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Foreword

Since January 1, 1987, medical facilities in Wisconsin have been required to report selected information on patients who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy. Section 69.186, Wis. Stats., also mandates the Department of Health and Family Services to publish an annual demographic summary of the information reported. A copy of the statute can be found in the Appendix.

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Introduction

Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy in Wisconsin, 2007 presents summary tables of information collected through the Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System.

The Induced Termination of Pregnancy Report form collects only statutorily required information. Each facility that receives a supply of reporting forms is given a code number by which it is identified on the forms. That facility code and the patient number are used solely for data collection purposes, as stipulated in section 69.186, Wis. Stats. The original reporting forms are destroyed after the data set is complete. The facility code is used for purposes of information accuracy only and is deleted from the data set after editing (the patient number is never entered). These practices are required to ensure the anonymity of the patient who receives an induced termination of pregnancy; the health care provider who performs an induced termination of pregnancy; and the hospital, clinic or other facility in which a termination is performed. The cooperation of medical personnel who carry out the responsibility of reporting is acknowledged and appreciated.

The tables in this publication summarize data for calendar year 2007, trend information for the years 2003-2007, and three-year annual average information by county. The tables categorize and cross-classify reported induced terminations of pregnancy by patient characteristics that include age, educational attainment, marital status, race/ethnicity, and state and county of residence; by an estimate of gestational age; and by reported complications. The data are based on reports of induced terminations of pregnancy performed in Wisconsin for both residents and non-residents.

Data Limitations and Caveats. The accuracy of the data presented in these tables is affected by a number of factors. State and county of residence, race, ethnicity, and marital status are self-defined and reported by patients, which can affect accuracy of the characteristics measured. The education measure is defined in the reporting form as the highest grade completed; however, some patients may overlook the definitions and give the highest grade attended.

A major limitation is the unknown number of induced terminations of pregnancy obtained by Wisconsin residents in other states. This report includes only those reported induced terminations that occurred in Wisconsin and cannot provide information on all Wisconsin residents who sought and obtained terminations.

Assessing the incidence of complications is somewhat problematic. Facilities are asked to complete the reporting form during the visit in which the procedure is performed. However, some complications do not occur immediately or become apparent while the patient is in post-procedure recovery. A few providers, particularly hospitals, complete the report form at a later date using medical records. These reports are more likely to reflect later complications and they also are more likely to be for second-trimester procedures, for which there are higher risks.

Key Findings

- The number of induced terminations of pregnancy reported for Wisconsin residents in 2007 was 8,099, compared to the 9,352 reported in 2006.
- The total number of induced terminations of pregnancy reported as occurring in Wisconsin in 2007 was 8,267, down from 9,580 in 2006 (see Table 1). This is the lowest recorded number of induced terminations in Wisconsin since 1974.
- The estimated 2007 Wisconsin resident induced termination of pregnancy rate was 7 per 1,000 women age 15-44, compared to 8 in 2006. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the national rate was 16 per 1,000 women age 15-44 in 2004; this is the most recent year for which national data are available.¹
- The estimated resident induced termination of pregnancy ratio is the number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy per 100 live births. This ratio was 11 per 100 live births in Wisconsin in 2007, a drop from 14 in 2006 (see Table 1).² The most recent national ratio was 24 per 100 live births in 2004.
- Women in the age group 20-24 accounted for the largest proportion (34 percent) of reported induced terminations of pregnancy to Wisconsin residents in 2007. Twelve percent of reports were for women 35 years of age or older. Those aged 18-19 obtained 10 percent of the reported induced terminations and those aged 15-17 obtained 6 percent (see Table 3).
- In 2007, there were 551 induced terminations of pregnancy reported for Wisconsin residents who were minors (less than 18 years of age). Written consent (usually by a parent) was provided in 488 of these; the patient was an emancipated minor in 21; and a court granted a petition to waive the parental consent requirement in 40 (see Table 4).
- By law, the adult consent requirement for a minor's induced termination of pregnancy is waived if the pregnancy was the result of sexual assault, if the procedure was a medical emergency, or if the pregnancy was the result of sexual intercourse with a caregiver. There were no such waivers reported in 2007.

¹ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Abortion surveillance—United States, 2004. *Surveillance Summaries*, November 23, 2007. MMWR 2007:56 (No. SS-9).

