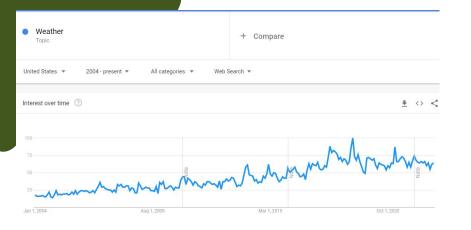


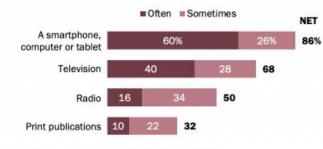
The Widespread Use of the Internet as a Source of News and Information

- Radio, TV, and newspapers were used pre-internet
- Rapid growth of the internet the past 20 years
 - More use of internet for information



Large majority of Americans get news on digital devices

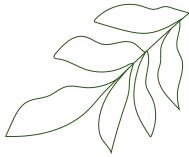
% of U.S. adults who get news _____ from ...



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Aug. 31-Sept. 7, 2020.

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- 5 billion people on the internet now, compared to 745 million in 2004
- Pew research survey of 9220 adults show that 86% of adults get their news from the internet

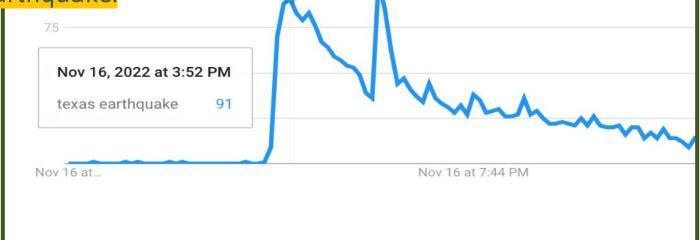




An earthquake in Texas 11/16 was a good example of the effects of social media on natural disasters. The Earthquake was one of the biggest that Texas had ever seen. The magnitude of this Earthquake was 5.4 stretching from West Texas to Austin Texas. The largest being 6.0 magnitude in 1931.



Google trends showed a huge uptick in searches for "Texas Earthquake" around 3:52, about 24 minutes after the earthquake.



Google Trend Results

Interest over time 🕧

There's also a spike on google trends around 5:44pm bigger than the previous so we can assume people are discussing the aftermath





When "Texas Earthquake" was inserted into Tweet Binder to find the number of tweets, the results revealed a significant increase. The evidence demonstrates that there were 1,000 tweets at 5:00 p.m.



DATE RANGE 11/9/2022 - 11/16/2022

2,200 total tweets _e

CREATE REPORT



An example post on Twitter from a news channel about the earthquake supports my past assumption posted around 4:22pm, nearly an hour after the earthquake with 265 retweets and 1,105 likes.

ksat.com

San Antonio residents feel a shake following 5.4 magnitude West Texas earthq...

According to San Antonio police, residents in high rise buildings near downtown felt what was likely effects from a 5.4 magnitude earthquake that occurred in ...

4:22 PM · Nov 16, 2022

265 Retweets 147 Quote Tweets 1,105 Likes

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and activity using twitter hashtags



United Nations	16,089,781	#Climata
UN Development	1,848,583	#Climate
Un Environment Programme	1,257,331	Action
International Human Rights Foundation	873,700	

#Global	Times Now	10,311,164		
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	Business Standard	2,226,832		
	Money Control	1,350,837		

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#GLOBALWARMING



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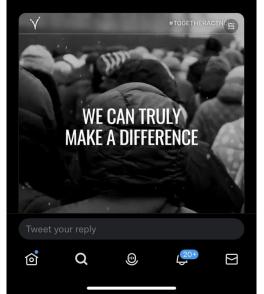
#HeatWave #Summer #GlobalWarming



United Nations 🤣 @UN

The work & dedication of millions of volunteers around the world have been essential to ensure inclusion, drive #ClimateAction & help advance the #GlobalGoals.

On Volunteer Day, join @UNVolunteers in thanking those who dedicate their lives to others. unv.org/international-...





#CLIMATEACTION

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BigCam		416	#Climate
Black Wolf		267	Hysteria
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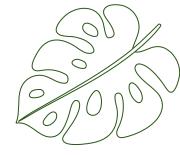
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#Climate	"El Viejo" Malvaje	29,700	
Hoax	The Silenced Majority	18,336	
	Terminal Angler	15,370	

#CLIMATEHYSTERIA



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Replying to @BazzMa4 and @fvdemocratie In science there's never consensus about anything. That's what science is all about. **#Climatehysteria** is now multi trillion \$\$ industry with paid scientists parroting each other, no critical journalist dares to challenge all afraid of loosing their jobs or funding.



Celebrities Influence Politics

- The 2020 election was going on during a worldwide pandemic. Most teenagers who just entered the voting pool turned to social media.
- This brought Celebrities to the forefront of everything. Basketball star LeBron James stood out the most during this election. LeBron posted a photo of Donald Trump coving the former president's face with a clown emoji.

