



Abortion Statistics, England and Wales: 2011

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Summary

This report presents statistics on abortions carried out in England and Wales in 2011.

In 2011, for women resident in England and Wales:

- The total number of abortions was 189,931, 0.2% more than in 2010 (189,574) and 7.7% more than in 2001 (176,364).
- The age-standardised abortion rate was 17.5 per 1,000 resident women aged 15-44, the same as in 2010, but 2.3% higher than in 2001 (17.1) and more than double the rate of 8.0 recorded in 1970.
- The abortion rate was highest at 33 per 1,000 for women aged 20, the same as in 2010 and in 2001.
- The under-16 abortion rate was 3.4 per 1,000 women and the under-18 rate was 15.0 per 1,000 women, both lower than in 2010 (3.9 and 16.5 per 1,000 women respectively) and in the year 2001 (3.7 and 18.0 per 1,000 women respectively).
- 96% of abortions were funded by the NHS. Over half (61%) took place in the independent sector under NHS contract, up from 59% in 2010 and 2% in 1981.
- 91% of abortions were carried out at under 13 weeks gestation. 78% were at under 10 weeks compared to 77% in 2010 and 58% in 2001.
- Medical abortions accounted for 47% of the total, up from 43% in 2010 and 13% in 2001.
- 2,307 abortions (1%) were carried out under ground E (risk that the child would be born handicapped).

Non-residents:

- In 2011, there were 6,151 abortions for non-residents carried out in hospitals and clinics in England and Wales (6,535 in 2010). The 2011 total is the lowest in any year since 1969.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This report presents statistics on abortions carried out in England and Wales in 2011. It is the tenth in an annual series published by the Department of Health (DH), the first of which was for abortions in 2002. These are available on the DH website¹. Statistics for years from 1974 to 2001 were published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) in their Abortion Statistics Series AB, Nos 1 to 28. The reports for 1991 to 2001 are available electronically on request to abortion.statistics@dh.gsi.gov.uk. Statistics for years from 1968 to 1973 were published in the Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales, Supplement on Abortion.

The legislative context

- 1.2 The Abortion Act 1967, as amended by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990, permits termination of a pregnancy by a registered medical practitioner subject to certain conditions. Legal requirements apply to the certification and notification of abortion procedures. Within the terms of the Abortion Act, only a registered practitioner can terminate a pregnancy. The doctor taking responsibility for the procedure is legally required to notify the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) of the abortion within 14 days of the termination, whether carried out in the NHS or an approved independent sector place and whether or not the woman is a UK resident. The Department of Health provides form HSA4 for this purpose. Further details are available on the DH website:

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publichealth/Healthimprovement/Sexualhealth/Sexualhealthgeneralinformation/DH_4063863

- 1.3 Except in an emergency, any treatment for the termination of pregnancy can only be carried out in an NHS hospital or in a place approved for the purpose by the Secretary of State, and after 24 weeks, only in an NHS hospital. Through contractual arrangements with Primary Care Organisations (PCOs), some approved independent sector places perform NHS-funded abortions.
- 1.4 A legally induced abortion must be certified by two registered medical practitioners as justified under one or more of the following grounds:
- A the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk to the life of the pregnant woman greater than if the pregnancy were terminated (Abortion Act, 1967 as amended, section 1(1)(c))
 - B the termination is necessary to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman (section 1(1)(b))
 - C the pregnancy has not exceeded its twenty-fourth week and that the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk, greater than if the pregnancy were terminated, of injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman (section 1(1)(a))

¹ <http://transparency.dh.gov.uk/category/statistics/abortion>

D the pregnancy has not exceeded its twenty-fourth week and that the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk, greater than if the pregnancy were terminated, of injury to the physical or mental health of any existing children of the family of the pregnant woman (section 1(1)(a))

E there is a substantial risk that if the child were born it would suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities as to be seriously handicapped (section 1(1)(d))

or, in an emergency, certified by the operating practitioner as immediately necessary:

F to save the life of the pregnant woman (section 1(4))

G to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman (section 1(4))

How the statistics are produced

- 1.5 The doctor taking responsibility for an abortion is legally required to notify the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) within 14 days of the termination. Abortion notification forms (HSA4s) can be submitted online or on paper.
- 1.6 The Department of Health use a thorough process for inspecting and recording the information received on the forms in order to monitor compliance with the legislation and the extent to which best practice guidance from the Department of Health is followed. The methods used ensure good quality, accurate statistics can be derived from the data. Annex A contains further information about data quality.
- 1.7 The format of the tables have been revised in the light of the judgment handed down by the High Court in the case relating to the release of information on principal medical condition for abortions performed under Ground E. A more limited degree of suppression has been applied, where necessary, to avoid the disclosure of personal data.
- 1.8 This publication is a National Statistic. It is a statutory requirement that National Statistics should be produced in accordance with the standards set out in the Code of Practice for Official Statistics. The UK Statistics Authority assesses all National Statistics for compliance with the Code of Practice. The results of the assessment of abortion statistics were published in February 2012 and are available at <http://www.statisticsauthority.gov.uk/assessment/assessment/assessment-reports/index.html>. The Statistics Authority confirmed that the statistics could continue to be designated as National Statistics.

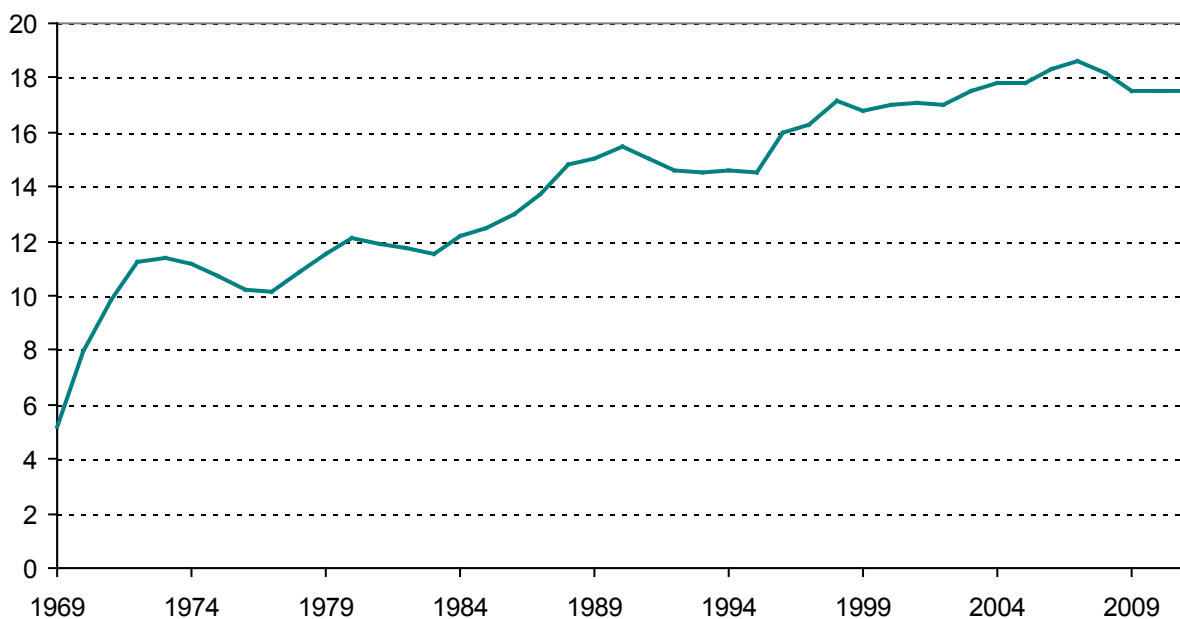
2. Commentary

Unless specified, the following commentary, charts and tables relate to abortions carried out in England and Wales for residents of England and Wales only, rather than all abortions carried out in England and Wales. Figures in all but Table 13 exclude abortions for residents of England and Wales that are carried out in other parts of the United Kingdom or outside the UK.

Overall number and rate of abortions

2.1 In total, there were 196,082 abortions notified as taking place in England and Wales in 2011. There were 189,931 abortions to residents of England and Wales in 2011. This represents an age-standardised abortion rate of 17.5 per 1,000 resident women aged 15-44². This is 6% lower than the rate of 18.6 in 2007, but 2% higher than in 2001 and more than double the rate of 8.0 recorded in 1970 (See Table 1 and Figure 1).

Figure 1: Age-standardised abortion rate per 1,000 women aged 15-44, England and Wales, 1969 to 2011

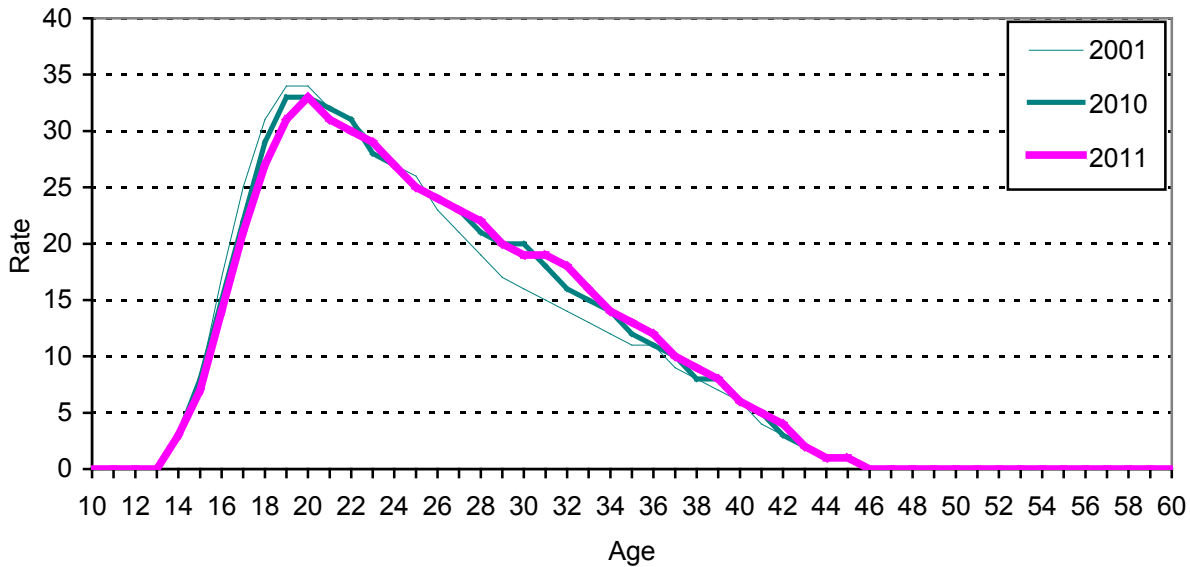


Age

2.2 The abortion rate in 2011 was highest, at 33 per 1,000, for women aged 20. There were 1,000 abortions to women aged under 15 (less than one per cent of the total) and 683 to women aged 45 or over (less than a half of one per cent) (See Table 4a and Figure 2).

² See Annex A for details about how the rate is derived.

Figure 2: Abortion rate per 1,000 population by single year of age, England and Wales, 2001, 2010 and 2011



- 2.3 The under-16 abortion rate was 3.4 in 2011 compared with 3.9 in 2010 and 3.7 in 2001 and the under-18 rate was 15.0 in 2011, compared with 16.5 in 2010 and 18.0 in 2001. Rates for women aged 15 to 19 were lower than in 2010, whereas rates for women aged 31 to 39 were higher. Similarly, compared with 2001, the rates in 2011 were lower for women aged 15 to 24 and higher for women aged 25 or over.
- 2.4 The under-16 abortion rate for the period 2009-2011 varied from under two per 1,000 women in Kensington and Chelsea to nearly eight per 1,000 women in Southwark (See Table 10b).

Marital status

- 2.5 About four-fifths (81%) of abortions in 2011 were carried out for single women, a proportion that has risen slowly from 76% since 2001 (See Table 3a.v).

Ethnicity

- 2.6 The revised HSA4 forms introduced in 2002 allowed for the recording of ethnicity, as self-reported by the women involved. This information was not previously recorded. Ethnicity was recorded on 95% of the forms received for 2011 compared with 80% in 2003, the first full year of collection. Of women whose ethnicity was recorded in 2011, 76% were reported as White, 10% as Asian or Asian British and 9% as Black or Black British (See Table 3a.vi).
- 2.7 The percentage of women having an abortion in 2011 who had one or more previous abortions varies by ethnic group. 32% of Asian women having abortions in 2011 had previously had an abortion, compared with 49% of Black women (See Table A below).

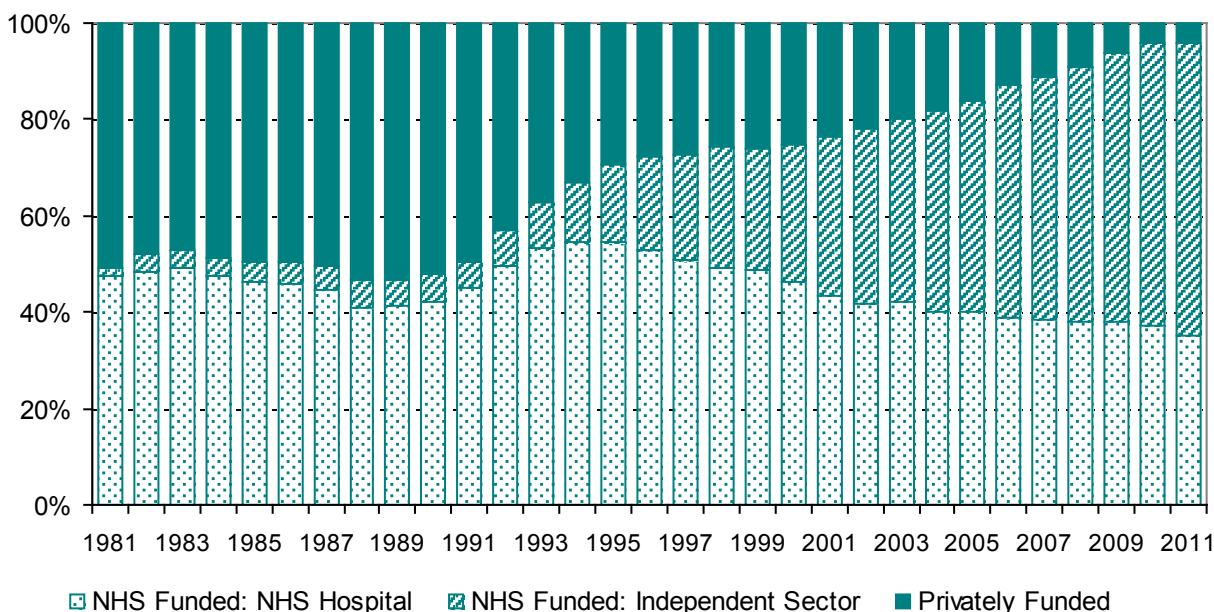
Table A: Percentage of women who had one or more previous abortions, by ethnicity, England and Wales, 2011

Ethnicity	% of women who had one or more previous abortions
Asian or Asian British	32%
Black or Black British	49%
Chinese or other ethnic group	33%
Mixed	45%
White	35%
All women	36%

Location and funding of abortions

2.8 Table 3a.i and Figure 3 show that in 2011, 35% of abortions were performed in NHS hospitals and 61% in approved independent sector places under NHS contract (previously named NHS Agency), making a total of 96% of abortions funded by the NHS. The remaining 4% were privately funded. The proportion performed under NHS contract has been rising steadily since this information was collected in 1981, while the proportions of NHS hospital and private abortions have been falling since 1995 and 1988 respectively.

Figure 3: Abortions by purchaser / provider, England and Wales, 1981 to 2011



Statutory grounds for abortion

2.9 In 2011, the vast majority (98%; 185,973) of abortions were undertaken under ground C and a further 1% (1,455) under ground D. A similar proportion were carried out under ground E (1%; 2,307). Grounds A and B together accounted for about a tenth of one per cent of abortions (195). The proportion of ground C abortions has risen steadily, with a corresponding reduction in ground D cases (See Table 3a.ii). The vast majority (99.96%)

of ground C only terminations were reported as being performed because of a risk to the woman's mental health. Abortions are rarely performed under grounds F or G.

