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On Fri, 20 Apr 2007 01:04:55 +0100, the renowned Eeyore <rabbitsfriendsandrelations@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

bill.sloman@xxxxxxxx wrote:

Joerg wrote:

Eeyore wrote:

US gun homicide rate 2004 – 11,624
<http://www.ichv.org/Statistics.htm>

UK gun homicide rate 2006 – 50
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gun_politics_in_the_United_Kingdom

These are the most recent figures available.

$$11,624 / 50 = 232.5$$

In the UK the chance of being murdered by gun is ****less than one in a million**** in any year.

Guess they are now using other "tools". Here is a dose of reality for you:

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<http://www.garymauser.net/09172006-Globecolumn.htm>

Quote: "Both the United Kingdom and Australia brought in stringent firearms laws following garish media coverage of shootings in the 1990s.

But despite the effort, police statistics show that the U.K. is enduring a serious crime wave. In contrast to the U.S., where the homicide rate has been falling for more 20 years, the homicide rate in the U.K. has been growing."

And how long before the rising homicide rate in the UK approaches the falling homicide rate in the U.S.? When I last looked, the US homicide rate was four times the UK rate.

You're only out by an of magnitude or two !

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