

Twiplomacy

Heads of State and Government and Foreign Ministers on Twitter

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The 25 most connected World Leaders on Twitter





Executive Summary – Introduction

World leaders vie for attention, connections and followers on Twitter, that's the latest finding of Burson-Marsteller's Twiplomacy study 2014, an annual global study looking at the use of Twitter by heads of state and government and ministers of foreign affairs.

While some heads of state and government continue to amass large followings, foreign ministers have established a virtual diplomatic network by following each other on the social media platform.

For many diplomats Twitter has become a powerful channel for digital diplomacy and 21st century statecraft and not all Twitter exchanges are diplomatic, real world differences are spilling over reflected on Twitter and sometimes end up in hashtag wars.

"I am a firm believer in the power of technology and social media to communicate with people across the world," India's new Prime Minister Narendra Modi wrote in his [inaugural message](#) on his new website. Within weeks of his election in May 2014, the [@NarendraModi](#) account has moved into the top four most followed Twitter accounts of world leaders with close to five million followers.

More than half of the world's foreign ministers and their institutions are active on the social networking site. Twitter has become an indispensable diplomatic networking and communication tool. As Finnish Prime Minister [@AlexStubb](#) wrote in a [tweet](#) in March 2014: *"Most people who criticize Twitter are often not on it. I love this place. Best source of info. Great way to stay tuned and communicate."*

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Most Followed World Leaders

Since his election in late May 2014, India's new Prime Minister [@NarendraModi](#) has skyrocketed into fourth place, surpassing the the [@WhiteHouse](#) on 25 June 2014 and dropping Turkey's President Abdullah Gül ([@cbabdullahgul](#)) and Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan ([@RT_Erdogan](#)) into sixth and seventh place with more than 4 million followers each.



Modi still has a ways to go to best U.S. President [@BarackObama](#), who tops the world-leader list with a colossal 43.7 million followers, with Pope Francis [@Pontifex](#) with 14 million followers on his nine different language accounts and Indonesia's President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono [@SBYudhoyono](#), who has more than five million followers and surpassed President Obama's official administration account [@WhiteHouse](#) on 13 February 2014.

In Latin America Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, the President of Argentina [@CFKArgentina](#) is slightly ahead of Colombia's President [@JuanManSantos](#) with 2,894,864 and 2,885,752 followers respectively. Mexico's President Enrique Peña Nieto [@EPN](#), Brazil's Dilma Rouseff [@dilmabr](#) and Venezuela's [@NicolasMaduro](#) complete the Latin American top five, with more than two million followers each.

Kenya's Uhuru Kenyatta [@UKenyatta](#) is Africa's most followed president with 457,307 followers, ahead of Rwanda's [@PaulKagame](#) (407,515

followers) and South Africa's Jacob Zuma ([@SAPresident](#)) (325,876 followers).

Turkey's [@Ahmet_Davutoglu](#) is the most followed foreign minister with 1,511,772 followers, ahead of India's [@SushmaSwaraj](#) (1,274,704 followers) and the Foreign Minister of the United Arab Emirates [@ABZayed](#) (1,201,364 followers)

Rank	Name	Twitter account	Followers
1	Barack Obama	@BarackObama	43,700,000
2	Pope Francis	@Pontifex	14,000,000
3	Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono	@SBYudhoyono	5,000,000
4	Cristina Fernández de Kirchner	@CFKArgentina	2,894,864
5	Juan Manuel Santos	@JuanManSantos	2,885,752
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Does Size Really Matter?

The meteoric rise of the Indian and Indonesian presidents shows that leaders of the most populous countries have a clear advantage in garnering a large army of dedicated followers. The number of followers of a country's leader has even become a question of national pride.

Iran's President [@HassanRouhani](#) has seen the most impressive growth of his account over the past year. Since our last study published in July 2013, the number of his followers multiplied by 19. The foreign ministry of Ukraine ([@MFA_Ukraine](#)) has seen its follower numbers multiplied by eleven and the English account of Russian President Vladimir Putin [@PutinRF_Eng](#) almost quintupled reflecting the global interest in the region. The average growth rate of the accounts analyzed has been 137 percent year on year.



In 2016 [@BarackObama](#) will take his account into retirement and become the elder statesman with the largest social media following. Interestingly the [@WhiteHouse](#) and other official U.S. government accounts do not follow [@BarackObama](#). By law there is a strict separation between the government accounts and personal campaign accounts. The White House has already reserved the [@POTUS](#) account should the next President of the United States decide to use an official personal Twitter account. The [@BarackObama](#) account, set up in early 2007, has been on Twitter's suggested user list and is still growing as it is often suggested to new Twitter users.

The five most followed world leaders have one thing in common: they have discovered Twitter as a powerful one-way broadcasting tool; they are only following a handful of other world leaders, if any, and are hardly conversational which is almost impossible, given the sheer size of their audience.

Pope Francis the Most Influential

"Four more years." [@BarackObama](#)'s Twitter picture sent on the day after the U.S. presidential election has become one of the most popular tweets ever, retweeted 806,066 times. However since then, the engagement on the account has been in decline. U.S. President [@BarackObama](#) might be the most followed world leader, but how influential is he really?

The @BarackObama account is a campaign account, which is not followed by the @WhiteHouse and squarely geared towards an American audience, almost never tweeting about foreign affairs.

Despite the account's massive following, the @BarackObama tweets are on average only retweeted 1,442 times. By this standard, Pope Francis @Pontifex is by far the most influential tweep with more than 10,000 retweets for every tweet he sends on his Spanish account and 6,462 retweets on average on his English account. Venezuela's President @NicolasMaduro is in second position, receiving on average 2,065 retweets per tweet on his Spanish account.

Eight world leaders have seen some of their tweets retweeted more than 24,000 times, reflecting major announcements and historic events, such as @NarendraModi's election tweet: "India has won! The conquest of India. Good days are ahead", Malaysian prime minister's tweet about the loss of Malaysia Airlines flight MH370: "With deep sadness and regret I must inform you that, according to this new data, flight #MH370 ended in the southern Indian Ocean," the abdication tweet of the King of Spain and the more trivial Sochi Olympics bet between Canada's Stephen Harper and Barack Obama: "Like I said, #teamusa is good but #wearewinter. @BarackObama, I look forward to my two cases of beer. #CANvsUSA #Sochi2014."



Creating Mutual Connections

Foreign ministers and their institutions on the other hand have put the accent on mutual connections with their peers. In September 2013 the State Department started to follow 22 other foreign offices as well as Iran's President @HassanRouhani and Foreign Minister @JZarif, timidly re-establishing diplomatic relations between the United States and Iran on Twitter.

Since our last study in July 2013, foreign ministers and their institutions have intensified their efforts to create mutual connections on Twitter. French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius has become the best connected foreign minister, mutually connected with 91 other peers and world leaders. The EU External Action Service (@eu_eas) is second, followed by Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt with 71 and 68 mutual connections respectively.

Being mutually connected on Twitter allows these leaders to direct message each other and to have private conversations. A number of foreign offices have used this channel to reach out to peers and other influencers to set the record straight or to coordinate their digital outreach.

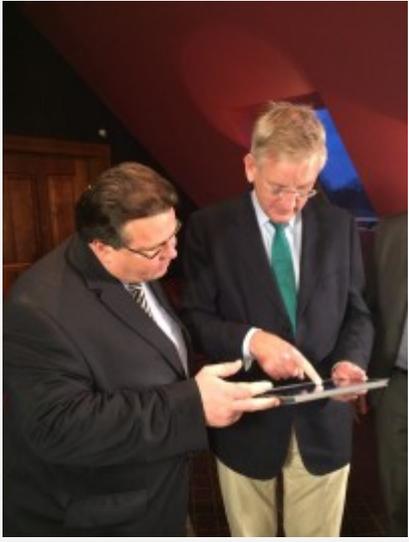
The Swedish Foreign Ministry (@Swe_MFA) has made a conscious effort to establish connections on Twitter, unilaterally following 355 other world leaders. French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius is following 250 and the Croatian government @VladaRH has made overtures to 195 other world leaders.

The Foreign Ministry of Peru, Iceland, Kyrgyzstan and the Foreign Minister of Kosovo and Panama have all made similar attempts to put themselves into the diplomatic Twittersphere and create connections, hoping to tweet eye to eye with other world leaders.

U.S. President @BarackObama and the @WhiteHouse are the most popular among their peers, followed by 222 and 179 peers respectively. But they are giving most other world leaders the cold shoulder. @BarackObama mutually follows only two other world leaders, namely Norway's Prime Minister @Erna_Solberg and Russia's Dmitry Medvedev (@MedvedevRussiae). The @WhiteHouse is mutually connected with only two other leaders: @MedvedevRussiae and the UK government (@Number10gov).

Rank	Account Name	Mutual Connections	Followers
1	Laurent Fabius	91	10,000
2	EU External Action Service	71	10,000
3	Carl Bildt	71	10,000
4	Swedish Foreign Ministry	68	10,000
5	Nicolas Maduro	68	10,000
6	Barack Obama	68	10,000
7	White House	68	10,000
8	Erna Solberg	68	10,000
9	Medvedev	68	10,000
10	David Cameron	68	10,000
11	Angela Merkel	68	10,000
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Virtual Diplomatic Network



Europe's leading foreign ministers and foreign ministries are all following each other and have created what can be termed a virtual diplomatic network on Twitter.

The Swedish Foreign Ministry has been leading efforts to promote #DigitalDiplomacy. In January 2014 the Swedish Foreign Ministry invited 30 digital diplomats from around the world to the Stockholm Initiative for Digital Diplomacy (#SIDD). The initial meeting in Stockholm has given birth to a loose diplomatic network of social media practitioners who are exchanging ideas on how to develop the use of digital tools beyond social media and coordinating digital campaigns beyond their own diplomatic network.

Over the past years, foreign ministries have massively expanded their own networks of ambassadors, embassies, consulates and diplomatic missions on Twitter. According to the comprehensive Twitter list on @Twiplomacy More than 3,100 embassies and ambassadors are now active on Twitter. In London, New York and Washington D.C., foreign diplomatic missions can no longer ignore the flurry of diplomatic activity on the social network.

Not a week goes by without a new Canadian embassy setting up shop on Twitter in English and French, Canada's official languages. Ottawa, which was once described as a laggard in digital diplomacy has now caught up with its peers.

The UK @ForeignOffice maintains a Twitter list with 307 diplomats and embassies and missions on Twitter. The foreign ministries of Poland, Israel, Russia, Sweden, the U.S., and France each list more than 100 diplomats and missions on Twitter.

In late May 2014, the Foreign Ministry of Ukraine put its 33 missions on Twitter. Since 2013 all of Sweden's embassies are on Twitter and Facebook, including its outpost in North Korea where Internet access is a challenge.

The UK Foreign Office actively encourages personal engagement on Twitter from its ambassadors and it has become virtually impossible to become a Foreign Office diplomat if you are not using digital tools.

Are they tweeting themselves?

All but one of the G20 governments have an official Twitter presence and six of the G7 leaders have a personal Twitter account. However, few world leaders are actually doing their own tweeting.

Notable exceptions include Estonian President Toomas Henrik Ilves (@IlvesToomas) and UK Foreign Minister @WilliamJHague who bluntly tweeted: "#Twitter is a great way of making our staff nervous by communicating directly!"

Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt does not check his tweets with his staff before sending, and in early 2014 he got into a memorable Twitter spat with the Russian foreign ministry about Ukraine.

Quite a number of world leaders occasionally tweet themselves during Twitter chats, answering a selection of questions sent by their followers.

During his last Twitter chat Belgian Prime Minister @ElioDiRupo admitted that he liked his "fries without mayonnaise".

Finnish Prime Minister designate, @AlexStubb, who is known for sharing his athletic exploits on Twitter and his penchant for selfies, even co-authored an e-book in Finnish about what to do on Twitter and some of his tweets were even put to music.

Tweeting personally and in a language that is not your own, can put world leaders at risk of a *faux pas*, as Belgian Foreign Minister Didier Reynders can testify after his first tweet in English read: "i'm coming on twitter".



Hashtag Diplomacy

Over the past year, foreign ministries and world leaders have used hashtags to promote specific issues, be it #BringBackOurGirls or #ENDViolence against children as Slovenia's Foreign Minister Karl Erjavec did.

In September 2013 the Cuban foreign ministry @CubaMINREX used the hashtag #GiveMeFive to push for the release of five (#LosCinco) Cuban intelligence officers convicted in Miami of conspiracy to commit espionage in the United States.

At the end of March 2014, State Department spokesperson Jen Psaki posted a picture with the hashtag #UnitedForUkraine, a campaign that was coordinated with a number of Western allies including the UK Foreign Office, Canada's Department of Foreign Affairs, the Swedish and the Ukrainian foreign ministries. Within days the hashtag had been tweeted more than 400 times garnering 23,000 retweets.



The hashtag campaign also caught the eye of the Russian foreign ministry which started to use the same hashtag. The @MFA_Russia and @MID_RF accounts used the hashtag more than 200 times garnering 8,000 retweets. This was probably the first "hashtag battle" on Twitter where opposing sides try to raise awareness for the same issue.



The foreign ministry in Moscow also initiated its own hashtag #BringBackOurBoys to press for the release of two journalists captured in eastern Ukraine.

Of course, hashtags alone will not bring back the girls from captivity in Nigeria or bring peace to Ukraine. However they serve as a powerful rallying cry on specific issues and causes, and help give them international recognition as a trending topic on Twitter.

Twitter Handover – Dormant Accounts

Quite a few politicians use social media in general, and Twitter in particular, only during election campaigns. Chile's new President Michelle Bachelet mothballed her Twitter account @PrensaMichelle once elected on 11 March 2014. The personal Twitter account of French Prime Minister @ManuelValls has been dormant since the elections on 9 May 2012.

French President François Hollande (@FHollande) and Brazil's President Dilma Rousseff (@DilmaBR) also suspended their Twitter activity, but they have reactivated their accounts as the next election campaign approaches.

Since the new French government took office on 1 April 2014, the @Matignon Twitter account has gone silent and a new @GouvernementFR account was established, posting official government news.

More than 100 of the Twitter accounts analyzed in our study are dormant. The account of the Egyptian Presidency (@EgyPresidency) has been quiet since the ouster of Mohamed Morsi in the beginning of July 2013 and all its previous tweets have been deleted.

In Costa Rica, Honduras and Panama new institutional accounts have been created for their respective foreign ministries as new governments came to power, leaving the previous accounts abandoned.

When the social media team of former Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh decided to archive the @PMOIndia account, including its 4,400 tweets and its 1.2 million followers, it caused a public outcry because this action would have deprived the new government of a large and captive audience. What has become known as #Handlegate has since been reversed by the new Indian government.

All the World's a Tweet

The Twiplomacy Study 2014 found that the vast majority (83 percent) of the 193 UN member countries have a presence on Twitter. More than two-thirds (68%) of all heads of state and heads of government in have personal accounts on the social network. However, the Twitter craze is not evenly spread around the globe.

All European countries except San Marino and all South American countries except Suriname now have an official Twitter presence. Only three countries in North America do not embrace Twitter communications, Barbados, Nicaragua and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. In Asia, Africa and Oceania 78.7%, 77.4% and 62% of their respective governments are using the micro-blogging service. The 32 countries without an official Twitter presence can mainly be found in Africa, Asia and in the central Pacific.

Are They Conversational?

Twitter allows citizens direct access to their leaders. Anyone can @mention a world leader on Twitter. Whether the world leader answers is another question, although a select few do reply to their followers' @mentions.

African leaders seem to use Twitter solely to converse with their followers. Ugandan Prime Minister [@AmamaMbabazi](#) is the most conversational world leader with 95 percent of his tweets being @replies to other Twitter users.

The second most conversational leader is Rwanda's President [@PaulKagame](#) who often gets into memorable [Twitter exchanges](#) with his critics. Ecuador's President Rafael Correa ([@MashiRafael](#)), Rwanda's Foreign Minister Louise Mushikiwabo ([@LMushikiwabo](#)) and Norway's Prime Minister [@Erna_Solberg](#) complete the top five list.



Most Listed World Leader

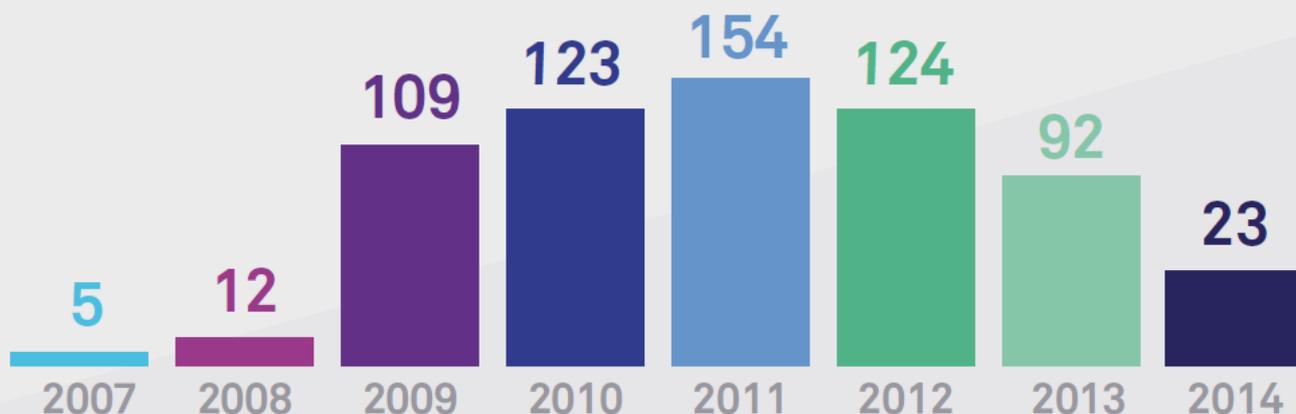
Another sign of Twitter popularity is the number of times an account appears on a Twitter list. Barack Obama is the most listed world leader appearing on 207,722 Twitter lists. The [@WhiteHouse](#) and Russia's Prime Minister [@MedvedevRussia](#) appear on 58,914 and 45,779 lists respectively. The Japanese government's [@Kantei_Saigai](#) account is listed 32,867 times and Jordan's [@QueenRania](#) is listed 20,034 times.

The UK government ([@Number10gov](#)), Pope Francis ([@Pontifex](#)), Brazil's President Dilma Rousseff ([@dilmabr](#)), the U.S. State Department ([@StateDept](#)), Argentina's President Cristina Kirchner ([@CFKArgentina](#)), Turkey's President Abdullah Gül ([@cbabdullahgul](#)), India's [@NarendraModi](#), Venezuela's [@NicolasMaduro](#) and Colombia's [@JuanManSantos](#) all appear on over 10,000 Twitter lists.

When Did They Start Tweeting?

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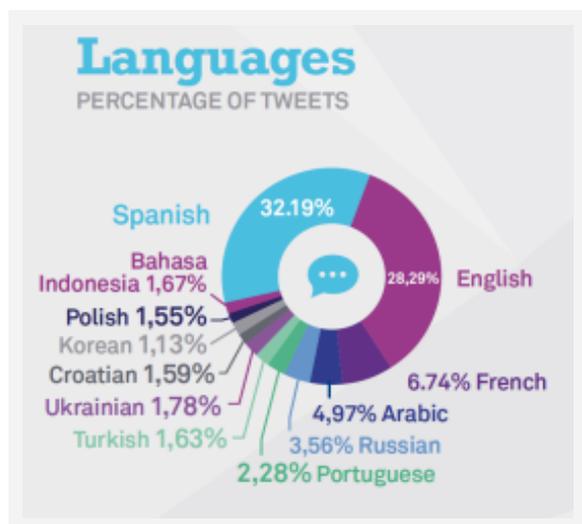


Barack Obama was the first world leader to set up a Twitter account on 5 March 2007 (at the time as Senator Obama) as user #813,286 when he was still a senator. Mexican president Enrique Peña Nieto (@EPN), Belgian Prime Minister @ElioDiRupo, Canadian Prime Minister @PMHarper and the U.S. State Department (@StateDept) are among the early adopters having signed up to the micro-blogging service in 2007.

Most world leaders followed suit in 2010 and 2011. The latest to have joined the Twittersverse in May 2014, are the Spanish Royal Household @CasaReal, the Moroccan Foreign Ministry (@MarocDiplomatie) and Malawi's new President Peter Mutharika (@ProfMutharika).

Thirty-one accounts are inactive and have never sent a single tweet, and seven are protected accounts, including those of outgoing Finnish Prime Minister @JyrkiKatainen and Zambia's @MichaelSata. Two hundred forty nine accounts have been officially verified by Twitter, giving them a blue star of appreciation on their Twitter profiles.

Most Active Twitter Accounts

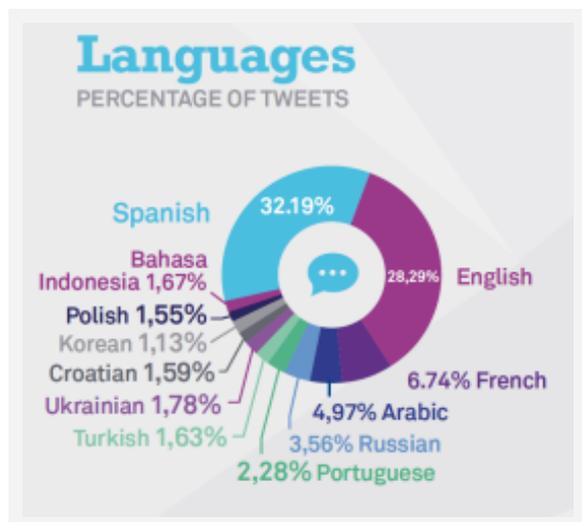


As of 25 June 2014, all world leaders combined have sent 1,935,308 tweets posting on average four tweets each day. The Venezuelan presidency (@PresidencialVen) has sent close to 50,000 tweets, averaging almost 40 tweets each day. The Foreign Ministry of Venezuela (@vencancilleria) places second with more than 42,000 tweets sent, followed by the Mexican Presidency (@PresidenciaMX) with 38,000 tweets sent. The Mexican presidency is also the most prolific, posting on average 78 tweets each day. The Mexican governmental account @gobrep is not far behind with 71 tweets each day. Both institutions often repeat their tweets several times over several days to capture different audiences at different times.

World leaders tweet in more than 53 different languages, but English is the *lingua franca* on Twitter. Two hundred thirty four accounts tweet in English and have posted 530,554 tweets to a combined following of

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Spanish is the Most Tweeted Language



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However, the 70 Spanish language accounts are far more active, having sent 603,735 tweets to 27,158,180 followers, making Spanish the most tweeted language among world leaders.

French is the third most-used language in world leaders' tweets with 126,353 tweets sent, followed by Arabic 93,107, Russian 66,709, Portuguese 42,718, Ukrainian 33,385, Bahasa Indonesian 31,292, Turkish 30,606, Croatian 29,755 and Korean in 21,210 tweets.

Twitter Lists

The vast majority of accounts (85 percent) have not created any Twitter lists, which are very useful to list other government agencies or diplomatic missions abroad. Russia's Foreign Ministry has the most public Twitter lists with 23 lists on the @MID_RF account and 18 on the @MFA_Russia account. The @Israel account maintains 15 Twitter lists and the Australian Foreign Office (@dfat) has 14 official Twitter lists.

Fifty public Twitter lists can be found on the @Twiplomacy Twitter account including the [full list](#) of heads of state and government and a [list](#) of foreign ministers and their institutional accounts as well as a [list](#) of all diplomatic missions and head of missions worldwide.

Twitter Design

World leaders and governments are not known for their design skills and many were taken by surprise in May 2014 when Twitter changed its website design to make the header picture the central element, spread across the entire screen.

More than half of the accounts analyzed have a custom header picture, but not all are in the correct resolution and the President of Burkina Faso even had his head cut off in the process.

Institutional Twitter accounts for heads of state, governments and foreign ministries often feature flags, buildings or both, while personal accounts of presidents and prime ministers obviously feature the account holder.

The government of Monaco @GvtMonaco is the only one which is able to show the entire country in the header picture. The presidency of Mali @PresidenceMali has chosen an unusual picture of cattle at a watering hole. @PresYameen, the president of the Maldives opted for an aerial picture of one of the islands and the foreign minister of the Seychelles @AdamJeanPaul is also promoting the pristine beaches of his island state. Finnish Prime Minister designate @AlexStubb has a picture of him cycling in the barren landscape of Fuerteventura.



A handful of institutions regularly change the header picture to highlight special events. The French @Elysee palace promoted the visit of François Hollande to Mexico including the relevant hashtag #PRMexico, while the foreign ministry in Paris highlighted the 70th anniversary of D-Day, and the Croatian government posted a large "Thank You" to the Croatian Red Cross after the devastating floods in the Balkans.

Half of the accounts also have a custom background which has become almost irrelevant as it is only seen when viewing an individual tweet.

A Picture Says More Than 140 Characters

Since the famous election embrace posted by @BarackObama in November 2012, which has become one of the most tweeted pictures ever, many world leaders have understood the power of pictures in their Twitter feeds which increases engagement by 62% according to a recent study of government accounts by [Twitter](#).

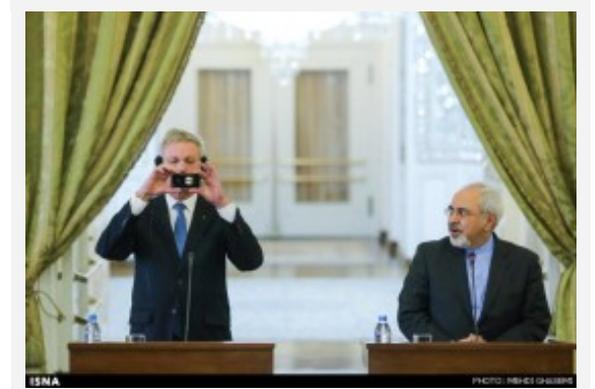
Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt surprised his Iranian counterpart @JZarif when he took a picture of the audience during their joint press conference but he did not share it on the social network.

A third of all tweets sent by the campaign account of @David_Cameron include either a picture or an infographic. However, the [picture](#) showing him on the phone with @BarackObama was lampooned by actors such as [Rob Delaney](#) and [Patrick Stewart](#) and became an instant internet meme.

The White House sometimes posts [unusual](#) pictures taken by the official photographer @PeteSouza. The French Foreign Ministry posted a series of [before and after](#) pictures of their missions around the world.

Mongolia's President Tsakhiagiin Elbegdorj posts unusual pictures, including black and white family pictures and images of him on horseback or riding a camel in the vast steppes of Mongolia.

Belgian Prime Minister @EliodiRupo promoted Belgian brews by posting [picture](#) drinking a beer



#Selfies of World Leaders

The selfie craze has also reached the higher echelons of government, most notably the infamous [funeral selfie](#) with Barack Obama and David Cameron captured by Danish Prime Minister Helle Thorning Schmidt during the funeral ceremony for Nelson Mandela.

A number of world leaders, including Pope Francis, Angela Merkel, Barack Obama and Vladimir Putin, have all posed with admirers for the now obligatory souvenir selfie.

India's new Prime Minister Narendra Modi made history when he posted a [selfie](#) in the election booth on 30 April 2014. Malaysia's Prime Minister Najib Razak is one of the few world leaders who is actually taking the selfies himself, posing with his foreign guests including [@BarackObama](#), Singapore's Prime Minister [Lee Hsien Loong](#), Turkish Prime Minister [@RT_Erdogan](#) and Indonesian President [@SBYudhoyono](#) while sitting in a golf cart.

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry took a [group selfie](#) to engage his audience during a visit to Manila, as did Swedish Foreign Minister [Carl Bildt](#).



Finnish Prime Minister designate [@AlexStubb](#), one of Twiplomacy's stars who *"tries not to take himself too seriously..."* often tweets #selfies and #groupies to engage his audiences. Alexander Stubb also tweets pictures of his triathlon training gear and doesn't hesitate to promote [other body parts](#).

You can find a collection of the most historic world leader selfies on [Storify](#).

Making a Scene – Vine Videos

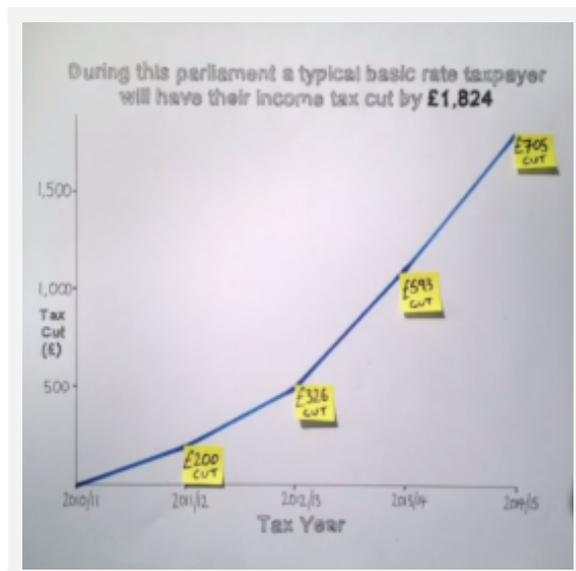
A number of governments post videos from their respective YouTube channels and some have trialed Twitter's six-second Vine videos. What can you say in six seconds you might ask? Quite a lot. @Number10gov attempted to explain the UK's #LongTermEconomicPlan, while the @ForeignOffice broadcasted a highly political message with a six second video of the Falklands' flag flying over the Foreign Office in remembrance of the British liberation of the islands in 1982.

@JohnKerry used Vine to promote his Twitter chat ahead of his trip to Africa as did the Foreign Ministry of Israel @IsraelMFIA with a fun video promoting a Twitter Q&A with its spokesperson.

Haiti's Prime Minister @LaurentLamothe is the most prolific Viner with 65 often shaky videos of his meetings with other world leaders and campaign stops. The now dormant @Matignon account boasts 27 Vines videos of red carpet arrivals of world leaders, the last one being the handover between outgoing Prime Ministers Jean Marc Ayrault and Manuel Valls on 1 April 2014.

The @Elysee palace has perfected the art of the Vine videos and produced 48 Vines including a time lapse video of the Galette des Rois, the traditional French puff pastry cake rising in the Elysee's kitchen.

You can find a collection of the most historic Vine videos of world leaders on Storify.



Twitter Client

Almost a third of all world leaders (31 percent) still use Twitter's website to tweet, down from 46 percent in 2013. But 14 percent of all the tweets have been sent on the go either from an iPhone, iPad, Blackberry or an Android device. Twitter clients Tweetdeck and Hootsuite are used by five and four percent of world leaders respectively. Four percent tweet their status updates directly from their Facebook page.

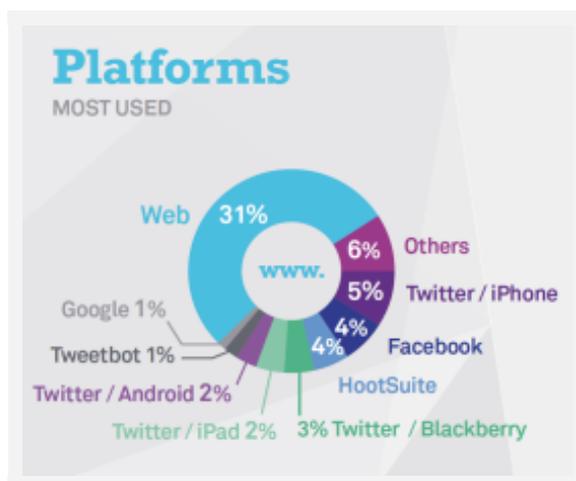
Some have bespoke Twitter clients such as Venezuela's president Nicolas Maduro who tweets from a special application called Traductor Nicolas.

About the Study

Twiplomacy is the leading global study of world leaders on Twitter, conducted by leading global public relations and communications firm Burson-Marsteller.

Burson-Marsteller identified 643 Twitter accounts of heads of state and government, foreign ministers and their institutions in 161 countries worldwide. The study analyzes each leader's Twitter profiles, tweet history, and their connections with each other.

Data was collected in June 2014 using Twitonomy. More than 60 variables were considered, including: tweets, following, followers, listed, the date the user joined Twitter, ratio followers/following, ratio listed/100 followers, tweets/day, retweets, % of retweets, user @mentions, average number of @mentions/tweet, @replies, % of @replies, links, average number of links/tweet, hashtags, average number of hashtags/tweet, tweets retweeted, proportion of tweets retweeted by others, total number of tweets retweeted, average number of tweets retweeted, users most retweeted, users most replied to, users most mentioned, hashtags most used, and platforms most tweeted from.



Burson-Marsteller also used Twitonomy to pull the last 3,200 tweets of each account and used [Tagxedo](#) to create word clouds with the most frequently used terms.

Burson-Marsteller looked at each account to see if it has a header and/or a background picture, if the account is dormant, active or protected and if the world leader tweets personally. We checked the language the account tweets and checked for the presence of Twitter lists.

Burson-Marsteller used [Doesfollow.com](#) to analyze the 414,000 possible Twitter relations between world leaders.

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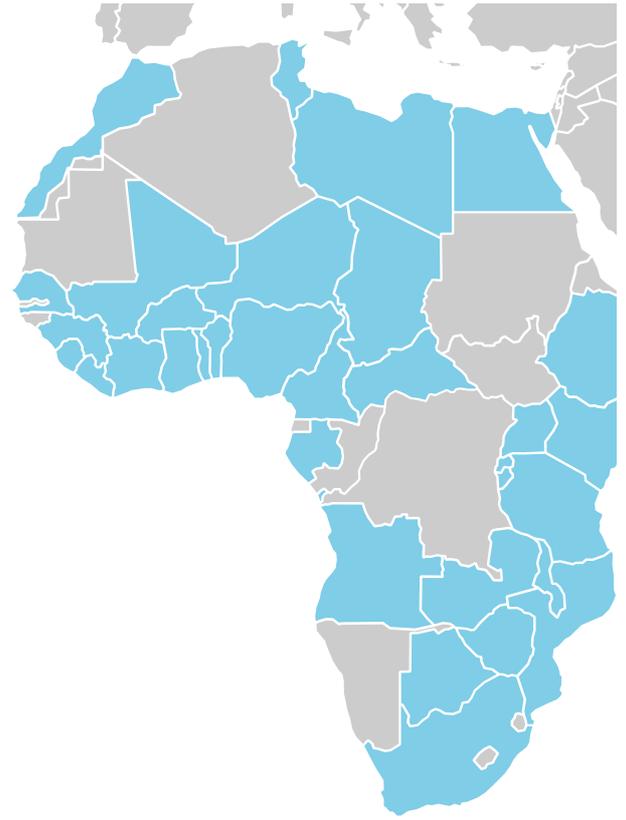
[@Twiplomacy](#)

Matthias.Luefkens@bm.com

Geneva, 25 June 2014

Africa

Africa is home to some of the most conversational leaders on Twitter. The tweets of Ugandan Prime Minister @AmamaMbabazi, Rwanda's President @PaulKagame and Rwanda's Foreign Minister @LMushikiwabo are almost exclusively @replies to their followers. Seventy-seven percent of African leaders are on Twitter but they are currently not that well connected, either among themselves or with other world leaders. The @PresidenceMali has the most mutual Twitter connections. Kenya's President Uhuru Kenyatta and Rwanda's Paul Kagame are Africa's most followed leaders with more than 400,000 followers each. The young republic of South Sudan and the new leadership in Somalia have been using Twitter to make their voices heard on the international scene.



Benin

Boni Yayi, the President of Benin has linked his Twitter feed to his Facebook page where he has 22 times more followers than on Twitter.

President of Benin

YAYIBONI

The presidential tweets are automatically generated from his Facebook page where his team regularly posts the latest press releases and speeches of the president in French. The account is also linked to his YouTube page, automatically tweeting "I have uploaded a video to YouTube..." Since joining Twitter on 30 December 2009 the president has never tweeted personally nor has he retweeted, @mentioned or @replied any other Twitter user. Not surprisingly the presidential account isn't very popular. His most popular tweet has only been retweeted five times.



YAYIBONI

@DrBoniYAYI

Banquier et économiste de formation, Boni Yayi est à la tête de la République du Bénin depuis Avril
[2flickr.com/people/boniyay...](https://www.flickr.com/people/boniyay...) OBTgZ

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Pascal I. Koupaki
@KoupakiOfficiel

[Follow](#)

Congratulations Mr President
[@BarackObama](#)

7:02 AM - 7 Nov 2012

4 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



Pascal I. Koupaki
@KoupakiOfficiel

[Follow](#)

Chaque béninois doit retrouver l'amour
de la République, le sens de la famille,
l'amour du bien commun...

[#EnfantsDuBeninDebout](#) [#Benin](#)

7:49 PM - 26 Oct 2013

14 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Each citizen of Benin must regain the love of the Republic, the sense of family, love of the common good ...
[#EnfantsDuBeninDebout](#) [#Benin](#)

Botswana

The Twitter feed of the government of Botswana was set up on 20 September 2011 but went silent two months later. It has been rekindled in July 2012 and has been actively tweeting since.

Government of Botswana

Botswana Government

“The Government of Botswana is now on Facebook and Twitter for better and efficient communication with the Nation, your thoughts.” That was the first tweet sent on 20 September 2011. After a ten month hiatus the government in Gabarone has restarted the account and tweets on average 1.79 times per day mainly reposting news from its Facebook page about national news. The team is fairly reactive and @replies in 22% of its tweets. Interestingly the government account features a lonesome cowboy as its Twitter header.



Botswana Govern...

@BWGovernment

This is the Official Twitter Page of the Government of Botswana.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

Foreign Ministry of Botswana

MOFAIC

The Twitter account of Botswana's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation was set up on 3 July 2013 and is linked to its Facebook page. The @MOFAIC account posts mainly press releases, often in capital letters every third day and tweets whenever a new photo goes up on the Facebook page. @MOFAIC follows @BarackObama but is mutually only connected with the government account @BWGovernment.



MOFAIC

@MOFAIC

The Ministry exists to promote and manage foreign relations as well as advance Botswana's interests abroad. It also provides protocol and consular services

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 192

Following: 10

Followers: 142

Joined Twitter: 07/03/2012

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.27

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet:

Replies/Tweet:

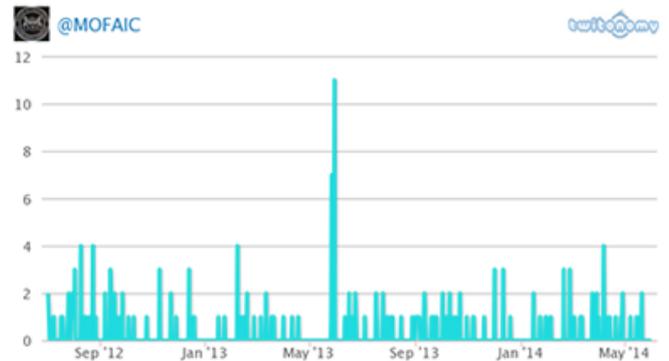
Tweets retweeted: 20%

Most mentioned

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **MOFAIC**
@MOFAIC Follow

UNITED NATIONS HUMANITARIAN AND
DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE
(UNHDR) NEWSLETTER®
facebook.com/pages/Ministry...

11:22 AM - 3 Jul 2012

Most popular tweet

 **MOFAIC**
@MOFAIC Follow

Botswana Assumes Presidency of the
ACP Group of States.

Members of the public are informed that
effective 1st... fb.me/1v0QaBEFo

7:55 AM - 7 Feb 2013

5 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Burkina Faso

The Twitter account for the President of Burkina-Faso was established on 25 April 2012 and makes an extensive use of pictures in almost all of its tweets. Foreign Minister Djibril Bassolé has a Twitter account @DBassol which is inactive.

President of Burkina Faso

Blaise Compaore

The President of Burkina Faso, Blaise Compaore joined Twitter on 11 January 2014, but the account went dormant twelve days and 46 tweets later. The tweets are mainly quotes from his speeches and all written in French. The account also posts pictures of his bilateral meetings and activities. Several tweets were signed BC but it is not clear whether he wrote them personally. He has only responded once to a journalist and his last tweet was sent on 23 January 2014.



Blaise Compaore

@PF_Compore

Compte Officiel du Président du
Burkina Faso

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	46
Following:	14
Followers:	10,473
Joined Twitter:	01/02/2014
Language:	French
Status:	Dormant since 23.01.2014
Tweets/day:	0.32
Retweets:	15%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.02
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	85%
Most mentioned	@hondjo1 (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Blaise Compaore**
@PF_Cmpaore [Follow](#)

J'ai décidé de m'y essayer. J'entends ainsi cultiver le devoir de proximité avec les miens. Notre objectif est de prolonger le nécessaire

8:26 PM - 11 Jan 2014

62 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: I've decided to try. I understand and cultivate the duty of proximity . Our objective is to extend the necessary

Most popular tweet

 **Blaise Compaore**
@PF_Cmpaore [Follow](#)

Chers Compatriotes Burkinabè, les réseaux sociaux se sont imposés ces dernières années comme un outil de communication incontournable.

8:54 PM - 11 Jan 2014

73 RETWEETS **11** FAVORITES

Translation: Dear Compatriots, social networks have become over the past years an essential communication tool.

Presidency of Burkina Faso

Présidence du Faso

The presidency of Burkina-Faso started its Twitter journey debunking false news about president Blaise Compaore: “President Compaore never demolished any anti-apartheid monument in Burkina-Faso”, they tweeted. The presidency in Ouagadougou chronicles government and bilateral meetings with frequent use of group pictures and handshakes with the president. The tweets are all in French and written by his staff. Its most retweeted tweet was the announcement of Burkina-Faso sending a military contingent of five hundred men to help the situation in Mali, retweeted 45 times.



Présidence du Faso

@presidence_faso

President du Burkina-Faso

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (82)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (9)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 522

Following: 3,149

Followers: 9,285

Joined Twitter: 04/25/2012

Language: French

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.66

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet: 0.01

Replies/Tweet: 0

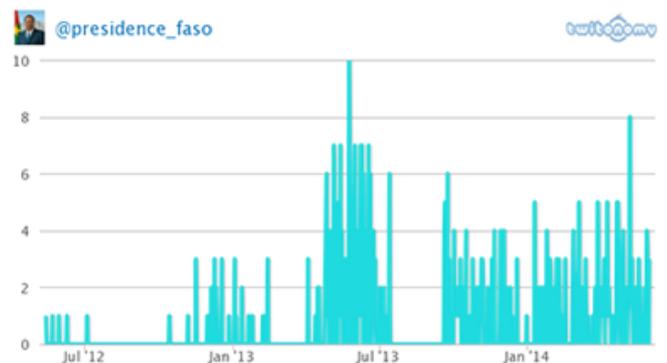
Tweets retweeted: 90%

Most mentioned @Hotthierry1 (2), @mokhathi (1), @pacteau (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Pr sidence du Faso
@presidence_faso

[Follow](#)

@IfyOtuya @mokhathi Its not true what she said president Compaore never demolished any anti apartheid monument in Burkina-faso

12:44 AM - 14 May 2012

Most popular tweet



Pr sidence du Faso
@presidence_faso

[Follow](#)

Une pens e pieuse   l'endroit du peuple malien!Le Burkina Faso enverra en urgence un contingent militaire de cinq cent hommes.

6:10 PM - 12 Jan 2013

45 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: A pious thought for the people of Mali! Burkina Faso urgently sent a military contingent of five hundred men.

Burundi

The government of Burundi maintains two Twitter accounts one for the presidency and the other for the government which has gone silent in early 2013.

Presidency of Burundi

Burundi | Présidence

President #PierreNkurunziza and #Burundi are the most used hashtags on the Twitter account of Burundi's presidency. The account which was established on 3 February 2012 chronicles the activities of President Pierre Nkurunziza in French. The administration posts on average one tweet every two days mainly promoting the activities of the president including pictures of his bilateral meetings. The account tweets mainly from an iPad and an iPhone but rarely @replies to other Twitter users. The presidency in Bujumbura mutually follows its northern neighbor, the government of Rwanda @RwandaGov and the @PresidenceMali.



Burundi | Présidence

@BdiPresidence

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Burundi Government
@BurundiGov

[Follow](#)

Burundi/Education : Les enseignants interpellés à ne pas suivre la grève
<http://www.burundi-gov.bi/Burundi-Education-les-enseignants>

2:03 PM - 14 Aug 2010

Translation: Burundi/Education: Teachers called upon not to strike <http://www.burundi-gov.bi/Burundi-Education-les-enseignants>

Most popular tweet



Burundi Government
@BurundiGov

[Follow](#)

Burundi/Politique : - Commémoration du 17ème anniversaire de l'assassinat du..
<http://www.burundi-gov.bi/Burundi-Politique-Commemoration-du>

8:41 PM - 21 Oct 2010

3 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Translation: Burundi/Politics: - Commemorating the 17th anniversary of the assassination of .. <http://www.burundi-gov.bi/Burundi-Politique-Commemoration-du>

Cameroon

Paul Biya, the president of Cameroon since 1982, has two Twitter accounts. A verified account @PaulBiya which was only active for a fortnight in the run-up to elections in October 2011 and his campaign account @PR_Paul_Biya, which is still active today.

President of Cameroon

President Paul Biya

President Paul Biya's campaign account was particularly active during the elections in October 2011 in which he won a sixth term in office which led him to tweet: "Slowly but surely, we are acquiring that famous culture of democracy, which is our objective." His Twitter stream is a mix of the president's official matters and announcements in French and sometimes in English. The account tweets in the first person but it is not clear whether the Paul Biya tweets himself. The account generally tweets which heads of state and ambassadors he has welcomed, sending congratulations and condolences to other world leaders and reporting which laws he has signed and which letters he has received. Almost every single tweet includes a link to the official government website. President Biya also tweets occasional quotes from former American presidents including Roosevelt, Lincoln, Carter and Washington and quotes from Martin Luther King. His most popular tweet, retweeted 21 times is the announcement that: "Cameroonians, all united, commemorate the 30th anniversary of my accession to the presidency: <http://www.prc.cm>."



President Paul Biya

@PR_Paul_Biya

2e président du Cameroun, j'ai accédé à la présidence le 06 nov 1982 après la démission du Président A. AHIDJO. Depuis, le renouveau du Cameroun est en marche.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (12)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,191
Following:	1,846
Followers:	7,510
Joined Twitter:	05/18/2011
Language:	French/English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.08
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.02
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	66%
Most mentioned	@JusticeJFK (3), @DjiaBertrand (3), @NewsDuKmer (2), @amarast (2), @AmethysteK (2), @wansunyaka (2), @Batfilippo (1), @PR_Paul_Biya (1), @Mouabnas (1), @Larsha101 (1).

First tweet



President Paul Biya
@PR_Paul_Biya [Follow](#)

Vous souvenez-vous? Discours du président Paul Biya - présentation voeux fin d'année 2009 <http://ht.ly/5ncj4>

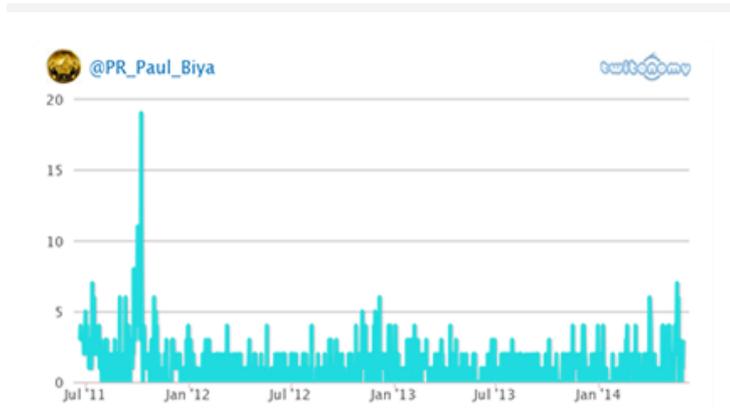
10:40 PM - 21 Jun 2011

Translation: Do you remember? President Paul Biya's Speech - New year greetings 2009 <http://ht.ly/5ncj4>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



President Paul Biya
@PR_Paul_Biya [Follow](#)

Les Camerounais, tous unis, commémorent, le 30e anniversaire de mon accession à la magistrature suprême: [prc.cm](http://www.prc.cm)

2:52 PM - 6 Nov 2012

21 RETWEETS

Translation: Cameroonians, all united, commemorate the 30th anniversary of my accession to the presidency: <http://www.prc.cm>

First tweet



Paul Biya 
@PaulBiya



Chers compatriotes. À travers ce lien de partage, je souhaite échanger avec vous sur l'avenir de notre cher et beau pays.

11:34 AM - 23 Sep 2011

9 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

Translation: Dear compatriots. Through this sharing channel, I wish to talk with you about the future of our beloved and beautiful country.

Most popular tweet



Paul Biya 
@PaulBiya



Mon message aux jeunes : INNOVEZ, CREEZ et surtout OSEZ.

9:47 AM - 4 Oct 2011

38 RETWEETS **8** FAVORITES

Translation: My message to young people: INNOVATE, CREATE and especially DARE.

Cape Verde

The President of Cape Verde has both a personal and an institutional Twitter account. His personal account was created before he became president, on 30 July 2011.

President of Cape Verde

Jorge Carlos Fonseca

It is not clear whether President Jorge Carlos Fonseca is in charge of his personal Twitter account @JorgecFonseca which has only tweeted three times since he became president in October 2011. His profile still states that he is the presidential candidate with a link to his now defunct campaign website jorgecarlosfonseca.com. His last tweet, sent on 2 May 2013 is a short and intriguing “ola” (hello). During the election campaign his tweets were automatically generated from his Facebook page.



Jorge Carlos Fons...

@JorgecFonseca

Canal do Candidato a presidência da republica de Cabo Verde no twitter. Notícias, agenda, e declarações políticas.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Jorge Carlos Fonseca
@Jorgecfonseca

Follow

Notícias
jorgecarlosfonseca.com/index.php?opti..

7:02 PM - 30 Jul 2011

Translation: News <http://t.co/d4Ef04t>

Most popular tweet

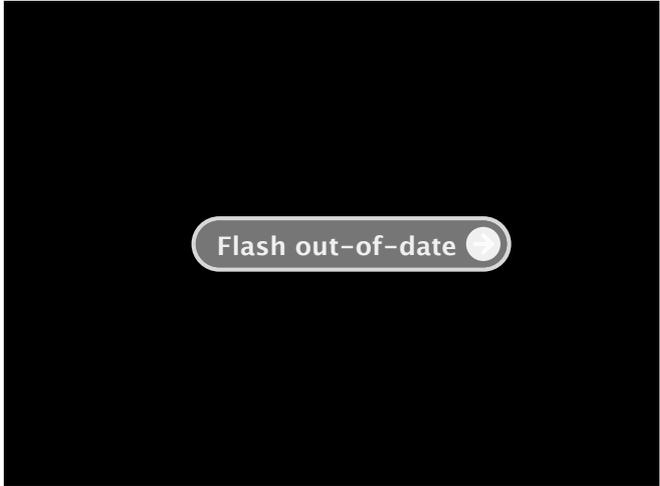


Jorge Carlos Fonseca
@Jorgecfonseca

Follow

Encerramento da campanha e a Mensagem Final de Jorge Carlos Fonseca fb.me/YpOPEItT

11:15 PM - 23 Aug 2011



YouTube @YouTube

1 RETWEET

Translation: Closure of the campaign and the Final Message of Jorge Carlos Fonseca <http://t.co/YkMcciB>

Presidency of Cape Verde

Jorge Carlos Fonseca

The official presidential account of Jorge Carlos Fonseca was created on 14 May 2012, eight months after taking up office. The account tweets mainly in Portuguese and sometimes in English when interacting with foreign dignitaries: "Barney Frank is distinguished with the First Class Medal of Merit. <http://t.co/kOWVN6zJ>". It tweets about official business such as presidential visits and presidential statements and the account seems to be linked to the official LinkedIn page. The presidential Twitter account often tweets links to YouTube videos with the president's speeches. The Cape Verdean presidency unilaterally follows 38 other world leaders, of which only the @PresidenceMali has reciprocated.



Jorge Carlos Fons...

@presidenciaCV

President of the Republic of Cape Verde.

facebook.com/Presidencia.cv ...
iadarepublicadecaboverde.blogspot.com

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (37)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	369
Following:	446
Followers:	481
Joined Twitter:	05/14/2012
Language:	Portuguese
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.44
Retweets:	0%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.09
Replies/Tweet:	0.03
Tweets retweeted:	8%
Most mentioned	@YouTube (7), @sapo (4), @ShareThis (2), @rede_globo (1), @_INFO (1), @JNTVGloboBrasil (1), @USAinUK (1), @amilcartavares (1), @USAinUKpress (1), @nytimes (1).

First tweet



Jorge Carlos Fonseca
@presidenciaCV



Jorge Carlos Fonseca: um Presidente junto das pessoas!

10:00 PM - 14 May 2012

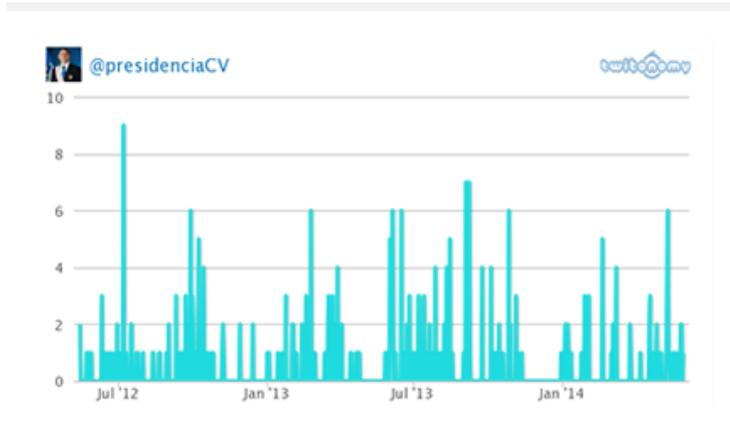
1 FAVORITE

Translation: Jorge Carlos Fonseca: a President with people!

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Jorge Carlos Fonseca
@presidenciaCV



Cabo Verde no enredo Carnaval do Brasil
plus.google.com/u/0/

8:44 PM - 13 Feb 2013

3 RETWEETS

Translation: Cape Verde in the plot of the Brazil Carnival
<https://plus.google.com/u/0/>

Chad

The government of Chad has a timid Twitter presence with a personal Twitter account of President Idriss Déby Itno which is dormant since 3 March 2014 and an institutional account for the prime minister which is dormant since April 2012.

President of Chad

Idriss Déby Itno

The Twitter account of Chad's president was created on 26 February 2014 and has only tweeted five times before falling silent four days later. The @ID_Itno account has shared only one picture and the verdict is still out whether the account is the official account of President Idriss Déby Itno as it is not linked from the presidential website.



Idriss Déby Itno

@ID_Itno

Président de la République du Tchad, Chef des armées et Homme politique.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Government of Chad

Primature du Tchad

The prime minister of Chad has an institutional Twitter account @PMTCHAD which was set up in March 2012 but went quiet a month later after having sent only 13 tweets. The last tweet is an invitation to connect on LinkedIn where the government has no connections.



Primature du Tchad

@PMTCHAD

Compte Twitter Officiel de la Primature de la République du Tchad.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

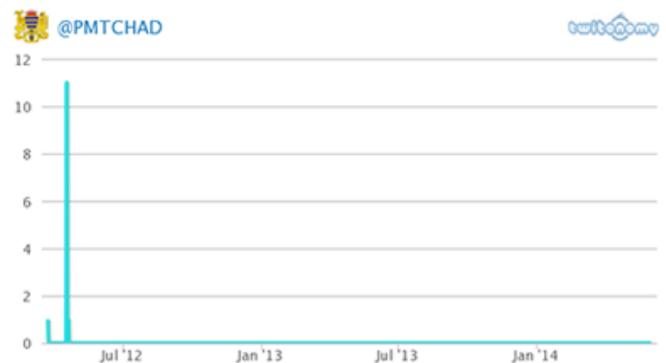
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	13
Following:	0
Followers:	261
Joined Twitter:	03/21/2012
Language:	French
Status:	Dormant since 20.04.2012
Tweets/day:	0.02
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.85
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	8%
Most mentioned	@joomla (11).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Primature du Tchad
@PMTCHAD

[Follow](#)

Bienvenue sur le compte twitter officiel de la Primature du Tchad!

2:06 AM - 24 Mar 2012

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Welcome to the official twitter of the Prime Minister of Chad!

Most popular tweet



Primature du Tchad
@PMTCHAD

[Follow](#)

La journée mondiale de l'eau célébrée ce 22 mars 2012

[gouvernementdutchad.org/fr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1353:la-journee-mondiale-de-leau-celebree-ce-22-mars-2012&catid=102:icetabs](http://www.gouvernementdutchad.org/fr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1353:la-journee-mondiale-de-leau-celebree-ce-22-mars-2012&catid=102:icetabs)
via @joomla

6:00 AM - 18 Apr 2012

1 RETWEET

Translation: World Water Day, celebrated on March 22, 2012
http://www.gouvernementdutchad.org/fr/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=1353:la-journee-mondiale-de-leau-celebree-ce-22-mars-2012&catid=102:icetabs
Via @joomla

Congo

Denis Sassou Nguesso, the President of the Republic of Congo is so far the only Congolese representative with a Twitter account.

President of Congo

Denis Sassou Nguesso

Denis Sassou Nguesso started his Twitter account with a “Bonjour tout le monde” (Good morning everyone) on 29 January 2013. The President of the Republic of Congo isn’t very active at all, only tweeting every third day. The president rarely retweets, @mentions and never @replies. Most of his tweets are automatically generated from his website Sassou.net. The president isn’t following any other Twitter user.



Denis Sassou Ngu...

@SassouCG

Compte Twitter Officiel du Président de la République du #Congo

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

Democratic Republic of Congo

Tweets started emerging from the Democratic Republic of Congo in early 2013 with tweets from the premier.

Prime Minister of Democratic Republic of Congo

MATATA PONYO Mapon

Augustin Matata Ponyo became Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Congo in April 2012 and his Twitter account @Mapon_Matata was created in February 2014. He posts in French on average once a day and only on few occasions replied to other users. He mentions other users in every third tweet especially UN agencies such as @MNOUSCO and @UNICEF. @Mapon_Matata is following eleven world leaders, but none has returned the favour yet.



MATATA PONYO ...

@mapon_matata

Premier Ministre de la République
Démocratique du Congo

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	143
Following:	99
Followers:	1,386
Joined Twitter:	02/18/2014
Language:	French
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.15
Retweets:	8.46
Mentions/Tweet:	0.32
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	92%
Most mentioned	@PrimatureRDC (6), @FRANCE24 (4), @GEMOmanSummit (3), @RFI (2), @MONUSCO (2), @UNICEF (2), @WorldBank (2), @Banquemonddiale (2), @KoblerSrsg (2), @President_RDC (2)

First tweet



MATATA PONYO Mapon
@Mapon_Matata

Follow

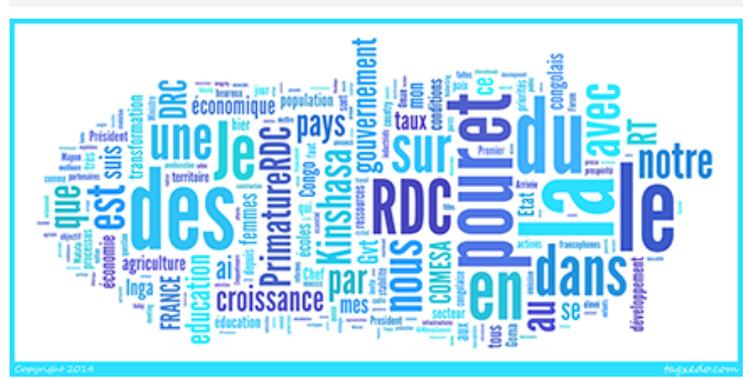
Le Congo s'est réveillé ! En 2013, la RD Congo a obtenu un taux de croissance de 8,5 %, le plus élevé depuis 1970 !

12:28 PM - 18 Feb 2014

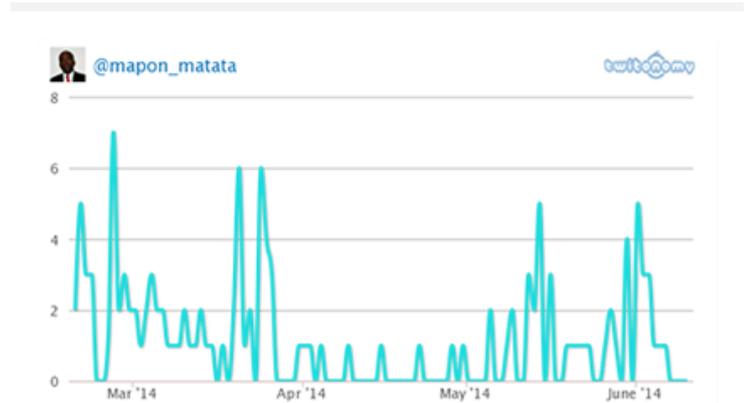
27 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Translation: Congo woke up! In 2013, DR Congo obtained a growth rate of 8.5%, the highest since 1970!

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



MATATA PONYO Mapon
@Mapon_Matata

Follow

Il reste des défis : 3,5 M d'enfants à scolariser, la construction de + 20000 écoles... Pour l'émergence 2030, une seule voie : l'éducation

11:02 AM - 14 May 2014

23 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Translation: Challenges remain: 3.5 million children to educate, build 20,000+ schools... For emergence 2030, there's only one way: education

First tweet



PrimatureRDC
@PrimatureRDC

[Follow](#)

Lancement de la première phase du Grand Inga, future plus puissante centrale hydroélectrique du monde en octobre 2015 bit.ly/113zkB5

6:30 PM - 21 May 2013

Translation: Launch of the first phase of the Grand Inga, the future most powerful hydroelectric power of the world in October 2015 <http://bit.ly/113zkB5>

Most popular tweet



PrimatureRDC
@PrimatureRDC

[Follow](#)

Le Ministre des hydrocarbures a annoncé le lancement prochain d'un appel d'offres pour l'exploitation du gaz méthane du lac #Kivu

2:33 PM - 30 May 2014

13 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Translation: The Minister of Petroleum announced the launch of tender for the extraction of methane gas from the Lake #Kivu

Djibouti

The President of Djibouti, Ismaïl Omar Guelleh, had a brief stint on Twitter during his re-election campaign in 2011. He is often referred to in the region by his initials 'IOG'.

President of Djibouti

Ismaïl Omar Guelleh

The Twitter account of Ismaïl Omar Guelleh @IOGpr11 was active for exactly two weeks from 26 March 2011 to Election Day on 8 April 2011. His last tweet announces the closing of the polling booths at 19:00. His account has been dormant ever since. His 53 tweets in French enumerate his key electoral promises from education reform to helping the micro, medium and small enterprises. Most of his tweets carry his campaign hashtag #IOG2011. “Let’s all reduce the social gap” is his most popular tweet, retweeted only twice.



Ismaïl Omar Guelleh

@IOGpr11

Compte officiel du candidat de l'UMP. L'équipe com partage avec vous ici la une de l'actualité de la campagne présidentielle et des tweets du candidat lui même!

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Egypt

Egypt's governmental Twitter accounts have all been victims of the military coup in July 2013 and their activity has been disrupted and sometimes discontinued. The Egyptian Presidency Twitter account @EgyPresidency, set up on 2 January 2013 under former President Morsi has been dormant since his ouster on 2 July 2013 and all tweets have been deleted. In the last tweet the presidency urged "everyone to adhere to peacefulness and avoid shedding blood of fellow countrymen".

President of Egypt

Abdelfattah Elsisi

Abdel Fattah Saeed Hussein Khalil el-Sisi is Egyptian President since 8 June 2014 and joined Twitter in the end of March 2014. With 25 tweets per day his account is among the most prolific in the Middle East, but he has only very rarely interacted with his followers. However, he uses on average one hashtag per Tweet. The second most frequent, after his own name is #تحيا_مصر, which means #LongLiveEgypt. His team frequently tweets pictures and videos of him at official occasions and infographics of Egypt. He is not yet following any other Twitter user and no global leader is following him.



Abdelfattah Elsisi

@AlsisiOfficial

الحساب الرسمي للرئيس/عبدالفتاح السيسي
رئيس جمهورية مصر العربية

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



ابراهيم محلب
@Ibrahim_Mahlab

Follow

السلام عليكم .. الحساب الرسمي لرئيس الوزراء المصري إبراهيم محلب على موقع تويتر
[@Ibrahim_Mahlab](#)

8:21 PM - 26 Feb 2014

19 RETWEETS 19 FAVORITES

Translation: Hello .. the official account of the Egyptian Prime Minister Ibrahim Mahlab on Twitter @Ibrahim_Mahlab

Most popular tweet



ابراهيم محلب
@Ibrahim_Mahlab

Follow

في طريقني إلى قصر #الرئاسة لأداء اليمين الدستورية.
#ابراهيم_محب #مصر

1:38 PM - 1 Mar 2014

19 RETWEETS 25 FAVORITES

Translation: On my way to the presidential palace for the swearing-in ceremony. Ibrahim Mahlab #Egypt

Government of Egypt

Egyptian Cabinet

The Twitter account of the Egyptian cabinet @Cabinet_EG was launched just after the beginning of the revolution in March 2011 as a platform to broadcast all the political news about the prime minister and the government. On 2 July 2013 the account condemned “President Morsi’s speech which will lead to civil war” and “congratulating Egyptians for having ousted the regime”. Since the coup the account seems to have been dissociated from the government’s Facebook page which has 1.7 million likes and doesn’t seem to be official anymore. The account only tweets intermittently in English and in Arabic including @replies to the @UKParliament and posting gory archive pictures of shooting in Cairo.



Egyptian Cabinet

@Cabinet_eg

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Nabil Fahmy
@mnabilfahmy



Egypt is going through a democratic transition, seeking to identify its identity in the 21st century.

9:04 PM - 1 Aug 2013

58 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Nabil Fahmy
@mnabilfahmy



I accepted Mohamed Morsy as an elected president. He didn't accept me as being part of Egypt's face.

1:25 PM - 3 Aug 2013

193 RETWEETS **39** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Egypt

MOFA Egypt

Egypt's foreign ministry has linked the Twitter account to its Facebook page, automatically tweeting the exclusively Arabic Facebook posts to its Twitter stream. The foreign ministry posts on average five times a day but never @replies or @mentions other users. @mofaegypt is unilaterally followed by 18 other world leaders, but has not reciprocated and doesn't follow any other Twitter user.



MOFA Egypt

@MOFAEGYPT

الصفحة الرسمية لوزارة الخارجية المصرية

The Official Site of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

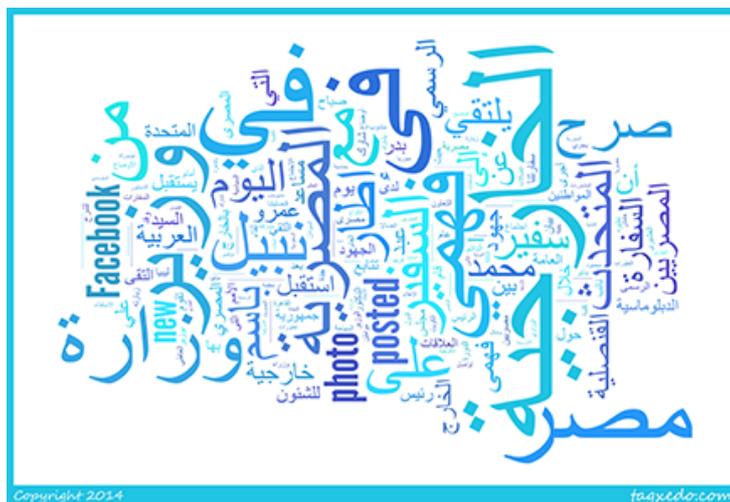
followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (0)

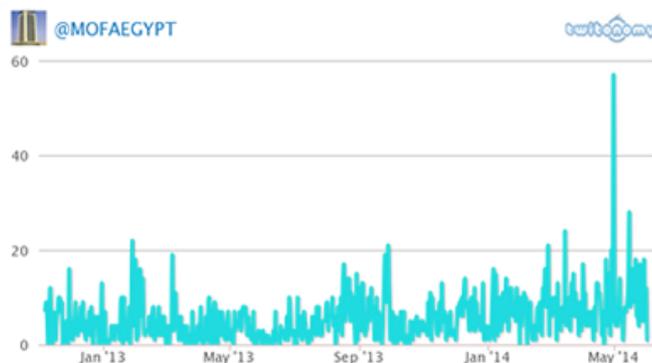
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	4,743
Following:	0
Followers:	14,318
Joined Twitter:	03/01/2011
Language:	Arabic
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	5.58
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	18%
Most mentioned	@YouTube (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

MOFA Egypt
@MOFAEGYPT

Follow

وزير الخارجية أبو الغيط يستقبل نظيره النرويجي

4:03 PM - 1 Mar 2011

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Foreign Minister Aboul Gheit receives his Norwegian counterpart

Most popular tweet

MOFA Egypt
@MOFAEGYPT

Follow

مصر تستدعى سفيرها من اسرائيل

8:47 PM - 14 Nov 2012

47 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Translation: Egypt recalls ambassador from Israel

Ethiopia

Ethiopia's Foreign Minister Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus has put the country on the Twitter map frequently tweeting on his personal account and the institutional account of the Foreign Ministry.

Prime Minister of Ethiopia

Hailemariam Desalegn

Ethiopian Prime Minister Hailemariam Desalegn joined Twitter on May 30, 2011 @HailemariamD when he was Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Ethiopia. He has only sent four tweets between 30 May 2011 and 7 May 2012 when the account went dormant. His last tweet was sent on 7 May 2012 saying Happy Birthday to former Ethiopian Prime Minister @MelesZenawi. His profile hasn't been updated either and is still sporting his former position.



Hailemariam Desal...

@HailemariamD

Deputy-Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia. Deputy-Chairman of @EPRDF

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Minister of Ethiopia

Tedros Adhanom

Ethiopia's Foreign Minister Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus signed up to Twitter on 12 September 2010 but after sending three tweets the account fell silent until 3 May 2013 when @DrTedros resumed his Twitter activity. The Foreign Minister tweets on average eight times a day in English and sometimes in Amharic often retweeting tweets from @mfaethiopia. @DrTedros sometimes tweets personal observations and a quarter of his tweets are personal @replies to his followers. His tweets are quite engaging and conversational; tweeting about diverse topics such as football and IGAD, the organisation of six eastern African countries focused on drought control and development initiatives. He uses hashtags often, with the most popular one being #Ethiopia, #Somalia and #Africa. The Foreign Minister even publishes his email on his Twitter profile.



Tedros Adhanom

@DrTedros

Official Account of Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of #Ethiopia. @mfaethiopia To contact me, email: mfa_minister@ethionet.et.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (12)

follows mutually (8)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 3,433

Following: 186

Followers: 28,737

Joined Twitter: 09/12/2010

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 8.26

Retweets: 46%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.36

Replies/Tweet: 0.25

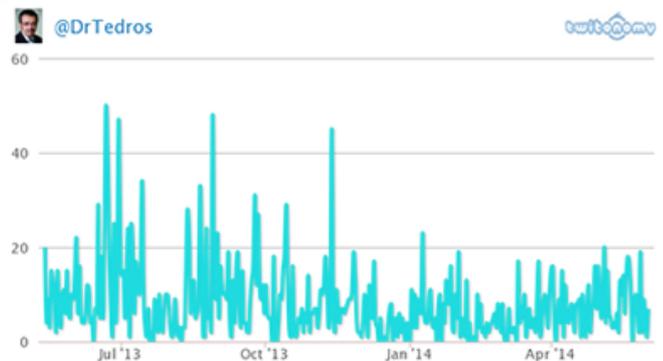
Tweets retweeted: 36%

Most mentioned @mfaethiopia (24), @allafrica (22), @PreciseConsult (20), @PhevenAmanuel (19), @abebeelias01 (18), @gerardvanmourik (15), @mahlet_t (14), @daniel_berhane (13), @abelpoly (13), @Tseday (13).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Tedros Adhanom ✓

@DrTedros

Follow

Ethiopia's Tedros: No ownership, no scale | Ministerial Leadership Initiative for Global Health

[@AddThis](http://ministerial-leadership.org/blog/ethiopia%20via)

4:08 PM - 17 Sep 2010

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Tedros Adhanom ✓

@DrTedros

Follow

@Gedion34 @Tseday Hi Gedion. Good to hear from you. We hope you will play for #Ethiopia soon.

5:43 PM - 13 Oct 2013

136 RETWEETS 137 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Ethiopia

Ethiopian Diplomacy

The Ethiopian Foreign Ministry, @mfaethiopia joined Twitter on 26 February 2013 and has been fairly active with more than seven tweets per day. The account provides the latest news and information about the activities of Foreign Minister @DrTedros who is frequently mentioned in the Twitter feed. The account often tweets from the web but also uses an iPhone to share pictures of his meetings and international summits. It uses on average more than two hashtags in each tweet namely #Ethiopia, #News and #Africa. The Ethiopian Foreign Ministry is well connected mutually follows eleven other Foreign Services.



Ethiopian Diplomacy

@mfaethiopia

Latest news and information from the official twitter account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia @mfaethiopia #Ethiopia #InspiringAfricasFuture

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (11)

Gabon

The President of Gabon, Ali Bongo Ondimba has a Twitter account @AliBongoOndimba which is inactive but mutually followed by his wife, first lady @SylviaBongo. The governmental account @PrimatureGabon is equally inactive having sent only two tweets in 2010.

Government of Gabon

République Gabonaise

The government of Gabon joined Twitter in July 2011 and tweets on average once a week in French. It does not interact with its followers in terms of retweets, @mentions or @replies and it has never used a hashtag. Furthermore, @RepGabon has not made any mutual connections yet.



République Gabon...

@RepGabon

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Paul BIYOGHE MBA
@PrimatureGabon

[Follow](#)

I uploaded a YouTube video -- Le Premier ministre Paul BIYOGHE MBA
<http://youtu.be/MgxU3v1hUFE?a>

9:52 AM - 22 Jun 2010

Most popular tweet



Paul BIYOGHE MBA
@PrimatureGabon

[Follow](#)

I uploaded a YouTube video -- Le Premier ministre Chef du Gouvernement, Paul BIYOGHE MBA
<http://youtu.be/4jjbcf0Jm5w?a>

11:44 AM - 24 Jun 2010

1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: I uploaded a YouTube video - Prime Minister Head of Government, MBA Paul BIYOGHE
<http://youtu.be/4jjbcf0Jm5w?a>

Ghana

In Ghana the President John Dramani Mahama and Foreign Minister Hannat Tetteh are both personally active on Twitter.

President of Ghana

John Dramani Mahama

The personal Twitter account of the President of Ghana @JDMahama was set up on 30 July 2012. The tweets of John Dramani Mahama are sent on the go mainly from an iPhone and sometimes from a Blackberry and an Android device. The president's staff tweets on average every second day and so far only two tweets were signed by him personally JM. The account frequently uses pictures to chronicle his activities including state visits and official meetings. His most popular tweet was sent on 18 January 2014 on the death of Komla Afeke Dumor, a Ghanaian journalist who was the main presenter of the BBC's Focus on Africa.



John Dramani Mah...

@JDMahama

Official account of H.E. John Dramani Mahama, President of the Republic of Ghana, run by staff.

Tweets by H.E. are signed–
JMpresidency.gov.ghUZ

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



Presidency of Ghana
@PresidencyGhana

[Follow](#)

Discipline Is The Key To Success -
President Mills [#AttaMills](#) [#Ghana](#)
[#PresidentofGhana](#) <http://bit.ly/eRMsug>

7:11 PM - 17 Dec 2010

Most popular tweet



Presidency of Ghana
@PresidencyGhana

[Follow](#)

Thanks to all Ghanaians. You have put
[#Ghana](#) on the map again as a shining
star of democracy on the continent. Let's
forge ahead in unity.

12:43 AM - 10 Dec 2012

41 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Foreign Minister of Ghana

Hanna Tetteh

Ghana's Foreign Minister joined Twitter on 2 May 2009 but only started to tweet at the end of 2012. Hanna Tetteh is the fifth most conversational African leader, with two-thirds of her tweets being @replies to other Twitter users from her iPad or her iPhone. @HannaTetteh is well connected unilaterally following 37 other world leaders and mutually following 12 peers. She tweets on average every second day and mostly on weekends. Hanna Tetteh tweets personally and doesn't refrain from comments on world affairs: "Being a Foreign Minister makes me sensitive to the need to be circumspect in commenting on events in other countries but sometimes it's hard" she tweeted on 30 May 2014.



Hanna Tetteh

[@HannaTetteh](#)

Minister of Foreign Affairs &
Regional Integration - Ghana. MP -
Awutu Senya West. (Opinions are
my own & retweets are not
endorsements)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (37)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (12)

Guinea

The official Twitter account of the Presidency of Guinea and the President Alpha Condé's personal campaign account have both been dormant for some time.

President of Guinea

Prof. Alpha Condé

The @Pr_Alpha_Conde account of Guinea President Prof. Alpha Condé was created in the beginning of March 2010. The account is not very active with only 24 tweets since it was created. The account has never retweeted anyone and only mentioned the @Elysee account, the only other world leader it is following. All its tweets were sent from Twitter's website. The last tweet was sent on 21 November 2013 during the state visit of President Alpha Condé to France.



Prof. Alpha Condé

@Pr_Alpha_Conde

Président de la République de Guinée)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Presidency of Guinea

Présidence de Guinée

The official Twitter account of the Presidency of Guinea @Sekhoutoureya is named after the official presidential residence, named after Sékou Touré, the first president of Guinea. The account has been reasonably active since its inception in June 2012 but has gone silent on 22 May 2013. When it was active the account tweeted governmental news in French. @Sekhoutoureya mutually follows French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius, the President of Senegal @Macky_Sall, and the @PresidenceMali.



Présidence de Gui...

@Sekhoutoureya

Bienvenue sur le compte Twitter officiel de la Présidence de la République de Guinée.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

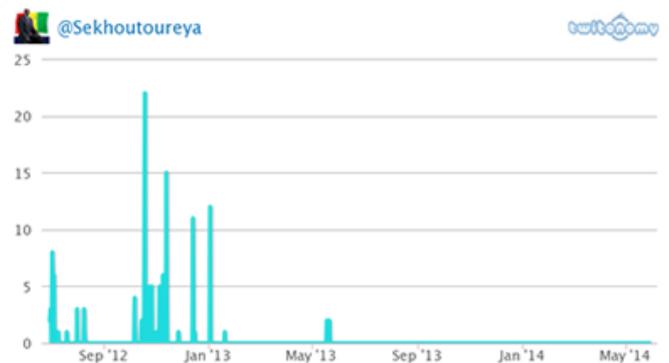
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	148
Following:	272
Followers:	839
Joined Twitter:	06/05/2012
Language:	French
Status:	Dormant since 22.05.2013
Tweets/day:	0.21
Retweets:	1%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.01
Replies/Tweet:	0.01
Tweets retweeted:	38%
Most mentioned	@jeune_afrique (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Pr sidence de Guin e
@Sekhoutoureya

[Follow](#)

Le pr sident Alpha Cond  a adress  un message de f licitation   son homologue alg rien qui c l bre les 50 ans d'ind pendance de l'[#Alg rie](#)

9:47 PM - 27 Jun 2012

Translation: President Alpha Conde has sent a message of congratulations to his Algerian counterpart, which celebrates 50 years of independence of [#Algeria](#)

Most popular tweet



Pr sidence de Guin e
@Sekhoutoureya

[Follow](#)

Pr sident Alpha rentre ce dimanche de la Mecque (Arabie Saoudite) o  il a accompli le [#P lerinage](#) musulman

8:25 AM - 28 Oct 2012

3 RETWEETS

Translation: President Alpha returns this Sunday from Mecca (Saudi Arabia) where he completed the [#Pilgrimage](#) Muslim

Ivory Coast

Confusingly the President of Ivory Coast, Alassane Dramane Ouattara has two Twitter accounts @adosolutions created in 2009, which is his official twitter account; and @ADO__Solutions, created in 2010 by his supporters to manage his political post elections reputation.

President of Ivory Coast

ADO_Solutions

The @ADO__Solutions account of Ivorian President Alassane Dramane Ouattara was created in the beginning of October 2010 a month before presidential elections on 31 October. At first, the tweets concentrated on the election campaign and the post-election stalemate when incumbent Laurent Gbagbo refused to recognize Ouattara's election win. During that time and the ensuing civil war, he frequently retweeted messages of support from foreign leaders as well as international organizations. After the arrest of Gbagbo in April 2011 and since becoming president, the tweets mostly cover his statements and quotes from his speeches.



ADO_Solutions

@ADO__Solutions

Alassane Dramane Ouattara,
Président la République de Côte
d'Ivoire [facebook.com/AdoSolutionsF39](https://www.facebook.com/AdoSolutionsF39)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **Alassane D. Ouattara**
@adosolutions [Follow](#)

J'ai publié 6 photos sur Facebook, dans l'album ADO Backstage
<http://bit.ly/56RrUY>
10:04 AM - 23 Jan 2010

Translation: I posted 6 photos on Facebook in the album ADO backstage <http://bit.ly/56RrUY>

Most popular tweet

 **Alassane D. Ouattara**
@adosolutions [Follow](#)

Bravo à Murielle Ahoure pour sa médaille d'argent au 100m dames des Mondiaux d'athlétisme. fb.me/2QT3pcnnq
8:33 PM - 12 Aug 2013

20 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: Congratulations to Murielle Ahoure for her silver medal in the Women 100m World Athletics Championships. <http://fb.me/2QT3pcnnq>

Presidency of Ivory Coast

Presidencececi

The presidential administration has set up an institutional account @Presidencececi in September 2011 to cover the daily activities of the president. The tweets are very official addressing the president only as "His Excellency Alassane Ouattara". The account tweets the presidential agenda and live tweets quotes from his speeches at major events. The account uses pictures in almost every single tweet shared from an iPhone or iPad. The presidency in Yamoussoukro mutually follows the @Presidence_Faso and @PresidenceMali.



Presidencececi

@Presidencececi

Profil officiel de la Présidence de la République de

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Presidenceci
@Presidenceci

Ouverture des profils Facebook et Twitter de la Présidence de la République de Côte d'Ivoire

5:08 PM - 15 Sep 2011

1 RETWEET 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Opening of the Facebook and Twitter profiles for the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire Presidency.

Most popular tweet



Presidenceci
@Presidenceci

Le PAN en compagnie du Chef de l'Etat au Cabaret du Cœur #prci

9:37 PM - 14 Mar 2014

54 RETWEETS 14 FAVORITES

Translation: The President of the National Assembly along with the Head of State at the Cabaret du Cœur #PRCI
pic.twitter.com/mTm6ecJc7l

Prime Minister of Ivory Coast

Daniel Kablan DUNCAN

Prime Minister Duncan's personal Twitter account has only published one tweet, sent after becoming prime minister: "Thank you to you all for your constant encouragement and support. God bless you." The account was created to cover the daily activities of the prime minister and to boost his political reputation. However Daniel Duncan's activities are broadcast on the government's institutional Twitter feed @GouvCi.



Daniel Kablan DU...

@Daniel_k_Duncan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **GOUV.CI**
@Gouvci Follow

Conseil des Ministres du 20-07-2011: Le mercredi 20 juillet 2011, de 10 heures à 12h15, une réunion du conseil...
<http://bit.ly/mVGV3P>

2:37 PM - 9 Aug 2011

Translation: Council of Ministers on 20-07-2011: Wednesday, 20 July 2011, from 10:00 to 12:15, a council meeting...
<http://bit.ly/mVGV3P>

Most popular tweet

 **GOUV.CI**
@Gouvci Follow

Véhicules persls: 2500 FCFA, véhicules de tsport en commun 20 places: 5000 FCFA, gros camions 7500 FCFA et poids lourds 10000 FCFA #gouvci

6:56 PM - 13 May 2014

15 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: Personal Vehicles: 2500 CFA Francs, public transport vehicles 20 places: 5000 CFA Francs, big trucks 7500 CFA Francs and lorries 10000 CFA Francs #gouvci

Kenya

The Kenyan leadership has understood the power and the good use of Twitter. Since Uhuru Kenyatta became president the government has “embraced the digital age”. Presidential and government news are broadcast on the @StateHouseKenya and the @PSCU_Digital accounts. The president and the foreign minister both have active personal Twitter accounts. Interestingly all tweets by former Prime Minister Raila Odinga’s team have been archived in a specific Twitter account @Arch_PMO_Kenya.

President of Kenya

Uhuru Kenyatta

President Uhuru Kenyatta joined Twitter in August 2010 and has become the most followed African leader on Twitter. The activity of the account markedly increased before the presidential elections in March 2013. The account chronicles the president’s meetings and visits including several pictures in each tweet. His most retweeted tweet was sent on 3 March 2014, congratulating Kenyan actress Lupita Nyong’o on her Oscar win. Kenyatta’s account is quite conversational and it has a perfect mix of 22% retweets, 21% @replies and 31% @mentions of other users, namely Deputy President @WilliamsRuto and Rwanda’s President @PaulKagame.



Uhuru Kenyatta

@UKenyatta

President of The Republic of Kenya.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **Uhuru Kenyatta** 
@UKenyatta 

Thank you to all of my supporters for all of the constant support that you have shown to me. God bless you all and God bless Kenya!

12:38 PM - 9 Sep 2010

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



 **Uhuru Kenyatta** 
@UKenyatta 

Congratulations [@Lupita_Nyong'o](#) on your Oscars win. You are the Pride of Africa.

6:05 AM - 3 Mar 2014

1,450 RETWEETS 741 FAVORITES

First tweet

 **Uhuru Kenyatta** 
@UKenyatta 

Thank You Kenya. Below is a link to my inaugural address
scribd.com/doc/134839269/...

3:12 PM - 9 Apr 2013

[H.E. President Uhuru Kenyatta Inaugural Address](#)

When the records remind us of these truths , we will recognize that at the end of the day , it is the indomitable spirit of the Kenyan people ; their commitment to peace ; their desire for progress...

 **Scribd** @Scribd

499 RETWEETS **217** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **State House Kenya** 
@StateHouseKenya 

President Kenyatta hugs @FirstLadyKenya at the Finish line #LondonMarathon

7:18 PM - 13 Apr 2014

202 RETWEETS **95** FAVORITES

Government of Kenya

Cabinet Affairs

The institutional Twitter account of the Kenya's Cabinet Secretary Francis Kimemia was created on 30 May 2013. The account went silent between September 2013 and March 2014 and only tweets intermittently, broadcasting political matters. The most retweeted tweet was sent after the Westgate shopping mall attack on 23 September urging Kenyans to remain vigilant and to "Be your brother's keeper."



Cabinet Affairs

@CabinetOfficeKE

Cabinet Affairs Office in the Presidency | Service delivery to all Kenyans | Ensure proper management in the Executive | Nairobi Kenya

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (2)

Foreign Minister of Kenya

AMB:Amina Mohamed

Kenya's Foreign Minister Amina Mohamed is the best connected African foreign minister unilaterally following 51 world leaders and mutually connected with 16 peers around the world. @AMB_A_Mohammed is quite conversational with a third of her tweets being @replies to other Twitter users including Rwanda's Foreign Minister @LMushikiwabo. Amina Mohamed's team makes good use of pictures chronicling her meetings with other foreign dignitaries. The team also tweet the occasional "Good morning", "Good afternoon", "Good evening" and "Good night" to engage its followers. @AMB_A_Mohammed tweets on average three times a day and most tweets are sent from her Blackberry or iPad. Her most retweeted tweet was sent after the Westgate shopping mall attack on 23 September.



AMB:Amina Moha...