² Calculation of a true Wisconsin resident induced termination of pregnancy ratio and rate would require knowing the number of Wisconsin residents obtaining induced terminations in other states. Estimates can be made for 2007 by combining the number of reported induced terminations for Wisconsin residents obtained in Wisconsin (8,099) and in Minnesota (856 in 2006, the latest year for which figures are available) with 72,302 Wisconsin resident live births for 2006 and the estimated population of females aged 15 to 44 in Wisconsin in 2006 (1,140,293). Based on these figures, the estimated Wisconsin resident termination of pregnancy ratio in 2007 was 12 reported induced terminations per 100 live births. The 2007 estimated resident termination of pregnancy rate calculated using these figures was 8 reported induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

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- Seventy-seven percent of reported induced terminations of pregnancy to Wisconsin residents were obtained by women who had never been married; 12 percent by currently married women; 7 percent by women who were divorced; 3 percent by women who were separated; and less than 1 percent by women who were widowed (see Table 5).
 - Sixty-nine percent of induced terminations of pregnancy reported for Wisconsin residents were obtained by white women, 24 percent by black women, 1 percent by American Indian women, and 4 percent by Asian/Pacific Islander women. Nine percent of terminations were obtained by Hispanic women (of any race), while 91 percent were obtained by non-Hispanic women (see Table 6).
 - Of the 8,099 reported induced terminations of pregnancy among Wisconsin residents in 2007, 84 percent were surgical, 15 percent were chemically induced, and 0.2 percent were surgical procedures following a failed or incomplete chemically induced termination of pregnancy. In 2005, these proportions were 85 percent, 15 percent, and 0.3 percent, respectively (see Table 10).
 - Forty-eight percent of reported induced terminations of pregnancy among Wisconsin residents in 2007 were obtained within the first 8 weeks of gestation (see Table 8).

Table 1. Number, Ratio and Rate of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy that Occurred in Wisconsin, 1974-2007

Year	Number	Ratio*	Rate**
Annual Facility Survey			
1974	10,920	17	11
1975	12,319	19	12
1976	14,243	22	14
1977	16,133	24	16
1978	17,764	26	17
1979	20,035	28	18
1980	21,754	29	20
1981	20,819	28	19
1982	19,412	26	18
1983	18,866	26	17
1984	18,836	26	17
1985	17,309	24	15
1986	17,454	24	15
Case-Based Continuous Reporting System			
1987	17,318	24	16
1988	17,986	25	16
1989	17,575	25	16
1990	16,848	23	15
1991	16,237	23	14
1992	15,549	22	14
1993	14,671	21	13
1994	13,396	20	12
1995	12,782	19	11
1996	13,673	20	12
1997	13,218	20	11
1998	11,681	18	10
1999	11,013	16	9
2000	11,040	16	10
2001	10,925	16	9
2002	10,489	15	9
2003	10,557	16	9
2004	9,943	14	9
2005	9,817	14	8
2006	9,580	14	8
2007	8,267	11	7

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services. The source for the pre-1987 numbers reported in this table is *Maternal and Child Health Statistics, Wisconsin, 1986*.

* The ratio is the number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in Wisconsin per 100 Wisconsin live births. (The 2007 ratio is based on the number of live births in 2006.)

** The rate is the number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy occurring in Wisconsin per 1,000 Wisconsin women aged 15-44. (The 2007 rate is based on population estimates for July 1, 2006.)

Note: The reporting of induced terminations of pregnancy on a case basis began in Wisconsin on January 1, 1987. Before that date an annual survey was conducted of medical facilities and provided only the total number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy in the state.

Table 2. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy that Occurred in Wisconsin, by State of Residence, 2007

State of Residence	Number	Percent
Wisconsin	8,099	98%
Michigan	96	1
Illinois	45	1
Minnesota	8	<1
Iowa	4	<1
Other State	13	<1
Other Country	2	<1
Total	8,267	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Table 3. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Age, Wisconsin 2007

Age	Occurred in Wisconsin		Wisconsin Residents		Resident Age-Specific Rate per 1,000*	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<15	47	1%	45	1%		
15-17	518	6	506	6	(<18)	4.3
18-19	864	10	838	10		10.7
20-24	2,837	34	2,780	34		14.0
25-29	1,941	23	1,905	24		10.9
30-34	1,056	13	1,036	13		6.2
35-39	741	9	728	9		3.9
40-44	243	3	241	3	(40+)	1.1
45+	20	<1	20	<1		
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%		7.1

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

* The total rate is the number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 Wisconsin women aged 15-44 (based on July 1, 2006 population counts); age-specific rates are the number per 1,000 women in each age group. The rate among females less than 18 years of age was calculated using the female population aged 15-17; the rate among females aged 40 and older was calculated using the female population aged 40-44.

