

**Table Number of abortions and abortion rate per 1,000 women. Italy, 1983 and 1998**

REGION	Number of Abortions		Abortion Rate		
	1983	1998	1983	1998	% change
<b>Northern Italy</b>	<b>105 430</b>	<b>57 075</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>-44.6</b>
Piedmont	21 077	10 599	19.7	10.5	-46.7
Valle D'Aosta	517	297	19.1	10.3	-46.1
Lombardy	36 279	21 329	16.1	9.6	-40.4
Bolzano	760	552	7.1	4.8	-32.4
Trento	1 329	1 081	12.4	9.5	-23.4
Veneto	10 316	6 030	9.6	5.4	-43.8
Friuli Venezia Giulia	5 183	2 296	18.6	8.3	-55.4
Liguria	7 790	3 998	19.0	11.1	-41.6
Emilia-Romagna	22 179	10 893	23.6	11.8	-50.0
<b>Central Italy</b>	<b>52 423</b>	<b>29 751</b>	<b>19.8</b>	<b>11.1</b>	<b>-43.9</b>
Tuscany	17 182	9 081	20.5	11.1	-45.9
Umbria	3 925	2 401	20.8	12.5	-39.9
Marche	5 169	2 723	15.4	8.0	-48.1
Lazio	26 147	15 546	20.4	11.7	-42.6
<b>Southern Italy</b>	<b>57 441</b>	<b>38 340</b>	<b>17.3</b>	<b>10.6</b>	<b>-38.7</b>
Abruzzo	4 615	2 851	16.1	9.2	-42.9
Molise	1 259	975	16.7	12.4	-25.7
Campania	15 441	13 685	11.4	9.1	-20.2
Puglia	29 250	15 579	30.2	14.7	-51.3
Basilicata	1 648	934	11.3	6.2	-45.1
Calabria	5 228	4 316	10.6	8.3	-21.7
<b>Islands</b>	<b>18 682</b>	<b>13 191</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>-34.2</b>
Sicily	14 181	10 376	11.9	8.1	-31.9
Sardinia	4 501	2 815	11.3	6.4	-43.4
<b>ITALY</b>	<b>233 976</b>	<b>138 357</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>-42.0</b>