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**Induced Abortions by Age and Consent Required
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011***

Age	Parental Consent Required	Parental Consent Obtained	Judicial Bypass Obtained	Total
<15	27	24	3	32
15	43	42	1	47
16	50	44	6	61
17	80	69	12	94
18	0	0	0	165
19	1	0	0	216
(15-19)	174	155	19	583
20-24	1	3	0	1337
25-29	0	0	1	1003
30-34	0	0	0	625
35-39	0	0	0	331
40-54	0	0	0	121
Unknown	0	0	0	1
Total	202	182	23	4033

**Induced Abortions by Age and Ethnicity
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Age	Hispanic	NonHispanic	Unknown	Total
<15	1	31	0	32
15	0	47	0	47
16	4	57	0	61
17	4	90	0	94
18	10	155	0	165
19	20	195	1	216
(15-19)	38	544	1	583
20-24	79	1256	2	1337
25-29	55	947	1	1003
30-34	27	596	2	625
35-39	19	312	0	331
40-54	6	115	0	121
Unknown	0	1	0	1
Total	225	3802	6	4033

**Induced Abortions by Age and Race
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Age	White	Black	Other	Unknown	Total
<15	13	17	2	0	32
15	20	24	3	0	47
16	29	24	8	0	61
17	52	37	5	0	94
18	87	67	11	0	165
19	124	69	22	1	216
(15-19)	312	221	49	1	583
20-24	696	539	100	2	1337
25-29	549	372	81	1	1003
30-34	332	239	53	1	625
35-39	181	108	42	0	331
40-54	76	30	15	0	121
Unknown	0	1	0	0	1
Total	2159	1527	342	5	4033

**Induced Abortions by Gestation* and Age
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Weeks of Gestation	< 15	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Unknown	Total
< 7 Wks	3	154	394	362	229	137	54	0	1333
7 Wks	2	82	235	149	115	41	21	1	646
8 Wks	3	71	160	102	66	31	13	0	446
9 Wks	3	52	124	84	49	25	5	0	342
10 Wks	5	37	70	59	38	30	7	0	246
11 Wks	3	37	68	54	29	12	2	0	205
12 Wks	2	22	50	39	17	7	2	0	139
13 Wks	4	20	40	30	16	15	6	0	131
14 Wks	2	14	25	25	16	7	1	0	90
15 Wks	0	18	26	14	4	4	0	0	66
16 Wks	0	18	31	14	11	5	2	0	81
17 Wks	2	18	31	17	5	3	2	0	78
18 Wks	1	15	37	21	13	3	1	0	91
19 Wks	2	17	29	20	13	6	4	0	91
20 Wks	0	8	16	13	4	4	1	0	46
21+ Wks	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
Total	32	583	1337	1003	625	331	121	1	4033

****Gestation computed from first day of last menstrual period
except 56 of the 4033 procedures used physicians' estimates.***

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Arkansas Department of Health- May 29, 2012

**Induced Abortions by Gestation* and Ethnicity
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Weeks of Gestation	Hispanic	NonHispanic	Unknown Ethnicity	Total
< 7 Wks	86	1242	5	1333
7 Wks	46	600	0	646
8 Wks	25	420	1	446
9 Wks	14	328	0	342
10 Wks	8	238	0	246
11 Wks	12	193	0	205
12 Wks	1	138	0	139
13 Wks	9	122	0	131
14 Wks	6	84	0	90
15 Wks	1	65	0	66
16 Wks	3	78	0	81
17 Wks	3	75	0	78
18 Wks	5	86	0	91
19 Wks	3	88	0	91
20 Wks	3	43	0	46
21+ Wks	0	2	0	2
Total	225	3802	6	4033

****Gestation computed from first day of last menstrual period
except 56 of the 4033 procedures used physicians' estimates.***

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Arkansas Department of Health- May 29, 2012

