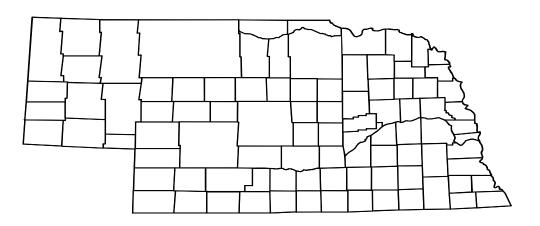
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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2013 Summary

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2013. These data are in compliance with specifications set forth in Nebraska Statute §28-343 through §28-345, §28-3,107 and §71-6909.

A total of 2,177 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for 2013, a decrease of 5.3% when compared to the 2012 total of 2,299. The following chart shows the number of abortions performed; the percentage of abortions in different age groups; the mean and modal age of the patient; and the number of abortions per 1,000 live births since 1993.

Chart I:

		19 and Under	20-29	30 and Over	Mean	Modal	
Year	<u>Total</u>	Percent	Percent	Percent	Age	Age	Ratio*
1993	5,486	22.4	55.6	22.0	24.6	20	234.6
1994	5,324	22.1	55.0	22.8	24.7	22	229.2
1995	4,838	22.2	55.0	22.9	24.8	23	205.4
1996	5,214	22.3	54.5	23.2	24.9	19,22	222.0
1997	5,129	21.6	55.6	22.9	24.8	21	217.0
1998	5,140	22.6	54.4	23.0	25.0	22	214.9
1999	4,565	22.5	54.9	22.6	25.0	19	188.6
2000	4,178	21.3	54.2	24.5	25.1	21	167.4
2001	3,982	20.8	55.3	23.9	25.1	21	158.6
2002	3,775	18.8	56.2	24.9	25.3	21	148.0
2003	3,990	18.0	57.3	24.7	25.4	22	153.0
2004	3,584	17.6	56.7	25.8	25.6	21,22	135.5
2005	3,173	17.3	57.1	25.6	25.6	23	120.4
2006	2,927	15.7	58.3	26.0	25.7	22	108.9
2007	2,481	16.2	57.9	25.9	25.6	21	91.5
2008	2,813	15.9	58.2	26.0	25.8	22	103.9
2009	2,551	16.3	57.2	26.5	25.7	21	93.8
2010	2,464	14.6	59.3	26.1	25.8	21	93.9
2011	2,372	15.5	58.0	26.5	25.8	22	90.9
2012	2,299	12.4	58.7	28.8	26.4	23	87.5
2013	2,177	12.2	59.8	28.0	26.2	24	82.4

*Abortions per 1,000 live births. The 2013 ratio is provisional.

Mean Age = Average Age

Modal Age = The age of the patient at which abortions occurred most frequently.

Table 1: Number of Abortions by Month
Nebraska, 2013

Number by Month

January	220	July	176
February	215	August	194
March	209	September	137
April	206	October	190
May	168	November	154
June	141	December	167

TOTAL	2,177
Average per Month:	181

Table 2: Number of Abortions by State of ResidenceNebraska, 2013

State of Residence

Arkansas 1	Missouri 6
Florida 1	Nebraska 1,992
Georgia 1	Nevada 2
Iowa 129	Oklahoma 2
Kansas 18	South Dakota 24
Minnesota 1	

Table 3: Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of PatientNebraska, 2013

Age of Patient	Number	Percent
< 15	10	0.5
15-19	256	11.8
20-24	733	33.7
25-29	568	26.1
30-34	369	16.9
35-39	177	8.1
40-44	61	2.8
> 44	3	0.1
TOTAL	2,177	100.0

Mean Age: 26.2

Median Age: 25.7

Modal Age: 24

Table 4: Number and Percent of Total Abortions by ReasonNebraska, 2013

Reason for Abortion	Number	Percent of Total Abortions
Contraceptive Failure	352	16.2
Fetal Anomaly	19	0.9
Incest	0	-
Maternal Life Endangered	16	0.7
Maternal Physical Health	44	2.0
Mental Health	14	0.6
No Contraception Used	1,187	54.5
Sexual Assault	10	0.5
Socio-Economic	719	33.0
Patient Declined to Answer	15	0.7
TOTAL	2,376**	