@AMB_A_Mohammed

AMBASSADOR AMINA C. MOHAMED, CBS, CAV CABINET SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE OF THE REPUBLIC OF KENYA (Views are my own)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (51)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (17)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,500

Following: 461

Followers: 79,508

Joined Twitter: 04/25/2013

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.35

Retweets: 41%

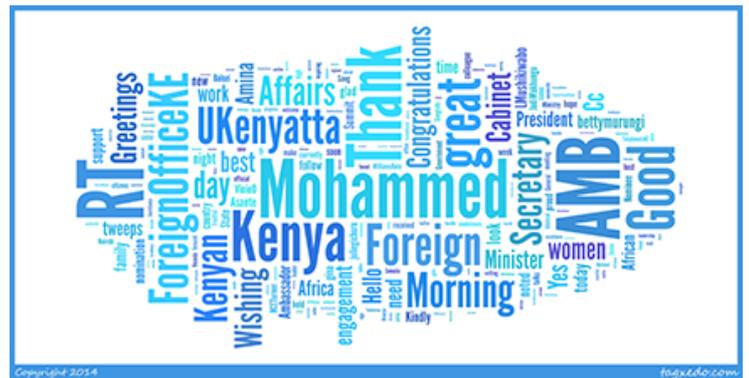
Mentions/Tweet: 0.61

Replies/Tweet: 0.33

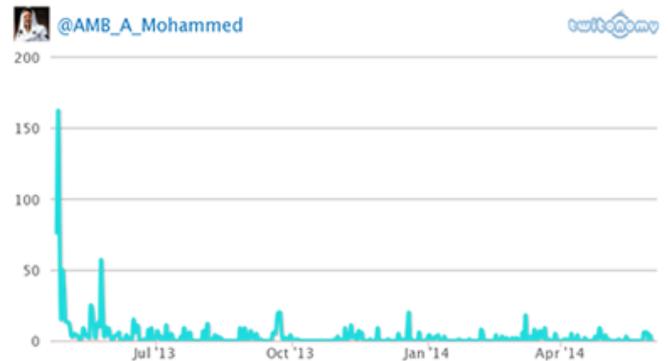
Tweets retweeted: 33%

Most mentioned @ForeignOfficeKE (55), @UKenyatta (31), @gina_din (23), @LMushikiwabo (18), @VinieO (16), @WilliamsRuto (15), @bettymurungi (15), @Amb_Dr_Sang (14), @JudiWakhungu (14), @juliegichuru (13).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



AMB:Amina Mohamed
@AMB_A_Mohammed

Follow

Welcoming tweet -----> Cc
[@bettymurungi](#) [@UNEP](#) [@_Firyal](#)

1:32 PM - 25 Apr 2013

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet



AMB:Amina Mohamed
@AMB_A_Mohammed

Follow

[#Kenya](#) is a deep seed planted in us all and for that, [#WeAreOne](#). Absolutely no vice will break the bond we share as Kenyans. [#MyLandisKenya](#)

3:25 PM - 23 Sep 2013

187 RETWEETS 17 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Kenya

ForeignAffairsKenya

The official Twitter account of Kenya's Foreign Office was created on 21 May 2013 and chronicles the activities of the foreign minister and the president, often retweeting and @mentioning @UKenyatta and @AMB_A_Mohammed. "The Kenyan Foreign Ministry is proud to be digitally swift with matters diplomacy and this is indeed a step in the right direction", the Foreign Ministry said in its first tweet. Kenya's foreign office is not yet well connected with other peers, mutually following only the @IsraelMFA and @MFATurkey.



ForeignAffairsKenya

@ForeignOfficeKE

*Account for - Ministry of Foreign Affairs-Kenya. * Find us also on:
facebook.com/ForeignOfficeKE

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (4)

Liberia

Liberia's President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf does not have a personal Twitter account, however the Liberian presidency opened an official Twitter profile on 9 June 2012, but the account has gone dormant at the beginning of January 2013.

Presidency of Liberia

Executive Mansion

The last tweets on the Twitter page of the Liberian presidency the "New Year's Message By Her Excellency President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf to the Liberian People", sent on 4 January 2013. @emansionliberia, Liberia's only government account has only sent 17 tweets since its first tweet: "Your Country Needs You; Be Proud to Be a Liberian, Pres. Sirleaf Tells Liberians at Town Hall Meeting, Massachusetts". Most posts which are in English have a link to the presidential website but there are no @replies and no @mentions of other Twitter users.



Executive Mansion

[@emansionliberia](#)

The official Twitter page of the President of the Republic of Liberia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Executive Mansion

@emansionliberia

Follow

‘Your Country Needs You; Be Proud to Be a Liberian,’ Pres. Sirleaf Tells Liberians at Town Hall Meeting, Massachusetts

emansion.gov.lr/press.php?news...

10:32 AM - 9 Jun 2012

Most popular tweet



Executive Mansion

@emansionliberia

Follow

President Sirleaf Receives Letters of Credence of Nigeria’s First Female Ambassador to Liberia shar.es/tegp1

11:39 AM - 16 Jul 2012

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Libya

Social media fuelled uprisings in Tunisia, Egypt and Libya so it is not surprising to see the Libyan leadership setting up Twitter accounts.

Government of Libya

الحكومة المؤقتة

Libya's interim government is on Twitter since 1 April 2013 and tweets on average 2.5 times per day. The government tweets exclusively in Arabic but includes many pictures of its meetings. The account is not followed by any other world leader and does not follow anyone. The previous governmental account @LyGovernment is dormant since 20 January 2013 and only tweeted once in 2014.



الحكومة المؤقتة

@LibyaInterimGov

Libya Interim Government الحكومة
الليبية المؤقتة

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Madagascar

The only Madagascan leaders represented on Twitter are the Presidency and the Prime Minister Roger Kolo, who has not tweeted since April 2014.

Presidency of Madagascar

PrésidenceMadagascar

@PresidenceMada is the official account of the presidency of Madagascar tweeting about the activities of President Hery Rajaonarimampianina on average two times a day. The account is fairly conversational with a fifth of its tweets being @replies. However, the majority of the posts are automatically generated from Facebook and thus 70% contain a link. The account rarely posts pictures and the only global leader the account follows is France's @Elysee palace.



PrésidenceMadaga...

@PresidenceMada

Compte Twitter Officiel de la Communication de la Présidence de la République de Madagascar

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Kolo Roger

@Kolo_Roger

 Follow

[#madagascar](#) remerciement a tous les malagasy peuple fier de son identité pour leur courage, leur ténacité.

10:08 AM - 16 Apr 2014

13 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: #Madagascar thanks all Malagasy people proud of their identity, their courage and tenacity. <http://t.co/8EvDqrc11Y>

Most popular tweet



Kolo Roger

@Kolo_Roger

 Follow

[#madagascar](#) remerciement a tous les malagasy peuple fier de son identité pour leur courage, leur ténacité.

10:08 AM - 16 Apr 2014

13 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: #Madagascar thanks all Malagasy people proud of their identity, their courage and tenacity. <http://t.co/8EvDqrc11Y>

Malawi

Malawi's new President Peter Mutharika is on Twitter but he hasn't updated his Twitter profile since becoming president on 31 May 2014

President of Malawi

Peter Mutharika

@ProfMutharika joined Twitter on 13 May 2014 warning that "Moving Malawi forward will not be an easy task." The campaign account has only tweeted seven times over the span two days including four pictures from campaign rallies. The account fell silent two days after its inceptions.



Peter Mutharika

[@ProfMutharika](#)

Yale University,

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Mali

Mali's presidential Twitter account became an important news source during the coup attempt in 2012. On 21 March 2012 the president's Twitter scribe denied the coup attempt tweeting that: "There is no coup in Mali, just a mutiny in the garrison of Kati" The Twitter account of new Prime Minister Moussa Mara also related the ethnic fighting in the country. The Twitter account of Foreign Minister @AbdoulayeDiop8 is protected.

President of Mali

Ibrahim B. Keita

Ibrahim Keita joined Twitter on 15 October 2011. His campaign account was very active, tweeting as many as ten times a day before going silent on 3 October 2014 once elected. His tweets broadcast a mix of official and conversational messages. The account has only tweeted once in 2014. His last tweet was sent on 14 April 2014 tweeting about addressing his Senegalese brothers in front of Senegal's parliament.



Ibrahim B. Keita

@IBK_2013

Président de la République du
#Malifacebook.com/IBK.OfficielFz

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **Presidence Mali** 
@PresidenceMali 

Le Chef e l'Etat du #Mali reçoit le Représentant Spécial du Secrétaire Général de l'ONU en Afrique de l'Ouest tinyurl.com/3cxhls6

4:36 PM - 12 Oct 2011

Translation: The Head of State of #Mali receives the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the UN in West Africa <http://t.co/vzjl87Xg>

Most popular tweet

 **Presidence Mali** 
@PresidenceMali 

URGENT : La proclamation des résultats provisoires définitifs de la présidentielle du 28/07/2013 reportée à demain (Source : MATDAT) #Mali

4:06 PM - 1 Aug 2013

83 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: URGENT: The final proclamation of provisional results of presidential elections postponed to tomorrow 28.07.2013

Prime Minister of Mali

Moussa Mara

Moussa Mara, the Prime Minister of Mali came into power in 2014 but has been on Twitter since September 2012. He tweets on average once a day in French mainly broadcasting official messages from his Facebook page. His most retweeted tweet was sent on 17 May 2014 when he visited Kidal, a hotbed of Tuareg separatism in the far north-east of the country and was met by rebel gunfire. He reassured his followers: "Hi friends. All is well. I am in army camp N°1 under the protection of Malian forces. Keep calm. Stay calm."



Moussa Mara

[@MoussaMara2](https://twitter.com/MoussaMara2)

Premier Ministre du Mali, Expert Comptable de Formation, Président du parti Politique YELEMA(LE CHANGEMENT).

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (2)

Morocco

The Moroccan government has an eGovernment portal which tweets @Maroc_eGov and is designed to facilitate the online accessibility of government services.

Prime Minister of Morocco

عبد الإله ابن كيران

The Moroccan government has set up an institutional account for the Office of the Prime Minister of Morocco which started to tweet on 18 August 2012. The account usually tweets about the meetings of Prime Minister Abdelilah Benkirane's meetings with his ministers, new resolutions his government has adopted and chronicles his international visits and meetings. The account is not very active, tweeting on average once a week exclusively in Arabic often including videos of his speeches. The account doesn't follow any other user.



عبد الإله ابن كيران

@ChefGov_ma

رئيس الحكومة

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	90
Following:	0
Followers:	7,035
Joined Twitter:	08/10/2012
Language:	Arabic
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.13
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	74%
Most mentioned	

First tweet



عبد الإله ابن كيران
@ChefGov_ma

رئيس الحكومة يترأس افتتاح اللقاء المنظم بمناسبة اليوم الوطني للجالية المغربية المقيمة بالخارج

6:06 AM - 18 Aug 2012

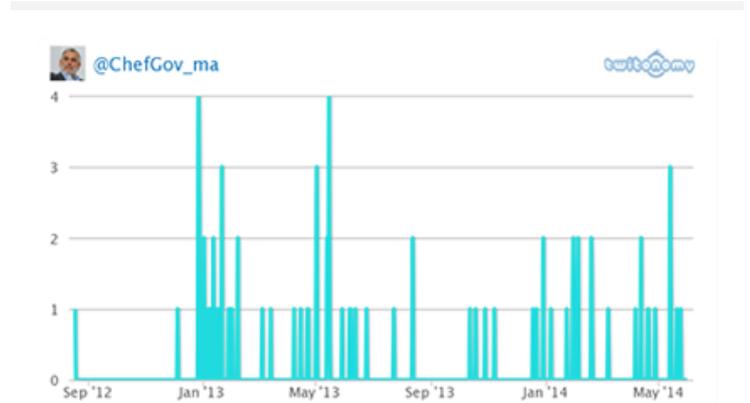
2 RETWEETS

Translation: Prime Minister chaired the opening of the meeting, organized on the occasion of the National Day of the Moroccan community residing abroad

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



عبد الإله ابن كيران
@ChefGov_ma

#رئيس_الحكومة يهنئ فريق الرجاء البيضاوي بعد تأهله إلى نهائي كأس العالم للأندية

2:33 PM - 19 Dec 2013

15 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES

Translation: The Head of government congratulates Raja Casablanca after qualifying for the finale of the Club World Cup

First tweet

 **MAEC Maroc**
@MarocDiplomatie

Follow

Le Ministère des Affaires Étrangères et de la Coopération vous souhaite la bienvenue sur son compte Officiel Twitter

10:52 PM - 8 May 2014

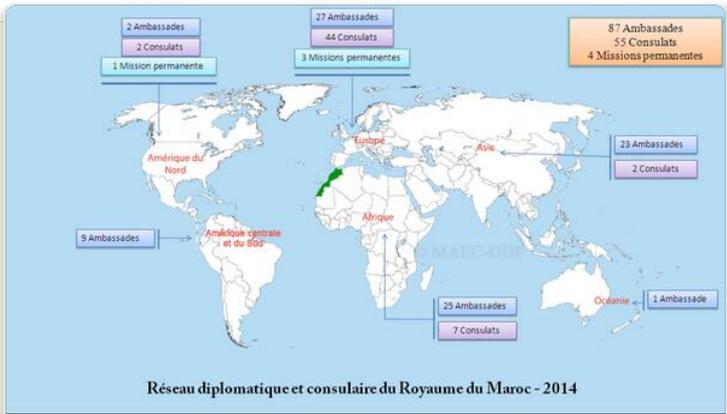
7 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet

 **MAEC Maroc**
@MarocDiplomatie

Follow

Réseau diplomatique et consulaire du Royaume du Maroc - 2014



Réseau diplomatique et consulaire du Royaume du Maroc - 2014

Réseau diplomatique et consulaire du Royaume du Maroc #Maroc #Morocco #Diplomacy #Embassies #Consulates #المغرب

4:33 PM - 23 May 2014

16 RETWEETS 14 FAVORITES

Translation: The diplomatic and consular network of the Kingdom of Morocco #Maroc #Morocco #Diplomacy #Embassies #Consulates #المغرب

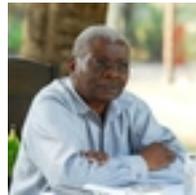
Mozambique

The Twitter account of Armando Guebuza, the President of Mozambique was set up in January 2010 with the sole purpose of distributing his speeches but it has been dormant since 8 February 2012.

President of Mozambique

Armando Guebuza

Initially the account was linked to his YouTube channel automatically sharing the uploading of the videos of his latest speeches. After a long break between September 2010 and October 2011 the presidential administration started to publish the full text of his speeches on his blog <http://armandoguebuza.blogspot.com>. Whenever a new speech is available it is automatically tweeted on his Twitter account. So far the account has shared links to 22 speeches with its 22 tweets. Obviously the President of Mozambique does not tweet himself and does not aim to connect with his followers. His account fell silent on 8 February 2012.



Armando Guebuza

@ArmandoGuebuza

Presidente da República de Moçambique. Republic of Mozambique's President

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (0)

Niger

Niger's president has a personal Twitter account since 1 July 2012 but only he has only tweeted 16 times. The foreign minister is also personally on the platform but stopped his Twitter activity in February 2014.

President of Niger

Mahamadou Issoufou

The President of Niger, Mahamadou Issoufou has only tweeted 16 times since setting up his Twitter account on 1 July 2012. Although it is his personal account, Mahamadou Issoufou Twitter stream doesn't show much interaction with his 1,000 followers. He has never @replied, @mentioned anyone or used any hashtags. His most popular tweet was posted on 16 November 2012 and retweeted eight times: "Final Communiqué of the Round Table 2 FCFA found that 401.8 billion announced by the partners of Niger, more than 100% of the gap identified in PDES".



Mahamadou Issoufou

@Mahamadoulssouf

Président de la république du Niger

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

Foreign Minister of Niger

Mohamed Bazoum

Niger's Foreign Minister, Mohamed Bazoum took to Twitter during the General Assembly of the United Nations on 25 September 2013 in New York. @MohamedBazoum has sent less than 50 tweets so far and the account has gone silent on 14 February 2014. His team has shared eleven pictures of his international meetings and the minister decorating ambassadors with Niger's medal of honour.



Mohamed Bazoum

@mohamedbazoum

Ministre des Affaires Etrangere du Niger

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 46

Following: 38

Followers: 237

Joined Twitter: 09/25/2013

Language: French

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.18

Retweets: 2%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.24

Replies/Tweet: 0.11

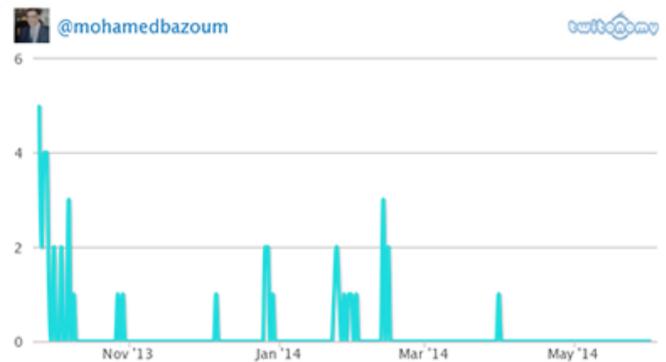
Tweets retweeted: 46%

Most mentioned @mohamedbazoum (2), @siradjo (1), @NaSixo (1), @NittiMohamed1 (1), @francediplo (1), @Mahamadoulssouf (1), @NICOLAS_NEGOCE (1), @voxafrica (1), @actuniger (1), @Kafiniger (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Mohamed Bazoum
@mohamedbazoum



à New-York pour la 68eme session de l'assemblée Général de Nations Unis .

9:41 AM - 25 Sep 2013

2 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: in New York for the 68th session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Most popular tweet



Mohamed Bazoum
@mohamedbazoum



Le Niger vient d'être brillamment élu au Conseil de Paix et de Sécurité (CPS) de l'Union Africaine.

renaissanceniger.com/article/commun...

5:17 PM - 29 Jan 2014

5 RETWEETS

Translation: Niger has been brilliantly elected to chair the Council of Peace and Security (PSC) of the African Union. _x000D_ renaissanceniger.com/article/Communa?

Nigeria

Nigerian president Goodluck Jonathan has two Twitter accounts, none of which are currently active. Nigeria's Foreign Minister Olugbenga Ashiru has set up a Twitter account @AmbOlugbengaAsh but it is inactive.

President of Nigeria

Goodluck Jonathan

The @JGoodluckTweets Twitter account was started in July 2010, just days after opening a Facebook page designed to interact more with Nigerians. On 15 September of that same year he announced on his Facebook page that he had finally decided to run for the presidency, becoming the first sitting president to declare his re-election bid via social media. On Twitter he wrote: "The time for transformation is here. I commit to steering the country in the direction of sustainable change and development." His tweets communicate his key beliefs that are against violence, to bring justice, and encourage patriotism. He emphasizes his vision for the nation that includes initiatives to create more jobs, tackle youth issues, education and overall national development. Engagement on his account is limited with no @replies and @mentions. The account went quiet on 10 May 2011 after the elections and has only briefly tweeted during the World Economic Forum in Davos on 22 January 2014.



Goodluck Jonathan

@JGoodlucktweets

President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	109
Following:	105
Followers:	71,893
Joined Twitter:	07/06/2010
Language:	English
Status:	Dormant since 10.05.2011
Tweets/day:	0.08
Retweets:	3%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.06
Replies/Tweet:	0.04
Tweets retweeted:	87%
Most mentioned	@iamdbanj (2), @msaalli (1), @Okusajo (1), @schrodingerr (1), @JGoodlucktweets (1), @Sabarkama (1).

First tweet



Goodluck Jonathan
@JGoodlucktweets



We are headed in the right direction. There is still a lot to be done, in-fact a mountain load. However, it all begins with one good step.

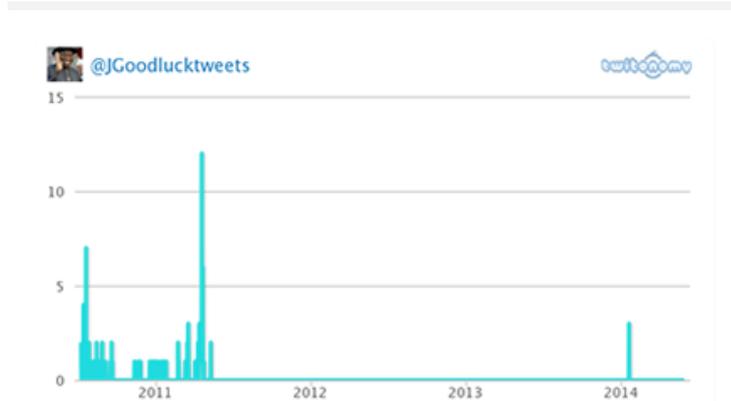
2:45 PM - 7 Jul 2010

6 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Goodluck Jonathan
@JGoodlucktweets



It is my sincere hope that the post-election violence panel will assess the cost of damage to personal and (cont) <http://tl.gd/achk9l>

5:38 PM - 10 May 2011

117 RETWEETS **89** FAVORITES

First tweet



Goodluck Jonathan

@presgoodluck



I have launched a new website to allow you, my fellow Nigerians, to engage in dialogue about the future of Nigeria
<http://bit.ly/fLISdX>

3:39 PM - 8 Mar 2011

12 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Goodluck Jonathan

@presgoodluck



When I took office I promised to focus on three areas- a. Electoral Reform b. Energy Security c. Electricity Generation
<http://ow.ly/4xoeG>

12:10 PM - 11 Apr 2011

46 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

Rwanda

Rwandan political leaders have embraced the power of Twitter to converse directly with their constituents and friends and foes around the world. President Paul Kagame is an avid user of the micro-blogging service, frequently holding impromptu Twitter chats with his followers and anyone who wants to engage with him.

President of Rwanda

Paul Kagame

“Yes I answer questions from followers....!”, Rwandan President Paul Kagame tweeted and he is the second most conversational world leader on Twitter with 87% of his tweets being @replies to his followers and anyone who wants to discuss African issues with him. It is unclear whether the Rwandan president actually tweets personally after his account was linked to a notorious troll in early 2014. While the @PaulKagame account connects directly with his followers it does not follow any other Twitter, not even the 37 presidents and prime ministers who unilaterally follow him. Paul Kagame tweets from his BlackBerry and his iPad generally in the evening, and the account is most active on Sundays.



Paul Kagame

@PaulKagame

President of the Republic of Rwanda, write to:
paulkagame@gov.rw

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (50)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,387
Following:	0
Followers:	407,515
Joined Twitter:	05/04/2009
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.29
Retweets:	0%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.82
Replies/Tweet:	0.87
Tweets retweeted:	39%
Most mentioned	@pkuiiper (39), @carolinekere (32), @JohnFMoore (27), @opio1970 (25), @coldtusker (24), @keeping_itreal (20), @jess (17), @kasujja (17), @LucyMbabazi (16), @Natabaalo (16).

First tweet



Paul Kagame ✓

@PaulKagame

✈ Follow

Hello [#Rwanda](#) - Paul Kagame is now on Twitter.

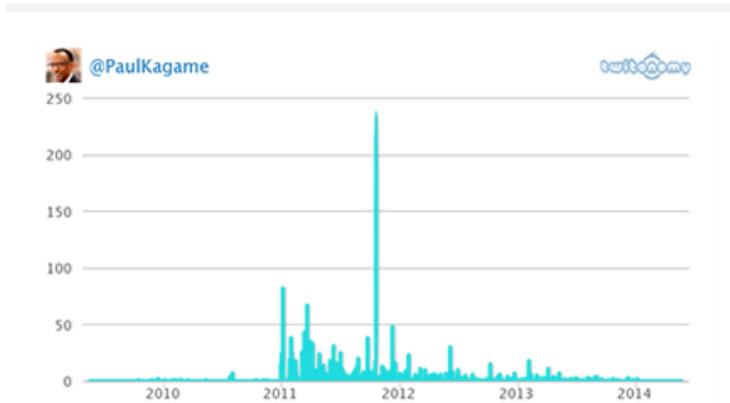
9:41 PM - 15 May 2009

12 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Paul Kagame ✓

@PaulKagame

✈ Follow

Kenya should not feel alone - the region, African and the world are with you. The Kenyan spirit is strong and will prevail

10:09 PM - 22 Sep 2013

2,101 RETWEETS 324 FAVORITES

Presidency of Rwanda

Presidency | Rwanda

The institutional Twitter account of the office of the Rwandan President is named after the village where the official residence is located. The account is largely dedicated to the daily activities of President Paul Kagame who is mentioned in the majority of all their tweets. President Kagame is by far the most prominent word on the Twitter stream. The @Urugwirovillage account is dedicated to live tweeting quotes from his activities and has also tweeted in Kinyarwanda, the local language during a presidential rally in front of 25,000 people in Muramba, Ngororero District, Rwanda's Western Province in February 2012.



Presidency | Rwanda

@UrugwiroVillage

Official Twitter account of the Office of the President of Rwanda. Your unique opportunity to follow the work of President Paul Kagame on a daily basis.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (16)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (8)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 7,463

Following: 342

Followers: 35,774

Joined Twitter: 01/04/2011

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 6.18

Retweets: 3%

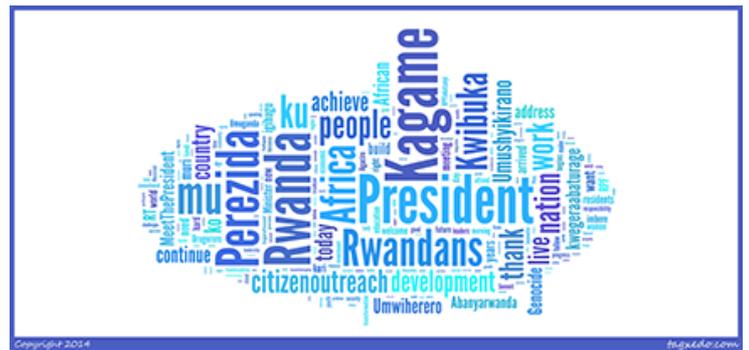
Mentions/Tweet: 0.07

Replies/Tweet: 0.03

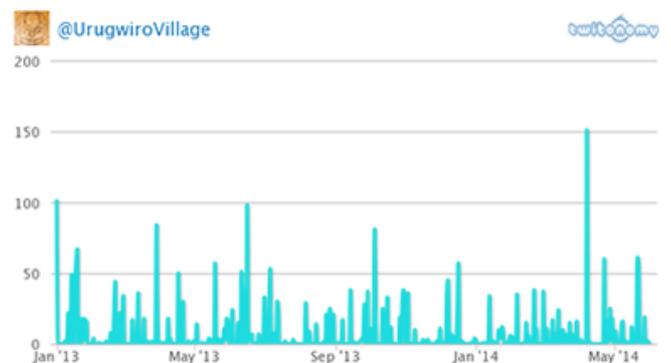
Tweets retweeted: 96%

Most mentioned @PaulKagame (23), @UKenyatta (22), @jiminhofe (10), @Saddleback (6), @HarvardHBS (5), @billclinton (4), @agahozoanne (4), @RickWarren (4), @ITU (4), @onduhungirehe (3).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Presidency | Rwanda 
@UrugwiroVillage 

Welcome to the twitter page that will give you unprecedented insight into the work of President Kagame! Watch this space

2:07 PM - 10 Feb 2011

Most popular tweet





Presidency | Rwanda 
@UrugwiroVillage 

President #Kagame is the first to be issued a visa upon arrival in Uganda using his ID card as a travel document.

12:32 PM - 19 Feb 2014

227 RETWEETS **47** FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Rwanda

Habumuremyi P.D

Prime Minister Pierre Habumuremyi's personal Twitter account has been active since 28 October 2011, sending on average three tweets per day. @HabumuremyiP only really started to tweet consistently towards the beginning of 2012. His account is among the most conversational Twitter accounts with a third of his tweets being @replies. #Rwanda is the most prominent hashtag used. Previously the tweets were in the local language, Kinyarwanda, which is spoken by most Rwandans, however in 2014 this has shifted to English. @HabumuremyiP follows 20 other world leaders but he is mutually connected only with Uganda's Prime Minister @AmamaMbabazi and French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius.



Habumuremyi P.D

@HabumuremyiP

The Prime Minister of the Republic of Rwanda

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (5)

Government of Rwanda

Government of Rwanda

The Rwandan government's Twitter account is characterized by an abundance of retweets. 59% of its tweets are retweets, mainly tweets from the presidential administration @UrugwiroVillage and Rwanda's national dialogue council @Umushyikirano. Almost every second tweet contains a hashtag with #Rwanda being used in over a third of all its tweets. The Rwandan government is connected on Twitter with the governments of neighbouring Burundi (@bdipresidence and @burundigov) and Mali (@Presidencemali).



Government of Rw...

@RwandaGov

The official Twitter handle of the Government of Rwanda
communications@gov.rw

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (12)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (10)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 8,700

Following: 265

Followers: 38,557

Joined Twitter: 10/26/2009

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 7.08

Retweets: 49%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.22

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

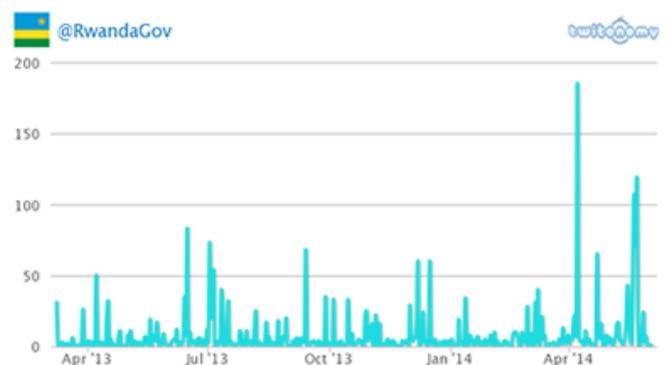
Tweets retweeted: 48%

Most mentioned @RwandaGov (71), @AfDB_Group (57), @PaulKagame (47), @DonaldKaberuka (42), @LMushikiwabo (32), @statisticsrw (16), @MthuliNcube (13), @Vbiruta (10), @GasinzigwaOda (10), @jeune_afrique (10).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Government of Rwanda**  
@RwandaGov

Transparency International announces [#Rwanda](#) least [#corrupt](#) in region <http://is.gd/4YXQW>

8:57 PM - 19 Nov 2009

Most popular tweet

 **Government of Rwanda**  
@RwandaGov

President [@PaulKagame](#): "It doesn't make sense that [#African](#) leaders go to Europe to address African problems."
[#afdbam2014](#) [#Rwanda](#)

6:50 PM - 20 May 2014

266 RETWEETS **77** FAVORITES

Government of Rwanda

Primature

@PrimatureRwanda is the Twitter account of the office of the Prime Minister of Rwanda and has been operational since 30 January 2012. Tweets are an even mix of the local language Kinyarwanda and English, focused on providing information on Rwanda, service delivery and the activities of the prime minister. The user most mentioned on the account is obviously Prime Minister [@HabumuremyiP](#) and [#Rwanda](#) and [#Kagame](#) hashtags are used in two-thirds of its tweets.



Primature

[@PrimatureRwanda](#)

The Office of the Prime Minister of Rwanda

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (19)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (4)

Foreign Minister of Rwanda

Louise Mushikiwabo

Rwanda's Foreign Minister Louise Mushikiwabo (@LMushikiwabo) is among the five most conversational world leaders. 75% of her tweets are @replies and she often mentions @KenRoth Kenneth Roth the executive director of Human Rights Watch as well as President @PaulKagame. Louise Mushikiwabo tweets most favoured was on 7 March 2014 and related to the expulsion of six South African diplomats over concerns of them harboring dissidents responsible for terrorist attacks in Rwanda.



Louise Mushikiwabo

@LMushikiwabo

Minister of Foreign Affairs & Cooperation, Rwanda

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (29)

follows mutually (6)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,082

Following: 130

Followers: 39,156

Joined Twitter: 02/16/2011

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.88

Retweets: 2%

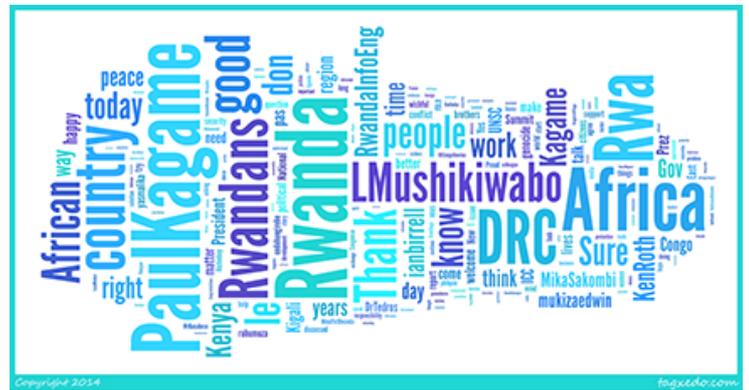
Mentions/Tweet: 1.44

Replies/Tweet: 0.75

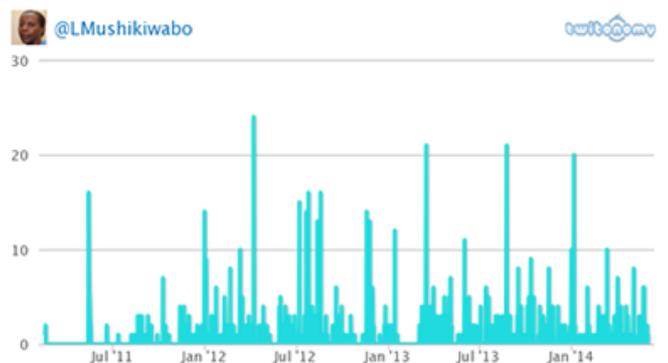
Tweets retweeted: 67%

Most mentioned @PaulKagame (97), @LMushikiwabo (39), @RwandaInfoEng (34), @KenRoth (32), @ianbirrell (32), @MikaSakombi (29), @mukizaedwin (27), @yasmalika (22), @ruhumuza (21), @DrTedros (21).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Louise Mushikiwabo

@LMushikiwabo

Follow

"Urugwiro" in Rwa's lge means warmth
(as in kind/welcoming)

10:57 PM - 16 Feb 2011

Most popular tweet



Louise Mushikiwabo

@LMushikiwabo

Follow

We have expelled six S. African
diplomats in reciprocity & concern at SA
harboring of dissidents responsible for
terrorist attacks in Rwanda

6:11 PM - 7 Mar 2014

357 RETWEETS **73** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Rwanda

MINAFFET Rwanda

The official Twitter account of Rwanda's foreign ministry (@MinaffetRwanda) was created on 19 August 2011. @MinaffetRwanda tweets four times per day with retweets constituting more than half of them. Rwanda is the main topic of the tweets. The users most retweeted are @UrugwiroVillage, @RwandaGov and @Kwibuka20, the official account for the 20th Commemoration of the Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda. The foreign ministry also retweets tweets from its embassies around the world.



MINAFFET Rwanda

@MinaffetRwanda

Welcome to the Official Twitter
account of the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs and Cooperation of the
Republic of Rwanda.

facebook.com/pages/Rwanda-M...

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (32)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (11)

Senegal

Political leaders in Senegal have taken to Twitter during the presidential elections in 2012 which put an end to the reign of Abdoulaye Wade who had been president of Senegal since 2000.

President of Senegal

Macky SALL

Senegal's President Macky Sall naturally tweets in French and began tweeting on 1 October 2010. Although the account is written in the first person President Macky Sall does not tweet himself. He does occasionally sign his personal tweets MS. His team generally intermittently on important occasions and posts selected quotes from his speeches. In 2012 the Twitter feed was directly linked to his Facebook page automatically generating tweets whenever a new photo is uploaded or a news item was posted. President @Macky_Sall is unilaterally following 14 other world leaders and mutually connected to four other African leaders and the French foreign ministry.



Macky SALL

@macky_sall

Page Officielle du Président de la République du Sénégal

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	784
Following:	812
Followers:	31,589
Joined Twitter:	10/01/2010
Language:	French
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.61
Retweets:	0%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.05
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	55%
Most mentioned	@YouTube (19), @ifri (8), @adosolutions (2), @hier (1), @Meeting (1), @visite (1), @en (1), @2stvsenegal (1), @TV5MONDE (1), @SOROKGUILLAUME (1).

First tweet



Macky SALL
@macky_sall

[Follow](#)

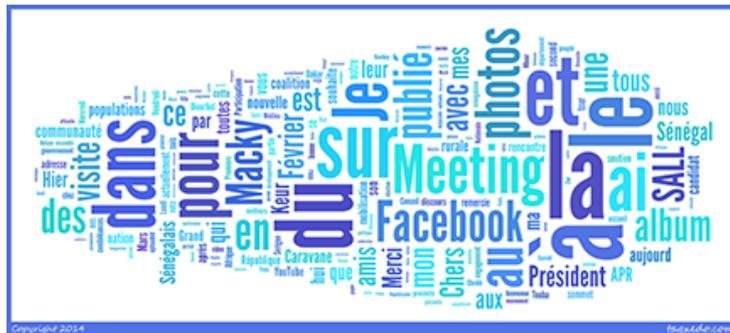
Bienvenue sur mon twitter!

4:34 PM - 8 Dec 2010

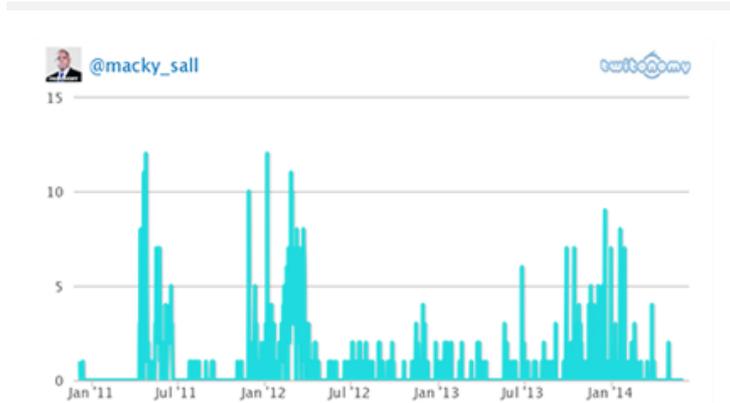
1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: Welcome to my Twitter account!

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Macky SALL
@macky_sall

[Follow](#)

Merci!

10:41 PM - 25 Mar 2012

139 RETWEETS **10** FAVORITES

Translation: Thank you!

First tweet



Mankeur Ndiaye
@MankeurNdiaye

[Follow](#)

Bonjour Senegal

11:02 AM - 15 Nov 2013

1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: Hello Senegal

Most popular tweet



Mankeur Ndiaye
@MankeurNdiaye

[Follow](#)

L'arraisonnement du bateau russe ne peut nullement entacher les relations diplomatiques entre le Sénégal et la Russie. [#kebetu](#)

6:43 PM - 10 Jan 2014

12 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: The arrest of the Russian vessel can in no way tarnish the diplomatic relations between Senegal and Russia. [#kebetu](#)

Seychelles

The Presidency and the Foreign Minister of the Seychelles have both an official Twitter presence, reporting on their respective activities.

Presidency of Seychelles

SeychellesStateHouse

The first official tweet on the account of the presidency of the Seychelles was made on 3 January 2013 tweeting President James Michel's New Year message entitled "Striving for our Seychelles". The Twitter account of the Seychelles State House is devoted to activities the government, tourism information, and interesting facts and stats about the country. The account tweets in English and French and occasionally posts pictures of President Michel meeting foreign dignitaries.



SeychellesStateHo...

@StateHouseSey

The Office of the President of the Republic of Seychelles presents news concerning President James Michel and Seychelles national news.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (53)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (6)

Foreign Minister of Seychelles

Jean-Paul Adam

Seychelles Foreign Minister Jean-Paul Adam opened his personal Twitter account @AdamJeanPaul on 17 March 2013 and chronicles his activities. @AdamJeanPaul tweets on average twice a week in French and in English mainly from his Blackberry. A quarter of his tweets are retweets sometimes of the presidential account @StateHouseSey and the foreign ministry @SeychellesMFA. He unilaterally follows 28 other world leaders but is mutually connected only to three other foreign ministers.



Jean-Paul Adam

@AdamJeanPaul

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Seychelles

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (28)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 142

Following: 170

Followers: 233

Joined Twitter: 03/17/2013

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.31

Retweets: 24%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.11

Replies/Tweet: 0.06

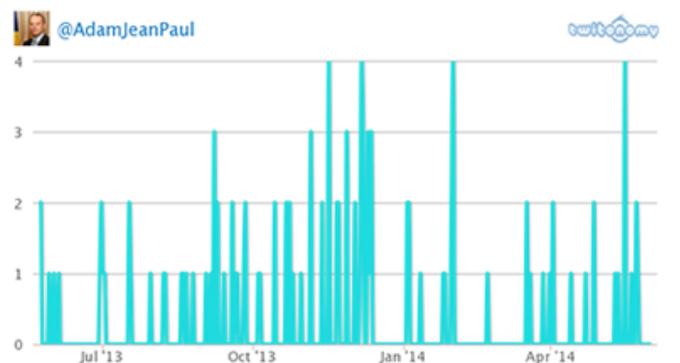
Tweets retweeted: 28%

Most mentioned @StateHouseSey (2), @maxbehar (2), @Masechaba_L (2), @AMB_A_Mohammed (2), @FawziaYusufAdam (1), @BBCWorld (1), @PresidencyZA (1), @asitnag (1), @ShareThis (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Jean-Paul Adam**
@AdamJeanPaul [Follow](#)

News - News - Ministry Of Foreign Affairs
- The Republic of Seychelles
mfa.gov.sc/static.php?con...

5:06 PM - 23 May 2013

Most popular tweet

 **Jean-Paul Adam**
@AdamJeanPaul [Follow](#)

Lonely Planet [#besttravel2014](#) lists
Seychelles in its top 10. Time to discover
what every Seychellois knows is a special
country!

4:26 AM - 30 Oct 2013

6 RETWEETS

Foreign Ministry of Seychelles

MFA Seychelles

The foreign ministry of the Seychelles joined Twitter on 16 October 2013 and the account tweets on average once a day. The account chronicles the activities of Foreign Minister @AdamJeanPaul and President James Michel. The foreign ministry is keen to establish mutual relations on Twitter, unilaterally following 37 other world leaders and is mutually connected with nine other foreign ministries.



MFA Seychelles

[@SeychellesMFA](#)

The Official Twitter account of the
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the
Republic of Seychelles

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (37)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (9)

Sierra Leone

Sierra Leone's authorities have started to use Twitter in 2012 with an official presidential Twitter account managed by the president's communication unit and a personal account for President Ernst Bai Koroma both of which have stopped their activity.

President of Sierra Leone

Ernest Bai Koroma

Sierra Leone's President Ernst Bai Koroma started his Twitter journey in the beginning of 2013 sharing the "The text of the speech during the State Opening of Parliament". The president's Twitter activity stopped at the end of May 2013. His last tweet is about a charity run to support a worthy cause and to get children off the streets and into school. While it was active, the account mainly retweeted tweets from the official @StateHouseSL account.



Ernest Bai Koroma

@ebkoroma

I am Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone. I became President of Sierra Leone in 2007 and I was recently re-elected for a second term.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (2)

Presidency of Sierra Leone

State House

The official Twitter account of Sierra Leone's State House makes an extensive use of pictures which are included in most of its tweets. The Twitter feed of Sierra Leone's State House was set up in August 2012 and all the tweets are produced by the communications unit @CommsUnitSL. @StateHouseSL is quite active with more than three tweets each day, a third being retweets from the @CommsUnitSL account, which in turn retweets the @StateHouseSL tweets. Activity seems to have halted though as there have been no tweets since 5 March 2014.



State House

@StateHouseSL

Office of the President of Sierra Leone. Tweets by @CommsUnitSL managed by @jaraski.

[facebook.com/StateHouseSL](https://www.facebook.com/StateHouseSL)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,242

Following: 12

Followers: 634

Joined Twitter: 08/26/2012

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.47

Retweets: 30%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.05

Replies/Tweet: 0

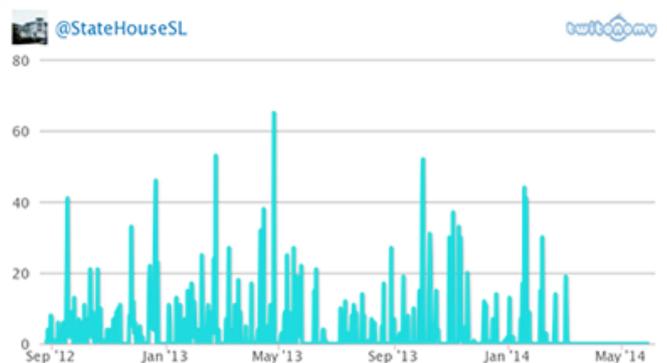
Tweets retweeted: 56%

Most mentioned @CommsUnitSL (54), @StateHouseSL (12), @UN (11), @PresidenceMali (4), @MarkJSimmonds (3), @UKenyatta (3), @StateHouseKenya (2), @Pr_Alpha_Conde (2), @Masdar (2), @macky_sall (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



State House
@StateHouseSL

[Follow](#)

Task Force Intensifies Cholera Response...facebook.com/statehouse.fre.

2:15 PM - 26 Aug 2012

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet



State House
@StateHouseSL

[Follow](#)

[#Ahmadiyya](#) Mission receives Presidential Medal from President Koroma at State House, Freetown, [#SierraLeone](#)

3:39 PM - 27 Apr 2013

16 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES

Presidency of Sierra Leone

Communications Unit

The Twitter account of the presidential communications unit (@CommsUnitSL) is currently the only active Twitter channel of the government of Sierra Leone. The account tweets on average four times per day and more than half of its tweets are retweets of the @StateHouseSL Twitter account. The account is unilaterally following 20 other world leaders but is mutually only connected to the @PresidenceMali. The account makes an abundant use of photos to showcase the activities of President Ernst Bai Koroma.



Communications Unit

[@CommsUnitSL](#)

Communications Unit
@StateHouseSL. Tweets managed by @jaraski. Re-tweets do NOT imply endorsement or agreement...#SierraLeone

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet



State House
@StateHouseSL

News Flash...Health Minister to Pay Farewell Courtesy Call on President Koroma today at @StateHouseSL, Freetown...

1:19 PM - 28 Aug 2012

2 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



Communications Unit
@CommsUnitSL

President Koroma arrives in Bo City to attend the 53rd Annual Conference of the #Ahmadiyya Mission in Sierra Leone.

1:49 PM - 7 Mar 2014

17 RETWEETS 7 FAVORITES

Somalia

Somalia's leaders have put the country back on the map through the use of Twitter. Since the beginning of 2013 the presidency, the prime minister and the foreign minister have all active Twitter feeds.

Presidency of Somalia

Villa Somalia

The official account of the Villa Somalia was set up on 15 November 2012 and chronicles the activities of President Hassan. The account tweets on average once every day. The Villa Somalia is not as conversational as it could be, but it is active in communicating to its followers. The account automatically shares a lot of posts from its Facebook page. Its most successful tweet was sent on 5 December 2013 when the Somali ambassador met Queen Elizabeth II



Villa Somalia

[@TheVillaSomalia](#)

This is the official Twitter of Villa Somalia.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Villa Somalia** 
@TheVillaSomalia 

Sallaam Aleykum, Kuso dhawow twitterka Villa Somalia. Welcome to the official Twitter page of Villa Somalia.

9:15 PM - 15 Nov 2012

12 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the official Twitter page of Villa Somalia.

Most popular tweet



 **Villa Somalia** 
@TheVillaSomalia 

[#Somalia](#) Ambassador to [#UK](#). Abdullahi Mohamed Ali meets Queen Elizabeth II [@BritishMonarchy](#)
raxanreeb.com/2013/12/somali...

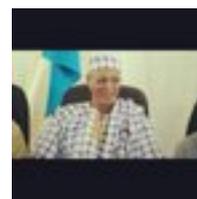
11:57 AM - 5 Dec 2013

54 RETWEETS **17** FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Somalia

@SomaliPM

The institutional Twitter account of Somali Prime Minister Abdi Farah Shirdon (Saacid) was set up on 3 February 2013 and has become the most popular of all Somali leaders' Twitter accounts. The account is fairly active, often posting pictures or videos of key meetings. His most retweeted tweet was sent on 23 September 2013 expressing condolences for the people of Kenya after the Westgate mall shooting. The account tweets on average almost three times per day and a fifth of its tweets are retweets of other official government accounts.



@SomaliPM

@SomaliPM

Official Twitter account of the Somali Prime Minister Abdiweli Sheikh Ahmed

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (4)

Foreign Minister of Somalia

Dr Abdirahman Beileh

Somalia's Foreign Minister Abdirahman Duale Beileh joined Twitter on 6 March 2014. The @BeilehMofa account tweets on average once a day chronicling his meetings with other foreign leaders. The foreign minister is not yet well connected with his peers, mutually only following Kenya's Foreign Minister @amb_a_mohammed.



Dr Abdirahman Bei...

@BeilehMofa

Official Twitter Account of the Minister of Foreign Affairs & Investment of the Federal Republic of Somalia. Re-tweet doesn't mean endorsement. Views are my own.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 151

Following: 222

Followers: 974

Joined Twitter: 03/06/2014

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.35

Retweets: 45%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.03

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

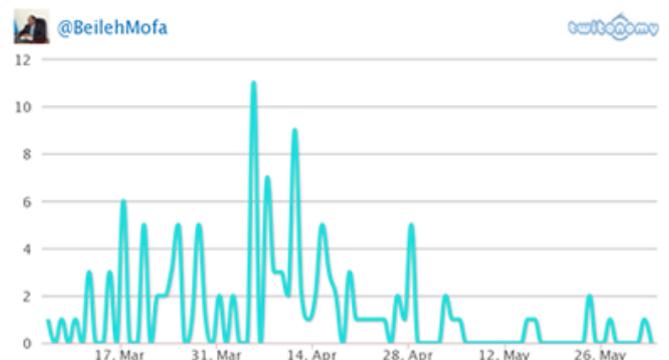
Tweets retweeted: 44%

Most mentioned @BeilehMofa (2), @radiomugadisho (1), @james (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Dr Abdirahman Beileh**
@BeilehMofa [Follow](#)

I thank the UN security council for extending partial easing of Somalia arms embargo. Time to defeat the terrorists.

4:55 PM - 6 Mar 2014

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



 **Dr Abdirahman Beileh**
@BeilehMofa [Follow](#)

Met with Kingdom of [#Saudi](#) Arabia, Ambassador Ghorm Said Malhan to discuss the progress & development of [#Somalia](#)

11:16 AM - 19 Apr 2014

13 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Somalia

Foreign Affairs

The foreign ministry of Somalia has an institutional account @MOFASomalia, set up under former Foreign Minister Fawzia Yusuf Adam who is still among the most mentioned persons of the account. Somali's foreign ministry has been keen to establish mutual connections on Twitter, unilaterally following 96 other world leaders and mutually following 13. The @MOFASomalia has become the third best connected African foreign ministry on Twitter.



Foreign Affairs

[@mofasomalia](#)

This is the official Account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Investment Promotion of the Federal Republic of Somalia.
info@mofa.gov.so

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (94)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (13)

South Africa

The president of South Africa took to Twitter shortly after assuming office in May 2009. The president has a personal and an institutional account. The government also maintains two Twitter news feeds @SAGovnews and @GovernmentZA.

President of South Africa

Jacob G. Zuma

South African president Jacob Zuma is not the most active tweep. So far he has tweeted less than 100 times mainly from an iPhone on the go. However his account was largely silent between May 2012 and April 2013 and he has not tweeted since the beginning of October 2013. His most popular tweet was posted on 9 April 2013: "Congrats to Africa's newest Head of State, HE Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya, looking forward to growing further ties between our two nations!" Although it is his personal account, President Zuma's Twitter stream doesn't show much interaction with his followers, and he has so far only made two @mentions. The honor went to the Springboks, the South African rugby team @bokrugby, and the official Twitter page of the Presidency of South Africa, @PresidencyZA. @PresidencyZA is also the user most retweeted, with five retweets. Jacob Zuma is followed by 38 other world leaders but he has not yet reciprocated.



Jacob G. Zuma

@SAPresident

President of the Republic of South Africa.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

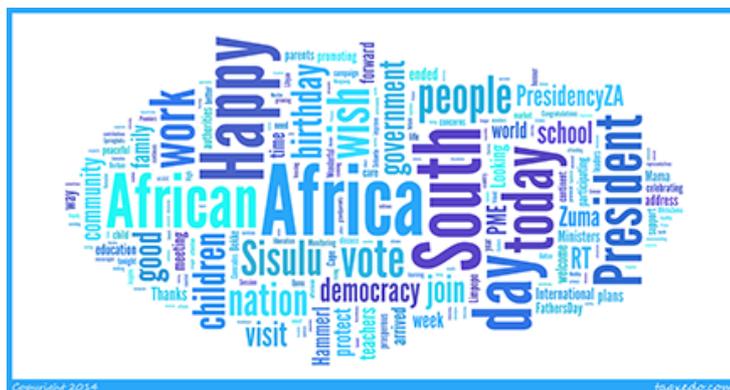
followed unilaterally by (38)

follows mutually (1)

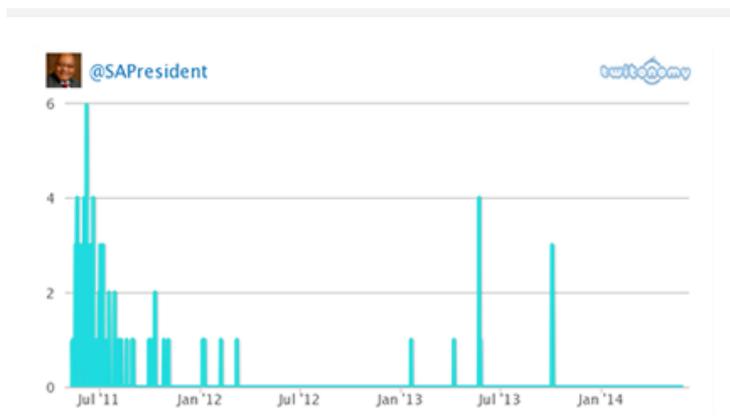
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	99
Following:	7
Followers:	325,876
Joined Twitter:	05/09/2011
Language:	English
Status:	Dormant since 06.10.2013
Tweets/day:	0.09
Retweets:	5%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.02
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	95%
Most mentioned	@PresidencyZA (1), @bokrugby (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Jacob G. Zuma ✓
@SAPresident

✈ Follow

Democracy is flourishing in South Africa, thanks to the active participation of all citizens. It's wonderful. Vote 18 May!

11:19 AM - 10 May 2011

152 RETWEETS **60** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Jacob G. Zuma ✓
@SAPresident

✈ Follow

Congrats to Africa's newest Head of State, HE Uhuru Kenyatta of Kenya, looking forward to further growing ties between our two nations!

12:58 PM - 9 Apr 2013

1,160 RETWEETS **184** FAVORITES

First tweet



PresidencyZA 
@PresidencyZA

[Follow](#)

We are Twittering as of now...

11:10 AM - 18 May 2009

2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



PresidencyZA 
@PresidencyZA

[Follow](#)

Former President Mandela is critical in hospital bit.ly/14RCbx5

9:24 PM - 23 Jun 2013

1,678 RETWEETS **39** FAVORITES

South Sudan

The Republic of South Sudan joined Twitter for its external communications in July 2011, exactly a week before being admitted to the United Nations as the 193rd member country.

Government of South Sudan

Gov of South Sudan

The official account of the Government for South Sudan broadcasts the activities of President Kiir, consistently referred to as “H.E. Kiir” and chronicles the new country’s nation building. The account was set up on 8 July 2011, just two days before gaining independence: “Dear Friends, on this great day the Government of Southern Sudan @RepSouthSudan is delighted to welcome you to our official Twitter Account”. The @UN, @Israel, the @_AfricanUnion and the @WorldBank are among the most mentioned accounts by @RepSouthSudan. The account is well connected with other world leaders, unilaterally following 40 and mutually connected with 11 other foreign ministers and governments.



Gov of South Sudan

@RepSouthSudan

The Official Twitter account for the Government of South Sudan.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (40)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (11)

Tanzania

Tanzania's President Jakaya Kikwete and Foreign Minister Bernard Membe have been putting the country on the Twitter map since 8 April 2011 and 28 May 2012 respectively.

President of Tanzania

Jakaya Kikwete

Tanzania's President Jakaya Kikwete is one of the most conversational world leaders on Twitter as almost two thirds of his tweets are @replies to his followers, often simple 'thank you's' for their comments and compliments. Jakaya Kikwete tweets in English and Swahili and sends on average one tweet per day. Eight percent of his tweets are retweets, often of Foreign Minister @BernardMembe and Deputy Minister of Communications @JMakamba. President Kikwete's account was verified by Twitter but he is not the best connected, only following eight people including his foreign minister but no other world leader.



Jakaya Kikwete

@jmkikwete

The President of The United Republic of Tanzania (Rais wa Jamhuri ya Muungano wa Tanzania)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (1)

Foreign Minister of Tanzania

Bernard Membe

Tanzania's Foreign Minister Bernard Membe, tweets nearly twice a day on average in English and Swahili since June 2012. The foreign minister mentions other Twitter users in every second tweet and a fifth of his tweets are @replies to other users. In September 2012, Membe also used his Twitter feed to rally his followers around Tanzania's position in the dispute with Malawi over Lake Malawai (Lake Nyasa in Tanzania) by retweeting his message: "If you support the position of Tanzania that the border in Lake Nyasa passes through the middle and that Tanzania has the right to own the lake, Retweet". It remains his most retweeted tweet.



Bernard Membe

@BernardMembe

Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the United Republic of Tanzania

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (7)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,270

Following: 111

Followers: 29,697

Joined Twitter: 05/28/2012

Language: English/Swahili

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.79

Retweets: 26%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.4

Replies/Tweet: 0.22

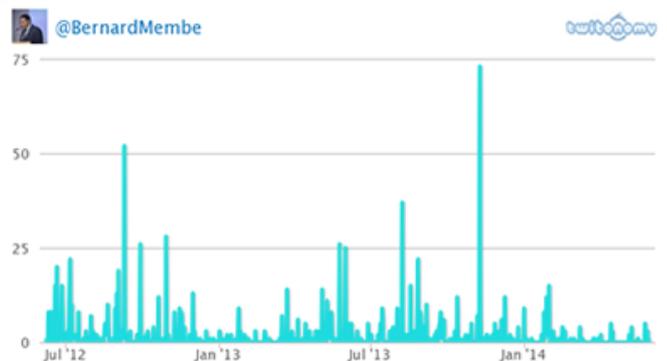
Tweets retweeted: 58%

Most mentioned @BernardMembe (33), @jmkikwete (27), @zittokabwe (26), @Semkae (23), @Chahali (18), @lifeofmshaba (14), @bajabiri (12), @tonyogolani (12), @fredkavishe (11), @nyangu (9).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Faustine Ndugulile
@DocFaustine

07 Jun

Please welcome Bernard Membe, our Foreign Minister to this forum @BernardMembe



Bernard Membe
@BernardMembe

[Follow](#)

@DocFaustine shukran Mhe. Ndugulile, tuko pamoja.

2:35 PM - 7 Jun 2012

Most popular tweet



Bernard Membe
@BernardMembe

[Follow](#)

Kama unaunga mkono msimamo wa Tanzania kuwa Mpaka wa Ziwa Nyasa unapita katikati na kuwa Tanzania inayo haki ya kumiliki ziwa hilo, Retweet

9:58 AM - 9 Sep 2012

235 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

Translation: If you support the position of Tanzania that the border passes through the center of Lake Nyasa and that Tanzania has the right to own the lake, Retweet

Togo

Togolese President Faure Essozimna Gnassingbé set up a Twitter account on 27 August 2012. The account is quite active and extremely conversational.

President of Togo

Faure GNASSINGBE

The President of Togo is not a very active Twitter user and has only sent eleven tweets since the beginning of 2014. His Twitter activity has steadily declined in 2013. However he is very conversational and more than two thirds of his tweets are @replies to other Twitter users. To a question of who is tweeting he replied in March 2013: "Me personally or my team", signed with his initials #FEG. His team tweets exclusively in French and often @mentions other Twitter users. The president shares quite a few 'handshake pictures' with other foreign leaders but does not follow them on Twitter, only following seven other accounts, namely Togo's representations abroad, the US embassy in Lomé and football star Emmanuel Adebayor.



Faure GNASSINGBE

@FGNASSINGBE

Président de la République

Togolaise #FEG #Togo #Tginfo

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (0)

Tunisia

Since the Arab Spring which was in part fuelled by social media the Tunisian leadership has also embraced Twitter.

President of Tunisia

محمد المنصف المرزوقي

President Moncef Marzouki is among the top five most followed African leaders but he does not tweet personally. It is interesting to note that the President of Tunisia started his Twitter account in March 2011, two months after the revolution, but before he became President, clearly recognizing the importance of social media. Before the election, his tweets were about his belief in freedom of speech, freedom for Tunisia, transparency and democracy. During the election period in October 2011, Marzouki provided information on how to vote and encouraged his people to be honest and transparent when they voted. Since he became President, he continues to update his followers on his political activities, including summaries of his speeches, allowing his followers to keep a track of his vision for the future.



محمد المنصف المرزوقي

@Moncef_Marzouki

رئيس الجمهورية التونسية - Président de la République Tunisienne

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,437

Following: 10

Followers: 197,403

Joined Twitter: 03/07/2011

Language: Arabic

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.2

Retweets: 17%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.17

Replies/Tweet: 0.11

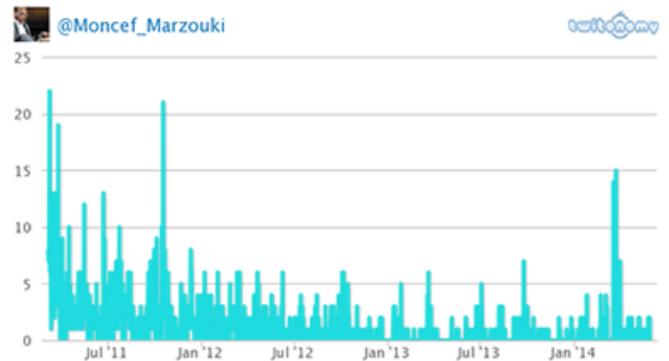
Tweets retweeted: 61%

Most mentioned @CPRTunisie (25), @djerbafr (11), @Moncef_Marzouki (10), @ahmedsocio (9), @Houssein (8), @Ooooups (7), @Mira404 (7), @hedizaher (7), @skenderb (6), @KUXXK (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 محمد المنصف المرزوقي
@Moncef_Marzouki [Follow](#)

Dissoudre la police
politique:<http://www.gnet.tn/temps-fort/tunisie-moncef-marzouki-appelle-a-dissoudre-la-police-politique/id-menu-325.html>

4:14 PM - 7 Mar 2011

1 RETWEET

Translation: Dissolve the political police:
<http://www.gnet.tn/temps-fort/tunisie-moncef-marzouki-appelle-a-dissoudre-la-police-politique/id-menu-325.html>

Most popular tweet



 محمد المنصف المرزوقي
@Moncef_Marzouki [Follow](#)

التوقيع على دستور الجمهورية التونسية

4:05 PM - 27 Jan 2014

210 RETWEETS 131 FAVORITES

Translation: The signing of the Constitution of the Republic of Tunisia pic.twitter.com/PwLdTHcF8

First tweet



تونس - الرئاسة
@presidenceTN

Follow

إنتخاب تونس نائب رئيس ثاني للإتحاد الإفريقي
tinyurl.com/7b2kt34

11:52 AM - 30 Jan 2012

1 RETWEET

Translation: Tunisia elected vice president of the African Union

Most popular tweet



تونس - الرئاسة
@presidenceTN

Follow

حالياً في قرطاج إجتماع الرؤساء الثلاثة ووزراء الدفاع والداخلية والعدل ورئيس أركان الجيوش وأعضاء المجلس الأعلى للأمن ومدير الأمن الرئاسي

6:32 PM - 6 Feb 2013

41 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Currently in Carthage meeting the three presidents and ministers of defense, interior, justice and army chief of staff, and members of the Supreme Council for Security and Director of the Presidential Security

Prime Minister of Tunisia

Mehdi Jomaa

@Mehdi_Jomaa is the official handle of the prime minister of Tunisia. The prime minister tweets mainly in Arabic and occasionally in French and in English. His team tweets on average once a day and regularly posts videos of his activities from YouTube. The account was created on 14 December 2013 and is linked to his Facebook page, automatically tweeting when a new post is published there.



Mehdi Jomaa

@Mehdi_Jomaa

مهدي جمعة رئيس الحكومة التونسية - Mehdi Jomaa Chef du gouvernement tunisien

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Tunisie Diplomatie**
@TunisieDiplo Follow

وزارة الشؤون الخارجية تنعى الفقيه عبد الفتاح عمر
12:56 PM - 6 Jan 2012

Translation: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs mourns the death of Abdelfattah Amo

Most popular tweet

 **Tunisie Diplomatie**
@TunisieDiplo Follow

Le Conseil de l'Europe ouvre son bureau à Tunis, le premier en dehors du continent
diplomatie.gov.tn/index.php?id=2...
4:00 PM - 8 Jan 2013

6 RETWEETS

Translation: The Council of Europe opens its office in Tunis, the first outside of the European continent.

Uganda

Ugandan Prime Minister Amama Mbabazi is the most conversational world leader on Twitter with 96% of his tweets being @replies to questions from his followers. President Kaguta Museveni on the other hand only tweets occasionally while his office, the State House of Uganda specifically tweets the activities of the President.

President of Uganda

Yoweri K Museveni

The personal Twitter account of Uganda's President Kaguta Museveni was registered on 27 March 2010 but he only sent his first tweet on 24 April 2014, inspired by Prime Minister Amama Mbabazi. @KagutaMuseveni only tweets on rare occasions, mainly personal observations and greetings to his followers. The account also posts pictures of his activities. The first tweet shows him driving an ethanol-powered vehicle has also become his most retweeted tweet so far.



Yoweri K Museveni

@KagutaMuseveni

President of the Republic of Uganda.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (22)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Yoweri K Museveni ✓
@KagutaMuseveni



I send my first tweet to salute Ugandan science students; they modified this vehicle's engine to run on pure ethanol.

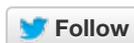
6:14 PM - 24 Apr 2014

1,946 RETWEETS **754** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Yoweri K Museveni ✓
@KagutaMuseveni



I send my first tweet to salute Ugandan science students; they modified this vehicle's engine to run on pure ethanol.

6:14 PM - 24 Apr 2014

1,946 RETWEETS **754** FAVORITES

Presidency of Uganda

State House Uganda

The Twitter account of Uganda's presidential administration is dedicated to updates of the activities of President Yoweri Museveni. Most tweets begin with "President Yoweri Museveni..." The account has live tweeted his #StateOfTheNation speech and updates followers on the #BudgetDay debate. Not surprisingly the State House Uganda is only following one other account, i.e. the personal account of @KagutaMuseveni.



State House Uganda

@StateHouseUg

The Official State House Uganda Twitter page. All Information Posted and Viewd on this page are subjected to the State House User Policy.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Amama Mbabazi

@AmamaMbabazi

Follow

Learning how to tweet.

10:05 AM - 14 Aug 2009

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Amama Mbabazi

@AmamaMbabazi

Follow

@JustinBieber As PM of Uganda, I appreciate your interest & invite you to visit. We have peace, stability & great people. #KonyisntinUganda

7:23 PM - 16 Mar 2012

180 RETWEETS 28 FAVORITES

Government of Uganda

Uganda Media Centre

Is the official account of the government of Uganda informing about the activities of President Yoweri Museveni. The account is managed by the center for public communications and tweets in English. On average the governments tweets nine times a day and is fairly conversational with 13% of replies and a mention in every second tweet. The account uses on average four hashtags per tweet mainly #Uganda and #Museveni. The account is only mutually connected to @RepSouthSudan.



Uganda Media Cen...

@UgandaMediaCent

The Government of Uganda's
Official centre for Public
Communications

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **Sam Kutesa**
@samkutesa [Follow](#)

Sam Kutesa sponsored a group of young people from his constituency to set up the first internet & information center in Sembabule District.

12:31 PM - 11 Jan 2011

Most popular tweet

 **Sam Kutesa**
@samkutesa [Follow](#)

Foreign Affairs minister Sam Kutesa has kicked off his campaign in Mawogola county <http://bit.ly/hjoAhc>

8:15 AM - 17 Jan 2011

1 RETWEET

Foreign Ministry of Uganda

UgandaMFA

@UgandaMFA joined Twitter in July 2013, but has posted less than 60 times in the last year. It occasionally replies to users and sometimes posts pictures. The account has been dormant from September 2013 to March 2014. The foreign ministry of Uganda has n



UgandaMFA

@UgandaMFA

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

Zambia

We are not sure if Zambia's President Michael Sata has a Twitter account as we were unable to verify the authenticity of the @MichaelSata account which is protected. Zambia's State House is on Twitter but the feed has been dormant since 30 August 2012.

Presidency of Zambia

StateHouse PressZM

The Twitter activity of Zambia's State House Press Office was short-lived. From March to August 2012 the account has sent only 30 tweets, all automatically generated from its Facebook page which is still active with more than 10,000 likes. The Twitter account which was designed to share official press statements is not following any other world leaders, however it is followed by three other world leaders including the presidency of the Seychelles @StateHouseSey, French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius, and the Swedish Foreign Ministry @swemfa.



StateHouse PressZM

@StateHousePress

The State House Press Office is one of the offices of Five Special Assistants attending to the President of Zambia.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Asia

The President of Indonesia, Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono (@SBYudhoyono) is the most followed Asian leader with more than five million followers, but India's new Prime Minister @NarendraModi is hot on his heels. @QueenRania of Jordan, Sheikh Mohammed (@HShkMohd) of the UAE and Filipino President @NoyNoyAquino complete the top five list of Asian leaders. Israel's Foreign Ministry is the best connected with 58 mutual peer connections. Kuwait's Foreign Minister Khaled A. Al Sabah (@kasnms) is the most conversational Asian leader with 71% of his tweets being @replies.



Armenia

Armenia's government was off to a good start on Twitter, setting up several official accounts in multiple languages, but many of them are either dormant or protected such as President @SerzhSargsyan's personal account.

Presidency of Armenia

President.am Press

The press office of the Armenian president has set up three accounts in Armenian @PresidentAM_arm, English @PresidentAM_eng and Russian @PresidentAM_rus but only actively tweets on its Armenian language account. Registered on 5 April 2012, the account has only sent 19 tweets so far and has been dormant since 30 November 2013. The accounts do not interact with their followers and are not following any other world leader.



President.am Press

@PresidentAM_arm

Հայաստանի Հանրապետության
Նախագահի մամուլի ծառայություն

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

**MFA of Armenia**
@MFAofArmenia 

The visit of the Armenian Minister of Foreign Affairs to Switzerland
goo.gl/RNwwa

11:49 AM - 21 Mar 2012

Most popular tweet

**MFA of Armenia**
@MFAofArmenia 

Nalbandian: In 1915 Talaat told [#Germany](#)'s Consul General that there is no [#Armenian](#) question because there are no more Armenians.

9:30 PM - 30 Apr 2014

10 RETWEETS **7** FAVORITES

Translation: Nalbandian: In 1915 Talaat told [#Germany](#)'s Consul General that there is no [#Armenian](#) question because there are no more Armenians.

Azerbaijan

The president, the government, and the Foreign Ministry of Azerbaijan have a well-rounded Twitter presence in both English and Azerbaijani.

President of Azerbaijan

İlham Əliyev

The statements of İlham Aliyev, the president of Azerbaijan are broadcast on two Twitter accounts in Azerbaijani @presidentaz and in English @azpresident. The Azerbaijani account has about twice as many followers as the English account and tweets statements and speeches from the president. While in the last year Aliyev's Twitter stream has been dominated by the Armenian-Azerbaijani Nagorno-Karabakh conflict, his statements now focus on the economic development of the country. Not surprisingly his most retweeted tweet in English is a statement about corruption: "There should be no room for corruption and bribery in Azerbaijan." Both accounts tweet on average slightly more than once a day and never @mention or @reply other users. The Azerbaijani and the English accounts only follow each other and the official account of the presidential administration @AzerbaijanPA.



İlham Əliyev

@azpresident

Azərbaycan Respublikasının Prezidenti İlham Əliyevin rəsmi twitter kanalı.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



AzerbaijanPA
@AzerbaijanPA

[Follow](#)

İlham Əliyev Ümumdünya Mədəniyyətlərarası Dialoq Forumun açılış mərasimində iştirak etmişdir
<http://www.president.az/articles/1845?locale=az>

1:52 PM - 8 Apr 2011

3 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: İlham Aliyev attended the opening ceremony of the World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue
<http://www.president.az/articles/1845?locale=az>

Most popular tweet



AzerbaijanPA
@AzerbaijanPA

[Follow](#)

R.S.Səfərovun əfv edilməsi haqqında Azərbaycan Respublikası Prezidentinin Sərəncamı. [president.az/articles/5596](http://www.president.az/articles/5596)

12:29 PM - 31 Aug 2012

25 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Translation: Order of the President of the Republic of Azerbaijan on <http://t.co/jCJbQ0oI>

Foreign Ministry of Azerbaijan

Foreign Ministry

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Azerbaijan averages 3.8 tweets per day and is more interactive than the other government accounts. 31% of its tweets are retweets, mainly of the spokesperson @ElmanAbdullayev as well as the presidential accounts, its missions abroad such as the embassy in Ukraine, the United Kingdom, Italy and the USA. The account has mentioned @YouTube 53 times as the channel is automatically linked to the presidential YouTube channel and tweets whenever a new video is uploaded.



Foreign Ministry

@AzerbaijanMFA

Welcome to the Official Twitter channel of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (23)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (23)

First tweet



Foreign Ministry

@AzerbaijanMFA

Follow

Nazir E. Məmmədیارov "Qazaxıstan Respublikasının müstəqilliyinin 20 ili" adlı yubiley medalı ilə təltif olunmuşdur, mfa.gov.az

6:51 PM - 13 Jan 2012

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Minister E. Mammadyarov: "20 years of independence of the Republic of Kazakhstan" was awarded the Jubilee Medal, <http://www.mfa.gov.az/>

Most popular tweet



Foreign Ministry

@AzerbaijanMFA

Follow

#Azerbaijan-America Alliance launches campaign on **#Khojaly** genocide. Justice for Khojaly!

11:46 AM - 15 Feb 2014

28 RETWEETS 13 FAVORITES

Bahrain

In Bahrain, Foreign Minister Khalid ibn Ahmad Al Khalifa is the main driving force behind the kingdom's Twitter activity.

Foreign Minister of Bahrain

Khalid Alkhalifa

Khalid Al Khalifa, a diplomat, ambassador, and Foreign Minister of Bahrain, started using Twitter on 23 October 2009, to engage with the public. @KhalidAlKhalifa tweets almost four times a day mainly in Arabic. However, there are a number of tweets in English including the famous public exchange with his Swedish counterpart @CarlBildt in May 2011 who was "Trying to get in touch with you on an issue." Khalid Al Khalifa replied: "@CarlBildt nice to hear from you to catch up on matters ... Your tweet caught the world's interest". He tweets about politics, news, local and global events that he attends or is interested in, and every other day he tweets a prayer dedicated to his country. Khalid Al Khalifa often retweets the most important global and local news from political



Khalid Alkhalifa

@khalidalkhalifa

Diplomat, Ambassador, Foreign Minister of Bahrain, Reader, World traveler, Bon Vivant

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (24)

follows mutually (11)

First tweet

 **Khalid Alkhalifa** 
@khalidalkhalifa 

diplomat representing my country
bahrain

5:46 PM - 23 Oct 2009

2 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



 **Khalid Alkhalifa** 
@khalidalkhalifa 

أنا مع اخي الغالي الامير سعود الفيصل .. أبشركم هو
طيب و بخير .. لله الحمد و المنة

7:11 PM - 2 Sep 2012

2,018 RETWEETS 94 FAVORITES

Translation: I am with my dear brother Prince Saud al-Faisal .. Bring you good news is good and okay .. Praise and gratitude be to Allah

Foreign Ministry of Bahrain

Bahrain Diplomatic

The official Twitter account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bahrain was established on 24 November 2009, a month after Foreign Minister Khalid Al Khalifa joined the social network. The main purpose for the account is to disseminate the latest news and updates of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Minister @KhalidAlKhalifa including his activities, initiatives, and events. The account tweets in Arabic and in English. However engagement on the account is low. The Foreign Ministry also maintains a useful Twitter list including 24 embassies and missions abroad.



Bahrain Diplomatic

@bahdiplomatic

The Official Twitter Account of The
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (29)

follows mutually (10)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 8,649

Following: 93

Followers: 24,908

Joined Twitter: 11/24/2009

Language: English/Arabic

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 5.6

Retweets: 6%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.12

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

Tweets retweeted: 79%

Most mentioned @khalidkhalifa (320), @BahrainEmbEG (10), @YousifAlkuwari (5), @ise1234 (5), @BahrainMsnCH (3), @rifaa3 (2), @BahrainConKSA (2), @BahrainEmbFR (2), @moi_bahrain (2), @alexafolgar (2).

First tweet

 **Bahrain Diplomatic** 
وزارة الخارجية @bahdiplomatic 

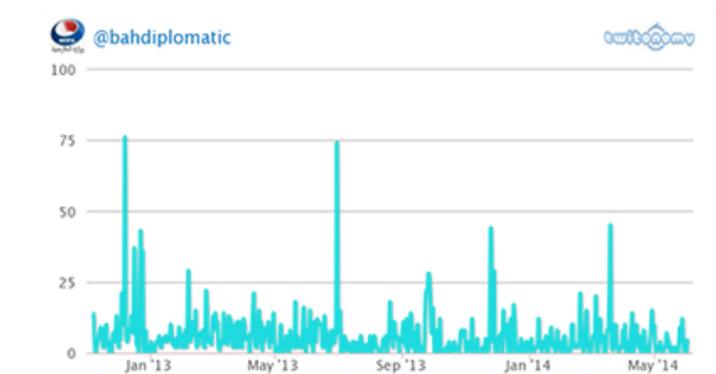
Bahrain has called on int'l community to take responsibility in helping the Palestinians realize their inalienable rights <http://is.gd/59GP8>

2:55 PM - 2 Dec 2009

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **Bahrain Diplomatic** 
وزارة الخارجية @bahdiplomatic 

تعلمن وزارة الخارجية عن فتح باب التوظيف للعمل بالوزارة لوظيفة ملحق دبلوماسي، للتقديم يرجى زيارة الرابط bit.ly/sizojK #Bahrain

5:42 PM - 4 Nov 2012

85 RETWEETS 12 FAVORITES

Translation: Online citizens in Indonesia, in the case of any emergency, please call the following numbers: 0066816826165 - 0066823450062 - 006626367892

Bhutan

Bhutan's Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay is on Twitter since May 2009. The prime minister sometimes tweets personally from his iPhone.

Prime Minister of Bhutan

Tshering Tobgay

The Twitter account for Tshering Tobgay, the prime minister of Bhutan, was created on 5 May 2009. He tweets on an average twice a day and sometimes tweets himself. His tweets cover subjects such as government policies, important festivals, and automobile launches in the country. @TsheringTobgay makes good use of pictures, even showing him working out on an indoor bike. Recently the account has been used to engage with new Indian Prime Minister @NarendraModi and to chronicle his first foreign visit to Bhutan. The most retweeted tweet is about Prime Minister Tobgay leaving for Delhi for the inauguration of the Indian prime minister. The account also retweets relevant and important news articles from the local media.



Tshering Tobgay

@tsheringtobgay

PM

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (2)

Brunei

The government of Brunei is on Twitter since 25 January 2013 and tweets in English and Malay. In early February 2014 a personal Twitter account was set up for Prime Minister Hassanal Bolkiah but we are not sure whether it is official

Prime Minister of Brunei

Hassanal Bolkiah

The personal Twitter account of Hassanal Bolkiah, the Sultan of Brunei, was set up on 1 February 2014 and tweeted for only five days mainly pictures of his activity. The account claims to be “controlled by a spokesman for the Sultan of Brunei Darussalam” but this could not be independently verified. The account has been dormant since 5 February 2014 and only posted pictures of the various meetings with officials without any text. Interestingly the account is not followed by the official account of the prime minister’s office.



Hassanal Bolkiah

[@HassanalBolkia2](#)

This twitter account is controlled by a spokesman for the sultan Brunei Darussalam

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Brunei PMO
@brunei_pmo

[Follow](#)

Welcome to the official twitter account of Prime Minister's Office of Brunei Darussalam.

5:50 AM - 26 Jan 2013

12 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Brunei PMO
@brunei_pmo

[Follow](#)

Welcome to the official twitter account of Prime Minister's Office of Brunei Darussalam.

5:50 AM - 26 Jan 2013

12 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

East Timor

Timorese President Taur Matan Ruak mothballed his personal Twitter account when he became president in May 2012 and has set up a new institutional account @PRepublicaTL in September of the same year.

President of East Timor

Taur Matan Ruak

The personal Twitter account of Timorese President Taur Matan Ruak aka José Maria Vasconcelos, has been dormant since his swearing-in ceremony on 20 May 2012. Taur Matan Ruak has only sent 16 tweets since joining Twitter on 19 September 2011. On 26 January he tweeted the link to the new website of the presidency <http://presidenttimorleste.tl> and five days later he announced his bid for election, which also became his most popular tweet. His last tweet on 20 May 2012 is a link to the full text of his speech at the swearing-in ceremony, held on the 10th anniversary of East Timor's independence from Indonesia.



Taur Matan Ruak

@TaurMatanRuak

Former leader of independence forces, head of armed forces of new democracy of Timor-Leste. Sworn in as President Timor-Leste May 20, 2012.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

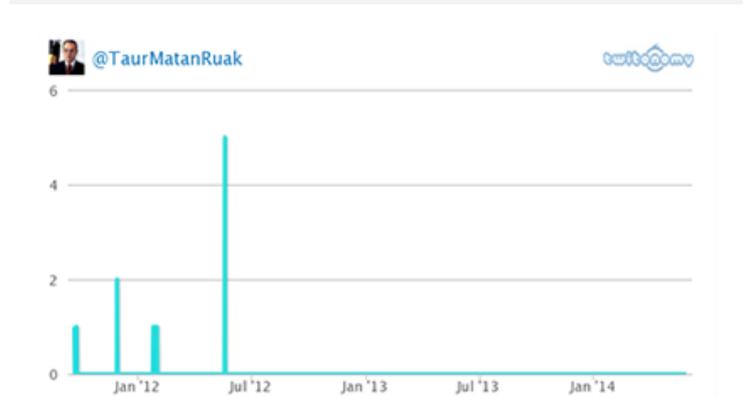
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	16
Following:	3
Followers:	553
Joined Twitter:	09/19/2011
Language:	English
Status:	Dormant since 20.05.2012
Tweets/day:	0.02
Retweets:	6%
Mentions/Tweet:	
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	56%
Most mentioned	

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Taur Matan Ruak

@TaurMatanRuak

Follow

Israel and the U.S. should support Palestine UN membership --
huff.to/nMpCFE

10:36 AM - 20 Sep 2011



[Israel and the U.S. Should Support Palestine UN Membership](#)

While I am an admirer of the state of Israel for their exceptional achievements in every field of human endeavor, the Palestinian issue is one the Israelis have failed to manage in a wise manner.



The WorldPost @TheWorldPost

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Taur Matan Ruak

@TaurMatanRuak

Follow

Announcement that yes, I am standing for re-election: bit.ly/wl8OTI

12:23 AM - 31 Jan 2012

11 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Presidency of East Timor

Taur Matan Ruak

The official account of the presidency of East Timor was set up on 25 September 2012. The account is automatically sharing posts of press releases, speech transcripts and announcements from the presidential Facebook page where he has more than 5,000 likes. There is no interaction with its followers and the presidency doesn't follow any other world leader.



Taur Matan Ruak

@PRepublicaTL

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Georgia

The entire Georgian leadership is on Twitter. President Giorgi Margvelashvili occasionally tweets on his personal account, Prime Minister Irakli Garibashvili from an institutional account and Foreign Minister Maia Phanjikidze also has a personal Twitter account which is dormant.

President of Georgia

President Of Georgia

President Margvelashvili, who stresses in his Twitter bio that was elected with more than 62% of the votes, sent his first tweet on 20 January 2014. His Twitter activity is limited with less than 92 tweets so far and never an @mention nor an @reply to other users. The account chronicles his official meetings with many formal photos but with few personal views on domestic and international issues. His most popular tweet is about protecting “the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the #Ukraine.” In terms of connection, President Girogi Margvelashvili follows 23 other world leaders but he is not followed back by any of them.



President Of Georgia

@MargvelashviliG

President of Georgia Giorgi Margvelashvili was elected on October 27, 2013 with more than 62% of the vote

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (23)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	96
Following:	109
Followers:	967
Joined Twitter:	12/13/2013
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.65
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.46
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	79%
Most mentioned	@cbabdullahgul (6), @GEORGARUGBY (3), @presidentaz (3), @GeorgianRugby (3), @Ataturk (2), @EastPartnership (2), @ISAFmedia (2), @fhollande (2), @www_Trend_Az (1), @WorldBank (1).

First tweet



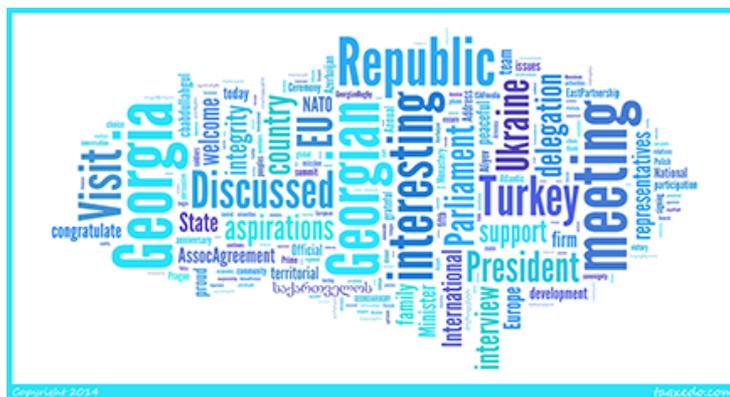
President Of Georgia
@MargvelashviliG [Follow](#)

Glad to inform, that from today i have joined you on Twitter.

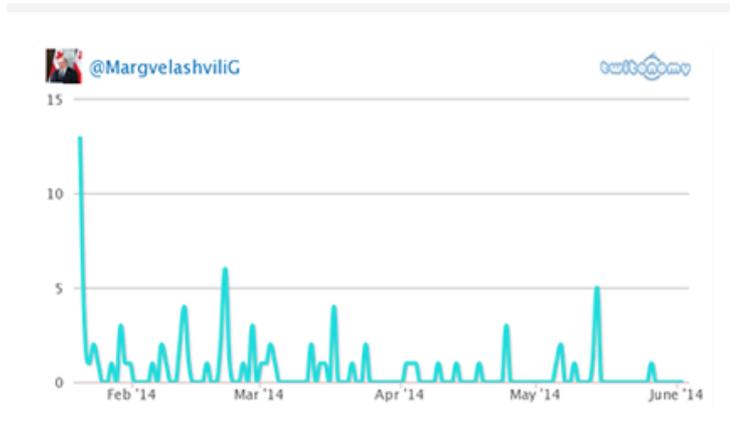
7:41 AM - 20 Jan 2014

14 RETWEETS **9** FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



President Of Georgia
@MargvelashviliG [Follow](#)

We call on the international community to use all existing means and protect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the [#Ukraine](#).

8:18 PM - 1 Mar 2014

52 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

Government of Georgia

Irakli Garibashvili

The institutional account of the Georgian prime minister started to tweet on 25 October 2012, the day former Prime Minister Bidzina Ivanishvili took office. The account was handed over to his successor, Prime Minister Irakli Garibashvili, who tweets on average once every three days in English. The Georgian prime minister shares links to his political initiatives and interviews and the stream contains numerous handshake photos during official meetings with other leaders. The account is not very active in terms of retweets and @replies but it is worth noting that he often engages with other users via @mentions of his international peers which are included in two-thirds of his tweets. The most popular tweet is about Georgia's solidarity with the Ukrainian people.



Irakli Garibashvili

@PrimeMinisterGE

The official twitter channel for the Prime Minister of Georgia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (4)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 188

Following: 555

Followers: 24,701

Joined Twitter: 10/14/2011

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.3

Retweets: 1%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.71

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

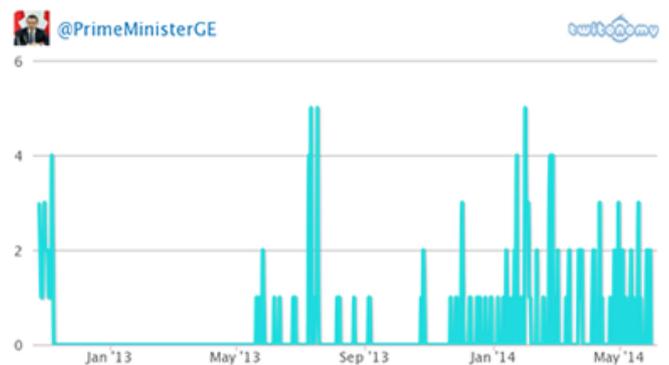
Tweets retweeted: 96%

Most mentioned @davos (5), @MunSecConf (5), @euHvR (5), @BarrosoEU (4), @EBRD (4), @StefanFuleEU (3), @BarackObama (3), @WhiteHouse (2), @Grybauskaite_LT (2), @GEORGARUGBY (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Irakli Garibashvili** 
@PrimeMinisterGE 

[#GeorgianDream](#) will abolish the unjust & discriminatory system of administrative detention

4:16 PM - 25 Oct 2012

1 RETWEET 3 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet

 **Irakli Garibashvili** 
@PrimeMinisterGE 

[#Ukraine](#)'s sovereignty shall not be violated! [#Georgia](#)'s solidarity with Ukrainian people is unconditional!
government.gov.ge/index.php?lang...

