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Subject: Re: 45% of Americans believe that humans did not evolve

Posted by [warranto](#) on Thu, 12 Jun 2008 20:41:50 GMT

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Quote:Well, considering rationality is a subjective and relative thing.

Heh, exactly what I was getting at with my post.

Not only is it subjective between people, but subjective to our current selves as well.

Heh, just in case there was confusion, I wasn't speaking with a view to showing how faith or science is right or wrong, just speaking to the ideas presented regarding rationality.

Heh, though if you want to bring it into the greater discussion, it can be done.

You believe 'x' and I believe 'y'. I call 'x' to be an irrational belief, and you call 'y' to be an irrational belief. When we do this, it is judged as we are now. Not who we were in the past, nor who we will become in the future. However, if that is the case can we truly profess something to be rational or irrational if our own actions (going back to my previous post) are subject to the same criticisms of our future-selves?

If so and we can still call something rational "as we are now", by what criteria are we basing this rationality on? And then is this criteria subject to the same criticism as the original judgment, or is it something objective and exempt from further recession?

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