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## **FAST FACTS ABOUT FISTULA AND MATERNAL HEALTH**

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<b>Number of women who die in childbirth:</b>	529,000 per year 1,450 per day 1 per minute
<b>Risk of a woman in North America dying from a complication related to pregnancy or childbirth:</b>	1 in 3500
<b>Risk of an African woman dying from a complication related to pregnancy or childbirth:</b>	1 in 16
<b>Percent of pregnancy-related deaths occurring in developing countries:</b>	99%
<b>Percent of women in developing countries who deliver in a hospital or health center</b>	40%
<b>Number of women suffering from fistula worldwide:</b>	at least 2 million
<b>Number of new cases of fistula occurring per year:</b>	50,000 - 100,000
<b>Percent of fistula cases in which the baby dies during childbirth:</b>	90%
<b>Average cost of fistula treatment:</b>	\$420
<b>Surgery success rate (for uncomplicated cases):</b>	90%
<b>Percent of fistula cases that could be prevented with improved access to obstetric care</b>	close to 100%