

## VISUAL 7.1

### ORGAN TRANSPLANTS: DEMAND EXCEEDS SUPPLY

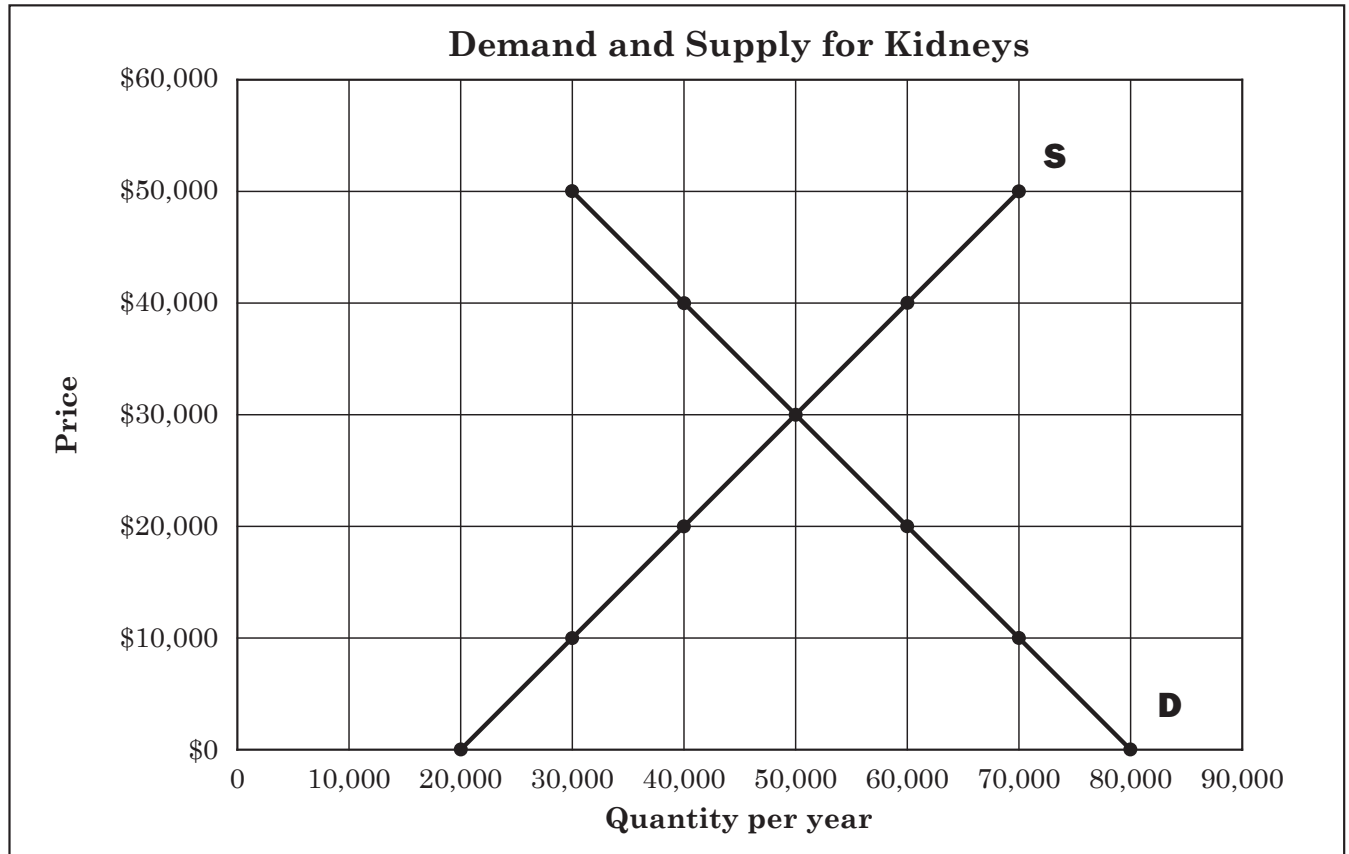
Federal law prohibits buying and selling organs for transplant. In 2005:

- Doctors transplanted 28,000 organs in the United States — more than 21,000 from deceased donors and 7,000 from living donors.
- 6,000 patients died while waiting for a transplant.
- 91,000 patients were on a waiting list for transplants (all organs).
- The waiting list for transplants increased at twice the rate of donations.
- Survival rates for transplant recipients continued to increase.

Source: U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network, administered by the United Network for Organ Sharing. More recent data are available at <http://www.optn.org/data>

## VISUAL 7.2

### SUPPLY OF AND DEMAND FOR KIDNEYS



(Note: All data are hypothetical.)