1. [How to Protect Yourself from AI Election Misinformation](https://plus.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6D0H-5MB1-JCMC-W0FM-00000-00&context=1001073)

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**Body**

As the 2024 race for President heats up, so too does concern over the spread of AI misinformation in **elections**.

"It'**s** an arms race," says Andy Parsons, senior director of Adobe'**s** Content Authenticity Initiative (CAI). And it'**s** not a fair race: the use of artificial intelligence to spread misinformation is a struggle in which the "bad guys don't have to open source their data sets or present at conferences or prepare papers," Parsons says.

AI misinformation has already become an issue this year. Pop sensation Taylor Swift [endorsed Vice President Kamala Harris](https://time.com/7020451/taylor-swift-kamala-harris-donald-trump-ai/) after former President Donald Trump posted a fake image of her endorsing him. "It really conjured up my fears around AI, and the dangers of spreading misinformation," Swift stated in the Instagram caption of her Harris endorsement.

The Swift incident isn't the first instance of AI misinformation this **election** cycle. Florida Governor and then Republican presidential candidate Ron DeSantis [posted a campaign video](https://www.npr.org/2023/06/08/1181097435/desantis-campaign-shares-apparent-ai-generated-fake-images-of-trump-and-fauci) in June 2023 including apparently fake images of Trump hugging former National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases director Anthony Fauci. Earlier this year, a political consultant utilized [artificial intelligence-generated robocalls mimicking President Joe Biden'**s** voice](https://apnews.com/article/biden-robocalls-ai-new-hampshire-charges-fines-9e9cc63a71eb9c78b9bb0d1ec2aa6e9c) to voters ahead of New Hampshire'**s** presidential primary, suggesting that voting in the primary would preclude voters from casting ballots in November.

A new study by Parsons and the CAI, published Wednesday, found that a large majority of respondents (94%) are concerned that the spread of misinformation will impact the upcoming **election**, and 87% of respondents said that the rise of generative AI has made it more challenging to discern **fact** from fiction online. The data was collected from 2,002 responses from **U.S**. citizens, all of whom were 18 and older.

"I don't think there'**s** anything that 93% of the American public agrees on, but apparently this is one of them, and I think there'**s** a good reason for that," said Hany Farid, professor at the University of California, Berkeley and advisor to the CAI. "There are people on both sides creating fake content, people denying real content, and suddenly you go online like, 'What? What do I make of anything?'"

A bipartisan group of lawmakers  [introduced legislation Tuesday](https://apnews.com/article/ai-artificial-intelligence-schiff-fitzpatrick-congress-6ef47dcc0e71470957e29767ed5422b1) that would prohibit political campaigns and outside political groups from using AI to pretend to be politicians. [Multiple state legislatures](https://www.citizen.org/article/tracker-legislation-on-deepfakes-in-elections/) have now also introduced bills regulating deepfakes in **elections**.

Parsons believes now is a "true tipping point" in which "consumers are demanding transparency." But in the absence of significant laws or effective technological guardrails, there are things you can do to protect yourself from AI misinformation heading into November, researchers say.

One key tactic is to not rely on social media for **election** news. "Getting off social media is step number one, two, three, four, and five; it is not a place to get reliable information," says Farid. You should view X (formerly Twitter) and Facebook as spaces for fun, not spaces to "become an informed citizen," he says.

Since social media is where many deepfakes and AI misinformation disseminate, informed citizens must **fact check** their information with sites like **Politifact**, **factcheck**.**org**, and **Snopes**, or major media outlets, before reposting. "The **fact** is: more likely than not you're part of the problem, not the solution," Farid says. "If you want to be an informed citizen, fantastic. But that also means not poisoning the minds of people, and going to serious outlets doing **fact checks**."

Another strategy is to carefully examine the images you're seeing spread online. Kaylyn Jackson Schiff and Daniel Schiff, assistant professors of political science at Purdue University, are working on a database tracking politically-relevant deepfakes. They say technology has made it harder than ever for consumers to be proactive and spot the differences between AI-generated content and reality. Still, they have found in their research that many of the popular deepfakes they study are "lower quality" than real photos.

"We'll go to conferences and people say, 'Well, I knew those were fake. I knew that Trump wasn't meeting with Putin.' But we don't know if this works for everybody," Daniel Schiff says. "We know that the images that can be created can be super persuasive to coin-flip levels of accuracy detection by the public." And as the technology advances, that'**s** only going to become more difficult, and the strategy may "not work in two years or three years," he says.

To help users evaluate what they're seeing online, the CAI is working to implement "Content Credentials," which they describe as a "nutrition label" for digital content, carrying verifiable metadata like the date and time the content was created, edited, and signaling whether and how AI may have been used. Still, researchers agree that reestablishing public faith in trusted information will need to be a multifaceted effort-including regulations, technology, and consumer media literacy. Says Farid: "There is no silver bullet."

**Contact us** at [letters@time.com](mailto:letters@time.com?subject=(READER%20FEEDBACK)%20How%20to%20Protect%20Yourself%20from%20AI%20Election%20Misinformation&body=https%3A%2F%2Ftime.com%2F7022120%2Fai-election-misinformation-2024%2F).

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**The claim: New Biden rule bans religious-themed eggs from White House Easter event**

A March 30 Instagram post ([direct link](https://www.instagram.com/olemuricanews/p/C5JZMKuutx5/), [archive link](https://archive.is/CXOpS)) shows President Joe Biden standing beside a person in a bunny suit in front of a crowd of onlookers.

"White House bans religious Easter egg designs from its art contest event for the children of National Guard members," reads the text beneath the picture.

The post'**s** caption says, "Breaking: Joe Biden’**s** White House is laying down new rules for the religious holiday tradition – no 'religious symbols' or 'overtly religious themes.'"