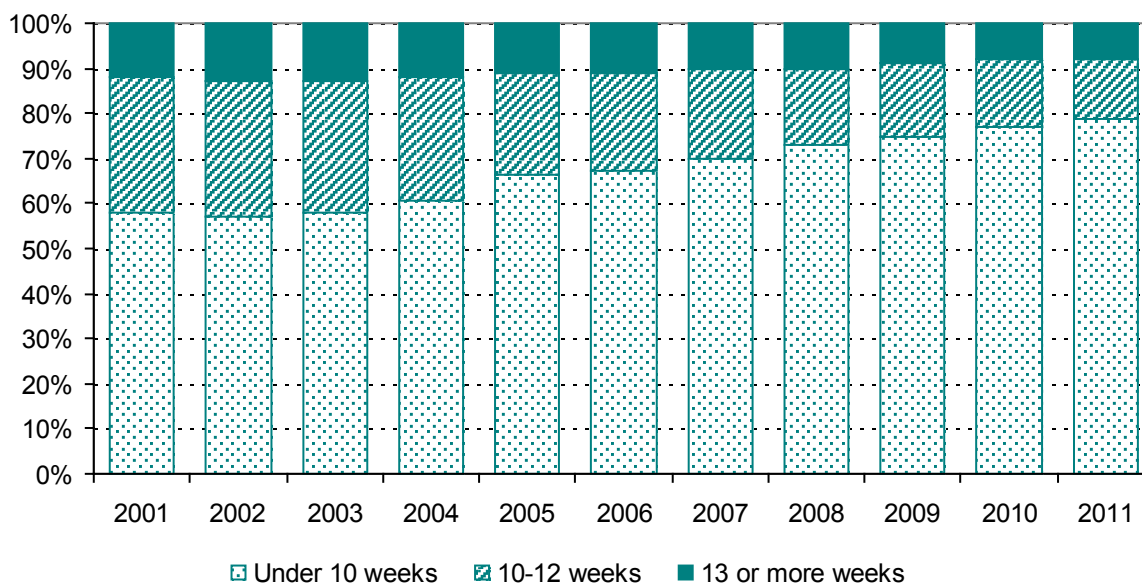
2.10 Congenital malformations were reported as the principal medical condition in nearly half (45%; 1,046) of the 2,307 cases undertaken under ground E. The most commonly reported malformations were of the nervous system (23% of all ground E cases; 540) and the musculoskeletal system (7%; 160). Chromosomal abnormalities were reported as the principal medical condition for just over a third (39%; 889) of Ground E cases. Down's syndrome was the most commonly reported chromosomal abnormality (22%; 511) (See Table 9).

2.11 As in each year since 1999, fewer than 10 abortions under ground E in 2011 were associated with rubella.

Gestation period

2.12 The vast majority of abortions are performed at under 13 weeks (91% in 2011). There has been a continuing increase in the proportion of abortions that are performed under 10 weeks since 2002. In 2011, 78% of abortions were performed at under 10 weeks, compared to 77% in 2010 and 58% in 2001. There were corresponding decreases in the

Figure 4: Abortions by gestation, England and Wales, 2001 to 2011



proportion performed later: in 2011, 13% were performed at 10-12 weeks (compared to 15% in 2010 and 30% in 2001) and 9% at 13 weeks or more (compared to 9% in 2010 and 12% in 2001) (See Table 3a.iii and Figure 4).

2.13 Over three quarters (78%) of NHS funded abortions took place at under 10 weeks, ranging from 56% in Barnsley PCT to 89% in Caerphilly Local Health Board (See Table 11). Department of Health policy is that women who are legally entitled to an abortion should have access to the procedure as soon as possible. Evidence shows that the risk of complications increases the later the gestation.

2.14 Abortions where gestation has exceeded its twenty-fourth week account for less than 0.1% of the total. There were 146 such abortions in 2011 (See Table 5 and Table 9).

Previous abortions

2.15 In 2011, 36% of women undergoing abortions had one or more previous abortions. The proportion has risen from 31% since 2001 (See Table 3a.ix and Table 4b). 26% of abortions to women aged under 25 were repeat abortions (See Table 11). Repeat unintended pregnancy and subsequent abortion is a complex issue associated with increased age as it allows longer for exposure to pregnancy risks (See Table B).

Table B: Percentage of women who had one or more previous abortions, by age, England and Wales, 2011

Age	% of women who had one or more previous abortions
Under 18	7%
18-19	19%
20-24	34%
25-29	43%
30-34	46%
35 or over	45%
All women	36%

Previous obstetric history

2.16 In 2011, 51% of women undergoing abortions had one or more previous pregnancies that resulted in a live or stillbirth, slightly up from 47% in 2001 (See Table 3a.vii). 17% of women had a previous pregnancy resulting in a miscarriage or ectopic pregnancy, up from 13% in 2002, when the information was first collected (See Table 3a.viii).

Method of abortion

2.17 Different methods may be used to terminate a pregnancy, depending on the duration of gestation, and other circumstances relating to the individual woman. There is one principal medical method, involving the use of the abortifacient drug Mifegyne (mifepristone, also known as RU486). The main surgical methods are vacuum aspiration, recommended at up to 15 weeks gestation, and dilatation and evacuation (D&E) recommended where gestation is greater than 15 weeks. D&E may be used in combination with vacuum aspiration; such cases are recorded in the statistics as D&E.

2.18 Medical abortions accounted for 47% of the total in 2011. The proportion of medical abortions has more than trebled in the last ten years, from 13% in 2001. There has been a continuing upward trend in medical abortions since 1991 when Mifegyne was licensed for use in the UK, when only 4% of abortions were undertaken using a medical procedure (See Table 3a.iv and Table 5). In 2011, 60% of abortions under 9 weeks were medical abortions compared with 20% in 2001. The choice of early medical abortion as a method of abortion is likely to have contributed to the increase in the overall percentage of abortions performed at under 10 weeks gestation (58% in 2001 compared with 78% in 2011). Early medical abortion is less invasive than a surgical procedure and does not involve use of anaesthetics.

2.19 The surgical procedure vacuum aspiration was used for 48% of all abortions in 2011; and Dilatation and Evacuation (D&E) alone in about 5% (See Table 3a.iv).

2.20 For abortions at 22 weeks or beyond, feticide is recommended prior to the evacuation of the uterus to stop the fetal heart. In 2011, of the 1,264 abortions performed at 22 weeks and over, 72% were reported as preceded by a feticide and a further 25% were performed by a method whereby the fetal heart is stopped as part of the procedure. 2% of abortions at 22 weeks or beyond were confirmed as having no feticide. For the remaining 4 cases, at the time of publication, we had not been able to confirm whether feticide had been performed.

Length of stay

2.21 In 2011, 586 women (0.3%) were reported as having a duration of stay of one or more nights. More than half of these stays were for abortions performed at later gestations of 20 weeks and over (See Table C).

Table C: Abortions requiring a length of stay of one or more nights, percentage breakdown by gestation, England and Wales, 2011

Gestation (weeks)	% of those requiring a length of stay of one or more nights (Total = 100%)	% of all abortions (Total = 100%)
Under 10	18%	78%
10-12	7%	13%
13-19	12%	7%
20 or over	63%	1%

Complications

2.22 Complications were reported in 279 cases in 2011, a rate of about one in every 700 abortions, slightly lower than in 2010 and 25 per cent lower than in 2001 (See Table 8).

Selective terminations

2.23 In 2011, there were 72 abortions which involved selective terminations. In 37 cases, two fetuses were reduced to one fetus. In 18 cases, three fetuses were reduced to two fetuses and in 9 cases three fetuses were reduced to one fetus. Over three quarters (81%) of the selective terminations were performed under ground E.

Chlamydia screening

2.24 The revised HSA4 forms introduced in 2002 allowed for the recording of whether chlamydia screening was offered. The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists recommend that all women undergoing an abortion should be screened for *C. trachomatis* and undergo a risk assessment for other STIs. Chlamydia is the most commonly diagnosed STI in England. Infection of varying degrees of severity may occur after medical or surgical abortion and is usually caused by pre-existing infection. Prophylactic antibiotic use and bacterial screening for lower genital tract infection reduces this risk. Analysis of returned data for 2011 shows that 88% of women having abortions in 2011 were offered chlamydia screening, up from 65% in 2002. The figure for women aged under 25 is slightly higher (90%) (See Table 3.x).

Place of residence within England and Wales

2.25 The place of residence details provided on the HSA4 form are used to allocate each record to a Primary Care Organisation for analysis. For Wales, records are allocated to their equivalents, Local Health Boards. Tables 10a, 10b and 11 show information for these areas.

Women resident outside England and Wales

2.26 In 2011, there were 6,151 abortions to women resident outside England and Wales, compared with 6,535 in 2010. Principally, these non-residents were from Northern Ireland (16%) and the Irish Republic (67%). The number of abortions to non-residents has fallen each year since 2001, when the figure was 9,910. The 2011 total is the lowest in any year since 1969 (See Table 1 and Table 12a).

Abortions carried out in Great Britain

2.27 There were 208,553 abortions carried out in Great Britain in 2011, of which 94% took place in England and Wales and 6% took place in Scotland (See Table 13). Scotland perform the majority of abortions medically 74% compared to those performed in England and Wales where the proportions were surgical 54% and medical 46%. The proportion of women undergoing abortions who had one or more previous abortions was higher for women having abortions in England and Wales (35%) than those having abortions in Scotland (29%).

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Table 1: Legal abortions: resident status and purchaser, 1968 to 2011

England and Wales, residents and non-residents

Year	Total	Residents					Rate per 1,000 women residents aged 15-44		Non-residents Total
		Total	NHS Funded		Privately Funded	Rate per 1,000 women residents aged 15-44			
			NHS Independent Hospital	Sector ²		ASR ³	Crude		
1968 ¹	23,641	22,332	14,492	.	7,840	.	.	1,309	
1969	54,819	49,829	33,562	.	16,267	5.2	5.3	4,990	
1970	86,565	75,962	47,370	.	28,592	8.0	8.1	10,603	
1971	126,777	94,570	53,455	.	41,115	9.9	10.1	32,207	
1972	159,884	108,565	56,861	.	51,704	11.3	11.5	51,319	
1973	167,149	110,568	55,456	.	55,112	11.4	11.7	56,581	
1974	162,940	109,445	56,076	.	53,369	11.2	11.5	53,495	
1975	139,702	106,224	50,941	.	55,283	10.8	11.1	33,478	
1976	129,673	101,912	50,569	.	51,343	10.2	10.5	27,761	
1977	133,004	102,677	52,530	.	50,147	10.1	10.5	30,327	
1978	141,558	111,851	55,040	.	56,811	10.9	11.3	29,707	
1979	149,746	120,611	55,558	.	65,053	11.5	12.0	29,135	
1980	160,903	128,927	60,594	.	68,333	12.1	12.6	31,976	
1981	162,480	128,581	61,103	2,343	65,135	11.9	12.4	33,899	
1982	163,045	128,553	62,409	4,425	61,719	11.8	12.3	34,492	
1983	162,161	127,375	62,609	4,614	60,152	11.5	12.1	34,786	
1984	169,993	136,388	64,823	4,912	66,653	12.2	12.8	33,605	
1985	171,873	141,101	65,176	5,929	69,996	12.5	13.1	30,772	
1986	172,286	147,619	67,451	6,819	73,349	13.0	13.5	24,667	
1987	174,276	156,191	69,442	8,041	78,708	13.7	14.2	18,085	
1988	183,798	168,298	69,103	9,357	89,838	14.8	15.3	15,500	
1989	183,974	170,463	70,722	9,200	90,541	15.1	15.5	13,511	
1990	186,912	173,900	73,517	9,582	90,801	15.5	15.8	13,012	
1991	179,522	167,376	75,172	9,197	83,007	15.0	15.2	12,146	
1992	172,069	160,501	79,543	11,982	68,976	14.6	14.8	11,568	
1993	168,714	157,846	84,071	14,835	58,940	14.5	14.7	10,868	
1994	166,876	156,539	85,243	19,551	51,745	14.6	14.6	10,337	
1995	163,638	154,315	84,478	24,363	45,474	14.5	14.4	9,323	
1996	177,495	167,916	88,410	33,255	46,251	16.0	15.7	9,579	
1997	179,746	170,145	86,414	37,472	46,259	16.3	15.9	9,601	
1998	187,402	177,871	87,568	44,332	45,971	17.2	16.6	9,531	
1999	183,250	173,701	84,992	43,266	45,443	16.8	16.2	9,549	
2000	185,375	175,542	81,074	50,400	44,068	17.0	16.3	9,833	
2001	186,274	176,364	76,166	58,445	41,753	17.1	16.3	9,910	
2002	185,385	175,932	73,544	63,938	38,450	17.0	16.2	9,453	
2003	190,660	181,582	75,791	69,133	36,658	17.5	16.6	9,078	
2004	194,498	185,713 ⁴	75,328	77,289	33,096	17.8	16.9	8,785	
2005	194,353	186,416	74,744	82,518	29,154	17.8	17.0	7,937	
2006	201,173	193,737	75,328	92,494	25,915	18.3	17.5	7,436	
2007	205,598	198,499	75,518	100,195	22,786	18.6	17.9	7,099	
2008	202,158	195,296	74,433	103,905	16,958	18.2	17.6	6,862	
2009	195,743	189,100	71,477	106,161	11,462	17.5	17.0	6,643	
2010	196,109	189,574	69,529	111,775	8,270	17.5	17.1	6,535	
2011	196,082	189,931	66,470	116,582	6,879	17.5	17.2	6,151	

¹ 1968 figures contain only 8 months data as the legislation came into effect on 27 April 1968.

² The collection of information on independent sector commenced in 1981.

³ Rates for all women residents age-standardised to the European population for ages 15-44. See Annex A for further details.

⁴ Revised England and Wales total.

. Not applicable: see footnotes 1 and 2.

Table 2: Legal abortions: age by (i) purchaser, (ii) statutory grounds, (iii) gestation weeks, (iv) procedure, (v) marital status, (vi) ethnicity, (vii) parity, (viii) previous miscarriages, (ix) previous abortions, (x) chlamydia screening, 2011

England and Wales, residents

numbers and percentages

	All ages		Under 20		20-34		35 and over	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
All legal abortions	189,931	100%	34,923	100%	127,809	100%	27,199	100%
(i) Purchaser								
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital	66,470	35	13,556	39	44,146	35	8,768	32
NHS Funded: Independent Sector	116,582	61	20,987	60	79,020	62	16,575	61
Privately Funded	6,879	4	380	1	4,643	4	1,856	7
(ii) Statutory grounds								
A (alone or with B, C or D)	45	0	3	0	26	0	16	0
B (alone)	102	0	14	0	62	0	26	0
B (with C or D)	48	0	3	0	39	0	6	0
C (alone)	185,973	98	34,699	99	125,252	98	26,022	96
D (alone, or with C)	1,455	1	99	0	1,067	1	289	1
E (alone or with A, B, C, or D)	2,307	1	105	0	1,362	1	840	3
F or G	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
(iii) Gestation weeks								
3 - 9	147,636	78	25,332	73	100,581	79	21,723	80
10 - 12	25,540	13	5,617	16	16,728	13	3,195	12
13 -19	14,026	7	3,357	10	8,784	7	1,885	7
20 and over	2,729	1	617	2	1,716	1	396	1
(iv) Procedure								
Surgical	100,190	53	18,307	52	66,502	52	15,381	57
Medical	89,741	47	16,616	48	61,307	48	11,818	43
(v) Marital status ¹								
Single no partner	46,790	26	10,810	33	32,001	26	3,979	15
Single with partner	88,667	49	19,374	59	60,734	50	8,559	33
Single not stated	10,171	6	2,493	8	6,871	6	807	3
Married/civil partnership	29,107	16	180	1	18,543	15	10,384	40
Separated/widowed/divorced	5,685	3	143	0	3,416	3	2,126	8
Not known & not stated	9,511		1,923		6,244		1,344	
(vi) Ethnicity ¹								
White - British	121,238	67	26,600	81	78,218	65	16,420	64
White - Irish	912	1	109	0	622	1	181	1
White - Any other White background	13,766	8	1,054	3	10,419	9	2,293	9
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	2,131	1	555	2	1,450	1	126	0
Mixed - White and Black African	958	1	214	1	664	1	80	0
Mixed - White and Asian	632	0	154	0	406	0	72	0
Mixed - Any Other	1,693	1	352	1	1,178	1	163	1
Asian or Asian British - Indian	6,840	4	366	1	5,385	4	1,089	4
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani	3,715	2	346	1	2,744	2	625	2
Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi	1,691	1	192	1	1,230	1	269	1
Asian - Any other Asian background	5,419	3	405	1	3,957	3	1,057	4
Black or Black British - Caribbean	4,878	3	866	3	3,291	3	721	3
Black or Black British - African	10,616	6	1,169	4	7,606	6	1,841	7
Black or Black British - Any other	905	1	151	0	642	1	112	0
Chinese	1,992	1	114	0	1,562	1	316	1
Any other ethnic group	2,300	1	194	1	1,639	1	467	2
Not known/not stated	10,245		2,082		6,796		1,367	
(vii) Parity (number of previous pregnancies resulting in live or still birth)								
0	93,269	49	30,724	88	58,643	46	3,902	14
1+	96,662	51	4,199	12	69,166	54	23,297	86
(viii) Number of previous pregnancies resulting in spontaneous miscarriage and ectopic pregnancies								
0	158,157	83	33,159	95	105,835	83	19,163	70
1+	31,774	17	1,764	5	21,974	17	8,036	30
(ix) Number of previous pregnancies resulting in abortion under the Act								
0	121,826	64	30,058	86	76,861	60	14,907	55
1+	68,105	36	4,865	14	50,948	40	12,292	45
(x) Chlamydia screening								
Offered	166,494	88	31,657	91	111,727	87	23,110	85
Not offered	23,437	12	3,266	9	16,082	13	4,089	15

