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Executive Summary

Pennsylvania has been monitoring and reporting on abortion data since 1975.

In 2016, there were 30,881 abortions performed in Pennsylvania. Nearly half, (15,124) of all abortions performed in Pennsylvania were to white women, and 12,984 were to black or African-American women. Abortions to women of Hispanic origin accounted for 2,937, or 9.6 percent, of all abortions in 2016. More than 87 percent (27,121) of the abortions performed in Pennsylvania in 2016 were to unmarried women.

As in previous years, the largest single age group having abortions was 20-24, accounting for 9,502 (30.8 percent) of all 2016 abortions. Patients age 19 and under accounted for 9.1 percent, and patients aged 17 and under accounted for 2.9 percent. Comparatively, in 2015, females age 19 and under accounted for 9.8 percent, and females age 17 and under accounted for 3.1 percent.

Similar to 2015, 94.6 percent of the abortions performed in 2016 were on Pennsylvania residents. Residents of other states, territories and other countries accounted for just 1,667 abortions in 2016.

Of the abortions performed in 2016 in Pennsylvania, 81.8 percent were performed in four counties: Allegheny, Dauphin, Northampton and Philadelphia.

Nearly 39 percent of Pennsylvania residents receiving abortions were residents of Philadelphia County. Other counties with a large number of resident abortions included: Allegheny (3,338), Delaware (1,971), Montgomery (1,649), Bucks (1,066), and Berks (999). Of all 67 counties, 37 (55 percent) showed a decrease in the number of resident abortions performed in 2016 compared to 2015.

In 2016, there were 155 reports of complications from abortions, which were submitted by physicians, representing 2.6 percent more than the 151 reported in 2015. More than 53 percent of the complications were related to retained products of conception, 15 percent to bleeding and 16 percent to infection.

Notes: The source for the number of abortions reported in Pennsylvania in 2016 is the "Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy," which is an individual report filed for each procedure. The source for the complications data is "Abortions: Report of Complications," a separate reporting form completed by physicians who have provided medical care to a woman because of a complication resulting from an abortion or attempted abortion.

Unknowns are excluded from all calculations.

**Pennsylvania Induced Abortion Report
January - December 2016**

Table 1

**Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Age of Woman**

<u>Age (Years)</u>	<u>Number</u>
12 or Under	1
13	19
14	57
15	146
16	272
17	393
18	790
19	1,127
20 - 24	9,502
25 - 29	9,211
30 - 34	5,428
35 - 39	2,941
40 - 44	918
45 or Older	76
Unknown	0
Total	30,881

Table 2

**Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Weeks of Gestation**

<u>Weeks of Gestation</u>	<u>Number</u>
8 or Less	19,657
9 - 10	4,878
11 - 12	2,436
13 - 14	1,549
15 - 17	1,251
18 - 20	719
21 - 23	391
24 or More	0
Total	30,881

Note: Weeks of gestation are based on clinical estimate.

Table 3
Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Race of Woman
January - December 2016

<u>Race of Woman</u>	<u>Number</u>
White	15,124
Black or African-American	12,984
Asian / Pacific Islander	1,281
Multi-Race	967
All Other Races	296
Unknown	229
Total	30,881

Table 4
Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Hispanic Origin of Woman
January - December 2016

<u>Hispanic Origin</u>	<u>Number</u>
Hispanic	2,937
Non-Hispanic	27,792
Unknown	152
Total	30,881

Note: Hispanic origin can be of any race.

Table 5
Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Primary Type of Procedure
January - December 2016

<u>Primary Abortion Procedure</u>	<u>Number</u>
Suction Curettage	17,580
Sharp Curettage	1
Dilation and Evacuation	1,870
Intra-Uterine Instillation (Saline or Prostaglandin)	2
Hysterotomy/Hysterectomy	2
Medical (Nonsurgical)	11,420
Other	6
Total	30,881

Table 6
Induced Abortions Performed In
Pennsylvania by Marital Status of Woman
January - December 2016

<u>Marital Status</u>	<u>Number</u>
Married	3,742
Unmarried	27,121
Unknown	18
Total	30,881