11:08 AM - 2 Mar 2014

66 RETWEETS 26 FAVORITES

Government of Georgia

GeorgianGovernment

The Georgian government also set up an institutional account on 3 December 2013 announcing the meeting between Prime Minister Garibashvili and the French Minister for Foreign Trade; it tweets little more than once a day in English. The stream is all about prime minister's political agenda and official meetings often @mentioning the @PrimeMinisterGE account. Since 30 April 2014 the government in Tbilisi also tweets in Abkhaz on @govgeoabkhaz, the language of the breakaway region of Abkhazia. The account has shared only three pictures so far and the only world leaders it follows are @BarackObama, @CarlBildt and the @EU_Commission.



GeorgianGovernment

@GovernmentGeo

Official Twitter Channel of Georgian Government

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



MFA of Georgia

@MFAgovge

 Follow

As part of the 'Days of Ecuadorian Culture' (27-31 May 2011), an Ecuadorian delegation paid a working visit to Georgia.

12:10 AM - 30 May 2011

Most popular tweet



MFA of Georgia

@MFAgovge

 Follow

The initialing of the Association Agreement between Georgia and the European Union has been completed in Vilnius.

11:33 AM - 28 Nov 2013

35 RETWEETS **8** FAVORITES

India

Narendra Modi joined Twitter on 10 January 2009 and since his election in May 2014 the prime minister has made digital communications one of his key priorities. He has encouraged his ministers to set up personal Twitter accounts and he is among the top three most followed world leaders.

Prime Minister of India

Narendra Modi

“I am a firm believer in the power of technology and social media to communicate with people across the world,” India’s new Prime Minister Narendra Modi wrote in his inaugural message on his new website. Within weeks of his election in May 2014, the @NarendraModi account has moved into the top three most followed Twitter accounts of world leaders. The account was one of the major communication channels during the 2014 election campaign. It is very active with an average of six tweets per day. His entire political campaign was amplified by his social media team with hourly updates from the campaign trail. Here is an interesting animation of Modi’s campaign trail produced by @TwitterData. Since becoming prime minister he has made diplomatic overtures on Twitter to a number of foreign leaders and he is mutually connected with Japan’s Prime Minister @AbeShinzo and Bhutan’s Prime Minister @TsheringTobgay.



Narendra Modi

@narendramodi

Prime Minister of India

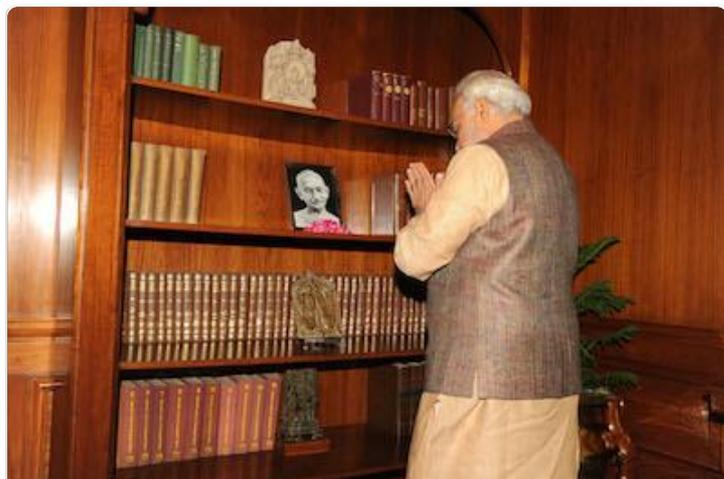
Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (20)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet



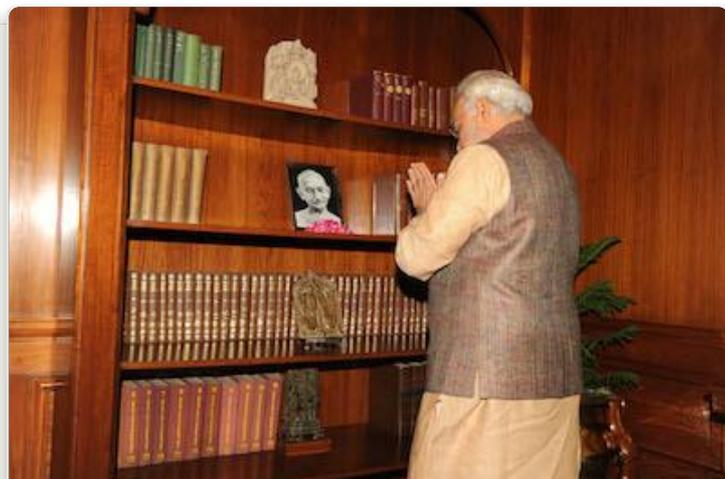
Follow

Prime Minister Narendra Modi began his first day in the PMO by offering tributes to Mahatma Gandhi

4:10 PM - 27 May 2014

1,725 RETWEETS 2,518 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Follow

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4:10 PM - 27 May 2014

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Foreign Minister of India

Sushma Swaraj

Sushma Swaraj, a career politician, who became Minister of External Affairs of India on 26 May 2014 has been on Twitter since 25 November 2010 and is now ranked as the second most followed foreign minister in the world. The account has been quite active in the past but the activity decreased in 2014 and she stopped tweeting when she became foreign minister on 28 May 2014, thanking her followers for the good wishes. Her most popular tweet was sent when the BJP party won the 2014 general election in May. @SushmaSwaraj is not yet following any of her international peers.



Sushma Swaraj

@SushmaSwaraj

Minister for External Affairs,
Government of India, New Delhi.

The account is personal.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Ministry of India

Indian Diplomacy

The Public Diplomacy Division of the Indian Ministry of External Affairs set up the @IndianDiplomacy account on 8 July 2010 sharing the latest issue of India Perspectives magazine. The official introduction happened the following day. “The purpose is to make public diplomacy a two-way process- to communicate as well as to listen to”. With this @reply to a follower the account made its purpose clear right from the beginning. Indeed, the account is used to carry out public and digital diplomacy activities as well as to foster greater understanding of India and its foreign policy concerns. “Enhancing #India's Conversations with the World, through engagement & #digitaldiplomacy” states the Twitter bio. With over five tweets a day @IndianDiplomacy shares content about key political and economic issues, culture, art and sport, including numerous videos from the ministry of foreign affairs’ YouTube channel and live tweeting from events. The account mutually follows seven other world leaders including the US State Department, the UK Foreign Office and the French foreign ministry.



Indian Diplomacy

@IndianDiplomacy

Official Account of Indian Public Diplomacy. Enhancing #India's Conversations with the World, through engagement & #digitaldiplomacy

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (39)

follows mutually (9)

Indonesia

Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono joined Twitter in March 2013 and in a more than a year he has become the third most followed world leader on Twitter.

President of Indonesia

S. B. Yudhoyono

“Hello Indonesia. I joined twitter for the world to come share greetings, views and inspiration. Greetings. * SBY **” was @SBYudhoyono first tweet on 15 April 2013. Since then the Indonesian president has seen his follower count explode becoming the third most followed world leader on Twitter. @SBYudhoyono tweets almost exclusively in Bahasa Indonesian, unless he wants to make a foreign policy statement as he did on 18 November 2013, when he instructed his foreign minister to recall Indonesia’s ambassador from Canberra. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, who signs his personal tweets with his initials SBY, sends on average seven tweets a day but rarely @mentions and @replies his followers and almost never includes links or hashtags in his tweets. He doesn’t follow any other world leader but is mutually following the Presidential Administration @IstanaRakyat.



S. B. Yudhoyono

@SBYudhoyono

Akun Resmi Presiden Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono. Dikelola oleh Staf Khusus Presiden Republik Indonesia. Twit dari Presiden ditandai *SBY*

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,780
Following:	132
Followers:	5,068,417
Joined Twitter:	03/27/2013
Language:	Bahasa Indonesia
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	6.44
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.04
Replies/Tweet:	0.03
Tweets retweeted:	100%
Most mentioned	@thejakartaglobe (7), @IstanaRakyat (3), @BNPB_Indonesia (2), @SBYudhoyono (2), @madeandi (2), @Yusrilihza_Mhd (2), @NajibRazak (2), @boediono (2), @langkahkuu (1), @fauziahkamilah (1).

First tweet



S. B. Yudhoyono 
@SBYudhoyono 

Halo Indonesia. Saya bergabung ke dunia twitter untuk ikut berbagi sapa, pandangan dan inspirasi. Salam kenal.
SBY

2:25 PM - 13 Apr 2013

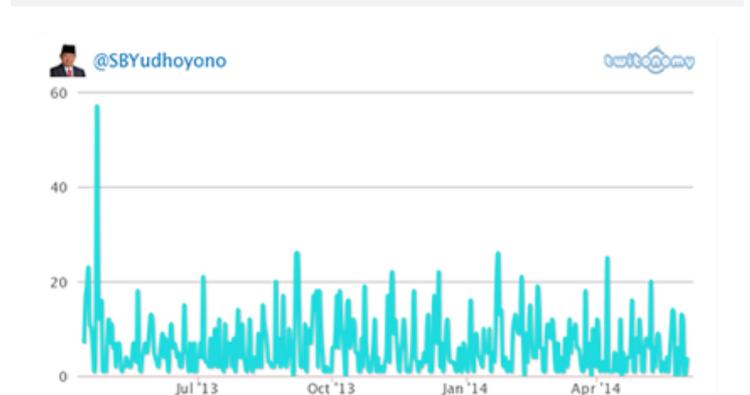
34,296 RETWEETS **5,063** FAVORITES

Translation: Hello Indonesia. I joined twitter for the world to come share greetings, views and inspiration. Greetings. * SBY *

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



S. B. Yudhoyono 
@SBYudhoyono 

Halo Indonesia. Saya bergabung ke dunia twitter untuk ikut berbagi sapa, pandangan dan inspirasi. Salam kenal.
SBY

2:25 PM - 13 Apr 2013

34,296 RETWEETS **5,063** FAVORITES

Translation: Hello Indonesians. I joined twitter for the world to come share greetings, views and inspiration. Greetings. * SBY *

First tweet

 **Istana untuk Rakyat**  
@IstanaRakyat

Bismillahirrahmanirrahim, met malam
Tweeps! Ini akun resmi Istana, Insha Allah
kita makin dekat.

3:47 PM - 8 Apr 2013

72 RETWEETS **10** FAVORITES

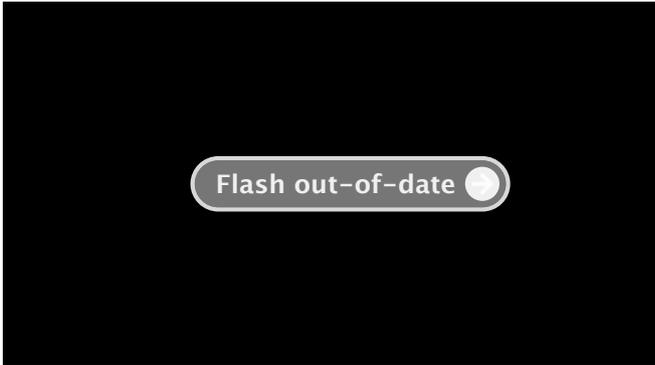
Translation: Welcome Tweeps! This is the official account of the Palace, Insha Allah we are getting closer.

Most popular tweet

 **Istana untuk Rakyat**  
@IstanaRakyat

Buku "Selalu Ada Pilihan" karya Presiden
[@SBYudhoyono](#) terbitan [@Gamedia](#)
2014 resmi diluncurkan
youtu.be/hPF5vEILj0

2:38 PM - 17 Jan 2014



 YouTube @YouTube

3,225 RETWEETS **5** FAVORITES

Translation: The book "Always a Choice" by President @SBYudhoyono and published by @Gamedia 2014 was officially launched <http://youtu.be/hPF5vEILj0>

Government of Indonesia

Sekretariat Kabinet

The cabinet account @setkabgoid is managed by the Cabinet Secretary Information Desk, with focus on news updates about the Indonesian government. The cabinet tweets on average 13 times a day in Bahasa Indonesian and its content discusses Indonesia's economic development, government updates and budget arrangements.



Sekretariat Kabinet

[@setkabgoid](#)

Terdepan dan terkini dalam menyampaikan berita seputar pemerintahan. Dikelola oleh Desk Informasi Sekretariat Kabinet

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	15,451
Following:	120
Followers:	99,701
Joined Twitter:	03/04/2011
Language:	Bahasa Indonesia
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	13.21
Retweets:	1%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.04
Replies/Tweet:	0.01
Tweets retweeted:	90%
Most mentioned	@setkabgoid (79), @ibnupurna (6), @SBYudhoyono (5), @dipoalam49 (5), @SBYhudoyuno (3), @TrioMacan2000 (3), @IstanaRakyat (2), @fizfirmanzah (2), @aosny2011 (1), @infoRIAU (1).

First tweet



Sekretariat Kabinet
@setkabgoid

[Follow](#)

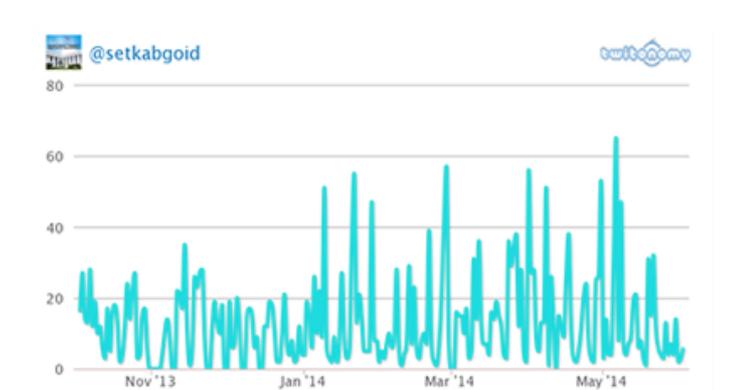
Kabar dar Istana @infoistana
12:43 PM - 4 Mar 2011

Translation: News of dar Palace @infoistana

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Sekretariat Kabinet
@setkabgoid

[Follow](#)

Diusulkan Jadi Wakil Presiden, SBY: Tidaklah, Membantu Presiden Tidak Harus Jadi Wapres bit.ly/1tKslcy
4:04 PM - 25 Apr 2014

140 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Foreign Ministry of Indonesia

KEMLU RI

Indonesia's Foreign Ministry maintains two Twitter feeds in Bahasa Indonesian (@Portal_Kemlu_RI) and in English (@MoFA_Indonesia). Besides broadcasting official news both accounts are very visual, frequently sharing pictures of the activities of visits and activities of Foreign Minister Marty Natalegawa. The Indonesian Foreign Ministry has been on Twitter since 29 June 2010 and many of its embassies and missions abroad are now also signing up to the micro-blogging service. The Foreign Ministry doesn't follow any other world leader or Foreign Service.



KEMLU RI

@Portal_Kemlu_RI

Akun twitter resmi Kementerian Luar Negeri Republik Indonesia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 6,728

Following: 36

Followers: 13,467

Joined Twitter: 06/29/2010

Language: Bahasa Indonesia

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 10.28

Retweets: 0%

Mentions/Tweet: 0

Replies/Tweet: 0

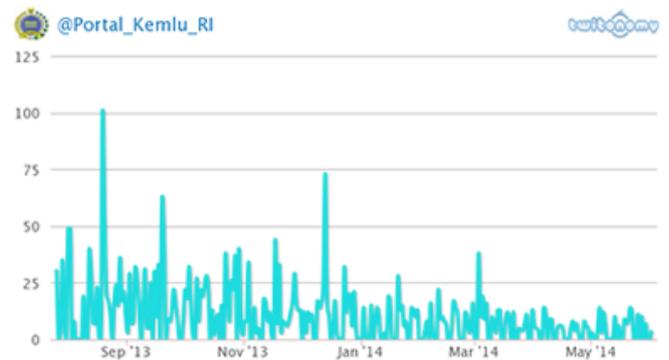
Tweets retweeted: 68%

Most mentioned @AIESECINDONESIA (3), @IndonesiaGaruda (2), @uinjakarta (1), @ASEAN (1), @MoFA_Indonesia (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Most popular tweet



Translation: FM: We do not accept the reasons of Australia's phone tapping <http://www.kemlu.go.id/Pages/News.aspx?IDP=6627&l=id> pic.twitter.com / aGIkZjmTm

Iran

Iranian officials have probably made the biggest impact on Twitter, engaging in direct digital diplomacy. Iran's president Hassan Rouhani tweets in English (@HassanRouhani) and in Persian (@Rouhani_ir), two accounts set up during the presidential election campaign. Iran's Supreme Leader, Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei sent his first tweet on 9 April 2009 and now also tweets in Arabic @Khamenei_irAr. Foreign Minister Javad Zarif tweets in English and has become one of the best twiplomats.

Religious Leader of Iran

Khamenei.ir

The staff of Iran's Supreme Leader has been tweeting in Farsi, and more and more in English to engage with a broader audience on global issues. In May 2012 his office tweeted an infographic about the "Outcomes of #Iran's resistance on #nuclear issue" with "information extracted from 44 speeches delivered over the past 9 years (2004-2012) by Ayatollah Khamenei". In June 2013 just before the Iranian presidential elections he posted an infographic comparing the US indirect and the Iranian direct electoral system. His team frequently uses pictures to document his meetings and his quotes, live tweets his Friday prayers and tweets links to the full text of his speeches. The existence of his Twitter account, while Twitter is officially banned in Iran, has been criticized by Iran's opposition leader Hossein Mousavi. Other than retweets of his tweets, engagement on the account is very low.



Khamenei.ir

@khamenei_ir

Follow for regular updates and news about Ayatollah Seyed Ali Khamenei, Iran's Supreme Leader -
-- Arabic Account:@khamenei_irAr

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

President of Iran

Hassan Rouhani

The Farsi Twitter account of Iran's president Hassan Rouhani (@Rouhani_ir) was set up on 22 April 2013 and the English account was created two weeks later on 5 May 2013 by his campaign staff. The account's main objective is to show a new Iran after the Ahmadinejad era.

@HassanRouhani made international headlines on 27 September 2013 when he tweeted the details of his telephone conversation with President Obama, the first direct contact between an American and Iranian President since 1979. The tweets were later deleted but are still available here. When Twitter co-founder Jack Dorsey tweeted President Rouhani asking whether Iranian's were able to read his tweets, @HassanRouhani responded: "Evening, @Jack. As I told @camanpour, my efforts geared 2 ensure my ppl'll comfortably b able 2 access all info globally as is their #right." However, the account is not very conversational with only 16% of retweets, including Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt. The most popular tweet is Happy New Year greeting to all Jews, especially Iranian Jews, sent on 4 September 2013.

@HassanRouhani only follows six other accounts including @Khamenei_ir and @JZarif.



Hassan Rouhani

@HassanRouhani

Iranian President's Sole English Account | Persian @Rouhani_ir | media@rouhani.ir

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (29)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Hassan Rouhani
@HassanRouhani

[youtube.com/watch?v=pqVLj9...](#)
[#Iranianelections2013](#) [#HassanRouhani](#)
[#Rouhani](#)

12:44 PM - 5 May 2013

Follow

Most popular tweet



Hassan Rouhani
@HassanRouhani

As the sun is about to set here in [#Tehran](#) I wish all Jews, especially Iranian Jews, a blessed Rosh Hashanah.

5:27 PM - 4 Sep 2013

4,976 RETWEETS 1,845 FAVORITES

Follow

Foreign Minister of Iran

Javad Zarif

Iran's Foreign Minister Javad Zarif, uses his personal Twitter account to engage in English with an international audience and mainly chronicles the Iran nuclear talks with the hashtags [#ViennaTalks](#) and [#Nuclear](#) being the most used hashtags. The account was set up in June 2009, but his first tweet was sent on 4 September 2013 "hoping to be able to [#interact](#) and stay in touch". What marked Javad Zarif's debut on Twitter though, is his tweet that wished Jews a "Happy Rosh Hashana". He then had an exchange with Nancy Pelosi's daughter ([@sfpelosi](#)) about the alleged Iran's Holocaust denial tweeting that: "Iran never denied it. The man who was perceived to be denying it is now gone. Happy New Year." His Twitter stream also features links to his interviews and information on his diplomatic activities. The most retweeted tweet was sent at 3am on 24 November 2013 after Iran and the West reached an agreement at the nuclear talks in Geneva: "We have reached an agreement."



Javad Zarif

[@JZarif](#)

Foreign Minister of Islamic Republic of Iran

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (30)

follows mutually (2)

Iraq

Iraqi president Jalal Talabani is not on Twitter, but Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri Al-Maliki and the Foreign Minister Hoshyar Zebari have made a timid appearance.

Prime Minister of Iraq

نوري كامل المالكي

@Nouri_alMaliki is the campaign account of President Nouri al-Maliki, and joined Twitter in October 2012. With three tweets per day, exclusively in Arabic, he is quite active, but does not interact with his followers.

@Nouri_alMaliki only rarely posts pictures on his feed. He has not yet made any mutual connections.



نوري كامل المالكي

@Nouri_alMaliki

الأستاذ نوري كامل المالكي... رئيس وزراء جمهورية العراق والقائد العام للقوات المسلحة... وزعيم ائتلاف دولة القانون الجناح... السياسي لحزب الدعوة الاسلامية

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Prime Minister of Iraq

Nouri K. Al-Maliki

On 2 January 2012, Nouri K. Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq, started using Twitter as a tool to spread the word about his political activities. The account only tweets intermittently, with only 44 tweets and just over 3,000 followers, the account still doesn't have much traction and hardly any engagement. Al-Maliki has used Twitter as a platform to broadcast messages encouraging people to show commitment towards the constitution of Iraq, as well as to highlight the power enjoyed by the council of ministers and its vital role in stabilizing the country. The account tweets in Arabic only and tweets are usually accompanied with the hashtag #نوري_المالكي which is his name in Arabic.



Nouri K. Al-Maliki

@NKMaliky

Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 44

Following: 67

Followers: 3,214

Joined Twitter: 01/02/2012

Language: Arabic

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.05

Retweets: 2%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.05

Replies/Tweet: 0.05

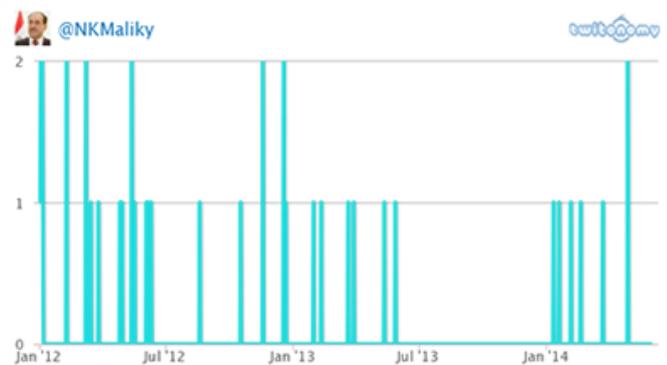
Tweets retweeted: 63%

Most mentioned @ahmedalhatab73 (1), @Aghitna_sir (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Nouri K. Al-Maliki
@NKMAliky

استقلالية القضاء هي اهم ركائز بنيان الدولة الناجزة
وسلطة القضاء هي العليا

12:48 PM - 2 Jan 2012

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Judiciary independence and authority of the Supreme court are the most important pillars to a prompt construction of the state

Most popular tweet



Nouri K. Al-Maliki
@NKMAliky

ندعو من الله أن يشفي ويعافي فخامة الرئيس جلال
الطالباني ويحفظه من كل مكروه

6:54 PM - 18 Dec 2012

9 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Translation: We call on God to heal President Jalal Talabani and keep him from all harm

Foreign Minister of Iraq

hoshyar zebari

Foreign Minister of Iraq Hoshyar Zebari started his Twitter account on 29 December 2011 but the account has been dormant since 26 October 2013. @HoshyarZebari tweets in English and the tweets are written in a personal tone which suggest he might be tweeting himself. The Twitter stream chronicles his visits to other countries and meetings with other foreign ministers and addresses Iraq's regional and global affairs. Hoshyar Zebari has been quite conversational replying in 29% of his tweets, mainly thanking followers when setting up his account in 2012. @HoshyarZebari mutually follows Bahrain's Foreign Minister @KhalidAlKhalifa, and Jordan's @NasserJudeh, and @WilliamjHague.



hoshyar zebari

@HoshyarZebari

Foreign Minister of Iraq

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (5)

First tweet



Iraq MFA

@IraqMFA

Follow

Foreign Minister Delivers Arab Summit Presidency to Qatar & headed the Arab League Council at the ministerial level on Sunday 24/03/2013.

5:31 PM - 25 Mar 2013

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Iraq MFA

@IraqMFA

Follow

ISIS/ ISIL is being used to freely in Iraq to describe a wide range of armed groups including the sidelined Ba'thist and Sunni Tribal Forces

3:39 PM - 20 Jun 2014

2 RETWEETS

Israel

The Israeli leadership, from President to Prime Minister, are well established on Twitter. The Foreign Ministry also manages the @Israel account and has set up specific accounts for all its embassies in more than 13 languages.

President of Israel

PresidentPeres

It is the last year of his term as president, and Shimon Peres' Twitter activity is not slowing down. Peres is probably the most beloved public figure in the Israeli political scene, and he and his social media staff constantly reaffirm that notion with a "man of the people" attitude. During the latest European Basketball championship he uploaded a picture of him watching the game on TV, and after the Israeli team won the title his team uploaded a portrait of him wearing a yellow tie, the color of the Israeli team uniforms. At a recent tech event he was featured in a selfie with Wired UK editor, who interviewed him on-stage. Peres successor Reuven Rivlin is not on Twitter.



PresidentPeres

@PresidentPeres

President of Israel Shimon Peres

נשיא מדינת ישראל, שמעון פרס

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (28)

follows mutually (0)

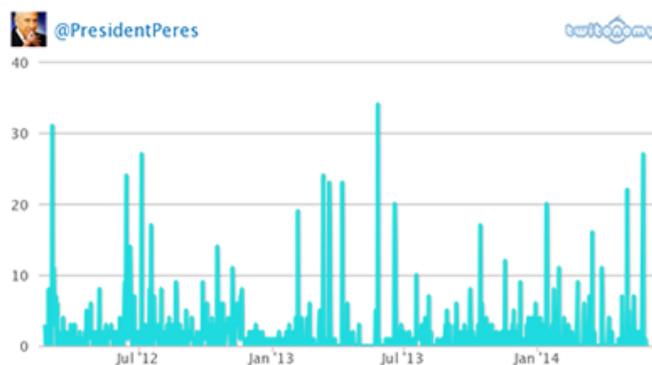
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,531
Following:	0
Followers:	43,242
Joined Twitter:	11/06/2011
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.82
Retweets:	0%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.17
Replies/Tweet:	0.04
Tweets retweeted:	94%
Most mentioned	@BarackObama (28), @Pontifex (23), @fhollande (9), @Elysee (9), @FCBarcelona (7), @richardquest (6), @wef (5), @Europarl_EN (5), @StateDept (4), @MsCoolAstro (4).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **PresidentPeres**  [Follow](#)

@PresidentPeres

Come to "מפ" 6 March from 05:00 to 08:00. נשיא המדינה שמעון פרס במפגש... מיוחד עם מייסד פייסבוק, מארק צוקרברג... fb.me/1JzihDE3C

11:31 PM - 23 Feb 2012

1 RETWEET

Translation: Come to "מפ" 6 March from 05:00 to 08:00. President Shimon Peres special meeting with the founder of Facebook, Mark Zuckerberg... <http://t.co/RPwGQENF>

Most popular tweet

 **PresidentPeres**  [Follow](#)

@PresidentPeres

Those who preach to us about morality should offer an alternative way to stop the rocket fire from Hamas. [#israelunderfire](#) [#pillarofdefense](#)

2:49 PM - 16 Nov 2012

1,978 RETWEETS 322 FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Israel

Benjamin Netanyahu

This account is Benjamin Netanyahu's political account, as it is not representative of the official position of the prime minister, but rather the position of Benjamin Netanyahu as the chairman of the Likud party. @Netanyahu is dedicating much of his appearances around the world to discuss the threat from a nuclearized Iran, therefore it is not surprising that his most retweeted tweet, from November 2013, is an infographic explaining that in his view the then proposed deal between Iran and the U.S would not cause Iran to retreat from its military nuclear aspirations.



Benjamin Netanyahu

@netanyahu

Updates from the Likud Office of Benjamin Netanyahu

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (43)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,012

Following: 81

Followers: 238,246

Joined Twitter: 10/30/2008

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.48

Retweets: 7%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.05

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

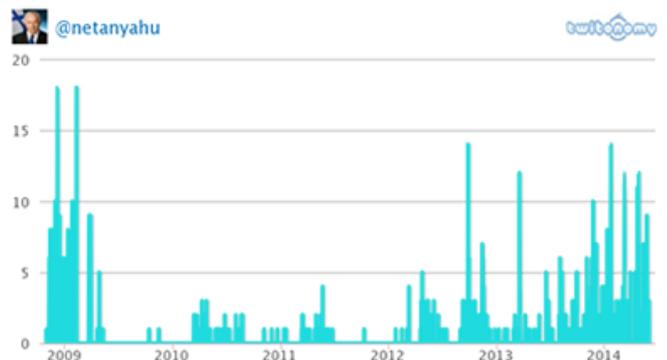
Tweets retweeted: 57%

Most mentioned @kfirpravda (4), @jonklinger (3), @QassamCount (3), @addthis (3), @WhiteHouse (3), @ynet_co_il (3), @AlecJRoss (2), @israelconsulate (2), @macon44 (2), @UN (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Benjamin Netanyahu 
@netanyahu 

היום בערב כנסים ברמלה ובגבעתיים

7:45 AM - 30 Oct 2008

Translation: Congress tonight in Ramla and Givattayim

Most popular tweet



DON'T RUSH INTO A BAD DEAL WITH IRAN

-  To build nuclear weapons you need enriched uranium or plutonium reactors
-  To produce civilian nuclear energy you **don't** need enriched uranium or plutonium reactors
-  The current proposal lets Iran enrich uranium and keep its plutonium reactor
-  The proposal enables Iran to develop atomic bombs and build long range missiles to reach the US and Europe.

 **Iran is getting everything and giving nothing!**



Benjamin Netanyahu 
@netanyahu 

Retweet and send this important message to the world

3:02 PM - 15 Nov 2013

5,550 RETWEETS **1,243** FAVORITES

Government of Israel

PM of Israel

While the prime minister himself tweets only every other day, his official account tweets almost three times a day. The account, which was established on 7 May 2010, provides updates on the Prime Minister's agenda in English. The prime minister's office also operates two secondary Twitter feeds in Hebrew (@IsraeliPM_Heb) and in Arabic (@IsraeliPM_AR). Its most retweeted tweets were sent on 11 October 2011: "We have concluded arduous negotiations with # Hamas to release # Gilad # Shalit. He will be coming home in the next few days" and the following day: "I am bringing # Gilad # Shalit home !"



PM of Israel

@IsraeliPM

The official Twitter account of the Office of the Prime Minister of Israel

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	3,693
Following:	305
Followers:	104,728
Joined Twitter:	05/07/2010
Language:	Hebrew/English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.63
Retweets:	9%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.09
Replies/Tweet:	0.04
Tweets retweeted:	89%
Most mentioned	<p>@ofirgendelman (92), @MarkRegevPMO (30), @Pontifex (18), @PresidentPeres (16), @UN (13), @yadvashem (11), @Israel (11), @Israelipm_ar (6), @IsraeliPM (5), @WhiteHouse (5).</p>

First tweet



PM of Israel ✓

@IsraeliPM

✈ Follow

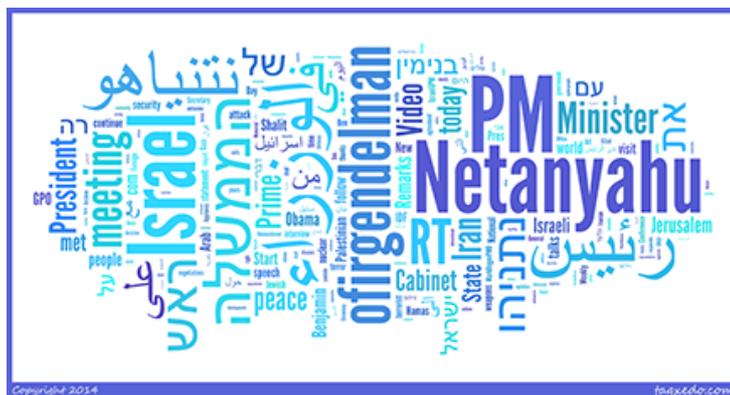
משרד ראש הממשלה מתחיל מהיום לציץ בטוויטר

8:39 AM - 2 Aug 2010

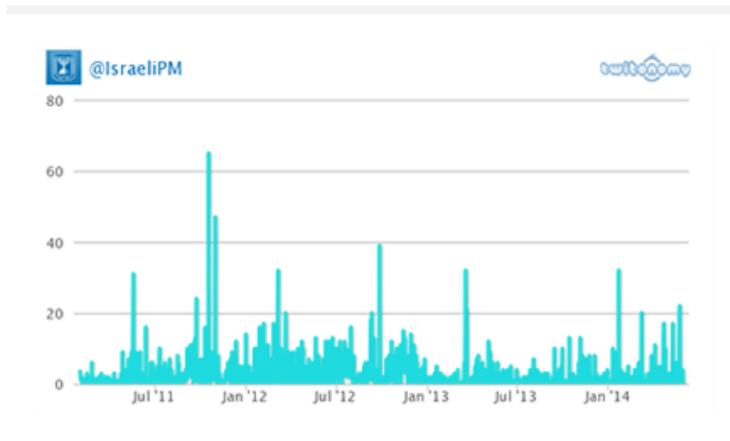
3 RETWEETS

Translation: Prime Minister starts the day tweet on Twitter

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



PM of Israel ✓

@IsraeliPM

✈ Follow

We have concluded ardeous negotiations with #Hamas to release #Gilad #Shalit. He will be coming home in the next few days.

8:54 PM - 11 Oct 2011

1,544 RETWEETS 98 FAVORITES

First tweet

 **Israel Foreign Min.** 
@IsraelMFA 

The IsraelMFA twitter account name has been changed to [@Israel](https://twitter.com/Israel). Look for us here: twitter.com/israel

7:24 AM - 31 Aug 2010

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet



ARIEL SHARON
1928-2014

 **Israel Foreign Min.** 
@IsraelMFA 

Israel's 11th PM, Ariel Sharon (Served in office 2001-2006) has passed away. May his memory be for a blessing.

1:50 PM - 11 Jan 2014

391 RETWEETS **147** FAVORITES

Japan

The Japanese government was one of the first to adopt Twitter in its communication strategy during the devastating earthquake and tsunami of 11 March 2011 under former Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama who was also the first Japanese government leader to join Twitter in December 2009.

Prime Minister of Japan

安倍晋三

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzō Abe has linked his Twitter feed to his Facebook page, automatically sharing his posts on Twitter. The account tweets on average once a day, but never @mentions or @replies other Twitter users. His posts include references to diplomatic matters such as President Barack Obama's visit to Japan and his tour of Europe, as well as his private life such as the latest book he is currently reading. His most retweeted tweet was posted on 8 September 2013: "This is Shinzo Abe here. Sorry to be tweeting so early in the morning. This is a flash from Buenos Aires. Tokyo was chosen to host the 2020 Olympics a short while ago!! I am absolutely thrilled. I wanted to share my happiness with everybody." Shinzō Abe only follows two other accounts: the governor of Tokyo @InoseNaoki and his wife @AkieAbe and he mutually follows only India's new Prime Minister @NarendraModi.



安倍晋三
@AbeShinzo
衆議院議員安倍晋三（あべしんぞう）の公式twitterです

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



首相官邸 
首相官邸 @kantei 

【公式ツイッタースタート】官邸災害ツイッターに加えて、日々の情報も国民の皆様が発信します。首相官邸HPに掲載される総理についての更新情報などを中心にお届けします。

2:06 AM - 25 Nov 2011

318 RETWEETS **40** FAVORITES

Translation: In addition to the official account for natural disasters, this account sends updates on a daily basis for the Prime Minister's Office.

Most popular tweet



首相官邸 
首相官邸 @kantei 

【北朝鮮発射情報】さきほど、北朝鮮の「人工衛星」と称するミサイルが南方向に発射されました。続報が入り次第、お知らせします。

1:56 AM - 12 Dec 2012

12,327 RETWEETS **764** FAVORITES

Translation: [Information] North Korea earlier fired a missile in the southern direction, which the North called a "satellite". I will let you know any follow-up as soon as it becomes available.

Government of Japan

The Gov't of Japan

The Japanese government opened a new official Twitter account in English on 25 April 2014. The account was opened to coincide with Prime Minister Abe's visit to Europe and tweets mainly about Japan's diplomatic activity. The most retweeted tweet was about Prime Minister Abe presenting German Chancellor Angela Merkel with the uniform of the Japanese women's national football team, "Nadeshiko Japan" when he visited the country.



The Gov't of Japan

@JapanGov

Official Twitter of the Government of Japan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

Government of Japan

首相官邸 (災害情報)

Former Prime Minister Noda created the first official Japanese government Twitter account on 15 March 2011 four days after the 'Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami'. The disaster-related Twitter account of the Japanese government has expanded its scope, tweeting warnings about all kinds of disasters including earthquakes, tsunamis, typhoons, tornadoes, heatstroke and falling satellites. The most retweeted tweet was a tsunami warning sent on 7 December 2012. The account also warned of phishing asking followers to be cautious and make donations and contributions to disaster relief campaigns only through trusted websites.



首相官邸 (災害情報)

@Kantei_Saigai

本アカウントは首相官邸の公式アカウントです。首相官邸から災害関連の政府活動情報をお届けいたします。

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,953

Following: 13

Followers: 1,043,487

Joined Twitter: 03/13/2011

Language: Japanese

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 2.51

Retweets: 16%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.01

Replies/Tweet:

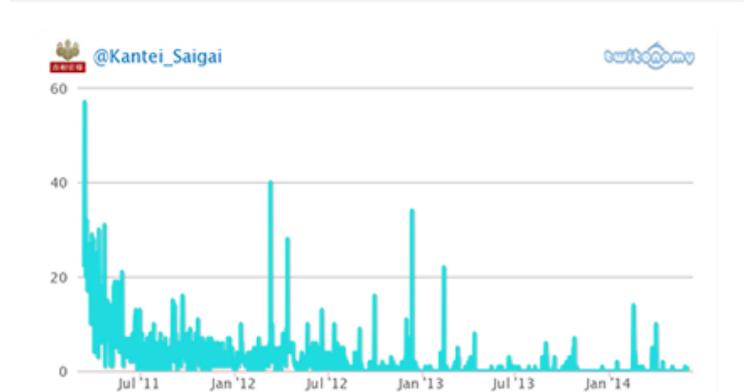
Tweets retweeted: 84%

Most mentioned @Kantei_Saigai (11), @JPN_PMO (5), @kantei (4), @norishikata (1), @FDMA_JAPAN (1), @MHLWitter (1), @0 (1), @CAO_BOUSAI (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



首相官邸 (災害情報)  
首相官邸 @Kantei_Saigai

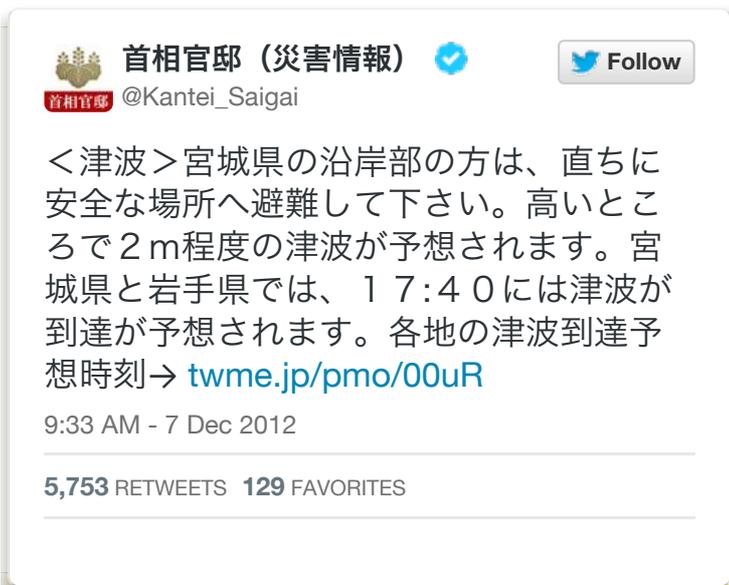
官邸Webサイトに、災害情報ページを作っています<http://bit.ly/i5vpob>
これからさらにリニューアルしていきます。

7:42 AM - 13 Mar 2011

1,411 RETWEETS **106** FAVORITES

Translation: Official Twitter presence of the website for natural disaster warnings. <http://bit.ly/i5vpob>

Most popular tweet



首相官邸 (災害情報)  
首相官邸 @Kantei_Saigai

<津波>宮城県の沿岸部の方は、直ちに安全な場所へ避難して下さい。高いところで2 m程度の津波が予想されます。宮城県と岩手県では、17:40には津波が到達が予想されます。各地の津波到達予想時刻→ twme.jp/pmo/00uR

9:33 AM - 7 Dec 2012

5,753 RETWEETS **129** FAVORITES

Translation: The person of the coastal areas of Miyagi prefecture, should be evacuated to a safe place immediately. Tsunami of about 2m is expected in a high place. In Iwate Prefecture and Miyagi Prefecture, tsunami is expected to make landfall at 17:40. Tsunami arrival time expected around the country → <http://Twme.Jp/pmo/00uR>

Government of Japan

PM's Office of Japan

Five days after the Fukushima disaster struck, the government set up an English Twitter account, which served as an English version of @Kantei_Saigai (Prime Minister's office, disaster information). During the week following the disaster the government tweeted: "[Notice] How to protect yourself from radiation exposure when you have to go out in the area within 20~30 km radius from the nuclear plants. 1) When going out, use cars as much as possible to avoid exposure to air. 2) Wear a mask, gloves, & long sleeve shirts. 3) Avoid exposure to rain." The account tried to re-assure residents about the radiation levels: "Human beings are exposed to a certain level of radiation in daily-life. Please react calmly" and "To people living in Tohoku and Kanto regions – There is no risk to human health, even if it rains. Please rest assured." Currently, this account is mainly providing updates on daily events such as videos of chief cabinet secretary Suga's daily press conference.



PM's Office of Japan

@JPN_PMO

This is the official English twitter account of Prime Minister's Office of Japan. Our Facebook URL is facebook.com/Japan.PMO

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (41)

follows mutually (5)

Foreign Ministry of Japan

外務省

The Japanese Foreign Ministry joined Twitter on the 23 May 2011 and maintains two accounts in Japanese (@MofaJapan_jp) and in English (@MofaJapan_en). The accounts are mainly broadcasting press releases and statements linking back to the Foreign Ministry website. The accounts are not conversational and the Foreign Ministry is not connected to any other foreign leader.



外務省
MOFA Japan

外務省

@MofaJapan_jp

このアカウントは外務省公式アカウントです。外務省ホームページの最新情報を中心に情報を発信しています。

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 10,151

Following: 21

Followers: 77,937

Joined Twitter: 05/23/2011

Language: Japanese

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 8.79

Retweets: 2%

Mentions/Tweet:

Replies/Tweet:

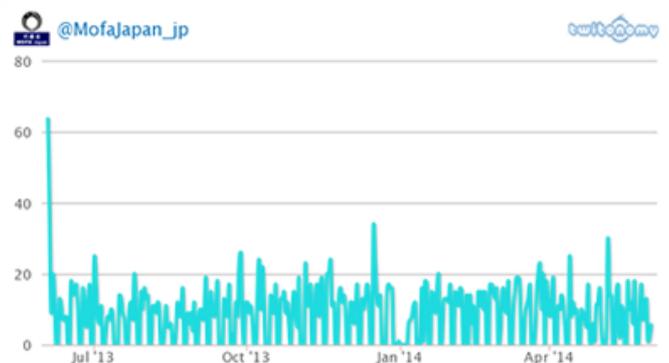
Tweets retweeted: 98%

Most mentioned

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **外務省** 
外務省 MOFA Japan @MofaJapan_jp 

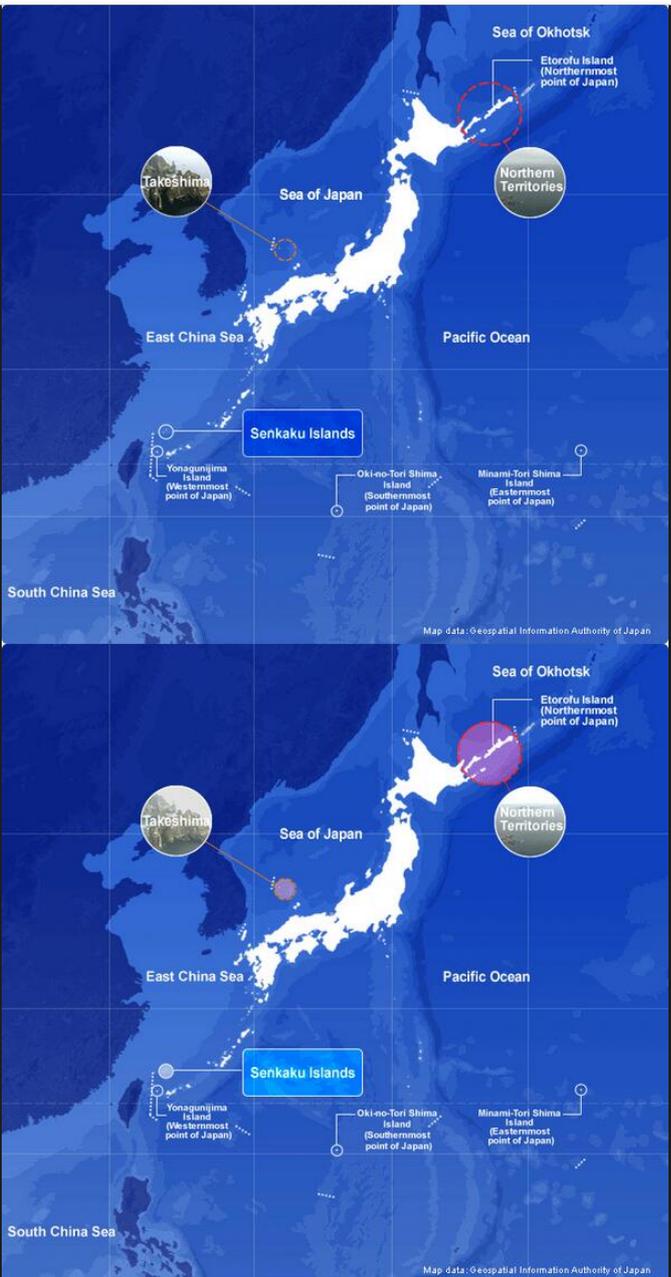
外務省は本日（6月1日）から「フェイスブック」及び「ツイッター」の外務省公式アカウントを開設し、日本語と英語で日本外交全般に関する情報を発信します。 <http://bit.ly/mkp0oW>

2:28 AM - 1 Jun 2011

101 RETWEETS **15** FAVORITES

Translation: Opened an official Foreign Ministry "Facebook" and "Twitter" account from (June 1). The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will post information about Japan's foreign policy in English and Japanese. <http://bit.ly/mkp0oW>

Most popular tweet



 **MOFA of Japan** 
外務省 MOFA Japan @MofaJapan_en 

New Website on Japanese Territory
[mofa.go.jp/territory/inde...](http://mofa.go.jp/territory/index.html)

2:41 PM - 4 Apr 2014

64 RETWEETS **20** FAVORITES

Jordan

His Majesty King Abdullah II joined Twitter as the Jordan's Royal Hashemite Court on 21 April 2013, almost four years after his wife @QueenRania. The Jordan government's and the foreign ministry's institutional accounts are linked to their respective Facebook pages.

Queen of Jordan

Rania Al Abdullah

Queen Rania, who describes herself as “A mum and a wife with a really cool day job...” started tweeting personally on 8 May 2009, during the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to Jordan. About a year before she was on Twitter, she launched her YouTube channel to engage with Middle-Eastern users. In an interview on Techcrunch she said she believed that Twitter is a great way to share her concerns with people across the world, to hear their ideas, and to motivate them to support her causes. Queen Rania tweets regularly and actively engages with her followers. Her tweets are in English and Arabic often sharing links to pictures on her Instagram account. Her tweets cover local, regional and international issues including education, health, youth and community empowerment, and more personal tweets like photos of herself and her family. Queen Rania conducted her first Twitter interview in June 2009 at the World Economic Forum held at the Dead Sea in Jordan.



Rania Al Abdullah

@QueenRania

A mum and a wife with a really cool day job...

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (37)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,064
Following:	214
Followers:	3,205,475
Joined Twitter:	04/29/2009
Language:	English/Arabic
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.56
Retweets:	6%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.19
Replies/Tweet:	0.06
Tweets retweeted:	77%
Most mentioned	@UNICEF (10), @MadrasatiJo (10), @jordanriverfdn (9), @wef (8), @QueenRania (6), @davos (6), @JoVolunteers (4), @AhmadShararJO (4), @carlitarocks (4), @join1goal (3).

First tweet

 **Rania Al Abdullah**  [Follow](#)

@QueenRania

Salaam! Last time you heard from me, we worked together to breakdown stereotypes. <http://bit.ly/j25vj>

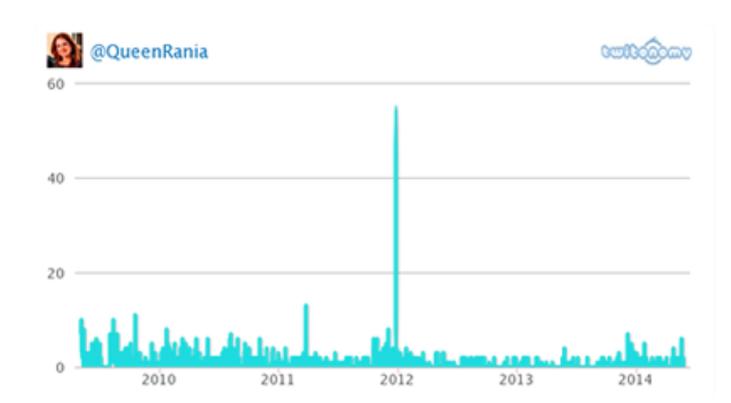
8:22 PM - 7 May 2009

3 RETWEETS **9** FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **Rania Al Abdullah**  [Follow](#)

@QueenRania

[#TwisitJordan](#) 2x2=? Want to be part of my tourist swap? <http://bit.ly/97hvnQ> PLZ RT!

6:48 PM - 15 Jul 2010

2,497 RETWEETS **27** FAVORITES

First tweet

**RHC** 
@RHCJO 

مرحبا بكم في الصفحة الرسمية للديوان الملكي
#الأردن #Jordan #Jo الهاشمي على تويتر
9:57 AM - 21 Apr 2013

115 RETWEETS 46 FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the official twitter page of the Royal Hashemite Court on twitter #Jo #Jordan

Most popular tweet

**RHC** 
@RHCJO 

أبارك لكم مرور 68 عاما على
استقلال #الأردن وتجسيد إرادتنا الوطنية الحرة، وكلي
#ABH "ثقة بكم وبعزيمتكم، و"معاً أقوى"
11:02 AM - 25 May 2014

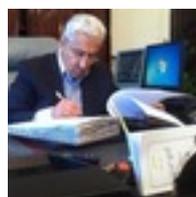
515 RETWEETS 475 FAVORITES

Translation: Bless you over 68 years of independence #Jordan and reflect on our free nation, I trust in you and disheartened, and "stronger together" #ABH

Prime Minister of Jordan

د. عبدالله النسور

The Twitter account of Jordan's Prime Minister Abdullah Ensour was created in February 2011 and is automatically tweeting links to his Facebook page where he has 139,000 likes. @DrEnsour does not engage with other Twitter users through retweets, @mentions or @replies and isn't following any other Twitter user. The account tweets exclusively in Arabic about the prime minister's activities.



د. عبدالله النسور

@DrEnsour

Prime Minister - Hashemite
Kingdom of Jordan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,544
Following:	0
Followers:	4,866
Joined Twitter:	02/10/2011
Language:	Arabic
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.23
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	33%
Most mentioned	

First tweet

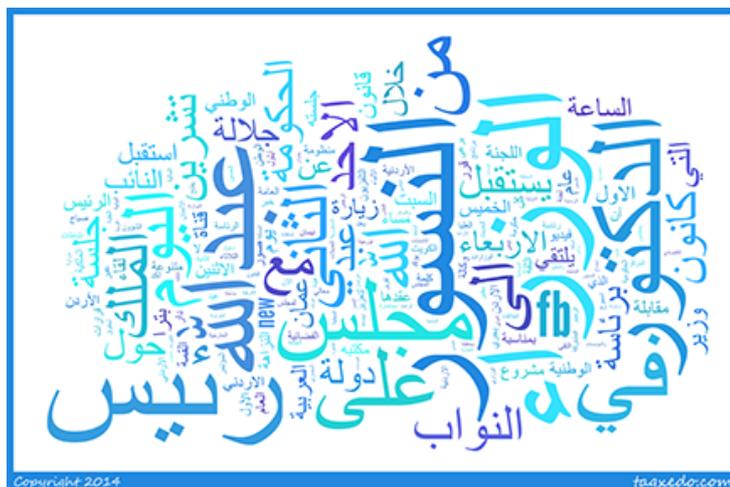
 **د. عبدالله النصور**
@DrEnsour [Follow](#)

يحاضر النائب الدكتور عبد الله النصور حول الحكومة والبرلمان ويدير هذه الندوة السفير الاسبقي فالح الطويل
<http://fb.me/RhVMw0zi>

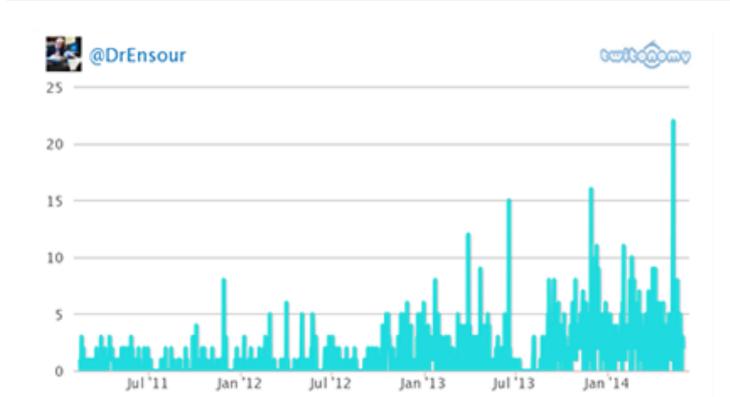
6:12 PM - 14 Feb 2011

Translation: Lecture of Dr Abdullah Ensour on the government and parliament and in a seminar organized by former Ambassador Faleh Al Tawil

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **د. عبدالله النصور**
@DrEnsour [Follow](#)

رئيس الوزراء الدكتور عبدالله النصور يقرر العودة للتوقيت الشتوي اعتبارا من الخميس القادم
19 كانون أول .

9:44 AM - 11 Dec 2013

19 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES

Translation: Prime Minister Dr. Abdullah Ensour decides to return to winter time starting next Thursday

First tweet



Prime Ministry JO 
@PrimeMinistry 

إن الحكومة، مسؤولة، دستورياً، ومكلفة وملتزمة بحماية الحريات العامة وصونها. وفي المقدمة دائماً حرية الرأي والتعبير

9:09 AM - 6 Sep 2010

2 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: The government is responsible, constitutional, and is committed to protecting and safeguarding public freedoms. Always in the forefront of the freedom of opinion

Most popular tweet



Prime Ministry JO 
@PrimeMinistry 

التي تكتب مع نهاية تغريدات #ABH أن هاشتاغ RHCJO تشير إلى أن جلالة الملك يقوم بكتابة هذه #الاردن #Jordan التغريدات بشكل شخصي

8:50 AM - 13 Jan 2014

25 RETWEETS 19 FAVORITES

Translation: The hastag #ABH at the end of tweets indicates that his Majesty the King has personally written the tweet #Jordan

Foreign Minister of Jordan

Nasser S. Judeh

Jordan's Foreign Minister Nasser Judeh tweets personally from his Blackberry, although his Twitter activity has somewhat slowed in 2014. @NasserJudeh is well connected with his peers, mutually following twelve other foreign ministers. He often mentions his peers in his tweets, most notably Bahrain's @KhalidAlKhalifa. Nasser Judeh tweets in English and Arabic and the main topics of his tweets are his foreign visits and the outcomes of those visits in relation to Jordan. Judeh's tweets are full of personal insights about his work and experiences as a minister, both locally and internationally.



Nasser S. Judeh

@NasserJudeh

Proud to serve my beloved Jordan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (12)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,301
Following:	168
Followers:	54,873
Joined Twitter:	06/12/2009
Language:	English/Arabic
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.32
Retweets:	8%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.73
Replies/Tweet:	0.47
Tweets retweeted:	39%
Most mentioned	@khalidkhalifa (62), @MohannedA (39), @tarawnah (35), @Deema22 (33), @ABZayed (32), @Shusmo (30), @avinunu (27), @carlbildt (25), @HaninSh (24), @MichaelNazzal (24).

First tweet



Nasser S. Judeh ✓

@NasserJudeh

✈ Follow

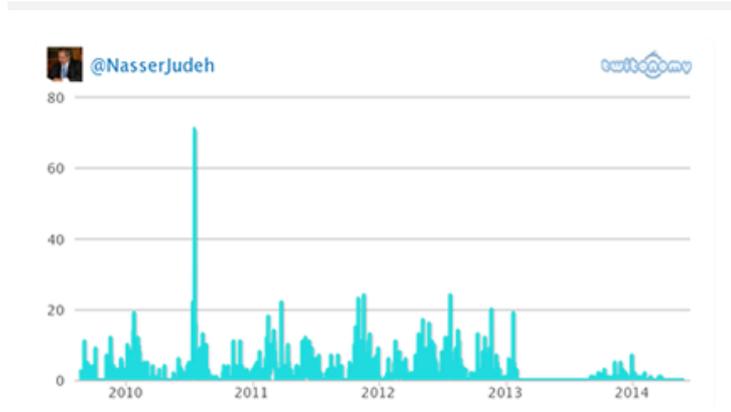
Momentum picking up peace on peace in the Middle East.. lots of movement.. lots of activity..

4:39 PM - 24 Aug 2009

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Nasser S. Judeh ✓

@NasserJudeh

✈ Follow

قذائف سقطت داخل حدودنا واضيبت طفلة أردنية 4
الله يشفيها. قام المسؤولين باستدعاء السفير السوري
"إلى وزارة الخارجية لكنه أعتذر "لأنه معطل"

11:17 PM - 19 Aug 2012

183 RETWEETS 22 FAVORITES

Translation: 4 shells landed inside our borders. The Syrian Ambassador was called to the Foreign Ministry.

First tweet

 **Foreign Ministry** 
@ForeignMinistry 

Greetings from the Foreign Ministry of Jordan

2:04 PM - 17 Jul 2010

4 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



 **Foreign Ministry** 
@ForeignMinistry 

FM @nasserjudeh greets secy. Kerry this morning in Amman

5:54 PM - 7 Nov 2013

40 RETWEETS 23 FAVORITES

Kazakhstan

In Kazakhstan the number of politicians and institutions using Twitter is surprisingly high. The press service of the president, the prime minister and the ministry of foreign affairs are all active on Twitter with accounts in Kazakh, Russian and English.

Presidency of Kazakhstan

Пресс-служба Акорды

The Twitter account of the press service of Kazakh President Nursultan Nazarbayev was set up on 23 July 2012 and tweets on average 2.5 times a day. The account tweets in Kazakh, chronicling the President's activities. The Central Communications Office for the President of Kazakhstan also maintains two news feed accounts in Russian @ortcomkz and in English @ortcomkzE which are far more active but with much less followers. The @AkordaPress account makes good use of pictures of the president's meetings including a picture with President Nazarbayev and Barack Obama to congratulate the U.S. president on his election victory on 7 November 2012. However, the account has never retweeted, @mentioned or @replied other Twitter users and it does not follow any other world leader. Its most retweeted tweet is the nomination of Karim Massimov as new prime minister in April 2014.



Пресс-служба Ак...

@AkordaPress

Қазақстан Республикасы
Президентінің Баспасөз қызметі
Press Office of The President of the
Republic of Kazakhstan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **Карим Масимов** 
@KarimMassimov 

Приветствую всех, кто читает это сообщение. Сегодня я открыл страницы на Facebook, YouTube, Flickr, On.kz, ILike.kz <http://primeminister.kz>

1:12 PM - 24 Mar 2011

13 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: Greetings to all who read this message. Today I opened a page on Facebook, YouTube, Flickr, On.kz, ILike.kz <http://primeminister.kz>

Most popular tweet

 **Карим Масимов** 
@KarimMassimov 

Подал заявление Главе Государства об отставке. Отставка принята.

6:39 AM - 24 Sep 2012

381 RETWEETS **39** FAVORITES

Translation: The head of government submitted his resignation. Resignation accepted.

Government of Kazakhstan

PrimeMinister.kz

The institutional account of the prime minister's office is fairly active tweeting almost five times a day, documenting the activities of Karim Massimov. The account, which tweets only in Russian, does not engage with its followers but simply broadcasts the latest information and news from the official website. However it makes a good use of videos shared directly from YouTube on its Twitter feed. The account is not following any other world leaders.



PrimeMinister.kz

@primeministerkz

Твиттер-аккаунт официального сайта Премьер-Министра РК

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (1)

Foreign Ministry of Kazakhstan

MFA Kazakhstan

The Foreign Ministry of Kazakhstan started to tweet on 3 December 2011. The account tweets on average three times per day in Russian and in English, mainly distributing statements from its official website. The Foreign Ministry occasionally @mentions @TheAstanaTimes @EXPO2017Astana and @AkordaPress, but generally does not engage in conversations. The account tweets pictures of meetings of Foreign Minister Erlan Idrisov as well as infographics about Kazakhstan's achievements since independence. @MFA_KZ is well connected with other world leaders, unilaterally following 29 and mutually following 19 other foreign ministers and foreign ministries.



MFA Kazakhstan

@MFA_KZ

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Republic of Kazakhstan

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (29)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (19)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,907

Following: 183

Followers: 4,221

Joined Twitter: 12/03/2011

Language: Kazakh/Russian/English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3

Retweets: 13%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.16

Replies/Tweet: 0.07

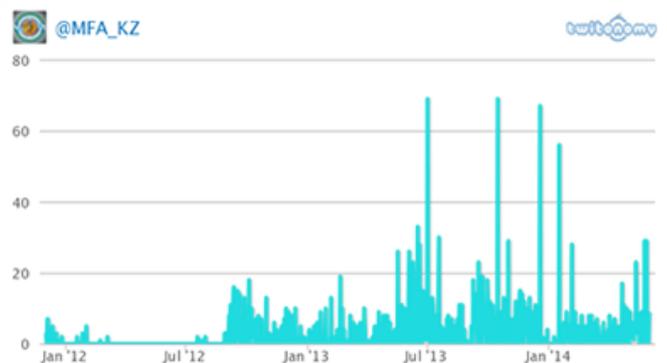
Tweets retweeted: 43%

Most mentioned @MFA_KZ (49), @BahytSyzdykova (16), @EXPO2017Astana (15), @primeministerkz (14), @AkordaPress (14), @TheAstanaTimes (9), @Proekt_Atom (8), @ortcomkz (8), @LarissaPak (7), @theatomproject1 (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



MFA Kazakhstan
@MFA_KZ

[Follow](#)

Kazakhstan's Foreign Ministry welcomes you to its official Twitter account

6:06 AM - 3 Dec 2011

Most popular tweet



MFA Kazakhstan
@MFA_KZ

[Follow](#)

Statement by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan on the referendum in Crimea bit.ly/1qQ2cro

5:56 PM - 18 Mar 2014

32 RETWEETS **5** FAVORITES

Kuwait

The Kuwaiti government has a Twitter presence through its e-government portal @egovkuwait. Foreign Minister Khaled Al Sabah @kasnms is the second most conversational foreign minister with two thirds of his tweets being @replies.

Foreign Minister of Kuwait

Khaled A. Al Sabah

Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kuwait started using Twitter on 10 April 2010 to engage with the public and it seems he is doing a good job as two thirds of his tweets are @replies. However his Twitter activity has slowed in 2013 and in 2014 he only sent three tweets with links to his Instagram account which is more active. Khaled Al Sabah's tweets focus on sending prayers dedicated to his country; sharing various images from events and premises of the monarchy, and YouTube videos of news about the ruling family. Some of his tweets also reflect his interest in sports, especially football. He hardly tweets about politics. He tweets only in Arabic mainly from his Blackberry.



Khaled A. Al Sabah

@kasnms

الله ثم الوطن ثم الامير... الكويت كريمة وشعبها
كريم - اللهم تمم علينا نعمة الامن والامان -
...اللهم احفظ الكويت واهلها

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 وزارة الخارجية 
@MOFAKuwait 

الشيخ محمد قمة عدم الانحياز سوف تبحث عدد من
القضايا التي تهم منطقتنا
<http://bit.ly/89W4K>
10:14 AM - 13 Jul 2009

Translation: Sheikh Mohamed NAM Summit will discuss a number of issues of interest to our [http:// bit.ly/89W4K](http://bit.ly/89W4K)

Most popular tweet

 وزارة الخارجية 
@MOFAKuwait 

رقم القنصلية العامة في لوس انجلوس
3105560300
11:14 PM - 15 Apr 2013
178 RETWEETS **5** FAVORITES

Translation: No. 3105560300 Consulate General in Los Angeles

Kyrgyzstan

Twitter is not yet widely used by Kyrgyz politicians. Former Prime Minister @OmurbekBabanov has suspended his Twitter activity, the @KyrgyzRepublic account is also dormant since August 2010, the @Kyrgyzokmot account linked on their government's website is suspended and President Almazbek Atambaev office is tweeting irregularly.

President of Kyrgyzstan

Almazbek Atambaev

The account of President @Atambayev was set up on 9 March 2011 but he has only sent nine tweets in 2014 and the account was entirely dormant throughout 2013. The account tweets only in Russian and only follows four other accounts of Kyrgyz politicians, the official Presidency Account and the President's press secretary. The account doesn't follow any other world leader.



Almazbek Atambaev

@atambayev

Ролевой аккаунт от первого лица.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Presidency of Kyrgyzstan

Президент

The Kyrgyz presidency has a news account which is fairly active posting on average 3.85 tweets each day, mainly announcements and statements from the presidential website in Russian and in Kyrgyz. The account never @replies or @mentions other users (with one exception @YouTube) and is not following any foreign leader, although its only retweet was a tweet from Herman Van Rompuy @euHvR.



Президент

@pressinfokg

Пресс-служба Президента

Кыргызской Республики

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,057

Following: 110

Followers: 755

Joined Twitter: 12/06/2012

Language: Russian

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.88

Retweets: 0%

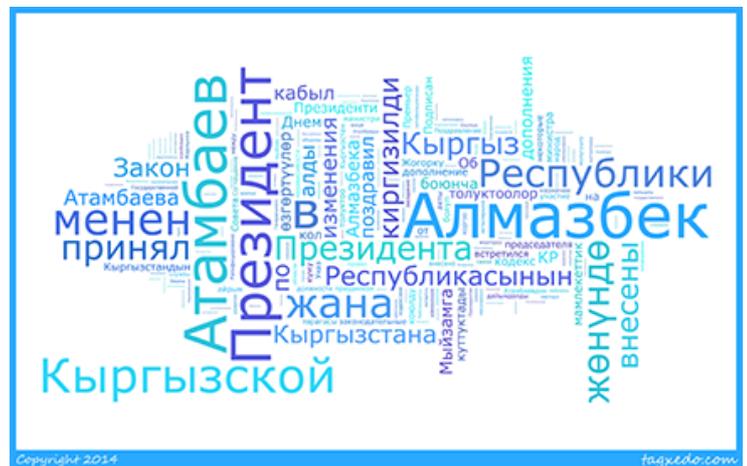
Mentions/Tweet: 0

Replies/Tweet:

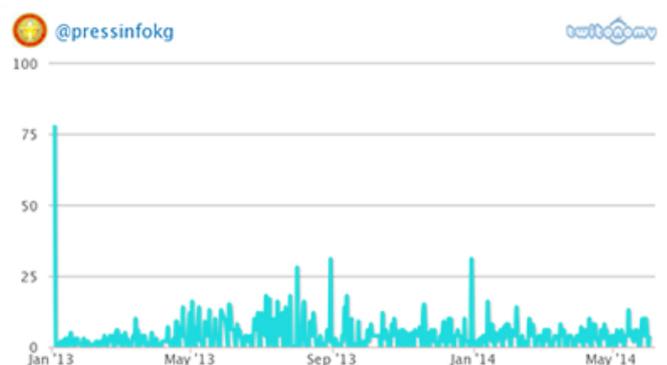
Tweets retweeted: 36%

Most mentioned @YouTube (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Президент
@pressinfokg

Follow

Президент принял делегацию Союза охраны природы Германии.
president.kg/ru/posts/50bc7...

8:47 AM - 3 Jan 2013

Translation: The President received a delegation of the Union of Conservation of Germany. <http://t.co/aieusZJK>

Most popular tweet



Президент
@pressinfokg

Follow

Президент Алмазбек Атамбаев подписал Указ об отставке Правительства Кыргызской Республики.
president.kg/ru/novosti/363...

6:57 AM - 19 Mar 2014

5 RETWEETS

Translation: President Almazbek Atambaev signed the Decree on the resignation of the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic.

Foreign Ministry of Kyrgyzstan

МИД КР

The Kyrgyz Ministry of Foreign Affairs set up the @pressslujba account in August 2012 and posts sporadically, mainly announcements and statements from the Foreign Ministry's website in Russian. The account rarely @replies or @mentions other users but does follow a number of other foreign ministries and some ministers for foreign affairs.



МИД КР

@pressslujba

Официальный twitter-аккаунт
Министерства иностранных дел
Кыргызской Республики

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (125)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (6)

Lebanon

Lebanese political leaders are quite active on Twitter former Prime Ministers Saad Hariri (@HaririSaad) and Najib Mikati (@Najib_Mikati) both have a large following of more than 369,000 and 159,000 followers respectively tweeting personally. President Michel Sleiman and Prime Minister Tammam Salam both maintain active personal accounts.

President of Lebanon

Michel Sleiman

Lebanese President Michel Sleiman started using Twitter on 27 March 2010, he is also one of the few heads of state who occasionally tweets himself, signing this personal tweets MS, many of which are sent directly from his Blackberry. His tweets are focused on how to make Lebanon a better democratic country, the role of the Lebanese military, local and government news, events and conferences he attends, Syrian news that affects Lebanon, and updates on relations with Israel. In November 2012 he conducted two impromptu late night Twitter chats @replying to a series of questions from his followers on Twitter and even sharing his personal gmail address: “@LAHOUDInaya Please send a detailed account of your problem to president.msleiman@gmail.com.” The presidential Twitter account which began posting in English in 2010 became bilingual in early 2012 and started posting mainly in Arabic. In February 2012 President Sleiman personally weighed in on the discussion about insults to the president: “One cannot insult the presidency, because the presidency is the rock on which the waves break-MS.” he tweeted.



Michel Sleiman

@SleimanMichel

12th President of Lebanon - Tweets directly from the President are signed -MS.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



Najib Mikati 
@Najib_Mikati 

my first ever tweet!

10:37 AM - 22 Jan 2010

1 RETWEET 2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Tammam Salam
@SalamTammam 

المهمّ اليوم "المصلحة الوطنيّة" وسنكون باذن الله
حكومتها.

1:13 PM - 6 Apr 2013

58 RETWEETS 27 FAVORITES

Translation: Important "national interest" today, God willing government

Foreign Minister of Lebanon

Gebran Bassil

Gebran Bassil, Lebanon's foreign minister launched his Twitter account on July 2010 to share updates about his political opinions and to share the news about events and activities that he participates in. Gebran Bassil tweets in Arabic and English and occasionally in French. He often shares links to pictures on his Instagram account.



Gebran Bassil

@Gebran_Bassil

Minister of Foreign Affairs and
Emigrants

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (4)

Malaysia

Malaysian politicians have been early adopters of Twitter. The Prime Minister's @NajibRazak account was created on 23 September 2008 and his office started to tweet as @PMOMalaysia at the end of September 2010.

Prime Minister of Malaysia

Mohd Najib Tun Razak

The Prime Minister of Malaysia, Najib Razak, is the 15th most followed world leader and actively engages with his audience with quizzes and sweepstakes. In May 2012, he asked his followers what gift he should give to his 500,000th follower. A couple of days later he invited four of his followers for breakfast, a scene which he immortalized with a Twitpic and a YouTube video of his guests.

@Najibrazak is fairly active with almost eight tweets per day. 45% of his tweets are retweets, mainly from the Transport Department @H2OComms in relation with the missing Malaysia Air flight MH370. His most retweeted tweet, retweeted more than 34,000 times is the announcement that the airliner has crashed in the southern Indian Ocean." @NajibRazak is a big fan of selfies and regularly captures his foreign guest on his smartphone including @BarackObama, Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, Turkish Prime Minister @RT_Erdogan and Indonesian President @SBYudhoyono while sitting in a golf cart.



Mohd Najib Tun Ra...

@NajibRazak

Prime Minister of Malaysia, working towards a #BetterNation

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



Msia PM Press Office
@PMOMalaysia

[Follow](#)

Hello and Salam 1Malaysia from the Prime Minister's Press Office. Looking forward to getting started and receiving feedback.

8:46 AM - 29 Sep 2010

2 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



Msia PM Press Office
@PMOMalaysia

[Follow](#)

Salam sejahtera. Khabar angin yg menyatakan Parlimen akan dibubarkan hari ini, oleh Perdana Menteri [@NajibRazak](#), tidak benar sama sekali.

6:00 AM - 20 Mar 2013

1,373 RETWEETS **67** FAVORITES

Translation: Greetings. Rumors which claim Parliament will be dissolved today by Prime Minister @NajibRazak, are not true at all.

Maldives

The Maldives have not yet made use of Twitter as an effective tool of communication. The Twitter accounts of the president and the foreign ministry are dormant. The only active account is @Presidencymv.

President of Maldives

Abdulla Yameen

The Twitter account for @PresYameen was created in October 2013, a month before he became president of the Maldives. The account tweeted only 12 times over the period of three days and fell silent the day after his inauguration on 19 November 2013. The tweets chronicle his first steps in government including a courtesy call of the US ambassador and his cabinet appointments. President Abdulla Yameen does not follow any world leaders.



Abdulla Yameen

@PresYameen

The Official Twitter of the President of the Republic of Maldives, His Excellency Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



 **Presidency Maldives**
@presidencymv [Follow](#)

Welcome to the President's Office official twitter

6:48 AM - 9 Jan 2011

2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **Presidency Maldives**
@presidencymv [Follow](#)


"A country with a politically motivated people would not be able to sustain harmony"
- His Excellency President Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom -

A country with a politically motivated people would not be able to sustain harmony - HEP Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom.

6:31 AM - 15 Apr 2014

17 RETWEETS 9 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Maldives

Maldives Foreign

The Twitter account of the foreign ministry of the Maldives has been dormant since 24 December 2012. The account was primarily used to lobby for the readmission of the Maldives into the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group (CMAG) from which it had been excluded after the resignation of former president Mohamed Nasheed. The account has only sent 236 tweets since its creation at the end of August 2012. @ForeignMV is not following any other foreign leader and Foreign Minister @DunyaMaumoon has not activated her Twitter profile yet.



Maldives Foreign

@foreignMV

Official Twitter of Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Republic of Maldives

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

Mongolia

The Mongolian leadership makes good use of Twitter, with the president, the prime minister and the foreign minister all having personal and institutional Twitter accounts. President Elbegdorj stands out for his unusual choice of pictures on his Twitter profile and his Twitter feed.

President of Mongolia

Цахиагийн ЭЛБЭГДОРЖ

The Mongolian President Tsakhiagiin Elbegdorj has a personal account, tweeting predominantly in Mongolian and only occasionally in English. @Elbegdorj tweets on average once a day and is quite conversational with 20% of replies. He makes a good use of pictures in his Twitter stream frequently shares pictures and videos of his international meetings, but also more unusual pictures of the president riding camels in the vast steppes of Mongolia, reading his Twitter and Facebook pages or on a boat trip watching dolphins. He even tweeted a picture of his children's shoes with the comment: "I wish every person has a clean footprint and a good name." The president has been on Twitter since 16 January 2011 and his team posts official news and with few tweets in English: "I am concerned for Israel, Gaza conflict. UN, Arab League, Egypt and USA have a decisive role. War is not the solution", he tweeted on 20 November 2012. Shortly before New Years 2014 he posted a youtube video of himself, playing guitar with a Mongolian rock band.



Цахиагийн ЭЛБЭГ...

@elbegdorj

Tsakhiagiin ELBEGDORJ,
President of Mongolia | Монгол
Улсын Ерөнхийлөгч | МОНГОЛ
УЛСЫН ТӨЛӨӨ ЗҮТГЭЭ! |

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Цахиагийн ЭЛБЭГДОРЖ



Follow

@elbegdorj

President of Mongolia Tsakhia Elbegdorj partakes in Project "Clean Air", seeks public opinion on the fight against air pollution

6:37 AM - 16 Jan 2011

Most popular tweet



Цахиагийн ЭЛБЭГДОРЖ



Follow

@elbegdorj

Миний бичсэн жиргээг retweet хийсэн 100-ас дээш дагагчтай жиргээчийг би дагаж байгаа. Жиргээч өндөг биш байвал сайн.

4:19 AM - 30 Apr 2013

743 RETWEETS 162 FAVORITES

President of Mongolia

President's Office

@TS_elbegdorj is the institutional account of the office of President Tsakhiagiin Elbegdorj, which was set up in November 2012 and informs about the presidential activities. The presidential administration in Ulaanbaatar tweets on average almost once a day, often retweeting personal tweets of the president. The account is less conversational than the presidential account only rarely @mentioning or @replying to other users. The administration tweets mainly in Mongol, with occasional tweets in English in capital letters linking to his speeches. The presidential administration is not mutually following any other world leader on Twitter.



President's Office

@ts_elbegdorj

Монгол Улсын Ерөнхийлөгчийн Тамгын газар | Office of the President of Mongolia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	415
Following:	521
Followers:	14,520
Joined Twitter:	11/22/2012
Language:	Mongol
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.71
Retweets:	21%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.05
Replies/Tweet:	0.03
Tweets retweeted:	62%
Most mentioned	@elbegdorj (7), @ts_elbegdorj (4), @01mgl (1), @Dashdorj_P (1), @tsolbayard (1), @Metamorphoser (1), @Tseg5 (1), @GanbaatarA (1), @sarodgerel (1), @taraa_zaraa (1).

First tweet

 **President's Office**  [Follow](#)

@ts_elbegdorj

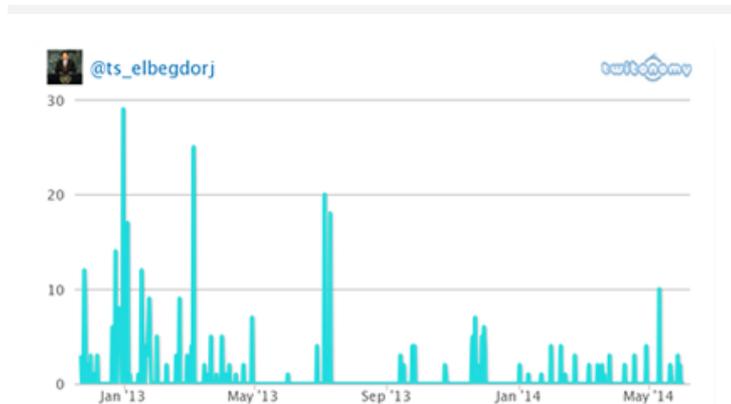
Европын Холбооны элчин сайд нартай уулзлаа [president.mn/mongolian/node...](#)

9:05 AM - 22 Nov 2012

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **President's Office**  [Follow](#)

@ts_elbegdorj

Сая сая хүнд тус дэм үзүүлэх гэж яваа хүмүүс нэг юм уу, нэг хэсэг хүмүүсийн доромжлолд бүдэрч болохгүй

7:55 AM - 19 Jan 2013

119 RETWEETS **60** FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Mongolia

Норовын АЛТАНХУЯГ

Mongolian Prime Minister Norovyn Altankhuyag has linked his Twitter feed to his Facebook profile, where he has 60,000 likes, automatically sharing posts, whenever he uploads a new photo album to Facebook. The prime minister of Mongolia has been on Twitter since 10 January 2011 and tweets on average once a day, exclusively in Mongolian. He does occasionally @reply his followers, even sharing his Yahoo email address. He is only mutually connected to French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius.



Норовын АЛТАНХ...

@altankhuyag_mn

Монгол Улсын Ерөнхий сайд,
Ардчилсан намын Дарга. Prime
Minister of Mongolia and Leader of
the Democratic Party

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,538

Following: 595

Followers: 62,360

Joined Twitter: 01/10/2011

Language: Mongol

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.22

Retweets: 1%

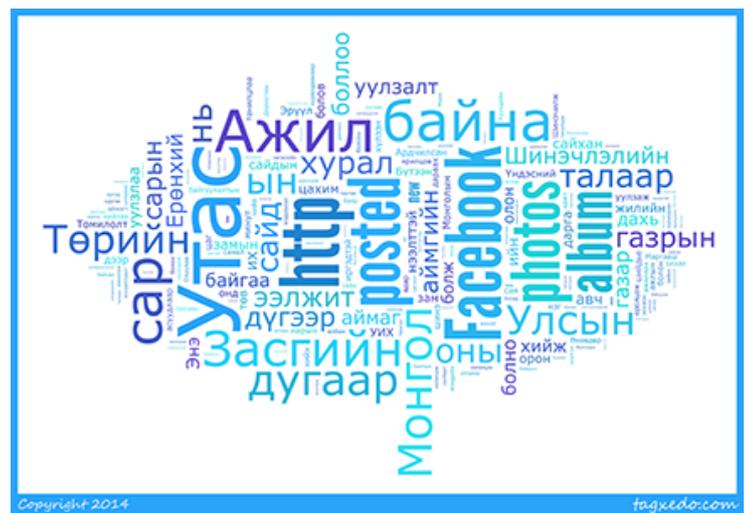
Mentions/Tweet: 0.03

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

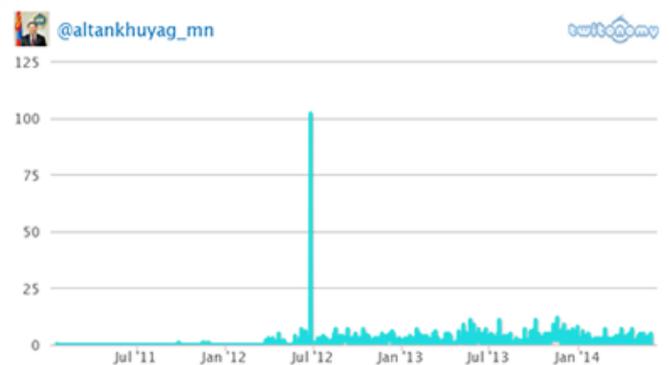
Tweets retweeted: 75%

Most mentioned @YouTube (13), @oyukay (2), @jjangum (2), @Demberel_S (1), @NarantsetsegUrj (1), @Bolort (1), @BuyanzayaB (1), @mongoliangana (1), @BSergee (1), @Moofy_Goofy (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Норовын АЛТАНХУЯГ

@altankhuyag_mn

Follow

Сайн байна уу. Та бүхэнтэй Twitter-ээр холбогдож байгаадаа баяртай байна. Надтай санал бодлоо солилцоно гэдэгт итгэж байна. Баярлалаа.

3:54 AM - 17 Jan 2011

4 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Норовын АЛТАНХУЯГ

@altankhuyag_mn

Follow

Балгас, баар, бусдын бизнесийн үүр болсон байсан залуучуудын соёлын ордон хүүхэд, Залуучууддаа эргэн ирлээ.

9:14 AM - 1 May 2014

202 RETWEETS 219 FAVORITES

Government of Mongolia

PM's office

The Prime Minister's office shares the activities of Prime Minister Norovyn Altankhuyag, including a variety of pictures of his meetings and speeches. The account tweets mainly in Mongolian and sometimes in Russian, but also posts in English including the prime minister's "Wednesday evening" pastime picturing him playing basketball. The account maintains a useful Twitter list of Mongolian ministers and members of parliament. The government has a secondary Twitter newsfeed @zasagmn which posts links to press releases on the official government website zasag.mn but has been silent since 14 November 2013.



PM's office

@pmoffice_mn

Ерөнхий сайдын ажлын алба

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



 **PM's office**
@pmoffice_mn

 Follow

Хорооны засаг даргын тодорхойлолт,
иргэний үнэмлэхний лавлагаагаа удахгүй
энэ киоск-ноос авдаг болно.

11:27 AM - 15 Jan 2013

18 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



 **PM's office**
@pmoffice_mn

 Follow

Хорооны засаг даргын тодорхойлолт,
иргэний үнэмлэхний лавлагаагаа удахгүй
энэ киоск-ноос авдаг болно.

11:27 AM - 15 Jan 2013

18 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Foreign Minister of Mongolia

Luvsanvandan Bold

Mongolia's Foreign Minister Luvsanvandan Bold is on Twitter since 22 October 2009. The foreign minister tweets mainly in Mongolian, except when sharing news from the Wall Street Journal, the BBC or CNN, which profiled Mongolia as the "Fastest growing economy in the world." The team regularly shares pictures of the minister's bilateral meetings. Compared to last year the account has become much more active with 1.5 tweets per day. Minister Luvsanvandan Bold has put the accent on creating mutual connections on Twitter, unilaterally following 59 world leaders and he is mutually connected to 15 world leaders.



Luvsanvandan Bold

@boldlu

MP, Minister for Foreign Affairs,
Mongolia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (59)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (15)

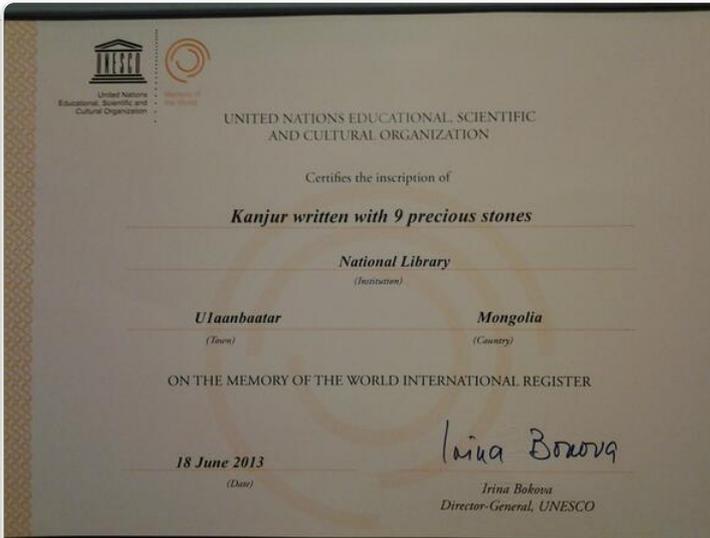
First tweet

 **Luvsanvandan Bold** 
@boldlu 

Unuu ugluu Afghanistan yavj bui 1
dugeer eeljiin tsergiin bagiig
Chingiskhaan niseh buudlaas udej ugluu.
Ted Kabulд 6 sar uureg guitsetgene.

2:35 AM - 16 Nov 2009

Most popular tweet



 **Luvsanvandan Bold** 
@boldlu 

Есөн эрдэнийн Ганжуур судрыг Дэлхийн
баримтат өвөөр батламжлав.
boldlu.mn/%D0%B5%D1%81%D...

8:40 AM - 8 Nov 2013

52 RETWEETS 41 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Mongolia

ГХЯ

Mongolia's Foreign Ministry is mainly sharing official announcements and statements in Mongolian from its website on its Twitter feed. On average the account posts every two days and is not conversational with only few @replies, @mentions and only one hashtag ever used. Previously the account also retweeted tweets of President @elbegdorj and former Prime Minister Batbold Sukhbaatar @BatboldSukh. Since October 2013, the foreign ministry also maintains an English language account @MFAMongolia_eng which informs about the activities of the foreign minister on average once a day. Among world leaders the English account is mutually following nine other foreign ministries.



ГХЯ

@mforeignaffairs

For tweets in English please follow
@MFAMongolia_eng

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (2)

Nepal

The Prime Minister of Nepal and President of the Nepali Congress party, Sushil Koirala created his Twitter account in December 2013 but only tweeted 13 times so far.

