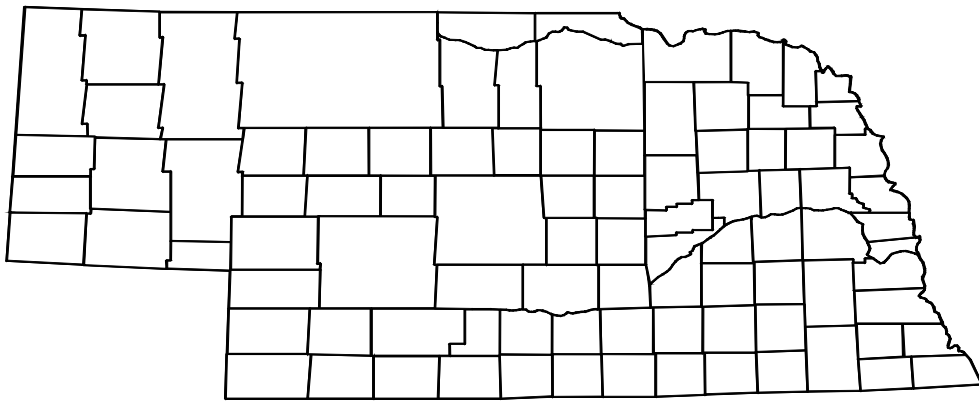


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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2019

Summary

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2019. 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 2,068 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for 2019, a decrease of 0.5% when compared to the 2018 total of 2,078. 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
2017	1,958	9.5	58.6	31.9	26.9	22	74.7
2018	2,078	11.0	58.2	30.8	26.7	21	80.2
2019	2,068	9.4	56.0	34.6	27.3	24	82.2

*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, 2019**

Number by Month

January	183	July	172
February	165	August	180
March	195	September	161
April	177	October	177
May	176	November	151
June	168	December	163
		TOTAL	2,068
		Average per Month:	172

**Table 2: Number of Abortions by State of Residence
Nebraska, 2019**

State of Residence

Alabama	1	Minnesota	1
Alaska	1	Mississippi	1
Arkansas	1	Missouri	5
California	2	Nebraska	1,801
Florida	2	Ohio	1
Iowa	203	South Dakota	33
Kansas	13	Texas	3

**Table 3: Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Age of Patient</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<15	7	0.3
15-19	187	9.0
20-24	625	30.2
25-29	534	25.8
30-34	400	19.3
35-39	234	11.3
40-44	76	3.7
>44	5	0.2
TOTAL	2,068	100.0

Mean Age: 26.7 Median Age: 26 Modal Age: 24

**Table 4: Number and Percent of Total Abortions by Reason
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Reason for Abortion</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent of Total Abortions</u>
Contraceptive Failure	344	16.6
Fetal Anomaly	15	0.7
Incest	1	0.0
Maternal Life Endangered	22	1.1
Maternal Physical Health	60	2.9
Mental Health	84	4.1
No Contraception Used	889	43.0
Sexual Assault	7	0.3
Socio-Economic	118	5.7
Patient Declined to Answer	653	31.6
TOTAL	2,193**	

** 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, 2019**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)	6	0.3
Dilation & Extraction (D&X)	54	2.6
Medication Induced	1,259	60.9
Sharp – Curettage	1	0.0
Suction – Curettage	747	36.1
Other	1	0.0
Not classifiable/Unknown	0	-
TOTAL	2,068	100.0

**Table 6: Number and Percent of Previous Abortions
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Previous Abortions</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
0	1,429	69.1
1	430	20.8
2	142	6.9
3	43	2.1
4	16	0.8
>4	8	0.4
Not classifiable/Unknown	0	-
TOTAL	2,068	100.0

**Table 7: Number of Abortions by Number of Physicians
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Number of Abortions</u>	<u>Number of Physicians</u>	<u>Abortions Performed</u>
<25	4	27
25-1,000	1	700
>1,000	1	1,341
TOTAL	6	2,068

