

TABLE 3. Measures used to estimate abortion levels, and key indicators of incidence, by geopolitical zone, Nigeria, 2012

Measure	Zone						All
	North West	North East	North Central	South West	South South	South East	
ABORTION-RELATED							
No. of late miscarriages	66,340	33,574	31,212	38,973	29,582	23,122	222,802
No. of women treated for abortion complications	70,225	48,539	48,017	59,173	72,784	55,658	354,397
No. of women treated for complications of spontaneous abortion	27,199	16,552	20,912	35,231	21,595	20,948	142,438
No. of women treated for complications of induced abortion	43,025	31,987	27,105	23,942	51,189	34,710	211,959
% of treated complications due to induced abortion	61	66	56	40	70	62	60
Multiplier	8.4	7.2	5.5	6.9	4.2	3.9	na
No. of abortions	360,552	229,029	147,723	164,003	214,483	134,326	1,250,117
Lower estimate	300,270	182,584	117,475	98,807	178,896	84,758	962,791
Upper estimate	420,834	275,474	177,970	229,200	250,071	183,894	1,537,443
DEMOGRAPHIC							
No. of women aged 15–49	11,636,504	5,649,521	5,459,670	6,186,806	4,842,436	4,385,825	38,160,762
No. of live births	1,945,456	984,578	915,300	1,142,895	867,514	678,052	6,533,794
RATES/RATIOS							
Induced abortion rate*	31.0	40.5	27.1	26.5	44.3	30.6	32.8
Lower estimate	25.8	32.3	21.5	16.0	36.9	19.3	25.2
Upper estimate	36.2	48.8	32.6	37.0	51.6	41.9	40.3
Induced abortion ratio†	18.5	23.3	16.1	14.3	24.7	19.8	19.1
Induced abortion treatment rate‡	3.7	5.7	5.0	3.9	10.6	7.9	5.6

*Number of abortions per 1,000 women aged 15–49. †Number of abortions per 100 live births. ‡Number of women receiving postabortion care per 1,000 women aged 15–49. Sources: Abortion-related measures—Health Facilities Survey and Health Professionals Survey. No. of women aged 15–49—reference 11. No. of live births—Calculated from data in reference 10.