

**HOW RESTRICTIVE ABORTION LAWS
IMPACT THE MENTAL, PHYSICAL, AND
FINANCIAL WELL-BEING OF LOW-
INCOME ADOLESCENTS OF COLOR**

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Disclaimer: This project contains the discussion of death, abortion, suicide, and mental health.



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MOTIVATION

As an adolescent of color, I wanted to research how the restrictive abortion laws impacted people in my community.

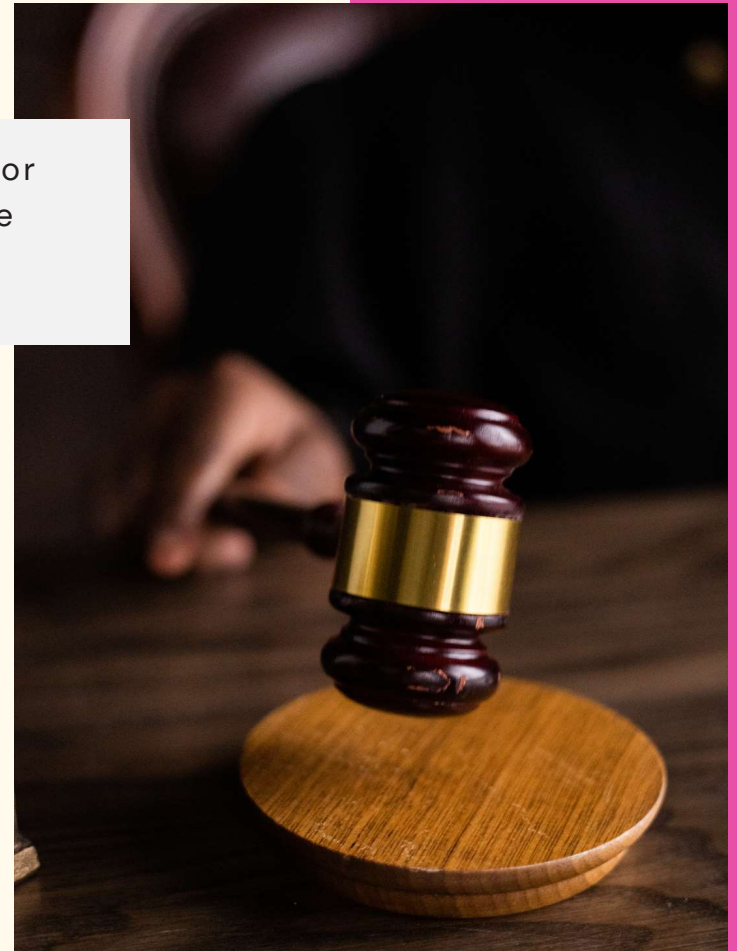
I started researching this project the summer of last year, right after the overturning of Roe v. Wade.



