

GENDERCIDE in America: ARE OUR GIRLS BEING TARGETED?

Genocide (noun): *the deliberate and systematic extermination of a national, racial, political, or cultural group.*¹

Gendercide (noun): *the deliberate and systematic extermination of baby girls, typically through sex-selective abortion and infanticide*

Worldwide, over 163 million girls are missing because of gendercide.³ Most of them were killed through sex-selective abortion, targeted through the deadly search-and-destroy combination of prenatal sex identification technologies and elective abortion.

A normal sex ratio at birth is approximately 105 boys to every 100 girls. According to the most recent data, 35 countries now have a sex ratio at birth higher than 106/100.⁴ Most people are familiar with the problem in Asia, but few realize that sex-selection is now common in countries in Eastern Europe as well and continues to spread worldwide.

Sex-Selection Abortion in the U.S.

Is sex-selection abortion happening in America? Sadly, the answer is yes. **Six separate studies in the past 4 years**

document the sad reality of baby girls being aborted in our country simply because they are girls:

2008: Douglas Almond and Lena Edlund, "Son-biased sex ratios in the 2000 United States Census," *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

<http://www.pnas.org/content/105/15/5681.full.pdf>

Among children of Chinese, Korean, and Indian Americans, first children showed normal sex ratios, but the ratio increased to 1.17:1 (117 boys to 100 girls) for second children if the first child was a girl, and to 1.51:1 for third children if the first two children were girls. If there was a previous boy child, the sex ratios for subsequent births remained natural.

2009: Jason Abrevaya, "Are there missing girls in the United States? Evidence from birth data," Abrevaya, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.

<http://www.aeaweb.org/articles.php?doi=10.1257/app.1.2.1>

From the Abstract: "The observed boy-birth percentages are consistent with over 2,000 "missing" Chinese and Indian girls in the United States between 1991 and 2004."

-2010: Sunita Puri and Robert Nachtigall, "The ethics of sex selection: a comparison of the attitudes and experiences of primary care physicians and physician providers of clinical sex selection services," *Fertility and Sterility*.

Country	Sex Ratio at Birth (boys to 100 girls, 2011)
China	113
Armenia	112
India	112
Albania	111
Vietnam	112
Azerbaijan	114
Georgia	111
Grenada	110
Macedonia	108
Bosnia and Herzegovina	107
Tunisia	107
South Korea	107
Slovenia	107
Portugal	107

*Selected countries with abnormal sex ratios at birth--evidence of widespread sex-selective abortion.*²

¹ (<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/genocide?s=t>)

² (<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/fields/2018.html>)

³ (http://www.unfpa.org/gender/docs/studies/summaries/regional_analysis.pdf)

⁴ (http://www.nationmaster.com/graph/peo_sex_rat_at_bir-people-sex-ratio-at-birth).



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<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0015028209004725>

In this qualitative survey of medical providers' attitudes and experience concerning sex selection, early ultrasound "providers stated that they do not advise patients on how to use the information provided, they did acknowledge that the majority of their South Asian and East Asian patients sought information on abortions after they disclosed fetal sex."

Spotlight on California, 2008-2012: Dr. G. Sharat Lin, PhD Tracks Sex-Selective Abortion in the Golden State

Sex-selective abortion is especially prevalent in California. California is home to both large populations with pronounced son-preference and a burgeoning abortion industry. Columbia University's 2008 study found extremely imbalanced birth sex ratios among 3rd and 4th children of Chinese (3rd child = 111, 4th child = 117) and Indian (3rd child = 135, 4th child = 144) populations.

