# World Wildlife Fund



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## **Executive Summary**

The goals of our analysis are to gain a better understanding of what creates traction on social media for companies and how to format analytics into a more effective advertising campaign. By examining the WWF, we are able to discover which of their hashtags and social media campaigns are driving engagement in the environmental awareness community and general community compared to their other hashtags.



## Organization & Data Overview

#### **About World Wildlife Fund**

The World Wide Fund of Nature (also known as the World Wildlife Fund or simply the WWF) details their mission is to "leverage sound science to conserve nature and reduce the most pressing threats to the diversity of life on Earth" according to their respective website. The organization strives to assist communities into becoming more sustainable and to provide protection to the natural environment.

#### **Business Problem**

The biggest topic of interest is environmental conservation. Future communication should be prioritized on Twitter. While posting on other social media platforms, Twitter is their most popular form.

#### **Data Overview**

#### **Timeframe**

**Owned Data:** 327 mentions Earned Data: 368,581 mentions

**Topic Data:** 693,053 mentions

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

**Engagement (tweets, mentions,** hashtags, reach), Sentiment, Share of

Voice

#### **Platforms**

Twitter, Tumblr, and Reddit

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#### **Software Used**

Brandwatch, Microsoft Excel, Canva



## Recommendations



## Owned Organizational Data Recommendations

## O1 WWF should increase posts with information based tweets.

WWF has mixed themes of Appreciation-based, Information-based, News-based, Holiday-based, and others. Focus on tweets that have factual information. WWF has the highest number of retweets for information based posts. Information posts were used a lot out of the observed data (n=163). The average amount of retweets for information based posts were 75.6 retweets. In the News posts had the lowest amount of average retweets standing at 57.7 retweets. **See page 10.** 

#### **02** WWF should post more images with animals.

When the World Wide Fund of Nature posted on their Twitter images with animals as the content had the highest number of impressions (6,619,955.6). There was also a high number of impressions with volunteers/donations (6,218,490). To further gain audience coverage, WWF should post more information with a graphic of an animal or volunteers/donations. The sum of animals and volunteer/donation themed posts (108) are almost equal to the amount of infographic/data representation (105). **See page 10.** 

#### 03 Post more with their URL.

When the World Wide Fund of Nature posted on their Twitter images with an URL in the caption, the highest number of impressions was when it was incorporated with their own organization website (8,399,936.4). **See page 10.** 



# Earned Organizational Data Recommendations

#### **04** Increase positive sentiment on all platforms.

While the breakdown for all platforms is split three quarters in favor of neutral sentiment. WWF should aim to increase their positive sentiment. It is teetering on being negative. In order to bolster positive sentiment, we suggest WWF begin posting more uplifting stories about nature and wildlife. This will resonate well with users and in turn increase the positive sentiment. **See Page 13.** 

#### 05 Post more celebrity related content.

The highest peak in volume from the twitter insights were about calling for support for the "Big Cat Safety Act". It is likely that this saw so much attention because famous actor Jared Leto tweeted this out. An increase in celebrity engagement and calling for people to support these issues and organization can help drive traffic. **See Page 15.** 

## O6 WWF should focus on decreasing their negative sentiment for Reddit.

Reddit has over three times the share of negative sentiment. WWF sits at 37% negative sentiment which is a total of 1,993 mentions. Compare that to their social media platform counterparts from the likes of Twitter (10.9% negative) and Tumblr (4% negative), this is an interesting insight. **See Page 16.** 



## Comparable Data & Earned Topic Recommendation

#### 07 WWF should collaborate with outside users.

Oceana has the second highest amount of volume per platform with 177,545 mentions in the volume of 693,053. Their highest amount of positive sentiment was tweets that collaborated with outside users. WWF should focus on partnering with other non-profits in order to spread the message of awareness. **See Page 19.** 

#### **08** WWF should go globally with tweets.

World Wildlife Fund's tweets remain highest in the United States. When comparing to other competitive organizations, WWF has the most mentions but over half of the volume, 152,938 out of 303,983 mentions, was in the United States. These issues are global and need to be spread to other countries. The United Kingdom was second most with 59,275 mentions. **See Page 20.** 

