Frazzled Facebook is only partly functional

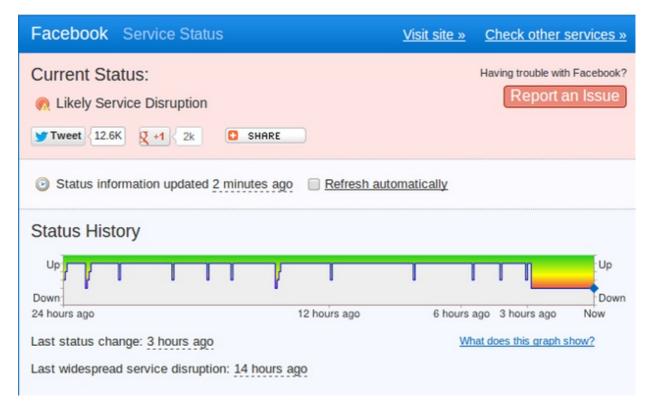
The world's most popular social network was having major troubles this East coast morning.





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UPDATED: 12:20 PM EST: A day without Facebook may not be a day without sunshine, but for its over one billion users, Facebook not working properly on the US East coast morning of October 21st was a major annoyance. After several hours of working fitfully, the site is now back up.



Facebook is having serious trouble on Monday morning.

This isn't the first time that Facebook has failed, but it was the first time in over a year that the site has had a major disruption.

This service failure started at approximately 7:45 AM ET. While part of the social network was functional for some users, many people reported that they'd been unable to read, post, or comment to their own or their friends' status pages.

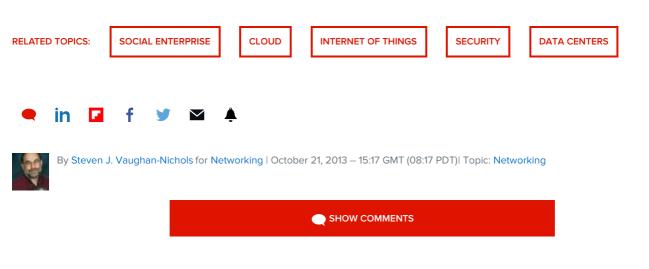
The Web site Down For Everyone or just Me reported that the site was indeed down for everyone. The similar site, Down Right Now, which gives more detail about Web site problems, reported that Facebook is showing a "Likely Service Disruption." Facebook's troubles do not appear to be part of a larger Internet problem. The Internet Traffic Report was showing normal global Internet traffic.

At 10:55 AM, some users began reporting that Facebook seems to have start functioning normally. While

Facebook did not comment during the disruption, a Facebook representative told ZDNet afterwards that, "Earlier this morning, while performing some network maintenance, we experienced an issue that prevented some users from posting to Facebook for a brief period of time. We resolved the issue quickly, and we are now back to 100 percent. We're sorry for any inconvenience we may have caused."

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