The post garnered more than 2,000 likes in four days. Other versions of the claim were shared on [Facebook](https://archive.org/details/screenshot-360) and [X, formerly Twitter](https://archive.is/LCTXa). [Speaker of the House Mike Johnson](https://twitter.com/SpeakerJohnson/status/1774147658841493617/photo/2) and [South Dakota Gov. Kristi Noem](https://twitter.com/KristiNoem/status/1774250831275016525) also shared the claim.

Many of these claims surfaced alongside claims that Biden replaced Easter Sunday with Transgender Visibility Day, which USA TODAY [previously debunked](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/factcheck/2024/04/03/white-house-biden-easter-transgender-day-of-visibility/73181508007/). Biden issued states in recognition of both events.

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**Our rating: False**

The restriction on religious imagery isn't new and isn't from Biden. The rule has been enforced for decades by the government-sponsored organization that hosts White House Easter events.

**Religious restriction predates Biden administration**

The post appears to reference [a flyer released by the White House](https://va.ng.mil/Portals/55/Documents/2024_WHEER_EggSubmissionForm.pdf), which advertised an Easter egg decorating event for children of National Guard members. The flyer states under its "restrictions" section that the eggs must not be decorated with "religious symbols" or "overtly religious themes." It also cautions against decorating the eggs with a number of other restricted themes, symbols and topics, including anything that "promotes bigotry, racism, hatred or harm against any group or individual."

But these rules were not implemented by Biden or his administration.

[Emily Metz](https://www.incredibleegg.org/about-us/newsroom/american-egg-board-names-emily-metz-president-and-chief-executive-officer/), president and CEO of the event'**s** organizer, the American Egg Board, told USA TODAY these guidelines had been in place long before the Biden administration.

"The Egg Board and other [commodity boards](https://nationalaglawcenter.org/overview/checkoff/#:~:text=Checkoff%20programs%20%E2%80%93%20also%20referred%20to,to%20specific%20producers%20or%20brands.) are prohibited from discriminating in all programming and activities on the basis of religion, political beliefs and all other stated categories," Mertz said in an email. "The American Egg Board has been a supporter of the White House Easter Egg Roll for over 45 years and the guideline language referenced in recent news reports has consistently applied to the board since its founding, across administrations."

As Metz noted, the board is part of a government-sponsored [checkoff program](https://nationalaglawcenter.org/overview/checkoff/), meaning it promotes and provides research for a particular agricultural commodity – in this case, eggs – and [must remain secular](https://www.uscourts.gov/educational-resources/educational-activities/first-amendment-and-religion) in its messages.

The board has also presented [the First Lady'**s** Commemorative Egg](https://www.incredibleegg.org/commemorative-egg/) on behalf of American egg farmers since 1977. An archive of the specialized eggs from the past six decades shows that none have portrayed any religious imagery.

The board said in [a March 31 statement](https://www.incredibleegg.org/about-us/newsroom/special-easter-egg-exhibit-at-the-white-house-in-collaboration-with-americas-egg-farmers-celebrates-national-guard-children/) that it has been hosting events such as these for years, while "remaining non-discriminatory and not showing preference to any individual religious or political viewpoints as (the board) is prohibited from doing as a national checkoff organization."

**Fact check**: [False claim Pope Francis said Catholics could 'eat whatever you want' during Lent](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/factcheck/2024/02/19/pope-lent-quote-eat-whatever-you-want-fact-check/72642302007/)

Elizabeth Alexander, a White House spokesperson, [shared a post on X](https://twitter.com/EAlexander46/status/1774171002684993579) saying, "The American Egg Board flyer’**s** standard non-discrimination language requesting artwork has been used for the last 45 years, across all Dem & Republican Admins – for all WH Easter Egg Rolls – incl. previous Administration’**s**."

USA TODAY reached out to the user who shared the post for comment but did not immediately receive a response.

[**PolitiFact**](https://www.politifact.com/factchecks/2024/apr/01/kristi-noem/claim-that-joe-biden-banned-religious-easter-egg-d/), [the Associated Press](https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-biden-easter-egg-transgender-proclamation-667689922248), [AFP](https://factcheck.afp.com/doc.afp.com.34N694W), [**Factcheck**.**org**](https://www.factcheck.org/2024/04/partisan-controversy-over-easter-and-transgender-day-of-visibility/) and [**Snopes**](https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/biden-ban-religion-easter-egg/) also debunked the claim.

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OPINION-Media literacy is fundamental, especially in 2024

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When you read an article, what is the first question you ask yourself? Do you think of the potential bias? Do you **fact check**? In the age of artificial intelligence and fake news it is even more important to be media literate. It can be hard to notice these things, especially as technology advances and it becomes harder to distinguish truth from fiction. In honor of Media Literacy Week, let'**s** deep dive into

Media is a part of our life. We absorb information at every moment of every day. We look at media through our phones, computers and televisions. There are pros to most media, just as there are cons. Media can breed creativity, providing outlets for people to express themselves. It can also spread information quickly, allowing people to learn about things faster.

While this is beneficial, it can also be a double-edged sword. The creativity can evolve into deviance, and morally corrupt media can be made. The spread of information can cause the spread of misinformation.

Misinformation is defined by The National Association of Media Literacy Education as false information, while disinformation is defined as false information that is intended to trick or mislead people. NAMLE is an association of educators who place importance of media literacy.

But many Americans are undereducated in media literacy. According to Media Literacy Now, an organization that researches and releases data on media literacy, a majority of Americans were not taught how to analyze media. In a survey, they found that 62% of respondents felt they did not have an opportunity in class to reflect on media messages, such as advertising or on TV programs, and how they might affect people'**s** thoughts, beliefs, feelings or actions.

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 There has been a call for more cohesive media literacy education in the nation, with the rise in media exposure in younger generations. Younger people are on the internet earlier than ever, so teaching them how to think critically about the media they are consuming is important.

According to Media Literacy Now, children aged 2 to 8 spend an average of two hours per day consuming media of all kinds. Children aged 8 and 12 spend four to six hours. Additionally, adolescents over 12 years old spend an average of seven to nine hours per day.