Note: The "Wisconsin Residents" columns include only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Summary Distributions

Table 4. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy Among Minors (Age Less Than 18 Years) by Legal Status of Patient, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Legal Status	Number
A. If the patient is less than 18 years old, indicate the circumstances of the patient.	
1. Patient is an emancipated minor.	21
2. A court granted a petition to waive the parental consent.	40
3. Consent was provided by an adult on behalf of the patient (go to B).	490
4. None of the above apply (go to C).	0
Total <18	551
B. Specify the status of the adult providing written consent for the patient's procedure.	
1. Parent	412
2. Guardian or legal custodian	5
3. Adult family member	71
4. Foster parent or treatment foster parent	0
Total <18 for whom adult provided consent	488
C. Specify the reason that consent was not legally required in this case.	
1. A medical emergency exists that requires an immediate termination of pregnancy.	0
2. The minor provided a written statement that the pregnancy was the result of a sexual assault; the assault was reported as required by law.	0
3. A psychiatrist or licensed psychologist provided a written statement that the minor is likely to commit suicide rather than file a petition or approach a person empowered to give consent.	0
4. The minor provided a written statement that the pregnancy is the result of sexual intercourse with a caregiver; this was reported as required by law.	0
5. The minor provided a written statement that she has been abused by a person empowered to give consent; this was reported as required by law.	0

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Summary Distributions

Table 5. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Marital Status, Wisconsin 2007

Marital Status	<u>Occurred in Wisconsin</u>		<u>Wisconsin Residents</u>		Percent Wisconsin Residents
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Married	986	12%	962	12%	98%
Separated	266	3	259	3	97
Not married:					
Never married	6,390	77	6,265	77	98
Divorced	589	7	578	7	98
Widowed	27	<1	27	<1	100
Unknown	9	<1	8	<1	89
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%	98%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: The "Wisconsin Residents" columns include only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Table 6. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Race and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin 2007

Race/Ethnicity	<u>Occurred in Wisconsin</u>		<u>Wisconsin Residents</u>		Percent Wisconsin Residents
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
White	5,736	69%	5,583	69%	97%
Black	1,985	24	1,980	24	100
Amer. Indian	116	1	113	1	97
Asian/Pacific Isl.	304	4	299	4	98
Other/Unknown	126	2	124	2	98
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%	98%
Hispanic	733	9%	725	9%	99%
Non-Hispanic	7,534	91	7,374	91	98
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%	98%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: The "Wisconsin Residents" columns include only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Summary Distributions

Table 7. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Education, Wisconsin 2007

Years of Education	<u>Occurred in Wisconsin</u>		<u>Wisconsin Residents</u>		Percent Wisconsin Residents
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
8 or less	185	2%	180	2%	97%
9-11	1,128	14	1,114	14	99
12	3,637	44	3,551	44	98
13-15	2,364	29	2,318	29	98
16 or more	953	12	936	12	98
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%	98%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: The “Wisconsin Residents” columns include only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Table 8. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Estimated Gestation, Wisconsin 2007

Weeks of Gestation	<u>Occurred in Wisconsin</u>		<u>Wisconsin Residents</u>		Percent Wisconsin Residents
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
8 weeks or less	3,983	48%	3,891	48%	98%
9-10	1,705	21	1,670	21	98
11-12	1,100	13	1,081	13	98
13-15	766	9	756	9	99
16-20	505	6	499	6	99
Over 20	208	3	202	2	97
Total	8,267	100%	8,099	100%	98%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: The “Wisconsin Residents” columns include only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

The data provided for what is termed “weeks of gestation” in the tables cannot be classified precisely or consistently. In some cases, it refers to the patient’s reported weeks since last menstrual period; in other cases, it is the physician’s estimate of weeks since conception. Reporting instructions ask for the number of weeks since patient’s last menstrual period. If this information is unavailable, reporters are asked to substitute a clinical estimate of gestation. It is not known which reports used which measure, nor the proportion of reports using each. A physician’s estimate of gestational age based on clinical observation is generally more reliable and may be several weeks less than the patient’s reported weeks since last menstrual period. Readers should be aware of the imprecision in the measure. The table groups the reported weeks into categories used by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Alan Guttmacher Institute.

Summary Distributions

Table 9. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Reported Complications, Wisconsin 2007

Complications	Occurred in Wisconsin	Wisconsin Residents
None	8,254	8,087
Complication:		
Hemorrhage	7	7
Infection	2	1
Uterine Perforation	0	0
Cervical Laceration	0	0
Retained Products	3	3
Other	2	2
Total	8,267*	8,099*

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: The "Wisconsin Residents" column includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

* Each induced termination of pregnancy could have more than one type of complication reported. Reporting instructions ask providers to report "any and all complications that are identified which are a result of the procedure and which occurred during the visit in which the procedure was performed. For chemically induced terminations, wait until the procedure is completed to answer this question."

