

# THE BASICS

A compilation of recent and noteworthy information on the abortion issue.

## Diary of an Unborn Baby



**Day 1** Fertilization: all human chromosomes are present, and a unique life begins.

**Day 6** The embryo begins implanting in the uterus.

**Day 22** The heart begins to beat with the child's own blood, often with a different blood type than the mother's.

**Week 5** Eyes, legs, and hands begin to develop.

**Week 6** Brain waves are detectable<sup>1</sup>. The mouth and lips are present, and fingers are forming<sup>2</sup>.



**Week 7** Eyelids and toes form. The baby now has a distinct nose and is kicking and swimming<sup>3</sup>.

**Week 8** Every organ is in place<sup>4</sup>; bones<sup>5</sup>, fingerprints<sup>2</sup> begin to form.



**Weeks 9 & 10** Teeth begin to form, fingernails develop<sup>5</sup>; baby can turn head<sup>5</sup> and frown<sup>2</sup>.

**Week 11** Baby can grasp object placed in hand<sup>3</sup>.

**Week 17** Baby can have dream (REM) sleep<sup>7</sup>.

Unless otherwise noted, information on fetal development taken from Keith L. Moore and T.V.N. Persaud, The Developing Human, 5th ed. (Philadelphia: W.B. Saunders Co., 1993). 1. O'Rahilly & Müller, The Embryonic Human Brain, 2nd Ed, 1999. 2. Flanagan, The First Nine Months, 1965. 3. Valman & Pearson, BMJ, 1/26/80. 4. Nilsson, A Child is Born, 1990. 5. Rugh & Shettles, From Conception to Birth, 1971. 6. P.E. Rockwell, Markle v. Abele, U.S. Supreme Court, 1971. 7. AMA News, 2/1/83. Full citations available upon request.

## MORE THAN NUMBERS

There have been **more than 64 million abortions** in the U.S. since 1973.

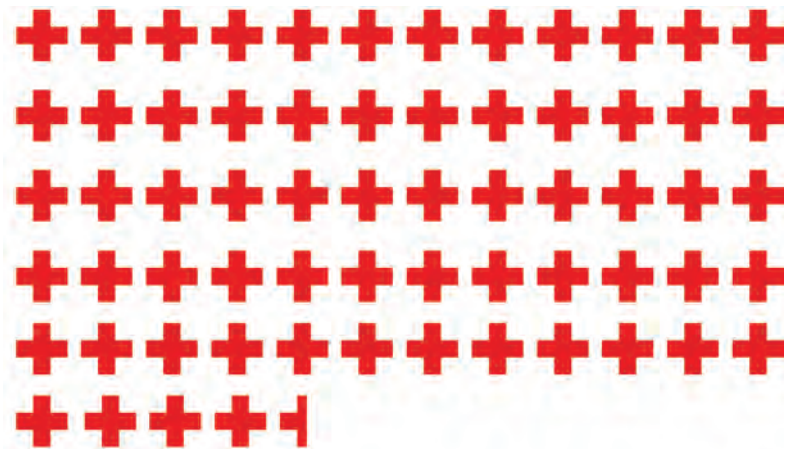
There were over **930,000 abortions** in 2020. That's over **2,400 abortions per day, 123 per hour, 1 every 34 seconds**.

Of all pregnancies that resulted in either live birth or abortion in 2020, **20.6% resulted in abortion**.

## The War On The Unborn

✚ = 1 Million Lives

Abortions in the U.S. Since 1973:



American Casualties from every war since 1775:

