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Background

Legislation

Medical termination of pregnancy became legal in South Australia in 1970. The *Criminal Law Consolidation (Medical Termination of Pregnancy) Regulations 2011* require the notification of medical terminations of pregnancy on prescribed forms to the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing, through the attached office of Wellbeing SA. It is from these notifications that the abortion statistics are collated.

Although the law governing termination of pregnancy practice and reporting changed in July 2022 to the *Termination of Pregnancy Act 2021*, the data presented in this report were collected under the *Criminal Law Consolidation (Medical Termination of Pregnancy) Regulations 2011*.

Abortion Reporting Committee

The SA Abortion Reporting Committee examines and reports on all medical terminations of pregnancy notified in South Australia. The Committee has nominees from the South Australian Branches of:

- The National Council of Women
- The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners
- The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
- The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists, and
- The Australian Association of Social Workers

The terms of reference of the Committee are to ensure completeness and compliance with legislation for notifications of medical terminations of pregnancy in South Australia; to examine and report on the pattern of terminations, and to consider any measures that may need to be taken to improve health services and morbidity relating to terminations of pregnancy, so that appropriate advice may be given to the Chief Executive of the Department for Health and Wellbeing.

Data collection

Notifications are received from doctors who conduct terminations of pregnancy, via the data collection form included in Appendix 1. The notification form is filled out soon after the termination is complete, and therefore only captures complications known at that point in time. To improve the ascertainment of complications that occur after the termination, a data linkage is then conducted with South Australian hospital morbidity data (Integrated South Australian Activity Collection). This linkage identifies any complications that occurred after the termination was complete, that resulted in a public hospital admission.

Statistics for 2021

Numbers and rates

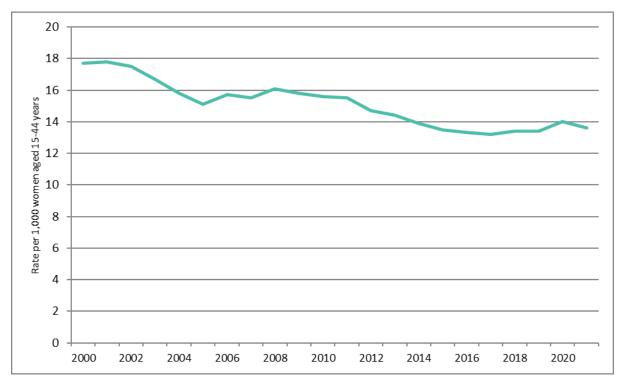
There were 4,597 terminations of pregnancy notified in South Australia in 2021, compared with 4,681 in 2020. The termination rate in South Australia has been declining over the past decade and has declined slightly in the most recent year from 14.0 terminations of pregnancy per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years in 2020 to 13.6 in 2021 (Table 1, Figure 1).

Table 1: Number of pregnancy terminations, and rate per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years, South Australia, 2000-2021

Year	Number	Termination rate	Year	Number	Termination rate
2000	5,571	17.7	2011	5,009	15.5
2001	5,575	17.8	2012	4,765	14.7
2002	5,455	17.5	2013	4,683	14.4
2003	5,205	16.7	2014	4,650	13.9
2004	4,926	15.8	2015	4,441	13.5
2005	4,710	15.1	2016	4,348	13.3
2006	4,887	15.7	2017	4,349	13.2
2007	4,883	15.5	2018	4417	13.4
2008	5,099	16.1	2019	4,462	13.4
2009	5,049	15.8	2020	4,681 ¹	14.0
2010	5,049	15.6	2021	4,597	13.6

¹Updated from 4,662 to 4,681 since the publishing of the 2020 termination data

Figure 1: Pregnancy termination rate per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years, South Australia, 2000-2021



Age of women

The age distribution of women who had a termination of pregnancy in 2021 is shown in Table 2. Among the five-year age groups, the highest pregnancy termination rate was among women aged 20-24 years (20.2 terminations per 1,000 women). Pregnancy termination rates were slightly higher for teenage women, increasing from 6.6 per 1,000 women in 2020 to 7.8 per 1,000 women aged 15-19 years in 2021.

