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## Induced Terminations of Pregnancy: Reporting States, 1980

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### Highlights

Between 1979 and 1980 the ratio of induced abortions to live births decreased for the States reporting this information to the National Center for Health Statistics. This decline represents a change from the pattern of increase reported for each of the years since 1977. The number of abortions continued to increase from 1979 to 1980 as it has in the past for the reporting States. The peak age for induced abortions in 1980 was 18-19 years for white women and 21 for black women. The highest ratios were reported for the youngest and the oldest women, a pattern observed for both white and black women, although at almost every age the ratios for black women were higher than for white women. From 1979 to 1980, ratios decreased for both white and black women.

Induced abortion ratios are associated with marital status; for both the white and black groups, married women have lower ratios than unmarried women. Between 1979 and 1980, abortion ratios decreased for married and unmarried women of both races. The greatest decreases were for white unmarried women, and the smallest, for black unmarried women. Abortion ratios are also associated with educational attainment. For white women, ratios generally decrease with increasing educational attainment, but for black women the ratios generally increase with greater educational attainment. In terms of previous pregnancy history, about 6 out of 10 women having induced terminations in 1980 had no previous live births, and about two-thirds never had a prior induced termination. The median duration of gestation was 9.3 weeks for women having induced terminations in 1980. It was longer for black women on the average than for white women, longer for less educated women, and longer for out-of-State residents than for in-State residents. In 1980 suction curettage

was the type of procedure used in 91.9 percent of all induced terminations. Complications were reported for less than 1 percent of all induced abortions.

### Introduction

This report on induced terminations of pregnancy is based on 1980 data reported to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) by 12 States. Earlier reports showed data for 5 States in 1977, 8 States in 1978, and 13 States in 1979.<sup>1,2</sup> The States included in this report for 1980 are Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

Data are based on individual reports of induced abortions submitted to State vital registration offices. Reports of induced termination are submitted to these offices in accordance with the laws and statutes of the respective States. The reporting States provided data on magnetic tape for individual events coded from copies of the original reports of induced termination of pregnancy. The terms "induced termination of pregnancy" and "induced abortion" are used interchangeably throughout this report. Comparisons between 1979 and 1980 are for the same States in both calendar years. Except where otherwise noted, all data are reported for the 12-State area for 1980 and exclude events to nonresidents of the United States.

Data on induced terminations of pregnancy are shown on both an occurrence and a residence basis. Detailed tables show events on an occurrence basis because these tables represent characteristics and factors associated with utilization of health services within the geographic areas in which the events occurred. In contrast, tables showing induced termination ratios are on a residence basis. Such tables show the

frequency of induced terminations in relation to demographic characteristics associated with births to residents of the area. The distinction between occurrence and residence data is made in the text of the report and in the headnotes of the tables.

Data are analyzed using percent distributions, medians, and ratios (see Technical notes). Induced termination ratios are expressed as the number of induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 live births. Such ratios provide an approximate measure of the frequency of induced abortions in relation to the frequency of pregnancies. An estimate of pregnancies could include the sum of live births, induced terminations, and spontaneous fetal deaths; however, it is common practice to use only live births in calculating these ratios.<sup>3,4</sup> A comparison of abortion ratios per 1,000 live births and per 1,000 live births plus induced terminations is shown in the Technical notes.

The ratios in this report are based on the number of induced terminations of pregnancy and live births occurring in a specified area to residents of that area. Caution should be used in interpreting these ratios because they are affected by both the distribution of live births and the distribution of induced terminations according to such characteristics of the female population as age, race, marital status, and educational attainment. In addition, because different multi-State areas are used, ratios for the same demographic group, such as white females, may differ. Caution should be used in generalizing from the results reported for multi-State reporting areas to the entire United States population.

### Numbers of abortions and abortion ratios

In 1980, a total of 295,932 abortions were reported as occurring to United States residents within the 12-State reporting area, a slight increase from the 295,837 reported for the area in<sup>6</sup> 1979. Of the 1980 abortions, 19,939 involved non-residents of the area. Induced abortions occurring in the reporting States comprised about one-fourth of total U.S. induced terminations reported to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) as occurring in 1980.<sup>5</sup> The induced abortion ratio for the 12-State area was 388.2 induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 live births, a decrease of about 2 percent from the previous year (table A). The 1980 ratio for the entire United States was 359.2 abortions per 1,000 live births, based on abortion estimates from CDC and numbers of live births reported by NCHS.

Comparisons of the trends for the same four States (Kansas, New York excluding New York City, Oregon, and Vermont) can be made for 1977, 1978, 1979, and 1980. From 1977 to 1978 the number of induced abortions occurring in this area to residents of this area increased by 8.8 percent from 60,103 to 65,382; for 1978-79, it increased by 6.8 percent, from 65,382 to 69,828 and for 1979-80, it decreased by 1.1 percent, from 69,828 to 69,079. Induced abortion ratios in these years were, respectively, 294.1, 332.0, 330.7,

**Table A. Ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman, 1980, and percent change, 1979-80: 12-State area**

[Ratios per 1,000 live births. Induced terminations of pregnancy and live births are only those occurring in the area among residents of the area]

Age of woman	All races <sup>1</sup>			All races <sup>1</sup>		
	White	Black	Ratio	White	Black	Percent change <sup>2</sup>
All ages . . . . .	388.2	337.7	638.7	-2.1	-2.3	-0.5
Under 14 years . . . . .	1,868.1	2,085.2	1,749.6	-0.7	+8.3	-4.9
14 years . . . . .	1,380.6	1,632.0	1,200.2	-2.8	+3.8	-8.4
15-19 years . . . . .	738.7	786.3	644.5	-1.9	-3.1	+2.5
15 years . . . . .	975.4	1,177.1	774.9	-6.7	-5.5	-6.0
16 years . . . . .	894.0	1,042.8	673.4	+2.0	+1.4	+4.2
17 years . . . . .	765.4	841.8	621.2	+0.3	-1.0	+5.6
18 years . . . . .	794.1	847.5	669.0	-3.6	-6.6	+5.6
19 years . . . . .	603.1	613.0	591.5	-1.3	-1.2	-0.2
20-24 years . . . . .	411.6	362.2	638.6	-0.9	-0.7	-0.3
25-29 years . . . . .	247.7	197.1	580.1	-0.8	0.0	-1.7
30-34 years . . . . .	254.2	201.7	598.3	-3.8	-4.1	-3.2
35-39 years . . . . .	443.2	371.0	836.5	-3.1	-2.5	-0.3
40 years and over . . . . .	837.8	784.5	1,120.3	-3.9	-0.2	-8.6

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

<sup>2</sup>See Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

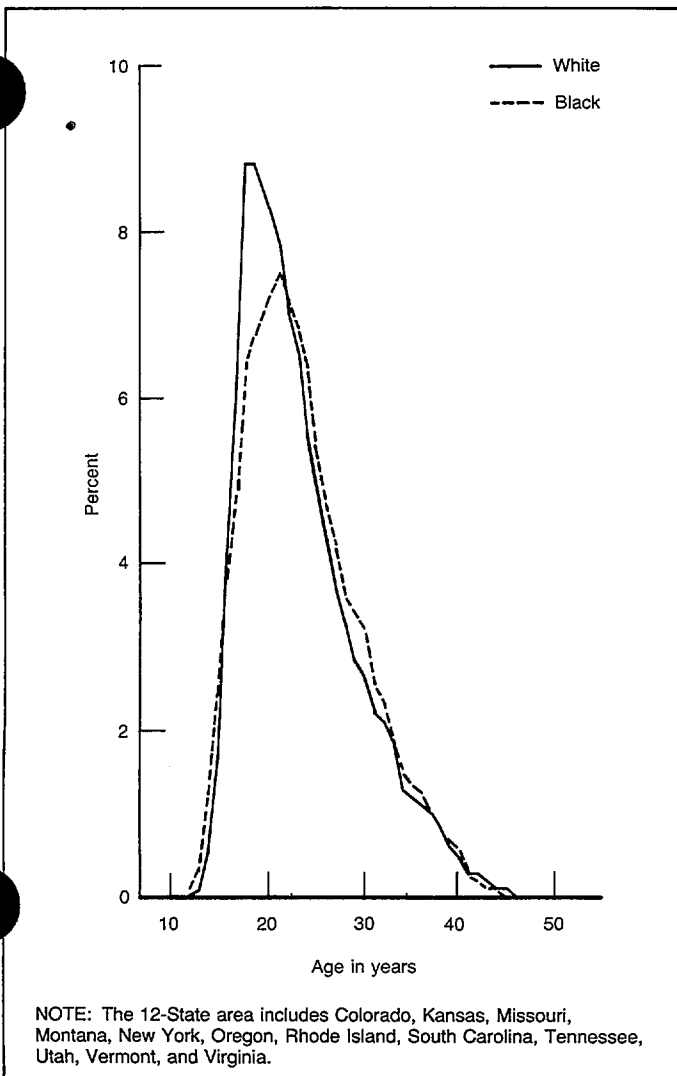
and 318.9. The increases were 9.5 percent between 1977 and 1978, 2.7 percent between 1978 and 1979, and a decrease of 3.7 percent between 1979 and 1980.

### Age and race

More than one-fourth (28.3 percent) of the induced abortions in 1980 in the 12-State area (Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia) were to women under 20 years of age. Another 34.8 percent occurred to women at ages 20-24 years. The remaining 36.8 percent were to women 25 years of age and over.

More than two-thirds (70.2 percent) of the induced abortions were to white women and more than one-fourth (27.8 percent) were to black women. While a similar pattern of terminations by age was found for both white and black women, on the average, white women had terminations at a slightly earlier age (figure 1). The peak age at termination was 18-19 years for white women and 21 years for black women. Median ages of women at the time of termination were 22.6 and 23.3 years of age for white and black women, respectively.

Induced abortion ratios varied considerably by age of woman at termination (table A). They were highest at the extremes of the age distribution of the childbearing period, that is, among women 14 years of age and under and among women 40 years of age and over. However, the women in these age groups accounted for a small percent of induced terminations and live births (less than 1 percent in each age group).



**Figure 1. Percent distribution of induced terminations of pregnancy by single years of age of woman, according to race: 12-State area, 1980**

For white women there were 337.7 induced terminations per 1,000 live births in 1980 compared with 638.7 for black women. Ratios for black women were higher than those for white women for all age groups except the teen years. From 1979 to 1980 induced abortion ratios for residents of the 12-State area decreased by 2.1 percent. The ratio declined by 2.3 percent for white women and by 0.5 percent for black women. No consistent pattern of increase or decrease by age was evident in the ratios for either white or black women.

**Marital status**

Eleven States (Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia) and New York City collected information on the marital status of women having induced terminations. Of the induced abortions occurring in this reporting

area in 1980, 23.9 percent were reported for married women, and 76.1 were reported for unmarried women.

Age at induced termination differed greatly between married and unmarried women. Nearly two-thirds (65.0 percent) of married women having induced terminations were 25 years of age or older, while less than one-third (28.9 percent) of unmarried women having induced abortions were this old. The median age of married women having induced abortions in 1980 was 27.4 years, nearly 6 years older than the median age of 21.8 years for unmarried women.

