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#### Abstract

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This study examined how women were represented globally in online newspapers. Depiction of men and women in online newspapers was investigated via cropping of photographs. The photograph was examined to determine if emphasis was placed on the face or body of the human image.

The researcher used the Body Index Scale coding instrument. A simple random sample of 1,969 published photographs in 750 global online newspapers was examined.

A major finding was that men dominate the front screens on global online newspaper Web sites. The data concluded men were cropped with an emphasis on the head, emphasizing intellect. Women were often cropped with emphasis on the body.

The significances of this study were that global online newspapers have an increasingly large impact on society. The manner in which men and women are depicted in global online newspapers play a role in how visual images can dictate stereotypes in mass culture.

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## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

## Background

The visual depiction of females in media has been a factor since mankind first recorded events on the walls of caves. In Western Europe, about 20,000 years ago, Upper Paleolithic people developed sophisticated traditions of both sculpted and graphic art for ritual or decorative use. ${ }^{1}$ Information regarding women's social, political, economic, and personal histories has been interpreted for later generations by the study of such images. Hieroglyphic images on the walls in Ancient Egypt have helped show how women have been depicted throughout history. Women were often depicted in these wall writings as slim, beautiful beings with occupations such as dancers and maids. ${ }^{2}$

Along with the invention of the printing press came a new era for women in the media. As a result of this invention, the use of print media enabled editors to write and illustrate more about women's roles in society. Editors had freedom and gained more control over what their mass audience was going to read and see. Moreover, with the explosion of technology, the Internet and, thus, online media, women's images in the news media are still at the mercy of the editors and how they choose to portray them.

## Statement of the Problem

The purpose of this content analysis study is to explore how women are represented globally in online media and specifically in online newspapers. Stereotypes possibly encourage conventional modes of thinking. For example, the stereotype of a female being "blonde" can
conjure the thought of being less intelligent. If females are depicted in a negative way with stereotypes in this medium, the ramifications to society are tremendous. The visual images seen by readers can determine how women are viewed in society. The effects can penetrate the human mind both mentally and physically. It is a problem if females are depicted differently because it can have effects in everyday life, the workplace, family and friend relationships, and many others.

Data analysis will be conducted to determine if men and women are depicted differently in global online newspapers. Also, it will be determined which gender will score higher on the later explained Body Index Scale.

## Significance of the Study

This study is important because of the uncharted territory that exists within the new area of online newspapers. Because online newspapers are still considered innovative, there are few standards by which they are written. It has been demonstrated through several decades of research of traditional ink and paper newspapers that news coverage of men and women are presented differently. However, the new medium of the Internet introduces a different responsibility of gender representation. Because of the cross-culturization effect of the Internet, people globally can access any Web site, be introduced to, and view images of a foreign country, culture, or society. Not only can an online newspaper be seen locally, it may be seen globally. Online newspapers can set the standards for subsequent editors who will be constructing his/her newspaper to be read online. The gender representation aspect is also crucial because of its impact on society. The way gender is depicted in an online newspaper can filter into society, thus resulting in stereotyping and other negative methods of thinking. The Internet is not an age,
race, or gender specific medium. It caters to everyone in the world at any time at any place. The online newspaper is the latest medium to be acknowledged not only for its ongoing growth in the global society, but its impact on those it reaches.

This study is vital to the ongoing progression of women in the media in general. Though this study focuses on online newspapers, it is a more current and modern approach than previous studies. These previous studies were and still are extremely significant in their contents and results. However, to show the progression or regression of gender in the media, this study was conducted to analyze whether the fresh medium of the Internet is consistent with the results of previous studies that show an under representation of women, or if the Internet is taking a new path.

## Definition of Terms

1. Advertising ${ }^{3}$ : Non-personal communication of information usually paid for and usually persuasive in nature about products, services or ideas by identified sponsors through the various media.
2. Broadband ${ }^{4}$ : A type of data transmission in which a single medium (wire) can carry several communication paths between two computers or devices at once.
3. Circulation ${ }^{5}$ : Periodic daily newspapers are periodic publications, issued at least four times a week, intended for the general public and mainly designed to be a primary source of written information on current events connected with public affairs, international questions, politics, etc. Circulation comprises average number of copies sold directly by subscription and distributed free of charge in the country and abroad.
4. Content Analysis ${ }^{6}$ : Systematic, replicable technique for compressing many words of text into fewer content categories based on explicit rules of coding.
5. Coverage $^{7}$ : In communications, the geographical area within which the service can be received.
6. Face-ism ${ }^{8}$ : The relative prominence of the face in a photograph, drawing, or other depiction of a person.
7. Feminism $^{9}$ : The theory of the political, economic, and social equality of the sexes. Organized activity on behalf of women's rights and interests.
8. Internet ${ }^{10}$ : An electronic communications network that connects computer networks worldwide.
9. Media ${ }^{11}$ : Communication via a channel or information carrier i.e. via a storage, which transfers information across space and time. Traditional media are written and spoken language, also included in the visual arts and the performing arts. In the 20th century, electronic media joined in, i.e. radio and television broadcasting.
10. Medium ${ }^{12}$ : A channel or system of communication, information, or entertainment.
11. Narrowband ${ }^{13}$ : A restricted frequency band, usually for a single user or used for a single purpose.
12. Online ${ }^{14}$ : Connected to, served by, or available through a system and especially a computer or telecommunications system done while connected to a system.
13. Readership ${ }^{15}$ : The number of an audience that have read one issue of a publication.
14. Title IX ${ }^{16}$ : Bars gender discrimination in education facilities that receive federal funds.
15. User ${ }^{17}$ : An individual who uses a computer.
16. Web site ${ }^{18}$ : A location on the World Wide Web. Each web site is owned and managed by an individual, company, or organization.
17. Women's Movement ${ }^{19}$ A movement to combat sexual discrimination and to gain full legal, economic, vocational, educational, and social rights and opportunities for women, equal to those of men.

## Literature Review

## Areas of Impact

Politically, socially, and economically, women have been a part of news media as news employees and as subjects covered in the stories. Women have often been found to have been covered differently that their male counterparts in each of these areas.

## Political Influence

Elections are political events, which have historically brought women into the news media. A study comparing men and women in legislative campaigns from 1969-1992 in Taiwan found "...women are more likely to receive coverage of soft issues, like personal life and appearance and men are covered more with hard issues such as laws and economic issues., ${ }^{20}$ An additional finding in this study is that the coverage of female candidates has not changed significantly over time. Just as in the United States, Taiwan has undergone a women's
movement. However, despite the efforts of this movement, coverage of women in the political news has remained gender oriented. Rowlison's study of four major gubernatorial races in New Jersey, New Hampshire, West Virginia, and Missouri concluded, "female gubernatorial candidates received less coverage and less positive media coverage than their male counterparts. ${ }^{, 21}$ There were five main categories into which the females were placed during the coverage: The Glamour Girl, The Homemaker, The Wife, The All-Male Paradigm, and The Sport Terminology stereotype. This stereotyping resulted in the decrease of positive coverage. Coverage such as this is not isolated. It presents itself in other parts of the globe. Wiens' Nova Scotia (Canada) provincial election found a pattern of referring to females with characterizations of "inability to win" and "incompetence". ${ }^{22}$ The results of this study indicated an increased coverage of women's private lives over their male counterparts. This analysis justifies further credibility to the negative coverage women receive in the area of politics.