Table 7
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Residence and Age of Woman
January - December 2016

<u>Residence</u>	<u>Age of Woman (In Years)</u>									
	<u>All Ages</u>	<u>Under 15</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-19</u>	<u>20-24</u>	<u>25-29</u>	<u>30-34</u>	<u>35-39</u>	<u>40+</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
Total Pennsylvania	29,214	76	773	1,795	8,963	8,733	5,146	2,783	945	0
Adams	61	0	2	4	21	16	10	5	3	0
Allegheny	3,338	11	86	197	1,012	1,002	604	304	122	0
Armstrong	59	2	2	2	16	12	10	13	2	0
Beaver	223	0	10	15	76	57	50	12	3	0
Bedford	22	0	1	3	7	4	3	4	0	0
Berks	999	6	30	73	333	277	142	109	29	0
Blair	82	1	3	2	19	32	14	8	3	0
Bradford	7	0	1	0	0	4	1	1	0	0
Bucks	1,066	2	30	60	274	297	232	124	47	0
Butler	146	2	3	9	58	26	24	17	7	0
Cambria	100	1	2	13	31	29	11	4	9	0
Cameron	6	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0
Carbon	99	1	5	6	21	27	22	12	5	0
Centre	139	0	1	7	61	36	18	12	4	0
Chester	795	1	13	51	231	223	146	94	36	0
Clarion	17	0	1	2	5	5	1	2	1	0
Clearfield	49	0	2	2	13	13	12	4	3	0
Clinton	32	0	2	3	11	10	2	4	0	0
Columbia	62	0	2	3	29	18	5	3	2	0
Crawford	46	0	1	5	11	12	7	7	3	0
Cumberland	287	0	9	11	86	75	70	29	7	0
Dauphin	629	0	8	40	215	181	108	57	20	0
Delaware	1,971	3	54	106	591	618	347	184	68	0
Elk	17	1	0	1	7	2	3	2	1	0
Erie	184	1	2	7	54	57	41	16	6	0
Fayette	194	1	6	13	57	65	28	16	8	0
Forest	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Franklin	26	0	1	0	11	8	3	1	2	0
Fulton	7	0	0	1	0	2	4	0	0	0
Greene	42	0	2	6	10	15	5	2	2	0
Huntingdon	19	0	1	0	8	6	2	1	1	0
Indiana	71	0	2	10	19	20	10	7	3	0
Jefferson	26	0	1	2	7	9	4	2	1	0
Juniata	13	1	1	1	2	3	2	2	1	0
Lackawanna	280	2	2	22	91	69	51	38	5	0
Lancaster	510	0	13	43	153	154	87	50	10	0
Lawrence	137	1	1	7	48	36	24	16	4	0
Lebanon	125	0	4	7	46	33	23	9	3	0
Lehigh	848	2	25	63	252	228	176	81	21	0
Luzerne	506	3	14	34	157	144	88	49	17	0