** This figure does not equal the total number of abortions due to the indication of multiple reasons on some reports.

Table 5: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Procedure that Terminated PregnancyNebraska, 2013

Method	Number	Percent
Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)	100	4.6
Dilation & Excision (D&X)	0	-
Medication induced	914	42.0
Sharp – Curettage	1	0.0
Suction – Curettage	1,162	53.4
Other	0	-
Not classifiable/Left blank	0	-
TOTAL	2,177	100.0

Table 6: Number and Percent of Previous AbortionsNebraska, 2013

Previous Abortions	Number	Percent
0	1,458	67.0
1	470	21.6
2	167	7.7
3	63	2.9
4	9	0.4
> 4	10	0.5
TOTAL	2,177	100.0

Table 7: Number of Abortions by Number of PhysiciansNebraska, 2013

Number of Abortions	Number of Physicians	Abortions Performed
< 25	3	13
25-1,000	3	951
> 1,000	1	1,213
TOTAL	7	2,177

				Number of	of Live Birt	hs		
Age	<u>Total</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	2	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>> 5</u>
TOTAL	2,177	865	548	413	219	90	28	14
12	0							
13	3	3						
14	7	7						
15	18	18						
16	27	27						
17	27	24	3					
18	68	54	10	2	2 2			
19	116	89	21	4	2			
20	118	67	38	12		1		
21	148	85	45	16	2			
22	156	85	40	25	5	1		
23	146	74	29	29	12	2		
24	165	66	46	35	12	6		
25	136	55	39	23	14	5		
26	125	43	37	23	14	7	1	
27	103	30	38	20	11	3	1	
28	97	31	29	17	10	6	4	
29	107	30	23	27	16	7	4	
30	80	14	23	26	11	4	2	
31	72	10	19	24	9	6	2	2
32	82	12	23	21	17	6	3	
33	80	8	20	24	20	5	2	1
34	55	7	15	11	9	7	2	4
35	33	6	7	11	4	2	1	2
36	43	5	5	15	11	5	2	
37	46	2	16	12	9	6	1	
38	31	5	4	9	7	4	1	1
39	24	4	6	6	5	1		2
40	19	2	3	4	5	3	1	1
41	12		3	5	3			1
42	19	1	2 3	7	7	2		
43	8	1	3	2	2			
44	3			1		1	1	
45	2			2				
46	1		1					
47	0							
48	0							
49	0							

Table 8: Previous Parity* by Age of PatientNebraska, 2013

* Number of live births previous to this abortion.

				1	Number of	f Pregnanc	cies		
<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>> 7</u>
TOTAL	2,177	634	442	379	297	194	125	54	52
12	0								
13	3	3							
14	7	7							
15	18	18							
16	27	27							
17	27	23	4						
18	68	45	16	5	2				
19	116	73	28	8	5	2			
20	118	57	38	14	7	1			1
21	148	70	40	31	5	1	1		
22	156	62	39	26	19	7	3	2	
23	146	52	37	25	15	9	5	2	1
24	165	47	39	26	26	9	13	3	2
25	136	36	31	27	19	11	9	2	1
26 27	125	19	33	29 20	14	14	12	3	1
27	103	21	22	20	17	11	5	4	3
28 20	97 107	15	19 16	17 25	16 22	12	6 15	6	6
29 30	107 80	17 9	16 13	25 19	22 20	10 8	15 8	1 3	1
30 31	80 72	9 7	9	19 14	20 17	° 12	o 4	3 4	5
31	82	4	18	14	17	12	4 2	4	3
32	82 80	4 5	10	16	18	19	2 7	3	4
33 34	55	4	5	13	5	9	9	6	4
35	33	4	3	5	5 7	6	3	2	3
36	43	1	4	2 7	14	8	4	3	2
37	46	2	5	10	9	8	8	1	3
38	31	2	2	8	5	6	5	1	2
39	24	2	4	6	1	4	2	3	2
40	19	2	1	3	4	2		2	5
41	12		1	4	4		1		5 2
42	19		2	3	9	4	1		
43	8		3		1	3	1		
44	3						1	1	1
45	2			2					
46	1					1			
47	0								
48	0								
49									

Table 9: Gravidity* by Age of PatientNebraska, 2013

* Total pregnancies, including this abortion and all previous live births, still births, and abortions.