This education can be beneficial all of the time, but being media literate can benefit people especially during **election** years. Candidates and their associates can say things that are half-truths or just full-on lies. There are many places to **fact check**, one being The News Literacy Project. They have a couple of places to find **election** information, including **fact checking**. There are plenty more, like **Snopes**, [https://www.**snopes**.com](https://www.snopes.com)/ ; **Politifact**, [https://www.**politifact**.com](https://www.politifact.com)/ (which is a part of Poyner); and RumorGuard <https://www.rumorguard.org>/ (which is a part of The News Literacy Project).

The trick to finding the balance is finding resources, of which there are many.

The National Association of Media Literacy Education, <https://namle.org/about/>, is a good resource because it has a lot of information in regard to media literacy. It has a lot of resources for children, including free activities.

Media Literacy Now, <https://medialiteracynow.org/about/mission/> ,

is similar, providing free media literacy research.

Media literacy is super important for people to know, and not something to ignore. Most people have seen a social media post that they took as a truth when it was not. Knowing how to process information given to you can make the difference in your life.

I know personally I have been tricked by AI images or fake news. It takes one glance and a moment for you to make a decision about something. It takes another to realize that it may be manipulated. Especially during **election** season, please be careful about the information you consume.

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A viral video [shared on X](https://x.com/Dannyjokes/status/1850239837191704985) claims 2024 Democratic nominee Vice President Kamala Harris called 2024 Republican nominee and former President Donald Trump “Hitler” on Joe Rogan'**s** podcast, “The Joe Rogan Experience.”

BREAKING NEWS: Kamala Harris Goes On The Joe Rogan Podcast [pic.twitter.com/un2hegCQ8m](https://t.co/un2hegCQ8m)

- Danny Polishchuk (@Dannyjokes) [October 26, 2024](https://twitter.com/Dannyjokes/status/1850239837191704985?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw)

**Verdict: False**

**Check** Your **Fact** conducted a scan of the video using the website “TrueMedia.org,” and the results indicate the video has been generated with artificial intelligence (AI). In addition, a media forensics and AI expert denied the video'**s** authenticity in an email to **Check** Your **Fact**.

**Fact Check:**

USA Today/Suffolk University'**s** final poll before the 2024 presidential **election** shows Harris and Trump are tied at 49% in Pennsylvania among likely voters, according to [Newsweek](https://www.newsweek.com/donald-trump-erases-kamala-harris-lead-final-pennsylvania-poll-1978561). A Sept. 16 poll from USA Today/Suffolk University showed Harris was ahead of Trump in Pennsylvania by three points, the outlet reported.

The X video, viewed over four million times as of writing, claims Harris called Trump “Hitler” on Rogan'**s** podcast, “The Joe Rogan Experience.”

“Joe, Donald Trump is literally Adolf Hitler,” Harris appears to say. Later in the same video, Harris appears to liken Trump'**s** campaign rally at Madison Square Garden to a Nazi rally held at the same venue in 1939. Besides X, the claim also circulated on [Threads](https://www.threads.net/@secondbreakfastinvesting/post/DBof3ECPI2a).

The claim is false. **Check** Your **Fact** conducted a scan of the video using the website “[TrueMedia.org](https://www.truemedia.org/),” and the results indicate the video has been generated with AI. According to the results of the scan, the video features AI-generated audio as well as “face manipulation.”

Likewise, **Check** Your **Fact** did not find the claim referenced on [Harris' 2024 campaign website](https://kamalaharris.com/) or her [verified](https://www.facebook.com/profile/100044293396335/search?q=BREAKING%20NEWS%3A%20Kamala%20Harris%20Goes%20On%20The%20Joe%20Rogan%20Podcast%20calls%20trump%20hitler&filters=eyJycF9jcmVhdGlvbl90aW1lOjAiOiJ7XCJuYW1lXCI6XCJjcmVhdGlvbl90aW1lXCIsXCJhcmdzXCI6XCJ7XFxcInN0YXJ0X3llYXJcXFwiOlxcXCIyMDI0XFxcIixcXFwic3RhcnRfbW9udGhcXFwiOlxcXCIyMDI0LTFcXFwiLFxcXCJlbmRfeWVhclxcXCI6XFxcIjIwMjRcXFwiLFxcXCJlbmRfbW9udGhcXFwiOlxcXCIyMDI0LTEyXFxcIixcXFwic3RhcnRfZGF5XFxcIjpcXFwiMjAyNC0xLTFcXFwiLFxcXCJlbmRfZGF5XFxcIjpcXFwiMjAyNC0xMi0zMVxcXCJ9XCJ9IiwicnBfY2hyb25vX3NvcnQ6MCI6IntcIm5hbWVcIjpcImNocm9ub3NvcnRcIixcImFyZ3NcIjpcIlwifSJ9) [social](https://x.com/search?lang=en&q=%22BREAKING%20NEWS%3A%20Kamala%20Harris%20Goes%20On%20The%20Joe%20Rogan%20Podcast%20calls%20trump%20hitler%22%20(from%3AKamalaHarris)%20lang%3Aen&src=typed_query) [media](https://www.instagram.com/kamalaharris/) [accounts](https://www.tiktok.com/@kamalaharris). In addition, **Check** Your **Fact** found [no credible news reports](https://www.google.com/search?sca_esv=831957950881813e&q=vice+president+kamala+harris+calls+former+president+trump+%27hitler%27+on+joe+rogan%27s+podcast&tbm=nws&source=lnms&fbs=AEQNm0Aa4sjWe7Rqy32pFwRj0UkWZJPk1C9buWu--tLPKEpSxLqGfZiWMqdk6VF37sVUbkfuZLTj2oNC7EnrW0kOrs5_yzXFS7PD2zj-5Cc29Wnj5IzUaHojAIdqyC1HLwD4s3t6yQTN3GWiMOqP8qmSGPrM-HvbeP0BNRK8Wqte9HmotWM1zQEo4dCAawyxemAaFagOZxAL5y9hRm7COvNj7qslVUA19g&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwi5wf7C5ruJAxXDAHkGHeYZPZkQ0pQJegQIExAB&biw=1578&bih=860&dpr=2) suggesting Harris has appeared on Rogan'**s** podcast. Actually, the opposite is true.

