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Induced abortions in hospitals and clinics, by age group and area of residence of patient, Canada, provinces and territories, annual *Terminated*

Survey or program details:

Therapeutic Abortion Survey - [3209](#)

Vital Statistics - Birth Database - [3231](#)

Estimates of Population by Age and Sex for Canada, Provinces and Territories - [3604](#)

Geography, area of residence of patient 2,10	Age group 11,13,14	Characteristics 1,2,3,18,20	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Yukon ¹⁵	All ages ⁴	Number of induced abortions	63	77	79	106	94	113	125	123	124	113	87	95	119	143	118	136	142	...	151	168	140	134	172	121	150	111	135	122	125	129	x	140	143
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	11.9	13.7	13.4	17.4	14.6	17.1	18.3	18.1	17.9	17.0	13.0	13.9	17.3	19.8	15.9	18.0	18.5	...	18.3	20.5	17.7	16.7	20.8	14.5	18.6	14.1	17.5	16.2	16.8	17.2	x	19.1	19.5
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸	12.7	18.9	17.6	24.5	21.0	22.6	26.3	22.9	23.6	20.9	16.8	20.5	24.6	29.9	22.6	28.3	25.5	...	28.5	33.1	31.7	28.5	38.8	25.5	37.9	29.0	36.5	35.5	36.9	38.5	x	43.8	39.3
	Age unknown ²	Number of induced abortions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	...	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0	0
		Number of induced abortions	21	26	23	34	26	35	33	30	31	34	20	24	26	27	30	34	34	...	33	34	47	25	30	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	22	x
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	18.2	21.2	18.0	26.0	19.2	25.4	24.8	23.8	25.1	29.8	18.2	21.4	23.2	23.5	25.9	30.2	30.9	...	28.8	30.5	42.8	22.0	25.1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	16.3	x
	Under 20 years ³	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸	25.3	42.6	35.9	63.0	37.7	74.5	67.3	43.5	63.3	81.0	43.5	64.9	86.7	55.1	66.7	87.2	63.0	...	86.8	82.9	109.3	69.4	93.8	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	157.1	x
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	33.3	33.8	29.1	32.1	27.7	31.0	26.4	24.4	25.0	30.1	23.0	25.3	21.8	18.9	25.4	25.0	23.9	...	21.9	20.2	33.6	18.7	17.4	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	15.7	x
		Number of induced abortions	25	23	29	33	41	47	41	44	44	29	30	28	31	51	38	45	47	...	46	47	36	43	55	32	49	34	39	32	35	52	x	51	47
	20 to 24 years	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	23.3	19.9	23.7	26.4	31.3	35.6	30.5	34.0	32.9	23.5	25.3	23.6	27.8	47.6	36.3	44.2	47.4	...	41.5	42.0	35.5	41.7	51.9	32.9	53.3	37.2	43.0	36.0	37.4	52.5	x	46.4	45.3
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸	14.1	15.4	17.4	23.2	30.4	28.5	26.1	25.9	28.0	16.5	23.4	24.1	26.3	45.9	33.9	39.5	38.8	...	39.0	42.7	41.9	42.2	57.9	35.6	59.8	50.0	55.7	41.6	51.5	74.3	x	87.9	61.8
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	39.7	29.9	36.7	31.1	43.6	41.6	32.8	35.8	35.5	25.7	34.5	29.5	26.1	35.7	32.2	33.1	33.1	...	30.5	28.0	25.7	32.1	32.0	26.4	32.7	30.6	28.9	26.2	28.0	40.3	x	36.4	32.9
	25 to 29 years	Number of induced abortions	8	14	18	24	16	19	30	27	32	36	23	21	31	31	28	26	31	...	33	46	22	28	39	32	29	17	30	25	25	18	x	32	29
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	6.9	11.3	13.7	18.2	11.4	13.4	20.4	18.2	21.9	26.1	16.3	15.1	23.1	21.8	19.3	18.3	21.9	...	23.7	35.6	18.1	22.9	30.5	24.5	23.6	14.9	28.1	24.8	25.5	18.6	x	32.6	27.3
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸	4.9	11.1	12.5	16.7	11.0	10.7	18.9	14.8	16.3	18.7	11.8	11.8	17.3	20.7	15.4	17.1	18.3	...	20.0	30.1	18.8	21.1	30.7	21.1	26.9	16.5	32.6	30.1	24.8	20.2	x	35.2	31.9
	30 to 34 years	Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	12.7	18.2	22.8	22.6	17.0	16.8	24.0	22.0	25.8	31.9	26.4	22.1	26.1	21.7	23.7	19.1	21.8	...	21.9	27.4	15.7	20.9	22.7	26.4	19.3	15.3	22.2	20.5	20.0	14.0	x	22.9	20.3
		Number of induced abortions	3	9	6	9	10	9	15	18	9	11	11	14	22	18	15	21	17	...	27	27	22	23	28	8	22	18	21	16	12	14	x	13	13
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	3.6	10.3	6.4	8.7	8.7	7.4	11.7	14.0	6.8	8.6	8.3	10.2	15.6	12.3	9.8	13.3	10.7	...	15.9	15.7	13.4	14.3	17.8	5.3	15.8	13.9	17.1	13.3	10.2	11.9	x	11.8	10.6
	35 to 39 years	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸	5.3	16.7	10.3	11.8	12.5	9.6	15.3	18.2	8.8	11.2	9.4	13.9	19.8	14.6	10.8	15.1	11.1	...	19.9	20.3	18.2	16.7	23.0	6.4	21.8	17.8	21.9	16.3	14.3	14.9	x	13.1	12.1
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	4.8	11.7	7.6	8.5	10.6	8.0	12.0	14.6	7.3	9.7	12.6	14.7	18.5	12.6	12.7	15.4	12.0	...	17.9	16.1	15.7	17.2	16.3	6.6	14.7	16.2	15.6	13.1	9.6	10.9	x	9.3	9.1
	35 to 39 years	Number of induced abortions	3	3	2	6	1	2	6	3	7	3	3	7	7	10	4	8	7	...	10	12	10	12	16	12	14	14	8	13	12	9	x	15	9
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁵	5.3	4.8	3.2	9.5	1.4	2.6	7.4	3.4	7.3	3.1	2.9	6.3	6.1	8.1	3.1	6.0	4.9	...	6.1	7.4	6.2	7.5	9.7	7.0	8.3	8.5	5.1	8.9	8.8	6.8	x	12.1	7.4

