

TABLE 1. Average cost of postabortion care per patient, by severity of complications, region and cost estimation method, based on 20 studies including 72 samples

Category	No. of samples/studies	US\$ (study year)	US\$ (2006)	International \$ (2006)
Average of samples				
All samples	72	\$70.56	\$86.04	\$176.02
Low-severity samples	46	\$57.43	\$72.07	\$132.82
All-severity samples	26	\$93.78	\$110.76	\$252.45
Average of within-study averages				
All studies	20	\$71.09	\$88.28	\$187.16
Low-severity studies	10	\$54.91	\$67.72	\$126.88
All-severity studies	10	\$87.26	\$108.84	\$247.45
Region				
Africa	10	\$62.93	\$82.63	\$212.87
Sub-Saharan Africa	9	\$67.56	\$88.82	\$227.92
Latin America	11	\$79.24	\$93.92	\$161.45
Estimate				
1. Lower bound*	20	\$54.91	\$67.72	\$126.88
2. Weighted by severity†	20	\$93.21	\$114.96	\$215.38
3. Overhead/capital costs added‡				
Africa	10	\$87.02	\$114.26	\$294.35
Sub-Saharan Africa	9	\$93.42	\$122.82	\$315.16
Latin America	11	\$109.57	\$129.87	\$223.25

*Estimate 1 uses the average costs of treating low-severity complications. †Estimate 2 incorporates information on the incidence and cost of treatment by the severity level of complications, and calculates the average cost across all levels of severity. ‡Estimate 3 uses data from studies that applied the Mother-Baby Package costing model; to account for overhead and capital costs, observed costs were inflated by a factor of 1.38.