Nebraska
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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2011

Summary

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2011. These data are in compliance with specifications set forth in Nebraska Statute §28-343 through §28-346.

A total of 2,372 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for 2011, a decrease of 3.7% when compared to the 2010 total of 2,464. 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 1990.

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*Abortions per 1,000 live births. The 2011 ratio is provisional.
Mean Age = Average Age
Modal Age = The age of the patient at which abortions occurred most frequently.
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Nebraska, 2011

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Mean Age: 25.8  Median Age: 25.2  Modal Age: 22

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** This figure does not equal the total number of abortions due to the indication of multiple reasons on some reports.
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Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortions by Length of Gestation* (in weeks)
Nebraska, 2011

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Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortions by County of Residence*
Nebraska, 2011

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