

### Program on Extremism

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397
CHANNELS
TRACKED

From June 1 to August 31, 2017, Program on Extremism researchers tracked, analyzed, and coded 397 pro-Islamic State (IS) channels containing English-language content on the messaging application Telegram.<sup>2</sup>

1. For more information on the method researchers used, see the About page. 2. Telegram is not responsible for, and does not endorse IS-related content on its application.

### **SUMMER 2017**

**ABOUT THE TRACKER** 



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142



The average number of channel members was 142. The most popular channel had 1.605 members.

# 80.4% OF CHANNELS WERE PRIVATE (INVITE-ONLY), 19.6% WERE PUBLIC CHANNELS.

## WHAT PERCENTAGE OF CHANNELS DISCUSSED THESE POPULAR TOPICS?<sup>3</sup>

59%

discussed IS military activities in Syria and Iraq.

39%

discussed IS affiliates' activities in other areas of the world.

19%

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

14%

discussed news and events in Europe or North America.

12%

discussed cybersecurity or information security.

10%

discussed IS attacks in Europe or North America.

3. English-language content only.

41%

Shared links to other pro-IS Telegram channels





**37%** 

Shared religious material in English

### IS SUPPORTERS SHARED:



31,667 PHOTOS



13,320 FILES & DOCUMENTS



**11,944 URL LINKS** 



**4,417 VIDEOS** 



1,432 AUDIO RECORDINGS



**472 VOICE MESSAGES** 

## THE FIVE MOST-USED EXTERNAL FILE-SHARING SITES:

- 1. Youtube.com
- 2. Archive.org
- 3. Justpaste.it
- 4. Top4top.net
- 5. Drive.google.com

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