Common reasons women seek abortions are because they feel that a child would interfere with their education, work, or ability to care for dependents (74%) or that they do not believe they could afford costs related to raising a child (73%).

Amie, a 30-year-old single mom with two children, is working up to 90 hours a week between two minimum-wage jobs to make ends meet. When Amie learns she is pregnant, she feels torn but ultimately decides to have an abortion due to economic strain. Paid family leave can help parents like Amie feel more supported in choosing life. – Abortion: Stories Women Tell, HBO Documentary

PAID FAMILY LEAVE CAN REDUCE CHILD MORTALITY

The United States has 5.8 child deaths for every 1,000 children born

Paid family leave reduces the number of low birth-weights in infants and preterm births, both leading causes of infant death. Job-protected maternity leave has been associated with reducing neonatal, infant, and under-age-5 deaths.

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