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NEBRASKA ABORTIONS, 2000

This report presents tabulations of statistical information reported on records of induced abortions performed in Nebraska during calendar year 2000. These data are in compliance with specifications set forth in Nebraska Statute §28-343 through §28-346.

A total of 4,178 abortions were reported to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services System for 2000, a decrease of 8.5% when compared to the 1999 total of 4,565. 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 1980.

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>
1980	6,060	34.8	52.4	12.8	22.7	19	219.0
1981	5,753	33.0	53.7	13.3	22.9	18	209.1
1982	5,698	31.8	55.0	13.2	23.0	19	209.2
1983	5,625	30.8	55.8	13.4	23.0	19	211.5
1984	5,995	30.1	55.2	14.6	23.2	20	226.7
1985	6,012	30.0	55.3	14.7	23.3	20	232.3
1986	5,761	30.2	53.5	16.3	23.4	19	232.7
1987	5,858	30.0	53.2	16.8	23.5	18	243.2
1988	6,006	29.3	52.8	17.9	23.8	19	247.5
1989	5,871	29.0	51.4	19.6	24.1	19	239.5
1990	6,346	28.6	52.1	19.4	23.9	19	257.7
1991	6,194	24.6	55.2	20.2	24.3	21	256.0
1992	5,637	22.7	56.6	20.7	24.5	21	238.4
1993	5,486	22.4	55.6	22.0	24.6	20	234.6
1994	5,324	22.1	55.0	22.8	24.7	22	229.2
1995	4,838	22.2	55.0	22.9	24.8	23	205.4
1996	5,214	22.3	54.5	23.2	24.9	19,22	222.0
1997	5,129	21.6	55.6	22.9	24.8	21	217.0
1998	5,140	22.6	54.4	23.0	25.0	22	214.9
1999	4,565	22.5	54.9	22.6	25.0	19	188.6
2000	4,178	21.3	54.2	24.5	25.1	21	169.5

*Abortions per 1,000 live births. The 2000 ratio is provisional.

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, 2000**

Number by Month

January	396	July	321
February	397	August	407
March	419	September	302
April	383	October	301
May	296	November	230
June	386	December	340
		TOTAL	4,178
		Average per Month:	348

**Table 2: Number of Abortions by State of Residence
Nebraska, 2000**

State of Residence

Alaska	2	Montana	1
Arkansas	2	Nebraska	3,505
California	1	New York	1
Colorado	7	North Carolina	1
Illinois	1	Oklahoma	1
Iowa	477	South Dakota	129
Kansas	20	Texas	2
Michigan	1	Washington	1
Minnesota	6	Wisconsin	1
Missouri	18	Foreign Country	1

**Table 3: Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Age of Patient</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
<15	26	0.6
15-19	864	20.7
20-24	1,381	33.1
25-29	885	21.2
30-34	546	13.1
35-39	351	8.4
40-44	115	2.8
>44	<u>10</u>	<u>0.2</u>
TOTAL	4,178	100.0

Mean Age: 25.1

Median Age: 24.2

Modal Age: 21

**Table 4: Number and Percent of Total Abortions by Reason
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Reason for Abortion</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent of Total Abortions</u>
Maternal Physical Health	33	0.8
Mental Health	654	15.7
Maternal Life Endangered	2	0.0
Fetal Anomaly	16	0.4
Socio-Economic	2,878	68.9
Sexual Assault	35	0.8
Incest	0	-
Contraceptive Failure	664	15.9
No Contraception Used	808	19.3
N/A written in	0	-
Not Reported	<u>0</u>	-
TOTAL	5,090*	

Please note: For the table, Number and Percent of Abortions by Age of Patient, the percentage does not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

* - 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, 2000**

<u>Method</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Suction - Curettage	3,945	94.4
Medication Induced	51	1.2
Dilation & Evacuation (D&E)	179	4.3
Sharp - Curettage	1	0.0
Dilation & Excision (D&X)	2	0.0
Other	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL	4,178	100.0

**Table 6: Number and Percent of Previous Abortions
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Previous Abortions</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
0	2,846	68.1
1	855	20.5
2	300	7.2
3	115	2.8
4	35	0.8
>4	<u>27</u>	<u>0.6</u>
TOTAL	4,178	100.0

**Table 7: Number of Abortions by Number of Physicians
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Number of Abortions</u>	<u>Number of Physicians</u>	<u>Abortions Performed</u>
<25	3	3
25-1,000	1	648
>1,000	<u>2</u>	<u>3,527</u>
TOTAL	6	4,178

Please note: For the table, Number and Percent of Abortions by Procedure that Terminated Pregnancy, the percentage does not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**Table 8: Previous Parity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

