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Introduction

Alaska Induced Termination of Pregnancy Statistics, 2010, published by the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, contains information about induced terminations that occurred in Alaska during calendar year 2010.

Why is induced termination reporting important? Induced termination data can be used to:

- Monitor trends in the number, rate, and ratio of induced terminations.
- Assess changes in the types of procedures used to end a pregnancy and the gestational age (in weeks) when induced terminations are performed.
- Calculate pregnancy rates.
- Identify the characteristics of women who may be at risk for unintended pregnancy.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of family planning programs and programs to prevent unintended pregnancy.

Unintended pregnancy refers to pregnancies that are unwanted or when the mother wanted to be pregnant at a later date. In Alaska, 39.7 percent of all pregnancies that resulted in a live birth were unintended during 2008¹. In the U.S., it is estimated that 49 percent of pregnancies are unintended with about half of these pregnancies ended by an induced termination². Thus reducing the number of unintended pregnancies would likely reduce the number of induced terminations.

Alaska has followed the recent national trend in birth rates. From 2000 to 2009, the fertility rate in Alaska has increased 12.9 percent, while the teen birth rate declined 16.2 percent. However, birth rates are based only on the number of live births and may change as a result of the rate at which women become pregnant, the rate at which pregnancies are ended in an induced termination, or a combination of both. Induced termination reporting can provide a better understanding of which factors are driving the birth rate in Alaska.

¹ Alaska Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS), Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health, 2008 data.

² Henshaw SK, Unintended Pregnancy in the United States, *Family Planning Perspectives*, 1998, 30(1):24–29 & 46.

Reporting Issues

The information in this report is based on induced termination of pregnancy reports received by the Bureau of Vital Statistics as of February 1, 2011. A copy of the form used to report induced termination of pregnancies is located in Appendix B. Definitions of the terms used in this report are located in Appendix A. In this report, the term induced termination of pregnancy is used synonymously with induced termination.

In Alaska, reports of induced terminations of pregnancy are mandated by AS 18.50.245. Hospitals, clinics, or other institutions where an induced termination is performed are required to submit a report to the Bureau. The report cannot contain the name of the patient, but must contain information similar to the United States Standard Report of Induced Termination of Pregnancy, as published by the National Center for Health Statistics. Reports of induced terminations are strictly confidential and must be destroyed after preparing the annual report.

Alaska Statutes also require that any reports produced from induced termination of pregnancy forms may only be presented in aggregate form so that specific individuals may not be identified. Furthermore, the report may not identify or provide information that can be used to identify the name of the physician who performed the induced termination, the name of the facility where the induced termination occurred, or the name of the municipality or community in which the induced termination occurred. Because of the reporting guidelines outlined in state statutes, induced termination statistics by borough or census area are not available for publication.

This report contains information on induced terminations that occurred in Alaska. In the past several years over 200 Alaska women on average obtained induced terminations out of state. For example, 186 Alaska women obtained induced terminations in Washington State during 2009³. It is unknown how many Alaska women obtained induced terminations in states other than Washington. Since the out of state occurrence data is incomplete, it is not included in this report.

Pregnancy rates are based on the total number of live births, induced terminations, and fetal deaths per 1,000 women of childbearing age. Currently, population estimates for 2010 are unavailable, so pregnancy rates cannot be calculated. Additionally, as birth data for 2010 is preliminary, pregnancy rates cannot be calculated. The induced termination information for 2010, however, is final. Information on pregnancy rates, induced termination rates, and induced termination ratios is posted on the Bureau's web site; www.vitalrecords.alaska.gov.

In 2005, Alaska law and regulations were amended to change the reporting requirements for induced terminations of pregnancy and to add a section relating to informed consent when conducting induced terminations. The changes to state law requires the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) to maintain a web site containing information on fetal development, induced termination, pregnancy, and family planning. The web site also has resources associated with pregnancy-related social and health services in Alaska. The informed consent web site is located at www.hss.state.ak.us/dph/wcfh/informedconsent/default.htm. Second, the Bureau of Vital Statistics is required to monitor whether the unidentified patient requested and received a written copy of the information required to be maintained on the Internet. The regulations took effect midnight August 21, 2005.

