



Studying hate and disinformation in different contexts: A textual analysis approach

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Variables

- **Hate**
- **Impoliteness**
- **False information perception**
- **Common people knowledge**
- **Populism (reference to the people; anti-elitism; anti-system; Manichaeism; blame Shifting and/or scapegoating; ideal nation)**
- **Political orientation**

Sample: general characterization

Total sample: 4.811.573 items

Year	Data analysed - all countries - %
2019	40.8
2020	59.2

Type of media	Data analysed - all countries - %
Newspapers comments	52.2
Reddit	0.3
Twitter	47.5

Topic	Data analysed - all countries - %
Immigration	44.7
Unemployment	55.3

Political orientation	Data analysed - all countries - %
Right-wing	36.2
Left-wing	23.2

Overall prevalence	Data analysed - all countries - %
Hate	14.1
Impoliteness	20.5
Populism	51.7
Common people knowledge	3
False information perception (expression of)	6.9

Hate, Impoliteness

Distribution of Hate and Impoliteness per country (%):

	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Hate	12.2	16.2	12.5	18	17.5	10.6
Impoliteness	17.8	12.5	18.7	18.7	30.6	11.7

Distribution of Hate per type of media in each country (%):

Type of media	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Newspapers	23.6	22.8	16	27.1	18.3	8.5
Reddit	7.5	9.4	9	6.9	7.4	5.9
Twitter	11.6	16.2	8.5	9.4	13.5	11.8

Distribution of impoliteness per type of media in each country (%):

Type of media	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Newspapers	34.4	23.7	24	30.1	32.7	11.4
Reddit	14.4	14.8	16.9	16.5	17	15
Twitter	17.1	12.4	12.5	7.9	18.6	11.9

Hate, political orientation, topic

Political orientation of messages with hate (%)

Hate - Political orientation	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Right-wing	32.7	59.8	44.7	58.5	59.4	66.4
Left-wing	7.7	22.8	9.6	10.3	22.4	25.5

Prevalence of hate per topic (%)

	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Immigration	25.4	20.4	17.8	27	20.8	15.6
Unemployment	11.9	15.9	10.9	12.8	12.9	5.8

Populism

Distribution of populism per type of media in each country (%)

Type of media	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Newspapers	62.2	38.4	54.2	36.3	33.9	57.6
Reddit	51	46.1	52.6	38.3	43.9	38
Twitter	60.2	41.5	42.8	34.7	55.5	73

Political orientation of populist messages (%)

Political orientation	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Right-wing	33.4	57	45.3	53.9	48.8	46.9
Left-wing	11.2	27.8	8.8	19.6	28.6	38.8

False information perception and populism (%)

False information perception	Brazil	Chile	Portugal	Spain	UK	USA
Populism	62.6	32.8	62.7	41.6	53.3	82.6