BACKGROUND



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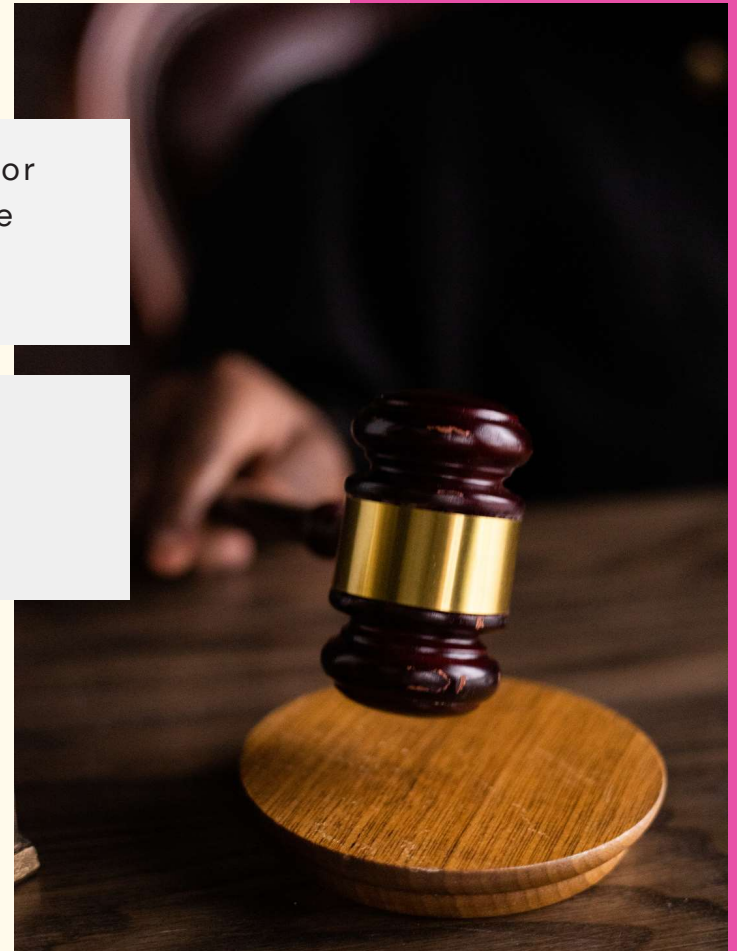
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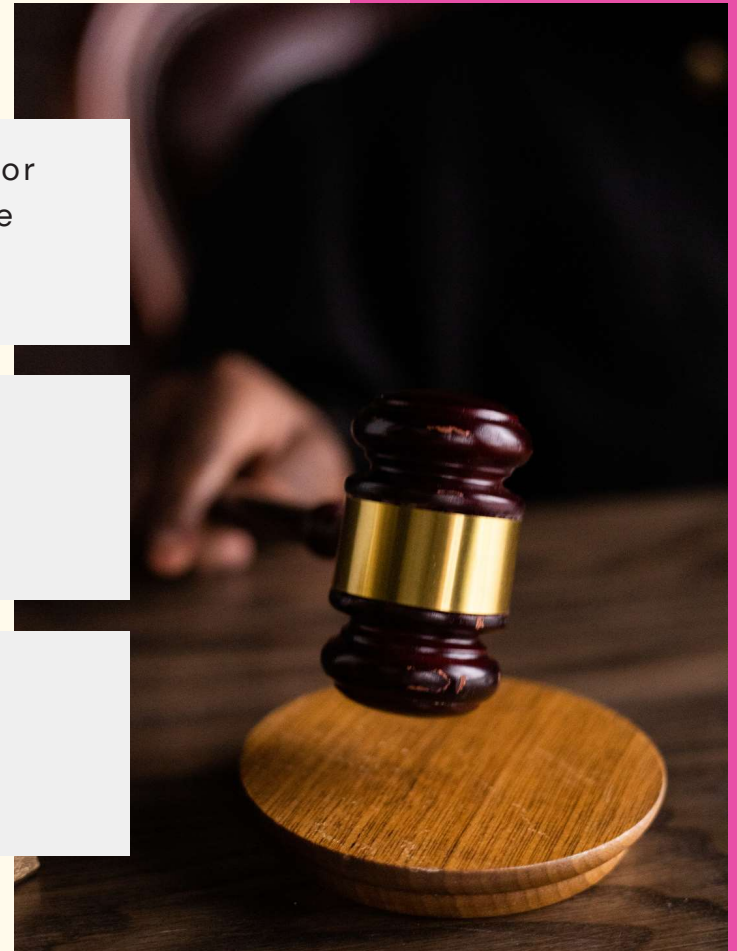
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1970s, Hyde Amendment



