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# SOUTH DAKOT

# South Dakota Abortion Facts

State abortion statistics from the leading public and private sources.







Collective state abortion statistics are gathered privately by the Guttmacher Institute and federally by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). Because of reporting lag, their most recent data is generally 2-3 years old. In most cases, state-level abortion facts are more current than the numbers reported by AGI or the CDC.

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#### STATE-LEVEL DATA

Total Abortions (2015): 444

The South Dakota Department of Health reports that 444 abortions took place in South Dakota during 2015.

Total Abortions (2014): 551

The South Dakota Department of Health reports that 551 abortions took place in South Dakota during 2014.

SOURCE: South Dakota Department of Health

## CDC DATA

#### Total Abortions (2013): 601

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 601 abortions took place in South Dakota during 2013. The table below compares South Dakota abortion totals by year.

2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
601	634	597	737	769	848	707	748	805	814

Abortion Percentage (2013): 4.7%

### **GET HELP**

If you're pregnant and contemplating abortion, what a mercy that you've found this website! Abortion is not the answer—no matter what anyone is telling you.

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#### **GET INVOLVED**

Abortion persists because of ignorance, apathy and confusion. Abort73 is working to change that; you can help! Get started below:



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In 2013, 4.7% of pregnancies in South Dakota ended in abortion. This number does not take into account miscarriages. It was arrived at by dividing the state abortion ratio by the sum of the abortion ratio plus 1,000. The abortion ratio is the number of abortions that occurred per 1,000 lives births. The table below compares South Dakota abortion percentages by year.

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
South Dakota	4.7%	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%	7%
United States*	16.7%	17%	18%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%

# Out-of-State Abortion Percentage (2013): 12.5%

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 12.5% of the abortions that took place in South Dakota were performed on out-of-state residents.

\*U.S. averages are limited to reporting districts.

SOURCE: Abortion Surveillance --- United States, 2013

#### **GUTTMACHER DATA**

### Total Abortions (2014): 550

The Guttmacher Institute reports that 550 abortions took place in South Dakota during 2014. In 2011, there were 600 abortions reported—compared with 850 in 2008 and 790 in 2005.

#### Abortion Rate\* (2014): 3.5

The Guttmacher Institute reports that the 2014 abortion rate for South Dakota was 3.5. In 2011, the abortion rate in South Dakota was 3.9. It was 5.6 in 2008, 5.1 in 2005, and 5.5 in 2000. The 2014 abortion rate across the entire United States was 14.6.

\*The abortion rate is the number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years.

# Percentage of Pregnancies Ending in Abortion (2011): 4%

In 2011, 14,900 women in South Dakota became pregnant. 80% of these pregnancies resulted in live births and 4% in induced abortions. The remaining pregnancies ended in miscarriage.

#### Percentage of All U.S. Abortions (2014): 0.1%

In 2014, 0.1% of all U.S. abortions occurred in South Dakota.

#### Facilities That Perform Abortions (2011): 2

In 2011, the Guttmacher Institute reports that there were 2 abortion providers in South Dakota. There were 2 providers in 2008, 2 providers in 2005, and 2 providers in 2000.

#### State Abortion Restrictions (2016):

- Abortion would be banned if Roe v. Wade were to be overturned.
- A woman must receive state-directed counseling about abortion and then wait 72 hours before the abortion takes place.
- Health plans offered in the state's health exchange can only cover abortion in cases of life endangerment or severe health complications.
- The use of telemedicine for the performance of medication abortion is prohibited.
- The parent of a minor must be notified before an abortion can take place.
- Public funding is available for abortion only in cases of life endangerment.
- An abortion cannot be performed at or after 20 weeks postfertilization (22 weeks
  after the woman's last menstrual period) unless the woman's life is endangered or
  her physical health is severely compromised.

 $SOURCE: https://www.guttmacher.org/fact-sheet/state-facts-about-abortion-south\_dakota$ 

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