Qanon Analysis

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Exposure

Percent exposed

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
## mean se low high
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.0374 0.00837 0.0210 0.0538
```

Avg. exposures among the exposed

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
## mean se low high
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> > 55.1

## [1] 2

## [1] 1

## [1] 117.25

Trump supporters

## [1] 6

## [1] 1

## [1] 1483

Trump supporters

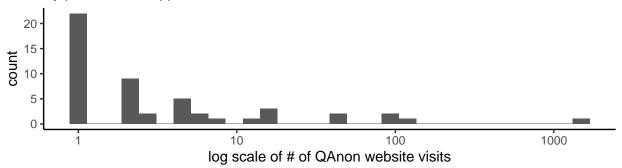
## [1] 14

## [1] 3.25
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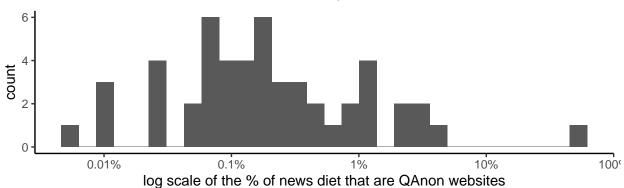
[1] 14

A Distribution of Total QAnon Website Visits

By presidential support



B Distribution of % of news diet that are QAnon websites



Percent of news diet

Of everyone

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
## mean se low high
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.000358 0.000202 -0.0000378 0.000753
```

Of people who were exposed to QAnon websites

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 4
## mean se low high
## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 0.00906 0.00513 -0.000998 0.0191
```

Avg. time on domain

Raw data for time duration calculations cannot be provided to preserve participant privacy.

Exposure regression

##

```
## Call:
## lm(formula = q_exposure_flag ~ trump_support + knowledge + interest +
      college + female + non_white + age4_30_44 + age4_45_64 +
##
      age4_65, data = qanon_by_person, weights = weight)
##
## Weighted Residuals:
            10 Median
                                 30
## -0.25171 -0.04961 -0.02760 -0.00659 2.30919
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -0.0194571 0.0255765 -0.761
                                            0.44696
## trump_support 0.0512234 0.0116587 4.394 0.0000121 ***
                0.0154384 0.0050284 3.070 0.00219 **
## knowledge
               -0.0015288 0.0062037 -0.246 0.80539
## interest
                0.0396027 0.0121256
                                    3.266 0.00112 **
## college
## female
               -0.0082016 0.0110987 -0.739 0.46007
## non white
              -0.0008111 0.0124522 -0.065 0.94808
## age4_30_44
               0.0145124 0.0181161 0.801 0.42324
## age4_45_64
               -0.0097114 0.0166567 -0.583 0.55998
## age4_65
               -0.0162067 0.0183631 -0.883 0.37764
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.1888 on 1228 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.04018, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03315
## F-statistic: 5.712 on 9 and 1228 DF, p-value: 0.00000008658
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Table 1:

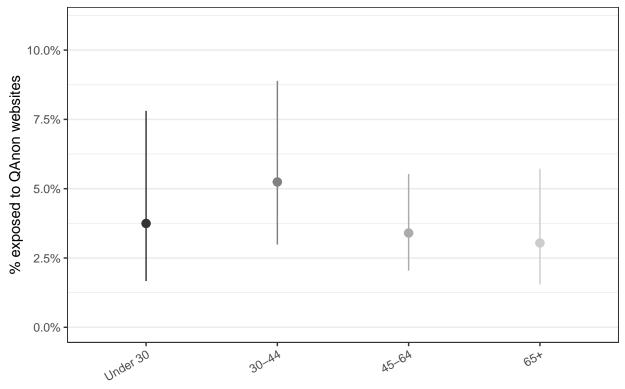
	Exposure to at least one QAnon website (binary)			
Trump supporter	0.051***			
1 11	(0.012)			
Political knowledge	0.015**			
	(0.005)			
Political interest	-0.002			
	(0.006)			
College	0.040**			
	(0.012)			
Female	-0.008			
	(0.011)			
Non-white	-0.001			
	(0.012)			
Age 30-44 years	0.015			
	(0.018)			
Age 45-64 years	-0.010			
	(0.017)			
Age 65+	-0.016			
	(0.018)			
Constant	-0.019			
	(0.026)			
Observations	1,238			
\mathbb{R}^2	0.040			
Adjusted \mathbb{R}^2	0.033			
Residual Std. Error	0.189 (df = 1228)			
F Statistic	$5.712^{***} \text{ (df} = 9; 1228)$			

Note:

*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001

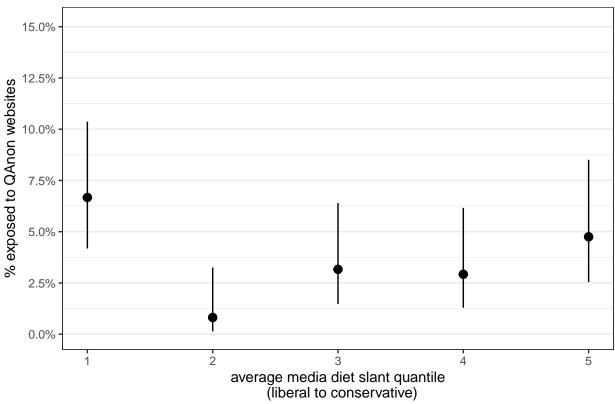
age

Proportion Exposed to QAnon Websites by Age Group



media decile

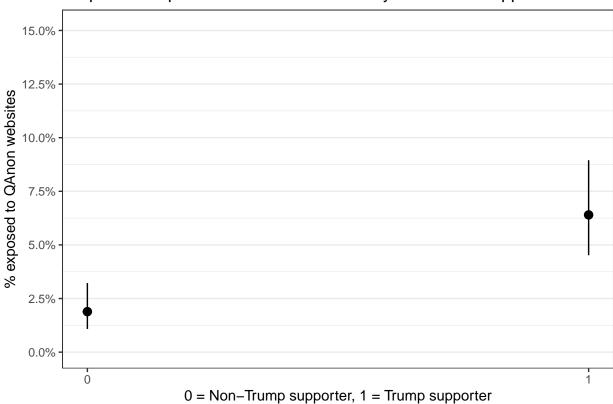
Proportion Exposed to QAnon Websites by Media Quantile



presidential support

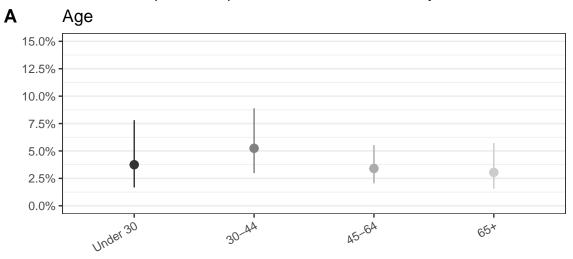
```
## # A tibble: 1 x 9
##
     estimate1 estimate2 statistic
                                     p.value param~1 conf.~2 conf.~3 method alter~4
                                               <dbl>
##
         <dbl>
                   <dbl>
                             <dbl>
                                       <dbl>
                                                       <dbl>
                                                               <dbl> <chr> <chr>
       0.0640
                  0.0189
                              16.1 0.0000602
                                                   1 0.0203 0.0699 2-sam~ two.si~
## # ... with abbreviated variable names 1: parameter, 2: conf.low, 3: conf.high,
       4: alternative
```

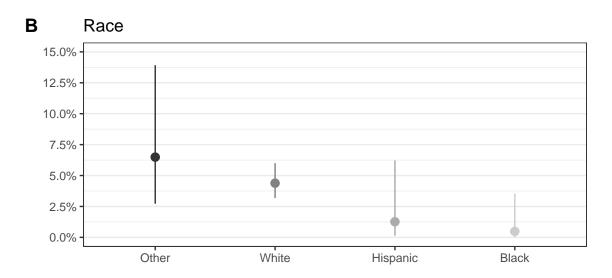
Proportion Exposed to QAnon Websites by Candidate Support



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Proportion Exposed to QAnon Websites By:



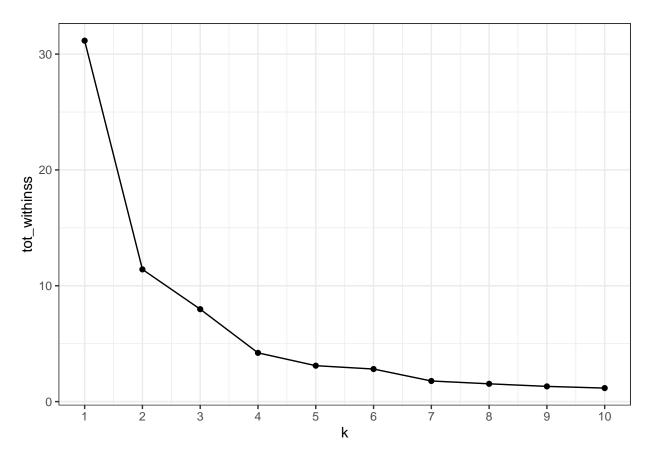


Intraindividual statistics

Raw data to calculate this statistic is not available because it requires raw data that we cannot share to protect participant privacy.

