

Latest HHSC Report -- 132 Medically Necessary Abortions to Save Women's Lives since *Dobbs*, Zero Repercussions for Physicians

The latest Induced Termination of Pregnancy (ITOP) [report](#) from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC), released January 2, 2025, confirms that Texas's pro-life laws are achieving their intended goal: protecting both women's and unborn babies' lives. During the first 26 months since the Supreme Court's landmark *Dobbs* decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, Texas doctors have reported performing 132 medically necessary abortions to save women's lives or health through August 2024 -- an average of five per month -- with elective abortions dropping to zero.

Texas Reported Abortions pre- & post-*Dobbs*

	Elective	Medical-Necessity (Life/Health) Exceptions
Jan 2022	2,531	2
Feb 2022	2,513	1
Mar 2022	3,295	4
Apr 2022	3,187	4
May 2022	2,991	2
Jun 2022	2,595	1
<i>Dobbs (June 24, 2022)</i>		
Jul 2022	67	1
Aug 2022	0	3
<i>Human Life Protection Act (Aug 25, 2022)</i>		
Sep 2022	0	3
Oct 2022	0	3
Nov 2022	0	7
Dec 2022	0	2
Jan 2023	0	6
Feb 2023	0	1
Mar 2023	0	9
Apr 2023	0	4
May 2023	0	7
Jun 2023	0	0
July 2023	0	8
Aug 2023	0	5
Sep 2023	0	9
Oct 2023	0	4
Nov 2023	0	3
Dec 2023	0	6
Jan 2024	0	10
Feb 2024	0	6
Mar 2024	0	5
Apr 2024	0	11
May 2024	0	3
Jun 2024	0	3
July 2024	0	7
Aug 2024	0	6
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Total since <i>Dobbs</i>	67	132

Source: Texas Health and Human Services, Induced Termination of Pregnancies (ITOP) Statistics, <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/about/records-statistics/data-statistics/itop-statistics>

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No doctor has been prosecuted, sued, or sanctioned for any of those abortions. No woman has lost her life for lack of an exception in the law.

These numbers reaffirm that Texas's pro-life laws are working as intended -- safeguarding the lives of both women and unborn children. Texas doctors can and are providing medically necessary abortions in rare and tragic cases when the mother's life or health is at risk, as allowed under state law.

Texas continues to provide robust resources to support women and families. The state has allocated \$165 million to the Alternatives to Abortion program and \$400 million to Women's Health Services in its current budget.

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