#### 09 WWF should engage more on Tumblr.

Tumblr allows users to post images and text that are not permitted to a certain amount of characters. When it comes to topics relating to protect endangered species, users are allowed to write more of a reflection story on how they feel about said topics. Out of the 60,764 mentions about the topic, Tumblr had 40,202 of those mentions. **See page 24.** 

## 10 WWF Twitter posts should focus on the theme of threatened.

With the theme of threatened, Twitter post that mentioned anything along the lines of protecting wildlife, animal activists, and hunters received a lot of traction. Even though these were coded under a negative sentiment, these are the posts that draw people to WWF's mission. 14% of the mentions were negative but the actual tweets were call-to-action based. **See page 28.** 



## **Owned Data**



## Owned Data Overview

#### **About WWF Twitter Account**

Currently, the World Wide Fund (WWF), @WWF, boasts a following of over 3.9 million followers and actively tweets new content. Their posts include a variety of different themes, content, and messages set to spread the word about social awareness, affirmation of volunteers, and involvement.

#### **Dataset: Volume & Timeframe**

The data we gathered is compiled of 327 tweets taken from the time period of September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022. The reason for this timeline is because of World Wide Fund's once-a-day posting schedule in combination with the amount of original tweets — not retweets, replies, or quoted tweets — bringing our dataset to 327 total tweets for the 11-month span.

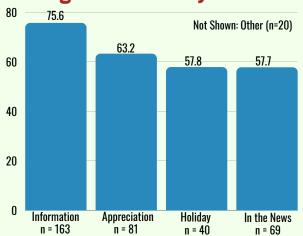
#### **Questions We Seek to Explore**

- 1. In what ways can WWF target their audience beneficially?
- 2. How high is impressions of post based on content information?
- 3. What forms of media coverage is better when implementing sentiment?



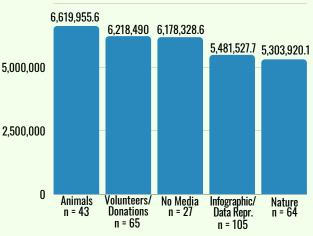
## Twitter Engagement Data

#### **Average Retweets by Theme**



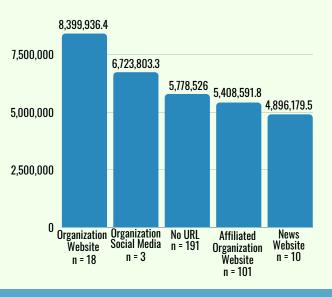
WWF has the highest number of retweets for information based posts. The average amount of retweets for information based posts was 75.6 retweets.

#### **Average Impression for Image Content**



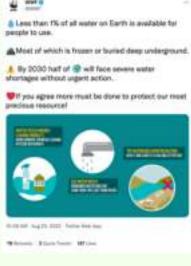
When WWF posted on Twitter images with animals, the content had the highest number of impressions. Animals are have half the amount of post as infographic/data representation. If the WWF put out more content on an emotional theme of post with animals, their impression would be higher.

#### **Average Impression for URL Target Type**



When the World Wide Fund of Nature posted on their Twitter images with an URL in the caption, the highest number of impressions was when it was incorporated with their own organization website. To further gain audience coverage, WWF should post more tweets with an URL involving their own organization's website.

### 327 Tweets







# WWF Earned Organization DATA



## **Earned Data Summary**

#### **Goals of Earned Data Analysis**

From analyzing the data set, we will explore what users are saying about World Wildlife Fund. We will see which demographic is most prevalent in conversation, as well as the overall sentiment of these users. We will also examine themes of posts to see which resonate best with WWF. This data will give us raw statistics and numbers to make educated conclusions about these posts. World Wildlife Fund has competitors that we will examine in this data set as well.

#### **Question We Seek to Explore**

- 1. How does World Wildlife Fund's presence on social media compare to their competitors?
- 2. What is the overarching sentiment of the posts?
- 3. What specific posts engage users the most?

