Abortion in Kansas, 2022

Preliminary Report
June 23, 2023

Dear Interested Party:

State law requires that physicians and hospitals report medical care that results in an early termination of pregnancy via abortion to KDHE. The Woman’s Right-to-Know Act requires physicians who perform medical abortion care to provide informed-consent information to all women 24 hours before any such procedure and to certify to KDHE the number of informed consent packets provided annually. This report is an analysis of the data collected by the KDHE Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics.

In-state collection of reports of care provided in 2022 is complete, with physicians reporting a total of 12,317 instances of medical abortion care occurring in the state. Medical abortion care for in-state residents was slightly less likely to be provided than in 2021, with 3,912 reported to 3,843 reported, respectively.

Contact Public Health Informatics staff at KDHE.HealthStatistics@ks.gov for additional information.

Sincerely,

Kay Haug, State Registrar & Director
Bureau of Epidemiology and Public Health Informatics
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† Total reported, includes 1 Kansas resident abortion that occurred out of state.
This total is subject to change as other states submit information on Kansas resident abortions in their state.
‡ Kansas occurrence data
¶ For further explanation, see Technical Notes in the *Annual Summary of Vital Statistics, 2021.*
# Includes selection of two or more races or other non-specified race.

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† No Partial Birth procedures have been reported in Kansas since October 1999.

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† The increase in the 1989-1992 figures may not reflect an increase in the number of abortions being performed but rather an increase in the number of providers voluntarily reporting data
‡ As of July 1, 1995, reporting became mandatory for every medical care facility and every person licensed to practice medicine and surgery.
§ Residency data was not available for all abortions in 1989-1990. However, due to improved reporting, residency was obtained for most of the abortions reported in subsequent years.
¶ 2022 numbers are preliminary: 1981-2021 numbers are final.

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## Induced Abortions by County of Patient Residence

### Kansas, 2022

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## Induced Abortions in Kansas by State of Patient Residence
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**Abortion Reports at 22 Weeks or More Gestation**

Physicians in Kansas reporting abortions at 22 weeks or more are required to fill out the questions located on the back of the VS-213 form. This information is not available on late term abortions to Kansas residents performed in other states.

In 2022, there was one Kansas abortion occurrence at 22 weeks gestation.

### 16a) What was the reason why the abortion was necessary? *

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### 16b) Provide the medical basis, including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes of the pregnant woman.

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### 17b) Provide the medical basis, including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes and the reasons for the determination of the viability/non-viability of the unborn child.

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### Abortions Reported Involving Partial Birth Procedures

18) Provide the medical basis, including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes and the reasons for the determination that a partial-birth procedure was necessary to save the life of the mother whose life is in danger by a physical disorder, physical illness or personal injury, including a life endangering physical condition, caused by the pregnancy itself.

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**All Reported Data**

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Appendices
## INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY
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## INSTRUCTIONS:

**PHYSICIAN IDENTIFICATION CODE:** Enter Physician Identification Code for PHYSICIAN’S REPORT ON NUMBER OF CERTIFICATIONS RECEIVED as assigned by KDHE. If the facility has only one physician, the code is the same as the Provider Identification number assigned by KDHE for abortion reporting on VS-213 form. If the facility has more than one physician, each physician must have a unique identification code. Use a unique assigned letter provided by KDHE and include the letter after the provider/physician number in this report. If you are uncertain about your Physician Identification Code or you do not have one, please contact the Vital and Health Statistics Data Analysis Section at the number listed above.

**DATE REPORTED:** Please put in a two-digit number for the month (01-12), a two digit number for the day (01-31) and the four digit year (1999) in which the report is being completed.

**NUMBER OF CERTIFICATIONS RECEIVED:** Please put the number of certifications performed corresponding to the appropriate month.

**ACCORDING TO KSA 65-6709 THIS FORM MUST BE FILED MONTHLY WITH THE KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AT THE ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE.**
Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy

1. Provider Identification Number

2. Patient ID Number

3. Age on Last Birthday

4. Married

5. Date of Pregnancy Termination

6a. Residence US State or Country

6b. County

6c. City or Town

6d. Inside City Limits

7a. Hispanic Origin

7b. Ancestry

8. Race

9. Education

10. Date Last Normal Menses Began

11. Clinical Estimate of Gestation (Weeks) *

12. Previous Pregnancies

13. TERMINATION PROCEDURES

13a Procedure that terminated pregnancy

13b Additional procedures used for this termination, if any

14 Reasons for determining gestational age - describe methods used.

15. Was report of physical, mental, or emotional abuse or neglect filed pursuant to K.S.A. 38-2223?

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* If clinical estimate of gestational age is 22 weeks or more, complete reverse side of form.

** If Partial Birth Procedure as defined by KSA 65-6721 is used, complete reverse side of form.
If the clinical estimate of gestational age of the unborn child is 22 weeks or more, complete items 16 and 17.

16a. If the clinical estimate of gestation age of the unborn child was 22 weeks or greater, indicate the reason why the abortion was necessary.
- [ ] To preserve the life of the pregnant woman
- [ ] Prevent substantial and irreversible impairment of a major bodily function of the pregnant woman

16b. Provide medical basis including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes of the pregnant woman.

17a. Was the unborn child viable?
- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

17b. Provide medical basis including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes and the reasons for the determination of the viability/non-viability of the unborn child.

If a partial birth procedure was performed, complete item 18.

18. Provide the medical basis, including specific medical diagnoses and diagnosis codes, and reasons for the determination that a partial-birth procedure was necessary to save the life of the mother whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, physical illness or personal injury, including a life-endangering physical condition, caused by the pregnancy itself.
Relevant Laws and Regulations

Kansas abortion laws posted to the web by the Kansas Legislature under Kansas Statutes Chapter 65, Article 67 (KSA 65-6701 to KSA 65-6750):

http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/statute/065_000_0000_chapter/065_067_0000_article/

Kansas abortion regulations are posted to the web by the Kansas Secretary of State under Agency 28, Article 56 KAR 28-56-1 to KAR 28-56-10):


Kansas laws regarding physicians and facilities are posted at the Kansas Legislature site (KSA 65-443 to KSA 65-445):

http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/statute/065_000_0000_chapter/065_004_0000_article/

Kansas laws regulating Vital Statistics are posted at the Kansas Legislature site (KSA 65-2401 to KSA 65-2440):

http://www.kslegislature.org/li/b2021_22/statute/065_000_0000_chapter/065_024_0000_article/