## Wyoming Department of Health Report to the State of Wyoming

## Vital Statistics Services -

## 2019 Induced Termination of Pregnancy (ITOP) Report

- W.S. § 35-6-107 (a) (c)

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In response to legislation enacted during the 2019 Wyoming legislative session, the Wyoming State Health Officer notified all Wyoming physicians of changes to Chapter 6 (Abortions) of Title 35 (Public Health and Safety); specifically W.S. 35-6-107 and W.S. 35-1-108, requiring all licensed practitioners in Wyoming to report induced termination of pregnancy (ITOP) and abortion procedure information beginning July 1, 2019.

This new requirement directs physicians to submit an ITOP report within twenty (20) days of an abortion procedure. In addition to the physician requirements, changes also direct the Wyoming Department of Health Vital Statistics Services office to submit an annual report on abortions for the public.

This 2019 annual report covers all reports of abortion from July 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. The Vital Statistics Services office received thirty-one (31) ITOP reports from facilities in the state.

The following is an overview based of the statutory reporting requirements for 2019:

State of Wyoming	Number of Abortion Procedures		
Resident	26		
Non-Resident	5		
Total	31		

All reporting facilities, both medical clinics and/or physician's offices, submitted timely reports. In 2019, there were 5,922 live births in Wyoming, and thirty-one (31) ITOP procedures reported during the period 1 July 2019 to 30 December 2019. These patients were primarily white, non-Hispanic residents of Wyoming with an unknown marital status. To obtain an annual estimated number of abortions, the six-month total of thirty-one (31) procedures were multiplied by two (2) for a result of sixty-two (62) estimated annual procedures. For 2019, the estimated abortion rate is 0.58 per 1,000 women aged 15-44 (using 2018 population data and the estimated procedure number).

All patients received the early medical abortion procedure (a nonsurgical abortion) and the average gestational age of the fetus was less than or equal to six (6) weeks.

Gestational Age	Number of Abortions	
6 weeks or less	18	
7-10 Weeks	13	
11 Weeks or more	0	
Total	31	

The majority of patients were between 25-34 years of age, and sixty-one (61) percent of the women reported the procedure as their first induced termination of pregnancy.

Age Range	≥ <b>24</b>	25-34	35 +	Total
Number of Procedures	7	18	6	31

Number of Previous Abortions	Number of Abortions	
0	19	
1	6	
2	3	
≥3	3	
Total	31	

Fifty-five (55) percent reported no previous live births with nine (9) reporting two (2) or more previous live births.

Number of Previous Live Births	Number of Abortions	
0	17	
1	5	
2	7	
3	1	
≥ 4	1	
Total	31	

Due to the reported nonsurgical method of pregnancy termination, no fetal or embryotic measurements were expected nor received.

Questions regarding this report and the procedures for ITOP reporting may be directed to the State Health Officer or Vital Statistics Services.

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