Table 2: Number and rate of pregnancy terminations by age group, South Australia, 2021

Age group	Number	%	Estimated resident female population 2021 ¹	Termination rate per 1,000 women
Under 15	14	0.3	-	n/a
15-19	368	8.0	48,963	7.8 ²
20-24	1,097	23.9	54,193	20.2
25-29	1,148	25.0	59,254	19.4
30-34	997	21.7	60,791	16.4
35-39	718	15.6	60,908	11.8
40-44	234	5.1	54,953	4.6 ³
45 and over	21	0.5	-	n/a

¹ Australian Bureau of Statistics. Population estimates by age and sex, Regions of South Australia, 2021. Canberra: ABS, 2022 (Catalogue No 3235.0)

The teenage pregnancy rate (including live births and induced terminations) has been declining steadily since 2008. In the most recent period, the teenage pregnancy rate has remained consistent at 13.4 per 1,000 women aged 15-19 years in 2020. The latest available data are provided in Figure 2. While teenage termination rates decreased in the five year period from 8.3 in 2016 to 6.6 per 1,000 women in 2020, there was a slight increase in 2021 to 7.8 per 1,000 women aged 15-19 years.

Figure 2: Teenage pregnancy, termination and birth rates1, SA, 2000-2021



¹Terminations and births to women aged less than 15 years are included in the numerators

² includes terminations for women aged under 15

³ includes terminations for women aged 45 and over

Residential region and health service category

The proportion of women residing in the metropolitan Adelaide region who had a termination in a metropolitan hospital (either private or public) was very high at 99.6%. However, only 9.9% of women residing in country South Australia had their termination in a country hospital, with most women travelling to metropolitan areas, decreasing further from 14.5% in 2020 (Table 3).

Most terminations were conducted in metropolitan public hospitals (97.1%), followed by country hospitals (2.3%) and metropolitan private hospitals (0.6%). The distribution of terminations by health service category has been relatively stable over the past five years.

Table 3: Pregnancy terminations by residential region and health service category, South Australia, 2021

Residential Region		Health Service Category						
	-	Metro Public		etro vate	С	ountry	Total Number 3,694 888 15	
	Number	% of residential region	Number	% of residential region	Number	% of residential region		
Metropolitan	3,654	98.9	24	0.6	16	0.4	3,694	
Country	795	89.5	5	0.6	88	9.9	888	
Unknown	15	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	15	
Total	4,464	97.1	29	0.6	104	2.3	4,597	

Of the terminations conducted in a metropolitan public hospital, 73.5% the majority were conducted by the Pregnancy Advisory Centre (n=3,281). A full list of terminations by metropolitan public hospitals is presented below (Table 4).

Table 4: Pregnancy terminations in metropolitan public hospitals, South Australia, 2021

Metropolitan public hospital	Number	% terminations in metropolitan public hospitals	% all terminations
Pregnancy Advisory Centre	3,281	73.5	71.4
Flinders Medical Centre	459	10.3	10.0
Noarlunga Health Service	294	6.6	6.4
Lyell McEwin Hospital	286	6.4	6.2
Women's and Children's Hospital	144	3.2	3.1
Total	4,464	100	97.1

Clinicians conducting terminations

General practitioners conducted 59.0% of the terminations in South Australia in 2021, followed by obstetricians and gynaecologists (19.5%, Table 5). The overall proportion of terminations conducted by general/medical practitioners is slightly higher than 2020 at 77.6% of all terminations (74.0% in 2020), with the remaining 22.4% of terminations in 2021 being conducted by obstetricians and gynaecologists, including those in training.

Table 5: Pregnancy terminations by category of doctor, South Australia, 2021

Category of doctor conducting termination	Number	%
General practitioner	2,713	59.0
Obstetrician/gynaecologist	897	19.5
Medical practitioner in family advisory clinic	853	18.6
Trainee obstetrician/gynaecologist	134	2.9
Total	4,597	100.0

Reported reason for termination

In 2021, 95.6% of terminations conducted were for the woman's mental health, 4.0% for suspected congenital anomalies and 0.3% for specified medical conditions (Table 6). Of the 182 terminations for congenital anomaly, 91 (50.0%) were for chromosomal anomalies, and the 91 terminations (50.0%) were for other fetal anomalies detected or suspected prenatally (Table 7).

Table 6: Reported reason for termination of pregnancy, South Australia, 2021

Reason	Number	%
Mental health of woman	4,394	95.6
Congenital anomalies	182	4.0
Specified medical condition of woman	16	0.3
Pre-existing psychiatric condition	4	0.1
Other	1	0.0
Total	4,597	100.0

Table 7: Reported reason for termination for suspected congenital anomaly, South Australia, 2021

Reason for termination	Number	%	
Suspected chromosomal anomaly	91	50.0	
Suspected other fetal anomaly	91	50.0	
Total	182	100.0	

Terminations by gestational age

In 2021, the majority of pregnancy terminations were conducted in the first trimester (91.9%). The proportion conducted in the second trimester was 8.1% (Table 8), slightly lower than the average over the past five years (8.7%).