In comparison, there have also been studies that show news media enhance the political depiction of women. In a study of news coverage in three gubernatorial elections, it was found that a woman's image was actually enhanced by the media's exploration of avenues not previously brought forth by traditional coverage. ${ }^{23}$ A content analysis conducted found that there is a difference between the coverage of females running against men for gubernatorial offices and senate offices. ${ }^{24}$ Articles written about female gubernatorial candidates average one paragraph. The male counterpart received two paragraphs on average. The researcher also declared that though more females are running for these offices, their success in being elected is not as frequent. A strategy the news media favors is to focus on the woman's appearance more than the issues of her political campaign. When Elizabeth Dole ran for the White House, a study published by Media Report to Women $^{25}$ found one in six stories about Dole made a reference to
her appearance. Along the same line, in Carol Mosley Braun's (D-Illinois) run for the United States Senate, it was not until the twenty-second paragraph of a major news article about her that readers learned that she is an experienced lawyer, former prosecutor, and veteran state senator. ${ }^{26}$ This type of coverage only demeans the message the candidate is trying to portray and places the focus elsewhere in the campaign. In lieu of the 1992 "Year of the Woman" in politics, the fact still remains that women were found to be significantly underrepresented in news media in the United States. ${ }^{27}$

Media coverage of females in politics gained exposure with the coverage of the very popular 1984 election involving Geraldine Ferraro. Through her campaign, news media hounded Ms. Ferraro and tried to find any story possible to project negativity. When the press tried to find a story and came up empty handed, they began to generate untrue stories about her. ${ }^{28}$ Though not all of these activities are exclusive to female candidates, it is clearly more emphasized when covering female candidates from the above findings.

## Social Impact

The social analysis of women in the news media has its beginning with the evolution of the Feminist and Women's Rights Movements. "Despite coverage of women forcibly induced by the legitimation of the women's movement, newspapers continue to view women in the news as occasional oddities that must be tolerated. ${ }^{, 29}$ The exclusion of women from reporting the news is not a new subject. During the 1940s there was only one female journalist appearing on any televised news. By 1960, the number had increased to one woman per network, and it did not denote much growth in the representation of women in the news media. Of course, the 1960s
marked the origin of the Women's Rights Movement and the Feminist Movement. Though these movements are self-explanatory, an explanation of their ramifications is important.

The 1960s marked the explosive beginning to women's rise in social issues. The movements started to create a better awareness of the standards and reasons upon which it was based. However, even with this great evolution, women still had a difficult time persuading the news media to cover the issues in a way that was positive or even factual without being biased. For example, when the National Organization for Women formed, the Washington Post did not report the story. When feminism was covered, it usually dealt with extreme or one-sided connotations. A famous example of this would be the "bra-burning" phase. The real situation was that women were non-violently placing their bras into trashcans in protest of the 1968 Miss America Pageant. Though the women did actually burn the bras, the symbolism was to be emphasized more than the action. However, the reporters who covered the incident used the words "burning" to indicate danger. The concept of "burning" associated the reader with a "burning" of the American flag or of some similarity. ${ }^{30}$ Therefore, a negative and harsh view was placed on the women.

Not all journalism is negative for women. In the wake of the Nicole Brown Simpson murder, journalists were compelled to write more about domestic violence. During the Anita Hill/Clarence Thomas hearings, there was more coverage regarding harassment in the workplace. Miller ${ }^{31}$ studied two major newspapers, The Washington Post and The Los Angeles Times to compare how many photos of women versus men occurred and in which section the photos appeared in the newspaper. The results revealed that half the time a woman was shown, it was in a spousal role. Also, $75 \%$ of the photos of men represented them in roles of politicians, professionals, and sports figures. Only $25 \%$ of the photos of women were represented in these
same roles. However, as Blackwood states, "Due to the efforts of the women's movement and alleged efforts by newspapers to expand their coverage of women, the disparity is greater now." Blackwood analyzed The Los Angeles Times and The Washington Post several years after the Miller study to see if there was any progression in the representation of women in these papers. After analyzing these photos, it was found men still outnumbered women in both newspapers. It is noteworthy to mention in this study, men dominated not only the front page but the sports page also. It was concluded by Blackwood that both newspapers had failed to stay current with the changing roles of women in society. ${ }^{32}$

Reinforcement of under-representation of women in major newspapers was confirmed in an additional study concerning the New York Times. This study analyzed 1,104 random sample images in the newspaper. It was found that 656 or $66.5 \%$ of the images were of men and 312 or $31.6 \%$ of the images were of women. ${ }^{33}$

A further social avenue worth exploring is the sports world. Women have increasingly become more visible in sports, especially with the inception of Title IX in the Education Amendments of 1972. Studies have been conducted to find out if Title IX has improved the coverage and additionally the depiction of women in the news media. A content analysis study of a major university student newspaper found that though Title IX has made a positive impact on women's sport coverage, the superiority and dominance attributed to male athletes, and the inferiority and subordination of women athletes, is still conveyed and reinforced. ${ }^{34}$ In the same study it was found that female athletes remain less photographed than their male colleagues with men maintaining their dominance. A survey taken by the Associated Press in 1999, released in Media Report to Women ${ }^{35}$, gave statistical information about the presence of female editors and coverage about female athletes. According to the survey, there were 1,096 male sports reporters
versus 130 female reporters. Male editors dominated by holding 680 fulltime editor positions in contrast to the 108 female editors. The average percentage of the sports section devoted to women's sports was $20 \%$.

These dominating characteristics are also found in worldwide professional sports photographs. A study was conducted to analyze Associated Press News photographs about the championship tennis tournament, Wimbledon, for gender depiction. It was found that sports editors consistently selected women in helpless poses, even though the editors had hundreds of photographs from which to choose. This conclusion states, "...sports editors are reinforcing the stereotype that women are more easily dominated than men., ${ }^{, 36}$

A concept that defines the phenomena of facial expression is named Face-ism. This concept plays a role within the context of women's social roles in the news media. Face-ism is best described as the degree to which a photo focuses on the human body versus the focus on the face of that body. In research facilitated by Dodd, Harcar, Foerch and Anderson ${ }^{37}$, two main studies were performed. The first study analyzed the cover pages of all Time and Newsweek magazines from 1938, 1953, 1963, 1975, and 1983. The first study found cover photos of women focused less on their faces and more on their bodies than their male counterparts. Study two investigated thirty different advertisements from three major magazines during the years of 1976, 1981, and 1986. The second study concluded that advertisement photos portrayed women with their mouths open more often than men, making the connotation that men are more serious and thoughtful and that women are superficial.

The Face-ism effect suggests that important aspects of identity are thought to be centered differently anatomically in women and men as Archer, Kimes, and Barrios ${ }^{38}$ found in their studies. First, this research team asked eighty undergraduates to draw a man or a woman with
each student being randomly assigned a gender to draw. The students were told they were being evaluated on free-hand drawing skills, so there would be no bias. Both men and women completed drawings of men with very prominent and detailed faces. While drawing the women, they showed the full body, but drew the face with minimal detail, and some with no features at all. The same study additionally considered the tendency of news medium to consciously or unconsciously crop a photo in a certain manner. Taking five individual media sources, (all consisting of magazines and newspapers), the team looked at a total of 1,750 published photographs for a measure of face-ism. It was clear in this review, that women's bodies were highlighted and men's faces were accentuated. The study concluded this focus on the male's face highlighted the brain and thought activity. The accent on the woman's body therefore highlighted the physical aspects of her body focusing on weight, physique, and overall attractiveness. To confirm this concept of face-ism and to show its powerful effect upon society, King conducted a study to test face-ism in online newspapers in Latin America. Men were shown $70.8 \%$ of the time and women were shown $29.1 \%$ of the time in the online newspapers. It was concluded, "...published images of women which tend to focus less on their intellect and more on their figures, may over time, contribute to a general cultivation effect among media consumers that tends to symbolically devalue women by cultivating images of them as less powerful than males and less able to serve in intellectual roles.,"39

To find out whether Face-ism is a new phenomenon or one that has long historical roots, another study was conducted by Archer, Iritani, Kimes and Barrios ${ }^{40}$, to study portraits and paintings from the $15^{\text {th }}, 16^{\text {th }}, 17^{\text {th }}, 18^{\text {th }}, 19^{\text {th }}$, and $20^{\text {th }}$ centuries. This study was to test effects over a long period of time. Nine hundred twenty portraits were analyzed for face-ism. A review of the different eras indicated findings that face-ism is a very old concept. All the eras supported
production of more pictures of men and more focus on their faces than of women. In fact, it was found face-ism did not decrease in more recent works. A similar study performed tested selfconcepts of men and women through the emotions of pictures. ${ }^{41}$ This concept is facilitated by the media via the constant ideal of what women should look like. Upon giving the subjects a test to measure self-esteem and depression, among other related topics, it was found women generated an emotional reaction related to the "ideal" female image making them more prone to depression than the men. Therefore, it is vital to note the importance of not only the representation of women in news media, but also the images that the news media inflicts upon women, visually and mentally.

