From June 1, 2017, to May 1, 2018, Program on Extremism researchers tracked, analyzed, and coded 689 pro-Islamic State (IS) channels that contained English-language content on the messaging application Telegram.

1. For more information on the method researchers used, click here.
2. Note: Telegram is not responsible for and does not endorse IS-related content on its application.

689 CHANNELS TRACKED

65.2% OF CHANNELS WERE PRIVATE (INVITE-ONLY). 34.8% WERE PUBLIC CHANNELS.

65% discussed IS military activities in Syria and Iraq.

43% discussed IS affiliates’ activities in other areas of the world.

16% discussed news and events in Europe or North America.

14% discussed cybersecurity or information security.

12% discussed IS non-military activities (infrastructure, governance, etc.).

10% discussed IS attacks in Europe or North America.

3. English-language content only.

IS SUPPORTERS SHARED:

56,230 PHOTOS
23,048 FILES & DOCUMENTS
18,161 URL LINKS
10,084 VIDEOS
3,308 AUDIO RECORDINGS
622 VOICE MESSAGES

Shared links to other pro-IS Telegram channels

Shared religious material in English

37% 35%