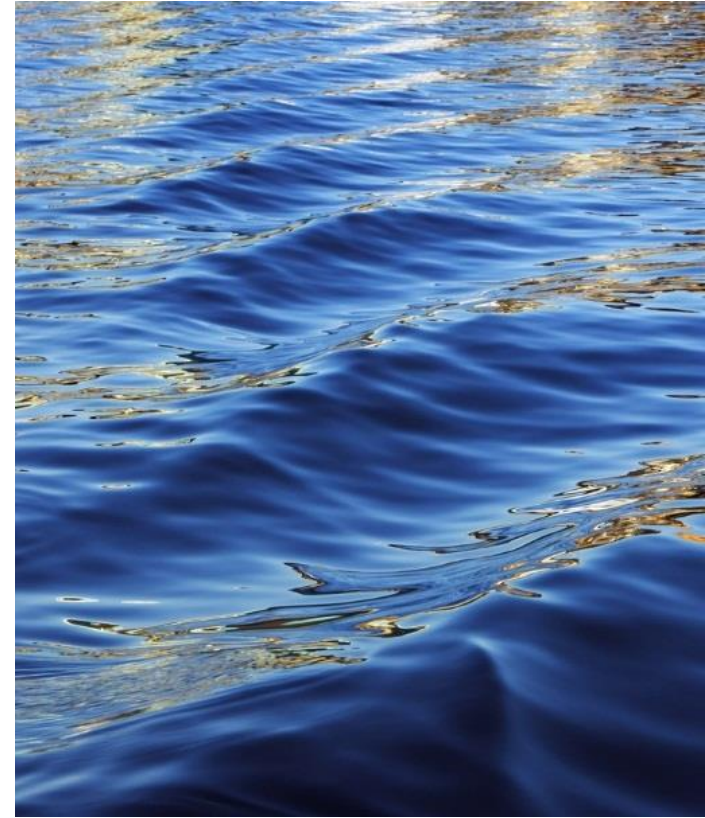




Abortion

IN OUR WATER

*Environmental and ethical concerns
related to the disposal of aborted
fetal remains via wastewater systems*



What is Chemical Abortion and Does it Affect Me?

In 2000, the FDA approved a two-pill protocol for chemical abortions:

1. The first pill, mifepristone, works by **blocking** the **fertility hormone** progesterone, cutting off nutrients to a developing child, **effectively starving him or her**.
2. The second pill, misoprostol, forces a women's body to expel the starved child.

