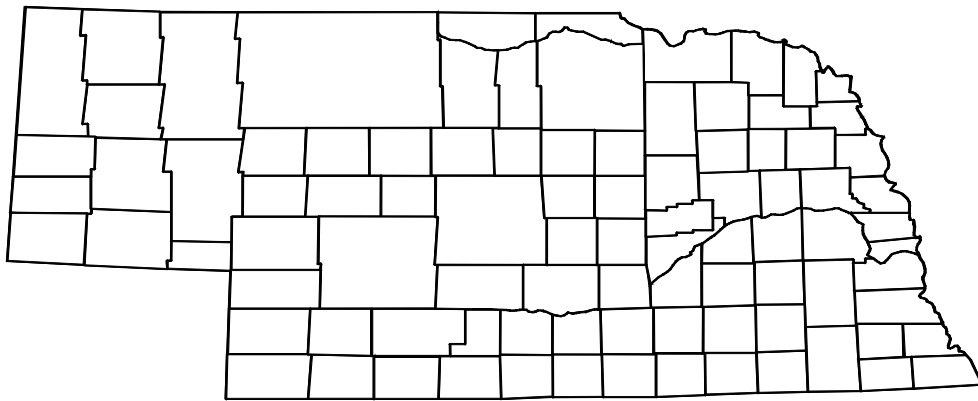


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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2020

Summary

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2020. 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 2,378 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services for 2020, an increase of 15.0% when compared to the 2019 total of 2,068. 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
2020	2,378	10.7	58.1	31.2	26.8	22	96.5

*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, 2020**

Number by Month

January	185	July	197
February	186	August	208
March	218	September	185
April	220	October	187
May	209	November	170
June	208	December	205
		TOTAL	2,378
		Average per Month:	198

**Table 2: Number of Abortions by State of Residence
Nebraska, 2020**

State of Residence

Colorado	1	Missouri	13
Florida	1	Nebraska	2,004
Georgia	1	New York	1
Illinois	1	Oklahoma	1
Indiana	1	Oregon	1
Iowa	200	South Dakota	132
Kansas	14	Texas	3
Minnesota	3	Washington	1

**Table 3: Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Age of Patient</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<15	9	0.4
15-19	245	10.3
20-24	711	29.9
25-29	671	28.2
30-34	423	17.8
35-39	217	9.1
40-44	96	4.0
>44	6	0.3
TOTAL	2,378	100.0

Mean Age: 26.8 Median Age: 26 Modal Age: 22

**Table 4: Number and Percent of Total Abortions by Reason
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Reason for Abortion</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent of Total Abortions</u>
Contraceptive Failure	471	19.8
Fetal Anomaly	24	1.0
Incest	1	0.0
Maternal Life Endangered	20	0.8
Maternal Physical Health	89	3.7
Mental Health	134	5.6
No Contraception Used	823	34.6
Sexual Assault	14	0.6
Socio-Economic	152	6.4
Patient Declined to Answer	835	35.1
TOTAL	2,563**	

** 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, 2020**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)	0	-
Dilation & Extraction (D&X)	69	2.9
Medication Induced	1,683	70.8
Sharp – Curettage	0	-
Suction – Curettage	625	26.3
Other	1	0.0
Not classifiable/Unknown	0	-
TOTAL	2,378	100.0

**Table 6: Number and Percent of Previous Abortions
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Previous Abortions</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
0	1,424	59.9
1	562	23.6
2	229	9.6
3	88	3.7
4	40	1.7
>4	35	1.5
Not classifiable/Unknown	0	-
TOTAL	2,378	100.0

**Table 7: Number of Abortions by Number of Physicians
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Number of Abortions</u>	<u>Number of Physicians</u>	<u>Abortions Performed</u>
<25	2	4
25-1,000	1	706
>1,000	1	1,668
TOTAL	4	2,378

