 14.2 | 14.2 | 14.3 | 14.5 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 15.2 | 15.1 |
| 35-39 | 8.2 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.3 | 8.4 | 8.4 | 8.4 |
| ≥ 40 | 2.5 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 2.9 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate* | 21.9 | 21.5 | 21.4 | 21.3 | 20.9 | 20.5 | 20.2 | 19.7 |
| <20† | 28.1 | 26.8 | 25.6 | 24.8 | 23.4 | 22.1 | 21.4 | 20.5 |
| <15‡ | 5.0 | 5.0 | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 3.7 | 3.3 |
| 15-19 | 27.1 | 25.8 | 24.7 | 24.0 | 22.6 | 21.3 | 20.7 | 19.8 |
| 15-17 | 17.2 | 16.4 | 15.2 | 14.5 | 13.5 | 12.8 | 12.5 | 11.8 |
| 18-19 | 42.6 | 40.0 | 38.6 | 37.9 | 36.3 | 34.1 | 33.0 | 31.9 |
| 20-24 | 48.1 | 47.0 | 46.4 | 45.9 | 44.7 | 42.9 | 41.5 | 39.9 |
| 25-29 | 31.9 | 31.7 | 31.7 | 31.8 | 31.4 | 31.0 | 30.4 | 29.7 |
| 30-34 | 17.7 | 17.9 | 18.3 | 18.6 | 18.7 | 18.6 | 18.5 | 18.2 |
| 35-39 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.8 |
| ≥ 40§ | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.3 |
| Total Abortion Rate** | 693.3 | 680.3 | 674.3 | 669.6 | 655.7 | 638.0 | 625.1 | 607.0 |
| Abortion ratio†† | 25.5 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 22.9 |
| <20 | 31.7 | 31.2 | 30.6 | 30.8 | 30.6 | 30.1 | 29.7 | 29.3 |
| <15 | 32.8 | 37.6 | 37.4 | 38.5 | 38.9 | 38.9 | 38.9 | 33.6 |
| 15-19 | 31.6 | 30.9 | 30.3 | 30.4 | 30.3 | 29.7 | 29.3 | 29.1 |
| 15-17 | 30.2 | 33.9 | 33.6 | 33.9 | 33.7 | 32.9 | 32.5 | 28.7 |
| 18-19 | 32.8 | 28.5 | 27.8 | 27.8 | 27.8 | 27.4 | 27.1 | 29.3 |
| 20-24 | 29.8 | 29.2 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 28.9 | 28.4 | 27.9 | 27.3 |
| 25-29 | 22.4 | 22.2 | 21.8 | 21.7 | 21.4 | 20.9 | 20.3 | 20.1 |
| 30-34 | 18.2 | 18.0 | 17.6 | 17.4 | 17.5 | 17.2 | 16.8 | 16.6 |
| 35-39 | 23.1 | 22.5 | 22.1 | 21.7 | 21.4 | 20.8 | 20.0 | 19.5 |
| ≥ 40 | 36.1 | 35.9 | 35.2 | 33.9 | 33.6 | 33.4 | 32.1 | 31.4 |

*Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. †Denominator is women aged 15-19. ‡Numerator is abortions obtained by girls younger than 15; denominator is number of 14-year-old females. §Numerator is abortions obtained by women 40 and over; denominator is women aged 40-44. **Number of abortions that would be experienced by 1,000 women if exposed to current age-specific abortion rates for their entire reproductive lifetimes. The Total Abortion Rate adjusts for changes in the age distribution of the population. ††Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 2a. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's marital status, 1973-1980.

| Measure and marital status* | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| Married | 216,210 | 248,150 | 271,870 | 290,030 | 299,710 | 330,630 | 322,210 | 319,880 |
| Unmarried | 528,400 | 650,420 | 762,300 | 889,270 | 1,016,990 | 1,078,970 | 1,175,460 | 1,234,010 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 29.0 | 27.6 | 26.3 | 24.6 | 22.8 | 23.5 | 21.5 | 20.6 |
| Unmarried | 71.0 | 72.4 | 73.7 | 75.4 | 77.2 | 76.5 | 78.5 | 79.4 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 16.3 | 19.3 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.3 |
| Married | 8.0 | 9.2 | 10.0 | 10.6 | 10.9 | 12.0 | 11.6 | 11.3 |
| Unmarried | 28.4 | 33.4 | 37.5 | 41.7 | 45.8 | 46.1 | 48.7 | 49.7 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 19.3 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 26.5 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 29.6 | 30.0 |
| Married | 7.0 | 8.3 | 9.6 | 9.5 | 9.8 | 10.4 | 9.9 | 9.8 |
| Unmarried | 57.0 | 59.9 | 62.3 | 64.2 | 66.0 | 65.4 | 66.0 | 64.9 |

*Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 2b. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's marital status, 1981-1988.

| Measure and marital status* | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| Married | 298,510 | 300,260 | 294,670 | 287,160 | 281,460 | 278,800 | 275,167 | 276,690 |
| Unmarried | 1,278,830 | 1,273,660 | 1,280,330 | 1,290,020 | 1,307,090 | 1,295,200 | 1,283,943 | 1,314,060 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 18.9 | 19.1 | 18.7 | 18.2 | 17.7 | 17.7 | 17.6 | 17.4 |
| Unmarried | 81.1 | 80.9 | 81.3 | 81.8 | 82.3 | 82.3 | 82.4 | 82.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 29.3 | 28.8 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 27.4 | 26.9 | 27.3 |
| Married | 10.5 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 9.4 | 9.2 | 9.3 |
| Unmarried | 50.1 | 48.6 | 48.1 | 47.6 | 47.3 | 46.4 | 45.6 | 46.2 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.4 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 29.4 | 28.8 | 28.6 |
| Married | 9.2 | 9.5 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 8.7 | 8.7 |
| Unmarried | 64.5 | 63.4 | 63.2 | 61.6 | 60.5 | 58.9 | 57.1 | 55.6 |

*Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 2c. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's marital status, 1989-1996.

| Measure and marital status* | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| Married | 270,340 | 284,010 | 271,210 | 256,650 | 250,240 | 233,880 | 220,090 | 222,440 |
| Unmarried | 1,296,530 | 1,324,610 | 1,285,300 | 1,272,280 | 1,244,760 | 1,189,120 | 1,139,350 | 1,137,720 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 17.3 | 17.7 | 17.4 | 16.8 | 16.7 | 16.4 | 16.2 | 16.4 |
| Unmarried | 82.7 | 82.3 | 82.6 | 83.2 | 83.3 | 83.6 | 83.8 | 83.6 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 26.8 | 27.4 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 23.7 | 22.5 | 22.4 |
| Married | 9.1 | 9.6 | u | 8.7 | u | 7.9 | 7.5 | 7.8 |
| Unmarried | 45.3 | 45.3 | u | 43.1 | u | 38.9 | 37.7 | 36.8 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 27.5 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.9 |
| Married | 8.3 | 8.8 | 8.6 | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.1 | 7.7 | 7.8 |
| Unmarried | 53.3 | 52.7 | 51.2 | 50.8 | 49.6 | 48.3 | 47.6 | 47.6 |

*Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 2d. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's marital status, 1997-2004.

| Measure and marital status* | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| Married | 207,070 | 202,720 | 206,000 | 199,510 | 190,300 | 183,570 | 178,270 | 168,220 |
| Unmarried | 1,127,930 | 1,116,280 | 1,108,790 | 1,113,480 | 1,100,700 | 1,085,430 | 1,071,730 | 1,053,880 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Married | 15.5 | 15.4 | 15.7 | 15.2 | 14.7 | 14.5 | 14.3 | 13.8 |
| Unmarried | 84.5 | 84.6 | 84.3 | 84.8 | 85.3 | 85.5 | 85.7 | 86.2 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 21.9 | 21.5 | 21.4 | 21.3 | 20.9 | 20.5 | 20.2 | 19.7 |
| Married | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.2 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 5.9 |
| Unmarried | 35.5 | 34.6 | 33.7 | 33.9 | 33.4 | 32.3 | 31.5 | 31.4 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 25.5 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 22.9 |
| Married | 7.3 | 7.1 | 7.1 | 6.9 | 6.5 | 6.4 | 6.3 | 6.0 |
| Unmarried | 46.9 | 46.2 | 45.4 | 45.3 | 46.5 | 43.8 | 42.5 | 41.3 |

*Unmarried includes never-married, separated, divorced and widowed women. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 3a. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race and woman's Hispanic ethnicity, 1973-1980.

| Measure and race or ethnicity* | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 548,790 | 629,320 | 701,170 | 784,890 | 888,780 | 969,410 | 1,062,400 | 1,093,630 |
| Nonwhite | 195,820 | 269,250 | 333,000 | 394,410 | 427,920 | 440,190 | 435,270 | 460,260 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 73.7 | 70.0 | 67.8 | 66.6 | 67.5 | 68.8 | 70.9 | 70.4 |
| Nonwhite | 26.3 | 30.0 | 32.2 | 33.4 | 32.5 | 31.2 | 29.1 | 29.6 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 16.3 | 19.3 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.3 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 14.0 | 15.7 | 17.2 | 18.8 | 20.9 | 22.3 | 24.0 | 24.3 |
| Nonwhite | 31.2 | 41.4 | 49.3 | 56.3 | 59.0 | 58.7 | 56.2 | 56.8 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 19.3 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 26.5 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 29.6 | 30.0 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 17.4 | 19.6 | 21.5 | 23.0 | 25.0 | 26.1 | 27.1 | 27.4 |
| Nonwhite | 25.9 | 31.6 | 35.9 | 38.9 | 40.4 | 39.6 | 38.2 | 39.2 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 3b. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race and woman's Hispanic ethnicity, 1981-1988.

| Measure and race or ethnicity* | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 1,107,770 | 1,095,260 | 1,084,360 | 1,086,630 | 1,075,640 | 1,044,700 | 1,017,310 | 1,025,670 |
| Nonwhite | 469,570 | 478,660 | 490,640 | 490,550 | 512,910 | 529,300 | 541,800 | 565,080 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 70.2 | 69.6 | 68.8 | 68.9 | 67.7 | 66.4 | 65.2 | 64.5 |
| Nonwhite | 29.8 | 30.4 | 31.2 | 31.1 | 32.3 | 33.6 | 34.8 | 35.5 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 29.3 | 28.8 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 27.4 | 26.9 | 27.3 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 24.3 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 23.2 | 22.7 | 21.8 | 21.2 | 21.3 |
| Nonwhite | 55.8 | 55.3 | 55.2 | 53.8 | 54.9 | 55.1 | 55.1 | 56.2 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.4 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 29.4 | 28.8 | 28.6 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 27.4 | 27.1 | 27.4 | 26.8 | 26.5 | 25.9 | 25.2 | 25.0 |
| Nonwhite | 39.2 | 39.2 | 40.1 | 39.2 | 39.7 | 39.8 | 39.3 | 38.9 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Non-Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 3c. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race and woman's Hispanic ethnicity, 1989-1996.