³ Center for Health Statistics, Washington State Department of Health. Washington State Pregnancy and Induced Abortion Statistics.

Executive Summary

- A total of 1,715 induced terminations were reported in Alaska in 2010, with Alaska residents accounting for 96.4 percent of the induced terminations that occurred in Alaska. This is a decrease of 11.5 percent from the 1,938 induced terminations reported in 2009.
- In Alaska, 63.8 percent of women who obtained an induced termination in 2010 reported they had no previous induced terminations. 13.8 percent of women reported that they had two or more previous induced terminations.
- Most (54.4 percent) of the women who obtained induced terminations in 2010 were less than 25 years of age. In the most recent year for which national data are available (2006), 49.6 percent of women who obtained an induced termination were less than 25 years of age⁴.
- Young teens (age 15 to 17 years) accounted for 6.5 percent of all induced terminations in Alaska during 2010, an increase of 6.3 percent from 2009.
- Teens (age 15 to 19 years) received 19.8 percent of the induced terminations in 2010. In 2006, 17.0 percent of women in the U.S. who obtained an induced termination were 19 or under.
- In Alaska, 81.5 percent (excluding unknown responses) of women who obtained an induced termination in 2010 were unmarried. In the U.S., the most recent information shows 83.7 percent of women who obtained an induced termination were unmarried.
- In 2010, 54.3 percent of women who obtained an induced termination in Alaska reported they had one or more previous live births. Nationally, 59.1 percent of U.S. women who received an induced termination in 2006 reported they had one or more previous live births.
- More than nine of every 10 (92.9 percent) induced terminations in Alaska were performed at 12 weeks or less gestational age. In 2006, 88.5 percent of induced terminations performed in the U.S. involved pregnancies of 12 weeks or less gestational age.
- Suction curettage was the most commonly performed procedure in Alaska at 78 percent and Mifepristone (RU-486) was second at 19.5 percent. Suction curettage was used in 88.5 percent of induced terminations performed in the U.S. during 2006.
- Unmarried, white women age 20 to 29 accounted for about one-fourth (25.8 percent) of all induced terminations performed in Alaska during 2010.
- 20.8 percent of all women who obtained induced terminations in Alaska during 2010 reported that they used their own financial resources as the source of payment; 42.3 percent reported that Medicaid was the source of payment.
- In 2010, two induced termination reports in Alaska indicated that the pregnancy was terminated due to the detection of a congenital anomaly.
- Most women (86.5 percent; 88 percent excluding unknowns) who undergo an induced termination did not request a copy of the information contained in the informed consent website. However, 29.6 percent (30.1 percent excluding unknowns) did report receiving a copy of the information contained in the informed consent website.

⁴Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Surveillance Summaries, November 27, 2009. MMWR 2009:58 (No. SS-08).

Table 1a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Residency of Woman, 2006-2010

Residence State	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Alaska	1,654	1,878	1,739	1,673	1,885
Other State	11	26	7	0	12
Not Stated	50	34	13	28	26
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 1b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Residency of Woman, 2006-2010

Residence State	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Alaska	96.4	96.9	98.9	98.4	98.0
Other State	0.6	1.3	0.4	0.0	0.6
Not Stated	2.9	1.8	0.7	1.6	1.4
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 2a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Race of Woman, 2006-2010

Race	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Asian/PI	140	158	135	143	157
Black	135	128	135	120	141
Alaska Native	382	451	406	423	400
White	946	1,076	995	936	1,112
Other/Not Stated	112	125	88	79	113
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 2b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Race of Woman, 2006-2010

Race	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Asian/PI	8.2	8.2	7.7	8.4	8.2
Black	7.9	6.6	7.7	7.1	7.3
Alaska Native	22.3	23.3	23.1	24.9	20.8
White	55.2	55.5	56.6	55.0	57.8
Other/Not Stated	6.5	6.4	5.0	4.6	5.9
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 3a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Age Group of Woman, 2006-2010