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Table 7
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by Residence and Age of Woman
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<u>Residence</u>	<u>Age of Woman (In Years)</u>									
	<u>All Ages</u>	<u>Under 15</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-19</u>	<u>20-24</u>	<u>25-29</u>	<u>30-34</u>	<u>35-39</u>	<u>40+</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
Lycoming	122	1	2	5	40	39	16	11	8	0
McKean	5	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0
Mercer	95	1	6	5	24	31	18	6	4	0
Mifflin	33	0	2	0	9	17	3	2	0	0
Monroe	394	0	12	31	130	120	52	36	13	0
Montgomery	1,649	1	41	96	453	436	347	201	74	0
Montour	10	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	1	0
Northampton	591	2	20	35	154	178	109	64	29	0
Northumberland	74	0	2	7	21	26	9	8	1	0
Perry	40	0	1	1	9	14	8	7	0	0
Philadelphia	11,361	25	304	676	3,561	3,570	1,920	995	310	0
Pike	40	0	0	2	10	12	8	7	1	0
Potter	10	0	0	0	2	7	0	1	0	0
Schuylkill	161	0	4	14	46	44	31	16	6	0
Snyder	14	0	0	1	7	3	1	0	2	0
Somerset	41	1	3	1	10	11	7	5	3	0
Sullivan	6	0	0	2	2	1	1	0	0	0
Susquehanna	17	0	0	2	8	3	0	3	1	0
Tioga	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Union	27	0	0	1	9	9	4	3	1	0
Venango	31	0	2	3	10	8	4	3	1	0
Warren	14	0	0	1	6	5	2	0	0	0
Washington	248	0	9	12	72	83	46	20	6	0
Wayne	41	0	1	4	13	13	5	4	1	0
Westmoreland	396	0	5	25	128	126	67	32	13	0
Wyoming	17	0	0	3	4	5	5	0	0	0
York	533	3	16	35	180	142	91	55	11	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Other States/Countries</u>										
Delaware	499	1	12	34	177	138	82	42	13	0
Maryland	50	0	1	5	21	14	5	4	0	0
New Jersey	435	0	6	23	130	122	73	65	16	0
New York	23	0	0	5	8	6	2	1	1	0
Ohio	282	0	8	17	70	101	60	16	10	0
West Virginia	293	0	9	28	109	69	44	25	9	0
Other States/Territories	83	0	2	10	24	27	15	5	0	0
Other Countries	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other States/ Countries	1,667	1	38	122	539	478	282	158	49	0
Total All Abortions	30,881	77	811	1,917	9,502	9,211	5,428	2,941	994	0

Table 8
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by County of Procedure
January - December 2016

<u>County</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Number</u>
Adams	-	Lackawanna	-
Allegheny	6,080	Lancaster	-
Armstrong	-	Lawrence	-
Beaver	-	Lebanon	-
Bedford	-	Lehigh	890
Berks	600	Luzerne	-
Blair	-	Lycoming	-
Bradford	-	McKean	-
Bucks	714	Mercer	-
Butler	-	Mifflin	1
Cambria	-	Monroe	-
Cameron	-	Montgomery	824
Carbon	-	Montour	5
Centre	-	Northampton	3,042
Chester	920	Northumberland	-
Clarion	-	Perry	-
Clearfield	-	Philadelphia	14,626
Clinton	-	Pike	-
Columbia	-	Potter	-
Crawford	-	Schuylkill	-
Cumberland	-	Snyder	-
Dauphin	1,504	Somerset	-
Delaware	852	Sullivan	-
Elk	-	Susquehanna	-
Erie	-	Tioga	-
Fayette	-	Union	-
Forest	-	Venango	-
Franklin	-	Warren	-
Fulton	-	Washington	-
Greene	-	Wayne	-
Huntingdon	-	Westmoreland	-
Indiana	-	Wyoming	-
Jefferson	-	York	823
Juniata	-		
		Total	30,881

**Induced Abortions: Report of Complications
January - December 2016**

**Table 9A
Type of Complication by Age of Woman**

Age Group	Total	Infection	Retained Products of Conception	Bleeding	Other
Under 15	2	2	0	0	0
15 - 19	10	3	4	0	3
20 - 24	48	10	22	8	8
25 - 29	45	5	26	10	4
30 - 34	30	2	21	3	4
35 - 39	19	3	10	2	4
40+	1	0	0	0	1
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0
Total	155	25	83	23	24

**Table 9B
Type of Complication by Weeks of Gestation**

Weeks of Gestation	Total	Infection	Retained Products of Conception	Bleeding	Other
8 or Less	86	12	53	8	13
9 - 10	25	3	18	3	1
11 - 12	8	1	3	3	1
13 - 14	7	2	2	2	1
15 - 17	9	1	2	2	4
18 - 20	9	3	3	3	0
21 - 23	6	1	1	2	2
24+	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	5	2	1	0	2
Total	155	25	83	23	24

**Table 9C
Type of Complication by Termination Procedure Used**

Procedure	Total	Infection	Retained Products of Conception	Bleeding	Other
Suction Curettage	42	9	20	4	9
Sharp Curettage	8	1	2	5	0
Dilation/Evacuation	30	5	8	9	8
Medical	63	4	51	3	5
Other	7	5	0	2	0
Unknown	5	1	2	0	2
Total	155	25	83	23	24

Notes: These data are based on Reports of Complications submitted by physicians who have provided care to a woman in need of medical care because of a complication resulting from an abortion or attempted abortion.