| Measure and race or ethnicity* | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 1,019,880 | 1,038,730 | 982,030 | 943,530 | 907,720 | 855,830 | 817,190 | 796,860 |
| Nonwhite | 546,990 | 569,890 | 574,480 | 585,400 | 587,280 | 567,170 | 542,250 | 563,300 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | 194,820 | 208,460 | 235,030 | 230,390 | 229,510 | 221,810 | 229,640 |
| Non-Hispanic | u | 1,413,800 | 1,348,050 | 1,293,900 | 1,264,610 | 1,193,490 | 1,137,630 | 1,130,520 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 65.1 | 64.6 | 63.1 | 61.7 | 60.7 | 60.2 | 60.1 | 58.6 |
| Nonwhite | 34.9 | 35.4 | 36.9 | 38.3 | 39.3 | 39.8 | 39.9 | 41.4 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | 12.1 | 13.4 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 16.1 | 16.3 | 16.9 |
| Non-Hispanic | u | 87.9 | 86.6 | 84.6 | 84.6 | 83.9 | 83.7 | 83.1 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 26.8 | 27.4 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 23.7 | 22.5 | 22.4 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 21.2 | 21.5 | 20.2 | 19.5 | 18.7 | 17.6 | 16.8 | 16.3 |
| Nonwhite | 53.3 | 54.4 | 53.5 | 53.3 | 52.4 | 49.6 | 46.6 | 47.5 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | 34.8 | 35.8 | 38.8 | 36.4 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 31.9 |
| Non-Hispanic | u | 28.7 | 25.2 | 24.3 | 23.7 | 22.3 | 21.3 | 21.1 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 27.5 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.9 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 23.8 | 24.1 | 23.3 | 22.9 | 22.5 | 21.6 | 20.9 | 20.5 |
| Nonwhite | 38.8 | 39.6 | 39.8 | 40.5 | 41.1 | 41.0 | 40.6 | 41.1 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | u | 24.1 | 24.7 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.4 | 24.4 | 24.5 |
| Non-Hispanic | u | 28.7 | 28.0 | 27.7 | 27.6 | 26.8 | 26.3 | 26.2 |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 3d. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race and woman's Hispanic ethnicity, 1997-2004.

| Measure and race or ethnicity* | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 777,010 | 761,880 | 742,550 | 732,690 | 716,540 | 705,830 | 694,540 | 673,830 |
| Nonwhite | 557,990 | 557,120 | 572,240 | 580,300 | 574,460 | 563,170 | 555,460 | 548,270 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | 231,600 | 248,940 | 258,420 | 260,540 | 263,990 | 272,140 | 269,720 | 269,420 |
| Non-Hispanic | 1,103,400 | 1,070,060 | 1,056,370 | 1,052,450 | 1,027,010 | 996,860 | 980,280 | 952,680 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 58.2 | 57.8 | 56.5 | 55.8 | 55.5 | 55.6 | 55.5 | 55.1 |
| Nonwhite | 41.8 | 42.2 | 43.5 | 44.2 | 44.5 | 44.4 | 44.5 | 44.9 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | 17.3 | 18.9 | 19.7 | 19.8 | 20.4 | 21.4 | 21.6 | 22.0 |
| Non-Hispanic | 82.7 | 81.1 | 80.3 | 80.2 | 79.6 | 78.6 | 78.4 | 78.0 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 21.9 | 21.5 | 21.4 | 21.3 | 20.9 | 20.5 | 20.2 | 19.7 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 15.9 | 15.5 | 15.2 | 15.0 | 14.7 | 14.4 | 14.2 | 13.8 |
| Nonwhite | 46.1 | 45.2 | 45.8 | 45.7 | 44.9 | 43.2 | 42.3 | 41.3 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | 30.7 | 31.6 | 31.4 | 30.3 | 29.8 | 29.3 | 28.7 | 27.8 |
| Non-Hispanic | 20.6 | 20.0 | 19.8 | 19.8 | 19.5 | 18.9 | 18.7 | 18.2 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 25.5 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 22.9 |
| Race | | | | | | | | |
| White | 20.1 | 19.6 | 19.0 | 18.7 | 18.5 | 18.1 | 17.7 | 17.3 |
| Nonwhite | 40.6 | 40.4 | 40.3 | 40.3 | 40.5 | 39.8 | 38.8 | 37.8 |
| Ethnicity | | | | | | | | |
| Hispanic | 24.3 | 25.0 | 24.6 | 23.8 | 23.5 | 23.3 | 22.4 | 21.8 |
| Non-Hispanic | 25.7 | 25.1 | 24.7 | 24.7 | 24.6 | 24.0 | 23.6 | 23.2 |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 4a. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race/Hispanic ethnicity, 1973-1980.

| Measure and race/Hispanic ethnicity* | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 16.3 | 19.3 | 21.7 | 24.2 | 26.4 | 27.7 | 28.8 | 29.3 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 19.3 | 22.0 | 24.9 | 26.5 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 29.6 | 30.0 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 4b. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race/Hispanic ethnicity, 1981-1988.

| Measure and race/Hispanic ethnicity* | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 29.3 | 28.8 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 27.4 | 26.9 | 27.3 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.4 | 29.7 | 29.7 | 29.4 | 28.8 | 28.6 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Hispanic | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Black | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| Other | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 4c. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race/Hispanic ethnicity, 1989-1996.

