

TABLE 19. Number of deaths and case-fatality rates* for abortion-related deaths reported to CDC, by type of abortion — United States, 1972–2000†

Year	Type of abortion			Total	Case-fatality rate*
	Induced		Unknown‡		
	Legal	Illegal			
1972	24	39	2	65	4.1
1973	25	19	3	47	4.1
1974	26	6	1	33	3.4
1975	29	4	1	34	3.4
1976	11	2	1	14	1.1
1977	17	4	0	21	1.6
1978	9	7	0	16	0.8
1979	22	0	0	22	1.8
1980	9	1	2	12	0.7
1981	8	1	0	9	0.6
1982	11	1	0	12	0.8
1983	11	1	0	12	0.9
1984	12	0	0	12	0.9
1985	11	1	1	13	0.8
1986	11	0	2	13	0.8
1987	7	2	0	9	0.5
1988	16	0	0	16	1.2
1989	12	1	0	13	0.9
1990	9	0	0	9	0.6
1991	11	1	0	12	0.8
1992	10	0	0	10	0.7
1993	6	1	2	9	0.5
1994	10	2	0	12	0.8
1995	4	0	0	4	0.3
1996	9	0	0	9	0.7
1997	7	0	0	7	0.6
1998	10	0	0	10	—¶
1999	4	0	0	4	—¶
2000	11	0	0	11	—¶
Total	362	93	15	470	1.1**

* Legal induced abortion-related deaths per 100,000 reported legal induced abortions for the United States.

† Numbers might differ from those in previously published reports because additional information has been reported to CDC.

‡ Unknown whether induced or spontaneous abortions.

¶ Case-fatality rates for 1998–2000 cannot be calculated because a substantial number of abortions occurred in nonreporting states, and the total number of abortions (the denominator) is unknown.

** Case-fatality rates computed for 1972–1997 only.

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