Geography, area of residence of patient ^{9,10}	Age group ^{11,13,14}	Characteristics ^{1,2,3,18,20}	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006		
Northwest Territories including Nunavut ¹⁷	40 years and over ²	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	25.0	20.0	25.0	40.0	6.3	13.3	46.2	18.8	36.8	10.0	10.0	24.1	16.3	24.4	10.3	19.5	13.0	..	16.4	17.9	15.9	23.5	29.1	19.0	21.9	21.5	11.1	30.2	25.0	23.7	x	35.7	15.8		
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	4.8	3.9	2.5	5.7	1.1	1.8	4.8	2.4	5.6	2.7	3.4	7.4	5.9	7.0	3.4	5.9	4.9	..	6.6	7.1	7.1	9.0	9.3	9.9	9.3	12.6	5.9	10.7	9.6	7.0	x	10.7	6.3		
		Number of induced abortions	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	6	3	2	6	..	2	2	3	2	4	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	7	x		
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	6.0	3.9	1.9	0.0	0.0	1.9	0.0	1.7	1.6	0.0	0.0	1.5	2.8	6.9	3.1	1.9	5.1	..	1.6	1.5	2.2	1.4	2.6	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	4.5	x		
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	75.0	66.7	16.7	0.0	0.0	50.0	..	..	100.0	0.0	0.0	33.3	100.0	150.0	75.0	50.0	120.0	..	18.2	50.0	25.0	20.0	33.3	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	43.8	x	
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	4.8	2.6	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.7	4.2	2.5	1.5	4.2	..	1.3	1.2	2.1	1.5	2.3	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	5.0	x		
			All ages ⁴	Number of induced abortions	75	95	90	102	134	141	126	179	218	205	226	254	248	248	279	261	338	..	324	294	274	284	297	317	292	393							
	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a			7.9	9.4	8.5	9.4	12.0	12.3	10.8	14.7	16.9	15.3	16.4	17.7	17.2	17.1	19.1	17.5	21.8	..	20.0	17.9	16.3	16.7	17.4	18.7	17.3	23.2								
	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a			7.2	8.1	7.6	8.6	11.1	11.0	9.7	13.7	16.0	13.7	15.7	17.7	16.5	16.3	17.9	17.6	21.3	..	20.8	18.9	17.3	17.6	19.0	21.6	21.7	28.2								
	Age unknown ⁸		Number of induced abortions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	..	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0								
			Number of induced abortions	29	30	30	30	37	45	40	58	76	61	64	78	70	56	77	76	86	..	67	76	67	86	87	x	x	x								
			Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	12.7	12.1	11.4	11.0	13.0	15.3	13.4	19.2	24.5	19.3	20.6	25.2	22.6	18.1	25.5	25.5	28.8	..	22.7	25.5	21.5	26.9	26.8	x	x	x								
			Under 20 years ⁵	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	13.1	13.1	12.7	11.7	13.2	16.1	13.9	20.3	26.3	21.6	21.9	28.3	24.3	17.8	22.9	26.6	35.0	..	28.2	29.3	23.9	30.9	31.6	x	x	x							
	Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}			38.7	31.6	33.3	29.4	27.6	31.9	31.7	32.4	34.9	29.8	28.3	30.7	28.2	22.6	27.6	29.1	25.4	..	20.7	25.9	24.5	30.3	29.3	x	x	x								
	20 to 24 years			Number of induced abortions	21	35	31	34	56	49	47	64	83	85	82	97	90	100	82	87	124	..	122	96	92	103	84	95	95	100							
				Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	10.4	16.3	13.9	14.8	24.0	20.9	20.0	26.3	32.1	31.6	29.3	32.8	31.1	36.0	29.4	31.3	43.3	..	40.7	32.4	32.6	37.6	32.0	36.1	37.4	38.4							
			Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	5.9	9.1	7.9	8.7	15.8	12.5	10.9	16.0	18.8	17.4	18.9	20.9	18.8	20.4	18.4	19.8	23.9	..	25.2	19.3	21.0	23.7	19.4	23.0	26.2	26.5								
			Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	28.0	36.8	34.4	33.3	41.8	34.8	37.3	35.8	38.1	41.5	36.3	38.2	36.3	40.3	29.4	33.3	36.7	..	37.7	32.7	33.6	36.3	28.3	30.0	32.5	25.4								
	25 to 29 years		Number of induced abortions	17	23	16	24	20	29	23	36	39	38	39	53	53	59	78	61	82	..	82	72	66	53	74	82	64	80								
			Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	8.9	11.2	7.4	11.3	9.1	12.7	9.8	14.3	14.7	14.3	14.4	19.0	18.6	20.5	27.1	20.4	25.8	..	25.4	22.5	20.6	16.5	23.0	25.6	20.7	27.0								
			Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	6.4	6.7	4.8	7.6	6.2	8.4	7.4	9.9	10.4	9.2	9.7	13.3	13.0	14.6	18.8	13.7	17.5	..	18.3	16.3	15.4	11.7	17.1	20.1	18.9	21.2								
			Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	22.7	24.2	17.8	23.5	14.9	20.6	18.3	20.1	17.9	18.5	17.3	20.9	21.4	23.8	28.0	23.4	24.3	..	25.3	24.5	24.1	18.7	24.9	25.9	21.9	20.4								
	30 to 34 years		Number of induced abortions	5	5	8	12	15	15	13	17	18	14	25	16	20	24	27	30	32	..	31	43	27	32	39	42	39	57								
			Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	3.6	3.5	5.4	7.5	9.1	8.6	7.2	8.9	8.9	6.4	10.8	6.6	8.3	9.6	10.7	11.6	12.1	..	10.8	14.5	8.7	9.9	12.3	13.6	12.8	18.7								
			Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	3.8	3.6	5.7	8.2	9.3	8.8	7.4	9.6	10.3	6.8	10.9	7.0	8.3	10.0	10.5	13.6	12.2	..	11.2	15.6	9.1	9.9	13.4	16.0	14.3	23.6								
			Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	6.7	5.3	8.9	11.8	11.2	10.6	10.3	9.5	8.3	6.8	11.1	6.3	8.1	9.7	9.7	11.5	9.5	..	9.6	14.6	9.9	11.3	13.1	13.2	13.4	14.5								
	35 to 39 years		Number of induced abortions	2	2	4	2	4	1	3	2	1	6	15	8	10	9	11	6	10	..	19	6	20	5	9	18	21	28								
			Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	1.9	1.8	3.5	1.7	3.3	0.8	2.5	1.5	0.7	4.0	9.1	4.4	5.2	4.7	5.6	3.0	4.7	..	8.0	2.5	8.0	2.0	3.3	6.6	7.6	9.9								