On Oct. 30, [Fox News](https://www.foxnews.com/media/joe-rogan-explains-details-about-harris-missed-opportunity-appear-his-podcast) reported Harris' campaign had reached out to Rogan following his “open invitation” to have her on his podcast. The interview was scrapped, however, because Rogan would not agree to the campaign'**s** demands that the interview only be one hour and that Rogan would travel to meet the Vice President, according to the outlet. [**(RELATED: Does Viral Photo Show Kamala Harris In McDonald's Uniform?)**](https://checkyourfact.com/2024/10/28/fact-check-does-viral-photo-show-kamala-harris-in-a-mcdonalds-uniform/)

[**Politifact**](https://www.politifact.com/factchecks/2024/oct/31/threads-posts/harris-hasnt-appeared-on-the-joe-rogan-experience/) also **fact-checked** the viral X video, indicating it was AI-generated.

Furthermore, Dr. Walter Scheirer, a media forensics and AI expert at the University of Notre Dame, denied the video'**s** authenticity in an email to **Check** Your **Fact**.

“This video allegedly from the Joe Rogan podcast is likely the product of AI editing or other software editing. The jaw of Harris deforms in unnatural ways when delivering lines about Hitler. And the audio sounds synthesized throughout the clip. Further, the video was posted by comedian Danny Polishchuk, making it highly likely it was produced for entertainment purposes,” Scheirer said.

**Graphic**

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN - OCTOBER 28: Democratic presidential nominee, **U.S**. Vice President Kamala Harris speaks during a campaign rally on October 28, 2024 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. With one week remaining before **Election** Day, Harris continues rallying with supporters in the battleground swing state of Michigan while campaigning against Republican presidential nominee, former **U.S**. President Donald Trump. (Photo by Brandon Bell/Getty Images)

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**Body**

<p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">The announcements of who will occupy the top positions in the new US administration headed by Donald Trump have not taken long to follow once the re-**election** of the former president has been confirmed. He has chosen Elon Musk (along with Vivek Ramaswamy) to co-lead the new Department of Government Efficiency, Linda McMahon (a former wrestling executive) as Secretary of Education, Pete Hegseth (a Fox News contributor) to lead the Pentagon and Chris Wright (an oil company executive and climate change denier) to head the Department of Energy.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">However, all eyes are focused on the nomination of Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to lead the **U.S**. Department of Health. The 70-year-old lawyer has no proven training in the field of health, and stood out throughout the covid-19 pandemic for defending a discourse full of falsehoods and deceptions in this regard. His campaign throughout 2023 for this year'**s** presidential **election** took the title of "lie of the year" according to **Politifact**, a **fact-checking** entity member as Verificat of the International **Fact-Checking** Network (IFCN).</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Throughout that 2023 Kennedy spread several anti-vaccine misinformations (even though he rejects the anti-vaccine label), linked gender dysphoria to environmental chemicals, blamed antidepressants for school shootings, and denied that the HIV virus is the cause of AIDS.

We **check** out the most viral misinformations!</p> <h3 class="subtitle">Covid-19: from ethnic bioweapon to fake treatments</h3><p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">The name of John F. Kennedy'**s** nephew resounded loudly during the covid-19 pandemic. The lawyer claimed that the disease "is targeted to attack Caucasians and black people" while "the most immune people are Ashkenazi Jews and Chinese". Still, there is no evidence that SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes the disease, is a biological weapon, and no **U.S**. intelligence agency considers it to be one. This was explained by **Factcheck**.**org**, a member verification platform like IFCN'**s** Verificat.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Kennedy has also been - and remains - a fervent advocate of ivermectin (a drug used to treat parasites such as scabies) and hydroxychloroquine (useful in the treatment of malaria, lupus and rheumatoid arthritis) as treatments against covid-19, even though several clinical trials have shown neither to be useful or recommended.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Disinformation about the disease vaccines was not long in coming. Kennedy went so far as to claim that they were "the deadliest vaccines ever made," citing data from the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). Even so, as we have repeatedly explained from Verificat, this platform collects all adverse events following vaccination, regardless of whether or not they are related to it, and therefore it is not a tool for counting the consequences of the vials.</p> <h3 class="subtitle">Vaccines and autism, a largely disproven link</h3><p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Robert Kennedy heads the non-profit organization Children'**s** Health Defense, an entity dedicated to promoting anti-vaccine disinformation. Several investigations, such as this one by the Centers Against Digital Hate (CCDH) or this one by the Journal of Medical Internet Research, point him out as one of the great influencers of disinformation in this aspect, due to the great loudspeaker he has in social networks.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">In an interview with Fox News in July 2023, he claimed to believe that "autism comes from vaccines". This idea has been widely dismantled by scientific evidence, which has never found any causal relationship between the two **facts**. A 1998 study proposed the link, but it was later retracted and subsequent work has denied it. A journalistic investigation conducted by Brian Deer in the British newspaper The Times revealed that Andrew Wakefield, the lead author, had manipulated the data and had conflicts of interest.</p> <h3 class="subtitle">Gender dysphoria is not caused by a weed killer</h3><p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">In a June 2023 podcast, the man who has been appointed as the next director of the **U.S**. Department of Health claimed that "a lot of the sexual dysphoria we're seeing" in children supposedly comes "from chemical exposures." Throughout his speech he specified that he was referring to an herbicide called atrazine, which dissolved in water would have caused male frogs to develop female sexual organs and become infertile, according to a study.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">The dictionary of medical terms of the Spanish Royal National Academy of Medicine lists the term sexual dysphoria as a synonym for gender dysphoria, which refers to the discomfort people suffer when their biological sex does not match their gender identity. There is no evidence, however, that this is the result of exposure to any environmental chemical. The frog study Kennedy refers to is real, but it does not validate the link between a transgender identity and atrazine in humans, as the research leader explained to **Politifact**.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Atrazine has been a banned herbicide in the European Union since 2004 due to environmental and animal health concerns. In contrast, it is authorized in the United States. Several studies have linked its exposure in humans to health problems, especially hormone-related ones. These include birth defects and lower birth weight, as well as liver and breathing problems. It has also been linked to reproductive problems in mammals. No work, therefore, links it to gender identity.</p> <h3 class="subtitle">Antidepressants, HIV and wifi</h3><p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Over the past few years, Kennedy has also repeated other evidence-free claims, such as that school shootings are the result of antidepressant use. The link, however, does not hold up. For one thing, because 13% of the **U.S**. population takes them. If they encouraged shootings, these events would be much more common, according to experts consulted by **Politifact**. On the other, because on most occasions the attacker was not taking antidepressants, as an investigation by USA Today, also a member of the IFCN, found.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Another claim that the lawyer has repeated, and even put in writing in his 2021 book, is that there is no evidence that AIDS is caused by HIV. In reality, however, the scientific community has established the link for years, and today knows perfectly well the mechanism by which HIV infects cells and causes AIDS. In addition, there are treatments that to some extent put the virus to sleep and prevent the syndrome from developing.</p> <p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Kennedy has also claimed that wifi causes cancer, a link that Verificat has already denied. Entities such as the World Health Organization (WHO), the **U.S**. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the National Cancer Institute, among others, rule out such an effect. Wi-Fi emits non-ionizing, i.e., low-energy radiation. The only reported health effect is tissue heating.</p> -----------------------------------------------------------------<p data-gtm-element-container="modulo-texto-link" class="paragraph">Verificat is a Catalan non-profit **fact-checking** platform. It is dedicated to verify the political discourse and content circulating in the networks and to education for the critical consumption of information. It is part of the International **Fact-Checking** Network (IFCN) and the European **Fact-Checking** Standards Network (EFCSN).</p>

