

Abortion Access in a Post Roe World

April 2023



Essential Access Health



MISSION

Essential Access champions and promotes quality sexual + reproductive health care for all

- Clinic Support Initiatives
- Provider Training
- Public Policy + Advocacy
- Public Education + Linkages to Care
- Clinical Research – Nationally recognized Research Center

Abortion Care is Health Care

- Important for community health
- Improves overall health and well-being
- Helps people plan their families
- Barriers to abortion exacerbate health inequities

1 in 4 U.S. Women will have an abortion **by age 45**

Abortion Care Facts

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U.S. Abortion Patients

INCOME
75% poor or low income

RELIGION
62% religiously affiliated

FAMILY SIZE
59% already have a child

AGE 60% are in their 20s (only 12% are teens, of which 4% are minors)

RACE

39% White

28% Black

25% Hispanic

6% Asian/Pacific Islander

3% Other

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An estimated **54,000 to 63,000** U.S. abortions per year occur at 15+ weeks of pregnancy
Everyone deserves access to abortion care with dignity
gutmacher.org

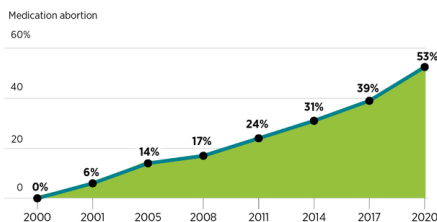
Most U.S. abortions in 2020 were for women who had previously given birth

% of legal induced U.S. abortions in 2020 that were for women who had previously given birth ___ times



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As of 2020, medication abortions account for the majority of all US abortions



Federal vs. State Laws

Washington D.C.



Sacramento



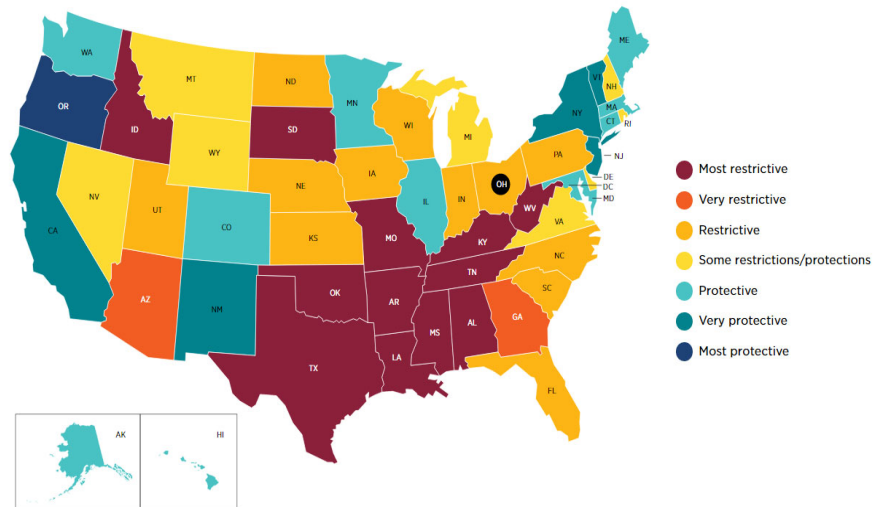
The Fall of Roe v. Wade

Abortion + the Supreme Court

- 1973 Roe v. Wade
- 2022 Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health



State by State

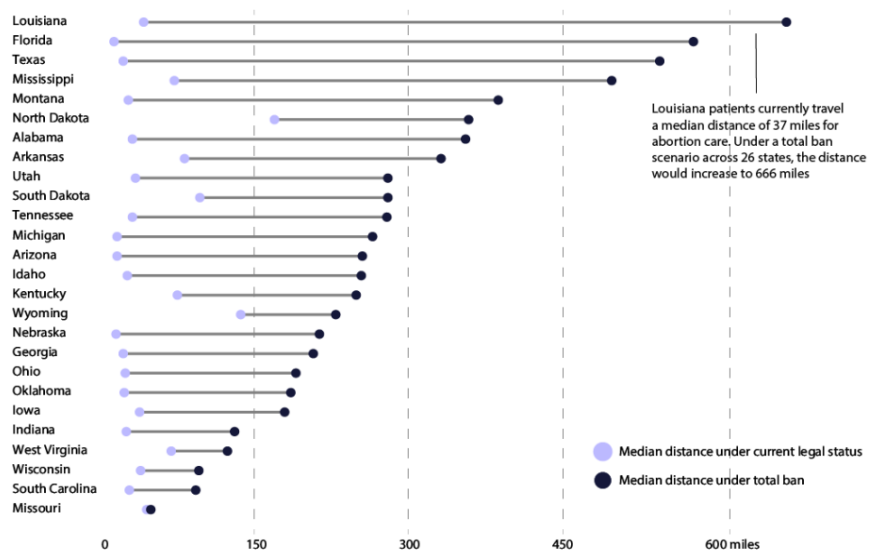


Guttmacher Institute, April 2023

Access to Abortion Care



How travel distance to abortion clinics will change if 26 states enact a total ban



