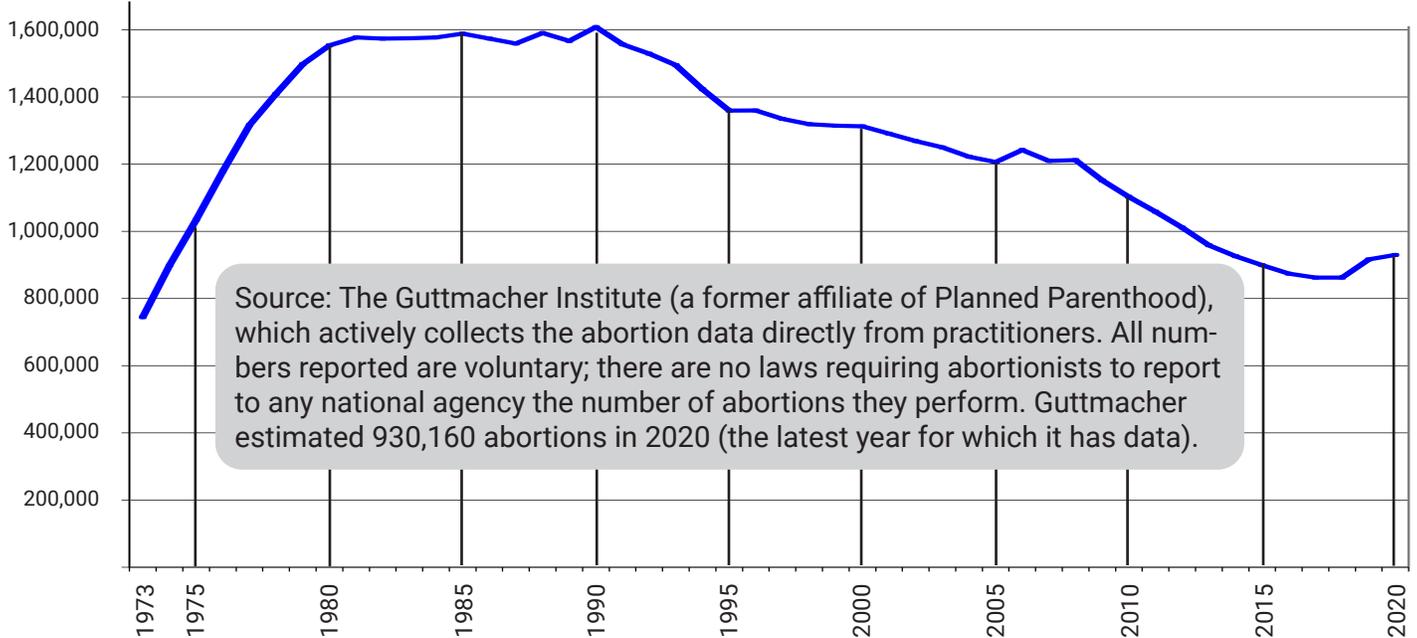


# UNITED STATES ABORTION STATISTICS

Reported abortions in the U.S., by year

1973–2022: 64,443,118 abortions\*

\*Estimate from National Right to Life, based on CDC and Guttmacher data



## Americans' views concerning abortion:

**79%** of Americans **oppose unlimited abortion.**

Source: NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist, 2023

**55%** of Americans think abortion should be **generally illegal in the second trimester** of pregnancy;  
**71%** think abortion should be generally illegal in the third trimester.

Source: Gallup, 2022

**60%** of Americans **oppose using tax dollars** to pay for abortion.

**91%** of Americans **support pro-life pregnancy resource centers.**

Source: Knights of Columbus/Marist, 2023

**68%** of Minnesotans think abortion should be permitted with limitations or should not be permitted;  
 only **30%** think abortion should always be legally permitted.

Source: Star Tribune/MPR News/  
 KARE 11 Minnesota, 2022

## Why do women have abortions?

**56%** say it is not the right time for a baby, or a baby would interfere with future opportunities.

**40%** say they are not financially prepared to have a child.

**31%** say they do not want to be a single parent, or have relationship problems with husband or partner.

**Less than 2%** say they became pregnant as a result of rape or incest.

Source: "Understanding Why Women Seek Abortions in the U.S.," *BMC Women's Health*, 2013