¹ Percentages exclude not known and not stated

Table 3a: Legal abortions: by (i) purchaser, (ii) statutory grounds, (iii) gestation weeks, (iv) procedure, (v) marital status, (vi) ethnicity, (vii) parity, (viii) previous miscarriages, (ix) previous abortions, (x) chlamydia screening, 2001 to 2011

England and Wales, residents											percentages
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
All legal abortions (=100%)	176,364	175,932	181,582	185,713 ²	186,416	193,737	198,499	195,296	189,100	189,574	189,931
(i) Purchaser											
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital	43	42	42	40	40	39	38	38	38	37	35
NHS Funded: Independent Sector	33	36	38	42	44	48	50	53	56	59	61
Privately Funded	24	22	20	18	16	13	11	9	6	4	4
(ii) Statutory grounds											
A (alone or with B, C or D) or F or G	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
B (alone or with C or D)	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
C (alone)	93	94	94	95	96	97	98	98	97	98	98
D (alone, or with C)	5	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
E (alone or with A, B, C, or D)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
(iii) Gestation weeks											
3 - 9	58	57	58	60	67	68	70	73	75	77	78
10 - 12	30	30	29	27	23	22	20	17	16	15	13
13 - 19	11	11	11	11	9	9	9	8	8	7	7
20 and over	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
(iv) Procedure											
Vacuum aspiration	81	81	80	76	71	64	60	57	54	52	48
Dilatation and evacuation	6	4	3	4	5	6	5	5	5	5	5
Other surgical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All surgical	87	86	83	80	76	70	65	62	60	57	53
Antiprogesterone with or without prostaglandin	12	14	16	19	24	30	34	37	40	43	47
Other medical agent	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
All medical	13	14	17	20	24	30	34	37	40	43	47
(v) Marital status ¹											
Single no partner	.	25	35	31	33	32	31	29	29	26	26
Single with partner	.	17	30	29	31	36	42	42	43	49	49
Single not stated	.	32	11	17	15	12	8	9	11	6	6
Single (total)	76	75	76	77	79	80	81	81	82	81	81
Married/civil partnership	19	20	19	18	17	17	16	16	15	16	16
Separated	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Widowed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Divorced	2	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
(vi) Ethnicity ¹											
White	.	75	76	75	74	75	75	76	76	76	76
Mixed	.	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
Asian or Asian British	.	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	9	10	10
Black or Black British	.	12	12	13	13	12	11	10	10	9	9
Chinese or other ethnic group	.	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	2
(vii) Parity (number of previous pregnancies resulting in live or stillbirth)											
0	53	53	53	53	53	53	53	52	51	50	49
1+	47	47	47	47	47	47	47	48	49	50	51
(viii) Number of previous pregnancies resulting in spontaneous miscarriage and ectopic pregnancies											
0	.	87	87	86	86	86	86	85	85	84	83
1+	.	13	13	14	14	14	14	15	15	16	17
(ix) Number of previous pregnancies resulting in abortion under the Act											
0	69	69	68	68	68	68	68	67	66	66	64
1+	31	31	32	32	32	32	32	33	34	34	36
(x) Chlamydia screening											
Offered	.	65	65	69	71	72	73	73	79	84	88
Not offered	.	35	35	31	29	28	27	27	21	16	12

¹ Percentages exclude not known and not stated

² Revised England and Wales total

. Information was not collected

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Legal abortions: totals, rates and percentages by age group, 2001 to 2011

England and Wales, residents

numbers, rates and percentages

Age	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Number											
All ages	176,364	175,932	181,582	185,713	186,416	193,737	198,499	195,296	189,100	189,574	189,931
Under 16	3,658	3,733	3,967	3,756	3,786	3,990	4,376	4,113	3,823	3,718	3,258
16-17	13,615	13,716	14,155	14,136	14,237	14,629	15,913	15,273	14,093	12,742	11,341
Under 18	17,273	17,449	18,122	17,892	18,023	18,619	20,289	19,386	17,916	16,460	14,599
18-19	19,816	19,269	20,092	21,250	21,076	22,667	23,666	23,303	22,151	21,809	20,324
20-24	48,267	48,359	51,201	52,701	53,342	55,340	56,963	56,172	54,749	55,481	55,909
25-29	36,506	35,795	36,018	37,759	38,330	40,396	41,704	41,896	40,634	40,800	42,321
30-34	28,782	28,503	28,749	28,064	27,836	28,153	27,257	26,985	26,701	27,978	29,579
35 or over	25,696	26,438	27,400	27,749	27,809	28,562	28,620	27,554	26,949	27,046	27,199
Age not stated	24	119
Crude rate per 1,000 women ¹											
All ages	16.3	16.2	16.6	16.9	17.0	17.5	17.9	17.6	17.0	17.1	17.2
Under 16	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.4	4.2	4.0	3.9	3.4
16-17	21.4	21.1	21.5	21.0	21.1	21.4	23.4	22.2	20.5	18.9	17.2
Under 18	18.0	17.8	18.2	17.8	17.8	18.2	19.8	18.9	17.6	16.5	15.0
18-19	32.1	30.7	30.8	31.9	31.6	33.3	34.3	33.3	31.6	30.7	28.8
20-24	30.6	30.1	31.2	31.9	32.0	32.5	32.6	31.6	30.0	30.2	30.1
25-29	20.9	21.4	22.1	23.3	23.6	24.3	24.3	23.9	22.8	22.5	22.9
30-34	14.2	14.2	14.6	14.5	14.5	15.1	15.1	15.6	15.7	16.5	17.2
35 or over	6.5	6.6	6.8	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	6.7	6.6	6.7	6.9
Percentage											
Under 16	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
16-17	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	6
Under 18	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	8
18-19	11	11	11	11	11	12	12	12	12	12	11
20-24	27	27	28	28	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
25-29	21	20	20	20	21	21	21	21	21	22	22
30-34	16	16	16	15	15	15	14	14	14	15	16
35 or over	15	15	15	15	15	15	14	14	14	14	14

¹ Rates for all ages, under 16 and under 18 are based on the mid-year population estimates for 15-44, 13-15 and 15-17 respectively. See Annex A for further details.

² revised England and Wales total.

. not applicable: records where age was not stated have been distributed pro-rata across age group 20-24.

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 4a: Legal abortions: by age, 2011

England and Wales, residents

Age	Total	Crude rates per 1,000 women ¹	Age	Total	Crude rates per 1,000 women ¹
All ages	189,931	17			
Under 15	1,000	2	30-34	29,579	17
Under 14	158	1	30	6,944	19
14	842	3	31	6,778	19
Under 16	3,258	3	32	5,926	18
Under 18	14,599	15	33	5,175	16
			34	4,756	14
15-19	33,923	20	35-39	18,872	10
15	2,258	7	35	4,427	13
16	4,494	14	36	4,213	12
17	6,847	21	37	3,699	10
18	9,304	27	38	3,376	9
19	11,020	31	39	3,157	8
20-24	55,909	30	40-44	7,644	4
20	11,829	33	40	2,577	6
21	11,455	31	41	1,981	5
22	11,431	31	42	1,468	4
23	10,946	29	43	1,012	2
24	10,248	27	44	606	1
25-29	42,321	23	45-49	660	0
25	9,557	25	45	347	1
26	9,065	24	46	172	0
27	8,274	23	47	86	0
28	7,981	22	48	34	0
29	7,444	20	49	21	0
			50 and over	23	.

¹ Rates for all ages, under 14, under 15, under 16 and under 18 are based on mid-2010 population estimates for 15-44, 13, 13-14, 13-15 and 15-17 respectively. See Annex A for further details.

. Rate not available.

Records where age was not stated have been distributed pro-rata across age group 20-24.

Table 4b: Legal abortions: number of previous abortions by age, 2011

England and Wales, residents

Number of previous abortions	Total		under 16		16 and 17		18 and 19		20 - 24		25 - 29		30 or over	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
0	121,826	64	3,174	97	10,371	91	16,513	81	37,009	66	23,973	57	30,786	54
1	50,864	27	82	3	910	8	3,392	17	14,902	27	13,319	31	18,259	32
2	12,803	7	2	0	56	0	373	2	3,205	6	3,695	9	5,472	10
3	3,122	2	0	0	2	0	43	0	608	1	939	2	1,530	3
4	882	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	145	0	269	1	464	1
5	279	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	29	0	82	0	167	0
6	79	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	24	0	51	0
7 or more	76	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	20	0	49	0
Total	189,931		3,258		11,341		20,324		55,909		42,321		56,778	

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 5: Legal abortions: gestation weeks by purchaser and method of abortion, 2011

England and Wales, residents

Gestation weeks	Total number of abortions	Purchaser (%)			Method (%)	
		NHS Funded		Privately Funded	Medical	Surgical
		NHS Hospital	Independent Sector			
Total	189,931	35	61	4	47	53
3 and 4	2,145	6	84	10	65	35
5	18,395	22	71	7	72	28
6	40,107	27	67	5	66	34
7	38,658	32	64	3	56	44
8	31,080	42	55	2	48	52
9	17,251	49	49	2	24	76
10	12,405	50	48	2	14	86
11	7,633	46	52	2	14	86
12	5,502	45	52	2	17	83
13	3,912	38	59	3	23	77
14	3,089	32	65	3	23	77
15	2,194	29	68	3	24	76
16	1,660	27	70	3	23	77
17	1,388	23	73	3	22	78
18	1,063	19	77	4	18	82
19	720	19	78	3	19	81
20	702	27	71	2	28	72
21	763	42	56	2	39	61
22	553	26	70	4	24	76
23 ¹	565	23	73	4	20	80
Over 24 weeks¹	146	100	.	.	92	8
24 ¹	31	100	.	.	94	6
25	31	100	.	.	94	6
26-27	28	100	.	.	93	7
28-31	27	100	.	.	93	7
32 and over	29	100	.	.	86	14
Total	189,931	35	61	4	47	53
3-8	130,385	31	64	4	60	40
9-12	42,791	48	50	2	18	82
13-19	14,026	30	67	3	23	77
20-23 ¹	2,583	30	67	3	29	71
Over 24 weeks ¹	146	100	0	0	92	8

¹ 24 weeks and 0 days gestation is included in 23 weeks, because the legislation distinguishes between abortions up to 24 weeks and over 24 weeks

. not applicable: abortions undertaken at over 24 weeks can only be carried out in an NHS hospital

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 6: Legal abortions: gestation weeks by age and purchaser, 2011

England and Wales, residents

percentages

Purchaser	Gestation weeks	All ages ¹	Under 20	20-34	35 and over
Total	Total number	189,931	34,923	127,809	27,199
	% breakdown by age	100	18	67	14
	All gestations	100	100	100	100
	3-9	78	73	79	80
	10-12	13	16	13	12
	13-19	7	10	7	7
	20 and over	1	2	1	1
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital	Total number	66,470	13,556	44,146	8,768
	% breakdown by age	100	20	66	13
	All gestations	100	100	100	100
	3-9	74	73	75	71
	10-12	18	20	18	17
	13-19	6	6	6	9
	20 and over	1	0	1	3
NHS Funded: Independent Sector	Total number	116,582	20,987	79,020	16,575
	% breakdown by age	100	18	68	14
	All gestations	100	100	100	100
	3-9	79	72	80	84
	10-12	11	14	11	9
	13-19	8	12	8	6
	20 and over	1	3	1	1
Privately Funded	Total number	6,879	380	4,643	1,856
	% breakdown by age	100	6	67	27
	All gestations	100	100	100	100
	3-9	86	76	86	87
	10-12	7	8	7	8
	13-19	6	13	6	5
	20 and over	1	3	1	1

¹ Age not stated have been distributed pro-rata across age group 20-24

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 7a: Legal abortions: procedure by gestation weeks, 2011England and Wales, residents percentages

Procedure	Gestation weeks					
	Total	3 - 9	10 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 19	20 & over
Total abortions	189,931	147,636	25,540	7,001	7,025	2,729
Surgical	53	45	85	77	78	68
Vacuum Aspiration	48	44	82	56	5	0
Dilatation and Evacuation	5	0	3	21	72	43
Feticide with a surgical evacuation ¹	0	0	0	0	1	25
Medical	47	55	15	23	22	32
Antiprogestosterone with or without prostaglandin	46	55	15	23	22	15
Other medical agent	1	1	0	0	1	1
Feticide with a medical evacuation	0	0	0	0	0	16

¹includes feticide with no method of evacuation and surgical 'other'.

