



Biased Media, Fake News, and Stereotypes

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Media & Fake News

- Media stereotype immigrants and refugees; fake news portrayals
- Fake news: Politicians or entertainment news media describe factual stories incorrectly or present stories that are false.
- Social media (Facebook) & internet.
- Biased factual news is different than fake news.
- Fake news occurs around the world.

Fake News

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This is the Border Fence Mexico built on their border with Guatemala to keep out freeloaders. Notice The Barbed Wire & Towers with Armed Guards. Shouldn't the United States have the same right as Mexico to protect its border?

Western Media

- Media provides negative and stereotypical images of immigrants, refugees.
- Western media: Media links Hispanic immigrants to poverty, disease and illness, illegal immigration, violent and nonviolent crime, burden on social welfare system, human smuggling, drugs, trespassing, challenges to culture.
 - Rarely linked to benefits (new taxpayers, low-wage labor).
- Western media: Media presents refugees and Muslims as static, backwards, primitive, aggressive and violent, intolerant, unassimilable, carriers of disease, deserving of discrimination.
 - Deny asylum seeking.

Impact on Consumers

- Negative portrayal influences consumers.
 - Supportive attitudes of military action and civil restrictions.
 - Biased opinions and stereotypes.
 - Information from fake news is persistent, hard to identify, shared among public.
 - Consumers feel anxious and threatened (single news exposure).
 - Reinforce negative feelings & encourages acceptance of similar messages.

Susceptibility to Fake News

- Consumer characteristics
 - Social class
 - Political and religious ideology
 - Race, age, biological sex
- These characteristics, in addition to distrust in government, relate to increased susceptibility to negative media portrayals and fake news.
- Fake news amplifies the effect of negative portrayals of immigrants and refugees on consumers.

Long-Term Impact

- Less receiving contexts in new country.
- Reduced assimilation.
- Enclaves.
- Increased prejudicial and discriminatory behavior.
- Increased support for military action and civil restrictions.

Combatting Fake News Globally

- Italy: fact-checking program on Facebook
- Germany: social media companies fined
- India: accreditation removed from journalists
- Malaysia: imprisonment and fined
- Canada: improving IT security
- New Literacy Project
- Criticism: politically motivated, free speech and expression, traditional media, criminality