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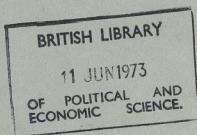
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## EXPLANATORY NOTES

## 1. General

The Abortion Act 1967, which came into effect on 27th April 1968, permits termination of pregnancy by a registered medical practitioner subject to certain conditions. Regulations made under the Act (The Abortion Regulations 1968, Statutory Instrument 1968 no. 390 as amended by 1969 no. 636, in relation to England and Wales) require any such termination to be notified within seven days, in a form prescribed in Schedule 2 of the principal Regulations, to the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security or to the Chief Medical Officer of the Welsh Office, according to where the termination takes place. By arrangement the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys undertakes the statistical processing and analysis of the notification forms. This supplement to the Registrar General's Statistical Review gives some statistics derived from them for England and Wales for 1971. The following paragraphs set out the background to these statistics and the definitions used in compiling them.

## 2. Conditions of the Act

A legally induced abortion must be

- (a) performed by a registered medical practitioner,
- (b) performed, except in emergency, in a National Health Service Hospital or in a place for the time being approved for the purpose of the Act,
- (c) certified by two registered medical practitioners as necessary on one or other of the grounds:

1. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk to the life of the pregnant woman greater than if the pregnancy were terminated.
2. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk of injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman greater than if the pregnancy were terminated.
3. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk of injury to the physical or mental health of any existing children of the family greater than if the pregnancy were terminated.
4. 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, or in emergency cases, certified by the operating practitioner as immediately necessary-
5. to save the life of the pregnant woman, or
6. to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman.

The above numbering of the grounds for termination appears in the notification form itself, and is used for brevity in the tables. Combinations of grounds are not infrequently recorded, and the tabulations distinguish two such: 2 and 4 together, and 3 with any others (usually 2 and/or 4). Where ground 1 is stated with any other, the case is treated as ground 1.

The Act provides that in relation to grounds numbered above as 2 and 3 the certifying practitioner may take account of the pregnant woman's actual or reasonably foreseeable environment.

## 3. Scope of data

The figures in the main tables are derived from notification forms received during 1971 and up to the end of January 1972 relating to legally induced abortions which took place in England and Wales in 1971.

The relative categories of the *International Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death*, 8th Revision (1965) are those numbered 640 (abortion induced for

medical indications) and 641 (abortion induced for other legal indications).

In table headings, 'All cases' signifies all terminations taking place in England and Wales, whatever the country of the woman's usual residence.

**Tables 2, 4B, 7-11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 20** and **21**, however, being primarily of demographic rather than medical interest, exclude abortions of women whose usual residence was stated to be outside England and Wales. These are shown separately in **Tables 15A** and **B**.

#### 4. Rates

**Tables 2A, B, and C**, give annual abortion rates for England and Wales as a whole, for standard regions, area aggregates, and hospital regions according to the declared usual residence of the woman. The denominator is the estimated population of women in the age-range 15-49 at mid-1971. The marital status categories used in the denominator do not coincide with those used for the abortions. In the former, separated women are counted as married, whereas in the latter they are included with the divorced and widowed women. (see note 6). As population estimates by marital status for regions are not available, regional rates are age-specific only.

#### 5. Place of Termination (type of premises)

Except in emergency, abortion operations must be carried out in N.H.S. hospitals, in certain approved Services' hospitals, or in other premises specifically approved by the Secretary of State. At the end of 1971 there were 56 such approved places, and 13 approved Services' hospitals. In the tables these latter hospitals are included under the heading 'Other Places'.

In 1971 no operation was recorded as having been performed as an emergency, in places other than those in the three categories of premises mentioned.

#### 6. Age and Marital status

The notification form asks for the woman's date of birth and the age tabulated is that at the last birthday before the operation. The categories of marital status distinguished on the notification form are (a) single (b) married (c) widowed (d) divorced or separated. Except in **Tables 8, 14** and **15A**, the relatively small categories (c) and (d) are combined for tabulation purposes. This classification differs from that used for measuring the population estimates. (see note 4)

#### 7. Parity

The form requires the number of the woman's previous (a) live births (b) stillbirths (c) abortions to be stated. In **Tables 7, 9** and **10** analysis is by the number of previous live births, and in **Tables 1A, 5** and **16C(i)** by the number of live and stillbirths together. Answers under (c) are probably incomplete.

#### 8. Previous Abortion

A question on the form about the date of the last termination of pregnancy under the Act enables cases of previous therapeutic abortion since 27th April 1968, to be identified. These are shown in **Table 16C(iii)** by the woman's age and hospital region of residence.

#### 9. Method of Termination

Five main operative methods are listed on the form, with provision for specifying any other method. Where more than one is used, in **Table 13** and **16C(iv)** the case is classified under the major operation.

#### 10. Gestation period

The form provides for a statement of the date of the last menstrual period as well as the date of operation. In accordance with international convention the gestation period is calculated as the number of completed weeks between these two dates. Where the l.m.p. is stated vaguely, for example as in 'early April' or 'third week in June', a guessed single date is inserted, such as 7th April and 22nd June. When no date is stated for a case it is included in the 'not stated' category.

#### 11. Duration of stay

Duration of stay in hospital or approved place is tabulated as the interval in days between date of admission and date of discharge (the latter actual or expected). An interval of 0 days means admission and discharge on the same date. As notification forms should be completed and forwarded within seven days of operation, the tabulated durations are limited at the upper end to '7 days and over'. A date of discharge was not stated and could not be inferred in 10.2% of cases resident in England and Wales.

#### 12. Region of operation

Hospitals and approved places are classified to the hospital region in which they are situated, except that London teaching hospitals are shown as a separate group. The composition of hospital regions in terms of entire local government areas is set out in the Registrar General's Statistical Review from year to year, e.g. the 1970 volume, Part II, pages xxix-xxxii.

#### 13. Area of residence

**Tables 2, 15A, 15B, 16, 17** and **18** are derived from the statement of the woman's usual address. In so far as temporary residence in England and Wales may sometimes be stated, instead of the true usual residence, figures in **Tables 15A** and **15B** may be incomplete. **Table 17** is limited to standard regions, hospital regions, conurbations, aggregates of types of area and local government areas with a resident population of 100,000 and over. Figures for smaller areas are not provided in the interests of preserving confidentiality.

The composition of standard regions and conurbations is set out in the Registrar General's Statistical Review from year to year, e.g. the 1970 volume, Part II, pages xiii-xvi

#### 14. Sterilisation

**Tables 4B, 10** and **11B** provide analyses of cases where sterilisation accompanied the abortion operation, and **Table 16B** gives some additional figures for regions. Where no answer was provided to the question, it was assumed that sterilisation was not performed unless the nature of the operation implied the opposite; all women who were stated to have had hysterectomy have been counted among those sterilised.

#### 15. Occupation

The form asks for the woman's occupation, or that of her husband if she is married. Unfortunately, the information provided under this heading is often incomplete or too vague or general to permit satisfactory classification. However, in view of the sociological interest, an attempt has been made to analyse the data in terms of groups of occupations, whether of the woman or her husband, which correspond (to some extent) with conventional social classes used in various of the Registrar General's publications. Since, however, assessment of job status is not always possible, the classification is not strictly that of social class. These groups of occupations, presented in **Tables 8, 9, 10, 11, 15A, 18, 20, and 21**, are:

Professional: e.g. doctors, architects, lecturers.

Intermediate: e.g. nurses, sales managers, entertainers.

Skilled: e.g. secretaries, salesmen, hairdressers.

Semi-skilled: e.g. waitresses, farm workers, telephonists.

Unskilled: e.g. kitchen hands, dock labourers, window cleaners.

Not classified: e.g. students, housewives, members of the armed forces, occupations inadequately described or not stated, unemployed.

#### 16. Existing children

**Tables 11A** and **B** analyse the data according to the number of existing children living

in the woman's family. This is defined on the form as a woman's natural children and any adopted, foster or step-children up to the age of 16 years living with her.

#### 17. Medical grounds

Questions 11(a) and (b) on the notification form ask about the medical condition of the woman in terms of any obstetric or non-obstetric disease found or reported and any suspected medical condition of the foetus. The answers are coded according to the *International Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 8th Revision (1965)*, slightly adapted to the context of abortions. In particular, Category 307 (Transitional situational disturbances) is allocated as a residual group and includes general and miscellaneous terms and vague references to the mental state of the pregnant woman, e.g. mental health (risk to), mental illness (risk of), attempted suicide or tendency to suicide. Also included are disorders not specified as psychotic associated with other or unspecified physical conditions, which would otherwise be included in ICD 309.9. Two codes outside the range of the ICD, 649 and 669, have been added to accommodate certain reported conditions, as described in **Table 19**. The large variety of medical conditions reported are aggregated into significant groups of the International Classification (ICD) code numbers and presented in **Table 19**. This shows numbers of conditions stated and not numbers of cases.

#### 18. Environmental and other conditions (non-medical)

Question 11(c) on the notification form asks about non-medical grounds for termination, pursuant to the statutory provision that certifying practitioners may take account of 'the pregnant woman's actual or reasonably foreseeable environment' in relation to statutory grounds 2 and 3. Apart from some cases where Question 11(c) was mistakenly answered by a reference back to the statutory grounds already stated, twenty nine per cent (36,571) of all cases included some information about social conditions. These were cited in most cases in addition to medical reasons. The reasons, as the practitioner has seen fit to record them, have been classified to broad social groupings which have been used in the analysis shown in **Table 12**. Where more than one condition was stated an arbitrary order of priority was used for selecting the condition to be considered.

#### 19. Complications or death

The question under this heading relates to the occurrence of complications or death prior to notification of an abortion. Notification should be made within seven days and the notifying doctor may not hear of complications or death occurring after the patient has been discharged from the place of operation. Data available from answers to this question will, from time to time, be analysed and discussed and published in medical journals.

Deaths recorded on the forms totalled 14, including 3 deaths of women whose statement of usual residence on the form indicated they were not normally resident in England and Wales. On reference to the death certificate in each case it was found that the certifying practitioner or coroner had not necessarily attributed cause of death to the abortion operation but sometimes to the illness which was considered the underlying cause of death. Of the 11 deaths of resident women, in 7 cases, abortion was shown to be the underlying cause, whilst in the remaining 4, death was attributed to other conditions. The method of termination, period of gestation and age at death are presented in **Table 22**.

#### 20. Provisional data

Current figures of legally induced abortions are published in the *Registrar General's Weekly and Quarterly Returns*. The Weekly Return periodically shows the provisional numbers of abortions notified in the preceding four or five weeks by (a) statutory grounds, age and marital status and (b) hospital region and place of termination. The Quarterly Return shows similar figures consolidated for the relative quarter and occasionally special analyses of other factors.

#### CORRECTIONS

#### Statistical Review, 1968: Supplement on Abortion

##### Explanatory Notes, Page iv Parity, line 2,

for In Tables 7, 9, 11 and 16b  
read In Tables 7, 9 and 11  
for In Tables 1d and 5  
read In Tables 1d, 5 and 16b

##### line 3,

for 5.49 read 4.88  
for 1.88 read 1.71  
for 3.80 read 3.75  
for 2.86 read 2.82

##### Table 2(a), page 3, Rates

All aged 20-24  
Married aged 20-24  
All aged 25-34  
Married aged 25-34

for 3,286 read 3,285  
for 7,471 read 7,472  
for 154 read 153  
for 334 read 335

##### Table 2(b), page 4, Numbers

ENGLAND AND WALES aged 16-19  
aged 25-34  
Wales aged 16-19  
aged 25-34

for 628 read 528  
for 258 read 248  
for 4,818 read 3,818

#### Statistical Review, 1969: Supplement on Abortion

##### Table 17, page 23

East Midlands, Other region, Non-N.H.S.  
West Yorkshire, Other region, Non-N.H.S.  
Greater London, Other region, Non-N.H.S.

for 628 read 528  
for 258 read 248  
for 4,818 read 3,818

##### page 24

Lincolnshire (Parts of Kesteven)  
Administrative County

Place of operation  
Home region for 16 read 3  
Other region for 31 read 13

##### page 25

Stoke on Trent C.B.

Single for 74 read 75

##### Table 20, page 30

Statutory grounds, 3  
Statutory grounds, 2 with 4

Others, Others for 154 read 156  
Married, Others for 72 read 78

##### Table 21, page 31

Not stated, N.H.S. hospitals  
3 days, Approved and Others

Married, Others for 15 read 8  
Others, Others for 11 read 9

#### Statistical Review, 1970: Supplement on Abortion

##### Table 9, page 12

Not stated, All ages

for 1,580 read 751  
for 33 read 16  
for 175 read 100  
for 443 read 251  
for 140 read 56  
for 47 read 13  
for 742 read 315

##### Table 20, page 31

(1) Statutory grounds, 4

Total for 1,255 read 1,225

## TABLES

|     | 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 | 210 | 220 | 230 | 240 | 250 | 260 | 270 | 280 | 290 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 100 | 110 | 120 | 130 | 140 | 150 | 160 | 170 | 180 | 190 | 200 | 210 | 220 | 230 | 240 | 250 | 260 | 270 | 280 | 290 |     |

TABLE 1A. Legally induced abortions by age of woman and:-  
(SUMMARY)

- (i) marital status
- (ii) type of premises
- (iii) statutory grounds
- (iv) number of previous live and still born children
- (v) gestation weeks
- (vi) occupation group

|  | England and Wales, 1971 |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
|--|-------------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------------|------------|--|
|  | All cases               |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
|  | All ages                | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39  | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |  |
| All legally induced abortions                        | 126,777                 | 2,618    | 22,872 | 34,247 | 23,653 | 19,581 | 14,639 | 6,299 | 591         | 2,277      |  |
| (i) Marital status                                   |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| Single   | 61,036                  | 2,618    | 21,888 | 24,501 | 7,537  | 2,305  | 920    | 243   | 25          | 999        |  |
| Married  | 55,358                  | -        | 772    | 7,603  | 13,046 | 14,910 | 11,996 | 5,446 | 512         | 1,073      |  |
| Widowed, divorced or separated                       | 10,252                  | -        | 205    | 2,113  | 3,049  | 2,341  | 1,706  | 600   | 52          | 186        |  |
| Not stated   | 131                     | -        | 7      | 30     | 21     | 25     | 17     | 10    | 2           | 19         |  |
| (ii) Type of premises                                |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                                      | 53,706                  | 1,787    | 8,993  | 11,321 | 9,928  | 9,196  | 7,445  | 3,484 | 340         | 1,212      |  |
| Approved places                                      | 72,786                  | 821      | 13,834 | 22,879 | 13,667 | 10,326 | 7,162  | 2,795 | 248         | 1,054      |  |
| Other places   | 285                     | 10       | 45     | 47     | 58     | 59     | 32     | 20    | 3           | 11         |  |
| (iii) Statutory grounds*                             |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| 1  | 2,539                   | 42       | 311    | 522    | 447    | 505    | 428    | 208   | 31          | 45         |  |
| 2  | 96,837                  | 2,504    | 21,636 | 29,493 | 16,468 | 12,016 | 8,850  | 3,819 | 361         | 1,690      |  |
| 3  | 4,220                   | 16       | 175    | 734    | 1,034  | 1,025  | 804    | 308   | 19          | 105        |  |
| 4  | 1,375                   | 8        | 164    | 323    | 390    | 268    | 140    | 45    | 9           | 28         |  |
| 5  | 10                      | -        | -      | 2      | 2      | 2      | -      | 2     | -           | 2          |  |
| 6  | 12                      | -        | -      | 3      | 3      | 5      | -      | 1     | -           | -          |  |
| 2 with 4   | 1,108                   | 20       | 102    | 193    | 216    | 203    | 181    | 140   | 28          | 25         |  |
| 3 with others  | 20,676                  | 28       | 484    | 2,977  | 5,093  | 5,557  | 4,236  | 1,776 | 143         | 382        |  |
| (iv) Number of previous live and still born children |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| 0  | 60,765                  | 2,604    | 21,302 | 23,937 | 7,703  | 2,585  | 1,215  | 379   | 29          | 1,011      |  |
| 1  | 14,879                  | 11       | 1,229  | 4,875  | 3,835  | 2,324  | 1,592  | 667   | 66          | 280        |  |
| 2  | 21,421                  | -        | 216    | 3,357  | 5,875  | 5,924  | 3,992  | 1,540 | 153         | 364        |  |
| 3  | 14,958                  | -        | 31     | 1,390  | 3,658  | 4,482  | 3,479  | 1,501 | 131         | 286        |  |
| 4  | 7,777                   | -        | 8      | 392    | 1,586  | 2,410  | 2,183  | 962   | 89          | 147        |  |
| 5 and over   | 6,245                   | -        | 2      | 89     | 852    | 1,737  | 2,092  | 1,216 | 120         | 137        |  |
| Not stated   | 732                     | 3        | 84     | 207    | 144    | 119    | 86     | 34    | 3           | 52         |  |
| (v) Gestation weeks†                                 |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| Under 9 weeks  | 23,979                  | 285      | 2,788  | 6,016  | 5,032  | 4,540  | 3,506  | 1,285 | 108         | 419        |  |
| 9 and under 13 weeks                                 | 71,399                  | 1,376    | 13,206 | 19,704 | 13,186 | 10,824 | 8,056  | 3,495 | 307         | 1,245      |  |
| 13 weeks and over                                    | 28,323                  | 881      | 6,426  | 7,818  | 4,841  | 3,716  | 2,702  | 1,356 | 158         | 425        |  |
| Not stated   | 3,076                   | 76       | 452    | 709    | 594    | 501    | 375    | 163   | 18          | 188        |  |
| (vi) Occupation group                                |                         |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |  |
| Professional   | 3,218                   | 1        | 88     | 569    | 846    | 875    | 543    | 222   | 24          | 50         |  |
| Intermediate   | 18,919                  | 14       | 1,683  | 5,927  | 4,220  | 3,246  | 2,379  | 1,057 | 96          | 297        |  |
| Skilled  | 48,593                  | 435      | 9,875  | 13,804 | 8,993  | 7,123  | 5,288  | 2,181 | 207         | 687        |  |
| Semi-skilled   | 13,470                  | 119      | 2,218  | 3,552  | 2,596  | 2,271  | 1,705  | 769   | 60          | 180        |  |
| Unskilled  | 4,150                   | 44       | 560    | 874    | 837    | 796    | 656    | 303   | 24          | 56         |  |
| Not classified                                       | 38,427                  | 2,005    | 8,448  | 9,521  | 6,161  | 5,270  | 4,068  | 1,767 | 180         | 1,007      |  |

\* For statutory grounds see page iii.

† For definition of gestation weeks see page iv.

TABLE 1B. Legally induced abortions. Quarterly and annual notifications; annual occurrences for residents of (SERIAL) England and Wales and non-residents by type of premises; rates per 1,000 women aged 15-44 (residents)

England and Wales  
1968-1971

| Year            | Notifications received |        |        |        | Occurrences reported |         |                    |            | Rates per 1,000 women 15-44 (residents) |            |      |  |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|---------|--------------------|------------|---|------------|------|--|
|                 | Quarter                |        |        |        | Total                | Total   | Residents          |            | Non-residents                           |            |      |  |
|                 | 1st                    | 2nd    | 3rd    | 4th    |                      |         | In N.H.S. Hospital | Non N.H.S. | In N.H.S. Hospital                      | Non N.H.S. |      |  |
| 1968 (8 months) | -                      | 4,411  | 7,938  | 9,907  | 22,256               | 23,641  | 14,492             | 7,840      | 68                                      | 1,241      | 3.46 |  |
| 1969            | 11,342                 | 13,116 | 13,871 | 15,828 | 54,157               | 54,819  | 33,562             | 16,267     | 166                                     | 4,824      | 5.26 |  |
| 1970            | 17,742                 | 21,082 | 22,253 | 22,774 | 83,851               | 86,565  | 47,370             | 28,592     | 308                                     | 10,295     | 7.97 |  |
| 1971            | 22,808                 | 31,202 | 34,449 | 38,315 | 126,774              | 126,777 | 53,455             | 41,115     | 251                                     | 31,956     | 9.98 |  |

TABLE 2A. Legally induced abortions by age and marital status, with rates per 1,000 women

England and Wales, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Marital status                     | Under 15 | 15-19  | 20-24  | 25-34  | 35-44  | 45 and over* | Not stated | Numbers |       | Rates# |       |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------|------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|
|                                    |          |        |        |        |        |              |            | 15-44   | 15-49 | 15-44  | 15-49 |
| All                                | 625      | 19,847 | 24,465 | 31,495 | 15,892 | 451          | 1,795      | 93,945  |       |        |       |
| Married                            | -        | 591    | 5,640  | 20,745 | 13,319 | 393          | 848        | 41,536  |       |        |       |
| Single                             | 625      | 19,054 | 16,934 | 6,228  | 681    | 13           | 767        | 43,677  |       |        |       |
| Widowed                            | -        | 5      | 59     | 328    | 330    | 12           | 10         | 744     |       |        |       |
| Divorced/separated                 | -        | 191    | 1,808  | 4,161  | 1,535  | 31           | 151        | 7,877   |       |        |       |
| Unknown                            | -        | 6      | 24     | 33     | 27     | 2            | 19         | 111     |       |        |       |
| All                                | -        | 12.09  | 13.20  | 10.40  | 5.59   | 0.29         | -          | 9.98    | 8.59  |        |       |
| Single                             | -        | 12.62  | 22.10  | 18.74  | 3.35   | 0.11         | -          | 15.53   | 14.89 |        |       |
| Married/widowed/divorced/separated | -        | 6.02   | 6.92   | 9.37   | 5.7    |              |            |         |       |        |       |

TABLE 2B. Legally induced abortions by age and area of residence, with rates per 1,000 women

England and Wales, standard regions, Wales, conurbations, urban and rural aggregates  
1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Area of residence  | All ages      | Under 16     | 16-19*        | 20-24         | 25-34         | 35-44         | 45 and over† | Not stated   | Total 16 and over‡ |
|--|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Numbers  |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| <b>ENGLAND AND WALES</b>                                 | <b>94,570</b> | <b>2,296</b> | <b>18,176</b> | <b>24,465</b> | <b>31,495</b> | <b>15,892</b> | <b>451</b>   | <b>1,795</b> | <b>92,274</b>      |
| <b>Standard regions:</b>                                 |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| North  | 5,445         | 149          | 1,036         | 1,135         | 1,837         | 1,166         | 30           | 92           | 5,296              |
| Yorkshire and Humberside                                 | 6,775         | 224          | 1,342         | 1,475         | 2,239         | 1,347         | 32           | 116          | 6,551              |
| North West   | 10,134        | 214          | 2,008         | 2,472         | 3,365         | 1,873         | 42           | 160          | 9,920              |
| East Midlands  | 5,017         | 176          | 1,059         | 1,072         | 1,629         | 990           | 32           | 59           | 4,841              |
| West Midlands  | 9,767         | 238          | 2,179         | 2,424         | 3,154         | 1,605         | 40           | 127          | 9,529              |
| East Anglia  | 3,098         | 99           | 588           | 715           | 1,057         | 587           | 19           | 33           | 2,999              |
| South East   | 43,544        | 872          | 7,731         | 12,670        | 14,733        | 6,290         | 188          | 1,060        | 42,672             |
| South West   | 5,992         | 205          | 1,334         | 1,359         | 1,860         | 1,067         | 37           | 130          | 5,787              |
| Wales  | 4,798         | 119          | 899           | 1,143         | 1,621         | 967           | 31           | 18           | 4,679              |
| <b>Urban and rural aggregates:</b>                       |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Conurbations   | 41,466        | 746          | 7,356         | 12,561        | 13,866        | 5,874         | 164          | 899          | 40,720             |
| Areas outside conurbations:                              |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Urban areas with populations of 100,000 and over         | 11,907        | 357          | 2,495         | 3,085         | 3,715         | 2,008         | 53           | 194          | 11,550             |
| Urban areas with populations of 50,000 and under 100,000 | 9,139         | 260          | 1,973         | 2,246         | 2,876         | 1,568         | 42           | 174          | 8,879              |
| Urban areas with populations under 50,000                | 17,681        | 527          | 3,615         | 3,778         | 5,948         | 3,415         | 101          | 297          | 17,154             |
| Rural districts  | 14,377        | 406          | 2,737         | 2,795         | 5,090         | 3,027         | 91           | 231          | 13,971             |
| Rates  |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| <b>ENGLAND AND WALES</b>                                 | <b>-</b>      | <b>-</b>     | <b>11.08</b>  | <b>13.20</b>  | <b>10.40</b>  | <b>5.59</b>   | <b>0.29</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>8.44</b>        |
| <b>Standard regions:</b>                                 |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| North  | -             | -            | 8.76          | 9.51          | 9.43          | 5.89          | 0.28         | -            | 7.17               |
| Yorkshire and Humberside                                 | -             | -            | 8.26          | 8.27          | 7.76          | 4.85          | 0.21         | -            | 6.17               |
| North West   | -             | -            | 8.74          | 9.98          | 8.32          | 4.87          | 0.19         | -            | 6.69               |
| East Midlands  | -             | -            | 9.31          | 8.39          | 7.62          | 4.98          | 0.30         | -            | 6.35               |
| West Midlands  | -             | -            | 12.43         | 12.69         | 9.59          | 5.31          | 0.24         | -            | 8.19               |
| East Anglia  | -             | -            | 10.77         | 11.31         | 10.09         | 6.09          | 0.37         | -            | 8.11               |
| South East   | -             | -            | 13.60         | 18.20         | 13.27         | 6.19          | 0.34         | -            | 10.81              |
| South West   | -             | -            | 10.71         | 10.18         | 8.30          | 5.01          | 0.31         | -            | 7.09               |
| Wales  | -             | -            | 9.65          | 11.92         | 10.12         | 6.18          | 0.34         | -            | 7.85               |
| <b>Urban and rural aggregates:</b>                       |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Conurbations   | -             | -            | 13.35         | 19.17         | 14.04         | 6.36          | 0.31         | -            | 11.18              |
| Areas outside conurbations:                              |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Urban areas with populations of 100,000 and over         | -             | -            | 10.65         | 12.27         | 10.10         | 5.53          | 0.25         | -            | 8.09               |
| Urban areas with populations of 50,000 and under 100,000 | -             | -            | 11.76         | 12.29         | 9.95          | 5.52          | 0.27         | -            | 8.21               |
| Urban areas with populations under 50,000                | -             | -            | 10.19         | 9.50          | 8.76          | 5.39          | 0.29         | -            | 7.12               |
| Rural districts  | -             | -            | 8.23          | 7.63          | 7.21          | 4.73          | 0.27         | -            | 5.88               |

\* Rates per 1,000 women aged 15-19.