Age Group	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Under 15	2	7	12	7	5
15-19	339	340	340	316	362
15-17	111	118	128	127	121
18-19	228	222	212	189	241
20-24	585	637	583	552	667
25-29	395	486	417	391	447
30-34	221	233	205	218	224
35-39	122	173	140	150	147
40-44	44	49	51	53	45
45 and over	0	3	4	4	9
Not Stated	7	10	7	10	17
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 3b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Age Group of Woman, 2006-2010

Age Group	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Under 15	0.1	0.4	0.7	0.4	0.3
15-19	19.8	17.5	19.3	18.6	18.8
15-17	6.5	6.1	7.3	7.5	6.3
18-19	13.3	11.5	12.1	11.1	12.5
20-24	34.1	32.9	33.1	32.5	34.7
25-29	23.0	25.1	23.7	23.0	23.2
30-34	12.9	12.0	11.7	12.8	11.6
35-39	7.1	8.9	8.0	8.8	7.6
40-44	2.6	2.5	2.9	3.1	2.3
45 and over	0	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5
Not Stated	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.9
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 4a: Numbers of Induced Terminations by Education of Woman, 2006-2010

Education	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Less than 12 years	303	316	322	266	264
12 years	669	793	685	772	996
13 or more years	696	755	660	572	454
Unknown	47	74	92	91	209
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 4b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Education of Woman, 2006-2010

Education	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Less than 12 years	17.7	16.3	18.3	15.6	13.7
12 years	39.0	40.9	38.9	45.4	51.8
13 or more years	40.6	39.0	37.5	33.6	23.6
Unknown	2.7	3.8	5.2	5.3	10.9
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 5a: Numbers of Induced Terminations By Previous Live Birth, 2006-2010

Previous Live Birth	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
0	777	823	806	740	845
1	388	478	416	405	457
2	296	335	297	327	340
3	144	184	143	136	156
4	55	55	47	40	70
5 or more	48	54	41	46	39
Not Stated	7	9	9	7	16
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 5b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Previous Live Birth, 2006-2010

Previous Live Birth	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
0	45.3	42.5	45.8	43.5	43.9
1	22.6	24.7	23.6	23.8	23.8
2	17.3	17.3	16.9	19.2	17.7
3	8.4	9.5	8.1	8.0	8.1
4	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.4	3.6
5 or more	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.7	2.0
Not Stated	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.8
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 6a: Number of Induced Terminations By Previous Induced Terminations, 2006-2010

Previous Induced Termination	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
0	1,094	1,173	1,078	1,003	1,146
1	367	435	425	402	466
2	143	214	146	183	184
3	52	49	41	56	64
4	29	16	21	18	20
5 or more	12	16	17	14	16
Not Stated	18	35	31	25	27
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 6b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Previous Induced Terminations, 06-10

Previous Induced Termination	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
0	63.8	60.5	61.3	59.0	59.6
1	21.4	22.4	24.2	23.6	24.2
2	8.3	11.0	8.3	10.8	9.6
3	3.0	2.5	2.3	3.3	3.3
4	1.7	0.8	1.2	1.1	1.0
5 or more	0.7	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.8
Not Stated	1.0	1.8	1.8	1.5	1.4
Total	100	100	100	100	100

Table 7a: Number of Induced Terminations By Marital Status of Woman, 2006-2010

Marital Status	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Married	289	366	319	314	338
Unmarried	1,397	1,543	1,408	1,344	1,532
Unknown/Not Stated	29	29	32	43	53
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

Table 7b: Percentages of Induced Terminations by Marital Status of Woman, 2006-2010

Marital Status	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
Married	16.9	18.9	18.1	18.5	17.6
Unmarried	81.5	79.6	80.0	79.0	79.7
Unknown/Not Stated	1.7	1.5	1.8	2.5	2.8
Total	100	100	100	100	100

**Table 8a: Numbers of Induced Terminations
by Estimated Weeks of Gestation, 2006-2010**

Estimated Gestation	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
1-4	22	30	39	26	26
5-8	1,001	1,154	954	912	1,127
9-12	570	622	623	643	655
13-16	95	112	120	108	87
17-20	0	3	0	1	0
21-24	0	0	0	0	0
Not Stated	27	17	23	11	28
Total	1,715	1,938	1,759	1,701	1,923