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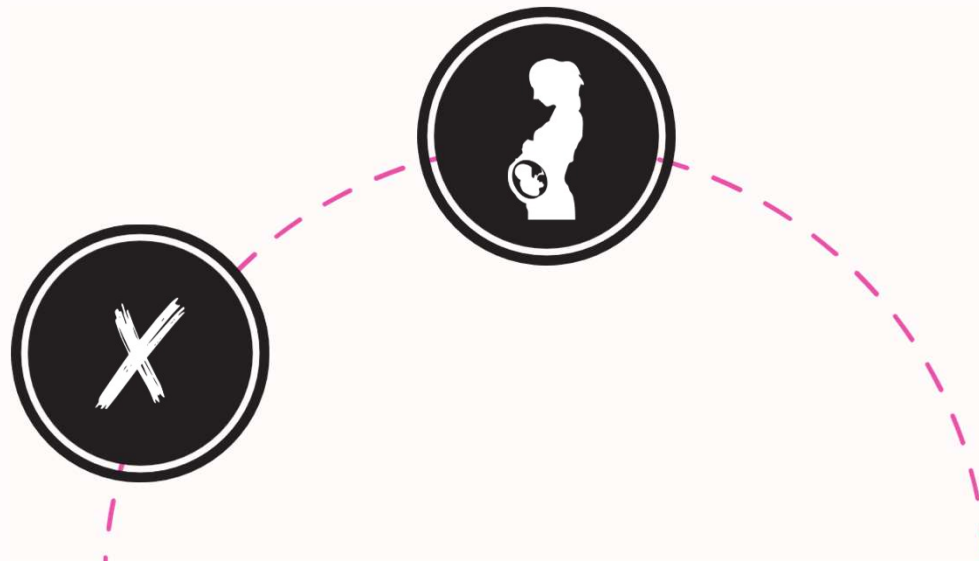
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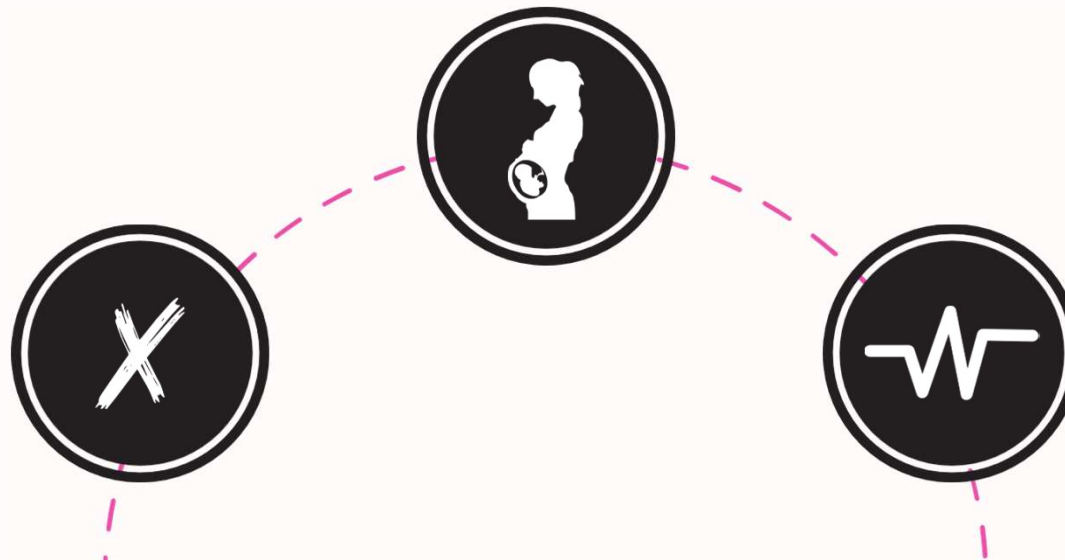
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Maternal Mortality

The death of a mother who died from a pregnancy-related issue ([CDC](#)).



TERMINOLOGY

Adolescent

People who are between the ages of 10 and 19 ([Merriam-Webster](#)).



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Socioeconomic Indicators

A combination of social and economic factors, such as income, education level, occupation ([Merriam-Webster](#)).