† Rates per 1,000 women aged 45-49.

‡ Rates per 1,000 women aged 15-49. Not stated ages included.

TABLE 2C. Legally induced abortions by age and area of residence, with rates per 1,000 women

England and Wales, hospital regions 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Area of residence        | All ages      | Under 16     | 16-19*        | 20-24         | 25-34         | 35-44         | 45 and over† | Not stated   | Total 16 and over‡ |
|--------------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Numbers                  |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| <b>ENGLAND AND WALES</b> | <b>94,570</b> | <b>2,296</b> | <b>18,176</b> | <b>24,465</b> | <b>31,495</b> | <b>15,892</b> | <b>451</b>   | <b>1,795</b> | <b>92,274</b>      |
| <b>Hospital regions:</b> |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Newcastle                | 5,057         | 140          | 943           | 1,066         | 1,713         | 1,091         | 28           | 76           | 4,917              |
| Leeds                    | 4,393         | 133          | 911           | 965           | 1,404         | 893           | 15           | 72           | 4,260              |
| Sheffield                | 6,962         | 242          | 1,398         | 1,488         | 2,317         | 1,363         | 47           | 107          | 6,720              |
| East Anglian             | 3,277         | 105          | 623           | 752           | 1,115         | 626           | 20           | 36           | 3,172              |
| North West Metropolitan  | 14,343        | 207          | 2,264         | 4,497         | 4,967         | 1,961         | 66           | 381          | 14,136             |
| North East Metropolitan  | 6,782         | 129          | 1,245         | 1,728         | 2,280         | 1,129         | 30           | 241          | 6,653              |
| South East Metropolitan  | 7,715         | 196          | 1,503         | 2,014         | 2,632         | 1,196         | 33           | 141          | 7,519              |
| South West Metropolitan  | 9,683         | 170          | 1,645         | 3,258         | 3,217         | 1,141         | 31           | 221          | 9,513              |
| Wessex                   | 3,089         | 113          | 636           | 716           | 999           | 546           | 18           | 61           | 2,976              |
| Oxford                   | 3,335         | 114          | 732           | 739           | 1,107         | 580           | 17           | 46           | 3,221              |
| South Western            | 5,146         | 175          | 1,168         | 1,184         | 1,577         | 904           | 32           | 106          | 4,971              |
| Welsh                    | 4,798         | 119          | 899           | 1,143         | 1,621         | 967           | 31           | 18           | 4,679              |
| Birmingham               | 9,767         | 238          | 2,179         | 2,424         | 3,154         | 1,605         | 40           | 127          | 9,529              |
| Manchester               | 7,095         | 167          | 1,409         | 1,715         | 2,356         | 1,308         | 28           | 112          | 6,928              |
| Liverpool                | 3,128         | 48           | 621           | 776           | 1,036         | 582           | 15           | 50           | 3,080              |
| Rates                    |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| <b>ENGLAND AND WALES</b> | <b>-</b>      | <b>-</b>     | <b>11.08</b>  | <b>13.20</b>  | <b>10.40</b>  | <b>5.59</b>   | <b>0.29</b>  | <b>-</b>     | <b>8.44</b>        |
| <b>Hospital regions:</b> |               |              |               |               |               |               |              |              |                    |
| Newcastle                | -             | -            | 8.56          | 9.58          | 9.50          | 5.95          | 0.28         | -            | 7.17               |
| Leeds                    | -             | -            | 8.38          | 8.08          | 7.36          | 4.78          | 0.15         | -            | 6.01               |
| Sheffield                | -             | -            | 8.89          | 8.59          | 7.99          | 5.01          | 0.31         | -            | 6.45               |
| East Anglian             | -             | -            | 10.89         | 11.36         | 10.12         | 6.19          | 0.37         | -            | 8.17               |
| North West Metropolitan  | -             | -            | 16.22         | 24.49         | 17.59         | 7.84          | 0.49         | -            | 14.27              |
| North East Metropolitan  | -             | -            | 11.22         | 12.99         | 10.68         | 5.61          | 0.27         | -            | 8.64               |
| South East Metropolitan  | -             | -            | 13.23         | 15.30         | 12.33         | 5.93          | 0.29         | -            | 9.71               |
| South West Metropolitan  | -             | -            | 15.46         | 24.08         | 15.53         | 6.00          | 0.29         | -            | 12.77              |
| Wessex                   | -             | -            | 9.70          | 9.72          | 8.10          | 4.76          | 0.29         | -            | 6.77               |
| Oxford                   | -             | -            | 10.96         | 9.55          | 8.16          | 4.92          | 0.28         | -            | 7.04               |
| South Western            | -             | -            | 11.22         | 10.59         | 8.46          | 5.08          | 0.31         | -            | 7.29               |
| Welsh                    | -             | -            | 9.65          | 11.92         | 10.12         | 6.18          | 0.34         | -            | 7.85               |
| Birmingham               | -             | -            | 12.43         | 12.69         | 9.59          | 5.31          | 0.24         | -            | 8.19               |
| Manchester               | -             | -            | 9.44          | 10.24         | 8.59          | 5.08          | 0.19         | -            | 6.96               |
| Liverpool                | -             | -            | 7.55          | 9.43          | 7.80          | 4.47          | 0.21         | -            | 6.19               |

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TABLE 3. Legally induced abortions by age, type of premises and marital status

| Type of premises and marital status | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39  | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------------|------------|
| All premises                        |          |          |        |        |        |        |        |       |             |            |
| Total                               | 126,777  | 2,618    | 22,872 | 34,247 | 23,653 | 19,581 | 14,639 | 6,299 | 591         | 2,277      |
| Single                              | 61,036   | 2,618    | 21,888 | 24,501 | 7,537  | 920    | 243    | 25    | 999         | 1,073      |
| Married                             | 55,358   | -        | 772    | 7,603  | 13,046 | 14,910 | 11,996 | 5,446 | 512         | 1,073      |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          | 10,252   | -        | 205    | 2,113  | 3,049  | 2,341  | 1,706  | 600   | 52          | 186        |
| Not stated                          | 131      | -        | 7      | 30     | 21     | 25     | 17     | 10    | 2           | 19         |
| N.H.S. hospitals                    | 53,706   | 1,787    | 8,993  | 11,321 | 9,928  | 9,196  | 7,445  | 3,484 | 340         | 1,212      |
| Total                               | 19,573   | 1,787    | 8,474  | 6,287  | 1,707  | 556    | 234    | 57    | 7           | 464        |
| Single                              | 19,573   | -        | 373    | 3,786  | 6,632  | 7,409  | 6,306  | 3,091 | 297         | 619        |
| Married                             | 28,513   | -        | 145    | 1,236  | 1,573  | 1,218  | 893    | 327   | 34          | 112        |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          | 5,538    | -        | 1      | 12     | 16     | 13     | 12     | 9     | 2           | 17         |
| Approved places                     | 72,786   | 821      | 13,834 | 22,879 | 13,667 | 10,326 | 7,162  | 2,795 | 248         | 1,054      |
| Total                               | 41,381   | 821      | 13,373 | 16,188 | 5,828  | 1,748  | 686    | 186   | 18          | 533        |
| Single                              | 41,381   | -        | 395    | 3,797  | 6,361  | 7,444  | 5,659  | 2,335 | 212         | 445        |
| Married                             | 26,648   | -        | 60     | 876    | 1,473  | 1,122  | 612    | 273   | 18          | 74         |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          | 4,708    | -        | 6      | 18     | 5      | 12     | 5      | 1     | -           | 2          |
| Not stated                          | 49       | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -           | -          |
| Other places                        | 285      | 10       | 45     | 47     | 58     | 59     | 32     | 20    | 3           | 11         |
| Total                               | 82       | 10       | 41     | 26     | 2      | 1      | -      | -     | -           | 2          |
| Single                              | 82       | -        | 4      | 20     | 53     | 57     | 31     | 20    | 3           | 9          |
| Married                             | 197      | -        | -      | 1      | 3      | 1      | 1      | -     | -           | -          |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          | 6        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -           | -          |
| Not stated                          | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -           | -          |

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TABLE 4A. Legally induced abortions by age, statutory grounds and marital status

| Statutory grounds* | Marital status             | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
|                    | Total                      | 2,539    | 42       | 311    | 522    | 447    | 505    | 428   | 208   | 31          | 45         |
| 1                  | Single                     | 818      | 42       | 288    | 303    | 114    | 39     | 15    | 4     | 1           | 12         |
|                    | Married                    | 1,545    | -        | 19     | 190    | 287    | 416    | 363   | 197   | 25          | 28         |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 172      | -        | 4      | 29     | 46     | 49     | 28    | 7     | 5           | 4          |
|                    | Not stated                 | 4        | -        | -      | -      | -      | 1      | 2     | -     | -           | 1          |
| 2                  | Total                      | 96,837   | 2,504    | 21,636 | 29,493 | 16,468 | 12,016 | 8,850 | 3,819 | 361         | 1,690      |
|                    | Single                     | 57,678   | 2,504    | 20,968 | 23,259 | 6,913  | 2,036  | 814   | 214   | 22          | 948        |
|                    | Married                    | 32,753   | -        | 520    | 4,824  | 7,650  | 8,575  | 7,040 | 3,228 | 305         | 611        |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 6,305    | -        | 141    | 1,385  | 1,891  | 1,388  | 983   | 367   | 32          | 118        |
|                    | Not stated                 | 101      | -        | 7      | 25     | 14     | 17     | 13    | 10    | 2           | 13         |
| 3                  | Total                      | 4,220    | 16       | 175    | 734    | 1,034  | 1,025  | 804   | 308   | 19          | 105        |
|                    | Single                     | 472      | 16       | 126    | 177    | 79     | 47     | 15    | 4     | -           | 8          |
|                    | Married                    | 2,945    | -        | 33     | 376    | 714    | 813    | 643   | 265   | 18          | 83         |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 797      | -        | 16     | 181    | 239    | 163    | 146   | 39    | 1           | 12         |
|                    | Not stated                 | 6        | -        | -      | -      | 2      | 2      | -     | -     | -           | 2          |
| 4                  | Total                      | 1,375    | 8        | 164    | 323    | 390    | 268    | 140   | 45    | 9           | 28         |
|                    | Single                     | 224      | 8        | 123    | 60     | 23     | 5      | 1     | -     | -           | 4          |
|                    | Married                    | 1,119    | -        | 40     | 252    | 358    | 255    | 139   | 44    | 9           | 22         |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 30       | -        | 1      | 9      | 9      | 8      | 1     | -     | -           | 2          |
|                    | Not stated                 | 2        | -        | -      | 2      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| 5                  | Total                      | 10       | -        | -      | 2      | 2      | 2      | -     | 2     | -           | 2          |
|                    | Single                     | 2        | -        | -      | 1      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                    | Married                    | 5        | -        | -      | 1      | 1      | -      | -     | 2     | -           | 1          |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 3        | -        | -      | -      | 1      | 2      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                    | Not stated                 | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| 6                  | Total                      | 12       | -        | -      | 3      | 3      | 5      | -     | 1     | -           | -          |
|                    | Single                     | 3        | -        | -      | 2      | -      | 1      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                    | Married                    | 9        | -        | -      | 1      | 3      | 4      | -     | 1     | -           | -          |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                    | Not stated                 | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| 2 with 4           | Total                      | 1,108    | 20       | 102    | 193    | 216    | 203    | 181   | 140   | 28          | 25         |
|                    | Single                     | 259      | 20       | 93     | 92     | 24     | 13     | 10    | 1     | -           | 6          |
|                    | Married                    | 790      | -        | 9      | 88     | 169    | 180    | 166   | 134   | 28          | 16         |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 58       | -        | -      | 13     | 23     | 10     | 4     | 5     | -           | 3          |
|                    | Not stated                 | 1        | -        | -      | -      | -      | 1      | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| 3 with others      | Total                      | 20,676   | 28       | 484    | 2,977  | 5,093  | 5,557  | 4,236 | 1,776 | 143         | 382        |
|                    | Single                     | 1,580    | 28       | 290    | 607    | 384    | 164    | 66    | 19    | 2           | 20         |
|                    | Married                    | 16,192   | -        | 151    | 1,871  | 3,864  | 4,667  | 3,625 | 1,575 | 127         | 312        |
|                    | Widowed/divorced/separated | 2,887    | -        | 43     | 496    | 840    | 721    | 544   | 182   | 14          | 47         |
|                    | Not stated                 | 17       | -        | -      | 3      | 5      | 5      | 1     | -     | -           | 3          |

\* For statutory grounds see page iii.

TABLE 4B. Legally induced abortions by statutory grounds, gestation weeks and type of premises, with and without sterilisation.

England and Wales, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Statutory grounds* | Type of premises | Total  | Gestation weeks† |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |       |       |             |            |
|--------------------|------------------|--------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
|                    |                  |        | Under 9          | 9     | 10    | 11    | 12    | 13    | 14    | 15    | 16  | 17-19 | 20-23 | 24 and over | Not stated |
| Total              | N H S            | 14,193 | 1,138            | 1,337 | 1,840 | 1,948 | 1,911 | 1,676 | 1,273 | 929   | 591 | 811   | 183   | 40          | 516        |
|                    | Sterilised       | 39,262 | 5,226            | 5,296 | 6,615 | 6,500 | 5,013 | 3,219 | 1,831 | 1,217 | 984 | 1,488 | 393   | 52          | 1,428      |
| 1                  | Non N H S        | 269    | 59               | 39    | 30    | 30    | 29    | 15    | 14    | 16    | 521 | 639   | 145   | 22          | 738        |
|                    | Sterilised       | 40,846 | 9,277            | 6,445 |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |       |       |             |            |

TABLE 5. Legally induced abortions by age, number of previous live and still born children and marital status.

| Previous live and still born children | Marital status             | All ages | England and Wales, 1971<br>All cases |        |        |       |       |       |       |             |            |  |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|--|
|                                       |                            |          | Under 16                             | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |  |
| 0                                     | Total                      | 60,765   | 2,604                                | 21,302 | 23,937 | 7,703 | 2,585 | 1,215 | 379   | 29          | 1,011      |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 55,186   | 2,604                                | 20,976 | 21,975 | 6,133 | 1,753 | 677   | 176   | 13          | 879        |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 3,980    | -                                    | 270    | 1,477  | 1,030 | 570   | 370   | 161   | 14          | 68         |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 1,557    | -                                    | 49     | 466    | 539   | 257   | 165   | 42    | 2           | 37         |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 42       | -                                    | 7      | 19     | 1     | 5     | 3     | -     | -           | 7          |  |
| 1                                     | Total                      | 14,879   | 11                                   | 1,229  | 4,875  | 3,835 | 2,324 | 1,592 | 667   | 66          | 280        |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 4,321    | 11                                   | 762    | 1,987  | 992   | 332   | 124   | 33    | 5           | 75         |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 7,706    | -                                    | 344    | 2,019  | 2,010 | 1,451 | 1,167 | 515   | 53          | 147        |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 2,829    | -                                    | 123    | 662    | 827   | 554   | 300   | 118   | 8           | 57         |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 23       | -                                    | -      | 7      | 6     | 7     | 1     | -     | -           | 1          |  |
| 2                                     | Total                      | 21,421   | -                                    | 216    | 3,357  | 5,875 | 5,924 | 3,992 | 1,540 | 153         | 364        |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 757      | -                                    | 62     | 291    | 216   | 99    | 58    | 13    | 3           | 15         |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 17,869   | -                                    | 127    | 2,522  | 4,763 | 5,183 | 3,464 | 1,388 | 135         | 307        |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 2,773    | -                                    | 27     | 543    | 886   | 659   | 465   | 138   | 15          | 38         |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 22       | -                                    | -      | 1      | 8     | 3     | 5     | 1     | -           | 4          |  |
| 3                                     | Total                      | 14,958   | -                                    | 31     | 1,390  | 3,658 | 4,482 | 3,479 | 1,501 | 131         | 286        |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 269      | -                                    | 8      | 91     | 77    | 57    | 26    | 5     | 3           | 2          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 13,111   | -                                    | 20     | 1,133  | 3,118 | 3,980 | 3,135 | 1,360 | 117         | 248        |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 1,562    | -                                    | 3      | 165    | 461   | 442   | 315   | 133   | 10          | 33         |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 16       | -                                    | -      | 1      | 2     | 3     | 3     | 1     | -           | 3          |  |
| 4                                     | Total                      | 7,777    | -                                    | 8      | 392    | 1,586 | 2,410 | 2,183 | 962   | 89          | 147        |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 115      | -                                    | 1      | 21     | 43    | 29    | 15    | 3     | -           | 3          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 6,846    | -                                    | 7      | 321    | 1,336 | 2,150 | 1,937 | 886   | 80          | 129        |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 807      | -                                    | -      | 49     | 205   | 230   | 228   | 72    | 9           | 14         |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 9        | -                                    | -      | 1      | 2     | 1     | 3     | 1     | -           | 1          |  |
| 5                                     | Total                      | 3,338    | -                                    | 2      | 70     | 610   | 972   | 1,050 | 515   | 43          | 76         |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 65       | -                                    | -      | 10     | 25    | 17    | 7     | 4     | -           | 2          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 2,931    | -                                    | 1      | 54     | 509   | 844   | 942   | 471   | 41          | 69         |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 334      | -                                    | -      | 1      | 6     | 75    | 109   | 37    | 2           | 4          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 8        | -                                    | -      | -      | 1     | 2     | 1     | 3     | -           | 1          |  |
| 6                                     | Total                      | 1,577    | -                                    | -      | 16     | 182   | 457   | 563   | 293   | 36          | 30         |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 24       | -                                    | -      | 2      | 7     | 3     | 8     | 4     | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 1,399    | -                                    | -      | 13     | 153   | 403   | 502   | 267   | 32          | 29         |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 151      | -                                    | -      | 1      | 22    | 50    | 52    | 22    | 4           | -          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 3        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | 1     | 1     | -     | -           | 1          |  |
| 7                                     | Total                      | 703      | -                                    | -      | 2      | 40    | 188   | 256   | 183   | 17          | 17         |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 7        | -                                    | -      | 1      | 2     | 3     | -     | 1     | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 609      | -                                    | -      | 1      | 32    | 156   | 220   | 167   | 16          | 17         |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 87       | -                                    | -      | -      | 6     | 29    | 36    | 15    | 1           | -          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | -        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |  |
| 8                                     | Total                      | 322      | -                                    | -      | 1      | 10    | 73    | 109   | 111   | 11          | 7          |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 2        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | 1     | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 284      | -                                    | -      | -      | 8     | 63    | 98    | 97    | 11          | 7          |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 36       | -                                    | -      | 1      | 2     | 9     | 11    | 13    | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | -        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |  |
| 9 and over                            | Total                      | 305      | -                                    | -      | -      | 10    | 47    | 114   | 114   | 13          | 7          |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 1        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | 1     | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 277      | -                                    | -      | -      | 9     | 45    | 98    | 106   | 12          | 7          |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 27       | -                                    | -      | 1      | 2     | 16    | 7     | 1     | -           | -          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | -        | -                                    | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |  |
| Not stated                            | Total                      | 732      | 3                                    | 84     | 207    | 144   | 119   | 86    | 34    | 3           | 52         |  |
|                                       | Single                     | 289      | 3                                    | 79     | 123    | 42    | 11    | 5     | 2     | 1           | 23         |  |
|                                       | Married                    | 346      | -                                    | 3      | 63     | 78    | 85    | 63    | 28    | 1           | 25         |  |
|                                       | Widowed/divorced/separated | 89       | -                                    | 2      | 20     | 23    | 20    | 18    | 3     | -           | 3          |  |
|                                       | Not stated                 | 8        | -                                    | -      | 1      | 1     | 3     | -     | 1     | 1           | 1          |  |

TABLE 6. Legally induced abortions by age, gestation weeks and marital status.