Hernandez stated, "Women referenced on the front page of a newspaper often were related to a principle male in the story, or were victims of crime, national disaster or death., ${ }^{42}$ Women in photographs appeared only $33 \%$ of the time on the front page of a newspaper. The Atlanta Journal had the most front-page photos of women on average (40\%) and The Los Angeles Times had the fewest with $22 \%$ on average. As the author notes, it is important to realize without several major stories during the time period in which the sample was taken the numbers would have been even lower. For example, the death of Rose Kennedy occurred at this time. In another report originally conducted by the group "Women, Men and Media" Hernandez found a decline of front-page references to women had occurred, dropping from $25 \%$ in 1994 to nineteen percent in 1995. In a study regarding The New York Times published by Media Report to Women $^{43}$, an insider of the news media, Zalaznick, a VH1 Channel executive performed a study about The New York Times from 1997-1999 to determine if women and men were covered differently. An analysis of 1,085 obituaries revealed that $85 \%$ were about men. Females wrote only $15 \%$ of the editorials and only $28 \%$ of the cover stories. When four Connecticut
newspapers were analyzed for gender representation, it was found that of 8,960 photographs men were shown $68.37 \%$ of the time while women were shown only $31.63 \%{ }^{44}$ A study by DeLouth, Pirson, Hitchcock, and Rienzi ${ }^{45}$ did show, however, that there were no different gender portrayals in their study of photographs in three California newspapers. Even such differences occur in the terms used by the newspapers. A study conducted by Terada ${ }^{46}$ produced results that showed the word "woman, women or female" was often used in a negative fashion. Therefore, text can also be representative in showing a gender bias.

A major world event can sometimes be displaced and ignored by news media. When the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women was held in 1995 in Beijing, very little coverage was given to it even in the news media, as Walsh ${ }^{47}$ found in her study of ten women's magazines. Even when media do cover a global subject, women are sometimes depicted as dependent, whereas men are typically shown as symbols of power. ${ }^{48}$ Consequently, a study performed to determine gender representation in Latin America also confirmed gender representation has a tendency to show men more often than women. ${ }^{49}$ This representation does not appear to be isolated in any one area of the world.

## Economic Effect

Women have made headway for themselves in the area of economics. As the Women's Movement has progressed and made its presence known politically and socially, remnants of the movement have spread to the economic arena. The news media are responsible for covering this progression, or in some case not covering this progression. While there has been an increase in the number of stories about women and economics, according to Media Report to Women ${ }^{50}$ the
numbers are still very low. Additionally, in this finding women are more likely to be covered as subjects if they are of low economic status.

A new source of economic-related information concerning women has surfaced via the Internet. Because thirty percent of all Internet users get their news from Web sites "often", as a Baruch College/Harris Poll commissioned by Business Week ${ }^{51}$ found, the Internet has become a source of information to be explored and acknowledged. The study also indicated news is the number four reason users use the Internet. Getting the news from the Internet is increasing very quickly with the beginning of such Web sites as CNN.com, USAToday.com, and NBC.com. However, a different conclusion has been found with corporate media. In a study by $\mathrm{King}^{52}$, it was concluded by studying Fortune 500 Web sites that women and men were shown with very little difference in representation. Women were shown $50.1 \%$ of the time and the men $49.9 \%$ on the front screens.

## Impact of Online Media

The Internet is becoming used more frequently for the retrieval of news media information. While only ten percent of online newspapers will turn a profit in their first year of operation, that number will grow to $65 \%$ by the third year of operation. ${ }^{53}$ As described by Boczkowski the online newspaper industry is a "flexible media." This means, it has emerged as an able form of media that can benefit from different information practices. There is no specific form to which it must adhere, nor is there a template upon which it must be written. As the Internet becomes more prominent, more users may get their news information from this source.

Some news media publishers do a direct transfer of information, while others try to extend their reporting and use new articles or a different writing style. ${ }^{54}$

## Use of the Internet

Use of the Internet in general is very important to acknowledge. These figures can help editors and owners see exactly who is looking at their Web sites. Media Report to Women ${ }^{55}$ reported an increase of Internet users from 97 million users to 119 million users in 1999. This article also accounted for the amount of time spent online for Internet users. The article also stated, per month, the average user spent just over eight hours online, up $10.9 \%$ from a previous measurement. To show this increase is not only within the borders of the United States, a report published by Alestron stated, "one seventh of China's newspapers, or two hundred seventy three individual papers, have appeared online., ${ }^{, 56}$ Lastly, a study found that in 1993, 43\% of online users were women. In a more recent study, in 1999, that number had increased to $50 \%$. ${ }^{57}$

In terms of usage, it is important to also note the advancements in the user's ability to gain access to the Internet. While technology advances, the Internet will be used more readily and efficiently and by more people. As the technologically advanced forms of the Internet become adopted in wider-based geographical areas, it is thought more time will be spent online. Multichannel News reported, "broadband subscribers spend twenty-three percent more time online than narrowband. ${ }^{58}$ Broadband is an exceptionally fast form of connection to the Internet. Narrowband is a slower telephone-based type of connection. Users with broadband connections also surf $55 \%$ more pages and grasp $130 \%$ more single page viewings. This is an important item to note because the faster the connection, the more sites a user will be inclined to
find, thus more time spent online. Leavy ${ }^{59}$ reports broadband subscribers will make up more than 15 million users in 2001 and more than 30 million by 2004. With broadband and narrowband users combined, there will be more than 80 million subscribers globally by 2004.

It is significant to note the usage of the Internet in the workplace. As reported by Business Wire there was a $23 \%$ increase from June 2000 to June 2001 in the number of people who use the Internet in the workplace. Forty-two million people are accessing the Internet from the office. ${ }^{60}$ This number is expected to grow according to the report.

## Developments of Online Media

Though there are few mainstream standards of content of online newspapers, emerging developments of online media standards may affect the way readers see, interpret, and receive the news. According to Giles ${ }^{61}$, there are three main developments concerning standards of online news reporting. The first is the reality that the major news sources will rule the way online news is written and edited. According to Giles, the disreputable, financially weak sites will not survive in the midst of the news media giants. These mainstream giants will set rigid standards regarding how the online news is presented.

Secondly, the Online News Organization is initiating a project to develop standards to which online news media will adhere. This project is intended to stimulate a sense of guidance in the reporter so that the reporter's focus will be reasonable reporting rather than simply meeting a deadline. Giles states instituting this project will enhance the reader's ability to distinguish between news and entertainment.

Lastly, Giles states that a great development in online news is the capacity with which the reader may interact with the author of the story. Interactive capability occurs through the availability of the author's email address, which is published on the Web site. When an author makes public his email address, he is inviting feedback, interpretation, and the prospect of additional sources. All of these elements can improve the standards by which he writes his stories, thus raising the general standard of the online news source. These three developments have a great effect on how news media are, and will, be judged.