Table 8: Gestation at termination by trimester and age of women, South Australia, 2021

	First trimester		Seco		
Age of women (years)	Number	% of age group	Number	% of age group	Total Number
Under 15	12	85.7	2	14.3	14
15-19	338	91.8	30	8.2	368
0-24	1,035	94.3	62	5.7	1,097
25-29	1,047	91.2	101	8.8	1,148
30-34	924	92.7	73	7.3	997
35-39	634	88.3	84	11.7	718
40 and over	233	91.4	22	8.6	255
Total	4,223	91.9	374	8.1	4,597

The proportion of terminations conducted at 20 weeks gestation or later in 2021 was 2.1% (Table 9), consistent with the proportion in 2020 (1.8%). Of the 97 pregnancy terminations conducted at 20 weeks gestation or later, 52 were for congenital anomaly (53.6%) and 41 were for the mental health of the woman (42.3%). Terminations for congenital anomaly are often conducted after 20 weeks gestation as many fetal conditions are detected only in the second trimester.

Table 9: Reported reason for termination of pregnancy by gestation, South Australia, 2021

			Gestatio	n (weeks)			
	<	14	14	l-19	2	0+	_
Reason for termination	Number	% of reason	Number	% of reason	Number	% of reason	Total Number
Mental health of woman	4,162	94.7	191	4.3	41	0.9	4,394
Congenital anomalies	49	26.9	81	44.5	52	28.6	182
Specified medical condition of woman	9	56.3	3	18.8	4	25.0	16
Pre-existing psychiatric	2	50.0	2	50.0	0	0.0	4
Other	1	100.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	1
Total	4,223	91.9	277	6.0	97	2.1	4,597

Method of pregnancy termination

In 2021 the majority (59.8%) of pregnancy terminations were conducted using Mifepristone and Misoprostol (Table 10). While mifepristone and misoprostol may be used alone or in combination prior to vacuum aspiration or dilatation and evacuation, their use prior to a surgical procedure has not been differentiated. Vacuum aspiration/dilatation and curettage was used in 31.6% of all terminations. The use of Mifepristone and Misoprostol continues to increase in use (56.1% of all terminations in 2020).

Table 10: Method of pregnancy termination, South Australia, 2021

Method for termination	Number	%
Mifepristone +/- Misoprostol	2,749	59.8
Vacuum aspiration / Dilatation and curettage	1,452	31.6
Dilatation and evacuation	383	8.3
Vaginal prostaglandin	9	0.2
Other*	4	0.1
Total	4,597	100.0

^{*}Other includes hysterectomy and abdominal hysterotomy

For terminations of pregnancy conducted in the first trimester, Mifepristone and Misoprostol was utilised for the majority of cases (63.1%) followed by vacuum aspiration/dilatation and curettage (34.2%, Table 11). For terminations of pregnancy conducted in the second trimester, dilatation and evacuation was utilised for the majority of cases (72.5%).

Table 11: Method of pregnancy termination by trimester, South Australia, 2021

	Fi	rst trimester	Second	trimester	
Method of termination	Number	% first trimester	Number	% second trimester	Total Number
Mifepristone +/- Misoprostol	2,664	63.1	85	22.7	2,749
Vacuum aspiration / Dilatation and curettage	1,445	34.2	7	1.9	1,452
Dilatation and evacuation	112	2.7	271	72.5	383
Vaginal prostaglandin	1	0.0	8	2.1	9
Other	1	0.0	3	0.8	4
Total	4,223	100.0	374	100.0	4,597

Complications

There were 257 (5.6%) women who experienced complications related to the termination of pregnancy, which was higher than the proportion in 2020 (4.0%). One hundred and thirty-seven (53.3%) of the women with complications were notified on the data collection form soon after the termination. To improve the ascertainment of complications resulting after the termination, a data linkage was conducted with the South Australian hospital morbidity data (Integrated South Australian Activity Collection), which records hospital admissions. A further 120 women with complications following termination (46.7%) were identified through this process.

The most common complication was retained products of conception (217 women), which represented 84.4% of all complications and occurred in 4.7% of all terminations (Table 12). Uterine infection was the second most common complication (15 women), which represented 5.8% of all complications and occurred in 0.3% of all terminations, followed by post-operative haemorrhage and other complications which represented 3.1% of all complications in 2021.