**The clock is ticking . . .**

**One baby is aborted every 34 seconds**

**106 babies are aborted every hour**

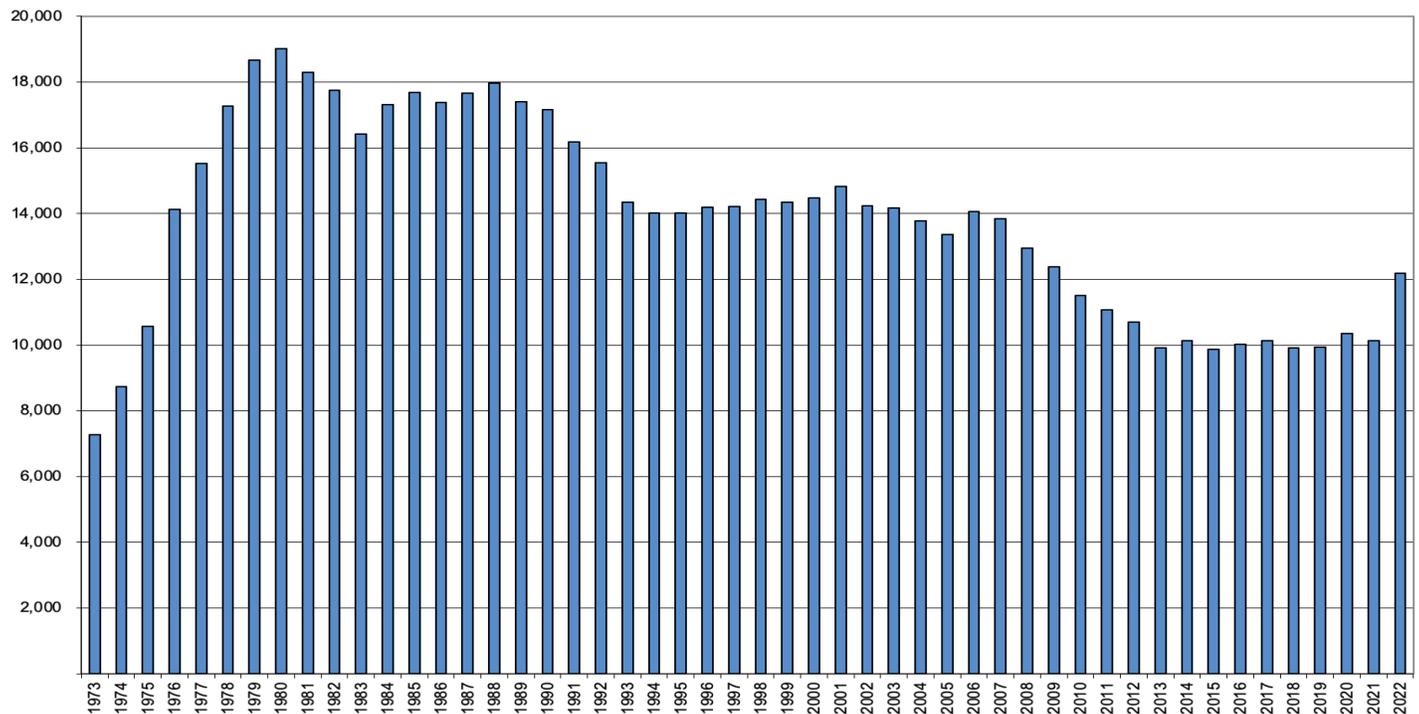
**2,548 babies are aborted every day**

Source: "Reasons U.S. Women Have Abortions: Quantitative and Qualitative Perspectives," *Perspectives on Sexual & Reproductive Health*, 2005

# MINNESOTA ABORTION STATISTICS

Reported abortions in Minnesota, by year

1973–2022: 691,473 abortions



## Quick facts about abortions performed in Minnesota in 2022:

**12,175** abortions were performed—an average of about 33 each day.

**41%** of the abortions were paid for with **taxpayer funds**.

**58%** of the abortions were performed by Planned Parenthood.

**294** of the abortions took place at **20 weeks gestation or later**;  
the latest abortion took place at 32 weeks.

**61%** of the abortions were **chemical (drug-induced) abortions**.

**3%** of the abortions were performed on women under age 18.

**55%** of the abortions were performed on women ages 20 to 29.

## Abortion as birth control:

**38%** of the women reported that they had **at least one previous abortion**.

**894** of the women reported that they had three or more previous abortions.

## Abortion complications:

**104** complications were reported at the time of the abortion,  
including **cervical laceration and hemorrhage**.

**39** complications have been reported after leaving the abortion facility,  
including infection, incomplete abortion, failed abortion, and hemorrhage.

## Reasons given for abortion:

**12%** of the women reported “Economic reasons.”

**60%** of the women reported “Does not want children at this time.”

**Less than 1%** of the women reported rape, incest, or risk of impairment of a major bodily function.