Prime Minister of Nepal

Sushil Koirala

Sushil Koirala joined Twitter on 1 December 2013 before becoming prime minister and was only active for a week, posting political messages in Nepali and in English. The account is dormant since 11 February 2014 the day after he was elected prime minister by the parliament in Kathmandu. He last tweets is thanking his followers and outlining his key priorities. Prime Minister @SushilKoiralaNC has less than 700 followers.



Sushil Koirala

@SushilKoiralaNC

37th Prime Minister of Nepal and President of @NepaliCongress Party.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Oman

Since 2014 Oman is represented on Twitter by its foreign ministry. However, the account has not made any connections yet.

Foreign Ministry of Oman

وزارة الخارجية

The Foreign Ministry of Oman joined Twitter on 17 November 2013. @MofaOman tweets on average every two days exclusively in Arabic and occasionally shares pictures and videos in its feed. The account rarely mentions other users and has not retweeted anything. The account does not follow any other world leaders.



Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

Pakistan

The President of Pakistan, Mamnoon Hussain, is not on Twitter, although there are at least ten accounts pretending to be official. However, Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif is on Twitter as well as his daughter @MaryamNSharif.

Prime Minister of Pakistan

Mian Nawaz Sharif

Pakistan's Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif joined Twitter on 9 November 2012 and has published on average one tweet per day. Most of the content on his profile comes in the form of retweets from @RadioPakistan and other prominent Pakistan news outlets on Twitter. The account also did a running commentary of the prime minister's recent visit to India for the swearing in of the new Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi. @PMNawazSharif follows 20 other world leaders including @NarendraModi but is mutually only connected with the President of Sri Lanka @PresRajapaksa.



Mian Nawaz Sharif

@PMNawazSharif

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	569
Following:	196
Followers:	17,540
Joined Twitter:	11/09/2012
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.97
Retweets:	18%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.12
Replies/Tweet:	0.05
Tweets retweeted:	65%
Most mentioned	@PMNawazSharif (15), @UN (13), @JavedMalik (4), @narendramodi (3), @MaryamNSharif (2), @Danishcapricorn (2), @PakThinkTank (2), @PMOIndia (2), @dragonridr786 (1), @Samra_Noori (1).

First tweet



Mian Nawaz Sharif
@PMNawazSharif

Public Communication forum...

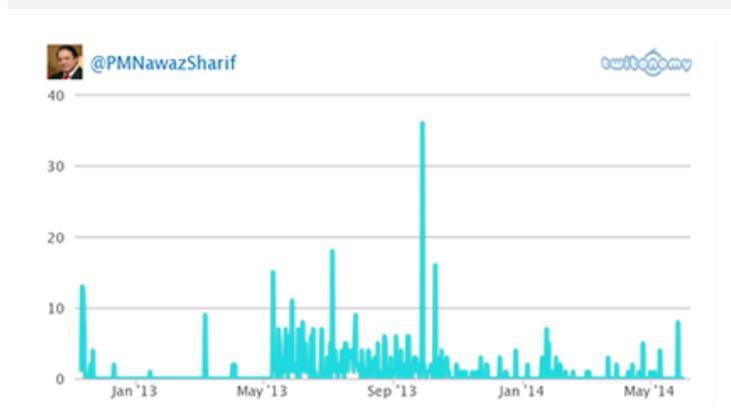
10:41 PM - 10 Nov 2012

[Follow](#)

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Mian Nawaz Sharif
@PMNawazSharif

Our enemies have declared war against [#Pakistan](#), we will ensure their defeat and nation will prevail.

9:49 AM - 23 Jan 2014

162 RETWEETS **60** FAVORITES

[Follow](#)

First tweet

 **Public Diplomacy PK**
@PakDiplomacy 

TODAY: Pakistani rendition of The Taming of the Shrew for World Shakespeare Festival @ Globe Theater in London 730 PM
globetoglobe.shakespearesglobe.com/pl

2:12 PM - 26 May 2012

11 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Most popular tweet

 **Public Diplomacy PK**
@PakDiplomacy 



Students of NUST Business School have won the best delegation award at Asia Pacific Model United Nations in Bangkok

6:40 AM - 27 Sep 2012

24 RETWEETS

Palestinian Territories

The prime minister of the Palestinian Territories Rami Hamdalla does not have a personal Twitter account. So far @PalestinianGov is the only official Twitter account of the Palestinian Authority.

Government of Palestinian Territories

Gov. Media Center

The Palestinian government media centre manages the institutional Twitter account of the Palestinian Authority. @PalestinianGov was established at the end of October 2009 as a platform for the Palestinian Authority to engage with media by disseminating the latest news and updates on government activities, initiatives as well as invitations to press events. Most tweets link to the Facebook page of the media centre of the Palestinian government. Interestingly, the @PalestinianGov is unilaterally followed by the English Twitter account of the @IsraeliPM. However it hasn't reciprocated yet and isn't following any other Twitter user. Its most popular tweet is the notice that "Prime Minister Rami Hamdallah does not have a personal Twitter account". However there is a @RamiHamdalla Twitter account which is linked to his Facebook page, where he has more than 100,000 likes and all the tweets are automatically generated whenever a new post goes up on his Facebook page.



Gov. Media Center

@PalestinianGov

PGMC is responsible for managing the outflow of governmental media relations and information data collected through Arab, Israeli, and foreign media outlets.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Philippines

Philippine President Benigno Aquino started his Twitter activity on 21 September 2009 when he announced his running mate for the 2010 presidential elections.

President of Philippines

Noynoy Aquino

“I am honored to have Senator Mar Roxas as my Vice Presidential running mate for 2010. We look forward to your support. Tuloy ang laban!” The campaign team tweeted short updates from his campaign stops but once elected the campaign account went silent and a new account @PresidentNoy was set up by his communications team to report about the activities of the president in English and in Tagalog. Since 21 June 2012 the @PresidentNoy account asks his 50,000 followers to “follow @noynoyaquino, the President's official Twitter account”, which is among the top five most followed accounts in Asia. Benigno Aquino never really engaged with his followers apart from inviting “graphic designers and artists to submit a design for our official avatar”. Ten percent of his tweets are retweets, mainly of other government accounts and he has only sent four @replies overall. The stream is dominated by updates from his Facebook page; infographics on the Philippine economy and foreign investments are among the rare contents shared directly on Twitter. @NoyNoyAquino is mutually following only one other world leader, namely Malaysia’s Prime Minister @NajibRazak.



Noynoy Aquino

@noynoyaquino

President of the Republic of the Philippines

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **PCOO**
@GovPH_PCOO Follow

The Official Website of the Presidential Communications Operations Office is <http://www.pcoo.gov.ph>.

2:59 PM - 31 Aug 2010

Most popular tweet

 **PCOO**
@GovPH_PCOO Follow

PROC. No. 276: Declaring Monday, 7 November 2011, as a regular holiday throughout the country, in ob fb.me/RQ3alZOk

9:37 AM - 21 Oct 2011

147 RETWEETS **8** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Philippines

DFA Spokesperson

The Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs is on Twitter through its spokesperson, Raul Hernandez who sent his first tweet on 20 September 2012. @DFAspokesperson has been sending one tweet a day but rarely @mentions or @replies to other Twitter users. He is sharing pictures of meetings and handshakes of Foreign Minister Albert Ferreros del Rosario with other foreign leaders. His most retweeted tweet was sent after the Boston bombings on 16 April 2013 "So far, no Filipino casualties in the Boston bombings, but Consulate in NY continues to monitor with US authorities and Fil-am com leaders" The spokesperson doesn't follow any peers, only following the Presidential Communications Operations Office and President @NoyNoyAquino.



DFA Spokesperson

@dfaspokesperson

The Spokesperson of the Department of Foreign Affairs, Philippines. Visit dfa.gov.ph for other official pronouncements.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (1)

Qatar

The Qatari government is represented on Twitter by its foreign ministry which maintains two accounts in Arabic and English.

Foreign Ministry of Qatar

وزارة الخارجية - قطر

The Foreign Ministry in Doha maintains two accounts in Arabic @MofaQatar_AR and in English @MofaQatar_EN. The accounts are used to announce latest news from the ministry and all tweets contain a link to the ministry's website. The Arabic accounts tweets twice as often (1.4 times a day) and has eight times more followers as the English account. Both accounts follow each other and they do not follow any other world leader.



وزارة الخارجية - قطر

@MofaQatar_AR

الحساب الرسمي لوزارة الخارجية القطرية

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (1)

Saudi Arabia

The Saudi King is not on Twitter, however his son, HRH Crown Prince Salman Bin Abdulaziz, set up an account in January 2013. The government also has a Twitter account for its government portal tweeting @Saudiportal and the foreign ministry is quite active.

Royal of Saudi Arabia

سلمان بن عبدالعزيز

The official and verified account of Prince Salman Bin Abdulaziz, Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia and Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense was set up on 9 January 2013. The account's first tweet sent on 23 February 2013 to announce the creation of the account was retweeted 18,802 times. @HRHPSalman doesn't follow any other Twitter user and never @mentions nor retweets other accounts. However since November 2013 the account chronicles the meetings of Crown Prince Salman with foreign dignitaries. Almost every tweet contains a picture of the Crown Prince with his foreign guests.



سلمان بن عبدالعزيز

@HRHPSalman

الحساب الرسمي لصاحب السمو الملكي الأمير / سلمان بن عبدالعزيز آل سعود ، ولي العهد نائب رئيس مجلس الوزراء وزير الدفاع في المملكة العربية السعودية

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Ministry of Saudi Arabia

وزارة الخارجية

Saudi Arabia's foreign ministry is active on Twitter since 21 February 2011. The @KSAMOFA account is used to broadcast the latest news and activities from the Saudi Minister of Foreign Affairs, His Royal Highness Prince Saud Al-Faisal including pictures of his meetings with foreign guests. The @KSAMOFA account follows its three embassies on Twitter but no other world leader despite being followed by nine other foreign ministries and ministers.



وزارة الخارجية

@KSAMOFA

الحساب الرسمي لوزارة الخارجية في المملكة العربية السعودية

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,748

Following: 3

Followers: 202,362

Joined Twitter: 12/18/2010

Language: Arabic

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.41

Retweets: 0%

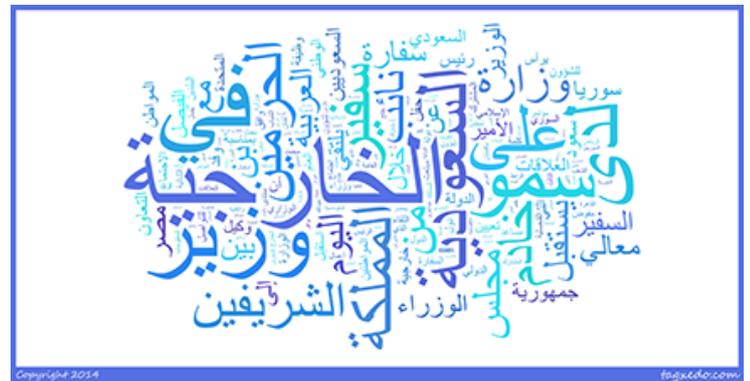
Mentions/Tweet: 0.02

Replies/Tweet: 0.03

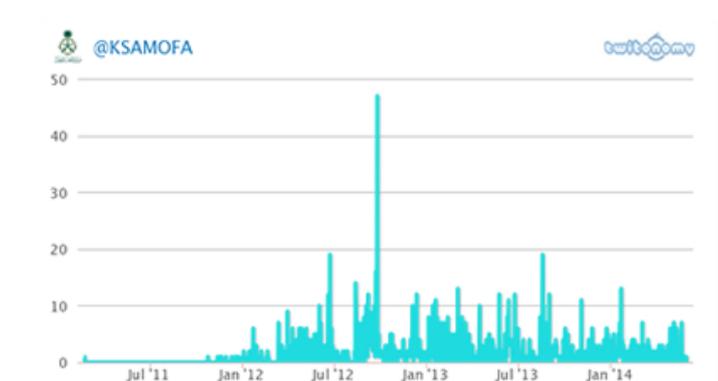
Tweets retweeted: 92%

Most mentioned @KSAMOFA (19), @mbsindi (1), @Abdullah_Ali_f (1), @Mofa (1), @OsamaNugali (1), @MaherFaya (1), @f1190 (1), @FawazAlmuballi (1), @hanyaltayeb (1), @afadhel81 (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 وزارة الخارجية 
@KSAMOF

الإطلاق التجريبي لموقع وزارة الخارجية السعودية الجديد

9:11 PM - 21 Feb 2011

2 RETWEETS

Translation: The launch of the pilot site of the new Saudi Foreign Ministry

Most popular tweet

 وزارة الخارجية 
@KSAMOF

Follow

للتواصل مع سفارة المملكة بـلبنان عند الضرورة على الأرقام التالية:
+رقم السفارة: 9611860242
+هاتف شؤون السعوديين: 9611860351
+جوال: 96178803388

8:34 PM - 15 Aug 2012

2,843 RETWEETS 40 FAVORITES

Translation: Communicate with the Saudi Embassy in Lebanon when necessary at the following numbers: Embassy: 9611860242 Tel Affairs Saudis: 9,611,860,351 + Mobile: 96,178,803,388

Singapore

The Prime Minister of Singapore and his government have been on Twitter since 2009 and the accounts have proven useful communication tools.

President of Singapore

Lee Hsien Loong

Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong of Singapore is one of the few world leaders who tweet personally, signing his tweets with his initials LHL. @LeeHsienLoong tweets on average once a day but he rarely @replies to other users. He often shares pictures of the cities he visits and even takes the occasional selfies with his admirers. Lee Hsien Loong is not the best connected world leader, unilaterally following Indonesian President @SBYudhoyono and mutually following only Malaysia's @NajibRazak, and the @PMOIndia account. In June 2013 he used Twitter to discuss Singapore's haze problem with updates and links to websites. On 25 June 2013 he tweeted: "Gracious of President @SBYudhoyono to apologise for haze. He said Indonesian Police will investigate and take action. - LHL #sghaze". The majority of his tweets are in English but he occasionally tweets in Malay and used Chinese to celebrate the Vesak Buddha anniversary and Hindi on the occasion of the Deepavali festival. His most popular tweet was a quote from his Singapore's National Day Rally speech: "PM to parents: No homework is not a bad thing. IT is good for children to play, and learn thru play #ndrsg."



Lee Hsien Loong

@leehsienloong

Official Twitter account of the Prime Minister of Singapore, maintained by the Prime Minister's Office.

Tweets by Mr Lee are signed LHL.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (2)

Government of Singapore

Singapore Government

The Singapore haze is also clouding the government's Twitter account which regularly retweets the Air Pollution PSI index from Singapore's National Environment Agency (@NEAsg). Since 17 June 2013, the government has used its Twitter account to provide health warnings and advice to people with its haze hashtag #sghaze. The government is active on Twitter since July 2009 and the account is used primarily to give updates on policy issues, mostly linking to government statements. It sometimes retweets the ministry of foreign affairs (@MOFsg) as well as other government departments and Prime Minister @LeeHsienLoong. The most popular tweet was sent on 7 August 2012 congratulating "Team Singapore table tennis team for the 2nd Olympics medal win in the London 2012 games."



Singapore Govern...

@govsingapore

gov.sg : Connecting you with the Government

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 5,755

Following: 83

Followers: 22,351

Joined Twitter: 07/15/2009

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 2.89

Retweets: 21%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.12

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

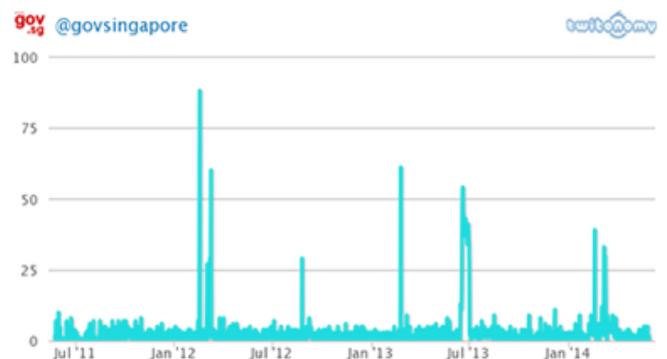
Tweets retweeted: 38%

Most mentioned @NEAsg (293), @leehsienloong (14), @MOFsg (7), @MOEsg (7), @MOM_sg (5), @REACH_Singapore (5), @cybpioneer (4), @sporeMOH (4), @MNDSingapore (3), @MSFSingapore (3).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Singapore Government**
@govsingapore [Follow](#)

This is the first tweets

5:57 AM - 24 Jul 2009

Most popular tweet

 **Singapore Government**
@govsingapore [Follow](#)

Congratulations to Team Singapore table tennis team for the 2nd Olympics medal win in London 2012 games

2:14 PM - 7 Aug 2012

38 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Singapore

MFAsg

Singapore's foreign ministry is mainly tweeting "MFA press statements" on its Twitter feed since 15 July 2009. They account generally tweets about travel information, and sometimes retweets travel advisories from the official consular Twitter account of the foreign ministry @MFAsgConsular. The account rarely uses hashtags and its most popular tweets are concerning Singapore's ranking worldwide such as the announcement that "Singapore's Changi Airport was voted best in Asia" and not coming far behind was the publication of Forbes richest country list where Singapore placed third.



MFAsg

@MFAsg

Official Twitter page of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (25)

follows mutually (1)

South Korea

The Korean president, the Prime Minister, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs connect with their followers on Twitter, and until recently automatically followed each and every single follower.

President of South Korea

박근혜(Park Geun Hye)

President Park Geun-Hye personally communicates with South Korean citizens through her official Twitter account @GH_PARK. The account was used frequently to explain the government's agenda and project and to establish a personal public image of the president by sharing some of her personal stories. The activity on her personal Twitter account has significantly decreased since her election, and her last tweet was made on 27 July 2013.



박근혜(Park Geun ...

@GH_PARK

대한민국 18대 대통령 박근혜의 공식 트위터입니다.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	509
Following:	63,783
Followers:	374,412
Joined Twitter:	04/19/2010
Language:	Korean
Status:	Dormant since 24.07.2013
Tweets/day:	0.36
Retweets:	7%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.5
Replies/Tweet:	0.15
Tweets retweeted:	92%
Most mentioned	@at_pgh (44), @GH_PARK (22), @kimdain1213 (14), @saenuridang (13), @pgh545 (8), @Bitter_Sounds (6), @kea2005 (6), @badaya486 (5), @sssarol (4), @mai8787 (4).

First tweet

박근혜(Park Geun Hye) ✓

@GH_PARK

Follow

이렇게 많은 분들이 찾아 주셔서 감사 드리며....
저도 열심히 하겠습니다.

10:29 AM - 1 Jul 2010

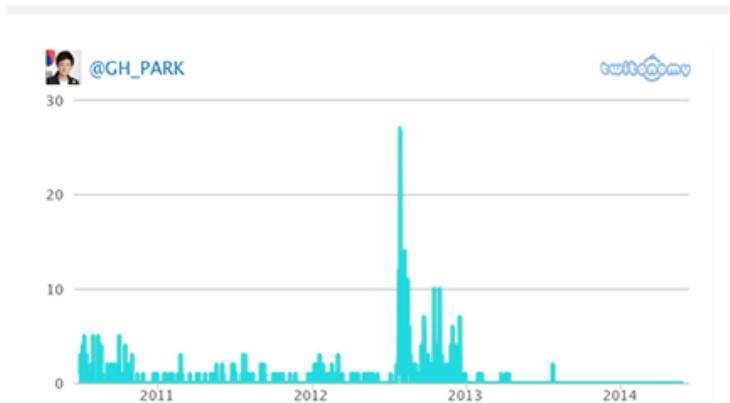
183 RETWEETS **211** FAVORITES

Translation: Thank you for this many followers.... I will work hard.

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

박근혜(Park Geun Hye) ✓

@GH_PARK

Follow

[행복캠프] RT @at_pgh: 최근 일부 언론과 SNS 등을 통해 박근혜 후보가 집권하게 되면 가스, 전기, 공항, 수도, 철도, 의료, KAI 등에 대한 민영화를 추진할 것이라는 근거없는 흑색비방이 난무하고 있습니다. 이는 명백한 허위사실입니다.

7:46 AM - 17 Dec 2012

1,890 RETWEETS **242** FAVORITES

First tweet

 대한민국 청와대 
@bluehousekorea 

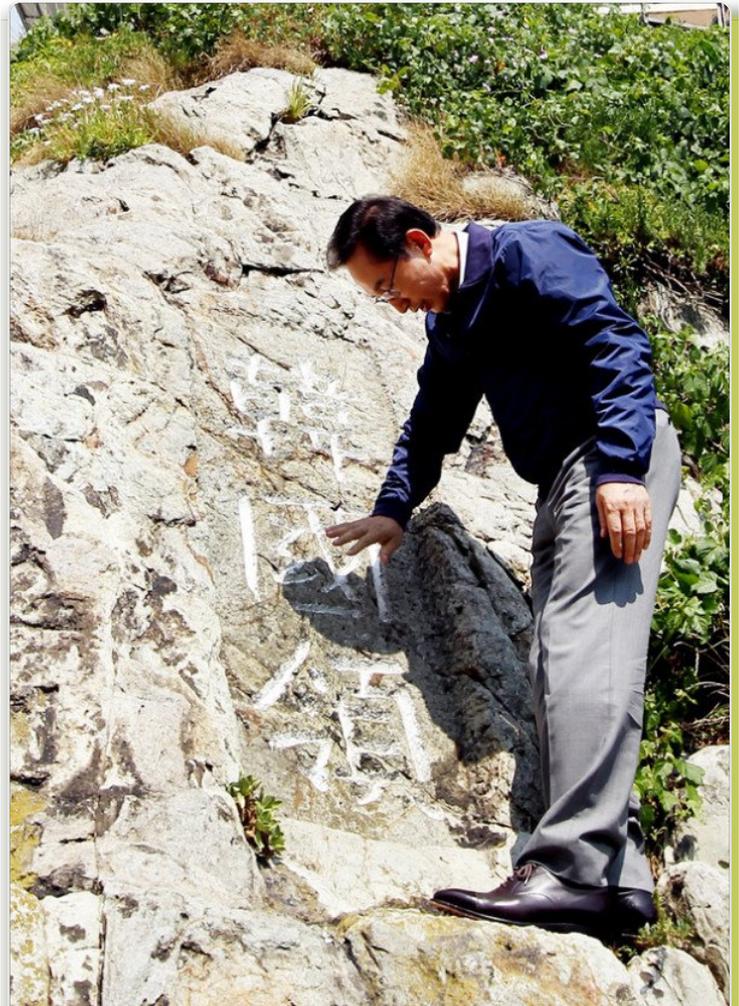
청와대 트위터를 시작합니다. 온라인 커뮤니케이터(온라인 대변인)에 내정된 이길호입니다. 대통령과 네티즌의 메시지가 서로에게 잘 전달될 수 있도록 최선을 다하겠습니다. 자주 뵙겠습니다.

3:38 AM - 7 Jun 2010

83 RETWEETS **19** FAVORITES

Translation: Blue House starts on Twitter. Online communicators (online spokesperson) will be in charge to help share the President's messages to the Netizens. We'll see you often.

Most popular tweet



 대한민국 청와대 
@bluehousekorea 

"독도는 진정한 우리의 영토이고, 목숨바쳐 지켜야 할 가치가 있는 곳입니다. 공지를 가지고 지켜갑시다"-독도에서 *2012년 8월 10일 오후 2시 정각. 우리땅 독도가 우리나라 대통령을 처음 만난 시간입니다. twitpic.com/ahmxyv

12:18 PM - 10 Aug 2012

1,062 RETWEETS **264** FAVORITES

Government of South Korea

국무총리실(PMO)

@PrimeMinisterKR serves as the official communication channel for South Korea's Prime Minister Chung Hongwon who has not personally tweeted on his institutional Twitter account. The account is mainly used to promote government policies and is relatively active regularly updating major issues of government, with on average, two tweets per day. Like the Blue House account, the account also recently tweeted about President Park's public speech about the Sewol Ferry sinking and follow-up measures.



국무총리실(PMO)

@PrimeMinisterKR

{국무총리실 공식 트위터} '통(通)하지 않으면 통(痛)한다'는 각오로 대국민 소통의 활시위를 당기겠습니다.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (6)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

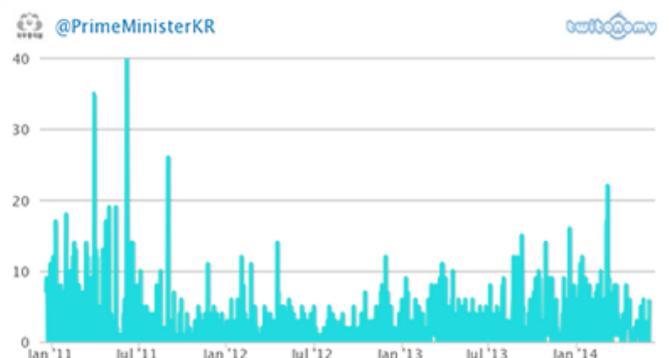
Tweets:	3,875
Following:	30,466
Followers:	29,109
Joined Twitter:	03/23/2010
Language:	Korean
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.54
Retweets:	13%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.31
Replies/Tweet:	0.23
Tweets retweeted:	38%

Most mentioned @PrimeMinisterKR (75), @luck5454 (28), @gangmin84 (25), @playhoony (19), @YouTube (17), @eeeeee10 (16), @bluehousekorea (13), @mma9090 (11), @Jeonyubok (10), @saunakim (10).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

**국무총리실(PMO)** 
국무총리실 @PrimeMinisterKR 

[#self_intro](#) 안녕하세요. 국민 여러분들과의 진솔한 소통의 장이 되길 바라는 마음으로 "국무총리실 공식 트위터"를 열었습니다. 따끔한 질책과 칭찬 그리고 진실한 대화를 기대하겠습니다. 많은 관심 부탁드립니다^_^ @self_intro

2:26 AM - 1 Apr 2010

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet

**국무총리실(PMO)** 
국무총리실 @PrimeMinisterKR 

정홍원 총리는 진도에서 2박3일 동안 군수실에서 숙식 했으며, 첫날 군내 빈방이 없어 묵은 한옥펜션은 농촌체험관으로 일반인들도 누구나 이용하는 숙박시설임을 알려드립니다.

[facebook.com/PrimeMinisterK...](https://www.facebook.com/PrimeMinisterK...)

2:03 AM - 22 Apr 2014

74 RETWEETS 7 FAVORITES

Translation: #self_intro The Prime Minister's Office official Twitter is opened. I look forward to a true dialogue.

Foreign Ministry of South Korea

외교부

The Korean Foreign Ministry communicates in Korean (@mofa_kr) and in English (@mofa_kr_eng) about the country's foreign affairs issues, external economic policy, Korean nationals overseas, international situation analysis and overseas promotional affairs. The Korean account is fairly active with on average more than five tweets per day. @mofa_kr covers various topics from the nation's significant foreign affair issues such as the president's overseas trips to many small events hosted by the ministry of foreign affairs. The account recently tweeted about President Park's visit to the United Arab Emirates. The ministry maintains an extensive Twitter list with all its embassies and consulates on the micro-blogging service.



외교부

@mofa_kr

외교부 공식 트위터입니다.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (8)

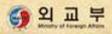
First tweet

 **외교부** 
@mofa_kr 

해외여행 안전하게 잘 다녀오려면? 해외여행 인터넷 등록 잊지마세요! 안전정보 제공 및 유사시 바로 도와드립니다^-
^<http://www.0404.go.kr/travel/Travel.jsp>
11:41 AM - 21 Jul 2010

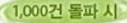
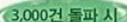
Translation: When traveling abroad, don't forget to register on the Internet! Safety information and help you need right away ^-
^ <http://www.0404.go.kr/travel/Travel.jsp>

Most popular tweet

 **외교부**
Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**외교부와 함께
따뜻함을 나누는
즐거운 한가위 되세요!**

이번 한가위는 주위에 도움이 필요한 사람들에게 '좋아요', '리트윗'으로,
'미투'로 마음을 전하세요. 사랑은 나눌수록 더 커집니다.

● **이벤트 기간** : 2013.9.6(금) ~ 15(일)
● **이벤트 참여방법** :  페이스북 **좋아요**,  트위터 **리트윗**,
 미투데이 **미투**해 주세요.
● **이벤트 상품** :  1,000건 돌파 시 **쌀 5포대(100kg) 기부**
 3,000건 돌파 시 **쌀 10포대(200kg) 기부**
 5,000건 돌파 시 **쌀 15포대(300kg) 기부**
 10,000건 돌파 시 **쌀 20포대(400kg) 기부**



 **외교부** 
@mofa_kr 

올 추석, 트친님들의 '리트윗'이 쌀이 되어 어려운 이웃들에게 전달됩니다! 외교부가 한가위를 맞아 소외된 이웃들에게 사랑을 전하려 합니다. 리트윗으로 마음을 표현해주세요. 사랑은 나눌수록 더 커집니다!

4:25 AM - 7 Sep 2013

10,273 RETWEETS **65** FAVORITES

Sri Lanka

Sri Lankan President Mahinda Rajapaksa joined Twitter on 11 December 2012. He is quite active with four tweets per day, whereas the account of the Sri Lankan Foreign Ministry @MEA_Sri_Lanka is dormant.

President of Sri Lanka

Mahinda Rajapaksa

The president of Sri Lanka tweets in three different languages in English, Sinhala and Tamil. The account rarely @replies but in June 2013 it organized its first Twitter Q&A with Lalith Weeratunga, secretary to the president using the hashtag #AskLW and President Mahinda Rajapaksa answered question in September 2013 using the hashtag #AskMR. The social media team of President Rajapaksa makes good use of pictures to show the president's activities. Some pictures are posted several times with a different comment in each of the three languages. The president follows only nine other Twitter accounts, including the account for the Sri Lankan cabinet @CabinetSL which is dormant since November 2013. His most retweeted tweets are about the swearing-in ceremony of India's new Prime Minister @NarendraModi which President Rajapaksa attended. The president is not following any other world leaders, but he is mutually connected with Pakistan's Prime Minister @PMNawazSharif.



Mahinda Rajapaksa

@PresRajapaksa

The Official Twitter Account of the President of Sri Lanka Mahinda Rajapaksa. Tweets from the President are signed MR.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,285
Following:	12
Followers:	38,660
Joined Twitter:	12/11/2012
Language:	English/Sinhala/Tamil
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	4.2
Retweets:	6%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.13
Replies/Tweet:	0.05
Tweets retweeted:	80%
Most mentioned	@RajapaksaNamal (11), @narendramodi (9), @PresRajapaksa (9), @UN (8), @CBSL (7), @Belarus_News (7), @ADB_HQ (6), @UKenyatta (6), @OfficialSLC (6), @BelarusMFA (5).

First tweet



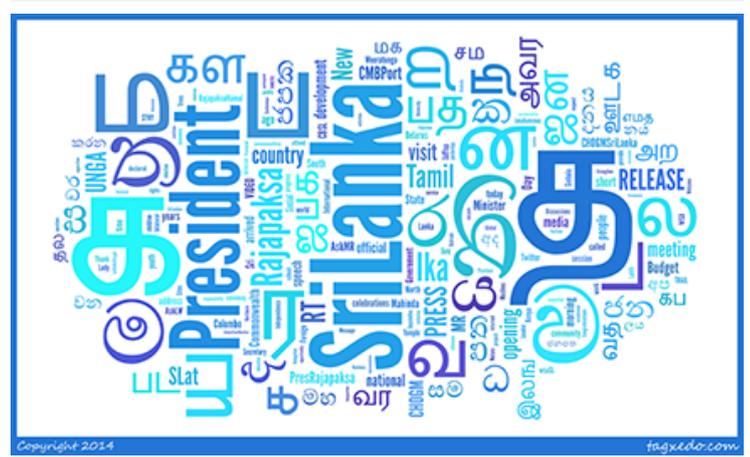
Mahinda Rajapaksa 
@PresRajapaksa 

Press Release & Photo: President Mahinda #Rajapaksa meets with the Bar Association of #SriLanka. ow.ly/i/1mUsT ow.ly/d/ZEG

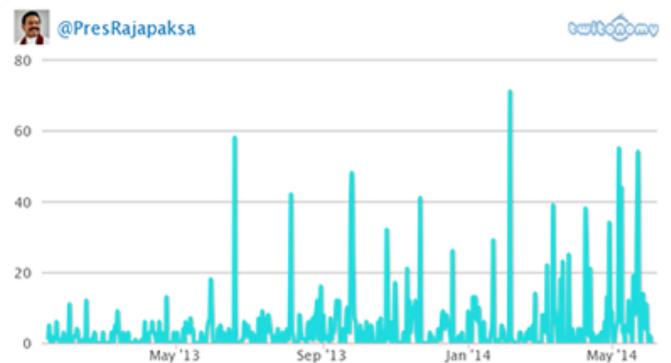
3:04 PM - 14 Jan 2013

16 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

Mahinda Rajapaksa 
@PresRajapaksa 

As a goodwill measure on the occasion of @narendramodi's swearing-in, President instructs officials to release Indian fishermen in custody.

3:58 AM - 25 May 2014

1,159 RETWEETS 464 FAVORITES

Syria

The Syrian presidency under Bashar al-Assad is on Twitter and also has an Instagram account.

Presidency of Syria

Syrian Presidency

The institutional account of the Syrian presidency was set up on 15 April 2013 and is reasonable active, posting on average three tweets per day. The account tweets about Bashar al-Assad's activities and meetings with world leaders including pictures and videos. The account has been tweeting mainly in Arabic however there are occasional tweets in English. The account is not connected with any other world leader, as it does not follow any other Twitter user. The Syrian presidency also has a popular Instagram account which tries to convey normal life in the war-torn country.



Syrian Presidency

@Presidency_Sy

This is the official Twitter account for the Presidency of the Syrian Arab Republic, offering updates on Presidential news and events.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

Tajikistan

Emomali Rahmon has been head of state of Tajikistan since 1992. Since April 2011 the president has had a personal Twitter account and the presidential administration is represented since May 2012.

President of Tajikistan

Emomali Rahmon

Emomali Rahmon has only tweeted 24 times since setting up his Twitter account on April 2011 and the verdict is still out as to its authenticity. The account has posted six pictures of his meetings and trips abroad and a video of his interview with Euronews television. The account tweets mainly in Tajik but he has sent birthday greetings to @BarackObama on 4 August 2012. @EmomaliRahmon unilaterally follows US President Barack Obama and Turkish President Abdullah Gül.



Emomali Rahmon

@EmomaliRahmon

The President of Republic of Tajikistan.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



presstj
@presstj

[Follow](#)

Тағйироти кадрӣ дар як қатор
мақомоти ҷумҳуриявию маҳаллӣ
president.tj/habarho_110512...

4:48 AM - 14 May 2012 Tajikistan, Tajikistan

Most popular tweet



presstj
@presstj

[Follow](#)

Таъиноти кадрӣ дар мақомоти судӣ
president.tj/node/3119

6:06 AM - 14 Aug 2012

1 RETWEET

Thailand

Thai politicians have embraced Twitter for electoral purposes. Former Prime Minister and opposition leader Abhisit Vejjajiva has abandoned his verified account @pm_abhisit with over 460,000 followers and started a new account @abhisit_dp. His successor Yingluck Shinawatra, as well had a well-rounded Twitter presence @PouYingluck, but on 7 May 2014, Thailand's constitutional court of Thailand ordered Yingluck Shinawatra to step down following months of political crisis.

Government of Thailand

กรมประชาสัมพันธ์

Although Thailand doesn't currently have an elected head of government the office of the prime minister is active on Twitter. The Thai government joined Twitter in January 2011 and posts on average six times per day. However, these are exclusively links to the government news website, providing information about the government's activities. @prdthailand does not @mention or @reply followers and has never used a hashtag. Furthermore, @Prdthailand is not following any peers.



กรมประชาสัมพันธ์

@prdthailand

Thailand's Government Public Relations Department, Office of the Prime Minister. The provider of official news and information about Thailand.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Ministry of Thailand

กระทรวงการต่างประเทศ

The Thai foreign ministry has several Twitter accounts in Thai @MFAThai, which last year has been called @MFAThai_PR_TH and in English @MFAThai_PR_EN. The English feed was set up on 22 April 2010. Both accounts are quite formal mainly posting foreign ministry statements and have only recently started to add pictures on their Twitter streams. The Thai account has ten times more followers than the English one. It tweets more than three times a day, occasionally @replies other users and @mentions them. On the other hand, @MFAThai_PR_EN only posts every two days and never mentions or replies followers. Since January 2014 the foreign ministry also provides news updates on @MFAupdate account.



กระทรวงการต่างประ...

@MFAThai

ติดตามข่าวสารเพิ่มเติมบนโซเชียลมีเดีย
อีกช่องทางที่ Facebook : กระทรวงการ
ต่างประเทศ

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (12)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 4,489

Following: 780

Followers: 29,325

Joined Twitter: 04/22/2010

Language: Thai

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.14

Retweets: 19%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.27

Replies/Tweet: 0.13

Tweets retweeted: 54%

Most mentioned @RoseBlance (173), @MFAThai (99), @TNAMCOT (30), @MorningNewsTV3 (21), @jaokobboon (20), @thapanee3miti (19), @js100radio (18), @teeratr (17), @Kitti3Miti (16), @PouYingluck (14).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 กระทรวงการต่างประเทศ
@MFAThai Follow

ติดตามสถานะล่าสุดเกี่ยวกับปัญหาหมอกควัน
ภูเขาไฟในยุโรป
[http://www.mfa.go.th/web/200.php?
id=24257](http://www.mfa.go.th/web/200.php?id=24257)
1:55 PM - 22 Apr 2010

1 RETWEET

Translation: Track the latest volcanic haze in Europe.
<http://www.mfa.go.th/web/200.php?id=24257>.

Most popular tweet

< Notes

ติดตามการอ่านคำพิพากษาคดีปราสาทพระ
วิหาร **วันที่ 11 พ.ย. 56 เวลา 16.00 น.** ได้ทาง

1. โทรทัศน์ ช่อง 9 (เสียงภาษาไทย/อังกฤษ)
โทรทัศน์ ช่อง 11 (เสียงภาษาไทย)
2. วิทยุ
เสียงไทย FM 92.5 / 100.5 และ
AM 891 / 1575
เสียงอังกฤษ FM 88
3. เว็บไซต์ www.phraviharn.org
(เสียงไทย/อังกฤษ/เสียงที่ใช้จริง)
เว็บไซต์ saranrom.mfa.go.th (เสียงไทย)
4. สมาร์ทโฟน รับชมผ่าน [MCOT App]
5. ติดตามความคืบหน้าทาง
www.twitter.com/mfathai
www.facebook.com/thaimfa

 กระทรวงการต่างประเทศ
@MFAThai Follow

ด่วนที่สุด **#ศาลโลก** จะเริ่มอ่านคำพิพากษาในอีก
5 นาที เชิญติดตามชมบทสรุปคดี **#พระวิหาร** ทาง
ช่องทางเหล่านี้

9:56 AM - 11 Nov 2013

943 RETWEETS 39 FAVORITES

United Arab Emirates

The UAE leads the Gulf countries in terms of social media usage and penetration thanks to the personal tweets of Sheikh Mohammed and Foreign Minister Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan who has been on Twitter since June 2009. A Twitter account was set up for the President His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan by an admirer who promised to give the @KBZayed account to the Ruler of Abu Dhabi once it reaches one million followers. It now has 283,000.

Royal of United Arab Emirates

HH Sheikh Mohammed

In June 2009, His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai embraced Twitter to communicate with his people and he is celebrated for it. Sheikh Mohammed is among the top ten most followed world leaders and his account continues to grow. His tweets have made him approachable to the masses and his open engagement with audiences on all social platforms demonstrates the UAE government's efforts to be open to dialogue. His tweets have mainly been in English, however now His Highness tweets in Arabic and English. He writes about the UAE's vision, UAE new policies and decisions, local events and meetings, and messages that aim to inspire and lead his followers.



HH Sheikh Moham...

@HHShkMohd

Official Tweets by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (49)

follows mutually (1)

Foreign Minister of United Arab Emirates

عبدالله بن زايد

Abdullah Bin Zayed, the foreign minister of the United Arab Emirates has become the second most followed foreign minister on Twitter. Abdullah Bin Zayed started his Twitter activity in October 2011 and is fairly active with an average of four tweets per day. The foreign minister is highly conversational as almost half of his tweets are @replies to other Twitter users. A third of his tweets are retweets. His most retweeted and favorited tweet was when he congratulated the Saudi football team, AlNaser, for winning a football match.



عبدالله بن زايد

@ABZayed

حساب شخصي

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (7)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 7,381

Following: 425

Followers: 1,201,364

Joined Twitter: 10/26/2011

Language: Arabic/English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.82

Retweets: 32%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.85

Replies/Tweet: 0.48

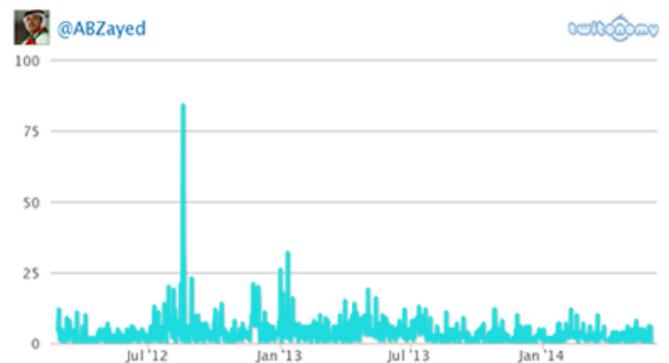
Tweets retweeted: 55%

Most mentioned @YasserHareb (211), @TwitterDad (205), @almzoohi (121), @DraInoaimi (119), @algergawi (97), @AbdullaKhunji (77), @alameemi (68), @YousefAlnuaimi (56), @AnasBukhash (55), @NouraAlKaabi (55).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



عبدالله بن زايد 
@ABZayed 

@ThamerSalman وجود مثل وشرواك خوي مشعل
جذبني كم أنا سعيد بكم
2:57 PM - 28 Oct 2011

Most popular tweet



عبدالله بن زايد 
@ABZayed 

نصر مبروك للنصر السعودي
10:54 PM - 28 Mar 2014

14,624 RETWEETS **2,254** FAVORITES

Translation: Congratulations to Nasr Nasr Saudi

Foreign Ministry of United Arab Emirates

وزارة الخارجية

The official account of the UAE Ministry of Foreign Affairs is mainly used to announce the ministry's news and the minister's activities. The majority of the tweets are from the Ministry's website and are in Arabic and in English. Most of tweets are accompanied with pictures and the hashtag #OFMUAE. The @MOFAUAE account only follows 18 official government accounts including a handful of its embassies but no other foreign leader.



وزارة الخارجية

@MOFAUAE

الصفحة الرسمية لوزارة الخارجية على تويتر -
الإمارات العربية المتحدة

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (12)

follows mutually (2)

Uzbekistan

The Uzbek government started to tweet on the 23 September 2009 with the re-launch of its government web portal.

Government of Uzbekistan

GOV.UZ

The account tweets official government news mainly in Russian, but sometimes in Uzbek and English. The news value of the tweets is rather low considering that only 23% of its tweets have ever been retweeted. The account doesn't try to be conversational having never sent a single @mention or @reply.



GOV.UZ

@GOVuz

The Governmental Portal of The Republic of Uzbekistan is the official state information resource of the Government of The Republic of Uzbekistan.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Yemen

Yemen's president and foreign minister are fairly active on Twitter.

President of Yemen

عبدربه منصور هادي

Abd Rabbuh Mansur Hadi is a Yemeni major general and politician who has been the President of Yemen since 27 February 2012. He started his Twitter account in October 2012. The account is fairly active, tweeting four times per day mainly in Arabic but sometimes in English about the President's political affairs and news. The account only follows eight other Twitter users, all international and Arabic news media organizations



عبدربه منصور هادي

@HadiPresident

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Minister of Yemen

Dr Abubaker Alqirbi

Yemen's Foreign Minister Abdubaker Alqirbi started his personal Twitter account in July 2012 with a tweet that read: "I am in London on a holiday .needed this badly. The situation in Syria is very painful and upsets me". @AAlqirbi is not overly active, only tweeting about once a week mainly in Arabic with only occasional tweets in English. The foreign minister tweets about Yemen's political affairs and news but he never retweets or @mentions other Twitter accounts. @AAlqirbi follows five other world leaders unilaterally, none of which have reciprocated yet.



Dr Abubaker Alqirbi

@AAlqirbi

Ex.Minster of Foreign Affairs of Yemen
Professor of Medicine

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 218

Following: 59

Followers: 1,557

Joined Twitter: 03/19/2012

Language: Arabic

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.3

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet: 0.01

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

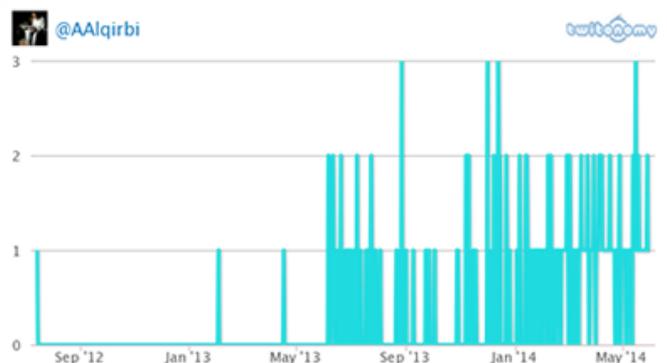
Tweets retweeted: 86%

Most mentioned @Abowd33 (1), @al3bdallatif (1), @AAlqirbi (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Dr Abubaker Alqirbi

@AAlqirbi

 Follow

I am in London on a holiday .needed this badly. The situation in Syria is very painful and upsets me

10:22 PM - 15 Jul 2012

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Dr Abubaker Alqirbi

@AAlqirbi

 Follow

قرار مجلس الأمن حول اليمن يعكس عجز اليمنيين فهم
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8:51 PM - 24 Feb 2014

44 RETWEETS **45** FAVORITES

Europe

All European countries except San Marino have an official Twitter presence and they are highly connected. A few of leaders tweet personally such as the thought-provoking President of Estonia, Toomas Henrik Ilves (@IlvesToomas), and the entertaining Finnish Prime Minister @AlexStubb. The French Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius, the European External Action Service @eu_eas and Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt are the best connected world leaders. Italy's Prime Minister @MatteoRenzi is the most followed EU leader ahead of @David_Cameron and French President @FHollande. Norway's Prime Minister @Erna_Solberg is the most conversational European leader and she tweets personally.



Andorra

The only official account of Andorra belongs to the government, which has been tweeting in Catalan on average 2.4 times a day since 12 March 2010.

Government of Andorra

Govern d'Andorra

Until March 2013 the government of Andorra greeted all its new followers personally with a “Benvinguts” (Welcome) tweet in Catalan, hence the high number of @mentions of more than one per tweet. The government started its Twitter activity under Prime Minister Jaume Bartumeu on 12 March 2010 and mainly broadcasts official government news. Its first tweet is the statement that “Andorra and the Republic of Korea initialed an agreement to exchange tax information.” The most retweeted tweet is the announcement of Andorra’s collaboration in putting out forest fires in the Empordà region of Catalonia. The government of Andorra is well connected mutually following six other world leaders including the Spanish government but not with the @Elysee palace in Paris.



Govern d'Andorra

[@GovernAndorra](#)

El twitter del Govern d'Andorra, un espai informatiu i de servei públic per estar en contacte amb el ciutadà. Visita el nostre web:

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (7)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	4,292
Following:	2,261
Followers:	7,135
Joined Twitter:	03/12/2010
Language:	Catalan
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.42
Retweets:	5%
Mentions/Tweet:	1.07
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	32%
Most mentioned	@JaumeBartumeu (15), @YouTube (13), @gondolinxavi (7), @dastrie (4), @RicardRiba (4), @GovernAndorra (4), @beleno (3), @ChechuSNet (3), @thomaskampfraat (3), @alcllc (3).

First tweet

**Govern d'Andorra**
@GovernAndorra [Follow](#)

Reunió del ministre d'Economia i Finances, Pere López, amb el seu homòleg de Liechtenstein Martin Meyer: En ... <http://tinyurl.com/ykyh4v9>

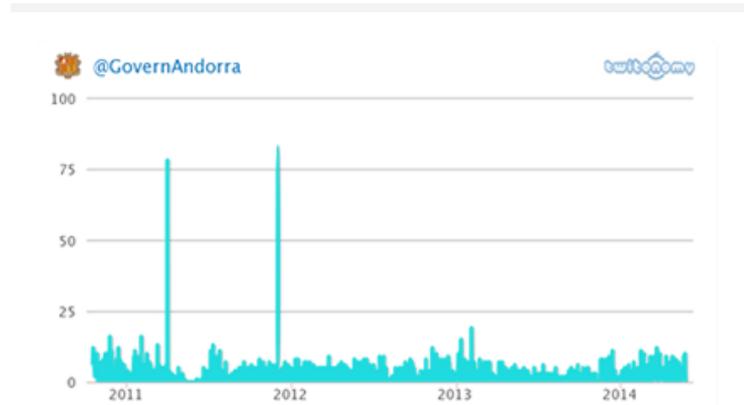
8:48 PM - 12 Mar 2010

Translation: Meeting between the Minister of Economy and Finance Pere López and his counterpart from Liechtenstein, Martin Meyer

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

**Govern d'Andorra**
@GovernAndorra [Follow](#)

Andorra col·labora en les tasques d'extinció de l'incendi de l'Empordà: El departament de Prevenció i Extinció d... bit.ly/P3EHYM

7:59 PM - 23 Jul 2012

75 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: Andorra collaborated in the work of extinguishing the fire in Emporda: The Department of Fire Prevention and... <http://bit.ly/P3EHYM>

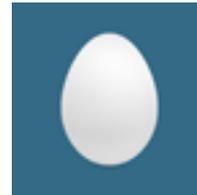
Austria

The Austrian government's attempt to establish a lasting presence on Twitter was thwarted in November 2011 after it came under heavy criticism for using fake profiles to post positive comments on their Facebook page. Since then the government has been contemplating a new social media strategy but has halted all its social media activities.

Chancellor of Austria

Werner Faymann

A personal account for Austrian Chancellor Werner Faymann has been set up by his party but the account is inactive as indicated in two tweets: "The account was reserved for Werner Faymann, head of the SPÖ but is currently not active." Despite being inactive the account has more than 580 followers including Portuguese President Cavaco Silva, the Croatian government and the Swedish Foreign Ministry.



Werner Faymann

@wernerfaymann

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

**teamkanzler**
@teamkanzler 

Facebook-Seite des Bundeskanzlers online: on.fb.me/s1jSs4 und wir nun auch hier auf Twitter ;)

8:54 AM - 26 Oct 2011

18 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

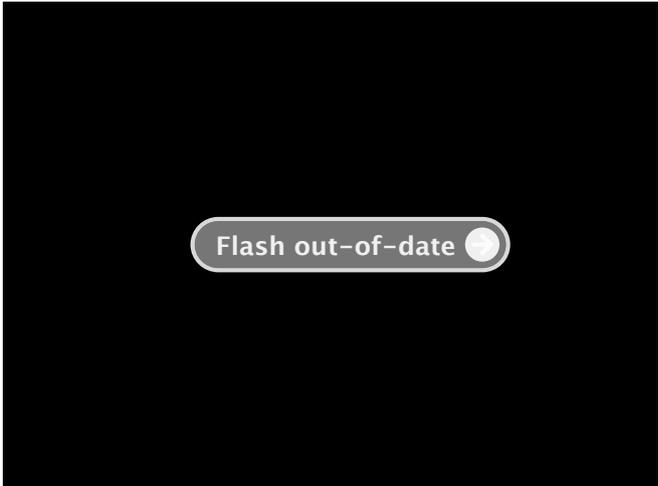
Translation: The Facebook page of the Chancellor is online on.fb.me/s1jSs4 and we are now also on Twitter ;)

Most popular tweet

**teamkanzler**
@teamkanzler 

Danke für die schnelle Ehre! Nach wenigen Stunden schon prominent parodiert zu werden - gefällt uns! :) bit.ly/rDdOLq #maschek

11:10 AM - 26 Oct 2011



 **YouTube** @YouTube

13 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

Translation: New chancellor video on the debt brake <http://bit.ly/swwMzf>

Foreign Minister of Austria

Sebastian Kurz

The Twitter account of Austrian Foreign Minister Sebastian Kurz was created in 2009 and gained traction when he was appointed State Secretary for Integration in 2011 and even more when he was appointed minister for Foreign Affairs in 2013. His tweets showcase the work done for the ministry, but he also tweets personal messages in German, and sometimes in English when addressing an international audience. With sometimes up to four tweets a day he is very active, a fact also reflected in the number of retweets posted to his account. Even though his tweets receive a fair number of replies, Sebastian Kurz rarely engages in Twitter conversations. His most popular tweets are the ones in which he takes a stance on current affairs, as he did when the Turkish government blocked Twitter in 2014: "I have no understanding at all for Turkey's Twitter ban, freedom of speech must be fully respected."



Sebastian Kurz

@sebastiankurz

Minister - Europa, Integration, Äußeres - Bundesobmann Junge ÖVP // Foreign Minister of Austria (@MFA_Austria)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (36)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (19)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,262

Following: 486

Followers: 21,316

Joined Twitter: 06/12/2009

Language: German

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.68

Retweets: 2%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.15

Replies/Tweet: 0.09

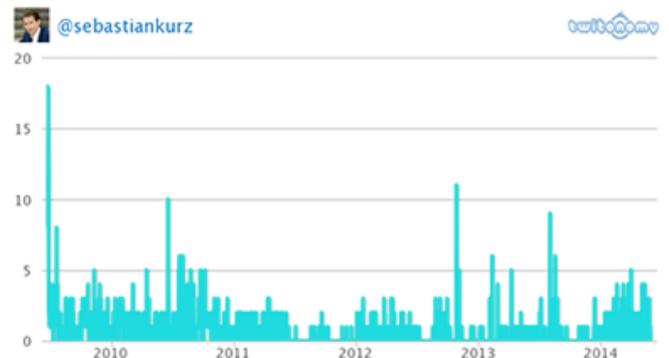
Tweets retweeted: 27%

Most mentioned @MFA_Austria (10), @a_steinhauser (5), @maritschnegg (5), @neos_eu (4), @ArminWolf (3), @dieNagashi (3), @andrangl (3), @scoopix (3), @Fenstergucker03 (2), @florianklenk (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Sebastian Kurz** 
@sebastiankurz 

Bereite mich gerade auf den morgigen Bundestag vor. Freue mich darauf, viele Leute zu treffen. [#Rede](#) [#JVP](#)

12:57 PM - 26 Jun 2009

Translation: Preparing for tomorrow's Bundestag's session. Looking forward to meet many people. [#Speech](#) [#JVP](#)

Most popular tweet

 **Sebastian Kurz** 
@sebastiankurz 

I have no understanding at all for Turkey's Twitter ban, freedom of speech must be fully respected

10:27 AM - 21 Mar 2014

104 RETWEETS **95** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Austria

MFA Austria

Initially named @Minoritenplatz8, after the address it resides in, the Austrian Foreign Ministry took to Twitter on 3 January 2011 as the first and to this date only Austrian federal ministry. From the start the social media team showed a good understanding of the intricacies of Twitter. The liberal usage of hashtags and the willingness to engage in dialogue via @replies soon led to a very solid number of followers. More than 30% of its tweets have been retweeted, a sign of how relevant the community deems the information provided. Vice versa, the ministry liberally retweets relevant information from a wide array of accounts. The Foreign Ministry also maintains a Twitter list including the Twitter accounts of its embassies, ambassadors and staff of the ministry.



MFA Austria

[@MFA_Austria](#)

former @Minoritenplatz8;
Österreichisches Außenministerium,
Austrian Foreign Ministry, Ministère
des Affaires étrangères d'Autriche

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (34)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (30)

Belarus

Neither Belarusian President Alexander Lukashenko nor his government have an official Twitter presence but the Belarusian Foreign Ministry has two accounts in English and in Russian.

Foreign Ministry of Belarus

BelarusMID

The English language account of the Belarusian Foreign Ministry @BelarusMFA was set up three months before the Russian version on 25 August 2011. Both accounts are very formal and have similarly low levels of @mentions. @Replies appear to be due to failing to place a "." before the "@" at the beginning of a tweet. The Russian account @BelarusMID automatically tweets statements from the ministry's website. The ministry also posts pictures of meetings with Foreign Minister Vladimir Makei on its Instagram account. The Russian language account tweets more than three times as much as the English one, but in 2014 there has been increased activity on the English account and the follower numbers have increased accordingly. The Foreign Ministry in Minsk follows more than 25 other foreign ministries and foreign ministers and the English account follows the Pope.



BelarusMID

@BelarusMID

Министерство иностранных дел
Республики Беларусь

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (16)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (6)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,326
Following:	85
Followers:	1,954
Joined Twitter:	08/25/2011
Language:	Russian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.12
Retweets:	1%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.03
Replies/Tweet:	0
Tweets retweeted:	19%
Most mentioned	@HelenClarkUNDP (8), @UNDP_Belarus (8), @UnitedNationsRU (7), @UNDP (5), @eu_eeas (4), @MID_RF (4), @BelarusMID (3), @belta_news (3), @PolandMFA (2), @UNESCO_russian (2).

First tweet

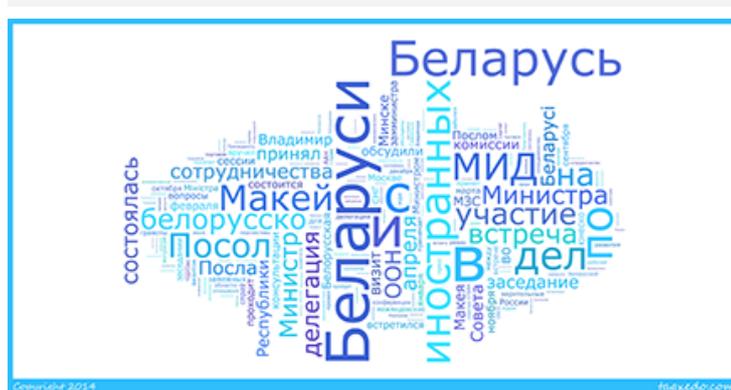
 **BelarusMID** 
@BelarusMID 

25–27 августа проходит визит в Беларусь заместителя Министра иностранных дел Республики Индия Санджая Сингха. j.mp/rllxP5

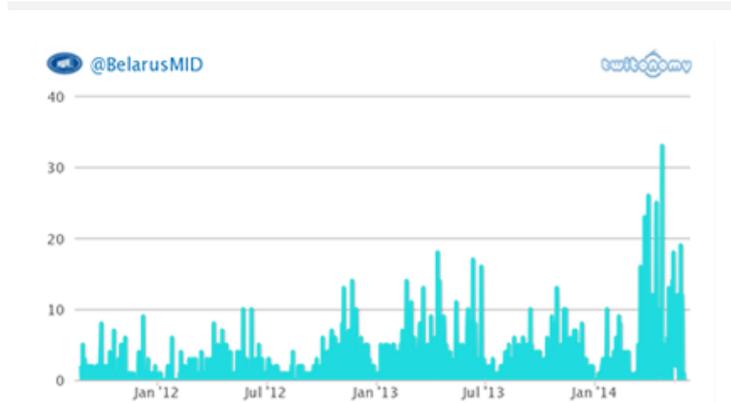
10:07 AM - 26 Aug 2011

Translation: August 25-27 the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of India Sanjaya Singh will visit Belarus. <http://j.mp/rllxP5>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **BelarusMID** 
@BelarusMID 

Дарья #Домрачева станет послом доброй воли Программы развития #ООН в Беларуси by.1001hls.com/r477504, via @ont_by @DaryaDomracheva

7:12 PM - 26 May 2014

13 RETWEETS **7** FAVORITES

Translation: Daria #Domracheva will become goodwill ambassador of the #UN Development Programme in Belarus <http://by.1001hls.com/r477504>, via @ont_by @DaryaDomracheva

Belgium

Twitter has become the main communications tool for Belgian politicians. Belgium's King Philippe is not on Twitter himself, but the Belgian Royal Palace started an account a day after his accession to the throne in September 2013.

Royal Palace of Belgium

Belgian Royal Palace

The Belgian Royal Palace opened its Twitter account on the day of the 'Joyous Entry' of King Philippe on 6 September 2013. Tweets are usually sent twice, in Dutch and French, the official Belgian languages and some are also sent in English. Tweets primarily deal with official royal matters and royal visits. The @MonarchieBe Belgian Royal Palace is very much a broadcasting account, without any interaction and the account doesn't follow any other Twitter user. None of the tweets contain any links to other sources, but the account is very visually focused. Almost every tweet includes a picture showing the King and Queen including some of low quality taken with an iPhone. The most popular tweet was sent when US President Barack Obama visited Belgium: "Welcome to Belgium Mr. President!" It contained a picture of King Philippe shaking hands with President Obama, but did not mention @BarackObama.



Belgian Royal Palace

@MonarchieBe

Officieel Twitter-kanaal van het Koninklijk Paleis, België - Compte Twitter officiel du Palais Royal, Belgique

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



 **Belgian Royal Palace** 
@MonarchieBe

 Follow

De Blijde Intrede van de Koning en de Koningin in Vlaams-Brabant gaat van start

11:08 AM - 6 Sep 2013

38 RETWEETS 36 FAVORITES

Translation: The Joyous Entry of the King and Queen in Flemish Brabant starts

Most popular tweet



 **Belgian Royal Palace** 
@MonarchieBe

 Follow

Welcome to Belgium Mr. President!

9:46 PM - 25 Mar 2014

166 RETWEETS 90 FAVORITES

First tweet



Elio Di Rupo 
@eliodirupo



Bon, c'est bientôt mon tour. Je demande la tête de Didier ou le poste de Premier ministre...

11:07 PM - 19 Dec 2008

16 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

Translation: OK, now it is my turn. I want Didier's head or the job of Prime Minister...

Most popular tweet



Elio Di Rupo 
@eliodirupo



Je suis fier de la modernité de notre pays où tous les couples ont le droit de se marier. #mariagepourtous #Belgique

11:11 AM - 14 Jan 2013

1,104 RETWEETS **192** FAVORITES

Translation: I am proud of our modern country where all couples have the right to marry. #mariagepourtous #Belgium

Foreign Minister of Belgium

didier reynders

"I'm coming on Twitter" was Didier Reynders's unfortunate first tweet when Belgian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs joined Twitter in May 2009. He is quite active with more than eight tweets a day. He tweets consistently in French and Dutch, Belgium's official languages @mentioning other Twitter users in every third tweet. However he is not very conversational as only a fraction of his tweets are @replies. He frequently shares news stories from Belgian media such as La Libre Belgique @lalibrebe, La Dernière Heure @ladh, @RTBFinfo @LeSoir and @DeMorgen. Indeed, his most retweeted tweet was the title of and link to an rtbf.be article "Intervention en Syrie: la Belgique pas prête à s'engager sans preuves". Didier Reynders tweets an interesting mix of personal thoughts and political statements.



didier reynders

@dreynders

deputy prime minister and foreign affairs minister

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (20)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Belgium MFA ✓

@BelgiumMFA

Follow

Ontmoeting minister Reynders met de
secretaris-generaal van de Golf
Samenwerkingsraad

diplomatie.belgium.be/nl/Newsroom/

2:04 PM - 2 Feb 2012

Translation: Minister Reynders met with the Secretary General
of the Gulf Cooperation Council

<http://diplomatie.belgium.be/en/Newsroom/>

Most popular tweet



Belgium MFA ✓

@BelgiumMFA

Follow

Belgium sends #BFast to #Serbia = 3
speedboats to supply food in out-of-reach
areas. @eu_echo eepurl.com/U9isr

4:46 PM - 20 May 2014

45 RETWEETS 18 FAVORITES

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bosnian leaders still have not made active use of Twitter as a means of communication. Some of the particularities of the Bosnian political system are as well reflected on Twitter. The Presidency of the country consists of three members representing the main ethnicities, but only two of them have a Twitter account and both are dormant.

President of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bakir Izetbegović

The Bosnian President Bakir Izetbegović is on Twitter since 23 August 2010. However, his Twitter stream is automatically generated from Facebook and his website (<http://bakirizetbegovic.ba>), tweeting whenever new posts are published. He rarely posts pictures and hasn't interacted with other Twitter users. On average he posts almost once a day exclusively in Bosnian.



Bakir Izetbegović

@B_Izetbegovic

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Željko Komšić
@ZeljkoBiH

[Follow](#)

Molimo sve poštovaoce lika i djela gđina. Komšića da nas prate na zvaničnom facebook profilu: Podrška Željku Komšiću.

12:21 PM - 25 Feb 2013

Translation: All fans of the work of Mr. Komšić, accompany us on the official facebook profile: Support Željko Komšić.

Most popular tweet



Željko Komšić
@ZeljkoBiH

[Follow](#)

Ako mirno gledamo na sve patnje ove zemlje, onda smo i mi ti koji smo je prouzročili!

4:32 PM - 27 Feb 2013

7 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: If you still look at all the suffering of this country, then we are the ones who have caused it!

Prime Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina

Vjekoslav Bevanda

Prime Minister Vjekoslav Bevanda joined Twitter in June 2012 and he sent his first tweet only six months later. The tweet in Croatian about the farewell courtesy call of the Chinese ambassador to Sarajevo has been the only tweet until now. It is not sure, whether the account is actually his official Twitter account.



Vjekoslav Bevanda

@vbevanda

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Zlatko Lagumdžija
@LagumdžijaZ

[Follow](#)

Hvala mom [@sdpbih](#) PR odjelu koji me ubijedio da otvorim Twitter profil...

3:17 PM - 7 May 2013

1 RETWEET

Translation: Thanks to my @SDPBiH PR department that convinced me to open a Twitter account

Most popular tweet



Zlatko Lagumdžija
@LagumdžijaZ

[Follow](#)

Zastava RBiH, s ljiljanima, je itekako legalna i dio je naše tradicije i kulture, kao i zastava SRBiH.

8:42 AM - 16 Sep 2013

13 RETWEETS **11** FAVORITES

Bulgaria

Bulgarian politicians have been slow in adopting Twitter to communicate with their constituents. However, the Bulgarian presidency, the foreign ministry and Foreign Minister Kristian Vigenin have Twitter representations. Bulgarian President Rosen Plevneliev used Twitter briefly during his election campaign in autumn 2011.

President of Bulgaria

Росен Плевнелиев

Rosen Plevneliev's Twitter stint has been rather short-lived. His campaign account was set up on 29 September 2011. His campaign team sent the last tweet a month later on 30 October 2011, a fuzzy TwitPic of his press conference after winning a majority of 52.58% defeating Ivaylo Kalfin from the Bulgarian Socialist Party in the second round of the presidential elections. His most popular tweet is his statement that: "Foreign policy must mirror the interests of the country, not through isolation but through connectivity." In late May 2012 an un-official Twitter account @BulGovernment was set up based on an automated feed from the government website.



Росен Плевнелиев

@rplevneliev

Страница на Росен Плевнелиев, поддържана от щаба за президентската кампания #rplevneliev2011. Туитовете от Росен са подписани с инициали РП

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Росен Плевнелиев

@rplevneliev



Повече средства за България за периода 2014-2020 г. и подкрепата на Европарламента - един от акцентите в Страсбург днес

4:02 PM - 27 Sep 2011

1 RETWEET

Translation: More funds for Bulgaria for the period 2014-2020 and the support of the European Parliament - one of the highlights in Strasbourg today <http://t.co/SeStTH4B>

Presidency of Bulgaria

Bulgarian Presidency

The administration of the Bulgarian presidency started tweeting on 5 August 2012 and sends on average 4.3 tweets each day mainly in Bulgarian. The account chronicles the activity of President Rosen Plevneliev and often links back to statements on the presidential website. The account is not interactive in that only 4% are retweets and there few @replies. Furthermore, the presidential account is unilaterally following 17 other global leaders and has mutual connections with the Brazilian President, the EU Commission and the Serbian government.

Most popular tweet



Росен Плевнелиев

@rplevneliev



Какъв трябва да бъде според вас българският президент - като личностни качества и като действия, които да е способен да предприеме?

10:23 PM - 27 Oct 2011

2 RETWEETS

Translation: Foreign policy must reflect the interests of the country, it does not by isolation but through connectivity. <http://t.co/nVOFNqDH>



Bulgarian Presidency

@BgPresidency

Administration of the Bulgarian President - Press Office/
Администрация на Президента

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (17)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (5)

First tweet

 **Kristian Vigenin**
@vigenin [Follow](#)

Какво спечели и какво загуби България от членството си в Европейския съюз? <http://bit.ly/l2qOk>

11:07 AM - 12 May 2009

Translation: What won and what lost Bulgaria's membership in the European Union? <http://bit.ly/l2qOk>

Most popular tweet

 **Kristian Vigenin**
@vigenin [Follow](#)

Браво на хилядите хора, които излязоха да чистят България от боклуците днес. Акцията продължава на 12-ти май. :)

12:25 PM - 20 Apr 2013

4 RETWEETS

Translation: Good for thousands of people who came out to clean debris from Bulgaria today. The action continues on 12th May :)

Foreign Ministry of Bulgaria

MFA Bulgaria

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria has been tweeting since 18 April 2010 mainly posting statements from its website on its Twitter feed. The account tweets on average less than once a day in Bulgarian and in English on the same Twitter feed. The ministry has started to share pictures of meetings of Foreign Minister Kristian Vigenin. @MFABulgaria is unilaterally following 46 other world leaders and mutually connected to 39 foreign ministries and foreign ministers.



MFA Bulgaria

@MFABulgaria

Министерство на външните работи на Република България | Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (45)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (39)

Croatia

Croatia is presented on Twitter with five accounts with some of them being more actively connecting and interacting with world leaders than others. Prime Minister Zoran Milanović is not active on Twitter but his government's account is among the most prolific. The president's account is dormant as Ivo Josipović prefers to interact with his fans on Facebook and the presidency has a Twitter account @uredprh since 31 December 2012, but has never tweeted.

President of Croatia

Ivo Josipović

Croatian President Ivo Josipović stopped tweeting over Easter 2011, focusing his social media activity on Facebook, where he has more than 100,000 likes. The Croatian President was very conversational with one third of tweets being @replies to his followers. His Twitter team also has a sense of humour: on the day of the presidential elections on 27 December 2009 he tweeted: "Psssst. A few hours..." and a link to U2's Beautiful Day video. After his election the account has become less active and conversational tweeting only 27 times in 2010 and 2011 before becoming dormant on 22 April 2011.



Ivo Josipović

@ivojosipovic

Ja sam Ivo Josipović i Predsjednik sam Republike Hrvatske.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Vlada R. Hrvatske** 
@VladaRH 

Prisegnula je 12. Vlada Republike Hrvatske. Twitter je jedan od kanala kojim ćemo komunicirati s vama. :)
[#politikaHR](#)

2:44 PM - 23 Dec 2011

24 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: The 12th Croatian Government was sworn in. Twitter is a channel through which we communicate with you. :)
#PolitikaHR

Most popular tweet

 **Vlada R. Hrvatske** 
@VladaRH 

Podignuta je i stranica poplave.hr na kojoj se, između ostalog, može ponuditi smještaj za žrtve [#poplave: ow.ly/wZKsK](http://ow.ly/wZKsK)
Molimo RT

10:42 AM - 19 May 2014

178 RETWEETS **27** FAVORITES

Translation: The website poplave.hr offers, among other things, accommodation for [#flood](http://ow.ly/wZKsK) victims <http://ow.ly/wZKsK>
Please RT

Foreign Minister of Croatia

Vesna Pusić

Croatian Foreign Minister Vesna Pusić has linked her Facebook page to her Twitter account, automatically posting truncated tweets and bare links to her Facebook page. Vesna Pusić joined Twitter on 29 September 2009 but she never @mentions, @replies or engages with her followers. She is followed by 13 other world leaders but mutually only follows President @IvoJosipovic.



Vesna Pusić

[@vpusic](#)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Vlada R. Hrvatske** 
@VladaRH 

Pusić: "Povećali smo iskorištenost [#fondovi](#) ove godine. Čekaju nas 13,7 mlrd. Trebamo projekte. Možemo uspjeti." [#EU](#) [#politikahr](#)

10:57 AM - 30 Aug 2012

2 RETWEETS

Translation: Pusić: "we have increased the use of [#funds](#) this year. Waiting for us 13.7 billion. We need projects. We can make it." [#EU](#) [#politikahr](#)

Most popular tweet



 **MVEP**
@MVEP_hr 

"Nobelova nagrada za mir dodijeljena EU za nas je, kao buduću članicu – velika čast, ali i obaveza." [#mvep](#) [@vpusic](#)

3:25 PM - 12 Oct 2012

3 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: Centralized information about [#floods](#)
<http://poplave.hr>

Cyprus

The government of Cyprus has stepped up its public diplomacy efforts with the establishment of Twitter accounts for the presidency and the foreign ministry in 2013. President Nicos Anastasiades and Foreign Minister Ioannis Kasoulides both maintain personal accounts.

President of Cyprus

Nicos Anastasiades

Cypriot President Nicos Anastasiades joined Twitter in May 2012 as @Nicos2013, when he was the leader and presidential candidate of the Democratic Rally party. When he assumed office on 28 February 2013, the name of the account was changed to @AnastasiadesCY. He has been tweeting almost twice a day since, mainly in Greek, about domestic politics and EU affairs, frequently sharing photos of his meetings with foreign leaders. Exemplary is his most retweeted tweet: "Efforts culminating, the #Eurogroup starts in 15 minutes #Cyprus". Although the account has never sent a @reply, it has frequently retweeted the European People Party @EPP, while among its rare mentions are also European leaders @MartinSchulz, @BarosoEU, @euHvR and @David_Cameron.



Nicos Anastasiades

@AnastasiadesCY

Νίκος Αναστασιάδης, Πρόεδρος της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας/
President of the Republic of Cyprus;
see also @CYpresidency

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (10)

followed unilaterally by (6)

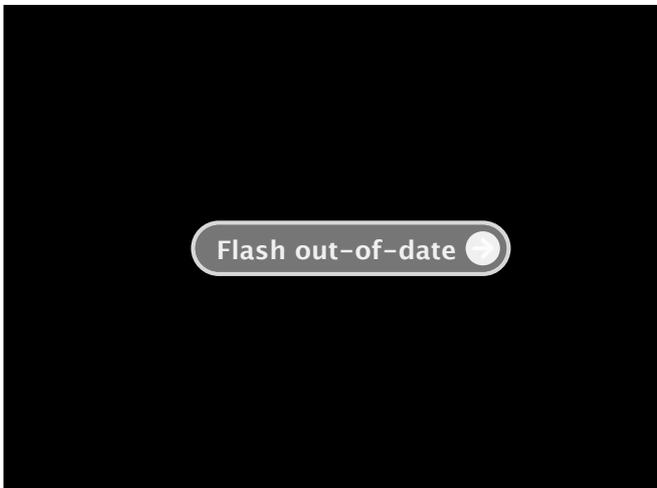
follows mutually (8)

First tweet



Nicos Anastasiades 
@AnastasiadesCY 

Εκπομπή "ΠΡΟΕΚΤΑΣΕΙΣ" 03/05/2012
fb.me/24inZO1iE
3:58 PM - 4 May 2012



 **YouTube** @YouTube

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Nicos Anastasiades 
@AnastasiadesCY 

Κορυφώνονται οι προσπάθειες, σε 15 λεπτά ξεκινά το [#Eurogroup](#) [#Cyprus](#)
12:20 AM - 25 Mar 2013

250 RETWEETS **59** FAVORITES

Translation: Efforts culminating, the [#Eurogroup](#) starts in 15 minutes [#Cyprus](#)

Presidency of Cyprus

Προεδρία της ΚΔ

The Presidency of Cyprus set up its official institutional account @CYpresidency on 28 February 2013 after President Nicos Anastasiades took office. In its first four months, 91% of its tweets were retweets of the Cypriot Press and Information Office accounts @PIOcy and @CyprusPIO, @AnastasiadesCY and @EP_CYPRUS. The account has become much more active since July 2013 with over two tweets per day, while the percentage of retweets remains high. The Cyprus presidency follows eleven other world leaders and is mutually connected to the government of Italy @Palazzo_Chigi and two EU institutions namely the @EU_Commission and the External Action Service @EU_eas.



Προεδρία της ΚΔ

@CYpresidency

Προεδρία της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας/ Presidency of the Republic of Cyprus/ Kıbrıs Cumhuriyeti Cumhurbaşkanlığı; see also @AnastasiadesCY

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet

**Cyprus Portal**
@GovCyprus 

Η ανανεωμένη Διαδικτυακή Πύλη θα είναι διαθέσιμη στις 22/10/2012. Αναμένοντας τα δικά σας σχόλια ... Η άποψη σας μετρά! goo.gl/iKkOx

11:34 AM - 19 Oct 2012

Translation: The revamped portal will be available on 22/10/2012. Expecting your comments... Your opinion counts! <http://goo.gl/iKkOx>

Most popular tweet

**Cyprus Portal**
@GovCyprus 

Σας ευχόμαστε καλό & ξεκούραστο τριήμερο! We wish you a nice and relaxing long weekend!

2:19 PM - 15 Mar 2013

11 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: We wish you a nice and relaxing long weekend!

Foreign Minister of Cyprus

Ioannis Kasoulides

Cypriot Foreign Minister and former MEP Ioannis Kasoulides has been on Twitter since 2009, but only started tweeting in February 2012. @IKasoulides maintains a personal tone in his tweets on European affairs and Cypriot politics, frequently sharing photos from official meetings, interviews and European Parliament events. The account frequently @mentions and retweets the @CyprusMFA account, the @EPPGroup, and the EU External Action Service @EU_eas. On occasions @IKasoulides replies to Twitter users. When he became Cypriot Foreign Minister, he thanked fellow MEPs and citizens sending him congratulatory tweets. Ioannis Kasoulides unilaterally follows 37 other world leaders; ten of them have returned the favor.



Ioannis Kasoulides

@IKasoulides

Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus (2013- , 1997-2003)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (27)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (10)

First tweet

 **Ioannis Kasoulides** 
@IKasoulides 

Σήμερα, στις 16:40 στην εκπομπή "Τολμώ" στο Sigma με τον Ανδρέα Δημητρόπουλο.

12:53 PM - 23 Feb 2012

Translation: Today, at 16:40 the show "Dare" at Sigma with Andreas Dimitropoulos.

Most popular tweet



 **Ioannis Kasoulides** 
@IKasoulides 

It was a great pleasure to welcome to [#Cyprus](#) the Vice President of the [#USA](#), Mr. Joe [#Biden](#) [#cyprus](#) [@JoeBiden](#)

9:31 PM - 21 May 2014

28 RETWEETS 20 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Cyprus

Cyprus MFA

The Cypriot foreign ministry established an official Twitter presence @CyprusMFA on 21 May 2013. The account mainly tweets about #Cyprus and the #EU, its most used hashtags in English, French and Greek. The account mentions at least one other Twitter user in every tweet, mainly Foreign Minister @IKasoulides, the @EU_eas and President @AnastasiadesCY. The @CyprusMFA account is well connected, unilaterally following 40 and mutually connected to 28, mainly European leaders.



Cyprus MFA

@CyprusMFA

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus, Official Account
- Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών
Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας,
Επίσημος Λογαριασμός

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (40)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (28)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 200

Following: 233

Followers: 2,078

Joined Twitter: 05/21/2013

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.52

Retweets: 19%

Mentions/Tweet: 1.14

Replies/Tweet: 0.08

Tweets retweeted: 43%

Most mentioned @IKasoulides (73), @AnastasiadesCY (19), @eu_eas (13), @AMavroyiannis (7), @GreeceMFA (7), @cnainenglish (5), @EVenizelos (4), @EU2013LT (4), @CyprusUN (4), @UN (3).

First tweet



Ioannis Kasoulides

@IKasoulides

A very warm welcome to [@CyprusMFA](#), the official [#twitter](#) account of the [#Ministry](#) of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of [#Cyprus](#) [#EU](#)

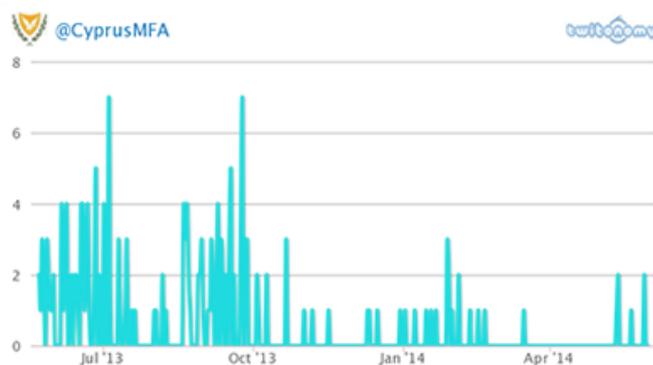
9:54 PM - 21 May 2013

12 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Cyprus MFA

@CyprusMFA

The Government of [#Kuwait](#) announced a financial contribution to CMP's fund [mfa.gov.cy/mfa/mfa2006.ns...](#) [#Cyprus](#) [@IKasoulides](#)

12:07 PM - 9 Oct 2013

7 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

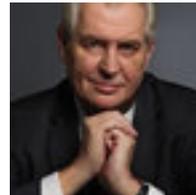
Czech Republic

Czech politicians are still hesitant to use Twitter as communication tool. While the Czech government has established an official Twitter news feed, the account of Prime Minister @BohuslavSobotka has never been active and President Miloš Zeman @MZemanOficialni has not tweeted since October 2013.

President of Czech Republic

Miloš Zeman

Miloš Zeman, the president of the Czech Republic joined Twitter in July 2013. However, since then he has only tweeted 13 times with his last tweet sent on 7 October 2013. The account has never @replied to or @mentioned other users. Furthermore, he is not following any peers.



Miloš Zeman

@MZemanOficialni

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **Miloš Zeman**
@MZemanOficialni [Follow](#)

Podívejte se na mé nové webové stránky
[zemanmilos.cz](http://www.zemanmilos.cz)

11:24 AM - 25 Jul 2013

2 RETWEETS 7 FAVORITES

Translation: Check out my new website
<http://www.zemanmilos.cz>

Most popular tweet



 **Miloš Zeman**
@MZemanOficialni [Follow](#)

Tema energetické situace v ČR a cen
energii jsem diskutoval dnes v Laněch s
mým týmem expertů.

6:11 PM - 27 Jul 2013

6 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Translation: I discussed today the energy situation in the
Czech Republic and energy prices with my team of experts.
<http://t.co/hloviq6qXZ>

First tweet



Úřad vlády ČR
@strakovka

[Follow](#)

Úřad vlády na Facebooku
<http://www.facebook.com/uradvlady>

9:18 AM - 9 Jul 2010

1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: Government Office on Facebook
<http://www.facebook.com/uradvlady>

Most popular tweet



Úřad vlády ČR
@strakovka

[Follow](#)

#Necas: Zítřa podám demisi na pozici premiéra. Jsem si vědom své politické odpovědnosti a vyvozuji z ní své politické důsledky.

10:30 PM - 16 Jun 2013

37 RETWEETS **5** FAVORITES

Translation: #Necas: Tomorrow I shall resign as prime minister. I am aware of the political responsibilities and its political implications.

Denmark

The Danish government is one of the few EU governments which does not have an official presence on Twitter. Neither the Queen nor Prime Minister Helle Thorning Schmidt are active on Twitter, although the inactive @HelleThorningS account has garnered more than 6,400 followers. Helle Thorning Schmidt has over 151.000 likers on Facebook, which is the social media outlet of her choice but she never shared the selfie with Barack Obama and David Cameron she shot at the funeral of Nelson Mandela.

Foreign Minister of Denmark

Martin Lidegaard

Danish Foreign Minister, @MartinLidegaard signed up to Twitter in January 2013 and tweets in Danish and sometimes in English when sending a political message about Denmark's foreign policy. Martin Lidegaard tweets on average once a day and he uses his account to interact with other users including political opponents, fellow Social-Liberals, and Danish journalists. The Social-Liberal Party that he belongs to is generally very active on Twitter. His most used hashtag is #dkpol referring to the Danish political debate on Twitter. His second most used hashtag is #dkgreen which reflects his time as minister for Climate, Energy and Buildings from 2011-2014. Martin Lidegaard is only following 49 other Twitter users including Danish Prime Minister @HelleThorningS and is mutually following Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt and U.S. Secretary of State @JohnKerry.



Martin Lidegaard

@martinlidegaard

Foreign Minister for Denmark

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Martin Lidegaard

@martinlidegaard

Follow

Det skal vi kunne gøre bedre!
politiken.dk/tjek/tjekmad/E...

2:35 PM - 11 Jan 2013



[Ny rapport: Halvdelen af verdens mad bliver smidt ud](#)

Hvert år smider vi 2 milliarder ton spiseligt mad ud.

Politiken @politiken

3 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



Martin Lidegaard

@martinlidegaard

Follow

Danish proposal at todays EU meeting:
Comm. must quickly investigate how to
decrease EUs energy dependency. Many
colleagues agree [#eu](#) [#dkpol](#)

12:46 PM - 18 Mar 2014

43 RETWEETS 14 FAVORITES

Translation: We need to do better!

<http://politiken.dk/tjek/tjekmad/ECE1863871/ny-rapport-halvdelen-af-verdens-mad-bliver-smidt-ud/>

Estonia

The Estonian political leadership, always on the cusp of electronic innovation has been slow at using social media for their external communication. The Estonian president joined Twitter in mid-May 2012 and became an instant hit for his frank tweets and outspokenness. The new prime minister of the “tech and social media generation”, in office since March 2014, has also enlivened the Twitter traffic of Estonia’s top politicians, sharing news of his official work as well as personal thoughts and impressions.

President of Estonia

toomas hendrik ilves

“Help! I'm being followed ;-)” are the first words of Toomas Hendrik Ilves on Twitter. The Estonian President became an instant sensation for his frank and undiplomatic tweets in 2012. Ilves, who tweets himself, bluntly criticized New York Times blogger and Nobel Prize economist Paul Krugman as “smug, overbearing & patronizing”, in response to a blog post questioning Estonia's economic recovery. “Let's sh*t on East Europeans: their English is bad, won't respond,” he tweeted. “Guess a Nobel in trade means you can pontificate on fiscal matters & declare my country a “wasteland”. That famous twispute (Twitter dispute) found its way into a short opera “Nostra Culpa” performed at the Tallinn Music Week festival in April 2013. Since late 2013 his Twitter activity intensified, with the release of Mikhail Khodorkovsky and the developments in Ukraine. The outspoken president has clashed on several occasions with the Russian foreign ministry and Russian diplomats. Not surprisingly the account Toomas Ilves has attracted a fair share of trolls who often tweet abuse and insults which he even shared with his baffled followers. Despite the abuse @IlvesToomas keeps tweeting about cybersecurity, statistics and data about Estonia and is one of the most interesting Twitter accounts to follow.



toomas hendrik ilves

@IlvesToomas

vaata kodukalt/look at my homepage

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (24)

follows mutually (14)

Prime Minister of Estonia

Taavi Rõivas

Estonian Prime Minister Taavi Rõivas who took office on 26 March 2014 has been tweeting and engaging with other Twitter users since 2011, when he was still a member of parliament. As the youngest prime minister in Europe and a true member of the “tech and social media generation”, he has been tweeting official news as well as sharing his personal life throughout the past years, while he was minister for social affairs. Since taking the post of prime minister he continues to tweet personally on average twice a day in English and in Estonian often sharing pictures from official events, such as meetings with foreign counterparts. @TaaviRoivas also shares his personal pictures, including snapshots of his daughter on his Instagram account.



Taavi Rõivas

@TaaviRoivas

Peaminister, liberaal, spordifänn

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (7)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,126

Following: 367

Followers: 2,903

Joined Twitter: 11/26/2011

Language: Estonian/English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 2.19

Retweets: 34%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.25

Replies/Tweet: 0.18

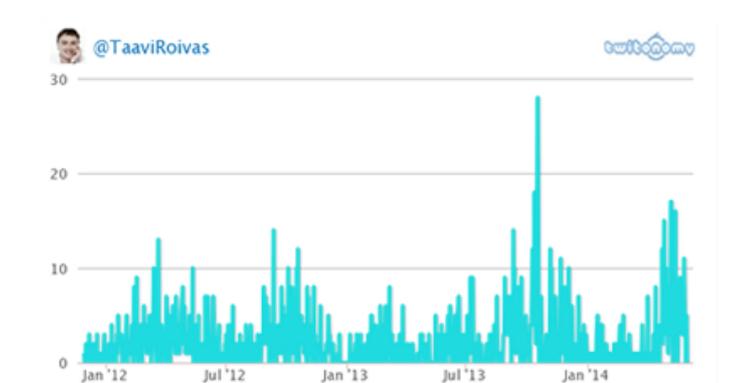
Tweets retweeted: 14%

Most mentioned @ArtoAas (36), @andreaskaju (27), @anvarsamost (21), @andrestroop (20), @graafik (18), @tankler (17), @priitluts (17), @archiei (13), @RaimoPoom (12), @KallePalling (12).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Taavi Rõivas 
@TaaviRoivas 

Iirimaa finantsabi vahearuanne näitab veenvalt, et kui on piisavalt tahet, saab ka suurest august välja. Teised võiks kah rohkem tahta.

