

2022 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 109 MAY 2022  
FINAL TOPLINE  
MAY 16-22, 2022  
TOTAL N=10,188

[ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED]

SHOW ALL:  
On a different topic...

ASK ALL:  
GROUP\_TRUST\_DYT      How much do you trust the information you get from social media sites, such as Facebook, Twitter or YouTube? [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

May 16-22		
<u>2022</u>		
1	A great deal	
6	A fair amount	
23	Some	
33	A little	
37	No trust at all	
<1	No answer	

ASK ALL:  
NEWSIMP      How important to you is social media as a way of keeping up with the news?

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<u>2022</u>		
5	The most important way	
39	An important way, but not the most important	
56	Not an important way	
<1	No answer	

[RANDOMIZE MISINFT AND OFFENSE]

SHOW ALL:  
Thinking about news and information online, including social media... [DISPLAY ONLY ONCE WITH THE FIRST QUESTION ASKED, EITHER MISINFT OR OFFENSE]

ASK ALL:  
MISINFT

Which comes closer to your own view - even if neither is exactly right? [RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS OFFENSE]

May 16-22 <u>2022</u>		July 26-Aug 8 <u>2021</u>	Feb 26-Mar 11 <u>2018</u>
61	Technology companies should take steps to restrict FALSE information online, even if it limits people from freely publishing or accessing information	59	56
37	People's freedom to publish and access information should be protected, even if it means FALSE information can also be published.	39	42
2	No answer	2	2

ASK ALL:  
OFFENSE

Which comes closer to your own view - even if neither is exactly right? [RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS MISINFT]

May 16-22 <u>2022</u>	
45	Technology companies should take steps to restrict OFFENSIVE content online, even if it limits people from freely publishing or accessing information
52	People's freedom to publish and access information should be protected, even if it means OFFENSIVE content can also be published.
3	No answer

ASK ALL:  
SOCIALNEWS<sup>10</sup>

Do you REGULARLY get news or news headlines on any of the following social media sites or apps? By news we mean information about events and issues that involve more than just your friends or family. [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

BASED ON TOTAL [N=10,188]:

	Yes, regularly get <u>news on this</u>	No, do not regularly get <u>news on this</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Twitter May 16-22, 2022	14	85	1
[NO ITEM B]			
c. Facebook May 16-22, 2022	28	71	1
[NO ITEM D]			

<sup>10</sup> Previous versions of this question were asked only of respondents who use each social media site or app.

SOCIALNEWS CONT. ...	Yes, regularly get <u>news on this</u>	No, do not regularly get <u>news on this</u>	No <u>answer</u>
e. YouTube May 16-22, 2022	22	78	1

[NO ITEM F-L]

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY SOCIAL MEDIA (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1) [N=4,264]:

SMSAT How satisfied are you with your experience getting news on the following sites or apps? [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN SOCIALNEWS (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS SOCIALNEWSa,c,e; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

	Very <u>satisfied</u>	Somewhat <u>satisfied</u>	Neither satisfied nor <u>dissatisfied</u>	Somewhat <u>dissatisfied</u>	Very <u>dissatisfied</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Twitter [N=1,258] May 16-22, 2022	7	34	43	13	3	<1
[NO ITEM B]						
c. Facebook [N=2,619] May 16-22, 2022	5	25	49	17	5	<1
[NO ITEM D]						
e. YouTube [N=1,767] May 16-22, 2022	14	39	33	9	5	<1

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ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY SOCIAL MEDIA (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1) [N=4,264]:

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Overall, would you say the news on the following sites or apps has... [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN SOCIALNEWS (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS SOCIALNEWSa,c,e]

	Helped you better understand <u>current events</u>	Made you more confused about <u>current events</u>	Not made much of a difference	No <u>answer</u>
a. Twitter [N=1,258] May 16-22, 2022	49	13	38	<1
[NO ITEM B]				
c. Facebook [N=2,619] May 16-22, 2022	31	16	52	<1
[NO ITEM D]				
e. YouTube [N=1,767] May 16-22, 2022	60	10	29	1

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY SOCIAL MEDIA (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1) [N=4,264]:

SMSKEP

Which of the following best describes how you approach news and information from these social media sites, even if neither is exactly right?