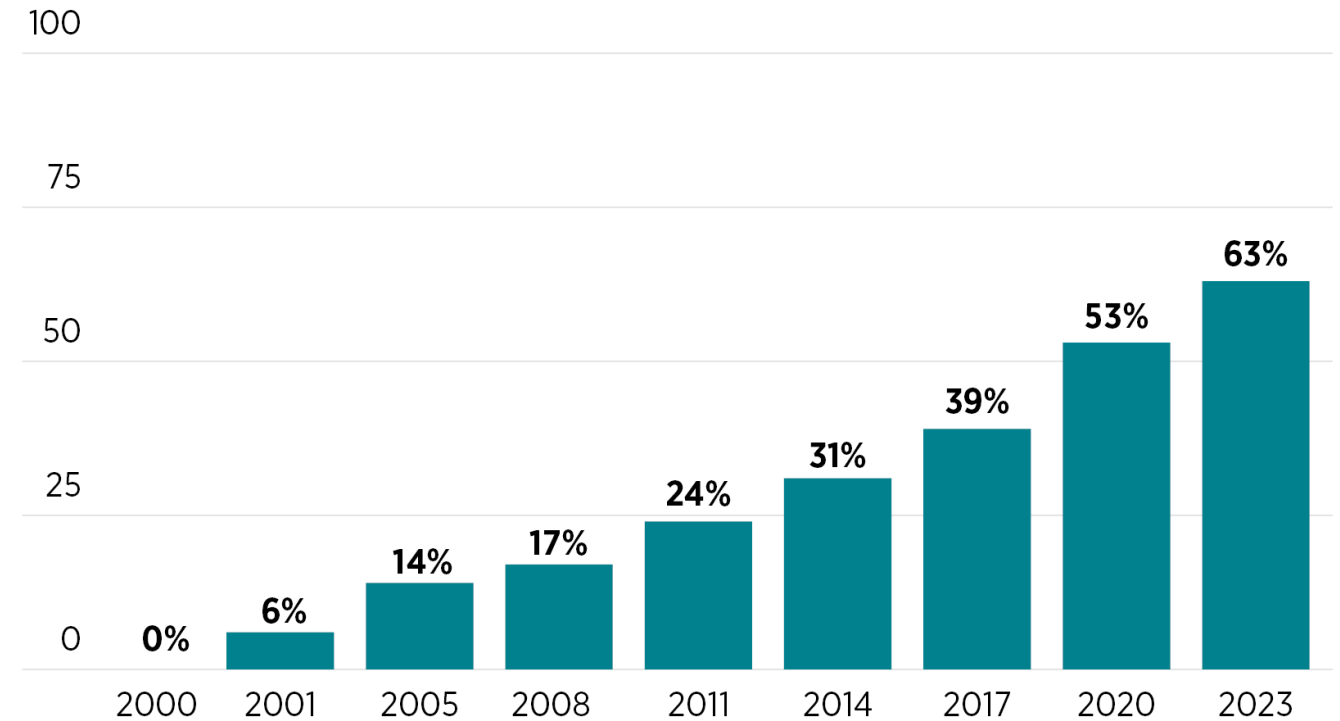


Unfortunately – it affects us all.

Background: Chemical Abortions Are on the Rise

- Over time, the use of the chemical abortion pill has increased dramatically.
- A conservative estimate suggests that in 2024, **approximately 700,000 of the 1 million+ U.S. abortions were chemical abortions, which often occur outside a clinical setting** – including in women's home bathrooms.

Medication abortions accounted for more than 60% of all abortions in the formal US health care system in 2023



Sources: Guttmacher Abortion Provider Census and Monthly Abortion Provision Study.
guttmacher.org

President Trump Prioritizes “Crystal Clean” Water

In five separate major speeches, President Trump has promised that one of the goals of his administration will be crystal clean drinking water.

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Remarks by President Trump on America’s Environmental Leadership, July 2019



Water Contamination On the Rise

1. Aborted babies are often disposed of in toilets. In a wastewater system overflow, these babies could enter our water supply.
2. According to the EPA, drug contaminants can enter our environment via human excretion, and publicly owned water treatment plants “are not designed” to fully remove them. Neither are most drinking water filtration processes.



In other words: Aborted babies may be in our lakes and streams, and we may be drinking water contaminated by active abortion pill substances.

Don't Flush Baby Wipes – But Do Flush Babies?

The EPA discourages flushing *anything other than toilet paper*, and numerous state laws specifically prohibit flushing medical waste.

Yet: For decades, the FDA and EPA have allowed abortion providers to instruct women to flush tons of human remains and related medical waste into our water systems.



Medical Waste Disposal Highly Regulated

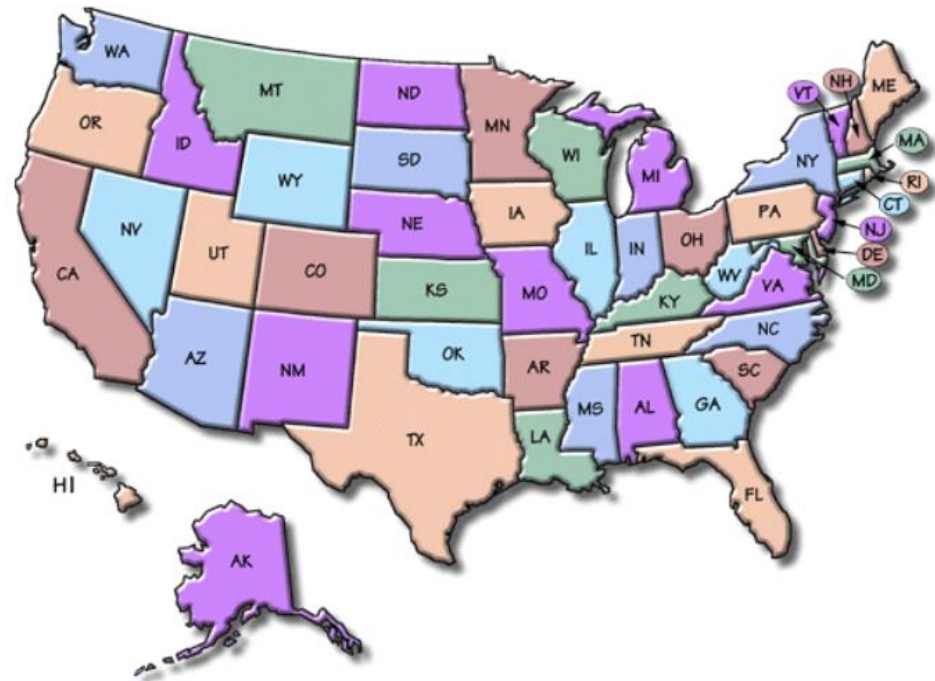
State-by-state Regulated Medical Waste Resource Locator