Table 12: Complications resulting from termination of pregnancy, South Australia, 2021

Main complication	Number of women with complication	% of all women with complications	% of all women with termination procedures
Retained products of conception	217	84.4	4.7
Uterine infection	15	5.8	0.3
Haemorrhage post-operative	8	3.1	0.2
Bleeding	3	1.2	0.1
Haemorrhage intra-operative	3	1.2	0.1
Failed procedure	1	0.4	0.0
Perforated/trauma to uterus	1	0.4	0.0
Sepsis	1	0.4	0.0
Other	8	3.1	0.2
Total	257	100.0	5.6

The two most common termination methods in 2021 were Mifepristone and Misoprostol, and vacuum aspiration/dilatation and curettage. Terminations using these methods resulted in complication rates of 8.6% and 0.6% respectively (Table 13).

Overall, 210 (81.4%) women with complications following an initial procedure progressed to a surgical procedure, including 204 women who had a termination of pregnancy with Mifepristone and Misoprostol as the initial procedure.

Table 13: Method of termination resulting in complication, South Australia, 2021

Method of termination	Number of terminations	Number of complications	Number of subsequent surgical D&C	% of termination method with complication	% of complication method with subsequent D&C
Mifepristone +/- Misoprostol	2,749	236	204	8.6	86.4
Vacuum aspiration / Dilatation and curettage	1,452	8	3	0.6	42.9
Dilatation and evacuation	383	9	3	2.3	33.3
Vaginal prostaglandin	9	4	0	44.4	0.0
Other	4	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	4,597	257	210	5.6	81.7

In 2021 there was one failed termination procedure. Of the 236 women with complications reported following induced abortion with Mifepristone and Misoprostol, 205 (86.9%) were due to retained products of conception.

Table 14: Complication type and method of termination procedure, South Australia, 2021

Method of termination	Number of complications	Retained products conception	Uterine infection	Haemorrhage post- operative	Bleeding	Haemorrhage intra- operative	Perforated/ trauma to uterus	Failed procedure	Sepsis	Other
Mifepristone + Misoprostol	236	205	12	7	3	1	0	1	0	7
Vacuum Aspiration	6	3	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
Dilation- Curettage	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vaginal Prostaglandins	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dilation and Evacuation	9	5	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1
Total	257	217	15	8	3	3	1	1	1	8

Previous pregnancy terminations

Of the 4,597 women who had a termination of pregnancy in 2021, 1,672 (36.4%) had undergone a previous termination (Table 15). The proportion of women who had a previous termination generally increased with age. Table 16 (below) shows the number of previous terminations by age group.

Table 15: Women with previous pregnancy terminations by age, South Australia, 2021

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Age (Years)	Number	% of age group	% of all terminations
< 20	27	7.1	0.6
20-24	284	25.9	6.2
25-29	457	39.8	9.9
30-34	458	45.9	10.0
35-39	328	45.7	7.1
40+	118	46.3	2.6
Total	1,672	36.4	36.4

Table 16: Number of previous pregnancy terminations by age of women, South Australia, 2021

Number of				Age	group				
previous terminations	< 15	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40+	Number	%
0	14	341	813	691	539	390	137	2,925	63.6
1	0	22	215	289	275	186	73	1,060	23.1
2	0	4	57	110	107	86	26	390	8.5
3	0	1	11	37	34	31	10	124	2.7
4+	0	0	1	21	42	25	9	98	2.1
Total	14	368	1,097	1,148	997	718	255	4,597	100.0

Total induced abortion rates

The total first abortion rate (TFAR) is a method used to estimate the proportion of women who will experience a termination of pregnancy in their reproductive lifetime (see Methods and Terminology). The TFAR for 2021 was 258.4 per 1,000 women aged 15-44 years (Table 17). This suggests that 25.8% of women would have at least one termination of pregnancy in their reproductive lifetime if they experienced the termination of pregnancy rates of the different age groups for 2021.

The total induced abortion rate (TAR) is the sum of pregnancy termination rates for each of the five-year age groups multiplied by five. This can be calculated using the rates in Table 2 and in 2021 was 401.2 per 1,000 women aged 15-44. This represents the number of induced abortions 1,000 women would have during their lifetime if they experienced the induced abortion rates of the different age groups for 2021.

