Yes, YouTube Is Down (But You Can Still Watch Videos)

10 years



The Wikipedia site doesn't often go down, but yesterday it

did. It's also unusual for YouTube to suffer downtime, but since approximately 7:05 AM Eastern time visitors to the homepage have been greeted with an error message that simply reads "Http/1.1 Service Unavailable" or a 500 Internal Server Error message.

Seriously, what is the world coming to?

Update: and it's back - downtime was almost 2 full hours.

Fortunately, videos still play on sites where they are embedded, and when you head directly to dedicated video URLs you should be able to watch them without a hitch (example).

In the meantime, there's so much chatter about it on Twitter that the words 'Service Unavailable' actually graduated to a Trending topic.

We're awaiting a response from Google about the extended homepage downtime.