



Facebook hikes hate speech takedowns

Facebook reports a big jump in the number of posts removed for promoting hate speech, which the company attributes to better detection by automated sniffers developed by its AI experts

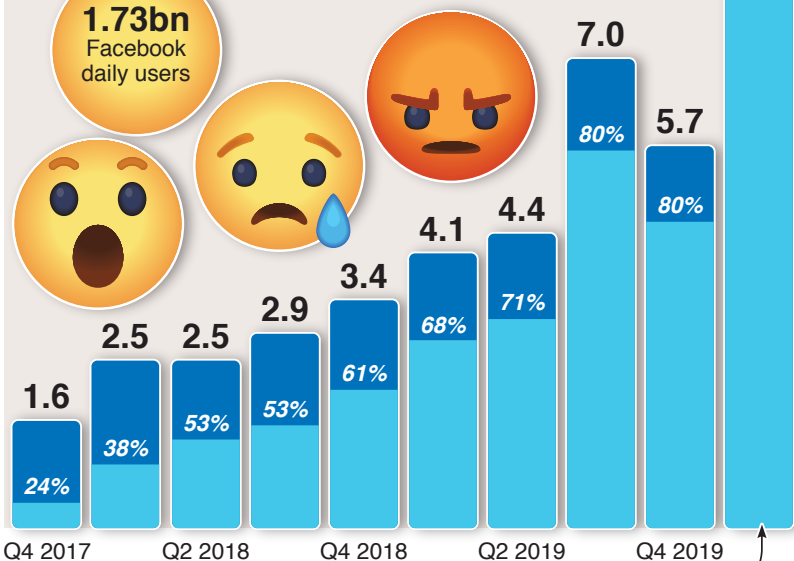
 Posts deemed hate speech deleted (*millions*)


 Detected before users reported them (*percentage*)

1.73bn

Facebook daily users

Q1 2020: 9.6 million – six-fold increase in hateful content removals since second half of 2017



 Facebook says algorithms flagged almost 90% of hate speech removed in first quarter, but does not report how much slipped through

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