#### **About the Datasets**

#### Organization Data Set

Timeline: 5/31/21 – 9/28/22 Volume: 368,581 mentions Unique Authors: 177,257

#### **Comparable Data Set**

Timeline: 5/31/21 – 9/28/22 Volume: 693,053 mentions Unique Authors: 248,789

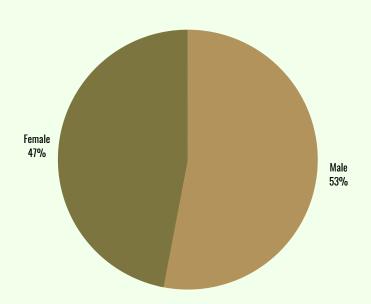


## **Earned Data Overview**

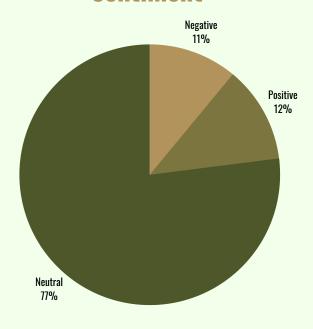
**Timeframe:** May 31, 2021 – Sep. 28, 2022

**Volume:** 368,581 mentions

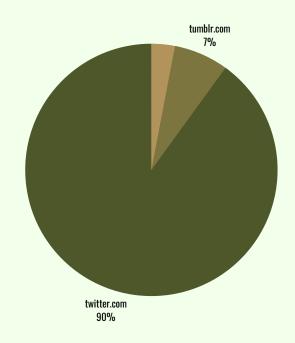
#### **Gender Breakdown**



#### **Sentiment**



#### **Top Platforms**



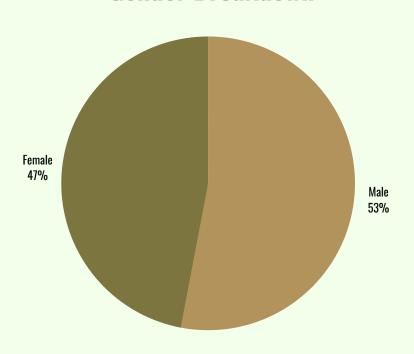
**Gender Breakdown:** Males hold a slight edge over females in the conversation across social media platforms. Males occupy 53% (N=72,820) while females hold 47% (N=64,069).

Twitter: 321,323 mentions Tumblr: 26,168 mentions Instagram: 11,165 mentions

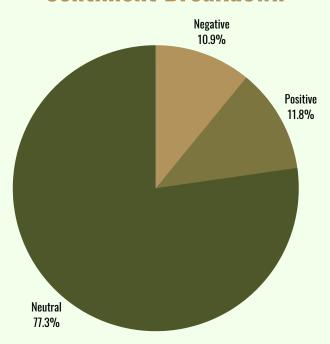
**Sentiment Breakdown:** Most of the conversation has a neutral sentiment with 77%, positive sentiment gained 12%, and a negative sentiment of 11%.

## Twitter Insights

#### **Gender Breakdown**



#### **Sentiment Breakdown**



#### **Top Items**

#### **Hashtags:**

#nft, #wwf, #naturepositive, #cop26

#### **Influential Users:**

@big\_catsf, @eesakhan,
@losseslearned, @ExposeLies2

#### **Trending Topics:**

endangered species, plastic pollution, world leaders, palm oil

#### **Narrative by Sentiment**

**Positive** conversations include post with adoption of animals, celebrating animals' birthdays/anniversaries, and holidays such as Earth Day.

**Negative** conversations include government spending on nature and wildlife, forest fires, and extinction.

## **Twitter Data Analysis**

### 321,384 Mentions



#### Spike A - August 1, 2021

Jared Leto tweets about celebrating a National Animal Day that partners with Big Cat Public Safety Act.

N = 9.258



**Spike B - October 26, 2021** 

A verified account treats about a certificate of adoption of a panda with the use of a graphic N = 8.735



Spike C - February 6, 2022

An account, with a strong following, posts adoption gift of animals for a friends birthday using a graphic.

N = 7.301



## Tumblr & Reddit Insights

#### **Tumblr**

**Total Volume Mentions: 25,711** 

#### **Narrative by Sentiment**

Positive conversations include posts about national animal, vacation destinations to visit, participation in conservation.

Negative conversations include posts about political leaders not doing anything about pollution and posts about litter found in the oceans that camouflage with the reefs.

