ABORTION IN IRELAND: KEY STATISTICS

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10,600

abortions took place in Ireland in 2025 - over three times more than before abortion was legal here

60,000+

abortions have been recorded during the seven years from 2019-2025, with the total to date up to June 2026 over 65,000

10,426

women did not return to their GP to go ahead with an abortion after the three-day waiting period (2019-2024)

1 in 6

pregnancies now ends in abortion

98%

of abortions take place during the first 12 weeks of pregnancy - abortion on demand with no reason required

108

babies have been born alive after abortion procedures in Ireland (2019-2023)

Number	Details and sources*
48,980	GP reimbursement claims, 2019-2024* (Section 12)
722	Non-GP abortions, 2019-2024 (Sections 9-11**; not including Section 12 abortions in hospitals)
10,600	Abortions, all categories, 2025**
60,302	Total documented abortions to date, 2019-2025 (total of the three figures above)
5,300	Abortions, all categories, Jan-June 2026 (estimate, half of 2025 total)
65,602	Total abortions to date, 2019 to June 2026

*Parliamentary Question 36944/26, Deputy Carol Nolan. **Department of Health annual reports on abortion notifications

COMPARISON WITH LIVE BIRTHS

The Department of Health reported 10,600 abortions in Ireland in 2025. CSO statistics show that 54,125 live births were registered in Ireland in 2025. Based on these figures, 16% or one in six pregnancies, excluding miscarriages, ended in abortion. In 2018 this was just 4.5%.
Calculation: 10,600 / (54,125 + 10,600) = 10,600 / 64,725 x 100% = 16.4%.

Another way to summarise the same figures is that for every five babies born alive, one baby's life is ended through abortion.
Calculation: 54,125 / 10,600 = 5.1.

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