These links lead off-site to the Environmental Compliance Assistance Platform.

Click on the map to view resources for the selected state:

Hospitals, clinics, and any other brick-and-mortar facilities performing abortions must follow strict protocols for disposing of human remains generated by abortion.

Conversely, current regulations are often not enforced against abortion providers issuing pills for “at home” abortions.



News Reports: Human Remains in Wastewater Treatment Plants

Remains of fetus found at wastewater treatment plant in southern California

- An employee discovered the fetus at the Hill Canyon Wastewater Treatment Plant in Camarillo, California, around 8.45am
- Fetus was not full-term and appears to have been in its first or second trimester
- Police say the only way the fetus could have made its way to the plant is if it traveled through the sewer system

By DAILYMAL.COM REPORTER

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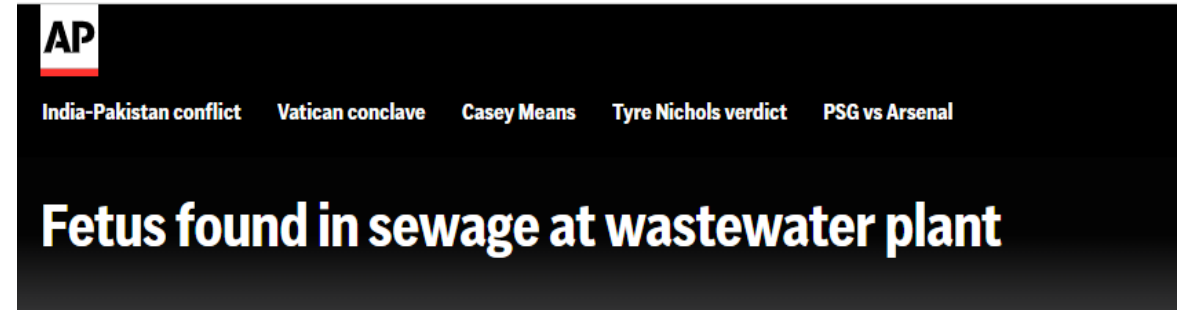
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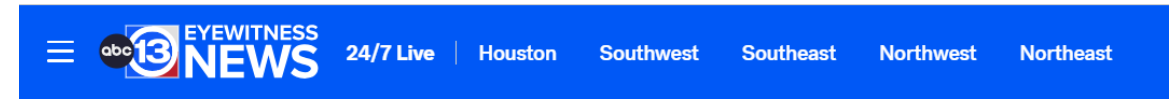
Fetus discovered at sewage plant

By **Kate King**, Staff Writer

Oct 3, 2010



Published 8:24 PM GMT-4, May 31, 2022



HUMAN REMAINS FOUND

Construction workers find fetal remains in southeast Houston sewer system, HFD says



By **Mo Haider**

Thursday, July 24, 2025



WWTP are not meant to dispose of fetal remains that are caught in WWTP screens and other filtration processes. Medical waste facilities exist for this purpose.