# Positive 6% Neutral

<u>Influential Users:</u> marcosbrum, pratheepvijay3097, tshirtprinted

<u>Trending Topics:</u> Earth Hour, World Wildlife Fund-US, Online wildlife trade

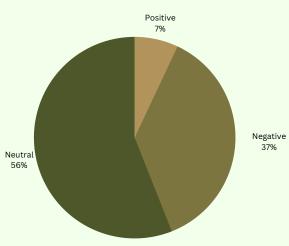
#### Reddit

Total Volume Mentions: 5,178

#### **Narrative by Sentiment**

Positive sentiment posts are about sponsored Quokka via WWF for Mother's Day and how much the user loved it.

Negative sentiment posts are about the old WWE wrestling group. The user responds and says that the change was caused by the World Wildlife Fund for nature.



**Top Items** 

<u>Influential Users:</u> aFiachra, DeadEndFred, The-dark-lightskin

<u>TrendingTopics:</u> climate change endangered species, friends of the earth

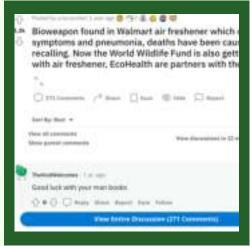
## Reddit Data Analysis



#### Spike A - January 2, 2022

This post is a response to the original poster explaining how to enter in an NFT giveaway.

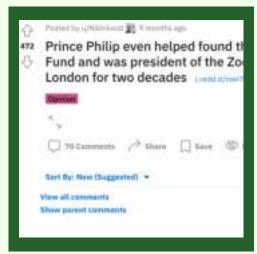
N = 3,128



**Spike B - October 31, 2021** 

The post is informing of an air freshener that can cause symptoms of COVID-19 and pneumonia.

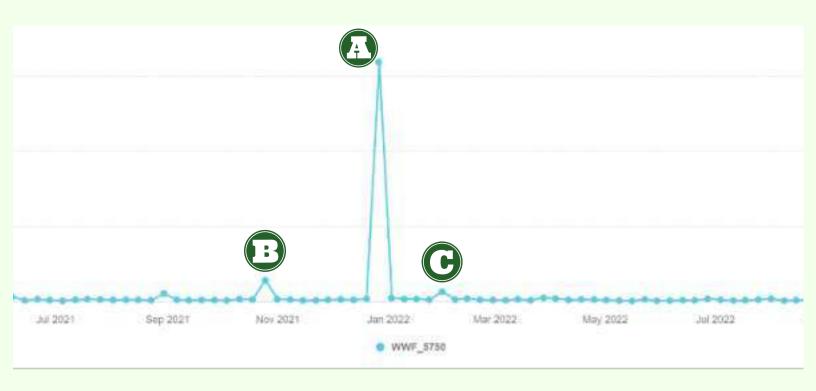
N = 834



Spike C - February 6, 2022

The post states that Prince Phillip helped found WWF.

N = 568

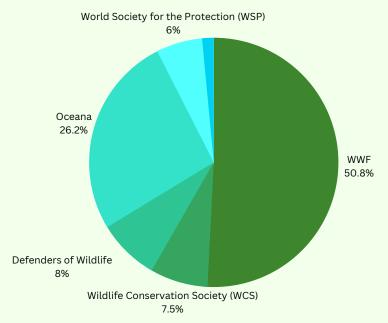


# WWF Earned Comparable Organization DATA

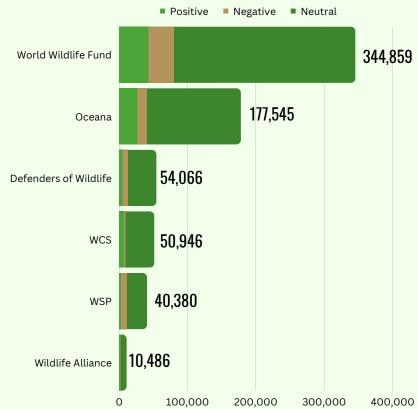


## Comparable Data Overview

#### **Share of Voice**



**Sentiment Analysis** 



**Timeframe**: 5/31/21 – 9/28/22 **Volume**: 693,053 mentions

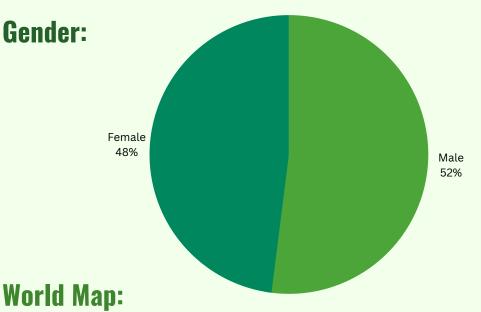
We have chosen to examine the **positive** and **negative** sentiment narrative for **Oceana** because they have the second highest volume compared to the rest of our competitors. (Wildlife Alliance, World Society for the Protection of Animals, Defenders of Wildlife, and Wildlife Conservation Society)





