
Subject: Re: No more space shuttles after 2010, NASA cutting 80-90% of jobs.
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Do you realize that without the space program you wouldn't be sitting in front of your computer right now. Going to space forced the Government to dump Billions if not Trillions of dollars into the technology market. I'm not saying that we wouldn't have reached this far into technology at some point, I'm just saying that NASA greatly accelerated it. The primary reason for this deactivation of the space program is to allow scientists to develop a new spacecraft. We are using Shuttles that were built in the 80's and have failing expensive technologies. Your toaster oven is more powerful than some of the equipment on the current shuttles. NASA plans to build more centralized computer systems that don't take up so much space and create so much weight. They are also experimenting with a Magnetic rail launching system so to totally remove the need for rocket fuel.

So don't say the space program has done nothing for us, and that they are fools and the money should be spent elsewhere. NASA makes up less than 1% of the Government's budget. Why don't you go bitch about your congressmen building bridges to fucking nowhere.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gravina_Island_Bridge
