



ABORTION

ETHICS AND LEGALIZATION

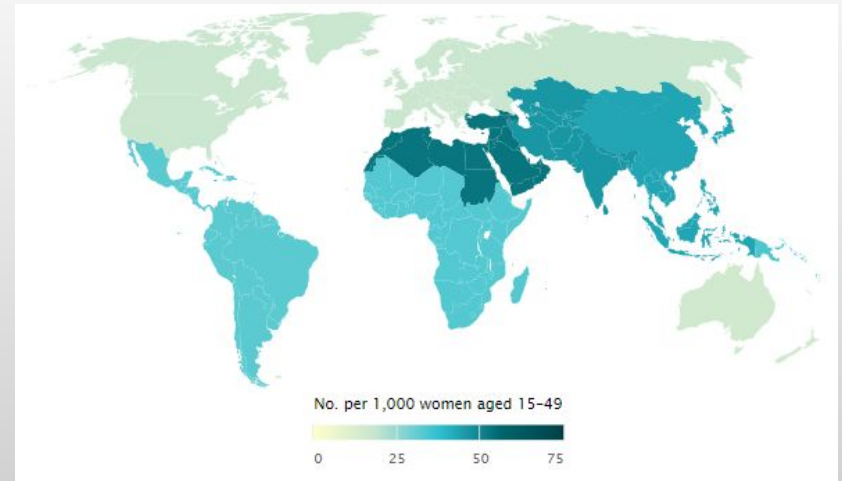
Contemporary Problems in Urban Sustainability

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What it is used for?

Abortion is the intentional termination of a pregnancy after conception. It allows women to put an end to their pregnancies.

Unintended pregnancy and abortion rates, by region, 2015–2019



- Roughly 121 million unintended pregnancies occurred each year between 2015 and 2019.
- Of these unintended pregnancies, 61% ended in abortion. This translates to 73 million abortions per year.

Types of abortion

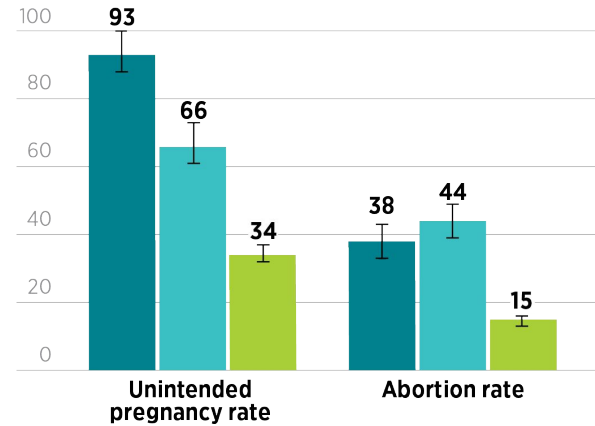


- **Medical Abortion:** Taking the drug mifepristone, which is often called the "abortion pill". This pill is prescribed in the first trimester of a pregnancy.
- **Surgical Abortion:** Medical procedure that must be done in a clinic. There is actually more than one surgical option for abortion, it really all depends on how far along you are in your pregnancy.

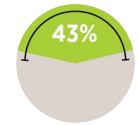
Abortion rates & Wealth level

Unintended pregnancy and abortion occur across all country income groups

2015-2019 rate



Percentage of unintended pregnancies ending in abortion



Low-income countries Middle-income countries High-income countries

┆ = uncertainty interval

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What are the possible reasons?

- unplanned or unwanted pregnancy
- wrong timing
- economical worries
- rape victims
- incest relationships
- single mother issues
- physical problems with mother's health
- baby's health in risk
- partner or parent pressure

Abortion and Society



- **Pro -Life (against abortion) :**

- abortion is a crime of aggression not only against the unborn, but also against the society.



- **Pro- choice (for abortion):**

- advocating legalized abortion

Pro-Life: against abortion



- It is mainly religion based.

“Abortion is not necessary”

“Every child has a right to live, no other being can prevent it” - are fetuses human beings?

- MUST BE FORBIDDEN BY LAW

“Abortion is an immoral act”

“Unethical”



Pro-Choice: for abortion

- A person has the right to decide what to do with his/her own body
- Raped or incest victims should not be forced to carry out a pregnancy

**BANNING ABORTION WILL NOT MAKE
IT GO AWAY**

“It is more about a woman’s right”

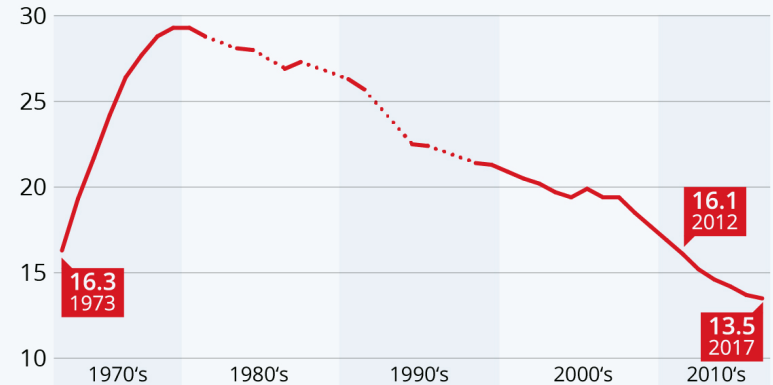


Worth to note:

the US Supreme Court's 7-2 decision on Roe v. Wade declared the procedure a "fundamental right" on Jan. 22, 1973.