## Comparable Data Overview

### 303,983 **Mentions**



Male: 52% - 157,159

Female: 48% - 146,779



United States: 152,938

United Kingdom: 59,275

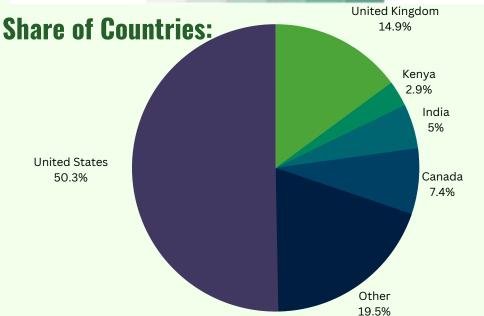
Canada: 22,498

India: 15,093

Kenya: 8,746

Other: 45,388

Total: 303,983



# Earned Topic Conversation DATA



# Topic Conversation Data Summary

#### **Goals of Topic Conversation Analysis:**

Looking at the data set we will examine the posts surrounding our topic Protect Endangered Species, look at the demographic, sentiment, and volume breakdown. We will look at the themes within the topic that yield the most positive and negative sentiments.

#### **Question We Seek to Explore:**

- 1. What theme generates the most positive sentiment?
- 2. What theme generates the most negative sentiment?
- 3. Who is the main demographic around the topic, Protect Endangered Species?

#### **About the Dataset**

**Topic:** Protect Endangered Species

#### **Topic Conversation Data:**

Timeline: May 31, 2021 – September 28, 2022

Volume: 60,764 mentions Unique Authors: 15,030

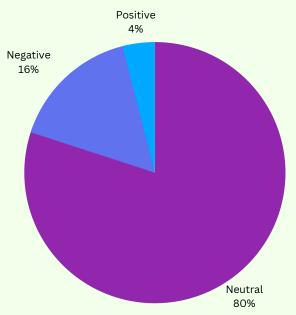


## Topic Conversation Data Overview

**Topic:** Protect Endangered Species

**Timeframe:** 5/31/2021 – 9/28/2022

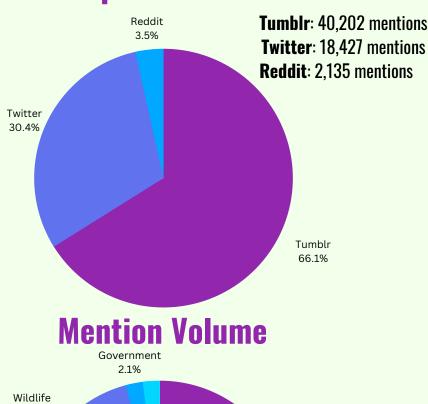
#### **Sentiment Breakdown**



**Sentiment Breakdown:** Most of the conversation had a neutral sentiment with 80% (N=48,313), then a negative sentiment with 16% (N=9,972), and a positive sentiment with 4% (N=2,479) of the conversation

**Mention Volume:** Most of the posts mentioned the term threatened (75%, N=45,723), then wildlife (21%, N=12,937), then government (2%, N=1,060), and irrelevant (2%, N=1,044)

#### **Top Platforms**

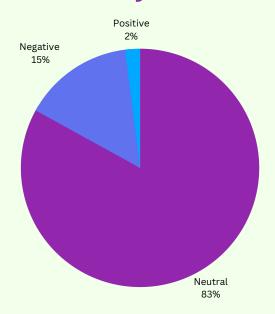


# Wildlife 16.8% Threatened 78.9%

# Tumblr & Reddit Data Insights

#### **Tumblr**

#### **Narrative by Sentiment**



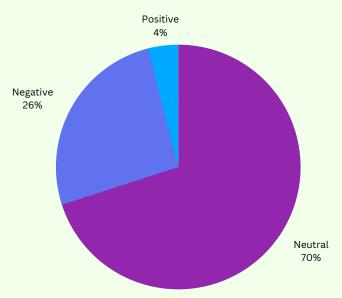
**Positive conversations** include posts with environmental protection tactics, protection of vultures, and scary animals are still animals.