Weeks of gestation are based on clinical estimate.

Table 10
Induced Abortions Performed in Pennsylvania
by Age of Woman and Weeks of Gestation
January - December 2016

<u>Age (Years)</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Weeks of Gestation</u>							
		<u>8 or Less</u>	<u>9-10</u>	<u>11-12</u>	<u>13-14</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-20</u>	<u>21-23</u>	<u>24 or More</u>
Under 15	77	31	14	11	5	7	5	4	0
15 - 17	811	346	175	88	71	59	51	21	0
18 - 19	1,917	1,067	366	199	125	102	42	16	0
20 - 24	9,502	5,938	1,610	805	473	392	193	91	0
25 - 29	9,211	6,023	1,425	693	423	354	192	101	0
30 - 34	5,428	3,611	756	384	273	181	129	94	0
35 - 39	2,941	1,967	397	192	129	125	77	54	0
40+	994	674	135	64	50	31	30	10	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	30,881	19,657	4,878	2,436	1,549	1,251	719	391	0

Table 11
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Primary Type of Procedure and Weeks of Gestation
January - December 2016

<u>Primary Procedure</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Weeks of Gestation</u>							
		<u>8 or Less</u>	<u>9-10</u>	<u>11-12</u>	<u>13-14</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-20</u>	<u>21-23</u>	<u>24 or More</u>
Suction Curettage	17,580	9,460	3,442	2,248	1,083	856	402	89	0
Sharp Curettage	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dilation and Evacuation	1,870	192	84	171	457	384	306	276	0
Intra-Uterine Instillation- Saline or Prostaglandin	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Hysterotomy/ Hysterectomy	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medical (Nonsurgical)	11,420	10,000	1,352	16	9	10	10	23	0
Other	6	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	0
Total	30,881	19,657	4,878	2,436	1,549	1,251	719	391	0

Note: Weeks of gestation are based on clinical estimate.

Table 12
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Residence and Weeks of Gestation
January - December 2016

<u>Residence</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Weeks of Gestation</u>							
		<u>8 or Less</u>	<u>9-10</u>	<u>11-12</u>	<u>13-14</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-20</u>	<u>21-23</u>	<u>24 or More</u>
Total Pennsylvania	29,214	18,674	4,657	2,328	1,458	1,159	634	304	0
Adams	61	39	7	9	3	3	0	0	0
Allegheny	3,338	2,047	530	327	178	127	72	57	0
Armstrong	59	36	12	8	2	1	0	0	0
Beaver	223	124	44	26	13	6	4	6	0
Bedford	22	13	6	0	0	2	1	0	0
Berks	999	647	176	89	45	20	15	7	0
Blair	82	48	12	8	7	5	1	1	0
Bradford	7	5	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Bucks	1,066	708	171	70	49	37	20	11	0
Butler	146	85	26	17	5	6	1	6	0
Cambria	100	54	19	11	6	6	1	3	0
Cameron	6	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Carbon	99	59	24	5	4	6	1	0	0
Centre	139	108	18	3	4	1	3	2	0
Chester	795	561	118	40	36	21	7	12	0
Clarion	17	9	4	1	1	2	0	0	0
Clearfield	49	25	9	7	4	2	1	1	0
Clinton	32	19	6	2	1	3	1	0	0
Columbia	62	40	15	1	2	1	3	0	0
Crawford	46	26	8	5	3	2	2	0	0
Cumberland	287	210	37	16	14	8	2	0	0
Dauphin	629	418	101	59	23	11	11	6	0
Delaware	1,971	1,310	293	139	94	79	40	16	0
Elk	17	9	1	2	2	2	0	1	0
Erie	184	91	33	22	16	12	8	2	0
Fayette	194	101	42	22	8	9	8	4	0
Forest	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Franklin	26	18	2	2	1	1	1	1	0
Fulton	7	2	2	1	0	0	1	1	0
Greene	42	20	8	5	4	2	2	1	0
Huntingdon	19	10	4	1	1	1	1	1	0
Indiana	71	42	13	9	3	2	2	0	0
Jefferson	26	16	3	0	5	0	2	0	0
Juniata	13	9	1	1	0	0	1	1	0
Lackawanna	280	180	45	17	21	15	2	0	0
Lancaster	510	342	74	49	15	17	8	5	0
Lawrence	137	90	22	6	11	4	2	2	0
Lebanon	125	81	23	10	4	3	4	0	0
Lehigh	848	541	135	66	49	37	13	7	0
Luzerne	506	311	90	34	27	28	11	5	0