However, there is another avenue by which online media developments have affected readers. For example, from the Africa News Service ${ }^{62}$, it was stated that online media were the most important source of information for a particular group of people involved in escaping the country due to a conflict within the country. Though it was sometimes hard for the people to gain access to the Internet, it was the main way people could communicate and stay abreast of the situation they were facing. Therefore, the development of online media in a less developed area has a vital effect on its readership.

## Future of the Internet

The future of the Internet and online media is very important in the discussion of the implications of online media. Future predictions from industry leaders have a profound effect on what lies ahead for media.

As Kendall ${ }^{63}$ concluded, online media and traditional media (newspapers) remain connected to three main elements: readership, circulation, and advertising. Any new mass communication medium builds on its predecessor. For example, when television was invented, it
was thought of as radio with pictures. Some apprehension occurs in change. Online media face challenges for the future. Kendall states that online media must overcome slow download time, ease of use, and profitability. The awareness of the necessity to improve these elements will help in the future use of online media.

The future will also hold some great changes in online media business. A study completed in the United Kingdom showed online advertising will outsell radio and magazine advertisements by the year 2005. ${ }^{64}$ In relation to this, a survey conducted by New Media Age found "...52\% of users of online media would be willing to pay" for such access. ${ }^{65}$ Subscriptionlike formats add to future possibilities of online media.

Noack ${ }^{66}$ has written an even more forthcoming view of online media. Noack states that online news will assume more television-like qualities, such as video. Along with these new qualities, online news will start to establish relationships with local television. According to Noack, online media can benefit greatly from this partnership. Information will be shared and thus be more beneficial for the reader. Online possibilities of the future will greatly impact the format and extent of this type media.

## Gender Online

Studies have been performed to determine gender differences in the use of the Internet. One study demonstrated that there were no significant differences in the total usage of online media between women and men in a random sample of California residents. ${ }^{67}$ However, a Media Report to $W_{o m e n}{ }^{68}$ discussed the fact that the gender gap has narrowed in online usage. The number of female users using the Internet has risen $32 \%$ while male usage has only
increased by $20 \%$ in 1999. Although the frequency of male Internet usage has not risen as rapidly as women's usage, males spend more time online.

Another report also confirms time usage. In May 2001, it was estimated 53.33 million women actively used the Internet compared to 49.83 million men. Nielsen/NetRatings found that women spend approximately one and a half hours less on the Internet per day than men. Men also viewed $31 \%$ more Web pages than females. Nielsen also stated both sexes have increased their overall time spent on the Internet by thirty minutes a day. ${ }^{69}$

Men and women use the Internet differently. Wilson's ${ }^{70}$ study found that $19 \%$ of women said the most useful aspect of the Internet is to have the ability to search about specific topics. Twenty-seven percent of men found this characteristic of the Internet to be the most useful. Stated in the same study was the statistic that more women use the Internet to be more efficient in completing tasks without leaving the home than men. Men use the Internet to focus on the information gathering techniques. This concept was in agreement with a similar finding detailed by Bonisteel. ${ }^{71}$ It was found that men tend to access news and information sites more than women.

Women are starting to lead the way in the growth of Internet usage. This global study was a 34-country sample of 28,374 Internet users. Most of these users were women. Also mentioned was the fact that of the people expected to enter the online world in the year 2000, when the article was written, $54 \%$ were anticipated to be female and $46 \%$ were expected to be male. This new gender growth is most prevalent in developed countries such as the United States, Canada, Australia, Finland, The Netherlands, and Sweden. The number of female users rises to $60 \%$ in such countries. On a regional basis, North America and the most developed portions of Asia will make up most of the new user population on the Internet. Finally, Fridman
reports the fastest segment of growth of them all lies within the segment of women at home with children. One reason for this increase is the general outlook change of the Internet. Women feel the computer is not just a tool to be used in the office. The computer's presence has penetrated the home, and has thus become more accessible and useable. ${ }^{72}$

With regard to gender, Internet Wire published a study confirming the fact that women have become more of a driving force in the growth of Internet users. As stated earlier, the United States is a developed country with an exceptionally higher rate of female users than other countries. ${ }^{73}$ In this report, the United Kingdom, Germany, France, and Spain are added and analyzed for which gender accounts for time spent online.

In the United States, $50.6 \%$ are men and $49.4 \%$ are women. This is consistent with the make-up of the general population in which men account for $48.9 \%$ and women $51.1 \%$. The online usage is almost split evenly. In the United Kingdom, 59.9\% of users are men and 40.1\% are women. The make up of the general population is $49.2 \%$ men and $50.8 \%$ women. In Germany $59.9 \%$ of users are men and $48 \%$ are women, which is very similar to the United Kingdom. France has a difference of $62 \%$ of men being users while only $38 \%$ are female. Finally, Spain has the greatest difference with $68.7 \%$ men using the Internet compared to $31.3 \%$ of females.

## Research Questions

The existing research regarding depiction of women in the media is numerous. However, online media have not been explored to the full extent currently. Online media are a growing impetus into the future of media, and this study helps to extend the research and expand
knowledge into this new area of inquiry. To further explain the depiction of women, the Body Index Scale is used to determine how much of a human body is shown in a photograph. First, the body is broken down into five individual sections and assigned a nominal numeric value. For example, the head and face are given the number of one. The photographs are then coded following the Body Index Scale. The research questions and hypothesis are stated with this Body Index Scale in consideration.

The research will focus on the following questions:
Research Question 1: Are men and women depicted differently in online newspaper photographs?

Research Question 2: Are images of women and men cropped differently in online newspaper photographs?

With the independent variable of gender and the dependent variable of the Body Index Scale, the following hypotheses are formulated:

Hypothesis 1: Men will be shown more frequently in global online newspaper photographs than women.

Hypothesis 2: Women will score higher on the Body Index Scale than men.

## Scope of the Study

This research study was conducted to examine gender representation in global online newspapers. The front pages of 750 online newspapers were analyzed with content analysis using the Body Index Scale to determine if men or women were shown more frequently and if women scored higher on the Body Index Scale. Each person in the photograph published on the
front screen was then analyzed individually. The total number of individually analyzed images was 1,969 . The data were collected in February-March 2001.

## CHAPTER 2

## METHODS

## Introduction

The study of media and the manner in which gender is represented in the media are not new to scientific study. The outlets which have predominately been studied are print media such as magazines, advertisements, newspapers and television media. However, one media form which has not been studied extensively in terms of gender representation and which has become prominent and widely used is the Internet. This chapter includes the method used to gather data and the procedures used to analyze the data.

## Research Design

The purpose of this study is to focus on gender representation and the coding of that representation and to analyze the results. The instruments used to collect data began with the Editor and Publisher Web site: http://www.mediainfo.com/. At the time of the sample gathering, there were a total of 2,313 sites consisting of global, daily online newspapers. A simple random sample of 750 global online newspapers was analyzed. Only the front pages of the online newspapers were examined. When examining the photographs, the unit of analysis was each individual image of a human form within the photograph. Only human forms were coded. No drawings, cartoons, or advertisements were used. Samples that were discarded included global online newspapers that did not have any pictures. By using content analysis for
each case, the sample was coded with three scales: a scale coding gender, The Body Index Scale, and a scale to code for each individual country.

