
Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [bigejoe14](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 03:29:22 GMT
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There were 39 combat related killings in Iraq during the month of January.
In the fair city of Detroit, there were 35 murders in the month of January.

That's just one American city, about as deadly as the entire war-torn country of Iraq.

When some claims President Bush shouldn't have started this war, remind them of the following:

FDR led us into WWII. Germany never attacked us, Japan did.
From 1942-1945, 450,000 lives were lost, an average of 112,500 per year.
Harry S. Truman finished the war and started one in Korea. North Korea never attacked us. From 1950-1953, 55,000 lives were lost. An average of 18,334 per year.

John F. Kennedy started the Vietnam conflict in 1962. Vietnam never attacked us.

Lyndon B. Johnson turned Vietnam into a quagmire. From 1965-1975, 58,000 lives were lost. An average of 5,800 per year.

Bill Clinton went to war in Bosnia without UN or French consent. Bosnia never attacked us. He was offered Osama bin Laden's head on a platter three times by Sudan and did nothing. Osama has attacked us on multiple occasions.

In the two years since terrorists attacked us, President Bush has liberated two countries, crushed the Taliban, wounded al-Qaida, put nuclear inspectors in Libya, Iran, and North Korea without firing a shot and captured a terrorist who slaughtered 300,000 of his own people.

Democrats are complaining about how long the war is taking, but it took less time to take Iraq than it took Janet Reno, the FBI, and the ATF to take the Branch Davidian compound. That was a 51 day operation.

We've been looking for evidence of chemical weapons in Iraq for less time than it took Hillary Clinton to find the Rose Law Firm billing records.

It took less time for the 3rd infantry division and the Marines to destroy the Median Republican Guard than it took Ted Kennedy to call the police after his Oldsmobile sank at Chappaquiddick.

It took less time to take Iraq than it took to count the votes in Florida!

Our Commander-In-Cheif is doing a great job!

The military morale is high!

The biased media hopes were are to ignorant to realize the facts.

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Posted by [Crimson](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 07:20:20 GMT
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:bigups: for mentioning Chappaquiddick. I have no earthly idea how Massachusetts keeps re-electing a murderer. LOL

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Posted by [Phoenix - Aeon](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 12:08:27 GMT
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Posted by [warranto](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 12:44:10 GMT
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Quote:FDR led us into WWII. Germany never attacked us, Japan did.

Not quite right. America was dragged, quite reluctantly I assume, into the war. Japan attacked, and America responded. Because Japan had an alliance with Germany at the time, it also drug Germany into a war with America.

In short... America declares war on Japan; in response Germany declared war on America.

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 14:03:33 GMT
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Damn, you beat me to it, but yes, Germany, along with Italy, declared war on the US after the Pearl Harbor tragedy.

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Does this accusation have any basis in fact? Where's your proof?

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Phoenix is a perfect example of someone who thoroughly believes all the propaganda bullshit he's been fed.

If you believe al-Qaida has gotten stronger after Afghanistan and Iraq, you have no understanding of the world around you.

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Why don't we talk totals, not just January, shall we? Why, I believe 80 people were killed just today! Ho Boy! If you were to pick a different month, like September, you would more than double the number of murders in Detroit. Not to mention the massive emotional and psychological consequences of war that places like Detroit don't have to deal with.

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Those were casualties from a necessary war. If we didn't go to war then, we would eventually have to face a bigger enemy anyway. Previous posts have already rebutted your supposed theory that our involvment in WWII was not justified, so I won't bother.

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bigjoe14It took less time to take Iraq than it took to count the votes in Florida!The US population is over 280 million. Iraq's population is somewhere near 24 million (?). On average, it does not take counting votes as long as did in 2000. But anyway, is your point that Iraq can hold more efficient elections than the US? If so, what is the relevance to our handeling of the war in Iraq? Well, we may be in a war that is based on faulty intelligence and we've lost over 1000 lives that never needed to be lost, but hell, we can overlook an election that is so much quicker than that of the US's!! Go us!

Try comparing timeframes to similar events that happened previously. Your attempts (who are we kidding--some other source's attempts) to put these timeframes in perspective are hiding how long the said events should take.

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Let me just clarify something here...

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Theres NO Emotional or Psychological consequences when someones murdered cold blood on the streets of a major city? I'm confused as to what you meant by that comment.

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SEALBut anyway, is your point that Iraq can hold more efficient elections than the US?

No, that wasn't his point, and I don't have any idea how you could have come up with that even possibly being his point.

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Hydra, well then why don't you enlighten me? Or better yet, just wait for bigjoe to come online and answer questions regarding his own post?

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What does it matter? Death is death.

Besides, it depends on the war and the murder.

If someone killed a maniac who just gunned down 50 people than it is different than if someone snuck into a house and killed all of its occupants.

World War 2 was a much different war than Vietnam.

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Posted by [Fabian](#) on Mon, 13 Sep 2004 23:32:04 GMT

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Thank you, captain obvious.

We are talking about in general...

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Posted by [bigjoe14](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 01:38:34 GMT

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Wait, you think I said that our involvement in World War II wasn't justified? Holy shit! Think about it. The Liberal cry babies are the ones complaining that Iraq was not a imminent threat to us. Well neither was Germany but we went there anyway and kicked their asses. Sure we could have just stayed in the Pacific and fought the Japanese, but Germany was picking on the British next door. So we hopped the fence and bashed their heads in. The point I'm trying to prove is that we are the world police. We do not let our friends get picked on. If you pick on our friends next door, we will hop the fence and beat down on you.

