



# Abortion Statistics, England and Wales: 2010

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# Summary

### This report presents statistics on abortions carried out in England and Wales in 2010.

In 2010, for women resident in England and Wales:

- The total number of abortions was 189,574, 0.3% more than in 2009 (189,100) and 8.0% more than in 2000 (175,542).
- The age-standardised abortion rate was 17.5 per 1,000 resident women aged 15-44, the same as in 2009, but 3% higher than in 2000 (17.0) and more than double the rate of 8.0 recorded in 1970.
- The abortion rate was highest at 33 per 1,000 for women aged 19 and 20, the same as in 2009 and slightly lower than the highest rates in the year 2000 (34 per 1,000 for both 19 and 20 year olds).
- The under-16 abortion rate was 3.9 per 1,000 women and the under-18 rate was 16.5 per 1,000 women, both lower than in 2009 (4.0 and 17.6 per 1,000 women respectively) and in the year 2000 (3.9 and 18.3 per 1,000 women respectively).
- 96% of abortions were funded by the NHS. Over half (59%) took place in the independent sector under NHS contract, up from 2% in 1981.
- 91% of abortions were carried out at under 13 weeks gestation. 77% were at under 10 weeks, compared to 75% in 2009 and 58% in 2000.
- Medical abortions accounted for 43% of the total, up from 12% in 2000.
- 2,290 abortions (1%) were carried out under ground E (risk that the child would be born handicapped),

Non-residents:

• In 2010, there were 6,535 abortions for non-residents carried out in hospitals and clinics in England and Wales (6,643 in 2009). The 2010 total is the lowest in any year since 1969.

# 1. Introduction

1.1 This report presents statistics on abortions carried out in England and Wales in 2010. It is the ninth in an annual series published by the Department of Health (DH), the first of which was for abortions in 2002. These are available on the DH website<sup>1</sup>. Statistics for years from 1974 to 2001 were published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS) in their Abortion Statistics Series AB, Nos 1 to 28. The reports for 1991 to 2001 are available on the ONS website<sup>2</sup>. Statistics for years from 1973 were published in the Registrar General's Statistical Review of England and Wales, Supplement on Abortion.

## The legislative context

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

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+/www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publichealth/Healthimprov ement/Sexualhealth/Sexualhealthgeneralinformation/DH\_4063863

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

http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Statistics/StatisticalWorkAreas/Statisticalpublichealth/index.htm <sup>2</sup> http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=68

- D the pregnancy has not exceeded its twenty-fourth week and that the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk, greater than if the pregnancy were terminated, of injury to the physical or mental health of any existing children of the family of the pregnant woman (section 1(1)(a))
- E there is a substantial risk that if the child were born it would suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities as to be seriously handicapped (section 1(1)(d))
- or, in an emergency, certified by the operating practitioner as immediately necessary:
  - F to save the life of the pregnant woman (section 1(4))
  - G to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman (section 1(4))

### How the statistics are produced

- 1.5 The doctor taking responsibility for an abortion is legally required to notify the Chief Medical Officer (CMO) within 14 days of the termination. Abortion notification forms can be submitted online or on paper.
- 1.6 The Department of Health use a thorough process for inspecting and recording the information received on the forms in order to monitor compliance with the legislation and the extent to which best practice guidance from the Department of Health is followed. The methods used ensure good quality, accurate statistics can be derived from the data. Annex A contains further information about data quality.
- 1.7 The information collected on the abortion notification form (HSA4) was amended during 2002. Details of the changes are in Annex A.
- 1.8 The format of the tables presented in this bulletin reflects the recommendations made in the ONS disclosure review (see Annex A for further information).

# 2. Commentary

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

## Overall number and rate of abortions

2.1 In total, there were 196,109 abortions notified as taking place in England and Wales in 2010. There were 189,574 abortions to residents of England and Wales in 2010. This represents an age-standardised abortion rate of 17.5 per 1,000 resident women aged 15-44<sup>3</sup>. This is 6% lower than the rate of 18.6 in 2007, but 3% higher than in 2000 and more than double the rate of 8.0 recorded in 1970.





## Age

2.2 The abortion rate in 2010 was highest at 33 per 1,000 for women aged 19 and 20. There were 1,042 abortions to women aged under 15 (less than one per cent of the total) and 686 to women aged 45 or over (less than a half of one per cent) (see Table 4a and Figure 2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Annex A for details about how the rate is derived.

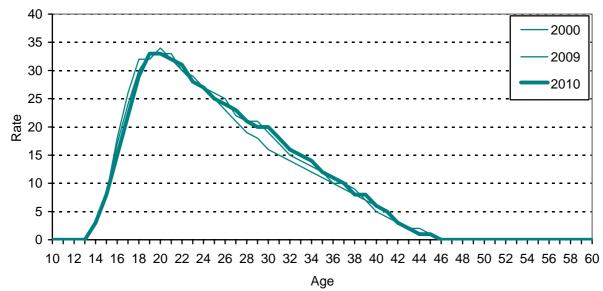


Figure 2: Abortion rate per 1,000 population by single year of age, England and Wales, 2000, 2009 and 2010

2.3 The under-16 abortion rate was 3.9 in 2010 compared with 4.0 in 2009 and 3.9 in 2000; and the under-18 rate was 16.5 in 2010, compared with 17.6 in 2009 and 18.3 in 2000. Rates for women aged 15 to 19 were lower than in 2010, whereas rates for women aged 30 to 37 were higher. Similarly, compared with 2000, the rates in 2010 were lower for women aged 15 to 18 and higher for women aged 25 or over.

## Marital status

2.4 About four-fifths (81%) of abortions in 2010 were carried out for single women, a proportion that has risen slowly from 75% since 2000 (Table 3a.v).

## Ethnicity

- 2.5 The revised HSA4 forms introduced in 2002 allowed for the recording of ethnicity, as self-reported by the women involved. This information was not previously recorded. Ethnicity was recorded on 95% of the forms received for 2010 compared with 80% in 2003. Of women whose ethnicity was recorded in 2010, 76% were reported as White, 10% as Asian or Asian British and 9% as Black or Black British (Table 3a.vi).
- 2.6 The percentage of women having an abortion in 2010 who had one or more previous abortions varies by ethnic group. 30% of Asian women having abortions in 2010 had previously had an abortion, compared with 48% of Black women (Table A below).

Table A: Percentage of women who had one or more previous abortions, by ethnicity, England and Wales, 2010

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Ethnicity	% of women who had one
	or more previous abortions
Asian or Asian British	30%
Black or Black British	48%
Chinese or other ethnic group	33%
Mixed	42%
White	33%
All women	34%

## Location and funding of abortions

2.7 Table 3a.i and Figure 3 show that in 2010, 37% of abortions were performed in NHS hospitals and 59% in approved independent sector places under NHS contract (previously named NHS Agency), making a total of 96% of abortions funded by the NHS. The remaining 4% were privately funded. The proportion performed under NHS contract has been rising steadily since this information was collected in 1981, while the proportions of NHS hospital and private abortions have been falling since 1995 and 1988 respectively.

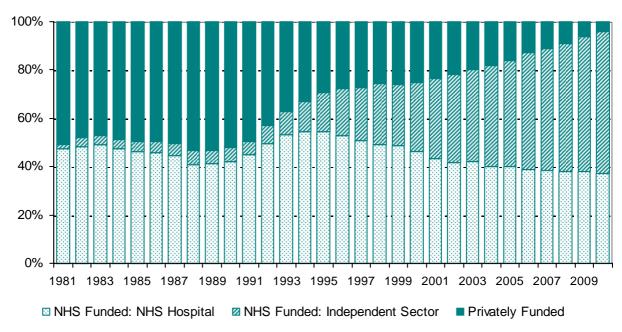


Figure 3: Abortions by purchaser/provider, England and Wales, 1981 to 2010

## Statutory grounds for abortion

- 2.8 In 2010, the vast majority (98%; 185,291) of abortions were undertaken under ground C and a further 1% under ground D (1,635). A similar proportion were carried out under ground E (1%; 2,290). Grounds A and B together accounted for less than a quarter of one per cent of abortions (358). The proportion of ground C abortions has risen steadily, with a corresponding reduction in ground D cases. (See Table 3a.ii.) The vast majority (99.96%) of ground C only terminations were reported as being performed because of a risk to the woman's mental health. Abortions are rarely performed under grounds F or G.
- 2.9 Congenital malformations were reported as the principal medical condition in nearly half (48%; 1,094) of the 2,290 cases undertaken under ground E. The most commonly reported malformations were of the nervous system (23% of all ground E cases; 522) and the musculoskeletal system (8%; 181). Chromosomal abnormalities were reported as the principal medical condition for just over a third (36%; 831) of Ground E cases. Down's syndrome was the most commonly reported chromosomal abnormality (21% of all ground E cases; 482). (See Table 9; specific groups are not shown if there are fewer than ten cases in total. See section on disclosure control in Annex A).

2.10 As in each year since 1999, fewer than 10 abortions under ground E in 2010 were associated with rubella.

## **Gestation period**

2.11 The vast majority of abortions are performed at under 13 weeks (91% in 2010). There has been a continuing increase in the proportion of abortions that are performed under 10 weeks since 2002. In 2010, about 77% of abortions were performed at under 10 weeks, compared to 75% in 2009 and 58% in 2000. There were corresponding decreases in the

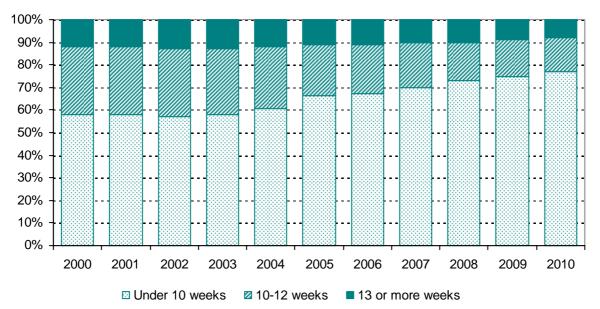


Figure 4: Abortions by gestation, England and Wales, 2000 to 2010

proportion performed later: in 2010, 15% were performed at 10-12 weeks (compared to 16% in 2009 and 30% in 2002) and 9% at 13 weeks or more (compared to 9% in 2009 and 13% in 2002.) (See Table 3a.iii and Figure 4.)

- 2.12 Over three quarters (76%) of NHS funded abortions took place at under 10 weeks, ranging from 52% in Bridgend Local Health Board to 86% in North Staffordshire PCT (Table 11). Department of Health policy is that women who are legally entitled to an abortion should have access to the procedure as soon as possible. Evidence shows that the risk of complications increases the later the gestation.
- 2.13 Abortions where gestation has exceeded its twenty-fourth week account for less than 0.1% of the total. There were 147 such abortions in 2010 (Table 5 and Table 9).

### **Previous abortions**

2.14 In 2010, 34% of women undergoing abortions had one or more previous abortions. The proportion has risen from 30% since 2000 (Table 3a.ix and Table 4b). 25% of abortions to women aged under 25 were repeat abortions (Table 11). Repeat unintended pregnancy and subsequent abortion is a complex issue associated with increased age as it allows longer time for exposure to pregnancy risks.

Table B: Percentage of women who had one or more previous abortions, by age,England and Wales, 2010

Age	% of women who had one or more previous abortions
Under 18	8%
18-19	18%
20-24	32%
25-29	41%
30-34	44%
35 or over	44%
All women	34%

## Previous obstetric history

2.15 In 2010, 50% of women undergoing abortions had one or more previous pregnancies that resulted in a live or stillbirth, slightly up from 47% in 2000 (Table 3a.vii.) 16% of women had a previous pregnancy resulting in a miscarriage or ectopic pregnancy, up from 13% in 2002, when the information was first collected (Table 3a.viii.)

## Method of abortion

- 2.16 Different methods may be used to terminate a pregnancy, depending on the duration of gestation and other circumstances relating to the individual woman. There is one principal medical method, involving the use of the abortifacient drug Mifegyne (mifepristone, also known as RU486). The main surgical methods are vacuum aspiration, recommended at up to 15 weeks gestation, and dilatation and evacuation (D&E) recommended where gestation is greater than 15 weeks. D&E may be used in combination with vacuum aspiration; such cases are recorded in the statistics as D&E.
- 2.17 Medical abortions accounted for 43% of the total in 2010. The proportion of medical abortions has more than trebled in the last ten years, from 12% in 2000. There has been a continuing upward trend in medical abortions since 1991 when Mifegyne was licensed for use in the UK, when only 4% of abortions were undertaken using a medical procedure (Table 3a.iv and Table 5.) In 2010, 55% of abortions under 9 weeks were medical abortions compared with 18% in 2000.
- 2.18 The surgical procedure vacuum aspiration was used for 52% of all abortions in 2010; and Dilatation and Evacuation (D&E) alone in about 5% (Table 3a.iv.)
- 2.19 For abortions at 22 weeks or beyond, feticide is recommended prior to the evacuation of the uterus to stop the fetal heart. In 2010, of the 1,173 abortions performed at 22 weeks and over, 70% were reported as preceded by a feticide and a further 25% were performed by a method whereby the fetal heart is stopped as part of the procedure. 2% of abortions at 22 weeks or beyond were confirmed as having no feticide. For the remaining 3%, at the time of publication, we had not been able to confirm whether feticide had been performed.

## Length of stay

2.20 In 2010, 599 (0.3%) women were reported as having a duration of stay of one or more nights. More than half of these stays were for abortions performed at later gestations of 20 weeks and over (See Table C).

Table C: Abortions requiring a length of stay of one or more nights, percentage breakdown by gestation, England and Wales, 2010

Gestation (weeks)	% of those requiring a length of stay of one or more nights (Total = 100%)	% of all abortions (Total = 100%)
Under 10	26%	77%
10-12	5%	15%
13-19	15%	7%
20 or over	54%	1%

## Complications

2.21 Complications were reported in 287 cases in 2010, a rate of about two in every thousand abortions, the same as in 2009 and 41 per cent lower than in 2000 (Table 8).

## Selective terminations

2.22 In 2010, there were 85 abortions which involved selective terminations. In 51 cases, two fetuses were reduced to one fetus. Over three quarters (78%) of the selective terminations were performed under ground E.

## Chlamydia screening

2.23 The revised HSA4 forms introduced in 2002 allowed for the recording of whether chlamydia screening was offered. Analysis of returned data for 2010 shows that 84% of women having abortions in 2010 were offered chlamydia screening, up from 65% in 2002 The figure for women aged under 25 is slightly higher (90%).

## Place of residence within England and Wales

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

## Women resident outside England and Wales

2.25 In 2010, there were 6,535 abortions to women resident outside England and Wales, compared with 6,643 in 2009. Principally, these non-residents were from Northern Ireland (17%) and the Irish Republic (67%). The number of abortions to non-residents has fallen each year since 2001, when the figure was 9,910. The 2010 total is the lowest in any year since 1969 (see Table 1 and Table 12a).