First, the unit of analysis was analyzed for gender. The following scale was utilized to code for gender:

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\begin{aligned}
& 0=\text { Female } \\
& 1=\text { Male } \\
& 2=\text { Cannot Tell }
\end{aligned}
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The Body Index Scale is a measurable element assigned to test how much of the body is shown in a photograph. The Body Index Scale is a way to standardize the analysis of photographs published in the online newspaper. When analyzing a physical piece of paper, it is very easy to use a mathematical ratio scale, such as the one found in the Archer, Kimes, and Barrios study. This research team determined the length of the human image in millimeters by devising a formula to show ratio between the face and the rest if the body. This team also had the physical newspaper for analysis. However, when studying a computer screen, it is difficult to use such a method. Online newspapers use different formats when structuring the Web site and, thus, will sometimes differ from each other. No two online newspapers screens will necessarily be the same. Therefore, the Body Index Scale was produced to give uniformity and consistency between the Web sites. This is an original term and not found in any other study to date. The unit of analysis, the human image, was analyzed with the Body Index Scale to give a numeric value regarding how much of the body is shown in the photo:

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\begin{aligned}
& 1=\text { Head/Face/Eyes } \\
& 2=\text { Head and Shoulders } \\
& 3=\text { Chest and Torso/Waist Up }
\end{aligned}
$$

$4=$ Hips, Above Knees
$5=$ Legs, At or Below Knees, Feet, or Full Body
Finally, the country in which the online newspaper originated was coded. Each individual country was given a number. The number of countries studied totaled 74. An intercoder reliability test was used to test for accuracy in the coding process. A separate researcher coded twenty samples to ensure the reliability of the scales. The inter-coder reliability test showed a $94 \%$ agreement or better on all variables. The overall significance level was set at .05 .

## Subjects

The subjects for this study were the human forms in each photograph. The human form was coded if any part of the face could be recognized in terms of gender.

## Data Collection Procedure

The Research Randomizer site, http://www.randomizer.org/form.htm (designed in 1997 by Geoffrey C. Urbaniak and assisted in 2000 by Scott Plous), produced a simple random sample of 750 numbers between 1 and 2,313. This number of 750 constituted the total number of 2,313 newspapers in the population listed. After accessing the Editor and Publisher Web site, an alphabetized ascending list of global online newspapers was shown on the screen. For example, the first online newspaper listed on the Editor and Publisher Web site was Alto Adige and thus given the number one. Alton Herald was listed next with the number of two and so on.

The sample numbers produced by the Research Randomizer were then coupled with an individual global online newspaper listed on the Editor and Publisher Web site. For example,
when the Research Randomizer randomly selected the number 33, this number was found on the Editor and Publisher list. The online newspaper listed as number 33 was then analyzed.

The methods used to collect the actual front page of each online newspaper were as follows: Each online newspaper was selected by choosing the respective title in numerical order according to the random sample created. This automatically re-routed the user to the front page of the online newspaper. Thus the user was looking at the front page of the online newspaper. The researcher examined one day of each online newspaper.

Next, the front screens of the 750 online newspapers were saved to a computer disk under the command structure "File/Save As." Each page was then stored onto a disk to be analyzed later. Each Web site was stored in this manner until all Web sites in the sample were saved as determined by the Research Randomizer list.

## Data Analysis Procedure

After all the Web sites were saved, the Web pages were then analyzed individually. Each human image was coded using the identified coding scales. After all data were entered into a computer, the SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences) was used to analyze the results.

## Threats to Validity/Limitations

Because this research was a global study, some online newspapers were written in languages other than English. The diversity of languages made it impossible to interpret each story type for each photograph making the language barrier a limiting factor. Therefore, to make the study timely and feasible, interpreting the story type was not attempted.

Next, the Editor and Publisher Web site may have been over-representative of online newspapers originating in the United States. The Web site itself is a United States entity but appears to be the most comprehensive list of global online newspapers available.

Finally, because of the nature of content analysis, it is impossible to answer any "why" questions that may arise from the study. Internal validity is threatened because of looking purely at the manifest content of the Web pages. Any specific questions about why images of humans were presented the way they were cannot be answered without interviewing editors and staff about why he/she may have presented a photograph a certain way.

## CHAPTER 3

## RESULTS

In total, 1,969 images of human beings were published on the front screens of 750 global online newspapers in 74 nations. Hypothesis one stated that men would be shown more frequently in global online newspaper photographs than women.

Hypothesis one was supported as shown in Table 1. Results revealed that images of men constituted 1,362 or $69.2 \%$ of the published images. Conversely, images of women accounted for 607 or $30.8 \%$ of the published images. The high percentage according to similar previous research concerning men is comparable to results found in United States newspapers. This finding suggests that the overall effect of male dominance in online newspapers may be present in other cultures around the globe. Male visual dominance is extremely clear in Table 1.

Table 1
Gender of Images in Front Screens of Global Online Newspapers

|  | Frequency | Percent |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Female | 607 | 30.8 |
| Male | 1,362 | 69.2 |
| Total | 1,969 | 100.0 |

Note. $\mathrm{N}=1,969$

Hypothesis two proposed that women would score higher on the Body Index Scale than men. The Body Index Scale was a standardized method, which allowed the researcher to measure how much of the body was shown in the online newspaper photograph. Hypothesis 2 was strongly supported as shown in Table 2. A cross-tabulation of females and males indicated that images of women tended to show more of their bodies than images of men. As shown in Table 2, larger percentages of images of men were cropped at the Head, Face, and Eyes category.

Men were cropped in this manner 2.6 percentage points higher than women, thus supporting the Face-ism concept. In the Head/Shoulders category, men again were cropped in a more intellectual way according to the Face-ism concept. The men were cropped in this manner 1.8 percentage points higher than women. The largest difference between men and women was in the chest/torso and waist up variable. Females were cropped from the waist up 5.9 percentage points higher than the images of males. This category may support the Face-ism concept by cropping women to emphasize their bodies more than men. The Hips/Above Knees category resulted in women again being cropped to show more of their bodies. Women were shown 9 percentage points higher than men. Finally, men resulted in higher percentage points in the Leg, At or Below Knees, Feet or Full Body photographs. The men were cropped 2.4 percentage points higher in this manner. However, women were absent more often from the photographs and yet, the women were cropped to support the Face-ism concept just as often. The difference was significant at $<.05$.

Table 2
Gender and Body Index Scale Percentage and Count Cross-tabulation

|  | Head/Face/Eyes | Head/Shoulders | Chest/Torso, <br> Waist Up | Hips/Above <br> Knees | Legs, At or Below <br> Knees, Feet or Full Body |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Female | $8.6 \%(52)$ | $10.4 \%(63)$ | $30.5 \%(185)$ | $24.7 \%$ <br> $(150)$ | $25.9 \%(157)$ |
| Male | $11.2 \%(152)$ | $12.2 \%(166)$ | $24.6 \%(335)$ | $23.8 \%$ <br> $(324)$ | $28.3 \%(385)$ |
| Total | $10.4 \%(204)$ | $11.6 \%(229)$ | $26.4 \%(520)$ | $24.1 \%$ <br> $(474)$ | $27.5 \%(542)$ |

Note. $\mathrm{N}=1,969$; Chi-square $=10.47 ; \mathrm{df}=4 ; \mathrm{p}=.017$
Table 3 gives a frequency count and percentage for the Body Index Scale Categories. This table shows the most photographs originated from the Legs, at or below knees, feet, or full body category. The least amount of photographs came from the Head/Face/Eyes category.

Table 3
Body Index Count and Percentage Frequencies

|  | Frequency Count | Frequency Percent |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Head/Face/Eyes | 204 | $10.4 \%$ |
| Head/Shoulders | 229 | $11.6 \%$ |
| Chest/Torso and Waist Up | 520 | $26.4 \%$ |
| Hips/Above Knees | 474 | $24.1 \%$ |
| Legs, At or Below Knees, <br> Feet or Full Body | 542 | $27.5 \%$ |
| Total | 1,969 | $100.0 \%$ |

Lastly, each global online newspaper was given a number for identification and then coded for gender representation. There data were not included within a hypothesis statement because it is meant to explore further the data that was gathered. The data is shown to explore possible trends and patterns that exist across boundaries of countries. As shown in Table 4, gender representation varied in each country. The table below displays frequencies in which men and women were shown. Male dominance is shown to be at a consistent level throughout most countries. When the results were examined there were four main findings. First, when examining the data of each country, a pattern emerged. This pattern suggested that countries in the same region published online newspapers in the same visual manner. Results from Norway, Sweden, and the Netherlands all reveal extremely close male representation of $70.8 \%, 70.5 \%$, and $72.7 \%$ respectively. The data also disclose countries represented on the same continent can have similar results. For example, Venezuela, Argentina, Brazil, and Chile all display comparable outcomes. Each of these South American countries shows men between $75 \%$ and $80 \%$ of the time.

