

Justice In Jeopardy Questions and Answers

(updated August 2010 – September 2011)

Bless Our Home

A national e-mail survey of local and state homeless coalitions was conducted in late 2008 and early 2009. In response to the question *Where are people staying after their property has been foreclosed?* What % said that these individuals and families who had lost their homes were now living on the streets? (National Coalition for the Homeless: “Foreclosure to Homelessness 2009”)

- TOTAL: 38% - 21% on the streets. 18% outside but not on the streets

(Vast majority offered multiple responses: 86% with family or friends. 61% emergency shelter. 25% permanent or transitional housing. 17% In a home they rent or own. 11% in a home they do not rent or own)

Source:

Of all homeless women surveyed in 2009, this percentage reported that they stayed in an abusive relationship because they had no other place to live. (Wilder Foundation 2009)

- 48%

Children, youth, and young adults make up this % of people who are homeless in Minnesota. (Wilder 2009)

- nearly 50%

(34% children with their parents. 2% unaccompanied minors 12-17. 11% unaccompanied young adults 18-21)

In Minneapolis, about one out of this many students are homeless or lack permanent housing at some point during the year. (Star Tribune Sept 8, 2008)

What is one out of six?

5500 of 35000 students. An 18% increase from 2007.
(Could not find update)

Grade level of homeless:

Grades 6-8: 766 (14%)

Grades 9-12 1,216 (22.3%)

Source: “Homeless and Highly Mobile Students” Minneapolis Public Schools, August, 2008.

You Gotta Eat

The most commonly cited way to reduce hunger is this. (The U.S. Conference of Mayors, Hunger and Homelessness Survey, 2009.)

- Tie: Affordable housing and job training

Also listed: increase in food stamp payments, grocery stores for people in low-income neighborhoods, more federal funding for food assistance, health care reform, and a simplification of food stamp eligibility requirements.

In South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa, what % of children under the age of 5 are malnourished? (Global Monitoring Report 2008 World Bank)

- What is 35%?
(no change/updated info)

Of the 848 million people worldwide who suffered from chronic hunger in 2003-2005, this % live in developing countries. (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations State of Food Insecurity in the World, 2008)

- What is 98% (or 832 million) ?

65 percent of this number live in only seven countries: India, China, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan and Ethiopia.

(could not find similar state in 2009 report)
<http://www.fao.org/publications/sofi/en/>

Predominantly white neighborhoods in LA have how many more supermarkets than predominantly African American and Latino neighborhoods. (Families USA 2009)

- What are 4 times as many?

African American & Latino neighborhoods do have more fast food stores and liquor stores than predominantly white neighborhoods. (Compare the SuperTarget, Jerry's, Byerly's, Lund's and Cub Foods in Edina to the one Cub Foods in North Mnpls.)

Edina Mn, has this many grocery stores compared to the one in North Minneapolis

What is 5?
Cub Foods, Target SuperStore, Jerry's, Byerly's, Lund's

1 in 7 Americans do not have access to enough ____.

What is food?

www.feedingamerica.org

In Minnesota, 583,710 people do not eat 3 complete meals a day.

Unidentified

In 2009, the number of Americans who were living in poverty. (U.S. Census Bureau)

- 39.8 million

This is the number of tons of unused, edible food that is thrown away each year in MN. (Second Harvest, 2007)

-what is 400,000 tons

Enough food to feed the 870,000 people in Duluth, Rochester, Mnpls, and St. Paul for a year

(no change/updated info)

The number of people trafficked in the US each year.

(Justice North 2008).

-17,000

(no change/updated info)

2nd Source: humantrafficking.org – US Department of State Trafficking in Persons Report 2006

One out of how many working adults does not have health insurance. (Robert Wood foundation 2009)

-What is one out of five working adult Americans does not have health insurance.

45.7 million Americans, including 9 million children, are uninsured.

(no change/updated info)

Will Work for Cash

This is the % American workers without paid sick days. (Institute for Women's Policy Research April 2009)

-Over 50%.

Only one in three American workers are able to utilize sick days to care for sick

children. Workers without paid sick days lose wages if they stay home, and many workers risk losing their jobs. As a result, workers who lack paid sick time are more likely to go to work with a communicable illness, and parents who cannot stay home with a sick child are more likely to send sick children to school or day care.

(no change/updated info)

In Minnesota, to meet the basic needs of a family of five, 2 parents must each make this amount per hour. (Jobs Now Coalition 2010)

\$16.45 per hour - statewide

\$17.57 – Twin Cities Metro

- Federal Minimum Wage – 7.25
- MN Minimum Wage up to \$7.25 from \$6.25 for larger employers, \$5.25 for smaller employers (annual receipts less than 625,000) Source: United States Department of Labor. 2010)

<http://www.dol.gov/whd/minwage/america.htm#Minnesota>

This is the number of workers for every job opening in Minnesota. (Jobs Now Coalition 2011, March)

- 10 workers for every one job.