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add to 100

Table 7b: Legal abortions: grounds by gestation weeks, 2011England and Wales, residents numbers

Grounds	Gestation weeks				
	Total	3 - 9	10 - 12	13 - 19	20 & over
A (alone, or with B, C, D) or F or G	46	15	7	13	11
B (alone, or with C or D)	150	101	32	12	5
C (alone)	185,973	146,505	24,793	12,742	1,933
D (alone, or with C)	1,455	1,003	382	68	2
E (alone, or with A, B, C or D)	2,307	12	326	1,191	778
Total	189,931	147,636	25,540	14,026	2,729

Table 8: Legal abortions: complication¹ rates by procedure and gestation weeks, 2011

England and Wales, residents

complication rates per 1,000 abortions

Gestation weeks	Total all procedures	Procedure	
		Surgical	Medical
Total complications (numbers)	279	113	166
Rate, all gestations	1	1	2
3 - 9	1	1	1
10 - 12	2	2	5
13 - 19	2	1	6
20 & over	4	1	11

¹Complications include: haemorrhage, uterine perforation and/or sepsis and are those reported up to the time of discharge from the place of termination

Table 9: Legal abortions: principal medical condition for abortions performed under ground E, 2011

England and Wales, residents

ICD-10 code	Condition	Total		Over 24 weeks gestation ²	
		number	%	number	%
Total ground E alone or with any other¹		2,307	100	146	100
Q00-Q89	Congenital malformations total	1,054	46	96	66
Q00-Q07	the nervous system total	540	23	56	38
Q00	anencephaly	193	8	3	2
Q01	encephalocele	27	1	1	1
Q02	microcephaly	6	0	3	2
Q03	hydrocephalus	29	1	3	2
Q04	other malformations of the brain	81	4	24	16
Q05	spina bifida	144	6	9	6
Q06-Q07	other	60	3	13	9
Q10-Q18	the eye, ear, face and neck	5	0	0	0
Q20-Q28	the cardiovascular system	152	7	17	12
Q30-Q34	the respiratory system	12	1	4	3
Q35-Q37	cleft lip and cleft palate	4	0	0	0
Q38-Q45	other malformations of the digestive system	4	0	0	0
Q60-Q64	the urinary system	107	5	7	5
Q65-Q79	the musculoskeletal system	160	7	7	5
Q80-Q85	the skin, breast integument phakomatoses	3	0	0	0
Q86-Q89	other	67	3	5	3
Q90-Q99	Chromosomal abnormalities total	890	39	34	23
Q90	Down's syndrome	512	22	17	12
Q910-Q913	Edwards' syndrome	176	8	2	1
Q914-Q917	Patau's syndrome	54	2	1	1
Q92-Q99	other	148	6	14	10
	Other conditions total	363	16	16	11
P00-P04	fetus affected by maternal factors	124	5	5	3
P05-P08	fetal disorders related to gestation and growth	14	1	8	5
P35-P39	fetus affected by congenital infectious disease	1	0	0	0
P832-P833	hydrop fetalis not due to haemolytic disease	27	1	0	0
O30	multiple gestation	30	1	0	0
O41	disorder of the amniotic fluids	3	0	0	0
Z20-Z22	exposure to communicable disease	3	0	1	1
Z80-Z84	family history of heritable disorder	157	7	0	0
	Ground A, B, F, G	0	0	2	1
	other	2	0	0	0
	not known	2	0	0	0

¹ ICD-10 codes are taken from the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health problems (Tenth Revision) published by the World Health Organisation (WHO)

² Over 24 week total includes 2 abortions carried out under grounds A, B, F or G

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 10a: Legal abortions: numbers by Primary Care Organisation (England) and Local Health Board (Wales) of residence, by age, 2011

England and Wales, residents			Age							numbers
Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Total number of abortions	95% confidence interval							3 year total for age under 16 2009-2011	
			Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +		
ENGLAND & WALES	189,931	189,078 - 190,787	14,599	20,324	55,909	42,321	29,579	27,199	10,799	
ENGLAND	181,438	180,604 - 182,275	13,858	19,308	53,205	40,508	28,481	26,078	10,213	
NORTH EAST SHA E18000001	7,003	6,840 - 7,169	699	839	2,190	1,545	964	766	637	
5ND E16000085 County Durham	1,193	1,126 - 1,263	126	153	364	238	162	150	126	
5J9 E16000041 Darlington	288	256 - 323	27	31	85	75	37	33	30	
5KF E16000050 Gateshead	411	372 - 453	47	58	129	86	58	33	34	
5D9 E16000019 Hartlepool	316	282 - 353	29	32	103	72	41	39	26	
5KM E16000053 Middlesbrough	512	469 - 558	41	74	169	122	55	51	53	
5D7 E16000017 Newcastle	995	934 - 1,059	81	100	377	220	127	90	70	
5E1 E16000020 Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	529	485 - 576	51	62	167	103	86	60	40	
5D8 E16000018 North Tyneside	537	493 - 584	60	59	138	126	80	74	55	
TAC E17000001 Northumberland	640	591 - 692	67	80	174	131	104	84	52	
5QR E16000146 Redcar and Cleveland	324	290 - 361	29	41	82	89	52	31	33	
5KG E16000051 South Tyneside	401	363 - 442	53	46	137	72	55	38	41	
5KL E16000052 Sunderland Teaching	857	801 - 916	88	103	265	211	107	83	77	
NORTH WEST SHA E18000002	24,784	24,476 - 25,095	2,163	2,901	7,730	5,446	3,471	3,073	1,662	
5HG E16000032 Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	846	790 - 905	87	106	281	182	87	103	93	
5CC E16000014 Blackburn with Darwen	492	449 - 537	49	48	135	103	89	68	32	
5HP E16000033 Blackpool	525	481 - 572	52	65	155	120	70	63	35	
5HQ E16000034 Bolton	1,019	957 - 1,084	71	109	321	224	159	135	65	
5JX E16000043 Bury	631	583 - 682	48	85	193	135	83	87	40	
5NP E16000095 Central and Eastern Cheshire	1,150	1,084 - 1,218	88	146	357	224	174	161	71	
5NG E16000088 Central Lancashire	1,531	1,455 - 1,610	143	222	491	317	179	179	99	
5NE E16000086 Cumbria Teaching	1,024	962 - 1,089	116	141	270	228	132	137	89	
5NH E16000089 East Lancashire Teaching	1,178	1,112 - 1,247	131	158	363	222	162	142	95	
5NM E16000093 Halton and St Helens	1,061	998 - 1,127	113	109	316	227	149	147	102	
5NQ E16000096 Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	775	721 - 832	67	89	240	163	112	104	57	
5J4 E16000038 Knowsley	684	634 - 737	58	70	212	156	116	72	42	
5NL E16000092 Liverpool	2,305	2,212 - 2,401	181	258	755	543	317	251	118	
5NT E16000098 Manchester	2,964	2,858 - 3,073	197	293	987	749	406	332	131	
5NF E16000087 North Lancashire Teaching	698	647 - 752	86	98	209	134	90	81	61	
5J5 E16000039 Oldham	801	746 - 858	68	99	238	192	117	87	62	
5F5 E16000025 Salford	1,116	1,051 - 1,183	90	133	352	264	160	117	63	
5NJ E16000090 Sefton	901	843 - 962	81	106	311	201	101	101	53	
5F7 E16000026 Stockport	860	803 - 919	78	89	251	193	127	122	55	
5LH E16000062 Tameside and Glossop	1,027	965 - 1,092	95	123	313	203	160	133	98	
5NR E16000097 Trafford	767	714 - 823	53	93	223	152	126	120	30	
5J2 E16000037 Warrington	659	610 - 711	63	72	193	152	90	89	50	
5NN E16000094 Western Cheshire	591	544 - 641	51	56	169	131	94	90	43	
5NK E16000091 Wirral	1,179	1,113 - 1,248	97	133	395	231	171	152	78	
YORKSHIRE & THE HUMBER SHA E18000003	14,760	14,523 - 15,000	1,363	1,779	4,679	3,097	2,032	1,810	1,153	
5JE E16000042 Barnsley	679	629 - 732	66	108	204	126	88	87	68	
5NY E16000102 Bradford and Airedale Teaching	1,659	1,580 - 1,741	128	162	484	382	276	227	93	
5J6 E16000040 Calderdale	655	606 - 707	64	69	203	143	91	85	58	
5N5 E16000078 Doncaster	968	908 - 1,031	81	97	307	209	153	121	76	
5NW E16000100 East Riding of Yorkshire	577	531 - 626	69	83	162	117	77	69	54	
5NX E16000101 Hull Teaching	840	784 - 899	84	117	279	191	86	83	77	
5N2 E16000075 Kirklees	1,309	1,239 - 1,382	136	149	403	264	200	157	108	
5N1 E16000074 Leeds	2,471	2,375 - 2,570	203	305	825	506	336	296	182	
5AN E17000005 North East Lincolnshire	496	453 - 542	45	61	170	109	59	52	58	
5EF E16000021 North Lincolnshire	441	401 - 484	50	56	128	81	71	55	34	
5NV E16000099 North Yorkshire and York	1,480	1,406 - 1,557	133	176	458	302	220	191	96	
5H8 E16000031 Rotherham	715	664 - 769	80	90	222	146	87	90	67	
5N4 E16000077 Sheffield	1,708	1,628 - 1,791	147	210	598	352	200	201	97	
5N3 E16000076 Wakefield District	762	709 - 818	77	96	236	169	88	96	85	

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England and Wales, residents			Age							numbers
Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Total number of abortions	95% confidence interval	Age						3 year total for age under 16 2009-2011	
			Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +		
ENGLAND & WALES	189,931	189,078 - 190,787	14,599	20,324	55,909	42,321	29,579	27,199	10,799	
ENGLAND	181,438	180,604 - 182,275	13,858	19,308	53,205	40,508	28,481	26,078	10,213	
EAST MIDLANDS SHA E18000004	11,865	11,652 - 12,080	1,039	1,336	3,588	2,475	1,731	1,696	803	
5ET E16000023 Bassetlaw	247	217 - 280	33	32	77	52	26	27	25	
5N7 E16000080 Derby City	784	730 - 841	64	79	248	160	124	109	43	
5N6 E16000079 Derbyshire County	1,488	1,413 - 1,566	139	151	434	292	239	233	129	
5PC E16000113 Leicester City	1,369	1,297 - 1,443	71	146	425	338	221	168	43	
5PA E16000112 Leicestershire County and Rutland	1,576	1,499 - 1,656	148	209	460	295	205	259	106	
5N9 E16000082 Lincolnshire Teaching	1,454	1,380 - 1,531	167	186	428	275	207	191	135	
5PD E16000114 Northamptonshire Teaching	2,023	1,936 - 2,113	172	200	571	429	325	326	137	
5EM E16000022 Nottingham City	1,280	1,211 - 1,352	88	146	469	288	157	132	57	
5N8 E16000081 Nottinghamshire County Teaching	1,644	1,565 - 1,725	157	187	476	346	227	251	128	
WEST MIDLANDS SHA E18000005	20,983	20,700 - 21,269	1,754	2,355	6,449	4,610	3,076	2,739	1,259	
5PG E16000117 Birmingham East and North	2,093	2,004 - 2,185	166	207	663	472	321	264	120	
5MD E16000070 Coventry Teaching	1,757	1,676 - 1,841	141	186	567	405	258	200	92	
5PE E16000115 Dudley	1,088	1,024 - 1,155	95	148	299	236	167	143	79	
5MX E16000073 Heart of Birmingham Teaching	1,974	1,888 - 2,063	94	156	626	485	347	266	53	
5CN E16000015 Herefordshire	379	342 - 419	39	52	105	81	49	53	36	
5PH E16000118 North Staffordshire	544	499 - 592	44	79	180	88	85	68	43	
5PF E16000116 Sandwell	1,482	1,407 - 1,559	121	142	477	325	229	188	94	
5M2 E16000065 Shropshire County	614	566 - 665	51	73	173	121	90	106	53	
TAM E17000004 Solihull	697	646 - 751	73	65	202	140	111	106	30	
5M1 E16000064 South Birmingham	1,684	1,605 - 1,766	124	166	572	358	243	221	82	
5PK E16000120 South Staffordshire	1,878	1,794 - 1,965	201	288	548	335	239	267	146	
5PJ E16000119 Stoke on Trent	992	931 - 1,056	62	120	321	249	126	114	63	
5MK E16000071 Telford and Wrekin	548	503 - 596	55	65	147	142	66	73	52	
5M3 E16000066 Walsall Teaching	924	865 - 986	92	111	277	221	129	94	74	
5PM E16000122 Warwickshire	1,658	1,579 - 1,740	153	209	494	341	230	231	103	
5MV E16000072 Wolverhampton City	1,240	1,172 - 1,311	90	112	400	305	189	144	53	
5PL E16000121 Worcestershire	1,431	1,358 - 1,507	153	176	398	306	197	201	86	
EAST OF ENGLAND SHA E18000006	16,729	16,476 - 16,984	1,385	1,843	4,795	3,473	2,632	2,601	904	
5P2 E16000104 Bedfordshire	1,266	1,197 - 1,338	100	147	400	238	175	206	73	
5PP E16000124 Cambridgeshire	1,271	1,202 - 1,343	111	147	330	268	200	215	79	
5PR E16000126 Great Yarmouth and Waveney	467	426 - 511	51	61	141	97	69	48	41	
5QV E16000150 Hertfordshire	3,538	3,422 - 3,657	266	348	965	746	604	609	151	
5GC E16000029 Luton	1,069	1,006 - 1,135	57	91	305	276	196	144	32	
5PX E16000130 Mid Essex	945	886 - 1,007	78	114	268	167	156	162	51	
5PQ E16000125 Norfolk	1,633	1,555 - 1,714	162	200	485	299	230	257	103	
5PW E16000129 North East Essex	769	716 - 825	83	86	238	153	107	102	61	
5PN E16000123 Peterborough	747	694 - 803	53	64	218	187	113	112	41	
5P1 E16000103 South East Essex	1,052	989 - 1,118	98	137	323	207	148	139	65	
5PY E16000131 South West Essex	1,560	1,484 - 1,639	134	187	430	342	234	233	84	
5PT E16000127 Suffolk	1,335	1,264 - 1,409	110	155	387	282	201	200	77	
5PV E16000128 West Essex	1,077	1,014 - 1,143	82	106	305	211	199	174	46	

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England and Wales, residents			Age						numbers
Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Total number of abortions	95% confidence interval	Age						3 year total for age under 16 2009-2011
			Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +	
ENGLAND & WALES	189,931	189,078 - 190,787	14,599	20,324	55,909	42,321	29,579	27,199	10,799
ENGLAND	181,438	180,604 - 182,275	13,858	19,308	53,205	40,508	28,481	26,078	10,213
LONDON SHA E18000007	46,800	46,377 - 47,226	2,300	3,790	12,654	11,904	8,782	7,370	1,526
5C2 E16000009 Barking and Dagenham	1,532	1,456 - 1,611	91	147	431	379	286	198	48
5A9 E16000006 Barnet	1,558	1,482 - 1,637	52	104	441	379	297	285	47
TAK E17000002 Bexley	979	919 - 1,042	73	124	267	194	160	161	55
5K5 E16000045 Brent Teaching	2,182	2,091 - 2,276	71	145	587	608	435	336	44
5A7 E16000004 Bromley	1,114	1,050 - 1,181	99	126	255	230	207	197	67
5K7 E16000047 Camden	1,117	1,052 - 1,184	39	81	311	276	226	184	28
5C3 E16000010 City and Hackney Teaching	1,746	1,665 - 1,830	84	138	449	481	345	249	63
5K9 E16000049 Croydon	1,945	1,860 - 2,033	131	174	518	439	359	324	96
5HX E16000035 Ealing	2,001	1,914 - 2,091	79	142	509	552	381	338	46
5C1 E16000008 Enfield	1,623	1,545 - 1,704	87	132	427	427	296	254	64
5A8 E16000005 Greenwich Teaching	1,659	1,580 - 1,741	91	130	478	393	331	236	62
5H1 E16000030 Hammersmith and Fulham	1,115	1,051 - 1,182	44	74	278	331	218	170	31
5C9 E16000013 Haringey Teaching	1,731	1,650 - 1,815	95	141	511	438	303	243	51
5K6 E16000046 Harrow	1,148	1,083 - 1,216	39	71	300	322	216	200	24
5A4 E16000002 Havering	1,082	1,018 - 1,148	86	123	308	228	180	157	62
5AT E16000007 Hillingdon	1,582	1,505 - 1,662	97	175	430	364	283	233	52
5HY E16000036 Hounslow	1,690	1,610 - 1,773	77	154	445	451	334	229	61
5K8 E16000048 Islington	1,324	1,254 - 1,397	53	92	391	350	235	203	48
5LA E16000056 Kensington and Chelsea	775	721 - 832	24	51	179	215	172	134	11
5A5 E16000003 Kingston	680	630 - 733	36	69	198	140	106	131	25
5LD E16000058 Lambeth	2,151	2,061 - 2,244	88	162	579	553	417	352	69
5LF E16000060 Lewisham	2,001	1,914 - 2,091	92	178	539	501	383	308	57
5C5 E16000012 Newham	1,856	1,773 - 1,942	93	122	535	501	342	263	54
5NA E16000083 Redbridge	1,645	1,566 - 1,726	93	118	429	445	314	246	38
5M6 E16000067 Richmond and Twickenham	606	559 - 656	29	59	150	132	103	133	18
5LE E16000059 Southwark	2,253	2,161 - 2,348	107	178	611	569	437	351	83
5M7 E16000068 Sutton and Merton	1,737	1,656 - 1,821	109	152	450	418	305	303	58
5C4 E16000011 Tower Hamlets	1,556	1,480 - 1,635	59	113	468	459	269	188	48
5NC E16000084 Waltham Forest	1,722	1,642 - 1,805	81	135	500	416	314	276	58
5LG E16000061 Wandsworth	1,550	1,474 - 1,629	57	112	394	396	303	288	30
5LC E16000057 Westminster	1,140	1,075 - 1,208	44	68	286	317	225	200	28
SOUTH EAST COAST SHA E18000008	13,153	12,929 - 13,380	1,148	1,500	3,761	2,650	1,962	2,132	742
5LQ E16000063 Brighton and Hove City	1,177	1,111 - 1,246	61	125	354	269	177	191	51
5P7 E16000109 East Sussex Downs and Weald	909	851 - 970	111	120	246	168	121	143	59
5QA E16000132 Eastern and Coastal Kent	2,315	2,222 - 2,411	220	289	701	442	330	333	150
5P8 E16000110 Hastings and Rother	554	509 - 602	71	77	166	98	78	64	40
5L3 E16000055 Medway	1,091	1,027 - 1,158	92	130	328	233	162	146	64
5P5 E16000107 Surrey	3,019	2,912 - 3,129	251	315	856	573	444	580	135
5P9 E16000111 West Kent	2,038	1,950 - 2,128	177	196	549	438	330	348	120
5P6 E16000108 West Sussex	2,050	1,962 - 2,141	165	248	561	429	320	327	123
SOUTH CENTRAL SHA E18000009	12,002	11,788 - 12,219	835	1,286	3,408	2,623	1,918	1,932	633
5QG E16000137 Berkshire East	1,457	1,383 - 1,534	69	127	377	351	279	254	55
5QF E16000136 Berkshire West	1,509	1,434 - 1,587	112	128	418	323	272	256	69
5QD E16000134 Buckinghamshire	1,407	1,334 - 1,482	103	152	386	260	222	284	66
5QC E16000133 Hampshire	3,040	2,933 - 3,150	254	369	868	606	445	498	217
5QT E16000147 Isle of Wight National Health Service	248	218 - 281	33	34	71	65	23	22	25
5CQ E16000016 Milton Keynes	1,010	949 - 1,074	42	89	258	236	210	175	38
5QE E16000135 Oxfordshire	1,565	1,488 - 1,645	114	180	426	369	227	249	86
5FE E16000027 Portsmouth City Teaching	805	750 - 863	40	112	272	181	110	90	40
5L1 E16000054 Southampton City	961	901 - 1,024	68	95	332	232	130	104	37

