

Study: Major media outlets show improvement at debunking Trump misinformation on Twitter | Media Matters for America

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Major news outlets are doing a better job of rebutting President Donald Trump's falsehoods on Twitter than they were earlier this year but there is still room for improvement, according to a new study from Media Matters.

Media critics [argue](#) that news outlets err by passing along Trump's misinformation in headlines and social media posts without fact-checking him. In order to assess the scope of the problem, Media Matters reviewed the roughly 2,000 tweets about Trump comments sent by 32 Twitter feeds controlled by major news outlets between July 14 and August 3. We recorded whether the tweets referenced a remark that was false or misleading according to The Washington Post's [Fact Checker database](#) and, if so, whether the tweet disputed the misinformation. We compared the results to a [study](#) we released earlier this year covering the output of the same Twitter feeds from January 26 through February 15.

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