State Abortion Laws

The State Abortion Laws Dataset offers a general overview of laws in 15 areas of abortion regulation: Abortion Advertising Restrictions, Abortion Bans, Abortion Provider Qualifications, Abortion Reporting Requirements, Abortion Requirements for Minors, Abortion Waiting Period Requirements, Medication Abortion Requirements, Protecting Access to Abortion Clinics, Refusal to Perform Abortions, Restrictions on Insurance Coverage of Abortion, Restrictions on Public Funding of Abortion, Statutory and Constitutional Right to Abortion, TRAP – Abortion Facility Licensing, TRAP – Ambulatory Surgical Center Requirements, and TRAP – Hospitalization Requirements. It serves as a snapshot of the regulatory landscape across all topics within each state, providing a summary of the degree to which each jurisdiction restricts or protects abortion access.

This dataset is longitudinal, displaying abortion laws in effect from December 1, 2018 through December 1, 2019. Additional maps and tables are available by visiting www.lawatlas.org.

Clinic Protections and Right to an Abortion

Nine states have laws that provide protections related to abortion clinic access and have a statute or constitutional provision protecting the right to an abortion, an increase of one state from December 1, 2018.


Abortion Payment Restrictions

As of December 1, 2019, twenty-six states have laws that restrict both private insurance coverage and the use of public resources to pay for abortion, a decrease of one state since December 1, 2018.

Jurisdictions: 26 (AL, AZ, AR, FL, GA, ID, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MS, MO, NE, NC, ND, OH, OK, PA, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VA, WI)