Induced abortion ratios by marital status and race for events to residents occurring in the 11-State area are shown in table B. (Data for New York City were excluded because information was not obtained on mothers' marital status for live births occurring in New York City.) Married women had less than 1 induced abortion for every 10 live births, while unmarried women had 13 induced abortions for every 10 live births. Induced termination ratios for black married women were about 2.4 times those of white married women. Among unmarried women, in contrast, ratios for black women were about one-fourth those of white women.

**Table B. Ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy, by marital status and race of woman, 1980, and percent change, 1979-80: 11-State area**

[Ratios per 1,000 live births. Induced terminations of pregnancy and live births are only those occurring in the area among residents of the area]

Race of woman	Ratio			Percent change <sup>2</sup>		
	All women	Married	Unmarried	All women	Married	Unmarried
All races <sup>1</sup>	283.8	76.7	1,330.7	-0.6	-5.4	-2.2
White	269.8	67.4	2,199.7	-0.5	-5.5	-6.7
Black	370.7	163.4	547.4	+0.4	-2.6	-0.1

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

<sup>2</sup>See Technical notes.

NOTE: The 11-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

Trends in induced abortion ratios by marital status and race from 1979 to 1980 can be compared for residents of these States. For all races combined, the induced abortion ratio for married women decreased 5.4 percent, and for unmarried women it decreased by 2.2 percent. Among the married, the ratio decreased by 5.5 percent for white women and 2.6 percent for black women. Among the unmarried, a greater decrease in induced abortion ratios from 1979 to 1980 occurred among white women (6.7 percent) than among black women, for whom the ratio decreased by only 0.1 percent.

**Educational attainment**

For a nine-State area (Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia) in 1980, data are available on induced abortions by the educational attainment of women. Area residents having

induced abortions had the same median educational attainment level as their counterparts carrying their pregnancies to term, 12.6 years.

For white women induced termination ratios generally decreased with increasing educational attainment for women with at least some secondary school education (nine years or more of schooling). Highest ratios in 1980 were for women with 9-11 years of schooling (table C). For black women, in contrast, ratios generally increased with increasing education, with the highest ratios for women with 13-15 years of schooling.

**Table C. Ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy, by race and educational attainment of woman: 9-State area, 1980**

[Ratios per 1,000 live births. Induced terminations of pregnancy and live births are only those occurring in the area among residents of the area]

Years of school completed	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black
		Ratio	
All years of school completed	425.4	357.0	771.6
0-8 years	318.0	290.3	473.7
9-11 years	467.7	426.1	585.9
12 years	444.8	355.3	891.9
13-15 years	475.2	402.5	926.9
16 years or more	288.0	255.8	734.7

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

NOTE: The 9-State area includes Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

## Previous pregnancies

### Previous live births

More than half (57.0 percent) of the women who obtained induced abortions in the 12-State area in 1980 had no previous live birth. The percent was greater among white than among black women, 64.5 percent compared with 39.0 percent (table D). For women having an induced abortion the percent with previous live births varied greatly by age of woman. Among women aged 15-17 years, 92.5 percent had no previous live birth. In contrast, among the oldest group of women, aged 40 years and over, only 9.8 percent had no previous live birth. While this general pattern existed for women of both races, black women having induced abortions were more likely to have had previous live births at all ages than white women.

For an 11-State area (Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia) and New York City, data are available on the number of previous live births to women having abortions in 1980 according to the age and marital status of the woman.

While only 22.7 percent of married women had no previous live birth, nearly two-thirds (66.0 percent) of unmarried women had no previous live birth. The percent of women with no previous live birth declined with age for both married and unmarried women.

**Table D. Percent distribution of induced terminations of pregnancy by number of previous live births of woman, according to race: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Number of previous live births	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black
	Percent distribution		
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth	57.0	64.5	39.0
1 previous live birth	19.7	16.6	27.7
2 previous live births	14.1	12.0	19.0
3 previous live births	5.6	4.5	8.2
4 previous live births	2.1	1.5	3.6
5 previous live births	0.8	0.6	1.4
6 previous live births	0.3	0.2	0.6
7 or more previous live births	0.3	0.2	0.5

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

## Previous induced terminations

For the 12-State area nearly two-thirds (65.7 percent) of women having induced abortions in 1980 had no prior induced termination. For those under 15 years of age, the youngest group, 94.7 percent had no previous induced abortion (table E). Among those 40 years of age and over, the oldest age group, almost one of every three (32.8 percent) women having an induced abortion in 1980 had experienced one or more prior induced terminations of pregnancy. The highest proportion (45.2 percent) of women having repeated induced abortions were aged 25-29 years. In all age groups, a larger percent of black women than white women had experienced prior induced abortions (figure 2).

**Table E. Percent of induced terminations of pregnancy to women with no previous induced termination, by age and race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black
All ages	65.7	68.9	57.8
Under 15 years	94.7	96.0	93.5
15-17 years	87.6	89.1	83.9
18-19 years	77.6	79.6	70.8
20-24 years	62.2	65.1	54.5
25-29 years	54.8	57.9	47.1
30-34 years	56.4	60.0	47.0
35-39 years	60.1	65.8	48.0
40 years and over	67.2	72.2	54.5

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

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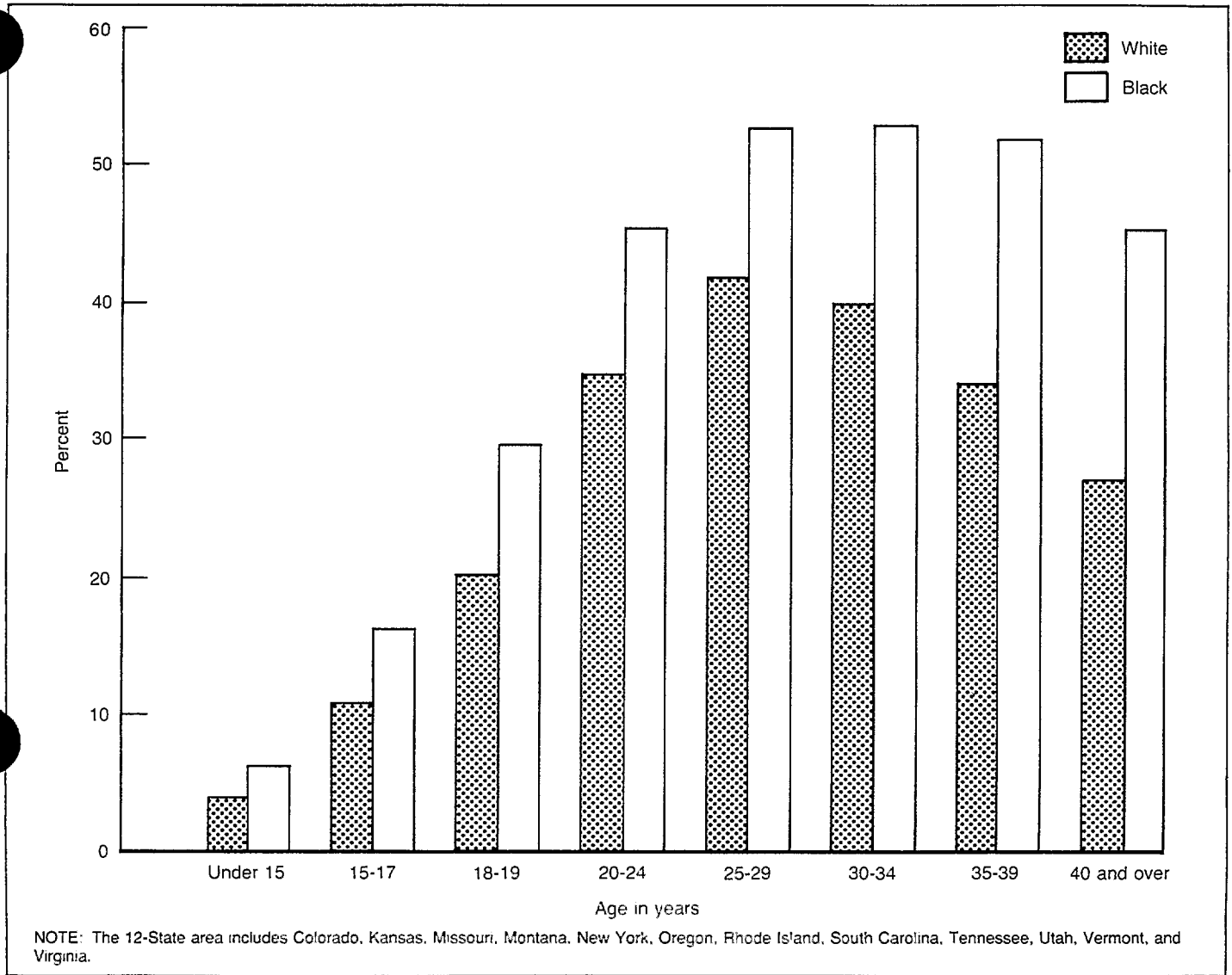


Figure 2. Percent of induced terminations of pregnancy to women having had 1 or more previous induced terminations, by age and race of woman: 12-State area, 1980

## Gestational age

More than 4 out of 10 induced terminations occurring in the 12-State area in 1980 were for pregnancies of 8 weeks or less duration, as shown in table F. Almost as many induced terminations occurred for pregnancies of 9-12 weeks duration (43.3 percent) as for those of 8 weeks or less (45.5 percent). Only 11.2 percent of all induced abortions were obtained by women whose pregnancies had lasted more than 12 weeks. The length of the gestational period for women having induced terminations varied by age of the woman; it tended to be longer for younger women than for older women. For women aged 10-17 years the median gestational period was 10.3 weeks compared with 8.8 weeks for women aged 25 years and over. The same pattern prevailed for both black and white women. However, black women at every age had longer gestational periods prior to induced termination.

**Table F. Percent distribution of induced terminations of pregnancy by period of gestation, according to age of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>	All ages	10-17 years	18-24 years	25 years and over	Percent distribution			
All periods of gestation . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0				
6 weeks or less . . . . .	10.7	5.4	8.9	14.9				
7-8 weeks . . . . .	34.8	24.6	33.3	40.1				
9-12 weeks . . . . .	43.3	49.9	45.9	37.5				
13 weeks or more . . . . .	11.2	20.0	11.8	7.5				

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "date last normal menses began" and "physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

For a nine-State area (Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia) in 1980, data are available to examine gestational age by educational attainment, as well as by age and race of the women. For these States, white women had induced abortions at slightly earlier gestational ages than black women, with median gestational ages of 9.2 weeks and 9.5 weeks, respectively. Generally, delayed terminations were associated with less educational attainment. Thus, for women with less than a high school education median gestational age was 9.9 weeks compared with 8.8 weeks for women with more than a high school education. When this relationship is restricted to older women who had an opportunity to complete their schooling, a similar, but attenuated, relationship exists. Women 25 years of age and over with less than a high school education had abortions after about 9.1 weeks of

gestation, while those with more than a high school education terminated their pregnancies after about 8.5 weeks of gestation. The relationship between educational attainment and gestational duration at time of induced termination was similar for white and black women, although black women of every educational attainment level had induced abortions later in their pregnancies than white women.

