

1. March 28, 2008 -- Older Americans are living longer, and with more money, than previous generations, according to a new government report on aging. The report, Older Americans 2008: Key Indicators of Well-Being, comes from the Federal Interagency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics.

It predicts that there will be 71.5 million people aged 65 and older in the U.S. in 2030 -- twice as many as in 2000 -- because of the aging baby boomers and greater life expectancy. Indicators include population, economics, healthcare, health risks and behaviors, literacy and health literacy and others
http://www.agingstats.gov/agingstatsdotnet/Main_Site/Data/Data_2008.aspx

2. HUMAN MORTALITY DATABASE: Note: HMD requires free registration before providing data. The following updates have been added to the database.

Apr. 9, 2008: Data for Canada were revised and updated through 2005

Apr. 9, 2008: Data for United States were revised and updated through 2005

Data availability: <http://www.mortality.org/Public/DataAvailability.html>

Data access: <http://www.mortality.org/>

3. DARTMOUTH INSTITUTE FOR HEALTH POLICY & CLINICAL PRACTICE [HANOVER, NEW HAMPSHIRE] COMPENDIUM: _Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care_ (2008, .pdf format, 170p., with accompanying tables available via interactive web based extraction, HTML and Microsoft Excel format, and hospital reports by state, .pdf format). <http://www.dartmouthatlas.org/>

4. KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION REPORT: "Medicare Part D 2008 Data Spotlights" update. The latest spotlights are "Medicare Prescription Drug Plans in 2008 And Key Changes Since 2006: Summary Of Findings," Medicare Part D 2008 Data Spotlight: Ten Most Common Brand-Name Drugs," and Medicare Part D 2008 Data Spotlight: Low-Income Subsidy Plan Availability" (April 2008, .pdf format).

<http://www.kff.org/medicare/med102507pkg.cfm>

5. POPULATION REFERENCE BUREAU ARTICLE: "Global Aging and the Demographic Divide," by Carl Haub (April 2008). <http://www.prb.org/Articles/2008/globalaging.aspx>