Table 10. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Type of Procedure, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Type of Procedure	Number	Percent
Chemically Induced (any non-surgical procedure including oral, injected and vaginally inserted chemicals)	1,248	15%
Surgical	6,838	84
Surgical (following a failed or incomplete chemically induced termination of pregnancy)	13	<1
Total	8,099	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Demographic Characteristics of Patients

Table 11. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Age and by Race and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Age	Race						Ethnicity
	White	Black	American Indian	Asian/Pacific Islander	Other/Unknown	Total	Hispanic (Any Race)
Number							
Less than 15	27	16	1	1	0	45	2
15-17	325	154	7	6	14	506	47
15	45	37	1	0	2	85	7
16	119	44	3	1	6	173	21
17	161	73	3	5	6	248	19
18-19	608	182	16	23	9	838	70
18	262	90	9	13	5	379	32
19	346	92	7	10	4	459	38
20-24	1,926	704	35	69	46	2,780	252
20	395	138	9	15	12	569	52
21	408	147	7	9	9	580	49
22-24	1,123	419	19	45	25	1,631	151
25-29	1,257	501	30	87	30	1,905	175
30-34	694	264	13	48	17	1,036	116
35-39	544	126	7	46	5	728	49
40+	202	33	4	19	3	261	14
Total	5,583	1,980	113	299	124	8,099	725
Percent							
Less than 15	<1%	1%	1%	<1%	0%	1%	<1%
15-17	6	8	6	2	11	6	6
18-19	11	9	14	8	7	10	10
20-24	34	36	31	23	37	34	35
25-29	23	25	27	29	24	24	24
30-34	12	13	12	16	14	13	16
35-39	10	6	6	15	4	9	7
40+	4	2	4	6	2	3	2
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Demographic Characteristics of Patients

Table 12. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Age and Marital Status, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Age	Marital Status						Total
	Married	Separated	Never Married	Divorced	Widowed	Unknown	
	Number						
Less than 15	0	0	45	0	0	0	45
15-17	2	0	503	0	1	0	506
18-19	11	2	822	1	0	2	838
20-24	129	62	2,545	37	4	3	2,780
25-29	239	73	1,448	139	5	1	1,905
30-34	237	57	583	151	6	2	1,036
35-39	242	53	256	173	4	0	728
40+	102	12	63	77	7	0	261
Total	962	259	6,265	578	27	8	8,099
	Percent						
Less than 15	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
15-17	<1	0	8	0	4	0	6
18-19	1	1	13	<1	0	25	10
20-24	13	24	41	6	15	38	34
25-29	25	28	23	24	19	13	24
30-34	25	22	9	26	22	25	13
35-39	25	20	4	30	15	0	9
40+	11	5	1	13	26	0	3
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Demographic Characteristics of Patients

Table 13. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Education and by Race and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Years of Education	Race						Ethnicity
	White	Black	American Indian	Asian/Pacific Islander	Other/Unknown	Total	Hispanic (Any Race)
Number							
11 or less	786	396	26	44	42	1,294	263
12	2,442	911	52	105	41	3,551	296
13-15	1,641	547	28	69	33	2,318	124
16 or more	714	126	7	81	8	936	42
Total	5,583	1,980	113	299	124	8,099	725
Percent							
11 or less	14%	20%	23%	15%	34%	16%	36%
12	44	46	46	35	33	44	41
13-15	29	28	25	23	27	29	17
16 or more	13	6	6	27	6	12	6
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

The totals include one record for which mother's education is unknown.

Demographic Characteristics of Patients

Table 14. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Marital Status and by Race and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Marital Status	Race						Ethnicity
	White	Black	American Indian	Asian/ Pacific Islander	Other/ Unknown	Total	Hispanic (Any Race)
Number							
Married	709	85	7	143	18	962	104
Separated	204	41	1	8	5	259	51
Not married:							
Never married	4,173	1,781	96	126	89	6,265	520
Divorced	467	71	9	21	10	578	44
Widowed	25	1	0	0	1	27	4
Unknown	5	1	0	1	1	8	2
Total	5,583	1,980	113	299	124	8,099	725
Percent							
Married	13%	4%	6%	48%	15%	12%	14%
Separated	4	2	1	3	4	3	7
Not married:							
Never married	75	90	85	42	72	77	72
Divorced	8	4	8	7	8	7	6
Widowed	<1	<1	0	0	1	<1	1
Unknown	<1	<1	0	<1	1	<1	<1
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Note: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Patient Characteristics by Estimated Gestation

Table 15. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Estimated Gestation and Age, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

