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**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY AGE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

AGE	HISPANIC ORIGIN			Total
	HISPANIC	NON-HISPANIC	UNKNOWN	
<15	1	55	0	56
15-19	25	1047	30	1102
20-24	59	1802	44	1905
25-29	51	1157	31	1239
30-34	25	589	26	640
35-39	12	358	20	390
40+	5	105	7	117
UNKNOWN	4	42	6	52
Total	182	5155	164	5501

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY GESTATION* AND AGE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

GESTATION	AGE								Total
	<15	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	UNKNOWN	
<=6 WKS	14	207	474	361	195	114	48	12	1425
7 WKS	3	148	270	201	115	72	18	8	835
8 WKS	3	122	259	139	81	46	8	9	667
9 WKS	9	114	191	130	70	35	14	2	565
10 WKS	2	97	140	75	43	21	8	3	389
11 WKS	4	64	105	64	26	20	4	2	289
12 WKS	6	48	66	36	17	18	8	1	200
13 WKS	4	46	52	34	21	10	1	2	170
14 WKS	0	39	75	33	11	13	3	1	175
15 WKS	1	38	58	31	11	9	0	1	149
16 WKS	2	49	54	40	12	8	0	1	166
17 WKS	3	34	30	25	11	7	1	3	114
18 WKS	1	37	44	16	7	9	1	0	115
19 WKS	1	19	34	17	9	5	2	0	87
20 WKS	1	23	36	24	7	2	1	0	94
>=21 WKS	1	9	11	4	2	1	0	0	28
UNKNOWN	1	8	6	9	2	0	0	7	33
Total	56	1102	1905	1239	640	390	117	52	5501

NOTE: *GESTATION FOR 390 OF THE TOTAL 5501 PROCEDURES WAS CALCULATED USING DOCTORS' ESTIMATES

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY GESTATION AND HISPANIC ORIGIN
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

GESTATION	HISPANIC			Total
	HISPANIC	NON-HISPANIC	UNKNOWN	
<=6 WKS	58	1339	28	1425
7 WKS	25	779	31	835
8 WKS	23	623	21	667
9 WKS	22	520	23	565
10 WKS	18	361	10	389
11 WKS	7	273	9	289
12 WKS	4	190	6	200
13 WKS	3	160	7	170
14 WKS	4	167	4	175
15 WKS	0	138	11	149
16 WKS	5	158	3	166
17 WKS	3	107	4	114
18 WKS	6	108	1	115
19 WKS	1	84	2	87
20 WKS	2	91	1	94
>=21 WKS	0	28	0	28
UNKNOWN	1	29	3	33
Total	182	5155	164	5501

NOTE: *GESTATION FOR 390 OF THE TOTAL 5501 PROCEDURES WAS CALCULATED USING DOCTORS' ESTIMATES
SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY GESTATION*
AND TYPE OF PROCEDURE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

GESTATION	PROCEDURE				Total
	SUCTION	SHARP	D & E	OTHER	
<=6 WKS	1395	7	23	0	1425
7 WKS	827	3	5	0	835
8 WKS	657	4	6	0	667
9 WKS	546	3	16	0	565
10 WKS	368	9	12	0	389
11 WKS	257	15	16	1	289
12 WKS	156	20	24	0	200
13 WKS	121	17	32	0	170
14 WKS	104	17	54	0	175
15 WKS	64	13	72	0	149
16 WKS	44	26	94	2	166
17 WKS	38	13	63	0	114
18 WKS	30	13	72	0	115
19 WKS	16	9	61	1	87
20 WKS	13	8	73	0	94
>=21 WKS	1	0	24	3	28
UNKNOWN	33	0	0	0	33
Total	4670	177	647	7	5501

NOTE: *GESTATION FOR 390 OF THE TOTAL 5501 PROCEDURES WAS CALCULATED USING DOCTORS' ESTIMATES

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY GESTATION* AND RACE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

GESTATION	RACE				Total
	WHITE	BLACK	OTHER	UNKNOWN	
<=6 WKS	937	441	30	17	1425
7 WKS	497	304	17	17	835
8 WKS	420	220	15	12	667
9 WKS	333	208	14	10	565
10 WKS	222	158	6	3	389
11 WKS	166	116	6	1	289
12 WKS	98	95	7	0	200
13 WKS	89	74	2	5	170
14 WKS	91	81	2	1	175
15 WKS	58	86	2	3	149
16 WKS	75	89	1	1	166
17 WKS	53	55	2	4	114
18 WKS	60	53	2	0	115
19 WKS	37	48	1	1	87
20 WKS	43	49	2	0	94
>=21 WKS	13	15	0	0	28
UNKNOWN	11	16	2	4	33
Total	3203	2108	111	79	5501