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Northwest Territories ¹⁵	40 years and over ²	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	4.3	3.5	7.0	3.1	6.8	1.3	4.4	3.4	1.5	7.8	23.8	14.0	14.3	14.8	14.9	8.2	14.5	..	20.0	8.6	16.4	4.8	8.3	15.3	20.0	25.5								
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	2.7	2.1	4.4	2.0	3.0	0.7	2.4	1.1	0.5	2.9	6.6	3.1	4.0	3.6	3.9	2.3	3.0	..	5.9	2.0	7.3	1.8	3.0	5.7	7.2	7.1								
		Number of induced abortions	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	2	1	1	1	2	5	0	4	1	4	..	3	1	2	4	4	x	x	x								
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a	1.2	0.0	1.0	0.0	2.1	2.1	0.0	2.0	0.9	0.9	0.8	1.6	3.9	0.0	2.8	0.6	2.4	..	1.6	0.5	1.0	1.9	1.9	x	x	x								
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a	4.2	0.0	4.3	0.0	10.0	11.8	0.0	14.3	7.1	4.8	5.6	22.2	31.3	0.0	18.2	7.7	26.7	..	21.4	7.1	14.3	20.0	17.4	x	x	x								
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}	1.3	0.0	1.1	0.0	1.5	1.4	0.0	1.1	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.8	2.0	0.0	1.4	0.4	1.2	..	0.9	0.3	0.7	1.4	1.3	x	x	x								
	All ages ⁴	Number of induced abortions																											281	286	245	255	261	x	257	
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a																											27.1	27.4	23.2	23.7	24.0	x	23.9	
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a																											41.8	46.7	38.6	36.4	37.4	x	37.4	
	Age unknown ⁸	Number of induced abortions																											0	0	0	0	1	x	0	
		Number of induced abortions																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ^a																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ^a																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	Under 20 years ⁵	Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
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Nunavut ^{12,17}	40 years and over ⁷	Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											18.8	25.6	35.5	11.3	22.4	x	16.9
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											5.7	7.0	9.0	3.5	6.5	x	5.4
		Number of induced abortions																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											x	x	x	x	x	x	x
	All ages ⁴	Number of induced abortions																											178	148	..	..	x	x	219
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											26.9	21.7	..	..	x	x	28.2
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											24.5	20.8	..	..	x	x	29.3
	Age unknown ⁸	Number of induced abortions																											0	0	..	..	x	x	0
		Number of induced abortions																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
	Under 20 years ⁸	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Number of induced abortions																											71	50	..	..	x	x	67
	20 to 24 years	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											61.5	44.8	..	..	x	x	50.2
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											31.8	21.0	..	..	x	x	29.0
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											39.9	33.8	..	..	x	x	30.6
		Number of induced abortions																											29	34	..	..	x	x	52
	25 to 29 years	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											24.6	27.3	..	..	x	x	38.4
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											15.3	21.9	..	..	x	x	29.2
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											16.3	23.0	..	..	x	x	23.7
		Number of induced abortions																											21	12	..	..	x	x	29
	30 to 34 years	Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											18.0	10.3	..	..	x	x	25.0
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											19.8	11.8	..	..	x	x	31.5
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											11.8	8.1	..	..	x	x	13.2
	35 to 39 years	Number of induced abortions																											10	5	..	..	x	x	17
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											10.6	5.1	..	..	x	x	15.3