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#### Table 1: Legal abortions: resident status and purchaser, 1968 to 2010

England and Wales, residents and non-residents

Year	Total	Residents						Non-residents
			NHS F	unded	Privately Funded	Rate per 1,00 residents ag		
		Total	NHS In Hospital	dependent Sector <sup>2</sup>		ASR <sup>3</sup>	Crude	Tota
1968 <sup>1</sup>	23,641	22,332	14,492		7,840			1,309
1969	54,819	49,829	33,562		16,267	5.2	5.3	4,990
1970	86,565	75,962	47,370		28,592	8.0	8.1	10,603
1971	126,777	94,570	53,455		41,115	9.9	10.1	32,207
1972	159,884	108,565	56,861		51,704	11.3	11.5	51,319
1973	167,149	110,568	55,456		55,112	11.4	11.7	56,58 <sup>2</sup>
1974	162,940	109,445	56,076		53,369	11.2	11.5	53,49
1975	139,702	106,224	50,941		55,283	10.8	11.1	33,478
1976	129,673	101,912	50,569		51,343	10.2	10.5	27,76
1977	133,004	102,677	52,530		50,147	10.1	10.5	30,327
1978	141,558	111,851	55,040		56,811	10.9	11.3	29,707
1979	149,746	120,611	55,558		65,053	11.5	12.0	29,13
1980	160,903	128,927	60,594	•	68,333	12.1	12.6	31,976
1981	162,480	128,581	61,103	2,343	65,135	11.9	12.4	33,899
1982	163,045	128,553	62,409	4,425	61,719	11.8	12.3	34,492
1983	162,161	127,375	62,609	4,614	60,152	11.5	12.1	34,786
1984	169,993	136,388	64,823	4,912	66,653	12.2	12.8	33,605
1985	171,873	141,101	65,176	5,929	69,996	12.5	13.1	30,772
1986	172,286	147,619	67,451	6,819	73,349	13.0	13.5	24,667
1987	174,276	156,191	69,442	8,041	78,708	13.7	14.2	18,08
1988	183,798	168,298	69,103	9,357	89,838	14.8	15.3	15,500
1989	183,974	170,463	70,722	9,200	90,541	15.1	15.5	13,51
1990	186,912	173,900	73,517	9,582	90,801	15.5	15.8	13,012
1991	179,522	167,376	75,172	9,197	83,007	15.0	15.2	12,146
1992	172,069	160,501	79,543	11,982	68,976	14.6	14.8	11,568
1993	168,714	157,846	84,071	14,835	58,940	14.5	14.7	10,868
1994	166,876	156,539	85,243	19,551	51,745	14.6	14.6	10,337
1995	163,638	154,315	84,478	24,363	45,474	14.5	14.4	9,323
1996	177,495	167,916	88,410	33,255	46,251	16.0	15.7	9,579
1997	179,746	170,145	86,414	37,472	46,259	16.3	15.9	9,601
1998	187,402	177,871	87,568	44,332	45,971	17.2	16.6	9,531
1999	183,250	173,701	84,992	43,266	45,443	16.8	16.2	9,549
2000	185,375	175,542	81,074	50,400	44,068	17.0	16.3	9,833
2001	186,274	176,364	76,166	58,445	41,753	17.1	16.3	9,910
2002	185,385	175,932	73,544	63,938	38,450	17.0	16.2	9,453
2003	190,660	181,582	75,791	69,133	36,658	17.5	16.6	9,078
2004	194,498	185,713 4		77,289	33,096	17.8	16.9	8,78
2005	194,353	186,416	74,744	82,518	29,154	17.8	17.0	7,937
2006	201,173	193,737	75,328	92,494	25,915	18.3	17.5	7,436
2007	205,598	198,499	75,518	100,195	22,786	18.6	17.9	7,099
2008	202,158	195,296	74,433	103,905	16,958	18.2	17.6	6,862
2009	195,743	189,100	71,477	106,161	11,462	17.5	17.0	6,643
2010	196,109	189,574	69,529	111,775	8,270	17.5	17.1	6,535

<sup>1</sup> 1968 figures contain only 8 months data as the legislation came into effect on 27 April 1968.
 <sup>2</sup> The collection of information on independent sector commenced in 1981.

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

<sup>4</sup> Revised England and Wales total.

. Not applicable: see footnotes 1 and 2.

Table 2: Legal abortions: age by (i) purchaser, (ii) statutory grounds, (iii) gestation weeks, (iv) procedure, (v) marital status,(vi) ethnicity, (vii) parity, (viii) previous miscarriages, (ix) previous abortions, (x) chlamydia screening, 2010

	All ages		Under 20		20-34		35 and over	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
All legal abortions	189,574	100%	38,269	100%	124,259	100%	27,046	100%
i) Purchaser								
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital	69,529	37%	15,638	41%	44,932	36%	8,959	33%
NHS Funded: Independent Sector	111,775	59%	22,096	58%	73,838	59%	15,841	59%
Privately Funded	8,270	4%	535	1%	5,489	4%	2,246	8%
ii) Statutory grounds	-,				-,		_,	
A (alone or with B, C or D) or F or G	41	0%			26	0%		
B (alone)	265	0%	68	0%	159	0%	38	0%
B (with C or D)	52	0%			34	0%		
C (alone)	185,291	98%	37,959	99%	121,490	98%	25,842	96%
D (alone, or with C)	1,635	1%	117	0%	1,186	1%	332	1%
E (alone or with A, B, C, or D)	2,290	1%	115	0%	1,364	1%	811	3%
ii) Gestation weeks								
ý 3 - 9	145,163	77%	27,246	71%	96,432	78%	21,485	79%
10 - 12	27,572	15%	6,666	17%	90,432 17,589	14%	3,317	12%
13 -19	14,095	7%	3,646	10%	8,571	7%	1,878	7%
20 and over	2,744	1%	711	2%	1,667	1%	366	1%
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v) Procedure			o · ·	5051		5001		<b>.</b>
Surgical Medical	108,062 81,512	57% 43%	21,511 16 758	56% 44%	70,139 54,120	56% 44%	16,412 10,634	61% 39%
Medical	81,912	43%	16,758	44%	54,120	44%	10,634	39%
/) Marital status <sup>1</sup>								
Single no partner	46,997	26%	11,991	33%	31,020	26%	3,986	15%
Single with partner	87,587	49%	20,732	58%	58,388	50%	8,467	33%
Single not stated	11,372	6%	3,015	8%	7,406	6%	951	4%
Married/civil partnership	28,608	16%	184	1%	18,032	15%	10,392	40%
Separated/widowed/divorced	4,851	3%	63	0%	2,820	2%	1,968	8%
Not known & not stated	10,159		2,284		6,593		1,282	
/i) Ethnicity								
White - British	122,491	68%	29,285	81%	76,610	65%	16,596	64%
White - Irish White - Any other White background	1,119 12,783	1% 7%	195 1,134	1% 3%	733 9,505	1% 8%	191 2,144	1% 8%
Mixed - White and Black Caribbean	1,994	1%	609	2%	1,255	1%	130	19
Mixed - White and Black African	1,010	1%	260	1%	667	1%	83	0%
Mixed - White and Asian	635	0%	164	0%	408	0%	63	0%
Mixed - Any Other	1,715	1%	375	1%	1,145	1%	195	1%
Asian or Asian British - Indian	6,520	4% 2%	434	1%	5,017	4% 2%	1,069	4% 2%
Asian or Asian British - Pakistani Asian or Asian British - Bangladeshi	3,492 1,731	2% 1%	339 234	1% 1%	2,568 1,249	2% 1%	585 248	29 19
Asian - Any other Asian background	5,554	3%	448	1%	3,965	3%	1,141	4%
Black or Black British - Caribbean	5,049	3%	894	2%	3,411	3%	744	3%
Black or Black British - African	10,829	6%	1,232	3%	7,742	7%	1,855	7%
Black or Black British - Any other	1,203	1%	192	1%	874	1%	137	19
Chinese Any other ethnic group	2,157 2,163	1% 1%	172 225	0% 1%	1,663 1,514	1% 1%	322 424	1% 2%
Not known/not stated	9,129	170	2,077	170	5,933	170	1,119	270
vii) Parity (number of previous pregnancies re	sulting in live or	still birth)						
0	95,254	50%	33,762	88%	57,491	46%	4,001	15%
1+	94,320	50%	4,507	12%	66,768	54%	23,045	85%
viii) Number of previous pregnancies resulting	g in spontaneous	miscarriage a	nd ectopic preg	nancies				
0	159,802	84%	36,480	95%	103,853	84%	19,469	72%
1+	29,772	16%	1,789	5%	20,406	16%	7,577	28%
x) Number of previous pregnancies resulting	in abortion under	r the Act						
0	125,271	66%	32,962	86%	77,069	62%	15,240	56%
1+	64,303	34%	5,307	14%	47,190	38%	11,806	44%
k) Chlamydia screening								
Offered	159,035	84%	34,747	91%	103,649	83%	20,639	76%
Not offered	30,539	16%	3,522	9%	20,610	17%	6,407	24%

<sup>1</sup> Percentages exclude not known and not stated

Table 3a: Legal abortions: by (i) purchaser, (ii) statutory grounds, (iii) gestation weeks, (iv) procedure, (v) marital status, (vi) ethnicity, (vii) parity, (viii) previous miscarriages, (ix) previous abortions, (x) chlamydia screening, 2000 to 2010

England and Wales, residents

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
All legal abortions ( =100% )	175,542	176,364	175,932	181,582	185,713 <sup>2</sup>	186,416	193,737	198,499	195,296	189,100	189,574
(i) Purchaser											
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital NHS Funded: Independent Sector Privately Funded	46 29 25	43 33 24	42 36 22	42 38 20	40 42 18	40 44 16	39 48 13	38 50 11	38 53 9	38 56 6	37 59 4
(ii) Statutory grounds											
A (alone or with B, C or D) or F or G B (alone or with C or D) C (alone) D (alone, or with C) E (alone or with A, B, C, or D)	0 1 92 5 1	0 1 93 5 1	0 1 94 4 1	0 1 94 3 1	0 1 95 3 1	0 1 96 2 1	0 1 97 1 1	0 0 98 1 1	0 0 98 1 1	0 0 97 1 1	0 0 98 1 1
(iii) Gestation weeks											
3 - 9 10 - 12 13 - 19 20 and over	58 30 10 1	58 30 11 2	57 30 11 2	58 29 11 2	60 27 11 2	67 23 9 1	68 22 9 2	70 20 9 1	73 17 8 1	75 16 8 1	77 15 7 1
(iv) Procedure											
Vacuum aspiration Dilatation and evacuation Other surgical All surgical	81 7 0 88	81 6 0 87	81 4 0 86	80 3 0 83	76 4 0 80	71 5 0 76	64 6 0 70	60 5 0 65	57 5 0 62	54 5 0 60	52 5 0 57
Antiprogresterone with or without prostaglandin Other medical agent	11 1	12 1	14 0	16 0	19 0	24 0	30 0	34 0	37 0	40 0	43 0
All medical	12	13	14	17	20	24	30	34	37	40	43
(v) Marital status <sup>1</sup>											
Single no partner Single with partner Single not stated Single (total) Married/civil partnership Separated Widowed Divorced	75 19 3 0 2	76 19 3 0 2	25 17 32 <b>75</b> 20 3 0 2	35 30 11 <b>76</b> 19 2 0 2	31 29 17 <b>77</b> 18 2 0 2	33 31 15 <b>79</b> 17 2 0 2	32 36 12 <b>80</b> 17 2 0 2	31 42 8 <b>81</b> 16 2 0 1	29 42 9 <b>81</b> 16 2 0 1	29 43 11 <b>82</b> 15 2 0 1	26 49 6 <b>81</b> 16 2 0
(vi) Ethnicity <sup>1</sup>											
White Mixed Asian or Asian British Black or Black British Chinese or other ethnic group			75 3 7 12 3	76 2 7 12 3	75 2 7 13 3	74 2 8 13 3	75 3 8 12 2	75 3 8 11 3	76 3 8 10 3	76 3 9 10 2	76 3 10 9 2
(vii) Parity (number of previous pregnancies re	sulting in live o	r stillbirth)									
0 1+	53 47	53 47	53 47	53 47	53 47	53 47	53 47	53 47	52 48	51 49	50 50
(viii) Number of previous pregnancies resulting	j in spontaneou	is miscarria	age and ec	topic pregr	ancies						
0 1+			87 13	87 13	86 14	86 14	86 14	86 14	85 15	85 15	84 16
(ix) Number of previous pregnancies resulting	in abortion und	er the Act									
0 1+	70 30	69 31	69 31	68 32	68 32	68 32	68 32	68 32	67 33	66 34	66 34
(x) Chlamydia screening Offered Not offered			65 35	65 35	69 31	71 29	72 28	73 27	73 27	79 21	84 16

<sup>1</sup> Percentages exclude not known and not stated

<sup>2</sup> Revised England and Wales total.

. Information was not collected Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

#### Table 3b: Legal abortions: by age, 2000 to 2010

England and Wales, residents									numbers, ra		
Age	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Number											
All ages	175,542	176,364	175,932	181,582	185,713 <sup>2</sup>	186,416	193,737	198,499	195,296	189,100	189,574
Under 16 16-17	3,748 13,334	3,658 13,615	3,733 13,716	3,967 14,155	3,756 14,136	3,786 14,237	3,990 14,629	4,376 15,913	4,113 15,273	3,823 14,093	3,718 12,742
Under 18 18-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35 or over Age not stated	17,082 19,884 47,100 37,852 28,735 24,842 47	17,273 19,816 48,267 36,506 28,782 25,696 24	17,449 19,269 48,359 35,795 28,503 26,438 119	18,122 20,092 51,201 36,018 28,749 27,400	17,892 21,250 52,701 37,759 28,064 27,749	18,023 21,076 53,342 38,330 27,836 27,809	18,619 22,667 55,340 40,396 28,153 28,562	20,289 23,666 56,963 41,704 27,257 28,620	19,386 23,303 56,172 41,896 26,985 27,554	17,916 22,151 54,749 40,634 26,701 26,949	16,460 21,809 55,481 40,800 27,978 27,046
Crude rate per 1,000 women <sup>1</sup> All ages	16.3	16.3	16.2	16.6	16.9	17.0	17.5	17.9	17.6	17.0	17.1
Under 16	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.9	4.4	4.2	4.0	3.9
16-17	21.7	21.4	21.1	21.5	21.0	21.1	21.4	23.4	22.2	20.5	18.9
Under 18 18-19 20-24 25-29 30-34 35 or over	18.3 32.0 30.7 20.9 14.1 6.4	18.0 32.1 30.6 20.9 14.2 6.5	17.8 30.7 30.1 21.4 14.2 6.6	18.2 30.8 31.2 22.1 14.6 6.8	17.8 31.9 31.9 23.3 14.5 6.8	17.8 31.6 32.0 23.6 14.5 6.8	18.2 33.3 32.5 24.3 15.1 6.9	19.8 34.3 32.6 24.3 15.1 6.9	18.9 33.3 31.6 23.9 15.6 6.7	17.6 31.6 30.0 22.8 15.7 6.6	16.5 30.7 30.2 22.5 16.5 6.7
Percentage											
Under 16 16-17	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 8	2 7	2 7
<i>Under 18</i> 18-19	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 11	10 12	10 12	10 12	9 12	9 12
20-24	27	27	27	28	28	29	29	29	29	29	29
25-29 30-34	22 16	21 16	20 16	20 16	20 15	21 15	21 15	21 14	21 14	21 14	22 15
35 or over	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	14	14	14	14

<sup>1</sup> Rates for all ages, under 16 and under 18 are based on the mid-year population estimates for 15-44, 13-15 and 15-17 respectively. See Annex A for further details.
 <sup>2</sup> revised England and Wales total.
 Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100
 Not applicable: records where age was not stated have been distributed pro-rata across age group 20-24.

