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El Paso and Dayton shootings put focus on social media's handling of white supremacist content | Vox

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In less than 24 hours on Saturday and Sunday, two mass shootings in <u>El Paso</u>, <u>Texas</u>, and <u>Dayton</u>, <u>Ohio</u>, have <u>left at least 29 people dead</u>. The back-to-back massacres are raising questions about the role of social media platforms in spreading content that promotes violence and white supremacist ideologies.

Facebook, Twitter, and Youtube have been slow to take action against white supremacist users and posts on their platforms, but over the past year, they finally began taking a series of actions and implementing some policy changes that target this kind of content. It doesn't seem to be working yet.

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