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One person dies every 52 minutes as a result of the shortage of organs resulting from the use of the sole organ-donor policy of altruism. That figure is calculated as follows:

$$525,600 \text{ minutes in a year} \div 10,136 \text{ deaths} = 52 \text{ minutes}$$

The number of minutes in a year, 525,600, is divided by the total deaths of those on the waiting list (6,492) and those who were removed from the list because they were too sick leading to their eventual death (3,644). These figures are from UNOS for 2010 as shown below.

<http://www.unos.org/>

<http://optn.transplant.hrsa.gov/latestData/step2.asp>

[Los Angeles Times, 6/18/09](#) Number of patients who die awaiting kidney reach a new high



Removal Reasons by Year

Removed from the Waiting List : January, 1995 - January 31, 2011

For Type = Candidates, Format = Portrait

Based on OPTN data as of April 1, 2011

Change Report (Optional) :

Organ

Count

All

Candidates

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Add Field to Report :

	To Date	2010
All Removal Reason	506,567	44,258
Deceased Donor Transplant	283,521	21,270
Living Donor Transplant	61,853	5,767
Deceased Donor Emergency Tx	239	4
Deceased Donor Multi-Organ Tx	584	6
Patient died during TX procedure	291	27
Transplanted in another country	180	42
Waiting for KP, will not Accept Isol. Or	700	35
Also Waiting for Isol Organ; recvd Kidne	2,200	162
Also Waiting for Isol Organ; recvd Pancr	76	1
Also Waiting for KP; recvd KP	5,496	426
Also Waiting for KP; recvd Kidney Alone	369	31
Medically Unsuitable	482	1
Also Waiting for KP; recvd Pancreas Alon	71	4
Refused transplant	5,659	504
Transferred to another center	21,255	1,610
Died	97,818	6,492
Other	48,309	4,576
Condition Improved	14,809	1,225
Too Sick to Transplant	29,265	3,644
Transplanted At Another Center	23,944	2,268