10:13 AM - 29 Nov 2011

2 RETWEETS

Translation: Ireland's interim financial report shows conclusively that, if there is enough desire, you can also get a large hole. Others might want more, too.

Most popular tweet



Taavi Rõivas 
@TaaviRoivas 

Valitsus kiitis heaks lastetoetuste tõusu:
1. ja 2. lapsele 45€ senise 19€ asemel
3. lapsest alates 100€
vajaduspõhiselt veel 45€ lisaks

9:57 AM - 8 May 2014

54 RETWEETS 195 FAVORITES

Translation: The government approved an increase in child benefits: 1st and 2nd child €19 instead of €45 today; 3 children from €100 basis in addition to the need for an additional €45

Government of Estonia

Valitsuse uudised

The Estonian government maintains two Twitter accounts in in Estonian (@StenbockiMaja) and in English (@EstonianGovt) to broadcast news about the government's work. Both accounts were set up in May 2009 but have a combined audience of only 3,900 followers. Over the past four years the Estonian account has tweeted 925 times and received a total of only 360 retweets. The stream mostly consists of official news about the activities of former Prime Minister Andrus Ansip and his successor Taavi Rõivas.



Valitsuse uudised

@StenbockiMaja

Vabariigi Valitsuse uudised. For tweets in English, visit @EstonianGovt

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Valitsuse uudised

@StenbockiMaja



Valitsus otsustas täiendavalt parandada eelarvepositsiooni 3,4 miljardi krooni ulatuses <http://tinyurl.com/o58q54>

12:57 AM - 20 May 2009

Translation: The government has decided to further improve the fiscal position by 3.4 billion kroons <http://tinyurl.com/o58q54>

Most popular tweet



Valitsuse uudised

@StenbockiMaja



65 aasta eest küüditatute mälestuseks süüdati täna tuhanded küünlad üle Eesti ja ka väljaspool Eestit

8:11 PM - 25 Mar 2014

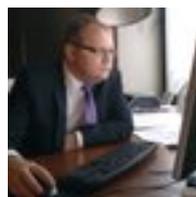
75 RETWEETS 219 FAVORITES

Translation: 65 years ago today, thousands of candles were lit in memory of the deported in Estonia and also abroad pic.twitter.com/1sIQJC3t9

Foreign Minister of Estonia

Urmas Paet

Estonia's Foreign Minister created his Twitter the account @UrmasPaet on the eve of Estonian 95th Independence Day in February 2013, to announce his meeting with Secretary of State John Kerry in Rome. This was followed by silence on air until September 2013, when the account revived prior to the municipal elections. Since fall 2013 the tweets mostly chronicle his official activities, but also include personal observations. The activity has been intermittent, but has intensified at times, most notably during the Ukrainian crisis in spring 2014 with the security situation intensifying and ahead of the European elections.



Urmas Paet

@Urmaspaet

Estonian Minister of Foreign Affairs
/ Eesti välisminister

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (10)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	405
Following:	282
Followers:	1,521
Joined Twitter:	02/19/2013
Language:	Estonian/English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.72
Retweets:	40%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.06
Replies/Tweet:	0.05
Tweets retweeted:	31%
Most mentioned	@lobjakas (1), @uwekersna (1), @YloLaanoja (1), @LiinaLindpere (1), @laurikre (1), @taunotoompuu (1), @anvarsamost (1), @IlvesToomas (1), @RaimoPoom (1), @OttiEylandt (1).

First tweet



Urmas Paet
@Urmaspaet

Follow

Järgmisel nädalal kohtun esmakordselt USA uue riigisekretäri Kerryga Roomas, kui ta on oma esimesel Euroopa-visitidil.

10:52 AM - 23 Feb 2013

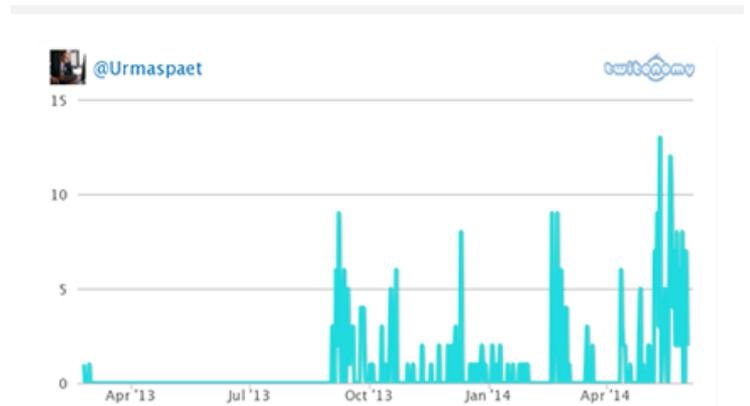
1 RETWEET

Translation: Next week, the new Foreign Minister will meet with US Secretary of State Kerry in Rome, where he has his first visit to Europe.

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Urmas Paet
@Urmaspaet

Follow

[#Estonia](#) supports [#Ukraine](#) with additional 50 000€ for medical aid to those hurt in street clashes @ increase grants for UKR students

2:55 PM - 21 Feb 2014

38 RETWEETS 15 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Estonia

Estonian MFA

The official account of the Estonian foreign ministry was set up in May 2009. The account tweets about the activities of Foreign Minister Urmas Paet as well as ministry related news, such as new consulates, travel warnings etc. The Twitter activity intensified in spring 2014, mainly retweets of the Freedom Online Coalition #FOC14 conference as well as news related to the situation in Ukraine and NATO's response in the eastern member states. The @valismin account is mutually connected with 17 other foreign ministers and ministries.

valismin avatar



Estonian MFA

@valismin

Official Twitter of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia
News, Activity, Engagement
#publicdiplomacy #foreignrelations

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (16)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (22)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,293

Following: 146

Followers: 3,006

Joined Twitter: 03/16/2009

Language: Estonian

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.65

Retweets: 32%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.32

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

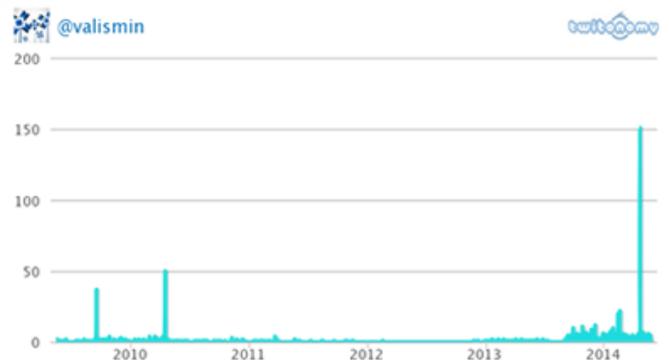
Tweets retweeted: 25%

Most mentioned @Urmaspaet (48), @IlvesToomas (32), @MargvelashviliG (11), @UNESCO (10), @HonJohnBaird (9), @UN (8), @valismin (8), @guyberger (7), @StateDept (7), @NATO (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Estonian MFA

@valismin

Follow

Paet homme Budapestis, kohtub Ungari
vm Peter Balazsiga ja avab uue
saatkonna - headel aegadel soetatud
kauni esindushoone

11:33 AM - 18 May 2009

Translation: Paet tomorrow in Budapest, Hungary. Will meet
Peter Balazs, and opens a new embassy

Most popular tweet



Estonian MFA

@valismin

Follow

Solidarity with [#Ukraine](#) today at benefit
concert on Freedom Square in Tallinn.
Photo: Kristian Kruuser/[@Inimoigused](#)

1:55 PM - 16 Mar 2014

114 RETWEETS **47** FAVORITES

EU

European leaders have embraced Twitter as the new communications tool. Almost all European Commissioners have a personal and an institutional Twitter account and their spokespersons are actively tweeting too.

Council President of EU

Herman Van Rompuy

The President of the European Council Herman Van Rompuy is one of the best connected world leaders, unilaterally following 48, being followed by 93 and mutually connected to 29 other world leaders. @euHvR frequently @mentions other European heads of state and government in his tweets. He started his Twitter activity at the end of October 2010, nearly a year after his ascension to the top EU post. Most of his tweets cover speeches he makes or events he takes part in. Although most of his tweets are in English, he often tweets in other languages, including Chinese and Japanese, to connect with leaders or in light of summits. The tweets mostly regard general statements on current affairs, but there are also more personal messages to commemorate particular events or congratulatory messages to other foreign leaders. His most popular tweet was retweeted almost 1000 times: "Deal done! #euco has agreed on #MFF for the rest of the decade. Worth waiting for." The tweets are generally written by his media team, but every now and then he tweets personally namely his passion haikus in Dutch.



Herman Van Rompuy

@euHvR

Twitter channel of the President of the European Council. Managed by the media team

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (48)

followed unilaterally by (93)

follows mutually (29)

First tweet



José Manuel Barroso 
@BarrosoEU 

I am delighted to join all of you on Twitter. Let's build Europe together! JMB

12:08 PM - 3 Sep 2012

273 RETWEETS **32** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



José Manuel Barroso 
@BarrosoEU 

It is a great honour for the whole of the [#EU](#), all 500 million citizens, to be awarded the 2012 [#Nobel](#) Peace prize.

11:23 AM - 12 Oct 2012

658 RETWEETS **70** FAVORITES

Commission of EU

European Commission

The European Commission is quite prolific with 16 tweets a day, 19% of its tweets are retweets, mainly of Commission President @BarrosoEU and spokespersons @ECspokesKoen and @ECspokesPia as well as other EU commissioners including @VivianeRedingEU, @KGeorgievaEU, <https://twitter.com/SiimKallasEU>, @MalmstromEU, @StefanFuleEU, and @NeelieKroesEU. The European Commission is also quite conversational and engaging, organizing regular #EUchats with EU commissioners. The summary of the chats can then be found on the Commission's Storify account. The Commission makes good use of Twitter lists and maintains 12 Twitter lists including one with all the EU representations worldwide. The most retweeted tweet was sent when the European Parliament voted for a popular proposal: "Goodbye #roaming charges by Christmas 2015! <http://europa.eu/!NN89YF> @NeelieKroesEU #connectedcontinent"



European Commis...

[@EU_Commission](#)

The Commission's job is to represent and uphold the interests of the European Union as a whole. It is headed by 28 Commissioners, 1 per member state.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (19)

followed unilaterally by (64)

follows mutually (66)

First tweet



 **European Commission** 
@EU_Commission 

Almost leaving. Still need to pack. But we travel light.

3:23 PM - 23 Jun 2010

2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **European Commission** 
@EU_Commission 

*Goodbye
Roaming
Charges!*

 #ConnectedContinent

Goodbye #roaming charges by Christmas 2015! europa.eu/!NN89YF
[@NeelieKroesEU](https://twitter.com/NeelieKroesEU) #connectedcontinent

1:19 PM - 3 Apr 2014

773 RETWEETS 178 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of EU

EU External Action

The European External Action Service (@eu_eeas), the Foreign Policy service of the European Union is the best connected Foreign Service with 71 mutual connections to other EU leaders and foreign offices. Interestingly, Catherine Ashton, the EU's High Representative for Foreign Affairs does not have a personal Twitter account. 12% of its tweets are retweets, of her spokespersons Michael Mann @EUHighRepSpox and Maja Kocijancic @AshtonSpox_Maja. @eu_eeas is fairly active with an average of seven tweets a day but it rarely @replies to other users. It also maintains five Twitter lists including one listing all EU representations abroad. Its most retweeted tweet was sent on 3 March 2014: "#Ashton calls extraordinary Foreign Affairs Council on developments in #Ukraine. Meeting starts 1300CET @ Council, Brussels"



EU External Action

@eu_eeas

Latest news from the European External Action Service (EEAS), the EU's Foreign & Security Policy Service led by Catherine Ashton. RTs/follows ≠ endorsements

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (46)

followed unilaterally by (33)

follows mutually (71)

F.Y.R.O.M.

The leadership of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia is on Twitter, but the account of the president is dormant and the prime minister has linked his account to his Facebook page. The government has used the official Twitter account to discuss the on-going dispute with Greece about the country's name.

President of F.Y.R.O.M.

Gjorgelvanov

Macedonian President Gorge Ivanov has only sent three tweets on his personal Twitter account. "Preparing for the upcoming campaign" reads the first tweet of Gorge Ivanov on 29 January 2009, two months before the presidential elections, which he eventually won. The two other tweets on his account link to his campaign blog. He has not tweeted since 17 February 2009.



Gjorgelvanov

@Gjorgelvanov

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

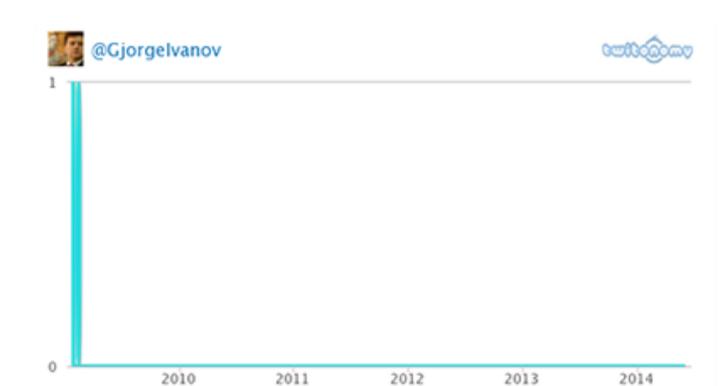
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	3
Following:	0
Followers:	826
Joined Twitter:	01/29/2009
Language:	Macedonian
Status:	Dormant since 17.02.2009
Tweets/day:	0
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	67%
Most mentioned	

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

**Gjorgelvanov**
@Gjorgelvanov [Follow](#)

Се подготвува за престојната кампања

4:40 AM - 29 Jan 2009

4 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES

Translation: Preparing for upcoming campaign

Most popular tweet

**Gjorgelvanov**
@Gjorgelvanov [Follow](#)

Се подготвува за престојната кампања

4:40 AM - 29 Jan 2009

4 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES

Translation: Preparing for the upcoming campaign

Prime Minister of F.Y.R.O.M.

Nikola Gruevski

Nikola Gruevski has linked his Twitter feed to his Facebook page, automatically posting news and photos of his activities from Facebook to his Twitter followers. He tweets in Macedonian, but important messages are sent in English such as the claim that "Greece's practice to breach international law and undertaken engagements undermines EU credibility", sent on 14 December 2012. For a long time his most popular tweet has been "Thanks to over 60,000 supporters!" by which he probably meant his Facebook fans and not his then 3,000 Twitter followers. However, in 2014 his most popular tweet was his Easter message: "Christ Is Risen!" which was only retweeted 11 times. @GruevskiNikola mutually follows his Foreign Minister @NikolaPoposki, and the government of Macedonia @vladamk.



Nikola Gruevski

@GruevskiNikola

Премиер на Република Македонија и лидер на ВМРО-ДПМНЕ / Prime Minister of the Republic of Macedonia and leader of VMRO-DPMNE

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (2)

Government of F.Y.R.O.M.

Влада на Македонија

The government in Skopje tweets in Macedonian and sometimes in English on average six times a day sharing links to news items on the government's website. The government account does not @reply, but @mentions other Twitter users in half of its posts. Furthermore, the account uses over three hashtags per tweet, most often #Macedonia. In July 2013 the government rejoiced in English because "#Macedonia gets an extra vote with #Croatia's accession to the #EU". Its most popular tweet has been the aid assured by the government to the victims of the floods in Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina on 20 May 2014. @VladaMK is only connected to two other world leaders, namely the Foreign Ministry of Sweden @swemfa and the Government of Croatia @vladarh.



Влада на Македонија

@VladaMK

ВЛАДА НА

РЕПУБЛИКА [facebook.com/VladaMK](https://www.facebook.com/VladaMK) [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com/VladaMK)

<http://t.co/8N6XmTUFnH>

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 7,417

Following: 19

Followers: 2,510

Joined Twitter: 09/30/2011

Language: Macedonian

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 6.02

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet: 0.42

Replies/Tweet: 0

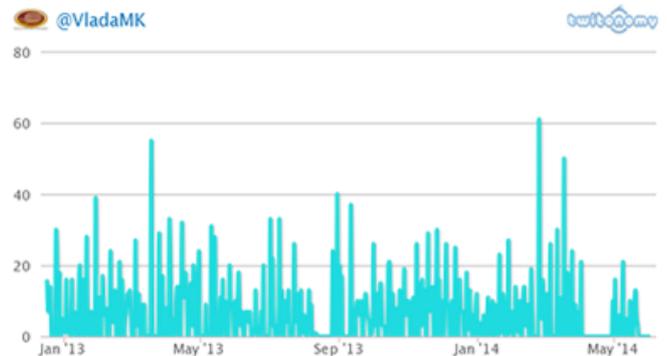
Tweets retweeted: 8%

Most mentioned @GruevskiNikola (474), @ZoranStavreski (132), @SpiroRistovski (104), @SpasovDime (85), @TodorovNikola (79), @Mile_Janakieski (75), @G_Jankuloska (56), @InvestMacedonia (53), @NikolaPoposki (48), @iivanovski (28).

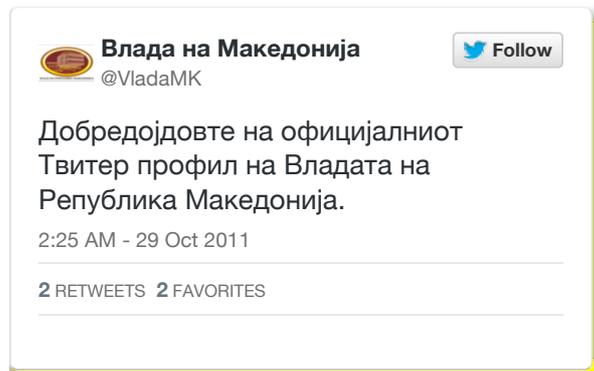
Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Влада на Македонија
@VladaMK

Добредојдовте на официјалниот
Твитер профил на Владата на
Република Македонија.

2:25 AM - 29 Oct 2011

2 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the official Twitter account of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia.

Most popular tweet



Влада на Македонија
@VladaMK

PM #Gruevski meets with #Macedonia's
honorary consuls serving in foreign
countries vlada.mk/node/7431
#Government @GruevskiNikola

9:17 AM - 14 Oct 2013

4 RETWEETS

Translation: Gruevski: Government withdraw the draft law on youth of parliamentary procedure in order to make wider consultations with youth NGOs

Foreign Minister of F.Y.R.O.M.

Nikola Poposki

Foreign Minister Nikola Poposki set up its personal Twitter account on 26 August 2011 and he tweets predominantly in English, often sharing pictures of his meetings. The account is very formal, broadcasting official news about Macedonia's international affairs with link to the website of the foreign ministry. @NikolaPoposki does not @reply to other users and barely @mentions followers. Only 17% of his posts have been retweeted and the most popular tweet was sent on 29 April 2014 about the accession to EU and NATO. Nikola Poposki follows 20 peers and is mutually connected to seven other leaders, mainly from Eastern and Central Europe, as well to the @EU_Commission and the European External Action Service @EU_eas.



Nikola Poposki

@NikolaPoposki

Official channel of Macedonian Minister of Foreign Affairs maintained by PR OFFICE

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (7)

Finland

Finland's government leaders are not active on Twitter with one big exception: Prime Minister and former Minister for European Affairs @AlexStubb who has single handedly put Finland high on the Twitter map. Outgoing Prime Minister Jyrki Katainen only had a protected account @JyrkiKatainen.

President of Finland

Sauli Niinistö

The personal Twitter account of Finnish President Sauli Niinistö (@Niinisto) is a pure campaign account that has gone into abeyance since he became president in February 2012 abandoning his 39,000 followers. In his last tweet, Sauli Niinistö thanked voters and his rival Pekka Haavisto (@Haavisto) from The Greens of Finland directly for a great campaign. During the presidential campaign the account was managed by the National Coalition Party's webmaster Pasi Heiskanen (@onnikoo) and organization and communications planner Tuomo Valve (@tvalve). Of the 199 tweets only eight were signed off with Niinistö's initials "SN". Sauli Niinistö doesn't follow any other foreign leader nor does he follow the official presidency account @TPKanslia. The Finnish president is not connected to any of his peers on Twitter.



Sauli Niinistö

@niinisto

Tämä on Sauli Niinistön virallinen Twitter-tili. Sauli merkkää omat viestinsä SN

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 199

Following: 360

Followers: 39,267

Joined Twitter: 05/04/2009

Language: Finnish

Status: Dormant since 05.02.2012

Tweets/day: 0.19

Retweets: 1%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.6

Replies/Tweet: 0.42

Tweets retweeted: 69%

Most mentioned @niinisto (7), @mikepohjola (3), @thomas_hutton (3), @lassemannisto (3), @alexstubb (3), @juhata (2), @winninghelix (2), @Casamarianne (2), @tuiskii (2), @villettikkanen (2).

First tweet



Sauli Niinistö

@niinisto

Follow

Tukea tarvitaan niinisto.fi/kirjoitukset/2...

9:20 AM - 28 Jun 2011

28 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Translation: Support is needed: <http://t.co/qTXuhwS>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)

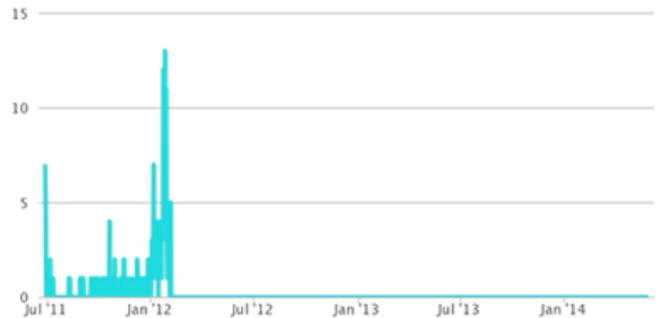


Tweet history



@niinisto

twitonomy



Most popular tweet



Sauli Niinistö

@niinisto

Follow

Sovitaanko, että teemme kaksi seuraavaa viikkoa töitä hyvässä hengessä omaa porukkaa kannustaen, ei muita moittien taikka arvostellen. SN

4:22 PM - 23 Jan 2012

104 RETWEETS 16 FAVORITES

Translation: Let's agree to work in good spirit for the next two weeks, cheering our own crowds and not scolding or judging each other. SN

Presidency of Finland

TPKanslia

@TPKanslia is the official Twitter account of the office of the president of Finland. The account is mainly broadcasting President Sauli @Niinisto's activities. Typical tweets are reports and pictures from state visits, quotes from speeches or occasional anecdotes. Some tweets cheer Finnish athletes or report events related to the Finnish Defence Forces where the president acts as the commander-in-chief. In some instances the account has been used for live reporting, for example when Finland was running for a seat in the UN Security Council. The most popular tweet is a picture of the president and his wife Jenni Haukio proudly wearing Finland's official Sochi Olympic gloves. Only three percent of the presidential tweets are @replies. @TPKanslia unilaterally follows 17 other foreign leaders but only the Swedish Foreign Ministry @SweMFA has reciprocated so far.



TPKanslia

@TPKanslia

Tasavallan presidentin kanslia /
Republikens presidents kansli /
Office of the President of the
Republic of Finland

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (17)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (4)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	946
Following:	208
Followers:	6,200
Joined Twitter:	11/21/2010
Language:	Finnish
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.39
Retweets:	3%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.12
Replies/Tweet:	0.03

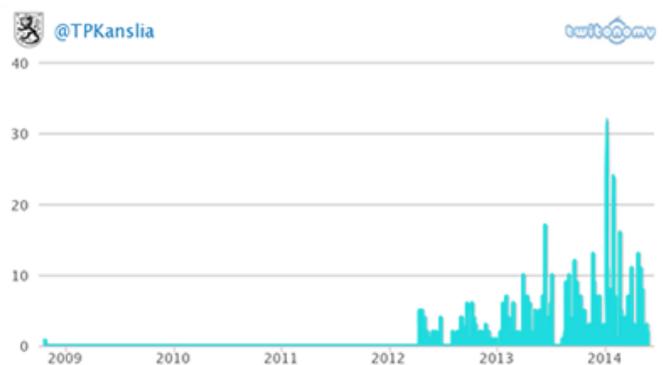
Tweets retweeted: 58%

Most mentioned @davos (10), @IlvesToomas (7), @ennirukajarvi (4), @Tech_Acad_Fin (4), @HannaOjanen (3), @AaltoDF (2), @cbabdullahgul (2), @SuomenEduskunta (2), @PohjolaNorden (2), @TPKanslia (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **TPKanslia**
@TPKanslia Follow

Tasavallan presidentin ensimmäinen valtiovierailu Ruotsiin on virallisesti alkanut. #TPRuotsi

11:25 AM - 17 Apr 2012

4 RETWEETS

Translation: The President's first state visit to Sweden has officially begun. #TPRuotsi

Most popular tweet



 **TPKanslia**
@TPKanslia Follow

Viralliset kisasormikkaat lämmittävät mukavasti. #Sotshi

12:20 PM - 7 Feb 2014

170 RETWEETS 145 FAVORITES

Translation: The official Games gloves nice and warm. #Sochi

Prime Minister of Finland

Alexander Stubb

Finland's Prime Minister and former Minister for Europe and Foreign Trade, Alexander Stubb, is one of Twiplomacy's stars. @AlexStubb is Finland's most followed political figure on Twitter. What sets Stubb apart from other world leaders on Twitter is his style since he "tries not to take himself too seriously..." as he previously stated in his profile. He is constantly engaging with other users and sending funny pictures from international events and especially sports. Stubb tweets an impressive 18 times a day and writes both in English and in Finnish and occasionally in Swedish, his mother tongue. He is using Twitter to make connections: he follows 35 peers, is followed by 32 and is mutually connected to 33 other world leaders and foreign ministers. He frequently interacts with his Swedish colleague @CarlBildt but also non-political figures such as sport journalist Jari Porttila. In addition, Stubb co-authored a book about Twitter in Finnish with another famous Finnish Twitter star, journalist Tuomas Embuske. Stubb uses Twitter to pitch stories to the media. During one of the long all night negotiations in Brussels, Stubb's Twitter feed was the fastest channel breaking the news and beating Reuters and Bloomberg in the process. And all this while posting a picture of himself having a "vertical nap" while waiting for the results. Not surprisingly his most used hashtag is #smiley. @AlexStubb often takes selfies in front of crowds to engage his audiences and as he says "What you tweet, is what you get".



Alexander Stubb

@alexstubb

Prime Minister of Finland. Chairman of Kokoomus. Eternal optimist. Sub 10h Ironman. What you tweet is what you get.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (35)

followed unilaterally by (32)

follows mutually (33)

First tweet

**valtioneuvosto**
@valtioneuvosto Follow

Mopokorttiin uudet opetus- ja tutkintovaatimukset kesäkuussa
<http://tinyurl.com/3q6azml>

1:09 PM - 29 Apr 2011

Translation: New teaching and examination requirements for moped licenses effective in June <http://tinyurl.com/3q6azml>

Most popular tweet

**valtioneuvosto**
@valtioneuvosto Follow

Kartta-aineistot ja ilmakuvat maksuttomiksi tinyurl.com/7u9wm8s

2:55 PM - 21 Dec 2011

29 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Translation: Map data and aerial photographs to become available free of charge: <http://tinyurl.com/7u9wm8s>

Foreign Ministry of Finland

Ulkoministeriö

Finland's Foreign Minister Erkki Tuomioja is not on Twitter but his ministry is. The Twitter stream is a fluent mix of Finnish, Swedish and English tweets with an average of four tweets a day, 53% of which are retweeted. The account is also active on weekends and it is mainly managed through Hootsuite. The foreign ministry has integrated Twitter as a part of its mix of communications channels. One of the most retweeted tweets urged Finns participating in the Boston marathon to report their wellbeing to the foreign ministry's crisis email address. Seventeen percent of the foreign ministry's tweets are retweets namely of @UM_ET, the EU information service account, @TeamFinlandFI account to promote the country's external economic relations, and @GlobalFinland, the ministry's development communications' account. The foreign ministry in Helsinki also curates a useful Twitter list with the Twitter handles of its 35 embassies and missions abroad.

**Ulkoministeriö**
[@Ulkoministerio](https://twitter.com/Ulkoministerio)
Finlands utrikesministeriet Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (16)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (27)

France

The French government is particularly active on Twitter with personal and institutional accounts for most of its ministers. Most of them are well connected especially Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius, who is the best connected world leader on Twitter. President François Hollande has reactivated his personal account in early January 2014 but the account of Prime Minister @ManuelValls is still dormant.

President of France

François Hollande

The personal account of François Hollande was particularly active during the election campaign in 2012 with an average of 21 tweets per day. However the account fell silent on 18 May 2012 when he became president but continued to grow in terms of followers. The account was revived on 1 January 2014 and the president's team has posted eight tweets so far, mainly personal reflection about key events such as #DDay and the football #World Cup. @FHollande has never sent or signed a tweet himself, contrary to his former partner @ValTrier who made headlines with her personal tweets. The @FHollande account is a campaign account used mainly to promote his campaign with the hashtag #FH2012 used 2,245 times, in almost every second tweet. The French President is not well connected on Twitter. He only follows Barack Obama who doesn't follow him back and ignores the 64 other world leaders who follow him unilaterally.



François Hollande

@fhollande

Président de la République française

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (64)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **Élysée** 
@Elysee 

Retrouvez l'agenda du Président de la République pour la semaine prochaine sur Elysée.fr <http://tiny.cc/gx3yz>

1:37 PM - 2 Apr 2010

11 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Find next week's agenda of the President of the Republic on Elysée.fr

Most popular tweet

 **Élysée** 
@Elysee 

A toutes et à tous, joyeuses fêtes de Noël ; le président a une pensée particulière pour ceux confrontés à la solitude ou à la maladie.

4:09 PM - 25 Dec 2013

622 RETWEETS 201 FAVORITES

Translation: To you all, Merry Christmas; the President has a special thought for those facing loneliness or illness.

Prime Minister of France

manuelvalls

Manuel Valls became French Prime Minister on 1 April 2014, however his personal Twitter account is dormant since the Socialists won the elections in May 2012. Manuel Valls created his account on 31 August 2009 when he was elected mayor of Evry. Before becoming dormant @ManuelValls was quite conversational with a quarter of his tweets being @replies and @mentioning other Twitter users in almost every second post. Apart from the French president the government and the foreign ministry the only other world leader he is following is @BarackObama.



manuelvalls

@manuelvalls

Député Maire d'Évry, Président de la CAECE. Né le 13 08 1962 à Barcelone (Espagne) Naturalisé en 1982. Marié 4 enfants

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Gouvernement

@gouvernementFR

Follow

Ce matin twitpic.com/bsfi1d

4:09 PM - 4 Jan 2013

11 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES

Translation: This morning <http://t.co/m2AWbmtP>

Most popular tweet



LA TIMELINE DU

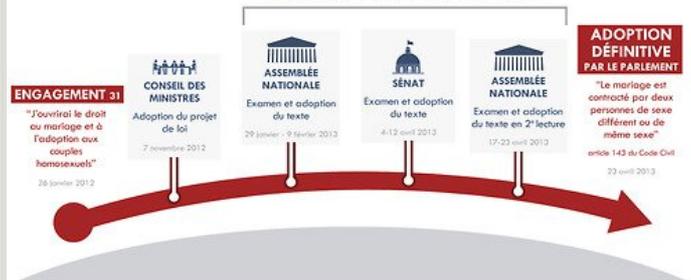
MARIAGE POUR TOUS

Mardi 23 avril 2013,

le Parlement a voté le mariage pour tous

La France devient le 9^e pays européen
et le 14^e pays au monde à autoriser le
mariage homosexuel

170 heures de débats au Parlement



exemple Twitter: t.co/m2AWbmtP    gouvernement-fr.tumblr.com



Gouvernement

@gouvernementFR

Follow

[\[#MariagePourTous\]](#) La [#France](#) devient le 14^e pays au monde à autoriser le mariage de tous les couples [#DirectAN](#) gouvernement-fr.tumblr.com/post/48695307

5:06 PM - 23 Apr 2013

764 RETWEETS 93 FAVORITES

Translation: [\[#MariageForAll\]](#) [#France](#) becomes the 14th country to authorize the marriage of all couples [#DirectAN](#) <http://t.co/QjjTHdOgr3>

First tweet



Matignon 
@Matignon 

Bienvenue sur le compte officiel du Premier Ministre français, chef du gouvernement.

5:47 PM - 2 Jul 2012

60 RETWEETS **7** FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the official account of the French Prime Minister, Head of Government.

Most popular tweet



Matignon 
@Matignon 

.@jeanmarcayrault, Premier ministre, a présenté cet après-midi la démission de son gouvernement au Président de la République

6:19 PM - 31 Mar 2014

326 RETWEETS **51** FAVORITES

Translation: @jeanmarcayrault, Prime Minister, presented this afternoon the resignation of his government to the President of the Republic

Foreign Minister of France

Laurent Fabius

#Ukraine, #Syria and #Mali dominate the Twitter feed of French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius who frequently promotes his upcoming TV and radio appearances on @BFMTV, @Europe1, @FranceInfo and @FranceInter radios. Laurent Fabius, who created the account on 2 March 2009, only started actively tweeting in late 2012 and is increasingly active tweeting over six times a day compared to once a day last year. Laurent Fabius does not tweet himself, but his team has made mutual Twitter connections with 91 other world leaders and is unilaterally following 250 world leaders.



Laurent Fabius

@LaurentFabius

Ministre des Affaires étrangères et du Développement international / Foreign Affairs and International Development [facebook.com/laurent.fabius...](https://www.facebook.com/laurent.fabius...)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (250)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (91)

Foreign Ministry of France

France Diplomatie

The French foreign ministry is very well connected with other world leaders and ranks among the five best connected world leaders. The Quai d'Orsay tweets in French (@FranceDiplo), English (@FranceDiplo_EN), Spanish (@FranceDiplo_ES) and Arabic (@FranceDiplo_AR). @Francediplo tweets on average 15 times a day, frequently mentioning Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius, the @Elysee and its missions in New York @Franceonu and Geneva @FranceONUGeneve. The hashtags of the Central African Republic, #RCA, #Syria and #Ukraine also dominate the French foreign ministry's Twitter stream which also organizes regular Goolge+ hangouts and Twitter Q&As (#QRdiplo) with its senior diplomatic staff. The Quay d'Orsay also curates a several Twitter lists including one with its 100 embassies and missions on abroad. The Foreign ministry has a blog and the team curates a hilarious Tumblr with fun animated Gifs of diplomatic moments
<http://chroniquesdiplomatiques.tumblr.com/>.



France Diplomatie

@francediplo

Ministère des Affaires étrangères et du Développement international - Quai d'Orsay. Aussi sur @francediplo_EN @francediplo_AR @francediplo_ES @ConseilsVoyages

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (74)

followed unilaterally by (31)

follows mutually (66)

First tweet



Translation: Bernard Kouchner is in Bosnia-Herzegovina : <http://tinyurl.com/cbk2fd>

Most popular tweet



Translation: At the Quai d'Orsay many languages are spoken, but ... #starwars #diplogeek pic.twitter.com/gKVcQSPe3s

Germany

Germany is the only G7 country where neither the head of state nor the head of government uses Twitter. German Chancellor Angela Merkel refused to join the flock of world leaders on Twitter and admitted that the internet was “Neuland für uns alle”, unknown territory for us all.

Government of Germany

Steffen Seibert

Steffen Seibert, the German government spokesman was quick to clarify Angela Merkel’s comment about the internet being unchartered territory that she meant "new political territory" on his official @RegSprecher Twitter account which has become Chancellor #Merkel’s voice on Twitter. His foray into Twitter in February 2011 irritated and angered the Berlin press corps who felt sidelined by the new communications channel. Steffen Seibert tweets on average four times a day, personally engaging with his followers: a quarter of his tweets are @mentions of other Twitter and another quarter are @replies. Seibert who generally tweets in German happily answers questions from Twitter users, except on weekends as he once tweeted in English: “It is Sunday and even I don’t work 24/7.” The former journalist has organized several Twitterviews, hour long Twitter Q&A sessions which account for the spikes in the chart below. Thirteen percent of his posts are retweets of other government ministers mainly from the foreign ministry @AuswaertigesAmt and other ministries. Steffen Seibert’s most successful tweet concerns the ban of Twitter in Turkey. The account of Angela Merkel’s spokesperson is unilaterally followed by 17 other foreign leaders but mutually follows only the @Elysee palace, the @EU_Commission, and Herman van Rompuy @euHvR.



Steffen Seibert

@RegSprecher

Hier twittet Steffen Seibert, Sprecher der Bundesregierung und Chef des Bundespresseamtes (BPA). Tweets seiner Mitarbeiter/innen enden mit dem Kürzel (BPA).

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (4)

Foreign Ministry of Germany

Auswärtiges Amt

Germany's Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier does not have a personal Twitter account but his name #Steinmeier and that of his predecessor Guido #Westerwelle are the most used hashtags on the foreign ministry's Twitter stream. The foreign ministry in Berlin tweets in German (@AuswaertigesAmt) since 28 March 2011 and in English (@GermanyDiplo) since 2 January 2012. The German account has two and a half times as many followers as the English one. The most popular tweet from 11 May 2014 was about the Eurovision song contest won by Austria's Conchita Wurst. Berlin is rather well connected, mutually following 30 other foreign offices and world leaders on both accounts. However it only lists 31 embassies and missions on its official Twitter list.



Auswärtiges Amt

@AuswaertigesAmt

Aktuelle Nachrichten aus dem Auswärtigen Amt -

Impressum: diplo.de/impressumk

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (45)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (22)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 4,505

Following: 343

Followers: 99,635

Joined Twitter: 03/28/2011

Language: German

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 5.11

Retweets: 14%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.53

Replies/Tweet: 0.24

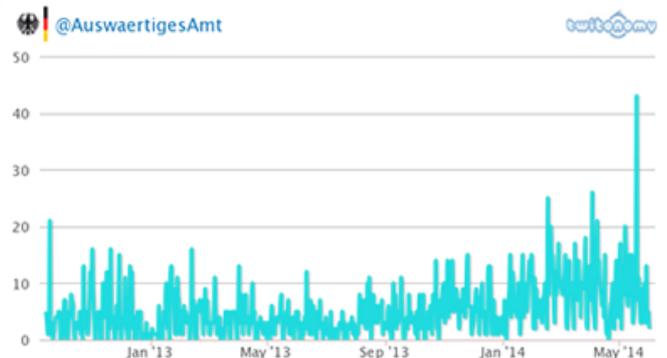
Tweets retweeted: 65%

Most mentioned @AuswaertigesAmt (61), @LaurentFabius (41), @MiRo_SPD (40), @ChStraesser (30), @OSCE (26), @sikorskiradek (24), @RegSprecher (23), @LoeningMarkus (23), @hddoger (20), @AnkeJulieMartin (18).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

**Auswärtiges Amt** 
@AuswaertigesAmt 

Ab sofort gibt es das Neueste aus dem Auswärtigen Amt auch über Twitter. Folgen Sie uns auf [@AuswaertigesAmt](#)

10:47 AM - 3 May 2011

4 RETWEETS

Translation: From now on the latest news from the Foreign Office also on Twitter. Follow us @AuswaertigesAmt

Most popular tweet

**Auswärtiges Amt** 
@AuswaertigesAmt 

Herzlichen Glückwunsch [@ConchitaWurst!](#) Herzlichen Glückwunsch nach [#Österreich!](#) [#Respekt](#) [#Europa](#) [@MFA_Austria](#) [@sebastiankurz](#) [#ESC](#) [#esc14](#)

12:33 AM - 11 May 2014

208 RETWEETS **213** FAVORITES

Translation: Congratulations [@ConchitaWurst!](#) Congratulations to [#Austria!](#) [#Respect](#) [#Europe](#) [@MFA_Austria](#) [@sebastiankurz](#) [#ESC](#) [#esc14](#)

Greece

In early 2010, Prime Minister George Papandreou set up an institutional Twitter account @PrimeMinisterGR. A few months later the Greek government followed with @govgr. Both are institutional accounts managed by the Prime Minister's office and tweeting mainly in Greek.

Government of Greece

Prime Minister, GR

@PrimeMinisterGR is an institutional account set up on 12 January 2010 by digitally-savvy Prime Minister George Papandreou. It has since passed on to Prime Ministers Papademos, Pikrammenos and Samaras. Initially the account was particularly interactive and used to live tweet the prime minister's speeches, using hashtags such as #greekplive and #euco. A shift to a more formal tone is evident since Antonis Samaras took over, with @PrimeMinisterGR mainly sharing links to official statements and press releases, as well as videos from speeches and statements. The account tweets exclusively in Greek, with the occasional tweet in English such as "Greece is changing. What is important is to persevere, so the sacrifices of the Greek people are not lost" sent on 19 March 2012. As interest in Greece remains high, the account has added another 17,000 followers in the past year. The administrators of the account have deleted 550 tweets sent in 2011 and 2012 including its most retweeted tweet announcing that the accounts of the prime minister on Twitter, Flickr, YouTube are institutional and will be handed to the new prime minister.



Prime Minister, GR

@PrimeministerGR

Ο Πρωθυπουργός της Ελλάδας |
Prime Minister of the Hellenic
Republic.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (35)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,191
Following:	20
Followers:	77,815
Joined Twitter:	01/12/2010
Language:	Greek
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.75
Retweets:	4%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.03
Replies/Tweet:	0
Tweets retweeted:	79%
Most mentioned	@euHvR (3), @MinDevGR (3), @neademokratia (3), @Elysee (2), @simonsinek (2), @syryza_gr (2), @govgr (2), @cathpain (1), @BBCHARDtalk (1), @WSJEurope (1).

First tweet

 **Prime Minister, GR**  [Follow](#)

@PrimeministerGR

Greek PM, George Papandreou, tells Christiane Amanpour he sees financial crisis as an opportunity to change.
<http://bit.ly/bMzh4C>

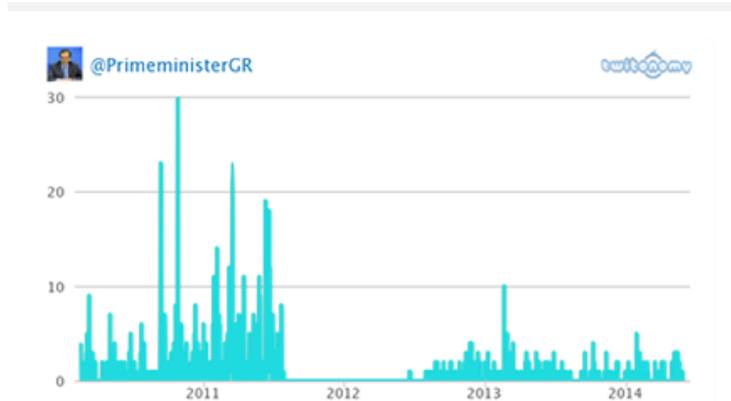
11:16 AM - 16 Feb 2010

3 RETWEETS

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **Prime Minister, GR**  [Follow](#)

@PrimeministerGR

"Αύριο θα σχηματίσω νέα κυβέρνηση και αμέσως μετά θα ζητήσω ψήφο εμπιστοσύνης από τη Βουλή. Είναι ώρα ευθύνης."

8:54 PM - 15 Jun 2011

51 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: Tomorrow I will form a new government and immediately afterwards I will seek vote of confidence from the parliament. It's time for responsibility.

First tweet



Σαμαράς Αντώνης
@samaras_antonis

Follow

exploring twitter

6:08 PM - 20 Oct 2009

33 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Σαμαράς Αντώνης
@samaras_antonis

Follow

"Η Ελλάδα τώρα ξεκινάει..."
youtube.com/watch?feature=...

1:37 PM - 28 Nov 2012

Flash out-of-date

 YouTube @YouTube

43 RETWEETS 36 FAVORITES

Translation: Greece starts now ...
http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Mc_UaGhykA

Government of Greece

government.gov.gr

The Greek government's previous institutional Twitter account @govgr, created in October 2010, was fairly active until the national election and the change in government in June 2012. The account has been dormant ever since. Before its demise it was clearly dominated by official news about government activities and statements, linking back to the official website of the government and often retweeting ministerial accounts.



government.gov.gr

@govgr

Ο επίσημος λογαριασμός της ιστοσελίδας της Ελληνικής Κυβέρνησης. (Ευθύνη διαχείρισης: Ομάδα Επικοινωνιακού Σχεδιασμού της Γ.Γ του Πρωθυπουργού)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (2)

Foreign Minister of Greece

Evangelos Venizelos

Greek Foreign Minister Evangelos Venizelos maintains the @EVenizelos account since October 2011. As reflected in his Twitter bio, Venizelos uses the account primarily in his capacity as president of the centre-left PASOK party, tweeting short statements, photos and videos of speeches and interviews, as well as articles in the national and international press. @EVenizelos had been particularly active in the run-up to the elections in May and June 2012. It is characteristic that the most used hashtags are #PASOK and #ekloges12 (#elections12), while his most popular tweet is one criticising the current prime minister two months before they agreed to form a coalition government. The @EVenizelos account also tweets about his activities as deputy prime minister and foreign minister, especially since Greece assumed the rotating presidency of the EU Council in January 2014. However, Venizelos has not built a diplomatic network on Twitter, the only mutual connection being the French foreign ministry and Foreign Minister @LaurentFabius.



Evangelos Venizelos

@EVenizelos

Πρόεδρος του ΠΑΣΟΚ | President of PASOK | Επίσημος λογαριασμός twitter

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 4,385

Following: 301

Followers: 32,671

Joined Twitter: 03/01/2009

Language: Greek

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.52

Retweets: 3%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.05

Replies/Tweet: 0

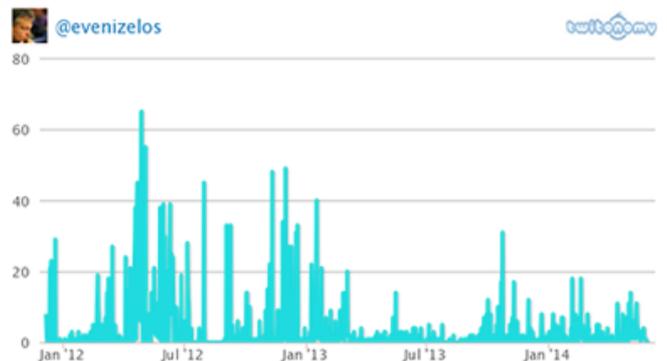
Tweets retweeted: 67%

Most mentioned @pasok (17), @NChatzinikolaou (14), @TheWilsonCenter (13), @PES_PSE (12), @EVenizelos (12), @TheProgressives (7), @JZarif (5), @gr2014eu (5), @LaurentFabius (4), @GreeceMFA (4).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Evangelos Venizelos**
@EVenizelos [Follow](#)

Θα χαρώ να έρθετε στην κεντρική ομιλία μου στο Νέο κτήριο του Μουσείου Μπενάκη (Πειραιώς 138 & Ανδρόνικου), την Τετάρτη 13 Μαΐου, ώρα 19:00.

3:08 PM - 24 Apr 2009

Translation: I will be happy to come to my keynote address at the new building of the Benaki Museum (138 Piraios Street), on Wednesday, 13 May, 19: 00.

Most popular tweet

 **Evangelos Venizelos**
@EVenizelos [Follow](#)

Ευ. Β.: Τέτοιους πολιτικούς (σς Σαμαράς) είχε στη διαδρομή της Ιστορίας πολλούς η χώρα και γι' αυτό ίσως φτάσαμε στο χείλος της καταστροφής

1:13 PM - 8 Apr 2012

63 RETWEETS 17 FAVORITES

Translation: Ev. V.: There have been many such politicians (like Samaras) in the history of the country and this is perhaps why we got to the brink of disaster

Foreign Ministry of Greece

Υπουργείο Εξωτερικών

The official Twitter account of the Greek ministry of foreign affairs was created in April 2012. @GreeceMFA tweets about the latest developments in Greek foreign policy in English and Greek, mainly linking to the official statements and press releases on the ministry's website. Greece in the European Union, bilateral relations with Turkey and Israel, are prominent themes. The Greek foreign ministry is fairly well connected, following 36, followed by 20 and mutually connected with 25 other foreign ministries and world leaders. A fairly active account, its interaction with other users is limited to retweets, mainly of the Greek EU Presidency @gr2014eu and the prime minister.



Υπουργείο Εξωτε...

@GreeceMFA

Επίσημος λογαριασμός twitter του Υπουργείου Εξωτερικών. Official twitter account of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs | Greece in the World.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (36)

followed unilaterally by (20)

follows mutually (25)

Hungary

Hungarian leaders are not active on Twitter, however since 14 January 2011 the Hungarian government broadcasts government news and announcements on @kormany_hu.

Prime Minister of Hungary

Orbán Viktor

Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban is not active on Twitter. His campaign account has been dormant since 14 May 2012 and has only sent six tweets in its short-lived existence but has more than 10,000 followers. The Hungarian Prime Minister is not following any other world leader.



Orbán Viktor

@Viktor_Orban

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Kormányportál
@kormany_hu



Várhatóan ma este indul a kormány.hu, az új, összevont kormányzati portál. A honlap az első időszakban nyilvános tesztüzem módban működik.

5:00 PM - 14 Jan 2011

6 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: The launch of the new consolidated government portal kormány.hu is expected tonight. Initially the site operates in public test mode.

Most popular tweet



Kormányportál
@kormany_hu



Várhatóan ma este indul a kormány.hu, az új, összevont kormányzati portál. A honlap az első időszakban nyilvános tesztüzem módban működik.

5:00 PM - 14 Jan 2011

6 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: The launch of the new consolidated government portal kormány.hu is expected tonight. Initially the site operates in public test mode.

Iceland

Iceland's government has been somewhat slow to embrace Twitter as a channel of communication. The foreign ministry started to tweet in March 2013 making direct Twitter connections with a number of foreign leaders. Prime Minister Sigmundur Davíð Gunnlaugsson has recently reactivated his account and Foreign Minister Gunnar Bragi is active on the platform.

Prime Minister of Iceland

Sigmundur Davíð

Iceland's Prime Minister, Sigmundur Davíð Gunnlaugsson, is on Twitter since 27 December 2010 but his account went silent two years. However, he resumed his Twitter activity in late May 2014. His tweets are exclusively in Icelandic but he does add visuals to every tweet. Previously the account was linked to his Facebook page automatically generated the posts on Twitter. @SigmundurDavid has only recently started to follow a number other world leaders.



Sigmundur Davíð

[@sigmundurdavid](#)

Forsætisráðherra Íslands / Prime Minister of Iceland

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Sigmundur Davíð

@sigmundurdavid

Follow

Ég óska landsmönnum öllum farsældar og friðar á komandi ári. Vonandi ber árið 2011 með sér bjarta framtíð fyrir Ísland.

5:09 PM - 31 Dec 2010

Translation: I wish the nation a happy and peaceful coming year. Hopefully 2011 has a bright future for Iceland.

Most popular tweet



Sigmundur Davíð

@sigmundurdavid

Follow

Ríkisstjórnarfundur á ársafmælinu

[@GunnarBragiS](#) [@EygloHardar](#) [@Illugi1](#)

[@kristjanthorj](#) [@SigurdurIngiJ](#) [@hannabirna](#)

1:15 PM - 23 May 2014

5 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Translation: Government Meeting with [@GunnarBragiS](#) [@EygloHardar](#) [@Illugi1](#) [@kristjanthorj](#) [@SigurdurIngiJ](#) [@hannabirna](#) pic.twitter.com/LoH5GpMB0h

Government of Iceland

Forsætisráðuneytið

@Forsaetisradun is the institutional account of the prime minister and joined Twitter already in December 2009. It tweets on average three times a week exclusively in Icelandic. It informs about the activities of Prime Minister Sigmundur Davíð Gunnlaugsson and most of its tweets link to the government website <http://www.forsaetisraduneyti.is/>. @Forsaetisradun does not interact with other Twitter users and is not following anyone.



Forsætisráðuneytið

[@forsaetisradun](#)

Forsætisráðuneytið,
Stjórnarráðshúsinu við Lækjartorg,
101 Reykjavík. Netfang:
postur@for.is, sími 545 8400 -
forsaetisraduneyti.is

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Gunnar Bragi
@GunnarBragiS

Enn einn erlendur hagfræðingur sem segir nei takk við evrunni.
fb.me/UTX8QeRO

9:30 AM - 2 Mar 2012

Translation: Still one foreign economist who says no thanks to the euro. <http://fb.me/UTX8QeRO>

Most popular tweet



Gunnar Bragi
@GunnarBragiS

Every child matters - Hvert barn skiptir máli
[@MalalaFund](#) [#BringBackOurGirls](#)

12:11 PM - 8 May 2014

22 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Iceland

MFA Iceland

The Foreign Ministry of Iceland started to tweet on 19 March 2013, encouraged by Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt who was on a visit to Reykjavik. @MFAIceland unilaterally follows 126 world leaders and has established mutual relations with 46 foreign leaders, which makes it one of the best connected foreign ministries on Twitter. The ministry tweets in Icelandic and in English at least once a day and frequently @mentions other Twitter users and also @replies thanking its followers for comments. Its most used hashtags are #Iceland and #Arctic. Its most popular tweet is an infographic "Iceland in a nutshell" including a comparison of the number of sheep and people in the country and ranking its alcohol consumption, the fourth highest among Nordic countries.



MFA Iceland

[@MFAIceland](#)

Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Iceland. Tweeting for the Ministry: Urður & Púry.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (125)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (46)

First tweet

 **MFA Iceland** 
@MFAIceland 

It's a beautiful day & we thought we'd start tweeting, inspired by our latest visitor to [#Iceland](#), [@carlbildt](#)

4:15 PM - 19 Mar 2013

2 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

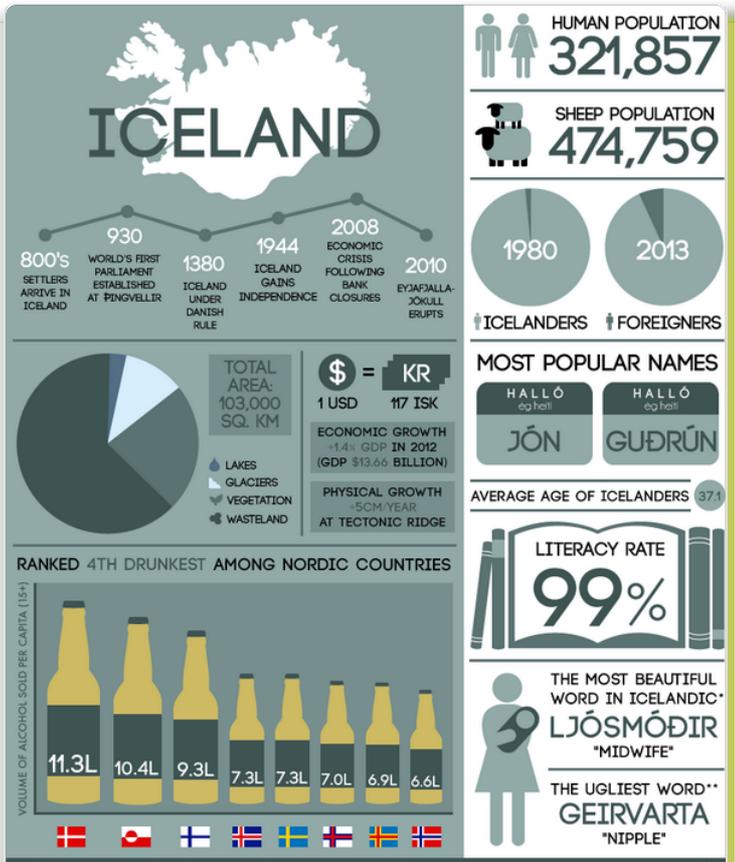
Most popular tweet

 **MFA Iceland** 
@MFAIceland 

Iceland in a nutshell

9:52 AM - 19 Dec 2013

30 RETWEETS 13 FAVORITES



ICELAND

800's SETTLERS ARRIVE IN ICELAND | 930 WORLD'S FIRST PARLIAMENT ESTABLISHED AT PINGVELLIR | 1380 ICELAND UNDER DANISH RULE | 1944 ICELAND GAINS INDEPENDENCE | 2008 ECONOMIC CRISIS FOLLOWING BANK CLOSURES | 2010 EYJAFJALLA-XOKULL ERUPTS

HUMAN POPULATION: 321,857
SHEEP POPULATION: 474,759

1980 vs 2013: ICELANDERS vs FOREIGNERS

MOST POPULAR NAMES: HALLÓ eg þei / JÓN vs HALLÓ eg þei / GUÐRÚN

AVERAGE AGE OF ICELANDERS: 37.1

LITERACY RATE: 99%

THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WORD IN ICELANDIC: LJÓSMÖÐIR "MIDWIFE"
THE UGLIEST WORD** GEIRVARTA "NIPPLE"

TOTAL AREA: 103,000 SQ. KM
1 USD = 117 ISK
ECONOMIC GROWTH: +1.4% GDP IN 2012 (GDP \$13.66 BILLION)
PHYSICAL GROWTH: 5CM YEAR AT TECTONIC RIDGE

RANKED 4TH DRUNKEST AMONG NORDIC COUNTRIES

VOLUME OF ALCOHOL SOLD PER CAPITA (L/yr): Denmark (11.3L), Finland (10.4L), Sweden (9.3L), Norway (7.3L), Iceland (7.3L), Netherlands (7.0L), Germany (6.9L), UK (6.6L)

** as determined by a follow up Facebook contest hosted by students of the University of Iceland

LOLLA JAMES

Ireland

Irish politicians have been lukewarm about Twitter. Irish president Michael Higgins and the Taoiseach (Prime Minister) Enda Kenny have personal Twitter accounts. Neither of the two has ever tweeted personally and neither has tweeted since their successful elections in 2011. Furthermore neither is very well connected with other world leaders on Twitter with @EndaKennyTD not even following President @MD_Higgins.

President of Ireland

Michael D Higgins

Irish President Michael Higgins has not been active on Twitter since the day before he was elected as President in November 2011, despite having over 20,000 followers. From January 2010 until October 2011 Michael Higgins' Twitter account was active on a daily basis. During the last three weeks of the campaign until the day of voting in November 2011, his Twitter account was updated on average 28 times a day. From October onwards his campaign team consistently used the hashtag #aras11. His account was also very conversational with his audience as over a quarter of his tweets are @replies. Michael Higgins also used his Twitter account to make his campaign more visible tweeting snapshots of his campaign bus, campaign posters as well as images of him meeting with supporters. His last tweet from 11 November 2011 is a thank you to his followers: "President Michael d Higgins, thank you all #pres9." The Irish president unilaterally follows the Taoiseach @EndaKennyTD, the @WhiteHouse and @Number10Gov but they don't follow him back.



Michael D Higgins

@md_higgins

President of Ireland

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (0)

Prime Minister of Ireland

Enda Kenny

The Irish Taoiseach's (Prime Minister's) account is a typical campaign account: very active during the campaign before going silent once elected. Enda Kenny started to tweet on 21 April 2010, nearly a year before the 2011 general election but has been quiet since 8 July 2011. During the campaign Enda Kenny was actively engaged with his followers as almost half of his tweets were @replies to his followers. As the campaign went into its final phase he used the hashtag #enda and #ge11 and retweeted tweets from @FineGael his party's account. On average Enda Kenny's Twitter account was updated three times a week. As the Election Day approached, images became part of his Twitter updates, primarily Twitpics of Enda Kenny with members of the public. Since the 2011 general election, the account was only updated twice in June and once in July 2011 before going silent. It is a verified account and recently updated its header picture showing the Taoiseach speaking on a panel with other European leaders at the World Economic Forum in Davos.



Enda Kenny

@EndaKennyTD

I am the Taoiseach of the Fine Gael/ Labour coalition Government, elected in March 2011. I have been the Leader of Fine Gael since 2002.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (0)

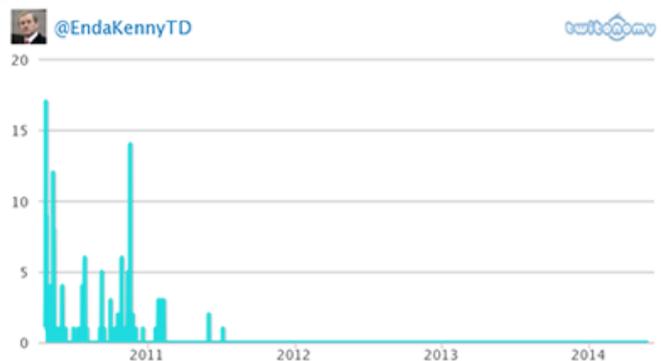
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	207
Following:	102
Followers:	18,324
Joined Twitter:	04/21/2010
Language:	English
Status:	Dormant since 08.07.2011
Tweets/day:	0.14
Retweets:	11%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.48
Replies/Tweet:	0.43
Tweets retweeted:	32%
Most mentioned	@Paschald (5), @PhiloMcCabe (5), @Lazyjj76 (4), @AnnraoiOD (4), @MartinFitz (4), @EndaKennyTD (4), @cpbyrne (3), @PatentNav (3), @ciandevane (2), @simoncoveney (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Enda Kenny** 
@EndaKennyTD 

Thanks for following my new twitter feed. You'll still find FG updates on [@FineGaelToday](#) but I'll be here from now on...

5:25 PM - 21 Apr 2010

Most popular tweet

 **Enda Kenny** 
@EndaKennyTD 

It's time for a General Election

5:14 PM - 23 Nov 2010

38 RETWEETS

Government of Ireland

MerrionStreet.ie

@Merrionstreet is the official Twitter account of the Irish government named after the location of the government buildings on the south side of Dublin. The account tweets almost six times a day, frequently sharing videos and pictures of the government's activities on its Twitter stream. The account rarely retweets or @replies and occasionally mentions other Twitter users including the @BritishMonarchy during Queen Elizabeth's II first official state visit to the Republic of Ireland in May 2011 which is also one of its most popular tweets.



MerrionStreet.ie

[@merrionstreet](#)

MerrionStreet.ie - Irish Government News Service is a service provided from Government Buildings in Dublin. RT's not an endorsement.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (11)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet

 **MerrionStreet.ie** 
@merrionstreet 

Taoiseach meets Bulgarian Deputy Prime Minister : <http://bit.ly/f7c4L1>

3:09 PM - 1 Apr 2011

Most popular tweet



 **MerrionStreet.ie** 
@merrionstreet 

The Clock tower of Government Buildings, Dublin. 'Greened' for the weekend. Happy St Patrick's weekend. [#StPatricks](#)

11:29 PM - 14 Mar 2014

54 RETWEETS **21** FAVORITES

First tweet

 **Eamon Gilmore TD** 
@EamonGilmore 

Good exchange with John Kerry today at Shannon Airport - meeting again in Washington around St Patrick's Day yfrog.com/j2x8idij

7:19 PM - 6 Mar 2013

23 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet

 **Eamon Gilmore TD** 
@EamonGilmore 

Attack on Orange Hall and War memorial in Coleraine is an act of hatred and disrespect. Decent Irish people reject this totally.

9:24 PM - 22 Mar 2014

47 RETWEETS **28** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Ireland

IrishForeignMinistry

The most interesting fact about the official account of the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is that the vast majority of its tweets are sent “on the go” from an iPhone and sometimes an iPad. Almost half of its tweets are retweets mainly from @Irish_Aid, the government account @merrionstreet and its embassies in Brussels (@IrelandRepBru), the U.S. (@IrelandEmbUSA, Mexico (@IrishEmbMexico), and the UK (@IrelandEmbGB). The verified account maintains a useful Twitter list of its 41 embassies and consulates on Twitter. @dfatirl is well connected with their peers, unilaterally followed by 36 and mutually connected with 13 other foreign ministries.



IrishForeignMinistry

@dfatirl

\\News from the Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade, Ireland//
Twitter Policy: bit.ly/1cURCpX

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (36)

follows mutually (13)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 4,435

Following: 289

Followers: 13,044

Joined Twitter: 08/29/2011

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 6.22

Retweets: 49%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.46

Replies/Tweet: 0.09

Tweets retweeted: 39%

Most mentioned @EamonGilmore (215), @JoeCostelloTD (122), @Irish_Aid (49), @Entirl (48), @Paschald (30), @eu2013ie (28), @PassportIRL (24), @dfatirl (21), @LCreighton (19), @IrishTimes (18).

First tweet



IrishForeignMinistry ✓

@dfatirl

Follow

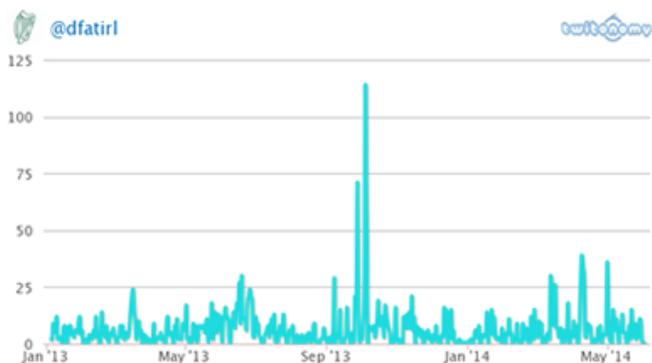
Launch of Government's new Africa Strategy at the Africa-Ireland Economic Forum, Tuesday 13 September
dfa.ie/home/index.asp...

1:39 PM - 7 Sep 2011

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



IrishForeignMinistry ✓

@dfatirl

Follow

Anyone with concerns for Irish relatives or friends at [#BostonMarathon](#), please call Dublin 01 4780822 [@IrelandBoston](#)

10:25 PM - 15 Apr 2013

806 RETWEETS 37 FAVORITES

Italy

Italy's new Prime Minister @MatteoRenzi is the EU's most followed leader with more than 1.1 million followers and under his leadership the Italian government has notably upped its Twitter communication. The presidency, the government and the foreign ministry all have institutional Twitter feeds named after their official residences namely @QuirinaleStampa, @Palazzo_Chigi and @FarnesinaPress

Presidency of Italy

Quirinale Uff Stampa

@QuirinaleStampa, named after the official residence of the Italian president is a news feed that amplifies statements and press releases of President Giorgio Napolitano. It interacts very little and only follows 254 people, mostly journalists and a few institutions. The account has only sent six retweets, all of former Presidential spokesman Pasquale Cascella (@pcascella). @QuirinaleStampa tweets strictly institutional, breaking the lines from the usual soft tones only when the President receives strong personal attacks. The largest number of tweets was sent on 31 December 2012 when the presidential New Year's message #messaggiofineanno was live tweeted on the Twitter feed. On 21 March 2013 @QuirinaleStampa tweeted that Giorgio Napolitano would not run again for the Presidency. A month later, on 20 April 2013, the president tweeted about his second election; this became his most re-tweeted tweet. Occasionally the account posts pictures of President Napolitano with foreign dignitaries including Queen Elizabeth, Barack Obama, the Polish President @prezydenpl and the President of Slovenia @BorutPahor both mentioned on the Twitter feed.



Quirinale Uff Stampa

@QuirinaleStampa

Twitter ufficiale dell'Ufficio Stampa della Presidenza della Repubblica.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	397
Following:	254
Followers:	75,216
Joined Twitter:	08/02/2012
Language:	Italian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.55
Retweets:	2%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.03
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	96%
Most mentioned	@prezydentpl (5), @BorutPahor (4), @pubbliprogresso (1).

First tweet

 **Quirinale Uff Stampa**  [Follow](#)

@QuirinaleStampa

Il decorrere del tempo rinsalda l'impegno nel perpetuare la memoria di uno dei più tragici fatti della storia del paese
bit.ly/PBiSgc

6:19 PM - 2 Aug 2012

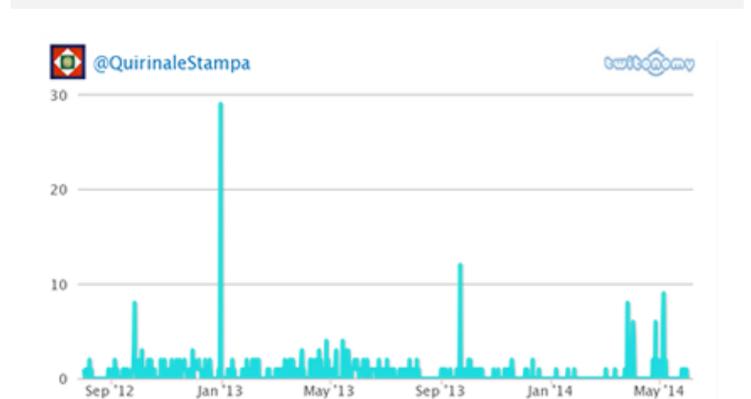
10 RETWEETS

Translation: The passage of time reinforces the commitment to perpetuate the memory of one of the most tragic events in the history of the country bit.ly/PBiSgc

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **Quirinale Uff Stampa**  [Follow](#)

@QuirinaleStampa

Non posso sottrarmi a un'assunzione di responsabilità verso la Nazione. Confido in analogia collettiva responsabilità
goo.gl/VkHPm

2:55 PM - 20 Apr 2013

389 RETWEETS **92** FAVORITES

Translation: I can not escape to the assumption of responsibility towards the nation. I am hoping for similar collective responsibility <http://goo.gl/VkHPm>

First tweet



Matteo Renzi 
@matteorenzi



torna a pensare che per il PD fiorentino più che le primarie ci voglia il primario!

2:17 PM - 8 Jan 2009

10 RETWEETS **11** FAVORITES

Translation: back to thinking that for the Florentine PD more than the primaries we want the primary!

Most popular tweet



Matteo Renzi 
@matteorenzi



Caro Silvio, le cose si possono comprare, le persone no. Non tutte, almeno. Io no. Hai le porte aperte per me? Chiudi pure, fa freddo! #ciao

8:29 AM - 10 Dec 2012

9,365 RETWEETS **3,167** FAVORITES

Translation: Dear Silvio, you can buy things, but you cannot buy people. Not all of them, at least. And certainly not me. You have opened the doors for me? Close them, it's getting cold! #ciao

Government of Italy

Palazzo_Chigi

The official Twitter account of the Italian government @Palazzo_Chigi was set up on 22 November 2012 under former Prime Minister Mario Monti and has been used by his successor former Prime Minister @EnricoLetta who is still the most mentioned user in the Twitter stream. The account has a strictly institutional profile and focuses on European and international affairs. @Palazzo_Chigi tweets exclusively in Italian and interacts very little with only 4% retweets. But it does mention other users in two-thirds of its tweets, namely Prime Minister @MatteoRenzi. Its most retweeted tweet is about Matteo Renzi's letter to Italian mayors concerning school buildings.



Palazzo_Chigi

@Palazzo_Chigi

Profilo ufficiale della Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri. Governo italiano.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (89)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (17)

First tweet



Federica Mogherini
@FedericaMog

[Follow](#)

...avevo deciso che twitter non mi avrebbe avuta... (provo)

9:37 PM - 10 Jan 2012

1 RETWEET

Translation: ...I had decided not have to be on Twitter... (I am trying)

Most popular tweet



Federica Mogherini
@FedericaMog

[Follow](#)

Con il pensiero, e il cuore, a [#Kiev](#). Che tu sia poliziotto o manifestante, non si può morire così, in [#Europa](#)

12:01 PM - 20 Feb 2014

836 RETWEETS **657** FAVORITES

Translation: With my heart and mind in [#Kiev](#). Whether you are a policeman or a protester, you can not die likes this in [#Europe](#)

Foreign Ministry of Italy

FarnesinaPress

While maintaining a very institutional profile, the official Twitter account of the Italian foreign ministry @FarnesinaPress consistently @mentions Foreign Minister @FedericaMog and other world leaders in most of its tweets. Former Foreign Minister @EmmaBonino and @GuilioTerzi, who created the account on 4 June 2012 are also still among the most mentioned and retweeted accounts. The Italian foreign ministry has also created a secondary @FarnesinaVerde account dedicated to environmental sustainability initiatives. The foreign ministry in Rome also curates eight Twitter lists including lists with its 17 ambassadors, 22 embassies and 14 consulates active on Twitter including the digitally savvy ambassador @CBisogniero at @ItalyinUS. Italian diplomats have also mapped the Twitter accounts of the Italian diplomatic network.



FarnesinaPress

@FarnesinaPress

Profilo ufficiale del Servizio Stampa del Ministero degli Affari Esteri

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (12)

Kosovo

In Kosovo, the president, the prime minister, and the minister of foreign affairs all have institutional or personal Twitter accounts in a concerted effort to put the nation on the digital world map.

President of Kosovo

Atifete Jahjaga

Kosovo's President Atifete Jahjaga set up her personal Twitter account on 7 November 2012 but her first tweet was sent only on 5 March 2013. It was a link to an article about how women in the Balkans were leading the political revolution. Her tweets are in both English and Albanian; her team updates followers on her agenda and speeches and often posts pictures of the president's bilateral meetings. She is somewhat active with one tweet per day but rarely retweets or @mentions and never @replies.



Atifete Jahjaga

[@PresidentKosovo](#)

President of the Republic of Kosovo

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Atifete Jahjaga

@PresidentKosovo

Follow

Women in the [#Balkans](#) are leading a political revolution | usat.ly/XNWJ6i via [@USATODAY](#)

11:16 AM - 5 Mar 2013

2 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Atifete Jahjaga

@PresidentKosovo

Follow

Offered my congrat. to people of [#Honduras](#) from the people of [#Kosovo](#) at inauguration of Presid. Hernández Alvarado

2:50 PM - 28 Jan 2014

85 RETWEETS 17 FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Kosovo

Hashim Thaçi

The Twitter account of Kosovos' Prime Minister @PMKosovo was renamed to @HashimThaciPM giving it a personal touch for the elections in June 2014. The account was set up on 3 November 2011 and before being renamed, the daily updated were all linking to the prime minister's web page. The team managing the account often tweets pictures of his international meetings and campaign rallies. Prime Minister Hashim Thaçi does take the occasional selfie and often retweets selfies in which he features including a selfie taken by his Albanian counterpart Edi Rama @EdiRamaal. However there is little engagement with other users. The tweets are mostly in Albanian but English is often used when addressing an international audience. The most retweeted tweet is a thank-you message to the 40 US Congressmen who supported the inclusion of Kosovo into NATO's Partnership for Peace program. The prime minister has 10 mutual connections with his peers.



Hashim Thaçi

@HashimThaciPM

Kryeministri i Republikës së Kosovës - Prime Minister of the Republic of Kosovo - Premijer Republike Kosovo // Tweetat personal nënshkruhen me HTH.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (25)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (10)

First tweet

 **Enver Hoxhaj**
@Enver_Hoxhaj [Follow](#)

Delighted to start using twitter to share my activity as Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of [#Kosovo](#).

11:44 AM - 8 Apr 2013

13 RETWEETS **19** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **Enver Hoxhaj**
@Enver_Hoxhaj [Follow](#)

Had a great meeting with HH Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan [@ABZayed](#) today in Prishtina. 1/2

9:01 PM - 12 Mar 2014

123 RETWEETS **73** FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Kosovo

MFAKosovo

The foreign ministry of Kosovo sent its first tweet on 3 August 2011 announcing a live interview with Foreign Minister Enver Hoxhaj on the BBC. The account is very active with over five tweets a day and three quarters of its tweets are retweets of mostly Foreign Minister @Enver_Hoxhaj and Deputy Foreign Minister @Petrit Selimi. @MFAKOSOVO maintains a Twitter list of its 33 strong staff on Twitter. In January 2014 the account launched a competition for the best photo representing Kosovo via the hashtag #InstaKosovo, a digital diplomacy initiative to celebrate six years of independence.



MFAKosovo

@MFAKOSOVO

The latest news from & about Kosova / Kosovo from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo. Account managed by media staff. RTs not endorsement.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)



Latvia

In Latvia, Twitter is one of three social media platforms that are actively used by local politicians. There is also the social network draugiem.lv, which is the most popular in Latvia and is a local alternative to Facebook.

Presidency of Latvia

Valsts prezidents

The Twitter profile of the president of Latvia, named after Riga Castle, the seat of the presidency was registered on 7 July 2010 under former President Valdis Zatlers. President Andris Bērziņš is less active on Twitter, posting less than one tweet a day. The current president does not write any tweets himself. The account occasionally engages with its followers using @replies and @mentions. The Latvian presidency mutually follows Lithuanian President @Grybauskaite_It and unilaterally follows the Estonian President Toomas Ilves @IlvesToomas and Barack Obama @barackobama who have not yet reciprocated.



Valsts prezidents

[@Rigas_pils](#)

Oficiālais Latvijas Valsts prezidenta Twitter konts. Informācija sabiedrībai par Latvijas Valsts prezidenta un Valsts prezidenta kancelejas darbību.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Laimdota Straujuma
@Straujuma

Labdien, Mīļie! Esmu arī tagad es Tviterī.

10:34 AM - 28 Jun 2012

3 RETWEETS

Translation: Hello, Dear! I am now on Twitter, too.

Most popular tweet



Laimdota Straujuma
@Straujuma

Maximas vadītājs ir atlaists, bet izteikto nevar atgriezt. Tā ir attieksme. Reti tur iegriezos, bet turpmāk es Maximā vairs neiešu.

7:57 PM - 28 Nov 2013

64 RETWEETS 27 FAVORITES

Translation: Maxima's manager has been sacked. I rarely went there, but I will no longer go into Maxima.

Government of Latvia

Valdības māja

The official account of the Latvian government tweets on average four times per day and more than a quarter of its tweets are retweets of other Latvian ministries and government institutions. The government tweets mainly in Latvian to keep its followers abreast of the government's activities and the activities of Prime Minister Laimdota Straujuma who also happens to be the second most mentioned person on the governmental Twitter stream after former Prime Minister @VDombrovskis. Its most popular tweet is the announcement of three minutes of silence in memory of the victims of the Riga supermarket roof collapse.



Valdības māja

@Brivibas36

Ministru kabinets / Government of Latvia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (9)

First tweet



Edgars Rinkēvičs
@edgarsrinkevics

[Follow](#)

Dzintaru koncertzāles noslēguma koncerts bija lielisks, vienīgi varēja iztikt bez politikas

11:51 AM - 5 Sep 2010

Most popular tweet



Edgars Rinkēvičs
@edgarsrinkevics

[Follow](#)

Tie, kas agri iet gulēt un ceļas ir cīruļi, tie, kas to dara vēlu, ir pūces, tie, kas vēlu iet gulēt un kurus agri pieceļ, ir angry birds

10:24 AM - 22 Oct 2012

315 RETWEETS **62** FAVORITES

Translation: Those who go to bed early and rise early are the larks, those who are doing it late, the owls, the ones who stay up late and get up early are the Angry Birds

Foreign Ministry of Latvia

Ārlietu ministrija

The Latvian foreign ministry maintains two accounts one in Latvian @Arlietas and an English language Twitter account @Latvian_MFA. The Latvian Twitter account was created on 4 October 2010 and tweets on average 2.8 times a day. The English version @Latvian_MFA joined Twitter a year later, is less prolific with less than a tweet per day and has also only a fourth of its followers. The account chronicles all foreign ministry meetings with pictures and often retweets and mentions Foreign Minister @EdgarsRinkevics. The hashtag most used by the Latvian account is #InternetFreedom. The English account is mutually following twenty-five other global leaders, while @Arlietas is only mutually connected to four.



Ārlietu ministrija

@Arlietas

Ārlietu ministrija izstrādā un īsteno Latvijas ārpolitiku, lai radītu labvēlīgus apstākļus starptautiskajai drošībai un iekšpolitiskajai stabilitātei.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (24)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (4)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	3,856
Following:	339
Followers:	4,669
Joined Twitter:	10/04/2010
Language:	Latvian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.92
Retweets:	16%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.3
Replies/Tweet:	0.07
Tweets retweeted:	35%
Most mentioned	@edgarsrinkevics (328), @Arlietas (127), @ViktorsMakarovs (23), @LTRK_info (21), @YouTube (17), @LIAALatvija (9), @SSE_Riga (9), @USEmbassyRiga (8), @VDombrovskis (8), @EM_gov_lv (7).

First tweet



Ārlietu ministrija 
@Arlietas 

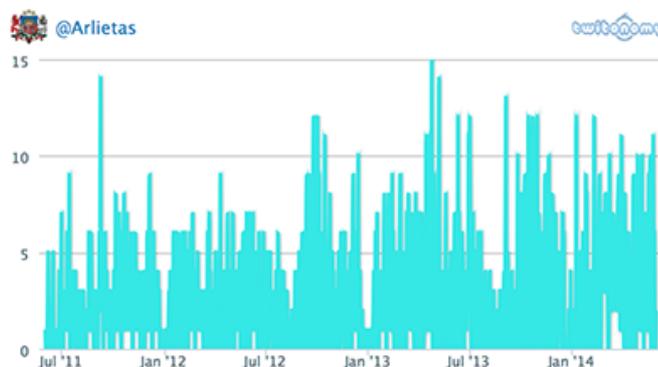
Uzņēmēji un Latvijas vēstnieki diskutēs par pārtikas eksporta tirgiem <http://ej.uz/aff>
12:48 PM - 5 Oct 2010

Translation: Entrepreneurs and Latvian ambassadors to discuss the food export markets <http://ej.uz/aff>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Ārlietu ministrija 
@Arlietas 

Statement by President of Latvia, Speaker of Saeima, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister ej.uz/pvjw
8:39 PM - 1 Mar 2014

57 RETWEETS **22** FAVORITES

Liechtenstein

The government of Liechtenstein has been on Twitter since 21 February 2010 but the account is dormant. Prime Minister @Adrian_Hasler joined Twitter in June 2011 but he has not been active yet and the Princely House of Liechtenstein is one of the few European royal houses not on Twitter.

Government of Liechtenstein

Reg. Liechtenstein

The government of Liechtenstein's Twitter account is an automated feed of the stories making headlines on the government's website www.liechtenstein.li. The governmental account has never sent a single @mention or @reply and is not following anyone. The news feed has gone silent on 26 March 2013 with a triple "AAA for Liechtenstein". Not surprisingly only 23 of its tweets have ever been retweeted and it has less than 500 followers.



Reg. Liechtenstein
[@regierung_fl](https://twitter.com/regierung_fl)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Foreign Ministry of Liechtenstein

Liechtenstein MFA

The foreign ministry of Liechtenstein joined Twitter on 25 February 2014 and has a small but steadily growing following. The @MFA_LI account tweets on average every second day, in German and in English. The foreign ministry rarely @replies to other users but @mentions them, especially Deputy Prime Minister @T_Zwiefelhofer and Prime Minister @Adrian_Hasler in about half of its posts. The account uses 1.5 hashtags per tweet and #Liechtenstein, #Ukraine, #EFTA, and #EU are the main topics. @MFA_LI is mutually following the Swiss government spokesperson @BR_Sprecher, and the foreign ministries of Iceland (@MFAIceland) and Norway (@NorwayMFA).



Liechtenstein MFA

@MFA_LI

Offizielles Twitterkonto des Liechtensteinischen Ministeriums für Äusseres - Official Twitter account of the Liechtenstein Ministry for Foreign Affairs

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 264

Following: 117

Followers: 364

Joined Twitter: 02/25/2014

Language: German/English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 2.1

Retweets: 15%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.48

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

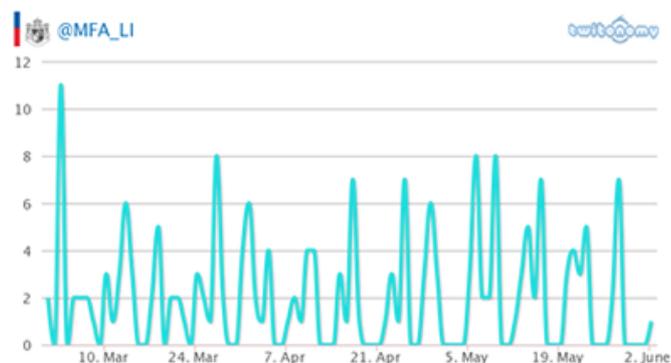
Tweets retweeted: 38%

Most mentioned @coe (7), @OSCE (5), @T_Zwiefelhofer (4), @EFTAsecretariat (4), @UN_HRC (4), @CrimeAggression (3), @adrian_hasler (3), @UNODC (3), @eftasurv (2), @UNrightswire (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Liechtenstein MFA** 
@MFA_LI 

Aurelia Frick am UNO-
Menschenrechtsrat: Aktuelle Krisen im
Fokus ow.ly/u6xpq @UN_HRC #HRC25

10:01 AM - 1 Mar 2014

Translation: Aurelia Frick at the UN Human Rights Council:
Current crises in focus <http://ow.ly/u6xpq> @ UN_HRC # HRC25

Most popular tweet

 **Liechtenstein MFA** 
@MFA_LI 

Seminar on ratification and
implementation of
[#KampalaAmendments](#) starting today in
[#Slovenia](#) -
crimeofaggression.info/events/upcomin..
[#ICC](#) @CrimeAgression

9:26 AM - 15 May 2014

10 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Lithuania

Lithuanian leaders became increase in activity mainly because of the Lithuanian EU Presidency in the second half of 2013. In early 2014 the @EU2013LT was renamed to @LithuaniaMFA and became the official Twitter account of the foreign ministry in Vilnius.

President of Lithuania

Dalia Grybauskaitė

Lithuanian President Dalia Grybauskaitė set up her Twitter account on 21 November 2012. Dalia Grybauskaitė increased her Twitter activity in the second half of 2013, tweeting about her meetings, the European Union and the events in Ukraine. Her most retweeted tweets all focus around the situation in the Ukraine offering to accept the injured of the violent clashes in Kiev for medical treatment or offering asylum to Pavel @Durov, the founder of Russia's social network vKontakte in Lithuania. Since Twitter is still not widely used in Lithuania @Grybauskaite_LT did not use her personal account during her successful re-election campaign in May 2014. It shows, that her tweets target to international followers, not the local electorate.



Dalia Grybauskaitė

[@Grybauskaite_LT](#)

President of the Republic of Lithuania

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (22)

followed unilaterally by (23)

follows mutually (14)

First tweet

 **Algirdas Butkevičius**
@AButkevicius [Follow](#)

Konservatorių Vyriausybės darbo analizė.
<http://www.lsdp.lt/lt/naujienos/2082-2008-2010-vyriausybes-veiklos-vertinimas.html>

11:20 AM - 8 Apr 2011 Vilnius, Lietuva

Translation: The Conservative government's work analysis.

Most popular tweet

 **Algirdas Butkevičius**
@AButkevicius [Follow](#)

I condemn the bloodshed. [#Ukraine](#) must stop any fight against its own people and resolve problems by means of diplomacy and negotiations.

9:10 AM - 23 Jan 2014

21 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

Government of Lithuania

LR Vyriausybė

Lithuania's official governmental Twitter account was set up in May 2009 under former Prime Minister Andrius Kubilius. The account tweets mainly in Lithuanian, mostly official news announcements and the activities of the prime minister. Since taking over the EU rotating presidency the account started having some content in English, retweeting tweets from the prime minister and other European leaders. This account has been dormant since beginning of 2014.



LR Vyriausybė

@Vyriausybe

Sveiki atvykę į oficialų Vyriausybės puslapį socialiniame tinkle Twitter!
Welcome to official Twitter account of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (5)

Foreign Minister of Lithuania

Linas Linkevicius

Linas Linkevicius has been tweeting since December 2012 when he became Lithuania's Foreign Minister.

@LinkeviciusL is the most active Lithuanian politician on Twitter. Linkevicius' Twitter feed is dominated by comments on international meetings and EU policy decisions. Among his most used hashtags are the #EU, #Ukraine, #NATO and #Russia reflecting a keen interest and an active involvement in the current debate about the situation in Ukraine. Linas Linkevicius tweets on average three times per day and occasionally @replies to his peers, namely Sweden's @CarlBildt. Latvia's @EdgarsRinkevics and Poland's @SikorskiRadek. His most retweeted post is from 7 March 2014 showing "Two types of self-defence..." and a picture of defenders in Kiev and Crimea. The Lithuanian foreign minister is well connected with his peers, unilaterally following 32 and mutually connected with 21.