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President Biden made a well-publicized commencement address on Sunday morning, May 19 at Morehouse College in Atlanta, a historically black college. The networks touted the speech, but didn't put any '**fact** checkers' on it. It contained at least four fibs.

In an echo of his 1987 lies that crumbled his first presidential campaign, Biden claimed, 'I was the first Biden to ever graduate from college.' A newspaper obituary for his maternal grandfather Ambrose Finnegan noted he graduated college.

He repeated his story that his son Beau died of a brain tumor after he spent 'a year in Iraq as a major - he won the Bronze Star -living next to a burn pit.' In 2019, **FactCheck**.**org** noted the science on cancer from exposure to burn pits in Iraq was 'insufficient,' but Biden tells that story often.

Then Biden uncorked his typical race-baiting: 'Today in Georgia, they won't allow water to be available to you while you wait in line to vote in an **election**.' Georgia'**s** legislature passed a bill in 2021 that said no person should 'give, offer to give, or participate in the giving of any money or gifts, including, but not limited to, food and drink' within 150 feet of a polling place. It doesn't mean you can't have water!

 Biden also claimed, 'there'**s** a national effort to ban books - not to write history, but to erase history. They don't see you in the future of America.' The leftists all said that 'erasing history' bunk about Florida'**s** education standards, when it was crystal clear that black history was mandated, not erased.

None of these **fact-check** moments made the front-page New York Times story gushing over the Morehouse speech. They mentioned Biden spoke of deaths in his family, and left out the 'burn pits' part.

Biden'**s** recent lie that inflation was at nine percent when he became president was so blatant that most of the liberal '**fact** checkers' called it out: AP, CNN, **FactCheck**.**org**, **PolitiFact**, **Snopes**, and The Washington Post. (Lead Stories and Reuters did not.) We'll see if these latest Biden falsehoods get **checked** (again).

They could also **check** Biden'**s** four whoppers in remarks the day before at a campaign fundraiser in Atlanta. The president told his backers, 'I wasn't going to run again after my son died because of being in Iraq for a year in those burn pits.' He said 'We were supposed to lose in 2020.' He claimed Trump told Time magazine, 'States should monitor women'**s** pregnancies and prosecute those who violate the abortion bans.' Trump did not say that.  Biden also claimed Trump said there were 'really good people on both sides' in Charlottesville protests, implying he praised neo-Nazis. That'**s** an ongoing hoax.

 At a Sunday afternoon campaign event in Detroit, the president again dragged out the line, 'I'm the first in my family ever to go to college.'

 A Sunday night speech at the NAACP brought more of the tired-brain gaffes. Biden claimed he was vice president 'during the pandemic.' He said Obamacare was 'saving millions of families $800,000 -- $8,000 a year in premiums.' The White House transcript adjusted it down to $800.

Then he returned to 'folks wanting to ban books' and 'erase black history, literally.' He misquoted Trump as saying 'I'll be dictator on day one' and 'just inject bleach' to cure Covid. He bungled in claiming Trump said if he lost, there will be 'bloodshed.' Trump implied an economic 'bloodbath.'

The more Biden mangles the **facts**, the more you can be sure that national TV coverage is going to edit out the embarrassing parts. Call it 'erasing history as it unfolds.'

[Link to the original story.](https://newsbusters.org/blogs/nb/tim-graham/2024/05/22/column-bungling-bidens-commencement-whoppers)

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**Body**

Former President [Donald Trump](https://www.newsweek.com/topic/donald-trump?utm_source=Synacor&utm_medium=Attnet&utm_campaign=Partnerships) has made immigration reform a central aspect of his Republican primary campaign, with promises to begin the largest deportation operation in American history if **elected** to a second term.