(None of the five largest occupational groups offer a median wage higher than \$11.20 per hour.

Forty-one percent of all openings are part-time.

Less than half (49%) of the openings offer health care.

More than half (56%) require no education or training beyond high school.

One out of four openings pay less than \$8.00 per hour.)

Source: Jobs Now Coalition – citing MN state reports

The median wage of all job openings in Minnesota. (Jobs Now Coalition, 2010)

-What is \$10/hour?

More than half of these jobs are part time.

Median is a midway point, half of jobs are above it and half below it.

The average CEO makes ___ times more than their average hourly worker annually.

What is less than 475%?

In 2010, CEO of Walmart earned an annual salary of over 35 million. New WalMart employees make roughly \$8.75/hour, which is \$13, 605/year. CEO makes more than that worker's salary in 1 hour (\$16, 826.92).

(<http://jonathanturley.org/2010/07/03/walmart-ceo-makes-average-workers-annual-salary-every-hour/>)

If federal minimum wage had kept pace with the inflation since the 1960's, minimum wage would now be \$__ per hour.

What is \$10.03?
www.jobsnowcoalition.org

A single person with no dependents must make \$11.82/hour in order to afford basic needs.

A woman with 2 kids would need to earn less than \$15,670 a year to be considered poor by federal standards. In reality, the cost of providing for basic needs is \$__ per year.

What is \$33,480 in greater MN, or \$40,476 in the metro area.
(<http://www.hungersolutions.org/classroom/fundamentals>)

Earning minimum wage would bring in an annual salary of \$15, 080.

Minnesota's state law sets minimum wage at \$__ per hour.

What is \$6.15?
www.jobsnowcoalition.org

Federal minimum wage is \$7.25. By law, the higher of the 2 (state or federal) prevails.

Around the Globe

The number of children who die each day from diseases associated with a lack of clean drinking water? (WaterAide, 2010)

– about 5,000. 1.8 million a year. 1 in every 15 seconds.

Malnourished children are more vulnerable to disease, and prone to diarrhea, pneumonia, measles and malaria. These four diseases, plus malnutrition, account for seven out of ten childhood deaths in developing countries. For example in Zambia, one in five children dies before their fifth birthday. In contrast in the UK less than 1% of children die before they reach the age of five. *Diarrhea is the second most serious killer of children under five worldwide (after pneumonia) but in most cases it can be prevented or treated.*

Source: WaterAide – new question?

Globally, we spend \$100 billion on bottled water per year. Most of which is spent by people who have access to clean drinking water. It would cost this much a year to

provide access to clean drinking water for the 1 billion without. (World Vision, and The Water Project, 2010)

- 30 Billion

-When a community gains access to clean water, its child mortality rate drops by half.

- Bottled water is often monitored less stringently than tap water and often comes from municipal water. Dasani (Coca-cola) & Aquafina (Pepsi) both sourced from municipalities. – The Water Project, 2010.

-tap water is more stringently monitored and tightly regulated than bottled water. Around half of the people in the developing world are suffering from diseases associated with inadequate water or sanitation, which kill around five million people a year. (New York Times, 8.1.2005)

The world's richest 10% own this percentage of the world's wealth? (World Vision, 2007)

-85%

The poorest 50% of the world's population own less than 1% of global assets. (no change/updated info)

The healthiest countries in the world share this characteristic. (Hint: It's not being the richest) (Health Disparities Task Group, 2004)

- Countries with the smallest gap between the rich and the poor

United States has the 3rd largest gap between rich and poor. Hong Kong #1, Singapore #2. (Source: BusinessWeek citing U.N. Development Program 2009)

Additions?

Tonight in the Twin Cities there will be 350 people who have HIV or AIDS who will be sleeping on the streets. There are 7,500 in our community living with this disease and 50% of them will be homeless or have a housing crisis during the course of their illness. In our own community the need for safe, affordable HIV-specific housing is real and growing. National research shows that by providing housing to those who are HIV positive and homeless reduces the spread of HIV and improves health outcomes. From the early days of the AIDS epidemic Clare Housing understood the important role that a home can make to those who are living with this disease. Through the operation of our six adult foster care homes, a 32-unit supportive housing development, and 20 units of scattered-site housing **we are able to provide housing to 100 people and 10 families each year in the metro area - this translates into over 35,000 nights of safe shelter a year.** (Source: Clare Housing)