| Measure and race/Hispanic ethnicity* | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | 851,700 | 781,910 | 717,430 | 686,780 | 635,040 | 602,900 | 575,030 |
| Hispanic | u | 194,820 | 208,460 | 235,030 | 230,390 | 229,510 | 221,810 | 229,640 |
| Black | 495,680 | 505,270 | 506,790 | 516,890 | 517,130 | 491,590 | 462,470 | 482,740 |
| Other | 51,310 | 64,620 | 67,690 | 68,510 | 70,150 | 75,580 | 79,780 | 80,560 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | 52.9 | 50.2 | 46.9 | 45.9 | 44.6 | 44.3 | 41.7 |
| Hispanic | u | 12.1 | 13.4 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 16.1 | 16.3 | 16.9 |
| Black | 31.6 | 31.4 | 32.6 | 33.8 | 34.6 | 34.5 | 34.0 | 35.5 |
| Other | 3.3 | 4.0 | 4.3 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 26.8 | 27.4 | 26.2 | 25.7 | 25.0 | 23.7 | 22.5 | 22.4 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | 19.7 | 18.2 | 16.8 | 16.1 | 14.9 | 14.2 | 13.6 |
| Hispanic | u | 34.8 | 35.8 | 38.8 | 36.4 | 34.7 | 34.4 | 34.5 |
| Black | 63.4 | 63.9 | 62.9 | 63.3 | 62.4 | 58.6 | 54.4 | 56.2 |
| Other | 21.0 | 25.1 | 25.1 | 24.4 | 23.9 | 24.9 | 25.3 | 24.6 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 27.5 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.9 |
| Non-Hispanic white | u | 24.2 | 23.0 | 22.0 | 21.6 | 20.5 | 19.9 | 19.3 |
| Hispanic | u | 24.1 | 24.7 | 26.6 | 25.9 | 25.4 | 24.4 | 24.5 |
| Black | 42.1 | 42.5 | 42.7 | 43.6 | 44.4 | 44.3 | 43.8 | 44.6 |
| Other | 22.1 | 25.8 | 26.4 | 26.4 | 26.6 | 27.8 | 28.6 | 28.0 |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 4d. Selected measures of abortion, by woman's race/Hispanic ethnicity, 1997-2004.

| Measure and race/Hispanic ethnicity* | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| Non-Hispanic white | 553,980 | 521,390 | 492,920 | 479,260 | 458,990 | 439,970 | 433,910 | 417,530 |
| Hispanic | 231,600 | 248,940 | 258,420 | 260,540 | 263,990 | 272,140 | 269,720 | 269,420 |
| Black | 479,360 | 475,720 | 484,780 | 488,040 | 475,700 | 467,580 | 458,320 | 453,040 |
| Other | 78,630 | 81,400 | 87,460 | 92,260 | 98,760 | 95,590 | 97,140 | 95,230 |
| % distribution of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| Non-Hispanic white | 41.5 | 39.5 | 37.5 | 36.5 | 35.6 | 34.7 | 34.7 | 34.2 |
| Hispanic | 17.3 | 18.9 | 19.7 | 19.8 | 20.4 | 21.4 | 21.6 | 22.0 |
| Black | 35.9 | 36.0 | 36.9 | 37.2 | 36.8 | 36.9 | 36.7 | 37.1 |
| Other | 5.9 | 6.2 | 6.6 | 7.0 | 7.7 | 7.5 | 7.8 | 7.8 |
| Total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Abortion rate† | 21.9 | 21.5 | 21.4 | 21.3 | 20.9 | 20.5 | 20.2 | 19.7 |
| Non-Hispanic white | 13.2 | 12.5 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 10.8 | 10.5 |
| Hispanic | 30.7 | 31.6 | 31.4 | 30.3 | 29.8 | 29.3 | 28.7 | 27.8 |
| Black | 55.1 | 54.2 | 54.8 | 54.8 | 53.1 | 51.8 | 50.6 | 49.7 |
| Other | 23.1 | 23.1 | 24.0 | 24.4 | 25.7 | 23.8 | 23.8 | 22.9 |
| Abortion ratio‡ | 25.5 | 25.1 | 24.6 | 24.5 | 24.4 | 23.8 | 23.3 | 22.9 |
| Non-Hispanic white | 18.8 | 17.8 | 17.0 | 16.8 | 16.5 | 15.9 | 15.7 | 15.4 |
| Hispanic | 24.3 | 25.0 | 24.6 | 23.8 | 23.5 | 23.3 | 22.4 | 21.8 |
| Black | 44.2 | 44.0 | 43.9 | 44.3 | 46.3 | 44.2 | 43.0 | 42.0 |
| Other | 27.2 | 27.4 | 27.5 | 27.4 | 25.2 | 26.6 | 26.6 | 25.7 |

*The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention did not collect information on Hispanic ethnicity until 1990, or on black and other races until 1985. †Abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44. ‡Abortions per 100 pregnancies ending in abortion or live birth; for each year, the ratio is based on births occurring during the 12-month period starting in July of that year (to match times of conception for pregnancies ending in births with those ending in abortions). Births and abortions are adjusted to age of woman at time of conception. Note: Some numbers may differ from previously published figures because they are based on updated population estimates. u=unavailable.

