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# VIRGINIA

## Virginia 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.

To learn more, visit: Prenatal Development, Abortion Procedures or Abortion Pictures

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## STATE-LEVEL DATA

Total Abortions (2015): 18,662

The Virginia Department of Health reports that 18,662 abortions took place in Virginia during 2015.

Total Abortions (2014): 20,187

The Virginia Department of Health reports that 20,187 abortions took place in Virginia during 2014.

SOURCE: Virginia Department of Health

#### CDC DATA

#### Total Abortions (2013): 20,852

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 20,852 abortions took place in Virginia during 2013. The table below compares Virginia abortion totals by year.

2013 2012 2011 2010 2009 2008 2007 2006 2005 2004 20,852 22,916 25,413 25,943 27,442 28,698 27,981 27,349 26,309 26,117

Abortion Percentage (2013): 16.9%

## **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, 16.9% of pregnancies in Virginia 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 Virginia abortion percentages by year.

	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
Virginia	16.9%	18%	20%	20%	21%	21%	20%	20%	20%	20%
United States*	16.7%	17%	18%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%

## Out-of-State Abortion Percentage (2013): 5.6%

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 5.6% of the abortions that took place in Virginia 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): 21,080

The Guttmacher Institute reports that 21,080 abortions took place in Virginia during 2014. In 2011, there were 27,110 abortions reported—compared with 28,520 in 2008 and 26,520 in 2005

## Abortion Rate\* (2014): 12.5

The Guttmacher Institute reports that the 2014 abortion rate for Virginia was 12.5. In 2011, the abortion rate in Virginia was 16.3. It was 17.6 in 2008, 16.5 in 2005, and 18.1 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): 18%

In 2011, 153,000 women in Virginia became pregnant. 67% of these pregnancies resulted in live births and 18% in induced abortions. The remaining pregnancies ended in miscarriage.

#### Percentage of All U.S. Abortions (2014): 2.3%

In 2014, 2.3% of all U.S. abortions occurred in Virginia.

#### Facilities That Perform Abortions (2011): 35

In 2011, the Guttmacher Institute reports that there were 35 abortion providers in Virginia. There were 40 providers in 2008, 46 providers in 2005, and 46 providers in 2000.

## State Abortion Restrictions (2016):

- A woman must receive state-directed counseling about abortion and then wait 24 hours before the abortion takes place.
- Health plans offered in the state's health exchange can only cover abortion in cases of life endangerment, rape or incest.
- Public health insurance can only cover abortion in cases of life endangerment, rape, incest, or fetal abnormality.
- The parent of a minor must consent before an abortion can take place.
- Public funding is available for abortion only in cases of life endangerment, rape, incest, or fetal abnormality.
- A woman must undergo an ultrasound before obtaining an abortion and must be given the option to view the image. If the woman lives within 100 miles of an abortion provider she must obtain the ultrasound at least 24 hours before the abortion.

SOURCE: https://www.guttmacher.org/fact-sheet/state-facts-about-abortion-virginia

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