**Negative conversations** include posts of people hunting, showcases dead animals, and fan-fictions of animals from another planet.

#### **Top Items**

**Topic:** white man, animals and plants, protect biodiversity

## **Reddit**Narrative by Sentiment



**Positive conversations** include posts with zoo visits, protection of lions, and endangered forests and animals.

**Negative conversations** include posts of white men hunting in Africa, dogs attacking penguins, fan-fictions of controlling wild animals.

#### **Top Items**

**Topic:** protect endangered wildlife, laws to protect, money to protect

# Tumblr Topic Data Insights

### 40,202 Mentions

#### **Spike Analysis**



#### Spike A - December 13, 2021

This call-to-action is about giving money to the WWF instead of buying crypto.

N = 12,468 mentions



#### Spike B - January 3, 2022

Spider conservation is something people do not talk about enough. In this post are tips on how to safely conserve.

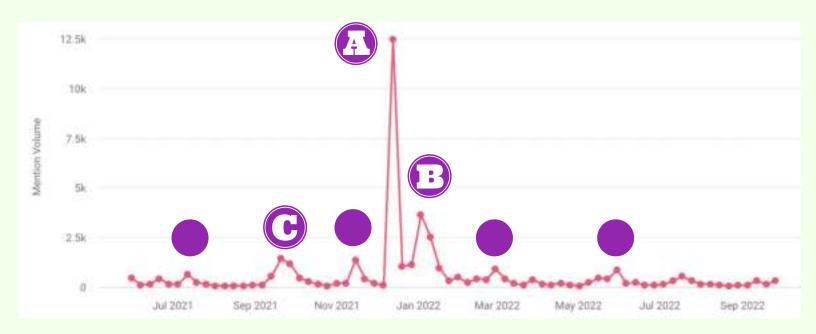
N = 3.628 mentions



Spike C - September 20, 2021

Donor support is how these non-profits survive. This call-to-action post brings attention to the money shortage.

N = 1,421 mentions



The other points of spike were about the comparison of women and animal treatment, the threats towards non-profits, and different creative ways to interact with animals and their habitats.

#### 25 / Earned Topic Conversation Data

## **Theme Analysis**

#### **The Process Using Custom Classifiers**

Using Brandwatch's AI feature, we gathered information regarding emerging themes in the protect endangered species topic through Custom Classifiers.

With Custom Classifiers, we trained Brandwatch to classify posts into the themes listed below by manually assigning a small number of posts into buckets. By filtering the data into more specific, nuanced sets, we obtained compelling insights on trending items and gender and sentiment breakdowns of each theme.

#### **Emerging Themes**

Included: wildlife, threatened, and government

These were topics that were highest in conversation when regarding "protect endangered species," and are relevant to the goals and missions of World Wide Fund. The irrelevant section in Custom Classifiers catches all the posts that are not applicable to the data we are analyzing.

#### 'Edit Custom Classifier' in Brandwatch

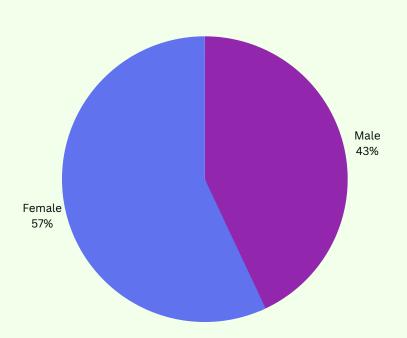




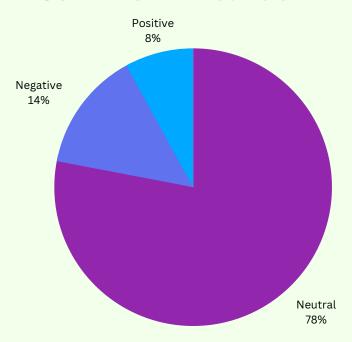
## Theme Analysis Threatened

### 12,034 Posts

#### **Gender &**



#### **Sentiment Breakdown**



Conversations surrounding the theme 'Threatened', include things like species, hunting, and protect.

