

Statistical Summary/Incidence Rates				
	What is it	Incidence Rates/Statistic (U.S. only)	Additional Interesting Information	Source
National Total Unemployment	Includes the number of unemployed workers plus discouraged workers and involuntary part time.	17.5% in October 2009.	This statistic puts the number of involuntarily idle workers in the range of 25 million. The average length of official unemployment increased to 24.5 weeks in June 2009. This is the longest term since the government started to track this data in 1948.	U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics . U.S. News and World Report, July 15, 2009 article by Mortimer B. Zuckerman.
Median Household Income	The middle point of area incomes. Median income divides the income distribution range in half, one with residents having incomes above the median, and the other with residents having incomes below the median. Median family income and median household income are based on the distribution of the total number of families, including those with no income. However, median income calculated for individuals excludes information from those who have no income.	\$50,303	Real median household income declined by 3.6 percent between 2007 and 2008, from \$52,163 to \$50,303. Real median income declined for non-family households by 4 percent. Between 2007 and 2008, The typical American household made less money last year than the typical household made a full decade ago. In the four decades that the Census Bureau has been tracking household income, there has never before been a full decade in which median income failed to rise.	U.S. Census Bureau Annual Report On Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance. www.census.gov/prod/2009pubs/p60-236.pdf Economix-September 10, 2009, A Decade With No Income Gains By David Leonhardt
Staffing Industry	The U.S. staffing industry includes about 23,000 companies with combined annual revenue of about \$120 billion.	The employment services industry (even with the recession) is estimated to add 692,000 jobs between 2006 and 2016.	This makes it the second largest job-growth industry in the U.S. through the year 2016. This is mainly due to the "flexibility factor" associated with augmenting a full time staff with a temporary workforce.	American Staffing Association.
Miscarriage	The loss of a pregnancy due to natural causes within the first 20 weeks of pregnancy.	670,000 women miscarry a pregnancy each year. Between 15 - 20% of all clinically recognized pregnancies end in miscarriage each year.	For a woman of childbearing years, the chance of having a miscarriage ranges from 10% to 25% depending on her age and general health.	American Pregnancy Association
Stillbirth/S.A.D.S. (Sudden Antenatal Death Syndrome)	The death of a baby in its mother's womb due to natural causes after 20 weeks of gestational age, and up to the moment of delivery.	■ In the U.S., nearly 30,000 babies/year are born sleeping. More babies die in the U.S. as a result of stillbirth than all other causes of infant deaths combined. More than three million stillbirths occur per year worldwide. 30% of all stillbirths occur during labor and delivery. These are preventable.	So far only about half of our states have enacted legislation that requires officials to issue Certificates of Birth for stillborn babies. Parents of newborns buy nursery monitors as a precaution against S.I.D.S., yet we don't utilize the same precaution when our babies are in utero by utilizing at-home fetal monitoring. We do not currently have a standardized protocol for performing an autopsy on a stillborn once a couple requests it. Because of this, we have no uniform data for researchers to analyze in order to begin identifying potential causes and/or develop prevention techniques. We don't have a centralized national database to store and share the autopsy information (such as the one that exists for cancer) even if a process were standardized and the information collected.	World Health Organization Journal of Social Work in End of Life and Palliative Care, 3(3),59-79 Joanne Cacciatore, PhD, MSW Suzanne Bushfield, Ph.D., MSW Stillbirth: The Mother's Experience and implications for improving care. First Candle and National Stillbirth Society. Global Alliance to Prevent Prematurity and Stillbirth. http://www.gapps.org/
Prematurity	A baby that is born before 37 weeks of gestation, counting from the first day of the Last Menstrual Period.	More than a half million babies in the U.S. (1 in 8) per year will be born prematurely. 13 million families/year globally have a baby that is born prematurely.	Globally, prematurity is one of the leading causes of deaths that occur in the first 28 days of life. The rate of premature birth in America is higher than that of most other developed nations. In the United States alone, an estimated \$26 billion is spent on healthcare costs related to prematurity.	National Center For Health Statistics March of Dimes Global Alliance to Prevent Prematurity and Stillbirth. World Health Organization
S.I.D.S. (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome)	The sudden death of an infant under one year of age which remains unexplained after a thorough case investigation, including performance of a complete autopsy, examination of the death scene, and review of the clinical history.	It claims the lives of nearly 2,500 babies in the U.S. each year.	It is the number one cause of death for infants from one month to one year of age.	First Candle
S.U.D.C. (Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood)	The sudden and unexpected death of a child over the age of 12 months, which remains unexplained after a thorough case investigation is conducted. The cause of death remains unexplained after thorough case investigation including: examination of the death scene, performance of a complete autopsy, and a review of the child's and family's medical history.	It is rare at 1.2 deaths per 100,000 children in the U.S.		S.U.D.C. Program (www.sudc.org)
Infertility	Failure of a couple to conceive a pregnancy after trying to do so for at least one full year. Male factor infertility is defined as an abnormality in sperm production, function or delivery that impedes a couple from establishing a pregnancy.	1 in 6 couples between the ages of 15-44 currently deal with infertility. More than 9.3 million women and 2 million men seek fertility treatment annually. Male infertility has been found to be the major cause of a couple's inability to conceive in 50% of childless couples.	Most insurance companies in most states view fertility treatments as "elective procedures", and only 15 states currently have laws that require any sort of insurance coverage for this process. Most resources, fertility clinic applications, and infertility awareness campaigns are focused primarily on the female	National Center for Health Statistics Reproductive Biology Associates
Adoption	Domestic Adoption (Foster Care, Private Agency, Independent). International Adoption (Agency or Independent)	80 million Americans have considered adopting - that's about 40% of the U.S. population. Less than 2% of those who've considered adoption will ever begin the process. Because of the high cost, just 1% of Americans complete the process of adopting.	A significant number of adoption issues result from a striking lack of uniformity in adoption laws. Each state writes its own adoption laws. In some states private adoptions are O. K.; in other states they are forbidden. 140 million children worldwide are orphaned and in desperate need of a family to call their own. That is equal to half the population of the United States - and they are all under the age of 18! 500,000 children in the U.S. foster care system await adoption; 10% of those children have been waiting to be adopted for over 3 years. Once in foster care, on average, a child waits 5 years to be adopted.	Gift of Adoption Fund. Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute and The Adoption Institute's 2002 Public Opinion Benchmark Survey.
Average cost of a funeral	Typical traditional funeral service. Amounts include what's paid to the funeral home, what's paid to the cemetery, and what's paid to purchase a headstone or grave marker.	■ \$8,000 - \$10,000.		How Much Does an Average Funeral Cost? Michael Testa, CPA, CFP Funeral Expense Expert
Average cost of infertility treatment	Expenses vary depending on the treatment that is required.	■ The average cost for a cycle of fertility treatment for a couple averages between \$15,000- \$35,000 per cycle.	Most insurance companies do not provide coverage for most major infertility treatments. Only 15 states have laws that require any insurance coverage for treatment. Costs are for one cycle. Many couples may need to undergo several cycles before they are successful.	Bonei-Olam.org
Average cost for an adoption	Costs vary by type of adoption	■ 0 - \$40,000 depending on the type of adoption		Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute