

TABLE 8. Mean amount paid (in Nigerian naira) for abortion and treatment of complications, by type of expense, and factors affecting actual amount women paid, according to type of abortion

Type of expense	Induced		Spontaneous (N=604)
	Obtained outside hospital, with serious presenting complications (N=470)	Induced in hospital‡ (N=878)	
MEAN AMOUNT PAIDS			
Charges in hospital	10,971	3,605	5,114
Hospital	7,846	3,267	3,957
Doctors	81	97	25
Supplies	1,162	77	336
Medications	1,884	165	795
Amount paid for abortion attempt before going to hospital	2,894	239	0
Total	13,865	3,844	5,114
FACTORS AFFECTING ACTUAL AMOUNT PAID			
Gestation			
<12 wks.	10,884	3,302	4,272
≥13 wks.	10,964	9,508	7,048
Severity of complications††			
Severe	11,829	na	6,920
Less severe	8,744	na	3,696
Treatment in hospital			
MVA	na	3,446	na
D&C	na	3,090	na

#Includes both women who attempted an abortion outside the hospital but had no serious complications, and those who sought an induced abortion at the facility. \$Data on hospital charges came from physician interviews; information on costs of prior attempts came from patient interviews. Costs associated with complications experienced after interview in hospital are not included in the total because they could not be determined. ††Severe complications include sepsis, shock, pelvic infection, injury, fever or death. Less severe complications include hemorrhage or having retained products of conception.