Age	<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	4,178	1,822	996	837	347	109	43	24
12	1	1						
13	1	1						
14	24	23	1					
15	74	72	1		1			
16	107	106	1					
17	146	132	14					
18	225	188	34	2	1			
19	312	228	71	12	1			
20	311	179	95	32	4	1		
21	327	166	115	40	4	2		
22	272	140	69	53	5	4	1	
23	255	114	66	53	16	4	1	1
24	216	73	69	55	14	3	2	
25	220	68	60	67	18	4	2	1
26	189	53	61	40	27	6	2	
27	193	54	50	55	23	6	4	1
28	152	36	42	45	20	7	1	1
29	131	36	31	37	22	1	4	
30	149	26	39	47	28	6	3	
31	111	27	33	33	17		1	
32	111	20	16	38	18	13	4	2
33	93	10	24	32	18	5	3	1
34	82	9	9	31	15	11	3	4
35	91	8	20	30	23	7	1	2
36	82	9	21	26	14	6	1	5
37	69	8	13	25	13	6	2	2
38	62	16	12	17	10	4	2	1
39	47	3	4	27	9	4		
40	37	4	10	12	9		1	1
41	38	3	8	12	7	3	4	1
42	17	1	3	6	5	2		
43	16	5	2	5	3	1		
44	7		1	2	2	1	1	
45	6	2	1	3				
46	4	1				2		1

* - Number of live births previous to this abortion.

**Table 9: Gravidity* by Age of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

<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	4,178	1,394	833	747	518	322	180	99	85
12	1	1							
13	1	1							
14	24	21	2		1				
15	74	70	3		1				
16	107	97	8	2					
17	146	125	18	1	2				
18	225	169	48	7	1				
19	312	195	76	32	5	3	1		
20	311	131	98	52	18	5	5	1	1
21	327	129	100	64	22	8	2	2	
22	272	97	83	47	27	13	2	1	2
23	255	80	53	55	33	21	9	3	1
24	216	46	54	50	35	20	6	4	1
25	220	42	49	49	41	17	12	9	1
26	189	35	38	37	26	30	13	4	6
27	193	38	34	40	30	26	14	4	7
28	152	22	25	37	27	22	9	5	5
29	131	20	26	29	29	13	7	3	4
30	149	15	22	37	28	27	13	5	2
31	111	13	20	28	25	11	5	4	5
32	111	11	11	27	28	13	7	3	11
33	93	4	6	28	20	12	10	9	4
34	82	3	5	17	21	16	8	5	7
35	91	2	11	17	21	19	8	9	4
36	82	2	11	18	10	14	15	9	3
37	69	6	6	21	10	9	9	4	4
38	62	10	10	11	13	6	7	3	2
39	47	3	2	13	16	4	3	4	2
40	37	1	5	9	9	2	5		6
41	38	2	2	11	4	6	4	4	5
42	17	1	2	2	6	4	1	1	
43	16	1	3	4	5		2	1	
44	7				4		2	1	
45	6		2	2		1	1		
46	4	1						1	2

* - 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, 2000**

<u>County of Occurrence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Douglas	2,191	52.4
Lancaster	649	15.5
Sarpy	1,338	32.0
Other	0	-

**Table 11: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Length of Fetus
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Length of Fetus</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Measurable/Not Reported	4,178	100.0

**Table 12: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Weight of Fetus
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Weight of Fetus</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Not Measurable/Not Reported	4,178	100.0

Please note: For the table, Number and Percent of Abortions by County of Occurrence, the percentage does not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

**Table 13: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Complication(s) of Procedure(s)
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Complication</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
No Complications	4,174	99.9
Cervical Laceration	0	-
Perforation	0	-
Hemorrhage (more than 500cc)	2	0.0
Retained Products	2	0.0
Infection	0	-
Other	0	-
Not Reported	0	-

**Table 14: Number and Percent of Abortions
Emergency Situation-caused Waiver of Informed Consent Law
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Emergency Situation?</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Yes	0	-
No	4,178	100.0

**Table 15: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Marital Status* of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Marital Status</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Never Married	25	0.6
Now Married	3	0.1
Widowed	1	0.0
Divorced	3	0.1
Separated	2	0.0
Not Reported	4,144	99.2

Please note: For the table, Number and Percent of Abortions by Complication(s) of Procedure(s), the percentage does not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

* Optional Question

**Table 16: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Race* of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Race</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
White	26	0.6
Black	4	0.1
American Indian	1	0.0
Japanese	1	0.0
Not Reported	4,146	99.2

**Table 17: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Ancestry* of Patient
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Ancestry</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Hispanic	1	0.0
Non-Hispanic	17	0.4
Not Reported	4,160	99.6

**Table 18: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Patient's Educational Level Completed*
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Educational Level Completed</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
High School	11	0.3
Some College	15	0.4
College Degree	1	0.0
Not Reported	4,151	99.4

Please note: For the tables, Number and Percent of Abortions by Race of Patient and by Patient's Educational Level Completed, the percentage does not add to 100.0 because of rounding.

* Optional Question

**Table 19: Number and Percent of Abortions
by Length of Gestation* (in weeks)
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>Lenth of Gestation (in weeks)</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
10 and under	1	0.0
11 - 15	0	-
16 - 20	0	-
21 - 25	0	-
26 and over	0	-
Not Reported	4,177	100.0

**Table 20: Number and Percent of Abortions
by County of Residence*
Nebraska, 2000**

<u>County of Residence</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Douglas	20	0.5
Lancaster	4	0.1
Sarpy	5	0.1
Other Reported Counties	6	0.1
Not Reported	4,143	99.2

* Optional Question

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