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Services.>>Now think about this:  
Guns:(A) The number of gun owners in the U.S. is 80,000,000. (Yes, that's 80 million..) (B) The number of accidental gun deaths per year, all age groups, is 1,500.(C) The number of accidental deaths per gun owner is .000188. Statistics courtesy of FBI  
So, statistically, doctors are approximately 9,000 times more dangerous than gun owners.  
Remember, "Guns don't kill people, doctors do."  
**FACT: NOT EVERYONE HAS A GUN, BUT ALMOST EVERYONE HAS AT LEAST ONE DOCTOR.**

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You should hear the stories I hear; it would curl your tail-feathers. One of the reasons I am shit-scared of managed care.

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<http://www.amanita.at/e/reading/05/e-0504-statistics.htm>

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So John, What do you think of health care in general? At this point it's almost 'not' affordable; one way or another it takes a huge chunk from either the company who provides it, or the person who buys it. The situation looks to me, if we don't come up with some kind of control, major health care will be cost prohibitive.

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Subject: Re: Doctors vs Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Sat, 01 Jul 2006 15:32:49 GMT

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Bill; don't get me started! Health care is easily solved; number one is restrictions on the insurer's. New regulations on the insurance business; from how much tax write-offs they can claim to what their net-loss percentage can be. The salaries of executives and middle-management. Next; drugs. Limitations on exclusivity rights. For the same reason that the current music/movie/books/information resources are being choked off and stifled by copyright abuses and fair use limitations we are being hosed by drug manufacturers. Health care delivery systems. Number one abuse is the 20million illegals that cost an absolutely astounding amount of wasted money for hospital visits. Then we have the numbers of very expensive hospital stays for people with self-inflicted health complaints; lung cancer from cigarettes/alcohol/diabetics from life-style issues. Etc etc. To treat a motorcycle head trauma victim is so enormously expensive that just a couple hundred of no helmet accidents could fund a small cities health care budget for a year. I can't go on because this subject is limitless so let me end with a story. The state of Nevada commissioned a federally managed study to see exactly who is using the medical resources in the hospitals in the city of Las Vegas. They discovered that out of all of the tens of thousands of hospital visits in one year; the repeat visits from the same individuals accounted for over 33% of the total number of visits. That figure floored the researchers. The total bill of some 400 million dollars a year in hospital fees were generated by a significant number of the same people. So they followed up by searching out these records and following the trail of the most invidious users of the health care resources in the hospitals. One particular individual was responsible in one year for over 200 visits. He alone ran up costs of over one MILLION dollars. Why? He was an alcoholic street person. He would get drunk and fall down. He had like twenty broken bones in one year. But that wasn't the most of the expense. He banged his head several times and required nuerosurgery twice to relieve pressure on the brain. Know what that kind of treatment cost? Not to be glib but one of the hospital administrators offered to put the guy up in the most expensive hotel in Vegas with a 24 hr nurse because that would have saved the county hundreds of thousands of dollars in medical costs. The moral is we either accept that there must be programs funded to treat these kind of people or we will continue to pay amazing amounts of money to restore very small numbers of people to health. Illegals/drugs/lack of care for the indigent; thats probably about 50% of the total health bill in our country. The fact that insurers have no responsibility to provide any prophylactic care is half the problem and easily solved. Its a disgrace really how we let these pirates rake in the money and walk away from their responsibilities.

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Subject: Why healthcare? You guys got guns.

Posted by [Eldragon](#) on Sat, 01 Jul 2006 19:47:06 GMT

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You are too tough to get sick.

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Subject: Re: Why healthcare? You guys got guns.

Posted by [Bill Martinelli](#) on Sat, 01 Jul 2006 23:41:13 GMT

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ha, ha ,ha; I thought my kids should see a doctor once in a while. They dont have guns.

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Subject: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!

Posted by [Damir](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 07:01:25 GMT

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P.S. - Forget the soccer, this is for sissies, do you tough guys watch the "Ultimate Fight" / "Pride" version? Yesterday was half-finale in Japan, and half-finalists are Mirko Filipovic ("Cro Cop"), Minotaur, Van der Silva and Barnett. I watched Filipovic vs. Joshida fight... Low-kicks in the knee, and judo-expert fell down...

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 13:51:09 GMT

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We have some kind of Ultimate Fighting championship here this weekend. All they do is grab eachother; falldown and lay in the corner squeezing and turning red. I remmember when Ali fought that Karate guy; he slapped him silly.

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!

Posted by [Damir](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 16:03:34 GMT

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This is the real thing - IMO, there`re no fighters in any style that can menage withe these guys. This is the mixture of everything - from judo, wrestling, karate, box, jiu-jitce... No (just) boxer can win them - they`ll just grab him, pull down, twist his leg, head, or arm - Minotaur is especially good in that (Brasilian jiu-jitce)...and you can beat him in the head by fist...nothing. Maybe there`re something on the net (fight movies, etc.), try the "Ultimate fight", "Pride", and the names of figters in the "Google", this is a big thing in Japan...Like my friend said, and I repeat "there`re nothing more manly and macho, like two man fighting each other, dressed only in their panties."

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Subject: Link

Posted by [Damir](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 16:12:33 GMT

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<http://www.mirko-crocop.com/>

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 17:44:51 GMT

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Yes; they used to broadcast the UFC matches on HBO until they were forced to stop. The thing used to be the Brazillian guys were unstoppable. But there are rules; you can't stomp a guys instep you can't bite; no chokeholds. Remmember with Ali he had to abide by the boxing rules. You can't know what would happen if there were no rules.And no matter how much of the art they know; nothing will help them tackle those big Swedish guys on the Most Strongest Guy contests. When a guy can Bench 425lbs he can just punch a hole through your chest.

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!

Posted by [Damir](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 18:39:28 GMT

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"And no matter how much of the art they know; nothing will help them tackle those big Swedish guys on the Most Strongest Guy contests. When a guy can Bench 425 lbs he can just punch a hole through your chest."Disagree - they are too slow, and know nothing about martial arts. For example, one lighting-fast low kick in the knee, and the leg is broken. If you didn`t watch any of the "Cro Cop" fights, then you don`t know what skills, speed and punch-force that man has...

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Sun, 02 Jul 2006 22:38:19 GMT  
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I gotta disagree there also; feets don't do it; maybe by surprise but if you are looking for it you step inside and thats all folks! Not to mention speed or no speed; these guys have tree trunks for legs. Remmember the boxing rule; a good big man beats a good small man everytime.

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!  
Posted by [Damir](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 05:05:04 GMT  
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You obviously didn't watch those fights...there were some 200kg heavy wrestling champions...this guy Joshida was the Olimpic gold medal judo winner, etc.Many masculine guys tried to beat Minotauro, M. Filipovic or Fedor...and wake up in the hospital...

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Subject: Re: Haha, Eldragon - you deserve the picture of football hooligans, too!  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Mon, 03 Jul 2006 12:01:22 GMT  
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Thats true I didn't see that particular event. Maybe they are that good; who knows. I remmember when Too Tall Jones thought he could box. Until he got beat like a drum by two small guys then gave it up. When it comes to fighting my dad always said; Son; the bigger they are...the bigger they are.

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