## Type of procedure and reported complications

Data on types of procedures used to induce pregnancy terminations are available for the 12-State area for 1980. These figures indicate that more than 9 out of 10 inductions were performed by suction curettage. No other method accounted for as much as 4 percent of the inductions. Variations are noted in type of procedure used by length of gestation (figure 3). While suction curettage is the preponderant procedure for induced abortions under 13 weeks and even between 13 and 15 weeks gestation as shown in table G, saline instillation accounts for the largest proportion of inductions at 16 weeks or more gestation.

Overall, complications were indicated on the reporting form for less than 1 percent of the induced terminations in 1980. The percent of abortions with complications was greatest for those inductions performed by hysterotomy and hysterectomy and saline and prostaglandin instillation (10.4 percent), and was the least for those performed by suction and sharp curettage (0.4 percent).

**Table G. Percent distribution of induced terminations of pregnancy by type of procedure, according to period of gestation: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Type of procedure	Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>			
	All periods of gestation	Under 13 weeks	13-15 weeks	16 weeks or more
	Percent distribution			
All procedures . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Suction curettage . .	91.9	96.8	81.4	24.1
Sharp curettage . . .	1.6	1.7	0.9	0.8
Saline instillation . .	3.7	0.4	9.3	51.9
Prostaglandin instillation . . . . .	1.2	0.2	3.8	14.8
Hysterotomy . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Hysterectomy . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1
Other . . . . .	1.5	0.9	4.4	8.2

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "date last normal menses began" and "physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

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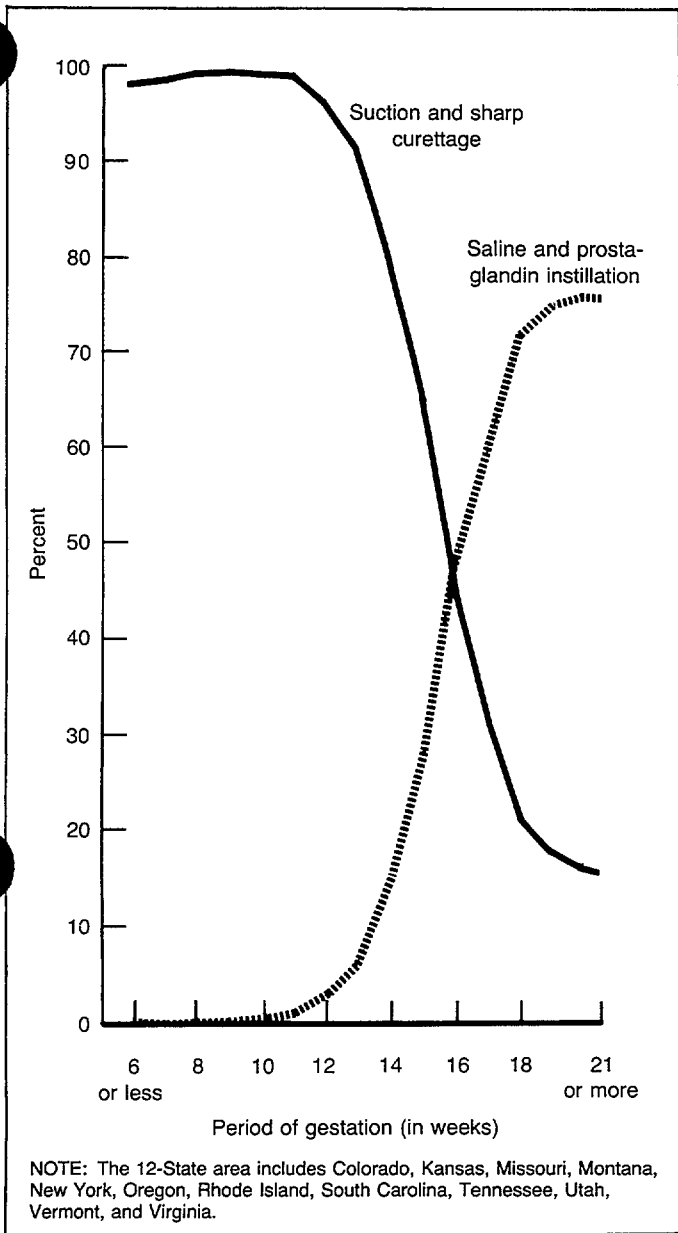


Figure 3. Percent distribution of induced terminations by period of gestation for curettage and instillation procedures: 12-State area, 1980

### Residence patterns

#### Metropolitan and nonmetropolitan residence

In 1980 metropolitan area residents obtained over 85 percent of the induced terminations occurring in the 12-State area. Residents of nonmetropolitan areas having induced abortions were on the average younger than metropolitan women having induced terminations. The median age at termination for nonmetropolitan women was 21.8 years, and for metropolitan women it was 23.1 years.

The relative frequency of induced abortions per 1,000 live births was greater for residents of metropolitan areas than for residents of nonmetropolitan areas regardless of race (table H). For the 12-State area, data by metropolitan residence are available for comparisons of 1979 and 1980. An 8.5-percent decrease occurred in the induced termination ratio for residents of nonmetropolitan areas compared with a 6.8 percent decline for residents of metropolitan areas.

Table H. Ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy by race and metropolitan-nonmetropolitan residence, 1980, and percent change, 1979-80: 12-State area

[Ratios per 1,000 live births. Induced terminations of pregnancy and live births are only those occurring in the area among residents of the area]

Geographic area	All races <sup>1</sup>		All races <sup>1</sup>			
	White	Black	White	Black	Ratio	Percent change <sup>2</sup>
All areas . . . . .	388.2	638.7	377.7	638.7	-2.1	-2.3 -0.5
Metropolitan areas . . . . .	457.4	721.9	396.6	721.9	-6.8	-6.5 -4.7
Nonmetropolitan areas . . . . .	192.8	220.3	190.4	220.3	-8.5	-8.5 -6.7

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

<sup>2</sup>See Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

### Out-of-State residents

In the 12-State area in 1980, only 8.9 percent of induced abortions were obtained by women outside their State of residence. Nearly two-thirds (62.9 percent) were obtained by women in their home county and the remainder (28.2 percent) were obtained by women in their home State but outside their county of residence.

Residence status is associated with the duration of gestation of induced terminations. Women obtaining their induced abortion out of their State of residence have a longer pregnancy prior to termination than those women having induced terminations in their State of residence. The median gestational period of induced abortions for out-of-State residents was 9.9 weeks compared with 9.2 weeks for women obtaining induced terminations in their State of residence. Furthermore, 21.5 percent of out-of-State residents obtained their induced abortions after 12 weeks compared with 10.2 percent of State residents.

The percent of terminations accounted for by State residents varied from State to State. State residents had at least 90 percent of induced abortions in Colorado, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Utah, and Virginia. In Missouri, Rhode Island, and Tennessee between 80 and 90 percent of induced terminations were to State residents. Between 70 and 80 percent of induced abortions in Vermont were to State residents and less than 60 percent of induced terminations in Kansas were to State residents.

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**Table 1. Number and percent distribution of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by age of woman, according to metropolitan and nonmetropolitan residence and race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman	All areas			Metropolitan areas			Nonmetropolitan areas		
	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black
	Number								
All ages . . . . .	295,932	202,490	80,059	252,523	166,413	74,535	43,409	36,077	5,524
Under 14 years . . . . .	700	264	412	573	189	364	127	75	48
14 years . . . . .	2,172	1,096	1,009	1,747	774	917	425	322	92
15-19 years . . . . .	80,616	58,528	19,276	65,849	45,853	17,708	14,767	12,675	1,568
15 years . . . . .	5,394	3,345	1,897	4,352	2,495	1,737	1,042	850	160
16 years . . . . .	11,188	7,842	3,010	9,053	6,051	2,733	2,135	1,791	277
17 years . . . . .	16,240	11,821	3,856	13,262	9,253	3,563	2,978	2,568	293
18 years . . . . .	23,792	17,801	5,137	19,406	14,024	4,694	4,386	3,777	443
19 years . . . . .	24,002	17,719	5,376	19,776	14,030	4,981	4,226	3,689	395
20-24 years . . . . .	102,670	70,722	27,681	87,899	58,444	25,776	14,771	12,278	1,905
25-29 years . . . . .	58,357	38,378	16,983	51,091	32,563	15,900	7,266	5,815	1,083
30-34 years . . . . .	31,224	20,233	9,034	27,608	17,324	8,515	3,616	2,909	519
35-39 years . . . . .	14,383	9,412	4,132	12,657	7,998	3,897	1,726	1,414	235
40 years and over . . . . .	4,502	3,111	1,130	3,899	2,604	1,064	603	507	66
Not stated . . . . .	1,308	746	402	1,200	664	394	108	82	8
	Percent distribution								
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 14 years . . . . .	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.2	0.9
14 years . . . . .	0.7	0.5	1.3	0.7	0.5	1.2	1.0	0.9	1.7
15-19 years . . . . .	27.4	29.0	24.2	26.2	27.7	23.9	34.1	35.2	28.4
15 years . . . . .	1.8	1.7	2.4	1.7	1.5	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.9
16 years . . . . .	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.6	3.7	3.7	4.9	5.0	5.0
17 years . . . . .	5.5	5.9	4.8	5.3	5.6	4.8	6.9	7.1	5.3
18 years . . . . .	8.1	8.8	6.4	7.7	8.5	6.3	10.1	10.5	8.0
19 years . . . . .	8.1	8.8	6.7	7.9	8.5	6.7	9.8	10.2	7.2
20-24 years . . . . .	34.8	35.1	34.8	35.0	35.3	34.8	34.1	34.1	34.5
25-29 years . . . . .	19.8	19.0	21.3	20.3	19.6	21.4	16.8	16.2	19.6
30-34 years . . . . .	10.6	10.0	11.3	11.0	10.5	11.5	8.4	8.1	9.4
35-39 years . . . . .	4.9	4.7	5.2	5.0	4.8	5.3	4.0	3.9	4.3
40 years and over . . . . .	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.6	1.6	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.2

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 2. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by residence status of woman and percent distribution by period of gestation, according to residence status of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>	All induced terminations occurring in area	Induced terminations occurring in area among U.S. residents	Induced terminations occurring in State of residence			Induced terminations among inter-state non-residents	Induced terminations among non-residents of United States
			Total	Occurring in county of residence	Among intrastate nonresidents		
Number							
Total . . . . .	296,888	295,932	269,505	186,002	83,503	26,427	956
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	10.7	10.7	11.0	12.5	7.5	8.4	5.9
7 weeks . . . . .	16.0	16.0	16.2	17.3	13.8	13.5	13.2
8 weeks . . . . .	18.8	18.8	19.1	19.2	18.8	15.9	13.5
9 weeks . . . . .	16.0	16.0	16.1	15.7	17.0	14.1	12.1
10 weeks . . . . .	12.7	12.7	12.8	12.1	14.3	11.9	9.2
11 weeks . . . . .	9.2	9.2	9.2	8.4	10.8	9.4	8.0
12 weeks . . . . .	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.1	6.3	5.2	4.1
13 weeks . . . . .	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.6	3.2	3.4	1.9
14 weeks . . . . .	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.9	2.2	1.5
15 weeks . . . . .	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.3	1.8	0.9
16 weeks . . . . .	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9	1.2	1.7	1.7
17 weeks . . . . .	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.0	1.7	3.3
18 weeks . . . . .	1.0	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.9	2.1	3.5
19 weeks . . . . .	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.7	1.9	6.4
20 weeks . . . . .	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.9	4.0
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.8	0.9	4.9	10.9