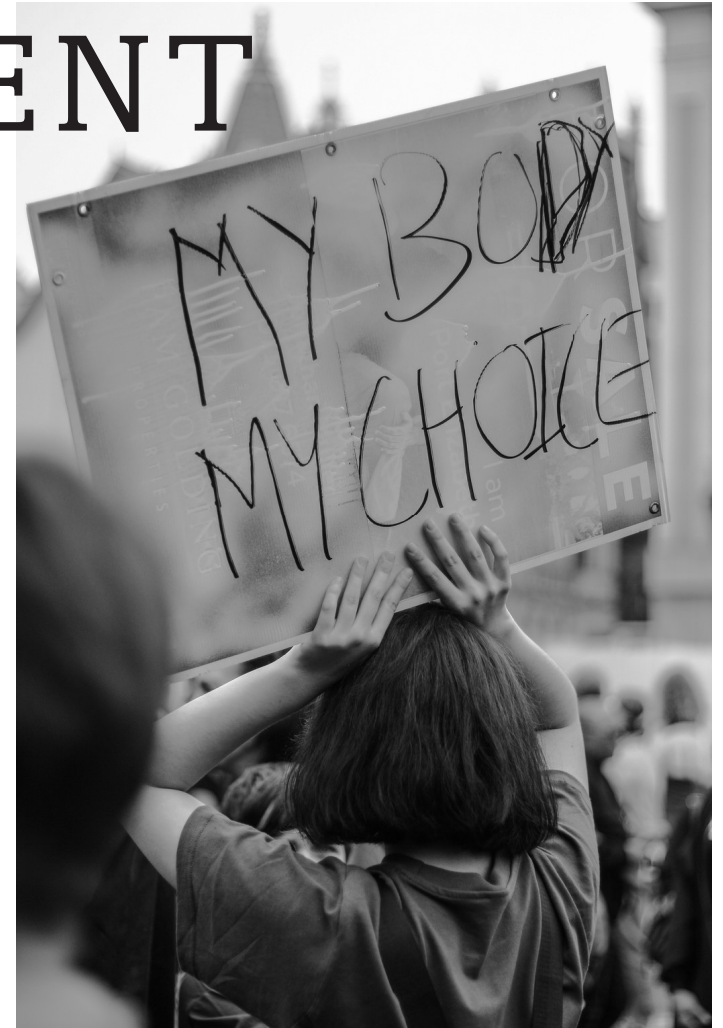


RESEARCH QUESTION

How do restrictive abortion laws impact the physical, mental, and financial well-being of low-income adolescents of color?

THESIS STATEMENT

Restrictive abortion laws throughout the US disproportionately impact the financial, mental, and physical well-being of low-income adolescents of color by increasing the rates of maternal mortality, unsafe abortion, and unintended pregnancies brought to term.



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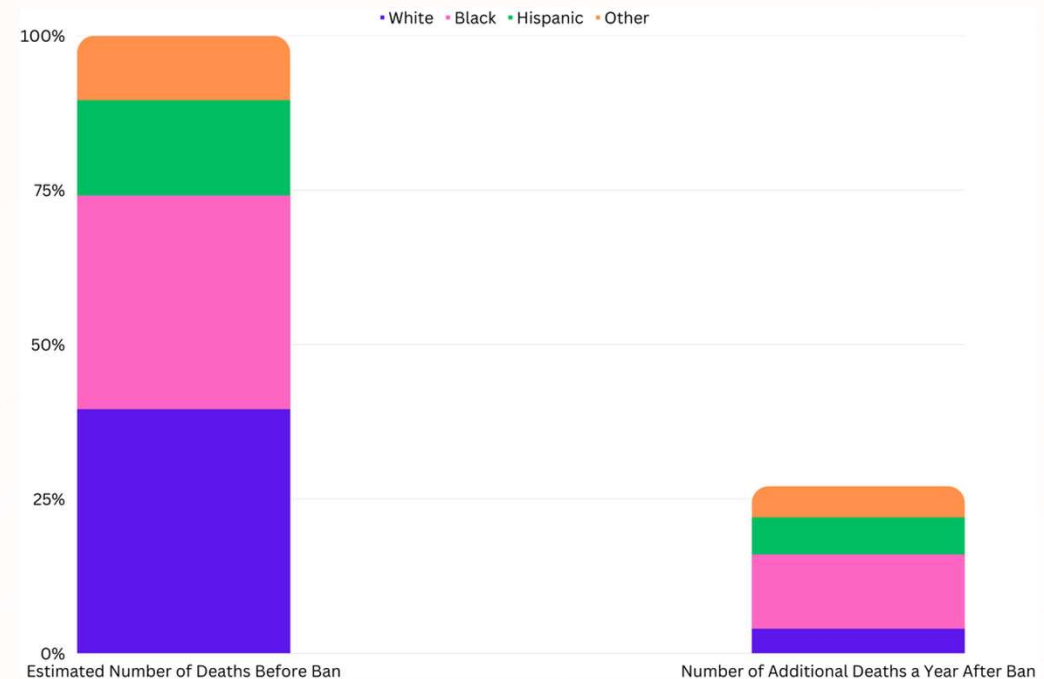
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**THE SCOPE OF THE RESEARCH
ONLY FOCUSED ON
RESTRICTIVE ABORTION IN
NORTH CAROLINA**