Geography, area of residence of patient ^{9,10}	Age group ^{11,13,14}	Characteristics ^{1,2,3,18,20}	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
40 years and over ⁷		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											27.0	12.8	..	..	x	x	36.2
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											5.6	3.4	..	..	x	x	7.8
		Number of induced abortions																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Rate of induced abortions per 1,000 females of same age group ⁸																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Ratio of induced abortions per 100 live births ⁸																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
		Proportion of induced abortions across age groups ^{8,19}																											x	x	..	..	x	x	x
																													x	x	..	..	x	x	x

Symbol legend:

- Series is Terminated
- X Suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the *Statistics Act*
- .. Not available

Footnotes:

1. Sources: Statistics Canada, Therapeutic Abortion Database; Canadian Institute for Health Information, Therapeutic Abortion Survey. Data users should be aware of certain important limitations to the Therapeutic Abortion Survey. The data represent induced abortions performed only in hospitals and clinics in Canada; all other types of abortions are not within the scope of the survey. The extent to which the number of hospital and clinic abortions collected by the Therapeutic Abortions Survey corresponds to the total number of medically induced abortions performed is unknown. Since 2003, no information is collected on Canadian residents who obtain an abortion outside of Canada. Under coverage issues exist within the survey in that some respondents, representing significant proportions of the population, do not respond. In such cases, data for an entire domain of interest such as a province cannot be estimated and will be suppressed due to a deficiency in accuracy (refer to footnotes 22, 23, 24 and 25 addressing coverage). Furthermore, submission of aggregate counts by some respondents instead of detailed records results in the estimation of the age distribution for those respondents. More information on methods and data quality is available in the "Definitions, data sources and methods" section on the Statistics Canada website, under the survey number 3209.
2. Induced abortion counts are taken from the Therapeutic Abortion Survey that collects information on abortions performed in hospitals and clinics in Canada, as well as on abortions performed on Canadian residents in selected American states, for data years prior to 2004. Abortions performed on non-residents of Canada are excluded.
3. Induced abortion is defined as the medical termination of pregnancy. Equivalent terms include: artificial abortion, therapeutic abortion, voluntary termination of pregnancy, elective termination of pregnancy and active termination of pregnancy. Only counts of legally induced abortions are included.
4. The "All ages" group is the total number of induced abortions performed on Canadian residents. Rates for the "All ages" group is based on the population of females aged 14 to 44. For the number of abortions per 100 live births to females in the "All ages" group, the denominator is the total number of births reported for all ages.
5. Rates for the "Under 20 years" age group are based on the female population aged 14 to 19 years.
7. Rates for the "40 years and over" age group are based on the female population aged 40 to 44.
8. For the "All ages" category, the "Proportion of induced abortions across age groups" is not calculated. For the "Age unknown" category, only the "Number of induced abortions" is provided.
9. Prince Edward Island has not reported to the Therapeutic Abortion Survey since 1982. As of 1983, abortions performed on residents of Prince Edward Island are only those reported by other provinces.
10. Caution should be taken when comparing 1999 and later data years with data from 1998 and earlier. As of 1999, the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-term Care no longer maintains a system for the collection of detailed information on abortions performed in clinics in Ontario. Ontario now uses the billing system of the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) to provide counts of clinic abortions to the Therapeutic Abortion Survey. As a result, information is no longer available for clinic abortions performed on non-residents of Ontario or on Ontario residents who do not submit a claim to OHIP. A comparison of the data collected using both sources for the years 1995 to 1998 shows that the new data source underestimated the clinic abortions performed on Ontario residents by an average of 5.4% (950 cases) per year, or approximately 1% of all abortions performed in Canada. The new source does not include non-resident cases which averaged 70 cases per year or 0.4% of total clinic abortions performed in Ontario.
