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RRM CANADA DAILY BRIEF

Key findings:

- RRM Canada did not observe any significant indicators of foreign state-sponsored information manipulation in its monitoring of the broader Canadian digital information ecosystem from May 30 to 31.
- RRM Canada assesses the vast majority of content originated from recognizable Canadian news sites, and found no instances of foreign state-sponsored news outlets commenting on the by-election.
- There were very few news articles or social media chatter about the June 19 by-election during the reporting period. However, there is continuing news coverage on foreign interference during GE44.
- There was no discussion of foreign interference or the June 19 by-elections on Chinese social media platforms during the reporting period.

Scan performed at: 8:00PM, May 31, 2023

Scan covers: 8:00PM May 30, 2023 – 8:00PM May 31, 2023

Languages monitored: English, French, simplified Chinese

Platforms monitored: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Reddit, YouTube, TikTok, Weibo, WeChat, and Douyin

Tools used: Buzzsumo, Crowdtangle, Tweetdeck

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Highest engagement numbers for English-language media on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, Reddit, and YouTube¹

Article title	Date	Publisher	Face-book	Insta-gram	Twitter	Reddit	You-Tube	Total
Singh says he won't force an election until confidence in the electoral system is restored	May 30	CBC News	676	0	2.3K	2.0K	0	5.0K
Trudeau knew Beijing helped him in two elections	May 31	Pierre Poilievre	71	0	10	0	1.5K	1.6K
Erin O'Toole's revelations of China's interference demand an inquiry	May 30	Toronto Sun	193	10	1.2K	0	0	1.4K
Chaos erupts in House of Commons as Trudeau, Poilievre debate foreign interference, exchange quips	May 31	Global News	77	0	11	0	1.1K	1.2K
Erin O'toole — the man China wanted to take down	May 31	National Post	103	0	230	73	0	406
O'Toole says CSIS told him he was focus of Chinese interference	May 30	CTV News	306	0	19	2	0	327
O'Toole says CSIS told him he was targeted by Beijing during 2021 election	May 30	CBC News	125	0	119	9	0	253
Is Justin Trudeau planning a snap election?	May 31	Hill Times	60	0	68	23	0	151
O'Toole says CSIS told him he was focus of Chinese misinformation, suppression effort	May 30	CP24	102	0	7	0	0	109
Bernier fined 4,200 for violating health order at Regina rally	May 31	Leader Post	1	0	23	0	0	24

¹ Engagement numbers reflect the stated reporting period. RRM Canada uses a series of keywords to determine which news stories among English-language media outlets receive the most engagement: "Canada", "election", "by-election", "Liberal", "Conservative", "Bloc Québécois", "New Democratic Party", "Green Party", "People's Party", "LPC", "CPC", "NDP", "BQ", "GPC", "PPC", "Justin Trudeau", "Pierre Poilievre", "Yves-François Blanchet", "Jagmeet Singh", "Elizabeth May", "Maxime Bernier", "Manitoba", "Winnipeg", "Winnipeg South Centre", "Portage la Prairie", "Portage-Lisgar", "Quebec", "Montreal", "Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Westmount", "London", "Woodstock", "Tillsonburg", "Ingersoll", "Oxford", "Ben Carr", "Julia Riddell", "Damir Stipanovic", "Candice Bergen", "Branden Leslie", "Ken Friesen", "Andrew Carrier", "Kerry Smith", "Marc Garneau", "Anna Gainey", "Mathew Kaminski", "Jean-François Filion", "Malcolm Lewis-Richmond", "Jonathan Pedneault", "Dave MacKenzie", "Arpan Khanna", "David Hilderley", "Cody Groat"

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Article title	Date	Publisher	Face-book	Insta-gram	Twitter	Reddit	You-Tube	Total
Ingérence étrangère La Chine gagne, la démocratie canadienne perd	May 30	La Presse	22	0	294	0	0	316
Ingérence étrangère Les libéraux défendent le travail de Johnston	May 30	La Presse	104	0	10	0	0	114
Ingérence étrangère La Chambre des communes demande à David Johnston de quitter ses fonctions	May 31	La Presse	83	0	23	0	0	106
Ingérence étrangère Les Communes demandent à David Johnston de quitter ses fonctions	May 31	La Presse	54	0	1	0	0	55
Ingérence étrangère : la motion demandant le retrait de David Johnston est adoptée	May 31	Radio-Canada	16	0	29	0	0	45
Le Parti populaire de Maxime Bernier s'attaque aux personnes trans et non binaires	May 31	Pivot	33	0	2	0	0	35
Motion réclamant son départ Trudeau se porte à la défense du travail de David Johnston	May 30	La Presse	14	0	17	0	0	31
Le rapport de David Johnston sur l'ingérence chinoise est une farce	May 30	Canada Info	0	0	2	0	3	5
L'ancien chef conservateur Erin O'Toole a été informé qu'il a été ciblé par la Chine	May 30	Noovo Info	0	0	2	0	0	2
David Johnston rejette l'idée d'une enquête publique sur l'ingérence étrangère	May 30	JW Player	0	0	1	0	0	1

² Engagement numbers reflect the stated reporting period. RRM Canada uses the following keywords to determine which news stories among French-language media outlets receive the most engagement: "Canada", "élection", "élection partielle", "libéral", "conservateur", "Bloc Québécois", "Nouveau Parti Démocratique", "Parti Vert", "Parti Populaire", "PLC", "CPC", "NPD", "BQ", "GPC", "PPC", "Justin Trudeau", "Pierre Poilievre", "Yves-François Blanchet", "Jagmeet Singh", "Elizabeth May", "Maxime Bernier", "Manitoba", "Winnipeg", "Winnipeg-Centre-Sud", "Portage-la-Prairie", "Portage-Lisgar", "Québec", "Montréal", "Notre-Dame-de-Grâce-Westmount", "London", "Woodstock", "Tillsonburg", "Ingersoll", "Oxford", "Ben Carr", "Julia Riddell", "Damir Stipanovic", "Candice Bergen", "Branden Leslie", "Ken Friesen", "Andrew Carrier", "Kerry Smith", "Marc Garneau", "Anna Gainey", "Mathew Kaminski", "Jean-François Filiou", "Malcolm Lewis-Richmond", "Jonathan Pedneault", "Dave MacKenzie", "Arpan Khanna", "David Hilderley", "Cody Groat"

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