Weeks of Gestation	Age								Total
	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	
	Number								
8 weeks or less	14	168	367	1,260	970	573	396	143	3,891
9-10	11	118	168	586	378	205	153	51	1,670
11-12	6	83	130	373	255	120	82	32	1,081
13-15	8	71	89	279	161	80	49	19	756
16-20	1	51	62	193	106	42	33	11	499
Over 20	5	15	22	89	35	16	15	5	202
Total	45	506	838	2,780	1,905	1,036	728	261	8,099
	Percent								
8 weeks or less	31%	33%	44%	45%	51%	55%	54%	55%	48%
9-10	24	23	20	21	20	20	21	20	21
11-12	13	16	16	13	13	12	11	12	13
13-15	18	14	11	10	8	8	7	7	9
16-20	2	10	7	7	6	4	5	4	6
Over 20	11	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

The data provided for what is termed “weeks of gestation” in the tables cannot be classified precisely or consistently. In some cases, it refers to the patient’s reported weeks since last menstrual period; in other cases, it is the physician’s estimate of weeks since conception. Reporting instructions ask for the number of weeks since patient’s last menstrual period. If this information is unavailable, the reporters are asked to substitute a clinical estimate of gestation. It is not known which reports used which measure, nor the proportion of reports using each. A physician’s estimate of gestational age based on clinical observation is generally more reliable and may be several weeks less than the patient’s reported weeks since last menstrual period. Readers should be aware of the imprecision in the measure. The table groups the reported weeks into categories used by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Alan Guttmacher Institute.

Table 16. Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence and Age, Wisconsin Residents, 2007

County	Age					Total
	<18	18-19	20-24	25-34	35+	
Brown	30	50	133	149	58	420
Columbia	10	6	22	23	9	70
Dane	60	117	407	434	158	1,176
Fond du Lac	7	12	35	32	17	103
Kenosha	22	19	46	45	21	153
Manitowoc	7	8	24	25	12	76
Milwaukee	218	302	1,149	1,255	342	3,266
Outagamie	18	24	89	95	25	251
Racine	26	36	83	111	22	278
Rock	13	7	52	47	16	135
Sauk	6	15	29	31	18	99
Sheboygan	9	23	44	39	12	127
Walworth	7	9	55	28	13	112
Washington	11	17	28	46	14	116
Waukesha	19	35	126	134	61	375
Winnebago	7	23	69	51	22	172
Other Counties	81	135	389	396	169	1,170
Total	551	838	2,780	2,941	989	8,099

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies for some counties.

Only counties that had at least five reports for each age group are shown in this table.

Table 17. Number and Rate of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Age, Wisconsin Residents, 2003-2007

Age	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
<18	737	6.2	659	5.5	630	5.3	596	5.0	551	4.7
18-19	1,181	14.5	1,068	13.3	1,096	13.5	1,066	13.2	838	10.7
20-24	3,477	17.9	3,391	17.1	3,341	16.6	3,162	15.7	2,780	14.0
25-29	2,255	14.1	2,113	13.0	2,083	12.2	2,187	12.3	1,905	10.9
30-34	1,379	7.7	1,337	7.7	1,309	7.7	1,288	7.7	1,036	6.2
35-39	945	4.6	850	4.3	791	4.1	763	4.0	728	3.9
40+	353	1.6	301	1.3	316	1.4	290	1.3	261	1.2
Total	10,327	8.9	9,719	8.4	9,566	8.2	9,352	8.1	8,099	7.1

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

* The total rate is the number of reported induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 women aged 15-44; age-specific rates are the number per 1,000 women in each age group. The rate among females less than 18 years of age was calculated using the female population aged 15-17; the rate among females aged 40 and older was calculated using the female population aged 40-44. Wisconsin provisional population estimates for July 1, 2006, prepared by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy, were used to calculate the 2007 rates.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available.

Table 18. Number and Rate of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence, Wisconsin Residents, 2003-2007