| Gestation weeks*<br>and<br>marital status | All ages | England and Wales, 1971<br>All cases |        |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |  |
|---|----------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|--|
|   |          | Under 16                             | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |  |
| <b>Under 9 weeks</b>                      |          |                                      |        |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |  |
| Total                                     | 23,979   | 285                                  | 2,788  | 6,016  | 5,032  | 4,540  | 3,506 | 1,285 | 108         | 419        |  |
| Single                                    | 10,562   | 285                                  | 2,669  | 4,606  | 1,885  | 633    | 254   | 56    | 5           | 169        |  |
| Married                                   | 11,614   | -                                    | 103    | 1,157  | 2,599  | 3,467  | 2,863 | 1,117 | 94          | 214        |  |
| Widowed/divorced/separated                | 1,785    | -                                    | 16     | 248    | 546    | 435    | 386   | 111   | 9           | 34         |  |
| Not stated                                | 18       | -                                    | -      | 5      | 2      | 5      | 3     | 1     | -           | 2          |  |
| <b>9 and under 13 weeks</b>               |          |                                      |        |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |  |
| Total                                     | 71,399   | 1,376                                | 13,206 | 19,704 | 13,186 | 10,824 | 8,056 | 3,495 | 307         | 1,245      |  |
| Single                                    | 34,642   | 1,376                                | 12,674 | 14,128 | 4,132  | 1,179  | 469   | 131   | 12          | 541        |  |
| Married                                   | 30,965   | -                                    | 422    | 4,355  | 7,307  | 8,331  | 6,658 | 3,034 | 266         | 592        |  |
| Widowed/divorced/separated                | 5,719    | -                                    | 105    | 1,206  | 1,732  | 1,304  | 917   | 322   | 28          | 105        |  |
| Not stated                                | 73       | -                                    | 5      | 15     | 15     | 10     | 12    | 8     | 1           | 7          |  |
| <b>13 weeks and over</b>                  |          |                                      |        |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |  |
| Total                                     | 28,323   | 881                                  | 6,426  | 7,818  | 4,841  | 3,716  | 2,702 | 1,356 | 158         | 425        |  |
| Single                                    | 14,654   | 881                                  | 6,133  | 5,357  | 1,385  | 444    | 177   | 54    | 6           | 217        |  |
| Married                                   | 11,171   | -                                    | 216    | 1,854  | 2,765  | 2,727  | 2,158 | 1,149 | 136         | 166        |  |
| Widowed/divorced/separated                | 2,467    | -                                    | 75     | 598    | 688    | 536    | 365   | 153   | 15          | 37         |  |
| Not stated                                |          |                                      |        |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |  |

TABLE 7A. Legally induced abortions: all women  
by number of previous live born children and by age

England and Wales, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Age         | Total  | Number of previous live born children |        |        |        |       |       |       |            |            |  |
|-------------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------------|------------|--|
|             |        | 0                                     | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7 and over | Not stated |  |
| All ages    | 94,570 | 43,413                                | 10,383 | 16,307 | 12,092 | 6,506 | 2,813 | 1,327 | 1,129      | 600        |  |
| 11          | 3      | 3                                     | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 12          | 16     | 16                                    | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 13          | 77     | 77                                    | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 14          | 529    | 527                                   | 2      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| Under 15    | 625    | 623                                   | 2      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 15          | 1,671  | 1,659                                 | 8      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | 4          | -          |  |
| 16          | 3,465  | 3,384                                 | 58     | 3      | -      | 1     | -     | -     | 19         | -          |  |
| 17          | 4,426  | 4,207                                 | 180    | 22     | 1      | 2     | 1     | -     | 13         | -          |  |
| 18          | 5,193  | 4,801                                 | 326    | 42     | 5      | 1     | -     | -     | 18         | -          |  |
| 19          | 5,092  | 4,430                                 | 485    | 131    | 22     | 2     | 1     | -     | 21         | -          |  |
| Under 20    | 20,472 | 19,104                                | 1,059  | 198    | 28     | 6     | 2     | -     | 75         | -          |  |
| 20          | 5,132  | 4,135                                 | 626    | 287    | 63     | 3     | -     | -     | 18         | -          |  |
| 21          | 5,003  | 3,698                                 | 675    | 420    | 146    | 23    | 5     | -     | 36         | -          |  |
| 22          | 5,002  | 3,339                                 | 748    | 579    | 240    | 61    | 5     | 2     | -          | 28         |  |
| 23          | 4,696  | 2,732                                 | 790    | 671    | 328    | 103   | 25    | 2     | 44         | -          |  |
| 24          | 4,632  | 2,312                                 | 786    | 823    | 467    | 168   | 27    | 8     | 1          | 40         |  |
| 20- 24      | 24,465 | 16,216                                | 3,625  | 2,780  | 1,244  | 358   | 62    | 12    | 2          | 166        |  |
| 25          | 3,791  | 1,538                                 | 626    | 847    | 483    | 190   | 62    | 6     | 5          | 34         |  |
| 26          | 3,609  | 1,165                                 | 578    | 904    | 589    | 234   | 88    | 30    | 3          | 18         |  |
| 27          | 3,477  | 952                                   | 537    | 910    | 629    | 261   | 122   | 33    | 7          | 26         |  |
| 28          | 3,369  | 687                                   | 449    | 966    | 717    | 339   | 145   | 34    | 12         | 20         |  |
| 29          | 3,046  | 513                                   | 379    | 919    | 657    | 358   | 136   | 48    | 22         | 14         |  |
| 25- 29      | 17,292 | 4,855                                 | 2,569  | 4,546  | 3,075  | 1,382 | 553   | 151   | 49         | 112        |  |
| 30          | 2,939  | 412                                   | 342    | 894    | 691    | 363   | 133   | 66    | 27         | 11         |  |
| 31          | 2,887  | 312                                   | 302    | 863    | 711    | 415   | 140   | 69    | 54         | 21         |  |
| 32          | 2,943  | 298                                   | 265    | 885    | 740    | 412   | 186   | 90    | 45         | 22         |  |
| 33          | 2,768  | 258                                   | 260    | 828    | 698    | 407   | 163   | 79    | 64         | 11         |  |
| 34          | 2,666  | 203                                   | 246    | 745    | 671    | 433   | 167   | 93    | 78         | 30         |  |
| 30- 34      | 14,203 | 1,483                                 | 1,415  | 4,215  | 3,511  | 2,030 | 789   | 397   | 268        | 95         |  |
| 35          | 2,656  | 211                                   | 240    | 742    | 671    | 407   | 182   | 106   | 83         | 14         |  |
| 36          | 2,450  | 162                                   | 232    | 656    | 589    | 436   | 182   | 94    | 86         | 13         |  |
| 37          | 2,145  | 146                                   | 198    | 588    | 528    | 327   | 199   | 74    | 70         | 15         |  |
| 38          | 1,949  | 115                                   | 196    | 528    | 473    | 298   | 149   | 96    | 76         | 18         |  |
| 39          | 1,823  | 110                                   | 171    | 453    | 451    | 295   | 159   | 83    | 91         | 10         |  |
| 35- 39      | 11,023 | 744                                   | 1,037  | 2,967  | 2,712  | 1,763 | 871   | 453   | 406        | 70         |  |
| 40          | 1,604  | 82                                    | 144    | 416    | 389    | 249   | 135   | 73    | 104        | 12         |  |
| 41          | 1,371  | 72                                    | 131    | 337    | 325    | 220   | 116   | 71    | 90         | 9          |  |
| 42          | 927    | 40                                    | 70     | 221    | 231    | 154   | 68    | 47    | 73         | 3          |  |
| 43          | 612    | 28                                    | 52     | 142    | 135    | 99    | 66    | 40    | 45         | 5          |  |
| 44          | 355    | 15                                    | 31     | 75     | 86     | 50    | 35    | 28    | 32         | 3          |  |
| 40- 44      | 4,869  | 237                                   | 428    | 1,191  | 1,166  | 772   | 440   | 259   | 344        | 32         |  |
| 45          | 225    | 4                                     | 20     | 63     | 54     | 33    | 17    | 13    | 18         | 3          |  |
| 46          | 115    | 7                                     | 12     | 25     | 25     | 21    | 8     | 9     | -          | -          |  |
| 47          | 59     | 1                                     | 6      | 16     | 14     | 11    | 7     | 3     | 1          | -          |  |
| 48          | 27     | 2                                     | 4      | 7      | 6      | 2     | 2     | 2     | 2          | -          |  |
| 45- 48      | 426    | 14                                    | 42     | 111    | 99     | 67    | 34    | 26    | 30         | 3          |  |
| 49 and over | 25     | 1                                     | 3      | 5      | 6      | 3     | 1     | 3     | 3          | -          |  |
| Not stated  | 1,795  | 759                                   | 205    | 294    | 251    | 125   | 61    | 26    | 27         | 47         |  |

TABLE 7B. Legally induced abortions: married  
women by number of previous live born children and by age

England and Wales, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Age      | Total  | Number of previous live born children |        |        |        |       |       |       |            |            |  |
|----------|--------|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------------|------------|--|
|          |        | 0                                     | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7 and over | Not stated |  |
| All ages | 41,536 | 2,612                                 | 4,687  | 13,253 | 10,430 | 5,664 | 2,446 | 1,173 | 986        | 285        |  |
| 16       | 11     | 4                                     | 6      | -      | -      | 1     | -     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 17       | 85     | 29                                    | 39     | 12     | 1      | 2     | 1     | -     | -          | -          |  |
| 18       | 169    | 56                                    | 84     | 24     | 3      | 1     | -     | -     | -          | 1          |  |
| 19       | 326    | 100                                   | 133    | 77     | 14     | 1     | -     | -     | -          | 1          |  |
| Under 20 | 591    | 189                                   | 262    | 113    | 18     | 5     | 1     | -     | -          | 3          |  |
| 20       | 578    | 142                                   | 192    | 186    | 51     | 3     | -     | -     | -          | 4          |  |
| 21       | 804    | 172                                   | 208    | 284    | 111    | 21    | 3     | -     | -          | 5          |  |
| 22       | 1,120  | 210                                   | 248    | 411    | 189    | 45    | 3     | -     | -          | 12         |  |
| 23       | 1,399  | 233                                   | 281    | 494    | 274    | 83    | 19    | 2     | -          | 13         |  |
| 24       | 1,739  | 226                                   | 309    | 643    | 377    | 137   | 21    | 6     | -          | 20         |  |
| 20- 24   | 5,640  | 983                                   | 1,238  | 2,018  | 1,002  | 289   | 46    | 10    | -          | 54         |  |
| 25       | 1,734  | 184                                   | 279    | 650    | 388    | 155   | 52    | 3     | 3          | 20         |  |
| 26       | 1,905  | 159                                   | 250    | 699    | 503    | 188   | 68    | 24    | 3          | 11         |  |
| 27       | 2,019  | 149                                   | 250    | 732    | 532    | 211   | 94    | 31    | 6          | 14         |  |
| 28       | 2,145  | 99                                    | 223    | 752    | 605    | 286   | 130   | 30    | 10         | 10         |  |
| 29       | 2,042  | 75                                    | 184    | 749    | 545    | 308   | 118   | 37    | 18         | 8          |  |
| 25- 29   | 9,845  | 666                                   | 1,186  | 3,582  | 2,573  | 1,148 | 462   | 125   | 40         | 63         |  |
| 30- 34   | 10,900 | 358                                   | 797    | 3,571  | 3,066  | 1,788 | 676   | 350   | 227        | 67         |  |
| 35       | 2,119  | 52                                    | 170    | 620    | 581    | 358   | 159   | 98    | 71         | 10         |  |
| 36       | 2,003  | 50                                    | 162    | 574    | 534    | 380   | 154   | 74    | 68         | 7          |  |
| 37       | 1,768  | 53                                    | 136    | 501    | 469    | 289   | 183   | 65    | 62         | 10         |  |
| 38       | 1,640  | 40                                    | 147    | 454    | 425    | 268   | 135   | 89    | 69         | 13         |  |
| 39       | 1,538  | 48                                    | 123    | 401    | 258    | 141   | 77    | 80    | 9          | 4          |  |
| 35- 39   | 9,068  | 243                                   | 738    | 2,550  | 2,410  | 1,553 | 772   | 403   | 350        | 49         |  |
| 40       | 1,380  | 34                                    | 106    | 372    | 347    | 230   | 120   | 68    | 92         | 11         |  |
| 41       | 1,189  | 33                                    | 97</td |        |        |       |       |       |            |            |  |

TABLE 7C. Legally induced abortions: single women by number of previous live born children and by age

England and Wales, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Age         | Total  | Number of previous live born children |       |     |     |     |    |    |            |            |  |
|-------------|--------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------------|------------|--|
|             |        | 0                                     | 1     | 2   | 3   | 4   | 5  | 6  | 7 and over | Not stated |  |
| All ages    | 44,302 | 39,552                                | 3,443 | 642 | 236 | 107 | 61 | 22 | 9          | 230        |  |
| 11          | 3      | 3                                     | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 12          | 16     | 16                                    | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 13          | 77     | 77                                    | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 14          | 529    | 527                                   | 2     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| Under 15    | 625    | 623                                   | 2     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 15          | 1,671  | 1,659                                 | 8     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | 4          | -          |  |
| 16          | 3,447  | 3,378                                 | 47    | 3   | -   | -   | -  | -  | 19         | -          |  |
| 17          | 4,328  | 4,174                                 | 132   | 10  | -   | -   | -  | -  | 12         | -          |  |
| 18          | 4,972  | 4,726                                 | 217   | 11  | 2   | -   | -  | -  | 16         | -          |  |
| 19          | 4,636  | 4,303                                 | 274   | 34  | 5   | 1   | -  | -  | 19         | -          |  |
| Under 20    | 19,679 | 18,863                                | 680   | 58  | 7   | 1   | -  | -  | -          | 70         |  |
| 20          | 4,349  | 3,950                                 | 329   | 51  | 6   | -   | -  | -  | 13         | -          |  |
| 21          | 3,907  | 3,464                                 | 337   | 57  | 18  | -   | 2  | -  | 29         | -          |  |
| 22          | 3,492  | 3,032                                 | 366   | 48  | 21  | 9   | 2  | -  | 14         | -          |  |
| 23          | 2,827  | 2,417                                 | 311   | 53  | 14  | 3   | 4  | -  | 25         | -          |  |
| 24          | 2,359  | 1,970                                 | 289   | 47  | 27  | 7   | 3  | 1  | 14         | -          |  |
| 20- 24      | 16,934 | 14,833                                | 1,632 | 256 | 86  | 19  | 11 | 1  | 1          | 95         |  |
| 25          | 1,559  | 1,261                                 | 215   | 45  | 16  | 6   | 3  | 1  | 11         | -          |  |
| 26          | 1,168  | 909                                   | 179   | 39  | 16  | 11  | 7  | 2  | -          | 5          |  |
| 27          | 938    | 721                                   | 158   | 31  | 10  | 6   | 6  | 1  | -          | 5          |  |
| 28          | 692    | 509                                   | 104   | 39  | 18  | 12  | 3  | 1  | -          | 6          |  |
| 29          | 513    | 372                                   | 88    | 28  | 11  | 7   | 2  | 2  | 1          | 2          |  |
| 25- 29      | 4,870  | 3,772                                 | 744   | 182 | 71  | 42  | 21 | 7  | 2          | 29         |  |
| 30          | 394    | 282                                   | 62    | 24  | 15  | 3   | 7  | -  | 1          | -          |  |
| 31          | 322    | 226                                   | 63    | 16  | 12  | 2   | 2  | -  | 1          | -          |  |
| 32          | 272    | 184                                   | 38    | 24  | 6   | 10  | 3  | 1  | 3          | -          |  |
| 33          | 205    | 147                                   | 36    | 6   | 6   | 5   | 1  | 1  | 2          | -          |  |
| 34          | 165    | 113                                   | 21    | 14  | 3   | 7   | 3  | 1  | -          | 3          |  |
| 30- 34      | 1,358  | 952                                   | 220   | 84  | 42  | 27  | 16 | 3  | 4          | 10         |  |
| 35          | 178    | 124                                   | 19    | 14  | 10  | 4   | 4  | 1  | -          | 2          |  |
| 36          | 132    | 77                                    | 27    | 10  | 7   | 3   | 4  | 3  | -          | 1          |  |
| 37          | 100    | 73                                    | 11    | 8   | 4   | 1   | -  | 2  | -          | 1          |  |
| 38          | 77     | 49                                    | 16    | 6   | 1   | 4   | -  | 1  | -          | -          |  |
| 39          | 59     | 44                                    | 10    | 4   | -   | 1   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 35- 39      | 546    | 367                                   | 83    | 42  | 22  | 13  | 8  | 7  | -          | 4          |  |
| 40          | 55     | 36                                    | 13    | -   | 1   | -   | 1  | 2  | 1          | 1          |  |
| 41          | 38     | 27                                    | 5     | 1   | 2   | -   | 2  | -  | -          | 1          |  |
| 42          | 21     | 13                                    | 2     | 1   | -   | 1   | 1  | 2  | -          | -          |  |
| 43          | 11     | 8                                     | 1     | 2   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 44          | 10     | 7                                     | 1     | 1   | 1   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 40- 44      | 135    | 91                                    | 22    | 5   | 4   | 1   | 4  | 4  | 2          | 2          |  |
| 45          | 3      | 1                                     | -     | -   | 1   | -   | -  | -  | -          | 1          |  |
| 46          | 3      | 3                                     | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 47          | 3      | 1                                     | 1     | 1   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 48          | 1      | 1                                     | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| 45- 48      | 10     | 6                                     | 1     | 1   | 1   | -   | -  | -  | -          | 1          |  |
| 49 and over | 3      | 1                                     | 1     | -   | 1   | -   | -  | -  | -          | -          |  |
| Not stated  | 767    | 667                                   | 60    | 14  | 2   | 4   | 1  | -  | -          | 19         |  |

TABLE 8. Legally induced abortions by age, occupation group and marital status

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| Occupation group | Marital status     | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39  | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------------|------------|
| All groups       | Total              | 94,570   | 2,296    | 18,176 | 24,465 | 17,292 | 14,203 | 11,023 | 4,869 | 451         | 1,795      |
|                  | Single             | 44,302   | 2,296    | 17,383 | 16,934 | 4,870  | 1,358  | 546    | 135   | 13          | 767        |
|                  | Married            | 41,536   | -        | 591    | 5,640  | 9,845  | 10,900 | 9,068  | 4,251 | 393         | 848        |
|                  | Widowed            | 744      | -        | 5      | 59     | 148    | 213    | 117    | 12    | 10          | 10         |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 7,877    | -        | 191    | 1,808  | 2,411  | 1,750  | 1,179  | 356   | 31          | 151        |
|                  | Not known          | 111      | -        | 6      | 24     | 18     | 15     | 17     | 10    | 2           | 19         |
| Professional     | Total              | 1,976    | 1        | 38     | 333    | 521    | 533    | 349    | 155   | 18          | 28         |
|                  | Single             | 341      | 1        | 30     | 153    | 104    | 35     | 11     | 2     | -           | 5          |
|                  | Married            | 1,555    | -        | 8      | 166    | 390    | 476    | 326    | 150   | 17          | 22         |
|                  | Widowed            | 3        | -        | -      | -      | -      | 1      | -      | 2     | -           | -          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 77       | -        | -      | 14     | 27     | 21     | 12     | 1     | 1           | 1          |
|                  | Not known          | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -      | -      | -     | -           | -          |
| Intermediate     | Total              | 13,266   | 12       | 1,364  | 4,257  | 2,800  | 2,131  | 1,661  | 755   | 66          | 220        |
|                  | Single             | 6,979    | 12       | 1,308  | 3,657  | 1,380  | 339    | 115    | 36    | 4           | 128        |
|                  | Married            | 5,485    | -        | 45     | 491    | 1,168  | 1,584  | 1,398  | 665   | 60          | 74         |
|                  | Widowed            | 76       | -        | -      | 3      | 22     | 14     | 22     | 14    | -           | 1          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 712      | -        | 10     | 102    | 227    | 193    | 124    | 40    | 1           | 15         |
|                  | Not known          | 14       | -        | 1      | 4      | 3      | 1      | 2      | -     | 1           | 2          |
| Skilled          | Total              | 35,711   | 400      | 8,228  | 9,813  | 6,232  | 4,914  | 3,823  | 1,641 | 152         | 508        |
|                  | Single             | 18,467   | 400      | 7,968  | 7,210  | 1,877  | 492    | 204    | 50    | 2           | 264        |
|                  | Married            | 14,865   | -        | 208    | 2,054  | 3,656  | 3,933  | 3,227  | 1,454 | 135         | 198        |
|                  | Widowed            | 166      | -        | -      | 14     | 29     | 40     | 48     | 29    | 4           | 2          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 2,192    | -        | 48     | 527    | 670    | 446    | 341    | 107   | 11          | 42         |
|                  | Not known          | 21       | -        | 4      | 8      | -      | 3      | 3      | 1     | -           | 2          |
| Semi-skilled     | Total              | 10,995   | 111      | 1,972  | 2,853  | 2,131  | 1,739  | 1,367  | 627   | 47          | 148        |
|                  | Single             | 4,865    | 111      | 1,866  | 1,901  | 603    | 203    | 83     | 23    | 3           | 72         |
|                  | Married            | 5,106    | -        | 84     | 745    | 1,237  | 1,320  | 1,088  | 530   | 40          | 62         |
|                  | Widowed            | 95       | -        | 1      | 5      | 14     | 19     | 35     | 18    | 2           | 1          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 920      | -        | 21     | 199    | 275    | 196    | 161    | 53    | 2           | 13         |
|                  | Not known          | 9        | -        | -      | 3      | 2      | 1      | -      | 3     | -           | -          |
| Unskilled        | Total              | 3,531    | 42       | 501    | 751    | 714    | 665    | 534    | 259   | 20          | 45         |
|                  | Single             | 911      | 42       | 437    | 283    | 74     | 36     | 19</   |       |             |            |