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 3. Number and percent distribution of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by age of woman, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
All ages . . . . .	295,932	202,490	85,809	80,059	5,750	7,633
Under 14 years . . . . .	700	264	421	412	9	15
14 years . . . . .	2,172	1,096	1,029	1,009	20	47
15-19 years . . . . .	80,616	58,528	20,111	19,276	835	1,977
15 years . . . . .	5,394	3,345	1,929	1,897	32	120
16 years . . . . .	11,188	7,842	3,087	3,010	77	259
17 years . . . . .	16,240	11,821	4,006	3,856	150	413
18 years . . . . .	23,792	17,801	5,406	5,137	269	585
19 years . . . . .	24,002	17,719	5,683	5,376	307	600
20-24 years . . . . .	102,670	70,722	29,357	27,681	1,676	2,591
25-29 years . . . . .	58,357	38,378	18,434	16,983	1,451	1,545
30-34 years . . . . .	31,224	20,233	10,136	9,034	1,102	855
35-39 years . . . . .	14,383	9,412	4,608	4,132	476	363
40 years and over . . . . .	4,502	3,111	1,271	1,130	141	120
Not stated . . . . .	1,308	746	442	402	40	120
Percent distribution						
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 14 years . . . . .	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.2	0.2
14 years . . . . .	0.7	0.5	1.2	1.3	0.4	0.6
15-19 years . . . . .	27.4	29.0	23.6	24.2	14.6	26.3
15 years . . . . .	1.8	1.7	2.3	2.4	0.6	1.6
16 years . . . . .	3.8	3.9	3.6	3.8	1.3	3.4
17 years . . . . .	5.5	5.9	4.7	4.8	2.6	5.5
18 years . . . . .	8.1	8.8	6.3	6.4	4.7	7.8
19 years . . . . .	8.1	8.8	6.7	6.7	5.4	8.0
20-24 years . . . . .	34.8	35.1	34.4	34.8	29.4	34.5
25-29 years . . . . .	19.8	19.0	21.6	21.3	25.4	20.6
30-34 years . . . . .	10.6	10.0	11.9	11.3	19.3	11.4
35-39 years . . . . .	4.9	4.7	5.4	5.2	8.3	4.8
40 years and over . . . . .	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4	2.5	1.6

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 4. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by age of woman and percent distribution by period of gestation, according to age of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>	All ages	Under 14 years		15-19 years						20-24 years	25-29 years	30-34 years	35-39 years	40 years and over	Not stated
		14 years	14 years	Total	15 years	16 years	17 years	18 years	19 years						
Number															
Total . . . . .	295,932	700	2,172	80,616	5,394	11,188	16,240	23,792	24,002	102,670	58,357	31,224	14,383	4,502	1,308
Percent distribution															
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	10.7	9.0	5.2	6.2	5.1	5.5	5.4	6.3	7.3	9.9	13.5	16.6	17.1	15.3	14.1
7 weeks . . . . .	16.0	6.7	8.2	11.5	8.3	9.5	10.5	12.3	13.0	15.8	19.0	20.4	20.9	19.0	17.5
8 weeks . . . . .	18.8	12.3	12.3	16.4	13.4	14.8	16.1	16.2	18.1	19.2	20.3	20.9	20.1	19.9	18.2
9 weeks . . . . .	16.0	12.9	14.2	16.3	14.3	15.4	16.4	16.6	16.7	16.5	15.6	15.0	14.7	15.6	14.9
10 weeks . . . . .	12.7	10.0	13.5	14.9	14.5	14.7	15.3	15.2	14.6	12.9	11.4	10.3	10.0	11.2	13.3
11 weeks . . . . .	9.2	9.4	12.2	11.5	12.3	12.2	11.7	11.5	10.7	9.5	7.7	6.6	6.6	6.7	7.0
12 weeks . . . . .	5.5	8.0	8.5	7.1	8.0	7.8	7.3	7.0	6.5	5.5	4.5	3.7	3.8	3.6	4.6
13 weeks . . . . .	2.8	5.5	3.9	3.8	4.6	4.4	3.8	3.7	3.3	2.9	2.2	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.9
14 weeks . . . . .	1.7	2.6	2.6	2.4	3.4	2.5	2.7	2.3	2.1	1.6	1.4	1.1	1.1	1.4	1.6
15 weeks . . . . .	1.2	2.6	2.6	1.7	2.6	2.3	1.7	1.6	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.1	0.9
16 weeks . . . . .	1.1	3.2	3.3	1.5	2.4	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.5
17 weeks . . . . .	0.9	3.3	2.8	1.4	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.9
18 weeks . . . . .	1.0	3.0	3.0	1.4	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.1	0.9	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7
19 weeks . . . . .	0.7	3.3	2.4	1.1	2.0	1.5	1.2	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.5
20 weeks . . . . .	0.6	3.2	1.6	0.9	1.5	1.3	1.0	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.8
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.2	4.9	3.6	1.9	3.5	2.6	2.1	1.6	1.4	1.1	0.7	0.6	0.7	1.2	1.8

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 5. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and number of previous live births	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
All ages . . . . .	295,932	202,490	85,809	80,059	5,750	7,633
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	57.0	64.5	39.2	39.0	42.1	63.0
1 previous live birth . . . . .	19.7	16.6	27.3	27.7	21.9	16.5
2 previous live births . . . . .	14.1	12.0	19.1	19.0	21.0	13.0
3 previous live births . . . . .	5.6	4.5	8.3	8.2	8.8	4.8
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.1	1.5	3.6	3.6	3.5	1.7
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.8	0.6	1.4	1.4	1.4	0.5
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.3
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.3	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.2
Number						
Under 15 years . . . . .	2,872	1,360	1,450	1,421	29	62
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	98.1	98.4	97.7	97.7	96.6	100.0
1 previous live birth . . . . .	1.6	1.2	2.0	2.1	—	—
2 previous live births . . . . .	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	3.4	—
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.1	—	—	—	—
4 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Number						
15-17 years . . . . .	32,822	23,008	9,022	8,763	259	792
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	92.5	94.6	87.2	87.1	89.8	94.1
1 previous live birth . . . . .	6.7	4.9	11.5	11.6	7.8	4.4
2 previous live births . . . . .	0.7	0.5	1.1	1.1	2.0	1.5
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.4	—
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	—	—	—	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	—	0.0	0.0	—	—
Number						
18-19 years . . . . .	47,794	35,520	11,089	10,513	576	1,185
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	82.1	87.6	64.3	63.5	78.5	85.7
1 previous live birth . . . . .	14.4	10.2	27.9	28.4	19.0	11.7
2 previous live births . . . . .	3.0	1.9	6.6	6.8	2.1	2.5
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.4	0.2	0.9	1.0	0.4	—
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	—	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	—	—

**Table 5. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and number of previous live births	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
20-24 years . . . . .	102,670	70,722	29,357	27,681	1,676	2,591
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	60.9	70.1	38.2	37.1	55.5	70.7
1 previous live birth . . . . .	23.6	18.8	35.6	36.1	26.4	17.4
2 previous live births . . . . .	11.6	8.7	18.9	19.2	13.3	9.1
3 previous live births . . . . .	3.0	2.0	5.5	5.6	3.6	2.3
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.7	0.4	1.4	1.5	0.8	0.4
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	—	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	—	—
Number						
25-29 years . . . . .	58,357	38,378	18,434	16,983	1,451	1,545
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	40.1	48.6	21.8	20.7	33.8	50.6
1 previous live birth . . . . .	25.6	23.3	30.5	30.8	27.3	21.5
2 previous live births . . . . .	22.2	19.4	28.1	28.2	26.0	19.6
3 previous live births . . . . .	8.2	6.2	12.5	12.9	8.5	5.8
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.7	1.8	4.8	4.9	2.9	1.5
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.8	0.5	1.6	1.7	1.0	0.6
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.2
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.2
Number						
30-34 years . . . . .	31,224	20,233	10,136	9,034	1,102	855
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	24.0	29.2	13.6	13.0	18.4	26.3
1 previous live birth . . . . .	22.3	22.2	22.2	22.6	19.0	23.7
2 previous live births . . . . .	30.0	29.2	31.6	31.1	35.9	30.4
3 previous live births . . . . .	14.4	12.8	17.6	17.6	17.4	12.6
4 previous live births . . . . .	5.9	4.3	9.1	9.5	5.9	5.1
5 previous live births . . . . .	2.1	1.5	3.5	3.7	1.9	0.7
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.8	0.5	1.4	1.5	0.7	0.8
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.5	0.3	1.0	1.0	0.7	0.5
Number						
35-39 years . . . . .	14,383	9,412	4,608	4,132	476	363
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	14.7	17.5	9.2	9.0	11.3	11.8
1 previous live birth . . . . .	15.8	15.8	15.6	15.8	14.0	17.4
2 previous live births . . . . .	30.0	31.3	27.3	26.7	32.1	30.5
3 previous live births . . . . .	20.2	19.7	21.0	21.4	18.0	21.2
4 previous live births . . . . .	10.5	9.1	13.3	13.4	12.1	11.8
5 previous live births . . . . .	4.8	4.0	6.6	6.8	5.5	2.5
6 previous live births . . . . .	2.1	1.4	3.6	3.7	3.2	3.4
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	1.9	1.2	3.3	3.3	3.8	1.2

**Table 5. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and number of previous live births	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
40 years and over . . . . .	4,502	3,111	1,271	1,130	141	120
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	9.8	10.9	7.6	7.7	7.1	6.7
1 previous live birth . . . . .	11.0	10.9	11.2	12.0	5.0	12.5
2 previous live births . . . . .	25.7	27.1	22.2	21.8	25.7	27.9
3 previous live births . . . . .	22.7	24.2	18.6	17.8	25.7	26.9
4 previous live births . . . . .	13.2	12.6	14.7	14.6	15.0	12.5
5 previous live births . . . . .	8.2	7.0	11.0	11.2	9.3	6.7
6 previous live births . . . . .	4.5	3.8	6.2	6.7	2.1	1.9
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	4.9	3.5	8.5	8.3	10.0	4.8
Number						
Not stated . . . . .	1,308	746	442	402	40	120
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	50.5	57.0	38.3	37.4	47.4	57.3
1 previous live birth . . . . .	21.5	19.2	26.1	26.6	21.1	18.4
2 previous live births . . . . .	16.8	15.6	19.3	19.8	13.2	14.6
3 previous live births . . . . .	6.8	5.8	8.5	8.5	7.9	6.8
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.3	1.1	4.6	4.5	5.3	1.0
5 previous live births . . . . .	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.3	—	1.9
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.4	—	1.1	1.0	2.6	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.5	0.3	0.9	0.8	2.6	—

