

# Abortion in The United States.

Nhan Nguyen

2023-05-09

## Introduction

- We will take a look at data on the number of legal abortions that take place in the United States each year – and other related measures – made by the Guttmacher Institute, which have tracked these patterns for several decades. The latest data is 2017(an update organizations was made in 2020).

## Data Resource

- Data taking from the work of The Guttmacher Institute.

## **Pregnancies, Births and Abortions in the United States: National and State Trends by Age Data Set (1988–2017)**

- Guttmacher data sets website: <https://www.guttmacher.org/public-use-datasets>
- The Institute compiles comprehensive statistics on the incidence of pregnancy, birth and abortion for people in all reproductive age-groups in the United States at the national level (1973–2017) and state level (1988–2017).
- Data set has been modified at 2021 so the information is the current newest one.

## Data Resource (Continous)

### **Abortion Surveillance — United States, 2019**

- Link: [https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/ss/ss7009a1.htm#T14\\_down](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/ss/ss7009a1.htm#T14_down)
- Author: Katherine Kortsmit, PhD; Michele G. Mandel; Jennifer A. Reeves, MD; Elizabeth Clark, MD; H. Pamela Pagano, DrPH; Antoinette Nguyen, MD; Emily E. Petersen, MD; Maura K. Whiteman, PhD
- Release Date: November 26, 2021

### **Texas and The U.S. population data set** - Link: <https://www.tsl.texas.gov/ref/abouttx/census.html>

- Sources: Forstall, Richard L. Population of States and Counties of the United States: 1790 to 1990. U.S. Bureau of the Census, Washington, DC, 1996.
- Release Date: NA, last modified January 8, 2020
- Another data set to support The U.S. population: <https://www.macrotrends.net/states/texas/population>
- Retrieved 2023-04-27.

## Library import

```
library(dplyr)
library(tidyverse)
library(stringr)
library(ggplot2)
```

So, what are the data sets we will working with? - Main data set to focus on is Guttmacher dataset.