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TABLE 9. Legally induced abortions by age, number of previous live born children and occupation group

| Previous live born children | Occupation group | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| Total                       | 94,570           | 2,296    | 18,176   | 24,465 | 17,292 | 14,203 | 11,023 | 4,869 | 451   | 1,795       |            |
| Professional                | 1,976            | 1        | 38       | 333    | 521    | 349    | 155    | 18    | 28    |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 13,266           | 12       | 1,364    | 4,257  | 2,800  | 2,131  | 1,661  | 755   | 66    | 220         |            |
| Skilled                     | 35,711           | 400      | 8,228    | 9,813  | 6,232  | 4,914  | 3,823  | 1,641 | 152   | 508         |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 10,995           | 111      | 1,972    | 2,853  | 2,131  | 1,739  | 1,367  | 627   | 47    | 148         |            |
| Unskilled                   | 3,531            | 42       | 501      | 751    | 714    | 665    | 534    | 259   | 20    | 45          |            |
| Not classified              | 29,091           | 1,730    | 6,073    | 6,458  | 4,894  | 4,221  | 3,289  | 1,432 | 148   | 846         |            |
| Total                       | 43,413           | 2,282    | 16,822   | 16,216 | 4,855  | 1,483  | 744    | 237   | 15    | 759         |            |
| Professional                | 550              | 1        | 33       | 235    | 178    | 64     | 23     | 8     | 1     | 7           |            |
| Intermediate                | 7,040            | 12       | 1,296    | 3,601  | 1,405  | 374    | 154    | 63    | 4     | 131         |            |
| Skilled                     | 18,499           | 397      | 7,794    | 7,052  | 1,950  | 620    | 319    | 91    | 6     | 270         |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 4,579            | 110      | 1,783    | 1,761  | 564    | 185    | 100    | 28    | 1     | 67          |            |
| Unskilled                   | 836              | 42       | 417      | 254    | 61     | 22     | 20     | 8     | 1     | 11          |            |
| Not classified              | 11,909           | 1,720    | 5,499    | 3,313  | 697    | 238    | 128    | 39    | 2     | 273         |            |
| Total                       | 10,383           | 10       | 1,049    | 3,625  | 2,569  | 1,415  | 1,037  | 428   | 45    | 205         |            |
| Professional                | 231              | -        | 4        | 40     | 90     | 49     | 35     | 9     | 1     | 3           |            |
| Intermediate                | 1,425            | -        | 49       | 397    | 438    | 249    | 178    | 79    | 7     | 28          |            |
| Skilled                     | 3,720            | 3        | 351      | 1,337  | 902    | 490    | 405    | 166   | 18    | 48          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 1,335            | -        | 149      | 466    | 333    | 175    | 128    | 58    | 6     | 20          |            |
| Unskilled                   | 346              | -        | 58       | 139    | 55     | 45     | 30     | 13    | 1     | 5           |            |
| Not classified              | 3,326            | 7        | 438      | 1,246  | 751    | 407    | 261    | 103   | 12    | 101         |            |
| Total                       | 16,307           | -        | 198      | 2,780  | 4,546  | 4,215  | 2,967  | 1,191 | 116   | 294         |            |
| Professional                | 611              | -        | 1        | 49     | 158    | 215    | 118    | 56    | 6     | 8           |            |
| Intermediate                | 2,307            | -        | 10       | 175    | 578    | 732    | 553    | 216   | 19    | 24          |            |
| Skilled                     | 5,526            | -        | 45       | 880    | 1,611  | 1,427  | 1,049  | 399   | 39    | 76          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 1,928            | -        | 33       | 388    | 536    | 490    | 318    | 130   | 14    | 19          |            |
| Unskilled                   | 672              | -        | 20       | 172    | 176    | 152    | 98     | 46    | 3     | 5           |            |
| Not classified              | 5,263            | -        | 89       | 1,116  | 1,487  | 1,199  | 831    | 344   | 35    | 162         |            |
| Total                       | 12,092           | -        | 28       | 1,244  | 3,075  | 3,511  | 2,712  | 1,166 | 105   | 251         |            |
| Professional                | 365              | -        | -        | 7      | 68     | 140    | 98     | 45    | 3     | 4           |            |
| Intermediate                | 1,436            | -        | 1        | 44     | 242    | 467    | 439    | 208   | 14    | 21          |            |
| Skilled                     | 4,089            | -        | 7        | 364    | 1,089  | 1,235  | 905    | 394   | 36    | 59          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 1,482            | -        | 4        | 174    | 401    | 414    | 334    | 130   | 9     | 16          |            |
| Unskilled                   | 667              | -        | 3        | 129    | 195    | 153    | 128    | 46    | 4     | 9           |            |
| Not classified              | 4,053            | -        | 13       | 526    | 1,080  | 1,102  | 808    | 343   | 39    | 142         |            |
| Total                       | 6,506            | -        | 6        | 358    | 1,382  | 2,030  | 1,763  | 772   | 70    | 125         |            |
| Professional                | 149              | -        | -        | 18     | 55     | 51     | 15     | 6     | 4     |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 633              | -        | 1        | 8      | 82     | 212    | 197    | 110   | 13    | 10          |            |
| Skilled                     | 2,080            | -        | 1        | 104    | 439    | 664    | 574    | 260   | 17    | 21          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 915              | -        | -        | 42     | 187    | 287    | 257    | 128   | 4     | 10          |            |
| Unskilled                   | 443              | -        | -        | 46     | 119    | 134    | 95     | 40    | 4     | 5           |            |
| Not classified              | 2,286            | -        | 4        | 158    | 537    | 678    | 589    | 219   | 26    | 75          |            |
| Total                       | 2,813            | -        | 2        | 62     | 553    | 789    | 871    | 440   | 35    | 61          |            |
| Professional                | 43               | -        | -        | 3      | 6      | 19     | 13     | -     | 2     |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 213              | -        | -        | 5      | 29     | 53     | 76     | 44    | 3     | 3           |            |
| Skilled                     | 880              | -        | 1        | 12     | 155    | 267    | 289    | 132   | 13    | 11          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 358              | -        | -        | 4      | 75     | 101    | 110    | 58    | 3     | 7           |            |
| Unskilled                   | 272              | -        | -        | 6      | 72     | 75     | 70     | 43    | 1     | 5           |            |
| Not classified              | 1,047            | -        | 1        | 35     | 219    | 287    | 307    | 150   | 15    | 33          |            |
| Total                       | 1,327            | -        | -        | 12     | 151    | 397    | 453    | 259   | 29    | 26          |            |
| Professional                | 11               | -        | -        | 1      | 3      | 5      | 1      | -     |       |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 78               | -        | -        | -      | 4      | 22     | 31     | 17    | 3     | 1           |            |
| Skilled                     | 408              | -        | -        | 6      | 42     | 105    | 152    | 81    | 13    | 9           |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 181              | -        | -        | 1      | 14     | 67     | 54     | 39    | 4     | 2           |            |
| Unskilled                   | 148              | -        | -        | 3      | 25     | 48     | 38     | 29    | 3     | 2           |            |
| Not classified              | 501              | -        | -        | 1      | 66     | 154    | 175    | 88    | 5     | 12          |            |
| Total                       | 1,129            | -        | -        | 2      | 49     | 268    | 406    | 344   | 33    | 27          |            |
| Professional                | 5                | -        | -        | -      | 1      | 1      | 3      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 52               | -        | -        | -      | 1      | 11     | 22     | 15    | 3     | -           |            |
| Skilled                     | 327              | -        | -        | -      | 12     | 78     | 115    | 108   | 10    | 4           |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 163              | -        | -        | -      | 8      | 31     | 61     | 55    | 5     | 3           |            |
| Unskilled                   | 134              | -        | -        | -      | 9      | 33     | 53     | 34    | 3     | 2           |            |
| Not classified              | 448              | -        | -        | 2      | 19     | 114    | 154    | 129   | 12    | 18          |            |
| Total                       | 600              | 4        | 71       | 166    | 112    | 95     | 70     | 32    | 3     | 47          |            |
| Professional                | 11               | -        | -        | 1      | 6      | 2      | 1      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Intermediate                | 82               | -        | 7        | 27     | 21     | 11     | 11     | 3     | -     | 2           |            |
| Skilled                     | 182              | -        | 29       | 58     | 32     | 28     | 15     | 10    | -     | 10          |            |
| Semi-skilled                | 54               | 1        | 3        | 17     | 13     | 9      | 5      | 1     | 1     | 4           |            |
| Unskilled                   | 13               | -        | 3        | 2      | 2      | 3      | 2      | -     | -     | 1           |            |
| Not classified              | 258              | 3        | 29       | 61     | 38     | 42     | 36     | 17    | 2     | 30          |            |

TABLE 10. Legally induced abortions with sterilisation: age by number of previous live born children and occupation group

| Previous live born children | Occupation group | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| Total                       | Total            | 14,462   | -        | 36    | 835   | 2,835 | 4,172 | 4,086 | 2,044 | 196         | 258        |
|                             | Professional     | 258      | -        | -     | 8     | 39    | 80    | 53    | 39    | 7           | -          |
|                             | Intermediate     | 1,228    | -        | 1     | 25    | 157   | 369   | 410   | 228   | 25          | 13         |
|                             | Skilled          | 4,759    | -        | 12    | 257   | 961   | 1,397 | 1,358 | 658   | 67          | 49         |
|                             | Semi-skilled     | 1,823    | -        | 6     | 92    | 364   | 532   | 508   | 277   | 27          | 17         |
|                             | Unskilled        | 1,056    | -        | 1     | 82    | 257   | 294   | 260   | 146   | 5           | 11         |
|                             | Not classified   |          |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |            |

TABLE 11A. Legally induced abortions by number of existing children, marital status and occupation group

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| Marital status and occupation group | Existing children |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|----|-------------|------------|
|                                     | Total             | 0      | 1     | 2      | 3      | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7   | 8   | 9  | 10 and over | Not stated |
| All                                 |                   |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 94,570            | 44,807 | 9,814 | 16,218 | 11,648 | 6,166 | 2,590 | 1,181 | 520 | 223 | 80 | 73          | 1,250      |
| Professional                        | 1,976             | 571    | 230   | 603    | 344    | 145   | 39    | 12    | 2   | -   | 1  | 29          |            |
| Intermediate                        | 13,266            | 7,238  | 1,296 | 2,291  | 1,367  | 592   | 203   | 69    | 21  | 10  | 4  | 4           | 171        |
| Skilled                             | 35,711            | 19,081 | 3,435 | 5,483  | 3,959  | 1,949 | 802   | 355   | 161 | 45  | 26 | 22          | 393        |
| Semi-skilled                        | 10,995            | 4,774  | 1,273 | 1,938  | 1,411  | 851   | 328   | 155   | 76  | 37  | 12 | 8           | 132        |
| Unskilled                           | 3,531             | 885    | 343   | 689    | 642    | 437   | 257   | 135   | 58  | 22  | 8  | 8           | 47         |
| Not classified                      | 29,091            | 12,258 | 3,237 | 5,214  | 3,925  | 2,192 | 961   | 455   | 202 | 109 | 30 | 30          | 478        |
| Single                              |                   |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 44,302            | 40,240 | 2,800 | 557    | 208    | 98    | 50    | 15    | 7   | 1   | -  | -           | 326        |
| Professional                        | 341               | 324    | 12    | 1      | 1      | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | 3          |
| Intermediate                        | 6,979             | 6,460  | 387   | 49     | 8      | 10    | 5     | 1     | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 58         |
| Skilled                             | 18,467            | 17,239 | 943   | 110    | 24     | 9     | 5     | -     | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 136        |
| Semi-skilled                        | 4,865             | 4,264  | 419   | 86     | 34     | 10    | 12    | 2     | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 36         |
| Unskilled                           | 911               | 778    | 83    | 20     | 13     | 5     | 4     | 4     | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 3          |
| Not classified                      | 12,739            | 11,175 | 956   | 291    | 128    | 64    | 24    | 8     | 3   | -   | -  | -           | 90         |
| Married                             |                   |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 41,536            | 3,072  | 4,771 | 13,300 | 10,108 | 5,411 | 2,276 | 1,056 | 459 | 200 | 71 | 67          | 745        |
| Professional                        | 1,555             | 219    | 198   | 565    | 333    | 144   | 37    | 12    | 67  | 19  | 4  | 4           | 24         |
| Intermediate                        | 5,485             | 563    | 690   | 2,038  | 1,258  | 551   | 191   | 67    | 19  | 9   | 4  | 4           | 91         |
| Skilled                             | 14,865            | 1,143  | 1,777 | 4,814  | 3,960  | 1,864 | 770   | 340   | 157 | 44  | 25 | 22          | 219        |
| Semi-skilled                        | 5,106             | 329    | 563   | 1,588  | 1,237  | 759   | 289   | 142   | 66  | 36  | 11 | 8           | 78         |
| Unskilled                           | 2,339             | 70     | 191   | 604    | 582    | 402   | 243   | 125   | 52  | 21  | 7  | 7           | 35         |
| Not classified                      | 12,186            | 748    | 1,352 | 3,671  | 3,008  | 1,691 | 746   | 370   | 163 | 90  | 24 | 25          | 298        |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          |                   |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 8,621             | 1,461  | 2,223 | 2,342  | 1,319  | 649   | 259   | 107   | 54  | 22  | 9  | 6           | 170        |
| Professional                        | 80                | 28     | 20    | 17     | 10     | 1     | 2     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | 2          |
| Intermediate                        | 788               | 209    | 217   | 201    | 99     | 31    | 7     | 1     | 1   | 1   | -  | -           | 21         |
| Skilled                             | 2,358             | 683    | 713   | 557    | 244    | 76    | 27    | 15    | 3   | 1   | 1  | -           | 38         |
| Semi-skilled                        | 1,015             | 178    | 287   | 264    | 139    | 62    | 26    | 11    | 9   | -   | 1  | -           | 18         |
| Unskilled                           | 281               | 37     | 69    | 65     | 47     | 30    | 10    | 6     | 5   | 1   | 1  | 9           |            |
| Not classified                      | 4,099             | 326    | 917   | 1,238  | 780    | 429   | 187   | 74    | 36  | 19  | 6  | 5           | 82         |
| Not known                           |                   |        |       |        |        |       |       |       |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 111               | 34     | 20    | 19     | 13     | 8     | 5     | 3     | -   | -   | -  | -           | 9          |
| Professional                        | -                 | -      | -     | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Intermediate                        | 14                | 6      | 2     | 3      | 2      | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | 1          |
| Skilled                             | 21                | 16     | 2     | 2      | 1      | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Semi-skilled                        | 9                 | 3      | 4     | -      | 1      | -     | 1     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Unskilled                           | -                 | -      | -     | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Not classified                      | 67                | 9      | 12    | 14     | 9      | 8     | 4     | 3     | -   | -   | -  | -           | 8          |

TABLE 11B. Legally induced abortions accompanied by sterilisation, by number of existing children, marital status and occupation group

| Marital status and occupation group | Existing children |     |     |       |       |       |       |     |     |     |    |             |            |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------------|------------|
|                                     | Total             | 0   | 1   | 2     | 3     | 4     | 5     | 6   | 7   | 8   | 9  | 10 and over | Not stated |
| All                                 |                   |     |     |       |       |       |       |     |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 14,462            | 355 | 660 | 3,327 | 3,993 | 2,933 | 1,518 | 777 | 356 | 162 | 57 | 55          | 269        |
| Professional                        | 258               | 2   | 15  | 101   | 78    | 38    | 19    | 2   | -   | -   | -  | -           | 3          |
| Intermediate                        | 1,228             | 43  | 70  | 357   | 375   | 211   | 90    | 38  | 11  | 6   | 2  | 3           | 22         |
| Skilled                             | 4,759             | 115 | 232 | 1,143 | 1,394 | 946   | 450   | 224 | 107 | 28  | 19 | 18          | 83         |
| Semi-skilled                        | 1,823             | 47  | 80  | 409   | 484   | 386   | 197   | 91  | 55  | 31  | 10 | 5           | 28         |
| Unskilled                           | 1,056             | 16  | 25  | 168   | 246   | 241   | 172   | 97  | 40  | 15  | 7  | 5           | 24         |
| Not classified                      | 5,338             | 132 | 238 | 1,149 | 1,416 | 1,111 | 590   | 325 | 143 | 82  | 19 | 24          | 109        |
| Single                              |                   |     |     |       |       |       |       |     |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 343               | 103 | 31  | 59    | 55    | 46    | 27    | 11  | 6   | 1   | -  | -           | 4          |
| Professional                        | -                 | -   | -   | -     | -     | -     | -     | -   | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Intermediate                        | 24                | 9   | -   | 1     | 2     | 7     | 3     | -   | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 1          |
| Skilled                             | 45                | 23  | 8   | 5     | 3     | 1     | 2     | -   | 1   | -   | -  | -           | 2          |
| Semi-skilled                        | 45                | 13  | 4   | 8     | 11    | 2     | 5     | -   | 1   | 1   | -  | -           | -          |
| Unskilled                           | 23                | 4   | 2   | 2     | 6     | 3     | 3     | 3   | -   | -   | -  | -           | -          |
| Not classified                      | 206               | 54  | 17  | 43    | 33    | 33    | 14    | 8   | 3   | -   | -  | -           | 1          |
| Married                             |                   |     |     |       |       |       |       |     |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 13,025            | 209 | 544 | 3,068 | 3,680 | 2,658 | 1,357 | 707 | 316 | 146 | 51 | 50          | 239        |
| Professional                        | 258               | 2   | 15  | 101   | 78    | 38    | 19    | 2   | -   | -   | -  | -           | 3          |
| Intermediate                        | 1,163             | 29  | 65  | 345   | 365   | 198   | 84    | 37  | 9   | 6   | 2  | 3           | 20         |
| Skilled                             | 4,569             | 81  | 202 | 1,998 | 1,360 | 924   | 438   | 217 | 106 | 28  | 18 | 18          | 79         |
| Semi-skilled                        | 1,661             | 27  | 65  | 375   | 450   | 359   | 179   | 87  | 49  | 30  | 9  | 5           | 26         |
| Unskilled                           | 989               | 10  | 21  | 159   | 233   | 229   | 160   | 93  | 38  | 14  | 6  | 4           | 22         |
| Not classified                      | 4,385             | 60  | 176 | 990   | 1,194 | 910   | 477   | 271 | 114 | 68  | 16 | 20          | 89         |
| Widowed/divorced/separated          |                   |     |     |       |       |       |       |     |     |     |    |             |            |
| Total                               | 1,069             | 42  | 83  | 196   | 255   | 224   | 131</ |     |     |     |    |             |            |

TABLE 12 - continued

| Code | Description   | NHS Hospitals |          | Approved and other places |          |
|------|---|---------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
|      |   | Number        | Per cent | Number                    | Per cent |
|      | Concerning economic factors                                     |               |          |                           |          |
|      | Total   | 2,190         | 8.9      | 791                       | 4.8      |
| 60   | Insufficient income for family - husband not able to support    | 58            | 0.2      | 11                        | 0.1      |
| 61   | Loss of employment for woman                                    | 222           | 0.9      | 186                       | 1.1      |
| 63   | Other specified economic reasons                                | 23            | 0.1      | 5                         | 0.0      |
| 64   | Unspecified economic reasons, financial difficulties            | 1,887         | 7.7      | 589                       | 3.6      |
|      | Concerning housing  |               |          |                           |          |
|      | Total   | 367           | 1.5      | 366                       | 2.2      |
| 65   | Inadequate housing  | 95            | 0.4      | 17                        | 0.1      |
| 66   | Material home conditions inadequate                             | 14            | 0.1      | -                         | -        |
| 68   | Other specified environmental reasons                           | 15            | 0.1      | 4                         | 0.0      |
| 69   | Unspecified environmental reasons                               | 243           | 0.9      | 345                       | 2.1      |
|      | Concerning rape and violence                                    |               |          |                           |          |
|      | Total   | 53            | 0.2      | 42                        | 0.3      |
| 70   | Unwanted intercourse under 16                                   | 3             | 0.0      | 6                         | 0.1      |
| 71   | Unwanted intercourse 16 and over                                | -             | -        | 6                         | 0.0      |
| 72   | Rape, single girl under 16                                      | 11            | 0.1      | 5                         | 0.0      |
| 73   | Rape, single girl 16 or over                                    | 18            | 0.1      | 21                        | 0.2      |
| 74   | Rape, married woman   | 10            | 0.0      | 4                         | 0.0      |
| 75   | Incest  | 11            | 0.0      | -                         | -        |
|      | All cases with question 11(c) completed                         |               |          |                           |          |
|      |   | 24,621        | 100.0    | 16,535                    | 100.0    |
|      | All cases with medical reasons and question 11(c) not completed | 28,523        |          | 56,413                    |          |
|      | All cases with question 11(a)-(c) not completed                 | 562           |          | 123                       |          |
|      | Total cases treated for abortion                                | 53,706        |          | 73,071                    |          |

TABLE 13. Legally induced abortions by age, main operation and gestation weeks

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All cases

| Main operation                                   | Gestation weeks * | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|--|-------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| Hysterotomy - abdominal                          |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 10,960   | 227      | 860    | 1,311  | 2,081  | 2,621 | 2,343 | 1,187 | 118         | 212        |
|  | Under 9           | 322      | 4        | 9      | 30     | 57     | 91    | 84    | 37    | 3           | 7          |
|  | 9-12              | 3,672    | 31       | 126    | 288    | 621    | 1,033 | 1,001 | 456   | 39          | 77         |
|  | 13                | 1,502    | 20       | 91     | 143    | 303    | 387   | 336   | 186   | 15          | 21         |
|  | 14                | 1,315    | 23       | 78     | 162    | 291    | 322   | 260   | 140   | 11          | 28         |
|  | 15-16             | 1,921    | 59       | 212    | 264    | 370    | 424   | 359   | 186   | 22          | 25         |
|  | 17-19             | 1,309    | 59       | 212    | 232    | 262    | 225   | 172   | 110   | 17          | 20         |
|  | 20-23             | 458      | 23       | 84     | 119    | 74     | 60    | 49    | 31    | 8           | 10         |
|  | 24 and over       | 62       | 1        | 14     | 15     | 12     | 10    | 3     | 5     | 1           | 1          |
|  | Not stated        | 399      | 7        | 34     | 58     | 91     | 69    | 79    | 36    | 2           | 23         |
| Hysterotomy - vaginal                            |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 488      | 19       | 76     | 96     | 93     | 78    | 76    | 32    | 4           | 14         |
|  | Under 9           | 52       | 1        | 4      | 9      | 11     | 8     | 10    | 7     | 1           | 1          |
|  | 9-12              | 265      | 7        | 49     | 57     | 49     | 45    | 35    | 13    | -           | 10         |
|  | 13                | 43       | 3        | 4      | 5      | 8      | 5     | 12    | 4     | -           | 2          |
|  | 14                | 30       | 1        | 4      | 6      | 8      | 6     | 3     | 1     | 1           | -          |
|  | 15-16             | 35       | 1        | 6      | 7      | 5      | 6     | 8     | 1     | 1           | -          |
|  | 17-19             | 35       | 4        | 4      | 6      | 8      | 6     | 3     | 4     | -           | -          |
|  | 20-23             | 5        | 1        | 3      | 1      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|  | 24 and over       | -        | -        | -      | -      | -      | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|  | Not stated        | 23       | 1        | 2      | 5      | 4      | 2     | 5     | 2     | 1           | 1          |
| Hysterectomy                                     |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 1,034    | -        | 9      | 30     | 111    | 219   | 367   | 237   | 40          | 21         |
|  | Under 9           | 55       | -        | -      | 5      | 14     | 25    | 7     | 2     | 2           | 2          |
|  | 9-12              | 505      | -        | 2      | 8      | 60     | 97    | 193   | 114   | 21          | 10         |
|  | 13                | 113      | -        | 1      | 3      | 9      | 23    | 47    | 27    | 3           | -          |
|  | 14                | 91       | -        | -      | 2      | 13     | 18    | 24    | 30    | 3           | 1          |
|  | 15-16             | 118      | -        | -      | 5      | 11     | 31    | 31    | 30    | 5           | 3          |
|  | 17-19             | 71       | -        | 1      | 5      | 6      | 15    | 24    | 15    | 4           | 1          |
|  | 20-23             | 26       | -        | 3      | 2      | 2      | 6     | 4     | 8     | 1           | -          |
|  | 24 and over       | 9        | -        | -      | -      | -      | 3     | 4     | 2     | -           | -          |
|  | Not stated        | 46       | -        | -      | 5      | 5      | 12    | 15    | 4     | 1           | 4          |
| Vacuum aspiration                                |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 52,767   | 1,277    | 9,774  | 14,290 | 10,012 | 7,917 | 5,771 | 2,398 | 214         | 1,114      |
|  | Under 9           | 10,595   | 155      | 1,277  | 2,516  | 2,186  | 2,004 | 1,609 | 595   | 44          | 209        |
|  | 9-12              | 34,148   | 839      | 6,542  | 9,402  | 6,409  | 5,002 | 3,567 | 1,548 | 144         | 695        |
|  | 13                | 3,570    | 125      | 922    | 1,054  | 623    | 396   | 270   | 103   | 13          | 64         |
|  | 14                | 1,590    | 72       | 427    | 513    | 269    | 152   | 78    | 49    | 3           | 27         |
|  | 15-16             | 1,008    | 34       | 275    | 309    | 183    | 104   | 53    | 28    | 4           | 18         |
|  | 17-19             | 312      | 13       | 92     | 98     | 53     | 26    | 16    | 6     | -           | 8          |
|  | 20-23             | 80       | 4        | 18     | 23     | 17     | 8     | 6     | 2     | -           | 2          |
|  | 24 and over       | 23       | -        | 2      | 6      | 5      | 5     | 3     | 1     | -           | 1          |
|  | Not stated        | 1,441    | 35       | 219    | 369    | 267    | 220   | 169   | 66    | 6           | 90         |
| Dilatation                                       |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 57,731   | 871      | 11,121 | 17,450 | 10,762 | 8,345 | 5,816 | 2,325 | 202         | 839        |
|  | Under 9           | 12,822   | 121      | 1,479  | 3,427  | 2,750  | 2,403 | 1,764 | 626   | 57          | 195        |
|  | 9-12              | 31,940   | 463      | 6,281  | 9,735  | 5,905  | 4,534 | 3,174 | 1,323 | 99          | 426        |
|  | 13                | 4,592    | 88       | 1,158  | 1,538  | 758    | 527   | 319   | 124   | 20          | 60         |
|  | 14                | 2,953    | 66       | 818    | 977    | 449    | 311   | 214   | 82    | 3           | 33         |
|  | 15-16             | 2,881    | 77       | 793    | 1,018  | 438    | 264   | 160   | 81    | 10          | 40         |
|  | 17-19             | 1,273    | 27       | 375    | 440    | 212    | 96    | 65    | 33    | 5           | 20         |
|  | 20-23             | 227      | 10       | 56     | 66     | 39     | 23    | 20    | 9     | 1           | 3          |
|  | 24 and over       | 26       | -        | 4      | 9      | 5      | 2     | -     | -     | 1           | 2          |
|  | Not stated        | 1,017    | 19       | 157    | 240    | 208    | 182   | 98    | 47    | 6           | 60         |
| Other types of termination<br>(not listed above) |                   |          |          |        |        |        |       |       |       |             |            |
|  | Total             | 3,590    | 217      | 999    | 1,039  | 557    | 366   | 232   | 106   | 10          | 64         |
|  | Under 9           | 94       | 3        | 12     | 28     | 17     | 12    | 7     | 11    | 1           | 3          |
|  | 9-12              | 752      | 33       | 190    | 197    | 121    | 92    | 64    | 36    | 2           | 17         |
|  | 13                | 361      | 20       | 96     | 95     | 62     | 43    | 28    | 12    | 1           | 4          |
|  | 14                | 348      | 21       | 115    | 99     | 51     | 35    | 19    | 4     | -           | 4          |
|  | 15-16             | 866      | 51       | 229    | 274    | 140    | 96    | 44    | 17    | 2           | 13         |
|  | 17-19             | 790      | 60       | 233    | 244    | 114    | 61    | 52    | 15    | 1           | 10         |
|  | 20-23             | 223      | 14       | 80     | 64     | 34     | 11    | 9     | 6     | 1           | 4          |
|  | 24 and over       | 19       | 1        | 5      | 8      | 2      | 1     | 1     | 1     | -           | -          |
|  | Not stated        | 137      | 14       | 39     | 30     | 16     | 1     |       |       |             |            |