Scale of Contamination

- An estimated **40+ tons of aborted human remains** (including developing bones, cartilage, and cranial structures) and related medical waste (placentas, etc.) are being flushed annually, making their way into our wastewater treatment plants.
- **A hospital dumping 40+ tons of medical waste into the sewer system would be a national scandal.**
- **The abortion industry does it *annually*.**

1 ton =



Source: <https://brighterly.com/math/ton/>

Environmental Impact

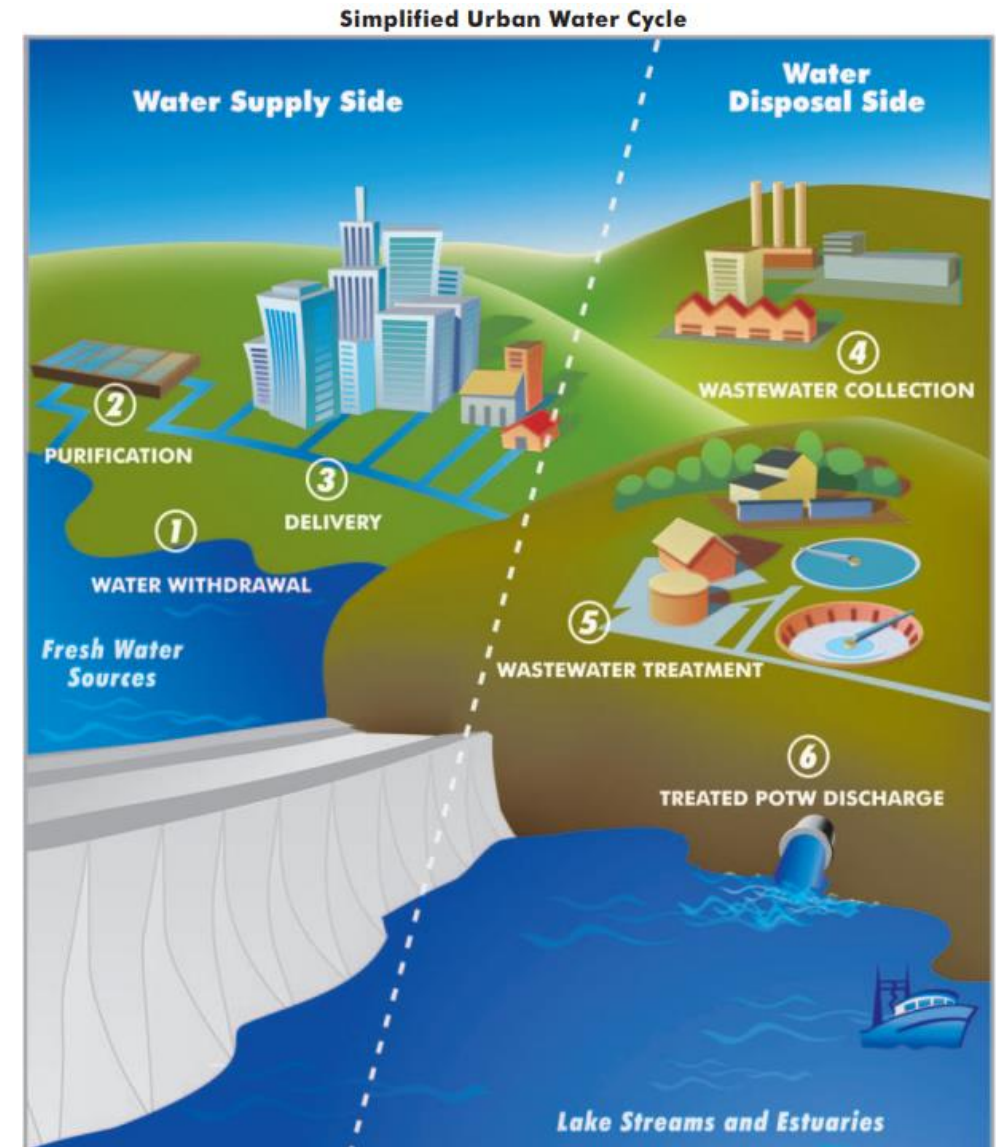
- After being metabolized by the body, the abortion pill mifepristone forms 3 active metabolites that are excreted into our wastewater systems.
- **Active abortion pill contaminants and molecular fetal remnants** are not fully filtered out by wastewater treatment plants and can enter rivers, lakes, and other drinking water sources — **and may enter our drinking water.**



In fact: Mifepristone has been found in wastewater and reported in fresh and salt water.