**Table 8: Previous Parity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<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	2,378	904	529	491	263	117	43	29	2
13	1	1							
14	8	7	1						
15	16	14	2						
16	18	17	1						
17	30	29	1						
18	86	79	7						
19	95	71	16	6	2				
20	128	93	27	6	2				
21	148	90	46	9	3				
22	163	87	36	29	10	1			
23	144	82	38	23					1
24	128	48	32	42	6				
25	140	46	37	42	8	7			
26	146	43	45	31	13	11	3		
27	137	44	32	35	16	5	5		
28	136	32	34	39	21	7	2	1	
29	112	22	28	20	24	14	2	2	
30	108	26	26	26	18	4	3	5	
31	90	14	18	19	21	13	3	2	
32	82	14	20	14	17	11	2	3	1
33	82	10	20	23	19	7	2	1	
34	61	7	9	23	13	3	4	2	
35	52	7	7	19	12	4	1	2	
36	50	5	9	15	10	5	5	1	
37	54	3	12	17	12	4	5	1	
38	32	3	1	18	8	1		1	
39	29	1	4	9	6	5	2	2	
40	33	2	4	8	6	8	2	3	
41	28	4	6	5	8	2	1	2	
42	13	1	3	4	3	2			
43	15		6	4	4	1			
44	7		1	3	1	1	1		
45	2			1		1			
46	2			1				1	
47	1	1							
48	1	1							

* Number of live births previous to this abortion.

**Table 9: Gravidity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Age</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Number of Pregnancies</u>								<u>Unknown</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	2,378	691	471	400	326	214	115	70	89	2
13	1	1								
14	8	7	1							
15	16	14	2							
16	18	17	1							
17	30	26	4							
18	86	73	13							
19	95	61	22	6	6					
20	128	83	28	14	2	1				
21	148	71	50	17	7	3				
22	163	67	41	25	21	5	4			
23	144	60	37	26	10	9		1		1
24	128	37	25	26	25	8	6	1		
25	140	34	30	36	25	9	2		4	
26	146	28	42	23	16	21	6	5	5	
27	137	23	36	27	21	10	11	6	3	
28	136	17	24	29	29	16	15	1	5	
29	112	11	16	24	24	19	4	6	8	
30	108	16	28	20	23	5	6	8	2	
31	90	12	8	20	10	13	11	4	12	
32	82	7	11	16	14	13	10	6	4	1
33	82	8	11	20	12	16	7	5	3	
34	61	5	6	10	13	9	9	5	4	
35	52	3	4	16	11	8	4	2	4	
36	50	5	5	7	12	8	2	4	7	
37	54	3	7	8	9	9	6	4	8	
38	32	1	1	6	8	10	2	1	3	
39	29	1	1	7	7	3	2	3	5	
40	33		3	4	6	6	5	4	5	
41	28		7	4	5	6	1	2	3	
42	13		2	4	2	3	1		1	
43	15		4	3	5	1		1	1	
44	7				3	2	1		1	
45	2			1		1				
46	2			1				1		
47	1		1							
48	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, 2020**

<u>County of Occurrence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Douglas	1,027	43.2
Lancaster	645	27.1
Sarpy	706	29.7

**Table 11: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Length of Fetus
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Length of Fetus (Millimeters)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 10	709	29.8
10-19	397	16.7
20-29	258	10.8
30-39	134	5.6
40-49	60	2.5
50-59	39	1.6
60 and Over	53	2.2
Not Measurable	728	30.6

**Table 12: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Weight of Fetus
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Weight of Fetus (Grams)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 100	395	16.6
100-199	85	3.6
200-299	10	0.4
300-399	1	0.0
400 and Over	2	0.1
Not Measurable	1,885	79.3

**Table 13: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Complication(s) of Procedure(s)
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Complication</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No Complications	2,377	100.0
Cervical Laceration	1	0.0
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, 2020**

<u>Emergency Situation?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	2,370	99.7
Yes	8	0.3

**Table 15: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Marital Status of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Marital</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Divorced	78	3.3
Never Married	1,926	81.0
Now Married	267	11.2
Separated	48	2.0
Widowed	6	0.3
Not Reported	53	2.2

