



## Google Lite: DuckDuckGo Announces Purge of Independent Media – “Only MSM Allowed”

### Description

**DuckDuckGo CEO Gabriel Weinberg has announced that the search engine will begin purging all independent media outlets from the platform and will replace them with “trusted” mainstream media outlets instead.**

“Like so many others I am sickened by Russia’s invasion of Ukraine and the gigantic humanitarian crisis it continues to create. [#StandWithUkraine?](#),” Weinberg tweeted on Wednesday. “At DuckDuckGo, we’ve been rolling out search updates that down-rank sites associated with Russian disinformation.”

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DuckDuckGo's mission is to make simple privacy protection accessible to all. Privacy is a human right and transcends politics, which is why about 100 million people around the world use DuckDuckGo. (We don't have an exact count since we don't track people.)

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[Information Liberation](#) reports: Weinberg arrogantly lectured users who voiced opposition to his new censorship scheme.

The whole point of DuckDuckGo is privacy. The whole point of the search engine is to show more relevant content over less relevant content, and that is what we continue to do.

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Search engines by definition try to put more relevant content higher and less relevant content lower — that's not censorship, it's search ranking relevancy.

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What exactly is “as is”? Search results aren’t a completely random list of web sites. They are created based on a complex set of algorithms weighing 100s of factors.

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The only quality search engine which doesn’t censor content based off political views now is Russia’s Yandex (at least if you’re outside Russia).

Weinberg evidently paused ties with Yandex a week or so ago:

DuckDuckGo’s search results have gone to s\*\*t over the past two years because they mostly just index Bing results (the two companies have a deal together).

Microsoft [announced](#) in late February that they’re going to manually demote RT and Sputnik in Bing search results, ban their apps from the Microsoft Store and ban them from advertising on their network.

Whether Weinberg is taking some “principled” stand against “Russian disinfo” or just following Microsoft’s lead because his site is mostly just a Bing scraper is not clear.

Weinberg told the New York Times last month that his company is now operating as a snitch for Bing.

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# *Fed Up With Google, Conspiracy Theorists Turn to DuckDuckGo*

The embrace by some conservative influencers and conspiracy theorists is part of a broader effort to shift people away from Tech.



By Stuart A. Thompson

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DuckDuckGo, which has about 3 percent of the United States search market, holds little direct control over the links in its search results because they are generated by the search engine algorithm provided by Bing, which Microsoft owns. And all search engine algorithms are considered black boxes because the companies that create them do not completely disclose what informs their decisions.


In a statement, DuckDuckGo said it condemned “acts of disinformation” and said the company’s internal surveys show that its users had a wide mix of political orientations. The company said it was also studying ways to limit the spread of false and misleading information.

DuckDuckGo said it “regularly” flagged problematic search results with Bing so they could be addressed. After The Times shared some data on search results for numerous terms spread by conspiracy theorists, several of the search results changed even shifting to favor more trustworthy sources.

Last year, the popular Twitter account Libs Of TikTok [posted emails purportedly from DuckDuckGo said to demonstrate that the company discriminates against white men.](#)




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I've been working as a mobile developer for 12 years. I'm a straight white male who knows what the fuck I am doing in my occupation. But lately I'm struggling to find another place to work.

I applied for a job at DuckDuckGo, and got told to go fuck myself right away. So I reapplied at a black lesbian 5 years of experience who can't program or spell. They are moving me to the 2nd round of interviews.

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What do we do in an industry that fucks straight white men over so relentlessly? Do I just become a NEET? Feeling down and super blackpilled atm. Fuck this gay clown world where nothing makes any sense.

The Gateway Pundit reported that they reached out to DuckDuckGo for comment on the allegations but they did not respond. Libs Of TikTok got suspended from Twitter temporarily just for posting the screenshots.

Weinberg had no issue with going on RT in 2015 to promote his website.

Now that the winds have changed and DuckDuckGo has surged in popularity he has assimilated into the Borg.

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