Water Treatment Plants Fail to “Treat” the Problem

1. **Conventional wastewater treatment plants utilize 2-3 levels of treatment. However:**
 - None of these fully remove the active chemical contaminants from abortion pills.
 - Approximately 10 percent of the organic matter in wastewater — which may include fetal biomass — remains in **treated** wastewater (consider microscopic fragments of skin or other organic fetal remains).
2. **Traditional drinking water treatment plants** are likewise not equipped to fully remove active chemical abortion pill contaminants.



Source: <https://www3.epa.gov/npdes/pubs/primer.pdf>.

Sewer System Overflows Exacerbate the Problem

Wastewater systems (both combined sewer systems and sanitary sewer systems) can, and do, overflow: The EPA estimates **there are at least 23,000 - 75,000 sanitary sewer overflows per year.**



Source: <https://www.rivernetwork.org/tracking-pollution-in-the-delaware-basin-tools-for-community-action/combined-sewer-overflows-monitoring/>

In other words, **raw sewage containing the remains of flushed aborted babies may be entering our water supply.**

FDA & EPA Oversight Lacking

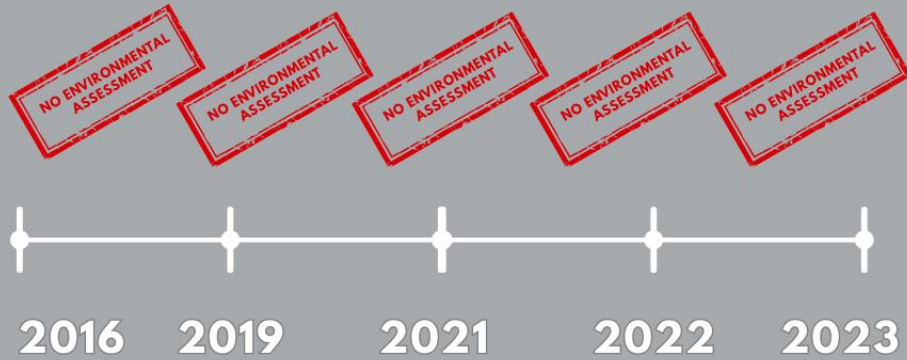
The original application for mifepristone submitted by the Population Council (a pro-abortion nonprofit) included an FDA-reviewed Environmental Assessment (EA) that:



- **Failed** to address how human fetal remains would be disposed of, ignoring the reality that they would enter U.S. water systems via the toilet.
- **Failed** to consider the increased scale of use of chemical abortion in later years.

The negligence of the Clinton-led FDA and EPA amounts to clear violation of the National Environmental Policy Act and the Clean Water Act.

NO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT



SINCE 2016, THE FDA HAS EXPANDED
ACCESS TO THE ABORTION PILL FIVE TIMES.

→ EACH ACTION TRIGGERED THE LEGAL REQUIREMENT
FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT.

✗ NOT ONCE DID THE FDA COMPLY.

WE MUST DEMAND ACCOUNTABILITY.
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Subsequent Oversights Exacerbate the Issue

In **2011, 2016, 2019, 2021, and 2023**, the FDA approved major changes related to the use of mifepristone, but no environmental studies were ever performed.



