

Resistance in the U.S.

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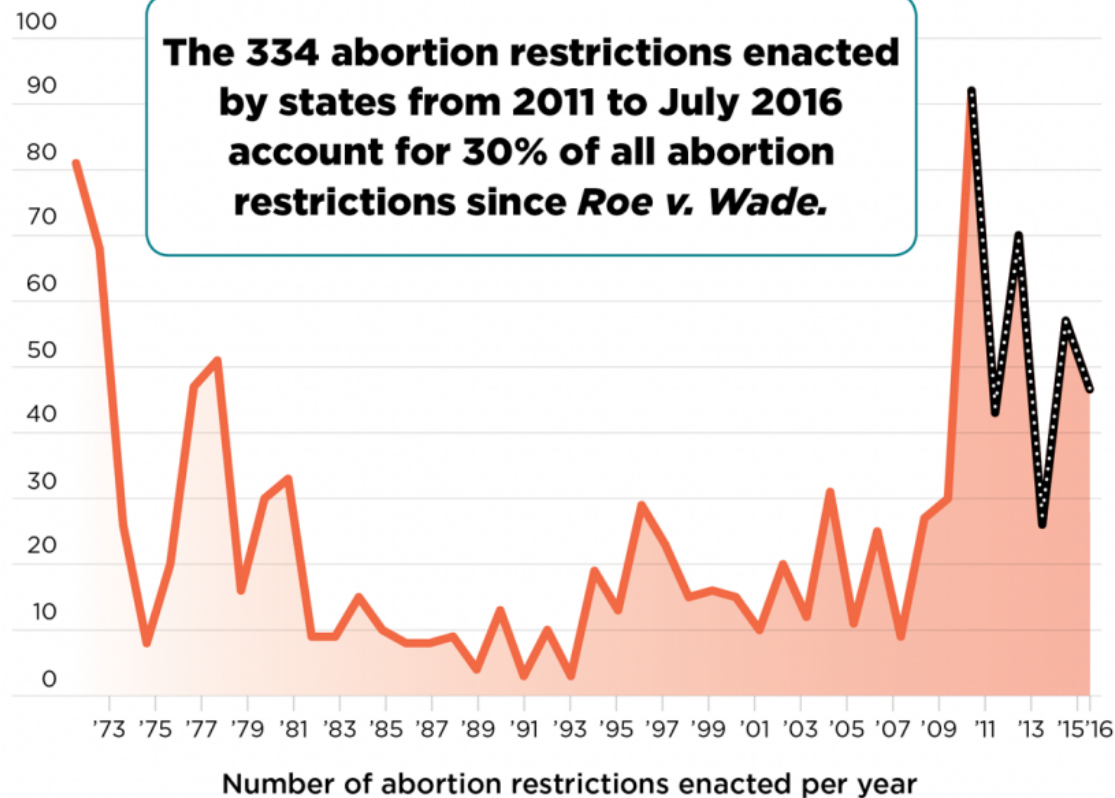


*NAF is the professional
association of abortion providers.*

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Abortion Restrictions

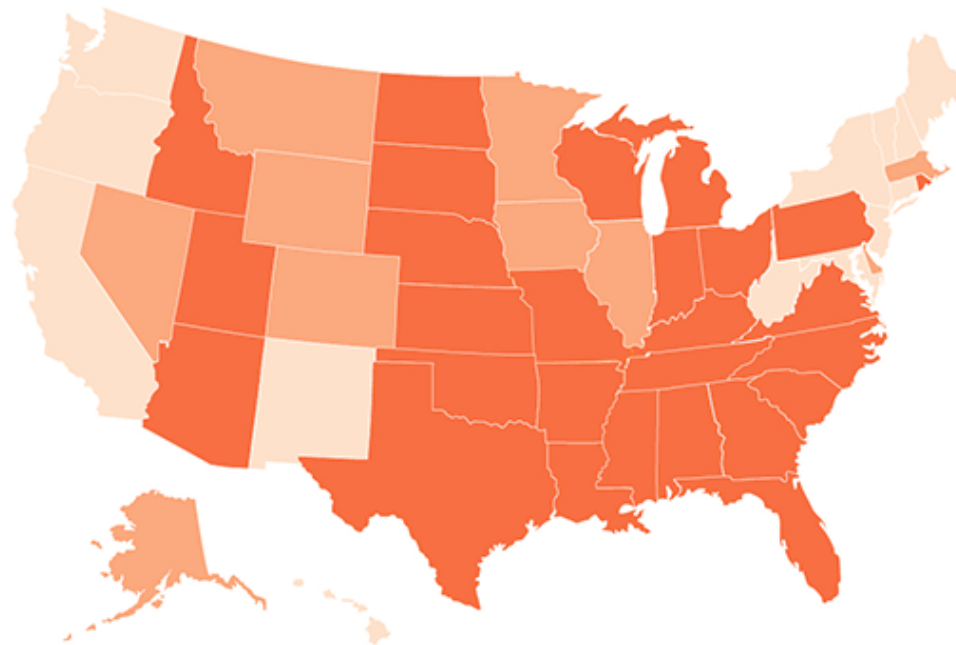
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Restrictions in the States