Source: Stacke, Guttmacher Institute analysis of median one-way distance from clinics providing abortions among women aged 15-49

Attacks on Medication Abortion

Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine vs. FDA

- Anti-abortion group sued to revoke FDA approval for Mifepristone
- Would take Mifepristone off the market

State of Washington vs. FDA

- 17 Democrat States sued FDA to remove current restrictions on Mifepristone
- Would allow any pharmacy or medical office to dispense Mifepristone

Attacks on Medication Abortion

April 7 th	Texas federal judge revoked FDA approval of Mife
April 7 th	Later that day... Washington federal judge said Mife remains available in 17 states
April 10 th	Biden administration asked U.S. Supreme Court to intervene
April 14 th	Supreme Court paused cases, Mife still available
April 19 th	Supreme Court paused cases again until April 21st

Attacks on Medication Abortion

If Mifepristone is not available...

- Racial + economic inequalities would intensify
- Additional 2.4 million women would lose access to abortion
- 10 states would be severely affected
- Demand for procedural abortions could increase, straining clinics and increasing wait times

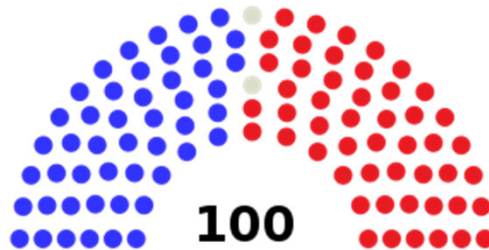


Federal Action to Protect Access

President Biden Executive Orders

- Guarantee emergency medical care, including abortion care in ERs
- Direct HHS to explore options to support going out-of-state for care
- Strengthen non-discrimination protections in health care settings and patient privacy under HIPAA
- Established Interagency Task Force on Reproductive Health Care

Current Congressional Make-Up



U.S. Senate

- 48 Democrats + 2 Independents
- 50 Republicans
- Tie breaker - Vice President Kamala Harris



Public Opinion on Abortion Rights

Abortion at the Ballot Box in 2022

- **Michigan:** Constitutional right to reproductive freedom
- **Vermont:** Constitution amendment affirming right to personal reproductive autonomy

Initiatives Banning Abortion Rights DEFEATED!

- **Kentucky:** Constitutional amendment forbidding abortion care
- **Montana:** Proposal to enact Born Alive Infant Protection Act to declare a fetus a person

62% of U.S. adults believe abortion should be legal

CA Taking Bold Action as a “Reproductive Freedom State”

State Policy Update



FAB Council



California Future of Abortion Council

- Office of Governor Gavin Newsom
- Office of Senate Pro Tempore Toni Atkins
- Office of Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon
- Office of Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan
- ACCESS REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE
- ACLU of Northern California
- ACLU of Southern California
- Advancing New Standards in Reproductive Health
- Advocates for Youth
- All* Above All
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- American Nurses Association
- Black Women for Wellness Action Project
- CA NOW
- CA Nurse Midwives Association
- California Latinas for Reproductive Justice
- California Medical Association
- California Women's Health Specialists
- Essential Access Health
- FPA Women's Health
- Hollywood NOW
- If/When/How
- NARAL Pro-Choice California
- National Health Law Program (NHeLP)
- Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California
- Planned Parenthood California Central Coast
- Planned Parenthood Los Angeles
- Planned Parenthood Mar Monte
- Planned Parenthood NorCal
- Planned Parenthood Orange and San Bernardino Counties
- Planned Parenthood Pacific Southwest
- Planned Parenthood Pasadena San Gabriel Valley
- Plan C Pills
- TEACH
- MYA Network
- Team Lily and HIVE
- The Feminist Women's Health Centers of California
- UC Davis Health
- UCLA School of Law
- UCLA Health
- UCSF Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health
- URGE: Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity
- Women's Foundation of California
- Women's Reproductive Rights Assistance Project



Future of Abortion Council

Making California a true “Reproductive Freedom State”

- Identify barriers to abortion access for Californians
- Recommending policy proposals and solutions that ensure anyone in need of abortion services has equitable and affordable access to abortion care in our state.
- Preparing to welcome + support out-of-state patients

It is expected that the number of people driving to CA to access abortion care will increase by 3000%