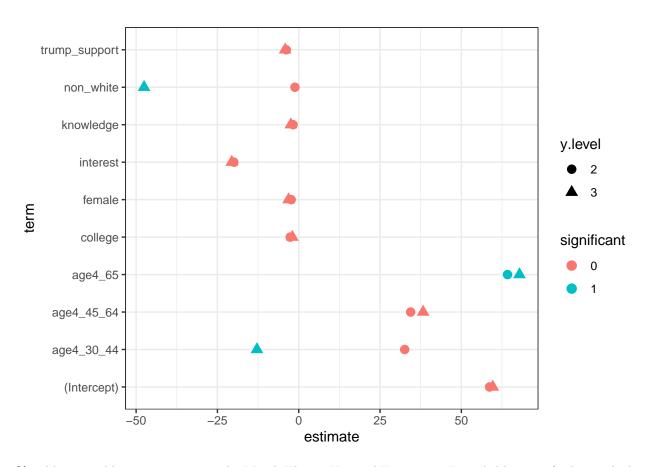
Time to cluster!

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 8
##
     entropy_mean entropy_sd acf_mean acf_sd mean_mean mean_sd sd_mean sd_sd
##
            <dbl>
                       <dbl>
                                <dbl> <dbl>
                                                  <dbl>
                                                          <dbl>
                                                                  <dbl> <dbl>
## 1
            0.732
                       0.311
                               0.0136 0.124
                                                  0.114
                                                          0.265
                                                                  0.426 0.673
```



Cluster #	Cluster Name	entropy	inertia (acf)	daily mean	daily sd
1	Regular	0.77	0.19	0.55	1.62
2	Diverse	0.93	-0.02	0.04	0.24
3	Selective	0.39	-0.02	0.02	0.17

```
## # weights: 33 (20 variable)
## initial value 50.334392
## iter 10 value 24.500913
## iter 20 value 18.694134
## iter 30 value 17.751818
## iter 40 value 17.593645
## iter 50 value 17.592132
## iter 60 value 17.591998
## final value 17.591840
## converged
```



% Table created by stargazer v.5.2.2 by Marek Hlavac, Harvard University. E-mail: hlavac at fas.harvard.edu % Date and time: Mon, Nov 21, 2022 - 19:57:50

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 20
     weight q_expo~1 hard_~2 q_exp~3 qanon~4 trump~5 knowl~6 inter~7 college female
                                                <dbl>
##
      <dbl>
               <dbl>
                       <dbl>
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     0.461
                1483
                        2923
                                    1 0.507
                                                            4
                                                                     4
                                                                             0
## 1
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                                                                                    1
                 125
                                                            2
                                                                             0
## 2 1.10
                        4782
                                    1 0.0261
                                                    1
                                                                     3
                                                                                    1
## # ... with 10 more variables: non_white <dbl>, age4 <chr>, age4_under_30 <dbl>,
       age4_30_44 <dbl>, age4_45_64 <dbl>, age4_65 <dbl>, race4 <chr>,
## #
       mean_ideology <dbl>, ideology_bin <dbl>, presvote20combined <chr>, and
## #
       abbreviated variable names 1: q exposure n, 2: hard news or ganon n,
## #
## #
       3: q_exposure_flag, 4: qanon_per, 5: trump_support, 6: knowledge,
       7: interest
## # i Use 'colnames()' to see all variable names
##
          caseid
                    weight q_exposure_n hard_news_or_qanon_n q_exposure_flag
## 1
     1221400551 0.2536015
                                                          2235
                                       2
      1224910951 0.6235277
                                       1
                                                            44
                                                                             1
     1224961799 0.3528016
                                                          4147
                                                                             1
## 3
                                       1
     1224961813 0.3594517
                                      15
                                                          1284
                                                                             1
     1225042435 0.3202441
                                       2
                                                          1372
                                                                             1
## 5
      1225059535 0.3008109
                                       1
                                                          1690
                                       2
## 7
     1225075963 2.7103584
                                                          1253
                                                                             1
    1225195029 0.4298689
                                       1
                                                        10999
## 9 1225232769 0.4235074
                                                          3646
```

Table 3:

	Membership in cluster		
	2	3	
Trump supporter	-3.823	-4.174	
1 11	(50.367)	(50.371)	
Political knowledge	-1.746	-2.437	
	(1.974)	(2.046)	
Political interest	-19.951	-20.594	
	(55.398)	(55.398)	
College	-2.628	-1.962	
	(2.136)	(2.254)	
Female	-2.330	-3.121	
	(2.535)	(2.683)	
Non-white	-1.170	-47.551** [*]	
	(33.057)	(0.000)	
age 30-44 years	32.580	-12.848***	
	(82.919)	(0.000)	
age 45-64 years	34.407	38.238	
	(82.949)	(107.372)	
Age 65+	64.190***	67.870***	
	(13.067)	(13.067)	
Constant	58.681	59.666	
	(145.063)	(119.854)	
Akaike Inf. Crit.	75.184	75.184	
Note:	*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001		