#### Table 4a: Legal abortions: by age, 2010

England and Wales, residents

Age Total		Crude rates per 1,000 women <sup>1</sup>	Age	Total	Crude rates per 1,000 women <sup>1</sup>	
iges	189,574	17				
Under 15	1,042	2	30-34	27,978	17	
Under 14	136	0	30	6,929	20	
14	906	3	31	5,977	18	
			32	5,374	16	
Under 16	3,718	4	33	4,983	15	
Under 18	16,460	16	34	4,715	14	
15-19	37,227	22	35-39	18,867	10	
15	2,676	8	35	4,420	12	
16	5,069	15	36	4,118	11	
17	7,673	22	37	3,853	10	
18	10,128	29	38	3,413	8	
19	11,681	33	39	3,063	8	
20-24	55,481	30	40-44	7,493	4	
20	11,871	33	40	2,468	6	
21	11,662	32	41	2,016	5	
22	11,361	31	42	1,375	3	
23	10,496	28	43	1,007	2	
24	10,091	27	44	627	1	
25-29	40,800	23	45-49	665	0	
25	9,217	25	45	350	1	
26	8,535	24	46	200	0	
27	8,225	23	47	70	0	
28	7,503	21	48	31	0	
29	7,320	20	49	14	0	
			50 and over	21		

<sup>1</sup> Rates for all ages, under 14, under 15, under 16 and under 18 are based on mid-2009 population estimates for

15-44, 13, 13-14, 13-15 and 15-17 respectively. See Annex A for further details.

. Rate not available.

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

#### Table 4b: Legal abortions: number of previous abortions by age, 2010

England and Wales, residents

Number of previous	Total		Under	18	18 - 24	4	25 - 29	9	30 or o	ver
abortions	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
0	125,271	66%	15,166	92%	55,300	72%	23,928	59%	30,877	56%
1	48,348	26%	1,201	7%	17,735	23%	12,252	30%	17,160	31%
2	11,895	6%	79	0%	3,453	4%	3,390	8%	4,973	9%
3	2,890	2%					906	2%	1,372	2%
4	787	0%					224	1%	412	1%
5	229	0%					65	0%	133	0%
6	69	0%							42	0%
7 or more	85	0%							55	0%
Total	189,574		16,460		77,290		40,800		55,024	

.. Values are suppressed where totals are less than 10 (0 - 9) or where a presented total would reveal the suppressed value

#### Table 5: Legal abortions: gestation weeks by purchaser and method of abortion, 2010

England and Wales, residents

			Purchaser (%)		Method	d (%)
		NHS F	unded	Privately Funded		
Gestation weeks	Total number of abortions	NHS Hospital	Independent Sector		Medical	Surgical
						Surgical
Total	189,574	37	59	4	43	57
3 and 4	1,934	5	81	14	51	49
5	15,438	20	70	9	67	33
6	37,682	27	67	6	62	38
7	39,537	32	64	4	51	49
8	32,035	46	52	3	45	55
9	18,537	51	46	2	23	77
10	13,474	53	45	2	13	87
11	8,206	47	50	3	13	87
12	5,892	49	49	3	17	83
13	4,081	39	58	3	23	77
14	3,129	32	65	3	25	75
15	2,089	30	66	4	25	75
16	1,660	29	68	3	26	74
17	1,443	26	71	3	25	75
18	1,038	22	74	4	21	79
19	655	20	78	2	21	79
20	806	27	69	4	29	71
21	765	40	58	2	39	61
22	543	31	67	2	28	72
23 <sup>1</sup>	483	24	70	6	18	82
Over 24 weeks <sup>1</sup>	147	100			85	15
24 <sup>1</sup>	23	100				
25	23	100				
26-27	29	100				
28-31	41	100				
32 and over	31	100				
Total	189,574	37	59	4	43	57
3-8	126,626	32	63	5	55	45
9-12	46,109	51	47	2	18	82
13-19	14,095	32	65	3	24	76
20-23 <sup>1</sup>	2,597	31	66	3	30	70
Over 24 weeks <sup>1</sup>	147	100	0	0	85	15

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

.. Values are suppressed where totals are less than 10 (0 - 9) or where a presented total would reveal the suppressed value

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

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

## Table 6: Legal abortions: gestation weeks by age and purchaser, 2010

England and Wales, residents				per	centages
Purchaser	Gestation weeks	All ages <sup>1</sup>	Under 20	20-34	35 and over
			·		
Total	Total number % breakdown by age	189,574	38,269 20%	124,259 66%	27,046 14%
	All gestations	100%	100%	100%	100%
	3-9	77%	71%	78%	79%
	10-12	15%	17%	14%	12%
	13-19	7%	10%	7%	7%
	20 and over	1%	2%	1%	1%
NHS Funded: NHS Hospital	Total number % breakdown by age	69,529	15,638 22%	44,932 65%	8,959 13%
	All gestations	100%	100%	100%	100%
	3-9	72%	71%	73%	70%
	10-12	20%	22%	20%	18%
	13-19	6%	6%	6%	9%
	20 and over	1%	1%	1%	2%
NHS Funded: Independent Sector	Total number % breakdown by age	111,775	22,096 20%	73,838 66%	15,841 14%
	All gestations	100%	100%	100%	100%
	3-9	79%	71%	80%	84%
	10-12	12%	14%	11%	10%
	13-19	8%	12%	8%	6%
	20 and over	2%	3%	1%	1%
Privately Funded	Total number	8,270	535	5,489	2,246
	% breakdown by age	0,270	6%	66%	27%
	All gestations	100%	100%	100%	100%
	3-9	86%	76%	86%	86%
		8%	12%	7%	8%
	10-12	070			
	10-12 13-19	6%	10%	5%	5%

<sup>1</sup> Age not stated have been distributed pro-rata across age group 20-24 Note: percentages are rounded and may not add up to 100

### Table 7a: Legal abortions: procedure by gestation weeks, 2010

England and Wales, residents					pe	ercentages
Procedure			Gestation v	veeks		
	Total	3 - 9	10 - 12	13 - 14	15 - 19	20 & over
Total abortions (=100%)	189,574	145,163	27,572	7,210	6,885	2,744
Surgical	57	49	86	76	76	67
Vacuum Aspiration Dilatation and Evacuation Feticide with a surgical evacuation <sup>1</sup>	52 5 0	49 1 0	84 2 0	59 17 0	1 74 1	0 44 24
Medical	43	51	14	24	24	33
Antiprogresterone with or without prostaglandin Other medical agent Feticide with a medical evacuation	43 0 0	51 0 0	14 0 0	23 0 0	24 1 0	17 1 14

<sup>1</sup>includes feticide with no method of evacuation and surgical 'other'.

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add to 100

### Table 7b: Legal abortions: grounds by gestation weeks, 2010

England and Wales, residents					numbers
		Gestation v	weeks		
Grounds	Total	3 - 9	10 - 12	13 - 19	20 & over
A (alone, or with B, C, D) or F or G B (alone, or with C or D) C (alone) D (alone, or with C) E (alone, or with A, B, C or D)	41 317 185,291 1,635 2,290	24 238 143,704 1,178 19	 26,761 381 363	 12,890  1,116	 1,936  792
Total	189,574	145,163	27,572	14,095	2,744

.. Value less than 10 (0-9) or where a presented total would reveal the suppressed value.

## Table 8: Legal abortions: complication<sup>1</sup> rates by procedure and gestation weeks, 2010

England and Wales, residents

complication rates per 1,000 abortions

Gestation weeks	Total all	Procedure	
	procedures	Surgical	Medical
Total complications (numbers)	287	122	165
Rate, all gestations	2	1	2
3 - 9	1	1	1
10 - 12	1	1	3
13 - 19	5	3	11
20 & over	11	5	21

<sup>1</sup> Complications include: haemorrhage, uterine perforation and/or sepsis and are those reported up to the time of discharge from the place of termination ...Based on fewer than 10 (0-9) cases

#### Table 9: Legal abortions: principal medical condition for abortions performed under ground E, 2010

England and Wales, residents

ICD-10 code <sup>1</sup>	Conditio	on	Total		Over 24 we gestation	
			no.	%	no.	%
Total grounds E alor	ne or with an	y other	2,290	100	<b>147</b> <sup>2</sup>	100
Q00-Q89	Conge	nital malformations total	1,094	48	106	72
Q00-Q07	the	nervous system total	522	23	66	45
Q00		anencephaly	189	8		
Q01		encephalocele	21	1		
Q03		hydrocephalus	23	1		
Q04		other malformations of the brain	88	4	28	19
Q05		spina bifida	128	6	12	8
Q02,Q06, Q07		other	73	3		
Q10-Q89	oth	er congenital malformations total	572	25	40	27
Q20-Q28		the cardiovascular system	161	7	16	11
Q30-Q34		the respiratory system	16	1		
Q60-Q64		the urinary system	100	4		
Q65-Q79		the musculoskeletal system	181	8		
Q10-Q18, Q35-Q5	56, Q80-Q89	other	114	5		
Q90-Q99	Chrom	osomal abnormalities total	831	36	29	20
Q90	Dov	wn's syndrome	482	21	10	7
Q910-Q913	Edv	wards' syndrome	164	7		
Q914-Q917	Pat	au's syndrome	51	2		
Q92-Q99	oth	er	134	6		
	Other o	conditions total <sup>3</sup>	365	16	12	8
P00-P04	fetu	is affected by maternal factors	115	5		
P832-P833		lrops fetalis not due to haemolytic disease	31	1		
Z80-Z84		nily history of heritable disorder	181	8		
O30		Itiple gestation	22	1		
	oth	er <sup>3</sup>	16	1		

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

Figures for specific groups shown only where there are 10 or more cases in total

<sup>2</sup> Over 24 week total includes abortions carried out under grounds A, B, F or G, as well as E.

<sup>3</sup> Includes cases where insufficient detail was available to allocate an ICD10 code at time of publication.

.. Fewer than 10 cases (0-9) or where a presented figure would reveal a suppressed value.

Residents

							Age			
,	/ Care Organis lealth Board	sation/	Total number of abortions	95% confidence interval	Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +
ENGLA	ND & WALES		189,574	188,722 - 190,429	16,460	21,809	55,481	40,800	27,978	27,046
ENGLA	ND		180,942	180,109 - 181,778	15,590	20,674	52,839	39,032	26,827	25,980
NORTH	I EAST SHA	E18000001	7,029	6,866 - 7,195	821	887	2,216	1,462	876	767
5ND	E16000085	County Durham	1,209	1,142 - 1,279	151	157	348	236	167	150
5J9	E16000041	Darlington	272	241 - 306	32	31	84	53	34	38
5KF	E16000050	Gateshead	401	363 - 442	54	55	109	84	58	41
5D9	E16000019	Hartlepool	302	269 - 338	35	50	104	62	25	26
5KM	E16000053	Middlesbrough	544	499 - 592	73	63	190	115	61	42
5D7	E16000017	Newcastle	1,018	956 - 1,083	91	120	373	227	113	94
5E1	E16000020	Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	505	462 - 551	58	60	155	103	71	58
5D8	E16000018	North Tyneside	540	495 - 588	51	64	152	117	85	71
TAC	E17000001	Northumberland	617	569 - 668	70	88	174	146	59	80
5QR	E16000146	Redcar and Cleveland	337	302 - 375	51	47	107	53	42	37
5KG	E16000051	South Tyneside	378	341 - 418	38	36	137	78	52	37
5KL	E16000052	Sunderland Teaching	906	848 - 967	117	116	283	188	109	93
	I WEST SHA	E18000002	24,933	24,624 - 25,244	2,422	3,269	7,931	5,145	3,232	2,934
	E16000032	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	984	923 - 1,047	124	130	297	200	118	115
5CC	E16000014	Blackburn with Darwen	516	472 - 563	48	52	166	117	66	67
5HP	E16000033	Blackpool	524	480 - 571	58	74	175	102	64	51
5HQ	E16000034	Bolton	946	887 - 1,008	79	113	317	195	144	98 70
5JX 5NP	E16000043 E16000095	Bury Central and Eastern Cheshire	648 1,172	599 - 700 1,106 - 1,241	78 133	93 159	186 349	130 214	83 153	78 164
5NG	E16000088	Central Lancashire	1,533	1,457 - 1,612	155	219	531	263	186	179
5NE	E16000086	Cumbria Teaching	1,015	954 - 1,079	116	143	284	200	121	151
5NH	E16000089	East Lancashire Teaching	1,231	1,163 - 1,302	156	171	379	247	142	136
5NM	E16000093	Halton and St Helens	1,117	1,052 - 1,184	137	138	351	223	144	124
5NQ	E16000096	Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	789	735 - 846	63	109	242	181	115	79
5J4	E16000038	Knowsley	661	612 - 713	72	92	206	131	85	75
5NL	E16000092	Liverpool	2,266	2,174 - 2,361	172	305	771	488	294	236
5NT	E16000098	Manchester	3,025	2,918 - 3,135	186	329	1,058	686	442	324
5NF	E16000087	North Lancashire Teaching	738	686 - 793	81	94	230	154	89	90
5J5	E16000039	Oldham	737	685 - 792	84	96	202	164	99	92
5F5	E16000025	Salford	1,106	1,042 - 1,173	88	137	358	256	146	121
5NJ	E16000090	Sefton	873	816 - 933	78	127	287	182	115	84
5F7 5LH	E16000026 E16000062	Stockport Tameside and Glossop	992 944	931 - 1,056	86 101	142 142	309 310	204 175	123 109	128 107
5LH 5NR	E16000082	Trafford	944 742	885 - 1,006 690 - 797	57	86	209	175	109	107
5J2	E16000037	Warrington	656	607 - 708	80	75	184	139	80	98
5NN		Western Cheshire	583	537 - 632	62	78	188	116	64	75
	E16000091	Wirral	1,135	1,070 - 1,203	128	165	342	235	136	129
YORKS	SHIRE & THE	HUMBER SHA E18000003	15,547	15,304 - 15,793	1,633	1,956	4,727	3,208	2,028	1,995
5JE	E16000042	Barnsley	640	591 - 692	76	73	196	128	88	79
	E16000102	Bradford and Airedale Teaching	1,662	1,583 - 1,744	140	189	496	365	256	216
5J6	E16000040	Calderdale	713	662 - 767	78	101	209	145	87	93
5N5	E16000078	Doncaster	1,060	997 - 1,126	122	126	318	236	133	125
	E16000100	East Riding of Yorkshire	705	654 - 759	93	95	209	133	79	96
	E16000101	Hull Teaching	867	810 - 927	91	101	288	181	119	87
5N2	E16000075	Kirklees	1,318	1,248 - 1,391	143	184	351	274	170	196
5N1	E16000074	Leeds	2,661	2,561 - 2,764	255	332	854	544	333	343
5AN	E17000005	North East Lincolnshire	517	473 - 564	71	71	172	109	54	40
5EF	E16000021	North Lincolnshire	440	400 - 483	50	46	140	79	65	60
5NV	E16000099	North Yorkshire and York	1,620	1,542 - 1,701	145	212	490	292	220	261
5H8 5N4	E16000031	Rotherham Sheffield	1 692	718 - 828	89 160	102	205 520	158	116	102
5N4 5N3	E16000077 E16000076	Wakefield District	1,683 889	1,604 - 1,765 832 - 949	169 111	211 113	539 260	369 195	205 103	190 107
GNO			003	032 - 949	111	113	200	190	103	107