**Table 16: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Race of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Race</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	1,488	62.6
Black/African American	410	17.2
Native American	58	2.4
Asian	96	4.0
Other	96	4.0
Not Reported	266	11.2

**Table 17: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Ancestry of Patient
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Ancestry</u>	<u>Number**</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Hispanic	340	14.3
non-Hispanic	18	0.8
Not Reported	2,037	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, 2020**

<u>Educational Level Completed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
None or Some Elementary	1	0.0
Elementary	5	0.2
Middle School	201	8.5
High School	977	41.1
Some College	750	31.5
College Degree	311	13.1
Not Reported	133	5.6

**Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Clinical Estimate of Gestation (in weeks)
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Estimated Gestation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	0	-
3	2	0.1
4	41	1.7
5	321	13.5
6	599	25.2
7	403	16.9
8	299	12.6
9	212	8.9
10	119	5.0
11	82	3.4
12	70	2.9
13	59	2.5
14	43	1.8
15	43	1.8
16	30	1.3
17	13	0.5
18	13	0.5
19	4	0.2
20	13	0.5
21	12	0.5

**Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortions
by County* of Residence
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>County of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Adams	21	0.9
Buffalo	29	1.2
Cass	7	0.3
Colfax	10	0.4
Crawford (Iowa)	6	0.3
Dakota	12	0.5
Dawson	25	1.1
Dodge	23	1.0
Douglas	981	41.3
Fremont (Iowa)	5	0.2
Gage	15	0.6
Hall	79	3.3
Harrison (Iowa)	6	0.3
Lancaster	427	18.0
Lincoln	14	0.6
Lincoln (South Dakota)	16	0.7
Madison	32	1.3
Mills (Iowa)	7	0.3
Minnehaha (South Dakota)	74	3.1
Otoe	10	0.4
Platte	22	0.9
Polk (Iowa)	7	0.3
Pottawattamie (Iowa)	49	2.1
Saline	14	0.6
Sarpy	161	6.8
Saunders	13	0.5
Seward	6	0.3
Sioux (Iowa)	11	0.5
Thayer	6	0.3
Thurston	7	0.3
Todd (South Dakota)	5	0.2
Washington	8	0.3
Wayne	6	0.3
Woodbury (Iowa)	69	2.9
York	6	0.3
Other	189	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, 2020**

<u>Determination Made?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	2,378	100.0

**Table 22a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was made, what was the Probable Age (in number of weeks)?
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Probable Age</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 3	36	1.5
3	321	13.5
4	597	25.1
5	400	16.8
6	297	12.5
7	219	9.2
8	120	5.0
9	84	3.5
10	68	2.9
11	60	2.5
12	46	1.9
13	42	1.8
14	32	1.3
15	13	0.5
16	14	0.6
17	4	0.2
18	13	0.5
19	12	0.5
Not Reported	0	-

**Table 22b: What Method was used to make the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound	707	29.7
Ultrasound	1,671	70.3
Unknown	0	-

**Table 22c: What was the Basis for the Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age?
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Abdominal Ultrasound minus 2 weeks	706	29.7
Ultrasound	1	0.0
Last Menstrual Period	0	-
Subtract 2 weeks from Ultrasound Results	1,670	70.2
Subtracted 2 weeks from Gestational Age	1	0.0
Unknown	0	-

**Table 23a: If a Determination of Probable Postfertilization Age was not made, was there a Determination that a Medical Emergency Existed?
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Medical Emergency Existed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	0	-
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>20 or more weeks Condition</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

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	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

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	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>Greater Risk</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	0.0
No	0	0.0
Not Applicable	2,378	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, 2020**

<u>Basis</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Applicable	2,378	100.0

**Table 28: Monthly Consent Report Summary*
Nebraska, 2020**

<u>Consent Obtained</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	0	-
Yes	74	100.0

<u>Were Exceptions Made</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No	59	90.8
Yes	6	9.2

*Required if under 18 years of age

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