CALIFORNIA STATE BUDGET 2022-23

\$200+ Million in Reproductive Health Investments

Reproductive Health Provider Clinical Workforce	\$20M
Reproductive Health Services Corps	\$20M
Reproductive Health Center Infrastructure	\$20M
Procedural Support Grants (CARE Act)	\$40M
Abortion Practical Support Fund Grants	\$20M
Medi-Cal Abortion Equity & Infrastructure Payment	\$15M
HPV Family PACT Coverage	\$8M
Covered CA Premium Subsidies	\$20M
LA Country Safe Haven Pilot	\$20M
Reproductive Justice & Freedom Fund	\$15M
California Abortion Access Website	\$2M
Unmet Needs Research Funding	\$2M

SIGNED: FAB Council 2022 Legislative Package

COST BARRIERS

- AB 2134 (Weber) - California Abortion and Reproductive Equity (CARE) Act - **SIGNED**
- SB 1142 (Caballero/Skinner) - Access + Support for Abortion Patients Act - **SIGNED**
- AB 2205 (Carrillo) - Disclosure of Abortion Premiums - **SIGNED**
- SB 245 (Gonzalez) - Abortion Accessibility Act - **SIGNED**

WORKFORCE

- AB 1918 (Petrie-Norris) - Reproductive Health Education Scholarships - **SIGNED**
- AB 2529 (Davies/Calderon) - Health Care Workforce Training Program - **VETOED**
- SB 1375 (Atkins) - Nurse Practitioners: Aspiration Abortion - **SIGNED**
- AB 657 (Cooper) - Expedited Licensure for Abortion Providers - **SIGNED**

LEGAL PROTECTIONS

- AB 2223 (Wicks) - Decriminalization of Abortion + Pregnancy Loss - **SIGNED**
- AB 1666 (Bauer-Kahan) - Civil Liability Protections - **SIGNED**
- AB 2091 (Bonta) - Protecting Medical Privacy - **SIGNED**
- AB 2626 (Calderon) - Protections for Abortion Provider Licensees - **SIGNED**
- AB 1242 (Bauer-Kahan) - Prohibits state enforcement of OOS prosecutions - **SIGNED**

HEALTH EQUITY

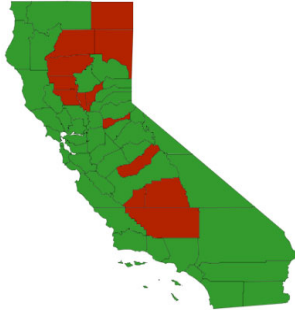
- SB 1245 (Kamlager) - Los Angeles County Reproductive Health Pilot Program - **SIGNED**
- AB 2586 (Garcia) - Reproductive and Sexual Health Working Group - **SIGNED**

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Added to California State Constitution:



- ✓ Right to choose abortion
- ✓ Right to use or refuse birth control
- 70% of CA voters said YES on 1
- Winning Issue – Even in Conservative Regions

FAB Council 2023

- AB 576 (Weber) – Updating medication abortion policies for Medi-Cal
- Shielding patients + providers from anti abortion laws from other states: SB 36, SB 345, SB 487
- Protecting health information + digital data: AB 254, AB 352, AB 793, AB 1194

Protecting Access to Medication Abortion

- Newsom joined Reproductive Freedom Alliance – 20 other Dem Governors
- Newsome stockpiling medication abortion pills
- Increasing training on Miso medication abortion care

Abortion Care in California

- Up to viability mark – about 22-24wks/6 months
- Medication abortion via telehealth + mail
- No waiting periods or other restrictions
- No age limits

Who can perform abortions:

- Doctors/M.D.s
- Physician assistants
- Nurse practitioners
- Nurse-midwives

Abortion Access Resources

<https://abortion.ca.gov/es/index.html>



Abortion Access Resources

California: ACCESS Reproductive Justice

- www.accessrj.org ✓ Live in CA
- English (800) 376 - 4636 ✓ Need to come to CA
- Español (888) 442 - 2237

National: National Network of Abortion Funds

- www.abortionfunds.org



Recursos – Los Angeles

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/owh/abortion/docs/AbortionResourcesInLAC-SPANISH.pdf>



SERVICIOS DE ABORTO Y PLANIFICACIÓN FAMILIAR EN EL CONDADO DE LOS ÁNGELES

El acceso a servicios de planificación familiar y salud reproductiva integrales, oportunos y de alta calidad es fundamental para la salud de las personas, familias y comunidades. Esta guía describe los recursos disponibles en el Condado de Los Ángeles para cualquier persona que necesite servicios de aborto, anticoncepción o servicios relacionados.

Esta guía se actualizará de forma periódica para reflejar el panorama cambiante de la atención de la salud reproductiva en el Condado. Los recursos están organizados de forma alfabética en cada sección.



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