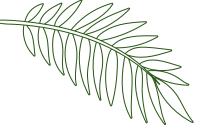


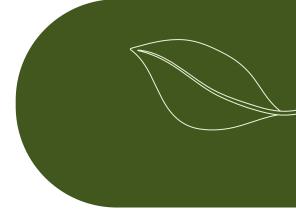


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• An 18 years old internationally recognized climate activist, Greta Thunberg emerged as the voice of the youths who will be facing the climate crisis as the consequence of the failure of political parties to mitigate climate change. For her inspiring demand to initiate urgent climate action from political leaders, she has been a youth icon and nominated for Nobel peace Prize in 2019 and also listed as Times Person of the year the same year.

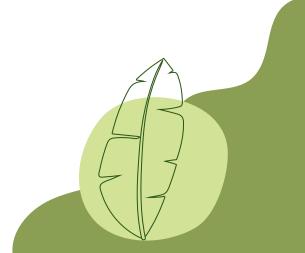






Misinformation

By: Adam





Fox News Flash top headlines for September 30

Fox News Flash top headlines are here. Check out what's clicking on Foxnews.com.

<u>Parts of the Mississippi River</u> are so low from weeks of drought that barge traffic is being limited at the worst possible time - as crop harvests begin.

Some Mississippi River communities between St. Louis and New Orleans may see record low water levels in the coming days, including Caruthersville, Missouri, and Osceola, Arkansas. The National Weather Service predicts the reading at Memphis, Tennessee, will reach its second-lowest level ever by Oct. 13.

The timing is bad. Corn and soybeans harvested in the early fall need to be moved, and barges are vital in getting the commodities from one place to another.



When it comes to misinformation an important part of the problem is how information is being conveyed. Different sources provide different perspectives of the issues at hand.

- Fox News Focuses on the economic perspective with how barges are being halted by low water levels.
- CNN Focuses on how the low water level is allowing sea water (salt water) to flow upstream. Which could jeopardize our drinking water supply.



Social Media: Awareness on Climate Issues

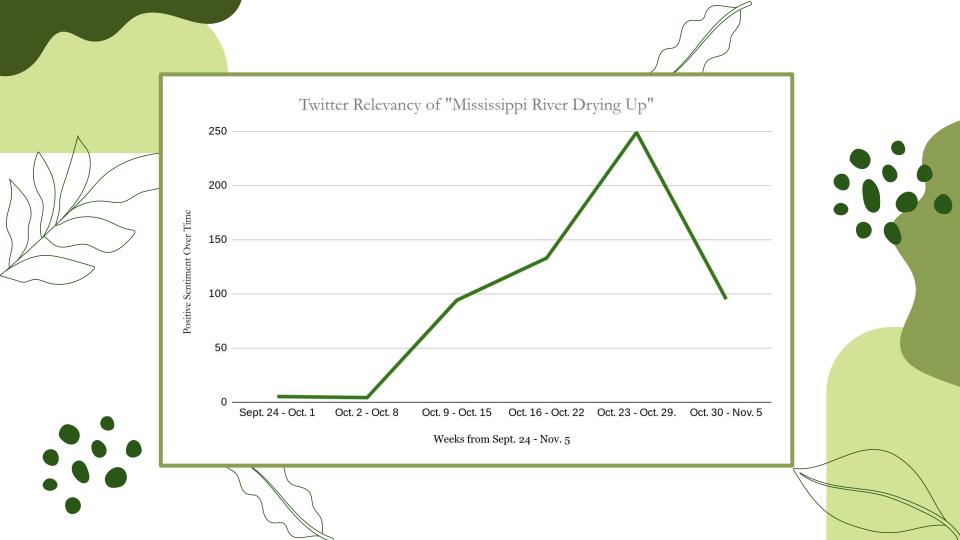
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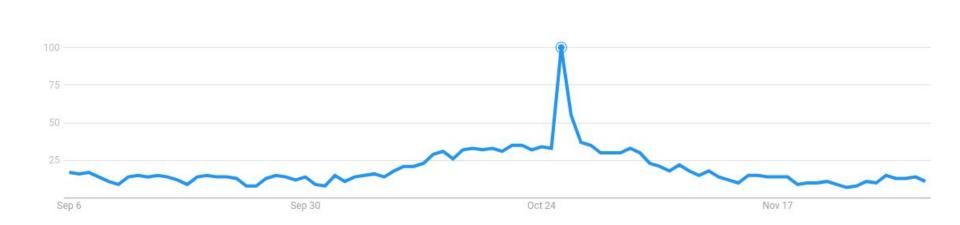
Mississippi on Twitter

A sentiment analysis of the Twitter API found that positive sentiment on the term "Mississippi Record Low" found that knowledge of the phenomenon started in the last week of September, with local news outlets reporting on the issue, hit the peak awareness around the week of October 26th, and plateaued till the first week of November, when tweets on the matter with positive sentiment decreased drastically

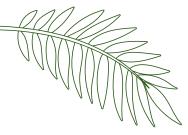




Mississippi River Relevance Over Time



Main peak on Oct. 26th... why?