TABLE 14. Legally induced abortions by month of operation, age and marital status

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**Cases resident in England and Wales**

| Age<br>and marital status | Total  | Month of operation |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|---------------------------|--------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
|                           |        | Jan.               | Feb.  | March | April | May   | June  | July  | Aug.  | Sept. | Oct.  | Nov.  | Dec.  |
| <b>All ages</b>           |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 94,570 | 6,906              | 7,136 | 8,163 | 7,319 | 7,826 | 8,282 | 8,738 | 8,049 | 7,722 | 8,330 | 8,372 | 7,727 |
| Single                    | 44,302 | 3,167              | 3,255 | 3,760 | 3,436 | 3,675 | 3,777 | 4,178 | 3,899 | 3,662 | 4,035 | 3,852 | 3,606 |
| Married                   | 41,536 | 3,122              | 3,242 | 3,659 | 3,174 | 3,477 | 3,741 | 3,786 | 3,438 | 3,316 | 3,544 | 3,652 | 3,385 |
| Widowed                   | 744    | 63                 | 49    | 71    | 56    | 65    | 44    | 80    | 60    | 70    | 51    | 77    | 58    |
| Divorced/separated        | 7,877  | 548                | 573   | 657   | 647   | 598   | 713   | 682   | 648   | 666   | 691   | 782   | 672   |
| Not known                 | 111    | 6                  | 17    | 16    | 6     | 11    | 7     | 12    | 4     | 8     | 9     | 9     | 6     |
| 10-15                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 2,296  | 144                | 166   | 201   | 160   | 162   | 197   | 227   | 211   | 199   | 242   | 205   | 182   |
| Single                    | 2,296  | 144                | 166   | 201   | 160   | 162   | 197   | 227   | 211   | 199   | 242   | 205   | 182   |
| Married                   | -      | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Widowed                   | -      | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Divorced/separated        | -      | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Not known                 | -      | -                  | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| 16-19                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 18,176 | 1,245              | 1,299 | 1,556 | 1,404 | 1,502 | 1,534 | 1,728 | 1,580 | 1,514 | 1,657 | 1,649 | 1,508 |
| Single                    | 17,383 | 1,198              | 1,251 | 1,481 | 1,340 | 1,439 | 1,462 | 1,647 | 1,531 | 1,444 | 1,600 | 1,553 | 1,437 |
| Married                   | 591    | 33                 | 37    | 48    | 49    | 44    | 56    | 65    | 33    | 57    | 46    | 70    | 53    |
| Widowed                   | 5      | 1                  | -     | -     | 1     | 1     | -     | -     | 1     | -     | -     | -     | 1     |
| Divorced/separated        | 191    | 13                 | 8     | 26    | 14    | 18    | 16    | 16    | 15    | 13    | 10    | 25    | 17    |
| Not known                 | 6      | -                  | 3     | 1     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | 1     | 1     | -     |
| 20-24                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 24,465 | 1,817              | 1,895 | 2,049 | 1,949 | 2,099 | 2,155 | 2,218 | 2,107 | 1,943 | 2,141 | 2,085 | 2,007 |
| Single                    | 16,934 | 1,272              | 1,295 | 1,439 | 1,345 | 1,439 | 1,498 | 1,519 | 1,493 | 1,350 | 1,527 | 1,397 | 1,360 |
| Married                   | 5,640  | 405                | 459   | 460   | 443   | 519   | 507   | 532   | 452   | 416   | 455   | 511   | 481   |
| Widowed                   | 59     | 5                  | 4     | 5     | 4     | 9     | 4     | 9     | 3     | 6     | 4     | 3     | 3     |
| Divorced/separated        | 1,808  | 134                | 134   | 143   | 155   | 128   | 145   | 156   | 158   | 167   | 152   | 174   | 162   |
| Not known                 | 24     | 1                  | 3     | 2     | 2     | 4     | 1     | 2     | 1     | 4     | 3     | -     | 1     |
| 25-29                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 17,292 | 1,224              | 1,283 | 1,533 | 1,299 | 1,436 | 1,459 | 1,633 | 1,451 | 1,360 | 1,518 | 1,605 | 1,491 |
| Single                    | 4,870  | 341                | 336   | 407   | 369   | 412   | 369   | 516   | 424   | 428   | 417   | 441   | 410   |
| Married                   | 9,845  | 688                | 756   | 900   | 725   | 830   | 868   | 882   | 816   | 755   | 868   | 907   | 850   |
| Widowed                   | 148    | 9                  | 8     | 13    | 11    | 13    | 4     | 13    | 11    | 18    | 14    | 19    | 15    |
| Divorced/separated        | 2,411  | 184                | 178   | 210   | 194   | 179   | 216   | 221   | 199   | 159   | 218   | 237   | 216   |
| Not known                 | 18     | 2                  | 5     | 3     | -     | 2     | 2     | 1     | 1     | -     | 1     | 1     | -     |
| 30-34                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 14,203 | 1,096              | 1,108 | 1,272 | 1,071 | 1,176 | 1,259 | 1,261 | 1,185 | 1,193 | 1,224 | 1,267 | 1,091 |
| Single                    | 1,358  | 97                 | 96    | 105   | 101   | 118   | 128   | 130   | 113   | 114   | 138   | 122   | 96    |
| Married                   | 10,900 | 883                | 864   | 995   | 812   | 902   | 969   | 969   | 924   | 896   | 912   | 938   | 836   |
| Widowed                   | 180    | 13                 | 16    | 14    | 15    | 18    | 8     | 21    | 12    | 15    | 10    | 20    | 18    |
| Divorced/separated        | 1,750  | 102                | 131   | 155   | 142   | 138   | 153   | 140   | 135   | 166   | 164   | 184   | 140   |
| Not known                 | 15     | 1                  | 1     | 3     | 1     | -     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 2     | -     | 3     | 1     |
| 35-39                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 11,023 | 811                | 867   | 937   | 891   | 874   | 1,025 | 1,007 | 915   | 918   | 925   | 963   | 890   |
| Single                    | 546    | 39                 | 41    | 51    | 40    | 40    | 33    | 60    | 51    | 55    | 35    | 53    | 48    |
| Married                   | 9,068  | 679                | 729   | 783   | 733   | 726   | 840   | 828   | 741   | 740   | 771   | 772   | 726   |
| Widowed                   | 213    | 19                 | 12    | 20    | 15    | 14    | 22    | 20    | 15    | 21    | 16    | 25    | 14    |
| Divorced/separated        | 1,179  | 74                 | 83    | 79    | 102   | 93    | 129   | 97    | 108   | 102   | 101   | 111   | 100   |
| Not known                 | 17     | -                  | 2     | 4     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 2     | -     | -     | 2     | 2     | 2     |
| 40-44                     |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 4,869  | 382                | 356   | 403   | 382   | 405   | 428   | 468   | 423   | 410   | 409   | 418   | 385   |
| Single                    | 135    | 6                  | 10    | 10    | 20    | 12    | 12    | 10    | 8     | 4     | 14    | 14    | 15    |
| Married                   | 4,251  | 335                | 315   | 354   | 324   | 354   | 376   | 404   | 378   | 352   | 363   | 358   | 338   |
| Widowed                   | 117    | 13                 | 6     | 15    | 6     | 9     | 6     | 15    | 17    | 10    | 4     | 9     | 7     |
| Divorced/separated        | 356    | 27                 | 25    | 23    | 31    | 29    | 33    | 36    | 20    | 44    | 27    | 37    | 24    |
| Not known                 | 10     | 1                  | -     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 1     | 3     | -     | -     | 1     | -     | 1     |
| 45 and over               |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 451    | 34                 | 32    | 38    | 35    | 28    | 50    | 37    | 33    | 46    | 43    | 44    | 31    |
| Single                    | 13     | -                  | -     | 1     | 2     | 3     | 1     | 1     | 3     | -     | -     | 2     | -     |
| Married                   | 393    | 30                 | 28    | 31    | 30    | 24    | 46    | 33    | 25    | 42    | 38    | 37    | 29    |
| Widowed                   | 12     | 2                  | 2     | 1     | 2     | 1     | -     | 1     | 1     | -     | 2     | -     | -     |
| Divorced/separated        | 31     | 2                  | 2     | 3     | 1     | -     | 3     | 2     | 4     | 4     | 3     | 5     | 2     |
| Not known                 | 2      | -                  | -     | 2     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     |
| Not stated                |        |                    |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
| Total                     | 1,795  | 153                | 130   | 174   | 128   | 144   | 175   | 159   | 144   | 139   | 171   | 136   | 142   |
| Single                    | 767    | 70                 | 60    | 65    | 59    | 50    | 77    | 68    | 65    | 68    | 62    | 65    | 58    |
| Married                   | 848    | 69                 | 54    | 88    | 58    | 78    | 79    | 73    | 69    | 58    | 91    | 59    | 72    |
| Widowed                   | 10     | 1                  | 1     | 3     | 2     | -     | -     | 1     | -     | -     | 1     | 1     | -     |
| Divorced/separated        | 151    | 12                 | 12    | 18    | 8     | 13    | 18    | 14    | 9     | 11    | 16    | 9     | 11    |
| Not known                 | 19     | 1                  | 3     | -     | 1     | 3     | 1     | 3     | 1     | 2     | 1     | 2     | 1     |

TABLE 15A. Legally induced abortions by age, occupation group and marital status

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| Occupation group | Marital status     | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| All groups       | Total              | 32,207   | 322      | 4,696 | 9,782 | 6,361 | 5,378 | 3,616 | 1,430 | 140         | 482        |
|                  | Single             | 16,734   | 322      | 4,505 | 7,567 | 2,667 | 947   | 374   | 108   | 12          | 232        |
|                  | Married            | 13,822   | -        | 181   | 1,963 | 3,201 | 4,010 | 2,928 | 1,195 | 119         | 225        |
|                  | Widowed            | 248      | -        | -     | 13    | 51    | 49    | 77    | 47    | 4           | 7          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 1,383    | -        | 9     | 233   | 439   | 362   | 237   | 80    | 5           | 18         |
| Professional     | Not Known          | 20       | -        | 1     | 6     | 3     | 10    | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                  | Total              | 1,242    | -        | 50    | 236   | 325   | 342   | 194   | 67    | 6           | 22         |
|                  | Single             | 365      | -        | 41    | 124   | 104   | 58    | 25    | 6     | -           | 7          |
|                  | Married            | 830      | -        | 9     | 105   | 205   | 271   | 163   | 57    | 5           | 15         |
|                  | Widowed            | 4        | -        | -     | -     | 2     | 1     | 1     | -     | -           | -          |
| Intermediate     | Divorced/separated | 43       | -        | -     | 7     | 14    | 12    | 5     | 4     | 1           | -          |
|                  | Not Known          | -        | -        | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                  | Total              | 5,653    | 2        | 319   | 1,670 | 1,420 | 1,115 | 718   | 302   | 30          | 77         |
|                  | Single             | 2,646    | 2        | 296   | 1,282 | 693   | 242   | 71    | 22    | 2           | 36         |
|                  | Married            | 2,775    | -        | 23    | 357   | 657   | 818   | 603   | 255   | 27          | 35         |
| Skilled          | Widowed            | 31       | -        | -     | 2     | 7     | 2     | 12    | 7     | -           | 1          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 200      | -        | -     | 28    | 63    | 53    | 32    | 18    | 1           | 5          |
|                  | Not Known          | 1        | -        | -     | 1     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                  | Total              | 12,882   | 35       | 1,647 | 3,991 | 2,761 | 2,209 | 1,465 | 540   | 55          | 171        |
|                  | Single             | 6,691    | 35       | 1,562 | 3,077 | 1,219 | 456   | 200   | 54    | 8           | 80         |
| Semi-skilled     | Married            | 5,425    | -        | 82    | 791   | 1,298 | 1,552 | 1,130 | 441   | 44          | 87         |
|                  | Widowed            | 84       | -        | -     | 5     | 19    | 18    | 20    | 18    | -           | 1          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 671      | -        | 3     | 116   | 222   | 177   | 115   | 27    | 3           | 8          |
|                  | Not Known          | 11       | -        | -     | 2     | 3     | 6     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
|                  | Total              | 2,475    | 8        | 246   | 699   | 465   | 532   | 338   | 142   | 13          | 33         |
| Unskilled        | Single             | 1,077    | 8        | 235   | 515   | 187   | 74    | 34    | 8     | 1           | 1          |
|                  | Married            | 1,288    | -        | 10    | 160   | 254   | 424   | 286   | 127   | 12          | 11         |
|                  | Widowed            | 7        | -        | -     | 1     | -     | 2     | 2     | 2     | -           | -          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 103      | -        | 1     | 23    | 24    | 32    | 16    | 5     | -           | -          |
|                  | Not Known          | -        | -        | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| Not classified   | Total              | 619      | 2        | 59    | 123   | 123   | 131   | 122   | 44    | 4           | 1          |
|                  | Single             | 175      | 2        | 53    | 68    | 30    | 8     | 9     | 2     | -           | -          |
|                  | Married            | 413      | -        | 4     | 48    | 87    | 119   | 107   | 37    | 4           | -          |
|                  | Widowed            | 5        | -        | -     | -     | 1     | 1     | 2     | 1     | -           | -          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 26       | -        | 2     | 7     | 5     | 3     | 4     | 4     | -           | -          |
|                  | Not Known          | -        | -        | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -     | -           | -          |
| Not classified   | Total              | 9,336    | 275      | 2,375 | 3,063 | 1,267 | 1,049 | 779   | 335   | 32          | 16         |
|                  | Single             | 5,780    | 275      | 2,318 | 2,501 | 434   | 109   | 35    | 16    | 1           | 9          |
|                  | Married            | 3,091    | -        | 53    | 502   | 700   | 826   | 639   | 278   | 27          | 6          |
|                  | Widowed            | 117      | -        | -     | 5     | 22    | 25    | 40    | 19    | 4           | -          |
|                  | Divorced/separated | 340      | -        | 3     | 52    | 111   | 85    | 65    | 22    | -           | -          |
|                  | Not Known          | 8        | -        | 1     | 3     | -     | 4     | -     | -     | -           | -          |

TABLE 15B. Legally induced abortions by age and country of usual residence

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| Country                         | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| British Isles                   |          |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |            |
| Scotland                        | 524      | -        | 130   | 205   | 85    | 44    | 33    | 12    | -           |            |
| N.Ireland                       | 648      | 7        | 139   | 234   | 107   | 75    | 44    | 25    | -           |            |
| Irish Republic                  | 578      | 5        | 63    | 254   | 143   | 49    | 39    | 12    | 2           |            |
| Channel Islands and Isle of Man | 215      | 2        | 40    | 82    | 37    | 22    | 19    | 10    | -           |            |
| Europe                          |          |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |            |
| Belgium                         | 2,111    | 15       | 302   | 538   | 422   | 349   | 295   | 143   | 14          |            |
| Denmark                         | 226      | 2        | 31    | 84    | 58    | 34    | 13    | 1     | -           |            |
| France                          | 11,986   | 68       | 1,536 | 4,543 | 2,420 | 1,555 | 1,168 | 476   | 59          |            |
| Germany                         | 13,560   | 197      | 2,059 | 3,008 | 2,597 | 2,936 | 1,819 | 679   | 60          |            |
| Netherlands                     | 792      | 11       | 178   | 261   | 128   | 101   | 70    | 33    | 3           |            |
| Switzerland                     | 389      | 2        | 68    | 145   | 88    | 48    | 26    | 6     | -           |            |
| America                         |          |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |            |
| Canada                          | 67       | -        | 7     | 29    | 12    | 7     | 9     | 1     | -           |            |
| U.S.A.                          | 187      | 3        | 30    | 94    | 31    | 15    | 7     | 4     | -           |            |
| Other countries                 | 924      | 10       | 113   | 305   | 233   | 143   | 74    | 28    | 2           |            |

TABLE 16A. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of residence, age and marital status

| Hospital region         |                            | Marital status |        | All ages | Under 16 | 16-19  | 20-24  | 25-29  | 30-34  | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over | Not stated |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|--------|----------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|
| ENGLAND AND WALES       |                            | Total          | 94,570 | 2,296    | 18,176   | 24,465 | 17,292 | 14,203 | 11,023 | 4,869 | 451   | 1,795       |            |
|                         | Single                     | 44,302         | 2,296  | 17,383   | 16,934   | 4,870  | 1,358  | 546    | 135    | 13    | 767   |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 41,536         | -      | 591      | 5,640    | 9,845  | 10,900 | 9,068  | 4,251  | 393   | 848   |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 8,621          | -      | 196      | 1,867    | 2,559  | 1,930  | 1,392  | 473    | 43    | 161   |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 111            | -      | 6        | 24       | 18     | 15     | 17     | 10     | 2     | 19    |             |            |
| Newcastle               | Total                      | 5,057          | 140    | 943      | 1,066    | 842    | 871    | 767    | 324    | 28    | 76    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,926          | 140    | 901      | 630      | 140    | 51     | 21     | 7      | -     | 36    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 2,591          | -      | 26       | 321      | 559    | 699    | 644    | 282    | 27    | 33    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 534            | -      | 15       | 113      | 142    | 121    | 101    | 34     | 1     | 7     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 6              | -      | 1        | 2        | 1      | -      | 1      | 1      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Leeds                   | Total                      | 4,393          | 133    | 911      | 965      | 701    | 703    | 619    | 274    | 15    | 72    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,910          | 133    | 880      | 648      | 156    | 40     | 13     | 5      | -     | 35    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 2,011          | -      | 22       | 223      | 421    | 545    | 510    | 245    | 14    | 31    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 464            | -      | 8        | 93       | 122    | 117    | 94     | 24     | 1     | 5     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 8              | -      | 1        | 1        | 2      | 1      | 2      | -      | -     | 1     |             |            |
| Sheffield               | Total                      | 6,962          | 242    | 1,398    | 1,488    | 1,128  | 1,189  | 930    | 433    | 47    | 107   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 2,805          | 242    | 1,353    | 906      | 199    | 49     | 22     | 15     | 1     | 38    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 3,492          | -      | 47       | 438      | 742    | 976    | 811    | 375    | 44    | 59    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 659            | -      | 18       | 143      | 186    | 161    | 97     | 42     | 2     | 10    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 6              | -      | 1        | 1        | 3      | -      | 1      | -      | -     | -     |             |            |
| East Anglian            | Total                      | 3,277          | 105    | 623      | 752      | 577    | 538    | 408    | 218    | 20    | 36    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,335          | 105    | 595      | 452      | 123    | 37     | 8      | 2      | -     | 15    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 1,668          | -      | 17       | 233      | 379    | 442    | 364    | 199    | 17    | 17    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 267            | -      | 11       | 67       | 75     | 57     | 34     | 17     | 3     | 3     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 7              | -      | -        | -        | 2      | 2      | -      | -      | -     | 3     |             |            |
| North West Metropolitan | Total                      | 14,343         | 207    | 2,264    | 4,497    | 3,026  | 1,941  | 1,411  | 550    | 66    | 381   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 7,936          | 207    | 2,166    | 3,499    | 1,342  | 358    | 156    | 34     | 2     | 172   |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 5,229          | -      | 81       | 768      | 1,292  | 1,331  | 1,077  | 447    | 57    | 176   |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 1,165          | -      | 17       | 228      | 390    | 250    | 178    | 67     | 7     | 28    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 13             | -      | -        | 2        | 2      | 2      | -      | 2      | -     | 5     |             |            |
| North East Metropolitan | Total                      | 6,782          | 129    | 1,245    | 1,728    | 1,297  | 983    | 772    | 357    | 30    | 241   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 2,973          | 129    | 1,178    | 1,136    | 336    | 68     | 32     | 9      | 1     | 84    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 3,226          | -      | 51       | 479      | 768    | 799    | 641    | 322    | 26    | 140   |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 573            | -      | 16       | 113      | 191    | 113    | 98     | 24     | 3     | 15    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 10             | -      | -        | -        | 2      | 3      | 1      | 2      | -     | 2     |             |            |
| South East Metropolitan | Total                      | 7,715          | 196    | 1,503    | 2,014    | 1,456  | 1,176  | 848    | 348    | 33    | 141   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 3,479          | 196    | 1,431    | 1,331    | 323    | 94     | 46     | 5      | 2     | 61    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 3,507          | -      | 57       | 522      | 914    | 920    | 696    | 302    | 30    | 66    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 721            | -      | 14       | 161      | 217    | 170    | 105    | 41     | 1     | 12    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 8              | -      | 1        | -        | 2      | 2      | 1      | -      | -     | 2     |             |            |
| South West Metropolitan | Total                      | 9,683          | 170    | 1,645    | 3,258    | 1,968  | 1,249  | 808    | 333    | 31    | 221   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 5,845          | 170    | 1,586    | 2,630    | 946    | 281    | 91     | 18     | 2     | 121   |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 3,062          | -      | 47       | 475      | 791    | 778    | 595    | 280    | 24    | 72    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 768            | -      | 12       | 151      | 230    | 190    | 120    | 34     | 5     | 26    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 8              | -      | -        | 2        | 1      | -      | 2      | 1      | -     | 2     |             |            |
| Wessex                  | Total                      | 3,089          | 113    | 636      | 716      | 557    | 442    | 367    | 179    | 18    | 61    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,406          | 113    | 606      | 469      | 158    | 35     | 15     | 9      | -     | 21    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 1,371          | -      | 22       | 166      | 327    | 347    | 314    | 148    | 13    | 34    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 307            | -      | 7        | 81       | 91     | 59     | 38     | 21     | 4     | 6     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 5              | -      | 1        | -        | 1      | 1      | -      | 1      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Oxford                  | Total                      | 3,335          | 114    | 732      | 739      | 585    | 522    | 400    | 180    | 17    | 46    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,462          | 114    | 709      | 479      | 106    | 23     | 7      | 2      | -     | 22    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 1,573          | -      | 18       | 190      | 395    | 424    | 348    | 166    | 14    | 18    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 294            | -      | 4        | 69       | 83     | 74     | 45     | 11     | 3     | 5     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 6              | -      | 1        | 1        | 1      | 1      | -      | 1      | -     | 1     |             |            |
| South Western           | Total                      | 5,146          | 175    | 1,188    | 1,184    | 876    | 701    | 632    | 272    | 32    | 106   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 2,422          | 175    | 1,125    | 788      | 191    | 61     | 26     | 7      | 1     | 48    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 2,282          | -      | 30       | 282      | 567    | 561    | 525    | 240    | 30    | 47    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 438            | -      | 13       | 111      | 118    | 79     | 80     | 25     | 1     | 11    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 4              | -      | 3        | -        | 1      | -      | 1      | -      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Welsh                   | Total                      | 4,798          | 119    | 899      | 1,143    | 873    | 748    | 663    | 304    | 31    | 18    |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 1,848          | 119    | 838      | 681      | 129    | 53     | 15     | 4      | 1     | 8     |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 2,525          | -      | 44       | 368      | 620    | 604    | 573    | 280    | 29    | 7     |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 422            | -      | 17       | 94       | 122    | 91     | 74     | 20     | 1     | 3     |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 3              | -      | -        | -        | 2      | -      | 1      | -      | -     | -     |             |            |
| Birmingham              | Total                      | 9,767          | 238    | 2,179    | 2,424    | 1,655  | 1,499  | 1,120  | 485    | 40    | 127   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 4,495          | 238    | 2,081    | 1,640    | 354    | 92     | 43     | 8      | 2     | 37    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 4,411          | -      | 74       | 584      | 1,039  | 1,232  | 940    | 435    | 34    | 73    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 855            | -      | 24       | 197      | 261    | 175    | 136    | 42     | 4     | 16    |             |            |
|                         | Not stated                 | 6              | -      | -        | 3        | 1      | -      | 1      | -      | -     | 1     |             |            |
| Manchester              | Total                      | 7,095          | 167    | 1,409    | 1,715    | 1,210  | 1,146  | 887    | 421    | 28    | 112   |             |            |
|                         | Single                     | 3,037          | 167    | 1,351    | 1,074    | 253    | 92     | 41     | 8      | 1     | 50    |             |            |
|                         | Married                    | 3,241          | -      | 39       | 442      | 735    | 875    | 717    | 358    | 22    | 53    |             |            |
|                         | Widowed/divorced/separated | 800            | -      | 18       | 191      | 221    |        |        |        |       |       |             |            |

