

Re: Kerry still persists as a liar, Was: Re: The Not-So-Democratic Party, Part II

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On Sun, 31 Oct 2004 05:38:45 +0000 (UTC), kensmith@green.rahul.net
(Ken Smith) wrote:

>In article <gij8o05ku5p90vl9g6kg1bsrqdrghlqbjm@4ax.com>,
>John Larkin <jjlarkin@highlandSNIPtechTHISnologyPLEASE.com> wrote:
>>On Sat, 30 Oct 2004 17:02:45 +0000 (UTC), kensmith@green.rahul.net
>>(Ken Smith) wrote:
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>>>Just because you can find a bigger number to divide
>>>by doesn't make 380 million tons a small number.
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>>Thousand.
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>Yes, I guess I should have said "thousand". It doesn't really change the
>point since someone could quote 700 billion and have a bigger number to
>divide it by.
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Without meaning to offend, I have noticed that more liberal people tend to be innumerate. Something in my brain just automatically sanity-checks any numbers I see (habit developed from engineering, of course) and I'm astounded by how much of the stuff in the press makes no sense, orders of magnitude off from reality. I guess they don't teach much math in journalism school.

John