Secondly, it was found that the United States showed a more equal representation of men and women when compared to other global online newspapers. The men were shown $62.8 \%$ of the time and the women were shown $37.2 \%$ of the time.

An additional finding was that only three out of 74 online newspapers showed women more than men. The Slovenia online newspaper showed women $60.0 \%$ of the time and showed men $40 \%$ of the time. South Africa showed women $66.7 \%$ of the time and showed men $33.3 \%$ of the time. Lastly, Aruba showed women $100 \%$ of the time and men $0 \%$ of the time. This online newspaper was the only one to publish no men in their photographs. The two newspapers to achieve pure equality were New Zealand and Poland. Each online newspaper showed men $50 \%$ of the time and women $50 \%$ of the time.

The most profound result of Table 4 was that there were nineteen online newspapers that did not show women at all in their photographs. Algeria, Bhutan, Bolivia, Denmark, Ecuador, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Mexico, Panama, the Seychelles Islands, Trinidad, United Arab Emirates, and Uruguay all showed men 100\% of the time. Women were totally absent from all photographs.

A Chi-square test was not calculated because some of the global online newspapers did not have pictures of females. Significance could not be assigned to those particular online newspapers. The test would thus, not be reliable.

Table 4
Global Online Newspaper Identification and Gender Representation

| Paper Nation | Male | Female |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Algeria | $100.0 \%(14)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Bhutan | $100.0 \%(4)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Bolivia | $100.0 \%(2)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Denmark | $100.0 \%(1)$ | $0 \%$ |

Table 4 (continued)

| Paper Nation | Male | Female |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Ecuador | $100.0 \%(4)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Greece | $100.0 \%(1)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Hong Kong | $100.0 \%(1)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Hungary | $100.0 \%(4)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Ireland | $100.0 \%(1)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Israel | $100.0 \%(4)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Jordan | $100.0 \%(10)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Kenya | $100.0 \%(2)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Lebanon | $100.0 \%(23)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Mexico | $100.0 \%(2)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Panama | $100.0 \%(19)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Seychelles Islands | $100.0 \%(2)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Trinidad | $100.0 \%(2)$ | $0 \%$ |
| United Arab Emirates | $100.0 \%(15)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Uruguay | $100.0 \%(1)$ | $0 \%$ |
| Spain | $93.9 \%(46)$ | $6.1 \%(3)$ |
| Ivorycoast | $90.9 \%(10)$ | $9.1 \%(1)$ |
| China | $85.7 \%(6)$ | $14.3 \%(1)$ |
| Russia | $85.7 \%(12)$ | $14.3 \%(2)$ |
| Australia | $83.3 \%(5)$ | $16.7 \%(1)$ |
| Austria | $83.3 \%(5)$ | $16.7 \%(1)$ |
| Dominican Republic | $83.3 \%(10)$ | $16.7 \%(2)$ |
| Italy | $83.3 \%(30)$ | $16.7 \%(6)$ |
| Columbia | $82.4 \%(14)$ | $17.6 \%(3)$ |
| Portugal | $81.0 \%(17)$ | $19.0 \%(4)$ |
| Indonesia | $80.0 \%(4)$ | $20.0 \%(1)$ |
| Venezuela | $80.0 \%(4)$ | $20.0 \%(1)$ |
| Argentina | $79.5 \%(31)$ | $20.5 \%(8)$ |
| South Korea | $78.9 \%(15)$ | $21.1 \%(4)$ |
| Brazil | $75.0 \%(84)$ | $25.0 \%(28)$ |
| Chile | $75.0 \%(3)$ | $25.0 \%(1)$ |
| Japan | $73.3 \%(22)$ | $26.7 \%(8)$ |
| Finland | $72.7 \%(8)$ | $27.3 \%(3)$ |
| France | $72.7 \%(8)$ | $27.3 \%(3)$ |
| Netherlands | $72.7 \%(8)$ | $27.3 \%(3)$ |
| India | $70.9 \%(39)$ | $29.1 \%(16)$ |
| Norway | $70.8 \%(34)$ | $29.2 \%(34)$ |
| Sweden | $70.5 \%(31)$ | $29.5 \%(13)$ |
| Philippines | $68.8 \%(11)$ | $31.3 \%(5)$ |
| Sri Lanka | $68.8 \%(11)$ | $31.3 \%(5)$ |
| Peru | $33.3 \%(4)$ |  |
|  | $0.7)$ |  |

Table 4 (continued)

| Paper Nation | Male | Female |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Singapore | $66.7 \%(2)$ | $33.3 \%(1)$ |
| Canada | $65.8 \%(25)$ | $34.2 \%(13)$ |
| England | $65.6 \%(42)$ | $34.4 \%(22)$ |
| Germany | $65.1 \%(28)$ | $34.9 \%(15)$ |
| United States | $62.8 \%(657)$ | $37.2 \%(390)$ |
| Latvia | $57.1 \%(4)$ | $42.9 \%(3)$ |
| Mauritius | $57.1 \%(4)$ | $42.9 \%(3)$ |
| New Zealand | $50.0 \%(2)$ | $50.0 \%(2)$ |
| Poland | $50.0 \%(1)$ | $50.0 \%(1)$ |
| Slovenia | $40.0 \%(2)$ | $60.0 \%(3)$ |
| South Africa | $33.3 \%(1)$ | $66.7 \%(2)$ |
| Aruba | $0 \%$ | $100.0 \%(5)$ |
| Total | $69.1 \%(1357)$ | $30.9 \%(607)$ |
| $\mathrm{N}=1,969$ |  |  |

## CHAPTER 4

## DISCUSSION

## Introduction

The purposes of this study were to show if men and women were depicted differently in global online newspapers, to determine if men or women were shown more frequently in global online newspapers, and to determine if women would score higher on the Body Index Scale than men.

The data were collected from the Editor and Publisher Web site: www.mediainfo.com. A total of 2,313 sites were listed at the time of the data gathering. A random sample of 750 global online newspapers was analyzed. The data were coded for frequency of gender and also in reference of the Body Index Scale.

The purpose of this chapter is to discuss the major findings, present conclusions, and present recommendations.

## Survey of Major Findings

Hypothesis one stated that men would be shown more frequently in global online newspaper photographs than women. This study confirmed that images of males were significantly more frequent in global online newspapers. Almost $70 \%$ of the images published were of males. The data showed men dominated representation in photographs in global online newspapers. Nineteen online newspapers did not show women at all in their photographs. Only
three online newspapers photographed women more often than men. Lastly, only two online newspapers accomplished gender equality by showing men and women each $50 \%$ of the time.

Moreover, it appears that images of women were cropped somewhat lower on the body than were images of men. This finding suggests that when women appear in online newspaper photographs, more attention may be given to a depiction of their body image rather than other attributes. In response to research question one concerning whether men and women were depicted differently in global online newspapers, the data indicated that men and women may be depicted differently.

The second research question concerned whether images of women and men were cropped differently with emphasis on the full figure or the head only. In this sample, the data showed women were photographed more often with an emphasis on the body. No obvious reason was apparent for most of the photographs that were cropped in this method. Though there were images in which a full body image was necessary, most photographs could have been cropped in a more conservative way.