TABLE 16C. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of residence and  
 (i) number of previous live and still born children  
 (ii) statutory grounds  
 (iii) age for cases of previous abortion under the Act  
 (iv) type of operation  
 (v) type of premises and duration of stay  
 (vi) type of premises, gestation weeks, and sterilisation

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|   | England and Wales | Newcastle | Leeds | Sheffield | East Anglian | North West Metropolitan | North East Metropolitan | South East Metropolitan | South West Metropolitan | Wessex | Oxford | South Western | Welsh | Birmingham | Manchester | Liverpool |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Total   | 94,570            | 5,057     | 4,393 | 6,962     | 3,277        | 14,343                  | 6,782                   | 7,715                   | 9,683                   | 3,089  | 3,335  | 5,146         | 4,798 | 9,767      | 7,095      | 3,128     |
| (i) Number of previous live and still born children |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| 0   | 43,245            | 1,838     | 1,861 | 2,762     | 1,334        | 7,785                   | 2,974                   | 3,360                   | 5,621                   | 1,397  | 1,451  | 2,351         | 1,844 | 4,389      | 2,925      | 1,353     |
| 1   | 10,286            | 514       | 422   | 716       | 299          | 1,754                   | 750                     | 893                     | 1,124                   | 317    | 324    | 498           | 517   | 1,094      | 773        | 331       |
| 2   | 16,001            | 913       | 743   | 1,235     | 627          | 2,121                   | 1,279                   | 1,415                   | 1,285                   | 546    | 581    | 890           | 936   | 1,661      | 1,282      | 507       |
| 3   | 12,122            | 774       | 611   | 1,057     | 551          | 1,365                   | 914                     | 1,006                   | 811                     | 415    | 513    | 706           | 714   | 1,252      | 1,003      | 430       |
| 4   | 6,695             | 523       | 379   | 594       | 266          | 671                     | 460                     | 556                     | 418                     | 215    | 248    | 409           | 415   | 702        | 575        | 264       |
| 5   | 2,973             | 237       | 179   | 286       | 107          | 288                     | 213                     | 249                     | 176                     | 99     | 110    | 130           | 189   | 332        | 249        | 129       |
| 6   | 1,439             | 112       | 86    | 148       | 45           | 142                     | 87                      | 110                     | 55                      | 98     | 37     | 60            | 55    | 99         | 166        | 145       |
| 7   | 649               | 70        | 56    | 73        | 22           | 64                      | 35                      | 43                      | 28                      | 12     | 22     | 24            | 42    | 84         | 58         | 36        |
| 8   | 298               | 31        | 22    | 33        | 6            | 22                      | 18                      | 15                      | 10                      | 7      | 7      | 15            | 21    | 39         | 38         | 14        |
| 9 and over  | 273               | 27        | 21    | 27        | 4            | 23                      | 15                      | 24                      | 11                      | 4      | 7      | 18            | 17    | 37         | 31         | 7         |
| Not stated  | 589               | 18        | 33    | 31        | 16           | 128                     | 57                      | 44                      | 101                     | 40     | 12     | 50            | 4     | 11         | 36         | 8         |
| (ii) Statutory grounds*                             |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| 1   | 1,882             | 88        | 116   | 176       | 111          | 183                     | 162                     | 123                     | 124                     | 99     | 42     | 131           | 76    | 188        | 218        | 45        |
| 2   | 71,443            | 3,503     | 3,159 | 5,023     | 2,248        | 11,378                  | 5,201                   | 6,308                   | 8,090                   | 1,969  | 2,243  | 4,074         | 3,751 | 6,883      | 5,264      | 2,349     |
| 3   | 4,140             | 507       | 237   | 310       | 126          | 437                     | 240                     | 271                     | 268                     | 183    | 352    | 246           | 214   | 277        | 350        | 142       |
| 4   | 1,327             | 106       | 81    | 112       | 66           | 132                     | 94                      | 69                      | 69                      | 48     | 81     | 79            | 104   | 122        | 96         | 48        |
| 5   | 10                | 1         | 2     | -         | 1            | -                       | 2                       | -                       | 1                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | 1          | 3          | -         |
| 6   | 10                | 1         | -     | 1         | 1            | 2                       | -                       | 1                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | 1          | 1          | -         |
| 2 with 4  | 910               | 55        | 35    | 105       | 40           | 104                     | 61                      | 65                      | 56                      | 39     | 30     | 53            | 63    | 90         | 80         | 34        |
| 3 with others                                       | 14,848            | 796       | 763   | 1,235     | 684          | 2,107                   | 1,022                   | 1,074                   | 751                     | 607    | 563    | 589           | 2,206 | 1,083      | 510        |           |
| (iii) Previous abortion cases by age                |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| All ages  | 2,364             | 113       | 90    | 140       | 73           | 501                     | 229                     | 215                     | 318                     | 43     | 83     | 117           | 60    | 238        | 103        | 41        |
| Under 16  | 25                | 3         | 1     | -         | 2            | 3                       | 1                       | 2                       | 1                       | -      | 2      | -             | 5     | 1          | 2          |           |
| 16-19   | 322               | 15        | 13    | 21        | 13           | 48                      | 33                      | 35                      | 38                      | 1      | 13     | 20            | 5     | 44         | 16         | 7         |
| 20-24   | 778               | 29        | 23    | 35        | 31           | 157                     | 73                      | 67                      | 125                     | 17     | 26     | 43            | 22    | 74         | 42         | 14        |
| 25-29   | 540               | 25        | 18    | 30        | 14           | 145                     | 49                      | 45                      | 78                      | 11     | 19     | 22            | 11    | 41         | 20         | 12        |
| 30-39   | 586               | 36        | 31    | 43        | 13           | 124                     | 53                      | 55                      | 61                      | 12     | 21     | 29            | 20    | 63         | 21         | 4         |
| 40 and over   | 65                | 5         | 2     | 9         | -            | 12                      | 11                      | 4                       | 7                       | -      | 3      | -             | 1     | 8          | 2          | 1         |
| Not stated  | 48                | -         | 2     | 2         | -            | 12                      | 9                       | 7                       | 1                       | 1      | 1      | 1             | 3     | 1          | 1          |           |
| (iv) Type of operation                              |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| Hysterotomy-abdominal                               | 10,661            | 989       | 499   | 969       | 690          | 761                     | 636                     | 715                     | 548                     | 438    | 169    | 596           | 1,133 | 705        | 1,372      | 441       |
| Hysterotomy-vaginal                                 | 476               | 23        | 8     | 22        | 1            | 33                      | 21                      | 26                      | 36                      | 30     | 18     | 181           | 21    | 21         | 29         | 6         |
| Hysterectomy  | 1,025             | 63        | 29    | 87        | 34           | 90                      | 80                      | 60                      | 63                      | 27     | 95     | 116           | 74    | 80         | 55         | 52        |
| Vacuum aspiration                                   | 44,553            | 2,842     | 2,089 | 2,020     | 1,911        | 8,261                   | 3,428                   | 4,752                   | 5,192                   | 1,547  | 2,008  | 2,638         | 2,282 | 2,381      | 2,478      | 1,024     |
| Dilatation  | 33,943            | 776       | 1,725 | 3,727     | 605          | 4,731                   | 2,530                   | 1,793                   | 3,395                   | 1,002  | 1,083  | 857           | 6,507 | 2,918      | 1,458      |           |
| Other types of termination (not listed above)       | 3,445             | 333       | 37    | 129       | 30           | 435                     | 71                      | 351                     | 440                     | 38     | 206    | 3             | 524   | 430        | 57         | 225       |
| Not stated  | 167               | 11        | 6     | 8         | 6            | 32                      | 16                      | 18                      | 9                       | 7      | 3      | 1             | 16    | 18         | 139        | 8         |

\* For statutory grounds see page iii.

TABLE 16C - continued

|   | England and Wales | Newcastle | Leeds | Sheffield | East Anglian | North West Metropolitan | North East Metropolitan | South East Metropolitan | South West Metropolitan | Wessex | Oxford | South Western | Welsh | Birmingham | Manchester | Liverpool |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|------------|------------|-----------|
| (v) Type of premises and duration of stay |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| <b>All premises</b>                       |                   |           |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |
| Total                                     | 94,570            | 5,057     | 4,393 | 6,962     | 3,277        | 14,343                  | 6,782                   | 7,715                   | 9,683                   | 3,089  | 3,335  | 5,146         | 4,798 | 9,767      | 7,095      | 3,128     |
| 0 days                                    | 3,609             | 53        | 96    | 82        | 38           | 639                     | 698                     | 670                     | 516                     | 104    | 82     | 164           | 55    | 71         | 294        | 47        |
| 1 day                                     | 38,765            | 423       | 1,777 | 2,719     | 690          | 6,969                   | 2,660                   | 2,443                   | 5,139                   | 1,275  | 1,352  | 1,675         | 7,333 | 2,123      | 1,311      |           |
| 2 days                                    | 14,190            | 1,067     | 633   | 1,044     | 950          | 1,703                   | 932                     | 1,208                   | 1,544                   | 589    | 823    | 1,374         | 1,207 | 445        | 813        | 248       |
| 3 days                                    | 8,217             | 829       | 623   | 790       | 199          | 1,333                   | 504                     | 623                     | 778                     | 264    | 187    | 397           | 372   | 212        | 676        | 230       |
| 4 days                                    | 4,376             | 405       | 194   | 349       | 141          | 696                     | 273                     | 361                     | 430                     | 72     | 101    | 243           | 347   | 119        | 515        | 140       |
| 5 days                                    | 2,415             | 261       | 84    | 202       | 98           | 475                     | 146                     | 180                     | 154                     | 69     | 131    | 161           | 84    | 244        | 80         |           |
| 6 days                                    | 1,775             | 142       | 86    | 154       | 101          | 226                     | 109                     | 182                     | 141                     | 44     | 63     | 130           | 114   | 49         | 149        | 85        |
| 7 days and over                           | 11,570            | 1,041     | 569   | 1,251     | 455          | 1,241                   | 771                     | 1,016                   | 763                     | 394    |        |               |       |            |            |           |

TABLE 16D. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of operation,  
type of premises and hospital region of residence.

England and Wales:  
Hospital regions, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Hospital region of operation | England and Wales | Hospital region of residence |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|-------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------------|-------|------------|------------|-----------|---|
|                              |                   | Newcastle                    | Leeds | Sheffield | East Anglian | North West Metropolitan | South East Metropolitan | South West Metropolitan | Wessex | Oxford | South Western | Welsh | Birmingham | Manchester | Liverpool |   |
| ENGLAND AND WALES            |                   |                              |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            |           |   |
| N H S                        | 53,455            | 4,661                        | 2,384 | 4,038     | 2,424        | 6,740                   | 3,715                   | 5,328                   | 3,831  | 1,824  | 2,026         | 3,569 | 2,331      | 5,027      | 1,776     |   |
| Non N H S                    | 41,115            | 396                          | 2,009 | 2,924     | 853          | 7,603                   | 3,067                   | 2,387                   | 5,852  | 1,265  | 1,309         | 1,577 | 1,017      | 2,068      | 1,352     |   |
| Newcastle                    | N H S             | 4,713                        | 4,643 | 55        | 4            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | 1     | -          | 3          | -         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 45                | 40                           | 5     | -         | -            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | -          | -          | -         |   |
| Leeds                        | N H S             | 2,162                        | 3     | 2,131     | 25           | 1                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | 1          | 2          | -         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 99                | 4                            | 94    | 1         | -            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | -          | -          | -         |   |
| Sheffield                    | N H S             | 3,973                        | 7     | 56        | 3,880        | 3                       | 1                       | 3                       | -      | -      | 2             | -     | 13         | 4          | 3         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 267               | -                            | 14    | 250       | 1            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | 1             | -     | -          | 1          | -         |   |
| East Anglian                 | N H S             | 2,462                        | -     | -         | 60           | 2,355                   | 11                      | 23                      | 3      | 1      | 1             | 9     | 1          | 1          | -         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 462               | -                            | 3     | 18        | 392          | 10                      | 25                      | 3                       | 1      | -      | -             | 6     | 1          | 2          | 1         |   |
| North West Metropolitan      | N H S             | 4,485                        | -     | 1         | 2            | 29                      | 4,163                   | 91                      | 16     | 120    | 12            | 42    | 3          | 1          | 1         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 16,789            | 139                          | 516   | 697       | 249          | 5,301                   | 1,892                   | 975                     | 3,786  | 607    | 563           | 373   | 315        | 587        | 553       |   |
| North East Metropolitan      | N H S             | 3,433                        | -     | 1         | 2            | 24                      | 158                     | 3,168                   | 23     | 44     | 5             | 3     | 2          | 2          | 6         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 4,201             | 19                           | 31    | 28        | 84           | 1,310                   | 787                     | 317                     | 1,127  | 177    | 145           | 79    | 55         | 8          | 28        |   |
| South East Metropolitan      | N H S             | 4,420                        | -     | -         | -            | 3                       | 42                      | 32                      | 4,212  | 98     | 3             | 2     | 21         | 1          | 2         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 4,925             | 69                           | 482   | 434       | 52           | 333                     | 164                     | 4967                    | 484    | 147    | 159           | 85    | 155        | 335        | 204       |   |
| South West Metropolitan      | N H S             | 2,081                        | -     | 5         | 3            | -                       | 163                     | 6                       | 29     | 1,851  | 14            | 3     | 5          | 1          | -         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 1,292             | 14                           | 17    | 31        | 47           | 447                     | 138                     | 94                      | 308    | 56     | 42            | 39    | 13         | 6          | 29        |   |
| Wessex                       | N H S             | 1,797                        | -     | 1         | 2            | 1                       | -                       | 5                       | -      | 1,738  | 18            | 6     | 25         | -          | -         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 374               | 1                            | 2     | 2         | 1            | 28                      | 16                      | 7                       | 53     | 231    | 1             | 3     | 4          | 4          | -         |   |
| Oxford                       | N H S             | 2,035                        | -     | -         | 4            | 2                       | 101                     | 2                       | -      | 1      | 9             | 22    | 1,881      | 11         | 1         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 169               | -                            | -     | 3         | 2            | 7                       | -                       | 1                       | 2      | 1      | 8             | 2     | 4          | 6          | -         |   |
| South Western                | N H S             | 3,609                        | -     | -         | -            | 1                       | 1                       | 1                       | 1      | 9      | 50            | 3,481 | 12         | 51         | 2         |   |
| Non N H S                    | 903               | -                            | 1     | -         | -            | -                       | -                       | -                       | 1      | 5      | 29            | 785   | 78         | 2          | -         |   |
| Welsh                        | N H S             | 3,693                        | -     | -         | -            | -                       | 2                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | 5     | 3,674      | 7          | 1         |   |
| Non N H S                    | -                 | -                            | -     | -         | -            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | -     | -          | -          | 4         |   |
| Birmingham                   | N H S             | 2,484                        | 2     | 1         | 40           | -                       | 3                       | 1                       | 1      | 1      | 88            | 41    | 220        | 190        | 31        |   |
| Non N H S                    | 10,548            | 90                           | 762   | 1,377     | 25           | 165                     | 45                      | 24                      | 88     | 41     | 220           | 190   | 327        | 5,942      | 160       |   |
| Manchester                   | N H S             | 4,985                        | 2     | 129       | 6            | 3                       | -                       | -                       | -      | 1      | 1             | -     | 3          | 5          | 4,782     |   |
| Non N H S                    | 120               | -                            | -     | -         | -            | -                       | -                       | -                       | -      | -      | -             | 2     | 2          | 2          | 4,112     |   |
| Liverpool                    | N H S             | 1,824                        | 1     | 1         | 3            | -                       | 1                       | 4                       | -      | 1      | 2             | -     | 1          | 3          | 62        |   |
| Non N H S                    | 921               | 20                           | 82    | 83        | -            | 4                       | -                       | 1                       | 2      | -      | 1             | 3     | 43         | 69         | 24        |   |
| London Teaching Hospitals    | N H S             | 5,299                        | 3     | 3         | 8            | 7                       | 2,087                   | 388                     | 1,044  | 1,697  | 19            | 15    | 11         | 8          | 1         | 6 |
|                              |                   |                              |       |           |              |                         |                         |                         |        |        |               |       |            |            | 2         |   |

TABLE 17. Legally induced abortions by marital status, age and place of operation, by area of usual residence.

England and Wales, standard regions, conurbations,  
Urban and rural aggregates, hospital regions,  
Selected administrative areas, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales.

| Area of usual residence  | Total  | Marital status |         |        | Age      |          |        |          |        |          | Hospital region of operation |          |             |          | Home region |        | Other region |        |          |
|--------------------------|--------|----------------|---------|--------|----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|----------|------------------------------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|--------|--------------|--------|----------|
|                          |        | Single         | Married | Others | Under 16 |          | 16-19  |          | 20-34  |          | 35-44                        |          | 45 and over |          | Not stated  | N.H.S. |              | N.H.S. |          |
|                          |        |                |         |        | N.H.S.   | Hospital | N.H.S. | Hospital | N.H.S. | Hospital | N.H.S.                       | Hospital | N.H.S.      | Hospital |             | N.H.S. | Hospital     | N.H.S. | Hospital |
| ENGLAND AND WALES        | 94,570 | 44,302         | 41,536  | 8,732  | 2,296    | 18,176   | 55,960 | 15,892   | 451    | 1,795    | 49,559                       | 15,771   | 3,896       | 25,344   |             |        |              |        |          |
| Standard regions:        |        |                |         |        |          |          |        |          |        |          |                              |          |             |          |             |        |              |        |          |
| North                    | 5,445  | 2,091          | 2,776   | 578    | 149      | 1,036    | 2,972  | 1,166    | 30     | 92       | 4,880                        | 63       | 67          | 435      |             |        |              |        |          |
| Yorkshire and Humberside | 6,775  | 2,812          | 3,256   | 707    | 224      | 1,342    | 3,714  | 1,347    | 32     | 116      | 5,866                        | 253      | 248         | 2,408    |             |        |              |        |          |
| North West               | 10,134 | 4,420          | 4,547   | 1,167  | 214      | 2,008    | 5,837  | 1,873    | 42     | 160      | 6,432                        | 537      | 310         | 2,655    |             |        |              |        |          |
| East Midlands            | 5,017  | 2,092          | 2,453   | 473    | 176      | 1,059    | 2,701  | 990      | 32     | 59       | 2,396                        | 75       | 132         | 2,414    |             |        |              |        |          |
| West Midlands            | 9,767  | 4,495          | 4,411   | 861    | 238      | 2,179    | 5,578  | 1,605    | 40     | 127      | 2,242                        | 5,942    | 89          | 1,494    |             |        |              |        |          |
| East Anglia              | 3,098  | 1,264          | 1,569   | 265    | 99       | 586      | 1,772  | 587      | 19     | 33       | 2,228                        | 378      | 53          | 439      |             |        |              |        |          |
| South East               | 43,544 | 22,518         | 17,279  | 3,747  | 872      | 7,731    | 27,403 | 6,290    | 188    | 1,067    | 19,877                       | 7,695    | 2,722       | 13,250   |             |        |              |        |          |
| South West               | 5,992  | 2,763          | 2,720   | 509    | 205      | 1,334    | 5,219  | 1,067    | 37     | 130      | 3,964                        | 828      | 168         | 1,032    |             |        |              |        |          |
| Wales                    | 4,798  | 1,848          | 2,525   | 425    | 119      | 899      | 2,764  | 967      | 31     | 18       | 3,674                        | -        | 107         | 1,017    |             |        |              |        |          |
| Conurbations:            |        |                |         |        |          |          |        |          |        |          |                              |          |             |          |             |        |              |        |          |
| Tyneside                 | 1,683  | 638            | 852     | 193    | 37       | 294      | 973    | 339      | 9      | 31       | 1,563</td                    |          |             |          |             |        |              |        |          |