Linas Linkevicius

@LinkeviciusL

Lithuania's Minister of Foreign Affairs

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (31)

followed unilaterally by (28)

follows mutually (21)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,778

Following: 232

Followers: 6,674

Joined Twitter: 12/28/2012

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 3.24

Retweets: 37%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.31

Replies/Tweet: 0.06

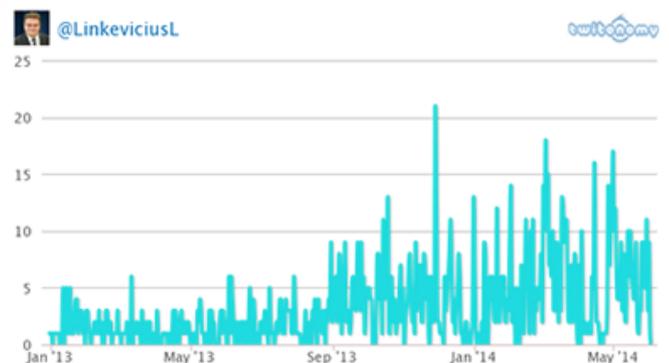
Tweets retweeted: 56%

Most mentioned @EU2013LT (29), @edgarsrinkevics (19), @carlbildt (17), @sikorskiradek (16), @AndersFoghR (11), @EU_Commission (10), @StefanFuleEU (9), @Grybauskaite_LT (7), @EgemenBagis (6), @guidowesterwell (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Linas Linkevicius** 
@LinkeviciusL 

Lithuanians pick Obama as world person for the 5th consecutive year.
Congratulations!

4:07 PM - 29 Dec 2012

7 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



САМОБОРОНА В КИЄВІ

САМОБОРОНА В КРИМУ

 **Linas Linkevicius** 
@LinkeviciusL 

Two types of self-defence...

12:14 PM - 7 Mar 2014

636 RETWEETS 239 FAVORITES

First tweet

 **Lithuania MFA** 
@LithuaniaMFA 

Dia duit, Ireland @eu2013ie! 100 days until our Presidency #Lithuania is getting its twitter on and looking forward to succeeding you!

8:49 AM - 23 Mar 2013

8 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



 **Lithuania MFA** 
@LithuaniaMFA 

[#UnitedForUkraine](#) - @Europarl_EN expressed support for [#Ukraine](#)'s territorial integrity and sovereignty.

10:46 AM - 15 Apr 2014

132 RETWEETS 40 FAVORITES

Luxembourg

While the government of Luxembourg under former Prime Minister Jean-Claude Juncker was among the very few European governments to shun Twitter, his successor @Xavier_Bettel maintains a personal Twitter account. Furthermore, Grand Duke Henri has been present on Twitter since 7 October 2010, the 10th anniversary of his accession to the throne.

Princely Palace of Luxembourg

Cour Grand-Ducale

The grand ducal account broadcasts the activities of HRH Grand Duke Henri, his wife Grand Duchess Maria Teresa, his son Guillaume and his father Grand Duke Jean. The Twitter account maintains a certain royal aloofness consistently quoting any member of the Grand Ducal Family in the third person with the customary HRH (S.A.R. in French), even when thanking their followers for the birthday wishes. The account never shares any pictures directly on its Twitter feed, but consistently links back to the monarchy's website. The most popular tweet, retweeted 16 times, is still the announcement of the wedding of HRH Guillaume, Hereditary Grand Duke of Luxembourg to Countess Stéphanie de Lannoy which was held on 20 October 2012. With on average one tweet every four days and no @replies or @mentions the account has not been particularly active. The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg is following the Grand Duke's own foundation @fondgrandducale and six other royal accounts including the @BritishMonarchy, the Norwegian @Kronprinsparet, the Monaco's @PalaisMonaco and the Spanish royal household @CasaReal.



Cour Grand-Ducale

@CourGrandDucale

Les activités à la Cour Grand-Ducale du Luxembourg. Latest activities from the Grand-Ducal Court of Luxembourg.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



Bettel Xavier 
@Xavier_Bettel



Wellenstein tonight ;-)

8:19 PM - 2 Aug 2010

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet



Bettel Xavier 
@Xavier_Bettel



Three years of bloodshed in Syria... Need to implement [#UNSC](#) res 2139. Let humanitarian actors through to help now [#LetUsThrough](#) [#WithSyria](#)

2:43 PM - 12 Mar 2014

70 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

Malta

Malta's general elections in March 2013 were also fought on Twitter with incumbent @Lawrence_Gonzi and challenger @JosephMuscat_JM both exchanging blows in 140 characters.

Prime Minister of Malta

Joseph Muscat

Joseph Muscat took office as Malta's Prime Minister on 11 March 2013. His Twitter account was created in July 2012 when he was the leader of the opposition and is still run by the Partit Laburista (Labour Party) campaign team. Joseph Muscat tweets on average nine times a day, mainly using a Blackberry. His personal tweets are signed with his initials JM. The themes of his tweets range from Maltese politics to football and music festivals. Eighty-eight percent of his tweets are retweets mostly of his party @PL_Malta, news channel @ONE_news_Malta and @TelevisionMalta. However, the account only rarely replies to other users. Joseph Muscat follows major international media and journalists, Maltese and Italian politicians and five other world leaders. However, he is only mutually connected with the @EU_Commission and the Prime Minister of Luxembourg @Xavier_Bettel. He appears to be an AC Milan fan, following @ACMilan and its players.



Joseph Muscat

@JosephMuscat_JM

Prime Minister and Leader of the Labour Party - Malta. This profile is run by the PL campaign team.

Personal tweets by Joseph Muscat are signed -JM.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (2)

Moldova

Moldova's President Nicolae Timofti has both a personal and an institutional Twitter account. While the former was only briefly activated in 2013, the latter is used mainly as a sharing platform for the president's YouTube channel. The account of the Moldovan Government is dormant since 2012, but the Foreign Ministry's has become more active in recent months and is well connected. The personal account of Prime Minister Iurie Leancă, fairly active since it was set up last year, is also steadily growing in the number of mutual followers.

President of Moldova

Nicolae Timofti

The President of Moldova Nicolae Timofti joined Twitter on 19 March 2012, but since then has tweeted only four times, all on the same day, 6 November 2013. His first post announced a new website for the presidential administration and the three other messages were shared videos from the President's official YouTube account, Președintele Nicolae Timofti. Despite the lack of activity, @Nicolae_Timofti unilaterally follows the Russian Prime Minister Dmitri Medvedev @MedvedevRussia, and is being followed by five other world leaders.



Nicolae Timofti

@Nicolae_Timofti

Președintele Republicii Moldova

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

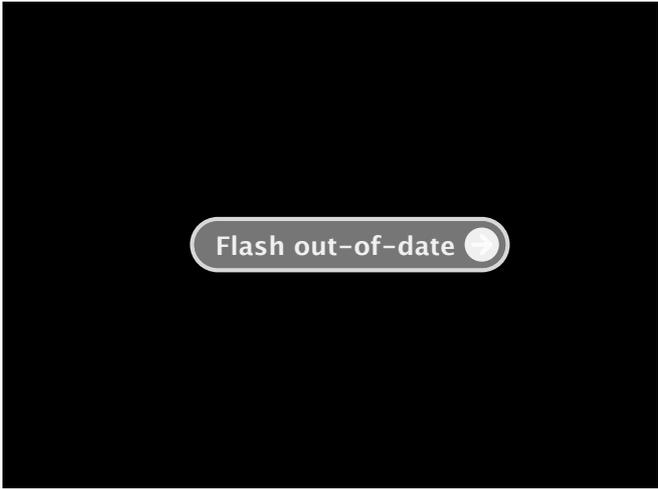
follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **Nicolae Timofti**
@presedinte_md [Follow](#)

2013 06 04 Depunerea jurământului de către ministrul Finanțelor, Veaceslav Negruța: youtu.be/8vYbyTSc_QY?a prin @YouTube

9:21 AM - 5 Jun 2013



 YouTube @YouTube

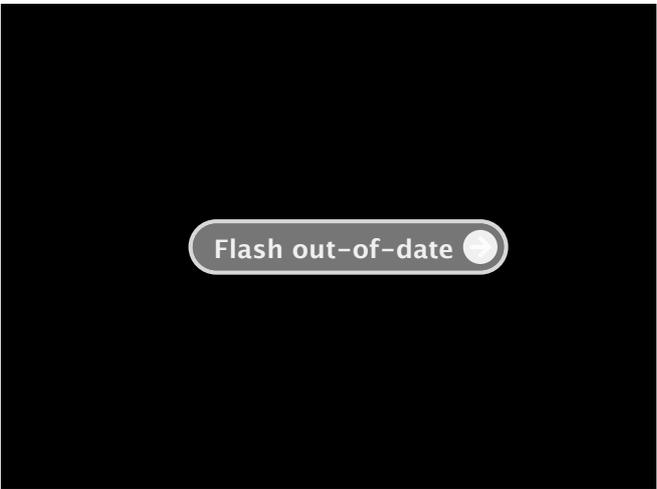
Translation: 2013 06 04 The oath taking ceremony of Minister of Finance Vaeceslav Negruța: http://youtu.be/8vYbyTSc_QY?a via @YouTube

Most popular tweet

 **Nicolae Timofti**
@presedinte_md [Follow](#)

2013 11 03 Discursul presedintelui Nicolae Timofti la mitingul PRO EUROPA: youtu.be/JSVKISFoNr0?a prin @YouTube

5:42 PM - 5 Nov 2013



 YouTube @YouTube

2 RETWEETS

Translation: 2013 11 03 President Nicolae Timofti's speech at the PRO EUROPE rally: <http://youtu.be/JSVKISFoNr0?a> via @YouTube

Prime Minister of Moldova

Iurie Leancă

Moldovan Prime Minister Iurie Leancă launched his personal Twitter account on 3 June 2013. The account, managed by the prime minister himself together with a team responsible also for the Twitter account of the Liberal Democratic Party, for which he serves as First Vice President, has been relatively active and conversational. Leancă generally posts in Romanian, but around 72% of his tweets are retweets from other users. His most retweeted message is from 1 April 2014, when he announced that Moldovan citizens would be able to travel visa-free in the Schengen area. After one year on Twitter, @IurieLeanca has become well connected, mutually following 12 other world leaders.



Iurie Leancă

[@IurieLeanca](#)

Contul oficial de Twitter al Prim-ministrului Republicii Moldova. Profil administrat de către Iurie Leancă și echipa @PLDMoldova.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (15)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (12)

Government of Moldova

Directia comunicare

The Moldovan government joined Twitter on 8 April 2011 under former Prime Minister Vlad Filat, but the account went silent one year later, on 15 August 2012 and has been dormant ever since. @GuvernulRM is not following any foreign leaders or institutions, but it is followed by the Swedish Foreign Ministry @SweMFA.



Directia comunicare

@GuvernulRM

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

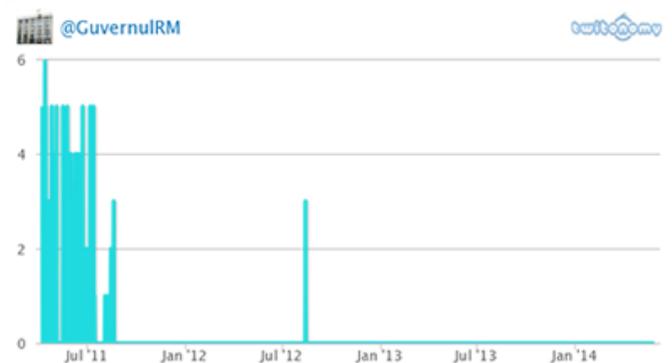
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	147
Following:	50
Followers:	253
Joined Twitter:	04/08/2011
Language:	Romanian
Status:	Dormant since 15.08.2012
Tweets/day:	0.13
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.01
Replies/Tweet:	0.01
Tweets retweeted:	2%
Most mentioned	@raduchivriga (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Directia comunicare
@GuvernulRM

[http://gov.md/libview.php?
l=ro&idc=436&id=3650](http://gov.md/libview.php?l=ro&idc=436&id=3650)

12:18 PM - 8 Apr 2011

[Follow](#)

Most popular tweet



Directia comunicare
@GuvernulRM

Vlad FILAT a efectuat astăzi o vizită la uzina „Etalon”, Centrul Tehnico-Stiințific al Universității Tehnice a Moldovei
<http://goo.gl/zEtr1>

3:03 PM - 15 Apr 2011

1 RETWEET

[Follow](#)

Translation: Vlad Filat today visited the plant "Etalon" Technical Scientific Centre of the Technical University of Moldova <http://goo.gl/zEtr1>

Foreign Ministry of Moldova

MFA Moldova

The foreign ministry of Moldova started its Twitter account on 12 October 2012 under then Foreign Minister Iurie Leancă. The ministry tweets in English every other day, mostly about the activities of the current head of the Moldovan diplomacy Natalia Gherman and her deputy Iulian Groza. In recent months, the account has increased the engagement with foreign leaders and EU representatives, regularly retweeting, @replying and @mentioning them in the context of increased attention to Moldova's geopolitical situation neighbouring Ukraine. The foreign ministry is very well connected unilaterally following 27 other world leaders and mutually connected with 34.



MFA Moldova

[@Diplomacy_RM](#)

Official twitter-account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Moldova

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (27)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (34)

First tweet



Translation: Minister Iurie Leancă participated in the anniversary meeting of GUAM
<http://www.mfa.gov.md/comunicate-presa-md/493045/>

Most popular tweet



Monaco

The Principality of Monaco is on Twitter with a verified account for the Princely Palace @PalaisMonaco and an institutional account for the government @gvtmonaco.

Princely Palace of Monaco

palaisprinciermonaco

The princely account tweets the activities of Prince Albert II and his wife Princess Charlene, sharing pictures of their official visits and engagements. @PalaisMonaco tweets on average once a week and is not particularly conversational rarely using @mentions and never any @replies. The most retweeted tweet was the announcement in May 2013 that Princess Charlène is pregnant. @PalaisMonaco is unilaterally follows only twelve accounts including the @BritishMonarchy, the @Elysee palace, the @WhiteHouse and the Norwegian @KronprinsParet.



palaisprinciermonaco

@palaismonaco

Bienvenue sur le compte officiel du Palais Princier de Monaco. Ce compte est géré par son service de presse.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



 **Gouvernement Monaco** 
@GvtMonaco 

Heureux d'arriver sur twitter pour transmettre et échanger sur la Principauté. Nous saluons tous les utilisateurs.

8:46 AM - 24 Jan 2012

2 RETWEETS

Translation: Happy to be on twitter to broadcast and discuss news from the Principality. We welcome all users.

Most popular tweet



 **Gouvernement Monaco** 
@GvtMonaco 

[#Monaco](#) est un bassin de 50.000 emplois occupés à 90% par des ressortissants de l'UE
[#monacounroleapart](#)

10:34 AM - 20 Sep 2013

98 RETWEETS **27** FAVORITES

Translation: #Monaco is a labour pool of 50,000 jobs, 90% of which are occupied by EU nationals #Playingaspecialrole

Montenegro

The government of Montenegro uses Twitter to reach out to other international bodies through its English language Twitter account @MeGovernment and its Montenegrin language account @VladaCG. The first is more active than the latter, tweeting about twice as often and having three times as many followers.

Government of Montenegro

Govt. of Montenegro

The government of Montenegro's Twitter feed provides almost daily updates on the government's positions on current affairs and policy topics. It is worth noting that there have been numerous tweets communicating Montenegro's stance on human rights. The hashtags #lgbt, #mne4lgbt and #me4equality are among the most commonly used. On average every tweet contains at least one hashtag.

@MeGovernment regularly tweets about issues pertaining to the country's accession negotiations with the European Union and frequently mentions the @EU_Commission, @NATO, @UNDP, and the @WorldBank in its tweets. It's most popular tweet was sent on 16 December 2012 congratulating Montenegro's women handball team for winning the European championship. The government in Podgorica unilaterally follows 19 other world leaders and is mutually connected to 23.



Govt. of Montenegro

[@MeGovernment](#)

Official English language Twitter account of the Government of #Montenegro. Follow our Montenegrin account: @VladaCG

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (19)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (23)

First tweet

 **Vlada Crne Gore** 
@VladaCG 

Pozdrav za twitteraše! Pozdravljam Vašu inicijativu za pokretanje naloga na našem jeziku i vjerujem u potencijal dijaloga s Vladom IL [#ekipa](#)

4:39 PM - 19 Sep 2012

6 RETWEETS 7 FAVORITES

Translation: Greetings to the tweeps! Welcome to the initiative to tweet in our language, and I believe in the potential of dialogue with the government IL [#team](#)

Most popular tweet



 **Vlada Crne Gore** 
@VladaCG 

Vojska CG uputila je u Srbiju jedinicu koja će biti angažovana na pružanju pomoći u područjima ugroženim poplavama

3:32 PM - 17 May 2014

287 RETWEETS 253 FAVORITES

Translation: Montenegrin army unit was sent to Serbia to assist in areas at risk of flooding pic.twitter.com/rciiU6zRXk

Netherlands

Dutch leaders' communication on Twitter can be characterized as quite official. Tweets from the Dutch Royal House, the Prime Minister are all run by the Rijksvoorlichtingsdienst, the government information service.

Royal House of Netherlands

Koninklijk Huis

The royal account is maintained by the Rijksvoorlichtingsdienst, the government information service and neither the King nor the Queen ever sent a tweet themselves. The Dutch Royal House also does not follow any other Twitter user, not even the Dutch Prime Minister @MinPres. The tweets are mainly official announcements about upcoming events members of the Royal Family attend. Not surprisingly the words that are used a lot on the Twitter stream are King, Queen, princesses and princess Beatrix. The most retweeted tweet is the announcement by the government information service that former Queen Beatrix will appear on national television on January 28, 2013. During her speech she announced her abdication in favour of her son Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands.



Koninklijk Huis

@KHtweets

Dit is het officiële Twitter-kanaal over het Koninklijk Huis, bijgehouden door de Rijksvoorlichtingsdienst.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Minister-president 
@MinPres 

Via dit kanaal zal de RVD regelmatig verslag doen van de activiteiten van de minister-president.

8:55 AM - 28 Oct 2010

27 RETWEETS

Translation: Through this channel the government information service (RVD) will report the Prime Minister's activities on a regular basis.

Most popular tweet



Minister-president 
@MinPres 

'Leraren zijn cruciaal voor goed onderwijs; inspiratie van 'n goede leraar blijft je je leven lang bij' Dag v/d Leraar: is.gd/Q0epet

9:43 AM - 5 Oct 2012

351 RETWEETS **15** FAVORITES

Translation: Teachers are crucial to good education; the inspiration of a good teacher stays with you all your life' Day of the Teacher: <http://is.gd/Q0epet>

Government of Netherlands

Rijksoverheid

The Dutch government uses the @Rijksoverheid account to spread news about the government and press releases of the ministries. Previously, the government used the account named @Regering for the same purpose. After Prime Minister Rutte came to office on 15 October 2010 the government information serviced changed the account. Almost all tweets include a link and a hashtag, often #Rijksoverheidnl. The account is not really conversational. The tweet that was retweeted the most was sent on 24 April 2013, when DigiD, the national identity management platform used for tax collection was not available due to a DDOS-attack.



Rijksoverheid

[@Rijksoverheid](https://twitter.com/Rijksoverheid)

De Rijksoverheid beantwoordt uw vragen over wet- en regelgeving | ma-vr 8.00-20.00 | Geen persoonlijke gegevens | Twitterbeleid op rijksoverheid.nl/contact

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



MinBuZa 
@minbuza

[Follow](#)

[#vacature](#) Beleidscoördinerend
medewerker bij de directie Klimaat,
Energie, Water en Milieu:
Themadeskundige Integr...
<http://bit.ly/cZSUxL>

2:16 PM - 22 Jun 2010

Translation: #Vacancy Policy Coordinatoer with management of Climate, Energy, Water and Environment: Themes Expert Integr... <http://bit.ly/cZSUxL>

Most popular tweet



MinBuZa 
@minbuza

[Follow](#)

39 ambassades en consulaten zetten
vandaag Nederland wereldwijd op de
kaart als innovatief land tijdens
[#TEDxBinnenhof](#)
tedxbinnenhof.com/simulcastlocat...

11:02 AM - 25 Jun 2012

31 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Translation: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is looking for a student in New York, to manage our social media activities during the UN General Assembly in September. See & win <http://is.gd/RWPIK5> #plsRT #UNGA

Norway

The Norwegian government is on Twitter with official institutional accounts for each department, as well as the Crown Princely couple.

Royal Couple of Norway

Det kongelige hoff

King Harald V of Norway is not on Twitter but his son, Crown Prince Haakon is. The Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Norway tweet on the @Kronprinsparet account, literally meaning “Crown Princely Couple”, sometimes in Norwegian but mostly in English, reflecting the couple’s high-level international engagement and network. They travel a lot, promote Norway and Norwegian business abroad, and engage in a number of causes from climate change and poverty to various UN missions. The Crown Prince is a regular participant at the World Economic Forum in Davos and a UNDP Goodwill Ambassador, and assignments like these are their Twitter material. More than half of their tweets are retweets, of the personal account of @CrownPrincessMM Mette-Marit.



Det kongelige hoff

[@Kronprinsparet](#)

Official twitter stream on behalf of Their Royal Highnesses The Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Norway

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (6)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,621
Following:	21,992
Followers:	71,876
Joined Twitter:	04/01/2009
Language:	Norwegian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.37
Retweets:	52%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.23
Replies/Tweet:	0.03
Tweets retweeted:	35%
Most mentioned	@CrownPrincessMM (85), @davos (26), @UNAIDS (21), @Kronprinsparet (21), @UNDP (14), @johnhopebryant (11), @GlobalDignityNo (9), @tvaksjonen (7), @GlobalDignity (6), @OneYoungWorld (6).

First tweet

 **Det kongelige hoff** 
@Kronprinsparet 

Kronprinsparets Humanitære Fond inviterer ungdom mellom 14 og 16 til å delta i konkurransen Tilbake til fremtiden: <http://www.nyvri.org>

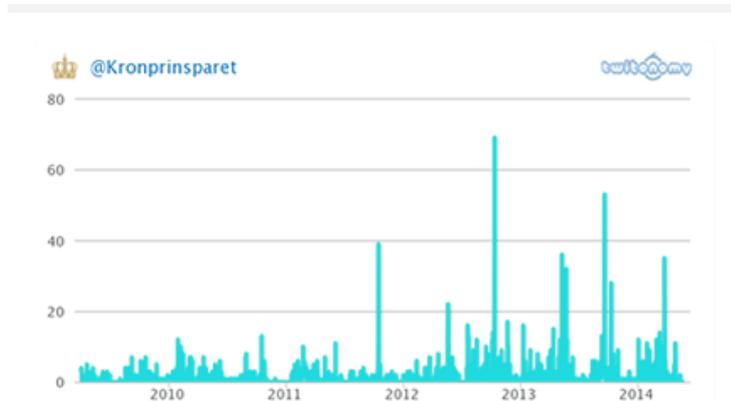
12:02 AM - 4 Apr 2009

Translation: Crown Princess' Humanitarian Fund invites young people between 14 and 16 to participate in the competition Back to the Future: <http://www.nyvri.org>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

 **Det kongelige hoff** 
@Kronprinsparet 

KPH: Nå har kona fått egen twitter. Følg henne her [@CrownPrincessMM](#)

1:15 PM - 20 Jan 2012

70 RETWEETS **30** FAVORITES

Translation: KPH: Now my wife got her own Twitter account. Follow her here [@CrownPrincessMM](#)

First tweet



Translation: Working for a nonsocialist Government with a strong Right in 2009!

Most popular tweet



Translation: Ok @Jens Stoltenberg I'm ready for a duel
<http://t.co/Fv5Yr9Smk2>

First tweet

**SMK** 
@Statsmin_kontor 

Se bilder og les mer om møtet mellom statsministrene Jens Stoltenberg og Morgan Tsvangirai: <http://tiny.cc/SJ8yf>

9:20 AM - 18 Jun 2009

Translation: See photos and read more about the meeting between Prime Ministers Jens Stoltenberg and Morgan Tsvangirai: <http://tiny.cc/SJ8yf>

Most popular tweet

**SMK** 
@Statsmin_kontor 

Regjeringen har erklært ett minutts stillhet mandag 25. juli, kl. 12.00. bit.ly/pWde96

11:02 PM - 24 Jul 2011

42 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Translation: The government has declared a one-minute silence on Monday 25 July at 12.00. <http://t.co/qr2XsRY>

Foreign Minister of Norway

Børge Brende

Norway's Foreign Minister Børge Brende made his debut on Twitter in May 2009 when he was head of the Norwegian Red Cross. @BørgeBrende mainly retweets messages from other accounts including the institutional account of the ministry rather than posting himself and only two percent of his tweets are @replies. When he writes his own tweets, they are mostly about international affairs, current issues or conflicts. He writes his posts both in English and Norwegian and mutually follows ten other foreign ministers. IN his most retweeted tweet he boasts about the size of Norway's sovereign wealth fund, valued at US\$720 billion.



Børge Brende

[@borgebrende](https://twitter.com/borgebrende)

Foreign Minister of Norway

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (10)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (15)

Foreign Ministry of Norway

Utenriksdepartement

The foreign ministry in Oslo has a Norwegian @Utenriksdept and an English language @NorwayMFA Twitter account. @Utenriksdept tweets on average three times per day, and almost two thirds of its tweets contain @mentions of other users, namely the personal accounts of Foreign Minister @BorgeBrende and his predecessor @EspenBarthEide. The Norwegian foreign ministry is among the top ten best connected foreign ministries mutually following seven other world leaders on the Norwegian account and 54 world leaders on the English account. The tweet that garnered the most retweets and engagement was sent on the 20 May 2013 when the manager of the account accidentally tweeted while having his mobile in his pockets: "Oooooooooonmj vjuv". @Utenriksdept followed up quickly explaining that "Tweeting while having the mobile phone in your pockets can happen to the best of us J And, no, we are not developing a new coded language". This accident showed that @Utenriksdept is reactive and has a sense of humor. The foreign ministry also curates two Twitter lists with 12 ambassadors and 16 embassies and missions on Twitter.



Utenriksdepartement

@Utenriksdept

Utenriksdepartementets offisielle profil, med siste nytt fra UD. Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. For tweets in English, visit us here: @NorwayMFA

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (39)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (14)

First tweet



Vidar Helgesen
@VidarHelgesen

Arrived in Santiago from meetings in Lima with President Humala and his FM. Agreed to work together on setting up UNASUR democracy centre.

1:04 PM - 3 Sep 2011

Most popular tweet



Vidar Helgesen
@VidarHelgesen

Uttrykket harrayhandel må vel nå erstattes med "å gjøre et Brekk"
touch.vg.no/article.php?ar...

12:14 PM - 7 Apr 2012

39 RETWEETS **1** FAVORITE

Translation: The term "harry trade" must surely now be replaced with "to do a Break" <http://touch.vg.no/article.php?artid=10049823> ...

Poland

The Polish leadership is very active on Twitter with the president, prime minister and the foreign minister all having personal accounts on top of the official accounts of their institutions. Overall, the accounts do not seem very conversational and the communication is mainly one-way, there are some exceptions however.

President of Poland

Bronisław Komorowski

The personal Twitter account of President Bronisław Komorowski has been inactive since autumn 2011 when he invited his followers to follow the institutional Twitter account of the Polish presidency instead. The personal profile of President Komorowski was only used during his presidential campaign in 2010. During the campaign the account was updated frequently, tweeting campaign news regarding meetings or TV interviews. The form of the tweets is rather official with traditional, one-way communication and no conversation with other Twitter users.



Bronisław Komoro...

@komorowski

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

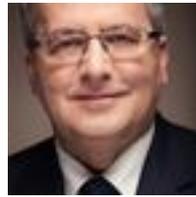
followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

Presidency of Poland

Bronisław Komorowski

@PrezydentPL is the official Twitter account of the Polish presidency. The tweets are very official and only broadcast news, often linking to the official website. Most tweets refer to the events attended by President Bronisław Komorowski or his representatives and general issues, reflecting the president's perception by the general public in Poland as the "providential man", not being involved in current political issues. The account makes good use of videos and pictures. For example, one of the most popular tweets was referring to the anniversary of the introduction of martial law in December 1981. It was just one word "Pamiętamy!" ("We remember!") and a picture. The absence of retweets, @mentions and @replies does not make this profile attractive for Twitter users to follow. However the number of followers has grown by 190% since June 2013.



Bronisław Komoro...

@prezydentpl

Oficjalny profil Prezydenta Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej. The official twitter channel for the President of the Republic of Poland.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,954

Following: 34

Followers: 13,261

Joined Twitter: 06/01/2009

Language: Polish

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.84

Retweets: 1%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.01

Replies/Tweet: 0.01

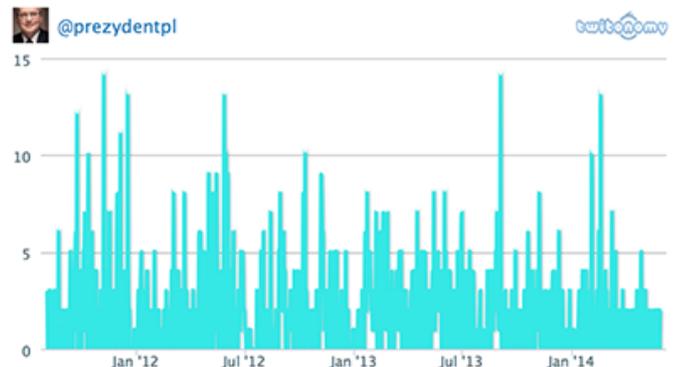
Tweets retweeted: 46%

Most mentioned @Piechula (2), @BarackObama (2), @Deepobserveron (1), @karolinakusmier (1), @LeszekMiller (1), @prezydentpl (1), @jbieniasz (1), @AndrzejNowak (1), @TheEconomist (1), @Halina_Bajor (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Bronisław Komorowski
@prezydentpl

Follow

Prezydent-"Witam wszystkich na oficjalnym profilu Prezydenta RP. Będą tu informacje z najważniejszych wydarzeń a także komentarze"

12:57 AM - 5 Aug 2011

2 FAVORITES

Translation: President-"Welcome all to the official profile of the President. You will find information of the major events and comments"

Most popular tweet



**SOLIDARNI
Z UKRAINĄ**

Zapal świecę o godzinie 20:00

Podaj tę wiadomość dalej...



Bronisław Komorowski
@prezydentpl

Follow

Solidarni z #Ukraina

10:29 AM - 21 Feb 2014

542 RETWEETS 177 FAVORITES

Translation: Solidarity #Ukraine pic.twitter.com/3uUESLnA0y

Prime Minister of Poland

Donald Tusk

Polish Premier Donald Tusk continues to tweet on his personal account @PremierTusk, started on 10 December 2012. He tweets about two or three times per month, depending on the political agenda. His personal tweets are far less formal than the ones on the official @PremierRP account and there's a lot of interaction with prominent politicians and journalists. The prime minister seems to be familiar with Twitter, using it with ease. The use of photographs is rather rare however sometimes the Prime Minister shows off some of his private life such as a humorous tweet with a snowman, posted on 31 March 2013. @Premiertusk only tweets in Polish and sometimes also in Kashubian, the dialect of the ethnic group living in northern Poland, from which Tusk proudly derives.



Donald Tusk

@premiertusk

Oficjalny profil premiera Donalda Tuska. The official profile of Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (25)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	240
Following:	97
Followers:	141,520
Joined Twitter:	09/17/2011
Language:	Polish
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.44
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.82
Replies/Tweet:	0.66
Tweets retweeted:	92%
Most mentioned	@premiertusk (24), @machnikbartek (11), @jarekkuzniar (10), @CzapskiPawel (5), @nmaliszewski (4), @WindakAdam (4), @GoskaSerafin (4), @AgaRucinska (3), @jmiziolek (3), @igras_igras (3).

First tweet



Donald Tusk 
@premiertusk 

1/2 Europa zasługuje na nagrodę, mimo że sama w to nie wierzy #EUNobel

2:32 PM - 10 Dec 2012

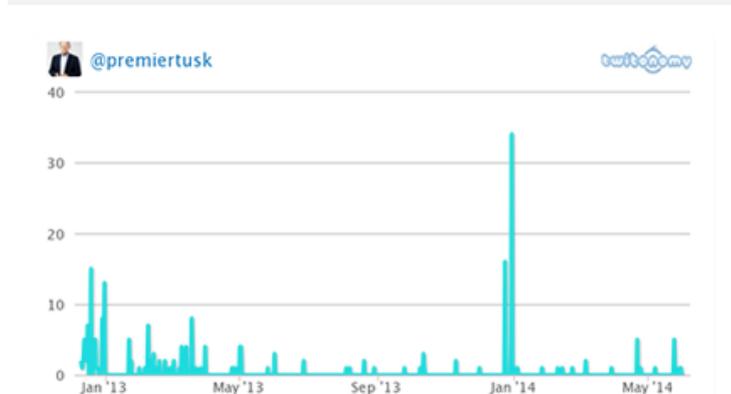
32 RETWEETS **16** FAVORITES

Translation: Half of Europe deserves the award, even though she does not believe in it #EUNobel

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Donald Tusk 
@premiertusk 

Żona każe mi kończyć. Dobranoc :(

11:43 PM - 16 Dec 2012

276 RETWEETS **210** FAVORITES

Translation: Poles should be united for Ukraine. Thank you for a common and powerful voice in Kiev Jacek Protasiewicz and Jaroslaw Kaczynski.

First tweet



Kancelaria Premiera 
@PremierRP 

Witamy w oficjalnym profilu Kancelarii Premiera. To miejsce, w którym będziemy na bieżąco informować o działaniach rządu i premiera.

6:54 AM - 16 Dec 2009

1 RETWEET

Translation: Welcome to the official profile to the Prime Minister's Office. This is the place where we will inform you about the activities of the government and the Prime Minister

Most popular tweet



Kancelaria Premiera 
@PremierRP 

200 LAT
PANIE MINISTRZE!



Dziś 91. urodziny Władysława Bartoszewskiego - przyłączcie się do naszych życzeń!)

11:38 AM - 19 Feb 2013

51 RETWEETS 28 FAVORITES

Translation: Today is Bartoszewski's 91st birthday - join with our wishes :) pic.twitter.com/EHvUx4wL

Foreign Minister of Poland

Radosław Sikorski

Polish Foreign Minister Radosław Sikorski is a Twitter “veteran” active since February 2010 and he keeps the successful tweeting, staying on top of the most popular Twitter accounts of any Polish politician. @SikorskiRadek tweets in both Polish and English in a direct and sometimes informal style. He doesn't shy away from sharing his opinions, sometimes spontaneous and straightforward. He tweets on a wide variety of topics, including foreign relations, defense policy and regional affairs. However sometimes he becomes more personal and refers to his family and retweets his wife @AnneApplebaum. During the Ukraine crisis Sikorski was very open in showing his reluctance toward Russian activity, pointing out the inconsistency of Russian actions and explanations. His most retweeted tweet is a map of toppled Lenin statues in Ukraine and his most iconic picture is a shot of himself, fist raised, in front of the toppled Lenin monument in Kiev.



Radosław Sikorski

@sikorskiradek

Minister Spraw Zagranicznych i Europejskich, Minister of Foreign and European Affairs;
Wiceprzewodniczący PO, Deputy Leader, Civic Platform; Poseł na Sejm, MP

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (51)

follows mutually (12)

First tweet



Translation: Welcome to the new, official profile on Twitter of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which will be only in Polish!
[@PolandMFA](#) [#Poland](#)

Most popular tweet



Translation: Daffodil Pin today to honor the memory of the heroes of the #WarsawGhetto Uprising. In 1943, they fought for human dignity. pic.twitter.com/vbTCyBsCiY

Portugal

The Portuguese government was among the first to adopt Twitter in its communication mix, but the accounts are either dormant or automatically tweeting from Facebook or the presidential website.

President of Portugal

Aníbal Cavaco Silva

Portuguese President Anibal Cavaco Silva is unilaterally following 41 other world leaders, but so far he is only mutually connected with eight of them. Cavaco Silva only started to tweet in March 2011 and his Twitter feed is automatically generated by his Facebook activity where he has 191,000 likes. He has never retweeted, @mentioned or @replied anyone, hence the relatively low number of followers.



Aníbal Cavaco Silva

[@prcavacosilva](#)

Twitter oficial de Aníbal Cavaco Silva

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (41)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (8)

First tweet

**Presidência** 
@presidencia 

Palácio de Belém

4:22 PM - 11 Nov 2008

2 FAVORITES

Translation: Belém Palace

Most popular tweet

**Presidência** 
@presidencia 

[Sítio PR] Visita oficial a Portugal do Presidente da República da Sérvia bit.ly/wJ6fJl

5:32 PM - 16 Mar 2012

25 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: [Presidential Website] Official visit to Portugal of the President of the Republic of Serbia <http://t.co/xeRlyV4C>

Prime Minister of Portugal

Pedro Passos Coelho

Prime Minister Pedro Passos Coelho who signed up to Twitter in March 2009 seems to have used the micro-blogging service solely during his election campaign. Since 7 June 2011, two days after being elected as prime minister, his personal Twitter account has gone silent and has been dormant ever since. During the campaign he shared mainly videos and news stories as well as policy statements in 140 characters. However he never tweeted personally. Pedro Passos Coelho seems to have given up on social media since his Facebook page with 132,000 likes is also dormant since 26 December 2012.



Pedro Passos Coelho

[@passoscoelho](https://twitter.com/passoscoelho)

Canal do presidente do PSD no twitter. Notícias, agenda, e declarações políticas.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

**Governo de Portugal**
@govpt Follow

Conferência de imprensa do Conselho de Ministros do dia 28 de Maio em directo no portal do Governo de Portugal:
<http://tinyurl.com/oputy7>

2:13 PM - 28 May 2009

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Press Conference of the Council of Ministers of May 28 live on the website of the Government of Portugal:
<http://tinyurl.com/oputy7>

Most popular tweet

**Governo de Portugal**
@govpt Follow

"Está ao alcance fazer de um ano de grandes adversidades um ano de grandes mudanças" - PM

7:05 PM - 17 Jan 2012

27 RETWEETS 10 FAVORITES

Translation: We are able to transform a year of great adversity in a year of great changes – PM

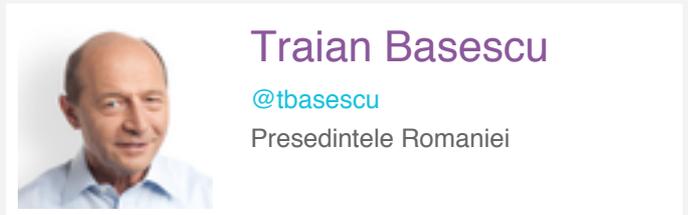
Romania

The Romanian President and Prime Minister both have personal Twitter accounts, but while the Prime Minister's is very active, the President's account is dormant since December 2012. The Government also launched an institutional Twitter feed in early 2013, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has become more active in recent months, after having posted on and off for more than three years.

President of Romania

Traian Basescu

President Traian Băsescu set-up a personal Twitter account on 2 November 2009, just weeks before the Romanian presidential elections. After beating his opponent Mircea Geoană in the run-off election on 6 December 2009, @tbasescu tweeted only occasionally until July 2012. The account was revived then for the President's impeachment referendum, which Traian Băsescu won, and later that same year for the general election campaign. Since Election Day on 9 December 2012 the account has been silent, as the President prefers to interact with fans on his Facebook page. President Băsescu used his Twitter feed purely as a campaign tool, but despite the lack of activity and engagement, the number of his followers continues to grow. In 2012 Traian Băsescu famously tweeted: "The Titanic wouldn't have sunk if I were captain"!



Peer connections (as of June 2014)



First tweet



Victor Ponta
@Victor_Ponta

Despre Romulus si Remus la englezi, si un pic despre Brutus la romani
<http://nblo.gs/8m9yu>

12:03 AM - 27 Sep 2010

[Follow](#)

Translation: About Romulus and Remus for the English, and a bit about Brutus for Romanians <http://nblo.gs/8m9yu>

Most popular tweet



Victor Ponta
@Victor_Ponta

Anul acesta, Ziua Nationala a Republicii Moldova, celebrata pe 27 august, marcheaza implinirea a 22 de ani de la...
fb.me/NDShmQ2O

8:28 AM - 27 Aug 2013

108 RETWEETS **17** FAVORITES

[Follow](#)

Translation: This year's National Day of the Republic of Moldova, celebrated on August 27, marks the celebration of 22 years ... <http://fb.me/NDShmQ2O>

Government of Romania

Guvernul României

The Romanian Government launched its institutional Twitter account on 20 February 2013, two weeks after its Facebook page. The Twitter feed is automatically generated by the institution's activity on Facebook and on the official YouTube channel. The account is a one-way channel of communication, having little to no interaction with other users. The tweets revolve around the activity of the Prime Minister Victor Ponta, but details about projects and results of Government departments and ministries are also presented. An exception was the China-Central and East Europe Business Forum held in Bucharest on 25-27 November 2013, when the account was live-tweeting. During the three-day event, the designated hashtag, #investro, was used 122 times. @guv_ro is not a well connected account, following unilaterally José Manuel @BarrosoEU and mutually following @Victor_Ponta.



Guvernul României

@guv_ro

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

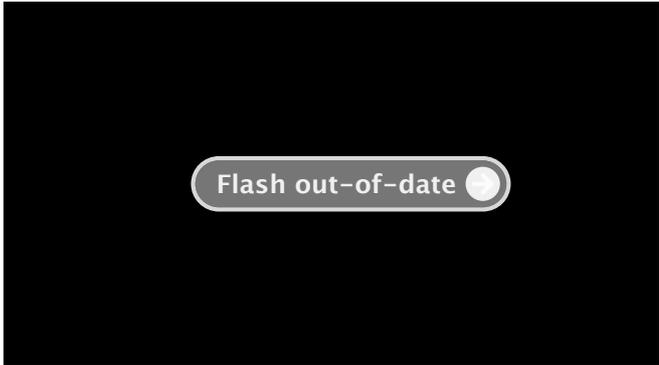


Guvernul României
@guv_ro

[Follow](#)

In weekendul asta (23-24 februarie) organizam primul maraton de programare - Hackathon - din Romania! Unii dintre...
fb.me/1JASYT0vk

5:03 PM - 20 Feb 2013



[YouTube](#) @YouTube

Translation: This weekend (23-24 February) we are organizing the first programming marathon - Hackahon - in Romania! Some of..

Foreign Ministry of Romania

MAERomania

The Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been active on Twitter since 1 November 2009, when it started tweeting, as President Traian Băsescu, in preparation for the Romanian presidential elections. After two years of daily tweets, two years of occasional posts followed. The few and far between messages were mostly reactions to important international events, such as the Boston bombings. In 2014, @MAERomania has become a more active, dynamic and interactive Twitter user. It now tweets mostly in English, uses images well. It's most popular post, retweeted eight times, was a statement of the Foreign Minister: "Titus Corlăţean welcomes the favourable vote of the E.P. [i.e. European Parliament] on liberalization of the visa regime for citizens of the Republic of Moldova. <http://t.co/rvlyZNDf8W>". The Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is well connected, following 42 other foreign ministries and having 15 mutual connections.

Most popular tweet



Guvernul României
@guv_ro

[Follow](#)

Declarațiile prim-ministrului Victor Ponta de la debutul ședinței de Guvern de astăzi: "Avem totul la nivelul...
fb.me/1tcucxOOI

2:28 PM - 14 Aug 2013

15 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: Statements by Prime Minister Victor Ponta at the outset of the Government meeting today: "We have everything in the ... <http://fb.me/1tcucxOOI>



MAERomania

@MAERomania

MAE Romania/Romanian MFA tweets abt demarches of RO diplomacy and shares information of public interest for followers. Follow us!

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (42)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (15)

Russia

“Hello everyone! I'm on Twitter, and this is my first tweet.” With this tweet former Russian President Dmitry Medvedev put the Kremlin on Twitter in 2010. And ever since, Russia’s politicians and diplomats have increasingly embraced the social media platform as a means to communicate the Russian view of the world.

President of Russia

Владимир Путин

Russian President Vladimir Putin has a personal Twitter account which was set up by his campaign staff at the end of January 2012. An English account @PutinRF_eng was added in November 2012. Vladimir Putin does not tweet himself and while the account descriptions explains his personal tweets are signed #VP, no tweet has yet carried his initials. The account merely broadcasts official news in Russian from the Kremlin’s website and in many respects is very similar to the official @KremlinRussia account. Tweets are form announcements of Vladimir Putin’s daily meetings and, unlike @KremlinRussia, there has been no engagement with other accounts. No @reply has ever been sent, although the account has started to use @mentions and @PutinRF even retweeted the office of the Finnish President @TPKanslia. Interestingly almost 73.8% of @PutinRF tweets are sent from an iPad. @PutinRF and @PutinRF_eng don’t follow any other peers.



Владимир Путин

@PutinRF

Официальный аккаунт поддержки Президента Российской Федерации Владимира Путина. Личные сообщения отмечены #ВП

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (1)

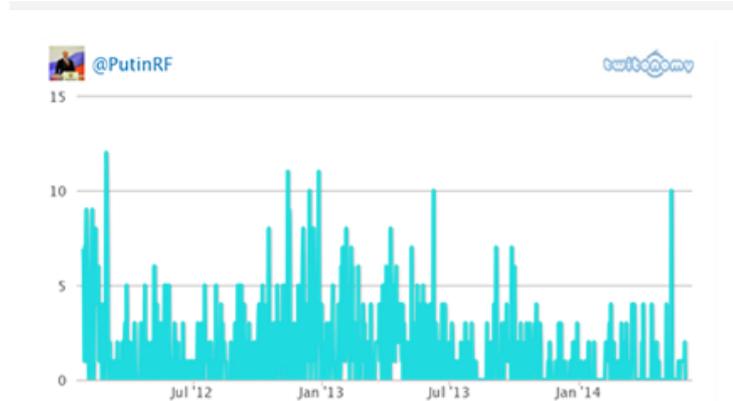
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,289
Following:	1
Followers:	480,785
Joined Twitter:	12/16/2011
Language:	Russian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.48
Retweets:	0%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.01
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	100%
Most mentioned	@Pravitelstvo_RF (3), @BarackObama (2), @MedvedevRussia (1), @MID_RF (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Владимир Путин
@PutinRF

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Владимир Путин: «Россия сосредотачивается – вызовы, на которые мы должны ответить»
izvestia.ru/news/511884

7:50 AM - 27 Jan 2012

4 RETWEETS 10 FAVORITES

Translation: Vladimir Putin: "Russia is concentrated - the challenges that we must answer» <http://t.co/vylvur8U>

Most popular tweet



Владимир Путин
@PutinRF

[Follow](#)

XXII зимние Олимпийские игры объявляю открытыми! #Сочи2014

7:28 PM - 7 Feb 2014

512 RETWEETS 221 FAVORITES

Translation: XXII Olympic Winter Games opened! #Sochi2014

Presidency of Russia

Президент России

@KremlinRussia's most popular tweet was the announcement that Crimea had been integrated into the Russian Federation on 18 March 2014. The Kremlin tweets in Russian @KremlinRussia and tweets are quickly translated into English @KremlinRussia_E. The channel is dominated by official news about President Putin, broadcasting his daily meetings and the latest laws that have been signed. The Kremlin accounts don't engage into any conversation via @replies. However, the account has mentioned @BarackObama and @Number10gov. Normally this is simply when mentioning telephone calls, but sometimes this includes greetings on Independence Day, for example, or condolences on deaths in an explosion in Texas. In addition to links to the Kremlin website, the account sometimes shares photographs of Vladimir Putin meeting foreign leaders or aboard a micro-light aircraft.



Президент России
[@KremlinRussia](#)
Кремль. Официальные новости

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (5)

First tweet



 **Дмитрий Медведев** 
@MedvedevRussia 

Всем привет! Я в Твиттере и это моеб первое сообщение!

7:13 PM - 23 Jun 2010

897 RETWEETS **195** FAVORITES

Translation: Hello everyone! I'm on Twitter and this is my first post!

Most popular tweet



 **Дмитрий Медведев** 
@MedvedevRussia 

По поводу котэ. Из источников, близких к [#Дорофею](#), стало известно, что он никуда не пропадал. Всем спасибо за беспокойство!

10:31 AM - 28 Mar 2012

4,753 RETWEETS **681** FAVORITES

Translation: As for the cat. From sources close to #Dorothy, it became known that he never lost. Thank you all for your trouble!

Government of Russia

Правительство России

The Russian government's Twitter account @Pravitelstvo_RF was launched shortly after Dmitry Medvedev became Prime Minister. The government tweets in Russian and in English (from @GovernmentRF) and the tweets are mainly formal official announcements, with only one @reply, few retweets and even fewer @mentions. Those few retweets are from @MedvedevRussia and a few of Russian State Ministries and close allies of Dmitry Medvedev, Arkady Dvorkovich and Nikolai Nikiforov. There are a few exceptions to the official announcements, for instance, the account tweeted personal views expressed by Dmitry Medvedev about the members of Russian punk group Pussy Riot: "The women have sat in prison long enough. A conditional sentence, rather than extended imprisonment, is sufficient".



Правительство Р...

[@Pravitelstvo_RF](#)

Новости о Председателе
Правительства России и
Правительстве России.
Английская версия аккаунта -
[@GovernmentRF](#)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet

 **Правительство России**  
@Pravitelstvo_RF

Добрый день! Это официальный твиттер-аккаунт Правительства России. Новости о работе Премьера и министерств читайте здесь.

8:00 AM - 26 Jul 2012

357 RETWEETS **178** FAVORITES

Translation: Good Day! This is the official Twitter account of the Russian Government. News of the Prime Minister and the ministries here.

Most popular tweet



 **Правительство России**  
@Pravitelstvo_RF

Ровно 53 года назад, 12 апреля 1961 года в 9 часов 07 минут, отправился в полет первый космонавт планеты Юрий Гагарин

7:09 AM - 12 Apr 2014

402 RETWEETS **124** FAVORITES

Translation: The program of basic scientific research of the state academies of sciences for 2013 - 2020 years
<http://bit.ly/VSzOUA>

Foreign Ministry of Russia

МИД РФ

During the 2012 Conference of Ambassadors in Moscow, President Vladimir Putin called for greater use of the new instruments of diplomacy in order to more effectively represent Russia's views and positions on world affairs. @MID_RF and @MFA_Russia play a central role in this strategy. Posting on average over 25 tweets a day from the Russian language, the majority of tweets focus on statements from Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and, to a lesser extent, Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman Alexander Lukashevich. @MID_RF also curates a number of Twitter lists, including a list of 97 Twitter accounts of Russian embassies and missions abroad. The Foreign Ministry has also increased engagement including humour. For instance, @MFA_Russia replied to a BBC journalist "@BBCDaniels Better late than never :)". Or more seriously, the account has engaged in a tit-for-tat with the Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt over the situation in Ukraine. The most curious and most retweeted tweet was a photo of John Kerry and Sergey Lavrov walking in the distance approaching woodland. The tweet read "Lavrov and Kerry. Hope they will be back." This unusual humour inspired over 700 retweets in English and almost 500 in Russian.



МИД РФ

@MID_RF

Официальный twitter-аккаунт
Министерства иностранных дел
Российской Федерации (For
tweets in English please follow
@MFA_Russia)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (87)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (22)

First tweet

 **МИД РФ** 
@MID_RF 

Добро пожаловать в блог новостей об актуальных событиях внешнеполитической жизни России [@mid_rf](#)

7:07 AM - 29 Jun 2011

16 RETWEETS **4** FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the news blog about current Russian foreign policy events @mid_rf

Most popular tweet



 **МИД РФ** 
@MID_RF 

Лавров и Керри. Надеюсь, вернуться.

2:02 PM - 14 Mar 2014

475 RETWEETS **135** FAVORITES

Translation: Lavrov and Kerry. Hope they will be back pic.twitter.com/ZXDFNSCzhE

Serbia

The Serbian government has used digital diplomacy during the devastating floods in May 2014, even setting up an official PayPal account to raise funds for flood victims. The president, the prime minister and the government are active Twitter users. However, they have not yet made many mutual connections with other foreign leaders.

President of Serbia

Томислав Николић

Serbian President Tomislav Nikolić opened its personal Twitter account on 24 May 2012. The president sends almost one tweet per day. Tweets are written in Serbian and the account often tweets pictures and the president can often be seen congratulating Serbian athletes. One of the most popular and retweeted tweet is “Serbian pride!” including a picture of Serbia’s Davis Cup tennis team. He is mutually connected to three other foreign leaders.



Томислав Николић

[@predsednikrs](#)

Званична презентација председника Републике Србије на Твитеру. Твитови председника почињу са ТН:

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (12)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



Томислав Николић



@predsednikrs



TN: Ово је најлепше и најбоље што Србија има и то треба јасно рећи

1:33 PM - 14 Aug 2012

6 RETWEETS 12 FAVORITES

Translation: TN: This is the most beautiful and best Serbia has pic.twitter.com/bljebR6Y

Presidency of Serbia

Presidency of Serbia

The institutional account of the Serbian President was created only in April 2014 and is managed by the presidency media team. The account tweets on average every two days mainly in English to inform about the activities of President Tomislav Nikolić. Every tweet contains a picture of the president's meeting with other foreign dignitaries. The vast majority of the tweets contain a link to the official government website, providing further information. @PresidencySrb unilaterally follows 47 other world leaders but only two have reciprocated, namely the presidency of Bulgaria @BGpresidency, and the Irish government @MerrionStreet.

Most popular tweet



Томислав Николић



@predsednikrs



Сва предузећа и компаније која су спремна да помогну могу се јавити на телефон 0668252033, или на мејл j.stankovic@predsednik.rs

2:25 PM - 18 May 2014

87 RETWEETS 37 FAVORITES

Translation: All businesses and companies that are willing to help can contact us via telephone 0668252033, or email j.stankovic@predsednik.rs



Presidency of Serbia

@PresidencySrb

This is the official account of the Presidency of Serbia. This account is managed by the Presidency media team.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (47)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

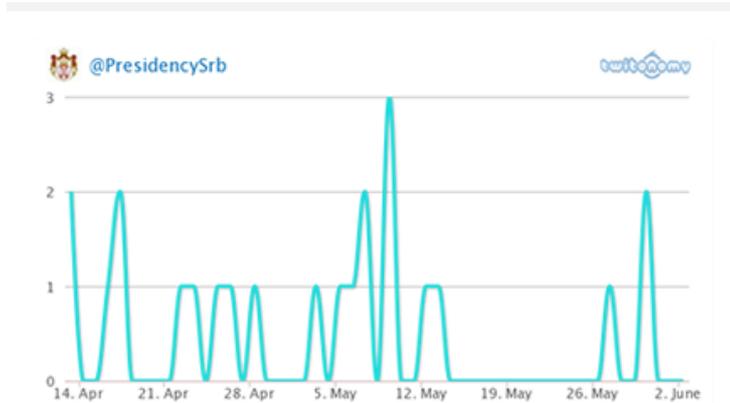
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	31
Following:	62
Followers:	130
Joined Twitter:	04/12/2014
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.46
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.39
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	35%
Most mentioned	@predsednikrs (4), @DavenportEUSrb (1), @avucic (1), @mo_i_vs (1), @BorutPahor (1), @StefanFuleEU (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Presidency of Serbia
@PresidencySrb

 Follow

The latest news from the Presidency and the President of Serbia. [@predsednikrs](#)

9:42 AM - 13 Apr 2014

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet



Presidency of Serbia
@PresidencySrb

 Follow

New government has to be most serious in Serbia's history. [@predsednikrs](#)
[predsednik.rs/en/press-cente...](#)

9:39 AM - 16 Apr 2014

4 RETWEETS **9** FAVORITES

Prime Minister of Serbia

Александар Вучић

The newly elected Prime Minister of Serbia Aleksandar Vučić is on Twitter since August 2011. He tweets only intermittently, on average every five days, and only rarely @mentions, @replies or retweets. However, his team often posts pictures and YouTube videos of his activities. He is not following or followed by any other world leaders.



Александар Вучић

@avucic

Председник Српске напредне странке. President of the Serbian Progressive Party.

[facebook.com/VucicAleksandarjсбук](https://www.facebook.com/VucicAleksandarjсбук)

страница :: <http://t.co/gDjccxWbw5>

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 196

Following: 46

Followers: 54,358

Joined Twitter: 08/16/2011

Language: Serbian

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.21

Retweets: 5%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.13

Replies/Tweet: 0.06

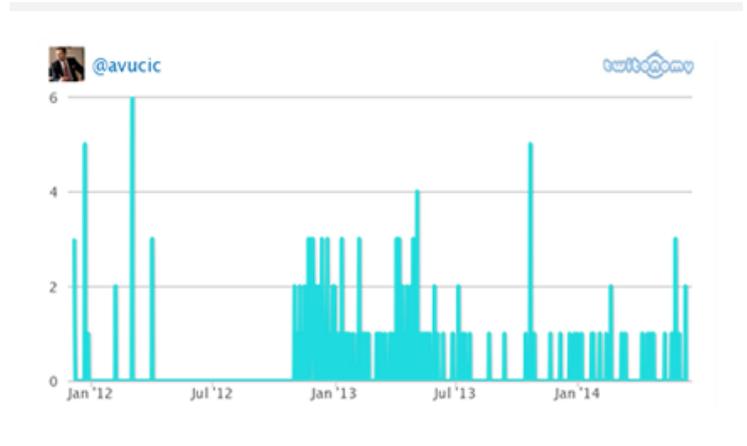
Tweets retweeted: 90%

Most mentioned @sns_srbija (8), @DraganDjilas (3), @avucic (2), @glupoime (1), @DrakePope (1), @pgrmua2 (1), @SuzanaTrninic (1), @AndrejaPavlovic (1), @milojesekulic (1), @NinaSoldier (1)

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Александар Вучић
@avucic

[Follow](#)

Pozdrav za sve tviterase koji me prate, opet sa vama posle duze pauze, obaveze mi nisu dozvoljavale, ali obecavam bicu sa vama vise ubuduce.

10:15 AM - 6 Dec 2011

14 RETWEETS **6** FAVORITES

Translation: Greetings to all the tweeps who follow me, I am again with you after a long break, we do not want to make commitments, but I promise I'll be with you more in the future.

Most popular tweet



Александар Вучић
@avucic

[Follow](#)

Видео сам да је јучерашњем снимку спасавања људи завејаних у колонама, на путу код Фекетића, додата шаљива (cont) [tl.gd/n_1s08kug](https://t.me/n_1s08kug)

3:51 PM - 2 Feb 2014

133 RETWEETS **181** FAVORITES

Translation: I saw that yesterday's images of people rescued on the road at Feketić...

Government of Serbia

Serbian Government

The official account of the Serbian government was set on 9 June 2012 under the former Prime Minister and current Foreign Minister Ivica Dačić and still chronicles his activities. The account is exclusively in English and tweets on average twice a day. Its most retweeted tweet was sent on 19 May 2014 announcing that the government had opened a PayPal account for flood relief. #SerbiaFloods is one of the most used hashtags of the account which also regularly posts the amount of payments received which stand at €680,000 in June 2014. The account is only mutually connected to the EU Commission @EU_Commission.



Serbian Government

[@SerbianGov](#)

Official Twitter account of the Government of the Republic of Serbia in English. We welcome your suggestions, questions ...

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (1)

Slovakia

Slovakia's president and the Prime Minister @RobertFico don't have an active Twitter presence but the Foreign Minister and the Foreign Ministry make up for it.

Prime Minister of Slovakia

ROBERT FICO

Slovakia's Prime Minister Robert Fico has two Twitter accounts used briefly during election campaigns. The @RobertFico account was set up on 4 December 2009, however, the account only tweeted five times and went silent a day later. His 2014 campaign account @Fico2014 was created on 10 May 2009 and already served during the election campaign of 2010. The account has only sent 67 tweets and went silent on 28 March 2014. Most of the tweets shared contain a link to YouTube videos. None of the accounts has any mutual connection.



ROBERT FICO

@fico2014

SMER – SOCIÁLNA DEMOKRACIA

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



ROBERT FICO
@fico2014

[Follow](#)

Vláda SR oslávila 5. výročie vstupu SR do Európskej únie :
<http://tinyurl.com/orgdxg>

4:25 PM - 10 May 2009

Translation: The Slovak Government celebrated the 5th anniversary of the Slovak Republic in the European Union:
<http://tinyurl.com/orgdxg>

Most popular tweet

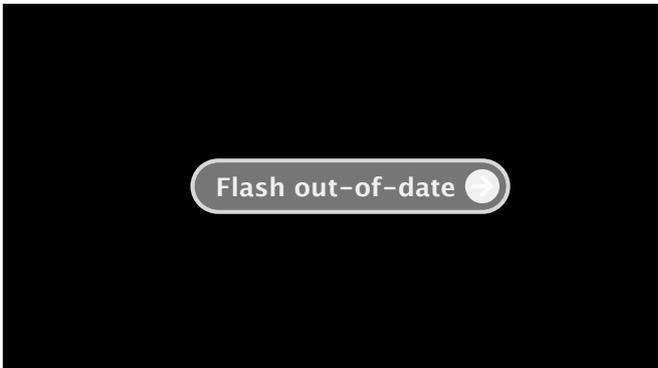


ROBERT FICO
@fico2014

[Follow](#)

Robert Fico: Nové investície gumární v Púchove a v Hornonitrianskych baniach
youtube.com/watch?v=7rLXGB...

11:31 AM - 29 Nov 2013



 **YouTube** @YouTube

1 RETWEET

Translation: Robert Fico: New investments rubber factory in Puchov and Hornonitrianske mines
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7rLXGBZXUNI>

Foreign Minister of Slovakia

Miroslav Lajčák

Slovakia's Foreign Minister Miroslav Lajcak joined Twitter on 16 April 2013 with the objective to "keep you posted on my work, thoughts, opinions, impressions. #Slovakia #ForeignPolicy #EU". @MiroslavLajcak tweets in Slovak and in English. In April 2013 his most popular tweet was about the Serbian-Kosovo agreement: "Happy to hear about Serbia-Kosovo deal! My appreciation to I.Dacic & H.Thaci for their courage. Congrats to C. #Ashton for mediating the process". He tweets on average once a day, often including pictures of his meetings and , regularly @mentioning other users. Foreign Minister @MiroslavLajcak is well connected with other foreign leaders, often retweeting them and mutually following 10 other foreign ministers.



Miroslav Lajčák

@MiroslavLajcak

Deputy Prime Minister | Minister of Foreign & European Affairs of Slovakia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (15)

followed unilaterally by (25)

follows mutually (10)

Foreign Ministry of Slovakia

Slovakia MFA

The Slovak Foreign Ministry joined Twitter on 7 June 2013 and tweets on average once a day. The account tweets mostly in Slovak and sometimes in English. Their first tweet read "We are joining Twitter today to keep you posted on #Slovakia's #foreign and #European policies". Half of their tweets are retweets from the personal account of Foreign Minister @MiroslavLajcak, the State Secretary of the Foreign Ministry @PeterJavorcik and Slovakia's EU Commissioner @MarosSefcovic. The @SlovakiaMFA is followed by 28 other foreign ministries, but is mutually only connected to seven of them.



Slovakia MFA

@SlovakiaMFA

Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak republic, Ministerstvo zahraničných vecí a európskych záležitostí Slovenskej republiky

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (28)

follows mutually (7)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 362

Following: 56

Followers: 1,188

Joined Twitter: 06/07/2013

Language: Slovak

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1

Retweets: 51%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.13

Replies/Tweet: 0.03

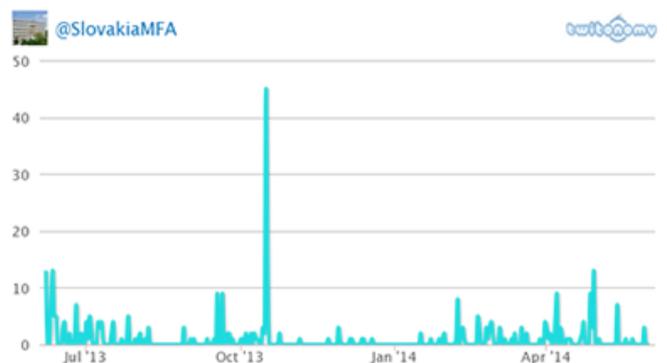
Tweets retweeted: 27%

Most mentioned @MiroslavLajcak (14), @OECD (5), @OECDdev (5), @APiebalgsEU (3), @AMB_A_Mohammed (2), @NikolaPoposki (2), @JohnKerry (2), @HonJohnBaird (2), @marywareham (1), @jonmedved (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Slovakia MFA 
@SlovakiaMFA



We are joining Twitter today to keep you posted on [#Slovakia](#)'s [#foreign](#) and [#European](#) policies.

2:47 PM - 7 Jun 2013

2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Slovakia MFA 
@SlovakiaMFA



Statement on the situation in [#Ukraine](#)
bit.ly/1fcDDkM

11:46 AM - 19 Feb 2014

11 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Slovenia

Slovenian leaders are trying to engage with the population using Twitter as a means of communication. The prime minister and president both have personal accounts and the government and foreign ministry are represented with institutional accounts.

President of Slovenia

Borut Pahor

Slovenian President Borut Pahor opened his personal Twitter account on 13 September 2012. He is quite active with more than five tweets per day. The account regularly posts pictures in all kind of situations, ranging from formal meetings to cleaning a cow shed and getting his hands dirty preparing homemade bread on a farm. The President rarely @replies, but in a third of his posts mentions other users, mainly the two news accounts @24ur_com and @STA_novice. He follows four other leaders and institutions.



Borut Pahor

[@BorutPahor](#)

Uradni račun predsednika Republike Slovenije Boruta Pahorja. Tvita ekipa, tviti PRS označeni z BP/Official channel of the President of the Republic of Slovenia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (24)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



Borut Pahor

@BorutPahor



Čez nekaj minut začnemo s tiskovno konferenco RT @MatjaNemec 5 to go!

12:56 PM - 13 Jul 2012

1 FAVORITE

Translation: In a few minutes a press conference will begin RT @MatjaNemec 5 to go! pic.twitter.com/uNP4JLUr

Most popular tweet



Borut Pahor

@BorutPahor



PRS obiskal rise v slačilnici kjer so mu izročili dres s podpisi. @lovehokej @TeamSlovenia @Sochi2014 #risi #hockey

4:15 PM - 16 Feb 2014

22 RETWEETS 38 FAVORITES

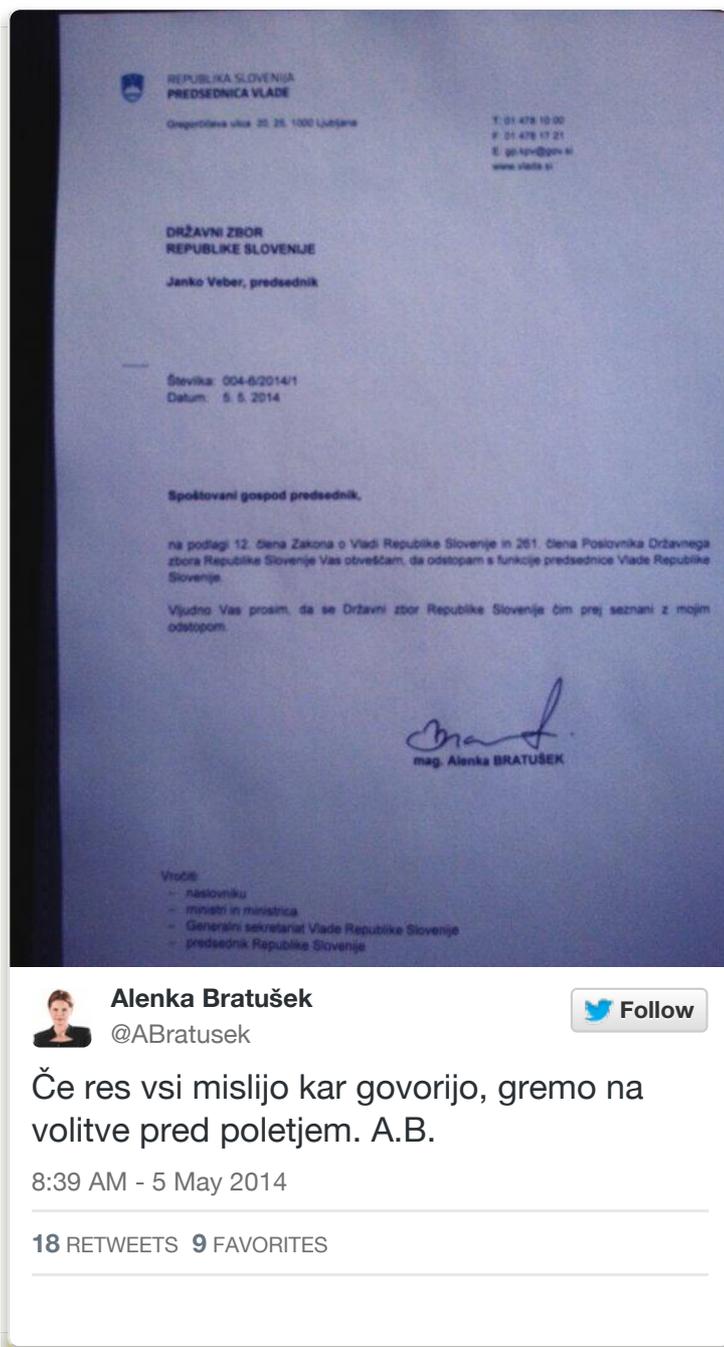
Translation: The President of Slovenia visited in the locker room, where he brought a Jersey with signatures. @lovehokej @TeamSlovenia @Sochi2014 #risi #hockey

First tweet



Translation: The first and the last year ... In the new year I enter with hope and confidence. Will not be easy, but we will succeed. Together. Alenka

Most popular tweet



Translation: If you really think all this talk, we go to the polls before the summer. A. B.

First tweet

 **Vlada R. Slovenije** 
@vladaRS 

Video Novinarske konference po 31. redni seji Vlade RS:
<http://tinyurl.com/0611NK>
10:54 AM - 12 Jun 2009

Translation: Video Press Conference after the 31. regular government session: <http://tinyurl.com/0611NK>

Most popular tweet

 **Vlada R. Slovenije** 
@vladaRS 

Za dokapitalizacijo treh bank (NLB, NKBM, Abanka) bo potrebnih 3,012 milijarde evrov. V ŽIVO na bit.ly/IQYyex
11:11 AM - 12 Dec 2013

25 RETWEETS

Translation: To recapitalize three banks (NLB, NKBM, Abanka) will require 3,012 billion. LIVE on <http://bit.ly/IQYyex>

Foreign Ministry of Slovenia

MFA SLOVENIA

The Foreign Ministry of Slovenia set up a Twitter account on 20 September 2010, tweeting on average four times a day in English and Slovenian on the same account. The account is not engaging in conversations with other Twitter users but does often @mention President @BorutPahor and the Bled Strategic Forum @BledStrategicF. The account also retweets news from its embassies around the world and often posts pictures of Minister Erjavec meeting foreign visitors. The Slovenian foreign ministry is particularly well connected, following 46 other world leaders and is mutually connected to 35 peers.



MFA SLOVENIA

@MZZRS

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia. Ministrstvo za zunanje zadeve Republike Slovenije. Tvitava Urška Potočnik in @TimSoos.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (45)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (35)

Spain

The Spanish royal household made a splash when it joined Twitter in May 2014. The Spanish government under Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy Brey is very active on Twitter with an institutional account @DesdeLaMoncloa, set up by his predecessor, and a personal account @MarianoRajoy run by his staff, on which he sometimes tweets personally.

Royal Household of Spain

Casa de S.M. el Rey

The Spanish royal household opened its Twitter account on 21 May 2014 and announced the abdication of King Juan Carlos less than two weeks later, which also became its most retweeted tweet with more than 28,000 retweets. On 19 June 2014 the account live tweeted the crowning of King Felipe VI including a very emotional picture of the King hugging his father, Juan Carlos on the balcony of the royal palace in Madrid. The account chronicles the activities of the royal family often posting several pictures in every one of its tweets. The account is very formal in tone and only follows nine other Twitter users, including six European royal Twitter accounts.

CasaReal avatar



Casa de S.M. el Rey

@CasaReal

Información e imágenes sobre la actividad de la Familia Real española y la Casa de S.M. el Rey. Normas de ucasareal.es/ES/Paginas/Nor...qUS

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (3)

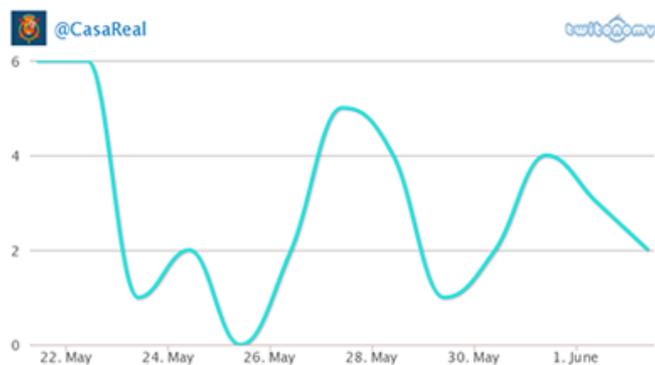
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	179
Following:	9
Followers:	137,123
Joined Twitter:	05/15/2014
Language:	Spanish
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	5.18
Retweets:	
Mentions/Tweet:	0.51
Replies/Tweet:	
Tweets retweeted:	100%
Most mentioned	@sanchezceren (5), @EFEnoticias (2), @realmadrid (2), @Greco2014 (2), @PoderJudicialEs (2), @Defensagob (2), @Atleti (2), @Fundeu (2), @FLMadrid (1), @UN (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Casa de S.M. el Rey ✓

@CasaReal

Follow

Bienvenidos al perfil oficial de Twitter de la Casa de Su Majestad el Rey

11:57 AM - 21 May 2014

1,649 RETWEETS **881** FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome official Twitter profile of the Household of HM the King

Most popular tweet



Casa de S.M. el Rey ✓

@CasaReal

Follow




S.M. el Rey Juan Carlos I abdica la Corona de España. [casareal.es](http://www.casareal.es)

11:39 AM - 2 Jun 2014

28,673 RETWEETS **6,040** FAVORITES

Translation: H.E. King Juan Carlos I of Spain abdicates the crown. <http://www.casareal.es> pic.twitter.com/YesVxDOblp

First tweet



 **Mariano Rajoy Brey** 
@marianorajoy 

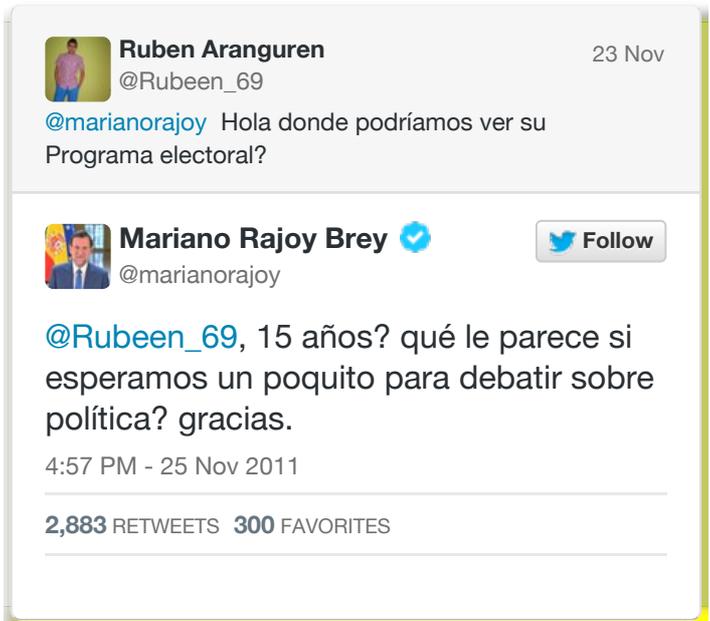
En el AVE llegando a Barcelona. A pesar de mi inexperiencia estreno con ilusión mi Twitter en el que cuento con todos.
MR

1:10 PM - 15 Sep 2011

544 RETWEETS **76** FAVORITES

Translation: In the AVE, arriving in Barcelona. Despite my inexperience, I am using Twitter for the first time with much expectations because many count on me.

Most popular tweet



 **Ruben Aranguren**
@Rubeen_69 23 Nov

@marianorajoy Hola donde podríamos ver su Programa electoral?

 **Mariano Rajoy Brey** 
@marianorajoy 

@Rubeen_69, 15 años? qué le parece si esperamos un poquito para debatir sobre política? gracias.

4:57 PM - 25 Nov 2011

2,883 RETWEETS **300** FAVORITES

Translation: @Rubeen_69, 15 years old? How about we wait a bit before we discuss politics? Thanks.

Government of Spain

La Moncloa

@DesdeLaMoncloa literally means “from La Moncloa Palace”, which is the official residence of the Spanish prime minister. The institutional account of the Spanish government was set up on 20 July 2009 under Prime Minister José Luis Rodríguez Zapatero. The account’s main goal is to inform people about the government’s activities including the activities of other ministries. It announces upcoming press conferences, speeches, parliamentary sessions, etc. A high percentage of tweets link directly to press releases, special reports and videos and most of them relate to the government’s work. The account publishes on average seven tweets per day. There is regularity in the publication of some messages, which are tweeted each morning such as the daily news report and the government’s agenda of the day. The most retweeted tweet was the publication of the emergency telephone number and the email of the Spanish embassy in Tokyo after the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan.



La Moncloa

@desdelamoncloa

Secretaría de Estado de Comunicación. Ministerio de la Presidencia. Gobierno de España.

Normas de uso lamoncloa.gob.es/VARIOS/Redes...

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (17)

followed unilaterally by (25)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



The screenshot shows a tweet from the account 'Exteriores' (@MAECgob). The profile picture is the Spanish coat of arms. The text of the tweet is: 'El MAEC comienza hoy una nueva andadura con la que pretendemos acercar la diplomacia española a la red. Bienvenidos a nuestro twitter!'. Below the text, it says '6:04 PM - 16 Apr 2013' and '30 RETWEETS 7 FAVORITES'. There is a 'Follow' button in the top right corner.

Translation: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs today begins a new journey with which we intend to bring the Spanish diplomacy to the internet. Welcome to our twitter!

Most popular tweet



The screenshot shows a tweet from the account 'Exteriores' (@MAECgob). The profile picture is the Spanish coat of arms. The text of the tweet is: 'Si necesitas información sobre un familiar o amigo en #Filipinas, el número de la Unidad de #Emergencia Consular es: (+34) 91 394 89 00'. Below the text, it says '10:10 AM - 11 Nov 2013' and '164 RETWEETS 15 FAVORITES'. There is a 'Follow' button in the top right corner.

Translation: If you need information about a relative or friend in #Philippines, the number of the Consular Emergency Unit is: (+34) 91 394 89 00

Sweden

Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf and Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt are not on Twitter, nor do their institutions have a Twitter presence. However Foreign Minister Carl Bildt makes up for their absence. The former prime minister who was the first to send an email to Bill Clinton has become the example to follow in terms of the use of Twitter by a world leader.

Foreign Minister of Sweden

Carl Bildt

Carl Bildt Sweden's former prime minister and current minister of foreign affairs is one of the most Twitter savvy politicians in Sweden, in Europe and probably worldwide. He is also one of the most well connected Foreign Ministers with 68 mutual connections and for a reason: he skillfully mixes his political beliefs with everyday personal thoughts. His tweets are often hard hitting and tongue-in-cheek comments on international relations and he tweets with an impressive frequency. @CarlBildt joined the Twitter community on 2 January 2009 with a simple tweet "logging into twitter" and since then has gained almost 300,000 followers. Bildt who tweets mostly from his iPad is not very conversational. However, he has a special @fragaCarlBildt "ask-Carl-Bildt" account where he conducts regular Twitter interviews. Carl Bildt also tweets in Swedish but less frequently on @cbildt. @CarlBildt tweets personally and does not check his tweets with his staff before sending. In early 2014 he got into a memorable Twitter spat with the Russian foreign ministry about Ukraine.



Carl Bildt

@carlbildt

Foreign Minister of Sweden since 2006. Before that most other things. På svenska på @cbildt.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (62)

followed unilaterally by (36)

follows mutually (68)

First tweet

 **Utrikesdepartementet** 
@Utrikesdep 

Glöm inte pressträffen Bildt & Tysklands
utr.min. Westerwelle idag
<http://3.ly/HPpd> #eu #kirgizistan #gaza
#ryssland

3:27 PM - 21 Jun 2010

Translation: Do not forget the press conference Bildt &
German Foreign Minister Westerwelle today <http://3.ly/HPpd>
#eu #kyrgyzstan #gaza #russia

Most popular tweet



 **Utrikesdepartementet** 
@Utrikesdep 

I dag är den internationella dagen mot
homo-, bi- och transfobi. Mänskliga
rättigheter gäller för alla! #IDAHOT

12:57 PM - 17 May 2014

263 RETWEETS **143** FAVORITES

Translation: Today is the international day against the homo-,
bi-, and transphobia. Human rights apply to everyone! #IDAHOT

Switzerland

The Swiss government is communicating on Twitter through the official spokesperson of the Federal Council. André Simonazzi set up the @BRsprecher 'spokesperson' account on 13 June 2012 and has been tweeting in all four of Switzerland's official languages plus English.

Government of Switzerland

André Simonazzi

Since he joined Twitter, Andre Simonazzi has in average been communicating once a day in the four national languages (French, German, Italian and sometimes Romansch) as well as in English during conferences, official visits and international events. The government spokesperson only follows eight other Twitter accounts - all of them Swiss - and among them, the only two Swiss government departments on Twitter, namely the Department of Defence (@vbs_ddps) and the Department of the Environment, Transport, Energy and Communications (@UVEK). André Simonazzi sometimes retweets tweets from the above mentioned departments and also the Secretary of the Interior @Alain_Berset who is the only member of the seven-headed Federal Council with a Twitter account. All other Federal Councillors are only mentioned with their hashtags: #Burkhalter, #Sommaruga, #Schneider #Widmer, #Leuthard, and #Maurer. In his most retweeted tweet so far he encouraged voters to go to the polls on 18 May 2014 and "participate in Swiss politics."



André Simonazzi

@BR_Sprecher

Offizielles Twitter-Profil des Bundesratssprechers André Simonazzi. Tweets seines Teams enden mit dem Kürzel (BK).

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **André Simonazzi** 
@BR_Sprecher 

Mon Twitter est ouvert! Le but? Informer mieux sur le Conseil fédéral grâce à ce canal supplémentaire. Et dialoguer quand c'est possible.

4:57 PM - 13 Jun 2012

13 RETWEETS

Translation: My Twitter is open! The goal? Better inform through this additional channel about the Federal Council. And dialogue whenever possible.

Most popular tweet



 **André Simonazzi** 
@BR_Sprecher 

#Abstimmung vom 18. Mai: Noch rasch an die Urne in Ihrer Gemeinde gehen und Schweizer Politik mitbestimmen. (BK)

9:00 AM - 18 May 2014

16 RETWEETS **8** FAVORITES

Translation: #Voting on May 18: still time to quickly go to the ballot box in your community and participate in Swiss politics. (BK)

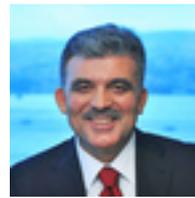
Turkey

Turkish President Abdullah Gül and Prime Minister RecepTayyip Erdoğan are the 6th and 7th most followed world leaders on Twitter. The Turkish leadership is at the forefront in terms of using Twitter for policy statements in Turkish, English and Arabic. Yet, somewhat ironically, Twitter was blocked in Turkey by the Turkish Telecommunications Authority on 20 March 2014, Twitter's eight anniversary and ahead of local elections. However the Twitter ban backfired. The hashtag #Twitterisblockedinturkey became a trending topic and Twitter usage in Turkish rose by 138 percent as Turkey's 12 million Twitter users shared ways to circumvent the ban which has since been lifted.

President of Turkey

Abdullah Gül

Turkish President Abdullah Gül, opposed the Twitter ban on his personal Twitter account managing to get around the block on 21 March 2014: "A total shutdown of social media platforms cannot be approved", "I hope this practice will not last long". Abdullah Gül tweets mainly in Turkish but from time to time he tweets in English in order to share global sentiments and agenda such as expressing his respect to the iconic leader and former president of South Africa: "Nelson Mandela was a great statesman who inspired people in their quest for freedom, dignity and equality"; in order to make important foreign policy statements: "Turkey's Membership Will Enrich the EU". The Turkish president does not comment on the daily news agenda except in the case of Taksim Square events - which started on 31 May, 2013 and rapidly escalated from a small environmentalist movement into large scale protests. While the demonstrations were in full swing, Gül made two public statements and tweeted links to the relevant press releases on the Turkish presidency's website: "Gül Calls for More Maturity So That Events in Taksim Square Cool Down". His Twitter stream is dominated by news about presidential activities, frequently accompanied by photos or videos. Abdullah Gül is not particularly interested in the interactive aspects of the medium: Interestingly enough, he only follows the two official accounts of the Turkish presidency, @trpresidency and @tccankaya and has never @mentioned or @replied any other Twitter user.



Abdullah Gül

@cabbdullahgul

1950'de doğdum, TBMM tarafından Ağustos 2007'de

11. Cumhurbaşkanı seçildim. I was born in 1950, elected as the President of the Republic of Turkey in August 2007

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (38)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



T.C.Cumhurbaşkanlığı 
@tccankaya 

Cumhurbaşkanı Abdullah Gül, bu sabah Çankaya Köşkü'nde Finlandiya Cumhurbaşkanı Tarja Halonen'i ağırlayacak.

9:19 AM - 29 Mar 2011

2 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



T.C.Cumhurbaşkanlığı 
@tccankaya 

“Taksim’deki Olayların Yatışması İçin Hepimize Düşen, Daha Fazla Olgunluktur” tccb.gov.tr/haberler/170/8...

3:11 PM - 1 Jun 2013

2,975 RETWEETS 410 FAVORITES

Translation: This morning, President Abdullah Gül will welcome the President of Finland Tarja Halonen at the Cankaya Palace.

Prime Minister of Turkey

Recep Tayyip Erdoğan

In 2013 Turkish Prime Minister criticized the widespread use of Twitter in his public statement regarding the Taksim Square events with the words: “Now we have a menace that is called Twitter... To me, social media is the worst menace to society”. However his team did not tweet this statement on his Twitter feed which is among the top ten most followed world leader accounts. Twitter was banned by the Turkish Telecommunications Authority on 20 March 2014 right after Erdoğan vowed to “wipe out” the social media network, a move that prompted widespread domestic and international criticism. “Everything for Turkey!” is the leitmotiv of Erdoğan’s Twitter account who was the first Turkish leader to join Twitter on 23 August 2009. While the first tweets were in English they quickly switched to Turkish with only the occasional English tweet to make an international policy statement. However there have been no English tweets since 2010. Turkish politics are the main focus of his tweets, often leading the next day’s news agenda. His Twitter feed often includes videos speeches and pictures of visits; however, the account rarely uses links. In September 2011 the office of Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, set up a second personal Twitter account in Arabic @RecepT_Erdogan to reach out to Middle Eastern audience. @RT_Erdogan does not interact with other Twitter users via @replies and the account does not follow anyone, making his account one of the least connected among world leaders.



Recep Tayyip Erdo...

@RT_Erdogan

Adalet ve Kalkınma Partisi Genel Başkanı ve T.C. Başbakanı - Justice & Development Party Leader and Turkish Prime Minister

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (32)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Ahmet Davutoğlu

@Ahmet_Davutoglu

Follow

Dışişleri Bakanımız Sn. Ahmet Davutoğlu çok yakında bu twitter hesabında sizlerle buluşacak.

10:14 AM - 9 Nov 2010

13 RETWEETS 4 FAVORITES

Translation: Our Foreign Minister Mr. Ahmet Davutoğlu will meet you very soon on this twitter account.

Most popular tweet



Ahmet Davutoğlu

@Ahmet_Davutoglu

Follow

Bu insanlık suçuna ortak olanlar ve yaşananlara sessiz kalanlar bir gün tarih ve insanlık vicdanı önünde mahkum olacaklar.

10:57 PM - 20 Jan 2014

2,788 RETWEETS 820 FAVORITES

Translation: If it is common to remain silent to crimes against humanity the conscience of humanity will be doomed.

Foreign Ministry of Turkey

Dışişleri Bakanlığı

The Turkish Foreign Ministry joined Twitter on 7 December 2009 and tweets in four languages: Turkish (@TC_Disisleri), English (@MFATurkey), French (@MFATurkeyFrench) and Arabic (@MFATurkeyArabic). The Turkish language account is by far the most followed and its tweets on average five times per day. The account follows 121 other Twitter users, including all Turkish embassies and missions abroad but has not connected with other foreign ministries. Tweets are written in a formal style and are all about foreign policy matters such as official visits, press releases and statements. The account often retweets tweets from Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoğlu, and his deputy, Naci Koruand makes a good use of pictures, chronicling the minister's meetings.