County	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
Total	10,327	8.9	9,719	8.4	9,566	8.2	9,352	8.1	8,099	7.1
Adams	22	7.1	14		20	6.6	17		15	
Ashland	ns		ns		5		ns		ns	
Barron	ns		6		5		ns		ns	
Bayfield	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Brown	442	8.4	362	6.9	389	7.4	470	8.9	420	8.1
Buffalo	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Burnett	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Calumet	45	4.9	35	3.8	35	3.7	50	5.3	31	3.4
Chippewa	ns		9		8		6		ns	
Clark	15		10		16		11		7	
Columbia	83	7.9	67	6.4	80	7.5	76	7.1	70	6.7
Crawford	19		15		13		5		7	
Dane	1,434	13.2	1,307	12.0	1,378	12.6	1,218	11.1	1,176	10.8
Dodge	115	6.8	84	5.0	90	5.3	112	6.7	87	5.3
Door	32	6.7	14		31	6.6	16		20	4.5
Douglas	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Dunn	ns		ns		5		ns		5	
Eau Claire	10		21	0.9	14		15		10	
Florence	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Fond du Lac	113	5.4	108	5.2	103	5.0	101	4.9	103	5.1
Forest	ns		6		15		7		8	
Grant	57	5.7	41	4.1	33	3.3	37	3.8	41	4.3
Green	51	7.5	38	5.6	29	4.3	51	7.5	31	4.6
Green Lake	21	6.1	20	5.9	29	8.6	16		16	
Iowa	22	4.6	20	4.2	17		21	4.4	18	
Iron	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Jackson	16		22	6.3	15		15		18	
Jefferson	115	6.8	102	6.0	93	5.5	114	6.7	82	4.8
Juneau	39	8.4	25	5.4	33	7.1	22	4.5	26	5.5
Kenosha	258	7.5	263	7.7	230	6.6	211	6.0	153	4.4
Kewaunee	13		6		17		18		8	
La Crosse	87	3.4	93	3.6	85	3.3	85	3.4	84	3.4
Lafayette	14		10		10		11		8	
Langlade	13		18		12		10		10	
Lincoln	27	4.7	14		26	4.6	17		12	
Manitowoc	94	5.8	73	4.5	75	4.7	86	5.4	76	4.9
Marathon	137	5.2	131	5.0	124	4.7	111	4.2	129	4.9
Marinette	40	4.8	39	4.8	35	4.3	47	5.8	38	4.8
Marquette	26	10.1	15		19		20	7.7	28	11.0

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Table 18. Number and Rate of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence, Wisconsin Residents, 2003-2007 (continued)

County	2003		2004		2005		2006		2007	
	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate**	Number	Rate*	Number	Rate*
Menominee	8		6		8		6		8	
Milwaukee	4,194	19.7	4,061	19.3	3,925	18.8	3,874	18.7	3,266	16.1
Monroe	34	4.1	33	4.0	38	4.6	38	4.6	34	4.1
Oconto	31	4.3	30	4.2	23	3.1	22	3.0	19	
Oneida	30	4.6	34	5.2	33	5.1	27	4.2	29	4.6
Outagamie	271	7.3	248	6.7	245	6.6	233	6.2	251	6.8
Ozaukee	116	7.0	102	6.3	117	7.2	116	7.2	67	4.2
Pepin	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Pierce	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Polk	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Portage	93	5.8	103	6.5	108	6.9	89	5.7	60	3.9
Price	ns		7		ns		5		ns	
Racine	423	10.6	399	10.1	369	9.3	363	9.2	278	7.1
Richland	29	8.5	24	7.1	18		16		17	
Rock	148	4.5	193	6.0	175	5.4	125	3.8	135	4.2
Rusk	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
St. Croix	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Sauk	97	8.5	88	7.6	95	8.1	80	6.8	99	8.5
Sawyer	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Shawano	42	5.3	31	3.9	30	3.8	28	3.6	38	4.9
Sheboygan	143	6.3	152	6.7	124	5.5	146	6.5	127	5.7
Taylor	ns		6		7		9		10	
Trempealeau	10		10		6		11		9	
Vernon	17		26	5.0	16		22	4.2	15	
Vilas	28	8.2	25	7.3	16		18		12	
Walworth	135	6.6	119	5.8	115	5.6	111	5.4	112	5.5
Washburn	ns		ns		ns		ns		ns	
Washington	149	5.8	137	5.4	149	5.8	152	5.9	116	4.5
Waukesha	522	7.0	499	6.7	470	6.3	481	6.5	375	5.2
Waupaca	51	5.0	52	5.2	48	4.8	45	4.5	35	3.6
Waushara	25	6.1	18		21	5.3	20	5.0	10	
Winnebago	259	7.3	247	7.0	247	7.0	240	6.8	172	5.0
Wood	81	5.3	67	4.5	54	3.6	59	4.0	50	3.5

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

* The rate is the number of induced terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 women aged 15-44. Wisconsin provisional population estimates for July 1, 2006, prepared by the Bureau of Health Information and Policy, were used to calculate the 2007 rates.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

An "ns" ("not shown") indicates there were fewer than five reports for county residents. Rates based on fewer than 20 reports are omitted because they are subject to large random fluctuations.

