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By now, those of us working in news media know what online violence looks like. It manifests as sexist abuse, threats to life and limb, doxing and trolling. Recent well publicized incidents include attacks against New York Times media reporter Taylor Lorenz, who was targeted after being singled out by Fox's Tucker Carlson; Brazilian journalist Patricia Campos Mello, who was trolled by Brazilian president Bolsonaro's son; and Rappler's Maria Ressa, whose trolling by President Duterte and other government officials in the Philippines is depicted in the documentary "A Thousand Cuts."

What is not well understood is the impact on mental and physical health, its consequences for a free society, and how to protect the journalists who are targeted.

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