THE 2020 WEEKLY TWEETERBOARD

Monitoring the Conversation About the Presidential Campaigns

The PEORIA Project: Listening to Public Echoes of Rhetoric in America

February 24 – March 1, 2020: The week in which the top two comments about tweet post leader Bernie Sanders capture the argument over him quite well.

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2,796,981 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

**NET SENTIMENT** by % pos. posts - % neg. posts
Cole M. Sprouse
@colesprouse - Feb 25

Bernie Sanders is not a radical.
Raising minimum wage is not radical.
Pursuing healthcare for all is not radical.
Pursuing higher education for all is not radical.
Seeking legislation that protects our earth, our home, is not radical.
The pursuit of equity is American.

2.5K 48.5K 292K

Replies

Cameron A. Butler 🇺🇸 @CameronYNWA - Feb 25
Replies to @colesprouse

No - not radical, but instead implausible. At what cost would the
formentioned occur? Socialism doesn’t work.

70 12 588

Cole M. Sprouse
@colesprouse
super cool and nice guy

Tubbytronic Superdome Instagram.com/colesprouse
Joined March 2011

206 Following 9.9M Followers
2) Donald Trump

1,689,428 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

- 340k posts
- 200k posts

**NET SENTIMENT** by % pos. posts - % neg. posts

- 27% negative sentiment
Stephen King @StephenKing · Feb 28
Hard to believe there was ever a world leader as dumb as Donald Trump. Can’t spell, can’t read, has never managed anything approaching an original thought. His brain is like a radio playing at top volume, but between stations.

6.2K 27.5K 161.5K

Replies

Pic Pot Talk @PicPotTalk · Feb 28
Replying to @StephenKing
Stick to writing books. It’s what you know. Saying child like things like this isn’t a good look for you.

365 43 1.3K
3) Joe Biden

1,316,783 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

![Graph showing volume over time with a peak at 350k posts on March 1st.]

**NET SENTIMENT** by % pos. posts - % neg. posts

![Graph showing sentiment over time with a peak at -18 on March 27th.]

Donald J. Trump @realDonaldTrump · 13h

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Eugene Gu, MD @eugenegu · 13h
Replying to @realDonaldTrump

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285 571 7K

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45th President of the United States of America

Washington, DC  Instagram.comrealDonaldTrump  Joined March 2009

47 Following 73.2M Followers
4) Elizabeth Warren

847,614 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

- 200k
- 100k
- 0

Feb 24 25 26 27 28 29 1 Mar

**NET SENTIMENT** by % pos. posts - % neg. posts

- +30
- 0
- -30

Feb 24 25 26 27 28 29 1 Mar

170k
Charlie Kirk ✨ @charliekirk11 - Feb 27

Elizabeth Warren just introduced a bill to redirect funds from border security to fight the Coronavirus

She wants to open the border to stop the spread of a pandemic?

Democrats are politicizing a global health crisis just to own Trump

They hate him more than they love America

⚁ 2.3K  🁧 13.6K  ❤️ 40.3K  🔄

Replies

Dave Cooperman @comicdavecooper - Feb 27

Replying to @charliekirk11

2 pandemics - coronavirus and socialism.

⚁ 20  🁧 79  ❤️ 419  🔄

Charlie Kirk ✨

@charliekirk11

Founder & President of @TPUSA Chairman of @TrumpStudents Author of upcoming book MAGA Doctrine We are all sinners, saved by Jesus Opinions here are my own

📍 Phoenix, AZ  🕒 apple.co/2VCxGsh  📅 Joined May 2011

233.4K Following 1.6M Followers
5) Pete Buttigieg

515,538 posts found on Twitter

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6) Tom Steyer

302,962 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

**NET SENTIMENT** by % pos. posts - % neg. posts
Donald J. Trump ✪ @realDonaldTrump - Feb 28
To the people of South Carolina, Tom Steyer is a joke, laughed at by everyone, a total incompetent. He made money in coal, now he “hates” coal. Did you see him fawning over Crazy Bernie? Has no chance, a loser for South Carolina, doesn’t deserve your vote!

15.6K ✔️ 18.6K ✔️ 92.3K 🔺

Replies

🌟 Brandon Beckham, Esq. @BrandonBeckham_ - Feb 28
Reposting to @realDonaldTrump
Dr. McCormick @RichforGA, a Medical Doctor & Decorated US Marine
USMC provides a much needed perspective concerning Coronavirus!

President @realdonaldtrump's Admin has appropriately responded!

Follow @BrandonBeckham_ for a Christian Voice.

From Dr. Rich McCormick for Congress ✪

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7) Michael Bloomberg

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![Graph showing volume over time]

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![Graph showing sentiment over time]

24 Feb 25 26 27 28 29 1 Mar

45k

-42
Robby Starbuck @robbystarbuck · Feb 25
Michael Bloomberg actually just said that he bought 21 seats in Congress for the Democratic Party so that Nancy Pelosi would be Speaker of the House. He really said that out loud. According to him: Democrats BOUGHT their house majority in 2018. #DemDebate

From RNC Research

1.5K
12.6K
23.5K

Replies

Buffalo Hump @BuffaloHump56 · Feb 25
Replying to @robbystarbuck
Gotta say, this is pretty shocking. Not that he did it, but that he would brag about it. Is buying our government what we want?

15
66
530

Robby Starbuck @robbystarbuck
Director and Producer • Free Thinker • Prod. Co. Owner • Married to @iMatriarch • Futurist • Proud Dad • Cuban American • Host @GrowUpLive
Nashville & Los Angeles ⚡️ youtube.com/robbystarbuck
Joined September 2008

4,994 Following 93.9K Followers
8) Amy Klobuchar

103,831 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

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Aren R. LeBrun @proustmalone · Feb 28
Elizabeth Warren is going to lose Massachusetts to Bernie Sanders.

Amy Klobuchar is going to lose Minnesota to Bernie Sanders.

Pete Buttigieg is going to lose Indiana to Bernie Sanders.

And there's nothing any of them can do about it.

Replies

CaptTed @CaptTed2 · Feb 28
Replying to @proustmalone
Now do Delaware...

Aren R. LeBrun
@proustmalone

known socialist agitator · dm's open for medical crowdfunding · @gibsonmcfuck
ghostwriter · the revolution will not be televised (stream now on hulu plus)

Washington, DC  Joined February 2010

3,677 Following  23.2K Followers
9) Tulsi Gabbard

49,704 posts found on Twitter

**VOLUME** by # of posts

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"Reckless claims by anonymous officials that Russia is "helping" BernieSanders are deeply irresponsible. I am calling on all presidential candidates to condemn any interference in our elections by out-of-control intelligence agencies." Read more.

Replies

Constituent 👥 @RDRconstituent · Feb 28
Replying to @TulsiGabbard and @BernieSanders
This is real life.
Do you want a President that stands up for you against all enemies foreign & domestic?
One that seeks diplomacy and cooperation instead of conflict?
One that does research instead of posting inflammatory hot takes?
#TulsiForPresident #Tulsi4thePeople

This is not a game.
This is not a joke.
This is not for fun.
This is not about me.
It's about ALL OF US.
It's about OUR FUTURE.
Making sure that WE HAVE ONE.

Tulsi Gabbard 🇺🇸 🤝
@TulsiGabbard
#StandWithTulsi #EndWastefulWars
Hawaii tulsitola/links Born April 12 Joined March 2009
3,418 Following 792,2K Followers
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