11. For the 1994 to 1997 data years, a large number of abortions were reported to the Therapeutic Abortion Survey without any information on the age of the female. Age groups have now been estimated for induced abortions at the Canada, provincial and territorial level. As a result of these new estimations, any previously released age group statistics at the Canada level will not match the latest Canada level statistics.
12. For 2002 and 2003, Nunavut residents are excluded due to incomplete reporting.
13. When data years 1995, 1996 and 1997 were originally released, age estimations were not calculated for the counts of clinic abortions where the area of residence was unknown and the age was unknown. Age estimations have now been calculated for these counts, using the known national age distribution for hospital abortions.
14. For the 1998 data year, Ontario reported 2,795 clinic abortions with no age group information. The known proportion of Ontario residents who obtained an abortion in hospital was used to estimate the age group of these clinic counts. British Columbia also reported 725 clinic counts with no age group information. The known proportion of British Columbia residents who obtained an abortion in hospital was used to estimate the age group of these clinic counts.
15. For data years 1974 to 1992, abortion data for the teen subgroups 15 to 17 years and 18 to 19 years are not available for the Yukon and the Northwest Territories. Consequently, these abortion data are not included in the compilation of the teen subgroups at the Canada level.
17. For data year 1999, counts and rates for Nunavut and the Northwest Territories have been combined. Although Nunavut became a separate territory as of April 1, 1999, not all sources of information (for example, the Hospital Morbidity Database) used in the calculation of abortion statistics contained enough information to provide complete and separate data for Nunavut for the 1999 calendar year.
18. The population estimates used to calculate the rates for data years 1974 to present were taken from CANSIM table 051-0001: Estimates of population, by age group and sex, Canada, provinces and territories, annual.
19. Percentage distribution of induced abortions across age groups, excluding abortions with no reported age.
20. The following standard symbols are used in this Statistics Canada table: (.) for figures not available for any reference period, (..) for figures not available for a specific reference period, (...) for figures not applicable, (X) for figures suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act, (E) for figures to be used with caution, and (F) for figures too unreliable to be published.
21. The CANSIM table 106-9034 is an update of table CANSIM 106-9024.
26. In 1995, the collection of the data for this survey was transferred from Statistics Canada to the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI). Once the data were collected, they were transferred to Statistics Canada to be released in The Daily, Statistics Canada's main data release vehicle. This process has caused some confusion with the users of the data. Statistics Canada has decided, in consultation with CIHI that the responsibility for disseminating these data should reside with CIHI. This move will bring the Therapeutic Abortion Survey in line with other programs at CIHI. As a result, the 2006 data is the final year therapeutic abortion data will be released by Statistics Canada. For additional information regarding subsequent therapeutic abortion data, please consult the current [CIHI website](#).

Source: Statistics Canada. *Table 106-9034 - Induced abortions in hospitals and clinics, by age group and area of residence of patient, Canada, provinces and territories, annual*, CANSIM (database). http://cansim2.statcan.gc.ca/cgi-win/cnsmcql.exe?lang=E&CNSM-FI=C11/C11_1-eng.html (accessed: November 8, 2010)

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