NOTE: *GESTATION FOR 390 OF THE TOTAL 5501 PROCEDURES WAS CALCULATED USING DOCTORS' ESTIMATES
SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY MARITAL STATUS AND HISPANIC ORIGIN
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

	HISPANIC ORIGIN			Total
	HISPANIC	NON-HISPANIC	UNKNOWN	
MARRIED	54	840	27	921
UNMARRIED	122	4111	114	4347
UNKNOWN	6	204	23	233
Total	182	5155	164	5501

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY MARITAL STATUS AND RACE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

MARITAL STATUS	RACE				Total
	WHITE	BLACK	OTHER	UNKNOWN	
MARRIED	649	217	36	19	921
UNMARRIED	2462	1775	65	45	4347
UNKNOWN	92	116	10	15	233
Total	3203	2108	111	79	5501

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY PREVIOUS LIVE BIRTHS
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

0 Previous	1452
1 Previous	1648
2 Previous	1113
3 Previous	391
4+ Previous	176
UNKNOWN	721

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

INDUCED ABORTIONS BY PREVIOUS INDUCED ABORTIONS ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000	
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0 Previous	2409
1 Previous	1408
2 Previous	397
3+ Previous	169
UNKNOWN	1118

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY AGE AND RACE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

AGE	RACE				Total
	WHITE	BLACK	OTHER	UNKNOWN	
<15	20	36	0	0	56
15-19	645	422	22	13	1102
20-24	1061	796	28	20	1905
25-29	705	493	25	16	1239
30-34	387	217	18	18	640
35-39	276	95	11	8	390
40+	86	24	5	2	117
UNKNOWN	23	25	2	2	52
Total	3203	2108	111	79	5501

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS BY
STATE OF RESIDENCE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

ARKANSAS	4548
CALIFORNIA	1
GEORGIA	3
ILLINOIS	4
KANSAS	1
LOUISIANA	18
MICHIGAN	1
MISSISSIPPI	159
MISSOURI	41
NORTH CAROLINA	1
OHIO	2
OKLAHOMA	120
TENNESSEE	555
TEXAS	46
WASHINGTON	1

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

	<i>INDUCED ABORTIONS BY STATE OF RESIDENCE ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000</i>
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ARKANSAS RESIDENTS	4548
OUT OF STATE RESIDENTS	953

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS PERFORMED ON WOMEN
AGES 15-19: AGE BY HISPANIC ORIGIN
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

AGE	HISPANIC ORIGIN			Total
	HISPANIC	NON-HISPANIC	UNKNOWN	
15	1	64	1	66
16	1	141	5	147
17	5	189	7	201
18	9	323	8	340
19	9	330	9	348
Total	25	1047	30	1102

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

**INDUCED ABORTIONS PERFORMED ON WOMEN
AGES 15-19: AGE BY RACE
ARKANSAS OCCURRENCES - 2000**

AGE	RACE				Total
	WHITE	BLACK	OTHER	UNKNOWN	
15	41	22	2	1	66
16	90	53	3	1	147
17	110	86	4	1	201
18	203	125	8	4	340
19	201	136	5	6	348
Total	645	422	22	13	1102

SOURCE: CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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.

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.

Dilation and evacuation (D & E) - This procedure, used most frequently in the second trimester, involves opening the cervix (dilation) and using primarily sharp techniques, but also suction and other instrumentation such as forceps for evacuation.

Intra-uterine saline installation (Also known as saline abortion and saline amniotic fluid exchange) - This procedure entails 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. This process induces labor, which results in the expulsion of the usually dead fetus approximately 24 to 48 hours later.

Intra-uterine prostaglandin instillation - This procedure involves injecting a prostaglandin - a substance with hormone-like activity - into the uterine cavity through a needle inserted through the abdominal wall. The interval between injection and expulsion tends to be shorter than in a saline abortion.

Hysterotomy - This procedure involves surgical entry into the uterus, as in a cesarean section, that removes a fetus that is too small to survive even with extraordinary life support measures. It is usually performed only if other abortion procedures fail.

Hysterectomy - In this procedure, the uterus is removed either with the fetus inside or after the fetus has been removed. 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.