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If Kennedy would have just left Vietnam alone this wouldn't have happend. But as usual he acts like a typical Liberal and screws everything up.

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Posted by [Javaxcx](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 01:50:39 GMT

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Posted by [spoonyrat](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 02:16:22 GMT

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yeah, and it only took you a few years to hop that fence, huh

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [Doitle](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 02:22:12 GMT

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Do you think a child crys more every night, when they're father is killed by a thug on the street, than if he were killed by iraqi mortar fire. I doubt that. I doubt a child would ever say "My father died because of gang crime, no biggee... I'm just so fortunate that my father DIDNT die defending his country, for if that were true I just don't know how I'd go on"

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Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [NHJ BV](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 12:59:55 GMT

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But war does do more emotional damage to people not directly acquainted with the victim. Not to mention the effect destroyed buildings, regular gunfire and whatnot out on the streets has on people.

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 16:56:59 GMT
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Sounds just like Detroit...

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Posted by [Fabian](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 18:34:58 GMT
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Im talking about both US soldiers and Iraqi civilians. Between the deaths on both sides, the destruction and PTSD that so many people will get from being in a warring state for so long, the emotional costs of a war are much higher than that of a murder/murders.

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Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 18:55:56 GMT
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And you would know this, never having been in battle before...

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Posted by [Hydra](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 19:21:57 GMT

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Posted by [Javaxcx](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 19:58:17 GMT

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hydra1945Firstly, it was hardly just a "few" supplies we sent to aid Britian in the war. Really? How many men did you send there to use those supplies? I know my country was there defending Britian. You know, American involvement didn't save Britian, the people fighting and dying saved Britian.

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I'll concede to that, given I've just read about it.

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I didn't say the U.S. wouldn't have gotten involved.

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Posted by [bigejoe14](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 20:25:56 GMT

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Posted by [Nodbugger](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 20:36:06 GMT
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Yep, we never helped Europe at all.

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [Javaxcx](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 20:38:30 GMT
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1948 != 1940

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [Nodbugger](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 21:11:20 GMT
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Javaxcx1948 != 1940

So what is your point?

We gave them millions before the war and millions after the war.

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Posted by [Javaxcx](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 21:18:23 GMT
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We weren't talking about after the war. We were talking about the support given to Britian during the Battle of Britain, and the United State's lack of actual manpower to try and repel the attacks. This all riles together with Bigjoe's statement:

Quote:The point I'm trying to prove is that we are the world police. We do not let our friends get picked on. If you pick on our friends next door, we will hop the fence and beat down on you.

In that you did not police Germany out of Britian during the Battle of Britian, and in fact did not "hop the fence and beat down on you" in France and England until you suffered an attack yourself. You obviously did let your friends get picked on (seeing how Britian and France WERE your friends, whether you seem to think so or not) and merely threw them a few tools (among many OTHER countries lending actual manpower and supplies) and expected everyone else to use them.

It's a good thing you finally came to your senses and launched the Normandy invasion when you did. You were a little bit late though, and I guaruntee you that many hundreds of people had to

die because of it.[/quote]

Subject: Lets put a positive spin on some facts for once
Posted by [Nodbugger](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 21:45:11 GMT
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The invasion of Normandy was planned by multiple different countries. It was not only the US.
Besides, we were fighting in the pacific and in Africa within weeks after pearl harbor.

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Posted by [Javaxcx](#) on Tue, 14 Sep 2004 21:48:41 GMT
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...and? I take it you agree with me then, considering you haven't attempted to refute anything of direct virtue to my response to Bigjoe's statement.

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You said: "John F. Kennedy started the Vietnam conflict in 1962."
When in actuality, you should have said: "John F. Kennedy started the U.S.'s involvment in the Vietnam conflict in 1962."

There is a difference. It doesn't change too much of your point, but it popped out to me as ignorance and blindly trusting your source.

And Aircraftkiller, since I can't prove anything on an emotional standpoint, why don't you just look at the economic costs of war vs. murders...

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http://www.nationmaster.com/red/graph-T/crime_mur_cap

Murder has killed far more people than war.

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You speak as if the United States was as powerful then as it is now. The U.S. didn't become a bona fide world power until after WWII. It wasn't much stronger than Germany at the start of the war, and the American people were afraid of the war coming to American soil. It simply did not have the resources or the will of the American people to go in immediately to help Britain. Hell, it was just comming out of a depression. It was barely prepared for the war at the time of the Battle of Britain.

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How did this go from so positive and different to the exact same post as all the others?

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Posted by [Fabian](#) on Wed, 15 Sep 2004 19:09:37 GMT

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Because that's what happens when you try to put a positive spin on a negative thing.

Nodbugger, of course more people die from murder than war. We aren't always at war, and with a

population of 280 million, I don't see how it could be any other way...

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Posted by [Vitaminous](#) on Wed, 15 Sep 2004 20:00:42 GMT
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Stupid Roman Legionaires, stupid "police of the world", stupid modern world, stupid everything.

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Don't stray from the subject. I was, and have always been relating my posts in this thread to Bigjoe's very common statement and the ideology behind it.
