

PA Vaccine Conversations and Misinformation on Twitter

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- ❑ This report is an effort to summarize social media conversations around COVID-19 issues in Pennsylvania, focusing on vaccination. It contains an analysis of the general topics about the current pandemic, such as COVID-19 regulations, mandates, masks, pro-and anti-vaccination campaigns, as well as other topics related to COVID-19 misinformation, disinformation, conspiracy theories, and vaccine hesitancy messages.
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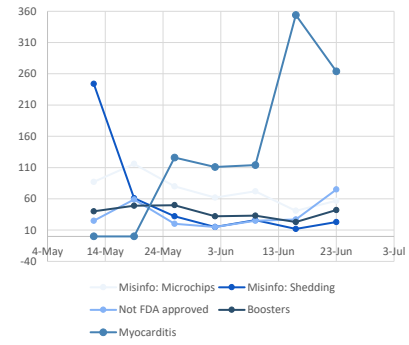
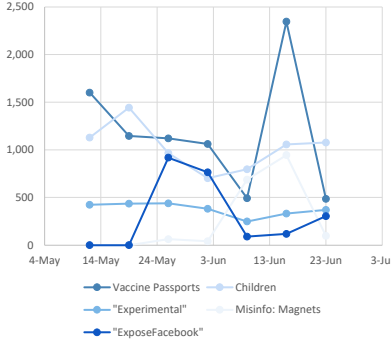
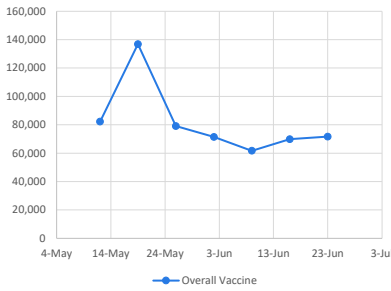


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Trends (tweets per week)



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High Level View June 17- 23, 2021

Conversation	Total PA		Philadelphia		Pittsburgh		Erie		Allentown/Bethlehem		Other	
	Tweets	%	Tweets	%	Tweets	%	Tweets	%	Tweets	%	Tweets	%
Overall Vaccine	71,700	50%	35,950	50%	22,958	32%	615	1%	11,435	16%	742	1%
Vaccine Passports	486	268	55%	119	24%	8	2%	90	19%	1	0%	
Not FDA approved	75	41	55%	27	36%	2	3%	5	7%	0	0%	
Boosters	42	21	50%	16	38%	0	0%	3	7%	2	5%	
Misinfo: Microchips	57	28	49%	17	30%	0	0%	10	18%	2	4%	
Misinfo: Magnets	97	39	40%	32	33%	1	1%	21	22%	4	4%	
Misinfo: Shedding	23	11	48%	3	13%	1	4%	8	35%	0	0%	
"Experimental"	370	193	52%	101	27%	5	1%	65	18%	6	2%	
Children	1,076	611	57%	233	22%	6	1%	220	20%	6	1%	
Myocarditis	264	136	52%	65	25%	0	0%	58	22%	5	2%	
Heart	522	296	57%	109	21%	1	0%	105	20%	11	2%	
Masks	590	372	63%	113	19%	5	1%	87	15%	13	2%	
Infertility	32	24	75%	5	16%	1	3%	2	6%	0	0%	
Mandates	133	82	62%	22	17%	1	1%	26	20%	2	2%	
Ingredients	15	12	80%	1	7%	0	0%	2	13%	0	0%	
"ExposeFacebook"	304	200	66%	61	20%	1	0%	42	14%	0	0%	
Natural Immunity	198	135	68%	41	21%	1	1%	20	10%	1	1%	
Efficacy	78	41	53%	18	23%	2	3%	17	22%	0	0%	
Spike Proteins	236	125	53%	67	28%	2	1%	39	17%	3	1%	
Delta Variant	802	450	56%	182	23%	18	2%	146	18%	6	1%	

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- Added "Heart" to additionally capture discussion of vaccines causing heart issues
- Added "Delta Variant" mixed discussion related to the vaccine's effectiveness



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Top Hashtags June 17-23 (only if shares > 1)

