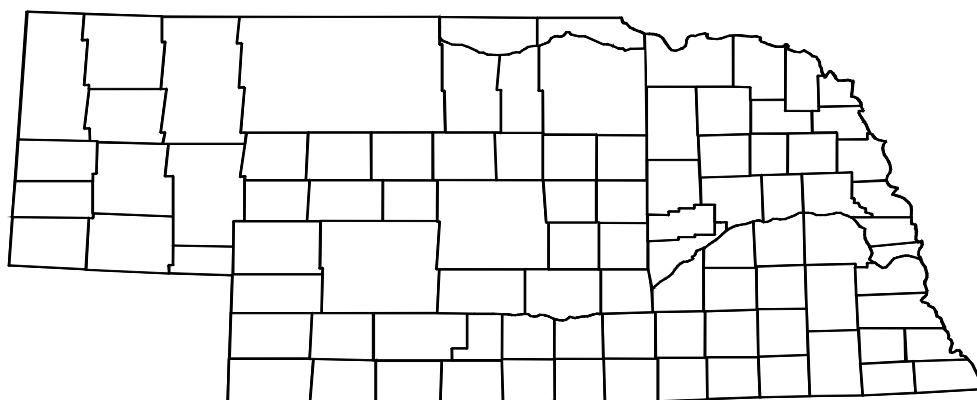


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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2016

Summary

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2016. 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 1,907 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for 2016, a decrease of 4.8% when compared to the 2015 total of 2,004. 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 2000.

Chart I:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>19 and Under</u> <u>Percent</u>	<u>20-29</u> <u>Percent</u>	<u>30 and Over</u> <u>Percent</u>	<u>Mean</u> <u>Age</u>	<u>Modal</u> <u>Age</u>	<u>Ratio*</u>
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
2014	2,270	10.2	59.1	30.7	26.8	22	83.7
2015	2,004	10.0	57.6	32.4	27.0	25	73.9
2016	1,907	9.1	58.9	32.0	27.1	25	70.4

*Abortions per 1,000 live births.

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, 2016**

Number by Month

January	169	July	146
February	186	August	173
March	183	September	92
April	182	October	200
May	172	November	131
June	166	December	107
		TOTAL	1,907
		Average per Month:	159

**Table 2: Number of Abortions by State of Residence
Nebraska, 2016**

State of Residence

California	1	Nevada	1
Florida	2	New York	1
Iowa	166	South Dakota	18
Kansas	12	Tennessee	1
Minnesota	1	Texas	1
Missouri	11	Washington	1
Nebraska	1,691		

**Table 3: Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Age of Patient</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
< 15	4	0.2
15-19	169	8.9
20-24	557	29.2
25-29	566	29.7
30-34	336	17.6
35-39	207	10.9
40-44	61	3.2
> 44	7	0.4
TOTAL	1,907	100.0

Mean Age: 27.1 Median Age: 26.7 Modal Age: 25

**Table 4: Number and Percent of Total Abortions by Reason
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Reason for Abortion</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent of Total Abortions</u>
Contraceptive Failure	310	16.3
Fetal Anomaly	22	1.2
Incest	1	0.1
Maternal Life Endangered	15	0.8
Maternal Physical Health	46	2.4
Mental Health	17	0.9
No Contraception Used	886	46.5
Sexual Assault	14	0.7
Socio-Economic	130	6.8
Patient Declined to Answer	531	27.8
TOTAL	1,972**	

** 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 Abortions
by Procedure that Terminated Pregnancy
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)	80	4.2
Dilation & Extraction (D&X)	10	0.5
Medication Induced	956	50.1
Sharp – Curettage	1	0.1
Suction – Curettage	858	45.0
Other	1	0.1
Not classifiable/Left blank	1	0.1
TOTAL	1,907	100.0

**Table 6: Number and Percent of Previous Abortions
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Previous Abortions</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
0	1,249	65.5
1	442	23.2
2	133	7.0
3	54	2.8
4	22	1.2
> 4	7	0.4
TOTAL	1,907	100.0

**Table 7: Number of Abortions by Number of Physicians
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Number of Abortions</u>	<u>Number of Physicians</u>	<u>Abortions Performed</u>
< 25	4	19
25-1,000	4	1,888
> 1,000	0	0
TOTAL	8	1,907