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			abortions	interval	18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +
ENGLA	ND & WALES		189,574	188,722 - 190,429	16,460	21,809	55,481	40,800	27,978	27,046
ENGLA	ND		180,942	180,109 - 181,778	15,590	20,674	52,839	39,032	26,827	25,980
EAST	MIDLANDS SH	HA E18000004	11,869	11,656 - 12,084	1,146	1,535	3,492	2,416	1,677	1,603
5ET	E16000023	Bassetlaw	244	214 - 277	26	31	76	38	40	33
5N7	E16000080	Derby City	842	786 - 901	67	91	255	217	97	115
5N6	E16000079	Derbyshire County	1,509	1,434 - 1,587	181	202	404	260	213	249
5PC	E16000113	Leicester City	1,328	1,258 - 1,401	85	160	403	311	203	166
5PA	E16000112	Leicestershire County and Rutland	1,594	1,517 - 1,674	160	220	451	287	221	255
5N9	E16000082	Lincolnshire Teaching	1,540	1,464 - 1,619	164	224	455	287	219	191
5PD	E16000114	Northamptonshire Teaching	2,091	2,002 - 2,183	203	244	605	430	328	281
5EM	E16000022	Nottingham City	1,176	1,110 - 1,245	93	148	407	277	141	110
5N8	E16000081	Nottinghamshire County Teaching	1,545	1,469 - 1,624	167	215	436	309	215	203
WEST	MIDLANDS S	HA E18000005	20,331	20,052 - 20,612	1,868	2,499	6,189	4,283	2,850	2,642
5PG	E16000117	Birmingham East and North	2,033	1,946 - 2,123	196	245	607	464	287	234
5MD	E16000070	Coventry Teaching	1,792	1,710 - 1,877	148	199	556	441	243	205
5PE	E16000115	Dudley	1,037	975 - 1,102	120	118	301	201	167	130
5MX	E16000073	Heart of Birmingham Teaching	1,891	1,807 - 1,978	91	181	614	460	301	244
5CN	E16000015	Herefordshire	424	385 - 466	45	56	129	78	53	63
5PH	E16000118	North Staffordshire	550	505 - 598	62	70	166	99	72	81
5PF	E16000116	Sandwell	1,449	1,375 - 1,526	129	153	427	321	232	187
5M2	E16000065	Shropshire County	643	594 - 695	74	95	188	109	65	112
TAM	E17000004	Solihull	646	597 - 698	48	90	202	107	97	102
5M1	E16000064	South Birmingham	1,557	1,481 - 1,636	115	207	535	321	210	169
5PK	E16000120	South Staffordshire	1,864	1,780 - 1,951	211	266	557	334	222	274
5PJ	E16000119	Stoke on Trent	941	882 - 1,003	84	124	306	214	111	102
5MK	E16000071	Telford and Wrekin	580	534 - 629	67	80	170	114	85	64
5M3	E16000066	Walsall Teaching	878	821 - 938	104	105	269	194	112	94
5PM	E16000122	Warwickshire	1,612	1,534 - 1,693	158	207	451	310	249	237
5MV	E16000072	Wolverhampton City	1,105	1,041 - 1,172	91	137	336	245	157	139
5PL	E16000121	Worcestershire	1,329	1,258 - 1,402	125	166	375	271	187	205
EAST	OF ENGLAND	SHA E18000006	16,829	16,576 - 17,085	1,576	1,936	4,706	3,427	2,550	2,634
5P2	E16000104	Bedfordshire	1,293	1,223 - 1,365	152	152	361	250	195	183
5PP	E16000124	Cambridgeshire	1,317	1,247 - 1,390	132	159	380	258	186	202
5P3	E16000105	East and North Hertfordshire	1,762	1,681 - 1,846	147	209	519	340	252	295
5PR	E16000126	Great Yarmouth and Waveney	559	514 - 607	67	72	166	113	74	67
5GC	E16000029	Luton	962	902 - 1,025	55	81	302	242	162	120
5PX	E16000130	Mid Essex	986	925 - 1,050	111	121	259	170	141	184
5PQ	E16000125	Norfolk	1,640	1,562 - 1,721	175	191	477	309	239	249
5PW	E16000129	North East Essex	719	667 - 774	91	89	212	139	96	92
5PN	E16000123	Peterborough	754	701 - 810	60	90	213	176	116	99
5P1	E16000103	South East Essex	1,090	1,026 - 1,157	107	122	316	228	154	163
5PY	E16000131	South West Essex	1,557	1,481 - 1,636	135	171	375	361	264	251
5PT	E16000127	Suffolk	1,410	1,337 - 1,486	132	176	394	270	222	216
5PV	E16000128	West Essex	1,036	974 - 1,101	85	118	274	205	156	198
5P4	E16000106	West Hertfordshire	1,744	1,663 - 1,828	127	185	458	366	293	315

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Loodin	Built Bourd		abortions	interval	18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +
ENGLA	ND & WALES		189,574	188,722 - 190,429	16,460	21,809	55,481	40,800	27,978	27,046
ENGLA	ND		180,942	180,109 - 181,778	15,590	20,674	52,839	39,032	26,827	25,980
LONDO	ON SHA E180	00007	46,686	46,263 - 47,111	2,644	3,936	12,761	11,606	8,307	7,432
5C2	E16000009	Barking and Dagenham	1,490	1,415 - 1,568	92	129	408	332	297	232
5A9	E16000006	Barnet	1,615	1,537 - 1,696	94	119	395	394	304	309
TAK	E17000002	Bexley	934	875 - 996	85	113	252	170	160	154
5K5	E16000045	Brent Teaching	2,223	2,132 - 2,317	96	146	624	588	422	347
5A7	E16000004	Bromley	1,131	1,066 - 1,199	93	134	306	225	172	201
5K7	E16000047	Camden	1,099	1,035 - 1,166	49	96	338	257	204	155
5C3	E16000010	City and Hackney Teaching	1,651	1,572 - 1,733	89	102	441	444	314	261
5K9	E16000049	Croydon	1,901	1,816 - 1,988	128	198	520	434	306	315
5HX	E16000035	Ealing	1,903	1,818 - 1,990	76	140	516	466	378	327
5C1	E16000008	Enfield	1,665	1,586 - 1,747	96	162	481	379	271	276
5A8	E16000005	Greenwich Teaching	1,662	1,583 - 1,744	123	140	466	427	270	236
5H1	E16000030	Hammersmith and Fulham	1,177	1,111 - 1,246	60	99	300	340	213	165
5C9	E16000013	Haringey Teaching	1,675	1,596 - 1,757	106 57	131	467 277	415 301	314 231	242 204
5K6 5A4	E16000046 E16000002	Harrow	1,170 1,042	1,104 - 1,239	90	100 139	288	217	159	204 149
5A4 5AT	E16000002	Havering Hillingdon	1,042	980 - 1,107 1,449 - 1,604	90 93	139	200 457	332	257	247
5HY	E16000036	Hounslow	1,603	1,525 - 1,683	55 75	130	418	428	276	276
5K8	E16000048	Islington	1,003	1,133 - 1,270	62	100	376	310	191	161
5LA	E16000056	Kensington and Chelsea	776	722 - 833	17	46	200	196	168	149
5A5	E16000003	Kingston	675	625 - 728	47	76	203	135	102	112
5LD	E16000058	Lambeth	2,133	2,043 - 2,225	133	154	565	561	388	332
5LF	E16000060	Lewisham	1,869	1,785 - 1,956	100	185	490	454	344	296
5C5	E16000012	Newham	2,341	2,247 - 2,438	112	186	676	636	381	350
5NA	E16000083	Redbridge	1,720	1,640 - 1,803	98	152	469	414	323	264
5M6	E16000067	Richmond and Twickenham	534	490 - 581	31	54	128	104	89	128
5LE	E16000059	Southwark	2,264	2,172 - 2,359	120	163	578	605	423	375
5M7	E16000068	Sutton and Merton	1,678	1,599 - 1,760	107	158	443	399	279	292
5C4	E16000011	Tower Hamlets	1,587	1,510 - 1,667	71	114	510	467	248	177
5NC	E16000084	Waltham Forest	1,872	1,788 - 1,959	116	171	522	449	316	298
5LG	E16000061	Wandsworth	1,412	1,339 - 1,488	72	89	352	409	268	222
5LC	E16000057	Westminster	1,159	1,093 - 1,228	56	71	295	318	239	180
SOUTH	I EAST COAS	ST SHA E18000008	13,200	12,976 - 13,427	1,249	1,617	3,704	2,556	1,850	2,224
5LQ	E16000063	Brighton and Hove City	1,177	1,111 - 1,246	77	126	355	258	160	201
5P7	E16000109	East Sussex Downs and Weald	899	841 - 960	90	133	266	144	131	135
5QA	E16000132	Eastern and Coastal Kent	2,396	2,301 - 2,494	253	306	705	474	307	351
5P8	E16000110	Hastings and Rother	549	504 - 597	54	75	162	110	71	77
5L3	E16000055	Medway	1,110	1,046 - 1,177	126	139	318	237	154	136
5P5	E16000107	Surrey	3,011	2,904 - 3,121	241	340	819	553	451	607
5P9	E16000111	West Kent	2,120	2,031 - 2,212	201	253	563	402	316	385
5P6	E16000108	West Sussex	1,938	1,853 - 2,026	207	245	516	378	260	332
SOUTH	I CENTRAL S	HA E18000009	11,533	11,323 - 11,745	910	1,306	3,307	2,389	1,742	1,879
5QG	E16000137	Berkshire East	1,414	1,341 - 1,490	92	132	364	325	261	240
5QF	E16000136	Berkshire West	1,232	1,164 - 1,303	92	120	336	267	189	228
5QD	E16000134	Buckinghamshire	1,430	1,357 - 1,506	126	173	400	264	214	253
5QC	E16000133	Hampshire	3,063	2,955 - 3,173	283	403	861	551	443	522
	E16000147	Isle of Wight National Health Service		235 - 300	40	32	83	38	34	39
	E16000016	Milton Keynes	1,018	956 - 1,083	47	99	257	267	187	161
	E16000135	Oxfordshire	1,442	1,369 - 1,518	112	165	398	282	221	264
5FE	E16000027	Portsmouth City Teaching	724	672 - 779	56	86	256	178	70	78
5L1	E16000054	Southampton City	944	885 - 1,006	62	96	352	217	123	94

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ENGLA	ND & WALES		189,574	188,722 - 190,429	16,460	21,809	55,481	40,800	27,978	27,046
ENGLA	ND		180,942	180,109 - 181,778	15,590	20,674	52,839	39,032	26,827	25,980
SOUTI	H WEST SHA	E18000010	12,985	12,763 - 13,210	1,321	1,733	3,806	2,540	1,715	1,870
5FL	E16000028	Bath and North East Somerset	374	337 - 414	32	48	117	67	52	58
5QN	E16000143	Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	1,065	1,002 - 1,131	95	141	302	238	149	140
5QJ	E16000139	Bristol	1,502	1,427 - 1,580	109	165	462	380	217	169
5QP	E16000144	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	1,138	1,073 - 1,206	139	167	343	197	129	163
5QQ	E16000145	Devon	1,544	1,468 - 1,623	183	227	432	256	214	232
5QM	E16000142	Dorset	846	790 - 905	89	121	239	174	110	113
5QH	E16000138	Gloucestershire	1,421	1,348 - 1,497	135	170	442	272	171	231
5M8	E16000069	North Somerset	399	361 - 440	47	54	104	71	60	63
5F1	E16000024	Plymouth Teaching	816	761 - 874	78	90	275	154	121	98
5QL	E16000141	Somerset	1,048	986 - 1,113	130	158	282	187	128	163
5A3	E16000001	South Gloucestershire	567	521 - 616	59	78	159	115	74	82
5K3	E16000044	Swindon	717	665 - 771	52	86	196	155	117	111
TAL	E17000003	Torbay	493	450 - 539	58	87	158	83	39	68
5QK	E16000140	Wiltshire	1,055	992 - 1,121	115	141	295	191	134	179
WALES	5		8,632	8,451 - 8,816	870	1,135	2,642	1,768	1,151	1,066
6B1	NAWER06	Angelsey	190	164 - 219	19	19	57	41	28	26
6C2	NAWER10	Blaenau Gwent	204	177 - 234	21	19	57	45	30	32
6B3	NAWER08	Bridgend	357	321 - 396	38	49	114	70	48	38
6B2	NAWER10	Caerphilly	483	441 - 528	54	51	134	118	65	61
6A8	NAWER09	Cardiff	1,259	1,190 - 1,331	98	147	422	292	173	127
6B7	NAWER07	Carmarthen	389	351 - 430	47	64	115	68	45	50
6A4	NAWER07	Ceredigion	149	126 - 175	17	29	48	28	16	11
6A7	NAWER06	Conwy	322	288 - 359	28	46	97	64	39	48
6C1	NAWER06	Denbighshire	273	242 - 307	29	41	98	45	29	31
6B5	NAWER06	Flintshire	437	397 - 480	55	67	110	81	50	74
6A2	NAWER06	Gwynedd	341	306 - 379	42	52	108	50	44	45
6B8	NAWER10	Merthyr Tydfil	145	122 - 171	23	16	48	26	22	10
6A1	NAWER10	Monmouth	184	158 - 213	23	18	46	35	26	36
6A5	NAWER08	Neath & Port Talbot	402	364 - 443	40	55	123	83	58	43
6B9	NAWER10	Newport	453	412 - 497	49	65	144	90	55	50
6A3	NAWER07	Pembroke	312	278 - 349	27	50	87	62	49	37
6C4	NAWER07	Powys	267	236 - 301	29	33	69	47	46	43
6A9	NAWER08	Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	774	720 - 831	67	119	252	160	105	71
6A6	NAWER08	Swansea	656	607 - 708	64	87	188	144	90	83
6B6	NAWER09	The Vale of Glamorgan	329	294 - 367	29	36	105	71	42	46
6C3	NAWER10	Torfaen	269	238 - 303	26	28	85	61	36	33
6B4	NAWER06	Wrexham	437	397 - 480	45	44	135	87	55	71