TABLE 17 - continued

| Area of usual residence                    | Total | Marital status |         |        | Age      |       |       |       |             |            | Hospital region of operation |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
|--|-------|----------------|---------|--------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|------------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|--------|-----|--|
|  |       |                |         |        | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-34 | 35-44 | 45 and over | Not stated | Home region                  |        |                 | Other region |        |     |  |
|  |       | Single         | Married | Others | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-34 | 35-44 | 45 and over | Not stated | N.H.S. Hospital              | N.H.S. | N.H.S. Hospital | N.H.S.       | N.H.S. | Non |  |
| <b>Devon</b>                               |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Plymouth C.B.                              | 260   | 114            | 118     | 28     | 9        | 55    | 137   | 51    | -           | 8          | 209                          | 5      | 1               | 45           |        |     |  |
| Torbay C.B.                                | 236   | 136            | 76      | 24     | 4        | 61    | 139   | 28    | 3           | 12         | 207                          | 6      | 1               | 23           |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 597   | 264            | 281     | 52     | 24       | 135   | 309   | 114   | 3           | 12         | 423                          | 29     | 10              | 135          |        |     |  |
| <b>Dorset</b>                              |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 484   | 213            | 230     | 41     | 12       | 100   | 261   | 94    | 5           | 12         | 246                          | 62     | 21              | 155          |        |     |  |
| Poole M.B.                                 | 154   | 75             | 65      | 14     | 2        | 32    | 93    | 21    | 3           | 12         | 45                           | 39     | 6               | 64           |        |     |  |
| <b>Durham</b>                              |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| South Shields C.B.                         | 293   | 102            | 152     | 39     | 11       | 51    | 168   | 57    | -           | 6          | 286                          | -      | -               | 7            |        |     |  |
| Sunderland C.B.                            | 400   | 142            | 217     | 41     | 9        | 61    | 228   | 94    | 1           | 7          | 377                          | -      | -               | 23           |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 1,213 | 402            | 687     | 124    | 29       | 183   | 677   | 295   | 10          | 19         | 1,138                        | 8      | 2               | 65           |        |     |  |
| <b>Essex</b>                               |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Southend-on-Sea C.B.                       | 226   | 96             | 106     | 24     | 7        | 34    | 137   | 45    | -           | 3          | 142                          | 13     | 2               | 69           |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 2,191 | 813            | 1,182   | 196    | 43       | 395   | 1,224 | 406   | 10          | 113        | 1,567                        | 151    | 65              | 408          |        |     |  |
| Basildon U.D.                              | 248   | 56             | 163     | 29     | 5        | 30    | 135   | 46    | 1           | 31         | 213                          | 6      | 2               | 27           |        |     |  |
| Thurrock U.D.                              | 187   | 59             | 115     | 13     | 1        | 31    | 107   | 35    | 1           | 12         | 133                          | 7      | 1               | 46           |        |     |  |
| <b>Gloucestershire</b>                     |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Bristol C.B.                               | 1,049 | 595            | 376     | 78     | 33       | 267   | 570   | 139   | 8           | 32         | 657                          | 341    | 3               | 48           |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 1,092 | 434            | 574     | 84     | 36       | 230   | 594   | 215   | 5           | 12         | 739                          | 144    | 54              | 155          |        |     |  |
| <b>Greater London Council Area</b>         |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Barking L.B.                               | 296   | 132            | 142     | 22     | 7        | 64    | 165   | 48    | 1           | 11         | 173                          | 29     | 5               | 89           |        |     |  |
| Barnet L.B.                                | 1,041 | 555            | 402     | 84     | 10       | 158   | 692   | 154   | 3           | 24         | 402                          | 439    | 31              | 169          |        |     |  |
| Bexley L.B.                                | 464   | 198            | 230     | 36     | 12       | 91    | 281   | 74    | 1           | 5          | 353                          | 20     | 5               | 86           |        |     |  |
| Brent L.B.                                 | 1,256 | 691            | 463     | 102    | 30       | 195   | 851   | 153   | 3           | 24         | 545                          | 446    | 37              | 228          |        |     |  |
| Bromley L.B.                               | 755   | 356            | 350     | 69     | 14       | 159   | 420   | 138   | 11          | 13         | 386                          | 38     | 20              | 311          |        |     |  |
| Camden L.B.                                | 1,467 | 1,019          | 354     | 114    | 9        | 189   | 1,094 | 141   | 2           | 32         | 579                          | 620    | 54              | 214          |        |     |  |
| Croydon L.B.                               | 742   | 388            | 299     | 55     | 22       | 169   | 422   | 104   | 8           | 17         | 148                          | 25     | 83              | 486          |        |     |  |
| Ealing L.B.                                | 1,026 | 505            | 446     | 75     | 23       | 162   | 660   | 137   | 7           | 37         | 485                          | 354    | 39              | 148          |        |     |  |
| Enfield L.B.                               | 607   | 271            | 292     | 44     | 10       | 112   | 360   | 114   | 1           | 10         | 94                           | 112    | 73              | 328          |        |     |  |
| Greenwich L.B.                             | 762   | 324            | 366     | 72     | 11       | 131   | 489   | 115   | 3           | 13         | 588                          | 39     | 14              | 121          |        |     |  |
| Hackney L.B.                               | 572   | 314            | 203     | 55     | 6        | 99    | 379   | 77    | 1           | 10         | 167                          | 80     | 63              | 262          |        |     |  |
| Hammersmith L.B.                           | 1,153 | 808            | 254     | 91     | 18       | 163   | 852   | 89    | 3           | 28         | 158                          | 41     | 231             | 723          |        |     |  |
| Haringey L.B.                              | 1,143 | 613            | 429     | 101    | 7        | 163   | 797   | 141   | 1           | 34         | 422                          | 426    | 86              | 209          |        |     |  |
| Harrow L.B.                                | 509   | 238            | 240     | 31     | 12       | 94    | 297   | 81    | 9           | 16         | 264                          | 169    | 10              | 66           |        |     |  |
| Havering L.B.                              | 471   | 231            | 211     | 29     | 6        | 109   | 246   | 77    | 6           | 27         | 288                          | 57     | 5               | 121          |        |     |  |
| Hillingdon L.B.                            | 602   | 292            | 270     | 40     | 14       | 117   | 357   | 95    | 6           | 13         | 392                          | 156    | 8               | 46           |        |     |  |
| Hounslow L.B.                              | 569   | 324            | 212     | 33     | 8        | 94    | 385   | 63    | 2           | 17         | 228                          | 214    | 44              | 83           |        |     |  |
| Islington L.B.                             | 846   | 471            | 507     | 68     | 5        | 115   | 588   | 104   | 2           | 32         | 406                          | 262    | 52              | 126          |        |     |  |
| Kensington and Chelsea L.B.                | 2,096 | 1,672          | 509     | 115    | 12       | 248   | 1,679 | 116   | 3           | 38         | 199                          | 95     | 270             | 1,532        |        |     |  |
| Kingston upon Thames L.B.                  | 316   | 176            | 116     | 24     | 7        | 61    | 194   | 42    | 1           | 11         | 172                          | 7      | 10              | 127          |        |     |  |
| Lambeth L.B.                               | 1,074 | 595            | 368     | 111    | 16       | 182   | 745   | 110   | 3           | 18         | 217                          | 21     | 376             | 460          |        |     |  |
| Lewisham L.B.                              | 792   | 410            | 311     | 71     | 24       | 152   | 490   | 111   | 1           | 14         | 540                          | 84     | 19              | 149          |        |     |  |
| Merton L.B.                                | 481   | 248            | 184     | 49     | 11       | 51    | 500   | 65    | 1           | 15         | 241                          | 19     | 11              | 210          |        |     |  |
| Newham L.B.                                | 605   | 242            | 502     | 61     | 18       | 97    | 375   | 92    | -           | 23         | 302                          | 62     | 21              | 220          |        |     |  |
| Redbridge L.B.                             | 567   | 279            | 248     | 40     | 4        | 112   | 353   | 77    | 4           | 17         | 201                          | 96     | 13              | 257          |        |     |  |
| Richmond upon Thames L.B.                  | 531   | 323            | 159     | 49     | 6        | 86    | 337   | 76    | 2           | 24         | 103                          | 183    | 158             | 87           |        |     |  |
| Southwark L.B.                             | 1,214 | 579            | 504     | 131    | 35       | 202   | 790   | 159   | 2           | 26         | 924                          | 50     | 44              | 196          |        |     |  |
| Sutton L.B.                                | 340   | 162            | 147     | 31     | 8        | 70    | 194   | 57    | 1           | 10         | 175                          | 12     | 10              | 143          |        |     |  |
| Tower Hamlets L.B.                         | 522   | 237            | 236     | 49     | 14       | 75    | 531   | 84    | 6           | 12         | 304                          | 35     | 15              | 168          |        |     |  |
| Waltham Forest L.B.                        | 496   | 265            | 192     | 39     | 10       | 102   | 316   | 60    | -           | 8          | 85                           | 127    | 38              | 246          |        |     |  |
| Wandsworth L.B.                            | 1,140 | 666            | 359     | 115    | 23       | 180   | 775   | 120   | 3           | 39         | 473                          | 30     | 50              | 587          |        |     |  |
| Westminster, City of and<br>City of London | 2,215 | 1,577          | 461     | 177    | 13       | 259   | 1,683 | 183   | 7           | 70         | 479                          | 1,132  | 218             | 386          |        |     |  |
| <b>Hampshire</b>                           |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |
| Bournemouth C.B.                           | 342   | 190            | 103     | 49     | 10       | 73    | 213   | 44    | -           | 2          | 112                          | 104    | 9               | 117          |        |     |  |
| Portsmouth C.B.                            | 329   | 157            | 133     | 39     | 11       | 63    | 199   | 53    | 1           | 2          | 235                          | 6      | 1               | 87           |        |     |  |
| Southampton C.B.                           | 389   | 202            | 146     | 41     | 19       | 82    | 205   | 71    | 2           | 10         | 262                          | 13     | 3               | 111          |        |     |  |
| Administrative county                      | 1,395 | 585            | 677     | 133    | 51       | 299   | 748   | 260   | 10          | 27         |                              |        |                 |              |        |     |  |

TABLE 17 - continued

| Area of usual residence        | Total | Marital status |         |        | Age      |       |       |       |             |            | Hospital region of operation |            |                 |            |
|--------------------------------|-------|----------------|---------|--------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|-----------------|------------|
|                                |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            | Home region                  |            | Other region    |            |
|                                |       | Single         | Married | Others | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-34 | 35-44 | 45 and over | Not stated | N.H.S. Hospital              | Non N.H.S. | N.H.S. Hospital | Non N.H.S. |
| <b>Wight, Isle of</b>          |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 148   | 67             | 65      | 16     | 6        | 30    | 82    | 27    | 1           | 2          | 62                           | -          | 1               | 85         |
| <b>Wiltshire</b>               |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 654   | 247            | 350     | 57     | 24       | 114   | 368   | 123   | 5           | 20         | 380                          | 36         | 47              | 191        |
| <b>Worcestershire</b>          |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Warley C.B.                    | 275   | 113            | 135     | 27     | 6        | 57    | 169   | 32    | 1           | 10         | 51                           | 176        | -               | 48         |
| Administrative county          | 847   | 368            | 422     | 57     | 21       | 202   | 461   | 152   | 2           | 9          | 265                          | 455        | 27              | 100        |
| <b>Yorkshire, East Riding</b>  |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Kingston upon Hull C.B.        | 435   | 177            | 194     | 64     | 13       | 85    | 242   | 85    | 2           | 8          | 357                          | 21         | -               | 57         |
| Administrative county          | 381   | 176            | 176     | 29     | 13       | 87    | 195   | 72    | 3           | 11         | 309                          | 9          | 7               | 56         |
| <b>Yorkshire, North Riding</b> |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Teesside C.B.                  | 656   | 272            | 303     | 81     | 27       | 154   | 339   | 128   | 4           | 4          | 623                          | -          | 1               | 32         |
| Administrative county          | 487   | 209            | 236     | 42     | 14       | 117   | 249   | 88    | 2           | 17         | 321                          | 42         | 51              | 73         |
| <b>Yorkshire, West Riding</b>  |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Bradford C.B.                  | 414   | 196            | 167     | 51     | 16       | 95    | 225   | 73    | 2           | 3          | 166                          | -          | 3               | 245        |
| Huddersfield C.B.              | 194   | 98             | 78      | 18     | 7        | 43    | 106   | 38    | -           | -          | 48                           | 5          | 7               | 134        |
| Leeds C.B.                     | 789   | 391            | 305     | 93     | 15       | 157   | 440   | 162   | 4           | 11         | 311                          | 2          | 8               | 468        |
| Sheffield C.B.                 | 770   | 360            | 343     | 67     | 28       | 150   | 433   | 121   | 3           | 35         | 381                          | 70         | 3               | 316        |
| York C.B.                      | 165   | 85             | 62      | 18     | 5        | 46    | 80    | 34    | -           | -          | 22                           | 4          | 8               | 131        |
| Administrative county          | 2,219 | 795            | 1,207   | 217    | 77       | 398   | 1,222 | 480   | 7           | 35         | 1,236                        | 94         | 183             | 706        |
| <b>Caernarvonshire</b>         |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 152   | 63             | 75      | 14     | 2        | 26    | 95    | 27    | -           | 2          | 77                           | -          | 4               | 71         |
| <b>Carmarthenshire</b>         |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 302   | 97             | 182     | 23     | 4        | 57    | 164   | 74    | 3           | -          | 282                          | -          | -               | 20         |
| <b>Denbighshire</b>            |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 214   | 85             | 103     | 26     | 3        | 36    | 131   | 41    | 2           | 1          | 111                          | -          | 3               | 100        |
| <b>Flintshire</b>              |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Administrative county          | 225   | 103            | 99      | 23     | 5        | 45    | 125   | 46    | 1           | 3          | 74                           | -          | 34              | 117        |
| <b>Glamorgan</b>               |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Cardiff C.B.                   | 489   | 264            | 172     | 53     | 11       | 96    | 305   | 70    | 4           | 3          | 282                          | -          | 6               | 201        |
| Swansea C.B.                   | 495   | 186            | 268     | 41     | 7        | 104   | 304   | 78    | 2           | -          | 471                          | -          | 3               | 21         |
| Administrative county          | 1,301 | 495            | 698     | 108    | 39       | 246   | 746   | 258   | 9           | 3          | 1,102                        | -          | 6               | 193        |
| <b>Monmouthshire</b>           |       |                |         |        |          |       |       |       |             |            |                              |            |                 |            |
| Newport C.B.                   | 228   | 78             | 115     | 35     | 10       | 49    | 124   | 45    | -           | -          | 200                          | -          | 2               | 26         |
| Administrative county          | 644   | 222            | 363     | 59     | 19       | 130   | 346   | 144   | 2           | 3          | 568                          | -          | 10              | 66         |

TABLE 18. Legally induced abortions by marital status, occupation group, hospital region of usual residence and type of premises

England and Wales:  
Hospital regions, 1971  
Cases resident in England and Wales

| Hospital region<br>of usual residence | Type of<br>premises | Total            | Single       |                |                 |                |            |                | Married        |            |                |                |                |              | Others         |                |          |              |                |            |           |              |              |              |  |  |           |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|------------|----------------|----------------|------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------|--------------|----------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|--|-----------|--|--|
|                                       |                     |                  | Professional |                |                 | Intermediate   |            |                | Skilled        |            |                | Semi-skilled   |                |              | Professional   |                |          | Intermediate |                |            | Skilled   |              |              | Semi-skilled |  |  | Unskilled |  |  |
|                                       |                     |                  |              |                |                 |                |            |                |                |            |                |                |                |              |                |                |          |              |                |            |           |              |              |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| ENGLAND AND WALES                     | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 53,455<br>41,115 | 82<br>259    | 2,698<br>4,281 | 6,897<br>11,570 | 2,230<br>2,635 | 569<br>342 | 4,252<br>4,271 | 2,690<br>1,526 | 880<br>675 | 2,890<br>2,595 | 9,615<br>5,250 | 3,372<br>1,734 | 1,860<br>479 | 3,605<br>1,311 | 6,209<br>1,061 | 27<br>53 | 392<br>410   | 1,220<br>1,159 | 607<br>417 | 200<br>81 | 1,897<br>644 | 1,263<br>362 |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Newcastle                             | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 4,661<br>396     | 7<br>2       | 202<br>44      | 613<br>114      | 197<br>18      | 84<br>12   | 339<br>38      | 240<br>16      | 71<br>5    | 224<br>24      | 1,031<br>43    | 321<br>9       | 286<br>5     | 114<br>24      | 431<br>3       | 2<br>1   | 38<br>7      | 98<br>14       | 50<br>2    | 34<br>-   | 190<br>10    | 89<br>5      |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Leeds                                 | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 2,384<br>2,009   | 3<br>8       | 92<br>195      | 259<br>519      | 93<br>92       | 19<br>20   | 195<br>238     | 124<br>53      | 22<br>32   | 141<br>148     | 496<br>270     | 157<br>102     | 94<br>31     | 131<br>92      | 254<br>41      | 3<br>-   | 17<br>26     | 40<br>65       | 34<br>18   | 11<br>7   | 125<br>29    | 74<br>23     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Sheffield                             | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 4,038<br>2,924   | 2<br>13      | 129<br>263     | 379<br>721      | 155<br>187     | 44<br>39   | 297<br>316     | 171<br>89      | 82<br>35   | 254<br>181     | 960<br>479     | 306<br>151     | 160<br>37    | 248<br>100     | 435<br>64      | 1<br>2   | 21<br>27     | 82<br>93       | 50<br>35   | 14<br>6   | 166<br>58    | 82<br>28     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| East Anglian                          | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 2,424<br>853     | 2<br>7       | 128<br>85      | 304<br>202      | 105<br>41      | 45<br>8    | 189<br>112     | 90<br>17       | 56<br>20   | 159<br>81      | 541<br>110     | 187<br>38      | 95<br>6      | 95<br>61       | 203<br>16      | 2<br>2   | 10<br>9      | 47<br>17       | 30<br>5    | 13<br>2   | 77<br>8      | 46<br>6      |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| North West Metropolitan               | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 6,740<br>7,603   | 19<br>84     | 545<br>895     | 1,137<br>2,117  | 372<br>589     | 56<br>51   | 571<br>859     | 286<br>355     | 125<br>159 | 310<br>471     | 979<br>795     | 376<br>247     | 165<br>57    | 398<br>159     | 720<br>268     | 1<br>16  | 70<br>82     | 212<br>195     | 83<br>68   | 16<br>9   | 152<br>82    | 147<br>45    |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| North East Metropolitan               | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 3,715<br>3,067   | 4<br>11      | 183<br>332     | 488<br>896      | 145<br>177     | 38<br>16   | 200<br>208     | 152<br>123     | 53<br>36   | 169<br>195     | 565<br>486     | 190<br>141     | 109<br>59    | 354<br>73      | 707<br>89      | 1<br>1   | 19<br>30     | 78<br>83       | 35<br>30   | 16<br>9   | 96<br>48     | 113<br>24    |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| South East Metropolitan               | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 5,328<br>2,387   | 9<br>17      | 290<br>267     | 767<br>724      | 184<br>131     | 55<br>18   | 410<br>256     | 275<br>76      | 117<br>48  | 299<br>161     | 1,030<br>303   | 362<br>89      | 168<br>20    | 326<br>44      | 492<br>48      | 1<br>3   | 40<br>27     | 122<br>67      | 52<br>18   | 22<br>6   | 162<br>44    | 145<br>20    |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| South West Metropolitan               | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 3,831<br>5,852   | 14<br>57     | 322<br>741     | 662<br>1,921    | 187<br>441     | 27<br>27   | 373<br>673     | 205<br>195     | 59<br>98   | 158<br>337     | 462<br>518     | 153<br>173     | 76<br>47     | 388<br>119     | 370<br>104     | 4<br>12  | 38<br>56     | 95<br>162      | 33<br>44   | 9<br>6    | 124<br>85    | 72<br>36     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Wessex                                | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 1,824<br>1,265   | 2<br>3       | 55<br>130      | 151<br>410      | 51<br>81       | 11<br>9    | 190<br>160     | 129<br>24      | 19<br>24   | 83<br>75       | 212<br>123     | 70<br>46       | 17<br>6      | 291<br>44      | 327<br>34      | 1<br>-   | 14<br>16     | 36<br>26       | 14<br>11   | 6<br>3    | 83<br>27     | 62<br>13     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Oxford                                | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 2,026<br>1,309   | 3<br>7       | 99<br>126      | 258<br>322      | 71<br>90       | 11<br>15   | 194<br>149     | 81<br>36       | 46<br>31   | 152<br>107     | 362<br>147     | 164<br>57      | 58<br>12     | 71<br>69       | 245<br>52      | 2<br>-   | 16<br>6      | 58<br>34       | 23<br>11   | 6<br>2    | 67<br>29     | 39<br>7      |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| South Western                         | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 3,569<br>1,577   | 3<br>8       | 159<br>150     | 469<br>382      | 161<br>84      | 46<br>15   | 348<br>224     | 258<br>115     | 50<br>13   | 187<br>110     | 535<br>122     | 193<br>46      | 93<br>11     | 321<br>96      | 405<br>100     | 2<br>2   | 23<br>15     | 80<br>32       | 27<br>11   | 8<br>-    | 115<br>15    | 86<br>26     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Welsh                                 | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 3,781<br>1,017   | 2<br>6       | 160<br>113     | 392<br>284      | 121<br>50      | 75<br>9    | 281<br>129     | 191<br>35      | 51<br>10   | 218<br>57      | 677<br>125     | 239<br>43      | 191<br>16    | 228<br>36      | 616<br>18      | 2<br>3   | 21<br>10     | 52<br>32       | 31<br>10   | 14<br>1   | 142<br>22    | 77<br>8      |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Birmingham                            | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 2,331<br>7,436   | 3<br>19      | 61<br>568      | 224<br>1,865    | 73<br>461      | 18<br>87   | 179<br>610     | 69<br>258      | 32<br>107  | 145<br>468     | 392<br>1,316   | 165<br>455     | 70<br>135    | 368<br>303     | 304<br>151     | 2<br>10  | 14<br>52     | 46<br>227      | 22<br>112  | 3<br>24   | 90<br>129    | 51<br>79     |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Manchester                            | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 5,027<br>2,068   | 8<br>15      | 178<br>215     | 597<br>650      | 240<br>125     | 22<br>11   | 365<br>180     | 351<br>80      | 63<br>38   | 279<br>115     | 979<br>247     | 354<br>90      | 190<br>21    | 219<br>55      | 548<br>43      | 3<br>1   | 39<br>32     | 128<br>70      | 86<br>19   | 20<br>2   | 219<br>29    | 139<br>30    |              |  |  |           |  |  |
| Liverpool                             | N.H.S.<br>Non NHS   | 1,776<br>1,352   | 1<br>2       | 95<br>157      | 197<br>443      | 75<br>68       | 18<br>5    | 121<br>119     | 68<br>54       | 34<br>19   | 112<br>65      | 394<br>166     | 135<br>47      | 88<br>16     | 53<br>36       | 152<br>30      | -<br>-   | 12<br>15     | 46<br>42       | 37<br>23   | 8<br>4    | 89<br>29     | 41<br>12     |              |  |  |           |  |  |

TABLE 19 Medical grounds for legally induced abortions, number of reasons given by type of premises  
(includes answers to questions 11a and b, and excludes answers to question 11c on the notification form)

England and Wales, 1971  
All cases

| ICD<br>8th Rev. | Medical conditions   | NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*      |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
|                 |  | PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED   |           | SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED |           | SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FOETUS     |           |                                       |           |
|                 |  | Relating to present pregnancy |           | Relating to present pregnancy |           | Condition of foetus in previous pregnancy |           | Suspected condition in present foetus |           |
|                 |  | N H S                         | Non N H S | N H S                         | Non N H S | N H S                                     | Non N H S | N H S                                 | Non N H S |
| 056             | Rubella  | 925                           | 136       | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 0560            | Rubella  | 696                           | 93        | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 0561            | Rubella contact  | 188                           | 41        | -                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 0562            | Rubella immunisation   | 41                            | 2         | -                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 000-055)        | Other infective and parasitic diseases                                     | 247                           | 57        | 22                            | 2         | 1   | -         | 10                                    | 3         |
| 057-136)        | Tuberculosis   | 154                           | 32        | 11                            | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 010-019         | Late effects of acute poliomyelitis  | 19                            | 3         | 5                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 044             |  |                               |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
| 150-159         | Malignant neoplasm of digestive organs and peritoneum                      | 2                             | -         | -                             | -         | -   | -         | 1                                     | -         |
| 180-184         | Malignant neoplasm of female reproductive tract                            | 18                            | 1         | -                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 140-149)        | Other malignant neoplasm of specified sites (including secondary neoplasm) | 55                            | 4         | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 160-174)        | Malignant neoplasm of breast   | 45                            | 1         | 1                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 188, 189)       |  |                               |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
| 174             | Malignant neoplasm of other and unspecified sites                          | 15                            | 1         | -                             | -         | 1   | -         | 3                                     | -         |
| 200-209         | Neoplasm of lymphatic and haemopoietic tissue                              | 27                            | 3         | 1                             | -         | 1   | -         | 4                                     | -         |
| 218-221         | Benign neoplasm of female reproductive tract                               | 132                           | 43        | 24                            | 3         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 218             | Uterine fibroma  | 107                           | 34        | 21                            | 3         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 220             | Benign neoplasm of ovary   | 23                            | 8         | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 210-217)        | Benign neoplasm of other sites   | 6                             | 3         | -                             | -         | -   | -         | 2                                     | 1         |
| 223-228)        |  |                               |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
| 230-239         | Neoplasm of unspecified nature   | 64                            | 6         | 1                             | 1         | 1   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 234             | Neoplasm of unspecified nature of uterus                                   | 54                            | 2         | 1                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 240-258         | Endocrine diseases   | 179                           | 45        | 21                            | 5         | 3   | -         | 4                                     | 2         |
| 242             | Thyrototoxicosis with or without goitre                                    | 45                            | 13        | 8                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 250             | Diabetes mellitus  | 106                           | 22        | 7                             | 2         | 2   | -         | -                                     | 1         |
| 260-269         | Nutritional diseases   | 6                             | 2         | 3                             | 1         | 4   | -         | 2                                     | -         |
| 270-279         | Other metabolic diseases   | 56                            | 38        | 39                            | 7         | 10  | 1         | 18                                    | -         |
| 277             | Obesity not specified as of endocrine origin                               | 39                            | 37        | 37                            | 7         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 280-289         | Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs                                 | 66                            | 13        | 15                            | 2         | 5   | -         | 17                                    | 2         |
| 290-299         | Mental disorders - Psychoses   | 616                           | 418       | 26                            | 13        | -   | -         | 1                                     | 1         |
| 295             | Schizophrenia  | 119                           | 13        | 6                             | 1         | -   | -         | 1                                     | 1         |
| 296             | Affective psychoses  | 324                           | 388       | 15                            | 11        | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 300             | Mental disorders - Neuroses  | 16,139                        | 57,316    | 916                           | 922       | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 301             | Mental disorders - Personality disorders                                   | 320                           | 137       | 19                            | 7         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 303, 304        | Mental disorders - Alcoholism, drug dependence                             | 47                            | 9         | 4                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 304             | Drug dependence  | 38                            | 8         | 2                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 302             | Mental disorders - Other non-psychotic                                     | 15,218                        | 8,804     | 392                           | 78        | -   | -         | 1                                     | -         |
| 305-309)        | Transient situational disturbances   | 15,186                        | 8,758     | 390                           | 75        | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 310-315         | Mental retardation   | 254                           | 11        | 18                            | 1         | 23  | 3         | 9                                     | 3         |
| 315             | Unspecified mental retardation   | 254                           | 11        | 18                            | 1         | 23  | 3         | 9                                     | 3         |
| 320-358         | Diseases of nervous system   | 367                           | 46        | 26                            | 4         | 26  | 6         | 66                                    | 9         |
| 330             | Hereditary neuromuscular disorders   | 8                             | 3         | -                             | 1         | 5   | 1         | 36                                    | 4         |
| 340             | Multiple sclerosis   | 81                            | 3         | 1                             | 1         | -   | 1         | -                                     | -         |
| 345             | Epilepsy   | 207                           | 34        | 12                            | 1         | 10  | 1         | 4                                     | 3         |

\* A single case may provide up to three reasons, one in each of the divisions, i.e. primary maternal, secondary maternal and foetal.

| ICD<br>8th Rev. | Medical conditions   | NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*      |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|-----------|
|                 |  | PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED   |           | SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED |           | SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FOETUS     |           |                                       |           |
|                 |  | Relating to present pregnancy |           | Relating to present pregnancy |           | Condition of foetus in previous pregnancy |           | Suspected condition in present foetus |           |
|                 |  | N H S                         | Non N H S | N H S                         | Non N H S | N H S                                     | Non N H S | N H S                                 | Non N H S |
| 360-389         | Eye and ear diseases   | 44                            | 8         | 9                             | 2         | 7   | 4         | 9                                     | 5         |
| 390-398         | Rheumatic heart disease and active rheumatic fever                           | 129                           | 31        | 6                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 394             | Diseases of mitral valve   | 80                            | 13        | 4                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 400-429         | Other heart disease and hypertensive disease                                 | 480                           | 62        | 88                            | 16        | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 401             | Essential benign hypertension  | 374                           | 37        | 78                            | 13        | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 424             | Chronic disease of endocardium   | 17                            | 8         | 2                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 429             | Ill-defined heart disease  | 42                            | 8         | 1                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 430-438         | Cerebrovascular disease  | 25                            | 2         | 7                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 440-458         | Other diseases of circulatory system   | 261                           | 99        | 62                            | 13        | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 450             | Pulmonary embolism and infarction  | 30                            | 5         | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 451             | Phlebitis and thrombophlebitis   | 46                            | 12        | 10                            | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 454             | Varicose veins of lower extremities  | 62                            | 56        | 26                            | 9         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 460-519         | Diseases of respiratory system   | 306                           | 65        | 35                            | 3         | 1   | -         | 3                                     | 1         |
| 491             | Chronic bronchitis   | 27                            | 3         | 1                             | -         | -   | -         | 3                                     | -         |
| 493             | Asthma   | 206                           | 48        | 13                            | 1         | 1   | -         | 3                                     | 1         |
| 518             | Bronchiectasis   | 31                            | 5         | 10                            | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 520-569         | Other diseases of digestive system   | 89                            | 27        | 12                            | 2         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 536             | Disorders of function of stomach   | 12                            | 10        | 2                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 563             | Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis                                     | 45                            | 9         | 1                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 570-577         | Diseases of liver, gallbladder and pancreas                                  | 24                            | 12        | 6                             | 1         | -   | 1         | -                                     | -         |
| 580-599         | Diseases of urinary system   | 244                           | 54        | 33                            | 4         | 1   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 582             | Chronic nephritis  | 28                            | 6         | 1                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 590             | Infections of kidney   | 78                            | 20        | 9                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 610, 611        | Diseases of breast   | 4                             | 5         | -                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 612-629         | Diseases of female genital tract   | 127                           | 25        | 23                            | 5         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 623             | Uterovaginal prolapse  | 29                            | 8         | 6                             | 1         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 626             | Disorders of menstruation  | 37                            | 2         | 6                             | 2         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 630-678         | See next page  |                               |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |
| 680-709         | Diseases of skin and subcutaneous tissue                                     | 31                            | 7         | 4                             | -         | 1   | -         | 2                                     | -         |
| 710-738         | Diseases of musculoskeletal system and connective tissue                     | 197                           | 32        | 31                            | 1         | 3   | -         | 2                                     | -         |
| 712             | Rheumatoid arthritis and allied conditions                                   | 52                            | 4         | 3                             | -         | 2   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 725             | Displacement of intervertebral disc  | 65                            | 5         | 7                             | -         | -   | -         | -                                     | -         |
| 740-759         | Congenital anomalies   | 120                           | 20        | 9                             | 1         | 259                                       | 39        | 1,210                                 | 218       |
| 741             | Spina bifida   | 3                             | -         | 1                             | -         | 49  | -         | 14                                    | 1         |
| 746             | Congenital anomalies of heart  | 44                            | 5         | 3                             | -         | 13  | 7         | 8                                     | 4         |
| 759             | Congenital syndromes affecting multiple systems                              | 2                             | 1         | -                             | -         | 69  | 8         | 75                                    | 36        |
| 760-779         | Maternal conditions associated with perinatal morbidity (placenta and child) | 1                             | -         | -                             | -         | 50  | 12        | 419                                   | 106       |
| 775             | Haemolytic disease of newborn without mention of kernicterus                 | -                             | -         | -                             | -         | 18  | -         | 239                                   | 51        |
| 780-796         | Symptoms and ill-defined conditions (including medical reason                |                               |           |                               |           |   |           |                                       |           |

TABLE 19 - continued

| ICD<br>8th Rev.       | Medical conditions  | NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*       |     |                               |                                |    |                               |   |    |                                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|---|----|---------------------------------------|---|
|                       |   | PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED    |     |                               | SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED  |    |                               | SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FOETUS     |    |                                       |   |
|                       |   | Relating to previous pregnancy |     | Relating to present pregnancy | Relating to previous pregnancy |    | Relating to present pregnancy | Condition of foetus in previous pregnancy |    | Suspected condition in present foetus |   |
|                       |   | N                              | H   | S                             | N                              | H  | S                             | N   | H  | S                                     | N |
| 630-634<br>632        | Complications of pregnancy<br>Haemorrhage of pregnancy  | 233                            | 120 | -                             | 311                            | 87 | 11                            | 3   | 12 | 8                                     | - |
| 635-639<br>637<br>638 | Urinary infections and toxæmias of pregnancy<br>Pre-eclampsia, eclampsia and toxæmia unspecified<br>Hyperemesis gravidarum                | 233                            | 58  | 235                           | 68                             | 15 | 4                             | -   | 20 | 11                                    | - |
| 640-645<br>643        | Complications of abortion (and previous abortions)<br>Spontaneous abortion  | 20                             | 9   | 32                            | 27                             | 5  | 1                             | 1   | 4  | -                                     | - |
| 649                   | Pregnancy in the presence of IUCD and/or previous recurrent premature or stillbirth deliveries  | -                              | -   | 136                           | 29                             | -  | -                             | 13  | 1  | -                                     | - |
| 650-678               | Complications of delivery and puerperium<br>(and previous delivery)<br>Delivery complicated by placenta praevia or antepartum haemorrhage | 146                            | 58  | 182                           | 90                             | 16 | 9                             | 9   | 43 | 13                                    | - |
| 651                   | Surgical procedures in present or previous pregnancy,<br>previous Caesarian section   | 24                             | 5   | 6                             | 4                              | 3  | 1                             | 1   | 1  | -                                     | - |
| 669                   |   | -                              | -   | 140                           | 68                             | -  | -                             | 36  | 11 | -                                     | - |

\*A single case may provide up to three reasons, one in each of the divisions.

TABLE 20. Legally induced abortions by marital status,  
occupation group and (1) statutory grounds  
(1) correctional weeks

| Cases resident in England and Wales  |        |       |       |              |              |              |           |              |        |           |              |         |           |              |        |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--------|-----------|--------------|---------|-----------|--------------|--------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| Statutory grounds<br>gestation weeks |        | Total |       | Professional |              | Intermediate |           | Not stated   |        | Others    |              | Married |           | Others       |        |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
|                                      |        |       |       |              |              |              |           |              |        |           |              |         |           |              |        |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
|                                      |        |       |       | Unskilled    | Semi-skilled | Others       | Unskilled | Semi-skilled | Others | Unskilled | Semi-skilled | Others  | Unskilled | Semi-skilled | Others |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
| (1) Statutory grounds*               |        |       |       |              |              |              |           |              |        |           |              |         |           |              |        |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
| 1                                    | 1,882  | 2     | 78    | 186          | 61           | 9            | 99        | 143          | 63     | 172       | 236          | -       | 11        | 32           | 15     | 8   | 47    | 34  |       |     |     |     |
| 2                                    | 71,443 | 328   | 6,682 | 17,611       | 4,472        | 816          | 8,018     | 3,689        | 991    | 3,395     | 2,949        | 1,284   | 2,902     | 4,185        | 53     | 549 | 1,598 | 614 | 1,364 | 953 |     |     |
| 3                                    | 4,140  | 3     | 41    | 121          | 76           | 22           | 99        | 108          | 65     | 242       | 965          | 370     | 246       | 375          | 607    | 5   | 46    | 160 | 104   | 27  | 291 | 167 |
| 4                                    | 1,327  | 1     | 21    | 90           | 29           | 5            | 38        | 35           | 64     | 157       | 316          | 113     | 44        | 151          | 231    | -   | 2     | 9   | 3     | -   | 11  | 7   |
| 5                                    | 10     | -     | -     | 1            | 1            | -            | -         | -            | 1      | 1         | 2            | -       | 1         | -            | -      | -   | -     | -   | -     | -   | 3   | -   |
| 6                                    | 10     | -     | -     | 2            | -            | -            | -         | -            | 1      | 1         | 3            | 2       | -         | 1            | -      | -   | -     | -   | -     | -   | -   | -   |
| 2 with 4                             | 910    | 1     | 25    | 77           | 28           | 7            | 40        | 42           | 35     | 82        | 208          | 79      | 29        | 81           | 125    | 1   | 3     | 11  | 6     | 3   | 18  | 9   |
| 3 with others                        | 14,848 | 6     | 132   | 379          | 198          | 52           | 229       | 277          | 352    | 1,459     | 4,121        | 1,450   | 672       | 1,234        | 1,886  | 21  | 191   | 569 | 282   | 76  | 807 | 455 |
| (11) Gestation weeks*                |        |       |       |              |              |              |           |              |        |           |              |         |           |              |        |     |       |     |       |     |     |     |
| Under 9                              | 15,700 | 92    | 1,443 | 2,837        | 675          | 92           | 1,311     | 542          | 464    | 1,379     | 2,538        | 796     | 289       | 819          | 1,083  | 21  | 185   | 407 | 146   | 30  | 324 | 227 |
| 9                                    | 13,117 | 60    | 1,070 | 2,549        | 555          | 92           | 1,155     | 515          | 260    | 900       | 2,138        | 755     | 272       | 673          | 972    | 8   | 115   | 339 | 129   | 29  | 327 | 204 |
| 10                                   | 15,224 | 58    | 1,179 | 3,029        | 744          | 123          | 1,364     | 589          | 244    | 907       | 2,535        | 777     | 377       | 764          | 1,203  | 16  | 138   | 396 | 146   | 55  | 365 | 215 |
| 11                                   | 14,804 | 46    | 1,075 | 3,095        | 797          | 153          | 1,347     | 648          | 210    | 790       | 2,249        | 828     | 335       | 765          | 1,040  | 13  | 117   | 411 | 177   | 41  | 392 | 275 |
| 12                                   | 11,602 | 35    | 809   | 2,435        | 687          | 138          | 1,071     | 557          | 137    | 506       | 1,769        | 619     | 322       | 578          | 869    | 5   | 77    | 285 | 133   | 23  | 342 | 205 |
| 13                                   | 7,750  | 17    | 458   | 1,604        | 489          | 114          | 701       | 411          | 76     | 319       | 1,188        | 392     | 268       | 383          | 632    | 5   | 52    | 179 | 97    | 29  | 217 | 119 |
| 14                                   | 4,707  | 9     | 275   | 947          | 277          | 52           | 430       | 236          | 51     | 201       | 738          | 275     | 132       | 229          | 381    | 4   | 38    | 109 | 47    | 21  | 164 | 91  |
| 15                                   | 3,078  | 4     | 174   | 573          | 171          | 47           | 290       | 158          | 30     | 124       | 473          | 178     | 107       | 144          | 289    | 1   | 16    | 70  | 38    | 19  | 106 | 66  |
| 16                                   | 2,100  | 5     | 123   | 392          | 121          | 25           | 191       | 153          | 15     | 77        | 308          | 122     | 63        | 105          | 172    | 2   | 13    | 38  | 32    | 10  | 86  | 49  |
| 17-19                                | 2,948  | 6     | 172   | 531          | 187          | 48           | 325       | 185          | 16     | 94        | 403          | 188     | 84        | 150          | 235    | 3   | 19    | 64  | 38    | 15  | 109 | 76  |
| 20-23                                | 733    | 1     | 43    | 122          | 43           | 6            | 87        | 62           | 4      | 28        | 98           | 29      | 20        | 48           | 52     | 1   | 8     | 24  | 14    | 2   | 26  | 15  |
| 24 and over                          | 114    | -     | 5     | 13           | 8            | 2            | 10        | 4            | -      | 6         | 22           | 8       | 4         | 9            | 8      | -   | 2     | 1   | -     | 6   | 6   | 6   |
| Not stated                           | 2,693  | 8     | 153   | 340          | 111          | 19           | 241       | 156          | 50     | 154       | 406          | 139     | 66        | 249          | 334    | 1   | 24    | 55  | 26    | 7   | 77  | 77  |

For statutory grounds see page 111.

For definition of gestation weeks see page iv.

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TABLE 21. Legally induced abortions by marital status,  
occupation group, duration of stay and type of premises

| Duration of stay<br>and<br>type of premises | Total  | Single       |              |         |              |           |        |            | Married      |              |         |              |           |        |            | Others       |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
|---|--------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------|------------|--|
|   |        | Professional | Intermediate | Skilled | Semi-skilled | Unskilled | Others | Not stated | Professional | Intermediate | Skilled | Semi-skilled | Unskilled | Others | Not stated | Professional | Intermediate | Skilled | Semi-skilled | Unskilled | Others | Not stated |  |
| Total                                       |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 53,455 | 82           | 2,698        | 6,897   | 2,230        | 569       | 4,252  | 2,690      | 880          | 2,890        | 9,615   | 3,372        | 1,860     | 3,605  | 6,209      | 27           | 392          | 1,220   | 607          | 200       | 1,897  | 1,263      |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 41,115 | 259          | 4,281        | 11,570  | 2,635        | 342       | 4,271  | 1,526      | 675          | 2,595        | 5,250   | 1,734        | 479       | 1,311  | 1,061      | 53           | 410          | 1,159   | 417          | 81        | 644    | 362        |  |
| 0 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 1,763  | 6            | 139          | 281     | 67           | 18        | 116    | 183        | 33           | 85           | 235     | 61           | 33        | 77     | 247        | -            | 15           | 37      | 15           | 4         | 41     | 70         |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 1,846  | 17           | 213          | 584     | 129          | 8         | 172    | 172        | 30           | 117          | 252     | 77           | 22        | 26     | 42         | 2            | 17           | 43      | 12           | 5         | 27     | 18         |  |
| 1 day                                       |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 3,679  | 9            | 232          | 686     | 150          | 43        | 360    | 193        | 87           | 235          | 487     | 190          | 81        | 263    | 301        | 2            | 24           | 119     | 40           | 11        | 99     | 67         |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 35,086 | 223          | 3,663        | 9,939   | 2,276        | 300       | 3,571  | 1,367      | 549          | 2,102        | 4,519   | 1,521        | 417       | 1,041  | 889        | 45           | 345          | 1,012   | 360          | 70        | 561    | 316        |  |
| 2 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 11,189 | 27           | 797          | 1,766   | 561          | 131       | 1,122  | 601        | 216          | 576          | 1,565   | 522          | 245       | 772    | 1,099      | 8            | 100          | 289     | 94           | 42        | 401    | 255        |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 3,001  | 17           | 308          | 823     | 165          | 22        | 370    | 84         | 67           | 266          | 350     | 100          | 26        | 112    | 77         | 4            | 38           | 78      | 32           | 5         | 38     | 19         |  |
| 3 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 8,051  | 18           | 518          | 1,199   | 420          | 102       | 725    | 456        | 140          | 396          | 1,205   | 425          | 216       | 467    | 823        | 5            | 77           | 199     | 119          | 30        | 312    | 199        |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 166    | -            | 11           | 36      | 5            | 5         | 19     | 11         | 4            | 16           | 12      | 6            | -         | 18     | 10         | -            | 1            | 3       | 4            | -         | 3      | 2          |  |
| 4 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 4,261  | 1            | 216          | 648     | 207          | 76        | 407    | 294        | 52           | 191          | 650     | 199          | 143       | 243    | 453        | 2            | 33           | 112     | 58           | 20        | 153    | 103        |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 115    | -            | 11           | 29      | 4            | -         | 17     | 5          | 1            | 5            | 8       | 1            | 2         | 23     | 4          | -            | 1            | 1       | 2            | -         | 1      | -          |  |
| 5 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 2,339  | 1            | 125          | 339     | 127          | 33        | 190    | 144        | 29           | 98           | 359     | 125          | 66        | 150    | 291        | -            | 15           | 55      | 34           | 11        | 72     | 75         |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 76     | -            | 7            | 12      | 4            | 1         | 18     | 3          | 2            | 7            | 7       | 3            | 1         | 4      | 3          | -            | 1            | 1       | -            | 1         | 1      | -          |  |
| 6 days                                      |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 1,735  | 2            | 63           | 223     | 73           | 22        | 134    | 94         | 25           | 74           | 319     | 116          | 71        | 117    | 220        | 1            | 11           | 30      | 17           | 8         | 64     | 51         |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 40     | -            | 4            | 7       | 2            | 1         | 8      | -          | -            | 3            | 2       | 2            | -         | 6      | 2          | -            | 1            | 1       | 1            | -         | -      | -          |  |
| 7 days and over                             |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 11,298 | 7            | 221          | 685     | 284          | 71        | 516    | 335        | 133          | 670          | 2,901   | 1,034        | 661       | 926    | 1,846      | 2            | 53           | 172     | 122          | 40        | 394    | 225        |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 272    | -            | 20           | 28      | 12           | 2         | 44     | 12         | 5            | 30           | 27      | 7            | 2         | 54     | 13         | -            | 1            | 6       | 2            | -         | 5      | 2          |  |
| Not stated                                  |        |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |              |              |         |              |           |        |            |  |
| N H S hospitals                             | 9,140  | 11           | 387          | 1,070   | 341          | 73        | 682    | 390        | 165          | 565          | 1,894   | 700          | 344       | 590    | 929        | 7            | 64           | 207     | 108          | 34        | 361    | 218        |  |
| Non N H S                                   | 513    | 2            | 44           | 112     | 38           | 3         | 52     | 11         | 17           | 49           | 73      | 17           | 9         | 27     | 21         | 2            | 5            | 14      | 4            | -         | 8      | 5          |  |

TABLE 22. Deaths following legally induced abortions by age, period of gestation and method of termination

England and Wales, 1971

Cases resident in England and Wales

| Gestation weeks*  | Method                                      | Under 16 | 16-19 | 20-24 | 25-29 | 30-34 | 35-39 | 40-44 | 45 and over |
|-------------------|---|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|
| Under 9 weeks     | Abdominal {Hysterotomy<br>Hysterectomy      |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |
|                   | Vaginal {Vacuum aspiration<br>Other methods |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |
| 9 to 12 weeks     | Abdominal {Hysterotomy<br>Hysterectomy      |          |       |       |       | (1)   | {1}   |       |             |
|                   | Vaginal {Vacuum aspiration<br>Other methods |          |       |       |       | (1)   | 1     | 1+    |             |
| 13 to 16 weeks    | Abdominal {Hysterotomy<br>Hysterectomy      |          |       | 1     |       |       | (1)   | (1)   |             |
|                   | Vaginal {Vacuum aspiration<br>Other methods |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |
| 17 weeks and over | Abdominal {Hysterotomy<br>Hysterectomy      |          |       |       | 1     |       |       |       |             |
|                   | Vaginal {Vacuum aspiration<br>Other methods | 1        |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |
| Not stated        | Abdominal {Hysterotomy<br>Hysterectomy      |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |
|                   | Vaginal {Vacuum aspiration<br>Other methods |          |       |       |       |       |       |       |             |

On certification of cause of death see page vi.  
 Brackets round numbers indicate that sterilisation was also performed in these cases.  
 There were also 3 deaths of non-resident women.

\* For definition of gestation weeks see page iv.

+ Included here is one death occurring in 1971 and notified late in 1972.

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