Hypothesis two stated that women would score higher on the Body Index Scale than men. This hypothesis was tentatively supported from the analyzed data. The Body Index Scale was a reliable source from which computer screens were standardized for analysis. This scale ensured an accurate measurement of the images that were showed on the computer screen and took into account possible distortion of images or different structures of the individual Web sites. The Body Index Scale results may support the Face-ism concept. The Head/Face/Eyes category resulted in women being cropped to this area in only $8.6 \%$ of the photographs. The men were photographed almost 3 percentage points higher than this at $11.2 \%$. The Head/Shoulders category indicated that men were shown $12.2 \%$ of the time and women $10.4 \%$ of the time in
photographs. The category of the Chest/Torso/Waist Up category held the biggest percentage difference concerning the women and men. The women were cropped to this area of the body $30.5 \%$ of the time and men $24.6 \%$ of the time. Next, the Hips/Above Knees category indicated a percentage difference of $24.7 \%$ for women and $23.8 \%$ for men. Finally, the Legs/At or Below Knees or Full Body category was the only category that gave the men the higher score on the Body Index Scale.

## Discussions/Conclusions

Although the above differences may not appear large overall, they may indicate important trends and issues. One of the major purposes of this study was to determine if men or women were shown more often in global online newspapers, and when shown, which gender would score higher on the Body Index Scale. In this regard, it was clear men dominated the frequency of depiction. The reasons for this may stem from very old cultural practices, existing stereotypes, or possible religious beliefs. However, with the ongoing emergence of women in the workplace and community, along with the acquisition of non-traditional roles, the online newspapers have an opportunity to reflect these changes in society. The traditional mind-set appears to exist heavily in many of the online newspapers that were studied.

Society values images, which they see in media. Often stereotypes are produced or even strengthened through the news media. Editors have an opportunity to stop stereotypes of gender representation. The people who actually produce the online newspapers can accomplish changes in the way photographs are cropped or shown.

With the emergence of online media comes a new obligation to the mass audience. The Internet is a rapidly changing, growing, and powerful medium that has the potential to change
the way people gather, read, and value news. The Internet can provide news more quickly than the physically delivered newspaper and can have a greater impact on the reader. Photographs in online newspapers can change hourly and give the reader many more images to see than the print newspaper. Because the changes of the photographs are so fast, the content of these photographs become extremely important.

An additional ramification of the content of online newspaper photographs is the general acceptance of women in society, which can occur from these photographs. When women are depicted in a photograph in a sexual manner or in a manner that puts value on their physical appearances only, society eventually believes that depiction to be reality. A stereotype is strengthened into truth. Though women have made great strides in society, photographs like these perpetuate older stereotypes.

A difference between print newspaper photographs and online news photographs is the vast geographical viewing each can receive. A print newspaper is generally not worldwide and is not available in a timely manner to far away readers with a few exceptions. However, an online newspaper can be accessed immediately and within seconds from anywhere on the globe. This is important because any country in the world can access another country's newspaper at any time. This can give a country a snapshot of another country and thus give an immediate stereotype or opinion within that process. Cultures become more exposed to each other and add to the globalization of all countries in the context of news. For example, a person in Siberia can access the local newspaper in Morristown, Tennessee, in the United States. For a person who may not know anything about the United States, an impression is left with that person even though they are thousands of miles away. If that photograph is negative in any form, that
mindset will be implanted into the person viewing the online newspaper photograph. If the photograph depicts women in any negative way, the stereotype is further reinforced.

A slight pattern emerged from the data collected concerning how geographically connected countries resemble each other in their depiction of women. In addition, countries in or around the same region reacted in similar ways. The countries of Israel, Jordan, and Lebanon all showed men $100 \%$ of the time in their online newspapers. A further example is that Canada and the United states both showed men $65 \%$ and $62 \%$ respectively. This is an area that is recommended for further research. This study was a simple random sample of existing global online newspapers during a specific time frame. Online newspapers are being produced rapidly and more are available constantly. As more online news sites are offered, further research should be conducted to find more significant similarities among bordering countries. Further research could indicate why this pattern materialized and how the implications of the depiction of women could affect not only the borders surrounding the region, but around the world.

An additional area suggested for further research is to conduct a longitudinal study based on the same method of this study. Due to time constraints, this study was only able to analyze one day of each global online newspaper. It would be productive to analyze multiple days from each newspaper to observe if the results found in this study remained over a longer period of time.

## Recommendations

Photographers, photograph editors, designers, and editors have an opportunity to change the future of online media. One possible solution to achieve equal representation of men and
women in global online newspapers is for the editors to be more aware of the society to which it caters and to reflect the true make-up of its readers. Editors have a chance to represent the society of which it is writing and photographing.

Online newspapers have already had an impact on culture in the short amount of time they have been in existence. The Internet will gain speed and readership as its lifespan lengthens into the future. As the Internet brings the globalization concept into reality, the online newspaper editors must realize the photographs they are publishing online give an immediate and sometimes stereotypical image of that specific country. For example, the recent September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the United States are photographed and placed upon hundreds of online newspapers in the United States. As other cultures accessed these Web sites, they received an automatic glance about how the United States reacted and dealt with the situation. A picture promoting fear, sadness, or anger will reflect the overall feeling of a country with just one photograph. Editors should become more conscious of the impact an online newspaper can have upon its readers. The Internet has quickly become a growing, easily accessible, and immediate medium in which people receive news.

A recommendation to the producers of the global online newspapers is to use this new medium, the Internet, as a barrier and an end to the unequal depiction of men and women. The online newspaper industry has the potential to reach thousands of new readers in a fresh and new approach not seen before. Every age, race, and gender could have some interest in the contents of an online newspaper. Because of the ease of its accessibility, new audiences can be reached. Therefore, the importance of the photographs on the front pages can have an impact on more people than the classic print newspaper. The inventiveness and changing characteristics of the Internet can attract people to online newspapers. Therefore, the editors of the online newspapers
can reach more people and invite them to experience new ways of critical thinking and abolish old stereotypes. To encourage this means of thinking, editors should crop photographs not to depict a person a certain way but to put photographs to the words of the story.

Educators, scholars, and consumers could all benefit from this study. Educators would benefit by using the information to teach future journalists, editors, and publishers the ethics of publishing photographs. Future ethical standards may be met and may be passed on to later generations. Educators could make students aware of ethical issues within the communication industry.

Scholars could use information from this study by applying it to further research. Additional research could be conducted about global online newspapers, their geographical relationships or many other facets.

Consumers would gain knowledge from this study. By increasing the exposure of the online newspaper, consumers would gain media literacy. As more people own computers and gain access to the Internet, people will be able to retrieve more news more often and more quickly. Consumers would also become more informed about how women and men are depicted through photographs.

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## APPENDICES

## APPENDIX A

Sample List

Name of Newspaper<br>Alto Adige<br>Altus Times<br>Al-vefagh Daily<br>A Gazeta<br>A Notica<br>A Tribuna de Santos<br>ABC<br>Aberdeen American News<br>Ad Dustour<br>Adirondack Daily Interprise<br>Adresseavisen<br>Adrian Daily Telegram<br>The Advocate<br>Aftenposten<br>Al Ayam<br>Al Ayyam<br>Al Ittihad<br>Alamogordo Daily News<br>Albany Democrat-Herald<br>Albany Times Union<br>Al-Bayan<br>Albuquerque Journal<br>Alexandria Daily Town Talk<br>Alliance Review<br>As-Safir<br>Athens News<br>Business Times<br>Chanute Tribune<br>Ames Tribune<br>Amigoe di Curacao<br>Amsterdam Recorder<br>Anderson Independent

City
Bolzano, Bozen
Altus, Oklahoma
No City Given
Vitoria, Espritio Santo
Joinville, Santa Catarina
Santos, SP
Madrid
Aberdeen, South Dakota United States
Amman
Saranac Lake, New York United States
Trondheim
Adrain, Michigan
Burnie, TAS
Olso
Manama
Ramallah
Abu Dhabi
Alamogordo, New Mexico
Albany, Oregon
Albany, New York
Dubai
Albuquerque, New Mexico
Alexandria, Louisiana
Alliance, Ohio
Beruit
Athens
Kuala Lumpur, FT
Chanute, Kansas
Ames, lowa
Curacao
Amsterdam, New York
Anderson, South Carolina