- In this data set, we have all the data about pregnancy rate, birth rate, abortion rate, ratio, and number of abortions across the country.
- All of them was separated into some small group by age: Lower than 15, 15-17, 18-19, 15-19, lower than 20, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, and over 40. Rate scale is counting by 1/1000.
- All of the data that named as 15-19 are equal to the sum of 15-17 and 18-19 data.
- All of the data that named as lower than 20 are equal to the sum of lower than 15 and 15-19 data.(a little difference between them but not too much, under 1% difference when counting)
- Since some of the data have some gap between each year since some states don't share it, I will pick some age groups that have the complete data thorough time to work on it.
- The group I choose to work on it is: age lower than 15, lower than 20, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, and over 40

```
abortion_data_U.S <- read.csv(
  "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/nhanizDee/R--for-data-science/main/NationalAndStatePregnancy_PublicU

population_data <- read.csv('State_Population.csv')

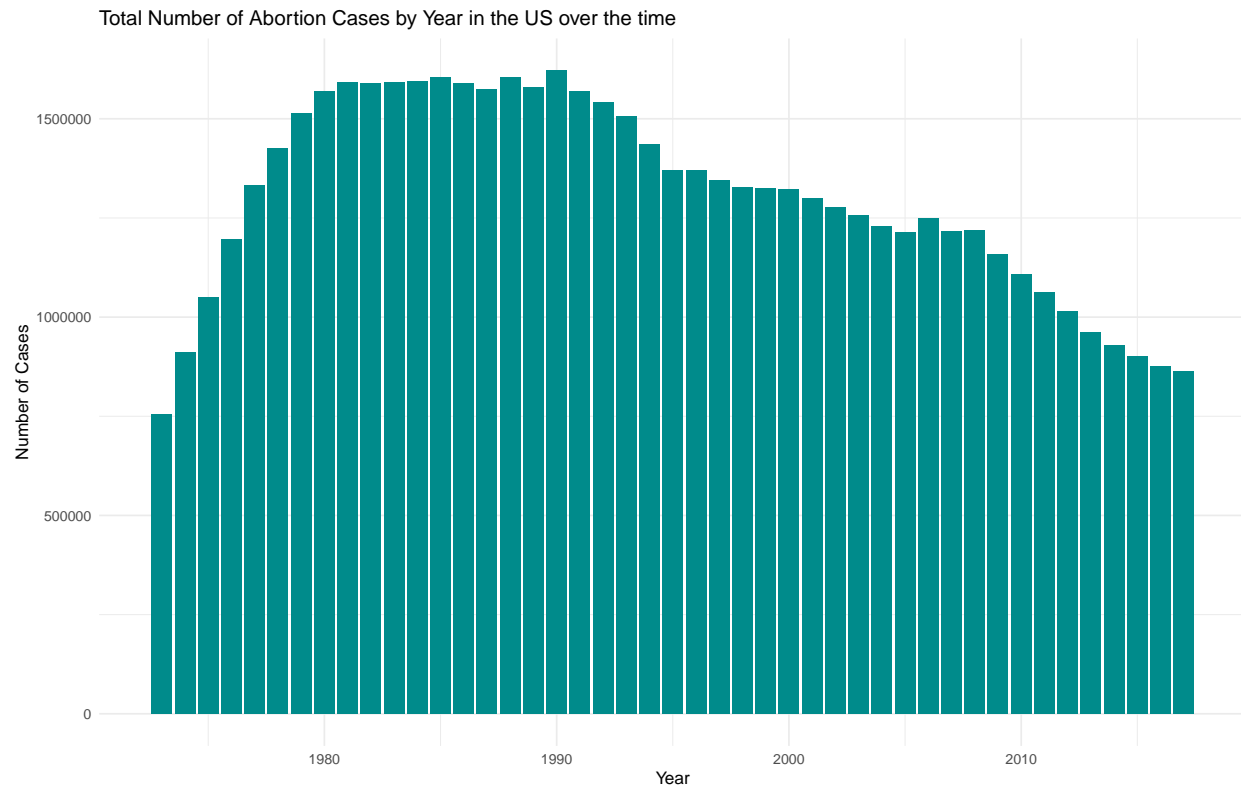
texas_population <- read.csv('Texas Population.csv')

# Clean and convert population column
population_data$Population <- as.numeric(gsub(",", "", population_data$Population))
texas_population$Population <- as.numeric(gsub(",", "", texas_population$Population))
```

How many abortions are there in the U.S. each year? - An exact answer is hard to come by.

- The Guttmacher Institute compiles data figures after contacting every known provider of abortions – clinics, hospitals and physicians' offices – in the country.

Let's first take a look at the number in the whole country by time:



After that, let working on some specific states to see how it is going around us

Take a first look about population raking in the US.

##	Ranked	State.Name	Population
## 1	1	California	39029342
## 2	2	Texas	30029572
## 3	3	Florida	22244823
## 4	4	New York	19677151
## 5	5	Pennsylvania	12972008
## 6	6	Illinois	12582032
## 7	7	Ohio	11756058
## 8	8	Georgia	10912876
## 9	9	North Carolina	10698973
## 10	10	Michigan	10034113

How about top 10 by rate

##	state	rate_total
## 1	NJ	28.0
## 2	NY	26.3
## 3	MD	22.7
## 4	DC	21.1
## 5	FL	17.9
## 6	CT	17.8
## 7	NV	16.5
## 8	CA	16.3
## 9	RI	15.8
## 10	DE	15.5

Then let's see top 10 of abortion case and rate in the US.

```
##      state case_total
## 1      CA      131380
## 2      NY      103060
## 3      FL       68640
## 4      TX       56340
## 5      NJ       47010
## 6      IL       37770
## 7      PA       33910
## 8      GA       32520
## 9      MD       26940
## 10     MI       26130
```

