

A FEW ABORTION STATISTICS FOR LOUISIANA, 2000 & 2001 (latest available 1/16/04)¹

	<u>2000</u>		<u>2001</u>	
<u>Total abortions reported:</u>	11,384	(100 %)	10,932	(100 %)
<u>Reasons :</u>				
<i>Rape/Incest</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>(0.01%)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>(0 %)</i>
Risk of fetal deformity	13	(0.11%)	10	(0.09%)
Physical health	14	(0.12%)	8	(0.07%)
Mental Health	140	(1.2 %)	52	(0.48%)
Other	192	(1.7 %)	143	(1.3 %)
<i>Unknown</i>	<i>11,024</i>	<i>(96.8 %)</i>	<i>10,718</i>	<i>(98.0 %)</i>
<u>Mother's Age</u>				
< 15	115	(1.0 %)	85	(0.8 %)
15-19	2,045	(18.0 %)	1,868	(17.1 %)
20-24	4,133	(36.3 %)	4,001	(36.6 %)
25-29	2,618	(23.0 %)	2,611	(23.9 %)
30-34	1,364	(12.0 %)	1,378	(12.6 %)
> 35	1,109	(9.7 %)	951	(8.7 %)
<u>Baby's Age and Method of Abortion:</u>				
<u>Suction curettage:</u>				
All	9,562	(84.0 %)	9,462	(86.6 %)
16 weeks and under	9,117	(80.0 %)	8,981	(82.2 %)
17-20 weeks	220	(1.9 %)	188	(1.7 %)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	151	(1.5 %)	153	(1.5 %)
<u>"Dilatation & Evacuation:"</u>				
All	773	(6.8 %)	816	(7.5 %)
16 weeks and under	387	(3.4 %)	451	(4.1 %)
17-20 weeks	211	(1.8 %)	225	(2.1 %)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	153	(1.3 %)	140	(1.3 %)
<u>"Unknown" (ca. 2/3) plus "Other" (ca. 1/3):</u>				
All	1,027	(9.0 %)	443	(4.0 %)
16 weeks and under	982	(3.6 %)	393	(3.6 %)
17-20 weeks	21	(0.2 %)	15	(0.14%)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	5	(0.04%)	0	(0 %)

¹ Source: Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals. All percentages in relation to total number of abortions for each year. Known Non-white/White proportions of abortions performed in 2001: 54.9%/35.9%.