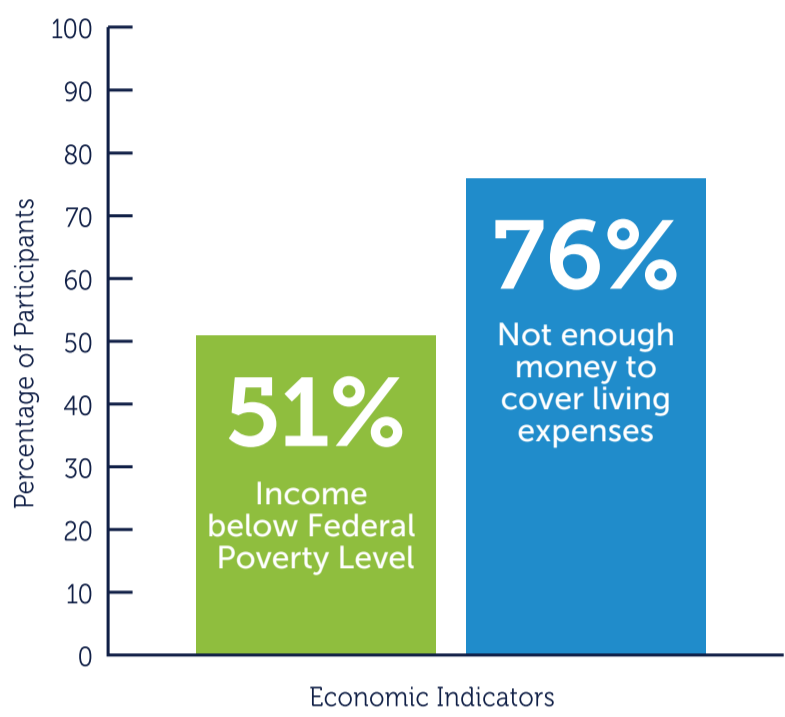


Socioeconomic Outcomes of Women Who Receive and Women Who Are Denied Wanted Abortions

Many women already experience economic hardships at the time they seek an abortion. In fact, not having enough money to care for a child or another child is the most common reason for seeking an abortion.

Many women seeking abortion are already experiencing economic hardship.



We found that being denied a wanted abortion results in economic insecurity for women and their families, and an almost four-fold increase in odds that a woman denied a wanted abortion has a household income below the Federal Poverty Level compared to those who receive an abortion.



After being denied a wanted abortion, women had

3x greater odds

of being unemployed than women who obtained abortions

After being denied a wanted abortion, women had almost

4x greater odds

of being below the Federal Poverty Level



The data in this study come from the Turnaway Study, the first study in the US to examine women's outcomes for years after seeking abortion. For more information, visit www.ansirh.org.



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