

# HALF-FULL REPORT 01/06/23

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*Buenos Aires,*

*Argentina.* I am sending this first HFR of 2023 to you from the capital of Argentina at the start of our *Patagonia Wonderland* exploration with your fellow TTPers.

It's an unbeatable way to start a new year: with an unforgettable adventure in an extraordinary part of the world far away from home. Particularly now – for it's a great way to say goodbye and good riddance to the rubbish year of 2022. Into the trash can of history it goes.

That's a very full trash can. In November, America – Dem cheating making the difference on the margin notwithstanding – voted for more crime, more CRT, more forced child tranny change, more inflation, more woke lunacy, more corruption, the list of nightmares goes on. It's a patient dying of a terminal disease who doesn't want to be cured, who wants to die instead.

So what's in store for us and the world in 2023? We're going to start with who will be the biggest Winners and Losers of 2023, then identify the fundamental key to whether a country will flourish and prosper, or decline and suicide itself. That most certainly applies to the USA.

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The Number One Winner of 2023 will be Volodymyr Zelensky and the Ukrainian people. Just watch Zelensky's New Year's Eve address to the people of Ukraine and the World to see why.

He is now the most admired leader on the planet, no one comes close – and will be even more so as he leads his country to victory with the expulsion of every Russian soldier from all Ukraine including Crimea. I anticipate

this within the next six months.

The Number One Loser of 2023 will be Vladimir Putin, easily the most despised leader on the planet, no one else comes close.

Ukrainians will continue to be the world's most heroic people, the Russians the most depraved. We can hope more and more Russians will come to their senses and recover their lost humanity, just as we hope that those Americans rooting for Russia will do the same.

In 1843, Czech writer Karel Havlicek Borovsky, after spending 18 months in Russia based in Moscow, made this assessment:

As Russia's defeat in and retreat from Ukraine becomes more unavoidably clear, Putin will be suicided, the Kremlin will implode in infighting chaos, parts of Russia will be breaking off in the North Caucasus, Middle Volga, and Komi while Xi starts moving to seize Eastern Siberia for China.

Yet it will be an opportunity for the Russian people to reinvent themselves in order to save what's left of their nation. May they rise to the challenge.

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Meanwhile in the West...

Amidst all the dystopian doom and gloom in the US over inflation+recession=stagflation and elsewhere, what will stand out as a beacon of light for the world will be Ukraine's victory over Russia with Russia's retreat back to its borders and Ukraine regaining theirs established in 1991 with the whole of the Donbas and Crimea.

All of Eastern Europe – except for Serbia and possibly Orban's Hungary – will joyously come alive with Poland and the Baltics in the lead along the Ukraine to bring a New Renaissance to most all of Europe, the wet blanket of fear of Russia gone with the wind.

It will be substantially led by Europe's women leaders – Denmark's Mette Frederiksen, Estonia's Kaja Kallas, Finland's Sanna Marin, Italy's Giorgia Meloni, and EU's Ursula von der Leyen – plus Zelensky of course and Ukraine's First Lady Olena Zelenska.

As an example, here's Estonia Prime Minister Kaja Kallas explaining how Russians negotiate:

Ukraine will be hottest investment market in the world. Investment money will pour into Ukraine from governments, NGOs, private investors, plus \$350B seized Russian assets to rebuild the country from Russian destruction.

Following close behind will be Poland, the Baltics, and the Czech Republic – then Slovenia, Croatia, Romania and even Bulgaria.

In order to attract investment money – and to gain admittance into NATO & the EU — Georgia will regain Abkhazia and South Ossetia but with diplomacy not force. Azerbaijan the same vis-à-vis Armenia. Central Asia will eagerly join in, led by Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan, and save for Turkmenistan.

Iran bereft of Russia will succumb to democracy protests and rid itself of mullah tyranny. The *rial*, Iran's currency, is rapidly collapsing now. When mass protests started last September, the rial had already fallen to 300,000 to 1 US dollar. By the end of November, it was at 370,000. By January 1<sup>st</sup> at 450,000.

When the ayatollahs' fall, so do their terrorist proxies: Hezbollah in Lebanon, Assad in Syria, Houthis in Yemen. Let's hope Bibi's Israel, Abdulla II's Jordan, al-Sisi's Egypt, and MBS's Saudi Arabia use the end of Tehran's threat wisely.

With the threat of Russia and Tehran gone, the main threat to the US and the world remains: Chicom China. Hopefully, this will mean we will see reality with greater clarity: that Chicom China has been and will continue to be waging outright war upon us.

