

Abortion Numbers

Updated December 2017 using 2016 data provided by the Tennessee Department of Health Division of Policy, Planning and Assessment - Health Statistics. Full report of 2016 reported selected induced termination of pregnancy (ITOP) data can be found on their website at <http://health.tn.gov/statistics/ITOP.htm>.

Incidence of abortion

In Tennessee...

11,235 abortions took place in 2016.

This figure includes 1,503 to residents of other states representing **13%** of all abortions performed in TN.

The total number is a **1.54% decrease** from 11,411 abortions in 2015.

Among TN residents...

there were **9,732 reported abortions** in 2016,

a **6.79% increase** from 9,113 resident abortions in 2015. Since 1973 **633,861** Tennessee babies have died from abortion.

National Numbers

Currently, there are about

926,190

abortions in America each year.

From 1973-2016

59,115,995

babies died from abortion.

1:8 Ratio of abortions to live births among TN residents

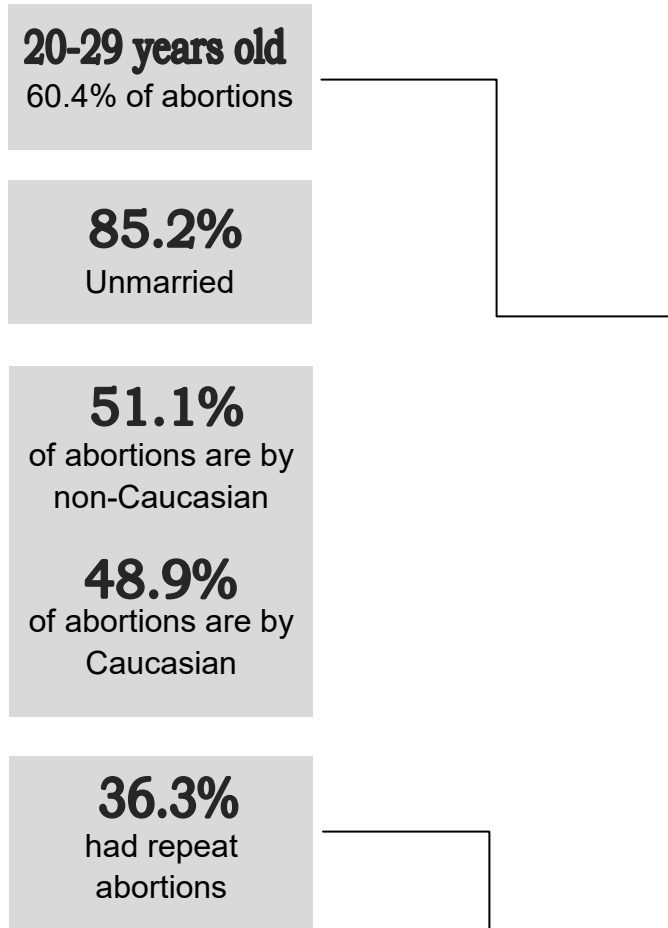
12% of resident pregnancies ended in abortion in 2016.

Who has abortions?

Tennessee counties with highest percentage of reported abortions in 2016.

County / Area	Percentage of total TN abortions
Shelby (Memphis)	31.3% / 2,999 total
Davidson (Nashville)	20.2% / 1,927 total
Mid-Cumberland Area	15.8% / 1,510 total
Knox (Knoxville)	7.5% / 716 total

Among Tennessee residents having abortions in 2016...

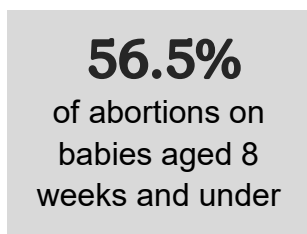


Abortions by age of mother	
Age Group	Percentage of total TN abortions, 2016.
14 and under	0.2%
15-17	2.6%
18-19	6.6%
20-24	30.8%
25-29	29.6%
30-34	17.6%
35-39	9.9%
40-44	2.7%

Repeat abortions	
Number of previous abortions	Percentage of total TN abortions, 2016.
NONE	62.6%
1	23.8%
2	8.1%
3	2.8%
4+	1.6%
Unknown	1.1%

When are abortions performed?

The method of abortion used depends in part upon the age of the child. The percentage of total abortions performed at various weeks of gestation is provided at right.



Abortions by week of gestation	
Weeks of gestation	Percentage of total TN abortions, 2016.
Under 7	22%
7-8	34.5%
9-10	19.6%
11-12	11.5%
13-14	8.1%
15-16	2.1%
17-20	1.0%
Unknown	1.2%