Table 10: Number and Percent of Abortionsby County of OccurrenceNebraska, 2013

County of Occurrence	Number	Percent
Douglas	694	31.9
Lancaster	696	32.0
Sarpy	787	36.2

Table 11: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Length of FetusNebraska, 2013

Length of Fetus (Millimeters)	Number	Percent
Under 10	275	12.6
10-19	242	11.1
20-29	192	8.8
30-39	111	5.1
40-49	53	2.4
50-59	54	2.5
60 and Over	78	3.6
Not Measurable	1,172	53.8

Table 12: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Weight of FetusNebraska, 2013

Weight of Fetus (Grams)	Number	Percent
Under 100	674	31.0
100-199	95	4.4
200-299	23	1.1
300 and Over	4	0.2
Not Measurable	1,381	63.4

Table 13: Number and Percent of Abortions by Complication(s) of Procedure(s) Nebraska, 2013

<u>Complication</u>	Number	Percent
No Complications	2,177	100.0
Cervical Laceration	0	-
Hemorrhage (more than 500cc)	0	-
Infection	0	-
Perforation	0	-
Retained Products	0	-
Other	0	-
Not Reported	0	-

Table 14: Number and Percent of Abortions Emergency Situation-caused Waiver of Informed Consent Law Nebraska, 2013

Emergency Situation?	Number	Percent
No	2,174	99.9
Yes	3	0.1

Table 15: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Marital Status of PatientNebraska, 2013

<u>Marital</u>	Number	Percent
Divorced	148	6.8
Never Married	1,593	73.2
Now Married	281	12.9
Separated	57	2.6
Widowed	3	0.1
Not Reported	95	4.4

Table 16: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Race of PatientNebraska, 2013

Race	Number**	Percent
White	1,520	69.8
Black/African American	335	15.4
Native American	30	1.4
Asian	90	4.1
Other	177	8.1
Not Reported	39	1.8

Table 17: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Ancestry of PatientNebraska, 2013

Ancestry	Number**	Percent
Hispanic	251	11.5
African American	171	7.9
English	151	6.9
French	62	2.8
German	178	8.2
Irish	17	0.8
Italian	24	1.1
Other non-Hispanic	99	4.5
Not Reported	1,232	56.6

** This figure does not equal the total number of abortions due to the indication of multiple races/ancestries provided on some reports.

Table 18: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Patients Educational Level CompletedNebraska, 2013

Educational Level Completed	Number	Percent
None	9	0.4
Middle School	27	1.2
High School	1,021	46.9
Some College	722	33.2
College Degree	375	17.2
Not Reported	23	1.1

Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortionsby Clinical Estimate of Gestation (in weeks)Nebraska, 2013

Estimated Gestation	Number	Percent
Under 3	31	1.4
3	99	4.5
4	224	10.3
5	301	13.8
6	393	18.1
7	285	13.1
8	214	9.8
9	156	7.2
10	121	5.6
11	84	3.9
12	95	4.4
13	59	2.7
14	33	1.5
15	31	1.4
16	30	1.4
17	4	0.2
18	10	0.5
19	6	0.3
Not Reported	1	0.0

Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortionsby County* of ResidenceNebraska, 2013

County of Residence	Number	Percent
Adams	24	1.1
Buffalo	34	1.6
Cass	13	0.6
Clay	6	0.3
Colfax	10	0.5
Dawson	16	0.7
Dodge	15	0.7
Douglas	912	41.9
Franklin	5	0.2
Gage	16	0.7
Hall	68	3.1
Hamilton	6	0.3
Howard	5	0.2
Lancaster	465	21.4
Lincoln	19	0.9
Madison	26	1.2
Mills (Iowa)	5	0.2
Minnehaha (South Dakota)	8	0.4
Nemaha	6	0.3
Otoe	6	0.3
Page	5	0.2
Platte	17	0.8
Pottawattamie (Iowa)	77	3.5
Richardson	8	0.4
Saline	10	0.5
Sarpy	186	8.5
Saunders	14	0.6
Seward	5	0.2
Washington	13	0.6
Woodbury (Iowa)	6	0.3
York	7	0.3
Other	163	7.5
Not Reported	1	0.0

* Counties of residence listed with at least 5 abortions. Counties listed are Nebraska counties unless otherwise specified.