Table 5a. Number and percentage of abortions, by weeks of pregnancy gestation, United States 1973-1980.

| Measure and weeks of gestati | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| ≤ 12 | 636,460 | 790,810 | 922,090 | 1,064,940 | 1,198,520 | 1,283,850 | 1,365,040 | 1,406,000 |
| < 9 | 284,280 | 399,380 | 480,600 | 559,900 | 657,850 | 707,750 | 748,510 | 793,070 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 8 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 9-10 | 221,550 | 256,500 | 290,370 | 333,770 | 361,170 | 388,370 | 412,940 | 412,910 |
| 11-12 | 130,630 | 134,930 | 151,120 | 171,270 | 179,500 | 187,730 | 203,590 | 200,020 |
| ≥ 13 | 108,150 | 107,760 | 112,080 | 114,360 | 118,180 | 125,750 | 132,630 | 147,890 |
| 13-15 | 44,360 | 43,930 | 45,910 | 49,010 | 52,110 | 63,130 | 70,390 | 79,790 |
| 16-20 | 53,340 | 53,680 | 56,240 | 55,120 | 54,110 | 50,720 | 49,480 | 54,080 |
| ≥ 21 | 10,450 | 10,150 | 9,930 | 10,230 | 11,960 | 11,900 | 12,760 | 14,020 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 12 | 85.5 | 88.0 | 89.2 | 90.3 | 91.0 | 91.1 | 91.2 | 90.5 |
| < 9 | 38.2 | 44.5 | 46.5 | 47.4 | 50.0 | 50.2 | 50.0 | 51.0 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 8 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 9-10 | 29.7 | 28.5 | 28.1 | 28.3 | 27.4 | 27.6 | 27.6 | 26.6 |
| 11-12 | 17.5 | 15.0 | 14.6 | 14.5 | 13.6 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 12.9 |
| ≥ 13 | 14.5 | 12.0 | 10.8 | 9.7 | 9.0 | 8.9 | 8.8 | 9.5 |
| 13-15 | 6.0 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.0 | 4.5 | 4.7 | 5.1 |
| 16-20 | 7.2 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 4.7 | 4.1 | 3.6 | 3.3 | 3.5 |
| ≥ 21 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 |

* Weeks since onset of last menstrual period.

u = unknown.

Table 5b. Number and percentage of abortions, by weeks of pregnancy gestation, United States 1981-1988.

| Measure and weeks of gestati | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| ≤ 12 | 1,424,810 | 1,417,050 | 1,413,260 | 1,408,270 | 1,415,060 | 1,401,380 | 1,386,360 | 1,407,220 |
| < 9 | 802,770 | 798,010 | 784,760 | 774,510 | 778,910 | 778,940 | 763,570 | 774,580 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 8 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 9-10 | 419,970 | 415,580 | 420,330 | 421,610 | 425,330 | 415,990 | 415,430 | 422,440 |
| 11-12 | 202,070 | 203,460 | 208,170 | 212,150 | 210,820 | 206,450 | 207,360 | 210,200 |
| ≥ 13 | 152,530 | 156,870 | 161,740 | 168,910 | 173,490 | 172,620 | 172,750 | 183,530 |
| 13-15 | 83,050 | 82,580 | 90,420 | 97,340 | 100,020 | 99,510 | 98,720 | 102,890 |
| 16-20 | 54,370 | 58,850 | 57,960 | 60,150 | 61,730 | 61,640 | 61,340 | 65,970 |
| ≥ 21 | 15,110 | 15,440 | 13,360 | 11,420 | 11,740 | 11,470 | 12,690 | 14,670 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 12 | 90.3 | 90.0 | 89.7 | 89.3 | 89.1 | 89.0 | 88.9 | 88.5 |
| < 9 | 50.9 | 50.7 | 49.8 | 49.1 | 49.0 | 49.5 | 49.0 | 48.7 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 7 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 8 | u | u | u | u | u | u | u | u |
| 9-10 | 26.6 | 26.4 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 26.8 | 26.5 | 26.7 | 26.6 |
| 11-12 | 12.8 | 12.9 | 13.2 | 13.5 | 13.3 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.2 |
| ≥ 13 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 10.3 | 10.7 | 10.9 | 11.0 | 11.1 | 11.5 |
| 13-15 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.3 | 6.5 |
| 16-20 | 3.4 | 3.7 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.1 |
| ≥ 21 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.9 |

* Weeks since onset of last menstrual period.

u = unknown.

Table 5c. Number and percentage of abortions, by weeks of pregnancy gestation, United States 1989-1996.

| Measure and weeks of gestati | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| ≤ 12 | 1,390,000 | 1,435,430 | 1,392,600 | 1,358,380 | 1,323,850 | 1,252,010 | 1,194,110 | 1,196,360 |
| < 9 | 773,860 | 824,590 | 809,590 | 798,850 | 775,400 | 755,610 | 725,630 | 736,190 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | 218,896 | 217,242 | 220,139 | 210,611 | 220,189 |
| 7 | u | u | u | 239,665 | 238,682 | 231,527 | 230,386 | 234,229 |
| 8 | u | u | u | 340,289 | 319,476 | 303,944 | 284,634 | 281,772 |
| 9-10 | 411,800 | 415,860 | 397,100 | 377,570 | 368,830 | 336,640 | 316,240 | 307,930 |
| 11-12 | 204,340 | 194,980 | 185,910 | 181,960 | 179,620 | 159,760 | 152,240 | 152,240 |
| ≥ 13 | 176,870 | 173,190 | 163,910 | 170,550 | 171,150 | 170,990 | 165,330 | 163,800 |
| 13-15 | 102,880 | 102,740 | 94,460 | 94,060 | 96,310 | 93,630 | 89,740 | 87,440 |
| 16-20 | 60,750 | 57,770 | 55,300 | 60,040 | 58,290 | 60,480 | 57,630 | 57,750 |
| ≥ 21 | 13,240 | 12,680 | 14,150 | 16,450 | 16,550 | 16,880 | 17,960 | 18,610 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 12 | 88.7 | 89.2 | 89.5 | 88.8 | 88.6 | 88.0 | 87.8 | 88.0 |
| < 9 | 49.4 | 51.3 | 52.0 | 52.2 | 51.9 | 53.1 | 53.4 | 54.1 |
| < 7 | u | u | u | 14.3 | 14.5 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 16.2 |
| 7 | u | u | u | 15.7 | 16.0 | 16.3 | 16.9 | 17.2 |
| 8 | u | u | u | 22.3 | 21.4 | 21.4 | 20.9 | 20.7 |
| 9-10 | 26.3 | 25.8 | 25.5 | 24.7 | 24.7 | 23.7 | 23.3 | 22.6 |
| 11-12 | 13.0 | 12.1 | 11.9 | 11.9 | 12.0 | 11.2 | 11.2 | 11.2 |
| ≥ 13 | 11.3 | 10.8 | 10.5 | 11.2 | 11.4 | 12.0 | 12.2 | 12.0 |
| 13-15 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.4 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 |
| 16-20 | 3.9 | 3.6 | 3.6 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 4.3 |
| ≥ 21 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.4 |

