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innocent & helpless children are killed by abortion every day in
SOUTH CAROLINA

South Carolina Abortion Facts

State abortion statistics from the leading public and private sources.

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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.

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STATE-LEVEL DATA

Total Abortions (2014): 5,714

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control reports that 5,714 abortions took place in South Carolina during 2014.

SOURCE: [South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control](#)

CDC DATA

Total Abortions (2013): 5,878

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 5,878 abortions took place in South Carolina during 2013. The table below compares South Carolina abortion totals by year.

| 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 5,878 | 6,084 | 6,379 | 6,464 | 6,911 | 7,187 | 7,544 | 7,005 | 6,716 | 6,565 |

Abortion Percentage (2013): 9.3%

In 2013, 9.3% of pregnancies in South Carolina 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 South Carolina abortion percentages by year.

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:



SOCIAL MEDIA GRAPHICS:

| | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 |
|----------------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| South Carolina | 9.3% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | 11% | 10% | 10% | 10% |
| United States* | 16.7% | 17% | 18% | 19% | 19% | 19% | 19% | 19% | 19% | 19% |

Out-of-State Abortion Percentage (2013): 4.0%

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) reports that 4.0% of the abortions that took place in South Carolina 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): 6,040

The Guttmacher Institute reports that 6,040 abortions took place in South Carolina during 2014. In 2011, there were 6,620 abortions reported—compared with 7,300 in 2008 and 7,080 in 2005.

Abortion Rate* (2014): 6.4

The Guttmacher Institute reports that the 2014 abortion rate for South Carolina was 6.4. In 2011, the abortion rate in South Carolina was 7.1. It was 8.1 in 2008, 7.9 in 2005, and 9.3 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): 9%

In 2011, 76,200 women in South Carolina became pregnant. 75% of these pregnancies resulted in live births and 9% in induced abortions. The remaining pregnancies ended in miscarriage.

Percentage of All U.S. Abortions (2014): 0.7%

In 2014, 0.7% of all U.S. abortions occurred in South Carolina.

Facilities That Perform Abortions (2011): 9

In 2011, the Guttmacher Institute reports that there were 9 abortion providers in South Carolina. There were 6 providers in 2008, 6 providers in 2005, and 10 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 severe health complications.
- The use of telemedicine for the performance of medication abortion is prohibited.
- The parent of a minor younger than 17 must consent before an abortion can take place.
- Public funding is available for abortion only in cases of life endangerment, rape or incest.
- An abortion cannot be performed at or after 20 weeks postfertilization (22 weeks after the woman's last menstrual period) unless the woman's life is endangered or her physical health is severely compromised.

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

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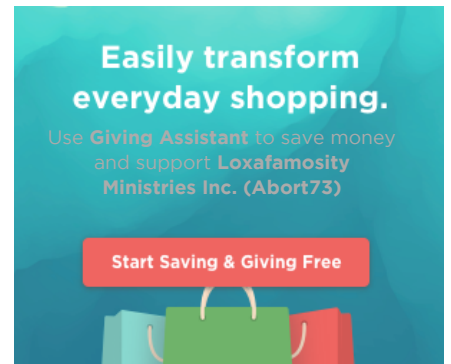
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