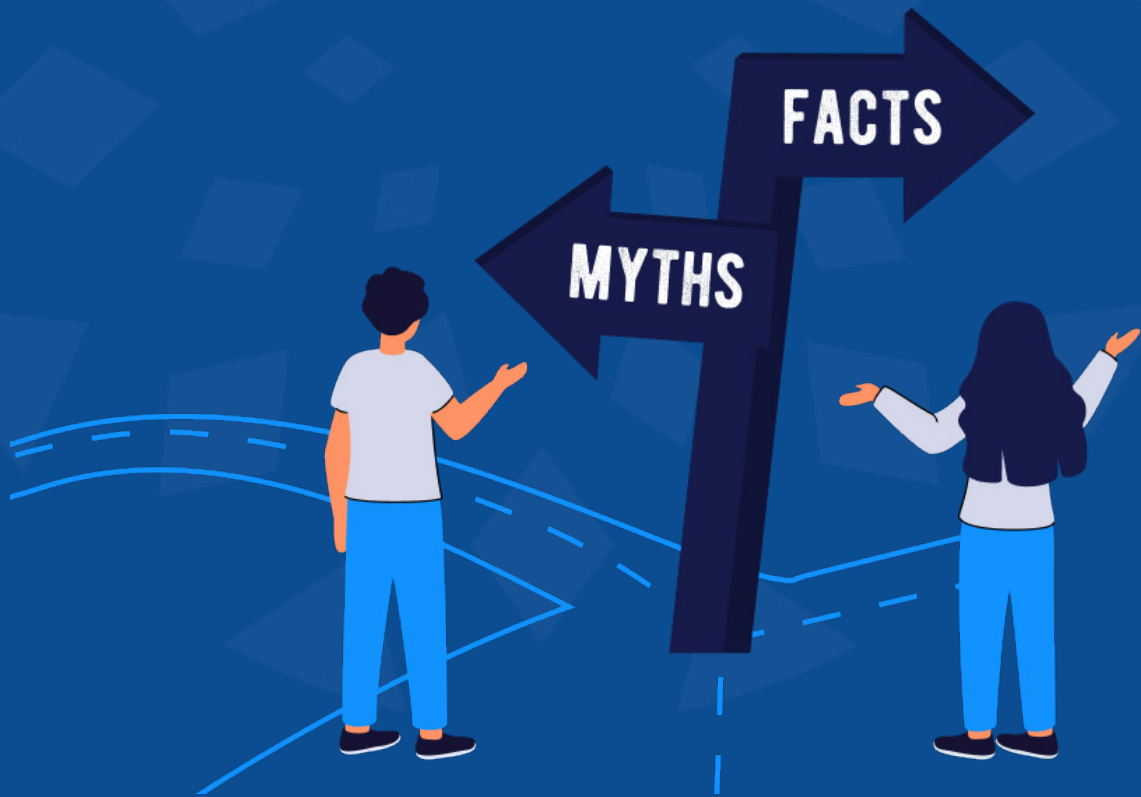


Get The Facts

With so much misinformation surrounding abortion and fetal development, CLI's Get the Facts resource is here to equip you with the facts and stats that point to the value of human life.



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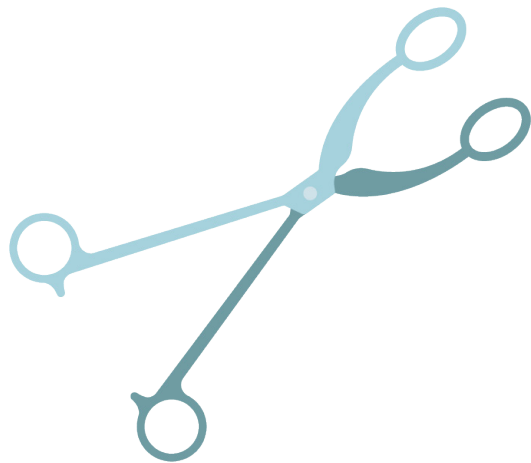


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Abortion

QUICK STATS



Beyond 21 weeks, the risk of maternal mortality from a D&E abortion exceeds the risk from childbirth.



Nearly 70% of abortions are coerced, unwanted or inconsistent with women's preferences.

MYTH VS. FACT

MYTH

Abortion is health care.



FACT

Abortion does not fulfill the seven criteria the American Medical Association established to identify the health care for which physicians should advocate.



MYTH

Abortion is 14 times safer than childbirth.



FACT

Studies from countries with better data show that a woman is at least 3 times as likely to die from any cause following abortion than after childbirth.



Abortion Drugs

QUICK STATS



Drug-induced abortions miscoded as natural miscarriages accounted for 60% of abortion drug-related ER visits in 2015.



Drug-induced abortion has a complication rate four times that of surgical abortion, and as many as one in five women will suffer a complication.

MYTH VS. FACT

MYTH

Abortion drugs are as safe as any common drug like Tylenol.



FACT

The rate of abortion-related ER visits following a drug-induced abortion increased by over 500% from 2002-2015.



MYTH

Abortion Pill Reversal (APR) is “junk science.”



