

Table 1. Gestational age limit for carrying out terminations of pregnancy (TOP) (1) according to national legislation or actual practice (2), and reporting of terminations of pregnancy at or after 22 weeks, in European countries in 2010

	TOP ≥ 22 wks		Reporting of late terminations
	Rare or illegal	Gestational age limit (3)	
Austria	X		No
Belgium		No	In separate database but unavailable (4)
Czech Rep		<24 wks	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable
Denmark		<22 wks	In stillbirths statistics and distinguishable
Estonia		<22 wks	No
Finland		<24 wks	In abortion registry only
France		No	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable
Germany		No	In abortion registry only
Greece (2009)		<25 wks	No
Hungary		No	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable
Iceland		<23 wks	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable
Ireland	X		No
Italy		Under viability limit	In abortion registry only (5)
Latvia		<24 wks	In stillbirths statistics but undistinguishable
Lithuania		<22 wks	No
Luxembourg		No	No (6)
Malta	X		No
The Netherlands		<24 wks	In stillbirths statistics but undistinguishable
Norway		<22 wks	In abortion registry only (7)
Poland	X		No
Portugal (8)		<24 wks	In abortion registry (9) and stillbirth statistics but undistinguishable
Romania		<24 wks	No
Slovak Rep		<22 wks	No
Slovenia		No	In stillbirth statistics but undistinguishable (6)
Spain		<22 wks	In abortion registry only
Sweden		<22 wks	In stillbirths statistics but undistinguishable
Switzerland (10)		No	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable
UK: England and Wales (8)		<24 wks	In abortion registry and in stillbirth statistics but undistinguishable
UK: Scotland (8)		<24 wks	In stillbirth statistics but undistinguishable
UK: Northern Ireland (8)	X	<24 wks	In stillbirth statistics and distinguishable (11)

(1) Not including TOP when the mother's life is in danger.

(2) If actual practices differ from legislation, we used actual practices.

(3) Gestational age is in completed weeks of pregnancy

(4) Separate database for terminations in the 2nd and 3rd trimesters; data unavailable and probably incomplete

(5) Reporting of spontaneous abortions and induced pregnancy terminations in separate databases

(6) Terminations are recorded and clearly distinguishable in the medical birth register since 2013

(7) Terminations for congenital anomalies can be linked to data of medical birth register

(8) All stillbirths at 24 or more completed weeks should be registered

(9) Significant under-reporting to the abortion system.

(10) Data from the abortion system were used to supplement data from vital statistics

(11) Hospital discharge statistics