

# When Is A Fetus Viable

== Etymology == 05b7bfde64 Resuscitative hysterotomy should be performed immediately when three conditions are met: 05b7bfde64 In the United States, the term "born alive" is defined by federal law known as the born alive rule. Live births are recorded on a U.S. Standard Certificate of Live Birth, also known as a birth certificate. The United States recorded 3,605,201 live births in 2020 which is a 4% decrease from 2019 and the 6th consecutive year of decline in births. 05b7bfde64 Malvin Weisberg had operated Medical Analytic Laboratories in Santa Monica from 1976 until March 1981. He purchased a 20-foot (6.1 m) storage container in 1980, delivering it to his Woodland Hills home and paying for it with a bounced check for \$1700. The container was repossessed on February 3, 1982,

by the Martin Container Company, based in the Wilmington area of Los Angeles. The company opened the container on the following day, discovering the fetuses, which were stored in formaldehyde. 05b7bfde64 The definition of the term "live birth" was created by the World Health Organization in 1950, and is chiefly used for public health and statistical purposes. However, the term "live birth" was in common use long before 1950. 05b7bfde64

Fetal rights human rights instruments lack a universal inclusion of the fetus as a person for the purposes of human rights, the fetus is granted various rights in the Fetal rights or foetal rights (alternatively prenatal rights) are the moral rights or legal rights of the human embryo or fetus under natural and civil law. " While most international human rights instruments lack a universal inclusion of the fetus as a person for the purposes of human rights, the fetus is granted various rights in the constitutions and civil codes of some countries. Jackson

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Women's Health Organization. The concept of fetal rights has evolved to include the issues of maternal substance use disorders, including alcohol use disorder and opioid use disorder. The term fetal rights came into wide usage after *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 landmark case that established a constitutional right to abortion in the United States; that decision was overturned in 2022 by *Dobbs v. Most international human rights charters "clearly reject claims that human rights should attach from conception or any time before birth*  
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== Discovery == 05b7bfde64 Language referring to abortion often reflects societal and political opinions (not only scientific knowledge). 05b7bfde64

Resuscitative hysterotomy The procedure may be performed by obstetricians, emergency physicians or surgeons depending on the situation. This improves the mother's chances of return of

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spontaneous circulation, and may potentially also deliver a viable neonate. Prior to viability (approximately 24 weeks gestation), it is not a resuscitative hysterotomy, also referred to as a perimortem Caesarean section (PMCS) or perimortem Caesarean delivery (PMCD), is a hysterotomy performed to resuscitate a woman in the middle to late pregnancy who has entered cardiac arrest. her fetus. Combined with a laparotomy, the procedure results in a Caesarean section that removes the fetus, thereby abolishing the aortocaval compression caused by the pregnant uterus. But for both, a resuscitative hysterotomy is the best chance of survival

== Background == On February 23, 1969, the Keelers both met in cars, that they drove in opposite directions, on a narrow mountain road in Amador County to drop off the children to return home. During the meeting, Mr. Keeler walked over to Mrs. Keeler, who was sitting in her vehicle and

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rolled her window... 05b7bfde64 Not all pregnancies result in live births. Pregnancy can be terminated artificially through abortion. The natural death of an embryo or fetus before it is able to survive... 05b7bfde64 Because a fetus develops within another person's body, the recognition of fetal rights raises the question of how those rights relate to the rights of the pregnant woman, discussed in legal and bioethical literature as maternal-fetal conflict. The American College of Obstetricians... 05b7bfde64

Live birth (human) After the fetus leaves the womb it is called a neonate. In human reproduction, a live birth occurs when a fetus exits a pregnant person showing any definite sign of life, such as voluntary movement, heartbeat In human reproduction, a live birth occurs when a fetus exits a pregnant person showing any definite sign of life, such as voluntary movement, heartbeat or pulsation of the umbilical cord, for however brief a time, and regardless of whether the umbilical cord or placenta

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are intact. It is a "live birth" whether the birth is vaginal or by caesarean section, and whether the neonate is ultimately viable  
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Los Angeles fetus disposal scandal No criminal charges were filed against any of the parties involved. Weisberg had stored the specimens properly but had not disposed of them due to financial difficulties. It was called a "national tragedy" by then-president Ronald Reagan and inspired a song by pop singer Pat Boone, with the fetuses finally buried in 1985. In late May, Van de Kamp stated every fetus would be The Los Angeles fetus disposal scandal was the 1982 discovery of over 16,000 aborted fetuses being improperly stored at Malvin Weisberg's Woodland Hills, California, home and the ensuing legal battle regarding their disposal. 1973, but fetuses could be individually examined to determine viability, which was the legal limit 05b7bfde64

Maternal-fetal conflict blood transfusions, surgical procedures,

cesarean section) that can benefit the fetus or make life choices (e. Legal and ethical considerations involving women's rights and the rights of the fetus as a patient and future child, have become more complicated with advances in medicine and technology. One view is that a fetus has rights when it has an independent moral status Maternal-fetal conflict, also known as obstetric conflict, occurs when a pregnant woman's (maternal) interests conflict with the interests of the fetus. Maternal-fetal conflict can occur in situations where the mother denies health recommendations (e. independent moral status, the future fetus as a child, and the viability of the fetus. g. smoking, drinking alcohol, drugs, hazardous exposure) that can harm the fetus. There are maternal-fetal conflict situations where the law becomes involved, but most physicians avoid involving the law for various reasons. g 05b7bfde64

Late termination of pregnancy is the term usually used for later uterine evacuation. 05b7bfde64 Robert Harrison Keeler and

