

# [***FACT CHECK: Post Claims To Show A NASA Image Of The 2024 Eclipse; There is no evidence that NASA published this image. It appears that the image was taken in 2017***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BSM-3VN1-JBFB-H00B-00000-00&context=1516831)

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[*Link to Image*](https://cdn01.dailycaller.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/GettyImages-2147613441-e1712760288245.jpg)

An image [*shared on X*](https://twitter.com/avenaim/status/1777442521209282862) claims to show a National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) image of the solar eclipse in 2024.

NASA with the most beautiful image of the solar eclipse [*#Eclipse2024*](https://twitter.com/hashtag/Eclipse2024?src=hash&ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw) [*pic.twitter.com/cIxDRqddSz*](https://t.co/cIxDRqddSz)

- Jerry Avenaim (@avenaim) [*April 8, 2024*](https://twitter.com/avenaim/status/1777442521209282862?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw)

**Verdict: False**

There is no evidence that NASA published this image. It appears that the image was taken in 2017.

**Fact Check:**

Thousands of people gathered in Washington D.C.'s National Mall to watch the solar eclipse, according to [*NBC Washington*](https://www.nbcwashington.com/solar-eclipse/solar-eclipse-draws-thousands-to-national-mall-for-last-in-a-generation-celestial-show/3586356/). The next solar eclipse to be seen from the U.S. is in 2033 (Alaska) and 2044 (Montana and North Dakota), the outlet reported.

Social media users are claiming to show a NASA image of the solar eclipse. One user wrote, “NASA with the most beautiful image of the solar eclipse [*#Eclipse2024*](https://twitter.com/hashtag/Eclipse2024?src=hash&ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw) ”

This claim is false. Through a reverse image search, Check Your Fact found that the image appears to be from 2017. It was posted to [*Flickr*](https://www.flickr.com/photos/spacemovie/36659081780) by [*Sebastian Voltmer*](https://www.flickr.com/photos/spacemovie/) with the description partially reading,”The Great American Eclipse 2017...with earthshine, Regulus and other stars in the background.”

The image in the tweet appears to be edited and flipped from the original image taken by Voltmer. A 2022 tweet shows the original image.

A high resolution image of a Solar Eclipse [*pic.twitter.com/wrwdVK04zb*](https://t.co/wrwdVK04zb)

- Spacexx (@ineed\_\_spacee) [*May 16, 2022*](https://twitter.com/ineed__spacee/status/1526016748021248001?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw)

Abbey Interrante, a NASA spokesperson, told Check Your Fact in an email that they “cannot confirm that this is a NASA image.”[***(RELATED: Has Biden Not Been To Wisconsin In Two Years?)***](https://checkyourfact.com/2024/04/03/fact-check-biden-wisconsin-two-years/)

Interrante also pointed Check Your Fact to NASA's [*album of images*](https://images.nasa.gov/album/2024_Total_Solar_Eclipse) of the 2024 solar eclipse. Check Your Fact could not find any images in the album matching the image in the X image.

**Graphic**

BRADY, TEXAS - APRIL 08: The moon begins its descent below the sun's horizon during a total solar eclipse on April 08, 2024 in Brady, Texas. Millions of people have flocked to areas across North America that are in the "path of totality" in order to experience the eclipse today. During the event, the moon will pass in between the Sun and the Earth, appearing to block the Sun. (Photo by Brandon Bell/Getty Images)

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