**Table 8b: Percentages of Induced Terminations
by Estimated Weeks of Gestation, 2006-2010**

Estimated Gestation	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
1-4	1.3	1.5	2.2	1.5	1.4
5-8	58.4	59.5	54.2	53.6	58.6
9-12	33.2	32.1	35.4	37.8	34.1
13-16	5.5	5.8	6.8	6.3	4.5
17-20	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.0
21-24	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Not Stated	1.6	0.9	1.3	0.6	1.5
Total	100	100	100	100	100

**Table 9: Number of Induced Terminations by Race and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Race	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Asian/PI	140	0	5	17	45	40	16	9	8	0	0
Black	135	0	16	16	50	27	15	7	2	0	2
Alaska Native	382	1	30	61	126	87	51	19	7	0	0
White	946	1	54	119	319	219	126	78	26	0	4
Other/Not Stated	112	0	6	15	45	22	13	9	1	0	1
Total	1,715	2	111	228	585	395	221	122	44	0	7

**Table 10: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Race:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Race	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Asian/PI	100.0	0.0	3.6	12.1	32.1	28.6	11.4	6.4	5.7	0.0	0.0
Black	100.0	0.0	11.9	11.9	37.0	20.0	11.1	5.2	1.5	0.0	1.5
Alaska Native	100.0	0.3	7.9	16.0	33.0	22.8	13.4	5.0	1.8	0.0	0.0
White	100.0	0.1	5.7	12.6	33.7	23.2	13.3	8.2	2.7	0.0	0.4
Other/Not Stated	100.0	0.0	5.4	13.4	40.2	19.6	11.6	8.0	0.9	0.0	0.9
Total	100.0	0.1	6.5	13.3	34.1	23.0	12.9	7.1	2.6	0.0	0.4

**Table 11: Induced Terminations by Race and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Race	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Asian/PI	8.2	0.0	4.5	7.5	7.7	10.1	7.2	7.4	18.2	0.0	0.0
Black	7.9	0.0	14.4	7.0	8.5	6.8	6.8	5.7	4.5	0.0	28.6
Alaska Native	22.3	50.0	27.0	26.8	21.5	22.0	23.1	15.6	15.9	0.0	0.0
White	55.2	50.0	48.6	52.2	54.5	55.4	57.0	63.9	59.1	0.0	57.1
Other/Not Stated	6.5	0.0	5.4	6.6	7.7	5.6	5.9	7.4	2.3	0.0	14.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

**Table 12: Number of Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Marital Status	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Married	289	0	1	7	75	82	69	38	16	0	1
Unmarried	1,397	2	110	220	502	302	147	80	28	0	6
Unknown/Not Stated	29	0	0	1	8	11	5	4	0	0	0
Total	1,715	2	111	228	585	395	221	122	44	0	7

**Table 13: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Marital Status
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Marital Status	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Married	100.0	0.0	0.3	2.4	26.0	28.4	23.9	13.1	5.5	0.0	0.3
Unmarried	100.0	0.1	7.9	15.7	35.9	21.6	10.5	5.7	2.0	0.0	0.4
Unknown/Not Stated	100.0	0.0	0.0	3.4	27.6	37.9	17.2	13.8	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	0.1	6.5	13.3	34.1	23.0	12.9	7.1	2.6	0.0	0.4

**Table 14: Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Marital Status	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Married	16.9	0.0	0.9	3.1	12.8	20.8	31.2	31.1	36.4	0.0	14.3
Unmarried	81.5	100.0	99.1	96.5	85.8	76.5	66.5	65.6	63.6	0.0	85.7
Unknown/Not Stated	1.7	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.4	2.8	2.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

Table 15: Number of Induced Terminations by Type of Procedure and Weeks of Gestation: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Type of Procedure	Total	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	21	0	11	8	2	0	0	0
Methotrexate	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	334	10	304	15	0	0	0	5
Sharp Curettage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suction Curettage	1,338	12	677	544	91	0	0	14
Other	17	0	4	3	2	0	0	8
Total	1,715	22	1,001	570	95	0	0	27