**Induced Abortions by Gestation* and Race
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Weeks of Gestation	White	Black	Other	Unknown	Total
< 7 Wks	817	379	133	4	1333
7 Wks	374	230	42	0	646
8 Wks	249	155	41	1	446
9 Wks	172	149	21	0	342
10 Wks	122	106	18	0	246
11 Wks	106	79	20	0	205
12 Wks	65	65	9	0	139
13 Wks	61	58	12	0	131
14 Wks	29	46	15	0	90
15 Wks	31	31	4	0	66
16 Wks	31	44	6	0	81
17 Wks	25	48	5	0	78
18 Wks	36	48	7	0	91
19 Wks	26	61	4	0	91
20 Wks	14	27	5	0	46
21+ Wks	1	1	0	0	2
Total	2159	1527	342	5	4033

****Gestation computed from first day of last menstrual period
except 56 of the 4033 procedures used physicians' estimates.***

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Arkansas Department of Health- May 29, 2012

**Induced Abortions by Gestation* and Type of Procedure
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011**

Weeks of Gestation	Suction or D&E Curettage	Sharp Curettage	Intrauterine Instillation	Medical (Nonsurgical)	Other Methods	Unknown Method	Total
< 7 Wks	987	0	0	346	0	0	1333
7 Wks	379	0	0	267	0	0	646
8 Wks	346	0	0	100	0	0	446
9 Wks	319	0	0	23	0	0	342
10 Wks	241	0	0	5	0	0	246
11 Wks	199	0	0	6	0	0	205
12 Wks	137	0	0	2	0	0	139
13 Wks	129	0	0	2	0	0	131
14 Wks	89	0	0	1	0	0	90
15 Wks	66	0	0	0	0	0	66
16 Wks	79	0	0	2	0	0	81
17 Wks	77	0	0	1	0	0	78
18 Wks	90	0	0	0	1	0	91
19 Wks	90	0	0	1	0	0	91
20 Wks	45	0	0	1	0	0	46
21+ Wks	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Total	3273	0	0	759	1	0	4033

****Gestation computed from first day of last menstrual period
except 56 of the 4033 procedures used physicians' estimates.***

Source: Center for Health Statistics, Arkansas Department of Health- May 29, 2012

Induced Abortions by Marital Status and Hispanic Origin
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

Marital Status	Hispanic	NonHispanic	Unknown	Total
Married	33	352	1	386
Not Married	191	3438	3	3632
Unknown	1	12	2	15
Total	225	3802	6	4033

Induced Abortions by Marital Status and Race
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

Marital Status	White	Black	Other	Unknown	Total
Married	267	59	59	1	386
Not Married	1881	1467	282	2	3632
Unknown	11	1	1	2	15
Total	2159	1527	342	5	4033

Induced Abortions by Number of Previous Induced Abortions
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

No. of Previous Induced Abortions	Number of Women
0	2552
1	860
2	368
3	128
4+	125
Total	4033

Induced Abortions by Number of Previous Live Births
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

No. of Previous Live Births	Number of Women
0	1405
1	1183
2	892
3	371
4+	182
Total	4033

Induced Abortions by State of Residence
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

State of Residence	Number of Women
Alaska	1
Arizona	2
Arkansas	3523
California	2
Colorado	1
Florida	1
Georgia	1
Illinois	1
Iowa	1
Kansas	3
Louisiana	14
Maryland	1
Mississippi	87
Missouri	110
Nebraska	1
Nevada	1
Oklahoma	75
Tennessee	174
Texas	28
Unknown	6
Total	4033

Induced Abortions by State of Residence
Arkansas Occurrences - 2011

State of Residence	Number of Women
Out-of-State	510
Arkansas Resident	3523
Total	4033

DEFINITIONS

Live birth –The complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, which, after the expulsion or extraction, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached. Heartbeats shall be distinguished from transient cardiac contractions; respirations shall be distinguished from fleeting respiratory efforts or gasps (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 1(8)).

Fetal death – Death prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy and which is not an induced termination of pregnancy. The death is indicated by the fact that after the expulsion or extraction, the fetus does not breathe or show any other evidence of life such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of voluntary muscles. Heartbeats shall be distinguished from the transient cardiac contractions; respirations shall be distinguished from fleeting respiratory efforts or gasps (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 1(9)).