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			000 resider	nt						
Primary Care Organ	lisation/	Total	women	0.5%			Age			
Local Health Board		number	aged	95%						
		of abortions	15-44 ASR <sup>1</sup>	confidence interval	Under 18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 +
ENGLAND AND WA	IFS	189,574	17.5	17.5 - 17.6	16.5	30.7	30.2	22.5	16.5	6.7
ENGLAND AND WA		180,942	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	16.6	30.9	30.2	22.5	16.6	6.8
ENGLAND		100,942	17.0		70.0	30.9	30.4	22.1	70.0	0.0
NORTH EAST SHA	E18000001	7,029	13.8	13.6 - 14.0	17	25	24	18	12	4
5ND E16000085	-	1,209	12.6	12.2 - 13.1	16	22	20	16	13	4
5J9 E16000041	Darlington	272	15.4	14.3 - 16.7	18	27	30	18	11	5
	Gateshead	401	11.2	10.6 - 12.0	16	23	19	13	10	3
5D9 E16000019		302	17.4	16.2 - 18.7	19	42	35	22	10	4
5KM E16000053	•	544	17.5	16.6 - 18.5	25	28	30	23	16	5
5D7 E16000017	Newcastle	1,018	14.1	13.5 - 14.7	21	20	19	18	15	6
5E1 E16000020	Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	505	13.8	13.1 - 14.6	15	24	25	18	12	4
5D8 E16000018	North Tyneside	540	14.9	14.1 - 15.7	15	29	27	18	14	5
TAC E17000001	Northumberland	617	12.8	12.2 - 13.4	13	26	23	20	8	4
5QR E16000146	Redcar and Cleveland	337	13.8	12.9 - 14.8	19	28	26	14	12	4
5KG E16000051	South Tyneside	378	13.1	12.3 - 14.0	14	18	27	16	13	3
5KL E16000052	Sunderland Teaching	906	16.0	15.4 - 16.7	21	30	28	20	14	5
NORTH WEST SHA	E18000002	24,933	18.3	18.2 - 18.4	18	34	32	24	17	6
5HG E16000032	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	984	17.6	16.9 - 18.3	21	36	33	22	13	5
5CC E16000014	Blackburn with Darwen	516	18.6	17.6 - 19.6	16	27	35	27	16	7
5HP E16000033	Blackpool	524	21.5	20.4 - 22.7	21	42	41	28	19	5
5HQ E16000034	Bolton	946	18.9	18.2 - 19.7	15	33	38	24	19	5
5JX E16000043	Bury	648	19.4	18.4 - 20.3	21	42	36	24	15	6
5NP E16000095	Central and Eastern Cheshire	1,172	15.9	15.4 - 16.5	16	32	31	19	13	5
	Central Lancashire	1,533	17.1	16.5 - 17.6	18	35	31	19	16	5
	Cumbria Teaching	1,015	13.1	12.6 - 13.6	13	26	23	18	10	4
	East Lancashire Teaching	1,231	17.9	17.3 - 18.6	19	34	35	23	14	5
	Halton and St Helens	1,117	20.0	19.3 - 20.7	23	36	38	25	17	6
	Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	789	20.0	19.5 - 21.3	15	41	37	29	20	5
5J4 E16000038	Knowsley	661	20.3	20.7 - 22.8	22	43	38	29 28	20	7
			20.9		22	43 36	30 30	20 26	20	8
	Liverpool	2,266		20.3 - 21.5						
	Manchester	3,025	21.9	21.4 - 22.5	25	32	29	25	26	11
	North Lancashire Teaching	738	12.6	12.0 - 13.2	13	18	22	17	12	4
5J5 E16000039	Oldham	737	17.8	17.1 - 18.7	19	35	29	24	16	6
5F5 E16000025	Salford	1,106	21.5	20.7 - 22.3	22	43	36	27	20	8
5NJ E16000090	Sefton	873	19.0	18.2 - 19.8	14	35	36	27	19	4
5F7 E16000026	Stockport	992	19.9	19.1 - 20.7	16	42	39	26	15	6
5LH E16000062	Tameside and Glossop	944	19.8	19.0 - 20.6	21	44	39	23	15	5
5NR E16000097	Trafford	742	20.0	19.1 - 20.9	14	38	40	23	16	8
5J2 E16000037	Warrington	656	18.7	17.8 - 19.7	22	32	34	25	14	6
5NN E16000094	Western Cheshire	583	13.9	13.2 - 14.6	15	25	24	20	11	5
5NK E16000091	Wirral	1,135	21.3	20.5 - 22.1	21	44	38	29	17	6
ORKSHIRE & THE	HUMBER SHA E18000003	15,547	14.5	14.3 - 14.6	17	26	24	18	14	5
5JE E16000042	Barnsley	640	15.6	14.8 - 16.4	17	26	29	19	15	5
5NY E16000102	Bradford and Airedale Teaching	1,662	15.4	14.9 - 15.8	13	28	26	19	16	6
5J6 E16000040	Calderdale	713	19.7	18.8 - 20.7	20	43	36	25	15	6
5N5 E16000078	Doncaster	1,060	20.6	19.8 - 21.4	22	37	36	28	18	6
5NW E16000100	East Riding of Yorkshire	705	14.0	13.3 - 14.7	15	24	27	19	10	4
5NX E16000101	-	867	13.9	13.4 - 14.5	18	25	22	16	15	5
5N2 E16000075	•	1,318	16.1	15.6 - 16.7	19	34	24	21	14	7
5N1 E16000074		2,661	13.4	13.1 - 13.8	20	23	19	15	13	7
	North East Lincolnshire	517	17.4	16.4 - 18.4	22	33	33	23	13	4
	North Lincolnshire	440	17.1	16.1 - 18.1	17	25	35	19	16	5
	North Yorkshire and York		11.5		10	25 19	35 21	19 14	10	5
		1,620		11.1 - 11.9 16 1 17 6						
5H8 E16000031		772	16.8	16.1 - 17.6	18	32	28	21	17	5
5N4 E16000077		1,683	13.2	12.8 - 13.6	18	21	19	18	13	5
	Wakefield District	889	14.8	14.2 - 15.5	18	28	27	20	11	4

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			Rate per		Crude rate per 1000 women					
		10	000 resident	t						
Primary Care Organ Local Health Board		Total number of	women aged 15-44	95% confidence	Under		Age			
		abortions	ASR <sup>1</sup>	interval	18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 -
ENGLAND AND WA	LES	189,574	17.5	17.5 - 17.6	16.5	30.7	30.2	22.5	16.5	6.7
ENGLAND		180,942	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	16.6	30.9	30.4	22.7	16.6	6.8
EAST MIDLANDS S	HA E18000004	11,869	13.9	13.7 - 14.0	14	25	23	18	14	5
5ET E16000023	Bassetlaw	244	13.5	12.5 - 14.7	12	24	27	15	15	4
5N7 E16000080	Derby City	842	15.6	14.9 - 16.3	15	26	26	22	13	7
5N6 E16000079	Derbyshire County	1,509	12.6	12.2 - 13.0	13	24	23	14	11	5
5PC E16000113	Leicester City	1,328	16.8	16.2 - 17.4	16	31	22	22	19	8
5PA E16000112	Leicestershire County and Rutland	1,594	13.0	12.6 - 13.4	12	22	22	17	13	5
5N9 E16000082	Lincolnshire Teaching	1,540	13.3	12.9 - 13.7	13	25	23	17	13	4
5PD E16000114	Northamptonshire Teaching	2,091	16.7	16.3 - 17.2	16	30	31	21	16	5
5EM E16000022	Nottingham City	1,176	13.4	12.9 - 13.9	20	19	17	17	15	6
5N8 E16000081	Nottinghamshire County Teaching	1,545	13.0	12.6 - 13.4	14	27	23	16	11	4
VEST MIDLANDS S	SHA E18000005	20,331	19.3	19.1 - 19.5	18	34	34	25	19	7
5PG E16000117	Birmingham East and North	2,033	23.0	22.4 - 23.7	24	39	40	29	23	8
5MD E16000070	Coventry Teaching	1,792	24.5	23.8 - 25.2	26	36	37	34	26	10
5PE E16000115	Dudley	1,037	19.2	18.4 - 19.9	21	33	35	23	19	6
5MX E16000073	Heart of Birmingham Teaching	1,891	24.6	23.9 - 25.4	16	33	37	31	30	14
5CN E16000015	Herefordshire	424	16.3	15.3 - 17.3	14	27	33	21	13	5
5PH E16000118	North Staffordshire	550	14.5	13.8 - 15.3	16	24	24	18	13	5
5PF E16000116	Sandwell	1,449	24.4	23.6 - 25.2	22	40	44	31	24	9
5M2 E16000065	Shropshire County	643	15.3	14.5 - 16.1	13	29	32	18	10	6
TAM E17000004	Solihull	646	18.4	17.5 - 19.3	11	35	35	20	19	7
5M1 E16000064	South Birmingham	1,557	18.4	17.8 - 19.0	19	33	30	22	19	7
5PK E16000120	South Staffordshire	1,864	18.2	17.7 - 18.7	18	38	35	21	14	6
5PJ E16000119	Stoke on Trent	941	18.5	17.8 - 19.3	19	36	32	25	16	6
5MK E16000071	Telford and Wrekin	580	19.2	18.2 - 20.2	21	37	33	26	19	5
	Walsall Teaching	878	18.2	17.4 - 19.0	20	32	33	25	16	5
5PM E16000122	5	1,612	16.9	16.4 - 17.4	16	33	30	20	16	6
	Wolverhampton City	1,105	22.7	21.9 - 23.6	20	45	39	28	22	8
5PL E16000121		1,329	14.9	14.4 - 15.4	12	26	28	20	13	5
EAST OF ENGLAN	O SHA E18000006	16,829	15.9	15.8 - 16.1	15	29	28	20	15	6
5P2 E16000104	Bedfordshire	1,293	17.6	17.0 - 18.2	20	34	32	21	15	6
5PP E16000124	Cambridgeshire	1,317	11.1	10.7 - 11.5	12	19	18	14	10	4
5P3 E16000105	East and North Hertfordshire	1,762	16.5	16.1 - 17.0	14	30	31	19	14	7
5PR E16000126	Great Yarmouth and Waveney	559	16.0	15.2 - 16.8	17	29	29	21	14	5
5GC E16000029	Luton	962	21.8	20.9 - 22.7	15	30	36	30	25	9
5PX E16000130	Mid Essex	986	15.2	14.7 - 15.9	16	29	27	17	13	6
5PQ E16000125	Norfolk	1,640	12.4	12.1 - 12.8	14	21	21	15	12	5
5PW E16000129	North East Essex	719	12.0	11.4 - 12.6	16	22	20	14	11	4
5PN E16000123	Peterborough	754	21.8	20.8 - 22.8	19	44	38	28	19	8
5P1 E16000103	South East Essex	1,090	18.9	18.2 - 19.6	17	32	34	26	17	7
5PY E16000131	South West Essex	1,557	19.7	19.1 - 20.3	18	36	31	27	18	8
5PT E16000127	Suffolk	1,410	14.5	14.0 - 14.9	12	27	28	17	14	5
5PV E16000128	West Essex	1,036	20.7	19.9 - 21.5	16	37	37	24	19	9

Residents

rates per 1,000 women

			Rate per		Crude rate per 1000 women					
			000 resider	nt						
Primary Care Organisa Local Health Board	ation/	Total number of	women aged 15-44	95% confidence	Under		Age			
		abortions	ASR <sup>1</sup>	interval	18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 -
ENGLAND AND WALE	S	189,574	17.5	17.5 - 17.6	16.5	30.7	30.2	22.5	16.5	6.7
ENGLAND		180,942	17.6	17.6 - 17.7	16.6	30.9	30.4	22.7	16.6	6.8
LONDON SHA E18000	0007	46,686	25.7	25.5 - 25.8	22	46	45	31	23	12
5C2 E16000009 Ba	arking and Dagenham	1,490	37.4	36.2 - 38.7	26	59	65	43	42	17
5A9 E16000006 Ba		1,615	23.0	22.3 - 23.7	15	35	39	29	22	11
TAK E17000002 B		934	21.4	20.6 - 22.3	19	40	36	24	23	9
5K5 E16000045 Bi	•	2,223	39.6	38.6 - 40.7	23	52	68	54	44	18
	omley	1,131	20.4	19.7 - 21.2	17	40 20	39	24	16	8 9
	amden	1,099	16.3 27.3	15.6 - 17.0 26.4 - 28.1	17 27	30 40	28 47	16 31	14 25	9 14
	ty and Hackney Teaching roydon	1,651 1,901	27.3	20.4 - 28.7 27.1 - 28.7	27 20	40 51	47 53	35	25 24	14
5HX E16000049 C	,	1,901	27.9	26.3 - 27.9	20 15	45		32	24 26	13
	nfield	1,665	28.0	27.1 - 28.8	18	40 50	<del>4</del> 0 52	32 34	25	12
5A8 E16000005 G		1,662	31.1	30.1 - 32.0	35	49	54	40	27	13
	ammersmith and Fulham	1,177	26.9	25.9 - 28.0	29	62	40	33	23	12
5C9 E16000013 H		1,675	32.5	31.5 - 33.5	32	58	61	37	28	13
	arrow	1,170	24.6	23.8 - 25.6	14	41	39	34	26	12
5A4 E16000002 H	avering	1,042	24.3	23.4 - 25.3	19	51	42	30	23	9
	llingdon	1,525	25.3	24.5 - 26.1	20	36	44	31	27	12
5HY E16000036 H	ounslow	1,603	29.5	28.6 - 30.4	21	53	50	37	24	15
5K8 E16000048 Is	lington	1,200	22.0	21.2 - 22.9	26	44	37	23	17	11
5LA E16000056 K	ensington and Chelsea	776	20.0	19.1 - 21.0	9	30	35	24	21	10
5A5 E16000003 Ki	ngston	675	17.2	16.4 - 18.0	19	33	28	20	14	8
5LD E16000058 La	ambeth	2,133	30.3	29.4 - 31.2	36	61	49	29	23	15
5LF E16000060 Le	ewisham	1,869	29.9	29.0 - 30.7	24	64	51	37	26	13
5C5 E16000012 N	ewham	2,341	39.9	38.9 - 40.9	26	58	67	55	39	20
	edbridge	1,720	30.2	29.3 - 31.1	19	51	56	36	29	13
	chmond and Twickenham	534	14.7	13.9 - 15.6	11	30	28	16	11	7
	outhwark	2,264	30.5	29.7 - 31.3	33	52	46	34	27	16
	utton and Merton	1,678	20.2	19.6 - 20.9	17	39	38	24	15	9
5C4 E16000011 To		1,587	21.8	21.1 - 22.6	22	37	39	27	17	10
	altham Forest	1,872	38.4	37.3 - 39.5	31	68	71	48	33	15
	andsworth	1,412	18.5	17.8 - 19.2	26	37	31	20	12	9
5LC E16000057 W	estminster	1,159	16.6	15.9 - 17.3	24	25	24	18	15	9
SOUTH EAST COAST		13,200	17.2	17.0 - 17.4	15	31	31	22	15	7
5LQ E16000063 B	· ·	1,177	18.4	17.7 - 19.1	19 15	28	26	25	18	10
	ast Sussex Downs and Weald	899	18.4	17.7 - 19.2	15	36	37	20	18	6
	astern and Coastal Kent	2,396	17.9	17.5 - 18.4	18 16	29	31	24 29	16 17	7 7
5P8 E16000110 H 5L3 E16000055 M	•	549 1,110	20.7 21.7	19.6 - 21.8 20.9 - 22.6	16 24	37 41	39 38	29 28	19	7
5P5 E16000055 M	-	3,011	15.8	20.9 - 22.0 15.5 - 16.2	24 12	28	38 31	28 18	19 13	7
5P9 E16000107 W	,	2,120	18.1	17.6 - 18.6	15	33	34	21	15	7
5P6 E16000108 W		1,938	15.1	14.6 - 15.5	15	28	28	19	12	6
SOUTH CENTRAL SH	A E18000009	11,533	14.3	14.1 - 14.5	12	24	25	19	14	6
5QG E16000137 B	erkshire East	1,414	16.8	16.3 - 17.4	12	26	29	22	17	8
5QF E16000136 B		1,232	12.5	12.1 - 13.0	10	19	19	17	12	6
5QD E16000134 B		1,430	17.2	16.6 - 17.7	13	31	34	20	14	6
5QC E16000133 H	•	3,063	14.1	13.8 - 14.4	12	27	26	17	13	5
5QT E16000147 Is	•	266	12.8	11.8 - 13.8	16	20	25	13	11	4
5CQ E16000016 M	-	1,018	21.9	21.1 - 22.8	10	37	38	33	21	8
5QE E16000135 O	xfordshire	1,442	11.4	11.0 - 11.8	10	18	18	14	12	6
5FE E16000027 P	ortsmouth City Teaching	724	13.4	12.8 - 14.1	18	22	21	18	10	6
511 E16000054 S	outhampton City	944	14.2	13.6 - 14.8	16	19	22	19	15	6

