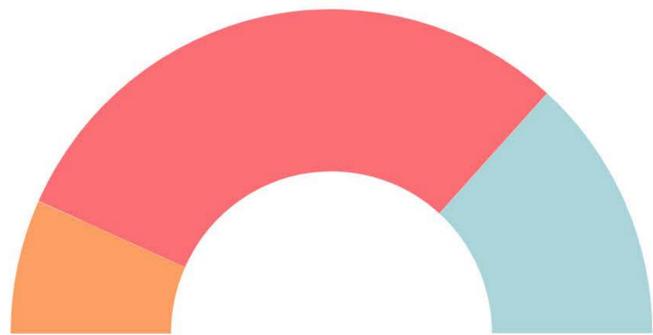


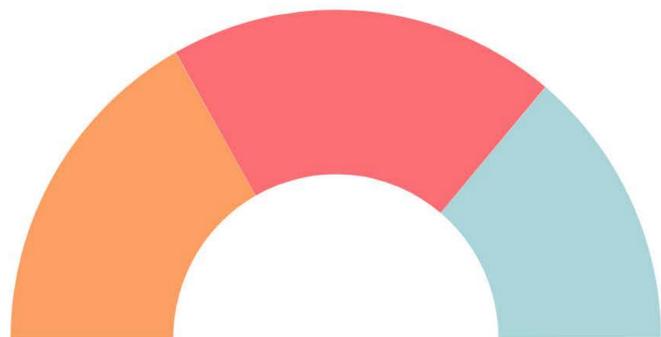
# Abortion and Race

Why does abortion disproportionately affect America's Black population?

# Did you know...



- % of US population that is non-Hispanic Black (13.4%)
- % of US population that is non-Hispanic White (60.1%)
- % of US population that are other races (26.5%)



- Abortions by Black mothers (33.6%)
- Abortions by White mothers (38.7%)
- Abortions by mothers of other races (27.7%)

As of 2019, Black people make up **13.4%** of the US population but account for **33.6% of abortions**; non-Hispanic White people account for a similar share of abortions (**38.7%**) despite making up **60.1%** of the US population.

More Black lives are lost to abortion than all other causes of death combined, including heart disease, cancer, diabetes, accidents, suicide, homicide, and HIV.

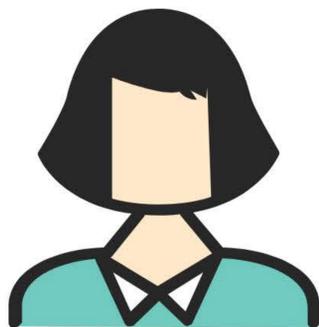
Black women have the highest abortion ratio in the country, with 335 abortions per 1,000 live births. White women's abortion ratio is 110 abortions per 1,000 live births.

At every income level, Black women have higher abortion rates than Whites or Hispanics, except for women below the poverty line, where Hispanic women have slightly higher rates than Black women.

## Why is this?

There are certainly multiple factors at play, but an undeniably significant one is the work of

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD



America's largest abortion provider has been targeting minorities from its beginning. Its founder, **Margaret Sanger**, was a strong proponent of eugenics as a means to strengthen and advance the human race.



In her writing, she says, **"We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population..."**, referring to black people as "human beings who should never have been born."

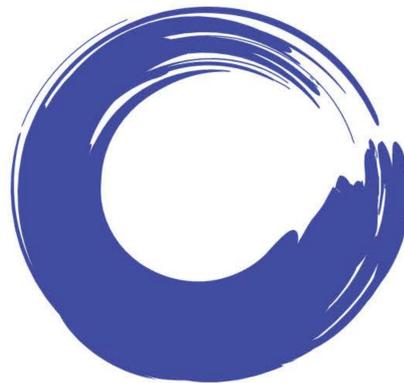


She believed birth control, including abortion, would accomplish her goals. She specifically targeted the Black community, along with those with physical and mental disabilities.

**She also preached her ideas at women's chapters of the Ku Klux Klan.**

This is the woman who went on to start Planned Parenthood, develop its clinics, and train the next generation of visionaries.

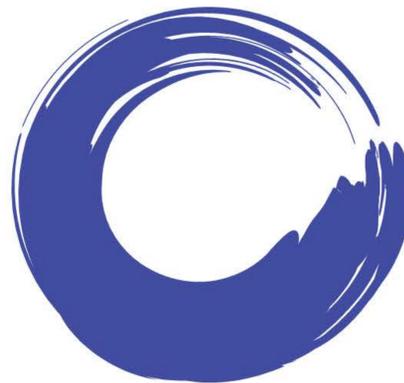
It was not until Planned Parenthood came under fire for continuing to praise and associate with Sanger that they made statements distancing themselves from Sanger's "anti-Black" feelings. Nevertheless, her legacy lives on.



**79%** of their facilities are located within walking distance of African American and/or Hispanic/Latino neighborhoods.



**84 of 116 zip codes** in the US that have more than one abortion clinic are disproportionately Black and/or Hispanic areas.



A zip code with two or more abortion clinics in it is **more than 2.5 times as likely** to have a disproportionately high population of minorities.

Both sides of the issue agree that the closer a person is to an abortion clinic, the more likely they are to have an abortion if they become pregnant.

**The location of these clinics is not a neutral position on the part of Planned Parenthood.**

Planned Parenthood also  
**accepts donations specifically for the abortion of minority groups.**

A Live Action investigator called several Planned Parenthoods, asking to donate money to fund an abortion specifically for a Black baby, expressing overtly that he wanted to “lower the number of Blacks in America.” In each case, the worker accepted the money and assured him that his money would be used to fund a Black baby’s abortion.

Source: <https://www.liveaction.org/what-we-do/investigations/racially-motivated-donations/>