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Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board		Total number of abortions	95% confidence interval	Age						3 year total for age under 16 2009-2011
				Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +	
ENGLAND & WALES		189,931	189,078 - 190,787	14,599	20,324	55,909	42,321	29,579	27,199	10,799
ENGLAND		181,438	180,604 - 182,275	13,858	19,308	53,205	40,508	28,481	26,078	10,213
SOUTH WEST SHA E18000010		13,359	13,133 - 13,587	1,172	1,679	3,951	2,685	1,913	1,959	894
5FL	E16000028 Bath and North East Somerset	420	381 - 462	30	53	131	73	61	72	18
5QN	E16000143 Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	1,141	1,076 - 1,209	84	114	343	260	189	151	54
5QJ	E16000139 Bristol	1,526	1,450 - 1,605	88	163	480	372	244	179	91
5QP	E16000144 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	1,083	1,019 - 1,149	112	153	331	171	151	165	75
5QQ	E16000145 Devon	1,572	1,495 - 1,652	165	202	480	294	220	211	112
5QM	E16000142 Dorset	890	832 - 950	86	140	250	160	111	143	58
5QH	E16000138 Gloucestershire	1,321	1,251 - 1,394	115	145	384	287	197	193	98
5M8	E16000069 North Somerset	453	412 - 497	47	68	120	75	59	84	31
5F1	E16000024 Plymouth Teaching	851	795 - 910	73	109	280	163	113	113	57
5QL	E16000141 Somerset	1,188	1,121 - 1,258	131	159	312	239	160	187	97
5A3	E16000001 South Gloucestershire	636	588 - 687	50	91	176	125	95	99	45
5K3	E16000044 Swindon	724	672 - 779	52	68	218	157	101	128	35
TAL	E17000003 Torbay	510	467 - 556	54	76	157	100	69	54	34
5QK	E16000140 Wiltshire	1,044	982 - 1,109	85	138	289	209	143	180	89
WALES		8,493	8,313 - 8,676	741	1,016	2,704	1,813	1,098	1,121	586
6B1	NAWER06 Anglesey	167	143 - 194	21	23	41	39	17	26	18
6C2	NAWER10 Blaenau Gwent	154	131 - 180	10	19	48	27	29	21	9
6B3	NAWER08 Bridgend	363	327 - 402	37	39	119	73	48	47	33
6B2	NAWER10 Caerphilly	476	434 - 521	33	54	146	103	73	67	34
6A8	NAWER09 Cardiff	1,268	1,199 - 1,340	87	144	437	299	163	138	64
6B7	NAWER07 Carmarthen	354	318 - 393	28	54	109	71	47	45	25
6A4	NAWER07 Ceredigion	148	125 - 174	17	24	58	18	13	18	11
6A7	NAWER06 Conwy	287	255 - 322	27	49	76	53	39	43	19
6C1	NAWER06 Denbighshire	265	234 - 299	25	45	85	40	31	39	15
6B5	NAWER06 Flintshire	455	414 - 499	49	56	136	98	53	63	30
6A2	NAWER06 Gwynedd	312	278 - 349	29	28	88	67	38	62	28
6B8	NAWER10 Merthyr Tydfil	190	164 - 219	14	17	65	52	21	21	21
6A1	NAWER10 Monmouth	175	150 - 203	12	24	50	33	19	37	11
6A5	NAWER08 Neath & Port Talbot	343	308 - 381	26	40	110	81	46	40	23
6B9	NAWER10 Newport	465	424 - 509	41	53	138	110	60	63	26
6A3	NAWER07 Pembroke	270	239 - 304	36	33	82	57	33	29	25
6C4	NAWER07 Powys	245	215 - 278	29	28	56	52	28	52	22
6A9	NAWER08 Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	817	762 - 875	72	84	275	186	106	94	53
6A6	NAWER08 Swansea	711	660 - 765	52	73	254	157	89	86	36
6B6	NAWER09 The Vale of Glamorgan	324	290 - 361	30	47	105	54	45	43	21
6C3	NAWER10 Torfaen	249	219 - 282	27	23	77	54	36	32	27
6B4	NAWER06 Wrexham	455	414 - 499	39	60	149	89	63	55	35

Table 10b: Legal abortions: rates by Primary Care Organisation (England) and Local Health Board (Wales) of residence, by age, 2011

England and Wales, residents

rates per 1,000 women

Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Rate per 1000 resident			Crude rate per 1000 women ¹						3 year rate for age under 16 2009-2011
	Total number of abortions	women aged 15-44 ASR ¹	95% confidence interval	Age						
				Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +	
ENGLAND AND WALES	189,931	17.5	17.4 - 17.5	15.0	28.8	30.1	22.9	17.2	6.9	3.8
ENGLAND	181,438	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	15.1	29.1	30.4	23.1	17.4	6.9	3.8
NORTH EAST SHA E18000001	7,003	13.6	13.4 - 13.8	15	23	23	18	13	4	5
5ND E16000085 County Durham	1,193	12.3	11.9 - 12.8	14	21	20	16	12	4	5
5J9 E16000041 Darlington	288	16.4	15.2 - 17.6	15	27	30	25	12	5	6
5KF E16000050 Gateshead	411	11.7	11.0 - 12.4	14	25	23	13	10	2	4
5D9 E16000019 Hartlepool	316	18.7	17.4 - 20.0	16	28	35	25	16	6	5
5KM E16000053 Middlesbrough	512	16.2	15.3 - 17.1	15	33	26	23	14	6	7
5D7 E16000017 Newcastle	995	13.2	12.6 - 13.7	19	16	18	16	15	6	6
5E1 E16000020 Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	529	14.5	13.7 - 15.3	14	24	27	17	15	4	4
5D8 E16000018 North Tyneside	537	14.8	14.0 - 15.6	18	26	25	20	12	5	6
TAC E17000001 Northumberland	640	13.3	12.7 - 14.0	12	23	23	17	14	4	3
5QR E16000146 Redcar and Cleveland	324	13.5	12.6 - 14.5	11	24	20	22	15	3	4
5KG E16000051 South Tyneside	401	13.7	12.8 - 14.5	20	24	26	15	13	4	5
5KL E16000052 Sunderland Teaching	857	15.0	14.3 - 15.6	17	26	26	22	13	4	5
NORTH WEST SHA E18000002	24,784	18.1	18.0 - 18.3	17	31	31	24	18	6	5
5HG E16000032 Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	846	15.1	14.4 - 15.7	15	29	31	20	10	4	6
5CC E16000014 Blackburn with Darwen	492	17.8	16.8 - 18.8	16	25	28	24	21	7	4
5HP E16000033 Blackpool	525	21.3	20.2 - 22.5	20	35	36	32	21	7	5
5HQ E16000034 Bolton	1,019	20.3	19.5 - 21.1	14	33	38	27	20	7	4
5JX E16000043 Bury	631	18.9	18.0 - 19.8	14	39	36	24	15	6	4
5NP E16000095 Central and Eastern Cheshire	1,150	15.8	15.2 - 16.4	11	29	31	20	15	5	3
5NG E16000088 Central Lancashire	1,531	17.2	16.7 - 17.8	18	33	30	23	15	6	4
5NE E16000086 Cumbria Teaching	1,024	13.3	12.8 - 13.8	13	25	22	20	11	4	3
5NH E16000089 East Lancashire Teaching	1,178	17.2	16.6 - 17.9	17	32	32	21	16	5	4
5NM E16000093 Halton and St Helens	1,061	19.0	18.3 - 19.7	20	28	35	24	18	7	6
5NQ E16000096 Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	775	20.0	19.1 - 20.9	17	33	37	25	19	7	5
5J4 E16000038 Knowsley	684	22.9	21.8 - 24.0	19	32	39	31	28	7	5
5NL E16000092 Liverpool	2,305	21.5	20.9 - 22.0	26	32	29	27	24	9	6
5NT E16000098 Manchester	2,964	21.0	20.5 - 21.5	28	30	26	25	22	12	7
5NF E16000087 North Lancashire Teaching	698	11.8	11.2 - 12.4	14	19	19	15	12	4	4
5J5 E16000039 Oldham	801	19.4	18.6 - 20.3	16	37	35	28	18	6	5
5F5 E16000025 Salford	1,116	21.2	20.4 - 22.0	23	40	34	26	21	8	6
5NJ E16000090 Sefton	901	19.6	18.8 - 20.4	15	29	38	29	17	6	4
5F7 E16000026 Stockport	860	17.3	16.6 - 18.1	15	28	32	24	15	6	4
5LH E16000062 Tameside and Glossop	1,027	21.6	20.7 - 22.4	20	38	39	26	22	7	7
5NR E16000097 Trafford	767	20.7	19.8 - 21.7	14	40	42	24	18	7	3
5J2 E16000037 Warrington	659	18.8	17.9 - 19.8	18	32	35	26	16	6	5
5NN E16000094 Western Cheshire	591	14.2	13.5 - 15.0	13	18	22	22	16	6	4
5NK E16000091 Wirral	1,179	22.3	21.6 - 23.2	17	36	44	27	22	7	5
YORKSHIRE & THE HUMBER SHA E18000003	14,760	13.5	13.4 - 13.7	14	24	23	17	13	5	4
5JE E16000042 Barnsley	679	16.4	15.7 - 17.2	15	37	30	19	14	5	5
5NY E16000102 Bradford and Airedale Teaching	1,659	15.1	14.7 - 15.6	13	24	25	19	16	7	3
5J6 E16000040 Calderdale	655	18.1	17.2 - 19.0	17	29	35	24	16	5	5
5N5 E16000078 Doncaster	968	18.9	18.2 - 19.7	15	29	35	24	20	6	5
5NW E16000100 East Riding of Yorkshire	577	11.5	10.9 - 12.1	12	21	21	16	10	3	3
5NX E16000101 Hull Teaching	840	13.2	12.6 - 13.8	18	29	21	16	10	5	6
5N2 E16000075 Kirklees	1,309	16.0	15.4 - 16.5	19	27	27	20	16	5	5
5N1 E16000074 Leeds	2,471	12.2	11.9 - 12.5	16	21	18	13	13	6	5
5AN E17000005 North East Lincolnshire	496	16.6	15.7 - 17.6	15	29	32	23	14	5	7
5EF E16000021 North Lincolnshire	441	17.0	16.0 - 18.1	17	31	32	19	18	5	4
5NV E16000099 North Yorkshire and York	1,480	10.4	10.1 - 10.8	9	16	18	14	11	3	2
5H8 E16000031 Rotherham	715	15.5	14.8 - 16.3	17	29	30	19	12	5	5
5N4 E16000077 Sheffield	1,708	12.8	12.4 - 13.2	17	20	20	16	12	5	4
5N3 E16000076 Wakefield District	762	12.6	12.1 - 13.2	13	24	24	17	10	4	5

Table 10b: Legal abortions: rates by Primary Care Organisation (England) and Local Health Board (Wales) of residence, by age, 2011

England and Wales, residents

rates per 1,000 women

Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Rate per 1000 resident			Crude rate per 1000 women ¹						3 year rate for age under 16 2009-2011
	Total number of abortions	women aged 15-44 ASR ¹	95% confidence interval	Age						
				Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +	
ENGLAND AND WALES	189,931	17.5	17.4 - 17.5	15.0	28.8	30.1	22.9	17.2	6.9	3.8
ENGLAND	181,438	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	15.1	29.1	30.4	23.1	17.4	6.9	3.8
EAST MIDLANDS SHA E18000004	11,865	13.8	13.6 - 14.0	13	22	23	18	14	5	3
5ET E16000023 Bassetlaw	247	13.7	12.7 - 14.9	16	24	27	19	9	3	4
5N7 E16000080 Derby City	784	14.4	13.8 - 15.1	15	22	25	16	16	6	3
5N6 E16000079 Derbyshire County	1,488	12.5	12.1 - 12.9	10	18	24	16	12	4	3
5PC E16000113 Leicester City	1,369	17.1	16.5 - 17.7	14	28	24	22	21	8	3
5PA E16000112 Leicestershire County and Rutland	1,576	12.8	12.4 - 13.2	12	22	22	17	12	5	3
5N9 E16000082 Lincolnshire Teaching	1,454	12.4	12.0 - 12.8	13	21	21	16	13	4	4
5PD E16000114 Northamptonshire Teaching	2,023	16.3	15.8 - 16.7	13	25	29	21	16	6	4
5EM E16000022 Nottingham City	1,280	14.3	13.8 - 14.9	20	19	19	16	15	7	5
5N8 E16000081 Nottinghamshire County Teaching	1,644	13.7	13.3 - 14.2	13	23	25	18	12	5	4
WEST MIDLANDS SHA E18000005	20,983	19.9	19.7 - 20.1	17	32	35	26	20	7	4
5PG E16000117 Birmingham East and North	2,093	23.7	23.1 - 24.3	20	35	43	29	24	9	5
5MD E16000070 Coventry Teaching	1,757	23.7	23.0 - 24.5	26	33	37	30	26	10	6
5PE E16000115 Dudley	1,088	20.1	19.3 - 20.8	17	41	35	26	19	6	5
5MX E16000073 Heart of Birmingham Teaching	1,974	25.4	24.7 - 26.1	17	30	37	32	32	15	3
5CN E16000015 Herefordshire	379	14.6	13.7 - 15.6	12	27	26	21	13	4	4
5PH E16000118 North Staffordshire	544	14.3	13.5 - 15.1	12	27	26	16	16	5	4
5PF E16000116 Sandwell	1,482	25.0	24.2 - 25.9	22	37	49	31	23	9	6
5M2 E16000065 Shropshire County	614	14.7	14.0 - 15.5	9	22	28	19	14	5	3
TAM E17000004 Solihull	697	19.7	18.8 - 20.7	18	25	35	25	21	7	2
5M1 E16000064 South Birmingham	1,684	20.0	19.4 - 20.7	21	27	31	25	21	10	5
5PK E16000120 South Staffordshire	1,878	18.3	17.8 - 18.8	17	41	34	21	15	6	4
5PJ E16000119 Stoke on Trent	992	19.3	18.5 - 20.0	15	35	34	28	18	7	5
5MK E16000071 Telford and Wrekin	548	18.3	17.4 - 19.4	17	30	28	32	15	6	5
5M3 E16000066 Walsall Teaching	924	19.0	18.3 - 19.8	18	33	34	27	18	5	5
5PM E16000122 Warwickshire	1,658	17.7	17.2 - 18.3	16	36	32	22	15	6	4
5MV E16000072 Wolverhampton City	1,240	25.3	24.4 - 26.2	21	36	46	34	25	9	4
5PL E16000121 Worcestershire	1,431	16.1	15.6 - 16.6	15	27	30	23	13	5	3
EAST OF ENGLAND SHA E18000006	16,729	15.8	15.6 - 15.9	13	27	28	20	15	6	3
5P2 E16000104 Bedfordshire	1,266	16.9	16.3 - 17.5	13	31	35	19	13	6	3
5PP E16000124 Cambridgeshire	1,271	10.7	10.3 - 11.1	10	18	16	14	11	5	3
5PR E16000126 Great Yarmouth and Waveney	467	13.4	12.6 - 14.2	14	24	24	18	13	3	4
5QV E16000150 Hertfordshire	3,538	17.1	16.8 - 17.5	13	27	32	21	16	7	2
5GC E16000029 Luton	1,069	23.8	22.9 - 24.8	16	35	36	32	29	11	3
5PX E16000130 Mid Essex	945	14.7	14.1 - 15.3	11	28	27	16	14	6	3
5PQ E16000125 Norfolk	1,633	12.3	11.9 - 12.7	13	23	21	14	12	5	3
5PW E16000129 North East Essex	769	12.7	12.1 - 13.2	15	21	22	15	12	5	4
5PN E16000123 Peterborough	747	21.7	20.7 - 22.7	17	33	41	29	18	9	4
5P1 E16000103 South East Essex	1,052	18.4	17.7 - 19.1	16	35	35	23	16	6	4
5PY E16000131 South West Essex	1,560	19.8	19.2 - 20.5	18	39	36	25	16	7	4
5PT E16000127 Suffolk	1,335	13.7	13.2 - 14.2	10	24	27	17	12	5	2
5PV E16000128 West Essex	1,077	21.6	20.8 - 22.4	16	34	40	24	23	8	3