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 6. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous induced terminations, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and number of previous induced terminations	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
All ages . . . . .	295,932	202,490	85,809	80,059	5,750	7,633
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	65.7	68.9	58.2	57.8	62.8	68.9
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	23.9	22.5	27.2	27.4	24.0	22.7
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	7.2	6.1	10.0	10.1	8.6	6.0
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	3.1	2.5	4.7	4.7	4.5	2.4
Number						
Under 15 years . . . . .	2,872	1,360	1,450	1,421	29	62
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	94.7	96.0	93.4	93.5	89.7	98.2
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	4.9	3.6	6.3	6.2	10.3	1.8
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	—	—
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	0.1	0.2	—	—	—	—
Number						
15–17 years . . . . .	32,822	23,008	9,022	8,763	259	792
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	87.6	89.1	83.9	83.9	85.3	89.6
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	11.1	9.9	14.2	14.3	11.5	9.3
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	1.1	0.9	1.6	1.6	2.4	1.1
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.8	—
Number						
18–19 years . . . . .	47,794	35,520	11,089	10,513	576	1,185
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	77.6	79.6	71.1	70.8	76.1	79.5
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	18.7	17.4	23.2	23.4	18.6	16.2
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	3.1	2.5	4.7	4.8	4.2	3.8
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	0.6	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.1	0.5
Number						
20–24 years . . . . .	102,670	70,722	29,357	27,681	1,676	2,591
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	62.2	65.1	55.1	54.5	64.4	65.7
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	27.2	26.0	30.1	30.4	24.3	26.3
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	7.8	6.7	10.5	10.7	8.0	6.1
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	2.8	2.2	4.3	4.4	3.4	1.8
Number						
25–29 years . . . . .	58,357	38,378	18,434	16,983	1,451	1,545
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	54.8	57.9	48.1	47.1	59.3	59.4
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	29.2	28.1	31.4	31.9	26.4	28.7
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	10.8	9.6	13.6	13.9	9.7	8.2
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	5.2	4.4	6.9	7.1	4.6	3.7



**Table 6. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous induced terminations, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and number of previous induced terminations	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
30-34 years . . . . .	31,224	20,233	10,136	9,034	1,102	855
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	56.4	60.4	48.0	47.0	56.4	61.9
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	26.9	25.3	30.2	30.7	26.1	25.5
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	10.7	9.2	13.9	14.3	11.1	8.3
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	6.0	5.1	7.9	8.1	6.3	4.4
Number						
35-39 years . . . . .	14,383	9,412	4,608	4,132	476	363
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	60.1	65.8	48.7	48.0	54.9	62.3
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	23.5	21.4	28.1	28.4	25.2	20.0
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	9.9	7.7	14.4	14.7	11.1	8.7
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	6.4	5.1	8.9	8.9	8.9	9.0
Number						
40 years and over . . . . .	4,502	3,111	1,271	1,130	141	120
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	67.2	72.2	54.8	54.5	56.9	72.9
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	19.3	17.3	24.1	24.2	23.4	18.7
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	8.4	6.4	13.4	14.2	7.3	6.2
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	5.1	4.2	7.7	7.1	12.4	2.1
Number						
Not stated . . . . .	1,308	746	442	402	40	120
Percent distribution						
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous induced termination . . . . .	65.0	70.4	56.5	56.0	61.5	63.1
1 previous induced termination . . . . .	23.1	20.4	27.9	28.4	23.1	22.3
2 previous induced terminations . . . . .	8.1	6.2	11.1	10.9	12.8	8.7
3 or more previous induced terminations . . . . .	3.7	3.0	4.5	4.7	2.6	5.8

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 7. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and marital status of woman and percent distribution by age and marital status of woman, according to race of woman: 11-State area and New York City, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Marital status and age of woman	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
All women . . . . .	247,445	162,906	78,023	72,646	5,377	6,516
Percent distribution						
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 15 years . . . . .	1.0	0.7	1.7	1.7	0.5	0.8
15-17 years . . . . .	11.0	11.3	10.4	10.9	4.5	10.8
18-19 years . . . . .	15.7	17.1	12.8	13.0	10.0	16.1
20-24 years . . . . .	34.7	34.9	34.2	34.6	29.8	35.3
25-29 years . . . . .	20.4	19.7	21.9	21.6	25.5	20.5
30-34 years . . . . .	10.9	10.3	12.1	11.6	19.3	10.7
35-39 years . . . . .	4.8	4.6	5.4	5.2	8.0	4.3
40 years and over . . . . .	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.4	1.5
Number						
Married women . . . . .	58,185	39,386	17,444	14,889	2,555	1,355
Percent distribution						
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 15 years . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-
15-17 years . . . . .	1.2	1.5	0.7	0.7	0.5	1.0
18-19 years . . . . .	5.5	6.5	3.2	3.2	3.2	5.4
20-24 years . . . . .	28.3	29.6	25.3	26.0	21.4	27.8
25-29 years . . . . .	29.3	28.5	31.0	31.3	28.9	29.9
30-34 years . . . . .	20.8	19.6	23.5	22.6	28.3	21.2
35-39 years . . . . .	10.9	10.2	12.4	12.2	13.5	10.5
40 years and over . . . . .	4.0	4.0	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.2
Number						
Unmarried women . . . . .	185,253	121,756	59,515	56,760	2,755	3,982
Percent distribution						
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 15 years . . . . .	1.3	0.9	2.1	2.2	0.9	1.2
15-17 years . . . . .	14.1	14.5	13.3	13.5	8.3	14.0
18-19 years . . . . .	19.0	20.6	15.6	15.6	16.4	19.4
20-24 years . . . . .	36.7	36.6	36.9	36.8	37.5	37.6
25-29 years . . . . .	17.6	16.7	19.3	19.1	22.5	17.4
30-34 years . . . . .	7.7	7.2	8.7	8.6	10.7	7.3
35-39 years . . . . .	2.9	2.7	3.3	3.4	3.0	2.4
40 years and over . . . . .	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6
Number						
Not stated . . . . .	4,007	1,764	1,064	997	67	1,179
Percent distribution						
All ages . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 15 years . . . . .	1.1	0.5	2.5	2.6	1.6	0.6
15-17 years . . . . .	10.2	9.8	9.8	10.2	3.1	11.3
18-19 years . . . . .	14.7	14.9	11.9	12.0	9.4	17.2
20-24 years . . . . .	34.1	33.1	33.9	34.0	32.8	35.8
25-29 years . . . . .	21.1	22.0	20.6	20.5	21.9	20.3
30-34 years . . . . .	11.9	12.0	13.6	12.9	25.0	10.0
35-39 years . . . . .	5.3	6.0	5.7	5.8	4.7	3.7
40 years and over . . . . .	1.6	1.6	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.1

NOTE: The 11-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

Table 8. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age and educational attainment of woman, according to race of woman: 9-State area, 1980

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and years of school completed	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
All ages . . . . .	261,240	175,648	82,604	77,339	5,265	2,988
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	3.3	3.1	3.6	3.4	6.5	6.3
9-11 years . . . . .	20.3	19.3	22.3	22.7	16.2	21.0
12 years . . . . .	44.7	43.1	48.0	48.4	43.0	42.9
13-15 years . . . . .	21.3	22.4	19.1	19.1	18.4	18.8
16 years or more . . . . .	10.4	12.0	7.0	6.5	15.9	11.0
Number						
Under 15 years . . . . .	2,610	1,184	1,398	1,371	27	28
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	65.2	64.1	65.9	65.8	66.7	90.9
9-11 years . . . . .	34.8	35.9	34.1	34.2	33.3	9.1
12 years . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-
13-15 years . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-
16 years or more . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number						
15-17 years . . . . .	28,546	19,645	8,648	8,428	220	253
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	4.8	4.5	5.4	5.5	4.1	3.3
9-11 years . . . . .	77.4	77.2	77.8	77.8	78.2	79.1
12 years . . . . .	17.1	17.5	16.2	16.1	16.8	17.6
13-15 years . . . . .	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.6	1.0	-
16 years or more . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number						
18-19 years . . . . .	41,316	30,334	10,608	10,084	524	374
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	3.9	2.4
9-11 years . . . . .	19.6	18.0	23.9	23.8	25.9	25.6
12 years . . . . .	57.4	57.6	57.2	57.5	50.8	53.0
13-15 years . . . . .	21.2	22.6	17.3	17.2	19.2	18.5
16 years or more . . . . .	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6
Number						
20-24 years . . . . .	90,203	61,113	28,173	26,644	1,529	917
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	1.8	2.0	1.4	1.2	4.2	5.6
9-11 years . . . . .	12.8	11.5	15.6	15.6	14.6	17.0
12 years . . . . .	46.2	43.8	51.3	51.7	44.0	44.6
13-15 years . . . . .	28.9	30.6	25.4	25.3	26.3	25.4
16 years or more . . . . .	10.2	12.1	6.4	6.1	10.9	7.3

**Table 8. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race and age of woman and percent distribution by age and educational attainment of woman, according to race of woman: 9-State area, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Age of woman and years of school completed	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Number						
25-29 years . . . . .	51,928	33,537	17,750	16,422	1,328	641
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	2.6	2.7	2.3	1.9	7.6	7.7
9-11 years . . . . .	10.6	9.4	12.7	12.9	10.3	12.3
12 years . . . . .	46.1	43.3	51.2	51.8	43.0	44.2
13-15 years . . . . .	22.7	23.1	22.1	22.4	18.6	17.7
16 years or more . . . . .	18.0	21.4	11.7	11.0	20.5	18.1
Number						
30-34 years . . . . .	28,212	17,906	9,867	8,834	1,033	439
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	3.7	3.8	3.4	2.9	7.4	6.2
9-11 years . . . . .	9.7	8.3	12.0	12.2	10.3	13.5
12 years . . . . .	47.5	43.9	53.8	54.8	44.4	43.7
13-15 years . . . . .	20.0	20.8	18.5	19.0	14.0	18.2
16 years or more . . . . .	19.2	23.2	12.4	11.1	23.8	18.2
Number						
35-39 years . . . . .	13,151	8,460	4,493	4,055	438	198
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	5.1	5.2	4.8	4.5	8.2	7.3
9-11 years . . . . .	11.7	10.3	14.0	14.1	13.1	20.7
12 years . . . . .	49.3	46.8	53.8	55.2	41.1	39.0
13-15 years . . . . .	16.8	17.7	15.4	15.8	11.4	12.2
16 years or more . . . . .	17.2	20.0	11.9	10.4	26.2	20.7
Number						
40 years and over . . . . .	4,077	2,779	1,233	1,104	129	65
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	6.6	6.5	7.0	6.4	12.3	-
9-11 years . . . . .	11.9	10.2	15.7	16.0	12.3	6.7
12 years . . . . .	51.4	50.0	54.2	55.7	41.2	60.0
13-15 years . . . . .	14.8	16.0	12.2	12.3	11.4	16.7
16 years or more . . . . .	15.2	17.3	10.9	9.5	22.8	16.7
Number						
Not stated . . . . .	1,197	690	434	397	37	73
Percent distribution						
All years of school completed . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
0-8 years . . . . .	3.7	3.5	3.9	3.1	12.9	5.3
9-11 years . . . . .	19.7	19.0	19.4	20.8	3.2	47.4
12 years . . . . .	46.5	44.6	50.6	50.6	51.6	21.1
13-15 years . . . . .	21.0	20.6	21.7	22.2	16.1	15.8
16 years or more . . . . .	9.2	12.3	4.4	3.4	16.1	10.5