**Table 8: Previous Parity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Number of Live Births</u>						
		<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>≥ 5</u>
TOTAL	1,907	731	454	387	190	104	24	17
14	4	4						
15	14	14						
16	13	12	1					
17	28	28						
18	51	45	6					
19	63	56	7					
20	78	53	18	6		1		
21	113	70	33	10				
22	123	79	26	13	5			
23	131	63	44	19	4	1		
24	112	45	35	22	8	1		1
25	132	50	42	27	12	1		
26	125	55	24	29	14	3		
27	98	23	30	24	11	7	1	2
28	115	34	23	27	19	10	2	
29	96	18	23	29	15	10	1	
30	82	17	22	24	10	3	6	
31	76	11	14	27	13	6	5	
32	57	9	16	14	9	8	1	
33	42	7	10	9	8	6	2	
34	79	8	17	28	9	8	2	7
35	51	5	9	18	9	9	1	
36	50	6	12	11	14	6	1	
37	45	6	14	10	6	6		3
38	31	4	7	6	7	6	1	
39	30	4	8	6	4	7		1
40	20	3	4	5	5	2		1
41	11	1	3	6		1		
42	12	1	1	6	3			1
43	9		4	3	1	1		
44	9		1	6	2			
45	4			1	2			1
46	1						1	
47	1			1				
48	0							
49	1					1		

* Number of live births previous to this abortion.

**Table 9: Gravidity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Number of Pregnancies</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	1,907	543	370	338	250	178	109	64	55
14	4	4							
15	14	14							
16	13	12	1						
17	28	28							
18	51	42	5	4					
19	63	52	7	4					
20	78	44	22	11		1			
21	113	59	32	17	4		1		
22	123	54	37	19	9	3	1		
23	131	50	36	21	16	6		2	
24	112	36	31	17	15	10	2		1
25	132	37	25	32	26	10	1	1	
26	125	30	29	30	12	13	7	2	2
27	98	15	16	21	18	11	9	3	5
28	115	19	22	19	21	15	7	11	1
29	96	11	11	29	9	17	13	4	2
30	82	12	12	14	19	8	7	6	4
31	76	5	9	19	9	13	11	6	4
32	57	4	11	13	9	8	5	4	3
33	42	3	7	8	7	8	3	3	3
34	79	3	12	18	16	8	7	5	10
35	51	3	4	6	12	13	8	2	3
36	50	2	9	7	11	10	7	3	1
37	45	1	13	6	8	5	7	3	2
38	31	1	7	3	6	4	4	3	3
39	30		4	6	5	7	5		3
40	20	2	2	5	5	3	1	1	1
41	11		1	3	4	1			2
42	12		2	2	4		1	1	2
43	9		2	3	2			1	1
44	9		1	1	1	3	1	1	1
45	4				2	1			1
46	1							1	
47	1							1	
48	0								
49	1						1		

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

**Table 10: Number and Percent of Abortions
by County of Occurrence
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>County of Occurrence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Douglas	647	33.9
Lancaster	382	20.0
Sarpy	878	46.0

**Table 11: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Length of Fetus
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Length of Fetus (Millimeters)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 10	193	10.1
10-19	243	12.7
20-29	188	9.9
30-39	83	4.4
40-49	61	3.2
50-59	60	3.1
60 and Over	75	3.9
Not Measurable	1,004	52.6

**Table 12: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Weight of Fetus
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Weight of Fetus (Grams)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 100	511	26.8
100-199	78	4.1
200-299	25	1.3
300-399	3	0.2
400 and Over	2	0.1
Not Measurable	1,288	67.5

**Table 13: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Complication(s) of Procedure(s)
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Complication</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No Complications	1,905	99.9
Cervical Laceration	0	-
Hemorrhage (more than 500cc)	1	0.1
Infection	0	-
Perforation	0	-
Retained Products	0	-
Other	1	0.1
Not Reported	0	-

**Table 14: Number and Percent of Abortions
Emergency Situation-caused Waiver of Informed Consent Law
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Emergency Situation?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	1,907	100.0
Yes	0	-

**Table 15: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Marital Status of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Marital</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Divorced	91	4.8
Never Married	1,447	75.9
Now Married	293	15.4
Separated	38	2.0
Widowed	4	0.2
Not Reported	34	1.8

**Table 16: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Race of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Race</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	1,193	62.6
Black/African American	348	18.2
Native American	24	1.3
Asian	86	4.5
Other	146	7.7
Not Reported	115	6.0

