

A FEW ABORTION STATISTICS FOR LOUISIANA, 2003 & 2004 (latest available 7/7/06)¹

	<u>2003</u>		<u>2004</u>	
<u>Total Abortions Reported:</u>	10,642	(100 %)	11,224	(100 %)
<u>Parish where Done</u>				
Bossier	(not available)		949	(8.4 %)
Caddo	(not available)		2,651	(23.6 %)
E. Baton Rouge	(not available)		1,443	(12.8 %)
Jefferson	(not available)		2,575	(22.9 %)
Orleans	(not available)		3,404	(30.3 %)
<u>Reason Reported:</u>				
Rape/Incest	0	(0 %)	1	(0.01%)
Risk of fetal deformity	0	(0 %)	2	(0.02%)
Physical health	< 5²	(< 0.05%)	9	(0.08%)
Mental Health	27	(0.25%)	1	(0.01%)
Other	10	(0.09%)	182	(1.6 %)
Unknown	10,604	(99.6 %)	11,029	(98.3 %)
<u>Mother's Age:</u>				
< 15	103	(1.0 %)	103	(0.9 %)
15-19	1,767	(16.6 %)	1,855	(16.5 %)
20-24	3,899	(36.6 %)	4,048	(36.1 %)
25-29	2,475	(23.3 %)	2,672	(23.8 %)
30-34	1,356	(12.7 %)	1,410	(12.6 %)
> 35	970	(9.1 %)	983	(8.8 %)
<u>Baby's (Known) Gestational Age:</u>				
12 weeks and under	8,609	(80.9 %)	8,850	(78.8 %)
13-20 weeks	1,600	(15.0 %)	1,863	(16.6 %)
21 weeks (5 mos.) or over	275	(2.6 %)	358	(3.2 %)
<u>Baby's Age and Method of Abortion:</u>				
<u>Suction curettage:</u>				
All	9,347	(87.8 %)	9,635	(85.8 %)
16 weeks and under	8,765	(82.4 %)	8,892	(79.2 %)
17-20 weeks	284	(2.7 %)	378	(3.4 %)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	187	(1.8 %)	247	(2.2 %)
<u>"Dilatation & Evacuation:"</u>				
All	337	(3.2 %)	357	(3.2 %)
16 weeks and under	100-116^{2,3}	(0.9-1.1%) ^{2,3}	115	(1.0 %)
17-20 weeks	112	(1.0 %)	135	(1.2 %)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	81	(0.8 %)	107	(0.95%)
<u>"Unknown" and Other:</u>				
All	941	(8.8 %)	1,216	(10.8 %)
16 weeks and under	860-892^{2,3}	(8.1-8.4%) ^{2,3}	1,209	(10.8 %)
17-20 weeks	< 30²	(< 0.3 %) ²	5	(0.04%)
21 weeks (5 mos.) and over	< 5²	(< 0.05%) ²	4	(0.04%)

¹ Source: Louisiana Department of Health & Hospitals. All percentages in relation to total number of abortions for each year.

Known non-white/white proportions of abortions performed: 2003, 52.8%/40.6%; 2004, 53.7/37.1.

² One or more component sub-groupings indicated uncertain "number less than 5."

³ Figure cited assigns value of 4 to each uncertain component; this is reflected in cited range *maximum*.