



COVID-19 disinformation monitoring programme

The COVID-19 monitoring and reporting programme set out in the [Joint Communication 'Tackling COVID-19 disinformation - Getting the facts right'](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_1006) (https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/ip_20_1006) is a transparency measure to ensure accountability towards the public of the efforts made by platforms and relevant industry associations to limit online disinformation related to Covid-19.

Platforms involved, who are signatories to the [Code of Practice on Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/code-practice-disinformation) (<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/policies/code-practice-disinformation>), regularly report on:

- actions to increase visibility of authoritative sources such as the WHO and national health organisations;
- tools to facilitate access to reliable information of public interest;
- demoted and removed content containing false and/or misleading information likely to cause physical harm or impair public health policies;
- prohibited advertising that exploits the crisis;
- efforts to provide accurate information on vaccines.

In particular, platforms have been asked to provide information relating to the following areas:

- initiatives to promote authoritative content at EU and at Member State level;
- initiatives and tools to improve users' awareness;
- information on manipulative behaviour on their services;
- data on flows of advertising linked to COVID-19 disinformation on their services and on third-party websites.

While platforms detected a high number of content including false information related to COVID-19, they did not detect coordinated disinformation operations with specific focus on COVID-19 run on their services.

Read the monthly reports

- [August 2020 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/first-baseline-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/first-baseline-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [September 2020 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/second-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/second-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [October 2020 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/third-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/third-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [November 2020 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fourth-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fourth-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [December 2020 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fifth-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fifth-set-reports-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [January 2021 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/latest-set-reports-and-way-forward-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/latest-set-reports-and-way-forward-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [February 2021 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-january-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-january-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [March 2021 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-february-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-february-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [April 2021 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-march-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-march-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme>)
- [May 2021 - Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-april-actions-and-continuation-monitoring-programme-fighting-covid-19-disinformation)
(<https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-april-actions-and-continuation-monitoring-programme-fighting-covid-19-disinformation>)

- [June 2021 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-may-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-may-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
 - [July 2021 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-june-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-june-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
 - [July and August 2021 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/news-redirect/721687\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/news-redirect/721687)
 - [September and October 2021 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-september-and-october-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-september-and-october-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation-monitoring-programme)
 - [November and December 2021 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fighting-covid-19-disinformation-reports-november-and-december-actions\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/fighting-covid-19-disinformation-reports-november-and-december-actions)
 - [January and February 2022 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-january-and-february-actions\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-january-and-february-actions)
 - [March and April 2022 – Fighting COVID-19 Disinformation \(https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-march-and-april-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation\)](https://digital-strategy.ec.europa.eu/en/library/reports-march-and-april-actions-fighting-covid-19-disinformation)
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