

# 'It is becoming unbearable:' Journalists say they have become 'scapegoats' at anti-vaccine protests | Committee to Protect Journalists

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Journalists covering demonstrations against COVID-19 countermeasures have been called "[terrorists](#)," "[pedophiles](#)," "[murderers](#)," and "[scumbags](#)." Protesters have harassed and [assaulted](#) members of the press, and told them that "[the nooses are ready](#)."

Threats like these have become increasingly familiar for reporters in Europe and the United States, where the U.S. Press Freedom Tracker, a CPJ partner, [has recorded](#) threats and assaults against reporters in cities including Los Angeles and Portland, Oregon.

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