OPPOSING ABORTION

In 2013, more than half the states were classified as hostile to abortion rights, because they had at least four abortion restrictions in effect.



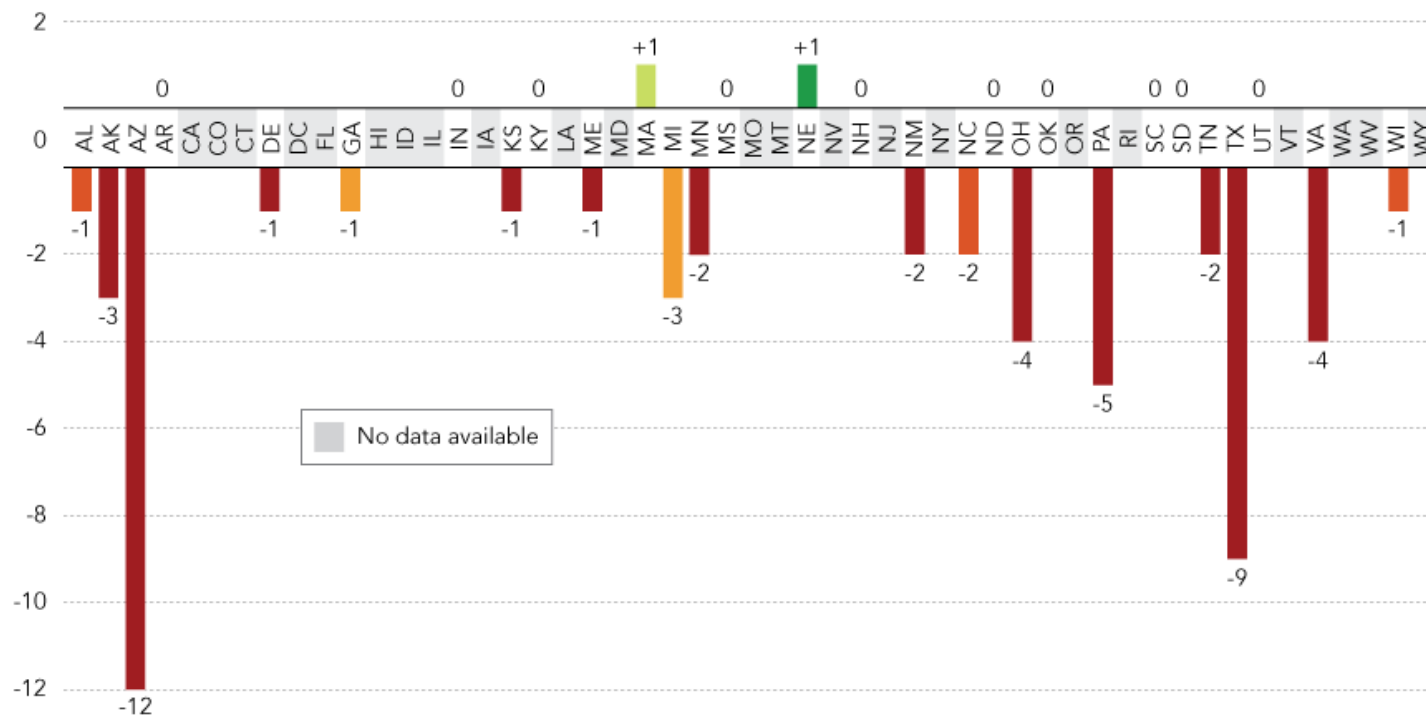
Hostile Middle ground Supportive

Notes: Hostile = 4+ restrictions; middle ground = 2–3 restrictions; supportive = 0–1 restrictions. *Source:* reference 1.