U.S. Abortion Rate Falls to Lowest Level Since Roe v. Wade

Number of abortions per 1,000 U.S. women* since Supreme Court decision in 1973



As of July 1 of each year

* aged 15 to 44

Source: Guttmacher Institute



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LAWS AND POLICIES SHOULD:

- ✓ Ensure that every woman who is legally eligible has access to timely and safe abortion care
- ✓ Facilitate the provision of high-quality contraceptive information and services
- ✓ Meet all women's sexual and reproductive health needs

RESTRICTING ACCESS TO ABORTION DOES NOT
REDUCE THE NUMBER OF ABORTIONS



cause unsafe abortions



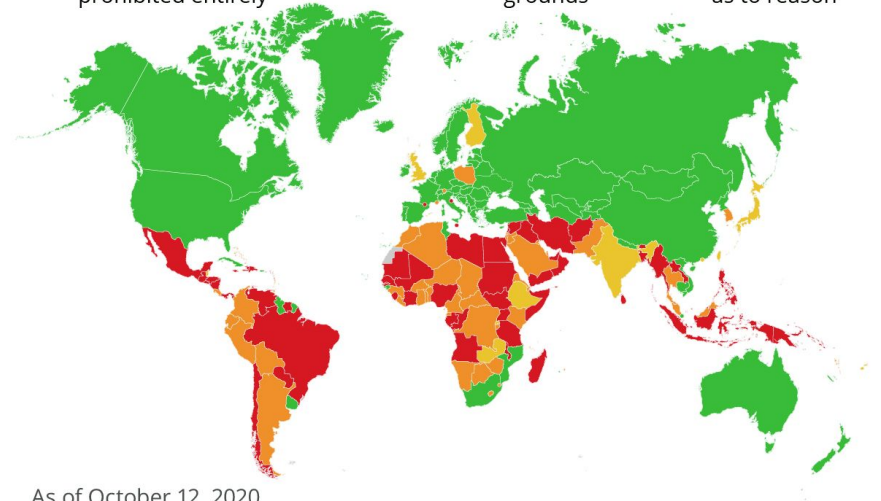
**25 MILLION UNSAFE ABORTIONS TAKE
PLACE EACH YEAR WORLDWIDE**

Current status of legalization in the world

The Legal State of Abortion

International status of abortion law in 2020

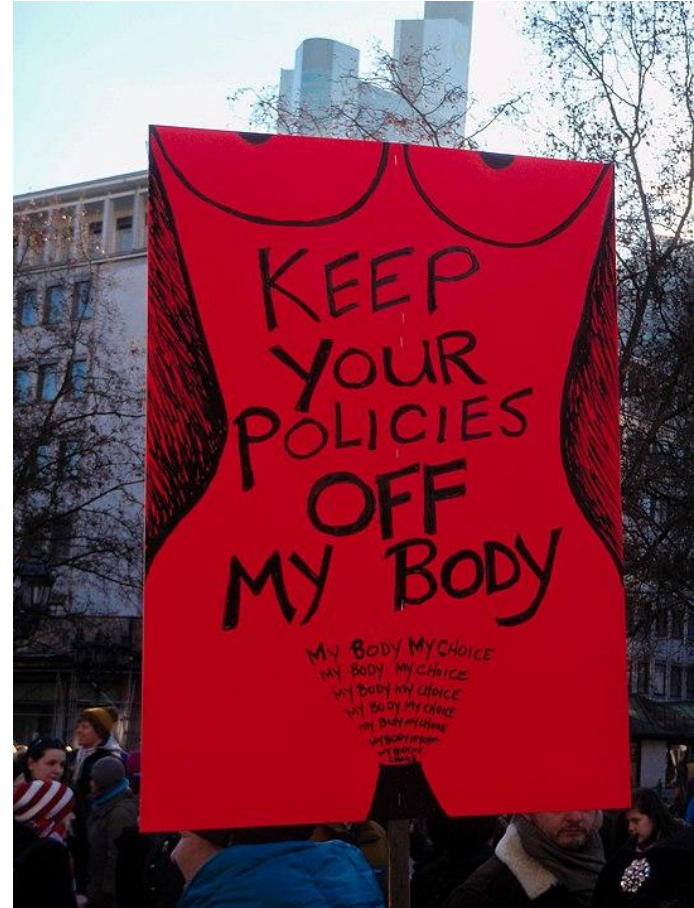
- To save the woman's life/prohibited entirely
- To preserve health
- Broad socioeconomic grounds
- Without restriction as to reason



As of October 12, 2020

Source: Center For Reproductive Rights





What about Turkey?



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