I expect the news and information I see on this site or app will be... [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN SOCIALNEWS (SOCIALNEWSa,c,e=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS SOCIALNEWSa,c,e]

	Mostly <u>accurate</u>	Mostly <u>inaccurate</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Twitter [N=1,258] May 16-22, 2022	66	32	2
[NO ITEM B]			
c. Facebook [N=2,619] May 16-22, 2022	58	41	1
[NO ITEM D]			
e. YouTube [N=1,767] May 16-22, 2022	77	22	1

ASK ALL:

ALTSMHEARD

In recent years, several social media sites have emerged as alternatives to sites like Facebook, Twitter, or YouTube.

Have you heard of any of the following social media sites or apps? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

		Yes, have heard of <u>this site or app</u>	No, have not heard <u>of this site or app</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	BitChute May 16-22, 2022	7	92	1
b.	Gab May 16-22, 2022	11	88	1
c.	Gettr May 16-22, 2022	10	89	1
d.	Parler May 16-22, 2022	38	61	1
e.	Rumble May 16-22, 2022	20	79	1
f.	Telegram May 16-22, 2022	27	72	1
g.	Truth Social May 16-22, 2022	27	72	1

ASK IF HEARD OF ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMHEARDa=g=1) [N=6,303]:

ALTSMRESP

What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the social media sites mentioned in the previous question?

[OPEN END RESPONSES RECODED]

May 16-22

2022

15	Inaccuracy/unreliable
12	Lack of censorship/alternative to Big Tech
11	Biased/political
10	Other responses
6	Extremism/dangerous
4	Fringe
4	Other negative responses
2	Community/connection
1	Accuracy/unbiased
<1	Other positive responses
35	Don't know/No answer

May 16-22

2022

13	Mentions Republicans/Right
1	Mentions Democrats/Left
62	Not party or ideology mentioned
<1	Other
24	No answer

ASK IF HEARD OF ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMHEARDa=g=1) [N=6,303]:  
ALTSMNEWS Do you REGULARLY get news or news headlines on any of the following social media sites or apps? Again, by news we mean information about events and issues that involve more than just your friends or family. [ONLY SHOW ITEMS HEARD OF IN ALTSMHEARD (ALTSMHEARDa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTSMHEARD]

BASED ON TOTAL (N=10,188):

	Yes, regularly get <u>news on this</u>	No, do not regularly <u>get news on this</u> <sup>11</sup>	No <u>answer</u>
a. BitChute May 16-22, 2022	1	98	<1
b. Gab May 16-22, 2022	1	99	<1
c. Gettr May 16-22, 2022	1	99	<1
d. Parler May 16-22, 2022	1	98	<1
e. Rumble May 16-22, 2022	2	97	<1
f. Telegram May 16-22, 2022	2	98	<1
g. Truth Social May 16-22, 2022	2	98	<1

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<sup>11</sup> Includes those who had not heard of the site or skipped ALTSMHEARD

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTMSAT How satisfied are you with your experience getting news on the following sites or apps? [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN ALTSMNEWS (ALTSMNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTSMNEWSa-g; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

	<u>Very satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Very dissatisfied</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	31	20	21	14	14	<1
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	38	29	20	5	7	1
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	30	24	34	7	3	2
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	34	22	18	13	12	-

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTSMINFORM Overall, would you say the news on the following sites or apps has... [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN ALTSMNEWS (ALTSMNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTSMNEWSa-g]

	<u>Helped you better understand current events</u>	<u>Made you more confused about current events</u>	<u>Not made much of a difference</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	66	12	22	<1

ALTSMI NFORM CONT. ...	Helped you better understand current events	Made you more confused about current events	Not made much of a difference	No answer
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	69	12	18	<1
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	68	11	21	-
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	58	17	23	2

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMSKEP Which of the following best describes how you approach news and information from these sites or apps, even if neither is exactly right?