That same year, G. Sharat Lin, PhD., a doctor at Advanced Imaging Associates in Fremont, CA, began researching birth gender ratios (girls born per 1000 boys) among Asian populations in CA. Lin noticed that while the general state population's BGR is around 950, the Asian population in Santa Clara County registered precipitous drops to 906 in 2004 and 902 in 2006. Lin has continued to track the numbers reported by CA counties, and has presented his findings every year at the annual convention of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM) since 2009, updated with the latest data from state health agencies. Lin's research has revealed a growing trend of unnaturally low girl-to-boy ratios in certain Asian populations in CA, often correlated to the availability of private ultrasound services, that indicates the growing practice of sex-selective abortion in the state.

Lin, G.S., *American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine*, 2009: "Does Keepsake Ultrasound Contribute to Low Female-Male Birth Gender Ratios in California?"

<http://www.aium.org/publications/proceedings/2009.pdf>

2010: "Low Female to Male Birth Gender Ratios Among Asians in California: The Possible Role of Keepsake Ultrasound"

<http://www.aium.org/publications/proceedings/2010.pdf>

2011: "Low Female-Male Birth Gender Ratios Become More Widespread in California as Keepsake Ultrasound Proliferates"

<http://www.aium.org/publications/proceedings/2011.pdf>

2012: "Female-Male Birth Gender Ratios in Asian Subpopulations in Santa Clara County, California"

<http://www.aium.org/publications/proceedings/2012.pdf>

-2011: Sunita Puri et al, "There is such a thing as too many daughters, but not too many sons': A qualitative study of son preference and fetal sex selection among Indian immigrants in the United States," *Social Science and Medicine*.

<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0277953611000700>

Sunita Puri is a researcher at UCSF who has spent six years studying sex selection abortion in the United States, with an emphasis on South Asian populations. In interviews with 65 South Asian women seeking sex selection services, she found that 40% of them had previously aborted female fetuses and of those currently carrying baby girls, 89% of them aborted after learning the gender.

-2011: James Egan et al, "Distortions of sex ratios at birth in the United States; evidence for prenatal gender selection," *Prenatal Diagnosis*.

<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/pd.2747/abstract>

University of Connecticut researchers examined birth data from the National Center for Health Statistics and concluded that severely imbalanced sex ratios at birth for certain U.S. populations were evidence of prenatal sex selection.

The Planned Parenthood Connection

Since its founding by eugenicist Margaret Sanger, Planned Parenthood has played a lead role in population control efforts both in the U.S. and around the world, with the intent to reduce the number of children born per woman. "Sex selection is a byproduct of a sudden drop in fertility"⁵, say experts,

⁵ 31, Hvistendahl. "Unnatural Selection."



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because while a family having many children could count on the probability that eventually one would be a boy, a family planning on only having a few children will need to produce a boy *now*, if ever.

In the 1960s and 1970s, Planned Parenthood officials realized the desire for sons could also be harnessed for effective population control. Sex selection can reduce the population in 2 ways: 1) families don't have to have many kids to get the boy they want, and 2) it leaves less women in the population to get pregnant in the first place. At a 1969 National Institute of Child Health and Human Development workshop, Planned Parenthood researcher Dr. Christopher Tietze, together with Population Council director Sheldon Segal, presented sex selection as key tool to curb population growth.⁶ Planned Parenthood bestowed its "Margaret Sanger Award" on Dr. Tietze 4 years later in 1973.⁷

Today, Planned Parenthood asserts the contradictory position that the organization "condemns sex selection" while resolving to "offer nonjudgmental, confidential care" and "provide information that women seek" in order to secure a sex-selective abortion.⁸

PRENDA

The Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act (PRENDA), introduced by Rep. Trent Franks, would ban sex-selective abortion in the U.S. Many countries, including the U.K., India, China, and Australia, already ban sex-selective abortion.

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<sup>6</sup> 105, *Ibid.*

<sup>7</sup> (<http://www.plannedparenthood.org/about-us/newsroom/politics-policy-issues/ppfa-margaret-sanger-award-winners-4840.htm#Tietze>).

<sup>8</sup> (<http://www.rhrealitycheck.org/article/2012/04/23/secret-hoax-campaign-is-another-abortion-wars-tactic>)