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Subject: Re: Need help diagnosing OOM Killer report  
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I asked almost the same question in may (different server/kernel).

<http://forum.openvz.org/index.php?t=msg&goto=13373&>

I believe this is causing the OOM killer to spawn as Vasily pointed it out last time:

Normal free:2728kB min:3756kB low:4692kB high:5632kB active:2324kB inactive:2624kB  
present:901120kB pages\_scanned:7828 all\_unreclaimable? yes

I notice this slab is rather enormous:

buffer\_head : size 372822016 objsize 52

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Any pointers or insight into what could be causing this or how I can avoid running out of normal\_free would be great. To duplicate this problem I reported today, I was executing a long running tar of a many files.

Thanks!  
Rick

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