



Factsheet – Statistical activity and published results

Statistics on Assisted Reproductive Technology

Description

The Statistics on Assisted Reproductive Technology (StatLPMA) provide an overview of the number of assisted reproductive technology treatments using in vitro fertilisation methods and of the resulting number of supernumerary embryos. The statistics show the current situation as well as changes over time.

Methodology

Methodology used:

The Statistics on Assisted Reproductive Technology are based on a comprehensive survey using information provided by reporting medical doctors (duty to report).

Variables used:

Assisted reproductive technology treatments undertaken in Switzerland by authorised fertility centres; number of women (or couples) treated or number of treatment cycles conducted

Number of women treated

Age of the women treated and that of their partner

Place of residence (Switzerland or abroad)

Reasons for treatment

Number, type and outcome of treatment cycles, outcome of pregnancies

Development and destruction of embryos

Pre-implantation genetic testing

Use of donor sperm

Date of survey:

2002–

Periodicity:

Annual

Degree of regionalisation:

National

Linkages

No data linkage is carried out for the production of the Statistics on Assisted Reproductive Technology.

Quality of statistical data:

The national survey allows for data comparison at international level.

The Swiss Society for Reproductive Medicine (SGRM / SSMR) checks the quality of the data in accordance with international standards.

Policy on revisions

The statistics were extended to include pre-implantation genetic testing after the revision of the Reproductive Medicine Act came into force on 1 November 2017.

Legal bases

Reproductive Medicine Act (RMA) of 18 December 1998 (SR 810.11, Art. 11) Reproductive Medicine Ordinance of 4 December 2000, (SR 810.112.2, Art. 14)

Federal Statistics Act (FStatA) of 9 October 1992 (SR 431.01)

Organisation

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