Table 19. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence, Wisconsin Residents, 2005-2007

County	Annual Average Number	County	Annual Average Number	County	Annual Average Number
Adams	17	Iron	ns	Price	3
Ashland	2	Jackson	16	Racine	337
Barron	3	Jefferson	96	Richland	17
Bayfield	ns	Juneau	27	Rock	145
Brown	426	Kenosha	198	Rusk	2
Buffalo	2	Kewaunee	14	St. Croix	ns
Burnett	ns	La Crosse	85	Sauk	91
Calumet	39	Lafayette	10	Sawyer	2
Chippewa	5	Langlade	11	Shawano	32
Clark	11	Lincoln	18	Sheboygan	132
Columbia	75	Manitowoc	79	Taylor	9
Crawford	8	Marathon	121	Trempealeau	9
Dane	1,257	Marinette	40	Vernon	18
Dodge	96	Marquette	22	Vilas	15
Door	22	Menomine	7	Walworth	113
Douglas	2	Milwaukee	3,688	Washburn	ns
Dunn	4	Monroe	37	Washington	139
Eau Claire	13	Oconto	21	Waukesha	442
Florence	2	Oneida	30	Waupaca	43
Fond du Lac	102	Outagamie	243	Waushara	17
Forest	10	Ozaukee	100	Winnebago	220
Grant	37	Pepin	ns	Wood	54
Green	37	Pierce	ns		
Green Lake	20	Polk	ns		
Iowa	19	Portage	86	Three-Year Annual Average Total	9,006

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

An “ns” (“not shown”) indicates there were fewer than five reports for county residents during the three-year period.

Table 20. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence by Age, Wisconsin Residents, 2005-2007

County	Age				Total
	<18	18-19	20-24	25+	
Adams	3	2	3	9	17
Brown	30	46	143	207	426
Calumet	4	5	13	17	39
Columbia	7	8	24	36	75
Dane	72	140	448	597	1,257
Dodge	8	16	35	38	96
Fond du Lac	5	10	36	52	102
Grant	2	7	11	16	37
Green	3	5	9	20	37
Jefferson	6	12	38	40	96
Kenosha	19	28	66	84	198
La Crosse	6	9	34	36	85
Manitowoc	5	10	29	35	79
Marathon	6	9	42	64	121
Marinette	3	4	15	18	40
Milwaukee	221	363	1,286	1,819	3,688
Monroe	3	5	13	16	37
Oconto	2	3	5	11	21
Oneida	4	4	10	12	30
Outagamie	17	33	79	114	243
Ozaukee	5	15	31	49	100
Portage	3	10	39	33	86
Racine	31	43	108	155	337
Rock	12	18	49	66	145
Sauk	6	13	28	44	91
Shawano	4	4	8	16	32
Sheboygan	12	19	42	60	132
Vernon	2	3	4	9	18
Walworth	8	13	48	43	113
Washington	11	15	40	72	139
Waukesha	24	46	147	225	442

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Table 20. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by County of Residence by Age, Wisconsin Residents 2005-2007 (continued)

County	Age				Total
	<18	18-19	20-24	25+	
Waupaca	2	4	13	24	43
Winnebago	12	33	80	94	220
Wood	4	7	17	26	54
Other Counties	29	37	103	159	329
Three-Year Annual Average Total	592	1,000	3,094	4,319	9,006

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

Counties shown had at least five reported induced terminations of pregnancy in each age group during the three-year period.

Women age 25 and older were grouped into a single category for which three-year averages could be shown.

Columns may not sum to the three-year annual average totals due to rounding.

Table 21. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Selected County of Residence by Age and Selected Racial Categories, Wisconsin Residents, 2005-2007

County	Age				Total
	<18	18-19	20-24	25+	
Dane	72	140	448	597	1,257
White	58	110	364	471	1,004
Black	11	19	56	62	148
Kenosha	19	28	66	84	198
White	17	25	56	74	172
Black	2	3	7	7	20
Milwaukee	221	363	1,286	1,819	3,688
White	68	157	573	769	1,567
Black	141	185	633	907	1,865
Racine	31	43	108	155	337
White	20	33	75	121	248
Black	11	9	29	28	77
Three-Year Annual Average Total	592	1,000	3,094	4,319	9,006
White	395	721	2,166	2,937	6,219
Black	171	225	749	1,035	2,180

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

Counties shown had at least five reported induced terminations of pregnancy in each of these race and age groups during the three-year period.

Women age 25 and older were grouped into a single category for which three-year averages could be shown.

Columns may not sum to the three-year annual average totals due to rounding.

Table 22. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Selected County of Residence by Age and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin Residents, 2005-2007

County	Age				Total
	<18	18-19	20-24	25+	
Dane	72	140	448	597	1,257
Non-Hispanic	67	127	411	534	1,139
Hispanic	5	13	37	63	119
Kenosha	19	28	66	84	198
Non-Hispanic	17	22	52	73	164
Hispanic	3	6	15	11	34
Milwaukee	221	363	1,286	1,819	3,688
Non-Hispanic	197	320	1,127	1,627	3,271
Hispanic	23	42	159	192	417
Outagamie	17	33	79	114	243
Non-Hispanic	15	30	74	107	226
Hispanic	2	3	5	8	17
Racine	31	43	108	155	337
Non-Hispanic	27	36	93	125	281
Hispanic	4	7	15	30	56
Three-Year Annual Average Total	592	1,000	3,094	4,319	9,006
Non-Hispanic	546	912	2,799	3,933	8,190
Hispanic	46	88	295	386	815

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

Counties shown had at least five reported induced terminations of pregnancy in each ethnicity-by-age group during the three-year period.