* Weeks since onset of last menstrual period.

u = unknown.

Table 5d. Number and percentage of abortions, by weeks of pregnancy gestation, United States 1997-2004.

| Measure and weeks of gestati | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| ≤ 12 | 1,176,520 | 1,162,680 | 1,157,300 | 1,156,930 | 1,142,610 | 1,122,250 | 1,104,750 | 1,084,260 |
| < 9 | 736,930 | 735,220 | 741,670 | 749,240 | 756,250 | 757,670 | 752,410 | 749,720 |
| < 7 | 234,833 | 253,042 | 281,920 | 299,557 | 318,002 | 339,210 | 334,329 | 345,313 |
| 7 | 241,158 | 234,518 | 226,039 | 229,022 | 228,394 | 222,616 | 225,031 | 220,404 |
| 8 | 260,939 | 247,660 | 233,711 | 220,661 | 209,853 | 195,844 | 193,050 | 184,003 |
| 9-10 | 293,790 | 282,990 | 275,870 | 269,440 | 253,800 | 239,180 | 228,780 | 217,240 |
| 11-12 | 145,800 | 144,470 | 139,760 | 138,250 | 132,560 | 125,400 | 123,560 | 117,300 |
| ≥ 13 | 158,480 | 156,320 | 157,490 | 156,060 | 148,390 | 146,750 | 145,250 | 137,840 |
| 13-15 | 86,860 | 87,520 | 86,210 | 86,160 | 83,130 | 81,410 | 81,160 | 81,370 |
| 16-20 | 54,690 | 52,170 | 53,910 | 52,900 | 49,690 | 49,340 | 48,190 | 42,710 |
| ≥ 21 | 16,930 | 16,630 | 17,370 | 17,000 | 15,570 | 16,000 | 15,900 | 13,760 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| ≤ 12 | 88.1 | 88.1 | 88.0 | 88.1 | 88.5 | 88.4 | 88.4 | 88.7 |
| < 9 | 55.2 | 55.7 | 56.4 | 57.1 | 58.6 | 59.7 | 60.2 | 61.3 |
| < 7 | 17.6 | 19.2 | 21.4 | 22.8 | 24.6 | 26.7 | 26.7 | 28.3 |
| 7 | 18.1 | 17.8 | 17.2 | 17.4 | 17.7 | 17.5 | 18.0 | 18.0 |
| 8 | 19.5 | 18.8 | 17.8 | 16.8 | 16.3 | 15.4 | 15.4 | 15.1 |
| 9-10 | 22.0 | 21.5 | 21.0 | 20.5 | 19.7 | 18.8 | 18.3 | 17.8 |
| 11-12 | 10.9 | 10.9 | 10.6 | 10.5 | 10.3 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.6 |
| ≥ 13 | 11.9 | 11.9 | 12.0 | 11.9 | 11.5 | 11.6 | 11.6 | 11.3 |
| 13-15 | 6.5 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.5 | 6.7 |
| 16-20 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 4.0 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.8 | 3.5 |
| ≥ 21 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.1 |

* Weeks since onset of last menstrual period.

u = unknown.

Table 6a. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of previous live births, 1973-1980.

| Measure and previous live births | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| no births | 410,850 | 482,530 | 542,470 | 629,300 | 742,450 | 798,070 | 868,240 | 900,030 |
| 1 birth | 114,860 | 155,490 | 194,130 | 228,710 | 249,430 | 271,270 | 287,050 | 304,760 |
| ≥ 2 births | 218,900 | 260,550 | 297,570 | 321,290 | 324,820 | 340,260 | 342,380 | 349,100 |
| 2 births | 103,580 | 130,130 | 156,010 | 176,350 | 186,470 | 198,050 | 206,990 | 215,620 |
| 3 births | 60,520 | 70,260 | 77,530 | 81,390 | 79,980 | 83,290 | 82,070 | 82,870 |
| ≥ 4 births | 54,800 | 60,160 | 64,030 | 63,550 | 58,370 | 58,920 | 53,320 | 50,610 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no births | 55.2 | 53.7 | 52.4 | 53.4 | 56.4 | 56.6 | 58.0 | 57.9 |
| 1 birth | 15.4 | 17.3 | 18.8 | 19.4 | 18.9 | 19.2 | 19.2 | 19.6 |
| ≥ 2 births | 29.4 | 29.0 | 28.8 | 27.2 | 24.7 | 24.2 | 22.8 | 22.5 |
| 2 births | 13.9 | 14.5 | 15.1 | 14.9 | 14.2 | 14.1 | 13.8 | 13.9 |
| 3 births | 8.1 | 7.8 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 6.1 | 5.9 | 5.5 | 5.3 |
| ≥ 4 births | 7.4 | 6.7 | 6.2 | 5.4 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 3.5 | 3.3 |

