

## Statistics on the Issues

The statistics below relate to the four issues that the candidates will be debating. Some of the statistics are estimates based on the most recent data available.

### Foreign Policy

- Amount spent on U.S. foreign aid, 2010: **\$39,400,000,000**
- Percentage of U.S. federal budget spent on defense, 2010: **20%**
- Defense budget, 2013: **\$645,700,000,000**
- Approximate amount spent on defense per person, 2013: **\$2,047**
- U.S. military spending as percentage of GDP, 2010: **4.8%**
- World military spending as percentage of GDP, 2010: **2.6%**
- U.S. soldiers killed in action, 1993–1999: **6,742**
- U.S. soldiers killed in action, 2002–2008: **11,499**

### Crime and Punishment

- U.S. crime rate, 1960: **1.9%**
- U.S. crime rate, 2009: **3.5%**
- Percentage of former prisoners rearrested for new crimes within 3 years of being released, 2004–2007: **43.3%**
- Percentage of U.S. population incarcerated, 2010: **0.73%**
- U.S. incarceration rate ranking among documented countries: **1**
- Jails in the U.S.: **1,558**
- Percentage of U.S. population who have been victims of assault: **1.2%**
- Percentage of U.S. population who have been victims of property crime: **10%**
- Percentage of homicides that involve a firearm: **36%**
- U.S. death row inmates released after evidence of their innocence emerged, 1973–2012: **142**
- Prisoners on death row in the U.S. as of October 1, 2013: **3,126**

### Environment

- Five hottest years on record, as of 2007: **1880, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006**
- U.S. rank as a producer of greenhouse gases: **2**
- Percentage of Americans who are “somewhat worried” or “very worried” about global warming: **58%**
- Percentage of Americans who believe global warming will cause harm to future generations: **68%**
- U.S. oil consumption, as a percentage of total world oil consumption: **20.5%**
- Percentage of U.S. community water systems that meet health-based standards, 2010: **92%**
- U.S. land held in trust by Federal Government (national parks, national forests, etc.) **640,000,000 acres (30% of U.S. land)**
- Percentage of U.S. territory protected as wilderness: **5%**
- Percentage decrease in carbon monoxide in the air under the Clean Air Act, 1990–2006: **73%**

### Social Services for the Poor

- Percentage of Americans living below the poverty line, 2009: **14%**
- Percentage of federal budget spent on aid to the needy, 2011: **13%**
- Percentage of federal budget spent on Medicare and Medicaid, 2010: **21%**
- Percentage of Americans under 18 without health insurance, 2009: **10%**
- Percentage of Americans age 18–24 without health insurance, 2009: **30%**
- Percentage of federal budget spent on Title I (education program for children in poverty), 2012: **\$300 million**