

Percent of the U.S. homeless population made up of families with children: 40
 Percent of requests for emergency shelter by U.S. homeless families that were denied in 2004: 32¹

Percent increase in crime that was reported on network TV news from 1990 to 1998: 83
 Percent decrease in actual crime in the U.S. from 1990 to 1998: 20²

Number of people in the U.S. Army on the eve of World War II: 186,000³
 Number of people in today's U.S. regular Army: 480,000⁴
 Percent of active-duty U.S. military who are non-white: 37.5⁵
 Percent of Americans who are non-white: 22.9⁶
 Number of non-U.S. citizens serving in the active-duty U.S. military: 38,000⁷

Amount the average American bride and groom spend on their wedding: \$22,000⁸
 Number of marriages that take place in the United States per day: 6,400⁹
 Number of divorces in the United States per day: 2,700¹⁰

Rank of Washington, D.C. among U.S. highest incarceration rates: 1
 Rank of Washington, D.C. among U.S. highest education spending per capita: 51
 Rank of Minnesota among U.S. highest education spending per capita: 1
 Rank of Minnesota among U.S. highest incarceration rates: 51¹¹

Percent increase in per capita higher education spending from all states' general tax revenues from 1980 to 2000: 32
 Percent increase in prison spending: 189
 Percent increase in per capita higher education spending in Minnesota from 1980 to 2000: 131
 Percent increase in prison spending: 128
 Percent increase in per capita higher education spending in Texas from 1980 to 2000: 37
 Percent increase in prison spending: 401¹²

Length of the jail sentence Staff Sergeant Camilo Mejia received for refusing to return to fight in Iraq: 1 year¹³
 Length of the jail sentence Specialist Armin J. Cruz received for abusing Abu Ghraib inmates: 8 months¹⁴

Percent of U.S. police chiefs who believe that drug enforcement efforts have failed to reduce the drug problem: 67
 Percent who favor treatment programs rather than prosecution for nonviolent drug users: 61¹⁵

Percent of Palestinians who said they would approve of a large-scale non-violent movement against the Israeli occupation: 80
 Percent of Israeli Jews who agree that Palestinians have a legitimate right to pursue a Palestinian state using non-violent means: 78¹⁶

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