During this campaign, Trump has also repeated several debunked claims about migration and border security, [inflating the size of the border wall built during his administration](https://www.newsweek.com/fact-check-donald-trump-built-border-wall-twice-length-grand-canyon-1872462?utm_source=Synacor&utm_medium=Attnet&utm_campaign=Partnerships) and the unfounded belief that people from "insane asylums" [are being emptied from facilities and migrating to the **U.S**](https://www.newsweek.com/trump-bret-baier-fox-news-border-insane-asylum-claim-1807887?utm_source=Synacor&utm_medium=Attnet&utm_campaign=Partnerships).

In a speech following the **U.S**. Supreme Court decision to keep him on the Colorado primary ballot, Trump made a host of unrelated claims, including his estimate that the number of migrants who had crossed the border during Joe Biden'**s** presidency may have reached nearly 15 million people.

The Claim

A post on Truth Social by Donald Trump, posted on March 4, 2023, included a video in which Trump said he believed the "real number" of migrants that had attempted to cross the **U.S**. border during [Joe Biden](https://www.newsweek.com/topic/joe-biden?utm_source=Synacor&utm_medium=Attnet&utm_campaign=Partnerships)'**s** presidency "was probably closer to 15 million people."

The **Facts**

The context of Trump'**s** claims relates to encounters at the southern border, with Trump also speaking about his construction of the border wall between the **U.S**. and Mexico.

No evidence supports that 15 million people, or a number close to it, have attempted to cross the border during Biden'**s** presidency.

According to [**U.S**. Customs and Border Protection](https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/southwest-land-border-encounters) data, there have been 7,332,800 encounters on the southern border since January 2021.

There are additional "gotaway" cases, in which migrants have evaded authorities. In a February 2024 article by **FactCheck**.**org**, a [Department of Homeland Security](https://www.newsweek.com/topic/department-of-homeland-security?utm_source=Synacor&utm_medium=Attnet&utm_campaign=Partnerships) (DHS) spokesperson said the "estimated annual apprehension rate has averaged 78%."

Even if we were to apply an estimate of "gotaways" to the total using that rate, it does not account for the number of people within that number who have attempted to enter the **U.S**. more than once, nor the number of people who were removed under Title 42 alone, estimated to have been used more than 2.8 million times.

After that, as noted by **FactCheck**.**org**, which assessed figures from February 2021 to October 2023, the DHS is thought to have removed, returned or expelled about 57 percent of migrants it encountered.

Trump'**s** belief that 15 million people have entered the United States, even if we were to include "gotaways" into that total and fold in encounters that included more than one attempt at entry, isn't supported by the available evidence.

*Newsweek* has contacted a representative for Trump via email for comment.

The Ruling

**False.**

There is no evidence to support this claim. Encounters on the southern border from January 2021 to January 2023 totaled about 7.3 million.

The figures, however, include encounters in which people have attempted to cross the southern border more than once and the millions of immigrants who have been removed, returned or expelled from the border.

Even if estimates for those who have managed to evade authorities are factored in, there are no grounds to suggest that 15 million people, or a figure close to it, have entered the **U.S**. during Biden'**s** presidency.

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Donald Trump

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Donald Trump speaks in the library at Mar-a-Lago on March 4, 2024, in Palm Beach, Florida. Trump used his speech at Mar-a-Lago, after the Supreme Court ruled Trump should remain on the Colorado primary ballot, that nearly 15 million people had crossed the border during President Joe Biden'**s** presidency.

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On Sept. 10, Democratic candidate and current vice president Kamala Harris and Republican candidate and former president Donald Trump faced off for their first in person debate, discussing abortion, the economy and immigration. When asked about immigration and the border, Trump said millions of people are coming into towns across the country, saying immigrants are eating citizens’ pets.

This echoes a statement made by Trump’**s** vice president candidate JD Vance, who said in a Sept. 9 tweet that reports show that people have had their pets abducted and eaten by illegal Haitian immigrants.

The claims spread rapidly across the Internet and have led to real world consequences. Schools and universities have received bomb threats, causing classes to be cancelled and security to be increased, according to CNN. Members of the Haitian community said in a New York Times article that they do not feel safe and are considering leaving the city.

The rumor has reached Logansport too, where many in the Haitian community come for job opportunities at locations like Tyson and Subaru. Giovanni Sejour, manager of Haitian grocery Sejour’**s** Caribbean Grocery, said the rumors and viral images are taking a step backwards. He said the claims are not only affecting Haitians, but African Americans too.

“I think it’**s** pretty messed up. It makes me a little scared, especially living in a state that’**s** pretty red,” Sejour said. “As a political tactic, I think it’**s** pretty low to do.”

However, so much of the information and evidence that has spread alongside this rumor is simply not true and has been debunked. A video of a supposed Haitian immigrant, who is actually US citizen, eating a cat was taken in Canton, the Columbus Dispatch says. The Springfield woman who made the initial Facebook post claiming Haitians killed her neighbor’**s** daughter’**s** friend’**s** cat has admitted she has no evidence to support this, an article from Newsweek says.

Officials have also come out to debunk claims, with Springfield police saying there have been no reports of people’**s** pets being abducted by immigrants, according to the Springfield News-Sun. Ohio governor Mike DeWine said there are no evidence to the rumors and that the Haitians in Springfield are here legally to work, according to CNN.

As this rumor has shown, the spread of misinformation and claims without evidence can do real damage to real people. As the 2024 presidential **election** draws closer, it is a good time to remember to **fact-check** and research what you see online.

AARP recommends utilizing resources like **Politifact** and **factcheck**.**org** to double-**check** politicians’ statements. They also suggest finding reliable sources that verify their information, not relying on one source for a story, especially if it seems extreme, and stopping to think before sharing something online.

Wright State University says one of the most effective ways to prevent misinformation and fake news is to stop and evaluate it before sharing. In a time where lies spread faster than truth, and where simple misinformation online can have real world consequences, we owe it to both ourselves and everyone else to ensure what we share online is truthful.

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PBS'**s** biased coverage of Night Three of the Republican National Convention began even before the main event, on Wednesday evening'**s** PBS News Hour, aiming not only to **fact-check** the Republicans but even to suggest some Republican voting 'misinformation' could lead to "political violence."