Table 16: Induced Terminations by Type of Procedure and Percentage by Weeks of Gestation: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Type of Procedure	Total	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	1.2	0.0	1.1	1.4	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0
Methotrexate	0.3	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	19.5	45.5	30.4	2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.5
Sharp Curettage	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Suction Curettage	78.0	54.5	67.6	95.4	95.8	0.0	0.0	51.9
Other	1.0	0.0	0.4	0.5	2.1	0.0	0.0	29.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	100.0

Table 17: Induced Terminations by Weeks of Gestation and Percentage by Type of Procedure: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Type of Procedure	Total	1-4	5-8	9-12	13-16	17-20	21-24	Not Stated
Dilation and Evacuation (D&E)	100.0	0.0	52.4	38.1	9.5	0.0	0.0	0.0
Methotrexate	100.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Mifepristone (RU-486)	100.0	3.0	91.0	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.5
Sharp Curettage	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Suction Curettage	100.0	0.9	50.6	40.7	6.8	0.0	0.0	1.0
Other	100.0	0.0	23.5	17.6	11.8	0.0	0.0	47.1
Total	100.0	1.3	58.4	33.2	5.5	0.0	0.0	1.6

**Table 18: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Payment Type	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Cash	356	0	17	42	115	87	47	32	14	0	2
Insurance	54	0	2	7	12	14	11	5	3	0	0
Medicaid	725	2	59	93	276	155	87	42	8	0	3
Multiple Payment Sources	10	0	1	1	2	4	0	1	1	0	0
Other/Not Stated	570	0	32	85	180	135	76	42	18	0	2
Total	1,715	2	111	228	585	395	221	122	44	0	7

**Table 19: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Age:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Payment Type	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Cash	20.8	0.0	15.3	18.4	19.7	22.0	21.3	26.2	31.8	0.0	28.6
Insurance	3.1	0.0	1.8	3.1	2.1	3.5	5.0	4.1	6.8	0.0	0.0
Medicaid	42.3	100.0	53.2	40.8	47.2	39.2	39.4	34.4	18.2	0.0	42.9
Multiple Payment Sources	0.6	0.0	0.9	0.4	0.3	1.0	0.0	0.8	2.3	0.0	0.0
Other/Not Stated	33.2	0.0	28.8	37.3	30.8	34.2	34.4	34.4	40.9	0.0	28.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0

**Table 20: Induced Terminations by Age and Percentage by Method of Payment:
Alaska Occurrence, 2010**

Payment Type	Total	<15	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45+	Not Stated
Cash	100.0	0.0	4.8	11.8	32.3	24.4	13.2	9.0	3.9	0.0	0.6
Insurance	100.0	0.0	3.7	13.0	22.2	25.9	20.4	9.3	5.6	0.0	0.0
Medicaid	100.0	0.3	8.1	12.8	38.1	21.4	12.0	5.8	1.1	0.0	0.4
Multiple Payment Sources	100.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	20.0	40.0	0.0	10.0	10.0	0.0	0.0
Other/Not Stated	100.0	0.0	5.6	14.9	31.6	23.7	13.3	7.4	3.2	0.0	0.4
Total	100.0	0.1	6.5	13.3	34.1	23.0	12.9	7.1	2.6	0.0	0.4

Table 21: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Race: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Alaska Native	Asian/PI	Black	White	Other/Not Stated
Cash	356	45	23	29	235	24
Insurance	54	9	4	2	36	3
Medicaid	725	239	44	69	341	32
Multiple Payment Sources	10	0	1	2	5	2
Other/Not Stated	570	89	68	33	329	51
Total	1,715	382	140	135	946	112