Dışişleri Bakanlığı

@TC_Disisleri

T.C. Dışişleri Bakanlığı Resmi Twitter sayfası Official Twitter Page of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkey @MFATurkey @MFATurkeyFrench @MFATurkeyArabic

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (5)

First tweet

 **Dışişleri Bakanlığı** 
@TC_Disisleri 

Dışişleri Bakanlığı Twitter'da.
2:21 PM - 26 Feb 2010

1 RETWEET

Translation: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Twitter.

Most popular tweet

 **Dışişleri Bakanlığı** 
@TC_Disisleri 



Türkiye ve İran arasında "Yüksek Düzeyli İşbirliği Konseyi" kurulması kararlaştırıldı
bit.ly/1a89gZ6

10:46 PM - 4 Jan 2014

248 RETWEETS 61 FAVORITES

Translation: Turkey and Iran decided to establish a "High-Level Cooperation Council" <http://bit.ly/1a89gZ6>
pic.twitter.com/6kychnmok

Ukraine

Twitter and social media in general has played an important role in the political events in Ukraine. The entire Ukrainian leadership is active on the social network and the institutional accounts of the government and the foreign ministry have seen exponential growth over the past year.

President of Ukraine

Petro Poroshenko

Petro Poroshenko's personal Twitter profile has been dormant since 1 February 2014. The account is linked to his personal Facebook profile where he is followed by 110,000 people. The account has only sent 11 tweets since it was created on 24 February 2009. @Poroshenko has shared one video of his New Year's greetings posted on 31 December 2011.

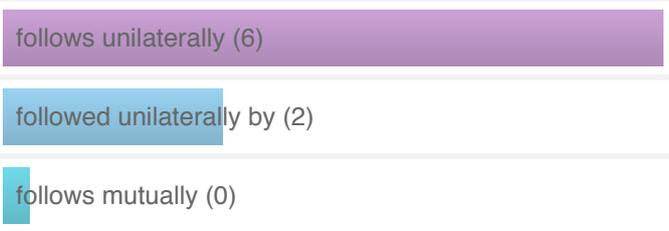


Petro Poroshenko

@poroshenko

President of Ukraine

Peer connections (as of June 2014)



First tweet

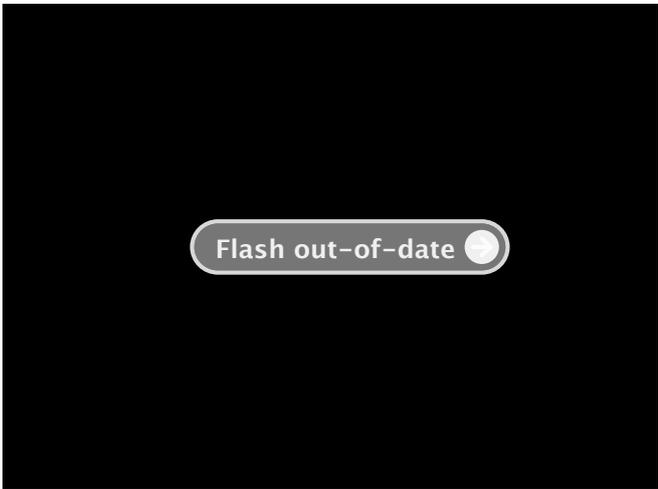


Petro Poroshenko
@poroshenkoold

Follow

З новим роком та Різдвом Христовим!
:) [youtube.com/watch?v=T4bmY2...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T4bmY2...) via
[@youtube](#)

6:54 PM - 31 Dec 2011



Flash out-of-date

 **YouTube** @YouTube

2 RETWEETS 3 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



Petro Poroshenko
@poroshenkoold

Follow

Скасування "законів" від 16 січня -
зупинка за крок від прірви. Тепер
треба зробити все, щоб відійти від цієї
прірви poroshenko.com.ua/?view=7756

5:24 PM - 28 Jan 2014

23 RETWEETS 12 FAVORITES

Translation: The abolition of the "laws" of January 16 - Stop
open step away from the abyss. Now we must do everything to
move away from this precipice <http://poroshenko.com.ua/?view=7756>

President of Ukraine

Programa Poroshenka

@Programme_PP is the official account of President Poroshenko and started as his campaign account on 2 April 2014. The most retweeted tweet of the account is a picture of Petro Poroshenko and his wife in traditional garb with the caption: Meet the First Lady and a link to the Newspaper Ukrainska Pravda. The account tweets exclusively in Ukrainian and chronicles the activities of the president with an abundant use of pictures and videos. The account is not very interactive and rarely @replies or @mentions other users.



Programa Poroshe...

[@Programa_PP](#)

Офіційна сторінка Петра
Порошенка

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



ЖИТИ ПО-НОВОМУ
ПЕТРО ПОРОШЕНКО

VK
Twitter
f
YouTube
g+
Instagram

ОФІЦІЙНІ СТОРІНКИ

 **Петро Порошенко** ✓
@poroshenko [Follow](#)

Ми запустили офіційні сторінки кампанії кандидата в Президенти Петра Порошенка! Приєднуйтесь:
bit.ly/ProgramaPorosh...

5:02 PM - 4 Apr 2014

79 RETWEETS 37 FAVORITES

Translation: We launched the official campaign page of presidential candidate Poroshenko! Join now

Most popular tweet



 **Петро Порошенко** ✓
@poroshenko [Follow](#)

Зустрічайте першу леді
tabloid.pravda.com.ua/photos/5382f08...

2:57 PM - 26 May 2014

328 RETWEETS 156 FAVORITES

Translation: Meet the First Lady
<http://tabloid.pravda.com.ua/photos/5382f0866d7ec/pic.twitter.com/UTL3thgdwl>

First tweet

 **Arseniy Yatsenyuk**
@Yatsenyuk_AP Follow

Вітаємо усіх у офіційному твіті Арсенія Яценюка! Заздалегідь вдячні за активність і допомогу в поширенні нашої інформації!

11:50 AM - 3 Oct 2013

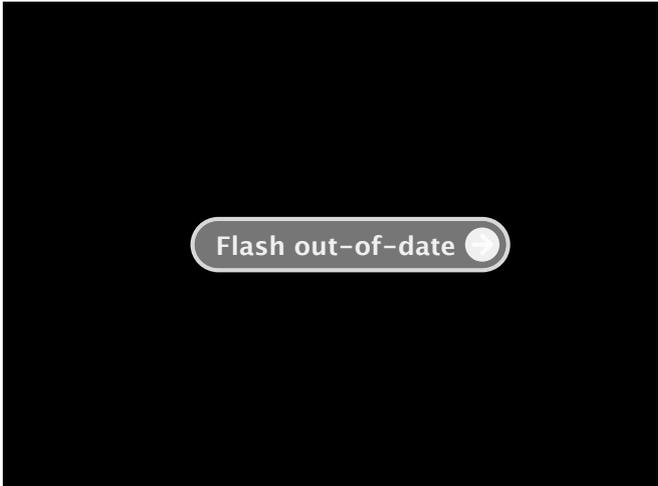
Translation: Congratulations to the official tweets of Arseniy Yatsenyuk! Thank you for the activity and assistance in the dissemination of our information!

Most popular tweet

 **Arseniy Yatsenyuk**
@Yatsenyuk_AP Follow

Закликали киян вийти на [#Євромайдан](#) bit.ly/I9bEnU. Уже підтвердили участь майже 7 тисяч. Розкажіть друзям: on.fb.me/1fsmYM

8:48 PM - 22 Nov 2013



 YouTube @YouTube

1,231 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Translation: Encouraged residents to get on #Euromaidan <http://bit.ly/I9bEnU> already confirmed the participation of almost 7,000. tell your friends: <http://on.fb.me/1fsmYM>

Government of Ukraine

Кабмін України

The previous Ukrainian government set up three Twitter accounts in Ukrainian (@Kabmin_UA), Russian (@Kabmin_UA_r) and English (@Kabmin_UA_e) in July 2011 but since mid-October 2013 only the Ukrainian one is still active. The @Kabmin_UA account is among the most active accounts of all world leaders, sending on average 29 tweets per day. The account broadcast the activities of Ukraine's government in Ukrainian and is not conversational, never retweeting, @mentioning or @replying to other users. The three accounts mutually follow each other but do not follow any other foreign leader. All tweets are linked to articles on the official portal of the Ukrainian government.



Кабмін України

@Kabmin_UA

Офіційне Twitter-представництво Кабінету Міністрів України. Інформація надходить з офіційного веб-сайту Кабінету Міністрів України. Детальніше за адресою

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 29,808

Following: 25

Followers: 21,024

Joined Twitter: 07/08/2011

Language: Ukrainian

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 29.09

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet:

Replies/Tweet:

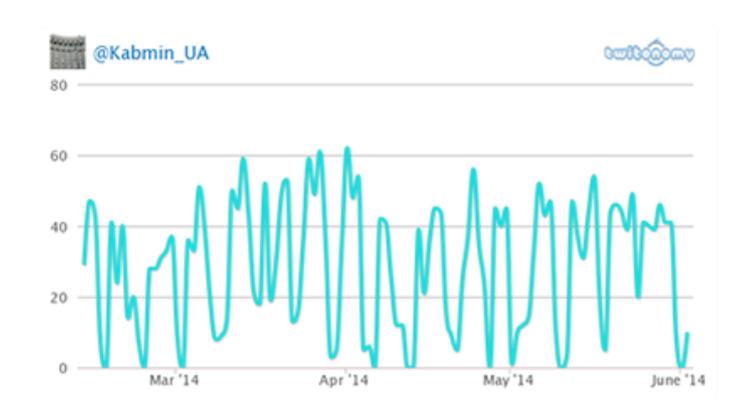
Tweets retweeted: 82%

Most mentioned

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Кабмін України 
@Kabmin_UA



В Україна адаптують державний насінневий контроль до європейських та світових стандартів bit.ly/qmcsu8e

10:04 AM - 8 Jul 2011

Translation: In Ukraine adapting State control to European and world standards <http://bit.ly/qmcsu8e>

Most popular tweet



Кабмін України 
@Kabmin_UA



Російські окупанти намагаються спаплюжити честь розстріляного впритул українського офіцера bit.ly/1h8PJv7

8:05 PM - 7 Apr 2014

93 RETWEETS **20** FAVORITES

Translation: Russian invaders are trying to tarnish the honor of Ukrainian officer <http://bit.ly/1h8PJv7>

Foreign Minister of Ukraine

Pavlo Klimkin

Ukraine's new Foreign Minister @PavloKlimkin was previously Ukraine's ambassador to Germany and some of his tweets are in German. Pavlo Klimkin started his Twitter account on 2 October 2011 and frequently shares his personal observations in English and Ukrainian. @PavloKlimkin never @replies or @mentions but has sometimes retweeted news articles from major international media organizations. Pavlo Klimkin is not yet well connected with other foreign ministers, mutually only connected to Sweden's @CarlBildt and Poland's @SikorskiRadek



Pavlo Klimkin

@PavloKlimkin

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

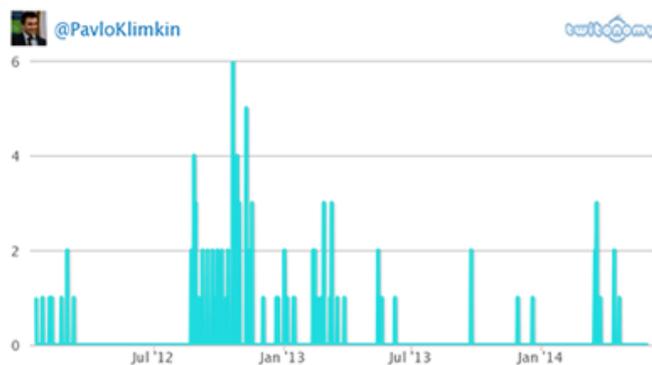
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	133
Following:	86
Followers:	5,458
Joined Twitter:	October 02, 2011
Language:	Ukrainian
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	0.13
Retweets:	21%
Mentions/Tweet:	0
Replies/Tweet:	0
Tweets retweeted:	16%
Most mentioned	

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Pavlo Klimkin**
@PavloKlimkin [Follow](#)

Sherpa meeting for Seoul Nuclear Security Summit justifies its name: in one day we did a bit less than half of the final document

1:35 PM - 16 Jan 2012

Most popular tweet

 **Pavlo Klimkin**
@PavloKlimkin [Follow](#)

my interview on ARD MorgenMagazin
[mediathek.daserste.de/sendungen_a-z/..](http://mediathek.daserste.de/sendungen_a-z/)

7:58 PM - 22 Apr 2014

6 RETWEETS 9 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Ukraine

MFA of Ukraine

Ukraine's foreign ministry has been on Twitter since 13 May 2010 and was low in activity until the events in early 2014. The @MFA_Ukraine account has become an important source of information reporting on the latest news in Ukraine with more than two tweets per day and has seen its follower numbers multiply more than tenfold over the past year. #UnitedForUkraine is one of its most used hashtag and former Foreign Minister @ADeshchytsia, Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt and U.S. ambassador @GeoffPyatt are among its most retweeted users. @MFA_Ukraine tweets in English and Ukrainian. After the United Nations General Assembly declared the referendum in Crimea as invalid, supporting Ukraine's territorial integrity, the foreign ministry posted a series of "thank you" tweets in various languages. The foreign ministry is well connected with its peers, unilaterally following 31 and mutually connected with 28 other world leaders.



MFA of Ukraine

@MFA_Ukraine

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of
Ukraine / МЗС України

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (31)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (28)

United Kingdom

The UK Government was one of the first to embrace social media and has led the way by launching many digital strategies for its departments by taking a 'digital by default' approach. The Twitter account of N°10 @DowningStreet was set up under Gordon Brown in March 2008. When David Cameron came into office in May 2010 the account was renamed to @Number10gov.

Royal Household of United Kingdom

BritishMonarchy

2013 was a busy year for the British Monarchy and Twitter continued to provide a fascinating insight into the work the Royal Family undertakes every year. The main highlight from 2013 was the birth of The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge's baby; three tweets had over 9,000 retweets combined. The handle shares behind the scenes experiences from royal visits, utilising video and pictures to showcase the work the Royal family does.

@BritishMonarchy now follows 178 other accounts, up from only three in 2013, the majority of which are charities and NGOs. This community is reflected in engagement, with the majority of retweets and interactions focused on organisations and institutions that the British Monarchy is involved with such as @BritishArmy, @Batonrelay2014 and @DofE. The account has evolved to publish more content from ordinary Twitter users as they interact with the monarchy in some way, such as attending events or meeting members of the Royal family. The tone has evolved to be more natural and friendly, using language that is relaxed but retains a feeling of formality which makes it very easy to engage with. Buckingham Palace is mutually following the Spanish Royal household @CasaReal and the Norwegian Princely couple @Kronprinsparet.



BritishMonarchy

@BritishMonarchy

Updates, pictures and videos from Buckingham Palace about the work and activities of The Royal Family and the institution of Monarchy.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (31)

follows mutually (6)

Prime Minister of United Kingdom

David Cameron

UK Prime Minister David Cameron who once said: "The trouble with Twitter, the instantness of it – too many tweets might make a tw*t." set up a personal Twitter account on 6 October 2012 for the Conservative Party conference promising that "there won't be "too many tweets..." in allusion to his earlier statement. The account is run partly by Cameron and the Conservative party team. A third of his tweets include either a picture or an infographic. However, the picture showing him on the phone with @BarackObama was lampooned by actors Rob Delaney and Patrick Stewart and became an instant internet meme. @David_Cameron's most used hashtags are #LongTermEconomicPlan, #ForHardWorkingPeople and #GlobalRace which demonstrates that his main topics are government policy focused. David Cameron is followed by 79 other world leaders but he is mutually connected only with Australia's Tony Abbott (@TonyAbbottmhr). David Cameron's most retweeted tweet is a picture of him with the famous music band One Direction at Number 10 for the charity event Comic Relief.



David Cameron

@David_Cameron

Prime Minister and Leader of the @Conservatives

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (80)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **David Cameron** 
@David_Cameron 

I'm starting Conference with this new Twitter feed about my role as Conservative Leader. I promise there won't be "too many tweets..."

6:51 PM - 6 Oct 2012

905 RETWEETS **251** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **David Cameron** 
@David_Cameron 

Enjoyed my cameo in @onedirection's vid for @comicrelief charity single. Glad to help with the filming location! #1DRND

3:59 PM - 17 Feb 2013

16,571 RETWEETS **17,878** FAVORITES

First tweet

 **UK Prime Minister** 
@Number10gov 

No10 news: Entente Cordiale to enter "new era" - PM: Gordon Brown has spoken of a "shared..
<http://tinyurl.com/2px2ld>

4:27 PM - 26 Mar 2008

2 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet

 **UK Prime Minister** 
@Number10gov 

"It was with great sadness that I learned of Lady Thatcher's death. We've lost a great leader, a great Prime Minister and a great Briton"

2:04 PM - 8 Apr 2013

3,571 RETWEETS 444 FAVORITES

Government of United Kingdom

Cabinet Office

The tweets of the @CabinetOfficeUK tend to focus on activities of members of the cabinet and support for charity initiatives. Tweets also share policy updates and links to information about government services and investment plans. The handle does not typically engage directly with individuals, but regularly retweets content from other governmental organisations and charities. People and institutions regularly referenced include Minister for Civil Society Nick Hurd (@MinforCivSoc), the Open Government Partnership (@OpenGovPart) and the @UKCivilService. The tweets usually feature an image or a graphic related to a campaign. Among the most popular tweets are the announcements of the annual New Year's honours lists.

 **Cabinet Office**
[@cabinetofficeuk](https://twitter.com/cabinetofficeuk)
Official Twitter feed from the UK's Cabinet Office

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (20)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **Cabinet Office** 
@cabinetofficeuk 

Welcome to the new Cabinet Office
Twitter feed. Latest details of our new
ministerial team to follow shortly.

4:19 PM - 14 May 2010

2 RETWEETS

Most popular tweet



 **Cabinet Office** 
@cabinetofficeuk 

Rainbow flag flying over Cabinet Office &
Scotland Office today to mark first same
sex marriages [#EqualMarriage](#)

10:56 AM - 29 Mar 2014

428 RETWEETS **187** FAVORITES

Foreign Minister of United Kingdom

William Hague

Demonstrating the unpredictable nature of Twitter activity, the most popular tweet from Foreign Minister @WilliamJHague in 2013 was an obscure tweet congratulating Dubai on the award of the #2020Expo. This demonstrates that inadvertent engagement with vibrant hashtags alongside a cultural reference (#Mabruk, in this case) can link handles into previously untouched global audiences. The most favoured tweet of 2013 was a reference to improved relations with Iran showing the range of issues engaged by the handle. The handle is a blend of formal broadcast statements alongside conversational interactions on thematic issues such as human rights and the UK's involvement in international affairs. The team at the UK Foreign Office running the account operates a #askFS hashtag providing a feedback loop for members of the public to ask the minister questions. However, apart from #askFS question and answer sessions, there is not a great deal of day-to-day interaction with Twitter users. The need to broadcast a large volume of information on international developments is understandably prioritised. Beyond references to @ForeignOffice, the handle's most mentioned users are Foreign Ministers @NasserJudeh, @LaurentFabius, @SikorskiRadek, @CarlBildt and @JohnKerry the top friends of @WilliamJHague online.



William Hague

@WilliamJHague

British Foreign Secretary. MP for Richmond, author on British political history, married to Ffion. Also on @Facebook:

[facebook.com/williamjhague](https://www.facebook.com/williamjhague)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (96)

follows mutually (29)

Foreign Ministry of United Kingdom

Foreign Office (FCO)

The UK Foreign Office has been at the forefront of diplomatic hashtag campaigns highlighting issues from #Ukraine to #Syria, and #Iran with specific hashtags for #TimeToAct to end #SexualViolence. The @ForeignOffice and its allies tweeted #UnitedForUkraine, a hashtag which received more than 70 million impressions and was also picked up by Russia's foreign ministry. The most popular tweet of the @ForeignOffice is an infographic illustrating the international support for Russia's annexation of #Crimea and the relevant hashtag #Russiasolated. The account makes a good use of pictures including the images of St George's flag and the flag of Wales flying over the Foreign Office which are among its most popular tweets demonstrating a strong patriotic spirit in the UK. In June 2013 it recorded its first six-second Vine video of the Falklands' flag flying proudly over its headquarters in remembrance of the British liberation of the islands in 1982. The Foreign Office maintains six Twitter lists including one with its record 307 embassies, consulates, missions, ambassadors and deputy heads of missions on Twitter. Travel advice can be found on @FCOTravel and there is an account in Urdu @UKUrdu. The @ForeignOffice is mutually connected with 57 other world leaders on Twitter.



Foreign Office (FCO)

@foreignoffice

Latest news from the UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office #DigitalDiplomacy. For a comprehensive list of the FCO on social media see ow.ly/qCln7

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (39)

followed unilaterally by (66)

follows mutually (57)

First tweet

 **Foreign Office (FCO)**  [@foreignoffice](#) 

Follow the Projecting British Islam visit to Egypt with live Twitter updates (<http://www.fco.gov.uk/projectingbritishislam>)

4:10 PM - 4 Jul 2008

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet

 **Foreign Office (FCO)**  [@foreignoffice](#) 

In numbers: the international support for Russia's position on Crimea [#Russiasolated](#)

Countries that recognise Crimea as part of Russia

1
(Russia)

Position of OSCE member states on a monitoring mission in Ukraine

Against	For
1 (Russia)	56 (rest of the OSCE)

Number of countries imposing sanctions against Russia in support of Ukraine

31
(28 EU member states, US, Canada & Australia)

Position of 15 UN Security Council member states on a resolution criticising the referendum in Crimea

Vetoed	Supported
1 (Russia)	13 (rest of Security Council, China abstained)

1:46 PM - 21 Mar 2014

285 RETWEETS **87** FAVORITES

Vatican

In less than two years the Papal account @Pontifex has become the second most followed world leader after @BarackObama with over 14 million followers on his nine different language accounts and the most influential world leader in terms of retweets per tweet.

Religious Leader of Vatican

Pope Francis

The @Pontifex account was registered on 23 February 2012 but Pope Benedict XVI only sent his first tweet on 12 December 2012: "Dear friends, I am pleased to get in touch with you through Twitter. Thank you for your generous response. I bless all of you from my heart." When he abdicated his 38 tweets were deleted from the account and archived on the Vatican's website. Under Pope Francis the Spanish account (@Pontifex_es) has overtaken the English account in terms of followers. Although the Pope never @replies or retweets any other Twitter users, the daily papal tweets are retweeted on average almost 6,400 times on the English account and more than 10,000 times on the Spanish account making him the most influential world leader. The only account that has had the "privilege" to be mentioned by the Pope is @InfoScholas, the Worldwide Network of Schools Getting Together. The most used words on the papal Twitter account, which tweets less than once a day, are God, Jesus and love. @Pontifex doesn't follow any other user except his other eight language accounts in decreasing order of followers: @Pontifex_es, @Pontifex_it, @Pontifex_pt, @Pontifex_fr, @Pontifex_In, @Pontifex_pl, @Pontifex_de, and @Pontifex_ar. The most popular tweet sent out from the English account during Easter 2014 is: "Christ is arisen! Alleluia!" Pope Francis joined the #BringBackOurGirls campaign asking the world to pray for the immediate release of the kidnapped girls in Nigeria and he also wished "everyone a wonderful World Cup, played in a spirit of true fraternity".



Pope Francis

@Pontifex

Welcome to the official Twitter page of His Holiness Pope Francis

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (57)

follows mutually (8)

First tweet

 **TerzaLoggia** 
@TerzaLoggia 

At this very special time, the Secretariat of State joins the whole Church in praying for the new Pope.

1:25 PM - 6 Mar 2013

105 RETWEETS **28** FAVORITES

Most popular tweet

 **TerzaLoggia** 
@TerzaLoggia 

In questo momento di particolare importanza, la Segreteria di Stato si unisce a tutta la Chiesa in preghiera per il futuro Pontefice.

1:25 PM - 6 Mar 2013

150 RETWEETS **33** FAVORITES

Translation: At this very special time, the Secretariat of State joins the whole Church in praying for the new Pope.

North America

During a press conference with then Russian President Dmitry Medvedev, Barack Obama jokingly said that thanks to Twitter "we may be able to throw away those red phones that have been sitting around for so long". The U.S. President might be the most popular world leader on Twitter, but he is not the best connected, only following two other peers, namely Russia's Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev and Norway's Prime Minister Erna Solberg and blissfully ignores all other world leaders including his Mexican and Canadian neighbours. Leaders in Central America and the Caribbean are among the most active on Twitter.



Antigua and Barbuda

Baldwin Spencer, the Prime Minister of Antigua and Barbuda joined Twitter in 2012 but his account @BaldwinSpencer is dormant and has only 15 followers.

Government of Antigua and Barbuda

Antigua and Barbuda

Opened in July 2010, @AntiguaGov is the official and only Twitter account of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda. It has been actively tweeting since January 2011, with a couple of tweets every other day on average. The Antigua and Barbuda Government engages little on the social network. Indeed in over 470 tweets, the government has never sent an @reply and hardly ever retweets. Furthermore, @AntiguaGov follows no other world leaders. The Twitter account disseminates content from the governmental website, official videos from its YouTube channel, special news about the country and also promotes its tourist attractions with pictures. Its most retweeted tweet is a call to action with a beach landscape photo which asks for a retweet to followers who would like to be lounging on that beautiful beach in Barbuda.



Antigua and Barbuda

@antiguagov

Official Twitter page for the Government of Antigua and Barbuda

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Antigua and Barbuda

@antiguagov

 Follow

Tourism Cadets successfully complete Internship: For more go to http://ab.gov.ag/gov_v4/article_details.php?id=1168&category=38

3:40 PM - 18 Jan 2011

Most popular tweet



Antigua and Barbuda

@antiguagov

 Follow

Retweet if you wish you were currently lounging on this beautiful stretch of beach in Barbuda.

3:41 PM - 20 Nov 2012

21 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Bahamas

The government of the Bahamas is not active on Twitter. The Twitter account of Prime Minister Perry Christie was set up to help him win the elections in May 2012. He occasionally used it for personal announcements such as the passing of his 81-year old mother-in-law.

Prime Minister of Bahamas

Perry Christie

Perry Christie's Twitter account was created on 2 December 2010 and has been mainly used for campaign purposes, providing updates on his visits around the islands and personal commentaries on daily political developments. The account has only tweeted 34 times and went silent on 14 July 2012. When it was active Christie mentioned @myplp_believe, the Progressive Liberal Party's Twitter account in all of his tweets. On Election Day, on 7 May 2012 he tweeted: "Good morning Bahamas. We go to the polls to chart our future. I encourage you to vote PLP and Believe in the Bahamas. Peace", including a link to Bill Withers song "Lovely Day" on YouTube. His tweet of his swearing-in ceremony has become his most popular tweet. Perry Christie doesn't follow any other world leader.



Perry Christie

@pgchristie

Prime Minister and leader of the Progressive Liberal Party

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

Belize

Belize's political leadership is not very active on Twitter. Both the personal account of Dean Barrow and the institutional account of the government are dormant.

Prime Minister of Belize

Dean O. Barrow

The Prime Minister of Belize, Dean Barrow, has only tweeted twice on his personal account. His first tweet on 23 June 2011 read: "Check often for the latest updates on issues affecting you." In his second and last tweet a month later he thanked: "all those who posted questions on my FB page for the last edition of The Prime Minister Reports" and a link to his video response on YouTube.



Dean O. Barrow

[@BarrowDean](#)

Born in Belize City on March 2, 1951. First elected to the House of Representatives in 1984. Sworn in as Prime Minister of Belize on Friday, February 8, 2008.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **Dean O. Barrow**
@BarrowDean [Follow](#)

Officially on Twitter... Check often for the latest updates on issues affecting you.

11:33 PM - 23 Jun 2011

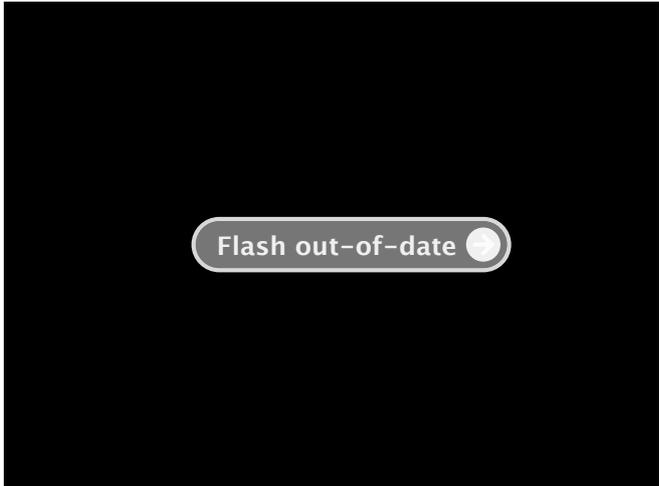
1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet

 **Dean O. Barrow**
@BarrowDean [Follow](#)

Visit youtube.com/watch?v=EkPSmw....
I want to thank all those who posted questions on my FB page for the last edition of The Prime Minister Reports

9:44 PM - 27 Jul 2011



 YouTube @YouTube

2 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Government of Belize

Government of Belize

“Government at Service of the People” reads the bio of the @belizegov institutional account. However, the government’s Twitter feed and Facebook page were only active for three days in June 2010. The account has been dormant ever since. Its 17 tweets are standard announcements, primarily in the form of links to the government’s website that profile government initiatives.



Government of Belize

@belizegov

Government at Service of The People

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (0)

Canada

Canada's Prime Minister Stephen Harper has a personal Twitter account in English (@PMHarper) and an institutional account in French (@PremierMinistre).

Prime Minister of Canada

Stephen Harper

Prime Minister Harper was the fourth world leader to sign up to Twitter in July 2007 in the footsteps of @BarackObama, however he only started to tweet in September 2008 asking his followers to “check out the new Conservative Party website.” Although the tweets are written in first person most of the tweeting is done by his staff. He tweets more than once a day, mostly in an informal way, about his vision for the country, his government actions and important days but he also lets followers enter his personal life. His Twitter account is also empathetic when needed, e.g. on the occurrence of natural disasters. During the last Sochi 2014 Olympic Games Prime Minister Harper got in on a sport rivalry with Barack Obama, betting two cases of beer on the win of Canada's hockey team over Team USA which led to his most retweeted tweet so far: “Like I said, #teamusa is good but #wearewinter. @BarackObama, I look forward to my two cases of beer. #CANvsUSA #Sochi2014”. Prime Minister Harper is not very conversational, only 1% of his tweets are @replies and 9% retweets. The most used words in his stream are: announced, today, #cdnpoli and Canada. Photos and videos are often shared on his Twitter accounts and the most mentioned users are Canadian astronaut @Cmdr_Hadfield and his wife @Laureen_Harper. @PMHarper is mutually following only two other world leaders including the @BritishMonarchy and Russian Prime Minister @MedvedevRussia.



Stephen Harper

@pmharper

Prime Minister of Canada. Suivez-moi en français à @premierministre.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (63)

follows mutually (5)

Foreign Minister of Canada

John Baird

Canada's Foreign Minister John Baird joined the Twittersphere during the 2011 Canadian federal elections. A firm believer in the benefits of digital diplomacy, recently he called on Canadian diplomats to make better and greater use of digital tools. He personally tweets from his BlackBerry, both in English and French, on key foreign politics issues including Ukraine – his most used hashtag, #Iran and #Syria. He tweets about his institutional agenda, speeches and meetings but not without leaving out his passion for sports and the Ottawa Senators hockey team. His stream also features direct mentions of US secretary of State @JohnKerry, Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt and former Italian Foreign Minister @GiulioTerzi and he mutually follows 17 other Foreign Ministers and ministries. His engagement reached its peak in March 2014 when he directly responded to questions coming from Twitter users via the hashtag #AskBaird. He also used Twitter to help find a kidney donor for his long-time political aide.



John Baird

@HonJohnBaird

Canada's Foreign Minister, and MP for Ottawa West-Nepean

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (31)

follows mutually (17)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,044

Following: 1,799

Followers: 30,588

Joined Twitter: 03/26/2011

Language: English/French

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.65

Retweets: 32%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.3

Replies/Tweet: 0.03

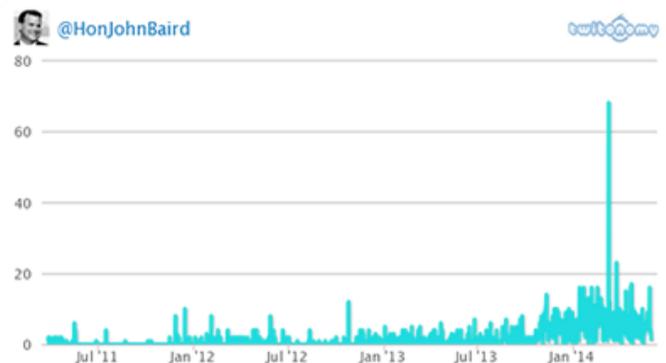
Tweets retweeted: 64%

Most mentioned @pmharper (32), @UN (15), @JohnKerry (14), @Lynne_Yelich (12), @HonJohnBaird (11), @StateDept (9), @ABZayed (7), @carlbildt (7), @christianparad (7), @KRuddMP (6).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



John Baird 
@HonJohnBaird



Kicking off the campaign with my friend Pierre P at Greenfields #elxn41

3:37 PM - 26 Mar 2011

1 FAVORITE

Most popular tweet



John Baird 
@HonJohnBaird



Just got off the phone with the Turkish ambassador and expressed concern over reports of a CBC journalist detained in Istanbul.

6:44 PM - 12 Jun 2013

306 RETWEETS 22 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Canada

DFATD

The Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade started its Twitter diplomacy activity on 9 March 2010 and since then it has been constantly active with eight tweets a day from both the English (@DFATDCanada) and French (@MAECDCanada) accounts. The account updates followers on crisis situations that require Canadian aid, newsworthy events involving the department, government initiatives, Foreign Minister Baird's institutional activity and often linking to relevant information on the department's website.

@DFATDCanada engages with other users: 37% of the total tweets are retweets and mentions are included more than every other tweet. Retweets, as indicated in the Twitter policy on the DFAIT web site, "happen especially during crisis situations, when time is of the essence in distributing critical information". The most retweeted tweet shared emergency numbers and an email address to help those affected by typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines. Ottawa is turning more and more to digital diplomacy to directly interact with the public: last June 2013 the Foreign Affairs Departments hosted two days of discussions that were live-streamed on its social media channels, including Twitter, to reach and inspire Iranians during presidential elections. The account maintains seven Twitter lists including one with the 61 Canadian missions abroad and one with 26 Canadian heads of missions both of which are constantly growing.



DFATD

@DFATDCanada

This is the official Twitter account of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada - Français : @MAECDCanada - international.gc.ca/SocialMediap

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (41)

followed unilaterally by (22)

follows mutually (26)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	6,778
Following:	901
Followers:	24,713
Joined Twitter:	03/09/2010
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	9.07
Retweets:	37%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.61
Replies/Tweet:	0.02
Tweets retweeted:	54%
Most mentioned	@HonJohnBaird (520), @DFATD_DEV (299), @Lynne_Yelich (82), @DFATDCanada (63), @BrandaidProject (29), @pmharper (29), @WFP (29), @deepakobhrai (24), @TheHudsonsBayCo (23), @UNICEFLive (21).

First tweet


DFATD 
Follow 

Canada @DFATDCanada

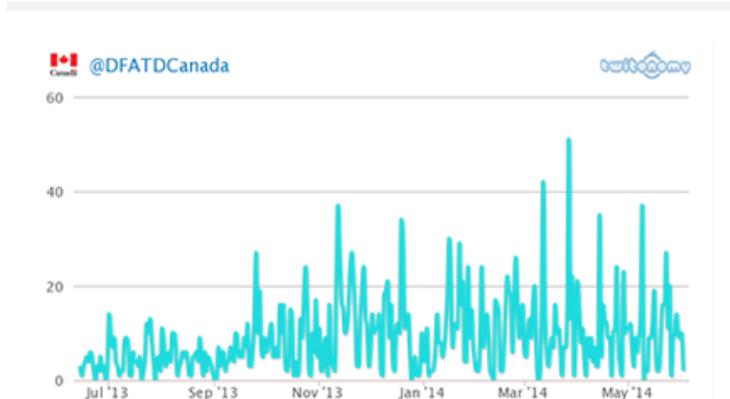
Minister Cannon to visit London and Paris, and attend Community of Democracies Meeting in Krakow, Poland <http://ow.ly/25mt9> #GOC #DFAIT

8:14 PM - 30 Jun 2010

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet


DFATD 
Follow 

Canada @DFATDCanada

Canadians needing urgent consular help following Typhoon #Haiyan can email sos@international.gc.ca or call collect 6139968885

3:00 PM - 9 Nov 2013

191 RETWEETS **12** FAVORITES

First tweet

 **Luis Guillermo Solís** 
@luisguillermosr 

A las 10 a.m. realizaremos la inscripción oficial de mi precandidatura. Esperamos que nos acompañen
[fbcdn-sphotos-d-a.akamaihd.net/hphoto: #unirparavanzar](https://fbcdn-sphotos-d-a.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc6/231082_536447073051483_1959424804_n.png)

2:40 PM - 27 Nov 2012

3 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: At 10 am we officially registered my candidacy. We hope you join us ... #unirparavanzar https://fbcdn-sphotos-da.akamaihd.net/hphotos-ak-snc6/231082_536447073051483_1959424804_n.png

Most popular tweet


Luis Guillermo Solís 
@luisguillermosr 

¡Tenemos el millón y más! ¡Muchas gracias Costa Rica por el cariño y el apoyo!
¡MUCHAS GRACIAS!

4:18 AM - 7 Apr 2014

714 RETWEETS 692 FAVORITES

Translation: We have one million and more! Thank you Costa Rica for the love and support! Thanks a lot!

Presidency of Costa Rica

Casa Presidencial CR

The institutional account of the Costa Rican presidency is extremely active, with over 26,000 tweets sent since 17 May 2010 at an average of over 15 tweets a day. The account tweets news stories, press releases and the daily activities of the president, the vice president and ministers, consistently @mentioning or retweeting their Twitter handles. The account also has a good volume of its tweets retweeted by other users – more than 60% of total tweets. The account posts videos from YouTube videos, pictures from Instagram, live tweets key speeches and uses Storify to summarize the social media conversations. Its most retweeted tweet is the announcement that the social networks of the presidency are transferred to the new president @luisguillermosr.



Casa Presidencial CR

@presidenciacr

Twitter Oficial de Casa Presidencial, Costa Rica.// Official Presidency of Costa Rica Twitter Account.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (33)

followed unilaterally by (20)

follows mutually (11)

First tweet

**La Noticia CR**
@NoticiaCR 

Lanzamiento de la campaña el próximo jueves 15 de enero del 2009, a las 11:30 a.m. en el Templo de la Música, Parque Morazán, San José.

5:02 PM - 8 Jan 2009

Translation: Campaign Launch on Thursday January 15, 2009, at the Temple of Music, Morazan Park, San Jose at 11.30 am.

Most popular tweet

**La Noticia CR**
@NoticiaCR 

Costa Rica es el país más seguro de América Latina, según Firma Internacional bit.ly/1oWb5Of

10:22 PM - 24 Mar 2014

13 RETWEETS **7** FAVORITES

Translation: We need all the help! Campaign "Costa Rica Solidarity"
<http://twitpic.com/347gfr>

Foreign Ministry of Costa Rica

Cancillería CR

On 27 February 2014 the Twitter account of Costa Rica's Foreign Ministry @Cancilleriacrc with more than 13,000 followers was renamed to the party account @RedPLN as the election campaign started to heat up. The account has since been restored but has been dormant. A new @CancilleriaCR account was set up on the same day but it only has several hundred followers and has also ceased its activity on 8 April 2014. It remains to be seen which of the two accounts will become the official account of the Costa Rican Foreign Ministry.



Cancillería CR

@CancilleriaCR

Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (52)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

Cuba

Cuban leader Raúl Castro is not tweeting personally and neither is his brother Fidel. However their speeches and opinions are broadcast on Twitter via @RaulCastroR and @cubadebate.

President of Cuba

Raúl Castro Ruz

The Twitter feed for the “First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba and the President of the Council of Ministers of Cuba” was created on 1 May 2011, when he presided “over the May Day parade in #SantiagodeCuba”. Raúl Castro’s tweets are written in Spanish, the majority of his tweets are links from the Cuba Debate website which reports on the daily activities of the Cuban leadership. The account consistently mentions @CubaDebate and @ReflexionFidel. The profile is neither interactive nor conversational with other users. There are only 2 retweets for @cubadebate since it was created. Despite this, its tweets receive a high volume of retweets. The most retweeted tweet is related to an ABC reporter who was fired from his job for refusing to manipulate Raul Castro speech.



Raúl Castro Ruz

[@RaulCastroR](#)

Discursos y noticias de Raúl Castro, Primer Secretario del @PartidoPCC y Presidente del Consejo de Estado y de Ministro de Cuba publicadas en @Cubadebate

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Raúl Castro Ruz**
@RaulCastroR [Follow](#)

[#RaulCastro](#) preside desfile en [#SantiagodeCuba](#) <http://bit.ly/jhvb8B> [@cubadebate](#) [#Cuba](#) [#1deMayo](#) (via [@cubadebate](#))

7:59 PM - 1 May 2011

1 RETWEET

Translation: #RaulCastro presides over the May Day parade in #SantiagodeCuba <http://bit.ly/jhvb8B> [@cubadebate](#) [#Cuba](#) [#1deMayo](#) (via [@cubadebate](#))

Most popular tweet

 **Raúl Castro Ruz**
@RaulCastroR [Follow](#)

Periodista de ABC despedido por negarse a manipular discurso de [#RaulCastro](#) bit.ly/18hQ0cu [#Cuba](#) (via [@cubadebate](#))

6:05 PM - 14 Jul 2013

[Periodista de ABC despedido por negarse a manipular discurso de Raúl...](#)

Recientemente despedido del diario ABC Color, denuncia en esta entrevista que lo echaron por negarse a manipular una información sobre un discurso del presidente cubano Raúl Castro. López afirma que...

 **Cubadebate** [@cubadebate](#)

496 RETWEETS 45 FAVORITES

Translation: ABC journalist fired for refusing to manipulate speech [#RaulCastro](#) <http://bit.ly/18hQ0cu> [##Cuba](#) (via [@Cubadebate](#))

Foreign Ministry of Cuba

Cuba MINREX

Cuba's Ministry of Foreign Affairs Twitter profile was set up on 8 May 2010 and defends Cuban interests with a strong nationalist point of view. The @CubaMINREX account is fairly active with 11 tweets per day and during key events, the volume of posts can reach more than 100 posts on a single day. On 13 November 2012, the foreign ministry posted 184 tweets in a single day, when the General Assembly at the United Nations adopted, for the 21st consecutive year, a resolution calling for an end to the economic, commercial and financial blockade against Cuba. Their tweets usually only get three retweets on average compared to their sizeable audience of 11,000 followers. The profile interacts with official or independent profiles that are favorable to the government, such as @cubadebate and @CubavsBloqueo and sometimes mentions President @RaulCastroR. In September 2013 the foreign ministry used the hashtag using the hashtag #GiveMeFive and directly addressed @BarackObama, asking him to use his constitutional prerogatives to free #LosCinco, five Cuban intelligence officers convicted in Miami of conspiracy to commit espionage in the United States. A third of all the tweets are retweets of the @CELACCuba account, "official account of the Republic of Cuba" within CELAC, the Community of Latin American and Caribbean countries.



Cuba MINREX

@CubaMINREX

• Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores de la República de Cuba
• • Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cuba •

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (2)

Dominica

The Prime Minister of Dominica has a Twitter account which is linked to his campaign website rooseveltskerrit.org, managed by the Dominica Labour Party

Prime Minister of Dominica

Roosevelt Skerrit

The @SkerritR account was set up in November 2013 when he was still minister for Education and his first tweet invited his followers to follow him for regular updates. The account is not particularly active, having sent only 99 tweets so far on an irregular basis. It is interesting to note that the account automatically shares his speeches recorded on his Soundcloud profile. The prime minister has never @mentioned or @replied his followers and he is only mutually following the government of Saint Kitts and Nevis @skngov.



Roosevelt Skerrit

@SkerritR

Prime Minister of the
Commonwealth of Dominica

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (17)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

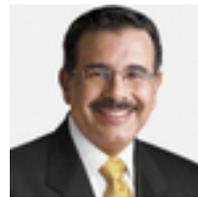
Dominican Republic

Danilo Medina, the President of the Dominican Republic used Twitter extensively during his election campaign, however since becoming president the Twitter style has become more formal and less conversational.

President of Dominican Republic

Danilo Medina

President Danilo Medina became the first presidential candidate to use Twitter as a political marketing tool, with an aggressive and organized campaign strategy up until he was elected on 20 May 2012. His Twitter strategy changed the day he assumed office on 16 August 2012 and the account has been tweeting irregularly mainly on important occasions. As presidential candidate, Danilo Medina interacted with other Twitter users, as president he no longer engages in Twitter conversations. @DaniloMedina is followed by 19 other world leaders but mutually only follows the institutional Twitter account of the presidency of the Dominican Republic.



Danilo Medina

@DaniloMedina

Presidente constitucional de la República Dominicana.

Comprometido con construir un país de oportunidades y bienestar. Padre de 3 bellas hijas, esposo de Candy.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (19)

follows mutually (1)

Presidency of Dominican Republic

PresidenciaRD

The official account of the Presidency of the Dominican Republic is the third most active account of all world leaders, posting on average 57 tweets each day. It is used mainly to inform about President @DaniloMedina's activities as well as his schedule and tweets quotes from his speeches. The Presidency of the Dominican Republic rarely @replies but mentions other Twitter users in every second tweet, mainly @DaniloMedina and other governmental accounts such as the office of the First Lady @PrimeraDamaDo and the Education Ministry @MinerdDO, as well as local media outlets. The presidency of the Dominican Republic is mutually following nine other governmental accounts.



PresidenciaRD

@PresidenciaRD

Cuenta twitter oficial de la Presidencia de la República Dominicana.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (57)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (9)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 38,352

Following: 523

Followers: 153,153

Joined Twitter: 04/13/2010

Language: Spanish

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 57.2

Retweets: 4%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.47

Replies/Tweet: 0

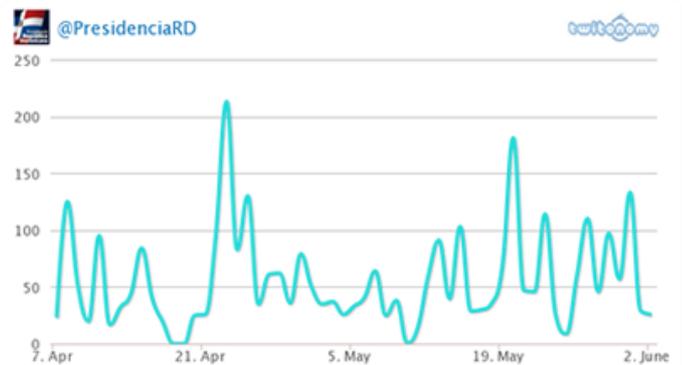
Tweets retweeted: 86%

Most mentioned @DaniloMedina (541), @911GobDo (175), @CarlosAmaranteB (61), @PoliciaRD (51), @AMETRD (45), @listindiario (45), @Diario_Libre (43), @GMontalvoFranco (40), @PeriodicoHoy (34), @MinerdDO (33).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



 **PresidenciaRD** 
@PresidenciaRD 

Lo nuevo <http://bit.ly/bFZVz0>
4:51 AM - 17 Apr 2010

Translation: The new <http://bit.ly/bFZVz0>

Most popular tweet



 **PresidenciaRD** 
@PresidenciaRD 

Hemos escuchado las opiniones de la ciudadanía. Anunciamos que se ha desestimado el acuerdo transaccional.
[#BahíaDeLasÁguilas](#)

11:53 PM - 21 Feb 2013

1,143 RETWEETS **82** FAVORITES

Translation: We have heard the views of the public. We are announcing that we have rejected the compromise.
[#BahíaDeLasÁguilas](#)

Foreign Ministry of Dominican Republic

Cancillería RD

The Twitter account of the ministry of foreign affairs (@MirexRD), tweets on average once a day. The account is used to inform about foreign affairs issues that involve the Dominican Republic, as well as to inform about activities regarding the ministry and its minister. A third of its tweets are retweets of other governmental accounts such as the presidency @PresidenciaRD, the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs @CesarDargam, and its embassy in the Washington @EmbajadaUSAenRD. The account often posts pictures of international meetings. The foreign ministry is following 67 other world leaders and is mutually connected with seven other world leaders.



Cancillería RD

@MIREXRD

Cuenta oficial del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores de la República Dominicana.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (63)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (7)

El Salvador

Since the election in March 2014 leaders in El Salvador have embraced Twitter as a communication tool and the new President has a personal Twitter account.

President of El Salvador

Salvador Sánchez C.

“Thank you people of El Salvador!” sent after winning the presidential elections has become President Salvador Sánchez Cerén’s most popular tweet after winning the elections in March 2014. The former vice president of El Salvador opened his personal Twitter account on May 2010. The account has been very active during the campaign and beyond with an average of 22 tweets sent each day. “Forward” (#adelante) and #VoteFMLN (#VotaFMLN) are the most used hashtags on his personal account. The president’s team also posts a number of pictures from his activities and international meetings.



Salvador Sánchez C.

[@sanchezceren](#)

Twitter oficial de Salvador Sánchez Cerén Presidente de la República de El Salvador para el periodo 2014 - 2019

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



Salvador Sánchez C.
@sanchezceren

Follow

vicepresidente Sánchez Cerén, viajó al caserío Rancho Quemado en Perquín, Morazán, para inaugurar ampliación de Complejo Educativo

6:44 PM - 15 Jul 2010

1 FAVORITE

Translation: Vice President Sanchez Ceren, traveled to the village of Rancho Quemado in Perquín, Morazán to inaugurate the expansion of the educational complex

Most popular tweet



Salvador Sánchez C.
@sanchezceren

Follow

¡Gracias pueblo salvadoreño!

6:44 AM - 10 Mar 2014

552 RETWEETS 216 FAVORITES

Translation: Thanks Salvadoran people!
<http://t.co/d1tvbTKOqA>

Presidency of El Salvador

Casa Presidencial

On 9 November 2009, the presidency of El Salvador under Mauricio Funes opened an official Twitter account to serve as channel for updates and news. However, it only sent its first tweet a year later: "President Mauricio Funes will attend the inauguration of the First Indigenous Congress today at the Port of Liberty". The account is fairly active with 13 tweets per day. Its most used hashtag is still former #PresidenteFunes but it has started to retweet tweets from President Salvador @SanchezCeren. In December 2011 the former president used the institutional account to send his "affection and hugs" to Argentine President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner who was about to undergo surgery to remove a thyroid cancer.



Casa Presidencial

@presidencia_sv

Cuenta oficial de la Presidencia de la República de El Salvador administrada por el equipo de la Subsecretaría de Comunicaciones.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (4)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	11,795
Following:	109
Followers:	53,139
Joined Twitter:	11/09/2009
Language:	Spanish
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	13.57
Retweets:	3%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.05
Replies/Tweet:	0
Tweets retweeted:	89%
Most mentioned	@gersonmop (20), @RadioNacionalsv (14), @dialogo21 (8), @AsambleaSV (8), @TVESsv (7), @MINEC_SV (6), @DebateconNacho (6), @isss_gob_sv (6), @MINEDelsalvador (5), @AuroraCubias (5).

First tweet

**Casa Presidencial**
@presidencia_sv [Follow](#)

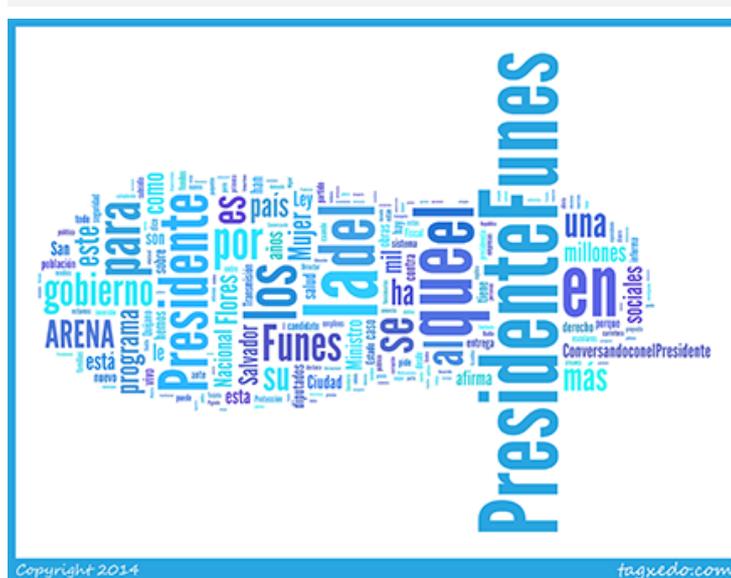
El Presidente Mauricio Funes asistirá a la inauguración del I Congreso Indígena el día de hoy en el Puerto de la Libertad

5:24 PM - 12 Oct 2010

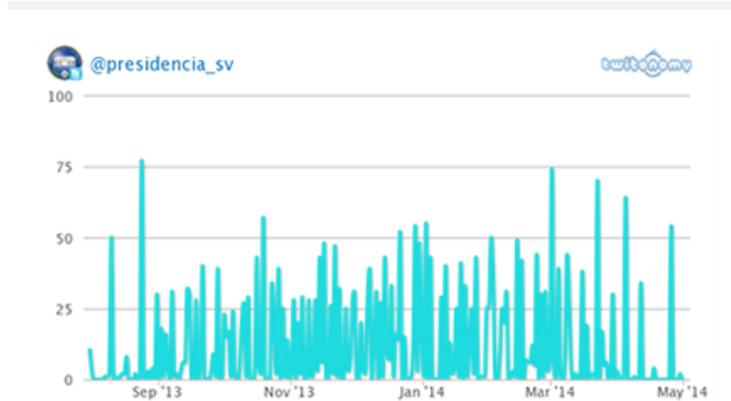
1 RETWEET

Translation: President Mauricio Funes will attend the inauguration of the First Indigenous Congress today at Puerto de la Libertad

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet

**Casa Presidencial**
@presidencia_sv [Follow](#)

#PresidenteFunes: "Yo estaría profundamente deprimido si me hubiera tenido que quitar la banda presidencial para dársela a Norman Quijano."

8:57 PM - 31 May 2014

106 RETWEETS 37 FAVORITES

Translation: #PresidenteFunes: "I would be deeply depressed if I had to remove the presidential sash to give it to Norman Quijano."

First tweet



RREE El Salvador
@cancilleriasv

**SECRETARIO DE ESTADO ADJUNTO DE
EUA VISITA EL SALVADOR LA PRÓXIMA
SEMANA**

4:22 AM - 30 Apr 2010

Translation: The US Deputy Secretary of State visits El Salvador next week

Most popular tweet



**Embajada de la
República Árabe de Egipto**

NOTA NO. 012.2014.MRE.SAL

La Embajada de la República Árabe de Egipto saluda muy atentamente al Honorable Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores de la República de El Salvador - Dirección General de Ceremonial Diplomático- y, tiene el honor de adjuntar un mensaje de felicitación, traducido al idioma español, dirigido al Excelentísimo Señor Salvador Sánchez Cerén, Presidente electo de la República de El Salvador de parte del Excelentísimo Juez Adly Mansour, Presidente de la República Árabe de Egipto.

*"Su Excelencia Señor
Salvador Sánchez Cerén
Presidente Electo de la República de El Salvador*

Me es muy grato dirigirme a Su Excelencia con el fin de expresarle mi más sincera felicitación por la victoria alcanzada en la reciente elección presidencial llevada a cabo en la hermana República de El Salvador, y manifestarle mi confianza en su capacidad de asumir las responsabilidades de su posición.

Asimismo, deseo expresarle mi plena disposición para continuar la cooperación entre ambos países hermanos, que permita beneficiar a nuestros pueblos.

Aprovecho la oportunidad para manifestarle mis mejores deseos por el mayor éxito en sus gestiones, que logre el bienestar y desarrollo de su país.

Mi sincera consideración y respeto,

*Juez/ Adly Mansour
Presidente de la República Árabe de Egipto*

La Embajada agradecerá a ese Distinguido Ministerio hacer llegar el mensaje de felicitación adjunto a Su Alto Destinatario.

La Embajada de la República Árabe de Egipto aprovecha la oportunidad para reiterar al Honorable Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores de la República de El Salvador -Dirección General de Ceremonial Diplomático-, las muestras de su más alta y distinguida consideración.

Guatemala, 24 de marzo de 2014.

Honorable,
Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
Dirección General de Ceremonial Diplomático
República de El Salvador

c.c. Dirección de África y Medio Oriente
Embajada de El Salvador en Guatemala



RREE El Salvador
@cancilleriasv

**La República Árabe de Egipto felicita al
candidato electo en las elecciones
presidenciales salvadoreñas.**

3:19 AM - 25 Mar 2014

62 RETWEETS **16** FAVORITES

Translation: The Arab Republic of Egypt congratulated the elected candidate in the Salvadoran presidential election.
pic.twitter.com/YM6oarPx2G

Grenada

The Government of Grenada has been on Twitter since June 2009, just sharing links to its Facebook page, YouTube channel and government website. The profile has been dormant since 10 January 2013. There is a Twitter account claiming to be Foreign Minister @SteeleNickolas but it has no Twitter bio and it is dormant.

Government of Grenada

Gov't of Grenada

The Grenada Government Twitter account must be the most boring Twitter feed, because includes only links to its Government website, its Facebook page or its weekly new bulletin compiled by the Government Information Service on YouTube. The links occasionally include a headline or an explanation and not surprisingly the account only has a few hundred followers. One of its most popular tweets, retweeted only three times is the video of Kirani James receiving Grenada's first gold medal after winning the 400-metre race at the Athletics World Championships in Daegu, South Korea in September 2011.



Gov't of Grenada

@govgd

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (0)

Guatemala

The government of Guatemala started its Twitter activity in September 2009 under President Álvaro Colom. Since coming to power in January 2012 President Otto Pérez Molina has set up a new institutional account besides his personal profile.

President of Guatemala

Otto Pérez Molina

In one of his first tweets Otto Pérez Molina summed up the use of Twitter: “Communication is actually easier when I have it in my pocket.” Guatemala’s President Otto Perez Molina started his Twitter activity in November 2009 and used it to share updates for his agenda and the Patriotic Party. The account was used as a campaign account and has remained active since his election on 11 September 2011. The account is being used to update its followers on the government’s activities, including those in which the president is not attending. 15% of its tweets are retweets, often of the institutional @GuatemalaGob account. This account, according to statements made by the president, is managed by his communication team, and mainly follows news outlets and other ministries in order to share their news. The most retweeted tweet is a red alert warning about the 7.4 magnitude earthquake that struck off the Pacific coast of Guatemala on 7 November 2012. President Molina is mutually connected with three other world leaders mainly from Latin America.



Otto Pérez Molina

[@ottoperezmolina](#)

Presidente Constitucional de la República de Guatemala.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (5)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	3,658
Following:	60
Followers:	142,293
Joined Twitter:	11/18/2009
Language:	Spanish
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.74
Retweets:	15%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.15
Replies/Tweet:	0.04
Tweets retweeted:	66%
Most mentioned	@GuatemalaGob (55), @roxanabaldetti (32), @ottoperezmolina (28), @mlopezbonilla (25), @CIVgt (14), @fdelrinconCNN (12), @Laura_Ch (10), @ASinibaldi (10), @CNNEE (9), @EPN (9).

First tweet



Otto Pérez Molina ✓

@ottoperezmolina

 Follow

PARTIDOPATRIOTA-
+livestreaming+video+powered+by+Live
stream: <http://bit.ly/RcexJ> via [@addthis](#)

6:16 AM - 19 Nov 2009

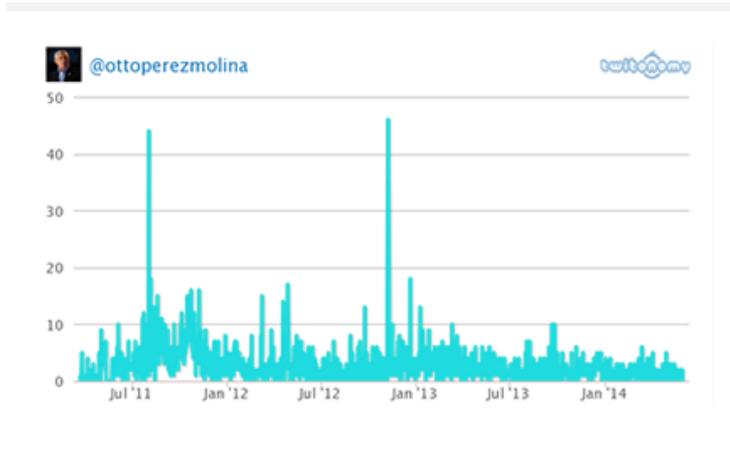
1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: PATRIOTAPARTY-
+livestreaming+video+powered+by+Livestream:
<http://bit.ly/RcexJ> via [@addthis](#)

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Otto Pérez Molina ✓

@ottoperezmolina

 Follow

Se declara alerta roja nacional, se suspenden actividades públicas y se recomienda evacuar edificios.

7:08 PM - 7 Nov 2012

1,263 RETWEETS **46** FAVORITES

Translation: Red alert is declared. National public activities are suspended and it is recommended to evacuate buildings.

First tweet



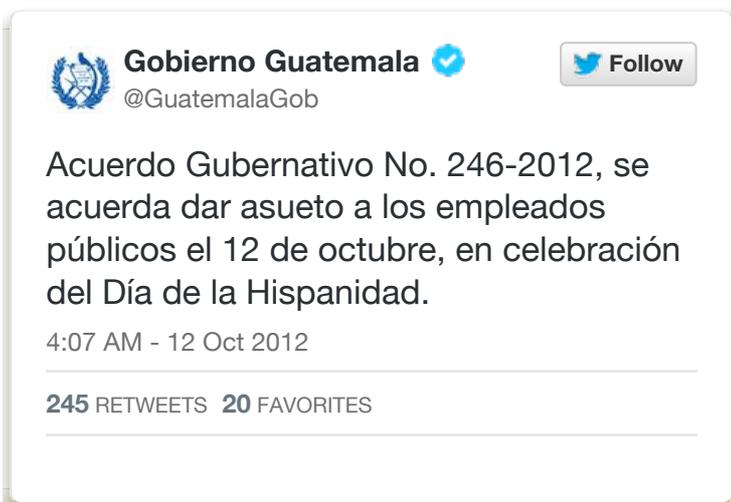
Gobierno Guatemala @GuatemalaGob

Con la firma del Pacto #HambreCero se busca reducir un 10% la desnutrición en nuestro país. Este flagelo afecta al 49% de la población.

7:19 PM - 17 Feb 2012

Translation: By signing the #HambreCero treaty, we aim to reduce malnutrition by 10% in our country. This scourge affects 49% of the population.

Most popular tweet



Gobierno Guatemala @GuatemalaGob

Acuerdo Gubernativo No. 246-2012, se acuerda dar asueto a los empleados públicos el 12 de octubre, en celebración del Día de la Hispanidad.

4:07 AM - 12 Oct 2012

245 RETWEETS 20 FAVORITES

Translation: Government Agreement No. 246-2012, remembers giving public employees the day off on October 12 in celebration of Columbus Day.

Foreign Ministry of Guatemala

MINEX Guatemala

Guatemala's foreign ministry has been active on Twitter since July 2010 and has been tweeting intermittently. The account had its peak activity in October 2011, when Guatemala was chosen as a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council, for the 2012-2013 term. The tweets of @MinexGT are broadcasting the activities of the foreign minister such as the presentation of diplomatic credentials, news linked to the ministry's website, and activities of embassies and consulates abroad. @MinexGt has a low level of engagement with its followers, and interacts mostly with Guatemala's main media outlets, such as @Prensa_Libre, @NuestroDiario, @EmisorasUnidas, and @Sonora696, among others. @MinexGt is not connected to any other foreign ministry and mutually only follows @OttoPerezMolina. The most retweeted post was published on 11 March 2011, sharing the contact number of Guatemala's embassy in Japan for information related to the tsunami that struck Japan.



MINEX Guatemala @MinexGt

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (1)

Haiti

Haiti's government has increasingly made use of Twitter in the last years and the president, the prime minister and the foreign minister all have personal profiles. President Michel Martelly, also known by his musician stage name "Sweet Micky" initially joined Twitter as @PresidentMicky. The President's account was renamed to @MichelJMartelly in March 2012 and the former account of @PresidentMicky has been protected so that no one could 'take the mickey'.

President of Haiti

Michel J. Martelly

Haitian President Michel Martelly tweets in three different languages, Creole, French and English. He is relatively active with three tweets per day. 20% of his posts are retweets, namely of @TourismHaiti, Prime Minister @LaurentLamothe and his wife @SophiaMartelly. Most retweeted have been his condolences after the passing of Venezuela's President Hugo Chávez. Michel Martelly joined Twitter on 21 January 2010 at the start of his presidential election campaign. He follows 17 other global leaders and is mutually connected to nine of peers. The official account of the presidential palace @PalaisNational is dormant since 21 December 2012 and has only sent one tweet promoting the president's blog <http://MartellyHaiti.com>.



Michel J. Martelly

@MichelJMartelly

Michel Joseph Martelly, Prezidan Repiblik Ayiti - Président de la République d'Haïti.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (9)

Prime Minister of Haiti

Laurent Lamothe

The Twitter account of Haitian Prime Minister Laurent Lamothe was set up on 18 August 2011 a year before he came to power. @LaurentLamothe is very active with almost 17 tweets per day. Laurent Lamothe tweets in French and Creole and sometimes giving personal insights of his meetings. His team makes good use of pictures and videos capturing moments of his public appearances. On a visit to Sao Paolo in May 2013 his team trialed Twitter's video application Vine, posting eight six-second videos capturing moments of his presentation. In a picture of a cabinet meeting one of his ministers can be seen surfing Facebook, rather than listening to the prime minister. His tweet "Haiti is now amongst the 5 safest countries in the Caribbean. Please RT" sent on 16 December 2011 is still his most popular tweet. Furthermore he is interactive, occasionally @replying and @mentioning other Twitter users. Most often mentioned is President @MichelJMartelly. Laurent Lamothe is among the top three best connected Latin American leaders, unilaterally following 57 and mutually connected with 25 world leaders.



Laurent Lamothe

@LaurentLamothe

Premier ministre de la République d'Haïti

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (57)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (25)

Foreign Minister of Haiti

PierreRichardCasimir

Haiti's Foreign Minister Pierre Richard Casimir opened his personal Twitter account on 13 January 2012, but after sending only 13 tweets the account went silent on 10 February 2012. Seven out of his 13 tweets sent are retweets of Prime Minister Lamothe who also welcomed him to Twitter: "#FF @PierreRCasimir and welcome on #Twitter to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Haiti".



PierreRichardCasimir

@PierreRCasimir

Secrétaire d'Etat aux Affaires
Etrangères de la République d'Haiti

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (1)

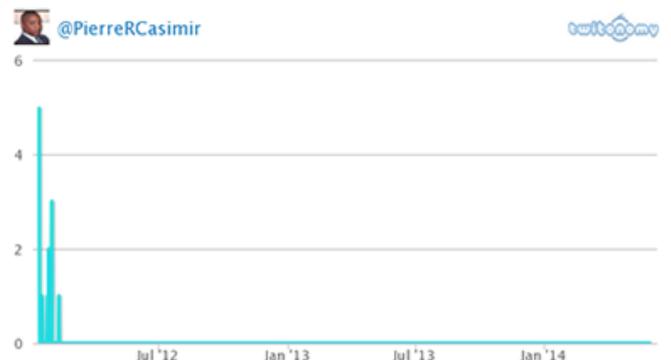
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	13
Following:	55
Followers:	244
Joined Twitter:	01/13/2012
Language:	French
Status:	Dormant since 10.02.2012
Tweets/day:	0.01
Retweets:	54%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.15
Replies/Tweet:	0.15
Tweets retweeted:	15%
Most mentioned	@LaurentLamothe (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Laurent Lamothe 
@LaurentLamothe 

#FF @PierreRCasimir et bienvenue sur #twitter au Secrétaire d'Etat aux Affaires Etrangères de la République d'Haïti. RT SVP

7:30 PM - 13 Jan 2012

11 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: #FF for @PierreRCasimir and welcome the Secretary of State of Haiti to #twitter

Most popular tweet



PierreRichardCasimir
@PierreRCasimir 

J'ai eu une rencontre ce matin avec M. Eduardo Almeida, Representant de la BID autour de la coopération en Haiti.

7:59 PM - 27 Jan 2012

1 RETWEET 1 FAVORITE

Translation: I had a meeting this morning with Eduardo Almeida, Representative of the IDB around cooperation in Haiti.

Foreign Ministry of Haiti

DiplomatieHaiti

The second Twitter account of the Haitian foreign ministry, set up on 20 March 2013 is equally active, tweeting on average average three times per day. Tweets are mostly written in Creole and French and the foreign ministry regularly retweets President @MichelJMartelly and Prime Minister @LaurentLamothe. Apart from the accounts of the president and of the prime minister of Haiti @MAECHaiti is only mutually connected to @FranceDiplo.



DiplomatieHaiti

@MAECHaiti

Compte Officiel Twitter du Ministère des Affaires Etrangères et des Cultes

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (6)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet



Translation: @MichelJMartelly and the Prime Minister were at Jacmel for the inauguration of infrastructure projects.

Most popular tweet



Translation: Meet the Chancellor HE Pierre-Richard Casimir with the Mayor of Montreal Denis Coderre at <http://t.co/BQFsH9zWID>

Honduras

The leadership of Honduras has been active on Twitter for several years, but the institutional accounts created under the previous government of President Porfirio Lobo Sosa namely @PresidenciadeHN and @ComunicadosHN have been abandoned and are now dormant.

President of Honduras

Juan Orlando H.

Honduran President Juan Orlando set up his Twitter account on 2 March 2013 as he was preparing for his election campaign. Since becoming President in January 2014 he is quite active on the platform often tweeting pictures of his meetings including selfies with his fans and the first lady @anagarciacarias who is also the most retweeted account on his profile. His team tweets on average five times per day and a third of his tweets are retweets often of the institutional account of the presidency @PResidencia_HN. @JuanOrlandoH is not yet well connected with his peers, mutually only following four other Latin American leaders.



Juan Orlando H.

@JuanOrlandoH

Cuenta oficial del Presidente de la República de Honduras. 2014 - 2018 [facebook.com/juanorlandohx](https://www.facebook.com/juanorlandohx)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (5)

First tweet



Juan Orlando H.
@JuanOrlandoH



Llevando vida mejor a Rony y a Nidia de la colonia Mirador de Oriente. ¡El programa [#VidaMejor](#) no se detiene!

2:39 AM - 20 Dec 2013

60 RETWEETS 20 FAVORITES

Translation: Leading life better for Rony and Nidia from the Mirador de Oriente colony. The [#BetterLife](#) program does not stop!

Foreign Ministry of Honduras

SRE-Honduras

The foreign ministry of Honduras tweets less than once a day, but most of its tweets include a picture of the ministry's activities and a link to its website. The Twitter account of the Department of Foreign Relation and International Cooperation of Honduras was created in August 2011 but it is not yet well connected with its peers, mutually only following the French and the Spanish foreign ministries.

Most popular tweet



Casa Presidencial

@Presidencia_HN



#Comunicado: Presidente @JuanOrlandoH lamenta accidente aéreo ocurrido en Celaque y se compromete a hacer frente a esta difícil situación.

10:10 PM - 23 Apr 2014

62 RETWEETS 8 FAVORITES

Translation: [#PressRelease](#): President @JuanOrlandoH regrets the plane crash in Celaque and undertakes to deal with this difficult situation.



SRE-Honduras

@SREHonduras

Este es el twitter oficial de la Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores y Cooperación Internacional de Honduras (2014)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet



Translation: Thanks for following the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on twitter - please follow us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com / SREHonduras](http://www.facebook.com/SREHonduras)

Most popular tweet



Translation: SICA: Security strategy in Central America is on track. More on <http://www.sre.gob.hn>

Jamaica

The government of Jamaica has been active on Twitter since June 2009 with an institutional account. Current Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller also has a personal account set up before her election.

Prime Minister of Jamaica

Portia SimpsonMiller

Jamaica's Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller joined Twitter in December 2011. Since then she has tweeted in a semi-regular but consistent manner. Her Twitter feed provides updates on her agenda and videos from her activities, positions on policy topics, among which social development issues, as well as important news announcements and statements, with links to the website of the Jamaica Information Service <http://www.jis.gov.jm>. Portia Simpson Miller follows no peers but is followed by the prime minister of Trinidad and Tobago (@PMKamla). Almost all of her updates come from her Facebook page, and the most mentioned profiles are the institutional Twitter account of the government (@OPMJamaica); the profile of her party (@JamaicaPNP) and the news portal @JamaicaGleaner.



Portia SimpsonMiller

@PSimpsonMiller

Portia Simpson-Miller is the leader of the People's National Party and Jamaica's first female Prime Minister.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet

 **Jamaica House**
@OPMJamaica [Follow](#)

PM back from London where he met Jamaicans. Asked ILO for money for training and education.

4:08 AM - 19 Jun 2009

Most popular tweet



 **Jamaica House**
@OPMJamaica [Follow](#)

Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller made a presentation to Jamaica's London 2012 Olympic medallist, Usain Bolt.

9:02 PM - 16 Oct 2012

117 RETWEETS **67** FAVORITES

Mexico

The Mexican presidential administration has become the most prolific world leader account with a record 78 tweets per day. President Enrique Peña Nieto is the 12th most followed world leader on Twitter.

President of Mexico

Enrique Peña Nieto

The Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto is the third most followed Latin American leader and the 12th world wide and still tweets mostly from a Blackberry, with a little more than three tweets per day. He is not very conversational as only 9% of these are @replies to his followers. His most retweeted and favorited post was sent on 22 February 2014 when the local authorities captured former Mexican drug lord Joaquin Guzman Loera (“El Chapo Guzman”): “I acknowledge the work of the security institutions of the Mexican state to achieve the apprehension of Joaquin Guzman Loera in Mazatlan” retweeted 25,000 times. His tweets are retweeted on average 371 times. Most of his tweets are related to official acts and governmental actions. In this context important topics that @EPN has commented on are #ReformaEnergetica (energy reform), #WEF (the World Economic Forum in Davos), and the #PactoporMéxico (an agreement among the country’s political parties). @EPNJ is mutually connected with the leading Latin American presidents.

EPN avatar



Enrique Peña Nieto

@EPN

Presidente de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (29)

follows mutually (11)

First tweet



 **Presidencia México** 
@PresidenciaMX 

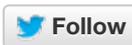
En el Lanzamiento del Programa Nacional de Sustitución de Electrodomésticos, en el Municipio de Naucalpan, Edo. de México.

9:16 PM - 23 Apr 2009

Translation: The Launch of the National Appliance Replacement Program, in the municipality of Naucalpan, Edo. of Mexico.

Most popular tweet



 **Presidencia México** 
@PresidenciaMX 

Hoy el Pdte. @EPN entrega el Buque de Investigación Pesquera y Oceanográfica para Aguas Profundas #BIPO @SAGARPA_mx

9:38 PM - 23 Apr 2014

2,296 RETWEETS 32 FAVORITES

Translation: #News Release: President @EPN grants the order of the Aztec Eagle to 3 distinguished Japanese citizens. <http://ow.ly/jUU8d>

Government of Mexico

Gobierno República

The account of Mexico's government is the second most active Twitter account with 71 tweets per day. @GovRep has adopted the same Twitter strategy as the presidency, repeating tweets at different times to garner more attention and a larger audience. The account tweets essentially the same tweets as the presidential account broadcasting news about the government, presidential acts and general news of the country. Two thirds of the its tweets are sent from the Hootsuite platform which allows scheduling of posts at different times. 20% of its tweets are retweets of the @PresidenciaMX and @EPN is by far the most mentioned user. Its most retweeted tweet was about the increase of tourism in Mexico.

gobrep avatar



Gobierno República

@gobrep

Actualidad del Gobierno de la República de México.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (17)

follows mutually (3)

Foreign Minister of Mexico

José Antonio Meade

Mexico's Foreign Minister José Antonio Meade tweets on average 2.5 times per day and @PresidenciaMX, the Ministry of Energy @SENER_mx, former president @FelipeCalderon and @EPN are the most mentioned in his Twitter stream. His tweets are usually about meetings, agreements and his international meetings often accompanied by a handshake picture. His most retweeted tweet was about a speech by the Governor of Veracruz during the Ibero-American Summit 2014. @JoseAMeadeK is well connected with other foreign ministers unilaterally following 31 and mutually following 16 peers.



José Antonio Meade

@JoseAMeadeK

Secretario de Relaciones Exteriores de México. Licenciado en Economía por el ITAM y en Derecho por la UNAM.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (31)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (16)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 2,952

Following: 1,101

Followers: 123,920

Joined Twitter: 01/12/2011

Language: Spanish

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 2.48

Retweets: 8%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.45

Replies/Tweet: 0.04

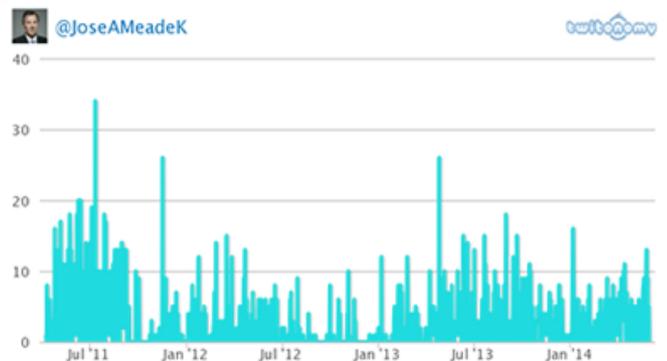
Tweets retweeted: 82%

Most mentioned @EPN (137), @FelipeCalderon (67), @SRE_mx (62), @GOBFED (32), @A_delPacífico (30), @Pemex (24), @CFEmx (18), @ONUWeb (16), @SHCP_mx (14), @SENER_mx (10).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



José Antonio Meade  [@JoseAMeadeK](#) 

Estoy contento de participar en Twitter.
¡Les agradezco su atención y sus #FF !

2:30 AM - 9 Apr 2011

1 RETWEET

Translation: I am pleased to participate in Twitter. Thank you for your attention and your #FF !

Most popular tweet



José Antonio Meade  [@JoseAMeadeK](#) 

De suma importancia la plática de [@Javier_Duarte](#) sobre cómo [#DiplomaciaMX](#) y los estados colaboran para difundir dinamismo de [#MéxicoGlobal](#)

9:06 PM - 9 Jan 2014

270 RETWEETS 17 FAVORITES

Translation: Of the utmost importance the speech of [@Javier_Duarte](#) about how [#DiplomacyMX](#) and the states collaborate to disseminate dynamism of [#MexicoGlobal](#)

Foreign Ministry of Mexico

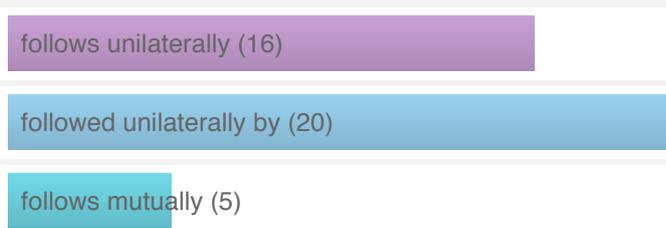
SRE México

The Mexican foreign ministry joined Twitter on 11 December 2009 and it was one of the first to put its missions abroad on Twitter. The [@SRE_mx](#) account has several Twitter lists including 35 embassies, 42 consulates and 15 ambassadors active on Twitter. This profile has increased its activity almost three times, going from 6 to 16 tweets on average per day. [@SRE_mx](#) tweets mostly about the role of Mexico on international matters ranging from human rights to Mexico's contribution and alliance with other countries. A quarter of its tweets are retweets of other government account and mainly the ministry's head of communications [@E_del_Rio](#) and Foreign Minister [@JoseAMeadeK](#). This foreign ministry account was particularly activity during the execution of Edgar Tamayo, a Mexican sentenced to death by lethal injection in Texas. The tweet: "Mexico regrets the execution in Texas of compatriot Edgar Tamayo has become one of its most retweeted tweets. The [@SRE_mx](#) account is not well connected with its peers and mutually follows only the foreign ministry of Spain.



SRE México
[@SRE_mx](#)
Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores
Plaza Juárez #20, Col. Centro, Del. Cuauhtémoc. Distrito Federal CP. 06010, Tel: (55) 3686 - 5100

Peer connections (as of June 2014)



Panama

Panamanian leaders have actively been using Twitter as a means of communication. Former President Ricardo Martinelli frequently made headlines with his personal tweets. His successor, Juan Carlos Varela, the communications office of the government as well as the foreign minister and ministry are active on Twitter.

President of Panama

Juan Carlos Varela

Panama's vice President Juan Carlos Varela won the presidential elections on 4 May 2014 and has been tweeting since 14 January 2011. @JC_Varela tweets personally except when he is at public events his team does the tweeting for him. Since his election his team chronicles his activities including pictures and videos in many of his tweets. His family, and most of all his wife @licastillo31, are often mentioned in his tweets and feature in the pictures he posts. Besides a strong social and political content, Varela's posts often have a religious connotation and appeal to moral, transparency and equity. Varela is following 19 other world leaders, but so far only one, namely the presidency of Ecuador @Presidencia_EC has returned the favour.



Juan Carlos Varela

@JC_Varela

Vicepresidente de la República de Panamá. Presidente del Partido Panameñista. Esposo, padre, hijo y hermano.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (19)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **Juan Carlos Varela** 
@JC_Varela 

contento, muy pronto se estara resolviendo de el todo el problema de el agua en la ciudad

8:34 PM - 14 Jan 2011

Translation: happy, very soon the whole water problem in the city will be solved

Most popular tweet



 **Juan Carlos Varela** 
@JC_Varela 

Que Dios Bendiga a #Panamá

2:45 AM - 5 May 2014

4,174 RETWEETS 1,704 FAVORITES

Translation: May God Bless #Panama
pic.twitter.com/2yyaNaFHvj

Government of Panama

Sec. de Comunicación

The communication office @SecComunicacion is an institutional Twitter account created to make official announcements on projects, laws and other important national matters. The account was set up 23 August 2011 and most of the tweets are press releases and the latest news about the ministries, the cabinet, the president and the first lady. Even though it has less than 10,000 followers, more than two thirds of its tweets are retweeted by other users.

 **Sec. de Comunica...**
[@SecComunicacion](https://twitter.com/SecComunicacion)
Cuenta oficial de la Secretaría de Comunicación del Estado, Gobierno Nacional.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Fco Alvarez De Soto
@FAlvarezDeSoto

[Follow](#)

Bueno, aquí voy ... mi primer Tweet

4:33 AM - 12 Aug 2011

Translation: Well, here I go... my first Tweet

Most popular tweet



Fco Alvarez De Soto
@FAlvarezDeSoto

[Follow](#)

Panamá propuso hoy que @OEA_oficial reciba a actores de la sociedad civil vzlana como los estudiantes para conocer de la situación en Vzla.

2:33 AM - 11 Mar 2014

1,317 RETWEETS **142** FAVORITES

Translation: Panama today proposed that @OEA_oficial receive Venezuela's civil society actors such as students to assess the situation in Venezuela.

Foreign Ministry of Panama

Cancillería Panamá

Panama's Foreign Ministry has been on Twitter since the 30 November 2012 with the @CancilleriaPA account which has gone silent since 11 December 2013. The foreign ministry has set up a new account @CancilleriaPMA on the 14 February 2014 which has less than 500 followers but is mutually following the foreign ministries of Ecuador, El Salvador and the government of Honduras.

@CancilleriaPMA is fairly active and tweets on average six times per day, mainly retweeting the personal account of Foreign Minister Francisco Álvarez De Soto. The account posts pictures and videos of his meetings in every second tweet.



Cancillería Panamá

@CancilleriaPma

Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

Puerto Rico

Puerto Ricans leaders are active on Twitter. Governor Alejandro García Padilla and Secretary of State David Bernier both have active personal profiles on Twitter.

Governor of Puerto Rico

Alejandro

@AGarciaPadilla is the Twitter account of Alejandro García Padilla, governor of Puerto Rico since 2013. García Padilla is also the president of the Popular Democratic Party, which favors the current Commonwealth status for this unincorporated territory of the United States. His account was created on 7 May 2010 and his personal tweets are signed “-AGP.” During the 2012 general elections, the account provided insights during the campaign trail, as well as results on Election Day. The most retweeted tweet is a photo García Padilla posted when he attended artist Calle 13’s concert in Mexico, and the lead singer asked the audience to light up their cell phones as a request for the release of Puerto Rican political prisoner Oscar López. Another of his most favored and most retweeted posts was when the Governor posted a “selfie,” after he shaved his head in solidarity with children with cancer. His profile is rarely conversational and is dedicated mostly to posting news and highlights of the current administration’s work.



Alejandro

[@agarciapadilla](#)

Perfil oficial del Gobernador de Puerto Rico. Official Profile of Puerto Rico's Governor. Tuits del Gobernador son firmados -AGP

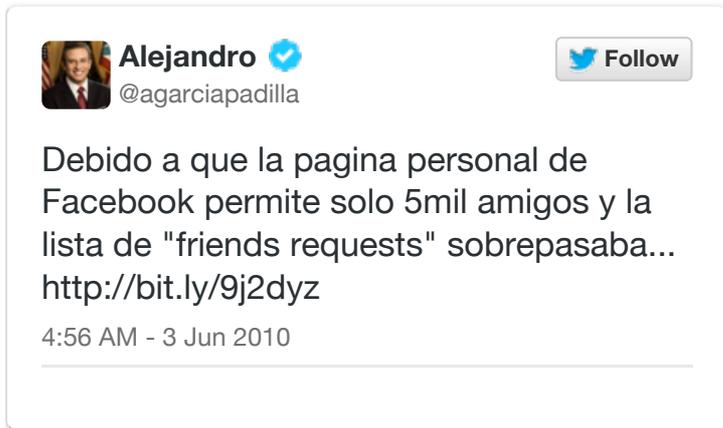
Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet



Translation: Because personal Facebook profiles only allow 5.000 friends and the list of friend requests exceeded...<http://bit.ly/9j2dyz>

Most popular tweet



Translation: Last night at the @Calle13Oficial concert in Mexico when he asked to turn on cell phones for the freedom of Óscar López - AGP

First tweet

**La Fortaleza**
@fortalezapr Follow

Bienvenidos al Twitter oficial de la Fortaleza de Puerto Rico.

7:37 PM - 1 Oct 2009

Translation: Welcome to the official Twitter of the 'Fortress' of Puerto Rico.

Most popular tweet

**La Fortaleza**
@fortalezapr Follow

Se cancelan las clases y el trabajo hasta nuevo aviso. Pendientes a los boletines de las 11pm y 5am por si surgen cambio.

3:19 AM - 5 Sep 2013

424 RETWEETS 56 FAVORITES

Translation: Classes and work are canceled until further notice. Stay tuned to news updates at 11pm and 5am if changes come up.

Secretary of State of Puerto Rico

David Bernier

David Bernier, the Secretary of State of Puerto Rico was formerly Secretary of Sports and Recreation, President of Puerto Rico's Olympic Committee, and is a member of the Popular Democratic Party. The @DavidBernierPR account was created on 13 March 2012. It is unclear whether Bernier is tweeting personally, but most of his posts are informative about his current work as a diplomat. The most retweeted tweet has been a post supporting Puerto Rico's national basketball team, when they were competing in the final match of the FIBA Americas Championship in 2013. The second most retweeted and favorited tweet was commemorating the anniversary of Rosa Parks' civil rights activism in the United States. @DavidBernierPR often retweets posts from @DeptEstadoPR, the institutional profile of Puerto Rico's State Department. Bernier's account is occasionally conversational, and sometimes replies to followers' comments.



David Bernier

@DavidBernierPR

Cuenta Oficial del Secretario de Estado de Puerto Rico

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

State Department of Puerto Rico

Dept de Estado

The Twitter account of Puerto Rico's Department of State (@DeptEstadoPR) was created on 4 June 2013. The account mostly posts news and highlights projects of the Secretary of State David Bernier. The account retweets all of Bernier's personal tweets and any tweets that mentions the Department of State or the Secretary of State. The most retweeted post is a photo of Governor Alejandro García Padilla and Secretary of State David Bernier during a meeting with the Spanish Foreign Minister García-Margallo during his visit to Puerto Rico. This profile is rarely conversational.



