Wyoming Department of Health Public Report to the Governor

2024 Induced Termination of Pregnancy (ITOP) Report W.S. § 35-6-131 (a)-(d) W.S. § 35-6-132(c)

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Section 1. Specific Requirements of Statute

Wyoming Statute 35-6-131 (a) – (d) requires all attending physicians report Induced Termination of Pregnancy (ITOP) and the specific abortion procedure information to the State Health Officer and W.S. § 35-6-132 (c) requires the Department of Health Vital Statistics Services (VSS) to report annually on summary statistics from the reporting forms. The specific language of the statute is as follows:

W.S. § 35-6-131 Form for reporting abortions.

(a) The state office of vital records services shall establish an abortion reporting form which shall be used after May 27, 1977 for the reporting of every abortion performed or prescribed in this state. The form shall include the following items in addition to the information necessary to complete the form subject to subsection (b) of this section:

- (i) The age of the pregnant woman;
- (ii) The type of procedure performed or prescribed;
- (iii) Complications, if any;

(iv) A summary of the pregnant woman's obstetrical history regarding previous pregnancies, abortions and live births;

(v) The length and weight of the aborted fetus or embryo, when measurable or the gestational age of the aborted fetus or embryo in completed weeks at the time of abortion;

(vi) Type of facility where the abortion is performed (i.e., hospital, clinic, physician's office, or other).

(b) In addition to the requirements provided in subsection (a) of this section, the form shall not contain the name or the address of the pregnant woman or any other common identifiers including a social security number, driver's license number or any other information or identifier that would tend to disclose the identity of the pregnant woman or any other participant other than the reporting physician.

(c) The form shall be completed by the attending physician and submitted to the state health officer as defined in W.S. § 9- 2-103(e) within twenty (20) days after the abortion is performed. A physician who fails to submit a form under this section within one hundred ten (110) days after an abortion is performed shall be reported to the board of medicine by the state health officer. The board of medicine shall investigate the matter and may take disciplinary action under W.S. § 33-26- 402(a)(x).

(d) Termination of a pregnancy by natural miscarriage or as a treatment consequence of a natural miscarriage shall not be reported as an abortion pursuant to this section, provided that the miscarriage was not induced with the intent of terminating the pregnancy. An alleged miscarriage that was induced with the intent of terminating a pregnancy shall be reported as an abortion pursuant to this section.

W.S. § 35-6-132 Compilations of abortion; matter of record; exception.

(c) Not later than June 30 of each year the office of vital records services shall issue a public report providing summary statistics for the previous calendar year compiled from all of the abortion reporting forms from that year submitted in accordance with this section for each of the items listed in W.S. § 35-6-131. The report shall also include the statistics for all previous calendar years during which this subsection was in effect, adjusted to reflect any additional information from late or corrected reports. The office shall ensure that no information included in the public reports could reasonably lead to the identification of any woman upon whom an abortion was performed, induced or attempted. The report shall be transmitted to the United States centers for disease control and prevention for the national abortion surveillance report.

Section 2. Response to Specific Requirement of Statute

In the 2024 reporting year, the VSS Office received 625 ITOP reports from physicians licensed to practice in Wyoming.

Age Range	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
≤ 24	29	36	182	250	259
25-34	45	47	258	227	277
35+	17	20	100	96	89
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Table 1: Age of the	pregnant woman ((W.S. §	\$ 35-6-131(a)(i))

Table 2: Type of procedure p	performed or prescribed	(W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(ii))
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Method Used	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Suction Curettage	1	0	0	94	195
Medical Nonsurgical	88	103	540	477	429
Dilation and Evacuation	0	0	0	2	1
Intrauterine Instillation	0	0	0	0	0
Sharp Curettage	0	0	0	0	0
Hysterotomy/Hysterectomy	0	0	0	0	0
Other	2	0	0	0	0
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Table 3: Complications if any (W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(iii))

Complications	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Hemorrhage	0	0	0	0	3
Infection	0	0	0	0	0
Uterine Perforation	0	0	0	0	0
Cervical Laceration	0	0	0	0	0
Retained Products	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0
None	87	101	538	572	622
Unknown	4	2	2	1	0
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Number of Previous Procedure(s)	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
0	65	77	389	419	361
1	21	20	109	116	173
2	5	5	31	31	56
≥3	0	1	11	7	33
Unknown	0	0	0	0	2
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Table 4: Previous procedures performed (W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(iv))

Table 5: Previous live births (W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(iv))

Number of Previous Live Births	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
0	42	65	264	285	256
1	20	18	113	103	158
2	16	11	89	114	115
3	8	6	45	51	54
≥4	4	3	29	20	40
No Answer (Unknown)	1	0	0	0	2
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Table 6: Gestational age of aborted fetus or embryo (W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(v))

Gestational Age	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
6 weeks or less	49	66	349	302	324
7-10 Weeks	41	37	189	233	229
11 Weeks or more	0	0	1	30	72
No Answer (Unknown)	1	0	1	8	0
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Facility Type	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Office	59	78	532	396	209
Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Clinic	31	24	8	172	414
Other	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	1	1	0	5	2
Total	91	103	540	573	625

Table 7: Type of facilities (W.S. § 35-6-131(a)(v))

Note: This report reflects the latest figures received for each reporting year.