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Clinic Closures

Change in number of clinics from 2010-2013

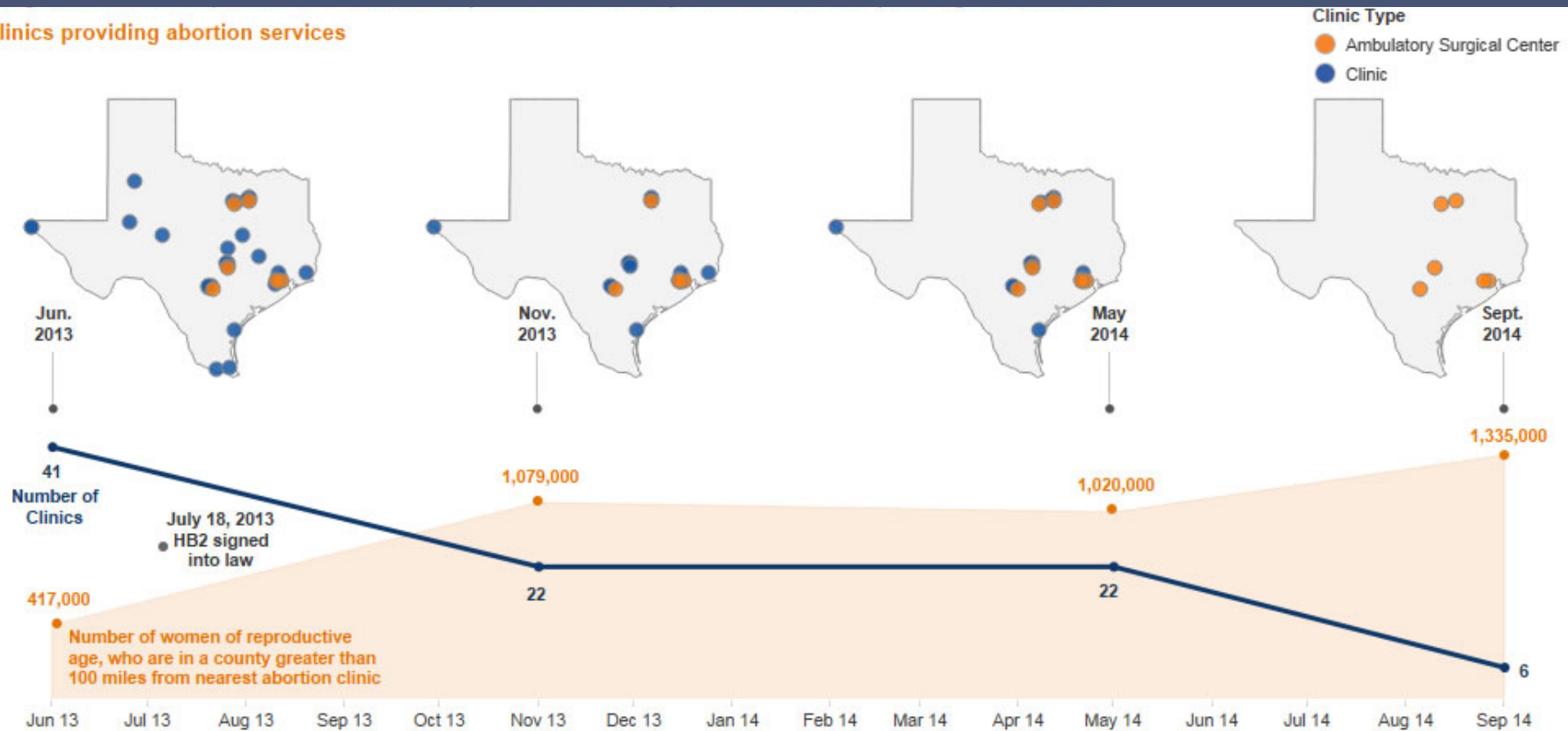


Source: Huffington Post survey of state health departments, abortion providers, and local abortion-focused advocacy groups