Note:

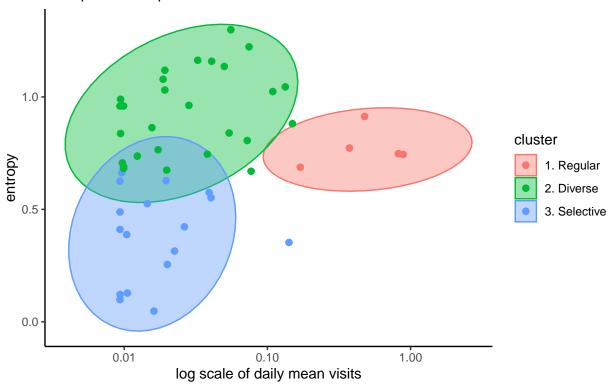
*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001

```
## 10 1225232815 0.4750480
                                                              1611
                                                                                   1
## 11 1225503417 0.3250942
                                                               208
                                                                                   1
  12 1225957573 0.4778825
                                                               345
                                                                                   1
  13 1225980499 0.4534844
                                                               300
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   14 1226208021 0.4384384
                                          1
                                                               363
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   15 1226591715 0.4750480
                                                              1823
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                                          4
  16 1228509539 0.4750480
                                                              2219
                                          1
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## 17 1228628699 0.5674744
                                          1
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##
           qanon_per trump_support knowledge interest college female non_white
      0.00089485459
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## 16 0.00045065345
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                                                                        0.05310148
## 3
      45 - 64
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## 4
        65+
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## 5
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## 6
      45-64
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## 7
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## 8
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                  3
##
   2
                           Donald Trump 0.04774656
                                                        1 -0.0166578530 0.016129032
##
   3
                  4
                           Donald Trump 0.66303914
                                                        1 -0.0098020911 0.009615385
##
   4
                  3
                      Another candidate 0.35291844
                                                          -0.0936588212 0.141509434
## 5
                  3
                           Donald Trump 0.25505288
                                                          -0.0001010101 0.020000000
##
  6
                  4
                                                        1 -0.0095221301 0.009345794
                           Donald Trump 0.09880664
                  3
## 7
                           Donald Trump 0.31475264
                                                        1 -0.0114913177 0.022471910
## 8
                  5
                               Joe Biden 0.41063989
                                                        1 -0.0095221301 0.009345794
## 9
                           Donald Trump 0.62560126
                                                        1 -0.0095221301 0.009345794
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## 10
                          Donald Trump 0.48845261
                                                     1 -0.0095221301 0.009345794
##
  11
                 2
                          Donald Trump 0.55169412
                                                     1 -0.0315656566 0.040404040
                 5
                          Donald Trump 0.52578377
##
  12
                                                     1 -0.0149190111 0.014492754
##
                 1
                                                     1 -0.0095221301 0.009345794
  13
                          Donald Trump 0.12154297
##
  14
                 4
                          Donald Trump 0.38777860
                                                     1 -0.0106359649 0.010416667
## 15
                 3
                          Donald Trump 0.57480740
                                                     1 -0.0201960784 0.039215686
## 16
                          Donald Trump 0.12803188
                                                     1 -0.0107502800 0.010526316
## 17
                          Donald Trump 0.42264948
                                                     1 -0.0277382646 0.026315789
##
              sd cluster
                        3
## 1
      0.19802951
  2
      0.12700013
                        3
                        3
  3
      0.09805807
##
      0.54228229
                        3
##
  4
                        3
## 5
      0.2000000
## 6
      0.09667365
                        3
                        3
## 7
      0.21199958
## 8
      0.09667365
                        3
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      0.09667365
                        3
## 10 0.09667365
                        3
## 11 0.24408061
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## 12 0.12038585
## 13 0.09667365
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## 14 0.10206207
                        3
## 15 0.31218072
                        3
## 16 0.10259784
## 17 0.16222142
                        3
```

K-means clustering results

each point = one person's behavioral metrics



5 groups

Table 4:

	Exposure to at least one QAnon website
Quantile 2	-0.059^{***} (0.017)
Quantile 3	$-0.035^* (0.017)$
Quantile 4	-0.037*(0.017)
Quantile 5	-0.019(0.017)
Constant	$0.067^{***} (0.011)$
Observations	1,231
\mathbb{R}^2	0.011
Adjusted R^2	0.008
Residual Std. Error	0.192 (df = 1226)
F Statistic	$3.418^{**} (df = 4; 1226)$

Note:

*p<0.05; **p<0.01; ***p<0.001