For years now, Chicom China has been smuggling either directly or in cahoots with the Sinaloa and Jalisco drug cartel in Mexico massive amounts of fentanyl into America for the express purpose of killing them via addiction and overdose.

The latest: DEA Seized Enough Fentanyl Doses To Kill Every American In 2022. Far more than that was smuggled in successfully. Fentanyl Is Now The Leading Cause of Deaths in American Adults (18-45). In their prime of life, as China intends.

We all know that the Chicoms infected the world with their lab-engineered Covid virus, causing millions of deaths on purpose. Now they are trying to do it again.

They infected the world by sending infected Chinese "tourists" into Italy and the US, and last month began doing the same with those infected with the latest Chinese "variants." Only Germany so far is prohibiting Chinese passport-holders from entering – but what about anyone else infected by Chinese from elsewhere?

The good news is that the Chicom economy is too sick to be a threat for much longer. There is simply no solution for its debt, which is closing in on three times its GDP and growing. Its future has already been spent, wasted on state businesses they won't let go bankrupt and on massive overspending on real state that's collapsing.

Watch Peter Zeihan today (01/03) explain why China – nor anyone else – is a threat to the dollar (China comes at 4:50 – so funny, so true).

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Now it's time to talk about these three books. They are What to Read now.

Peter Zeihan is a very smart, articulate, well-informed, and well-opinionated fellow, as you just saw, who has become very popular with his best-seller, *The End of the World Is Just the Beginning*. There is a lot to learn and gain from here; however, for me, it has a fatal flaw.

Zeihan basically argues from mechanical demographics, all about the inevitability built into the mechanical structure of a population's aging pyramid (old at the top, young at bottom). Country after country from Europe to China have birth rates in the basement, so many old and so few young, that it causes him to be a Reverse Malthus.

Instead of believing, as did Malthus, civilization is doomed to starve and die because of *overpopulation*, he believes it's doomed because of *underpopulation*.

But just as history has proven Malthus wrong since 1798, so is history riddled with examples of peoples devastated by war, famine, plagues etc. that bounced back: fully 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of all Europe killed by syphilis in the 1500's, 50% of Central Europe died in the Thirty Years War right after (1618-1648). Europe kept right on going.

Zeihan never considers the real key to a country's demographics: *civilizational confidence* – countries that have it have lots of kids, countries that don't, don't. Russia and pre-Ukraine Europe didn't, Russia will now not have

it in spades, while Ukraine, Poland and much of Eastern Europe will explode with it, which will be infectious for most all of Europe as a whole.

With civilizational confidence in a country's future – which 90% of Ukrainians have – you not only get more kids, you get more confident adults more eager to work, be productive and consume more.

Now consider: the entire agenda of the Left – Wokesters, the WEF, Climatetards – is to make people *pessimistic*, have *no* civilizational confidence. And they are succeeding. One example: Home Depot Cofounder Bernie Marcus Blames Socialism for 'Lazy,' 'Fat,' 'Stupid' Labor Force (12/31).

Another is Skye's Link last week on the Left's War on Masculinity resulting in:

Why Are So Many Men Leaving The Workforce?

Thus the key to America's Future is *Americans regaining their civilizational confidence*. Can this happen in 2023?

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**The primary ingredient for progress is optimism.  
The unwavering belief that something can be  
better, drives the human race forward.**



Remember how Skye's Links 12/29/22 began with this last week? All the good and hopeful news he reported? Let's keep that going.

Last week (12/28), Elon tweeted:

*Elon Musk @elonmusk*

*New Twitter policy is to follow the science, which necessarily includes reasoned questioning of the science*

*6:58 PM · Dec 28, 2022*



This is a bullseye direct attack on the Left's entire agenda of Climatetardism and woke totalitarian suppression of the First Amendment's right to free speech. It's also precise expression of how real science, not woke fake science, actually works by *falsification*.

The key question to ask of any scientific hypothesis – like man-made global warning – is: What falsifying, disconfirming evidence would disprove it? Real science is to try to prove a hypothesis wrong, never only trying to prove a hypothesis right by ignoring disconfirming evidence. That's why Musk's ridicule meme cuts to the bone.

Musk has 124.4 million followers on Twitter. His message above had 57 million views and 616,000 likes. One of the most hopeful signs for 2023 America is that his precise targeting of the Left's pessimism will be replaced with his optimism – expressed by the continuing success of his SpaceX and Starlink (Tesla maybe).

One basic measure of civilizational confidence is a country's or culture's level of capitulation to or rejection of *envy*. Russia is eaten alive by it as are Han Chinese, which is why, respectively, Ukraine and Taiwan breaking away and succeeding drives them genocidally crazy.