NOTE: The 9-State area includes Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 9. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by type of procedure and percent distribution by period of gestation, according to type of procedure: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>	All procedures	Suction curettage	Sharp curettage	Saline instillation		Prostaglandin instillation	Hysterotomy	Hysterec-tomy	Other
				Number	Percent Distribution				
Total . . . . .	<sup>2</sup> 295,932	269,856	4,751	10,820	3,527	53	104	4,457	
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	91.9	1.6	3.7	1.2	0.0	0.0	1.5	
6 weeks or less . . . . .	100.0	94.7	3.2	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.1	1.7	
7 weeks . . . . .	100.0	96.1	2.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.6	
8 weeks . . . . .	100.0	97.4	1.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	
9 weeks . . . . .	100.0	97.9	1.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	
10 weeks . . . . .	100.0	97.7	1.2	0.4	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	
11 weeks . . . . .	100.0	97.1	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.6	
12 weeks . . . . .	100.0	94.7	1.3	1.8	1.0	0.0	0.1	1.1	
13 weeks . . . . .	100.0	90.5	0.9	4.4	1.8	0.0	0.1	2.4	
14 weeks . . . . .	100.0	78.7	1.1	10.4	4.3	0.1	0.1	5.3	
15 weeks . . . . .	100.0	63.5	0.8	19.7	7.8	—	0.1	8.0	
16 weeks . . . . .	100.0	43.7	0.7	33.2	13.6	0.1	0.1	8.6	
17 weeks . . . . .	100.0	29.9	1.1	43.8	15.9	0.1	0.1	9.2	
18 weeks . . . . .	100.0	20.0	0.7	54.8	16.9	0.1	0.1	7.4	
19 weeks . . . . .	100.0	16.9	0.5	57.2	17.7	0.2	0.0	7.6	
20 weeks . . . . .	100.0	15.0	0.9	59.8	16.1	0.2	0.1	8.0	
21 weeks or more . . . . .	100.0	14.8	0.7	65.0	10.8	0.2	0.1	8.5	
Not stated . . . . .	100.0	88.7	2.9	2.6	3.1	0.2	0.3	2.3	

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

<sup>2</sup>Includes procedure not stated.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 10. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by race of woman and percent distribution by period of gestation, according to race of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Period of gestation <sup>1</sup>	All races	White	All other			Not stated
			Total	Black	Other races	
Total . . . . .	295,932	202,490	85,809	80,059	5,750	7,633
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	10.7	10.6	11.3	11.1	15.3	7.4
7 weeks . . . . .	16.0	16.5	14.8	14.5	18.3	13.7
8 weeks . . . . .	18.8	19.4	17.1	17.0	19.1	21.1
9 weeks . . . . .	16.0	16.3	15.1	15.1	15.3	16.8
10 weeks . . . . .	12.7	12.8	12.5	12.6	11.2	12.6
11 weeks . . . . .	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.4	7.2	8.8
12 weeks . . . . .	5.5	5.2	6.1	6.2	4.3	5.4
13 weeks . . . . .	2.8	2.6	3.3	3.4	2.3	3.1
14 weeks . . . . .	1.7	1.6	2.0	2.1	1.7	2.0
15 weeks . . . . .	1.2	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.0	1.5
16 weeks . . . . .	1.1	0.9	1.4	1.4	0.9	1.4
17 weeks . . . . .	0.9	0.8	1.2	1.2	0.9	1.3
18 weeks . . . . .	1.0	0.8	1.3	1.4	0.7	1.3
19 weeks . . . . .	0.7	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.5	0.9
20 weeks . . . . .	0.6	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.8
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.2	1.1	1.4	1.5	0.9	1.9

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 11. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by marital status and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to marital status of woman: 11-State area and New York City, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Age of woman and number of previous live births</i>	<i>All women</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>Unmarried women</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
Number				
All ages . . . . .	247,445	58,185	185,253	4,007
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	55.6	22.7	66.0	54.2
1 previous live birth . . . . .	20.6	27.8	18.4	19.8
2 previous live births . . . . .	14.4	29.4	9.7	15.5
3 previous live births . . . . .	5.7	12.3	3.6	6.1
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.2	4.7	1.4	2.7
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.8	1.8	0.5	1.1
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.4
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.2
Number				
Under 15 years . . . . .	2,475	21	2,413	41
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	97.9	81.0	98.1	94.9
1 previous live birth . . . . .	1.8	9.5	1.6	5.1
2 previous live births . . . . .	0.3	4.8	0.3	—
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	4.8	0.0	—
4 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	—	—	—	—
Number				
15–17 years . . . . .	27,131	709	26,028	394
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	92.0	54.7	93.1	87.2
1 previous live birth . . . . .	7.2	38.3	6.3	10.6
2 previous live births . . . . .	0.7	6.4	0.5	2.2
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.7	0.1	—
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	—	0.0	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	—	0.0	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	—	0.0	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	—	0.0	—
Number				
18–19 years . . . . .	38,768	3,164	35,036	568
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	80.7	44.9	84.0	77.1
1 previous live birth . . . . .	15.5	42.1	13.0	19.0
2 previous live births . . . . .	3.3	11.1	2.6	3.5
3 previous live births . . . . .	0.4	1.6	0.3	0.4
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.2	0.0	—
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	—
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	—

**Table 11. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by marital status and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to marital status of woman: 11-State area and New York City, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Age of woman and number of previous live births</i>	<i>All women</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>Unmarried women</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
Number				
20–24 years . . . . .	85,474	16,394	67,766	1,314
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	58.9	31.4	65.6	58.9
1 previous live birth . . . . .	24.9	36.7	22.1	21.8
2 previous live births . . . . .	12.2	24.1	9.3	14.0
3 previous live births . . . . .	3.1	6.2	2.4	4.3
4 previous live births . . . . .	0.7	1.3	0.6	0.7
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.0	0.0	0.0	—
Number				
25–29 years . . . . .	50,220	16,983	32,423	814
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	39.2	22.9	47.7	40.5
1 previous live birth . . . . .	26.1	28.4	24.9	24.5
2 previous live births . . . . .	22.4	31.9	17.5	20.9
3 previous live births . . . . .	8.4	11.8	6.5	9.2
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.8	3.5	2.4	3.7
5 previous live births . . . . .	0.8	1.1	0.7	0.9
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.1	0.2	0.1	—
Number				
30–34 years . . . . .	26,733	12,059	14,216	458
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	23.8	13.6	32.4	26.7
1 previous live birth . . . . .	22.8	21.0	24.4	21.5
2 previous live births . . . . .	29.5	37.2	23.0	30.8
3 previous live births . . . . .	14.2	17.3	11.8	10.5
4 previous live births . . . . .	6.0	7.1	5.1	6.8
5 previous live births . . . . .	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.7
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.5	0.6	0.5	—
Number				
35–39 years . . . . .	11,880	6,289	5,387	204
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	14.7	8.5	21.8	15.9
1 previous live birth . . . . .	16.3	14.4	18.6	13.3
2 previous live births . . . . .	29.6	33.5	24.9	31.3
3 previous live births . . . . .	19.7	22.4	16.5	17.4
4 previous live births . . . . .	10.4	11.4	9.2	9.7
5 previous live births . . . . .	5.0	5.2	4.8	6.7
6 previous live births . . . . .	2.3	2.4	2.2	3.6
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	2.0	2.1	1.9	2.1

**Table 11. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by marital status and age of woman and percent distribution by age of woman and number of previous live births, according to marital status of woman: 11-State area and New York City, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Age of woman and number of previous live births</i>	<i>All women</i>	<i>Married women</i>	<i>Unmarried women</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
Number				
40 years and over . . . . .	3,665	2,318	1,286	61
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	9.9	6.1	16.7	9.1
1 previous live birth . . . . .	11.5	9.5	15.2	10.9
2 previous live births . . . . .	25.9	28.6	21.6	10.9
3 previous live births . . . . .	22.0	23.8	18.3	30.9
4 previous live births . . . . .	12.9	13.7	11.1	21.8
5 previous live births . . . . .	8.5	6.8	8.0	9.1
6 previous live births . . . . .	4.4	4.2	4.8	1.8
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	4.9	5.2	4.2	5.5
Number				
Not stated . . . . .	1,099	248	698	153
Percent distribution				
Total . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No previous live birth . . . . .	48.3	19.2	56.6	58.6
1 previous live birth . . . . .	22.6	28.6	21.8	16.4
2 previous live births . . . . .	17.9	31.0	13.5	16.4
3 previous live births . . . . .	6.8	12.2	5.1	5.7
4 previous live births . . . . .	2.6	5.3	1.9	1.4
5 previous live births . . . . .	1.0	2.0	0.6	1.4
6 previous live births . . . . .	0.4	0.4	0.4	—
7 or more previous live births . . . . .	0.4	1.2	0.1	—

NOTE: The 11-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.



**Table 12. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by educational attainment, race, and age of woman and percent distribution by race, age, and period of gestation, according to educational attainment of woman: 9-State area, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Period of gestation,<sup>1</sup> age, and race of woman</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>0-8 years</i>	<i>9-11 years</i>	<i>12 years</i>	<i>13-15 years</i>	<i>16 years or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
All races							
All ages . . . . .	261,240	7,899	48,645	107,349	51,181	24,896	21,270
Number							
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	11.3	11.3	7.4	11.2	12.3	17.0	11.2
7-8 weeks . . . . .	34.9	30.7	27.3	34.6	39.3	44.8	33.1
9-12 weeks . . . . .	43.0	43.6	49.4	43.6	41.1	33.6	40.4
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.5	7.0	8.0	5.5	3.9	2.4	6.3
16-20 weeks . . . . .	4.2	6.2	6.1	3.8	2.5	1.6	7.7
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.2	1.2	1.8	1.2	0.8	0.6	1.3
Number							
10-17 years . . . . .	31,156	2,752	20,924	4,444	193	-	2,843
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	-	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	5.7	5.6	5.4	6.4	7.8	-	6.7
7-8 weeks . . . . .	24.8	21.9	24.8	28.1	35.2	-	21.9
9-12 weeks . . . . .	49.8	49.3	50.8	49.2	46.1	-	44.8
13-15 weeks . . . . .	8.7	10.4	8.7	7.7	4.7	-	9.1
16-20 weeks . . . . .	8.3	10.6	7.7	6.0	5.7	-	15.0
21 weeks or more . . . . .	2.6	2.3	2.7	2.7	0.5	-	2.5
Number							
18-24 years . . . . .	131,519	2,076	18,143	60,485	32,231	8,668	9,916
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	9.4	10.8	7.4	8.9	10.2	14.0	9.5
7-8 weeks . . . . .	33.5	31.0	26.5	32.0	37.8	44.2	32.2
9-12 weeks . . . . .	45.7	45.7	50.8	47.0	44.1	36.6	42.2
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.9	6.8	8.3	6.2	4.3	2.8	6.9
16-20 weeks . . . . .	4.4	4.8	5.7	4.5	2.8	1.8	8.1
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.2	0.9	1.3	1.4	0.9	0.6	1.2
Number							
25 years and over . . . . .	97,368	3,034	9,380	41,952	18,546	16,135	8,321
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	15.6	16.8	12.0	15.0	16.2	18.7	14.7
7-8 weeks . . . . .	40.1	38.3	34.1	39.1	42.1	45.2	38.2
9-12 weeks . . . . .	37.1	37.1	43.5	38.2	36.0	31.9	36.9
13-15 weeks . . . . .	3.9	4.1	5.9	4.3	3.3	2.1	4.7
16-20 weeks . . . . .	2.6	3.1	3.7	2.6	1.9	1.5	4.7
21 weeks or more . . . . .	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.9
Number							
Not stated . . . . .	1,197	37	198	468	211	93	190
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	14.3	16.2	12.2	15.7	14.7	13.2	12.6
7-8 weeks . . . . .	35.1	40.5	25.4	36.1	42.7	39.6	31.3
9-12 weeks . . . . .	40.5	32.4	50.3	39.3	36.5	40.7	39.0
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.1	8.1	6.1	4.7	2.8	3.3	7.7
16-20 weeks . . . . .	3.1	2.7	4.6	2.4	1.9	2.2	5.5
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.9	-	1.5	1.9	1.4	1.1	3.8