FINDINGS

HOW ABORTION BANS IMPACT MATERNAL MORTALITY

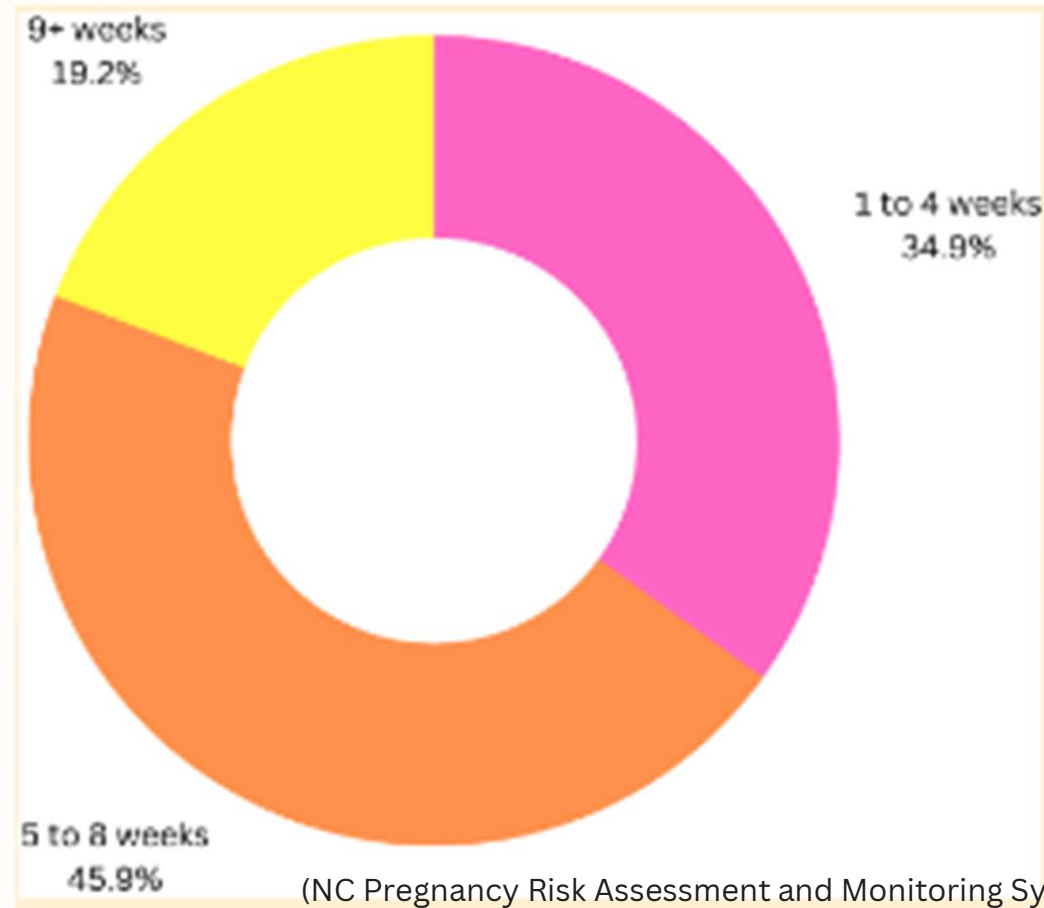
- 529,000 maternal deaths yearly



(Stevenson A.J, 2021)