Table 17: Calculation of total first induced abortion rate (TFAR), South Australia, 2021

Age (years)	Number of women who had terminations (A)	Number of women who had previous terminations (B)	Number of women who had first termination (A) - (B)	Estimated resident female population 30 June 2021 ¹	First termination of pregnancy rate per 1,000 women
15-19	382	27	355	48,963	7.3 ²
20-24	1,097	284	813	54,193	15.0
25-29	1,148	457	691	59,254	11.7
30-34	997	458	539	60,791	8.9
35-39	718	328	390	60,908	6.4
40+	255	118	137	54,953	2.5^{3}
Total	4,597	1672	2,925	339,062	8.6

¹ Australian Bureau of Statistics. Population estimates by age and sex, Regions of South Australia, 2021. Canberra: ABS, 2022 (Catalogue No 3235.0)

² includes terminations for women aged under 15

³ includes terminations for women aged 45 and over

Methods and Terminology

Termination of pregnancy

The removal or expulsion of a pregnancy from the uterus via surgical or medical intervention, and excludes spontaneous abortions or miscarriages

Pregnancy termination rate

All rates of populations were calculated using the reproductive age range 15 to 44 years. Terminations occurred in women who were younger or older than this age group although in small numbers. These events were added to the numerator for the 15 to 19 years group or the 40 to 44 years group respectively.

Total abortion rate (TAR)

The sum of the five-year age-specific termination of pregnancy rates, multiplied by five. This represents the number of terminations of pregnancy that 1,000 women would have during their reproductive lifetime if they experienced the rates of the year shown

Total first abortion rate (TFAR)

The sum of the five-year age-specific termination of pregnancy rates of women experiencing their first termination, multiplied by five. The total first abortion rate (TFAR) is a method used to estimate the proportion of women who will experience a termination of pregnancy in their reproductive lifetime

Appendix 1 Data Collection Form

(Name of hospital)

(Address of hospital)

(Doctor who terminated the pregnancy)

CRIMINAL LAW CONSOLIDATION (MEDICAL TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY) REGULATIONS 1996

CERTIFICATE TO BE COMPLETED WHEN AN ABORTION IS PERFORMED UNDER SECTION 82A OF THE CRIMINAL LAW CONSOLIDATION ACT 1935

SCHEDULE 1- Doctor's certificates and notice A copy of this form must be retained by the doctor who performed the termination for a period of three years commencing on the date of the termination. The original form is to be delivered or posted in a sealed envelope within 28 days of the termination of the pregnancy to the Chief Executive, Department of Health (Pregnancy Outcome Unit), P.O. Box 6 Rundle Mall, Adelaide, SA 5000. The envelope must be clearly marked with the words "STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL". PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS PART A-CERTIFICATES NAME, ADDRESS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF DOCTOR WHO PROPOSES TO TERMINATE PREGNANCY OR, IN THE CASE OF AN EMERGENCY TERMINATION, WHO HAS TERMINATED PREGNANCY NAME, ADDRESS AND QUALIFICATIONS OF OTHER DOCTOR JOINING IN CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINARY TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY FULL NAME AND ADDRESS OF PREGNANT WOMAN PREGNANT WOMAN'S STATED PERIOD OF RESIDENCY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA BEFORE THE DATE OF THIS CERTIFICATE. REASONS FOR UNDERTAKING TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY DIAGNOSIS (Primary condition must be specified) CERTIFICATE TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE AN ORDINARY TERMINATION pregnancy is justified under section 82A(1) (a) of the Criminal Law Consolidation Act 1935 on the following grounds *1. The continuance of the pregnancy would involve a continuance of the pregnance would involve a continuance of the continuance of the pregnance would involve a continuance of the pregnancy were terminated. The continuance of the pregnancy would involve greater risk of injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman than if the pregnancy were terminated. There is a substantial risk that, if the pregnancy were not terminated and the child were born, the child would suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities as to be seriously handicapped. (*Circle the appropriate number) SIGNED .. CERTIFICATE TO BE COMPLETED FOLLOWING AN EMERGENCY TERMINATION I certify that in the case of the woman named above (whom I have personally examined) termination of pregnancy was justified under section 82A(1) (b) of the Criminal Law Consolidation Act 1935 on the following grounds: Termination of the pregnancy was immediately necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman. Termination of the pregnancy was immediately necessary to prevent grave injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman. (*Circle the appropriate number) SIGNED. PART B-NOTICE TO BE COMPLETED FOLLOWING TERMINATION OF A PREGNANCY The pregnancy to which the above certificate relates was terminated at-

(date of termination)

.....DATE....

NFORMATION RELATING TO THE TER	MINATION
To be completed by the doctor who performed t	the termination)
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	completed weeks of gestation when pregnancy serminated
Spontaneous miscarriages	
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