**Table 8: Previous Parity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Number of Live Births</u>							<u>Unknown</u>
		<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>≥5</u>	
TOTAL	2,068	819	445	429	216	106	33	19	1
12	1	1							
14	6	6							
15	10	10							
16	15	15							
17	34	33	1						
18	37	32	4	1					
19	91	73	14	4					
20	110	76	26	8					
21	108	70	29	8	1				
22	131	81	35	12	3				
23	133	74	30	22	5	2			
24	143	64	41	26	8	3	1		
25	114	48	30	28	5	3			
26	103	41	20	32	4	5	1		
27	103	39	21	30	7	4	2		
28	129	37	37	28	18	6	2	1	
29	85	21	20	22	13	7	2		
30	92	18	24	19	14	11	4	2	
31	83	13	13	23	18	10	5	1	
32	81	12	10	36	14	6	2	1	
33	69	8	16	20	13	8	2	2	
34	75	12	13	22	20	6	1	1	
35	54	6	17	13	11	4	1	2	
36	47	7	9	12	10	5	3	1	
37	53	9	3	13	13	6	2	6	1
38	47	5	6	10	16	8	2		
39	33	1	7	11	7	3	3	1	
40	26	3	6	8	6	3			
41	19	1	5	5	4	4			
42	20	3	5	8	3	1			
43	6		1	1	3	1			
44	5		1	3				1	
45	3		1	2					
46	1			1					
47	1			1					

* Number of live births previous to this abortion.

**Table 9: Gravity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

Age	Total	Number of Pregnancies								
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>>7</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
TOTAL	2,068	632	356	367	288	195	101	62	66	1
12	1	1								
14	6	6								
15	10	10								
16	15	15								
17	34	33	1							
18	37	27	8	1	1					
19	91	66	16	7	2					
20	110	64	29	12	5					
21	108	61	33	9	5					
22	131	69	29	20	9	3		1		
23	133	55	33	25	15	1	2	2		
24	143	49	31	25	20	11	3	4		
25	114	30	25	28	10	12	6	1	2	
26	103	29	18	25	15	10	6			
27	103	27	14	20	19	13	4	3	3	
28	129	22	28	32	18	16	7	6		
29	85	12	13	18	21	10	6	3	2	
30	92	12	13	17	13	12	6	12	7	
31	83	6	7	19	21	7	10	4	9	
32	81	6	7	19	21	15	8		5	
33	69	3	10	12	17	11	10		6	
34	75	2	14	17	15	12	6	3	6	
35	54	5	5	13	12	9	2	3	5	
36	47	5	5	7	9	10	4	2	5	
37	53	6	1	9	10	9	3	4	10	1
38	47	4	5	5	10	12	7	4		
39	33		3	7	5	8	4	3	3	
40	26	3	3	7	4	5	3	1		
41	19	1	1	6	1	3	2	4	1	
42	20	3	2	4	6	2	1	2		
43	6		1		2	1	1		1	
44	5		1	1		2			1	
45	3			1	2					
46	1			1						
47	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, 2019**

<u>County of Occurrence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Douglas	830	40.1
Lancaster	538	26.0
Sarpy	700	33.8

**Table 11: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Length of Fetus
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Length of Fetus (Millimeters)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 10	456	22.1
10-19	344	16.6
20-29	235	11.4
30-39	105	5.1
40-49	36	1.7
50-59	38	1.8
60 and Over	66	3.2
Not Measurable	788	38.1

**Table 12: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Weight of Fetus
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Weight of Fetus (Grams)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 100	419	20.3
100-199	80	3.9
200-299	8	0.4
300-399	0	-
400 and Over	3	0.1
Not Measurable	1,558	75.3

**Table 13: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Complication(s) of Procedure(s)
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Complication</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No Complications	2,066	99.9
Cervical Laceration	0	-
Hemorrhage (more than 500cc)	1	0.0
Infection	0	-
Perforation	1	0.0
Retained Products	0	-
Other	0	-
Not Reported	0	-

**Table 14: Number and Percent of Abortions
Emergency Situation-caused Waiver of Informed Consent Law
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Emergency Situation?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	2,067	100.0
Yes	1	0.0