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England and Wales, residents

rates per 1,000 women

Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Rate per 1000 resident			Crude rate per 1000 women ¹						3 year rate for age under 16 2009-2011
	Total number of abortions	women aged 15-44 ASR ¹	95% confidence interval	Age						
				Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +	
ENGLAND AND WALES	189,931	17.5	17.4 - 17.5	15.0	28.8	30.1	22.9	17.2	6.9	3.8
ENGLAND	181,438	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	15.1	29.1	30.4	23.1	17.4	6.9	3.8
LONDON SHA E1800007	46,800	25.8	25.7 - 26.0	19	45	46	32	24	12	4
5C2 E16000009 Barking and Dagenham	1,532	37.7	36.5 - 38.9	26	63	70	46	39	14	5
5A9 E16000006 Barnet	1,558	22.2	21.5 - 22.9	9	31	45	28	21	10	3
TAK E17000002 Bexley	979	22.5	21.6 - 23.4	16	43	38	27	22	9	4
5K5 E16000045 Brent Teaching	2,182	39.4	38.4 - 40.5	18	55	66	55	46	18	4
5A7 E16000004 Bromley	1,114	19.9	19.2 - 20.7	18	42	31	25	19	8	4
5K7 E16000047 Camden	1,117	16.1	15.5 - 16.8	14	26	26	17	16	10	3
5C3 E16000010 City and Hackney Teaching	1,746	28.9	28.0 - 29.9	26	58	50	32	26	13	6
5K9 E16000049 Croydon	1,945	28.6	27.8 - 29.4	21	44	52	35	29	12	5
5HX E16000035 Ealing	2,001	28.8	28.0 - 29.6	17	47	50	39	26	14	3
5C1 E16000008 Enfield	1,623	26.9	26.0 - 27.7	17	40	47	37	26	11	4
5A8 E16000005 Greenwich Teaching	1,659	30.9	30.0 - 31.9	27	47	57	37	32	13	6
5H1 E16000030 Hammersmith and Fulham	1,115	25.4	24.4 - 26.5	21	53	37	32	24	13	5
5C9 E16000013 Haringey Teaching	1,731	35.2	34.1 - 36.3	30	64	70	41	28	13	5
5K6 E16000046 Harrow	1,148	24.5	23.6 - 25.4	10	32	44	36	24	11	2
5A4 E16000002 Havering	1,082	25.0	24.1 - 26.0	18	45	45	30	25	9	5
5AT E16000007 Hillingdon	1,582	26.3	25.5 - 27.1	21	47	41	33	28	11	4
5HY E16000036 Hounslow	1,690	31.7	30.8 - 32.7	22	63	58	39	29	13	6
5K8 E16000048 Islington	1,324	23.8	23.0 - 24.7	23	42	40	25	21	14	7
5LA E16000056 Kensington and Chelsea	775	20.8	19.8 - 21.8	12	36	33	27	22	10	2
5A5 E16000003 Kingston	680	17.2	16.4 - 18.0	15	30	28	21	15	10	3
5LD E16000058 Lambeth	2,151	30.4	29.5 - 31.3	25	67	53	29	24	16	7
5LF E16000060 Lewisham	2,001	32.3	31.4 - 33.2	23	63	57	42	29	13	5
5C5 E16000012 Newham	1,856	32.6	31.6 - 33.5	23	41	56	44	35	15	4
5NA E16000083 Redbridge	1,645	28.5	27.6 - 29.4	18	39	54	39	27	12	3
5M6 E16000067 Richmond and Twickenham	606	17.0	16.1 - 17.9	11	32	33	21	13	7	2
5LE E16000059 Southwark	2,253	30.8	29.9 - 31.6	30	60	52	33	27	15	8
5M7 E16000068 Sutton and Merton	1,737	21.2	20.6 - 21.9	17	40	39	26	16	9	3
5C4 E16000011 Tower Hamlets	1,556	21.2	20.5 - 21.9	19	39	37	27	18	10	5
5NC E16000084 Waltham Forest	1,722	35.3	34.2 - 36.4	22	55	68	45	33	14	5
5LG E16000061 Wandsworth	1,550	20.4	19.6 - 21.1	21	49	36	19	14	11	3
5LC E16000057 Westminster	1,140	16.3	15.6 - 16.9	19	26	24	18	14	10	4
SOUTH EAST COAST SHA E18000008	13,153	17.1	16.9 - 17.3	14	28	31	22	16	7	3
5LQ E16000063 Brighton and Hove City	1,177	18.5	17.8 - 19.2	16	29	25	26	20	9	5
5P7 E16000109 East Sussex Downs and Weald	909	18.3	17.6 - 19.1	18	32	33	23	16	6	3
5QA E16000132 Eastern and Coastal Kent	2,315	17.0	16.5 - 17.4	16	27	29	22	17	7	4
5P8 E16000110 Hastings and Rother	554	20.6	19.5 - 21.7	22	37	39	25	19	6	4
5L3 E16000055 Medway	1,091	21.2	20.5 - 22.0	18	38	38	27	20	8	4
5P5 E16000107 Surrey	3,019	15.8	15.4 - 16.1	12	25	31	19	13	7	2
5P9 E16000111 West Kent	2,038	17.4	16.9 - 17.9	13	26	33	23	16	7	3
5P6 E16000108 West Sussex	2,050	16.1	15.6 - 16.5	12	28	30	22	14	6	3
SOUTH CENTRAL SHA E18000009	12,002	14.8	14.7 - 15.0	11	24	25	20	15	6	3
5QG E16000137 Berkshire East	1,457	17.1	16.5 - 17.6	9	26	29	24	17	8	2
5QF E16000136 Berkshire West	1,509	15.4	14.9 - 15.9	13	20	25	20	17	7	3
5QD E16000134 Buckinghamshire	1,407	16.8	16.3 - 17.4	10	28	33	20	15	7	2
5QC E16000133 Hampshire	3,040	14.1	13.8 - 14.4	11	25	26	18	13	5	3
5QT E16000147 Isle of Wight	248	12.2	11.2 - 13.2	14	21	22	21	8	2	3
5CQ E16000016 Milton Keynes	1,010	21.4	20.5 - 22.2	10	33	39	28	23	9	3
5QE E16000135 Oxfordshire	1,565	12.3	11.9 - 12.7	10	20	19	18	12	5	3
5FE E16000027 Portsmouth City Teaching	805	14.7	14.0 - 15.3	13	29	21	17	15	7	5
5L1 E16000054 Southampton City	961	14.7	14.0 - 15.3	18	19	21	20	14	7	4

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England and Wales, residents

rates per 1,000 women

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ENGLAND	181,438	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	15.1	29.1	30.4	23.1	17.4	6.9	3.8
SOUTH WEST SHA E18000010	13,359	14.2	14.1 - 14.4	12	25	24	19	14	5	3
5FL E16000028 Bath and North East Somerset	420	11.2	10.6 - 12.0	10	16	15	14	13	6	2
5QN E16000143 Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	1,141	18.3	17.6 - 19.0	17	24	26	28	21	7	4
5QJ E16000139 Bristol	1,526	13.1	12.7 - 13.5	14	25	19	15	13	6	5
5QP E16000144 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	1,083	12.6	12.1 - 13.1	12	24	23	14	12	5	3
5QQ E16000145 Devon	1,572	13.3	12.9 - 13.7	13	22	24	17	13	4	3
5QM E16000142 Dorset	890	17.8	17.0 - 18.5	11	34	35	24	15	6	3
5QH E16000138 Gloucestershire	1,321	13.1	12.7 - 13.6	10	19	23	19	13	5	3
5M8 E16000069 North Somerset	453	13.7	12.9 - 14.5	13	31	25	15	11	6	3
5F1 E16000024 Plymouth Teaching	851	14.7	14.0 - 15.3	17	25	20	17	17	7	5
5QL E16000141 Somerset	1,188	15.0	14.5 - 15.6	13	26	27	21	13	5	3
5A3 E16000001 South Gloucestershire	636	12.8	12.2 - 13.5	10	25	21	17	12	5	3
5K3 E16000044 Swindon	724	18.2	17.4 - 19.1	14	30	37	22	14	8	3
TAL E17000003 Torbay	510	24.6	23.2 - 26.0	23	50	45	30	23	6	5
5QK E16000140 Wiltshire	1,044	15.4	14.9 - 16.1	9	27	30	22	12	5	3
WALES	8,493	14.9	0.8 - 0.8	13	25	26	20	14	6	4
6B1 NAWER06 Anglesey	167	15.5	14.1 - 17.1	17	30	24	24	10	6	5
6C2 NAWER10 Blaenau Gwent	154	12.0	10.9 - 13.3	7	21	21	13	16	4	2
6B3 NAWER08 Bridgend	363	16.1	15.1 - 17.2	16	26	33	20	14	5	5
6B2 NAWER10 Caerphilly	476	14.8	14.0 - 15.7	10	25	28	19	14	5	3
6A8 NAWER09 Cardiff	1,268	14.0	13.5 - 14.5	16	22	20	18	15	6	4
6B7 NAWER07 Carmarthen	354	11.9	11.1 - 12.7	8	25	23	15	10	4	3
6A4 NAWER07 Ceredigion	148	9.3	8.3 - 10.4	13	13	15	9	9	5	3
6A7 NAWER06 Conwy	287	18.8	17.5 - 20.3	14	44	33	23	16	6	3
6C1 NAWER06 Denbighshire	265	17.8	16.5 - 19.2	13	41	36	19	13	6	3
6B5 NAWER06 Flintshire	455	18.5	17.5 - 19.7	18	33	37	24	13	6	4
6A2 NAWER06 Gwynedd	312	14.2	13.2 - 15.2	13	13	18	22	14	9	4
6B8 NAWER10 Merthyr Tydfil	190	18.1	16.6 - 19.9	13	23	36	28	15	5	6
6A1 NAWER10 Monmouth	175	14.5	13.2 - 16.0	7	25	28	20	11	6	2
6A5 NAWER08 Neath & Port Talbot	343	14.4	13.4 - 15.4	11	26	28	20	13	4	3
6B9 NAWER10 Newport	465	16.9	16.0 - 17.9	15	26	27	26	16	6	3
6A3 NAWER07 Pembroke	270	15.1	14.0 - 16.3	15	23	31	21	12	4	4
6C4 NAWER07 Powys	245	13.9	12.8 - 15.0	11	21	22	20	11	6	3
6A9 NAWER08 Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	817	17.8	17.0 - 18.6	17	27	34	25	16	6	4
6A6 NAWER08 Swansea	711	14.9	14.2 - 15.6	14	20	25	21	15	6	3
6B6 NAWER09 The Vale of Glamorgan	324	15.1	14.1 - 16.2	12	32	31	16	13	5	3
6C3 NAWER10 Torfaen	249	15.3	14.2 - 16.6	15	20	28	21	15	5	5
6B4 NAWER06 Wrexham	455	19.0	17.9 - 20.2	17	39	39	21	16	6	5

¹ Rates for PCOs and LHBs are based on mid-2010 population estimates. See Annex A for further details.

Rates for all ages, under 16, under 18 and 35 and over are based on populations 15-44, 13-15, 15-17 and 35-44 respectively

Table 11: Legal abortions: purchaser, gestation, Sexual Health Indicator and repeat abortions, by Primary Care Organisation (England) and Local Health Board (Wales) of residence, 2011