THE HUFFINGTON POST

Challenging Abortion Restrictions

Clinics providing abortion services



Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt



Supreme Court Victory



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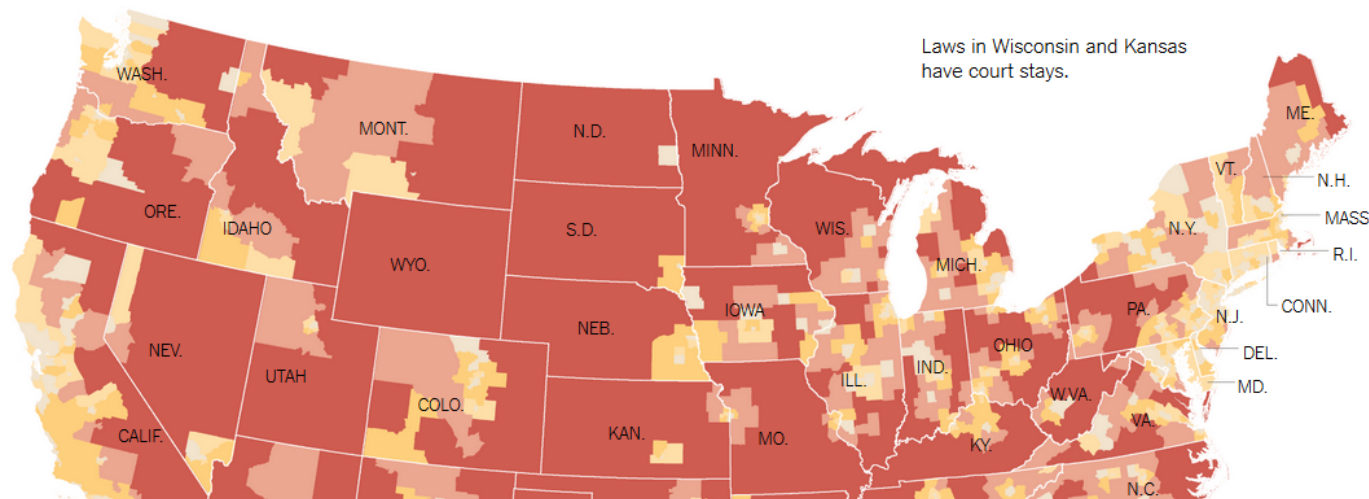
Impact on Other States

The New York Times

How the Supreme Court's Decision Will Affect Access to Abortion

By FORD FESSENDEN UPDATED June 27, 2016

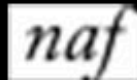
The Supreme Court on Monday struck down critical provisions of a Texas abortion law that had forced half of the state's abortion clinics to close and threatened half of the remaining 20 clinics with closure. The sweeping ruling means similar laws in dozens of other states now are likely unconstitutional. Here is the status of access to legal abortion across the states.



Legal Precedent

“Targeted Regulation of Abortion Providers laws like H. B. 2 that ‘do little or nothing for health, but rather strew impediments to abortion,’ cannot survive judicial inspection.”

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg concurring in
Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt



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Fighting State Restrictions



Virginia Board of Health hearing

Anti-Abortion Smear Campaign



Federal Lawsuit



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BREAKING: We filed for an injunction against Center 4 Med Prog prochoice.org

"The safety and security of our members and their patients is our top priority."

-- Vicki Saporta, President and CEO of NAF



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State Investigations

HUFFPOST POLITICS

States Try To Dig Up Planned Parenthood Violations, Fail Miserably

Probes in Georgia, Indiana, Massachusetts and South Dakota have uncovered no evidence of wrongdoing.



Samantha Lachman
Staff Reporter, The Huffington Post



 MSNBC

Investigations turn up no Planned Parenthood wrongdoing

08/17/15 11:20 AM

By **Steve Benen**



THINKPROGRESS

Investigations Into Planned Parenthood Are Falling Totally Flat

BY **TARA CULP-RESSLER**  AUG 15, 2015 11:18AM

House Select Investigative Panel on Infant Lives

“They have used this fraud as a pretext to conduct a lethally dangerous witch hunt aimed at women’s health clinics and scientists who are conducting promising research on diseases like Alzheimer’s, MS, and the Zika virus.”

-- Select Panel Ranking Member Jan Schakowsky (D-IL)

Increase in Threats & Violence

U.S. abortion providers faced
94 death threats in 2015
up from just one in 2014.