Table 21: Was a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age Made? Nebraska, 2013

Determination Made?	Number	Percent
No Yes	0 2,177	- 100.0

Table 22a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was made, what was the Probable Age (in number of weeks)? Nebraska, 2013

Probable Age	Number	Percent
Under 3	33	1.5
3	273	12.5
4	516	23.7
5	388	17.8
6	269	12.4
7	170	7.8
8	125	5.7
9	77	3.5
10	102	4.7
11	81	3.7
12	41	1.9
13	32	1.5
14	29	1.3
15	10	0.5
16	10	0.5
17	4	0.2
18	10	0.5
19	6	0.3
Not Reported	1	0.0

Table 22b: What Method was used to make the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age? Nebraska, 2013

Method	Number	Percent
Abdominal Ultrasound	17	0.8
Ultrasound	1829	84.0
Vaginal Ultrasound	331	15.2
-	10	

Table 22c: What was the Basis for the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age? Nebraska, 2013

Basis	Number	Percent
Abdominal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	17	0.8
Crown-Rump Length	1	0.0
Last Menstrual Period	1	0.0
Subtract 2 weeks from Ultrasound Results	797	36.6
Subtracted 2 weeks from Gestational Age	57	2.6
Ultrasound	1,059	48.6
Vaginal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	245	11.3

Table 23a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was notmade, was there a Determination that a Medical Emergency Existed?Nebraska, 2013

Medical Emergency Existed	Number	Percent
No	0	-
Yes	0	-
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 23b: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was not made and there was a Determination that a Medical Emergency Existed, what was the Basis for that Determination? Nebraska, 2013

Basis	Number	Percent
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 24a: If the Probable Postfertilizaton Age was Determined to be Twenty or more Weeks, was there a Determination that the Pregnant Woman had a Condition which so Complicated her Medical Condition as to Necessitate the Abortion of her Pregnancy to Avert her Death or to Avert Serious Risk of Substantial and Irreversible Physical Impairment of a Major Bodily Function? Nebraska, 2013

20 or more weeks Condition	Number	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 24b: If the Probable Postfertilizaton Age was Determined to be
Twenty or more Weeks and there was a Determination that the
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Death or to Avert Serious Risk of Substantial and Irreversible Physical
Impairment of a Major Bodily Function, what was the Basis of that
Determination?

Nebraska, 2013

Basis	Number	Percent
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 25a: If the Probable Postfertilizaton Age was determined to betwenty or more Weeks, was there a Determination that the Abortionwas Necessary to Preserve the Life of an Unborn Child?Nebraska, 2013

20 or more weeks Necessary to Preserve Life	Number	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 25b: If the Probable Postfertilizaton Age was determined to be twenty or more Weeks and there was a Determination that the Abortion was Necessary to Preserve the Life of an Unborn Child, what was the Basis of that Determination? Nebraska, 2013

Basis	Number	Percent
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 26: If any Abortion was performed when the Probable Postfertilizaton Age was determined to be twenty or more Weeks, was the Method of Abortion used one that, in Reasonable Medical Judgement, Provided the Best Opportunity for an Unborn Child to Survive?

Nebraska, 2013

20 or more weeks Best Opportunity to Survive	Number	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 27a: If such a Method was not used, was there a determination that Termination of the Pregnancy in that manner would pose a Greater Risk either of the Death of the Pregnant Woman or of the Substantial and Irreversible Physical Impairment of a Major Bodily Function of the Woman than would other Available Methods? Nebraska, 2013

<u>Greater Risk</u>	Number	Percent
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 27b: If such a Method was not used and there was a determination that Termination of the Pregnancy in that manner would pose a Greater Risk either of the Death of the Pregnant Woman or of the Substantial and Irreversible Physical Impairment of a Major Bodily Function of the Woman than would other Available Methods, what was the Basis of that Determination? Nebraska, 2013

<u>Basis</u>	Number	Percent
Not Applicable	2,177	100.0

Table 28: Monthly Consent Report Summary*

Consent Obtained	Number	Percent
No Yes	0 82	- 100.0
Were Exceptions Made	Number	Percent
No Yes	82 0	100.0

*Required if under 18 years of age



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