England and Wales, residents

percentages

Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board	Purchaser (%)			Gestation weeks (%)			Sexual Health Indicator			95% confidence interval	Repeat abortions in women aged under 25
	NHS Funded		Privately Funded	3-9	10-12	13+	Total NHS funded abortions	NHS funded abortions at under 10 weeks	Percentage of all NHS funded abortions under 10 weeks		
	Hospital	Indep- endent Sector									
ENGLAND & WALES	35	61	4	78	13	9	183,052	142,653	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.2
ENGLAND	34	63	3	78	13	9	175,167	136,403	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.4
NORTH EAST SHA E1800001	93	5	2	75	16	10	6,865	5,104	74	73 - 75	22
5ND E16000085 County Durham	91	8	2	75	17	8	1,175	879	75	72 - 77	19
5J9 E16000041 Darlington	95	3	1	75	17	8	284	213	75	70 - 80	21
5KF E16000050 Gateshead	95	2	3	74	16	10	400	294	74	69 - 78	15
5D9 E16000019 Hartlepool	97	1	2	79	14	7	311	244	78	74 - 83	24
5KM E16000053 Middlesbrough	97	1	2	65	21	14	501	322	64	60 - 68	32
5D7 E16000017 Newcastle	86	13	1	77	14	9	983	761	77	75 - 80	21
5E1 E16000020 Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	96	0	3	78	13	9	512	396	77	74 - 81	26
5D8 E16000018 North Tyneside	93	6	1	84	8	8	534	446	84	80 - 86	20
TAC E17000001 Northumberland	91	9	1	78	14	8	636	500	79	75 - 82	21
5QR E16000146 Redcar and Cleveland	96	0	4	68	19	13	312	212	68	63 - 73	28
5KG E16000051 South Tyneside	96	2	2	77	13	9	393	301	77	72 - 81	19
5KL E16000052 Sunderland Teaching	94	2	4	66	22	12	824	536	65	62 - 68	25
NORTH WEST SHA E1800002	47	51	2	80	12	8	24,374	19,466	80	79 - 80	25
5HG E16000032 Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	52	48	1	77	14	9	841	648	77	74 - 80	21
5CC E16000014 Blackburn with Darwen	92	5	3	85	9	7	476	402	84	81 - 87	26
5HP E16000033 Blackpool	5	94	0	80	11	9	524	421	80	77 - 84	24
5HQ E16000034 Bolton	38	61	1	77	12	11	1,007	774	77	74 - 79	23
5JX E16000043 Bury	25	74	2	81	9	9	620	507	82	79 - 85	32
5NP E16000095 Central and Eastern Cheshire	34	63	3	73	17	9	1,111	807	73	70 - 75	18
5NG E16000088 Central Lancashire	18	81	1	82	10	9	1,518	1,237	81	79 - 83	25
5NE E16000086 Cumbria Teaching	94	4	2	75	16	9	1,007	754	75	72 - 77	18
5NH E16000089 East Lancashire Teaching	91	6	3	81	11	8	1,148	926	81	78 - 83	24
5NM E16000093 Halton and St Helens	15	84	1	80	12	8	1,046	836	80	77 - 82	27
5NQ E16000096 Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	43	55	2	80	10	10	763	609	80	77 - 83	23
5J4 E16000038 Knowsley	86	13	1	76	17	7	675	515	76	73 - 79	27
5NL E16000092 Liverpool	84	15	2	77	15	8	2,267	1,748	77	75 - 79	26
5NT E16000098 Manchester	21	77	1	83	9	7	2,921	2,444	84	82 - 85	27
5NF E16000087 North Lancashire Teaching	30	69	1	80	14	6	694	555	80	77 - 83	17
5J5 E16000039 Oldham	49	50	1	84	8	8	789	660	84	81 - 86	25
5F5 E16000025 Salford	55	43	2	76	15	9	1,089	823	76	73 - 78	25
5NJ E16000090 Sefton	82	17	2	81	13	6	887	712	80	78 - 83	27
5F7 E16000026 Stockport	29	68	2	80	13	7	840	670	80	77 - 82	29
5LH E16000062 Tameside and Glossop	44	55	1	84	9	7	1,013	851	84	82 - 86	28
5NR E16000097 Trafford	8	89	2	81	12	7	751	607	81	78 - 83	27
5J2 E16000037 Warrington	2	94	3	78	14	9	637	492	77	74 - 80	29
5NN E16000094 Western Cheshire	63	35	2	81	11	8	581	470	81	77 - 84	21
5NK E16000091 Wirral	70	29	1	85	8	7	1,169	998	85	83 - 87	29
YORKSHIRE & THE HUMBER SHA E1800003	58	40	2	74	17	9	14,513	10,748	74	73 - 75	24
5JE E16000042 Barnsley	73	26	1	56	28	16	669	374	56	52 - 60	22
5NY E16000102 Bradford and Airedale Teaching	70	29	0	73	18	9	1,652	1,205	73	71 - 75	24
5J6 E16000040 Calderdale	93	3	4	79	16	5	629	493	78	75 - 81	23
5N5 E16000078 Doncaster	5	95	1	82	12	7	961	782	81	79 - 84	31
5NW E16000100 East Riding of Yorkshire	87	9	4	64	28	8	554	351	63	59 - 67	17
5NX E16000101 Hull Teaching	93	6	1	63	28	8	829	526	63	60 - 67	17
5N2 E16000075 Kirklees	59	38	3	81	12	8	1,265	1,020	81	78 - 83	23
5N1 E16000074 Leeds	21	78	0	80	11	9	2,459	1,973	80	79 - 82	25
5AN E17000005 North East Lincolnshire	98	1	1	80	13	7	491	392	80	76 - 83	48
5EF E16000021 North Lincolnshire	79	20	1	73	16	11	438	320	73	69 - 77	24
5NV E16000099 North Yorkshire and York	40	58	2	72	17	11	1,449	1,040	72	69 - 74	21
5H8 E16000031 Rotherham	90	8	1	68	21	11	705	478	68	64 - 71	21
5N4 E16000077 Sheffield	94	3	3	73	18	9	1,663	1,213	73	71 - 75	21
5N3 E16000076 Wakefield District	4	94	2	78	11	11	749	581	78	74 - 80	29

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ENGLAND & WALES	35	61	4	78	13	9	183,052	142,653	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.2
ENGLAND	34	63	3	78	13	9	175,167	136,403	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.4
EAST MIDLANDS SHA E18000004	67	30	3	68	22	9	11,501	7,816	68	67 - 69	23
5ET E16000023 Bassetlaw	76	23	2	74	17	9	243	180	74	68 - 79	21
5N7 E16000080 Derby City	92	3	4	69	23	7	749	513	68	65 - 72	24
5N6 E16000079 Derbyshire County	79	17	4	71	21	9	1,424	1,006	71	68 - 73	21
5PC E16000113 Leicester City	73	23	4	64	24	12	1,320	834	63	61 - 66	24
5PA E16000112 Leicestershire County and Rutland	60	36	4	69	21	10	1,513	1,037	69	66 - 71	20
5N9 E16000082 Lincolnshire Teaching	93	3	3	65	25	9	1,405	912	65	62 - 67	20
5PD E16000114 Northamptonshire Teaching	54	44	1	69	20	10	1,994	1,379	69	67 - 71	25
5EM E16000022 Nottingham City	58	39	3	67	24	9	1,247	824	66	63 - 69	25
5N8 E16000081 Nottinghamshire County Teaching	41	57	2	70	20	9	1,606	1,131	70	68 - 73	22
WEST MIDLANDS SHA E18000005	7	91	2	81	11	9	20,528	16,498	80	80 - 81	28
5PG E16000117 Birmingham East and North	1	98	1	83	10	7	2,071	1,719	83	81 - 85	36
5MD E16000070 Coventry Teaching	3	97	0	79	11	10	1,751	1,387	79	77 - 81	31
5PE E16000115 Dudley	1	98	1	83	10	7	1,073	890	83	81 - 85	30
5MX E16000073 Heart of Birmingham Teaching	2	96	2	85	8	7	1,937	1,634	84	83 - 86	29
5CN E16000015 Herefordshire	93	3	4	71	19	10	365	259	71	66 - 75	28
5PH E16000118 North Staffordshire	2	96	2	85	9	6	532	458	86	83 - 89	25
5PF E16000116 Sandwell	2	94	3	80	11	9	1,435	1,149	80	78 - 82	33
5M2 E16000065 Shropshire County	5	92	3	77	10	13	597	461	77	74 - 80	18
TAM E17000004 Solihull	1	95	4	84	10	7	672	559	83	80 - 86	24
5M1 E16000064 South Birmingham	2	97	1	83	9	8	1,659	1,379	83	81 - 85	33
5PK E16000120 South Staffordshire	3	95	2	76	16	8	1,845	1,392	75	73 - 77	25
5PJ E16000119 Stoke on Trent	3	95	1	85	7	8	980	836	85	83 - 87	25
5MK E16000071 Telford and Wrekin	3	96	1	76	13	11	545	415	76	72 - 80	20
5M3 E16000066 Walsall Teaching	46	52	2	86	7	7	906	785	87	84 - 89	28
5PM E16000122 Warwickshire	2	97	1	76	12	12	1,639	1,242	76	74 - 78	26
5MV E16000072 Wolverhampton City	3	91	6	74	15	10	1,165	851	73	70 - 76	28
5PL E16000121 Worcestershire	16	78	5	80	11	8	1,356	1,082	80	78 - 82	21
EAST OF ENGLAND SHA E18000006	44	53	3	78	13	9	16,237	12,574	77	77 - 78	25
5P2 E16000104 Bedfordshire	50	48	2	73	16	11	1,237	905	73	71 - 76	27
5PP E16000124 Cambridgeshire	79	16	4	74	17	8	1,219	898	74	71 - 76	20
5PR E16000126 Great Yarmouth and Waveney	95	3	2	67	24	9	456	304	67	62 - 71	22
5QV E16000150 Hertfordshire	5	92	2	81	9	9	3,458	2,809	81	80 - 82	28
5GC E16000029 Luton	16	82	1	77	12	11	1,053	812	77	74 - 80	27
5PX E16000130 Mid Essex	14	84	2	82	9	9	923	758	82	80 - 84	29
5PQ E16000125 Norfolk	93	5	3	74	16	10	1,588	1,173	74	72 - 76	19
5PW E16000129 North East Essex	74	22	4	81	12	7	739	598	81	78 - 84	24
5PN E16000123 Peterborough	63	36	1	79	13	9	742	584	79	76 - 82	21
5P1 E16000103 South East Essex	44	53	3	81	10	9	1,024	827	81	78 - 83	23
5PY E16000131 South West Essex	14	83	3	82	10	9	1,508	1,228	81	79 - 83	28
5PT E16000127 Suffolk	92	2	5	67	23	9	1,263	837	66	64 - 69	18
5PV E16000128 West Essex	28	67	5	82	12	6	1,027	841	82	79 - 84	26

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ENGLAND	34	63	3	78	13	9	175,167	136,403	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.4
LONDON SHA E18000007	17	76	7	81	11	8	43,551	34,945	80	80 - 81	32
5C2 E16000009 Barking and Dagenham	3	94	3	82	8	10	1,492	1,220	82	80 - 84	37
5A9 E16000006 Barnet	2	92	6	84	9	7	1,461	1,224	84	82 - 86	36
TAK E17000002 Bexley	2	95	3	82	11	8	950	776	82	79 - 84	30
5K5 E16000045 Brent Teaching	4	92	4	84	9	7	2,100	1,773	84	83 - 86	33
5A7 E16000004 Bromley	2	93	5	83	9	9	1,059	875	83	80 - 85	33
5K7 E16000047 Camden	14	77	10	82	11	7	1,009	822	81	79 - 84	29
5C3 E16000010 City and Hackney Teaching	82	9	9	78	15	7	1,593	1,236	78	75 - 80	33
5K9 E16000049 Croydon	1	96	2	81	11	8	1,900	1,542	81	79 - 83	37
5HX E16000035 Ealing	2	86	12	75	15	11	1,766	1,279	72	70 - 74	28
5C1 E16000008 Enfield	11	79	10	69	21	11	1,462	983	67	65 - 70	32
5A8 E16000005 Greenwich Teaching	2	93	4	81	10	8	1,588	1,291	81	79 - 83	34
5H1 E16000030 Hammersmith and Fulham	10	81	10	82	10	8	1,008	813	81	78 - 83	31
5C9 E16000013 Haringey Teaching	10	82	7	73	17	10	1,602	1,157	72	70 - 74	33
5K6 E16000046 Harrow	1	96	4	85	8	7	1,107	940	85	83 - 87	32
5A4 E16000002 Havering	2	96	2	87	6	7	1,062	921	87	85 - 89	32
5AT E16000007 Hillingdon	3	93	5	79	11	9	1,509	1,203	80	78 - 82	32
5HY E16000036 Hounslow	4	90	6	79	11	10	1,596	1,253	79	76 - 80	28
5K8 E16000048 Islington	14	79	7	82	12	7	1,234	1,000	81	79 - 83	33
5LA E16000056 Kensington and Chelsea	66	7	27	86	8	6	567	482	85	82 - 88	24
5A5 E16000003 Kingston	4	91	5	81	11	8	646	522	81	78 - 84	28
5LD E16000058 Lambeth	7	88	5	81	10	9	2,045	1,647	81	79 - 82	35
5LF E16000060 Lewisham	11	86	3	80	10	10	1,938	1,551	80	78 - 82	33
5C5 E16000012 Newham	75	9	16	78	11	11	1,559	1,195	77	74 - 79	28
5NA E16000083 Redbridge	3	93	4	83	9	8	1,577	1,310	83	81 - 85	33
5M6 E16000067 Richmond and Twickenham	33	58	9	82	9	9	551	447	81	78 - 84	26
5LE E16000059 Southwark	10	86	5	82	10	8	2,146	1,752	82	80 - 83	36
5M7 E16000068 Sutton and Merton	25	70	6	82	10	8	1,640	1,341	82	80 - 84	29
5C4 E16000011 Tower Hamlets	80	9	11	80	13	7	1,379	1,077	78	76 - 80	31
5NC E16000084 Waltham Forest	3	92	5	82	10	8	1,644	1,344	82	80 - 84	36
5LG E16000061 Wandsworth	25	67	9	84	9	7	1,413	1,174	83	81 - 85	35
5LC E16000057 Westminster	44	40	17	84	10	7	948	795	84	81 - 86	29
SOUTH EAST COAST SHA E18000008	5	93	2	79	11	10	12,858	10,161	79	78 - 80	27
5LQ E16000063 Brighton and Hove City	1	98	1	79	11	10	1,163	922	79	77 - 82	25
5P7 E16000109 East Sussex Downs and Weald	1	97	2	74	13	13	892	659	74	71 - 77	22
5QA E16000132 Eastern and Coastal Kent	3	95	1	80	10	10	2,286	1,833	80	78 - 82	26
5P8 E16000110 Hastings and Rother	6	93	1	75	15	10	547	413	76	72 - 79	27
5L3 E16000055 Medway	3	95	2	81	11	8	1,072	870	81	79 - 83	34
5P5 E16000107 Surrey	3	94	3	82	9	9	2,940	2,402	82	80 - 83	27
5P9 E16000111 West Kent	3	93	4	80	10	10	1,960	1,565	80	78 - 82	28
5P6 E16000108 West Sussex	13	84	2	75	15	10	1,998	1,497	75	73 - 77	24
SOUTH CENTRAL SHA E18000009	16	81	3	79	12	9	11,666	9,163	79	78 - 79	25
5QG E16000137 Berkshire East	3	93	4	81	10	9	1,392	1,134	81	79 - 83	28
5QF E16000136 Berkshire West	1	96	3	84	9	7	1,467	1,228	84	82 - 86	28
5QD E16000134 Buckinghamshire	3	92	5	74	15	12	1,340	981	73	71 - 76	26
5QC E16000133 Hampshire	25	74	1	80	11	9	3,001	2,400	80	79 - 81	22
5QT E16000147 Isle of Wight National Health Service	90	8	2	77	18	4	244	188	77	71 - 82	13
5CQ E16000016 Milton Keynes	3	94	3	78	13	9	983	769	78	76 - 81	25
5QE E16000135 Oxfordshire	4	93	3	78	13	9	1,512	1,176	78	76 - 80	26
5FE E16000027 Portsmouth City Teaching	90	8	2	78	15	7	788	613	78	75 - 81	28
5L1 E16000054 Southampton City	5	93	2	72	17	12	939	674	72	69 - 75	21

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ENGLAND	34	63	3	78	13	9	175,167	136,403	77.9	77.7 - 78.1	26.4
SOUTH WEST SHA E18000010	49	49	2	76	15	9	13,074	9,928	76	75 - 77	22
5FL E16000028 Bath and North East Somerset	49	50	1	80	11	9	416	335	81	76 - 84	20
5QN E16000143 Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	30	69	1	82	10	8	1,133	933	82	80 - 84	21
5QJ E16000139 Bristol	50	47	2	79	13	9	1,489	1,167	78	76 - 80	25
5QP E16000144 Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	72	26	2	69	22	10	1,056	720	68	65 - 71	16
5QQ E16000145 Devon	66	31	2	74	19	7	1,533	1,122	73	71 - 75	17
5QM E16000142 Dorset	13	86	1	77	13	10	880	676	77	74 - 79	25
5QH E16000138 Gloucestershire	91	4	5	71	18	11	1,250	872	70	67 - 72	21
5M8 E16000069 North Somerset	38	61	2	81	12	8	446	359	80	77 - 84	17
5F1 E16000024 Plymouth Teaching	94	5	1	75	17	8	839	626	75	72 - 77	22
5QL E16000141 Somerset	61	37	2	70	18	12	1,168	820	70	68 - 73	22
5A3 E16000001 South Gloucestershire	42	56	2	75	13	12	621	470	76	72 - 79	24
5K3 E16000044 Swindon	0	99	1	83	8	9	717	598	83	81 - 86	31
TAL E17000003 Torbay	2	97	1	81	11	7	504	410	81	78 - 85	30
5QK E16000140 Wiltshire	18	80	2	80	13	7	1,022	820	80	78 - 83	19
WALES	67	26	7	69	21	10	7,885	6,250	79	78 - 80	22
6B1 NAWER06 Anglesey	15	84	1	77	11	11	165	137	83	77 - 88	18
6C2 NAWER10 Blaenau Gwent	74	21	5	68	26	6	146	121	83	76 - 88	13
6B3 NAWER08 Bridgend	91	1	9	59	30	10	332	244	73	68 - 78	23
6B2 NAWER10 Caerphilly	78	15	7	77	17	5	442	395	89	86 - 92	14
6A8 NAWER09 Cardiff	76	7	17	56	32	13	1,051	662	63	60 - 66	23
6B7 NAWER07 Carmarthen	94	0	5	68	24	8	335	258	77	72 - 81	24
6A4 NAWER07 Ceredigion	95	1	3	74	19	7	143	121	85	78 - 90	12
6A7 NAWER06 Conwy	13	83	4	80	11	9	276	234	85	80 - 89	25
6C1 NAWER06 Denbighshire	11	87	2	83	11	6	260	230	88	84 - 92	20
6B5 NAWER06 Flintshire	7	93	0	83	11	7	453	400	88	85 - 91	22
6A2 NAWER06 Gwynedd	15	81	3	78	10	13	302	245	81	76 - 85	27
6B8 NAWER10 Merthyr Tydfil	96	2	2	72	21	7	186	153	82	76 - 87	23
6A1 NAWER10 Monmouth	71	22	7	69	20	11	163	130	80	73 - 85	19
6A5 NAWER08 Neath & Port Talbot	95	2	3	63	24	13	331	248	75	70 - 79	26
6B9 NAWER10 Newport	71	22	7	72	20	8	432	368	85	82 - 88	21
6A3 NAWER07 Pembroke	81	8	10	76	19	6	242	213	88	83 - 92	23
6C4 NAWER07 Powys	84	8	9	74	15	11	224	177	79	73 - 84	19
6A9 NAWER08 Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	91	2	6	69	22	9	766	635	83	80 - 85	23
6A6 NAWER08 Swansea	93	1	6	64	24	12	666	500	75	72 - 78	23
6B6 NAWER09 The Vale of Glamorgan	79	5	16	61	27	13	272	190	70	64 - 75	23
6C3 NAWER10 Torfaen	78	20	2	71	23	6	245	208	85	80 - 89	18
6B4 NAWER06 Wrexham	3	97	0	80	9	11	453	381	84	80 - 87	29

