

INDUCED TERMINATIONS OF PREGNANCY OCCURRING IN ALABAMA, 2012

Note that these tables contain data for all induced terminations of pregnancy that occurred in Alabama. The women may have lived in Alabama or some other state.

Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Probable Postfertilization Age (PPFA)		
Total	9,076	
6 or Less	5,220	
7	839	
8	704	
9	640	
10	447	
11	337	
12	247	
13	166	
14	138	
15	109	
16	55	
17	77	
18	55	
19	8	
20	2	
21	1	
22	1	
23	0	
24	0	
25	0	
26 or More	0	
Not Stated	30	

Was a determination of probable post-fertilization age made?		
Total		9,076
Yes		9,046
No		30

No PPFA determined, medical emergency existed		
Total	30	
Ectopic pregnancy	29	
Uncontrolled obstetrical hemorrhage	0	
Other ("PROM, inevitable abortion")	1	

Was ultrasound used to determine post-fertilization age?		
Total	9,076	
Yes	9,008	
No	50	
Not Stated	18	

Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Race of Patient		
Total	<u> </u>	9,076
White		3,504
Black		5,268
All Other		258
Not Stated		46

Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Age of Patient		
Age	Number	
Total	9,076	
10-14	57	
15-19	1,245	
20-24	3,087	
25-29	2,267	
30-34	1,461	
35-39	716	
40-44	225	
45 & Older	17	
Not stated	1	

Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Type of Consent for Women Under 18 Only				
Consent Requirement		Type of Co (only includes the		
Total	461		Total	461
Not Required	0		Parental	454
Required	461		Court Order	5
Not Stated	0		Medical Emergency	1
	Not Stated	1		

Procedure used to terminate the pregnancy		
Total	9076	
Suction Curettage	5808	
Sharp Curettage	3	
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	14	
Hysterotomy	2	
Hysterectomy	0	
Medication Abortion (such as mifepristone/misoprotol or methotrexate/misoprostol)	2038	
Manual Vacuum Aspiration	10	
Electrical Vacuum Aspiration	1154	
Combined Induction Abortion and Dilation and Evacuation	5	
Induction Abortion and Prostaglandins	8	
Induction Abortion with Intra-Amniotic Instillation (such as saline or urea)	0	
Induction Abortion – Other	7	
Intact Dilation and Evacuation	0	
Method Not Listed, Specify (Salpingectomy)	22	
Not Stated	5	

Was an intra-fetal injection used in an attempt to induce fetal demise (such as intra-fetal potassium chloride or digoxin)?		
Total	9076	
Yes	9	
No	9067	

Information Required for Terminations at 20 weeks or more PPFA

Number at 20 weeks PPFA or more and reason		
Total	4	
Severe preeclampsia/eclampsia	2	
Severe/life threatening cardiac disease	0	
Severe/life threatening pulmonary disease	0	
Severe/life threatening liver disease	0	
Severe/life threatening chorioamnionitis/sepsis	0	
Uncontrolled obstetrical hemorrhage (placental abruption, placenta previa)	1	
Advanced malignancy	0	
Other (incomplete abortion)	1	

Was the method of abortion used one that, in reasonable medical judgment, provided the best opportunity for the unborn child to survive?

Total	4
Yes	2
No	2

If no, basis of the determination that termination of the pregnancy would pose a greater risk either of the death of the pregnant woman or of the substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function

Total	2
Severe preeclampsia/eclampsia	0
Severe/life threatening cardiac disease	0
Severe/life threatening pulmonary disease	0
Severe/life threatening liver disease	0
Severe/life threatening chorioamnionitis/sepsis	0
Uncontrolled obstetrical hemorrhage (placental abruption, placenta previa)	1
Advanced malignancy	0
Other (Patient refused Cesarean section)	1

Technical Note: Based on legislation passed in 2011, from January 2012 through April 2012, the termination of an ectopic pregnancy was considered reportable to the Center for Health Statistics. Legislation passed in 2012 clarified that the termination of an ectopic pregnancy was no longer reportable to the Center for Health Statistics as of April 30, 2012.

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