**Table 15: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Marital Status of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Marital</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Divorced	87	4.2
Never Married	1,602	77.5
Now Married	306	14.8
Separated	40	1.9
Widowed	3	0.1
Not Reported	30	1.4

**Table 16: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Race of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Race</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	1,338	64.7
Black/African American	402	19.4
Native American	34	1.6
Asian	98	4.7
Other	146	7.1
Not Reported	86	4.2

**Table 17: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Ancestry of Patient
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Ancestry</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Hispanic	164	7.9
African American	16	0.8
German	20	1.0
Italian	10	0.5
Other non-Hispanic	99	4.8
Not Reported	1,772	85.7

** 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 Patient's Educational Level Completed
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Educational Level Completed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
None or Some Elementary	3	0.1
Elementary	36	1.7
Middle School	168	8.1
High School	760	36.8
Some College	691	33.4
College Degree	322	15.6
Not Reported	88	4.3

**Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Clinical Estimate of Gestation (in weeks)
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Estimated Gestation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	30	1.5
3	72	3.5
4	176	8.5
5	331	16.0
6	367	17.7
7	274	13.2
8	227	11.0
9	182	8.8
10	98	4.7
11	67	3.2
12	62	3.0
13	57	2.8
14	34	1.6
15	28	1.4
16	34	1.6
17	12	0.6
18	7	0.3
19	8	0.4
20	1	0.0
Not Reported	1	0.0

**Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortions
by County* of Residence
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>County of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adams	22	1.1
Buffalo	28	1.4
Cass	17	0.8
Colfax	10	0.5
Dakota	16	0.8
Dawson	13	0.6
Dodge	22	1.1
Douglas	877	42.4
Gage	9	0.4
Hall	65	3.1
Harrison (Iowa)	9	0.4
Lancaster	387	18.7
Lincoln	5	0.2
Madison	21	1.1
Minnehaha (South Dakota)	13	0.6
Nemaha	10	0.5
Otoe	14	0.7
Platte	24	1.2
Plymouth (Iowa)	7	0.3
Polk (Iowa)	6	0.3
Pottawattamie (Iowa)	62	3.0
Richardson	5	0.2
Saline	6	0.3
Sarpy	152	7.4
Saunders	13	0.6
Seward	6	0.3
Shelby (Iowa)	5	0.2
Thurston	9	0.4
Washington	7	0.3
Wayne	5	0.2
Woodbury (Iowa)	80	3.9
York	5	0.2
Other	138	6.7
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, 2019**

<u>Determination Made?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	2,068	100.0

**Table 22a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was made, what was the Probable Age (in number of weeks)?
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Probable Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	44	2.1
3	289	14.0
4	450	21.8
5	337	16.3
6	275	13.3
7	216	10.4
8	105	5.1
9	77	3.7
10	73	3.5
11	61	2.9
12	33	1.6
13	26	1.3
14	37	1.8
15	12	0.6
16	7	0.3
17	11	0.5
18	7	0.3
19	7	0.3
Not Reported	1	0.0

**Table 22b: What Method was used to make the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound	701	33.9
Ultrasound	1,351	65.3
Unknown	16	0.8

**Table 22c: What was the Basis for the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	699	33.8
Ultrasound	1	0.0
Last Menstrual Period	1	0.0
Subtract 2 weeks from Ultrasound Results	1,351	65.3
Subtracted 2 weeks from Gestational Age	0	-
Unknown	16	0.8

**Table 23a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was not made, was there a Determination that a Medical Emergency Existed?
Nebraska, 2019**

<u>Medical Emergency Existed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	0	-
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>20 or more weeks Condition</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>20 or more weeks Necessary to Preserve Life</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>20 or more weeks Best Opportunity to Survive</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>Greater Risk</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,068	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, 2019**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,068	100.0

**Table 28: Monthly Consent Report Summary*
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<u>Consent Obtained</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	9	12.2
Yes	65	87.8

<u>Were Exceptions Made</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	60	93.8
Yes	4	6.3

*Required if under 18 years of age

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