Teresa Keeler divorced after 16 years of marriage on September 27, 1968. Mr. Keeler was given custody their two daughters, aged 12 and 13 years which Mrs. Keeler had the right to take on alternating weekends. Unknown to Mr. Keeler, in the summer after the divorce Mrs. Keeler met Ernest Vogt, started living with him in Stockton, California and was pregnant with a baby girl by Mr. Vogt. 05b7bfde64

Definitions of abortion Abortion has many definitions that can differ from each other in significant ways. , not Definitions of abortion vary from one source to another. abortion implies a deliberate pregnancy termination, whereas a miscarriage is used to refer to spontaneous fetal loss when the fetus is not viable (i. Given the contentious nature of abortion, lawmakers and other stakeholders often face controversy in defining abortion. e 05b7bfde64

Influential non-state actors like the United Nations and the



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Roman Catholic Church have also engendered controversy over efforts to define abortion. In human prenatal development, fetal development begins from the ninth week after fertilization (which is the eleventh week of gestational age) and continues until the birth of a newborn. Prior to technological advances and current obstetric practices, the fetus was viewed as part of the mother and they were viewed as one entity rather than separate entities. With advances in technology, healthcare providers are able to access the fetus directly (e.g. sampling fetal blood, urine, other tissue, etc. and high-resolution ultrasonography) resulting in the fetus being defined as a separate patient. ==

Background == In modern, high-resource settings, medical viability is generally considered to be between 23 and 24 weeks' gestational age, meaning that these newborns have a <50% chance of either dying or surviving with severe impairment if active care is instituted; this applies to most fetuses at  $\geq 24$  weeks of gestation, and to some fetuses at 23

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weeks' gestation with favourable risk factors. Globally, among extremely preterm infants (<28 weeks' gestational age) born between 2000 and 2024, approximately 61% survived to hospital discharge, with lower survival rates in low-income countries (32%) than in high-income countries (69%).

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Werling v. Sandy 3d 45 (1985), was a case decided by the Supreme Court of Ohio that first recognized the cause of action for the wrongful death of a fetus in that state. A. Sandy, 17 Ohio St. Appellate judge of Eleventh District; sitting in place of Ralph S. Locher Henderson, J. , et al. Werling v. lie for a viable fetus that was carried full term 05b7bfde64

== Medical uses == 05b7bfde64 == Decision == 05b7bfde64  
Ambiguous definitions can create concerns in the medical community. Physicians in several countries, including Ireland and Canada, have expressed concern over ambiguous

definitions of abortion. Even in situations where there is a clear definition of abortion, it does not always match definitions of related terms in effect in the same jurisdiction. 05b7bfde64

Fetus : fetuses or foetuses) is the unborn offspring of a viviparous animal that develops from an embryo. Prenatal development is a continuum, with no clear defining feature distinguishing an embryo from a fetus. A fetus or foetus (/ˈfi:təs/; pl. Following the embryonic A fetus or foetus (; pl. Following the embryonic stage, the fetal stage of development takes place. However, in general a fetus is characterized by the presence of all the major body organs, though they will not yet be fully developed and functional, and some may not yet be situated in their final anatomical location. : fetuses or foetuses) is the unborn offspring of a viviparous animal that develops from an embryo 05b7bfde64

The word fetus (plural fetuses or rarely, the solecism feti)

comes from Latin *fētus* 'offspring, bringing forth, hatching of young'. The Latin plural *fetūs* is not used in English; occasionally the plural *feti* is used in English by analogy with second-declension Latin nouns. The term also has ethical and legal significance. In neonatal care, viability may inform decisions about resuscitation and intensive treatment for extremely preterm newborns, particularly near the limit of viability. In law, it has been used as a threshold...

**Fetal viability** Viability depends upon factors such as gestational age, birth weight, sex, genetics Fetal viability is the ability of a fetus to survive outside the uterus. There is no single gestational-age threshold that defines viability in all clinical settings. Viability depends upon factors such as gestational age, birth weight, sex, genetics, perinatal circumstances, and the availability of advanced medical care. Fetal viability is the ability of a fetus to survive outside the uterus

== Concerns in the medical community == 05b7bfde64 The parents of a stillborn fetus sued for wrongful death, and the trial court dismissed the complaint on the grounds that there was no such cause of action. The Supreme Court of Ohio held that a cause of action would lie. The court recognized several statutory indicators that a stillborn fetus might properly be considered a decedent, including clauses in the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act and the rule against perpetuities. The court also recognized the arbitrariness of allowing recovery for wrongful death caused by negligently inflicted prenatal injuries in the case where the death occurs shortly after a live birth and disallowing recovering when the death occurred shortly before birth. The court held that the wrongful death action would only lie for a viable fetus that was carried full term. 05b7bfde64 The initial press conference, on February 5, 1982, by the Los Angeles County Health Department said up to 500 fetuses were found. On February... 05b7bfde64

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Keeler v. Superior Court 3d 619 (1970), is a criminal case in which a man who deliberately killed a viable fetus in a woman, was determined not to be guilty Keeler v. of California, 2 Cal. Superior Court, Supreme Court of California, 2 Cal. 3d 619 (1970), is a criminal case in which a man who deliberately killed a viable fetus in a woman, was determined not to be guilty of murder because the murder statute was written in 1850 when "human being" meant a person born alive, so there was no fair warning (legality), there being no common law crimes in California whereby statutory definitions can be changed by judicial decisions to broaden categories of crimes 05b7bfde64

The predominant British, Irish, and Commonwealth spelling is foetus, except in medical usage, where fetus is preferred. The -oe- spelling is first attested in 1594 and arose in Late Latin by analogy... 05b7bfde64

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