Table 7a. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of prior induced abortions, United States 1973-1980.

| Measure and prior induced abortions | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976 | 1977 | 1978 | 1979 | 1980 |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 744,610 | 898,570 | 1,034,170 | 1,179,300 | 1,316,700 | 1,409,600 | 1,497,670 | 1,553,890 |
| no prior abortion | u | 762,060 | 822,080 | 911,320 | 972,530 | 996,460 | 1,025,340 | 1,042,960 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | u | 136,510 | 212,090 | 267,980 | 344,170 | 413,140 | 472,330 | 510,930 |
| 1 prior abortion | u | 112,550 | 170,440 | 213,240 | 271,530 | 316,880 | 351,830 | 372,480 |
| 2 prior abortions | u | 17,110 | 30,400 | 40,400 | 54,040 | 70,270 | 86,340 | 97,290 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | u | 6,850 | 11,250 | 14,340 | 18,600 | 25,990 | 34,160 | 41,160 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no prior abortion | u | 84.8 | 79.5 | 77.3 | 73.9 | 70.7 | 68.4 | 67.1 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | u | 15.2 | 20.5 | 22.7 | 26.1 | 29.3 | 31.6 | 32.9 |
| 1 prior abortion | u | 12.5 | 16.5 | 18.1 | 20.6 | 22.5 | 23.5 | 24.0 |
| 2 prior abortions | u | 1.9 | 2.9 | 3.4 | 4.1 | 5.0 | 5.8 | 6.3 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | u | 0.8 | 1.1 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 2.6 |

u = unavailable.

Table 6b. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of previous live births, 1981-1988.

| Measure and previous live births | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| no births | 911,880 | 902,780 | 890,000 | 876,910 | 871,870 | 854,270 | 820,920 | 814,190 |
| 1 birth | 312,200 | 321,000 | 329,460 | 339,140 | 349,370 | 351,900 | 359,730 | 378,890 |
| ≥ 2 births | 353,260 | 350,140 | 355,540 | 361,130 | 367,310 | 367,830 | 378,460 | 397,670 |
| 2 births | 219,880 | 222,760 | 227,600 | 233,830 | 239,540 | 240,010 | 247,540 | 262,160 |
| 3 births | 84,480 | 81,720 | 82,890 | 83,390 | 84,990 | 85,670 | 87,900 | 92,800 |
| ≥ 4 births | 48,900 | 45,660 | 45,050 | 43,910 | 42,780 | 42,150 | 43,020 | 42,710 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no births | 57.8 | 57.3 | 56.5 | 55.6 | 54.9 | 54.3 | 52.6 | 51.2 |
| 1 birth | 19.8 | 20.4 | 20.9 | 21.5 | 22.0 | 22.4 | 23.1 | 23.8 |
| ≥ 2 births | 22.4 | 22.3 | 22.6 | 22.9 | 23.1 | 23.3 | 24.3 | 25.0 |
| 2 births | 13.9 | 14.1 | 14.4 | 14.8 | 15.1 | 15.2 | 15.9 | 16.5 |
| 3 births | 5.4 | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.6 | 5.8 |
| ≥ 4 births | 3.1 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 2.8 | 2.7 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 2.7 |

Table 7b. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of prior induced abortions, United States 1981-1988.

| Measure and prior induced abortions | 1981 | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 | 1988 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,577,340 | 1,573,920 | 1,575,000 | 1,577,180 | 1,588,550 | 1,574,000 | 1,559,110 | 1,590,750 |
| no prior abortion | 1,022,890 | 994,470 | 964,170 | 947,680 | 944,440 | 921,750 | 900,630 | 907,520 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 554,450 | 579,450 | 610,830 | 629,500 | 644,110 | 652,250 | 658,480 | 683,230 |
| 1 prior abortion | 389,780 | 397,890 | 406,030 | 413,540 | 416,250 | 416,700 | 415,990 | 429,260 |
| 2 prior abortions | 112,670 | 122,480 | 138,350 | 143,840 | 149,130 | 152,870 | 155,820 | 162,960 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 52,000 | 59,080 | 66,450 | 72,120 | 78,730 | 82,680 | 86,670 | 91,010 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no prior abortion | 64.9 | 63.2 | 61.2 | 60.1 | 59.5 | 58.6 | 57.8 | 57.1 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 35.1 | 36.8 | 38.8 | 39.9 | 40.5 | 41.4 | 42.2 | 42.9 |
| 1 prior abortion | 24.7 | 25.3 | 25.8 | 26.2 | 26.2 | 26.5 | 26.7 | 27.0 |
| 2 prior abortions | 7.1 | 7.8 | 8.8 | 9.1 | 9.4 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 10.2 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 3.3 | 3.7 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 4.9 | 5.2 | 5.5 | 5.7 |

Table 6c. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of previous live births, 1989-1996.

| Measure and previous live births | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| no births | 791,210 | 780,080 | 723,670 | 690,850 | 683,530 | 650,280 | 611,830 | 596,980 |
| 1 birth | 375,670 | 396,480 | 397,590 | 395,520 | 389,340 | 369,730 | 358,050 | 367,840 |
| ≥ 2 births | 399,990 | 432,060 | 435,250 | 442,560 | 422,130 | 402,990 | 389,560 | 395,340 |
| 2 births | 261,340 | 279,840 | 280,560 | 280,740 | 270,420 | 256,100 | 247,190 | 249,370 |
| 3 births | 93,820 | 102,050 | 105,020 | 105,190 | 101,610 | 97,700 | 94,460 | 95,740 |
| ≥ 4 births | 44,830 | 50,170 | 49,670 | 56,630 | 50,100 | 49,190 | 47,910 | 50,230 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no births | 50.5 | 48.5 | 46.5 | 45.2 | 45.7 | 45.7 | 45.0 | 43.9 |
| 1 birth | 24.0 | 24.7 | 25.5 | 25.9 | 26.0 | 26.0 | 26.3 | 27.1 |
| ≥ 2 births | 25.5 | 26.9 | 28.0 | 28.9 | 28.3 | 28.3 | 28.7 | 29.0 |
| 2 births | 16.7 | 17.4 | 18.0 | 18.3 | 18.1 | 18.0 | 18.2 | 18.3 |
| 3 births | 6.0 | 6.3 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 7.0 |
| ≥ 4 births | 2.8 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.7 | 3.4 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 3.7 |