In the US, on the other hand, we've always wanted to "keep up with the Joneses," i.e., succeed like they are, rather than see them fail or die. Now, the Left's envy-mongering through constant accusations of "systemic racism" or "white supremacy" are rapidly losing their sting, while the BLM is being ignored.

One especially delightful example occurring now is that beautiful sexy women athletes are admired and the envy of critics is ridiculed. Such as *Paige Spiranac* and *Olivia Dunne*.

Spiranac is now the #1 golf influencer in the world, with millions of followers on Instagram and elsewhere. Yesterday (1/03) the US Sun

ran her short game golf tips that Tiger Woods gave her:

She just laughs at all the envious critics. This is her answer to them – be sitting down when you click on the link. Really good health advice for us guys, too.

The most classic putdown of envy of recent times came last Nov. 10 when Fox ran this story: **Legendary Basketball Coach Tara Vanderveer Takes Issue With How Popular Gymnast Olivia Dunne Earns NIL Deals.**

LSU gymnast Dunne has one of “largest social media followings of any collegiate athlete across any sport male or female,” and makes millions with Name-Image-Likeness sponsor deals now approved by the NCAA. This really ticked off “legendary” coach Vanderveer. Now just look at how Fox starts its story with this paired photo of the two:

OMG! Could there be a more obvious contrast between an old witch with her hateful look of the Evil Eye, and the beautiful young ingenue as the object of her envy?

This is no accident, comrades. Fox went straight for the jugular here ridiculing the witch’s envy. With any luck, this is a harbinger of an increasing rejection and ridiculing of envy in our culture. Here’s Livvy doing what she does so well:

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On Sunday (01/01), CBS’ *60 Minutes* had the idiotic gall to interview one of the greatest frauds in the history of modern science, Paul Ehrlich (okay. *Nothing* of what he predicted in his 1968 book, *The Population Bomb*, came true, like his laughable prediction, “*In the 1970s hundreds of millions of people will starve to death in spite of any crash programs embarked upon now.*”



And here he is again, spouting the same doomporn of 54 years ago: “*Humanity is consuming 175 percent of what the earth can regenerate. The next few decades will be the end of the kind of civilization we’re used to.*”

Typical Left abysmal pessimism, meant to kill any hope or optimism on purpose. The antidote is a marvelous new book pictured above: *Superabundance: The Story of Population Growth, Innovation, and Human Flourishing on an Infinitely Bountiful Planet.*

The authors reshape economics from the “dismal science of scarcity and sustainability” into a “redemptive science of abundance and creativity.” George Gilder considers theirs is the breakthrough of 21<sup>st</sup> century economics: the translation of prices into time: *time prices*. Money is “*tokenized time*.”

Time prices calculate the time (hours and minutes) needed to earn the money to buy goods and services. Since time prices have been steadily declining from India to the US, less time to buy the same stuff, the real-world economy in the last 50 years has grown 700%, while the world population has grown by 75%. Superabundance!

You’ll find more at the authors’ websites: Marian Tupy at Human Progress, and Gale Pooley at Gale Winds. It’s revelatory and fact-based optimism.

Now for that third book in the triad above: *Unrivaled: Why America Will Remain the World’s Sole Superpower.*

This is a geopolitical *tour de force* by Tufts University Professor Michael Beckley who specializes in the China-US power relationship. His torrent of information regarding how the US by any measure leaves any foreign threat, such as Russia or China, in the dust. Just compare how our weapons in Ukraine do that to those of Russia’s.

It’s so much more than weaponry. It’s thinking, creativity, innovation that leaves the US unrivaled as well. He’s far from pollyannish, knowing full well how easily we could slip into armed conflict with the Chicoms.

His principal worry, however, is that an unrivaled power can tear itself apart internally – which is just what is happening to us now. Heck, it’s happening as I write this on Wednesday evening (1/04) as my flight to Argentina leaves tomorrow morning – House Republicans tearing themselves apart, becoming a laughingstock to the entire world on live TV. (Hopefully they’ square themselves out by Friday night.)

Nonetheless, and no matter how much the media tries to spin it otherwise, all the bad news coming in 2023 are the fault of the Dems. Look at the full list of Biden tax hikes starting January 1<sup>st</sup>. All buried in the Dem Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, which not one GOP Senator or House Member voted for.

Thus the Biggest Losers in America for 2023 will be FJB, the Democrat Party, and the Woke Left. That’s the 2023 consolation prize as we suffer Dem-created *double-digit inflation, double-digit interest rates, and double-digit unemployment.*

Yet it is the prelude to the end of Dem Woke Climatetard fascist control over us. That’s the light at the end of the 2023 tunnel.

*Happy New Year!*

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