Table 22: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Race: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Alaska Native	Asian/PI	Black	White	Other/Not Stated
Cash	20.8	11.8	16.4	21.5	24.8	21.4
Insurance	3.1	2.4	2.9	1.5	3.8	2.7
Medicaid	42.3	62.6	31.4	51.1	36.0	28.6
Multiple Payment Sources	0.6	0.0	0.7	1.5	0.5	1.8
Other/Not Stated	33.2	23.3	48.6	24.4	34.8	45.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 23: Induced Terminations by Race and Percentage by Method of Payment: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Alaska Native	Asian/PI	Black	White	Other/Not Stated
Cash	100.0	12.6	6.5	8.1	66.0	6.7
Insurance	100.0	16.7	7.4	3.7	66.7	5.6
Medicaid	100.0	33.0	6.1	9.5	47.0	4.4
Multiple Payment Sources	100.0	0.0	10.0	20.0	50.0	20.0
Other/Not Stated	100.0	15.6	11.9	5.8	57.7	8.9
Total	100.0	22.3	8.2	7.9	55.2	6.5

Table 24: Number of Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Marital Status: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated
Cash	356	84	268	4
Insurance	54	22	32	0
Medicaid	725	67	640	18
Multiple Payment Sources	10	2	8	0
Other/Not Stated	570	114	449	7
Total	1,715	289	1,397	29

Table 25: Induced Terminations by Method of Payment and Percentage by Marital Status: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated
Cash	20.8	29.1	19.2	13.8
Insurance	3.1	7.6	2.3	0.0
Medicaid	42.3	23.2	45.8	62.1
Multiple Payment Sources	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.0
Other/Not Stated	33.2	39.4	32.1	24.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Table 26: Induced Terminations by Marital Status and Percentage by Method of Payment: Alaska Occurrence, 2010

Payment Type	Total	Married	Unmarried	Unknown/Not Stated
Cash	100.0	23.6	75.3	1.1
Insurance	100.0	40.7	59.3	0.0
Medicaid	100.0	9.2	88.3	2.5
Multiple Payment Sources	100.0	20.0	80.0	0.0
Other/Not Stated	100.0	20.0	78.8	1.2
Total	100.0	16.9	81.5	1.7

Appendix A: Definitions

Gestational Age - The number of weeks between the first day of the last menstrual period and the date of delivery or the end of the pregnancy. This report uses the physician's estimate of gestational age.

Induced Termination of Pregnancy - The purposeful interruption of pregnancy with the intention other than to produce a live-born infant or to remove a dead fetus, and which does not result in a live birth.

Induced Termination Procedures:

Dilation and Evacuation (D&E) - a procedure that is generally used after 12 weeks of gestation and is usually done on an outpatient basis. Dilation and Evacuation may involve a combination of vacuum aspiration, dilation and curettage (D&C), and the use of surgical instruments (such as forceps).

Hysterectomy - a surgical procedure in which the uterus is removed either with the fetus inside or after the fetus has been removed. It is rarely performed in association with an induced termination, and then only when a pathological condition of the uterus (such as fibroid tumors) or an emergency warrants its removal.

Hysterotomy - a surgical procedure that involves surgical entry into the uterus (as in a cesarean section) and the removal of a fetus that is too small to survive, even with extraordinary life support measures. Hysterotomy is rarely performed and then only if other induced termination procedures fail.

Mifepristone (also known as RU-486) - usually used along with a prostaglandin for ending pregnancies of up to 49 days gestation. The administration of mifepristone causes the placenta to detach from the uterine wall. A second drug (misoprostol) is given two days later to induce uterine contractions, expelling the products of conception.

Methotrexate - interferes with the vitamin folic acid and kills rapidly growing cells. It is also used for the nonsurgical treatment of ectopic pregnancies (when fertilized eggs grow outside the uterus). Methotrexate is administered by injection and is followed 5 to 7 days later with misoprostol to stimulate uterine contractions.

Saline/Prostaglandin (Intrauterine Instillation) - rarely used procedures that involve either withdrawing a portion of amniotic fluid from the uterine cavity by a needle inserted through the abdominal wall and replacing this fluid with a concentrated salt solution (known as saline instillation) or injecting a prostaglandin (a substance with hormone-like activity) into the amniotic sac (known as intra-uterine prostaglandin instillation). Both processes induce labor, resulting in the expulsion of the fetus.