**Table 17: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Ancestry of Patient
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Ancestry</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Hispanic	260	13.6
African American	46	2.4
English	20	1.0
French	13	0.7
German	62	3.3
Irish	32	1.7
Italian	13	0.7
Other non-Hispanic	38	2.0
Not Reported	1,454	76.2

** 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 Abortions
by Patients Educational Level Completed
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Educational Level Completed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
None	4	0.2
Elementary	3	0.2
Middle School	30	1.6
High School	891	46.7
Some College	641	33.7
College Degree	238	12.5
Not Reported	100	5.2

**Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Clinical Estimate of Gestation (in weeks)
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Estimated Gestation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	8	0.4
3	109	5.7
4	247	13.0
5	182	9.5
6	274	14.4
7	212	11.1
8	214	11.2
9	148	7.8
10	117	6.1
11	120	6.3
12	100	5.2
13	50	2.6
14	32	1.7
15	29	1.5
16	26	1.4
17	20	1.0
18	7	0.4
19	6	0.3
20	2	0.1
21	2	0.1
Not Reported	2	0.1

**Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortions
by County* of Residence
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>County of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adams	14	0.7
Buffalo	32	1.7
Cass	15	0.8
Colfax	7	0.4
Custer	7	0.4
Dawson	12	0.6
Dodge	15	0.8
Douglas	823	43.2
Fremont (Iowa)	8	0.4
Gage	7	0.7
Hall	61	3.2
Harrison (Iowa)	7	0.4
Lancaster	357	18.7
Lincoln	8	0.4
Madison	19	1.0
Mills (Iowa)	5	0.3
Minnehaha (South Dakota)	12	0.6
Otoe	10	0.5
Platte	23	1.2
Plymouth	6	0.3
Pottawattamie (Iowa)	68	3.6
Richardson	8	0.4
Saline	8	0.4
Sarpy	161	8.4
Saunders	9	0.5
Seward	6	0.3
Washington	9	0.5
Woodbury (Iowa)	34	1.8
York	6	0.3
Other	150	7.9
Not Reported	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, 2016**

<u>Determination Made?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	1,907	100.0

**Table 22a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was made, what was the Probable Age (in number of weeks)?
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Probable Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	7	0.4
3	137	7.2
4	381	20.0
5	322	16.9
6	323	16.9
7	170	8.9
8	121	6.3
9	120	6.3
10	105	5.5
11	65	3.4
12	44	2.3
13	30	1.6
14	21	1.1
15	28	1.5
16	11	0.6
17	3	0.2
18	10	0.5
19	8	0.4
Not Reported	1	0.1

**Table 22b: What Method was used to make the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound	878	46.3
Ultrasound	1,017	53.6
Last Menstrual Period	1	0.1
Unknown	11	0.6

**Table 22c: What was the Basis for the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	838	44.2
Crown-Rump Length	0	-
Last Menstrual Period	2	0.1
Subtract 2 weeks from Ultrasound Results	886	46.7
Subtracted 2 weeks from Gestational Age	67	3.5
Ultrasound	4	0.2
Vaginal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	99	5.2
Unknown	11	0.6

**Table 23a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was not made, was there a Determination that a Medical Emergency Existed?
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Medical Emergency Existed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	0	-
Not Applicable	1,907	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, 2016**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

**Table 24a: If the Probable Postfertilization 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, 2016**

<u>20 or more weeks Condition</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

**Table 24b: If the Probable Postfertilization Age was Determined to be Twenty or more Weeks and there was 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, what was the Basis of that Determination?
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

Table 25a: If the Probable Postfertilization Age was determined to be twenty or more Weeks, was there a Determination that the Abortion was Necessary to Preserve the Life of an Unborn Child? Nebraska, 2016

20 or more weeks <u>Necessary to Preserve Life</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

Table 25b: If the Probable Postfertilization 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, 2016

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

Table 26: If any Abortion was performed when the Probable Postfertilization 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, 2016

20 or more weeks <u>Best Opportunity to Survive</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	1,907	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, 2016**

<u>Greater Risk</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	1,907	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, 2016**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	1,907	100.0

**Table 28: Monthly Consent Report Summary*
Nebraska, 2016**

<u>Consent Obtained</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	4	6.5
Yes	58	93.5

<u>Were Exceptions Made</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	58	93.5
Yes	4	6.5

*Required if under 18 years of age

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