Each fetal death where the fetus weighs three hundred fifty (350) grams or more, or if weight is unknown, the fetus completed twenty (20) weeks gestation or more, calculated from the date last normal menstrual period began to the date of delivery, that occurs in Arkansas shall be reported within five (5) days after delivery to the Division of Vital Records or as otherwise directed by the State Registrar. (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 27, (a)(1)).

Spontaneous fetal death – (Otherwise known as stillbirth or miscarriage) means the expulsion of or extraction of a product of human conception resulting in other than a live birth and which is not an induced termination of pregnancy (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 27, (a)(1)).

Spontaneous fetal deaths where the fetus has completed less than twenty (20) weeks gestation and where the fetus weighs less than three hundred

fifty (350) grams shall be reported as prescribed. (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 27, (a) (2)).

Induced termination of pregnancy - The purposeful interruption of pregnancy with the intention other than to produce a live-born infant, and which does not result in a live birth, except that this definition excludes management of prolonged retention of products of conception following fetal death (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Act number 1254, Section 1, (9) (B)).

Each induced termination of pregnancy that occurs in the State of Arkansas, regardless of the length of gestation, shall be reported to the Division of Vital Statistics within (5) days by the person in charge of the institution in which the induced termination of pregnancy was performed. (Arkansas Vital Statistics Act of 1995, Section 27 (b)).

Gestation - Computed gestation is calculated from the date last normal menstrual period began to date of induced termination. Estimated gestation is the length of gestation as estimated by the attending physician in completed menstrual weeks.

Suction curettage (Also known as vacuum aspiration) - In this procedure the cervical canal is dilated by the successive insertion of instruments of increasing diameter called dilators. When the opening is large enough, a flexible tube (cannula) is inserted into the uterine cavity, and the fetal and placental tissues are then suctioned out by an electric vacuum pump.

Medical (Nonsurgical) This nonsurgical procedure involves the administration of a medication or medications to induce an abortion. Medications (e.g. methotrexate, mifepristone, misoprostol, etc.) are used most frequently early in the first trimester of pregnancy. However, some medications (e.g. prostaglandin suppositories, injectable prostaglandins, etc.) may be administered during the second trimester of pregnancy to induce abortion. Medications may be administered orally, by injection, or intravaginally.

Dilation and evacuation (D & E) - This procedure, used most frequently in the second trimester, involves opening the cervix (dilation) and primarily

using sharp instrument techniques, but also suction and other instrumentation such as forceps for evacuation.

Intra-uterine installation (saline or prostaglandin) - This procedure involves either withdrawing a portion of the amniotic fluid from the uterine cavity by a needle inserted through the abdominal wall and replacing this fluid with a concentrated salt solution or injecting a prostaglandin into the uterine cavity through a needle inserted through the abdominal wall. The saline instillation process induces labor, which results in the expulsion of the fetus approximately 24 to 48 hours later. The interval between prostaglandin injection and expulsion tends to be shorter than in a saline abortion.

Sharp curettage (Also known as dilation and curettage, D & C, or surgical curettage) - This procedure involves the dilation of the cervix as in suction, although usually to a larger diameter. The fetal and placental tissues are then scraped out with a curette, which resembles a small spoon.

Hysterotomy/Hysterectomy - Hysterotomy involves surgical entry into the uterus. Hysterotomy is usually performed only if other abortion procedures fail or if other abortion procedures are not appropriate. Hysterectomy is a procedure in which the uterus is removed (with the fetus inside). It is usually performed only when a pathological condition of the uterus, such as fibroid tumors, warrants its removal or when a woman desires sterilization.

All other procedures should be shown as "Other". This category includes procedures using a combination of agents, such as urea and prostaglandin, prostaglandin and oxytocin, or prostaglandin and saline.

NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE CITED ABOVE, ALL DEFINITIONS ARE FROM THE HANDBOOK ON THE REPORTING OF INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES. DHHS PUBLICATION NO. (PHS) 88-1117.