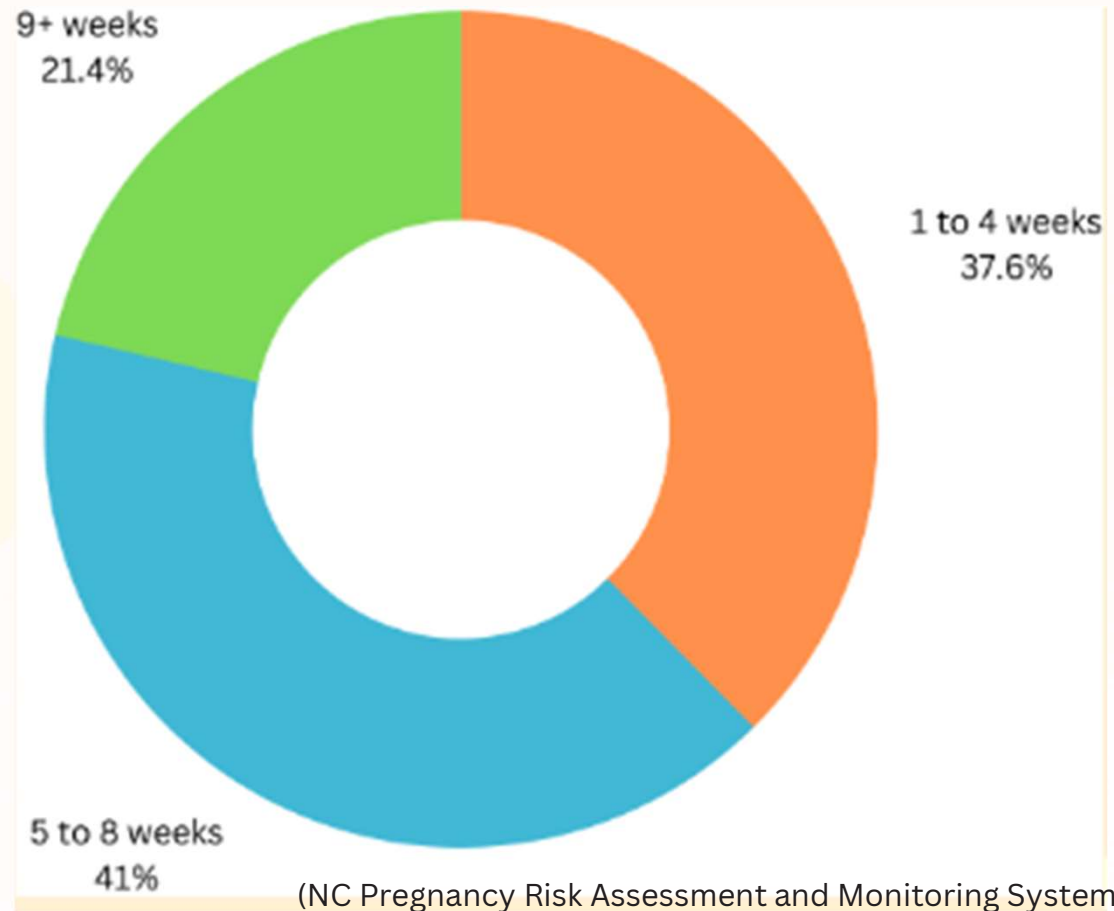
ADOLESCENT PREGNANCIES

- 16 to 44 % suffer from depression
- 20% endorse suicidal thoughts
- Nutritional fight between mother and baby



FINANCIAL

- Before Roe v. Wade
- Post-abortion care: \$23 to \$564
- Suffer from infection: \$51,000 per case
- Medical care centers: \$6.4 billion yearly
- Finances can be used for other medical emergency



LIMITATIONS AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- For future research I hope to conduct information on how restrictive abortion effected low-income countries, and their actions to respond to the high maternal mortality rates
- Provide financial support for low-income adolescents of color who need to obtain in abortion for health reasons, that includes paying for the abortion, travel expenses, and postabortion care from any unsafe abortion effects

CONCLUSION

The findings show that low-income adolescents of color have greater restrictions when it comes to abortion after the banning of abortion. There will be an increased rate of unsafe abortion, and maternal mortality rates within the low-income minority groups. Low-income adolescents of color are impacted mentally, physically, and financially due to restrictive abortion laws.



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