Residents

rates per 1,000 women

				Crude rate per 1000 women						
Primary Care Organisation/			nt							
	Total	women				Age				
	number	aged	95%							
	abortions	ASR '	interval	18	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35 -	
INGLAND AND WALES		17.5	17.5 - 17.6	16.5	30.7	30.2	22.5	16.5	6.7	
NGLAND			17.6 - 17.7	16.6	30.9	30.4	22.7	16.6	6.8	
E18000010	12,985	13.9	13.8 - 14.1	14	26	24	18	13	5	
Bath and North East Somerset	374	10.1	9.5 - 10.8	10	15	14	13	12	5	
Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	1,065	17.4	16.7 - 18.1	18	31	24	26	17	7	
Bristol	1,502	13.2	12.7 - 13.6	18	24	18	16	13	6	
Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	1,138	13.3	12.9 - 13.8	15	27	25	16	10	5	
Devon	1,544	13.0	12.6 - 13.4	14	24	22	15	13	5	
Dorset	846	17.2	16.4 - 17.9	11	29	34	26	14	4	
Gloucestershire	1,421	14.1	13.6 - 14.5	12	23	27	19	11	5	
	399	12.2	11.4 - 13.0	13	25	22	14	11	4	
Plymouth Teaching	816	14.2	13.6 - 14.8	18	20	20	17	18	6	
, 0		13.2	12.7 - 13.7	12	26	24	16	10	4	
		11.5	11.0 - 12.2	12	22	19	16	10	4	
									7	
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	1,055	15.5	14.9 - 16.1	12	28	32	20	11	5	
	8,632	15.2	15.0 - 15.4	15	28	26	20	15	5	
Angelsey	190	17.4	15.9 - 19.1	14	26	32	25	17	6	
Blaenau Gwent	204	15.8	14.5 - 17.3	14	20	25	23	17	7	
Bridgend	357	15.8	14.8 - 16.8	15	33	31	19	13	4	
Caerphilly	483	14.9	14.1 - 15.8	16	25	26	22	13	5	
Cardiff	1,259	14.3	13.8 - 14.9	17	22	20	19	16	6	
Carmarthen	389	12.9	12.1 - 13.7	14	32	24	14	10	4	
Cerediaion	149	9.7	8.7 - 10.9	12	17	13	14	12	3	
	322	20.7	19.3 - 22.2	14	41	41	27	16	7	
Denbighshire	273	18.3	16.9 - 19.7	15	37	43	21	12	5	
Flintshire	437	17.2	16.2 - 18.3	19	38	29	20	12	7	
Gwynedd	341	15.1	14.1 - 16.2	19	25	22	16	16	6	
•		13.8		20	22		15	16	3	
Monmouth	184	14.9	13.6 - 16.4	13	19	26	21	15	6	
	402	16.9		15	34	31	22	16	5	
				17			23	15	5	
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		15.1		11	23		19	17	5	
				15		31		16	4	
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	E18000010 Bath and North East Somerset Bournemouth and Poole Teaching Bristol Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Devon Dorset Gloucestershire North Somerset Plymouth Teaching Somerset South Gloucestershire Swindon Torbay Wiltshire Angelsey Blaenau Gwent Bridgend Caerphilly Cardiff Carmarthen Ceredigion Comy Denbighshire Flintshire Gwynedd Merthyr Tydfil	180,942           E18000010         12,985           Bath and North East Somerset         374           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065           Bristol         1,502           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138           Devon         1,544           Dorset         846           Gloucestershire         1,421           North Somerset         399           Plymouth Teaching         816           Somerset         1,048           South Gloucestershire         567           Swindon         717           Torbay         493           Wiltshire         1,055           Angelsey         190           Blaenau Gwent         204           Bridgend         357           Carephilly         483           Cardiff         1,259           Carmarthen         389           Conwy         322           Denbighshire         273           Flintshire         437           Gwynedd         341           Merthyr Tydfil         145           Monmouth         184           Neath & Port Talbot         402	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> ALES         189,574         17.5           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065         17.4           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065         17.4           Bristol         1,502         13.2           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3           Devon         1,544         13.0           Dorset         846         17.2           Gloucestershire         1,421         14.1           North Somerset         399         12.2           Plymouth Teaching         816         14.2           Somerset         1,048         13.2           Soundon         717         18.2           Torbay         493         23.6           Wiltshire         1,055         15.5           Ragelsey         190         17.4           Blaenau Gwent         204         15.8           Bridgend         357         15.8           Cardiff         1,259         14.3           Carmarthen         389         12.9           Ceredigion         149         97	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> interval           ALES         189,574         7.5         17.5         17.5         17.5           E18000010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065         17.4         16.7 - 18.1           Bristol         1,502         13.2         12.2 - 13.8           Devon         1,544         13.0         12.6 - 13.4           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9           Gloucestershire         1,421         14.1         13.6 - 14.5           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0           Plymouth Teaching         816         14.2         13.6 - 14.8           Somerset         1,048         13.2         12.7 - 13.7           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5         11.0 - 12.2           Swindon         717         18.2         17.4 - 19.1           Torbay         493         23.6         22.3 - 25.0           Wiltshire         10.055         15.5         14.9 - 16.1           Blaenau Gwent         204 <th< td=""><td>abortions         ASR<sup>1</sup>         interval         18           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5           180,942         17.6         17.6 - 17.7         16.6           E 18000010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065         17.4         16.7 - 18.1         18           Devon         1,544         13.0         12.2 - 13.6         18           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11           Gloucestershire         1,441         13.6 - 14.5         12           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13           Somerset         1,048         13.2         12.7 - 13.7         12           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5         11.0 - 12.2         12           Wittshire         1,055         15.5         14.9 - 16.1         12           South Gloucestershire         567         15.5         14.9 - 16.1         12           South Gloucestershire         1,055         15.5</td><td>abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup>         interval         18         18-19           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7           180,942         17.6         17.6 - 17.7         16.6         30.9           E18000010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,605         17.4         16.7 - 18.1         18         31           Bristol         1,502         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.9 - 13.8         15         27           Devon         1,544         13.0         12.6 - 13.4         14         24           Dorset         866         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29           Gloucestershire         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13         25           Plymouth Teaching         816         14.2         13.2         17.7 - 13.7         12         26           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5&lt;</td><td>ALES         ABR<sup>1</sup>         interval         18         18-19         20-24           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2           LEB00010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26         24           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1.050         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24         18           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1.138         13.3         12.9 - 13.8         15         27         25           Devon         1.544         13.0         12.6 - 13.4         14         24         22           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29         34           Gloucestershire         1.421         14.1         13.6 - 14.5         12         23         27           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13         25         22           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5         11.0 - 12.2         12         24         33           &lt;</td><td>abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup>         interval         18         18-19         20-24         25-29           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2         22.5           E1800010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26         24         18           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14         13           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14         13           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,652         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24         18         16           Convail and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.2 - 13.4         14         24         22         15           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29         34         26           Gloucestershire         1,421         14.1         13.6 - 14.5         12         23         22         14           Plymouth Teaching         8632         15.2         15.6         14.2         13.8         20</td><td>abortions         ASR<sup>1</sup>         interval         18         18-19         20-24         25-29         30-34           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5         17.5         17.5         17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2         22.5         16.5           Resource         180,942         17.5         17.6         17.6         16.6         30.9         30.4         22.7         16.6           Et8000010         12,985         13.9         13.8         14.1         14         26         24         18         13           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5-10.8         10         15         14         13         12           Comwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.2         12.7         13.8         15         27         25         16         10           Dorset         B46         17.2         16.4         13         22.3         27         19         11           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4         13.6         14.2         13         23.2         24         16         10         33.3         22         16         10         32.</td></th<>	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> interval         18           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5           180,942         17.6         17.6 - 17.7         16.6           E 18000010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,065         17.4         16.7 - 18.1         18           Devon         1,544         13.0         12.2 - 13.6         18           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11           Gloucestershire         1,441         13.6 - 14.5         12           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13           Somerset         1,048         13.2         12.7 - 13.7         12           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5         11.0 - 12.2         12           Wittshire         1,055         15.5         14.9 - 16.1         12           South Gloucestershire         567         15.5         14.9 - 16.1         12           South Gloucestershire         1,055         15.5	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> interval         18         18-19           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7           180,942         17.6         17.6 - 17.7         16.6         30.9           E18000010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,605         17.4         16.7 - 18.1         18         31           Bristol         1,502         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.9 - 13.8         15         27           Devon         1,544         13.0         12.6 - 13.4         14         24           Dorset         866         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29           Gloucestershire         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13         25           Plymouth Teaching         816         14.2         13.2         17.7 - 13.7         12         26           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5<	ALES         ABR <sup>1</sup> interval         18         18-19         20-24           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2           LEB00010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26         24           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1.050         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24         18           Cornwall and Isles of Scilly         1.138         13.3         12.9 - 13.8         15         27         25           Devon         1.544         13.0         12.6 - 13.4         14         24         22           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29         34           Gloucestershire         1.421         14.1         13.6 - 14.5         12         23         27           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4 - 13.0         13         25         22           South Gloucestershire         567         11.5         11.0 - 12.2         12         24         33           <	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> interval         18         18-19         20-24         25-29           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5 - 17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2         22.5           E1800010         12,985         13.9         13.8 - 14.1         14         26         24         18           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14         13           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5 - 10.8         10         15         14         13           Bournemouth and Poole Teaching         1,652         13.2         12.7 - 13.6         18         24         18         16           Convail and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.2 - 13.4         14         24         22         15           Dorset         846         17.2         16.4 - 17.9         11         29         34         26           Gloucestershire         1,421         14.1         13.6 - 14.5         12         23         22         14           Plymouth Teaching         8632         15.2         15.6         14.2         13.8         20	abortions         ASR <sup>1</sup> interval         18         18-19         20-24         25-29         30-34           ALES         189,574         17.5         17.5         17.5         17.5         17.6         16.5         30.7         30.2         22.5         16.5           Resource         180,942         17.5         17.6         17.6         16.6         30.9         30.4         22.7         16.6           Et8000010         12,985         13.9         13.8         14.1         14         26         24         18         13           Bath and North East Somerset         374         10.1         9.5-10.8         10         15         14         13         12           Comwall and Isles of Scilly         1,138         13.3         12.2         12.7         13.8         15         27         25         16         10           Dorset         B46         17.2         16.4         13         22.3         27         19         11           North Somerset         399         12.2         11.4         13.6         14.2         13         23.2         24         16         10         33.3         22         16         10         32.	

<sup>1</sup> Rates for PCOs and LHBs are based on mid-2009 population estimates. See Annex A for further details.