Dept de Estado

@DeptEstadoPR

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (3)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 509

Following: 158

Followers: 3,477

Joined Twitter: 06/04/2013

Language: Spanish

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.34

Retweets: 75%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.28

Replies/Tweet: 0.08

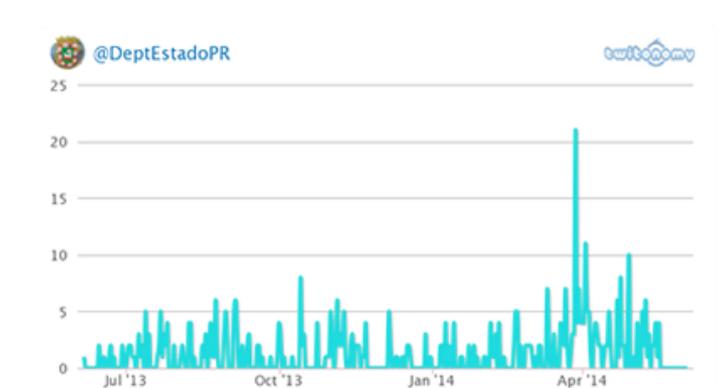
Tweets retweeted: 24%

Most mentioned @DavidBernierPR (64), @DeptEstadoPR (16), @notiuno (5), @SecPrensa (3), @radioisla1320 (3), @FChevereCCE (2), @BacoFomento (2), @marcoossantana (2), @RamonEOrta (2), @UnivisionPR (2).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history

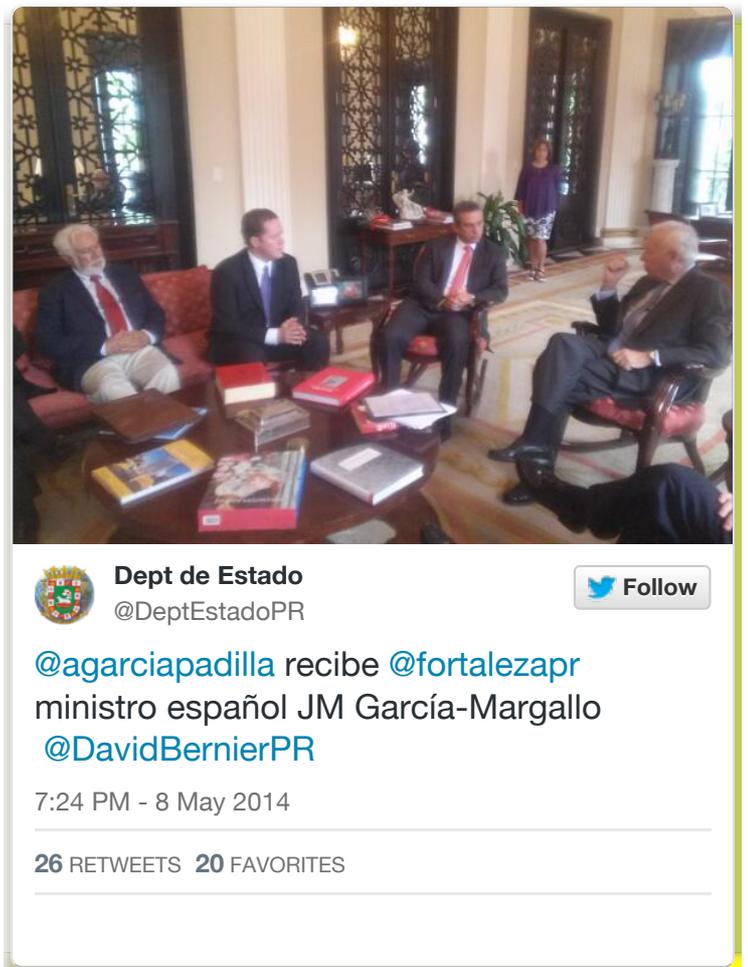


First tweet



Translation: @DavidBernierPR attended along with @CarmenYulinCruz the announcement on medical services to pregnant women without requiring immigration status.

Most popular tweet



Translation: @agarciapadilla received at @fortalezapr the Spanish Minister JM Garcia-Margallo @DavidBernierPR

Saint Kitts and Nevis

The government of Saint Kitts and Nevis is on Twitter since March 2014 @SKNGov. The campaign accounts of Prime Minister @DenzilLDouglas and @Denzil_Douglas are no longer in use.

Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis

SKN Government

The official Twitter account of the government of St. Kitts and Nevis was launched on 6 March 2014. In its short existence, the account has developed a small following, and has a consistent, yet small online presence, with an average of almost three tweets per day. @skngov is using hashtags, particularly #StKitts and #SKN, often retweeting local media accounts, such as @SKNnews, @NewsOfStKitts, and @CaribNewsNow. Content includes updates on the activities of Prime Minister Denzil Douglas. It appears that the manager of the account decided to follow as many accounts as s/he could find with "Kitts" in their handle. The account has posted 27 pictures including a picture of a baby peacefully sleeping in a baby seat which was probably not meant to be posted on the governmental Twitter stream.



SKN Government

@skngov

The official Twitter account of the government of St. Kitts and Nevis.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	284
Following:	1,240
Followers:	370
Joined Twitter:	03/06/2014
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	2.89
Retweets:	32%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.1
Replies/Tweet:	0.05
Tweets retweeted:	21%
Most mentioned	@ShareThis (3), @Caribintelligen (3), @kidneytrust (1), @sweetkavvie (1), @RockLuxuryLife (1), @writersxpassion (1), @gerbrecha (1), @BeachBarBums (1), @islandswagco (1), @meta_guide_kn (1).

First tweet



SKN Government
@skngov



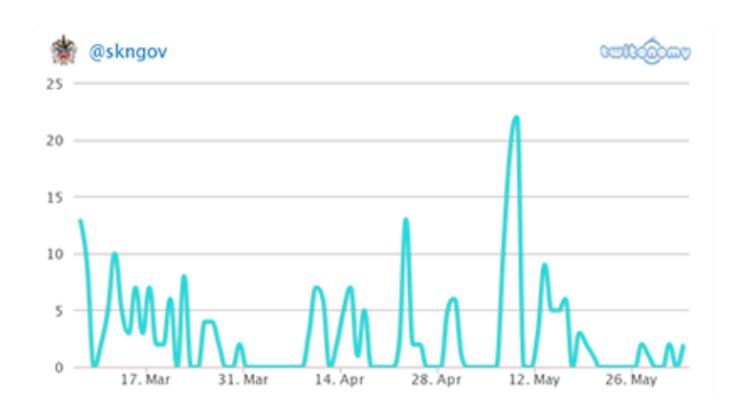
Tonight we have the commissioning of the Warner Park Lighting and Media Systems. Raising our facilities to International standards.

12:50 AM - 7 Mar 2014

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



SKN Government
@skngov



St Kitts Reports Major Drop in Crime.
caribjournal.com/2014/05/09/st-...

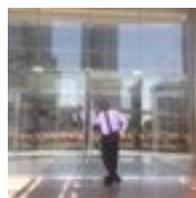
11:01 PM - 9 May 2014

4 RETWEETS

Foreign Minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis

Patrice Nisbett

Patrice Nisbett, the foreign minister of Saint Kitts and Nevis joined Twitter on 8 March 2013 but has yet to make use of his account. He has sent only one tweet on 1 March 2014. Patrice Nisbett is following 24 accounts of personal interest, including @Rihanna, @Cricket_Today, and @MaryjBlige, and has only eleven followers.



Patrice Nisbett

@pdhnisbett

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1

Following: 24

Followers: 11

Joined Twitter: 03/08/2013

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 0.01

Retweets:

Mentions/Tweet:

Replies/Tweet:

Tweets retweeted:

Most mentioned

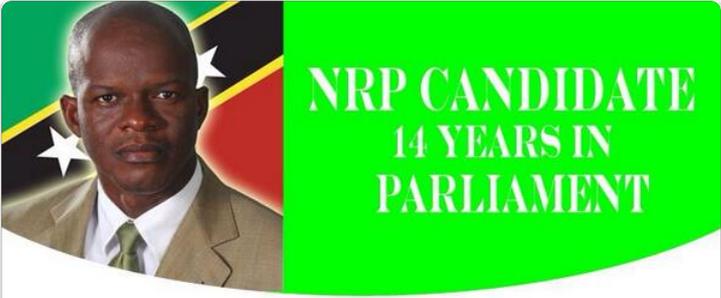
Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



**NRP CANDIDATE
14 YEARS IN
PARLIAMENT**

**Week of Activities
March 2ND - 9TH**

PEACE, PROGRESS & PROSPERITY

Sunday March 2 nd -	Church Service 9am at the New Testament Church of God
Monday March 3 rd	Visit to the sick and shut in- All day
Tuesday March 4 th	Canvassing- 4pm
Wednesday March 5 th	Town Hall Meeting 7:30pm at the Franklyn Browne Community Ce
Thursday March 6 th	Karaoke Night 8pm at Cherry Tree Barnes Ghaut
Friday March 7 th	Opening of Constituency Office- 4:30pm
Saturday March 8 th	Domino Competition 12noon at Squeeze Dem Up Bar-Bricklin & Health/Legal Fair 8:00 am-Camps Ghaut
Sunday March 9th-	Cool Down at Oualie Beach with a Beach picnic 2pm Church Service 10:30 at Eden Browne Church of God

NEVIS 11

 **Patrice Nisbett**
@pdhnisbett [Follow](#)

All are invite to participate in the celebration. Hon Patrice Nisbett

2:33 AM - 1 Mar 2014

Saint Lucia

Saint Lucia's government joined Twitter on 7 April 2012 but only started its Twitter activity in early 2014.

Government of Saint Lucia

St. Lucia Government

The government of Saint Lucia started to tweet on 17 January with unveiling of the government's new web portal. The Twitter account is linked to its Facebook page where the government has slightly more than 1,000 likes and all the tweets are automatically generated whenever a new posts goes up on the page. The government tweets press releases, pictures about cultural festivals and government initiatives. The account holds little interaction, as it has not made any retweets, @mentions or @replies.



St. Lucia Government

[@SaintLuciaGov](#)

Government of Saint Lucia Twitter Account

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Trinidad and Tobago

The Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago uses Kamla, her first name, in the Twitter handles of her personal and her institutional accounts. Female empowerment is a recurring issue in all accounts, as Kamla Persad-Bissessar is the first woman to serve as prime minister of Trinidad and Tobago.

Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago

Kamla

Kamla Persad-Bissessar set up her personal campaign account in April 2010 before becoming prime minister. She hasn't been very active on the Twitter account and has less than 2,000 followers. Her Twitter account is linked to her Facebook page where she has more than 100,000 likes and where she posts mainly official communiqués of her activities. @Kamlaunc does not retweet, nor has she posted any @reply and rarely posts pictures on Twitter. The account mutually follows only Foreign Minister @WinstonDookeran.



Kamla

@KamlaUNC

Official Twitter for Kamla Persad Bissessar - candidate for Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **Kamla P. Bissessar**
@PMKamla [Follow](#)

Welcome to the official Twitter page of the Honourable Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago Kamla Persad-Bissessar [#trinidad](#) [#tobago](#) [#kamla](#)

5:13 PM - 16 Oct 2011

1 RETWEET

Most popular tweet

 **Kamla P. Bissessar**
@PMKamla [Follow](#)

I have today accepted the resignation of the Minister of National Security, Mr Jack Warner from the Cabinet. Sen. Emmanuel George to replace

2:06 AM - 22 Apr 2013

145 RETWEETS 6 FAVORITES

Foreign Minister of Trinidad and Tobago

Winston Dookeran

The Foreign Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, Winston Dookeran, joined Twitter during the election campaign on 5 May 2010 and published 301 posts until 24 June 2012. The account has been dormant for almost two years but @WinstonDookeran has restarted his Twitter activity on 18 June 2014. His account is linked to his Facebook page and automatically posts links whenever a new post is published.



Winston Dookeran

@winstondookeran

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet

 **mfagovtt**
@mfagovtt 

Ministry of Foreign Affairs Trinidad and Tobago has set up a twitter channel.

9:44 PM - 18 Jun 2010

Most popular tweet

 **mfagovtt**
@mfagovtt 

•Message by the Honourable Kamla Persad-Bissessar, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago in...
fb.me/3dSv6MoRQ

10:14 PM - 20 May 2014

3 RETWEETS

United States

The Obama administration is seen as leader in the use of Twitter and other social networks to reach out to new audiences, however neither the @WhiteHouse, nor @BarackObama connect on Twitter with their international counterparts. Obama's Twitter account accumulates the superlatives: he is the first world leader to join Twitter in March 2007, he is the most followed world leader, follows the most people and is the most listed, but that doesn't make him the most connected world leader.

President of United States

Barack Obama

Barack Obama's Twitter account became famous on 9 October 2009 when he tweeted "Humbled", a one word reaction to receiving the Nobel Peace Prize. It turned out he didn't tweet it himself. Until June 2011 the President had never sent a single tweet. The @BarackObama account is a campaign account managed by his campaign staff and not funded, endorsed or followed by the White House. As the 2012 election campaign heated up Barack Obama became more active on social networks and he now signs his personal tweets: bo. The election victory tweet – "Four more years" with a photo of him hugging his wife – was one of the most retweeted tweets ever with over 800,000 retweets. The account occasionally shares his private moments in the Oval Office and often posts photos with President Obama's significant quotes.

@BarackObama has only @replied to three people, @JasonDerulo, @SenatorReid, and @MagicJohnson, and frequently mentions other Twitter users, particularly @OFA. The Barack Obama account is unilaterally followed by 221 other world leaders however he only follows two of them, namely Norway's @Erna_Solberg and @MedvedevRussia. Despite the millions of followers the account has entered its "lame-duck period" as BuzzFeed pointed out, not nearly garnering the retweets it enjoyed during the 2012 elections.



Barack Obama

@BarackObama

This account is run by Organizing for Action staff. Tweets from the President are signed -bo.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (222)

follows mutually (3)

Presidency of United States

The White House

The White House is among the top five most followed world leader accounts with almost five million followers. Interestingly the White House does not follow @BarackObama; however since June 2011 the President has been more active on the White House Twitter feed, namely participating in a Twitter Town Hall at which President Obama answered 7 of the 160,000 questions addressed to him via Twitter with the hashtag #AskObama. In the run-up to the 2012 election he took part in his first White House Twitter chat, answering questions from his followers. The last one took place on 3 December 2012 when President Obama personally answered questions about the "fiscal cliff". The White House Twitter account is fairly active sending out an average of 15 tweets per day with 29 percent being retweets of other official White House accounts such as @WHLive, @FLOTUS, and @VP Joe Biden. The White House uses Twitter quite creatively and it regularly posts six-second Vine videos. The account consistently uses hashtags like #GetCovered, and #ObamaCare discussing the new health care plan, and #RaiseTheWage, and #OpportunityForAll, focusing efforts on raising minimum wage nationally. @WhiteHouse is also used for live Twitter chats of other administration officials. The White House Twitter account also has a sense of humour. To lighten up the White House chat around fiscal policy they 'rickrolled' Twitter user @wiggssd sending him a link to a Rick Astley song. The most retweeted tweet is a photo-shopped picture of Barack Obama sitting on the iron throne from HBO's "Game of Thrones." Since September 2009 the White House also tweets important news in Spanish on the @LaCasaBlanca account.



The White House

@WhiteHouse

Follow for the latest from President Obama and his administration. Tweets from the President are signed –bo. Tweets may be archived wh.gov/privacy.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (179)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



 **The White House** 
@WhiteHouse 

Welcome to the official Twitter page for the White House!

5:55 PM - 1 May 2009

8 RETWEETS 44 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet



 **The White House** 
@WhiteHouse 

The Westeros Wing. #WHCD

4:34 AM - 4 May 2014

8,600 RETWEETS 5,973 FAVORITES



Government of United States

The Cabinet

Started on 11 September 2013, the @Cabinet account has yet to develop a large following. The account is managed by the White House Office of Cabinet Affairs, and has just over 5,000 followers. There is very little original content; two-thirds of its tweets are retweets of other cabinet Twitter accounts, such as the @StateDept and other cabinet secretaries on Twitter, such as @ArneDuncan (Department of Education) and @PennyPritzker (Department of Commerce). One recent interesting post is a YouTube video of President Obama walking to the Department of Interior and surprising tourists.



The Cabinet

@Cabinet

The @WhiteHouse Office of Cabinet Affairs. Tweets may be archived. More at wh.gov/privacy

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (2)

follows mutually (4)

Secretary of State of United States

John Kerry

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry set up his personal Twitter account on 4 June 2008 when he was Senator of Massachusetts and almost five years before heading to Foggy Bottom. On 4 April 2013 he sent his last tweet from his personal account: "Thx for the tweets and for following. W/ my new job, I tweet from @StateDept, signed ?JK. Follow for latest!". But a year later he was allowed to resume his personal Twitter activity: "It only took a year but @StateDept finally let me have my own @Twitter account. #JKTweetsAgain", he tweeted on 4 February 2014. @JohnKerry is quite engaging, regularly @mentioning his peers including British Foreign Secretary @WilliamJHague and Swedish Foreign Minister @CarlBildt. He also shares moments of both his public and personal life including behind the scene images from his trips and meetings. His most retweeted tweet was sent during the 2012 presidential campaign when he lampooned Mitt Romney's foreign policy knowledge: "Mitt apparently had no binders on foreign policy". John Kerry is followed by 91 other world leaders and is mutually connected with eight of them.



John Kerry

@JohnKerry

Husband, father, grandfather, brother, former Senator, 68th U.S. Secretary of @StateDept

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (91)

follows mutually (11)

State Department of United States

Department of State

To say that the U.S. State Department embraces Twitter diplomacy would be an understatement. @StateDept was the first official Twitter account for a government institution ever and the first tweet was sent on 23 October 2007. The State Department tweets in Arabic, Chinese, French, Hindi, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian and Urdu and maintain Twitter lists with its 121 embassies and missions on Twitter. Former Secretary of State Clinton propelled, together with senior advisor for innovation, Alec J. Ross, the State Department towards what she called 21st Century Statecraft. The Twitter account is fairly active with more than eight tweets per day and a consistent use of hashtags: #SecKerry, #Ukraine, #Syria, #Russia and #Iran are the most used hashtags on the Twitter stream as well as thousands of photos and videos. A third of the State Department's tweets are retweets of other official accounts including @StateDeptLive, the @WhiteHouse, and @JohnKerry. Direct engagement happens through frequent Twitter Q&As. The State Department is unilaterally followed by 131 other world leaders and in September 2013 it started to follow 22 other foreign offices as well as Iran's President @HassanRouhani and Foreign Minister @JZarif, timidly re-establishing diplomatic relations between the United States and Iran on Twitter.



Department of State

@StateDept

Welcome to the official U.S. Department of State Twitter account! Secretary Kerry tweets from @JohnKerry.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (134)

follows mutually (28)

Oceania

Governments in Oceania use Twitter the least of all world leaders. Only eight of the 13 countries and island states in the Pacific have a presence on Twitter. The last Pacific leader to join Twitter was Nauru's President Baron Waqa @NauruBwiema. Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs is well connected, mutually following 18 other ministries of foreign affairs. Australia's Prime Minister @TonyAbbottMHR is the most followed Pacific leader with close to 300,000 followers.



Australia

In Australia it is the prime ministers who have been spearheading the Twitter activity of the government with @KevinRuddPM in October 2008. Kevin Rudd changed his Twitter handle to @KRuddMP when he was replaced by @JuliaGillard and is now tweeting as @MrKRudd. As his predecessors, the new Prime Minister Tony Abbott, sworn in on 18 September 2013, is tweeting from his personal handle.

Prime Minister of Australia

Tony Abbott

Tony Abbott “took the Twitter plunge” on 2 September 2009 right after becoming the leader of the Liberal Party @TonyAbbottMHR. “Thanks for all your support. It is greatly appreciated” was his first tweet. Prime Minister Abbott tweets on average once a day mostly on his institutional agenda, speeches, missions abroad and shares a large number of photos but since his election it is rare to see him without jacket and tie. The account is very conversational with half of the tweets including a mention and 25% being @replies. During the election campaign he directly engaged with his followers in Q&A sessions through the most used hashtag #asktony but it has never been used since he became prime minister. Over 80% of his tweets have been retweeted and the recent tweet of congratulations to newly elected Indian President @NarendraModi is the most popular one so far.



Tony Abbott

@TonyAbbottMHR

Prime Minister of Australia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (4)

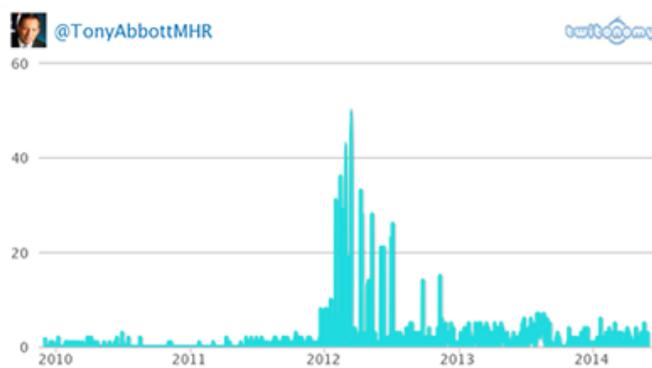
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	1,737
Following:	31,197
Followers:	297,426
Joined Twitter:	12/01/2009
Language:	English
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.04
Retweets:	5%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.48
Replies/Tweet:	0.25
Tweets retweeted:	83%
Most mentioned	@bridgetabbott (14), @abbott_frances (10), @JoeHockey (8), @TheTodayShow (8), @CarersAustralia (7), @TonyAbbottMHR (7), @JulieBishopMP (6), @theheraldsun (6), @theqldpremier (6), @TurnbullMalcolm (5).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

Tony Abbott ✓

@TonyAbbottMHR

✈ Follow

Thanks for all your support. It is greatly appreciated!

4:38 AM - 2 Dec 2009

4 RETWEETS 2 FAVORITES

Most popular tweet

Tony Abbott ✓

@TonyAbbottMHR

✈ Follow

I've spoken to @narendramodi and congratulated him on his success. I look forward to strengthening ties between India and Australia

1:13 PM - 16 May 2014

1,914 RETWEETS 827 FAVORITES

Foreign Minister of Australia

Julie Bishop

Compliant with the Australian Government's social media policy, the first female Foreign Minister, Julie Bishop, engages with her audience on Twitter directly through her personal account. An early adopter, she made her debut on the Twittersphere in November 2009, while serving as shadow Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, by criticizing the then Prime Minister Rudd: "Another Question Time where the PM evades scrutiny on his mismanagement of border protection". @JulieBishopMP tweets, 1.6 times per day, from her iPad and iPhone about her agenda, institutional commitments and to get her political messages across. Her Twitter feed is very visual with photos from missions, conferences and official meetings but few behind the scene images. Bishop's account, which has been hacked in March 2013, is very interactive and engages in conversations with other users: from the total number of tweets 25% are @replies, 30% are retweets and a mention is included in every other tweet. "Thanks", "Australia", "meeting" are among the most used words in her Twitter feed. Her most retweeted tweet is again a criticism of former Prime Minister Rudd in August 2013: "KRudd can't even keep basic promise on 'no notes' for #debate as he read his opening speech closing speech and most of it in between!"



Julie Bishop

@JulieBishopMP

Australian Minister for Foreign Affairs

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (14)

followed unilaterally by (11)

follows mutually (13)

Foreign Ministry of Australia

DFAT

The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade started its Twitter activity on 7 April 2011 sharing information about the department's work. The @dfat account is very active with more than nine tweets a day, sharing diverse types of content such as key information on foreign policy and trade related issues, reports, stories from the website, job vacancies, photos with a good mix of formal and behind the scenes images, videos, cultural initiatives, travel and consular services for Australian citizens. 70% of the tweets include a link to a resource. However, interaction with other users is limited; only 9% are @replies and 13% retweets. More than one hashtag, on average, is included in every tweet, #Australia and #tradetalk are the most used. The most popular tweet, sent in August 2013, is a message urging Australians in Syria to leave the country immediately with a link to the Department's webpage containing safety and security information on Syria. @DFAT follows 18 other foreign ministry accounts mutually and 16 unilaterally.



DFAT

@dfat

Official account of Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade. Follow @smartraveller for travel updates. For consular assistance 24/7 ph +61 2 6261 3305

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (16)

followed unilaterally by (28)

follows mutually (18)

Fiji

The country in the South Pacific is using Twitter to communicate on a range of issues. The government has a host of institutional accounts to promote the island nation and since November 2013 Foreign Minister @InokeRatu is tweeting personally.

Prime Minister of Fiji

JV Bainimarama

The office of Fiji's Prime Minister, Commodore Frank Bainimarama started its Twitter activity in October 2011 during the ITU World Telecom 2011 summit held in Geneva. @FijiPM comments on Fijian news and often thanks foreign leaders and officials after official visits. However, @FijiPM only follows seven other world leaders none of which have yet reciprocated. The account is characterized by a large-number of hashtags, with more than two hashtags per tweet. The account has repeatedly @mentioned the @UN, the @UNDP, and Human Rights Watch, @hrw. However, more recently the account predominantly linked to the official government website. Frank Bainimarama has repeatedly tweeted that the "Fijian Government is always open to dialogue as long as it is with open minds, respect for sovereignty, territory". His most popular tweet is one reassuring Fijians that parliamentary elections will be held in 2014 according to the timetable set.



JV Bainimarama

@FijiPM

The office of Josaia Voreqe Bainimarama, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (1)

Government of Fiji

Republic of Fiji

The @FijiRepublic Twitter account is dedicated to promoting the island as an attractive tourist destination. The account started to tweet on 19 October 2011 announcing that “Fiji makes new friends”. The account tweets on average a 1.5 times a day, consistently mentioning Prime Minister #Bainimarama and retweeting the prime minister’s Twitter account @FijiPM as well as Attorney General Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum @FijiAG. One of the most popular tweets on the @FijiRepublic’s Twitter stream is the publication of a report that “#Fiji ranked the #happiest country; of 58 countries, home to happiest people”.



Republic of Fiji

@FijiRepublic

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (4)

follows mutually (2)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 1,456

Following: 56

Followers: 1,389

Joined Twitter: 10/18/2011

Language: English

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 1.51

Retweets: 4%

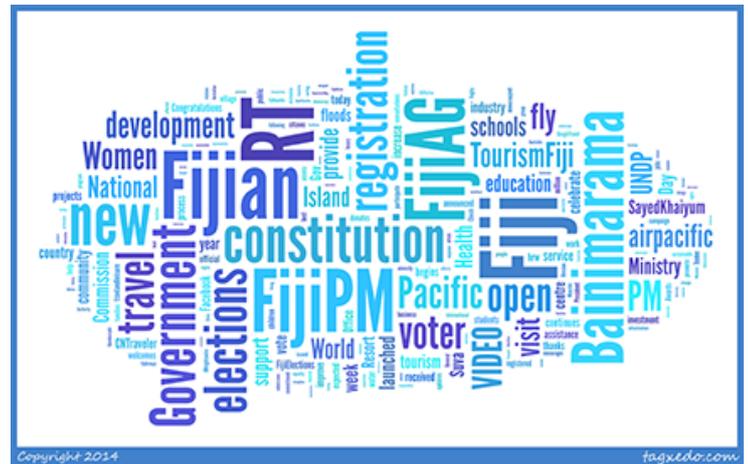
Mentions/Tweet: 0.91

Replies/Tweet: 0.02

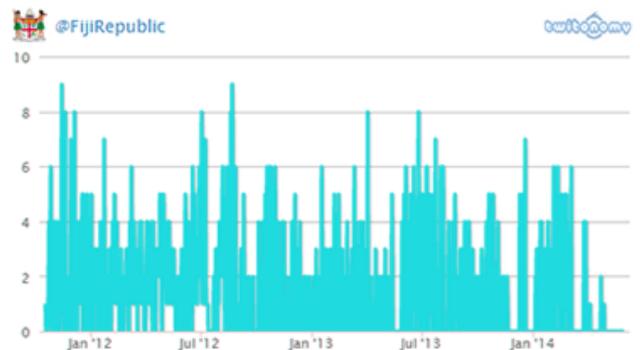
Tweets retweeted: 23%

Most mentioned @FijiPM (153), @FijiAG (148), @TourismFiji (54), @fly_airpacific (51), @UNDP (51), @UN (42), @CNTraveler (36), @hrw (32), @TravlandLeisure (26), @UNrightswire (21).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



Republic of Fiji
@FijiRepublic

[Follow](#)

Fiji makes new friends
fiji.gov.fj/index.php?opti...

7:23 AM - 19 Oct 2011

Most popular tweet



Republic of Fiji
@FijiRepublic

[Follow](#)

Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat Fiji received President Ratu Epeli Nailatikau to celebrate birthday of Prophet Mohammed. bit.ly/1m076PX

10:20 PM - 14 Jan 2014

12 RETWEETS **3** FAVORITES

Foreign Minister of Fiji

ratu inoke kubuabola

Fiji's Foreign Minister Ratu Inoke Kubuabola joined Twitter on 15 November 2013. He posts on average 1.7 times a day, occasionally @replying, but rarely @mentioning followers or using hashtags. The Foreign Minister often shares pictures of his friends and relatives including his two daughters and his granddaughter, as well as a snapshot of the protocol offices at Istanbul airport taken with his iPhone. His feed updates his follows about his political activities and meetings. @InokeRatu is mutually following Australia's Foreign Minister @JulieBishopmp.



ratu inoke kubuabola

@InokeRatu

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

 **DFAT**  @dfat 13 Mar

FM @JulieBishopMP and @JustineGreening commit Australia & UK to ramp up joint international development efforts. pic.twitter.com/MTtuVk1tsM

 **ratu inoke kubuabola** @InokeRatu 

@dfat @JulieBishopMP @JustineGreening

10:34 PM - 14 Mar 2014

Most popular tweet



 **ratu inoke kubuabola** @InokeRatu 

Fijian ladies with Ambassador Shameem at opening ceremony of Fiji Mission to Geneva

9:56 AM - 2 Jun 2014

8 RETWEETS 6 FAVORITES

Foreign Ministry of Fiji

Fiji Foreign Affairs

Fiji's Foreign Ministry described itself as "Fiji's Diplomatic Window to the world" on its Twitter profile, @FijiMFA. However, the @FijiMFA account follows no other Twitter user and has not interacted with any other accounts. The account went silent on 14 January 2013 after tweeting an unusual burst of activity, totaling 96 tweets of official announcements in short succession. However, the account has been revived at the end of May 2014 with the tweet: "We are back tweeples. Will be updating you regularly". Since, the account has been sharing news about meetings of Foreign Minister Ratu Inoke Kubuabola.



Fiji Foreign Affairs

@FijiMFA

Fiji's Diplomatic Window to the world.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (1)

Nauru

Since 2014 the small island republic of Nauru in the South Pacific is represented on Twitter by its President Baron Waqa who set up his account on 13 April 2014.

President of Nauru

Baron Waqa

The Twitter account of President Baron Waqa is named after their national anthem "Nauru, our homeland" in Nauruan. @NauruBwiema has been on Twitter for two and a half months the account has not been very active with only nine tweets sent so far. Half of them have been retweets, mainly of the UN Office in Canberra @UNICCanberra. The president of Nauru does mention other Twitter users, including our @Twiplomacy account. He is following 18 other global leaders, including other Pacific island states, but is only mutually connected with the Russian foreign ministry @MID_RF.



Baron Waqa

[@NauruBwiema](#)

President of Nauru since 2013

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (18)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (1)

New Zealand

John Key, the Prime Minister of New Zealand is an early adopter of Twitter having set up his account on 14 November 2008, five days before becoming prime minister. He only actually started to tweet in April 2009 sharing his speech on “New Zealand and China: Our shared economic future”.

Prime Minister of New Zealand

John Key

Prime Minister John Key tweets in the first person and he has been pictured sitting in front of a computer sending his first personal tweet, however the account is mostly managed by his staff. The account chronicles the prime minister’s movements and visits with one or four pictures in every tweet. The account presents a mix of official news from the government website, his ‘Key Notes’ newsletter, tweets from staff and occasional personal observations. During the London 2012 Olympics he was quite active in encouraging and congratulating Kiwi athletes. The prime minister does not engage in conversations with his Twitter followers and will not reply to direct messages: “If you DM John Key you should not expect a response” states his Twitter background picture. “If you have a query and would like a response, please email J.Key@Ministers.govt.nz.” The account very rarely retweets, @mentions other users or uses hashtags and it has only sent four @replies. The most popular tweet is the one sent right after New Zealand’s defeat during the America’s Cup on 25 September 2013 that summed up the nation’s collective emotion with one word and a hashtag: “Bugger #AmericaCup”.



John Key

@johnkeypm

Prime Minister of New Zealand and Leader of the NZ National Party.
Authorised by John Key MP,
Executive Wing, Parliament,
Molesworth Street, Wellington

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (9)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (7)

Palau

The Republic of Palau is represented on Twitter by its President Tommy Remengesau, Jr. @TommyRemengesau.

President of Palau

Tommy Remengesau, Jr

President Remengesau made his Twitter debut on 20 February 2014, one of the last leaders to join the microblogging platform, with a retweet of a New York Times article about his speech during the UN General Assembly which focused on the need to stop “reckless and destructive fishing practices” around the area surrounding Palau and to preserve “what we love so much”. That tweet was immediately followed by a reply to a welcome-tweet by @PalauUN, the Pacific Island’s Mission to the UN. Since then, the account has sent just over 60 updates with most of the activity on April 24 when it live tweeted the state of the republic address with the hashtag #PalauSORA. Among his peers he follows only @BarackObama and he is not followed by any other world leader yet.



Tommy Remengesau...

[@TommyRemengesau](#)

Alii and welcome to the official Twitter account for the President of the Republic of #Palau-- Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.!

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (0)

follows mutually (0)

Samoa

The Prime Minister of Samoa has set up a Twitter account on 21 March 2013 but @MPMCTweeter has been dormant after sending its first two tweets while the renamed account @SamoaGovt is undergoing a slight change in its approach on the social platform.

Government of Samoa

Government of Samoa

The Government of Samoa joined Twitter in December 2012 to update tweeps about “what’s happening in Samoa”. The account, once named @SamoaPressSec, was only tweeting few updates all linking to the Samoan Government’s Facebook page. Lately the account, still not very active, is trying to diversify the content shared and making a better use of photos. To be engaging with other users does not appear to be its main objective, only 4 mentions and 3 @replies in over 100 tweets. The most popular tweet is a panoramic photo of the Golden Princess cruise ship off Apia Harbour. Tweets are sent out by the Deputy Press Secretary and the account is mutually following the @FijiGovernment.



Government of Sa...

@samoagovt

Official Page of the Press
Secretariat of the Government of
Samoa. Tweets by Deputy Press
Secretary @Renate_Rivers

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (15)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (1)

Tonga

The government of Tonga joined Twitter in January 2012. However, the @micwebTonga account is protected, cannot be seen by the public and has only ten followers.

Vanuatu

The government of Vanuatu has a Facebook page and Twitter account, which have both been silent since July 2012.

Government of Vanuatu

Vanuatu Government

As its first tweet states, the government joined Twitter to “involve and inform it’s [sic] citizens” but the account was only updated once a month, with spurts of tweets in short succession. The tweets are only links to the government’s website and its Facebook page. @govofvanuatu has never @mentioned, retweeted or followed any other user. One of its popular tweets is the announcement in April 2012 of the arrival of a submarine internet cable, which is to connect the Pacific island to the World Wide Web. It was re-tweeted only once, while most of the account’s tweets have never been retweeted.



Vanuatu Government

@govofvanuatu

Vanuatu Government Online Social Network

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (7)

follows mutually (0)

South America

Twitter is very popular among Latin American politicians who often tweet personally. All South American countries except Suriname have a Twitter presence. Most presidents have personal Twitter accounts, often with well over two million followers and they frequently communicate with each other on Twitter. Ecuador's Rafael Correa (@MashiRafael) is the most conversational Latin American leader, with 81% of his tweets being @replies to other Twitter users. Brazil's and Peru's foreign ministries are among the best connected, respectively following 34 and 29 other leaders. Argentinian President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, (@CFKArgentina) is the most followed leader slightly ahead of Colombia's President @JuanManSantos. Mexico's President Enrique Peña Nieto @EPN, Brazil's Dilma Rousseff @dilmabr and Venezuela's @NicolasMaduro complete the Latin American top five, with more than two million followers each. The Mexican presidency and the government is the most prolific, averaging over 70 tweets each day



Argentina

The Argentinian president is the second most followed political leader in Latin America. While not very conversational with her followers she does however connect with her Latin American peers on Twitter and focuses on public announcements.

President of Argentina

Cristina Kirchner

When Cristina Fernández de Kirchner started to tweet @CFKArgentina on 26 August 2010 she immediately began a Twitter conversation with her peers, former Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela and former Chilean President Sebastián Piñera. The Argentinean president is one of the most connected world leaders and when her husband Néstor Kirchner died of a Heart attack on October 2010 many of her Twitter friends tweeted messages of condolences. Following the death of Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez, Cristina Fernandez remembered him on Twitter: "Commander Chavez, the comrade and friend, has definitively entered in history. Men like Chavez don't die, they sow". She also celebrated what she called "the decade accomplished" after 10 years of Kirchner's administration started in 2003: "Without any doubt that the decade that began on May 25, 2003 is a decade accomplished by all Argentines". The account makes good use of pictures and videos and uses a very personal approach, posting long texts divided in several tweets. This has become a trademark of the presidential use of Twitter. She also posted several selfies including one taken by the staff during the opening of the Facebook offices in Buenos Aires.



Cristina Kirchner

[@CFKArgentina](#)

Cristina Fernández de Kirchner,
Presidenta de la Nación Argentina.

En

facebook facebook.com/CFKArgentina

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (2)

followed unilaterally by (49)

follows mutually (9)

First tweet



Cristina Kirchner 
@CFKArgentina



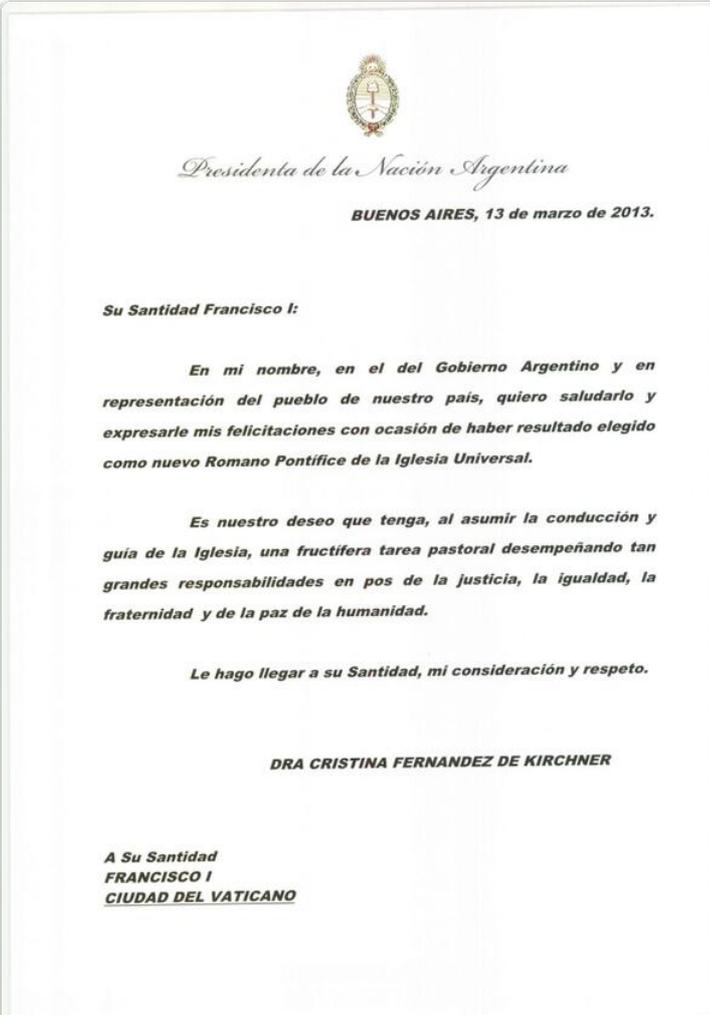
Pronto tendremos novedades en esta direccion.

9:25 PM - 26 Aug 2010

106 RETWEETS **27** FAVORITES

Translation: Soon we will have developments in this direction.

Most popular tweet




Presidenta de la Nación Argentina
BUENOS AIRES, 13 de marzo de 2013.

Su Santidad Francisco I:

En mi nombre, en el del Gobierno Argentino y en representaci3n del pueblo de nuestro pais, quiero saludarlo y expresarle mis felicitaciones con ocasi3n de haber resultado elegido como nuevo Romano Pontifice de la Iglesia Universal.

Es nuestro deseo que tenga, al asumir la conducci3n y gui3a de la Iglesia, una fructifera tarea pastoral desempe1ando tan grandes responsabilidades en pos de la justicia, la igualdad, la fraternidad y de la paz de la humanidad.

Le hago llegar a su Santidad, mi consideraci3n y respeto.

DRA CRISTINA FERNANDEZ DE KIRCHNER

A Su Santidad
FRANCISCO I
CIUDAD DEL VATICANO



Cristina Kirchner 
@CFKArgentina



A su Santidad Francisco I

9:30 PM - 13 Mar 2013

7,032 RETWEETS **1,149** FAVORITES

Translation: To your health Francis I <http://t.co/a1ujwamYmk>

Government of Argentina

Casa Rosada

Casa Rosada, (Pink House), named after the official seat of the presidential administration is the official Twitter account of the Argentinean Presidency. It tweets the most important government statements and activities, as well as presidential activities, Chief of Cabinet and its Ministers daily work. @CasaRosadaAR wrote its first tweet on September 3, 2011 as a way of reporting governmental announcements and promoting presidential activities. The account usually re-tweets what the president and her ministers tweet. During the last elections, the social network was used to communicate the requirements needed to vote, especially for young people under 18, who were able to vote for the first time: "If you are 16 years or you turn 16 years old before October 27, there are only eight days to renew the @Nuevo_DNI. Only if you register you will be able to vote". Unlike the personal account of Cristina Fernández, @CasaRosadaAR uses the third person with a formal language. The account follows seven other Latin American presidents as well as senior government officials, public institutions, and multilateral International organisations. The President made headlines in early April 2014 when she blocked the Twitter account of the Falkland islanders @Falklands_utd.



Casa Rosada

@CasaRosadaAR

Twitter Oficial de la Casa de
Gobierno de la República Argentina
casarosada.gob.ar

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (7)

followed unilaterally by (9)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



Casa Rosada 
@CasaRosadaAR

La Presidenta [@CFKArgentina](#) presentará el lunes las metas productivas del Plan Estratégico Agroalimentario prensa.argentina.ar/2011/09/02/233...

4:31 AM - 3 Sep 2011

8 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: The President @CFKArgentina presented on Monday the production goals of the Strategic Plan

Most popular tweet



Casa Rosada 
@CasaRosadaAR

Mensaje de la Presidenta, 18 de noviembre 2013. youtu.be/X6176iSszGM

11:06 PM - 18 Nov 2013

546 RETWEETS 264 FAVORITES

Translation: Message from the President, November 18, 2013. <http://youtu.be/X6176iSszGM>

Foreign Ministry of Argentina

CancilleriaArgentina

@MRECIC_ARG is the official account of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Religion of Argentina. Opened on 31 July 2010, the Argentinian Foreign Ministry uses Twitter to report the activities of Minister Héctor Timmerman who does not have a personal Twitter account. It also reports on agreements with other Latin America countries, and summaries the activities of Mercosur (Southern Common Market), Unasur (Union of South American Nations), among others. The Malvinas issue is also important as the account uses the hashtag #CuestiónMalvinas (#MalvinasIssue) to post news regarding this topic. On the occasion of the dispute between Argentina and Ghana over the seizure of an Argentinian navy vessel because of a debt dispute, the account had a strong activity, constantly reporting on the latest developments. Finally, and after the navy ship was released from Ghana, @MRECIC_ARG tweeted: "The Frigate Libertad has been released".



CancilleriaArgentina

@MRECIC_ARG

Cuenta oficial del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto de la República Argentina.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (16)

follows mutually (0)

Bolivia

Bolivian President Evo Morales is one of the few Latin American leaders who does not have a personal Twitter account. The government is present on Twitter through the Ministry of Communication which broadcasts the activities of the president. However, Bolivia seems not yet to have embraced Twitter as a useful tool of communication.

Government of Bolivia

Min. de Comunicacion

The Bolivian Ministry of Communications started to tweet on 18 November 2011 and has over 20.000 tweets on its counter, broadcasting the activities of the government and President Evo Morales. The account is among the ten most prolific accounts in the world, posting on average more than 35 tweets per day. Almost every tweet contains either a picture or a video from YouTube and other TV channels. However, @MinComBolivia only very rarely @replies or @mentions other users. By far the most used hashtag is #EvoMorales. The account has no mutual connections with other world leaders and only follows Colombia's President @JuanManSantos.



Min. de Comunicac...

@mincombolivia

El Ministerio de Comunicación fue creado mediante Decreto Supremo N° 0793 del 15 de febrero de 2011.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (5)

follows mutually (0)

Brazil

Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff reactivated her Twitter account in the run-up to the elections scheduled for October 2014 and has become Latin America's fourth most followed president on Twitter. The Brazilian government also increased its activity on Twitter, creating the account of the Chief of Staff @casacivilbr.

President of Brazil

Dilma Rousseff

Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff joined Twitter on 10 April 2010 and used it during her first election campaign garnering 200,000 followers before abandoning her Twitter activity once elected. For more than two and a half years her account was dormant but had reached 1.8 million followers when she reactivated her account in September 2013. Her most retweeted tweet is the last tweet she sent in December 2010, expressing the hope to "have more time to be here [on Twitter] with you." She reactivated her account replying to her parody account @dilmabr. Dilma Rousseff tweets on average once a day and 91% of her tweets are retweeted. She also used six-second Vine videos to promote the FIFA football World Cup pleading with her followers to transform the Cup of Cups (#CopaDasCupas) into the Cup against Racism (#CopaContraoRacismo).



Dilma Rousseff

@dilmabr

Twitter de Dilma Rousseff, presidenta do Brasil

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (20)

followed unilaterally by (62)

follows mutually (15)

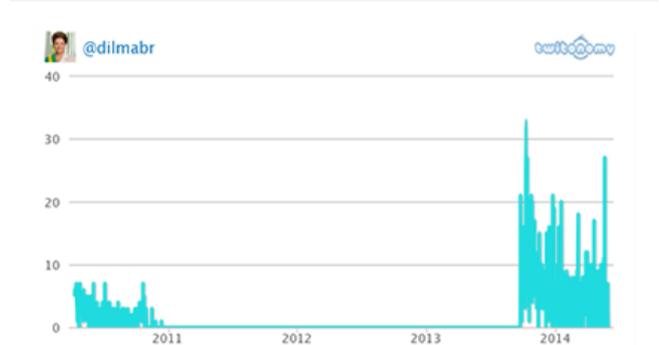
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	2,035
Following:	343
Followers:	2,461,619
Joined Twitter:	04/10/2010
Language:	Portuguese
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	1.26
Retweets:	9%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.21
Replies/Tweet:	0.03
Tweets retweeted:	91%
Most mentioned	@dilmabr (13), @blogplanalto (13), @neymarjr (12), @ClaroRonaldo (8), @dilmabr (8), @Pontifex_pt (6), @jaqueswagner (5), @SPMulheres (5), @narendramodi (5), @SAPresident (5).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

Casa Civil @casacivilbr

Primeiro semestre de 2013 registra menor taxa de desemprego bit.ly/1c7sJKW via @blogplanalto #BrasilSemMiséria

9:46 PM - 29 Jul 2013

13 RETWEETS

Translation: First half of 2013 recorded the lowest unemployment rate <http://bit.ly/1c7sJKW> via @blogplanalto #BrasilSemMiséria

Most popular tweet

Casa Civil @casacivilbr

(1) Gleisi: Lamentável o oportunismo político do gov Eduardo Campos em usar momentos de desgraça para tentar se promover;

3:50 PM - 30 Dec 2013

58 RETWEETS 9 FAVORITES

Translation: (1) Gleisi: Unfortunate political opportunism of gov. Eduardo Campos in use moments of disgrace to try to promote themselves;

Government of Brazil

Imprensa Presidência

The Brazilian presidential administration under President Lula started to share government news through the @imprensaPR Twitter account on 23 April 2010. The Brazilian presidency's institutional account tweets on average more than four times a day mainly relaying official information and the agenda and speeches of President Dilma Rouseff. The two most retweeted tweets are an excuse for a rogue tweet sent when the account was hacked and a tribute to Brazilian architect Oscar Niemeyer who designed Brazil's modernist capital, Brasilia and died at the age of 104 in 2013. The Communication Secretariat of the Presidency also tweets in English on @BrazilGovNews tweeting news in English from the entire Brazilian federal government.



Imprensa Presidência

@imprensaPR

Secretaria de Imprensa da Presidência da República traz informações sobre a agenda da presidenta Dilma Rouseff em todo o País.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (4)

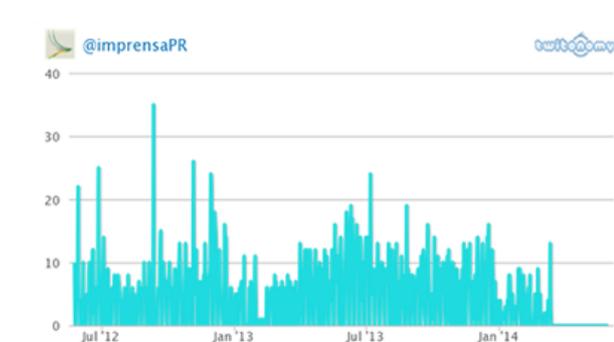
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	11,626
Following:	174
Followers:	152,964
Joined Twitter:	04/23/2010
Language:	Portuguese
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	4.34
Retweets:	5%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.01
Replies/Tweet:	0
Tweets retweeted:	76%
Most mentioned	@TVNBR (11), @blogplanalto (4), @ricardojmagro (2), @AndreaFigueired (1), @Salvandar_PE (1), @iranilto (1), @eliaszina (1), @copagov (1), @minesporte (1), @jozielbf (1).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

Imprensa Presidência @imprensaPR

O presidente Lula estará em Ponta Porã (MS) na próxima segunda-feira, dia 3.

8:30 PM - 26 Apr 2010

Translation: President Lula will be in Ponta Pora (MS) on Monday, 3rd.

Most popular tweet

Imprensa Presidência @imprensaPR

Pedimos desculpas a todos pela publicação não autorizada, hoje, neste perfil, do retuíte indevido de um site humorístico.

7:44 PM - 19 Jan 2012

65 RETWEETS 5 FAVORITES

Translation: We apologize to everyone for unauthorized publication today on this profile, retweets of misuse of a humorous site.

Foreign Ministry of Brazil

MRE Brasil–Itamaraty

The Brazilian Foreign Ministry changed its Twitter handle in 2013 from @MREBrasil to @ItamaratyGovBr and is among the best connected foreign ministries mutually following 34 other world leaders. The account tweets news about the Southern Common Market (MERCOSUR), the World Trade Organization (WTO), the United Nations (UN), as well as overall activities of President Dilma's trips overseas. The most popular tweet, retweeted 185 times is about Minister Patriota speaking with the Foreign Minister of Bolivia and expressing their "disapproval over the arrogant attitude on the part of European countries" in July 2013 after the forceful landing of the Bolivian president's plane believed to carry Edward Snowden.



MRE Brasil–Itamaraty

@ItamaratyGovBr

Ministério das Relações Exteriores do

Brasil [flickr.com/mrebrasil](https://www.flickr.com/photos/mrebrasil/) [youtube.com/mrebrasil](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJtfacebc) [facebook.com/ItamaratyGovBr](https://www.facebook.com/ItamaratyGovBr/)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (60)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (34)

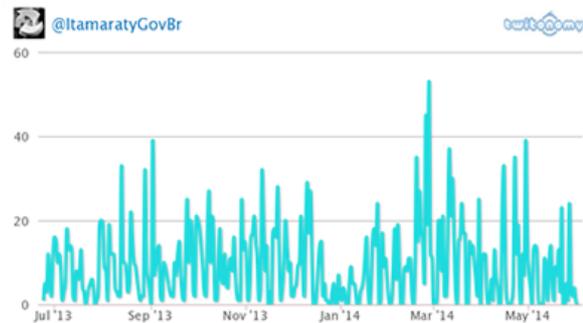
Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	11,456
Following:	332
Followers:	101,587
Joined Twitter:	06/22/2009
Language:	Portuguese
Status:	Active
Tweets/day:	9.33
Retweets:	25%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.27
Replies/Tweet:	0.08
Tweets retweeted:	59%
Most mentioned	@dilmabr (68), @MREBRASIL (40), @MichelTemer (21), @MINUSTAH (15), @jnascim (14), @wto (13), @FMFX (11), @Horacio_Cartes (11), @copagov (10), @ItamaratyGovBr (10).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet



MRE Brasil-Itamaraty 
@ItamaratyGovBr 

Visita ao Brasil da Presidente das Filipinas, Gloria Macapagal Arroyo – Atividades em Brasília:
<http://migre.me/2ITX>

8:58 PM - 23 Jun 2009

Translation: Visit to Brazil of Philippine President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo - Activities in Brasilia: <http://migre.me/2ITX>

Most popular tweet



MRE Brasil-Itamaraty 
@ItamaratyGovBr 

Min. [#Patriota](#) acaba de falar com o Chanceler da Bolívia, para expressar repúdio do Brasil a atitude arrogante por parte de países europeus.

7:53 PM - 3 Jul 2013

184 RETWEETS **8** FAVORITES

Translation: Minister [#Patriota](#) just talked to the Foreign Minister of Bolivia, to express Brazil's disapproval of the arrogant attitude of the European countries.

Chile

Contrary to her predecessor, Sebastián Piñera, Chile's President Michelle Bachelet doesn't have a personal Twitter profile. Former President @SebastianPinera was the first Chilean politician to join Twitter in February 2008 and under his leadership all government ministers opened official personal Twitter accounts.

President of Chile

Prensa Michelle

The @PrensaMichelle Twitter account is a typical campaign account. It was created on 25 March 2013 by the press office of Michelle Bachelet for her election campaign. The account was particularly active during the election campaign with 12 tweets each day but has been dormant since 16 March 2014, when Bachelet took over as President. The verified account which has more than 57,000 followers is only mutually following Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff. The last tweet of the account is the statement the @PresidentaMB is not an official account of the president.



Prensa Michelle

[@PrensaMichelle](#)

Este es el canal oficial del Departamento de Prensa de la Presidenta Electa, Michelle Bachelet.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (15)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (1)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets:	5,843
Following:	9,511
Followers:	58,323
Joined Twitter:	03/25/2013
Language:	Spanish
Status:	Dormant since 16.03.2014
Tweets/day:	10.86
Retweets:	4%
Mentions/Tweet:	0.23
Replies/Tweet:	0.08
Tweets retweeted:	91%
Most mentioned	@alvaroelizalde (77), @canal13 (12), @adnradiochile (12), @ifuentes_aysen (10), @elinformanteTVN (10), @Sfeir2014 (10), @DesdeZero977 (10), @GiorgioJackson (9), @Sr_Ballesteros (9), @Cooperativa (9).

First tweet



Prensa Michelle 
@PrensaMichelle 

Bienvenidos a la casa digital del Comando de Michelle Bachelet. En breve podrán seguirnos en vivo en envivo.michellebachelet.cl

11:06 PM - 4 Apr 2013

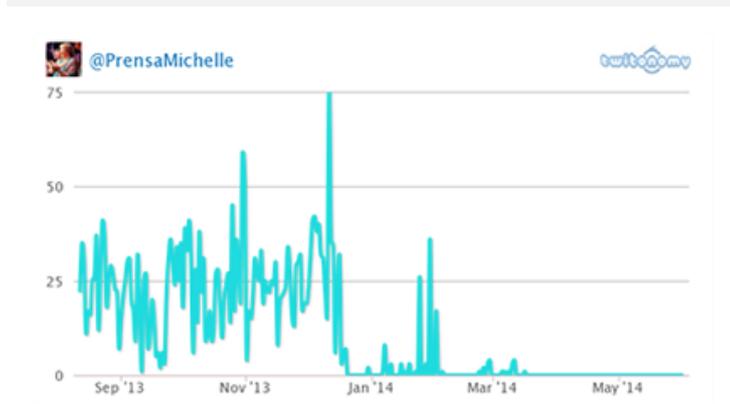
22 RETWEETS **2** FAVORITES

Translation: Welcome to the digital home of team Michelle Bachelet. Follow live <http://envivo.michellebachelet.cl>

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



Most popular tweet



Prensa Michelle 
@PrensaMichelle 

La noticia que circula sobre un supuesto "impuesto a los profesionales" es falsa y no está contemplada en el [#ProgramaMB](https://twitter.com/ProgramaMB). No desinformemos.

4:46 PM - 20 Nov 2013

479 RETWEETS **32** FAVORITES

Translation: The news circulating about an alleged "professional tax" is false and it is not in the #ProgramaMB. No disinformation.

Government of Chile

Gobierno de Chile

The government of Chile became active on Twitter on 23 May 2009 and is among the most prolific with over 19,000 tweets sent at an average of 15 tweets a day. The account tweets the agenda of the Chilean president, the government and the activities of its ministers and secretaries from the ministerial official accounts and their personal profiles. The account makes a good use of hashtags and even has its motto #JuntosChileMejor (Together for a Better Chile) as a hashtag in its Twitter profile. Other hashtags support government initiatives such as #ReformaTributaria (Tax reform), #50Compromisos and #50Medidas (50 commitments for the first 100 day of Bachelet's government). The account makes good use of infographics and pictures of the president's activities. The first tweet of the new administration sent on 11 March 2014 was a picture of President Bachelet with former President Sebastián Piñera and the Senate President, Isabel Allende. The governmental account is only following Foreign Minister @HeraldoMunoz and has not made any Twitter connection with other foreign leaders. The government maintains and regularly updates a number of Twitter lists.



Gobierno de Chile

@GobiernodeChile

Cuenta Oficial del Gobierno de Chile. Leemos sus menciones.
#JuntosChileMejor

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (27)

follows mutually (0)

First tweet



Heraldo Muñoz
@HeraldoMunoz

[Follow](#)

Estuve el fin de semana con el Presidente Dominicano, Leonel Fernández, en FUNGLODE.

5:48 AM - 9 Mar 2011

Translation: I spent the weekend with the President of the Dominican Republic, Leonel Fernandez at FUNGLODE.

Most popular tweet



Heraldo Muñoz
@HeraldoMunoz

[Follow](#)

Presidenta Bachelet suspende visita de Estado a Argentina, así como a Uruguay, Martes y Miércoles. Ya hable con Cancilleres al respecto.

2:18 AM - 14 Apr 2014

94 RETWEETS **17** FAVORITES

Translation: President Bachelet suspends State visit to Argentina as well as Uruguay, Tuesday and Wednesday. Already talked with foreign ministers in this regard.

Colombia

Former Colombian President Alvaro Uribe was the first Colombian political leader to join Twitter on 29 July 2009. His successor and current President, Juan Manuel Santos followed suit just two weeks later.

President of Colombia

Juan Manuel Santos

Colombia's President Juan Manuel Santos is Latin America's most followed leader with more than 2.8 million followers. The account has been particularly active during the election campaign over the past months with almost five tweets per day. His campaign team is frequently sharing pictures and videos from his election rallies and his most used hashtag is #SantosPresidente (Santos for president). During his first presidency the account has been used for soft diplomacy, namely to mend relations with former Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez. "What do you think about the meeting between @Chavezcandanga and Juan Manuel Santos?" he asked his followers in August 2010 after having re-established diplomatic relations with his Venezuelan counterpart, which had turned sour under former president Alvaro Uribe. Juan Manuel Santos unilaterally follows 50 other world leaders and is mutually connected with 16 others.



Juan Manuel Santos

@JuanManSantos

Presidente de Colombia

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (50)

followed unilaterally by (33)

follows mutually (16)

First tweet

 **Juan Manuel Santos**  [Follow](#)
@JuanManSantos

Simplemente: Si no es Uribe es Santos!

12:28 AM - 12 Aug 2009

204 RETWEETS 76 FAVORITES

Translation: Simply: if it's not Uribe, it's Santos

Most popular tweet



 **Juan Manuel Santos**  [Follow](#)
@JuanManSantos

Aquí está la foto que te prometimos [@maantoniasantos](#) en el inicio de esta campaña por la paz.

12:31 AM - 13 Mar 2014

19,569 RETWEETS 325 FAVORITES

Translation: Here is the photo I promised you [@maantoniasantos](#) at the start of this campaign for peace. pic.twitter.com/tK3erNBS5n

First tweet



Presidencia Colombia
@infopresidencia

[Follow](#)

Bienvenidos al sitio donde encontrarán información de la Presidencia de Colombia y las actividades del Presidente @juanmansantos

1:34 AM - 2 Jul 2011

2 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: Welcome to the site where you will find information from the Presidency of Colombia and activities of President @JuanManSantos

Most popular tweet



Presidencia Colombia
@infopresidencia

[Follow](#)

día internacional para la sensibilización contra las Minas Antipersonal, 4 de abril
[#Remángate](#) bit.ly/HsEDAQ

8:38 PM - 4 Apr 2012

165 RETWEETS 15 FAVORITES

Translation: International day to raise awareness against Antipersonnel Mines, April 4 #Remángate <http://t.co/7aWtJDdh>

Foreign Ministry of Colombia

Cancillería Colombia

The Colombian Foreign Ministry joined Twitter on 8 March 2011, to promote its national interests and to connect with Colombians abroad. Most of the tweets are from the official website related to events and services the ministry provides. It often uses the hashtag #CancillerHolguin for all activities related to Foreign Minister María Ángela Holguín and #DiplomaciaDeportiva (Sports Diplomacy). The Foreign Ministry mutually follows Brazil's @itamaratygovbr, Ecuador's @CancilleriaEC and Peru's @CancilleriaPeru. Its most popular tweet was sent after the death of Colombian literature Nobel Prize winner Gabriel Garcia Marquez on 17 April 2014: "We mourn the departure of the greatest of Colombian literature. Rest in Peace Master García Márquez."



Cancillería Colombia

[@CancilleriaCol](#)

La Cancillería de Colombia promueve tanto los intereses nacionales a través de la política exterior, como los vínculos con colombianos que viven fuera del país.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (4)

followed unilaterally by (15)

follows mutually (5)

Ecuador

@MashiRafael is the Twitter handle of Rafael Correa, which means “Comrade” in the indigenous Quichua language. He took to Twitter on 30 October 2010 and has been tweeting personally ever since.

President of Ecuador

Rafael Correa

“Hello everyone, I’m in a meeting more boring than dancing with the mother-in-law, later I’ll write, I love you all very much, especially the poisoned ones!”, Correa tweeted in his first tweet using a disparaging term to refer to his political opposition. Rafael Correa’s Twitter style is contentious to say the least, tweeting personal opinions and taking on the media critical of his leadership style: “Did you read the editorial in the Washington Post? poor gringos, they don’t understand anything that happens in our America. Best”, he tweeted after the Post had criticized him for his lawsuit against the Ecuadoran paper El Universo. Correa uses Twitter to counter “a certain corrupt press”. “The fight against the corrupt press is a continental and even global struggle” he tweeted in reply to a follower. Rafael Correa is one of the most conversational world leaders with 81% of his tweets being @replies to his followers. Rafael Correa only follows five other Twitter users, namely Argentina’s Christina Kirchner, Colombia’s Juan Manuel Santos, Venezuela’s Nicolás Maduro, and former Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez as well as @35PAIS, the Twitter profile of the PAIS Alliance, the socialist political movement in Ecuador that reelected Rafael Correa in May 2013 for his third consecutive term.



Rafael Correa

[@MashiRafael](#)

Presidente Constitucional de la República del Ecuador.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (1)

followed unilaterally by (42)

follows mutually (2)

First tweet

**Presidencia Ecuador** 
@Presidencia_Ec 

Presidente Correa visita la central Hidroeléctrica Paute <http://bit.ly/6AVNx8>

7:40 PM - 6 Jan 2010

1 RETWEET **1** FAVORITE

Translation: President Correa visits the hydroelectric plant in Paute <http://bit.ly/6AVNx8>

Most popular tweet

**Presidencia Ecuador** 
@Presidencia_Ec 

Con [#Pegaso](#) Ecuador formará parte de los 30 países que tienen su lugar en el espacio

6:06 AM - 26 Apr 2013

1,013 RETWEETS **82** FAVORITES

Translation: With [#Pegaso](#), Ecuador will be part of the 30 countries that have their place in space

Foreign Minister of Ecuador

Ricardo Patiño Aroca

The Ecuadorian Foreign Minister joined Twitter on 14 October of 2010. @RicardoPatinoEC shares personal views with an informal and discreet tone. In most of the messages Ricardo Patiño greets people who mention him and he mentions them as well. The foreign minister occasionally responds to questions from Twitter users using the hashtag #SeguiCancilleria (Follow the chancery). @RicardoPatinoEC is followed by 13 peers and is mutually connected with the foreign ministers of Panama @FAlvarezdeSoto, and Chile @HeraldoMunoz.



Ricardo Patiño Aroca

[@RicardoPatinoEC](#)

Feliz abuelo y Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores y Movilidad Humana del Ecuador

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (13)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **Inti Kory Bastidas**
@IntiKory [Follow](#)

Ya era hora de poner en su sitio a los mentirosos, [#EstamosContigoCanciller](#)
No más abusos!

4:15 PM - 2 Mar 2012

4 RETWEETS

Translation: It was time to put the liars in place, #WeAreWithCouChancellor No more abuse!

Most popular tweet

 **Nicolás Maduro** 
@NicolasMaduro 28 Apr

Toda la Clase Obrera movilizada el primero de Mayo. Ahí estaremos como siempre en la Calle con la Fuerza del Amor... [noticias365.com.ve/temas/al-dia/m...](#)

 **Ricardo Patiño Aroca**
@RicardoPatinoEC [Follow](#)

[@NicolasMaduro](#) Hola Nicolás. En Ecuador también iremos a las calles el 1o. Mayo para recordar quiénes son los creadores de la riqueza

7:47 AM - 28 Apr 2013

3,897 RETWEETS **23** FAVORITES

Translation: @NicolasMaduro Hi Nicholas. In Ecuador, we will also go to the streets on May 1st to remember who are the creators of wealth

Foreign Ministry of Ecuador

Cancillería Ecuador

The foreign ministry of Ecuador joined Twitter on 30 October 2010. The tone used is formal and messages are very corporate, informing followers about events of the ministry. The account is very prolific with 23 tweets per day 19% of which are retweets mainly of Foreign Minister @RicardoPatinoEC. The account makes good use of visuals with a picture in almost every single tweet. Not surprisingly the most used hashtag is #Ecuador. The foreign ministry also maintains a useful Twitter list with the 51 embassies and missions around the world. The @CancilleriaEc account is mutually following 12 other foreign offices around the world.



Cancillería Ecuador

[@CancilleriaEc](#)

Cuenta Oficial de Twitter del
Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores
y Movilidad Humana/ MREMH

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (34)

followed unilaterally by (8)

follows mutually (12)

First tweet

**Cancillería Ecuador**
@CancilleriaEc Follow

El Canciller, Ricardo Patiño se reúne el miércoles a las 09:30 con la Ministra de Asuntos Exteriores de España, Trinidad Jiménez.

8:49 PM - 8 Nov 2010

2 RETWEETS

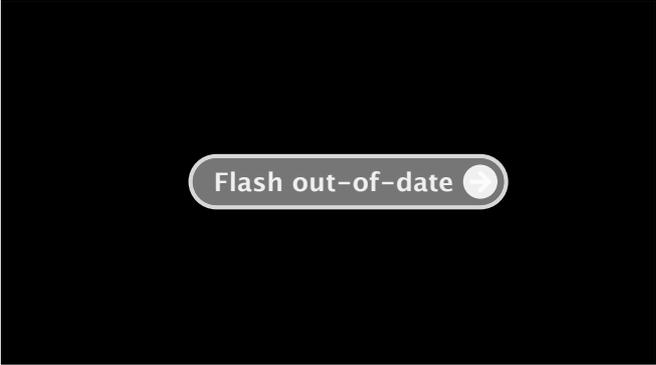
Translation: Foreign Minister Ricardo Patino meets Trinidad Jiménez, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Spain on Wednesday at 09:30.

Most popular tweet

**Cancillería Ecuador**
@CancilleriaEc Follow

@RicardoPatinoEC "No tenemos por qué explicar a EEUU lo que hacemos. Lo hacemos por nuestro pueblo y lo hacemos bien" bit.ly/1fRV88J

3:15 AM - 2 Mar 2014



 YouTube @YouTube

107 RETWEETS 16 FAVORITES

Translation: @RicardoPatinoEC "We need not explain to the U.S. what we do. We do this for our people and we do it well" <http://bit.ly/1fRV88J>

Guyana

The government of Guyana is not using Twitter for any official government communication but President Donald Ramotar briefly had a campaign account.

President of Guyana

Donald Ramotar

The Twitter profile of Donald Ramotar was created for the presidential campaign of 2011. The account has sent only four tweets, and has been abandoned since 25 October 2011. Furthermore, @DonaldRamotar does not follow any other Twitter user.



Donald Ramotar

[@DonaldRamotar](#)

Presidential Candidate People's Progressive Party

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (0)

Paraguay

Paraguay's leadership is active on Twitter with institutional accounts for the presidency and a personal account for President @Horacio_Cartes.

President of Paraguay

Horacio_Cartes

@Horacio_Cartes is the official Twitter account of the President of Paraguay. It usually publishes the most important presidential activities. Horacio Cartes has been on Twitter since 24 August 2011 but published his first tweet only on 19 February 2013 during his presidential election campaign. He usually tweets in first person to report on his daily schedule and activities. Horacio Cartes is fairly active with six tweets per day two thirds of which are retweets mainly of his now dormant media account @PrensaHC. His most retweeted tweets are sports related as he was president of Libertad football club from 2001 until 2012. Cartes' most retweeted tweet refers to the championship won by Club Cerro Porteño in 2013. His team uses a lot of pictures and videos to chronicle his activities in almost in every tweet.



Horacio_Cartes

@Horacio_Cartes

Cuenta oficial del Presidente Constitucional de la República del Paraguay .

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (5)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet



Presidencia Paraguay 
@PresidenciaPy 

Desde hoy, la Dirección General de Información Presidencial interactuará también desde este espacio. Toda la información oficial, aquí!

7:22 PM - 17 Nov 2010

Translation: From today, the Presidential Information Department also interacts in this space. All official information here!

Most popular tweet



Presidencia Paraguay 
@PresidenciaPy 

¡Feliz #DíadelaMujerParaguaya!

11:32 AM - 24 Feb 2014

165 RETWEETS 34 FAVORITES

Translation: Happy #MothersDayParaguay!
pic.twitter.com/NiMhd7ggKs

Foreign Ministry of Paraguay

Cancillería Paraguay

The Twitter account of Paraguay's foreign ministry was set up on 3 August 2012 but has been dormant between June 2013 and June 2014. The account only recently resumed its activity with the 44th session of the Organization of American States held in Asuncion, Paraguay. Activity has been very high during the meeting in the beginning of June 2014 and the account is now chronicling the activities of Foreign Minister Iadio Loizaga, as well as retweeting tweets from the presidency @PresidenciaPy.



Cancillería Paraguay

@mreparaguay

Cuenta Oficial del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores de la República del Paraguay.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (18)

follows mutually (0)

Peru

The government of Peru is very active on Twitter. The president, the government and most ministers have personal and institutional Twitter accounts.

President of Peru

Ollanta Humala Tasso

Peru's president Ollanta Humala Tasso has seriously reduced his Twitter activity since 2012 only tweeting intermittently on key occasions such as his latest tweet congratulating Colombia's President @JuanManSantos on his reelection. @Ollanta_HumalaT rarely @mentions or @replies to other users. However, the tweet that received the highest number of retweets was his condolences on the death of Hugo Chávez: "Goodbye Commander and friend Hugo Chavez. My deepest condolences to his family and all the people of Venezuela", he tweeted on 5 March 2013. @Ollanta_HumalaT has mutual connections with four other South American leaders namely @CFKAArgentina, @dilmabr, @EPN and @JuanManSantos.



Ollanta Humala Ta...

[@Ollanta_HumalaT](#)

Presidente Constitucional de la República del Perú. Oficial (r) del Ejército, felizmente casado y orgulloso padre de Illariy, Nayra y Samin.

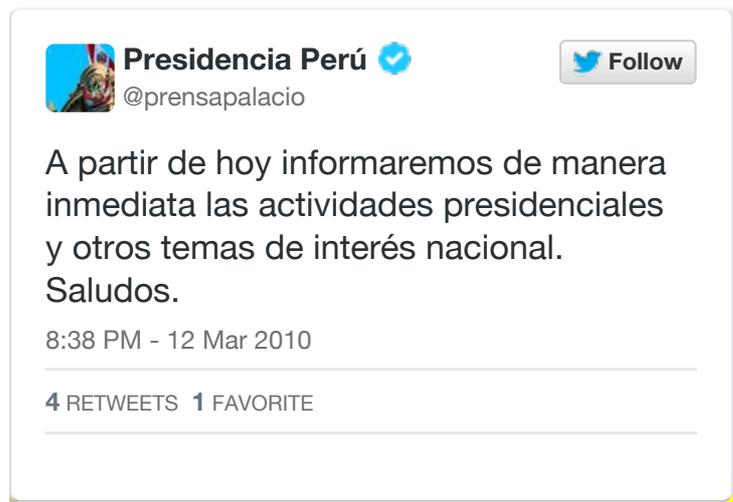
Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (29)

follows mutually (7)

First tweet



Presidencia Perú 
@prensapalacio 

A partir de hoy informaremos de manera inmediata las actividades presidenciales y otros temas de interés nacional.
Saludos.

8:38 PM - 12 Mar 2010

4 RETWEETS 1 FAVORITE

Translation: Starting today, information about presidential activities and other topics of national interest. Greetings.

Most popular tweet




Presidencia de la República del Perú
Secretaría de Prensa
Año de la promoción de la industria responsable y el compromiso climático

COMUNICADO

La Presidencia de la República se dirige a la opinión pública para rechazar categóricamente los infames rumores y mentiras, que de manera lamentable se vienen reproduciendo y difundiendo desde ayer con el objetivo de perjudicar al Jefe de Estado, a la Primera Dama y a su familia. Nuestro país y su gobierno tienen importantes desafíos que vencer y están abocados a lograrlo. Con este objetivo seguramente coinciden todos los que se interesan por el progreso del país y por mejorar las condiciones de vida de nuestros ciudadanos. Repudiamos firmemente esta campaña psicossocial que no tiene otro fin que crear inquietud y distraer a la población.

Lima 27 de Marzo del 2014

Presidencia Perú 
@prensapalacio 

Comunicado de Palacio de Gobierno

4:47 AM - 28 Mar 2014

221 RETWEETS 50 FAVORITES

Translation: Government Palace Press
pic.twitter.com/LVAsSbSbKw

Government of Peru

Consejo de Ministros

The government of Peru is represented on Twitter since July 2010. With six tweets per day they have been quite active informing about the activities of the government. The account often posts links to the government's official website. It is notable that the platform Hootsuite is often used to set up tweets. @pcmperu does not have any mutual connections with global leaders.



Consejo de Ministros

@pcmperu

Presidencia del Consejo de Ministros: pcm.gob.pe Cuenta administrada por la Oficina de Prensa e Imagen Institucional

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (8)

followed unilaterally by (3)

follows mutually (3)

Foreign Ministry of Peru

Cancillería del Perú

Peru's Ministry of Foreign Affairs has been active on Twitter since November 2009, but the volume of tweets has significantly increased since January 2013, with on average eleven posts per day, and reaching around 50 tweets on some days. The ministry's profile also changed their approach from cold news updates to a more engaging activity, by using more @replies, #FollowFriday tweets, and calls-to-action to stimulate users' response; and promoting multimedia live content. Even so, there is a high volume of posts related to the agenda of former Foreign Minister Eda Rivas and the account recently introduced her successor Gonzalo Gutiérrez Reinel. Interestingly the @A_delPacífico, the alliance of four Latin American countries (Mexico, Chile, Colombia and Peru) bordering the Pacific is the most mentioned profile. @CancilleriaPeru is unilaterally following 145 other world leaders and has established mutual Twitter relations with 28.



Cancillería del Perú

@CancilleriaPeru

Cuenta oficial del Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores del Perú. Formulamos, ejecutamos y evaluamos la política exterior del país. [fb.me/Z160de2vO](https://www.facebook.com/Z160de2vO)

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (145)

followed unilaterally by (1)

follows mutually (28)

Tweet analytics (as of June 2014)

Tweets: 14,811

Following: 1,241

Followers: 66,803

Joined Twitter: 11/06/2009

Language: Spanish

Status: Active

Tweets/day: 11.17

Retweets: 3%

Mentions/Tweet: 0.4

Replies/Tweet: 0.03

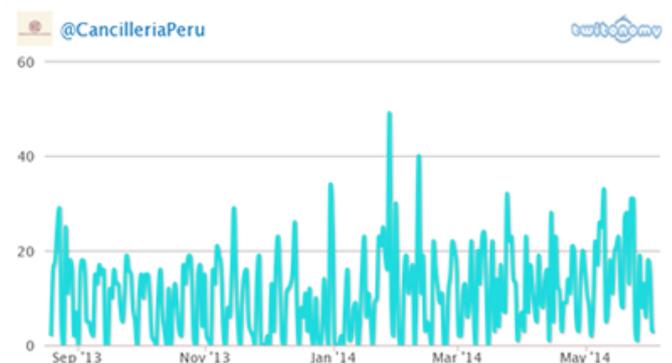
Tweets retweeted: 65%

Most mentioned @A_delPacífico (235), @CancilleriaPeru (215), @Ollanta_HumalaT (114), @cepal_onu (28), @ComunidadAndina (28), @JuanManSantos (23), @SRE_mx (22), @EPN (21), @sebastianpinera (21), @CancilleriaCol (21).

Tag cloud (as of June 2014)



Tweet history



First tweet

 **Cancillería del Perú**
@CancilleriaPeru 

Pte. García dice que Gobierno no permitirá minería que destruye medio ambiente <http://www.andina.com.pe/Espanol/Noticia.aspx?id=ReDTY5HMLkk=>

4:07 AM - 6 Apr 2010

Translation: President Garcia says government will not allow mining that destroys half the environment

<http://www.andina.com.pe/Espanol/Noticia.aspx?id=ReDTY5HMLkk=>

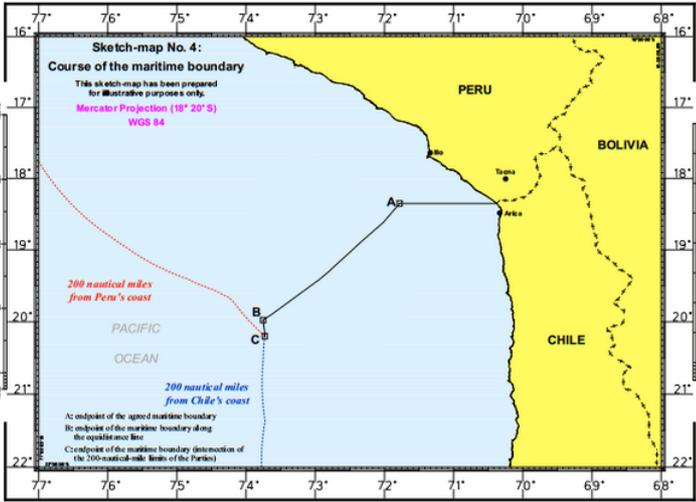
Most popular tweet

 **Cancillería del Perú**
@CancilleriaPeru 

Mapa: Curso de la frontera marítima entre **#Perú** y **#Chile** según la Corte Internacional de Justicia de **#LaHaya**

5:40 PM - 27 Jan 2014

416 RETWEETS **112** FAVORITES



Translation: Map: Course of the maritime border between #Peru and #Chile according to the International Court of Justice #TheHague pic.twitter.com/ZuTuGSxE9Y

Uruguay

Uruguay's President José Mujica does not have a personal Twitter account and is not tweeting himself. However the government of Uruguay has set up an institutional account, which has been reporting his daily activities since September 2011.

Presidency of Uruguay

Sec. Comunicación

“A communication and interaction channel with the people. More information, more freedom”, states the slogan on the background of the Twitter account of presidency of Uruguay. The account informs followers about the political agenda of Uruguay as well as activities of different ministers. Statements by President José Mujica are often shared and #Mujica is the most used hashtag. The account, which tweets only in Spanish, is used intensively, with more than eleven tweets per day. Almost every tweet contains a link to the presidential website, the latest YouTube video as well as official and behind-the-scene photos. The account is not following any other world leader and is only mutually following the presidency of Costa Rica (@PresidenciaCR).



Sec. Comunicación

[@SCpresidenciauy](https://twitter.com/SCpresidenciauy)

Bienvenidos al twitter oficial de la Secretaría de #Comunicación - Presidencia de la República Oriental del #Uruguay

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (0)

followed unilaterally by (12)

follows mutually (1)

First tweet



Translation: Welcome to my official twitter account, I reiterate this is my only official account

Venezuela

Former Venezuelan president Hugo Chavez has put Venezuela on the Twitter map and his successor, Nicolás Maduro and his government are particularly active on the social network.

President of Venezuela

Nicolás Maduro

Nicolás Maduro barely enters the top 20 of the most followed people in Venezuela and his biggest political rival, opposition leader, Henrique Capriles (@HCapriles), has more than twice as many followers and is the second most followed person in the country. @NicolasMaduro only follows two other Latin American leaders, namely Brazil's Dilma Rousseff (@dilmabr) and Argentina's Cristina Kirchner (@CFKArgentina) as well as a mix of government officials and state media. Maduro's social media team has created 14 accounts in other languages besides Spanish, following the example of Pope Francis (@Pontifex_es). However, only the accounts in Arabic, Chinese, English, French and Portuguese are active with more than 20,000 followers each. His predecessor, Hugo Chávez (@chavezcandanga), still the third most followed person in Venezuela, who was known in the Twitter scene by his frequent personal interactions with other Latin American presidents. Maduro who started his Twitter feed on 8 March 2013 in the run-up to the presidential elections often mentions Chavez in his timeline and a picture of the late president is in his profile. The vast majority of his tweets are retweets from governmental institutions and pro-governmental TV Shows.



Nicolás Maduro

[@NicolasMaduro](#)

Presidente de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela. Hijo de Chávez. Construyendo la Patria con eficiencia revolucionaria.

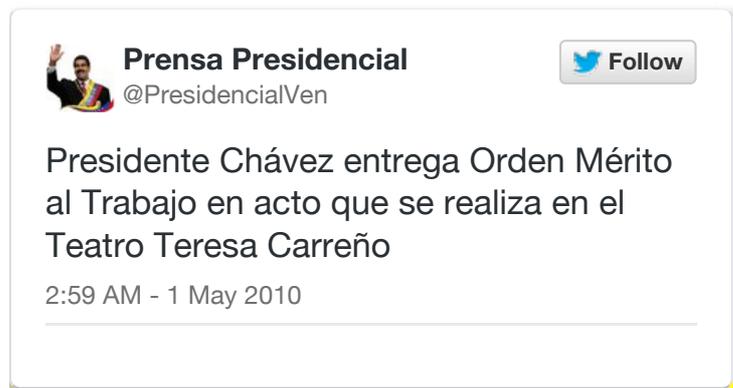
Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (6)

followed unilaterally by (22)

follows mutually (4)

First tweet



Translation: President Chavez delivers Work Order Merit act at the Teresa Carreño Theater

Most popular tweet



Translation: President Maduro will lead the Labor Day March <http://www.minci.gob.ve/2013/04/presidente-maduro-encabezara-marcha-por-el-dia-del-trabajador/>

Foreign Minister of Venezuela

Elias Jaua

Foreign Minister Elías Jaua Milano is active on Twitter since 2 July 2012. His personal Twitter account @JauaMiranda made headlines, after Elías Jaua lost the regional election against Henrique Capriles (@HCapriles) to become governor of the state of Miranda, because of its Twitter bio which read "NEXT GOVERNOR OF MIRANDA" in capital letters. Capriles' supporters started asking Jaua to change his Twitter bio which he did a few months later. Jaua's account has become more active and it is focused on broadcasting activities of the government, especially in the state of Miranda. Seventy nine percent of @JauaMiranda's tweets are retweets mainly from President Maduro's account.



Elias Jaua

@JauaMiranda

Venezolano y Mirandino. Militante Bolivariano, Socialista y Chavista.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (3)

followed unilaterally by (10)

follows mutually (3)

First tweet

 **Elias Jaua**
@JauaMiranda

[Follow](#)

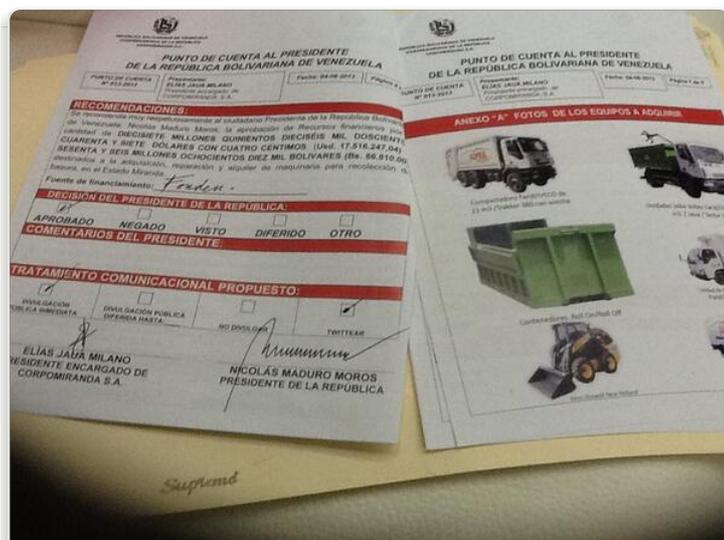
Me incorporo a la Batalla de [@chavezcandanga](#). Rumbo a la Victoria del 7 de octubre.

9:48 PM - 11 Jul 2012

155 RETWEETS 12 FAVORITES

Translation: I joined the battle of @chavezcandanga. Heading to victory on October 7.

Most popular tweet



 **Elias Jaua**
@JauaMiranda

[Follow](#)

El Pdte Maduro, también aprobó recursos para la creación de Supra Miranda y seguir poniendo a Miranda Limpia y linda!

4:55 AM - 11 Aug 2013

6,581 RETWEETS 28 FAVORITES

Translation: President Maduro also approved resources for the creation of Supra Miranda and continue developing Miranda clean and cute! pic.twitter.com/FhCyGA1PyM

Foreign Ministry of Venezuela

Cancillería Vzla

@Vencancilleria, short for Venezuela's Chancellery, is the official Twitter account of Venezuela's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Twitter feed is fairly active promoting the work of the ministry and its officials, including Foreign Minister Elías Jaua. Most of its tweets are related to international affairs and meetings of the minister with other governments, although some retweets of state-owned media about diverse topics and statements regarding the opposition can also be found on its timeline. Venezuela's foreign ministry is not well connected with other peers, mutually following only the foreign ministries of Ecuador and Cuba and El Salvador's new President @sanchezceren.



Cancillería Vzla

@vencancilleria

Cuenta oficial del Ministerio del Poder Popular para Relaciones Exteriores de la República Bolivariana de Venezuela.

Peer connections (as of June 2014)

follows unilaterally (15)

followed unilaterally by (14)

follows mutually (6)

First tweet

 **Cancillería Vzla**
@vencancilleria [Follow](#)

#EEUU debe responder por crímenes ocurridos en #Iraq <http://bit.ly/cZcbRm>
[@VzlaEmbassyUS](#) #USA

2:47 AM - 3 Sep 2010

Translation: #USA must answer for crimes in #Iraq <http://bit.ly/cZcbRm> [@VzlaEmbassyUS](#) #USA

Most popular tweet

 **Cancillería Vzla**
@vencancilleria [Follow](#)



#Venezuela entrega combos escolares a estudiantes nigerianos goo.gl/bPxIcl

3:30 AM - 11 May 2014

563 RETWEETS 107 FAVORITES

Translation: #Venezuela delivers school combos to Nigerians students <http://goo.gl/bPxIcl> pic.twitter.com/ZfWAgXaA3v



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