**Positive** tweets in this theme include things like celebrating one of the rarest animals in the world, a northern hairy-nosed wombat.

**Negative** tweets include things like men hunting animals in Africa and being animal rights activists but destroying the wild.

## Top Items

#### **Hashtags**

#mwc22, #natureguardians, #animals

#### **Links**

- Why Trophy Hunting Helps Protect Animals - <u>YouTube</u>
- Saving the Pangolin: One Conservationist's Lifetime Mission - REUTERS

#### **Key Influencers:**



@KiethTse2

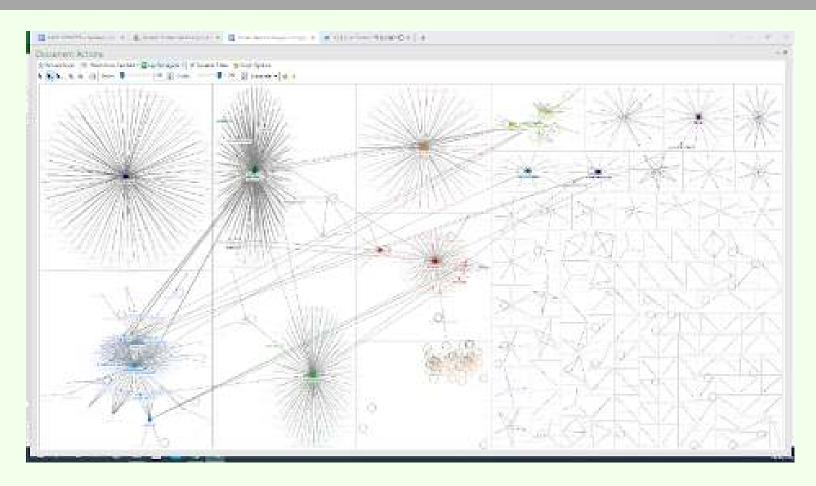
 posts primarily about issues in Africa



@mfell12345

 celebrates animal themed holidays

## **NodeXL Cluster Table**



When looking at World Wildlife Fund's cluster table, there was not a lot of connection between multiple tweets. For example, the top left cluster does not have a strand connecting to any other cluster. The common theme in that cluster was in Japanese and it was a call-to-action of saying a specific tree in Japan. But, when Dominic Dyer, a verified animal activist on twitter, post about rejoining the media platform, the strands go in a bunch if different directions. Users connect him to a variety of different wildlife conservation tweets.

Dominic Dyer connected to the second cluster on the top row with a call-to-action for a government appeal to protect stolen and missing pets. The tweet was an awareness post to bring more attention to the poorly ran animal shelters across the United States.

## **Appendix**



## **Appendix**

#### **Boolean Searches**

#### **Organization Data Set:**

"World Wildlife Fund" OR @wwf OR World\_Wildlife OR "World Wildlife Fund" OR #WWF OR #WorldWildlifeFund NOT (Wrestling OR #wrestling OR #WWE OR #SmackDown OR @WWE)

#### **Competition Data Set:**

"Wildlife Conservation Society" OR @TheWCS OR #TheWCS OR "Defenders of Wildlide" OR @Defenders OR #DefendersofWildlife OR "Oceana" OR @oceana OR #oceana OR "World society for the protection of animals" OR @MoveTheWorld OR #ChangeLivesForever OR "Wildlife Alliance" OR @WildlifeRescue OR #JoinTheAlliance

#### **Topic Data Set:**

"Climate Crisis" OR #climatecrisis OR ((CLimate OR Crisis) AND "global warming") NOT Volunteering NOT Volunteer NOT pollution NOT #pollution NOT #volunteering NOT #volunteer NOT #SaveThePlanet NOT Animals NOT #animals NOT Nature NOT #nature NOT preservation OR ClimateCrisis

#### **Topic:**

((("protect" OR #protect OR #protection OR "protecting") AND ("endangered" OR #endangered) AND ("animals" OR #animals)))