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 12a: Legal abortions: non-residents by country of residence, 2011

	total	percentages
All non-residents	6,151	100%
Country of residence ¹		
Northern Ireland	1,007	16.4
Scotland	233	3.8
Isle of Man	96	1.6
Jersey	11	0.2
Guernsey	14	0.2
European countries		
Irish Republic	4,149	67.5
Austria	4	0.1
Cyprus	13	0.2
Denmark	12	0.2
France	51	0.8
Germany	10	0.2
Gibraltar	6	0.1
Hungary	7	0.1
Italy	169	2.7
Malta	63	1.0
Netherlands, The	3	0.0
Norway	6	0.1
Poland	24	0.4
Portugal	10	0.2
Romania	4	0.1
Slovakia	3	0.0
Spain	11	0.2
Sweden	3	0.0
Switzerland	6	0.1
Other	18	0.3
Rest of the world		
Australia	8	0.1
Bahrain	4	0.1
Brazil	5	0.1
Cameroon	3	0.0
India	6	0.1
Kuwait	7	0.1
Mauritius	3	0.0
Nigeria	6	0.1
Oman	7	0.1
Qatar	8	0.1
Saudi Arabia	6	0.1
Thailand	4	0.1
UAE	102	1.7
USA	14	0.2
Other	35	0.6

¹ Details of other countries shown under 'Other' can be obtained on request

Table 12b: Legal abortions: non residents of England and Wales, by (i) age, (ii) statutory grounds and (iii) gestation weeks, 2011

		total	percentages
All non-residents		6,151	100%
(i) Age	Under 16	82	1
	16 - 17	203	3
	18 - 19	469	8
	20 - 24	1,599	26
	25 - 29	1,496	24
	30 - 34	1,111	18
	35 - 39	810	13
	40 and over	381	6
(ii) Statutory grounds	C (alone)	6,012	98
	Other	139	2
(iii) Gestation weeks	3 - 9	3,989	65
	10 - 12	946	15
	13 - 19	826	13
	20 and over	390	6

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Table 12c: Legal abortions, country of residence by age and gestation weeks, 2011

	Scotland		Northern Ireland		Irish Republic	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
All	233	100	1,007	100	4,149	100
Age						
	Under 16	6 3	19 2	37 1		
	16 - 17	12 5	50 5	111 3		
	18 - 19	30 13	91 9	295 7		
	20 - 24	59 25	268 27	1109 27		
	25 - 29	49 21	226 22	1051 25		
	30 - 34	41 18	170 17	755 18		
	35 - 39	19 8	121 12	534 13		
	40 & over	17 7	62 6	257 6		
Gestation weeks						
	3 - 9	100 43	709 70	2840 68		
	10 - 12	10 4	174 17	684 16		
	13 - 19	23 10	108 11	511 12		
	20 & over	100 43	16 2	114 3		

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Table 13: Legal abortions: by country of procedure and (i) age, (ii) gestation weeks, (iii) procedure, (iv) parity, (v) previous abortions, (vi) grounds and (vii) principal medical condition for abortions performed under ground E, 2011

Country of abortion	numbers					
	England & Wales		Scotland ^p		Great Britain ^p	
	196,082	100%	12,471 ^p	100%	208,553	100%
All legal abortions						
(i) Age						
Under 16	3,340	2	285	2	3,625	2
16-17	11,544	6	897	7	12,441	6
18-19	20,793	11	1,521	12	22,314	11
20-24	57,508	29	3,847	31	61,355	29
25-29	43,817	22	2,696	22	46,513	22
30-34	30,690	16	1,692	14	32,382	16
35+	28,390	14	1,533	12	29,923	14
(ii) Gestation weeks						
3 - 9	151,625	77	9,417	76	161,042	77
10 - 12	26,486	14	2,071	17	28,557	14
13 - 19	14,852	8	930	7	15,782	8
20 and over	3,119	2	53	0	3,172	2
(iii) Procedure						
Surgical	105,773	54	3,300	26	109,073	52
Medical	90,309	46	9,171	74	99,480	48
(iv) Parity (number of previous pregnancies resulting in live or stillbirth)						
0	96,696	49	6,374	51	103,070	49
1+	99,386	51	6,097	49	105,483	51
(v) Number of previous pregnancies resulting in abortion under the Act						
0	126,779	65	8,855	71	135,634	65
1	69,303	35	3,616	29	72,919	35
(vi) Grounds						
A (alone or with B, C or D) or F or G	48	0	*	.	48	.
B (alone or with C or D)	150	0	*	.	150	.
C (alone)	191,985	98	11,602	93	203,587	98
D (alone or with C)	1,478	1	722	6	2,200	1
E (alone one with A, B, C or D)	2,421	1	136	1	2,557	1
(vii) Principal medical condition for abortions performed under ground E						
Total Ground E	2,421	100%	136 ¹	100%	2,557	100%
The nervous system (Q00 - Q007)	574	24	27	20	601	24
Other congenital malformations (Q10-Q89)	532	22	33	24	565	22
Chromosomal abnormalities:	937	39	48	35	985	39
Other:	378	16	28	21	406	16

^p Provisional data

* Adhering to ISD Statistical Disclosure Control Protocol. See annex B

. Not available

¹ Some notifications record more than one Statutory Ground, therefore totals may not match with the numbers released by ISD Scotland.

Source: ISD Scotland, Department of Health

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

Annex A: Data Quality and Methods

- Validation

- i. The Department of Health use a thorough process for inspecting and recording the information received on the forms in order to monitor compliance with the legislation and the extent to which best practice guidance from the Department of Health is followed. Selected forms are scrutinised by a medical practitioner who may request further detail from the patient's medical record via the terminating doctor. Further details of the checks that are made on the data are available on the Department of Health web site at:

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publichealth/Healthimprovement/Sexualhealth/Sexualhealthgeneralinformation/DH_4063863

- Forms returned after the publication cut-off date

- ii. The 2011 figures in this annual bulletin are based on a snapshot of the records taken about six weeks prior to publication. A small number of notifications have been, and will continue to be, received after this cut-off date. Whilst these additional notifications are processed and the information retained in line with our retention policy, they are not included in future statistical releases. So, for example, figures for 2010 published in the 2010 bulletin have not be revised in this year's bulletin. This policy of not revising statistics is taken for three main reasons:
 - to prevent the disclosure of personal information arising from small differences in published tables;
 - to ensure consistency in published outputs over time; and
 - because the revisions would be small in scale and therefore of little value.

- iii. The scale of the effect is illustrated below for 2010. A further 416 notifications were received after the cut-off, equating to a quarter of one per cent of the published total. As the table below shows, the inclusion of this information would have resulted in no change in the percentage breakdowns by age group, gestation and grounds to one decimal place.

Table: Examples of the effect on the statistics of forms returned after the publication cut-off date

	Published 2010 figures	2010 figures incorporating notifications received after the publication cut-off
Total abortions	189,574	189,990
Gestation (weeks)		
3 to 9	76.6%	74.6%
10 to 12	14.5%	14.5%
13 to 19	7.4%	7.4%
20 or over	1.4%	1.4%
Not known	N/A	0.0%
Grounds		
E	1.2%	1.2%
Other	98.8%	98.8%
Age		
Under 20	20.2%	20.2%
20 to 34	65.5%	65.5%
35 or over	14.3%	14.3%

- **Incomplete information and imputation**

- iv. Incomplete and incorrectly completed forms are returned to practitioners for completion and clarification. In a very small number of cases (about one-quarter of one percent), the information remains unavailable at the time of publication. Date of birth was missing from 19 records in 2011, gestation information from 42, postcodes from 42 and grounds from 22.
- v. For the purposes of constructing statistics, values for missing items are imputed. Records with missing ages were assigned pro-rata to the 20-24 age group, as this is the modal age group, accounting for 30% of abortions. Missing gestations were imputed as 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 weeks in equal distribution unless the method of abortion or diagnosis suggested otherwise. Missing postcodes were imputed with a random postcode from within the main PCOs of other residents attending the same hospital or clinic. Missing grounds were imputed as ground C.

- **Population estimates used for rates of abortion**

- vi. Abortion rates are calculated using the conventional age range for women in their child bearing years, 15 – 44.

- vii. Abortion rates per 1,000 women for 2011 at a national level and at PCO level were calculated using the mid-2010 population estimates for England, Wales and England and Wales and Primary Care Organisations and Local Health Boards, as published at 24 June 2010 and 24 November 2010 respectively¹. Rates for earlier years were calculated using the latest population estimates available at the time the relevant annual reports were produced and have not been revised, either by using population estimates for the year in question or by using updated population estimates.

- **Deriving age standardised rates of abortion**

- viii. Rates of abortion are standardised using the European Standard Population (EuSP)². The EuSP is also used to calculate age-standardised National Statistics for cancer incidence and mortality within the United Kingdom and cause specific mortality in England and Wales. Over virtually the whole of the age range of women terminating pregnancies, the EuSP assumes equal populations at each single year of age. The formulae used to calculate the age-standardised abortion rates are given below.

For the analysis of trends in abortion rates for England and Wales:

$$\text{Rate} = \frac{\sum_{\text{all ages } i} \text{rate}_i \text{EuSP}_i}{\sum_{i=15}^{44} \text{EuSP}_i}$$

where EuSP_i is the population of women aged i in the European Standard Population.

For the area analyses in table 10b:

$$\text{Rate} = \frac{\sum_{i=15}^{44} \text{rate}_i \text{EuSP}_i}{\sum_{i=15}^{44} \text{EuSP}_i}$$

where the rate for women aged under 16 (rate 15) =

$$\frac{\text{number of abortions to women under 16}}{\text{population of 15 year olds}}$$

rate for women aged 44 and over (rate 44) =

$$\frac{\text{number of abortions to women aged 44 and over}}{\text{population of 44 year olds}}$$

¹ Available at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/product.asp?vlnk=15106>.

² Available at <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/STATBASE/xsdataset.asp?vlnk=1260&More=Y>.

- Confidence intervals

- ix. The figures recorded in this report are the outcome of a stochastic process – that is, they are influenced by chance or random processes such as fertilisation. Each recorded figure is only one of a range of results that could have occurred under the same circumstances if those random processes had led to different outcomes. It is often the underlying circumstances or process that is of interest and the actual value observed gives only an imprecise estimate of this ‘underlying risk’. For example, users are often interested in understanding whether there has been a change in rates of abortion, perhaps reflecting a change in the prevalence of risky sexual behaviour, a change in attitudes towards the options available in pregnancy or a change in access to services. To assess this, it is necessary to determine if the observed change is one that is unlikely to be the result of random fluctuation and therefore offers evidence that a real change has occurred.
- x. A confidence interval can be calculated around each observed value, which gives a range in which the expected or average value resulting from the underlying process is likely to fall. The 95 per cent confidence intervals have been calculated for some of the observed values in tables 10a, 10b and 11. These are known as such, because if it were possible to repeat the underlying process under the same conditions a large number of times (that is, ‘rerun’ the year over and over again), 95 per cent of the confidence intervals calculated in this way would contain the average value from those runs. When assessing the observed results for the year, it is usual to assume that there is only a 5 per cent chance that the expected or average value falls outside the 95 per cent confidence interval.
- xi. The confidence interval may be used to compare an estimate against a target or benchmark value. If the target or benchmark value is outside the confidence interval it can be inferred that the difference between the estimate and the target is statistically significant at the 95 per cent confidence level.
- xii. Confidence intervals are also often used to compare two observed values (for example, abortion rates within two regions.) Sometimes in such cases statistical testing is undertaken by seeing if the two confidence intervals overlap. This is quick and easy to do, but not necessarily conclusive: whilst it is safe to assume that non-overlapping confidence intervals indicate a statistically significant difference, it is not always the case that overlapping confidence intervals do not.
- xiii. The method for estimating a confidence interval varies depending on whether it is for a percentage, count, crude rate or standardised rate. The methods used are those detailed in the Association of Public Health Observatories’ Technical Briefing 3: Commonly used public health statistics and their confidence intervals.
- xiv. For example, the confidence interval associated with:
 - The figure of 189,931 for the total number of abortions of residents in England and Wales is 189,078 to 190,787 (Table 10a);
 - The age standardised rate of 17.5 abortions per 1000 resident women aged 15-44 in England and Wales is 17.5 to 17.6 (Table 10b);

- The figure of 75 per cent for the percentage of NHS funded abortions in County Durham undertaken within 10 weeks gestation is 72 per cent to 77 per cent (Table 11).

- **Disclosure Control**

- xv. The Data Protection Act 1998 places a statutory obligation on the Department of Health to ensure that the statistics we release on abortion do not relate to a living individual who can be identified from those data alone or in conjunction with other available information, unless the conditions laid out in the Act are met. In recent years, the Department has attempted to meet this obligation by following the disclosure guidance for abortion statistics developed by the Office for National Statistics in July 2005. A judgment down in 2011 by the High Court in a case relating to the release of information on principal medical condition for abortions performed under Ground E, showed that the disclosure controls set out in the guidance were overly cautious in some circumstances. The format of the tables in the annual report have therefore been revised, with a more limited degree of suppression applied, where still necessary to avoid the disclosure of personal data. The Department intends to publish more details about the new arrangements for assessing and dealing with the risk of disclosure in the coming months.

- **GSS coding and naming policy**

- xvi. On 1st January 2011, the Government Statistical Service introduced a new coding and naming policy for statistical geographies. Nine-digit codes have been developed to ensure consistency when comparing geographical areas as the geographical area covered by an NHS organisation is susceptible to change. These unique markers have been added to the relevant tables within this publication. Further information on the Coding and Naming for Statistical Geographies is available at:
<http://www.ons.gov.uk/about-statistics/geography/policy/coding-and-naming-for-statistical-geographies/index.html>

- **Rounding**

- xvii. Percentages are subject to rounding and totals may not agree with the sum of the component figures shown. Rates are also rounded.

- **Symbols**

- xviii. The following symbols are used in the tables:
. = not applicable

Annex B: Further Information

- **Enquiries**

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- **Links**

This bulletin for 2011, and previous bulletins for 2002 to 2010, can be found on the Department of Health website:

<http://transparency.dh.gov.uk/category/statistics/abortion>

Data for 1991 to 2001 can be sent by email on request.

Information on abortions carried out in Scotland can be found at:

<http://www.isdscotland.org/Health-Topics/Sexual-Health/Abortions>

Facts and figures about abortion in the European Region can be found at:

<http://www.euro.who.int/en/what-we-do/health-topics/Life-stages/sexual-and-reproductive-health/activities/abortion/facts-and-figures-about-abortion-in-the-european-region>

Information on the incidence and recent trends in legal abortion worldwide can be found at:

<http://www.guttmacher.org/pubs/journals/3310607.html>

Conception statistics for England and Wales are available at:

<http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/search/index.html?newquery=conception>

Statistics on the National Chlamydia Screening Programme are available at:

<http://www.chlamydia-screening.nhs.uk/ps/data/index.html>