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 9-State area includes Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 12. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by educational attainment, race, and age of woman and percent distribution by race, age, and period of gestation, according to educational attainment of woman: 9-State area, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Period of gestation,<sup>1</sup> age, and race of woman</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>0-8 years</i>	<i>9-11 years</i>	<i>12 years</i>	<i>13-15 years</i>	<i>16 years or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
White							
All ages . . . . .	175,648	5,034	30,949	69,269	36,032	19,251	15,113
Number							
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	11.2	11.9	7.0	10.9	12.0	17.0	11.7
7-8 weeks . . . . .	36.3	32.5	27.4	35.9	40.6	45.9	34.8
9-12 weeks . . . . .	43.1	43.3	51.2	43.9	40.9	32.8	40.6
13-15 weeks . . . . .	4.9	6.5	7.4	5.0	3.5	2.2	5.6
16-20 weeks . . . . .	3.5	4.9	5.3	3.2	2.2	1.5	6.2
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.1	0.9	1.6	1.1	0.7	0.6	1.1
Number							
10-17 years . . . . .	20,829	1,477	14,104	3,115	142	—	1,991
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	—	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	5.4	5.2	4.9	6.2	9.2	—	6.8
7-8 weeks . . . . .	25.7	22.6	25.3	29.8	35.2	—	23.9
9-12 weeks . . . . .	52.1	51.3	53.1	51.3	46.5	—	47.2
13-15 weeks . . . . .	7.8	9.9	7.9	6.5	4.9	—	8.1
16-20 weeks . . . . .	6.7	9.3	6.3	3.7	4.2	—	11.7
21 weeks or more . . . . .	2.4	1.8	2.4	2.5	—	—	2.3
Number							
18-24 years . . . . .	91,447	1,532	11,457	40,714	23,557	6,910	7,277
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	9.4	10.9	7.0	8.6	10.1	13.9	10.1
7-8 weeks . . . . .	34.9	32.5	26.8	33.3	38.9	45.5	34.4
9-12 weeks . . . . .	45.8	45.6	52.4	47.4	43.8	35.6	41.8
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.3	6.5	7.8	5.7	3.8	2.7	6.1
16-20 weeks . . . . .	3.6	3.8	4.9	3.7	2.5	1.7	6.6
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.0	0.7	1.2	1.2	0.8	0.6	1.0
Number							
25 years and over . . . . .	62,682	2,004	5,274	25,172	12,209	12,267	5,756
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	15.8	17.4	12.5	15.1	15.7	18.8	15.3
7-8 weeks . . . . .	41.7	39.7	34.6	40.8	43.8	46.2	39.2
9-12 weeks . . . . .	36.2	35.9	43.3	37.4	35.4	31.1	36.9
13-15 weeks . . . . .	3.4	4.1	5.5	3.8	2.9	1.9	4.0
16-20 weeks . . . . .	2.2	2.5	3.6	2.2	1.7	1.4	3.9
21 weeks or more . . . . .	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.5	0.6	0.7
Number							
Not stated . . . . .	690	21	114	268	124	74	89
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	13.9	23.8	12.4	14.6	12.9	13.9	12.5
7-8 weeks . . . . .	37.5	42.9	25.7	38.6	50.8	34.7	31.8
9-12 weeks . . . . .	40.9	28.6	53.1	40.4	30.6	44.4	40.9
13-15 weeks . . . . .	4.1	—	3.5	4.1	2.4	2.8	9.1
16-20 weeks . . . . .	2.8	4.8	2.7	2.2	2.4	2.8	4.5
21 weeks or more . . . . .	0.9	—	2.7	—	0.8	1.4	1.1

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

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[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

<i>Period of gestation,<sup>1</sup> age, and race of woman</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>0-8 years</i>	<i>9-11 years</i>	<i>12 years</i>	<i>13-15 years</i>	<i>16 years or more</i>	<i>Not stated</i>
<b>Black</b>							
All ages . . . . .	77,339	2,462	16,620	35,407	13,998	4,725	4,127
Number							
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	11.2	9.9	7.9	11.5	13.0	16.5	9.9
7-8 weeks . . . . .	31.6	26.8	26.7	32.0	36.0	40.7	26.3
9-12 weeks . . . . .	43.3	44.1	46.3	43.5	41.8	37.5	39.4
13-15 weeks . . . . .	6.8	8.2	9.2	6.5	5.1	3.0	9.5
16-20 weeks . . . . .	5.7	9.1	7.7	5.1	3.2	1.8	13.1
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.5	1.9	2.1	1.4	0.9	0.5	1.9
Number							
10-17 years . . . . .	9,799	1,238	6,585	1,280	49	-	647
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	-	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	6.2	5.9	6.2	6.4	4.1	-	6.8
7-8 weeks . . . . .	23.2	21.3	23.7	24.6	34.7	-	16.6
9-12 weeks . . . . .	45.3	47.1	46.0	43.8	44.9	-	36.7
13-15 weeks . . . . .	10.6	10.8	10.4	10.4	4.1	-	13.0
16-20 weeks . . . . .	11.6	12.1	10.3	11.6	10.2	-	24.5
21 weeks or more . . . . .	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.1	2.0	-	2.5
Number							
18-24 years . . . . .	36,728	435	6,229	18,599	8,057	1,567	1,841
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	9.3	9.7	7.8	9.2	10.2	13.9	7.5
7-8 weeks . . . . .	29.7	27.0	26.3	28.9	34.1	38.7	23.6
9-12 weeks . . . . .	45.9	45.7	47.6	46.5	45.0	41.5	42.4
13-15 weeks . . . . .	7.4	7.2	9.4	7.5	5.7	3.3	10.1
16-20 weeks . . . . .	6.1	8.8	7.3	6.2	3.8	2.1	14.3
21 weeks or more . . . . .	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.2	0.6	2.1
Number							
25 years and over . . . . .	30,415	778	3,732	15,348	5,813	3,146	1,598
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	14.9	16.4	11.1	14.6	16.8	17.8	13.6
7-8 weeks . . . . .	36.7	35.1	32.8	36.3	38.7	41.6	33.1
9-12 weeks . . . . .	39.4	38.6	44.5	40.0	37.4	35.6	36.9
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.0	4.5	6.7	5.0	4.2	2.9	7.4
16-20 weeks . . . . .	3.2	4.8	3.8	3.2	2.3	1.7	7.6
21 weeks or more . . . . .	0.8	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.6	0.5	1.3
Number							
Not stated . . . . .	397	11	74	180	79	12	41
Percent distribution							
All periods of gestation . . . . .	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
6 weeks or less . . . . .	14.6	-	10.8	15.6	17.7	*16.7	14.6
7-8 weeks . . . . .	33.3	*45.5	25.7	34.6	31.6	*66.7	31.7
9-12 weeks . . . . .	40.9	*36.4	50.0	38.0	44.3	*16.7	39.0
13-15 weeks . . . . .	5.8	*18.2	6.8	5.6	3.8	-	7.3
16-20 weeks . . . . .	2.8	-	6.8	2.2	1.3	-	2.4
21 weeks or more . . . . .	2.5	-	-	3.9	1.3	-	4.9

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 9-State area includes Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