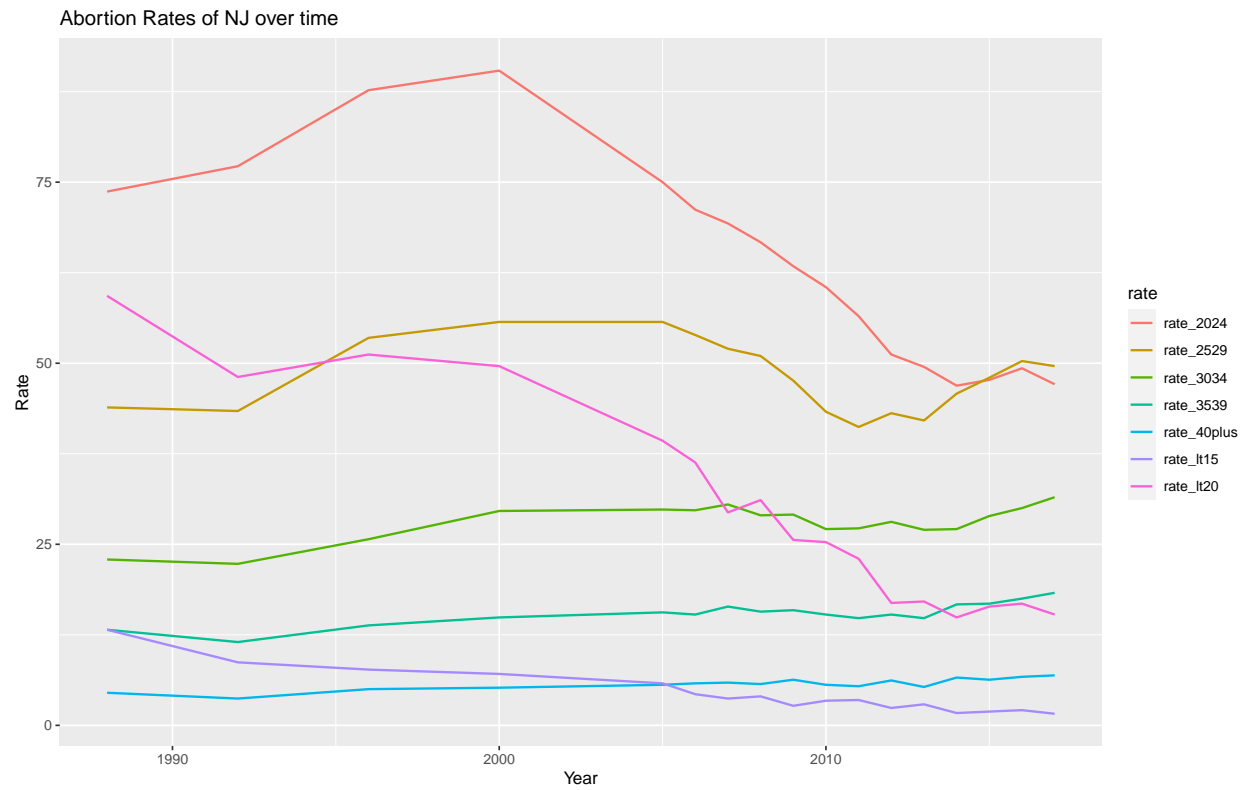
So the top ten state with the most abortion case in 2017 is:

Rank	State Name
1	California
2	New York
3	Florida
4	Texas
5	New Jersey
6	Illinois
7	Pennsylvania
8	Georgia
9	Mary Land
10	Michigan