Week 7

Limbs and major organs form

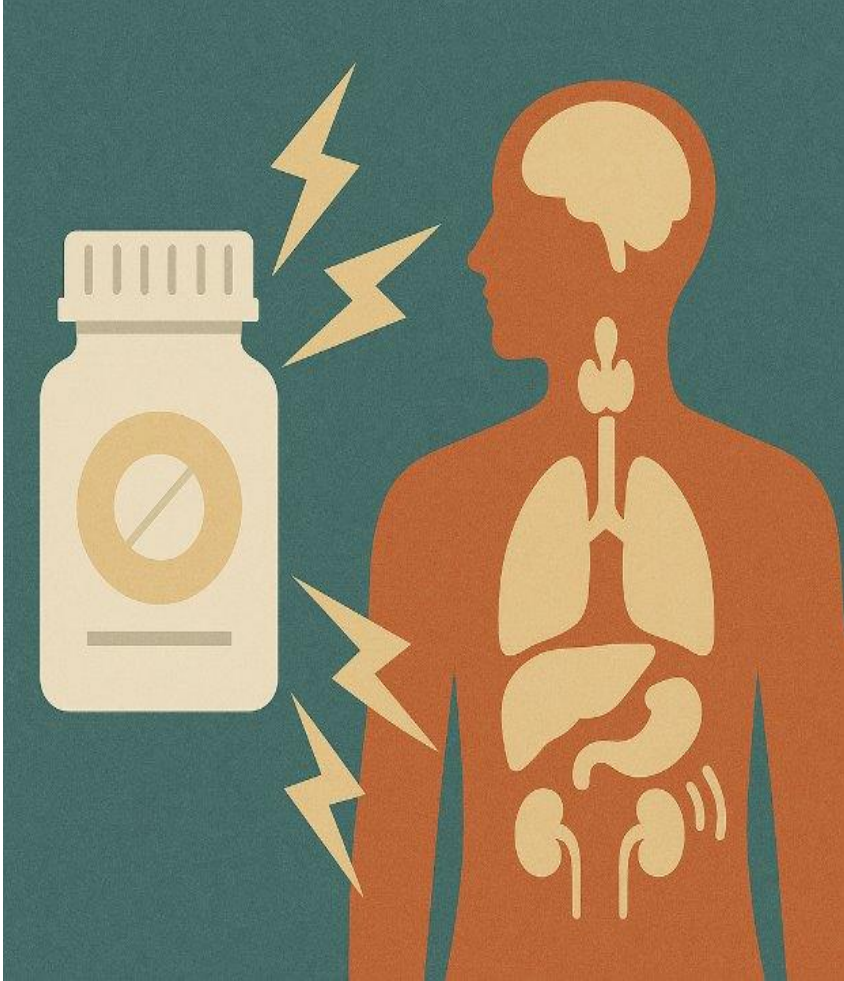


Week 10

Fingers, toes, and a working digestive system

Source: <https://lozierinstitute.org/fetal-development/>

Public Health Concerns



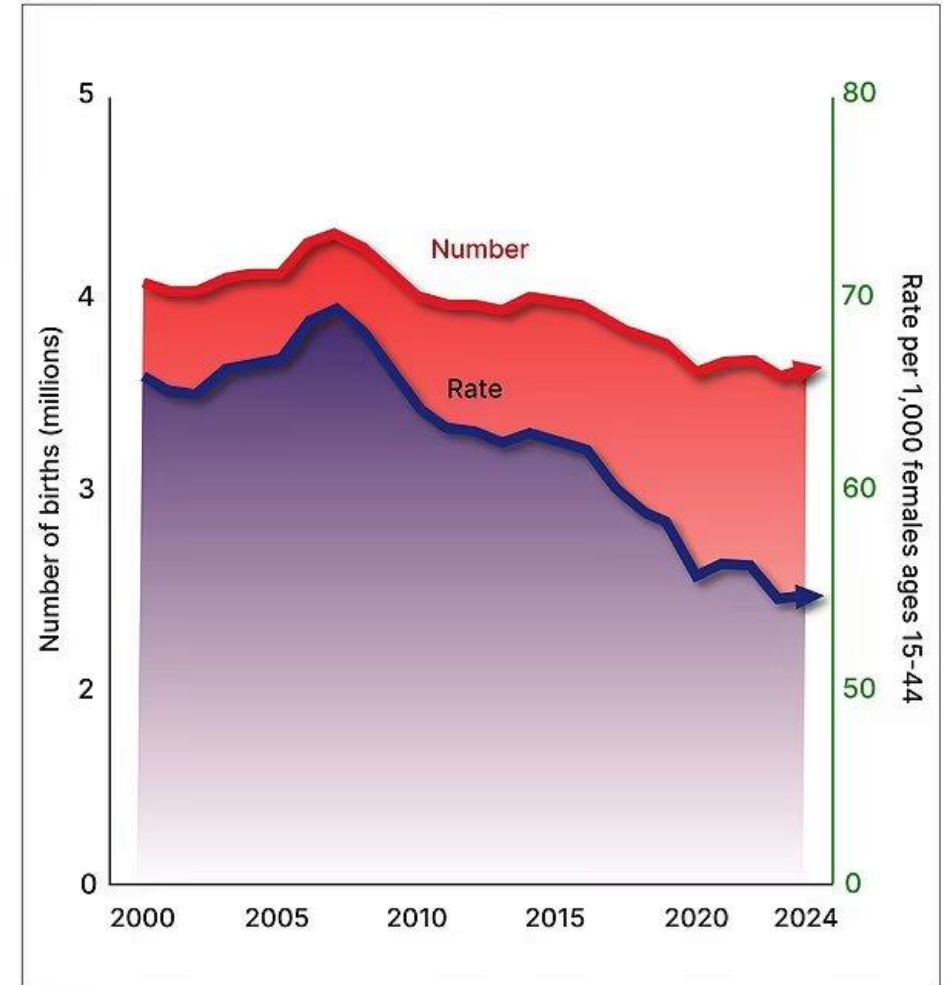
- By blocking the vital fertility hormone progesterone, the **abortion pill acts as an endocrine disruptor**. Endocrine disruptors "*are natural or human-made chemicals that may mimic, block, or interfere with the body's hormones.*"
- These potential endocrine-disrupting abortion pill contaminants may be in our drinking water.
- According to [one study](#), **exposure to endocrine-disrupting chemicals** is associated with **adverse "reproductive outcomes"** . . . thus, the presence of these chemicals in water **has become a public health concern.**

National Fertility Decline Coincides with Increasing Reliance on Chemical Abortions

- Infertility affects 1 in 6 individuals globally. The U.S. is not exempt from this trend.
- HHS Secretary RFK Jr. has promised to “investigate the alarming decline in fertility,” including by evaluating “research implicating . . . endocrine-disrupting chemicals.”

Question for the federal government: Can we prove mifepristone metabolites are not playing a part in our nation's fertility crisis?

Number of live births and general fertility rate: United States, final 2000-2023 and provisional 2024



Source: National Center for Health Statistics, National Vital Statistics System, natality data file.

Ethical Implications: Undignified Treatment of Human Remains & Trauma to Women

Even if medical waste laws were adhered to:

- Should human remains be treated as medical waste?
- What dignity should be afforded to the unborn?
