

Social Issues

Definition: “The definition of a social problem, also called a social issue, is an undesirable condition that people believe should be corrected” (<http://www.yourdictionary.com/social-problem>).

Below is a non-exhaustive list of social issues, adapted from <http://lib.guides.umd.edu/c.php?g=326995&p=2194601>

- Abortion
- Affirmative Action
- African American/Black Rights
- Ageism / Age Discrimination
- Airport Screening Procedures
- Alcoholism
- Animal Rights
- Anorexia Nervosa
- Asian American Rights
- Binge Drinking
- Birth Control
- Bulimia Nervosa
- Bullying
- Campus Crime
- Capital Punishment / Death Penalty
- Chemical Weapons
- Child Abuse
- Child Labor
- Classism
- Climate Change
- Cloning
- Colorism
- Cloud Hacking/Computer Hacking
- Corporal Punishment
- Corporate Downsizing
- Cyber Bullying
- Disaster Relief
- Disability Rights
- Disease
- Domestic Violence
- Dream Act
- Drinking and Driving

- Drug Abuse / Drug Addiction
- Eating Disorders
- Education
- Embryonic Stem Cell Research
- Environmental Pollution
- Environmental Racism
- Equal Pay
- Euthanasia / Mercy Killing / Assisted Suicide
- Excessive Force By Law Enforcement
- Felony Disenfranchisement
- Food Deserts
- Food Insecurity
- Gang Violence
- Gender Identity
- Genetic Engineering
- Genetically Modified Food
- Gentrification
- Gun Control
- Gun Rights
- Hate Crimes
- Hazing
- Health Care Disparities
- Health Care Reform
- HIV / AIDS
- Home Foreclosures
- Homelessness
- Honor Killings
- Human Rights
- Human Trafficking
- Hunger
- Identify Theft
- Immigration
- Indigenous Rights/Native American Rights
- Latino/a/x Rights
- LGBTQ Rights (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer)
- Legalization of Marijuana
- Legalization of Sex Work/Prostitution
- Islamophobia/ Anti-Muslim Discrimination
- Mass Murder
- Mental Illness/Mental Health
- Meth Labs (Methamphetamine Laboratories)

- Militarization of Police
- Minimum Wage
- Obesity
- Organ and Body Donation
- Outsourcing Jobs
- Prison System/ Criminal Justice
- Police Brutality
- Police Militarization
- Pornography
- Poverty
- Prayer in Schools
- Racial Disparities in Health Care
- Racial Disparities in Sentencing
- Racial Profiling
- Racism
- Right to Work
- Religion
- Same-Sex Marriage
- Sex Worker's Rights
- Sexism
- Sexual Assault
- Sexual Harassment
- Shopping While Black
- Single Parenting
- Sleeper Cells
- Smoking / Tobacco Use
- Social Networking and Privacy
- Spousal Abuse
- Stand Your Ground Laws
- Steroid Use in Sports
- Stereotyping
- Suicide Sweat Shops
- Teen Pregnancy
- Terrorism
- Texting While Driving
- Transgender Rights
- Unemployment
- Union Busting
- Violence in Schools
- Voting Rights
- Youth/Children