**This shouldn't be
#PartOfTheJob.**



bit.ly/ViolenceStats



Online Threats



***“I’ll pay ten large to
whomever kills
[Doctor]. Anyone.
Go for it.”***

Advocating with Law Enforcement



Shooting in Colorado Springs



Inflammatory Rhetoric



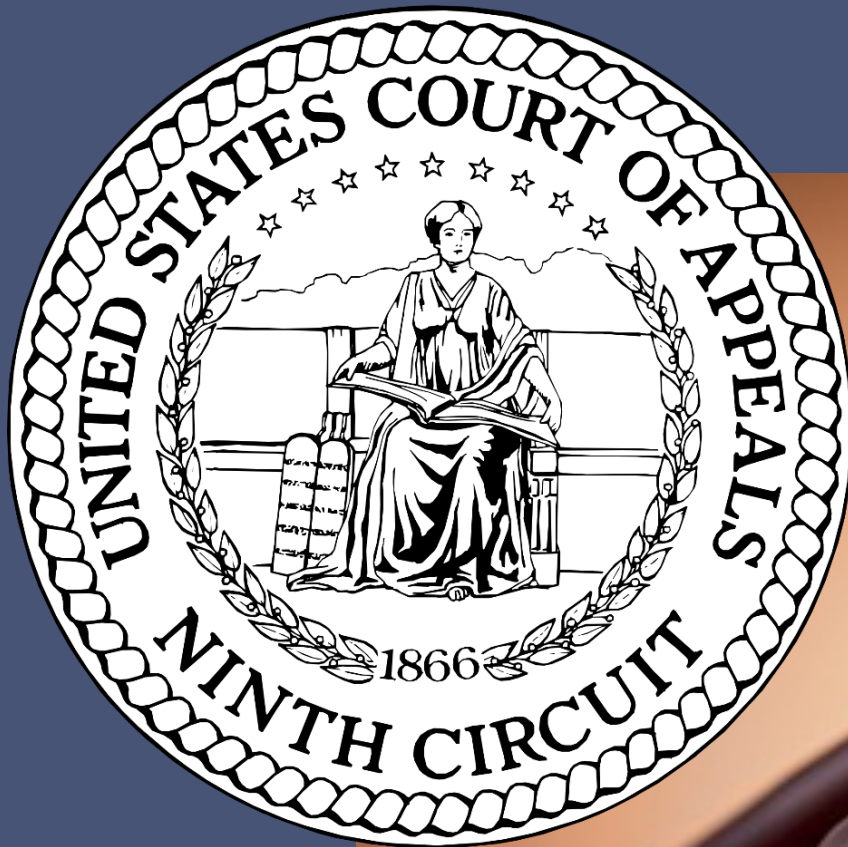
Anti-choice Ohio Governor John Kasich

Preliminary Injunction

“It should be said that the majority of the recordings lack much public interest....Weighed against that public interest are NAF’s and its members’ legitimate interests in their rights to privacy, security, and association by maintaining the confidentiality of their presentations and conversations at NAF Annual Meetings. The balance is strongly in NAF’s favor.”

