

THE LIE

Abortion is sold as a “cure” for unintended pregnancies. Women and men are told the babies in the womb are not “persons” and that abortion does not kill a living human being. The same language that was used to discriminate against African-Americans in the past is now being used to discriminate against unborn babies. Science, however, tells us that a unique new human life begins at fertilization.

Often the word “abortion” is never used by abortion advocates. Words and phrases like “choice” or “reproductive health” are used to sanitize the gruesome reality of abortion. Attempts to present factual information are often shut down with name calling and baseless accusations of “misogyny” and waging a “War on Women.”

Enough with the word games and name calling.

THE TRUTH

Abortion means a living human being who is preparing to be born will suffer a violent death. The scientific field of embryology clearly shows that at fertilization, when a sperm fertilizes an ovum (also known as conception), the life of a human being begins. Embryology textbooks recognize this scientific fact.

Human life has been cheapened by abortion. When one of us is devalued, we are all devalued. All lives matter, born and unborn.

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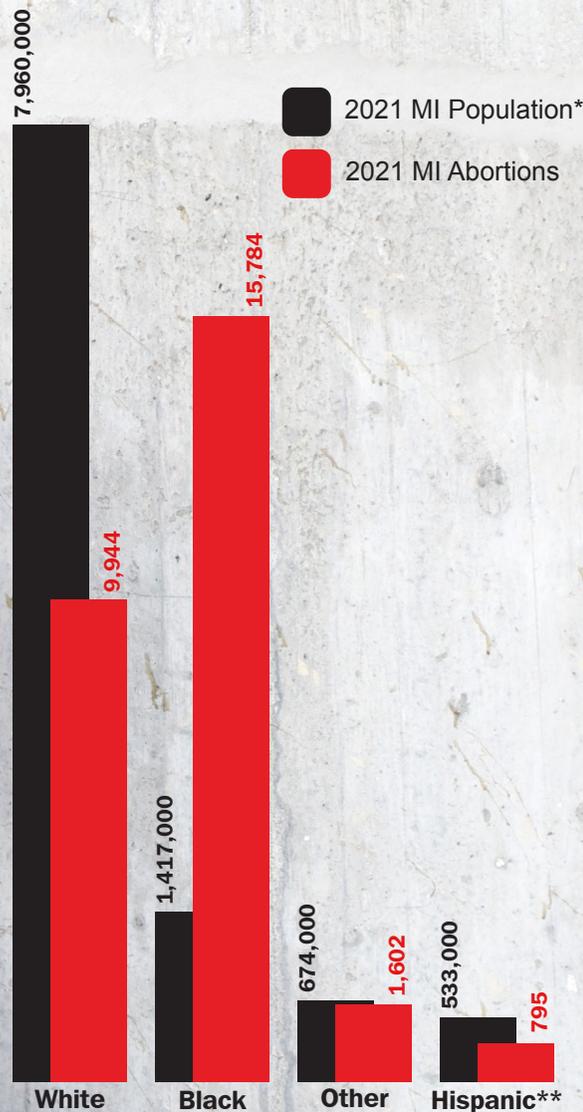
Abortion has taken more Black American lives than **EVERY** other cause of death combined since 1973.



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BLACK ABORTIONS BY THE NUMBERS

In the United States, the abortion rate for Black women is more than 3 times that of White women. On average, more than 900 Black babies are aborted every day in our country. This tragedy continues to impact the population levels of African-Americans in the United States. The abortion racial disparity is even more stark when the focus is on Michigan statistics as well (see graph below, comparing proportions).



*Michigan population from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2021 estimates

**Hispanic ancestry is considered an ethnicity, not a race. Hispanics may be part of any race. Numbers for Hispanic abortions/population are shown for comparison purposes. Statistics are not available to separate non-Hispanic blacks and non-Hispanic whites.

NATIONAL STATISTICS

- More than 20 million Black babies have been aborted since the 1973 Roe v. Wade U.S. Supreme Court decision legalized abortion in our country.
- Non-Hispanic Black women have a significantly higher abortion rate (23.8 per 1000 women of reproductive age) than that of Non-Hispanic Whites (6.6) and Hispanics (11.7)
- 38.4% of all reported abortions in the U.S. in 2019 were performed on Black women, however, only about 13.4% of the total population is Black.
- African-Americans are no longer the nation's largest minority group. Today, Hispanics have outpaced Blacks in population growth.
- For every 1,000 live births, non-Hispanic Black women had 386 abortions. Non-Hispanic White women had 117 abortions/1,000 live births.

MICHIGAN STATISTICS

- Black women had 15,784 of the 28,409 abortions performed on Michigan residents in 2021 with racial data available.
- While Black women make up only about 14% of Michigan's female population, they had 55.6% of all abortions reported in the state in 2021.
- 93.4% of Black women having abortions are not married.
- Black abortion rate (per 1,000 women of reproductive age) by age group:

Under 20 — 21.5	30-34 — 69
20-24 — 71.3	35-39 — 28.8
25-29 — 78.4	40 and over — 7.4