Sharp Curettage (Dilation and Curettage, D&C) - requires the dilation (temporary widening) of the cervix (the uterine opening). The fetal and placental tissues are then scraped out with a curette, which resembles a small spoon.

Suction Curettage (Vacuum Aspiration) - a frequently performed procedure that is generally used in the first 12 weeks of gestation (the first trimester). This procedure is done on an outpatient basis and may be done in a physician's office or a clinic.

After the cervix is dilated, a flexible cannula (a small, hollow tube) is inserted into the uterus through the cervix. The tube is attached to a pump, which is used to evacuate the uterine contents through the cannula.

Spontaneous Abortion - The loss of a fetus during pregnancy due to natural causes.

Appendix B: Sample of Induced Termination of Pregnancy Report Form

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
REPORT OF INDUCED TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

1) PATIENT'S AGE	2) DATE OF PREGNANCY TERMINATION (MM/DD/YY)		3) CITY WHERE TERMINATION OF PREGANCY OCCURRED	
4) PATIENT'S ETHNICITY	5) PATIENT'S RACE		6) CITY AND STATE WHERE PATIENT RESIDES	
<input type="checkbox"/> NON-HISPANIC <input type="checkbox"/> MEXICAN <input type="checkbox"/> PUERTO RICAN <input type="checkbox"/> CUBAN <input type="checkbox"/> CENTRAL OR SOUTH AMERICAN <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER OR UNKNOWN HISPANIC	<input type="checkbox"/> WHITE <input type="checkbox"/> AFRICAN AMERICAN (BLACK) <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE ALASKAN OR AMERICAN INDIAN <input type="checkbox"/> ASIAN <input type="checkbox"/> NATIVE HAWAIIAN OR OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____		7) MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
			8) EDUCATION (SPECIFY THE HIGHEST GRADE COMPLETED)	
			ELEMENTARY/SECONDARY (0-12)	COLLEGE (1-4 OR 5+)
PREVIOUS PREGNANCIES (COMPLETE EACH SECTION. DO NOT LEAVE BLANK.)				
9) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS LIVE BIRTHS		10) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS SPONTANEOUS ABORTIONS		
9A) NOW LIVING	9B) NOW DEAD	NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE		
NUMBER _____	NUMBER _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	11) NUMBER OF PREVIOUS INDUCED TERMINATIONS OF PREGNANCIES (DO NOT INCLUDE THIS TERMINATION)		
		NUMBER _____ <input type="checkbox"/> NONE		
12) PHYSICIAN'S ESTIMATE OF GESTATION		13) DATE LAST NORMAL MENSES BEGAN (MM/DD/YY)	14) METHOD OF PAYMENT	
COMPLETED WEEKS _____		_____ / _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/> MEDICAID <input type="checkbox"/> INSURANCE <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____	
15) PRIMARY PROCEDURE USED TO TERMINATE PREGNANCY (CHECK ONE ONLY)		16) WAS THIS TERMINATION ELECTED DUE TO THE DETECTION OF A CONGENITAL ANOMALY?		
15A) <input type="checkbox"/> SUCTION CURETTAGE 15B) <input type="checkbox"/> DILATION AND EVACUATION 15C) <input type="checkbox"/> SHARP CURETTAGE 15D) <input type="checkbox"/> SALINE 15E) <input type="checkbox"/> PROSTAGLANDIN 15F) <input type="checkbox"/> HYSTERECTOMY 15G) <input type="checkbox"/> HYSTEROTOMY 15H) <input type="checkbox"/> MIFEPRISTONE 15I) <input type="checkbox"/> METHOTREXATE 15J) <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) _____		YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>		
		16B) TYPE OF CONGENITAL ANOMALY		
		CHROMOSOMAL ANOMALY YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> NEURAL TUBE DEFECT YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> HEART ANOMALY YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> VENTRAL WALL DEFECT YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> (SPECIFY) _____		
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	PATIENT REQUESTED A COPY OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED ON THE INTERNET UNDER AS 18.05.032			
<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	PATIENT RECEIVED A WRITTEN COPY OF THE INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED ON THE INTERNET UNDER AS 18.05.032			