

abortion[ə'bɔːʃ(ə)n] *n*

1. 1) преждевременное прекращение беременности, выкидыш
- 2) искусственный аборт
to have/to procure/ an abortion - сделать аборт
2. недоносок
3. урод; ублюдок
what an abortion! - какое страшилище!
4. неудача; невезение; осечка
5. *биол.* приостановка развития (*органа*)
6. *мед.* приостановка развития болезни на начальной стадии
7. 1) *спец.* аварийное прекращение (*испытаний, полёта, запуска и т. п.*)
- 2) *вчт.* аборт

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ab-or-tion [abortion abortions] *BrE* [ə'bɔːʃ(ə)n] *NAmE* [ə'bɔːr(ə)ʃ(ə)n] *noun*

1. **uncountable** the deliberate ending of a ↑pregnancy at an early stage
 - to **support/oppose abortion**
 - a woman's right to abortion
 - abortion laws
 - I've always been anti-abortion.
 2. **countable** a medical operation to end a ↑pregnancy at an early stage
 - She decided to **have an abortion**.
- Syn:** ↑termination
compare ↑miscarriage

Word Origin:mid 16th cent.: from Latin *abortio(n-)*, from *aboriri* 'miscarry', from *ab-* 'away, from' + *oriri* 'be born'.Culture:

Abortion is the subject of strong public debate, especially in the US. Some people are in favour of abortion; called **pro-choice** supporters, they support a woman's right to choose whether to have a baby or not. On the opposite side are the **pro-life campaigners**, who believe in the **right to life** of the **unborn** child and think that abortion is wrong. In 1973 abortion during the first stages of pregnancy became legal all over the US through the ↑Supreme Court decision ↑*Roe v Wade*. The US government has tried to change the laws about abortion, but the changes have been disputed by federal courts and the courts have supported a woman's right to abortion. In Britain the Abortion Act of 1967 made abortion legal. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) was founded to campaign against the Act.

Example Bank:

- She decided to have an abortion.
- Some nurses wanted the right to refuse to perform abortions.
- The abortion issue is political dynamite.
- Women's groups are calling for free contraception and abortion on demand.
- the country's strict abortion laws

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ab-or-tion /ə'bɔːʃ(ə)n \$ ə'bɔːr(ə)ʃ(ə)n *BrE* *AmE* *noun*[uncountable and countable] a medical operation to end a ↑pregnancy so that the baby is not born alive **SYN** termination :

- She decided to have an abortion.
- anti-abortion campaigners

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