TOPIRAMATE (Topamax) Side Effects:

Most common: sleepiness, dizziness, nervousness, lack of muscle control (ataxia), speech problems, memory difficulties, confusion, anorexia.

Serious but rare: decreases in serum bicarbonate (metabolic acidosis) relatively common but usually mild to moderate; more severe cases, including marked reductions to <17 mEq/L, may occur more rarely. Kidney stones. Softening of the bones (osteomalacia).

Pregnancy: Category D. Animal studies have revealed evidence of birth defects, embryotoxicity, and maternal toxicity. There are no controlled data in human pregnancy.

This is a simplified list of side effects focusing on what is common or severe because complete lists of more rare and less serious side effects are often overwhelming. If desired, complete lists of potential side effects can be found on reputable web sites like Drugs.com.