The tax-funded network'**s** [first **fact-check** target wasreality TV star, Savannah Chrisley, who discussed](https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/trumps-one-time-republican-rivals-make-peace-and-urge-the-party-to-unite) [her family'**s** legal woes in her speech. Lisa Desjardins, reporting from the convention floor, played the hypocrisy card before moving to the **fact check**.](https://www.msn.com/en-us/tv/other/savannah-chrisley-under-rnc-spotlight-pins-parents-legal-woes-on-rogue-prosecutors/)

Desjardins: But amid praise of Trump, on a night focused on law and order, Republicans generally ignored Trump'**s** own 34 felony convictions, except as evidence of what they see as a weaponized justice system.

Savannah Chrisley: Today, we have a two-faced justice system. Just look at what they're doing to President Trump, all while, let'**s** face it, Hunter Biden is roaming around free and attending classified meetings.

PBS pounced, with the help of their convention **fact-check** partners, the left-leaning **PolitiFact** .

Katie Sanders, Editor in Chief, **PolitiFact**: So this is unproven.

Lisa Desjardins: We spoke with **PolitiFact**'**s** Katie Sanders. The organization is **checking** statements made at both 2024 conventions. In this case, the claim comes from an NBC report about Hunter Biden. But:

Sanders: That report did not say anything about Hunter Biden attending classified briefings. That would be something that would be illegal, because he does not have a security clearance to be in those sessions. So it'**s** not a proven claim.

Desjardins gave a pass on the statement of a mother whose son died of fentanyl poisoning.

Desjardins: But several other statements didn't hold up, like this from [Republican Rep. Steve] Scalise:

Rep. Steve Scalise: On the border, Biden and Harris opened it up to the entire world. Prisons are being emptied.

Sanders was awfully confident: This claim is false. Joe Biden and Kamala Harris have not opened up the border. Even more egregious here is the idea that there'**s** an organized effort to recruit people from prisons in other countries. We have done research to look into whether it'**s** been documented that these governments, these countries, there'**s** some group that'**s** organizing prisoners and releasing them to the **U.S**. It'**s** just not proven.

In the [next segment, White House reporter Laura Barron-Lopez (who'**s** kept a low profile during the convention) fretted over the dangers of 2024 Republican **election** concerns.](https://www.pbs.org/newshour/show/fact-checking-right-wing-claims-about-election-security-and-noncitizens-voting)

Co-host Geoff Bennett: Some speakers here at the Republican National Convention have repeated the unsubstantiated claim that Democrats are rigging the presidential **election**, specifically about noncitizens voting.

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Co-host Amna Nawaz: That claim is just one of many conspiracy theories about the security of America'**s** **election** system that are being spread in the lead-up to November.

Laura Barron-Lopez: This lie dates back to 2016, Amna, when then-candidate Donald Trump said that he lost the popular vote because three to five million noncitizen immigrants voted for Hillary Clinton. That'**s** -- of course is not true. But now it'**s** become much more pervasive among Republicans this **election** cycle, going all the way from Republican nominee Donald Trump to House Speaker Mike Johnson, who has repeated this baseless claim over and over again.It'**s** important to note, Amna, that it is already illegal for noncitizens to vote under federal law.

Republican voting concerns are certainly not 'baseless,' given that many municipalities across the country have begun allowing [non-citizens to vote in state and local **elections**.](https://ballotpedia.org/Laws_permitting_noncitizens_to_vote_in_the_United_States)

The segment closed with Barron-Lopez raising up a familiar left-wing scarecrow, the Heritage Foundation (creators of the feared and loathed but rarely read Project 2025). Barron-Lopez ranted:

This is part of a larger effort, Geoff, to sow doubt about America'**s** **election** system, to convince the electorate that the country'**s** system can't be trusted and that the -- and that, if Donald Trump were to lose, that that result is not legitimate. And an example of this comes from Heritage Foundation, the right-wing think tank that has issued a blueprint for a potential second Trump term. Mike Howell, executive director of The Heritage Foundation'**s** Oversight Project, said recently at an event that: "As things stand right now, there is a zero percent chance of a free and fair **election** in the United States of America." And that transition report from Heritage Foundation also claimed -- without any evidence -- that President Biden will retain power quote, "by force" and that President Biden will disregard the will of the voters, whatever the ultimate result is. Some fear from **election** security experts that I have spoken to is that what happens with all this disinformation if Donald Trump were to lose, that it could potentially result in some political violence in the end, Geoff.

(Surprise: The transition report itself [is a bit more nuanced than that breathless rendering; the threat is posed as a hypothetical, not a certainty.)](https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/the-gop-group-behind-project-2025-floats-conspiracy-theory-that-biden-will-use-force-to-keep-power/ar-BB1pPBSA)

During the actual convention coverage, PBS brought on **PolitiFact** editor-in-chief Katie Sanders at 8:38 p.m. (ET) to issue three real-time '**fact checks**,' disputing Texas Rep. Ronny Jackson'**s** claim of 'record-high inflation under the Biden administration' (it had been higher in the late 1970s and early 1980s). 'It'**s** important to look up the numbers,' she stated smugly.

PBS brought in [@**PolitiFact** editor-in-chief Katie Sanders to act as Biden Defense Squad. Biden didn't cause "record-high inflation," Kamala Harris isn't really "Border Czar," and some of the two years without a combat death in Afghanistan were in Biden'**s** term.](https://twitter.com/PolitiFact?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw) [#DemocratHelpers](https://twitter.com/hashtag/DemocratHelpers?src=hash&ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw) [pic.twitter.com/vbk2SrP8Y9- Tim Graham (@TimJGraham)](https://t.co/vbk2SrP8Y9)

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Sanders also claimed that Florida Rep. Matt Gaetz calling Vice-President Kamala Harris 'border czar' 'needs context.' She assured PBS listeners that it was merely a nickname bestowed on Harris by hostile Republicans, and that Harris was tasked only to 'investigate the root causes of immigration in Northern Triangle countries, he didn't say, you're in charge now, he left that to the Department of Homeland Security.' The problem with that assurance: [The administration itself said one of her tasks was to curb the current flow of migrants!](https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/white-house/biden-taps-harris-lead-coordination-efforts-southern-border-n1261952)

The last **fact-check** involved an assertion in a speech by former House Speaker Newt Gingrich that 'no American [had been] killed in nearly two years' in Afghanistan under Trump. Sanders again issued the classic, 'needs a little context,' which **PolitiFact** is always eager to provide struggling Democrats.

