## Time Management Facts and Figures

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The a verage person uses 13 different methods to control and manage their time.

The average person gets 1 intemuption every 8 minutes, or approximately 7 an hour, or 50-60 perday. The average intemuption takes 5 minutes, totaling about 4 hours or $50 \%$ of the a verage workday. $80 \%$ of those intemuptions are typic ally rates as "little value" or "no value" creating approximately 3 hours of wasted time perday.

On an average day there a 17 million meetings in America.
$20 \%$ of the average workday is spend on "crucial" and "important" things, while $80 \%$ of the average workday is spend on things that have "little value" or "no value".

A person who works with a "messy" or cluttered desk spends, on the a verage, $1^{1 ⁄ 2}$ hours per day looking for things or being distrac ted by things or a pproximately $71 / 2$ hours per workweek. "O ut of sight; out of mind." When it's in sight, it's in mind.

The a verage worker sends a nd receives 190 messages per day.
$25 \%$ of sick days a re taken for illness. $75 \%$ of sick days are taken for other reasons.

80\% of Crisis Management" events are preventa ble.
The most powerful word in our Time Management vocabulary is "no".
$70 \%$ of business a nd professional people use a "to-do" list on a regular basis to administer their "have to's".

5\% of business and professional people use a "to-do" list on a regular basis to administer not only their "ha ve to's", but also their "want to's".

Delegation is an unlimited method to multiply time for a chieving results.

The hardest part about delegation is simply letting go. "If you want a job done right, you have to do it yourself."

The "20/80 Rule" tells us we will typic ally a c complish $80 \%$ of our results through 20\% of our effort. The other 20\% of a dditional results comes from about $80 \%$ of add itional effort.
"Stressed" spelled backwards is "desserts".
Half of what is known today, we did not know 10 years ago. The a mount of knowledge in the world has doubled in the last 10 years. And it is said to be doubling again every 18 months.

If you always do what you've always done, you always get what you've always got." To change our output, we must change our input.

