

TOOLS AND USEFUL LINKS

TWITTER

Official Twitter Help <https://goo.gl/yNSSjo>

twXplorer Excellent breaking news tool that is useful to find out what hashtags people are using
<https://goo.gl/21xKuz>

Twitter advanced search <https://goo.gl/sDQPwg>

Twitter search tips: short cuts for searching Twitter <https://goo.gl/zVIs3P>

Twitter list scraper <https://goo.gl/QvXOBM>

Twitter lists search tool <https://goo.gl/SqW1rJ>

Foller.me excellent resource that supplies extensive info on a user's Twitter account
<http://foller.me/>

Who tweeted that first? Find the original tweeter and get back to the original source
<http://ctrlq.org/first/>

How to use some of Twitters newest features <https://goo.gl/RITUQm>

Setting up and using Twitter lists <https://goo.gl/jZwwu8>

Twitter Setting Twitter shortcuts to speed up social media newsgathering
<https://goo.gl/FTK4KX>

Everything you need to know about Twitter's 140 character update <https://goo.gl/TIPgxt>

Using Twitter lists to get to the heart of a story <https://goo.gl/d9nlLK>

SOCIAL MEDIA SEARCH TOOLS

Storyful Multisearch Chrome-only browser extent that allows you to search several social media platforms, including Twitter, YouTube, Instagram and Tumblr

Google Advanced search <https://goo.gl/bUEcRR>

Yomapic: Instagram search by location <http://www.yomapic.com/>

Searching Facebook: shortcuts for searching Facebook: <http://graph.tips/>

When a web page was first posted on the Internet and cached versions of web pages

<https://goo.gl/llLkgZ>

<https://goo.gl/yMQ3wt>

<https://archive.org/web/>

<http://cachedview.com/>

Find cached web pages in Google Search results

<https://goo.gl/qANm73>

SEARCH ENGINES

How to create a Google alert <https://goo.gl/5COLwg>

WolframAlpha Excellent search engine for answering questions: How far? How deep? What was the first? What was the weather on a given day? <http://www.wolframalpha.com/>

DuckDuck Go: Search engine that doesn't track you <https://duckduckgo.com/>

VERIFICATION

Verification Handbook online resource <http://verificationhandbook.com/>

TinEye Finds where else a photo has been used and allows you to check whether the one you have has been altered or manipulated. Also helps find newest, oldest, most changed versions of a photo you're want to check on <http://www.tineye.com/>

RevEye Reverse Image Search: Browser extension that searches multiple search engines, either one at a time or all at once (available for Chrome only – search for it in the Chrome app store)

Google reverse image search Useful for verification of pictures to find where else a photograph has been used – and, importantly, when it was used <https://goo.gl/FzCtLc>

Google Advanced Image search To search for photos
http://www.google.com/advanced_image_search

Jeffrey's Exif Viewer to check Meta data in a photo, including when it was taken:

goo.gl/IF43vd

YouTube Data Viewer Insert the URL of a YouTube video and this tool will give you details of the video, including when it was uploaded. It will also take screen grabs from the video and allow you to do a Google reverse search to find other iterations and posts of the same video

<http://www.amnestyusa.org/citizenevidence/>

VERIFICATION RESOURCES

The Internet is awash with fakes, hoaxes and urban legends that spread like wildfire. A few go-to site to visit before tweeting or sharing rubbish – and throwing your name away in the process

Snopes <http://www.snopes.com/>

AfricaCheck <https://africacheck.org/>

Hoax Slayer <http://www.hoax-slayer.com/>

bellingcat <https://www.bellingcat.com/>

FirstDraftNews A coalition of news organisation involved with verification. The site is a veritable treasure trove of free verification resources, tutorials and training material

<https://goo.gl/weccDq>

Hoax of fame <https://goo.gl/z3xfXS>

wafflesatnoon <https://goo.gl/v8Z8V7>

DOMAIN AND IP INFO

IP Address and Domain Information - Chrome browser extension

Worldwide <https://who.is/>

South Africa <http://co.za/whois.shtml>

WORLDWIDE PHONEBOOKS

Phonebooks worldwide Search by country for local phone books <http://www.numberway.com/>

BROWSER EXTENSIONS FOR CHROME AND FIREFOX

(Search for them in the Chrome app store and save to your browser bookmarks bar. Some will then be available on your mouse right click

See similar Google pages

SCREEN GRAB TOOLS

Full Page Screen Capture

Nimbus Screen shot (can also annotate a screen grab)

Spam protector

10 Minute Mail Get a temporary email to protects you from spam when signing on to a dodgy site <https://goo.gl/hO0MaB>

INVESTIGATIVE JOURNALISM

Advanced tools for investigative journalists <http://pudo.org/material/investigative-tools/>

Investigative Dashboard

find researchers to help you find information, search databases and for visual networks of influence <https://goo.gl/n65H3Z>

DATA JOURNALISM

Data Journalism Handbook – free PDF download <http://datajournalismhandbook.org/1.0/en/>

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