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Table 12
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Residence and Weeks of Gestation
January - December 2016

<u>Residence</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Weeks of Gestation</u>							
		<u>8 or Less</u>	<u>9-10</u>	<u>11-12</u>	<u>13-14</u>	<u>15-17</u>	<u>18-20</u>	<u>21-23</u>	<u>24 or More</u>
Lycoming	122	80	13	12	7	5	3	2	0
McKean	5	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Mercer	95	57	15	11	4	4	2	2	0
Mifflin	33	23	5	1	2	1	0	1	0
Monroe	394	251	56	26	22	24	13	2	0
Montgomery	1,649	1,161	221	101	71	51	26	18	0
Montour	10	7	1	0	0	0	2	0	0
Northampton	591	351	99	54	38	22	18	9	0
Northumberland	74	46	11	6	4	5	1	1	0
Perry	40	26	8	4	1	0	0	1	0
Philadelphia	11,361	7,240	1,798	872	573	502	287	89	0
Pike	40	23	5	3	4	4	1	0	0
Potter	10	5	3	0	0	2	0	0	0
Schuylkill	161	99	34	7	7	9	4	1	0
Snyder	14	11	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Somerset	41	27	6	2	1	3	1	1	0
Sullivan	6	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0
Susquehanna	17	9	3	4	0	0	1	0	0
Tioga	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Union	27	20	3	2	1	1	0	0	0
Venango	31	14	7	6	1	1	1	1	0
Warren	14	5	5	2	1	1	0	0	0
Washington	248	148	47	22	10	9	7	5	0
Wayne	41	25	5	5	3	2	1	0	0
Westmoreland	396	246	58	43	18	13	8	10	0
Wyoming	17	6	4	3	3	1	0	0	0
York	533	329	111	49	24	12	6	2	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>Other States/Countries</u>									
Delaware	499	286	65	22	32	43	39	12	0
Maryland	50	29	9	2	3	2	1	4	0
New Jersey	435	267	53	25	24	20	20	26	0
New York	23	15	4	1	0	1	1	1	0
Ohio	282	143	42	34	20	12	6	25	0
West Virginia	293	197	34	18	7	12	13	12	0
Other States/Territories	83	46	13	6	5	2	4	7	0
Other Countries	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Other States/ Countries	1,667	983	221	108	91	92	85	87	0
Total All Abortions	30,881	19,657	4,878	2,436	1,549	1,251	719	391	0

Note: Weeks of gestation are based on clinical estimate.

Table 13
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Number of Previous Live Births and Percentage Distribution
January - December 2016

<u>Live Births</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Zero	11,923	39.0
One	8,197	27.0
Two	6,316	20.0
Three	2,834	9.0
Four or More	1,611	5.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Total	30,881	100.0

Table 14
Induced Abortions Performed In Pennsylvania
by Number of Previous Induced Abortions and Percentage Distribution
January - December 2016

<u>Induced Abortions</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Zero	16,264	53.0
One	7,948	26.0
Two	3,830	12.0
Three	1,615	5.0
Four or More	1,224	4.0
Unknown	0	0.0
Total	30,881	100.0

Note: Percents may not sum to 100 due to rounding.

Table 15
Induced Abortions Performed in Pennsylvania
by Number of Medical Complications of Pregnancy
January - December 2016

<u>Medical Complication</u>	<u>Number</u>
Pre-existing Medical Conditions Which Would Complicate Pregnancy	199
Complication Resulting From Termination	3