

## AN APPALLING TOLL

### Legal Abortion in the United States

In the 46 years (1973-2018) since the passage of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton abortion decisions on January 22, 1973, data from the Guttmacher Institute and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention indicate ***we have aborted over 61 million human beings.***

### Capital Punishment

The U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics reports that from 1930-2017, (latest data available) a period of 88 years, 5,484 human beings were executed in the U.S. According to the Guttmacher Institute, we killed 862,320 human beings by abortion in 2017. Hence, ***it took just 55.7 hours (2.65 days) in 2017 to kill as many human beings by abortion as we had executed in the 88 years from 1930-2017.***

### Lynchings

The Tuskegee Institute reports that over the 87 years from 1882 through 1968, 3,446 African Americans were lynched in the United States. Data from the Guttmacher Institute show that on average in 2014, that many African American babies were aborted in just ***4.85 days.***

### Gun Homicides

The Giffords Law Center to Prevent Gun Violence reports that in 2017, 14,542 gun homicides occurred in the U.S., just ***1.7% of the deaths caused by abortion*** that year.

### U.S. War Casualties

Wikipedia reports that the total number of Americans killed, wounded and missing in all our wars from the Revolutionary War to the present (243 years) is ***2.9 million.*** The ***61 million individuals aborted*** in America since 1973 (46 years) ***is more than 21 times the number of American war casualties.***

### History's Most Notorious Dictators

Using the average of estimates reported by investigators in Wikipedia, we find history's most notorious dictators were responsible for deliberately killing the following numbers of human beings by execution, beatings, and intentional starvation (as opposed to crop failures) : Hitler, 25 million, Stalin, 2.9 million, Mao Zedong, 6 million, Pol Pot, 2.1 million. Their combined total is ***36.0 million, or just 59.0% of our legal abortion toll,*** and we are still counting.

Have we not had enough abortions in this country yet? Shall we hold unborn human beings hostage and continue to allow their killing until we solve all of our other problems in the name of social justice?

In 1973, the Supreme Court in effect made the unborn human being the property of the mother, to be disposed of as she saw fit. We had a system with a similar idea in the past. It was called slavery.

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