**Table 13. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by place of occurrence and place of residence: Each of the 12 reporting States and New York City, 1980**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Place of residence	Place of occurrence															
	Total	New York					Total	Upstate New York	New York City	Oregon	Rhode Island	South Carolina	Tennessee	Utah	Vermont	Virginia
		Colorado	Kansas	Missouri	Montana	Montana										
All places of residence . . . . .	296,888	16,283	11,791	19,042	3,471	150,093	49,048	101,045	14,871	6,625	12,274	23,278	4,086	3,226	31,848	
United States . . . . .	295,932	16,279	11,790	19,040	3,418	149,219	48,487	100,732	14,869	6,623	12,271	23,276	4,084	3,216	31,847	
Alabama . . . . .	186	—	—	1	—	25	21	4	—	—	1	157	—	—	2	
Alaska . . . . .	21	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	—	1	—	2	
Arizona . . . . .	22	13	2	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	3	—	—	
Arkansas . . . . .	950	1	14	81	—	2	—	2	—	—	1	849	1	—	1	
California . . . . .	149	12	2	6	4	35	9	26	72	2	4	4	2	1	5	
Colorado . . . . .	15,061	15,027	5	2	2	7	1	6	—	3	2	1	8	2	2	
Connecticut . . . . .	1,151	6	—	1	—	1,022	545	477	—	117	1	—	1	2	1	
Delaware . . . . .	33	—	—	—	—	25	2	23	—	—	1	—	—	—	7	
District of Columbia . . . . .	155	—	—	1	—	45	6	39	—	—	2	1	—	—	106	
Florida . . . . .	140	4	—	3	—	93	48	45	—	1	16	7	—	—	16	
Georgia . . . . .	533	2	1	1	—	50	43	7	—	1	129	343	—	—	6	
Hawaii . . . . .	4	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Idaho . . . . .	161	7	—	1	40	1	—	1	78	—	—	—	34	—	—	
Illinois . . . . .	1,988	12	144	1,667	—	144	11	133	1	—	2	14	—	—	4	
Indiana . . . . .	98	2	6	27	—	55	18	37	—	—	1	6	—	—	1	
Iowa . . . . .	60	1	30	11	1	15	4	11	—	—	—	1	1	—	—	
Kansas . . . . .	7,632	59	7,045	523	—	5	—	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Kentucky . . . . .	1,073	—	4	16	—	34	10	24	—	—	3	1,003	—	—	13	
Louisiana . . . . .	27	3	1	1	—	15	8	7	—	—	1	5	—	—	1	
Maine . . . . .	32	—	—	1	—	28	16	12	—	3	—	—	—	—	—	
Maryland . . . . .	428	—	—	2	1	135	21	114	3	2	3	1	—	1	280	
Massachusetts . . . . .	1,325	5	—	2	—	179	54	125	1	1,121	—	—	—	15	2	
Michigan . . . . .	49	5	2	—	1	32	8	24	1	1	1	2	—	—	4	
Minnesota . . . . .	41	2	2	2	—	32	20	12	—	—	1	—	—	—	2	
Mississippi . . . . .	1,343	1	—	2	—	16	12	4	1	—	1	1,321	—	—	1	
Missouri . . . . .	21,137	6	4,313	16,626	—	38	4	34	—	—	—	153	1	—	—	
Montana . . . . .	3,292	23	1	1	3,258	—	—	—	4	—	1	1	2	—	1	
Nebraska . . . . .	267	165	96	3	1	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	
Nevada . . . . .	25	1	1	—	—	3	1	2	1	—	—	—	18	—	1	
New Hampshire . . . . .	85	—	—	—	—	18	4	14	—	5	—	—	—	61	1	
New Jersey . . . . .	3,891	3	1	4	1	3,855	326	3,529	—	3	4	—	—	7	13	
New Mexico . . . . .	169	167	1	—	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
New York . . . . .	141,772	6	1	2	—	141,113	45,964	95,149	1	5	9	3	1	586	45	
Upstate New York . . . . .	49,894	4	1	—	—	49,280	44,834	4,446	1	2	6	2	—	581	17	
New York City . . . . .	91,878	2	—	2	—	91,833	1,130	90,703	—	3	3	1	1	5	28	
North Carolina . . . . .	1,417	—	1	2	—	43	20	23	—	1	474	29	—	—	867	
North Dakota . . . . .	20	6	1	—	9	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Ohio . . . . .	163	3	1	3	1	129	52	77	—	1	3	6	—	1	15	
Oklahoma . . . . .	159	25	97	24	—	9	3	6	1	—	1	2	—	—	—	
Oregon . . . . .	14,077	—	1	1	2	1	—	1	14,067	—	—	3	—	—	2	
Pennsylvania . . . . .	1,689	2	—	1	1	1,660	1,150	510	—	1	2	3	—	2	17	
Rhode Island . . . . .	5,411	—	—	—	—	53	10	43	—	5,355	—	—	—	2	1	
South Carolina . . . . .	11,624	—	—	1	—	30	24	6	—	—	11,579	4	—	—	10	
South Dakota . . . . .	16	7	4	1	—	4	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Tennessee . . . . .	19,167	2	2	8	—	23	14	9	—	—	6	19,104	—	—	22	

**Table 13. Number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy by place of occurrence and place of residence: Each of the 12 reporting States and New York City, 1980—Con.**

[Data include only induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in the reporting area]

Place of residence	Place of occurrence																	
	Total	New York										Oregon	Rhode Island	South Carolina	Tennessee	Utah	Vermont	Virginia
		Colorado	Kansas	Missouri	Montana	Total	Upstate New York	New York City										
Texas . . . . .	114	42	10	5	—	30	10	20	3	—	8	10	1	—	5			
Utah . . . . .	3,923	90	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3,829	1	—			
Vermont . . . . .	2,565	—	—	—	—	32	16	16	2	—	—	—	—	2,531	—			
Virginia . . . . .	30,332	—	—	2	—	107	16	91	—	1	8	240	1	2	29,971			
Washington . . . . .	631	2	—	2	9	2	2	—	611	—	2	—	1	1	1			
West Virginia . . . . .	461	1	—	—	—	36	7	29	—	—	4	1	—	1	418			
Wisconsin . . . . .	36	2	—	—	—	31	2	29	1	—	—	1	1	—	—			
Wyoming . . . . .	827	562	1	—	85	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	178	—	—			
Outside of United States . . . . .	956	4	1	2	53	874	561	313	2	2	3	2	2	10	1			
Puerto Rico . . . . .	25	—	—	—	—	25	1	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
Virgin Islands . . . . .	5	—	—	—	—	3	—	3	—	1	—	—	—	—	1			
Canada . . . . .	740	2	—	—	50	677	551	126	2	—	—	—	—	9	—			
Mexico . . . . .	2	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
Remainder of World . . . . .	184	2	1	1	3	168	8	160	—	1	3	2	2	1	—			

<sup>1</sup>Period of gestation is a combination of calculated gestation from "Date last normal menses began" and "Physician's estimate of gestation"; see Technical Notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

### Symbols

- Data not available
- ... Category not applicable
- Quantity zero
- 0.0 Quantity more than zero but less than 0.05
- Z Quantity more than zero but less than 500 where numbers are rounded to thousands
- \* Figure does not meet standards of reliability or precision (when the base of the measure includes fewer than 20 events)

## Technical notes

### Nature and sources of data

Data in this report are based on information for 12 States in 1980 (Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia). Data for Illinois and Nebraska are not included in the 1980 report.

The reporting areas provided data on magnetic tape for individual events coded from copies of the original reports of induced termination of pregnancy. These data were provided to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) through the Vital Statistics Cooperative Program. Two other organizations currently publish information on induced abortions—the Centers for Disease Control, which like NCHS is a component of the U.S. Public Health Service, and the Alan Guttmacher Institute, a private organization.

### Item completeness

Item completeness, which is measured by the percent of records with codes other than not stated, is shown in table I for the varying number of States included in the analysis of each item. States were excluded from analysis either if no information was collected on the item or if no information for the item was reported for 25 percent or more of the records. Table I shows that resident status was 100 percent complete for both 1979 and 1980. Residence information, if unknown or incomplete, is allocated at the coding level according to the following rules. First, records with unknown residence are allocated to place of occurrence. Second, records where only State of residence is reported, with no city or county specified and the State named is different from the State of occurrence, are allocated to the largest city of the State of residence.

### Classification of data

Procedures used for coding and classifying the items on the Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy are described in the NCHS *Vital Statistics Instruction Manual*, Part 10, "Classification and coding instructions for induced termination of pregnancy records, 1980."<sup>6</sup> Codes for geographic areas are described in Part 8, "Vital records geographic classification, 1970 (revised January 1975)."<sup>7</sup> Additional information on classifying selected items can be found in the Technical Appendix, *Vital Statistics of the United States, Vol. I*. Definitions of types of procedures used may be found in the publication, *Legalized Abortion and the Public Health*.<sup>8</sup> Data on period of gestation are computed from information on "date of termination" and "date of last normal menses." If "date of last normal menses" is not stated or computed gestation in weeks is not possible, "physician's estimate of gestation in weeks" is used.

### Ratios, percents, and medians

Measures of incidence in this report are based on ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy to live births. These ratios refer to the number of induced terminations and live births occurring in the reporting States to residents of the reporting States. In the computation of ratios, "not stated" cases have been distributed according to the reported or known proportion for a particular characteristic. Ratios of induced terminations of pregnancy provide an approximate measure of the frequency of induced abortions to the frequency of pregnancies. Two forms of induced abortion ratios (ratios per 1,000 live births—Ratio I, and ratios per 1,000 live births and induced abortions—Ratio II) are shown in table II. Induced abortion ratios in the text of this report are

NOTE: A list of references follows the text.

Table I. Percent completeness for items on reporting form and number of reporting States: 1979 and 1980

Item	1980		1979	
	Percent completeness	Number of reporting States	Percent completeness	Number of reporting States
Age of woman . . . . .	99.6	12	99.1	13
Complications . . . . .	95.9	12	95.5	13
Education . . . . .	91.9	9	91.9	9
Marital status of woman . . . . .	98.4	<sup>1</sup> 11	98.4	<sup>1</sup> 12
Period of gestation . . . . .	99.6	12	99.7	13
Previous induced terminations . . . . .	97.1	12	95.9	13
Previous live births . . . . .	97.6	12	96.9	13
Place of woman . . . . .	97.4	12	96.2	13
Resident status <sup>2</sup> . . . . .	100.0	12	100.0	13
Type of procedure . . . . .	99.2	12	98.9	13

<sup>1</sup>New York City also reported marital status.

<sup>2</sup>Resident status unknown is allocated at the coding level; see Technical notes.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia. The 13-State area in 1979 included these States and Illinois.

of Type I. These ratios are larger in magnitude than those of Type II, since the latter includes a larger number of events in the denominator than the former. Both ratios have the same number of events—induced terminations—in the numerator of the ratio. For Type I ratios, age differentials are greater, that is, the range between the largest and the smallest ratios by age of woman is greater than for Type II ratios. Induced abortion differentials by race are also more pronounced using Type I than Type II ratios.

In the computation of percent distributions and medians, "not stated" cases are excluded. Proportional allocation of "not stated" cases in computing these measures would yield exactly the same results. In addition, medians were calculated using single years of age, single years of education, and single weeks of gestation.

In the computation of percent change the following general formula was used:

$$\frac{R_1 - R_2}{R_2} \cdot 100$$

where  $R_1$  equals the ratio of interest in 1980 and  $R_2$  equals the ratio of interest in 1979. The total percent change is a weighted average of the change for the groups of interest. While it is unusual, the total percent change can be greater or smaller than either of the percent changes in its component parts as seen in Tables A, B, and H.

**Table II. Comparison of Type I and Type II induced termination of pregnancy ratios by race and age of woman: 12-State area, 1980**

[Type I ratio is per 1,000 live births. Type II ratio is per 1,000 live births and induced terminations. Induced terminations of pregnancy and live births are only those occurring in the area among residents of the area]

Age of woman	Type I			Type II		
	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black	All races <sup>1</sup>	White	Black
All ages . . . . .	388.2	337.7	638.7	279.6	252.5	389.8
Under 14 years . . . . .	1868.1	2085.2	1749.6	651.3	675.9	636.3
14 years . . . . .	1380.6	1632.0	1200.2	579.9	620.1	545.5
15-19 years . . . . .	738.7	786.3	644.5	424.9	440.2	391.9
15 years . . . . .	975.4	1177.1	774.9	493.8	540.7	436.6
16 years . . . . .	894.0	1042.8	673.4	472.0	510.5	402.4
17 years . . . . .	765.4	841.8	621.2	433.6	457.1	383.2
18 years . . . . .	794.1	847.5	669.0	442.6	458.7	400.9
19 years . . . . .	603.1	613.0	591.5	376.2	380.0	371.7
20-24 years . . . . .	411.6	362.2	638.6	291.6	265.9	389.7
25-29 years . . . . .	247.7	197.1	580.1	198.5	164.6	367.1
30-34 years . . . . .	254.2	201.7	598.3	202.7	167.8	374.4
35-39 years . . . . .	443.2	371.0	836.5	307.1	270.6	455.5
40 years and over . . . . .	837.8	784.5	1120.3	455.9	439.6	528.4

<sup>1</sup>Includes races other than white and black.

NOTE: The 12-State area includes Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, and Virginia.

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