

NYers twice as likely to abort

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Forty-one percent of New York City pregnancies end in abortion -- or twice the national average, abortion foes said yesterday, citing government figures.

City Health Department numbers for 2009 showed that of all viable pregnancies here, 87,273 were terminated, compared with 126,774 live births.

Excluding miscarriages, 48 percent of Bronx pregnancies, were aborted, compared with 39 percent in Brooklyn and Queens, 38 percent in Manhattan and 32 percent on Staten Island. The most recent national figure: 19 percent.

Calling the stats "downright chilling," Archbishop Timothy Dolan said, "New York does not deserve the gravestone 'Abortion capital of the world.' Our boast is the Statue of Liberty, not the Grim Reaper."