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CrimsonFacts: Clinton cut the active military in half:

(Clinton leaves office)

Total counts of Active Duty Military Personnel (Army + Navy + Marine Corps + Air Force) 1987: 2,174,217 (Bush, Sr. takes office) 1988: 2,138,213 1989: 2,130,229 1990: 2.043.705 1991: 1,985,555 (Clinton takes office) 1992: 1,807,180 1993: 1,705,103 1994: 1,610,490 1995: 1,518,224 1996: 1,471,722 1997: 1,438,562 1998: 1,406,830 1999: 1,385,703

These figures show a net loss of 788,514 active military personnel, which is 36% of the military that Reagan had at the end of his term in 1988.

It's not 36% of the military Reagan had, it's 36% of the people. Now, after Reagan left the presidency, a little place I like to refer to as the Soviet Union collapsed, which was pretty much the last big super-power that stood in the way of the U.S. (INTERESTING FACT: If Clinton hadn't seized most of the weapons-grade nuclear fuel in the collapsing Soviet Union, there might have actually been WMDs in Iraq.) It's for this reason that active personnel went down during the Clinton Administration. This does not, however, mean that the strength of the military went down. Under Clinton, new technology came around, and Clinton stopped throwing money to sleazy defense contractors for research for development of special weapons that didn't even come close to working.

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