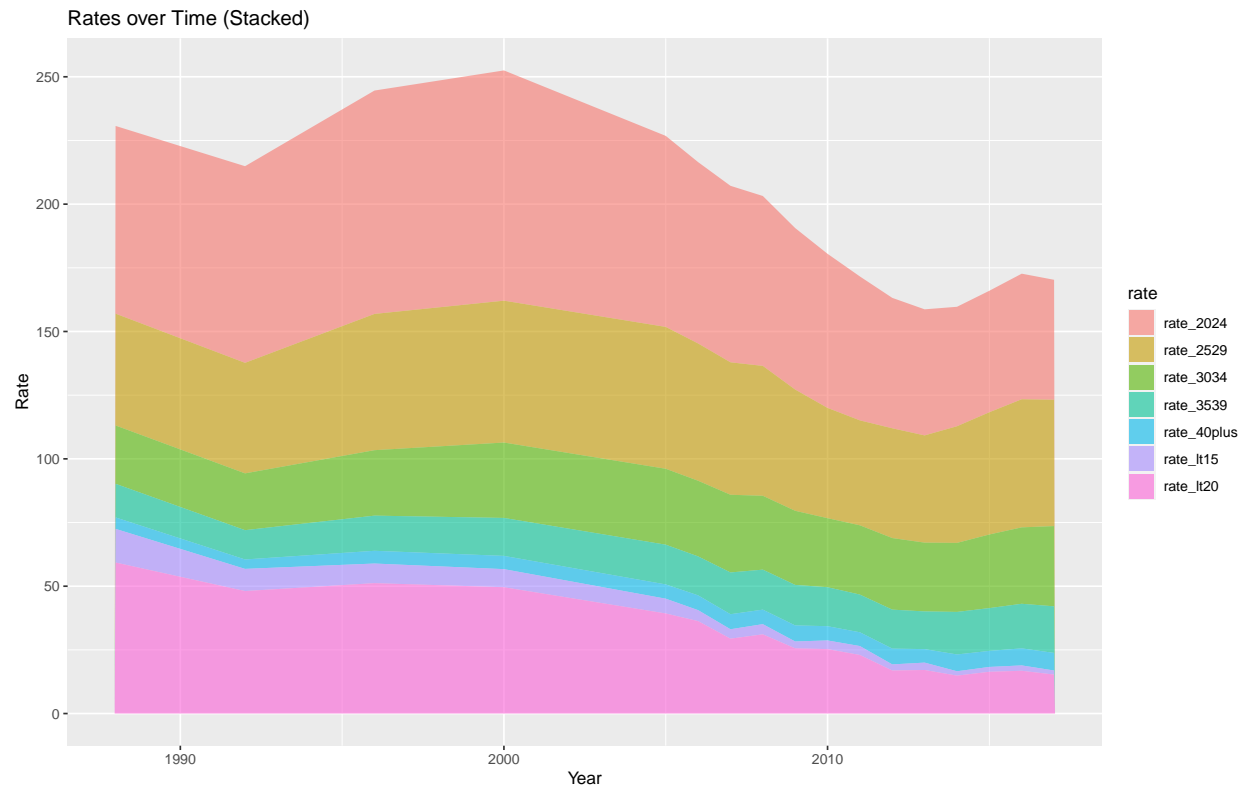
We again see some familiar names here: California, Texas, Florida, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Georgia, Michigan, and New Jersey.

A deeper look at abortion data in New Jersey:

The first graph is a faceted line plot of rate vs. year

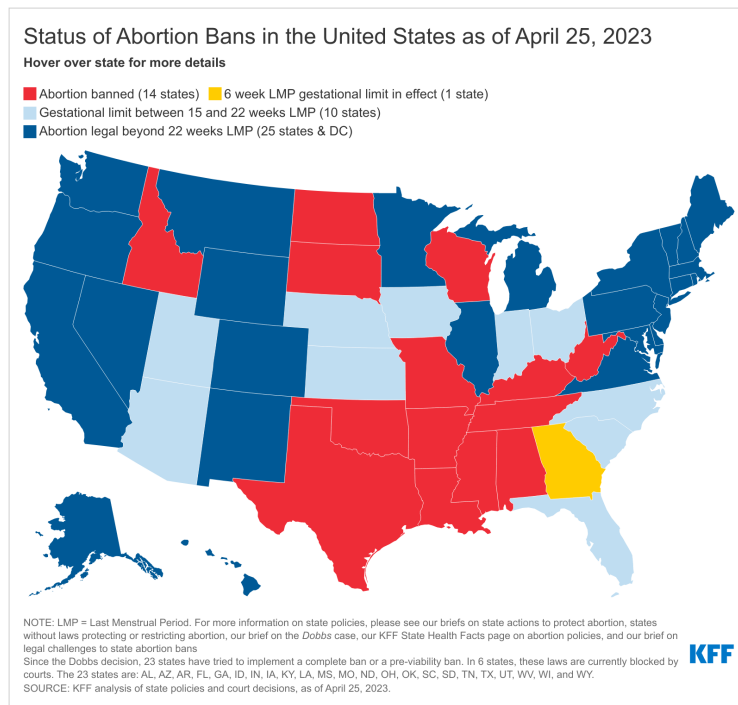


Or, using `geom_area` to have a better view



Base on the data form Guttmacher Institute:

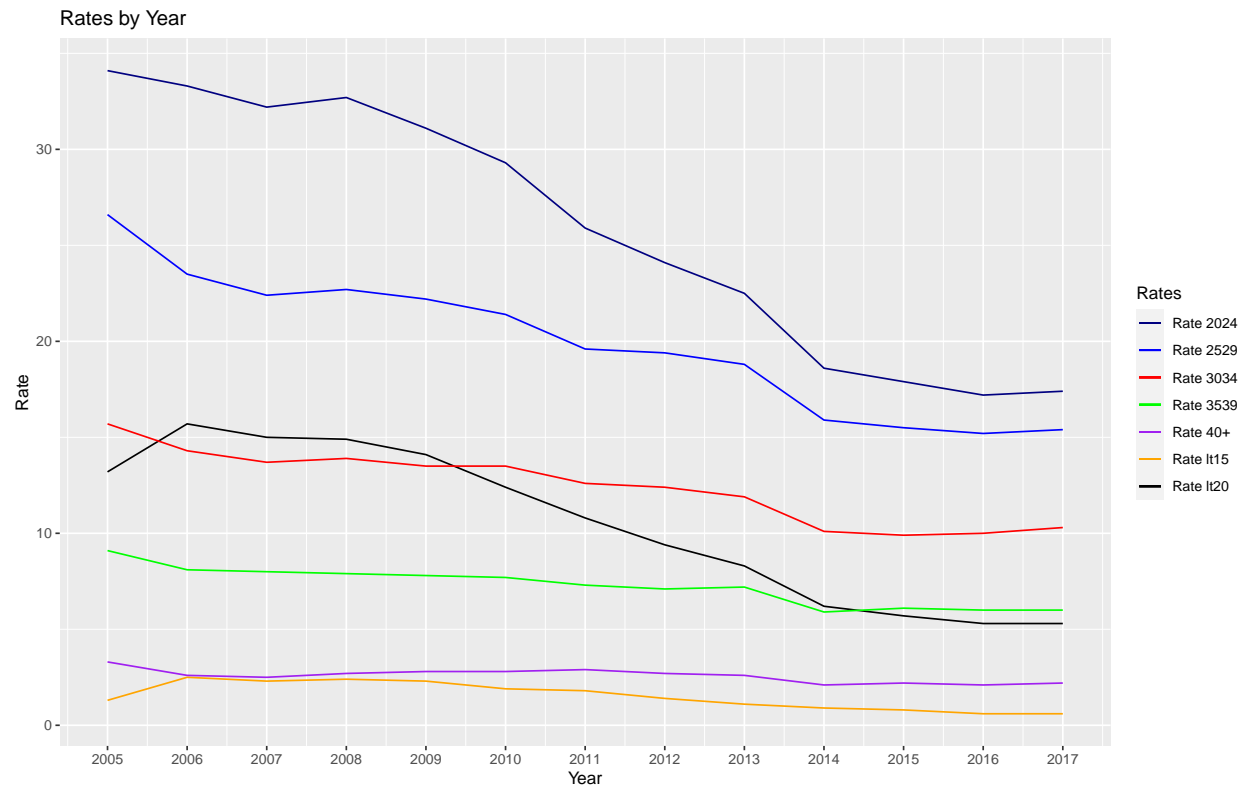
- There was a increase in the abortion rate in New Jersey between 2014 and 2017.
- Case increase from 25.8 to 28.0 abortions per 1,000 women(of reproductive age).
- It represent 5.6% of all abortions in the United States.
- We are living in Texas, why don't we take a look on the data of Texas!
- Here is the map of banned states:



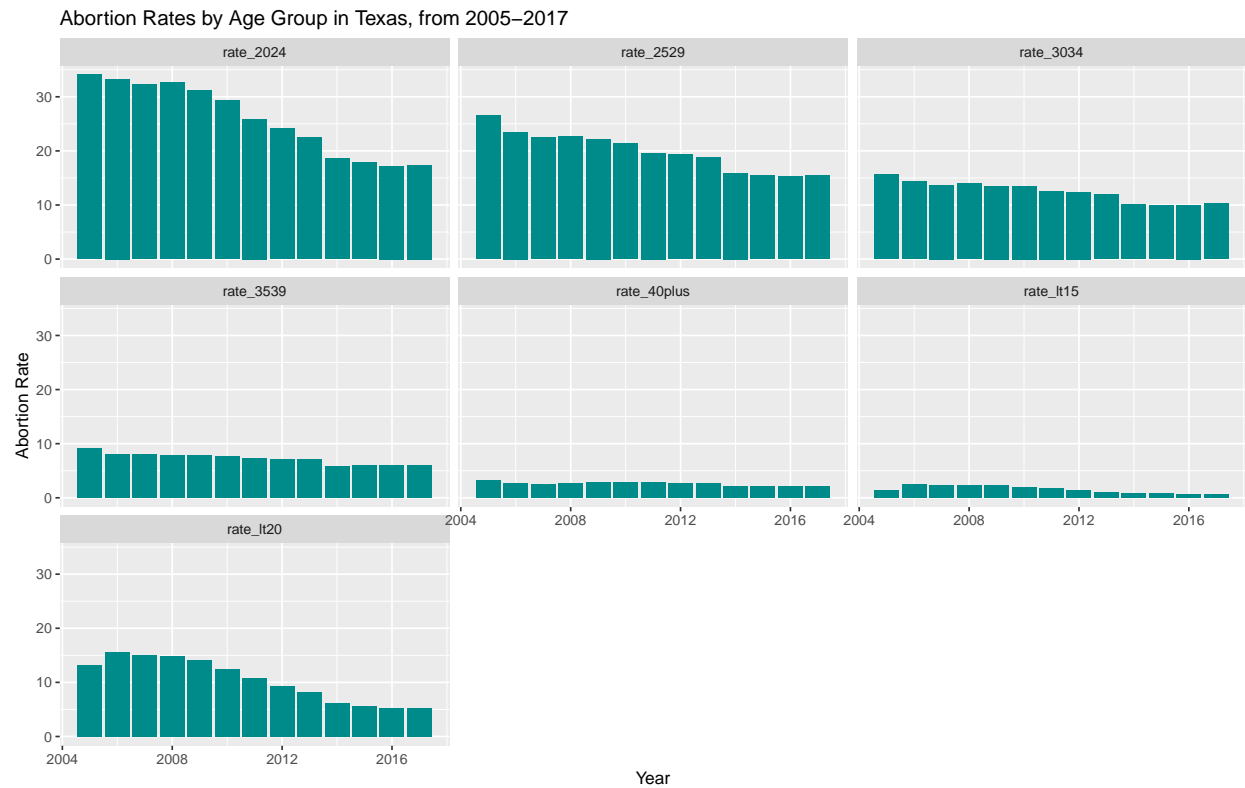
Graph provided by KFF. For more information, you can take a look on this site:

<https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/dashboard/abortion-in-the-u-s-dashboard/#state>

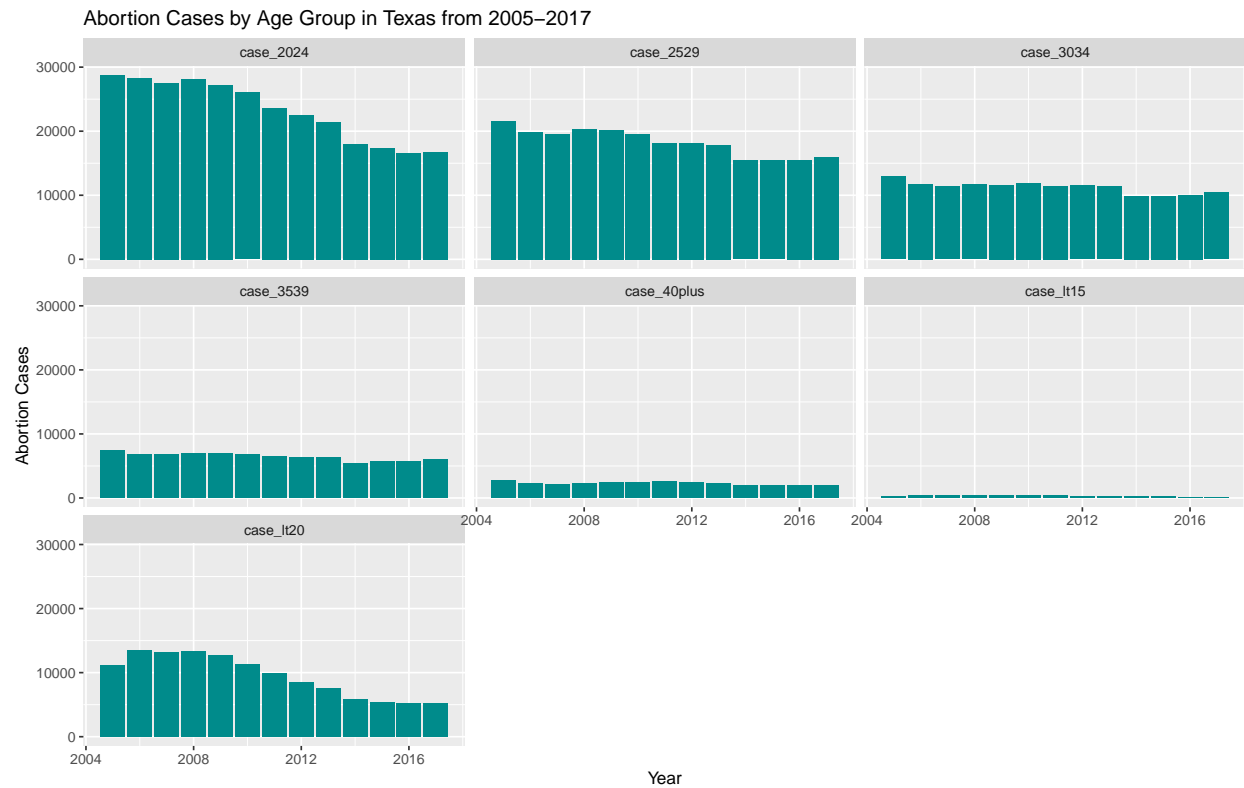
- Before *Roe v. Wade* was overturned, at least 50,000 Texans received abortions in the state each year.
  - Texas already had one of the most restrictive abortion laws in the country.
- Here how look like as a graph