News-to-Twitter Pipeline



The Mississippi River is the lowest it has been since records started in 1954. Current stage sits at -10.79 feet. #tnwx #mswx #mowx #arwx #midsouthwx

First Week of October

Mostly local news stations from Tennessee and areas around the Mississippi

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CBS Mornings 🤣 @CBSMornings · 28 d'oct.

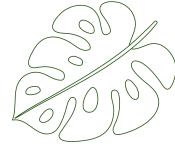
Oficial

Water in parts of the **Mississippi River** is sinking to **record low** levels because of a months-long drought in the Midwest — and that could lead to billions of dollars in economic losses and higher prices for consumers, as the crucial shipping corridor struggles.

After October 26th

Large news outlets picked up on the event, and most tweets posting about it came after Oct. 26th when The Washington Post published the article "What it looks like as drought strangles the mighty Mississippi"





What does this mean for internet activism?



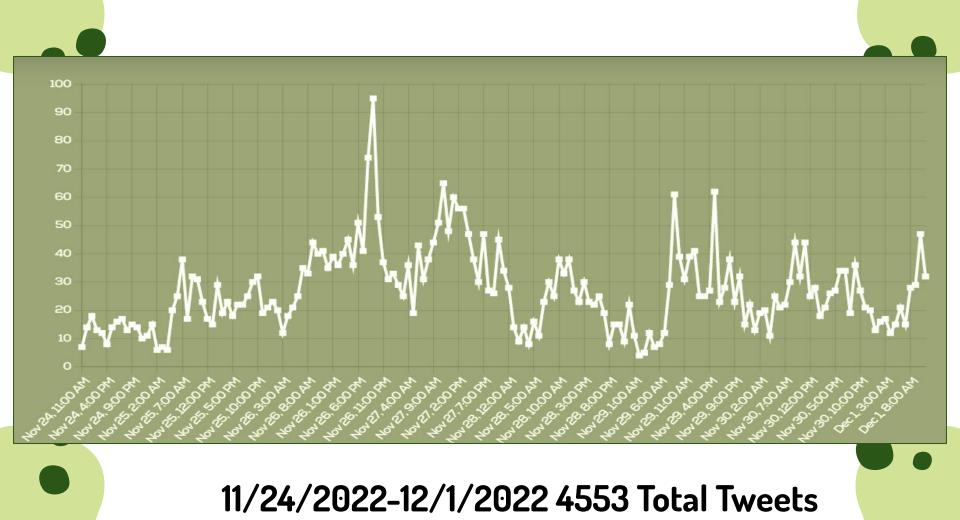


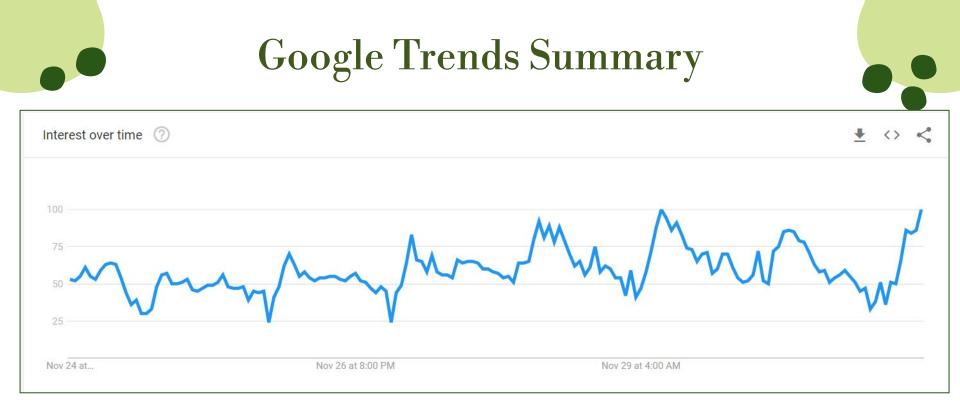
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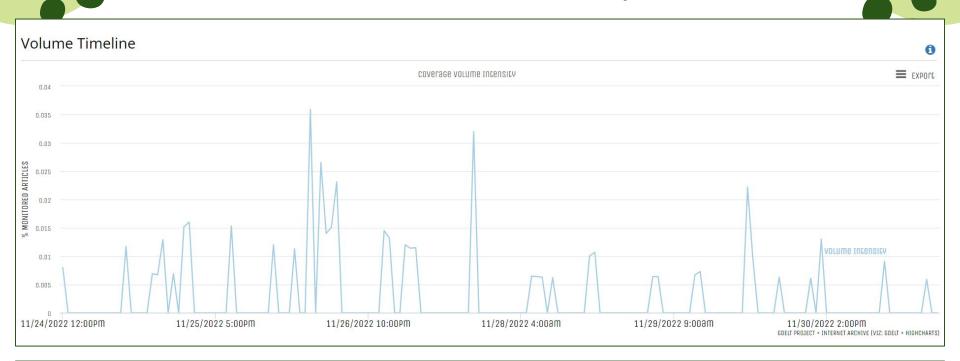


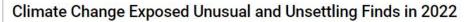






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