NewsBusters' Alex Christy [has previously outlined the case that **PolitiFact** tips the scale against conservatives. And **PolitiFact** doesn't just shriek its liberal **fact checks** into the void;](https://www.newsbusters.org/blogs/nb/alex-christy/2024/07/13/worried-democracy-pbs-and-politifact-unveil-2024-election) [it is a partner with Meta (the owners of Facebook) and TikTok 'to help try and slow the spread of misinformation online. Meta and TikTok flag posts that they believe may be factually inaccurate or misleading.'](https://www.politifact.com/article/2018/feb/12/principles-truth-o-meter-politifacts-methodology-i/#Our%20participation%20in%20the%20International%20Fact-checking%20Network)

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Looking for the number of George Soros-funded prosecutors? The Media Research Center has the receipts, but if you look to artificial intelligence to find the answer, don't think it will direct you to a media outlet that will give you the results you're looking for.

MRC released a bombshell Special Report on Aug. 12, providing a precise number of Soros-funded prosecutors (126) and exposing how [the Soros machine directs and controls prosecutors across America to implement his leftist agenda. One week after the expos, MRC researchers turned to artificial intelligence (AI), specifically the free version of OpenAI'**s** ChatGPT, to see whether it would relay how many Soros-funded prosecutors there are, and which media outlets it claimed users should be directed to for research on the topic. The AI did not provide a figure for the number of Soros-funded prosecutors, and as it has done in the past, it directed MRC researchers to leftist sources.](https://mrcfreespeechamerica.org/blogs/business/tim-kilcullen-joseph-vazquez-tom-olohan-dan-schneider/2024/08/12/law-dis-order-how)

MRC prompted OpenAI'**s** chatbot with three questions and analyzed the results. The biased chatbot unsurprisingly did what it has done many times before, promoting the leftist narrative and pushing users to leftist sources, including unironically promoting media outlet [ProPublica and](https://mrcfreespeechamerica.org/blogs/business/jeffrey-clark/2022/11/02/soros-funded-propublica-harangues-right-wing-media) ['**fact-checking**' organization **PolitiFact**, both Soros-funded sites.](https://www.newsbusters.org/blogs/free-speech/catherine-salgado/2024/04/05/soros-funded-fact-checkers-who-cares-about-free)

When asked, 'Which media outlets should be used to research George Soros-funded prosecutors?' the chatbot was anything but balanced. Instead of providing both left-leaning and right-leaning sources for information, the chatbot almost exclusively promoted leftist legacy media outlets and so-called **fact**-checkers.

Among the named organizations, ChatGPT recommended leftist media outlets The New York Times, The Washington Post, CNN, NPR, ProPublica, The Center for Investigative Reporting and The Intercept. The chatbot also promoted leftist so-called **fact-checking** organizations **FactCheck**.**org**, **PolitiFact** and **Snopes** and even leftist political and legal analysis sites Politico, The Hill and Law360. It also recommended local news outlets, along with academic and research institutions, but it did not name specifics.

The AI chatbot then absurdly suggested that '[b]y consulting a range of these sources, you can gather diverse viewpoints and a more comprehensive understanding of the influence and impact of Soros'**s** funding on prosecutors and criminal justice reform.'

MRC researchers then asked ChatGPT why it didn't include numbers from Capital Research Center, The Blaze or the Media Research Center, three organizations known for their exhaustive Soros research. Again, ChatGPT'**s** unabashed bias did not disappoint. While the chatbot did suggest that 'these sources can be useful for understanding how different perspectives interpret and present information,' it threw cold water on the suggestion in its very next sentence. 'However, for a balanced view, it'**s** generally beneficial to also refer to mainstream and investigative news outlets that aim for broad journalistic standards and are less likely to present information with a specific ideological bias,' wrote ChatGPT, naturally referring to legacy media outlets.

When asked, 'How many George Soros-funded prosecutors are there?' the free version of ChatGPT provided a reasonable response but ultimately did not provide a figure. It claimed, 'The exact number of prosecutors funded by George Soros is difficult to pinpoint because it can fluctuate based on new **elections** and changes in officeholders.' The AI rightly denoted that Soros, through his Open Society Foundations and other groups, 'has supported a number of district attorney races' around the country, aiming to promote 'criminal justice reform and progressive policies.'

None of this is new, of course.

MRC Free Speech America [caught OpenAI'**s** chatbot touting legacy media and the leftist so-called media ratings firms Ad Fontes and NewsGuard in February 2024. The newest version of GPT-4 refused to list the five worst news sources when asked to list the five worst and five best news sources, claiming instead that doing so can be 'highly' subjective. The chatbot then directed users to leftist firms Ad Fontes and NewsGuard.](https://www.newsbusters.org/blogs/free-speech/luis-cornelio/2024/02/15/openai-chatbot-caught-touting-legacy-media-so-called) [MRC has exposed NewsGuard for leftist bias three years in a row. MRC similarly laid bare how](https://www.newsbusters.org/blogs/free-speech/joseph-vazquez/2023/12/12/mrc-exposes-newsguard-leftist-bias-third-year-row) [Ad Fontes Media is rigged to favor left-wing media in a September 2023 expos.](https://newsbusters.org/blogs/free-speech/luis-cornelio/2023/09/21/mrc-original-media-literacy-firm-rigged-favor-left-wing)

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