After removing hashtags that were part of our search criteria, the top 5 hashtags for each region related to COVID19/vaccines are as follows:

Philadelphia	Chester	Norristown	Pittsburgh	Erie	Allentown/Bethlehem	Other
Covid19(712)	Covid19 (129)	Covid19(178)	Covid19(280)	Covid(21)	Covid19(227)	COVID(19)
DeltaVariant(196)	COVID(84)	DeltaVariant(75)	DeltaVariant(89)	WeCanDoThis(7)	DeltaVariant(114)	GetVaccinated(7)
PhillyVaxSweeps(102)	SpikeProtein (52)	COVID(24)	COVID(52)	DeltaVariant (3)	COVID(42)	TrumpVirus(3)
Covid19ab(78)	DeltaVariant(45)	TheDefender (19) (RFK Jr. related)	COVIDVaccination(45)	Cdnpoli (3) (Canadian politics re: vaccines)	Delta(24)	WearAMask(3)
GetVaccinated(73)	TheDefender (14) (RFK Jr. related)	WeCanDoThis(12)	GetVaccinated(24)	COVID(2)	GetVaccinated(22)	Covid_19(3)

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Top URLs - June 17-23 (only if shares > 1)

Philadelphia	Chester	Norristown	Pittsburgh	Erie	Allentown/ Bethlehem	Other
https://thehighwire.com/videos/pfizer-vp-the-thing-to-be-terrified-of-is-your-government/ (119)	https://www.zerohedge.com/covid-19/giant-mistake-cdc-delays-emergency-meeting-post-vax-heart-inflammation-due-juneteenth (41)	https://uncutnews.ch/der-ehemalige-vp-von-pfizer-mike-yeardon-warnt-programmierte-spike-proteine-erzeugen-blutgerinnsel-video/ (31)	https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2021/06/kamala-harris-tells-activists-knock-doors-harass-people-havent-vaccinated-desperate-push-meet-4th-july-goal-video/?utm_source=Twitter&utm_medium=PostTopSharingButtons&utm_campaign=websitesharingbuttons (301)	https://www.wkbw.com/sports/buffalo-bills/poloncarz-erie-county-to-rescind-vaccine-requirement-for-buffalo-bills-games-stadium-events (19)	https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine (4444)	https://www.phila.gov/2021-06-17-city-provides-update-on-covid-19-for-thursday-june-17-2021/ (2)
https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/covid-19-vaccines/advice (107)	https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine (35)	https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19 (28)	https://www.espn.com/nfl/story/_id/31660735/buffalo-bills-wr-cole-beasley-addresses-vaccination-concerns-nflpa (69)	http://erie.gov/vax (9)	https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2021/06/kamala-harris-tells-activists-knock-doors-harass-people-havent-vaccinated-desperate-push-meet-4th-july-goal-video/?utm_source=Twitter&utm_medium=PostTopSharingButtons&utm_campaign=websitesharingbuttons (38)	https://www.elmwoodparkzoo.org/event/covid-19-vaccine-clinic/2021-06-21/ (2)
https://nypost.com/2021/06/18/unvaccinated-west-point-cadets-getting-bullied-and-punished-families-sav/?utm_medium=SocialFlow&utm_source=NYPTwitter&utm_campaign=SocialFlow (91)	https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/covid-19-vaccines/advice (19)	https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Fu9X_M3mqC1fVKiNUxeQqms4ffFPf3A (28) <small>(this is a google drive link to anti-vaccine passport bill information)</small>	https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/covid-19-vaccines/advice (52)	http://vaccines.gov (4)	https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/covid-19-vaccines/advice (37)	https://www.foxnews.com/sports/bills-beasley-nfl-covid-retire-vaccinated (2)
https://www.redvoicemedia.com/2021/06/record/	https://childrenshealthdefense.org/about-us/sign-	https://childrenshealthdefense.org/about-us/sign-	https://www.theblaze.com/news/buffalo-bills-cole-beasley-nfl-covid-	https://gen.medium.com/the-us-is-buying-500-million-	https://childrenshealthdefense.org/about-us/sign-	https://amp.usatoday.com/amp/7709591002 (2)

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