--Judge William Orrick in granting NAF’s Preliminary Injunction

Next Steps



Turning the Tables

ANTI-ABORTION ACTIVISTS INDICTMENT

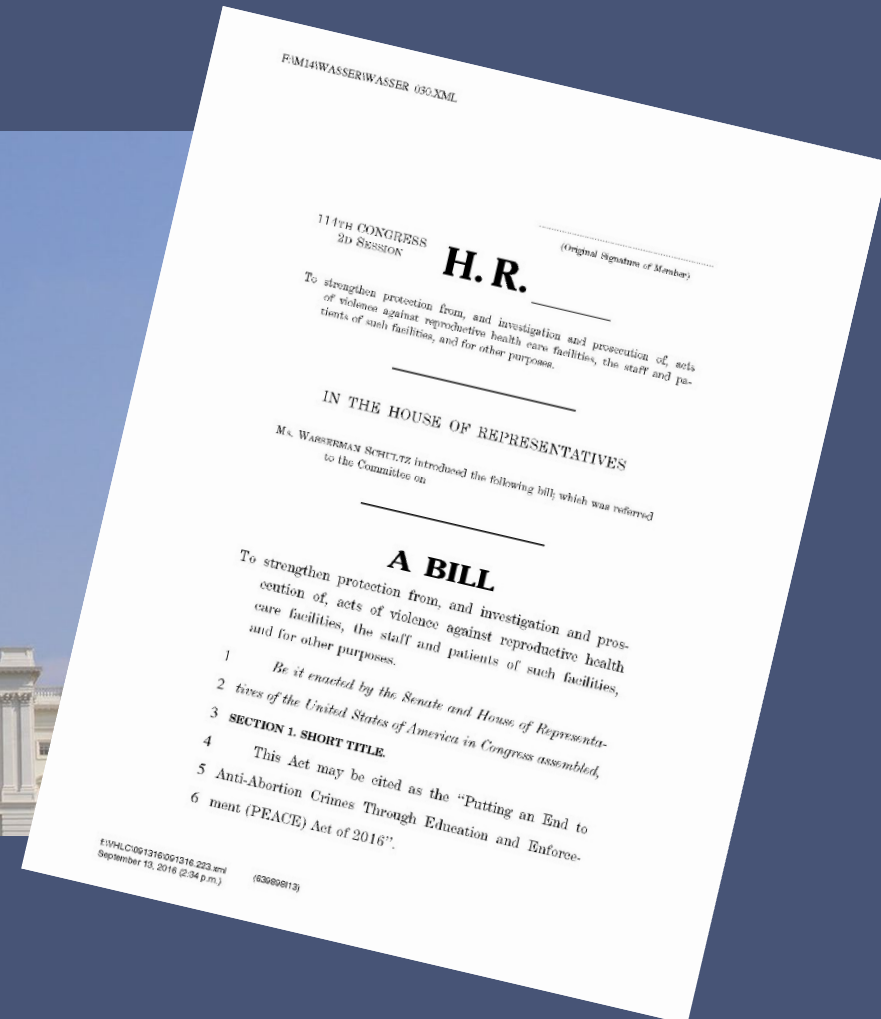
Prohibition of the Purchase & Sale of Human Organs · Misdemeanor	 DAVID DALEIDEN	 SANDRA MERRITT	Source: Harris County District Attorney's Office
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Tampering with a Governmental Record
· 2nd degree felony
· Up to 20 years in prison

ACTIVISTS INDICTED
TWO CHARGED OVER SECRET PLANNED PARENTHOOD VIDEOS

CBS THIS MORNING
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ALLYSON RAE'S FORECAST WUSA 9 7:15 37°

Proactive Legislation

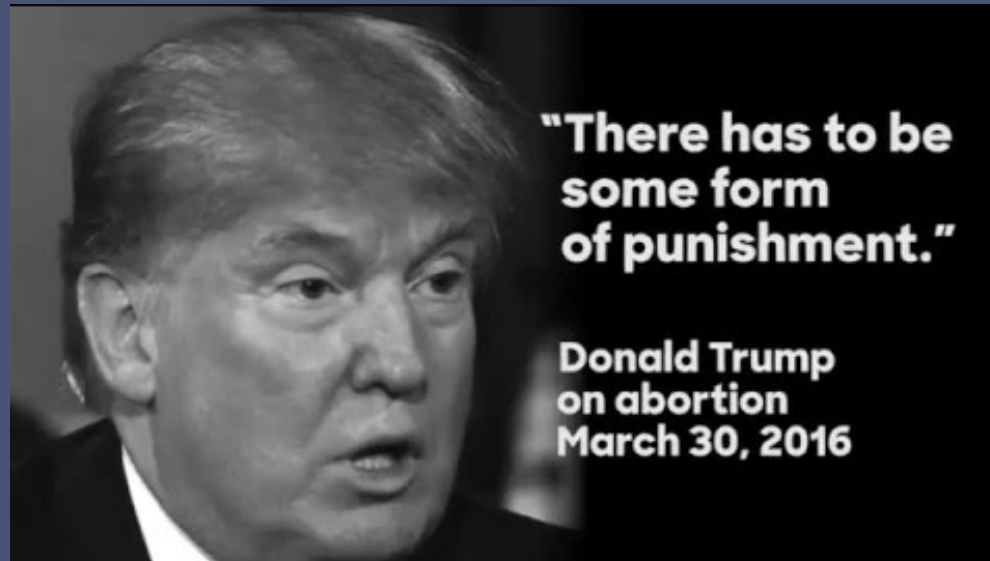


2016 Presidential Election



You cannot have maternal health without reproductive health. And reproductive health includes contraception and family planning and access to legal, safe abortion.

(Hillary Clinton)



**"There has to be
some form
of punishment."**

**Donald Trump
on abortion
March 30, 2016**

Support for Providers



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