

Military Losses 1980-2007

Interesting statistics - AN EYE OPENER Military Losses, 1980 thru 2007. Whatever your politics, however you lean, and however you feel about the current administration, this report should open some eyes.

As tragic as the loss of any member of the US Armed Forces is, consider the following statistics:

The annual fatalities of military members while actively serving in the armed forces from 1980 through 2006 - by any cause.

- 1980 2,392 (Carter Year)
- 1981 2,380 (Reagan Year)
- 1984 1,999 (Reagan Year)
- 1988 1,819 (Reagan Year)
- 1989 1,636(George H W Year)
- 1990 1,508 (George H W Year)
- 1991 1,787 (George H W Year)
- 1992..... 1,293 (George H W Year)
- 1993 1,213 (Clinton Year)
- 1994 1,075 (Clinton Year)
- 1995 2,465 (Clinton Year)
- 1996 2,318 (Clinton Year)
- 1997 817 (Clinton Year)
- 1998 2,252 (Clinton Year)
- 1999 1,984(Clinton Year)
- 2000..... 1,983(Clinton Year)
- 2001 890 (George W Year)
- 2002 1,007(George W Year)
- 2003 1,410 (George W Year)
- 2004 1,887 (George W Year)
- 2005 919 (George W Year)
- 2006..... 920 (George W Year)
- 2007..... 899 (George W Year)

Clinton years (1993-2000): 14,107 deaths

George W years (2001-2007): 7,932 deaths

If you are surprised when you look at these figures, so was I. These figures mean:

- The loss from the two latest conflicts in the Middle East are **LESS** than the loss of military personnel during Bill Clinton's presidency; when America wasn't even involved in a war! (Unless you include Bosnia or the disgrace of Mogadishu, Somalia when Clinton failed to respond to terrorists. Remember 'Blackhawk Down'?)

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- I was even more shocked when I read that in 1980, during the reign of President (Nobel Peace Prize winner) Jimmy Carter , there were 2,392 US military fatalities! From what? How?

I think that these figures indicate that many members of our Media and our politicians will pick and choose the information on which they report.

Of course we all know that they present only those 'facts' which support their agenda-driven reporting. But why do so many of them march in lock-step to twist the truth? Where do so many of them get their agenda? Obviously there is one shared agenda. Could it be from the most powerful Democratic family of the decade? Do you want further proof?

Consider the latest census of Americans. It shows the following FACTS about the distribution of American citizens, by race:

- European descent69.12%
- Hispanic.....12.50%
- Black.....12.30%
- Asian.....3.70%
- Native American.....1.00%
- Other.....2.60%

Many media lead us to feel the military death ratio is off balanced compared to the distribution by race in America .

Here are the fatalities by RACE over the past three years in Iraqi Freedom. Do the comparison yourself.

- European descent (white)74.31%
- Hispanic.....10.74%
- Black.....9.67%
- Asian.....1.81%
- Native American.....1.09%
- Other.....0.33%

I was surprised again. Our mainstream media continues to spin these figures (for political gain). Nothing more.! It's all about politics.

I hope that during the time between now and November, intelligent Americans can decipher:

- the facts from the spin,
- the spinners from the leaders,
- those who seek even more power from those that seek justice,
- the dividers from the uniters.

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Over the next months let's be good listeners and see and hear who tries to divide our nation; and who wants to unite our nation. Who wants to control how our money is spent and who wants our money spent the way we would spend it. Who seeks power and who seeks justice? Who spins the facts and who is genuine.

(These statistics are published by Congressional Research Service, and they may be confirmed by anyone at:

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/natsec/RL32492.pdf> ;