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ABORTIONS PERFORMED IN REPUBLIC OF IRELAND IN 2022

By law, the annual report on abortions should be available on 30th June. Despite phone calls to the Department of Health and a fruitless appeal to FOI, we did not receive this report until mid-August.

As usual the Report is devoid of useful information covered by English abortion reports – the age and marital status of the women, number of previous abortions and ethnicity et cetera.

Thanks to the diligence of pro-life counselling agencies, abortions had been declining for many years. In 2018, the year prior to abortions taking place in the Republic, the abortions of Irish residents in Britain numbered 2,819 and 22% of those were not ethnically Irish. In 2022, abortions in the Republic jumped to 8,156 and a further 87 in England for the first six months of 2022.

Since the legalisation of killing unborn human beings 28,099 unborn babies' lives were terminated. Because killing the most defenceless of human beings is considered a UN or EU value does not justify it. People have no right to do wrong as Eamon de Valera once stated. Wild animals and birds treasure their young, protect and look after them. Are adult human's on a lower moral plane than animals as regards their offspring?

In 2022 there were 57,340 births and a TFR rate of only 1.7 where 2.15 is necessary for population replacement. The 8,156 abortions was 14.22% of births.

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