FACT

Studies show a successful reversal rate of around 66% when using the most effective progesterone regimens, compared to less than 25% continuing pregnancy without progesterone treatment.

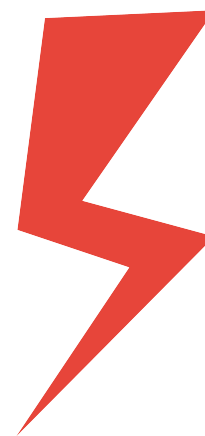


Fetal Development

QUICK STATS



By 12 weeks' gestation, a baby is forming unique fingerprints and sucks his thumb with a preference for his left or right hand.



Scientific advancements provide clear evidence that unborn babies feel pain by 15 weeks' gestation and possibly as early as 12 weeks' gestation.

MYTH VS. FACT

MYTH

Unborn babies diagnosed with a life-limiting condition do not survive or will suffer, so it is compassionate to abort them.



FACT

Every baby is unique and deserving of proper medical care. It's possible that a prenatal screening result is wrong, and the baby doesn't have any condition that warrants extra support. When diagnosed with trisomy 18, for unborn babies receiving proper care, one study shows 81% survive through discharge.



MYTH

A heartbeat only begins after the chambers of the heart have been developed, around 17-20 weeks.



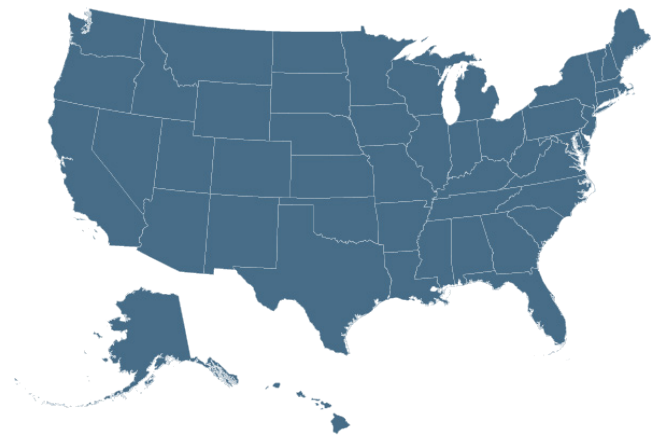
FACT

The heart pumps blood to the rest of the body. A baby's heart starts beating around 22 days after fertilization, and has a steady heartbeat of 110 beats per minute by 6 weeks' gestation.



Life & The Law

QUICK STATS



2,566,968

All pro-life state laws allow doctors to exercise their reasonable medical judgment to treat women with pregnancy emergencies, and no law requires certainty or imminence before a doctor can act.

As of June 2023, the Hyde Amendment, which prevents taxpayer funding of elective abortion, has saved 2,566,968 lives since its enactment in 1976.

MYTH VS. FACT

MYTH

Pro-life laws will criminalize women who get abortions.



FACT

No pro-life law in America criminalizes a woman for seeking or obtaining an abortion.



MYTH

No state allows abortion up until the moment of birth.



FACT

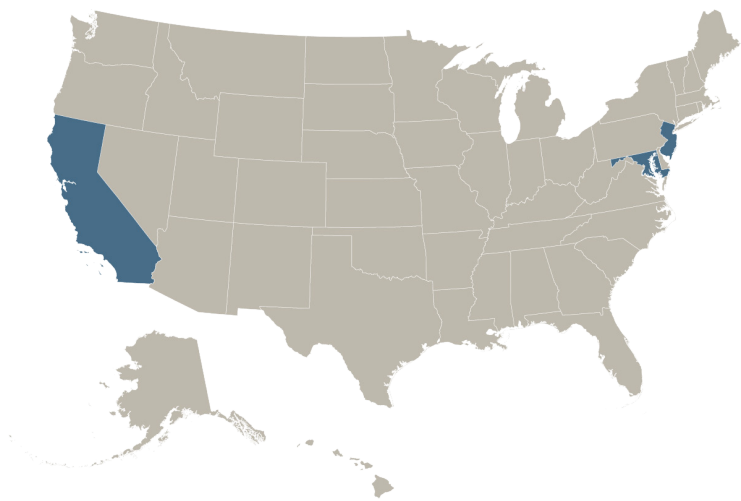
Nine states plus the District of Columbia place no limits on how late an abortion can be performed. Two others have adopted extreme ballot amendments that will permit abortion throughout all nine months.



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Maternal & Public Health

QUICK STATS



Three states with some of the highest abortion rates in the country (CA, MD, & NJ) do not report any abortion data to the public or the CDC.



Abortion restrictions in other countries have not led to an increase in maternal mortality rates.

MYTH VS. FACT

MYTH

Pro-life laws are the reason hospitals are closing in pro-life states.



FACT

Hospitals self-reported through press releases that their shutdowns are due to factors like financial problems and declining patient volumes, not abortion policy.



MYTH

The pro-life movement is only pro-birth. They do not care about the child or mother after the child is born.



FACT

In addition to the work of pregnancy centers which provide for moms and babies well past birth, pro-life federal and state policymakers have enacted legislation to help women and babies after birth.