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

## Table 11: Legal abortions: purchaser, gestation, Sexual Health Indicator and repeat abortions,by Primary Care Organisation (England) and Local Health Board (Wales) of residence, 2010

Residents

			Purch	aser (%)		Gesta	tion week	ks (%)	Sex	Sexual Health Indicator			
Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board		NHS F NHS Hospital	Indep- endent Sector	t	3-9	10-12	2 13+	Total NHS funded abortions	NHS funded abortions at under 10 weeks	Percentage of all NHS funded abortions inder 10 week	95% confidence interval	Repeat abortions in womer aged under 25	
ENGLAN	D & WALES		37	59	4	77	15	9	181,304	138,090	76	76.0 - 76.4	24.8
ENGLAND		35	61	4	77	14	9	173,261	132,565	77	76.3 - 76.7	25.1	
NORTH	EAST SHA	E18000001	93	4	3	72	18	10	6,836	4,918	72	71 - 73	20
5ND		County Durham	92	4	4	72	20	9	1,167	833	71	69 - 74	17
5J9	E16000041		96			74	18	9	266	196	74	68 - 79	19
5KF	E16000050		96			76	18	6	391	295	75	71 - 79	17
	E16000019	-	97			81	13	6	296	237	80	75 - 84	30
		Middlesbrough	96			64	22	15	531	336	63	59 - 67	26
	E16000017		88	11	1	77	14	8	1,004	775	77	74 - 80	18
5E1		Stockton-on-Tees Teaching	96 92			76 80	13 13	11 8	486 532	369 423	76 80	72 - 80 76 - 83	22 22
		North Tyneside Northumberland	92 93			80 78		8 9		423 475			22 20
		Redcar and Cleveland	93 93			78 62	14 23	9 15	611 321	475 196	78 61	74 - 81 56 - 66	20
		South Tyneside	93 94			02 72	23 16	12	360	256	71	66 - 76	23 17
		Sunderland Teaching	94 95	 1	 4	62	25	14	871	527	61	57 - 64	19
NORTH	WEST SHA	E18000002	48	49	2	78	15	8	24,348	18,875	78	77 - 78	23
5HG	E16000032	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan		57		74	15	11	975	716	73	71 - 76	21
5CC	E16000014	Blackburn with Darwen	90	5	5	78	13	8	491	383	78	74 - 81	23
5HP	E16000033	Blackpool		94		79	12	9	515	407	79	75 - 82	27
5HQ	E16000034	Bolton	47	50	3	76	13	11	918	692	75	72 - 78	22
5JX	E16000043	Bury	29	69	2	81	11	8	633	511	81	77 - 84	27
		Central and Eastern Cheshire	41	57	2	70	21	9	1,151	801	70	67 - 72	19
		Central Lancashire	22	76	2	80	12	8	1,497	1,203	80	78 - 82	24
		Cumbria Teaching	92	5	2	74	18	9	993	731	74	71 - 76	18
		East Lancashire Teaching	90	6	4	79	15	7	1,185	925	78	76 - 80	21
		Halton and St Helens	29	70	2	78	15	7	1,097	855	78	75 - 80	23
		Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	47	50	3	80	12	8	764	609	80	77 - 82	20
5J4	E16000038	-		15		75	19	7	653	487	75	71 - 78	21
	E16000092	-	85	14	2	75	19	7	2,228	1,654	74	72 - 76	26
	E16000098		23	74	3	81	12	7	2,946	2,394	81	80 - 83	27
5NF		North Lancashire Teaching	34	64 41	2	78	13	9	726	562	77	74 - 80	22
5J5 5F5	E16000039 E16000025		58 54	41 43	2 3	84 71	11 22	6 7	725 1,070	605 751	83 70	81 - 86 67 - 73	23 22
SFS 5NJ	E16000025		54 83	43 15	3	71	22 16	7	858	666	70 78	67 - 73 75 - 80	22
5F7	E16000026		31	65	2 4	80	13	8	951	757	70 80	73 - 80 77 - 82	22
		Tameside and Glossop	49	50	1	81	14	6	933	755	81	78 - 83	20
	E16000097	-	9	88	3	80	13	7	718	570	79	76 - 82	28
5J2	E16000037		2	95	3	79	12	9	638	499	78	75 - 81	23
		Western Cheshire	63	35	2	77	14	9	570	439	77	73 - 80	19
	E16000091		52	46	2	81	10	9	1,113	903	81	79 - 83	22
YORKS	HIRE & THE	HUMBER SHA E18000003	57	40	3	74	17	9	15,099	11,069	73	73 - 74	22
5JE	E16000042	Barnsley	76	23	2	64	23	13	630	400	64	60 - 67	27
5NY	E16000102	Bradford and Airedale Teaching	68	29	3	72	20	8	1,619	1,159	72	69 - 74	22
5J6	E16000040	Calderdale	94	3	4	78	14	8	688	533	78	74 - 80	20
5N5	E16000078	Doncaster				81	12	8	1,052	847	81	78 - 83	27
		East Riding of Yorkshire	91	5	4	66	27	8	675	438	65	61 - 68	15
		Hull Teaching	93	5	2	65	28	7	851	552	65	62 - 68	18
	E16000075		58	38	4	78	15	7	1,262	970	77	74 - 79	19
5N1			22	75	3	79	13	8	2,593	2,044	79	77 - 80	23
		North East Lincolnshire				71	20	9	499	352	71	66 - 74	30
		North Lincolnshire	66	31	4	69	21	10	424	288	68	63 - 72	20
		North Yorkshire and York	39	58	3	74	17	10	1,566	1,151	74	71 - 76	19
	E16000031		91	7	2	65	23	13	755	486	64	61 - 68	23
	E16000077		94	3	4	73	17	10	1,617	1,182	73	71 - 75	24
	E16000076	Wakefield District	4	94	2	77	12	12	868	667	77	74 - 80	27

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Residents

			Purcha	aser (%)		Gesta	ion weeł	(%)	Sex	ual Health Indi	cator		
Primar	Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board		NHS F	unded	Privately Funded				Total NHS funded	NHS funded abortions at under	Percentage of all NHS funded	95% confidence interval	Repeat abortion in wome
			Hospital	endent Sector		3-9	10-12	13+	abortions	10 weeks abortions under 10 wee			aged under 25
ENGLAND & WALES		37	59	4	77	15	9	181,304	138,090	76	76.0 - 76.4	24.8	
		35	61	4	77	14	9	173,261	132,565	77	76.3 - 76.7	25.1	
EAST N	IIDLANDS SHA	E18000004	73	24	4	65	25	10	11,443	7,388	65	64 - 65	20
5ET	E16000023 E	Bassetlaw	77			75	14	11	240	182	76	70 - 81	23
5N7	E16000080 [	Derby City	94			62	30	8	814	504	62	59 - 65	23
5N6	E16000079 [	Derbyshire County	83	13	4	64	25	11	1,454	920	63	61 - 66	17
5PC	E16000113 L	_eicester City	72	24	4	68	22	10	1,273	858	67	65 - 70	23
5PA	E16000112 L	eicestershire County and Rutland	59	37	4	70	22	8	1,527	1,055	69	67 - 71	19
5N9	E16000082 L	incolnshire Teaching	92	3	5	63	26	11	1,467	913	62	60 - 65	18
5PD	E16000114 N	Northamptonshire Teaching	47	51	2	66	23	12	2,040	1,328	65	63 - 67	22
5EM	E16000022	Nottingham City	72	25	3	66	25	9	1,137	737	65	62 - 68	21
5N8	E16000081 N	Nottinghamshire County Teaching	81	16	4	61	30	10	1,491	891	60	57 - 62	19
WEST	MIDLANDS SH	A E18000005	6	92	2	80	12	8	19,840	15,852	80	79 - 80	27
5PG	E16000117 E	Birmingham East and North	1	98	1	83	10	7	2,006	1,669	83	82 - 85	31
5MD	E16000070	Coventry Teaching		98		81	10	8	1,786	1,455	82	80 - 83	31
	E16000115 [		1	96	3	82	10	7	1,007	829	82	80 - 85	30
5MX	E16000073 H	Heart of Birmingham Teaching	1	97	2	84	10	7	1,861	1,558	84	82 - 85	31
	E16000015 H	• •	75	19	6	72	15	13	400	281	70	66 - 75	17
		North Staffordshire	3	95	2	85	9	7	538	460	86	82 - 88	18
5PF			2	95	4	78	14	8	1,399	1,091	78	76 - 80	27
		Shropshire County		93		79	12	9	634	505	80	76 - 83	21
	E17000004 \$			96		83	12	5	622	515	83	80 - 86	31
		South Birmingham	1	97	1	82	10	8	1,537	1,258	82	80 - 84	30
		South Staffordshire	3	95	3	76	15	9	1,815	1,371	76	74 - 77	26
5PJ			3	96	2	83	9	8	925	765	83	80 - 85	22
		Felford and Wrekin	-	96		75	13	12	573	433	76	72 - 79	24
		Walsall Teaching	 45	53	 2	82	11	7	864	705	82	72 - 73 79 - 84	24
	E16000122 \	U U	45 2	97	2	78	14	8	1,589	1,242	78	79 - 84 76 - 80	20
		Wolverhampton City	4	88	8	73	17	10	1,015	726	70	69 - 74	20
	E16000072 \		4 11	85	5	79	15	6	1,269	989	78	76 - 80	19
EAST C	F ENGLAND S	HA E18000006	43	53	4	77	14	9	16,122	12,430	77	76 - 78	24
5P2	E16000104 E	Bedfordshire	50	45	4	76	14	10	1,237	929	75	73 - 77	22
5PP		Cambridgeshire	81	14	5	76	16	8	1,255	947	76	73 - 78	17
5P3		East and North Hertfordshire	7	89	3	83	10	8	1,703	1,404	82	73 - 78 81 - 84	26
		Great Yarmouth and Waveney	92			65	28	7	541	348	64	60 - 68	20 24
	E16000128 L	-	92 11	 86	 3	79	20 10	12	934	546 736	04 79	76 - 81	24 31
	E16000029 L		17	80 80	3	79 79	10	12	934 955	736	79 79	76 - 81 76 - 81	23
	E16000130 F		17 92	80 4	3 4	79 74	10 16	10	955 1,573	753 1.166	79 74	76 - 81 72 - 76	23 19
		North East Essex	92 64	4 29	4 7	74 70	20	10 10	671	465	74 69	72 - 76 66 - 73	19 24
	E16000123 F	Ū	63			75	15	11	747	558	75	71 - 78	22
5P1		South East Essex	34	63	3	80	12	8	1,053	836	79	77 - 82	30
5PY		South West Essex	15	79	6	83	10	8	1,472	1,207	82	80 - 84	26
5PT			91	2	7	68	24	8	1,317	871	66	64 - 69	20
5PV			26	69	5	82	10	8	983	801	82	79 - 84	28
5P4	E16000106 \	Nest Hertfordshire	3	94	4	84	8	9	1,681	1,409	84	82 - 86	27

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Residents

			Purcha	aser (%)		Gesta	tion week	(%)	Sex	ual Health Indi	cator		
Primary Care Organisation/ Local Health Board ENGLAND & WALES		NHS F NHS Hospital	Indep- endent Sector	Privately Funded	3-9	10-12	13+	Total NHS funded abortions	NHS funded Percentage abortions of all NHS at under funded 10 weeks abortions under 10 weeks		95% confidence interval s	Repeat abortions in women aged under 25	
			37	59	4	77	15	9	181,304	138,090	76	76.0 - 76.4	24.8
ENGLANI	GLAND		35	61	4	77	14	9	173,261	132,565	77	76.3 - 76.7	25.1
LONDO	N SHA E180	00007	19	73	8	80	12	9	42,870	33,906	79	79 - 79	32
5C2	E16000009	Barking and Dagenham	1	95	4	83	8	9	1,437	1,190	83	81 - 85	35
5A9	E16000006		2	89	9	84	9	7	1,472	1,230	84	82 - 85	31
	E1700002	-	3	93	4	82	9	10	898	734	82	79 - 84	33
		Brent Teaching	3	92	5	83	10	8	2,117	1,757	83	81 - 85	34
5A7	E16000004		3	91	6	81	11	8	1,068	855	80	78 - 82	35
5K7	E16000047		17	71	11	79	13	9	974	758	78	75 - 80	31
5C3		City and Hackney Teaching	82	8	10	78	14	8	1,481	1,131	76	74 - 78	31
5K9	E16000049	-	2	96	3	80	11	10	1,846	1,468	80	78 - 81	41
	E16000035	-	2	86	12	76	14	11	1,670	1,246	75	72 - 77	28
5C1			11	78	11	74	16	10	1,479	1,066	72	70 - 74	32
5A8		Greenwich Teaching	3	94	3	81	10	9	1,607	1,305	81	79 - 83	34
5H1		Hammersmith and Fulham	12	78	10	85	8	7	1,056	893	85	82 - 87	34
5C9		Haringey Teaching	9	79	12	76	16	9	1,480	1,102	75	72 - 77	28
5K6	E16000046			94		84	9	7	1,114	935	84	82 - 86	31
5A4	E16000002	-		94		83	9	8	996	822	83	80 - 85	33
5AT		0	5	89	6	81	10	8	1,430	1,158	81	79 - 83	34
5HY	E16000036		3	89	8	81	10	9	1,479	1,191	81	78 - 82	29
5K8	E16000048	0	18	72	10	74	16	10	1,086	787	73	70 - 75	31
5LA		Kensington and Chelsea	65	8	27	83	10	7	564	463	82	79 - 85	29
5A5	E16000003	•	3	92	5	84	10	6	639	534	84	80 - 86	22
	E16000058		10	85	5	80	10	10	2,026	1,615	80	78 - 81	36
5LF	E16000060		9	88	4	81	11	8	1,799	1,452	81	79 - 82	33
5C5	E16000012		83	4	13	71	17	12	2,037	1,397	69	67 - 71	28
	E16000083	-	3	92	6	83	8	9	1,624	1,336	82	80 - 84	34
5M6		Richmond and Twickenham	32	57	12	81	8	11	472	382	81	77 - 84	32
	E16000059		9	86	5	79	11	10	2,153	1,696	79	77 - 80	34
5M7		Sutton and Merton	26	66	8	79	14	7	1,551	1,219	79	76 - 81	33
5C4		Tower Hamlets	79	9	12	76	15	9	1,396	1,027	74	71 - 76	29
		Waltham Forest	4	90	7	81	11	9	1,748	1,409	81	79 - 82 75 - 80	33
	E16000061		33 47	54 25	13 19	79	13	8 7	1,227	954	78	75 - 80	34
	E16000057			35		84	9		944	794	84	82 - 86	30
		T SHA E18000008	9	89	2	80	12	9	12,879	10,262	80	79 - 80	25
		Brighton and Hove City	2	96	2	85	9	6	1,153	979	85	83 - 87	26
5P7		East Sussex Downs and Weald	2	96	2	71	19	11	878	615	70	67 - 73	22
		Eastern and Coastal Kent	4	95	2	81	10	9	2,350	1,902	81	79 - 82	26
5P8		Hastings and Rother		74		77	14	9	544	419	77	73 - 80	27
5L3	E16000055	-		97		81	11	8	1,099	893	81	79 - 83	26
	E16000107	-	3	95	3	82	9	9	2,930	2,404	82	81 - 83	26
5P9 5P6	E16000111 E16000108	West Kent West Sussex	3 35	93 62	4 2	82 74	9 17	9 9	2,028 1,897	1,658 1,392	82 73	80 - 83 71 - 75	25 21
SOUTH	CENTRAL SI	HA E18000009	24	73	3	77	13	11	11,157	8,532	77	76 - 77	24
		Berkshire East	3	93	5	78	10	12	1,347	1,042	77	75 - 80	25
		Berkshire West	2	93 93	5	78 83	9	8	1,347	972	83	75 - 80 81 - 85	23
		Buckinghamshire	2 4	93 90	6	76	3 13	11	1,341	1,019	76	74 - 78	20 25
	E16000134	5	4 29	30 70	1	77	12	11	3,027	2,336	70	74 - 78 76 - 79	23
		Isle of Wight National Health Service	29 88			69	22	9	257	2,330	68	62 - 73	23 16
		Milton Keynes	2	 95	 3	69 75	22 16	9 9	257 991	747	08 75	62 - 73 73 - 78	25
	E16000018		2 21	95 74	3 4	75 78	10	9 11	1,379	1,064	75 77	73 - 78 75 - 79	25 26
	L10000133	CAUCIUSIIIU	<u> </u>	,4	7	10	14		1,579	1,004		10-19	20
		Portsmouth City Teaching	91			79	12	9	712	559	79	75 - 81	23

