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|   | **AFRICA** | **ASIA** |
| **Algeria** | **Angola** | **DR Congo** | **Kenya** | **Niger** | **Nigeria** | **Uganda** | **Cambodia** | **China** | **India** | **Japan** | **Nepal** | **Philippines** | **Sri Lanka** | **Thailand** | **Viet Nam** |
| N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % | N, % |
| **All inductions** | **1073**  | **322**  | **462**  | **792**  | **118**  | **577**  | **356**  | **142**  | **937**  | **3192**  | **639**  | **702**  | **582**  | **5384** | **814**  | **765**  |
| **Fetal death** | 28 (2.6) | 30 (9.3) | 43 (9.3) | 67 (8.5) | 4 (3.4) | 74 (12.8) | 38 (10.7) | 27 (19.0) | 21 (2.2) | 200 (6.3) | 6 (0.9) | 27 (3.8) | 18 (3.1) | 36 (0.7) | 15 (1.8) | 9 (1.2) |
| **Suspected fetal growth impairment** | 28 (2.6) | 14 (4.4) | 6 (1.3) | 21 (2.7) | 0 (0.0) | 13 (2.3) | 1 (0.3) | 11 (7.7) | 9 (1.0) | 238 (7.5) | 39 (6.1) | 15 (2.1) | 13 (2.2) | 69 (1.3) | 10 (1.2) | 11 (1.4) |
| **Fetal distress** | 494 (46.0) | 95 (29.7) | 20 (4.3) | 28 (3.5) | 19 (16.1) | 34 (5.9) | 3 (0.8) | 11 (7.7) | 15 (1.6) | 327 (10.2) | 11 (1.7) | 58 (8.3) | 57 (9.8) | 24 (0.4) | 49 (6.0) | 6 (0.8) |
| **Multiple pregnancy** | 25 (2.3) | 18 (5.7) | 7 (1.5) | 12 (1.5) | 9 (7.6) | 22 (3.8) | 8 (2.2) | 5 (3.5) | 6 (0.6) | 50 (1.6) | 6 (0.9) | 12 (1.7) | 4 (0.7) | 14 (0.3) | 4 (0.5) | 4 (0.5) |
| **Prelabour rupture of membranes** | 355 (33.1) | 145 (45.3) | 170 (36.9) | 151 (19.1) | 10 (8.5) | 104 (18.1) | 73 (20.6) | 32 (22.5) | 257 (27.4) | 785 (24.6) | 119 (18.6) | 157 (22.4) | 152 (26.1) | 437 (8.1) | 157 (19.3) | 454 (59.3) |
| **Chorioamnionitis** | 18 (1.7) | 8 (2.5) | 22 (4.8) | 6 (0.8) | 0 (0.0) | 4 (0.7) | 0 (0.0) | 0 (0.0) | 1 (0.1) | 65 (2.0) | 4 (0.6) | 0 (0.0) | 5 (0.9) | 4 (0.1) | 4 (0.5) | 48 (6.3) |
| **Vaginal bleeding** | 20 (1.9) | 7 (2.2) | 16 (3.5) | 12 (1.5) | 3 (2.5) | 19 (3.3) | 9 (2.5) | 3 (2.1) | 2 (0.2) | 43 (1.3) | 2 (0.3) | 3 (0.4) | 8 (1.4) | 6 (0.1) | 13 (1.6) | 7 (0.9) |
| **Pre-eclampsia/ eclampsia** | 44 (4.1) | 7 (2.2) | 53 (11.5) | 92 (11.7) | 2 (1.7) | 46 (8.0) | 58 (16.4) | 38 (26.8) | 14 (1.5) | 446 (14.0) | 70 (11.0) | 23 (3.3) | 48 (8.2) | 47 (0.9) | 39 (4.8) | 6 (0.8) |
| **Gestational age >=41 weeks** | 131 (12.2) | 6 (1.9) | 59 (12.8) | 170 (21.5) | 161 (22.9) | 126 (21.9) | 43 (12.1) | 17 (12.0) | 247 (26.4) | 421 (13.2) | 13 (2.0) | 161 (22.9) | 143 (24.6) | 355 (6.6) | 89 (10.9) | 124 (16.2) |
| **Elective induction** | 28 (2.6) | 0 (0.0) | 70 (15.2) | 96 (12.2) | 39 (33.1) | 57 (9.9) | 45 (12.7) | 2 (1.4) | 191 (20.4) | 1026 (32.1) | 262 (41.0) | 49 (7.0) | 64 (11.0) | 4157 (77.2) | 363 (44.6) | 99 (12.9) |
| **Maternal Request** | 26 (2.4) | 0 (0.0) | 7 (1.5) | 12 (1.5) | 11 (9.3) | 4 (0.7) | 7 (2.0) | 3 (2.1) | 190 (20.3) | 8 (0.3) | 79 (12.4) | 47 (6.7) | 8 (1.4) | 193 (3.6) | 11 (1.4) | 19 (2.5) |
| **Any other obstetric complication** | 452 (42.1) | 2 (0.6) | 38 (8.2) | 128 (16.2) | 15 (12.7) | 52 (9.0) | 20 (5.6) | 29 (20.4) | 101 (10.8) | 116 (3.6) | 118 (18.5) | 222 (31.6) | 96 (16.5) | 124 (2.3) | 104 (12.8) | 20 (5.6) |
| **Any other medical complication** | 435 (40.5) | 25 (7.8) | 10 (2.2) | 13 (1.6) | 4 (3.4) | 36 (6.2) | 9 (2.5) | 5 (3.5) | 23 (2.5) | 81 (2.5) | 7 (1.1) | 13 (1.9) | 23 (4.0) | 88 (1.6) | 16 (2.0) | 11 (1.4) |

Indications for induction were not mutually exclusive (ie: women could have >1 indication for induction). Percentages are calculated by (number of inductions for [indication] / all inductions) \* 100