

\$24 Billion - The estimated amount that would be saved in annual medical costs if Americans consumed just half a teaspoon less salt each day. It could also prevent as many as 92,000 deaths a year. (Source: New England Journal of Medicine)

2.2% - The estimated percentage increase of worldwide output per worker this year. That follows a 1% slide in 2009, the first decrease since 1991's 0.1% drop. (Source: Conference Board)

61% - Sixty-one percent (61%) of U.S. voters say Congress should drop health care reform and focus on more immediate ways to improve the economy and create jobs. (Source: Rasmussen Reports, LLC)

59% - Fifty-nine percent of voters nationwide believe cutting taxes is better than increasing government spending as a job-creation tool. (Source: Rasmussen Reports, LLC)

\$498K - The average 2009 compensation per employee at The Goldman Sachs Group Inc. The investment bank spent \$16.2 billion on compensation—48% more than in 2008 but below 2007's record \$20.2 billion. (Source: Bloomberg)