

**TABLE 4. Number of induced abortions, abortion rate and abortion ratio among women aged 15–44, by multiplier, nationally and according to region, Malawi, 2009**

Region	No. of women treated for induced abortion	No. of induced abortions			Abortion rate			Abortion ratio		
		Multiplier			Multiplier			Multiplier		
		2.6	3.6	4.6	2.6	3.6	4.6	2.6	3.6	4.6
<b>All</b>	<b>18,686</b>	<b>48,584</b>	<b>67,270</b>	<b>85,956</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>14.7</b>
Northern	3,640	9,464	13,104	16,744	25.1	34.8	44.4	12.1	16.7	21.4
Central	7,828	20,353	28,181	36,009	16.8	23.3	29.8	8.2	11.3	14.5
Southern	7,218	18,767	25,985	33,203	14.5	20.0	25.6	7.3	10.1	12.9

Notes: Abortion rate is number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15–44. Abortion ratio is number of abortions per 100 live births.