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## COVID-19 Trump & Biden Twitter Report

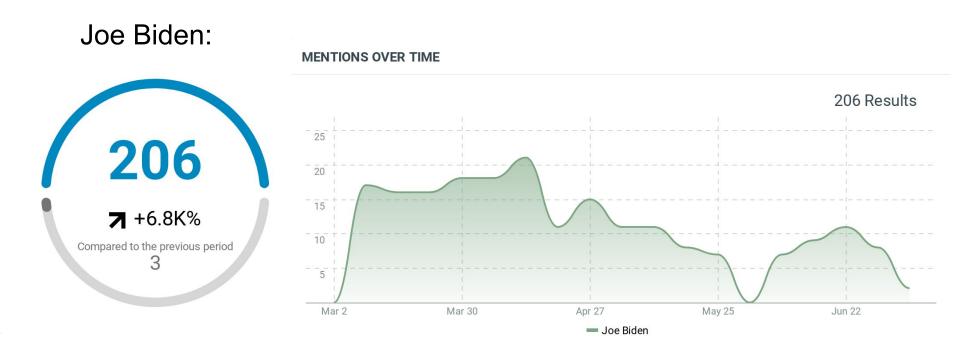
#### 3/7-7/7 Report

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# Performance



### Mentions of COVID-19 Pandemic

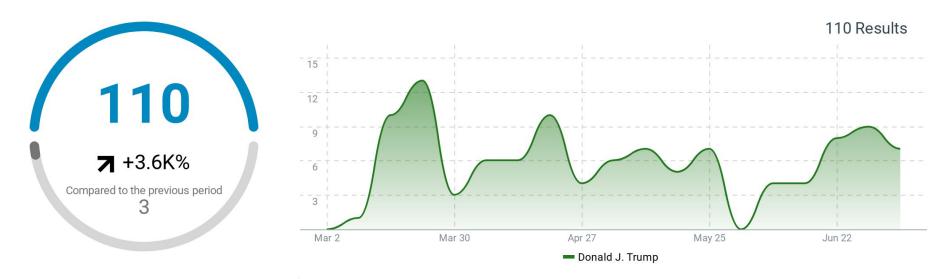






### Mentions of COVID-19 Pandemic

#### **Donald Trump:**







### Joe Biden







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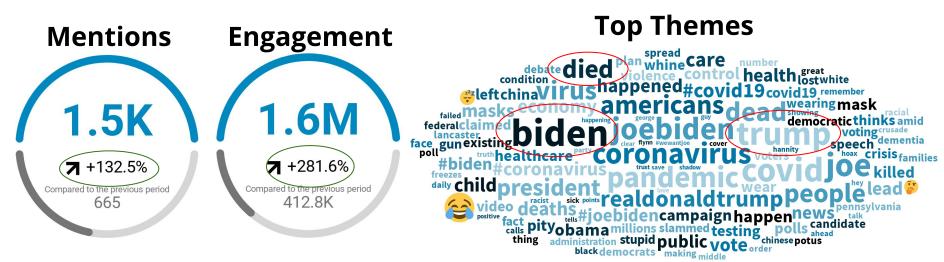
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## 48 Hours Following Most Engaging Tweets



## 48 Hours Following Joe Biden's Tweet



Biden's numbers go up SIGNIFICANTLY when he has a successful tweet about COVID-19

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## Highest Engagement



#### Candace Owens 🛇 @RealCandaceO tweeted

Never in the history of American politics has there ever been a presidential candidate as spineless as @JoeBiden. His strategy is to hide until November and blame **coronavirus**. Every single person knows this is about concealing his early onset symptoms.

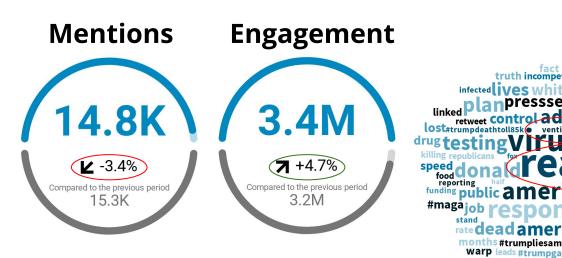
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	<b>18.8K</b> Retweets, <b>66.8K</b> Twitter Likes, <b>2.5M</b> Twitter Followers			Likes,	
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The highest engaged tweet in the 48 hour period following Biden's most engaged tweet was a response made by, Candace Owens, an American conservative commentator and political activist. Known for her increasingly pro-Trump activism, in addition to her criticism of Black Lives Matter and the Democratic Party.





## 48 Hours Following Donald Trump's Tweet



Trump's numbers go down or stay relatively flat when he tweets about COVID-19

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### **Highest Engagement**

#### Narendra Modi 🛇 @narendramodi shared a link



Thank you @POTUS @realDonaldTrump. This **pandemic** is being fought collectively by all of us. In such times, it's always important for nations to work together and do as much as possible to make our world healthier and free from **COVID**-19. More power to  $\cong$  -  $\equiv$  friendship! twitter.com/realDonaldTrum...



The highest engaged tweet in the 48 hour period following Trump's most engaged tweet was a response made by, Narendra Modi, the Prime Minister of India.





## Overall Insights

- Joe Biden has mentioned COVID-19 approximately <u>100 more times</u> than Donald Trump
- Donald Trump typically sees <u>more</u> engagement and mentions on average, as compared to Joe Biden regarding COVID-19 due to his powerful reach
- The tone of Biden's tweets focus on <u>change and how Trump is not doing the</u> <u>right thing</u>
- The tone of Trump's tweets focus on how well The United States is doing with the pandemic
- However, following their most <u>engaged</u> tweets, Biden's mentions and engagement <u>increased</u> dramatically compared to Trump
- This tells us that Biden is <u>rapidly gaining traction and credibility</u> regarding COVID-19 compared to Trump, and is impacting the election  $\sqrt{2000}$