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Residents

			Purcha	aser (%)		Gesta	ion week	s (%)	Sex	ual Health Indi	cator		
Brimon	/ Care Organ	incline/	NHS F		Privately Funded				Total NHS funded	NHS funded abortions	Percentage of all NHS	95% confidence interval	Repeat abortions in women
	Local Health Board		Hospital	Indep- endent Sector		3-9	10-12	13+	abortions	at under 10 weeks u	funded abortions Inder 10 week		aged under 25
ENGLAN	0 & WALES		37	59	4	77	15	9	181,304	138,090	76	76.0 - 76.4	24.8
ENGLAND		35	61	4	77	14	9	173,261	132,565	77	76.3 - 76.7	25.1	
SOUTH	WEST SHA I	E18000010	52	46	2	74	17	9	12,667	9,333	74	73 - 74	20
5FL	E16000028	Bath and North East Somerset	57	40	3	81	12	7	363	293	81	76 - 84	23
5QN	E16000143	Bournemouth and Poole Teaching	39	60	1	80	13	8	1,055	840	80	77 - 82	23
5QJ	E16000139	Bristol	51	46	3	79	12	9	1,461	1,154	79	77 - 81	22
5QP	E16000144	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	63	35	3	62	28	10	1,105	680	62	59 - 64	16
5QQ	E16000145	Devon	70	27	3	68	24	8	1,500	1,019	68	66 - 70	18
5QM	E16000142	Dorset	18	81	1	78	12	11	836	649	78	75 - 80	22
5QH	E16000138	Gloucestershire	89	6	5	70	17	13	1,350	930	69	66 - 71	19
5M8	E16000069	North Somerset		51		76	12	12	391	295	75	71 - 79	19
5F1	E16000024	Plymouth Teaching	94	4	2	67	25	8	802	538	67	64 - 70	16
5QL	E16000141	Somerset	66	32	2	71	18	11	1,028	726	71	68 - 73	20
5A3	E16000001	South Gloucestershire	43	54	3	78	12	10	552	426	77	73 - 80	20
5K3	E16000044	Swindon		98		83	9	8	707	586	83	80 - 85	27
TAL	E17000003	Torbay		97		76	16	8	487	367	75	71 - 79	24
5QK	E16000140	Wiltshire	19	79	2	81	11	8	1,030	830	81	78 - 83	17
WALES			66	27	7	70	21	9	8,043	5,525	69	68 - 70	20
6B1	NAWER06	Angelsey	10			81			188	151	80	74 - 85	17
6C2	NAWER10	Blaenau Gwent	73	22	5	74	19	7	193	140	73	66 - 78	18
6B3	NAWER08	Bridgend	89			56	33	12	322	168	52	47 - 58	20
6B2	NAWER10	Caerphilly	75	20	6	76	16	9	456	346	76	72 - 80	17
6A8	NAWER09	Cardiff	84	4	13	73	18	9	1,100	774	70	68 - 73	18
6B7	NAWER07	Carmarthen	90			58	33	10	351	190	54	49 - 59	18
6A4	NAWER07	Ceredigion	97			77			144	111	77	70 - 83	17
6A7	NAWER06	Conwy	9	88	3	72	17	11	311	224	72	67 - 77	28
6C1	NAWER06	Denbighshire		91		80	11	10	266	210	79	74 - 83	27
6B5	NAWER06	Flintshire		93		75	15	10	428	319	75	70 - 78	18
6A2	NAWER06	Gwynedd	13	84	4	74	12	14	329	244	74	69 - 79	19
6B8	NAWER10	Merthyr Tydfil	81	10	9	68	21	12	132	88	67	58 - 74	
6A1	NAWER10	Monmouth	66	25	9	73	18	9	167	120	72	65 - 78	
6A5	NAWER08	Neath & Port Talbot	89	3	9	56	33	11	368	198	54	49 - 59	17
6B9	NAWER10	Newport	72	24	4	76	17	6	435	330	76	72 - 80	17
6A3	NAWER07	Pembroke	85	7	8	72	20	7	287	207	72	67 - 77	20
6C4	NAWER07	Powys	81	15	5	66	24	10	255	166	65	59 - 71	17
6A9	NAWER08	Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	93	2	5	69	24	7	737	503	68	65 - 72	22
6A6	NAWER08	Swansea	90	2	8	57	31	12	603	321	53	49 - 57	23
6B6	NAWER09	The Vale of Glamorgan	85	3	13	71	20	9	288	195	68	62 - 73	21
6C3	NAWER10	Torfaen	74	21	5	77	14	9	257	194	76	70 - 80	24
6B4	NAWER06	Wrexham		97		77	15	8	426	326	77	72 - 80	22

.. Percentages are suppressed where totals are less than 10 (0-9) and where a presented percentage would reveal the suppressed value.

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

	total	percentages
All non-residents	6,535	100%
Country of residence <sup>1</sup>		
United Kingdom		
Northern Ireland Scotland Isle of Man Jersey Guernsey	1,101 254 128 9 9	16.8 3.9 2.0 0.1 0.1
European countries		
Irish Republic Cyprus Denmark France Germany Gibraltar Ionian Islands Italy Malta Norway Poland Portugal Romania Spain Other	4,402 7 13 57 12 6 6 145 51 6 29 14 5 12 32	67.4 0.1 0.2 0.9 0.2 0.1 0.1 2.2 0.8 0.1 0.4 0.2 0.1 0.2 0.5
Rest of the world Australia Bahrain Egypt Kuwait Qatar Saudia Arabia UAE USA Other	11 12 5 5 13 10 113 11 57	0.2 0.1 0.1 0.2 0.2 1.7 0.2 0.9

## Table 12a: Legal abortions: non-residents by country of residence, 2010

' Specific countries shown only where there are 5 or more cases

		total	percentages
All non-residents		6,535	100%
(i) Age	Under 16	83	1
	16 - 17	246	4
	18 - 19	446	7
	20 - 24	1,712	26
	25 - 29	1,623	25
	30 - 34	1,157	18
	35 - 39	848	13
	40 and over	420	6
(ii) Statutory grounds			
	C (alone)	6,366	97
	Other	169	3
(iii) Gestation weeks			
	3 - 9	4,241	65
	10 - 12	1,042	16
	13 - 19	914	14
	20 and over	338	5

## Table 12b:Legal abortions: non residents of England and Wales, by (i) age, (ii) statutory<br/>grounds and (iii) gestation, 2010

Note: percentages are rounded and may not add to 100

#### Table 12c: Legal abortions, country of residence by age and gestation, 2010

	Scotlan	d	Northern Irelar	nd	Irish Republic		
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	
All	254	100	1,101	100	4,402	100	
Age							
Under 16	}_ 29	12	19	2	41	1	
16 - 17	<sup>23</sup> ر	12	65	6	115	3	
18 - 19	18	7	79	7	303	7	
20 - 24	59	23	304	28	1181	27	
25 - 29	65	26	259	24	1137	26	
30 - 34	44	17	155	14	789	18	
35 - 39	21	8	141	13	565	13	
40 & over	18	7	79	7	271	6	
Gestation weeks							
3 - 9	120	47	772	70	2,981	68	
10 - 12	25	10	188	17	747	17	
13 - 19	26	10	126	11	565	13	
20 & over	83	33	15	1	109	2	

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

# Annex A: Data Quality and Methods

## Validation

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

http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+/www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publichealth/Healthimprov ement/Sexualhealth/Sexualhealthgeneralinformation/DH\_4063863

- Forms returned after the publication cut-off date
- ii. The 2010 figures in this annual bulletin are based on a snapshot of the records taken about six weeks prior to publication. A small number of notifications have been, and will continue to be, received after this cut-off date. Whilst these additional notifications are processed and the information retained in line with our retention policy, they are not included in future statistical releases. So, for example, figures for 2009 published in the 2009 bulletin have not be revised in this year's bulletin. This policy of not revising statistics is taken for three main reasons:
  - to prevent the disclosure of personal information arising from small differences in published tables;
  - to ensure consistency in published outputs over time; and
  - because the revisions would be small in scale and therefore of little value.

iii. The scale of the effect is illustrated below for 2009. A further 457 notifications were received after the cut-off, equating to a quarter of one per cent of the published total. As the table below shows, the inclusion of this information would have resulted in no change in the percentage breakdowns by age group, gestation and grounds to one decimal place.

Table: Examples of the effect on the statistics of forms returned after the publication cutoff date

	Published 2009 figures	2009 figures incorporating notifications received after the publication cut-off
Total abortions	189,100	189,557
Gestation (weeks) 3 to 9 10 to 12 13 to 19 20 or over Not known	74.7% 15.8% 8.0% 1.5% N/A	74.7% 15.8% 8.0% 1.5% 0.0%
Grounds E Other	1.1% 98.9%	1.1% 98.9%
Age Under 20 20 to 34 35 or over	21.2% 64.6% 14.3%	21.2% 64.6% 14.3%

## Incomplete information and imputation

- iv. Incomplete and incorrectly completed forms are returned to practitioners for completion and clarification. In a very small number of cases (about one-quarter of one percent), the information remains unavailable at the time of publication. Date of birth was missing from 9 records in 2010, gestation information from 44, postcodes from 22 and grounds from 44.
- v. For the purposes of constructing statistics, records with missing ages were assigned prorata to the 20-24 age group, as this is the modal age group, accounting for 29% of abortions. Missing gestations were imputed as 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 weeks in equal distribution unless the method of abortion or diagnosis suggested otherwise. Missing postcodes were imputed with a random postcode from within the main PCOs of other residents attending the same hospital or clinic. Missing grounds were imputed as ground C.

## Population estimates used for rates of abortion

vi. Abortion rates per 1,000 women for 2010 at a national level and at PCO level were calculated using the mid-2009 population estimates for England, Wales and England and Wales and Primary Care Organisations and Local Health Boards, as published at 24

June 2010 and 24 November 2010 respectively<sup>1</sup>. Rates for earlier years were calculated using the latest population estimates available at the time the relevant annual reports were produced and have not been revised, either by using population estimates for the year in question or by using updated population estimates.

## • Deriving age standardised rates of abortion

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

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

$$Rate = \frac{\sum_{all ages i} rate_i EuSP_i}{\sum_{i=15}^{44} EuSP_i}$$

where EuSP<sub>i</sub> is the population of women aged i in the European Standard Population.

For the area analyses in table 10b:

$$Rate = \frac{\sum_{i=15}^{44} rate_i EuSP_i}{\sum_{i=15}^{44} EuSP_i}$$

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

number of abortions to women under 16 population of 15 year olds

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

number of abortions to women aged 44 and over population of 44 year olds

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

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

## • Confidence intervals

- viii. The observed values in this report are the outcome of a stochastic process that is, influenced by random occurrences such as fertilisation. The value actually observed is only one of the set that could occur under the same circumstances. It is the underlying circumstances or process that is of interest and the actual value observed gives only an imprecise estimate of this 'underlying risk'.
- ix. A confidence interval can be calculated around each observed value, which gives a range in which the expected or average value resulting from the underlying process is likely to fall. The 95 per cent confidence intervals have been calculated for some of the observed values in tables 10a, 10b and 11. These are known as such, because if it were possible to repeat the underlying process under the same conditions a large number of times (that is, 'rerun' the year over and over again), 95 per cent of the confidence intervals calculated in this way would contain the average value from those runs. When assessing the observed results for the year, it is usual to assume that there is only a 5 per cent chance that the expected or average value falls outside the 95 per cent confidence interval.
- x. The confidence interval may be used to compare an estimate against a target or benchmark value. If the target or benchmark value is outside the confidence interval it can be inferred that the difference between the estimate and the target is statistically significant at the 95 per cent confidence level.
- xi. Confidence intervals are also often used to compare two observed values (for example, abortion rates within two regions.) Sometimes in such cases statistical testing is undertaken by seeing if the two confidence intervals overlap. This is quick and easy to do, but not necessarily conclusive: whilst it is safe to assume that non-overlapping confidence intervals indicate a statistically significant difference, it is not always the case that overlapping confidence intervals do not.
- xii. The method for estimating a confidence interval varies depending on whether it is for a percentage, count, crude rate or standardised rate. The methods used are those detailed in the Association of Public Health Observatories' Technical Briefing 3: Commonly used public health statistics and their confidence intervals.
- xiii. For example, the confidence interval associated with:
  - The figure of 189,574 for the total number of abortions of residents in England and Wales is 188,722 to 190,429 (Table 10a);
  - The age standardised rate of 17.5 abortions per 1000 resident women aged 15-44 in England and Wales is 17.5 to 17.6 (Table 10b);
  - The figure of 72 per cent for the percentage of NHS funded abortions in County Durham undertaken within 10 weeks gestation is 69 per cent to 74 per cent (Table 11).

### • Disclosure Control

xiv. In using and releasing health statistics there is a risk, generally with small numbers, of identifying individuals. To address this, the Department of Health asked the National

Statistician to provide it with guidelines for interpreting the National Statistics Code of Practice and associated protocols in the handling of health statistics across the health community, in a way that balances data confidentiality risks with the public interest in the use of the figures. The Office for National Statistics (ONS) published a report on disclosure guidance for abortion statistics in July 2005 and a further report giving guidance for all health statistics was published in 2006. More recently, the Government Statistical Service has published a disclosure control policy for tables produced from administrative data sources that supersedes the health statistics guidance.

- xv. The report for abortions statistics can be found on the ONS website at: <u>http://www.statistics.gov.uk/downloads/theme\_health/abortion\_stag\_final.pdf</u>
- xvi. The 2010 Abortion Statistics bulletin applies the conclusions of the ONS disclosure review and guidance for abortion statistics. The guidance provides details on how to identify cells within tabulated statistics where the risks of a breach of confidentiality are unacceptable ("unsafe cells"). It then describes methods for reducing these risks.
- xvii. For the bulletin, the risks identified have been reduced largely by redesigning tables. However, where table redesign proved to be impossible then suppression was applied to cells with fewer than 5 cases at national level or fewer than 10 cases at sub-national level and for highly sensitive variables such as gestation weeks by medical grounds. The same principles were also applied to tables showing rates and percentages.
- xviii. In line with the commitment made in the 2004 abortions bulletin, three-year aggregate figures for 2006-2008 for some of the areas whose data are suppressed each year due to small numbers were published in the 2008 bulletin. Further three-year aggregate tables are planned for publication in the 2011 bulletin for the years 2009-2011.

## • GSS coding and naming policy

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

## • Rounding

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

## • Symbols

- xxi. The following symbols are used in the tables:
  - . = not applicable
  - .. = suppressed values

# Annex B: Further Information

## • Enquiries

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• Links

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www.dh.gov.uk/publichealthstatistics

Data for 1991 to 2001 can be found on the Office for National Statistics website.

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/product.asp?vlnk=68

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

http://www.isdscotland.org/isd/1918.html

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

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

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

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

Conception statistics for England and Wales are available at:

http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/product.asp?vlnk=15055

Statistics on the National Chlamydia Screening Programme are available at: <u>http://www.chlamydiascreening.nhs.uk/ps/data/index.html</u>