I expect the news and information I see on this site will be... [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN ALTSMNEWS (ALTSMNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTSMNEWSa-g=1]

	Mostly accurate	Mostly inaccurate	No answer
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE		
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE		
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE		
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	69	30	1
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	88	10	2
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	75	24	1
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	87	13	<1

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ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTMACT

How often do you interact with posts about news on these sites or apps through actions like commenting, replying, liking or sharing? [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN ALTMNEWS (ALTMNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTMNEWSa-g; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

	Extremely <u>often</u>	<u>Fairly often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	10	9	35	23	20	2
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	8	15	27	24	27	<1
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	15	18	34	16	17	-
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	19	15	28	24	14	<1

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTMPOST

How often do you post about news on these sites or apps? [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN ALTMNEWS (ALTMNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS ALTMNEWSa-g; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

	Extremely <u>often</u>	<u>Fairly often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE					
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	4	20	14	19	42	<1
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	3	11	20	17	49	<1

ALTSMPPOST CONT. ...	Extremely <u>often</u>	<u>Fairly often</u>	<u>Sometimes</u>	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	No <u>answer</u>
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	3	25	21	18	33	-
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	5	16	17	36	25	<1

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMPNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTSMPFRIEND On the whole, how friendly are the discussions that you see on these sites or apps?  
[RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2, ANCHOR 3 LAST] [ONLY SHOW ITEMS USED IN  
ALTSMPNEWS (ALTSMPNEWSa-g=1); RANDOMIZE IN SAME ORDER AS  
ALTSMPNEWSa-g]

	<u>Mostly friendly</u>	<u>Mostly unfriendly</u>	About an equal mix of friendly and unfriendly	No <u>answer</u>
a. BitChute [N=78] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
b. Gab [N=46] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
c. Gettr [N=73] May 16-22, 2022	RESPONSES NOT SHOWN DUE TO SMALL SAMPLE SIZE			
d. Parler [N=131] May 16-22, 2022	61	16	20	3
e. Rumble [N=266] May 16-22, 2022	69	11	13	6
f. Telegram [N=234] May 16-22, 2022	53	21	21	5
g. Truth Social [N=219] May 16-22, 2022	59	16	25	<1

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMPNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:  
ALTSMPREASON Thinking more about the sites that you use that have come up in recent years as  
alternatives to other social media sites...

How much is each of the following a reason why you use these sites or apps?  
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

	<u>Major reason</u>	<u>Minor reason</u>	<u>Not a reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. To follow specific users or accounts May 16-22, 2022	46	31	22	1

ALTSMREASON CONT. ...	Major <u>reason</u>	Minor <u>reason</u>	Not a <u>reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
b. To post or share content May 16-22, 2022	24	36	39	1
c. To be entertained May 16-22, 2022	24	43	32	1
d. To discuss issues and events with others May 16-22, 2022	31	37	32	1
e. To stay informed about current issues and events May 16-22, 2022	56	34	9	1

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMTOPIC Which of the following topics of news and information do you see the MOST on these sites or apps? [RANDOMIZE]

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2022

52	Government and politics news
9	News about your local community
2	Sports news
14	Business and finance news
14	Science and technology news
9	Entertainment news
1	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMJOIN Have you ever participated in a political activity, such as a political rally or in-person political discussion, after finding out about it on one of these sites or apps?

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2022

33	Yes, I have done this
66	No, I have not done this
1	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMNEW How often would you say you see news on these sites and apps that you wouldn't have seen elsewhere? [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

May 16-22,  
2022

18	Extremely often
34	Fairly often
32	Sometimes
11	Rarely
5	Never
<1	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMPERSONAL How much do you feel personally connected to the accounts and people you follow closely or interact with often on these sites or apps? [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 USING SAME ORDER AS TRANSGEND4]

May 16-22,  
2022

4	Extremely connected
14	Very connected
42	Somewhat connected
19	A little connected
19	Not at all connected
2	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMCOMMUNITY Which statement comes closer to your experience on these social media sites or apps?

May 16-22,  
2022

65	I have found a community of people who share my views
34	I have not found a community of people who share my views
1	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMLOYALPAY Have you ever paid or given money to any accounts you follow on these sites or apps by donating, paying for a subscription, or buying T-shirts or other items?

May 16-22,  
2022

36	Yes
62	No
2	No answer

ASK IF GETS NEWS ON ANY ALTERNATIVE SOCIAL MEDIA SITE (ALTSMNEWSa=g=1) [N=587]:

ALTSMHARRASSYOU Have you ever been harassed or abused on any of these sites or apps?

May 16-22,  
2022

19	Yes
81	No
<1	No answer