- Should abortion providers be allowed to require women to dispose of the human remains they generated?



After taking the abortion pill, numerous women have called an abortion helpline “‘completely freaked out, crying, sobbing’ . . . Because they were not expecting to see recognizable human fetuses.” Bloodied eyeballs, arms, legs, and little hands and feet are often easily recognizable.

What Can Be Done?

- **Calls for Action:** Lawmakers and advocacy groups are urging the EPA, FDA, and Congress to investigate and regulate this issue.
- **Proposed Solutions:** Recommendations include congressional hearings, requiring proper and dignified human remains disposal, public education, and (ideally) a move to surgical-only abortions.
- **Public Awareness Campaigns:** Organizations like Students for Life and Liberty Counsel Action are raising awareness through reports, media, and grassroots campaigns.



What You Can Do: Check Out Resources on the Website



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- Educate others by:
 - Sharing our resources, including our toolkit, on your social media, available at AbortionInOurWater.org.
 - Becoming a spokesperson – and sharing this PPT with your local rotary club, city council, or church group.
- Contact your lawmakers and encourage them to:
 - Hold congressional hearings.
 - Require updated, comprehensive “Gold Standard Science” on mifepristone metabolites and fetal remains entering our water supply and drinking water.
 - Require the EPA to continuously monitor the (likely) increasing presence of mifepristone metabolites.
 - Require the FDA to suspend its approval of mifepristone.



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Help us hold the administration to its promise.
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Thank you.

