



## Donation and Transplantation Statistics

- Approximately **79** organ transplants take place every day in the United States.
- On average, a single tissue donor can save or enhance the lives of up to **50** people.
- More than **28,000** patients began new lives in 2013 thanks to organ transplants.
- Approximately **40,000** patients have their sight restored through corneal transplants each year.
- A living donor can provide a kidney or a portion of their liver, lung, pancreas or intestine.
- More than one third of all deceased donors are 50 or older, and nearly 8% are 65 or older.
- Sadly, an average of **18** patients die every day while waiting, simply because the organ they needed does not become available in time.
- On average, **150** people are added to the nation's organ transplant waiting list each day—one every **10** minutes.
- More than **122,000** people are currently waiting for an organ transplant in the U.S. More than 1,000 of them are 10 years old or younger.
- Nearly **35%** of patients awaiting kidney transplants are Black.
- In 2012, there were more than **30,000** tissue donors and **60,000** cornea donors.
- More than **1 million** tissue transplants are done each year and the surgical need for tissue has been steadily rising.
- More than **117 million** people, approximately **48 percent** of the U.S. adult population, are registered as organ, eye and tissue donors.
- To register to be an organ, eye and tissue donor visit [www.donatelife.net](http://www.donatelife.net).

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