Women age 25 and older were grouped into a single category for which three-year averages could be shown.

Columns may not sum to the three-year annual average totals due to rounding.

Table 23. Three-Year Annual Average Number of Reported Induced Terminations of Pregnancy by Selected County of Residence by Race and Hispanic Origin, Wisconsin Residents, 2005-2007

County	Race			Total	Ethnicity
	White	Black	Asian/ Pacific Islander		Hispanic (Any Race)
Brown	371	14	18	426	26
Dane	1,004	148	82	1,257	119
Fond du Lac	96	3	2	102	6
Kenosha	172	20	2	198	34
Marathon	104	2	13	121	5
Milwaukee	1,567	1,865	143	3,688	417
Outagamie	221	2	13	243	17
Ozaukee	90	4	5	100	4
Racine	248	77	4	337	56
Rock	130	9	4	145	9
Sheboygan	111	2	14	132	14
Walworth	103	4	2	113	9
Washington	131	4	3	139	5
Waukesha	400	12	21	442	32
Winnebago	201	5	9	220	11
Three-Year Annual Average Total	6,219	2,180	356	9,006	815

Source: Wisconsin Induced Termination of Pregnancy Reporting System, Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Department of Health and Family Services.

Notes: This table includes only induced terminations of pregnancy that were obtained in Wisconsin by Wisconsin residents. Information about Wisconsin residents who obtained induced terminations of pregnancy in other states is not available; therefore, the counts underestimate frequencies in some counties.

Counties shown had at least five reported induced terminations of pregnancy in each of these race and ethnic groups during the three-year period.

Columns may not sum to the three-year annual average totals due to rounding.

The total includes a three-year annual average of 119 reports for which patient race was reported as American Indian, and 131 for which race was reported as "Other" or "Unknown." (These numbers are too small to present them separately by county.)

Induced Abortion Reporting (s. 69.186, Wisconsin Statutes)

(1) On or before January 15 annually, each hospital, clinic or other facility in which an induced abortion is performed shall file with the department a report for each induced abortion performed in the hospital, clinic or other facility in the previous calendar year. Each report shall contain all of the following information with respect to each patient obtaining an induced abortion in the hospital, clinic or other facility:

- (a) The state and, if this state, the county, of residence.
- (b) Patient number.
- (c) Race.
- (d) Age.
- (e) Marital status.
- (f) Month and year in which the induced abortion was performed.
- (g) Education.
- (h) The number of weeks since the patient's last menstrual period.
- (hm) Whether the abortion was a chemically induced abortion, a surgical abortion or a surgical abortion following a failed or incomplete chemical abortion.
- (i) Complications, if any, resulting from performance of the induced abortion.
- (j) If the patient is a minor, whether consent was provided under s. 48.375(4) (a) 1. for the abortion and, if so, the relationship of the individual providing consent to the minor; or, if consent under s. 48.375 (4) (a) 1. was not provided, on which of the bases under s. 48.375 (4) (a) 2. or (b) 1., 1g., 1m., 2. or 3. the abortion was performed.

(2) The department shall collect the information under sub. (1) in a manner which the department shall specify and which ensures the anonymity of a patient who receives an induced abortion, a health care provider who provides an induced abortion and a hospital, clinic or other facility in which an induced abortion is performed. The department shall publish annual demographic summaries of the information obtained under this section, except that the department may not disclose any information obtained under this section that reveals the identity of any patient, health care provider or hospital, clinic or other facility and shall ensure anonymity in all of the following ways:

- (a) The department may use information concerning the patient number under sub. (1)(b) or concerning the identity of a specific reporting hospital, clinic or other facility for purposes of information collection only and may not reproduce or extrapolate this information for any purpose.
- (b) The department shall immediately destroy all reports submitted under sub. (1) after information is extrapolated from the reports for use in publishing the annual demographic summary under this subsection.

In section 69.186, the term "induced abortion" means:

The termination of a uterine pregnancy by a physician of a woman known by the physician to be pregnant, for a purpose other than to produce a live birth or to remove a dead fetus.

Enacted October 11, 1997.

Note on Statute Revision: The Induced Abortion Reporting Statute (section 69.186, Wisconsin Statutes) was revised in 1997 to add collection of data on minor patient legal status (j) and type of abortion (hm). (1998 was the first year in which these data were collected.)