## Abortion Rates by Age Group in Texas from 2005-2017



## Abortion Cases by Age Group in Texas from 2005-2017

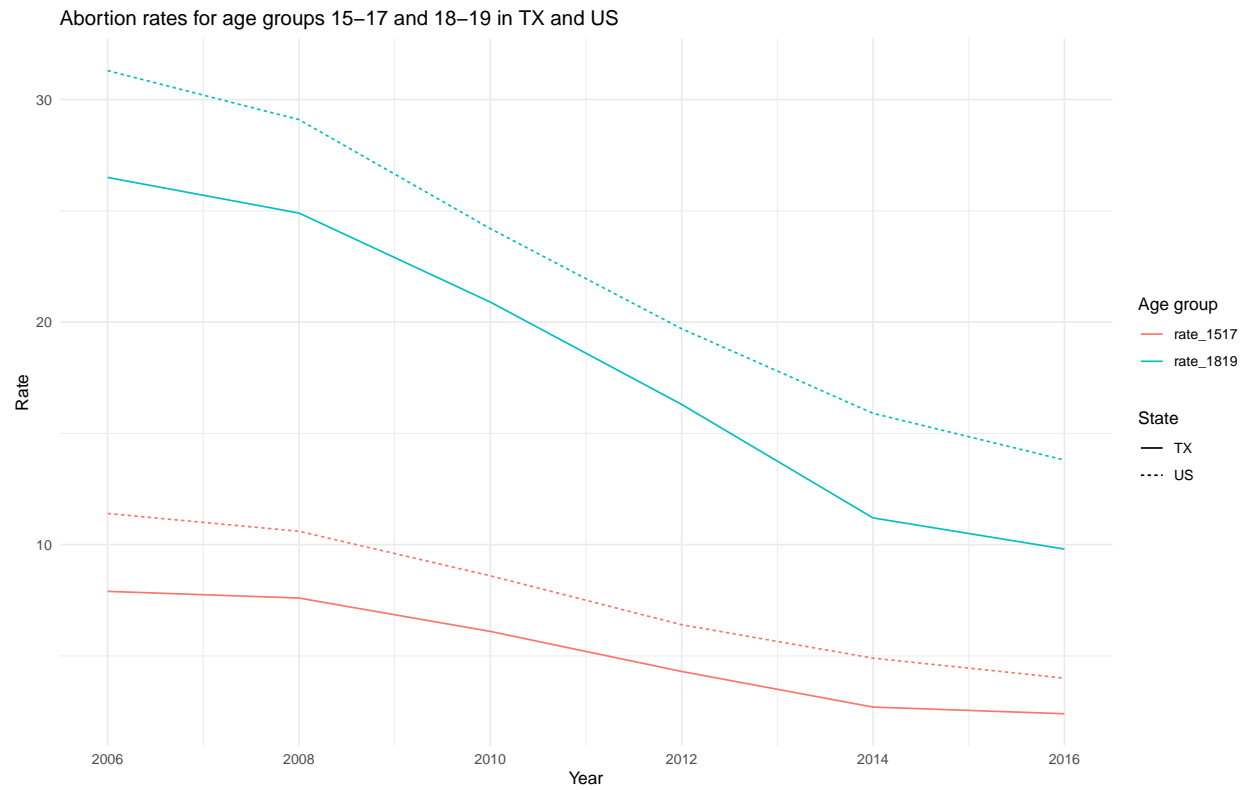


- One other the possible reason for it is: Texas does not require sex education and has the strictest abortion law in the nation.

How about the abortion rate of teen in Texas?

##	state	Year	rate_1517	rate_1819
## 1	TX	2006	7.9	26.5
## 2	TX	2008	7.6	24.9
## 3	TX	2010	6.1	20.9
## 4	TX	2012	4.3	16.3
## 5	TX	2014	2.7	11.2
## 6	TX	2016	2.4	9.8
## 7	US	2006	11.4	31.3
## 8	US	2008	10.6	29.1
## 9	US	2010	8.6	24.2
## 10	US	2012	6.4	19.7
## 11	US	2014	4.9	15.9
## 12	US	2016	4.0	13.8





Some summary for the data:

After all we can conclude that over the time, government did a really good job in trying to decrease abortion rate across the country.