Table 7c. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of prior induced abortions, United States 1989-1996.

| Measure and prior induced abortions | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,566,870 | 1,608,620 | 1,556,510 | 1,528,930 | 1,495,000 | 1,423,000 | 1,359,440 | 1,360,160 |
| no prior abortion | 878,830 | 890,900 | 839,920 | 809,860 | 788,430 | 747,430 | 719,210 | 712,370 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 688,040 | 717,720 | 716,590 | 719,070 | 706,570 | 675,570 | 640,230 | 647,790 |
| 1 prior abortion | 428,990 | 443,110 | 437,490 | 431,310 | 424,120 | 401,530 | 381,500 | 380,740 |
| 2 prior abortions | 167,480 | 174,730 | 177,550 | 181,790 | 178,980 | 171,770 | 162,020 | 165,490 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 91,570 | 99,880 | 101,550 | 105,970 | 103,470 | 102,270 | 96,710 | 101,560 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no prior abortion | 56.1 | 55.4 | 54.0 | 53.0 | 52.7 | 52.5 | 52.9 | 52.4 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 43.9 | 44.6 | 46.0 | 47.0 | 47.3 | 47.5 | 47.1 | 47.6 |
| 1 prior abortion | 27.4 | 27.5 | 28.1 | 28.2 | 28.4 | 28.2 | 28.1 | 28.0 |
| 2 prior abortions | 10.7 | 10.9 | 11.4 | 11.9 | 12.0 | 12.1 | 11.9 | 12.2 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 5.8 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 6.9 | 6.9 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 7.5 |

Table 6d. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of previous live births, 1997-2003.

| Measure and previous live births | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| no births | 564,990 | 541,240 | 533,080 | 532,590 | 516,340 | 506,420 | 502,140 | 494,280 |
| 1 birth | 369,350 | 369,880 | 367,760 | 361,150 | 357,000 | 351,800 | 344,270 | 336,050 |
| ≥ 2 births | 400,660 | 407,880 | 413,950 | 419,250 | 417,660 | 410,780 | 403,590 | 391,770 |
| 2 births | 252,650 | 256,700 | 258,550 | 259,630 | 258,320 | 250,250 | 245,350 | 237,490 |
| 3 births | 97,270 | 99,320 | 101,530 | 103,520 | 103,960 | 105,370 | 103,430 | 100,160 |
| ≥ 4 births | 50,740 | 51,860 | 53,870 | 56,100 | 55,380 | 55,160 | 54,810 | 54,120 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no births | 42.3 | 41.0 | 40.5 | 40.5 | 40.0 | 39.9 | 40.2 | 40.5 |
| 1 birth | 27.7 | 28.1 | 28.0 | 27.5 | 27.6 | 27.7 | 27.5 | 27.5 |
| ≥ 2 births | 30.0 | 30.9 | 31.5 | 32.0 | 32.4 | 32.4 | 32.3 | 32.0 |
| 2 births | 18.9 | 19.5 | 19.7 | 19.8 | 20.0 | 19.7 | 19.6 | 19.4 |
| 3 births | 7.3 | 7.5 | 7.7 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.3 | 8.3 | 8.2 |
| ≥ 4 births | 3.8 | 3.9 | 4.1 | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.4 |

Table 7d. Number and percentage of abortions, by woman's number of prior induced abortions, United States 1997-2004.

| Measure and prior induced abortions | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Number of abortions | 1,335,000 | 1,319,000 | 1,314,790 | 1,312,990 | 1,291,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,222,100 |
| no prior abortion | 684,050 | 680,080 | 681,720 | 698,650 | 693,980 | 680,910 | 672,690 | 651,980 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 650,950 | 638,920 | 633,070 | 614,340 | 603,500 | 599,210 | 577,310 | 570,120 |
| 1 prior abortion | 378,290 | 369,370 | 365,020 | 355,410 | 345,610 | 336,920 | 333,170 | 327,410 |
| 2 prior abortions | 166,590 | 163,740 | 163,050 | 157,550 | 152,300 | 152,080 | 147,260 | 145,820 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 106,070 | 105,810 | 105,000 | 101,380 | 99,110 | 99,090 | 96,880 | 96,890 |
| % of abortions | | | | | | | | |
| no prior abortion | 51.2 | 51.6 | 51.9 | 53.2 | 53.7 | 53.7 | 53.8 | 53.4 |
| ≥ 1 prior abortions | 48.8 | 48.4 | 48.1 | 46.8 | 46.3 | 46.3 | 46.2 | 46.6 |
| 1 prior abortion | 28.3 | 28.0 | 27.8 | 27.1 | 26.8 | 26.5 | 26.6 | 26.8 |
| 2 prior abortions | 12.5 | 12.4 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 11.8 | 12.0 | 11.8 | 11.9 |
| ≥ 3 prior abortions | 7.9 | 8.0 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 7.7 | 7.8 | 7.8 | 7.9 |

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