

‘This Helps Explain Putin’s Longevity in Power!’

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Feb. 2—The Editor of Brazil’s *Monitor Mercantil* did not need to say more when republishing these economic data Jan. 31, compiled by Richard Sanders for the Jan. 30 *EIR Daily Alert* under the headline, “Russian vs. United States Statistics over the Years”.

Here is an idea why NATO’s 30-nation combine has not been able to “crush”, “ruin”, or “fragment” Russia with financial, military and intelligence warfare. Russia’s President Vladimir Putin has a record of 23 years of steady, stubborn economic and demographic progress in a nation which was being looted by London and Wall Street to the point of depopulation and genocide in the 1990s.

Here is how that progress has compared to the same data of the United States. For each economic or demographic characteristic, Sanders compared the Russian Federation and the United States in 1999, when Putin became president, to the most recent data available for the two nations now.

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Morale-Suicide Rate

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Russia vs. United States Data Over Years

Home Ownership	1999	2020
Russian Federation	58.2%	92.5%
United States	64.0%	65.0%

Fertility Rates (births per 1,000 women, 15-44)	1999	2023
Russian Federation	1.257	1.825
United States	1.99	1.755

Lifespan (years)	1999	2022
Russian Federation	65.5	72.8
United States	78.9	76.1

Extreme Poverty (income less than half poverty line)	2000	2020
Russian Federation	43.4%	2.9%
United States	11.8%	6.2%

Debt/GDP	1999	2016
Russian Federation	100.74%	14.24%
United States	37.73%	96.92%

Crime Rate (felonies and misdemeanors/ 100,000 population)	2000	2020
Russian Federation	28.07	7.33
United States	6.17	6.52

Morale (suicide rate per 100,000 people)	2000	2020
Russian Federation	39.1	11.3
United States	10	13

Morale (drug overdose deaths/million people)		
Russian Federation 2022	70	
United States 2021	300	

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