Country
Italy
United States
Iran
Brazil
Brazil
Brazil
Spain
Jordan
Norway
United States
Australia
Norway
Bahrain
Palestine
United Arab
Emirates
United States
United States
United States
United Arab
Emirates
United States
United States
United States
Lebanon
Greece
Malaysia
United States
United States
The
Netherlands
United States
United States

An-Nahar
Antelope Valley Press
Arbetet Nyheterna
Asahi Evening News
Arizona Daily Sun
Arlington Morning News
Asheville Citizen Times
Ashland Daily Independent
Aspen Daily News
Attleboro Sun Chronicle
Augusta Chronicle
Austin American Statesman
Australian

Australian Financial Review
Avui
Bahrain Tribune
Bangor Daily News
Barometern
Bath Cronicle
Baytown Sun
Beatrice Daily Sun
Beauregerd Daily News
Bekes Meggei Nap
Beloit Daily News
Bergen Record
Berita Harian
Berita Harian
Biddeford Journal Tribune
Bild Zeitung
Billings Gazette
Binghamton Press and Sun Bulletin
Birmingham News
Black Hills Pioneer
Bloomington Times-Herald
Bloomington Pentagraph
Bluefield Daily Telegraph
Bluffton News Banner
Boca Raton News
Bolton Evening News
Boonville Daily News
Borsen
Bradenton Herald
Brainerd Daily Dispatch
Brandon Sun
Branson Tri-Lakes Daily News

| Beruit | Lebanon |
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| Palmdale, California | United States |
| Malmo | Sweden |
| Tokyo | Japan |
| Flagstaff, Arizona | United States |
| Arlington, Texas | United States |
| Asheville, North Carolina | United States |
| Ashland, Kentucky | United States |
| Aspen, Colorado | United States |
| Attleboro, Massachusetts | United States |
| Augusta, Georgia | United States |
| Austin, Texas | United States |
| New South Whales/Surry | Australia |
| Hills |  |
| Sydney | Australia |
| Barcelona | Spain |
| Manama | Bahrain |
| Bangor, Maine | United States |
| Kalmar | Sweden |
| Bath | England |
| Baytown, Texas | United States |
| Beatrice, Nebraska | United States |
| Deridder, Louisiana | United States |
| Bekescsaba | Hungary |
| Beliot, Wisconsin | United States |
| Hackensack, New Jersey | United States |
| No City Given | Singapore |
| Koala Lumpur | Malaysia |
| Biddeford, Maine | United States |
| Hamburg | Germany |
| Billings, Montana | United States |
| Binghamton, New York | United States |
| Birmingham, Alabama | United States |
| Spearfish, South Dakota | United States |
| Bloomington, Indiana | United States |
| Bloomington, Illinois | United States |
| Bluefield, West Virginia | United States |
| Bluffton, Indiana | United States |
| Boca Raton, Florida | United States |
| Bolton | England |
| Boonville, Missouri | United States |
| Copenhagen | Denmark |
| Bradenton, Florida | United States |
| Brainerd, Minnesota | United States |
| Brandon, Manitoba | Unanan, Missouri |
| Brates |  |
| Bata |  |

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Bristol Press
Brockton Enterprise
Brookhaven Daily Leader
Brownsville Herald
Brownwood Bulletin
Brunswick News
Bryan Times
Bucks County Courier Times
Buenos Aries Herald
Buffalo News
Burlington County Times
Burlington Hawk Eye
Butler Eagle
Cadillac News
Cambridge Daily/Sunday Jeffersonian
Cambridge Reporter
Canandiagua Daily Messenger
Canon City Daily Record
Canton City Ledger
Cape Breton Post
Carbondale Southern Illinoisan
Carroll County Times
Cedar Rapids Gazette
Central Maine Morning Sentinel
Cleveland Daily Banner
Diario
Diario de Chihiahua
Diario de Ibiza
Diario de Juarez
Diario de las Palmas
Diario de Mallorca
Diario de Pernambuco
Diario do Nordeste
Charleston Daily Mail
Charlotte Sun herald
Cherry Hill Courier Post
Chicago Daily Herald
Chicago Daily Southtown
Chicago Sun Times
Chicago Tribune
Chico Enterprise Record
China Daily Digest
China Times

| Brescia | Italy |
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| Bristol, Connecticut | United States |
| Brockton, Massachusetts | United States |
| Brookhaven, Mississippi | United States |
| Brownsville, Texas | United States |
| Brownwood, Texas | United States |
| Brunswick, Georgia | United States |
| Bryan, Ohio | United States |
| Levittown, Pennsylvania | United States |
| Buenos Aries | Argentina |
| Buffalo, New York | United States |
| Willingboro, New Jersey | United States |
| Burlington, lowa | United States |
| Butler, Pennsylvania | United States |
| Cadillac, Michigan | United States |
| Cambridge, Ohio | United States |
| Cambridge, Ontario | Canada |
| Canandiagua, New York | United States |
| Canon City, Colorado | United States |
| Canton, Illinois | United States |
| Sydney, Nova Scotia | Canada |
| Carbondale, Illinois | United States |
| Westminster, Maryland | United States |
| Cedar Rapids, lowa | United States |
| Waterville, Maine | United States |
| Cleveland, Tennessee | United States |
| Oranjestad | Aruba |
| Juarez | Mexico |
| lbiza | Spain |
| Cividad Juares, | Mexico |
| Chihuahua |  |
| LasPalmas de Gran | Spain |
| Canaria |  |
| Palma de Mallorca | Spain |
| Recife | Brazil |
| Ceara | Brazil |
| Charleston, West Virginia | United States |
| Charlotte Harbor, Florida | United States |
| Cherry Hill, New Jersey | United States |
| Tarlingei | Uniton Heights, Illinois | United States


| Chinese Commercial News | Manila | The Philippines |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Christian Science Monitor | Boston, Massachusetts | United States |
| Clarin | Buenos Aries | Argentina |
| Clarksburg Exponent | Clarksburg, West Virginia | United States |
| Coeur d'Alene Press | Coeur d'Alene, Idaho | United States |
| Coffeyville Journal | Coffeyville, Kansas | United States |
| Colorado Daily | Boulder, Colorado | United States |
| Columbia Daily Tribune | Columbia, Missouri | United States |
| Columbia State | Columbia, South Carolina | United States |
| Columbus Dispatch | Columbus, Ohio | United States |
| Cantra Costa Times | Walnut Creek, California | United States |
| Corning Leader | Corning, New York | United States |
| Correio da Manha | Lisbon | Portugal |
| Correio do Povo | Porto Alegre | Brazil |
| Corriere delle Alpi | Belluno, BL | Italy |
| Cresent City Triplicate | Cresent City, California | United States |
| Creston News Adviser | Creston, lowa | United States |
| Critica Libre | Panama City | Panama |
| Cronica | Concepcion | Chile |
| Crookton Daily Times | Crookton, Minnesota | United States |
| Culpeper Star-Exponent | Culpeper, Virginia | United States |
| Daily Ardmoreite | Ardmore, Oklahoma | United States |
| Cumberland Times News | Cumberland, Maryland | United States |
| Daily Dispatch | East London, EC | South Africa |
| Daily Express | Kota Kinabalu | East Malaysia |
| Daily Herald | McDonough, Georgia | United States |
| Daily Hindi Milap | Hyderabad, Andhra, Pradesh | India |
| Daily Mirror | London | England |
| Daily Nations | Nairobi | Kenya |
| Daily News | Colombo | Sri Lanka |
| Daily Post | Liverpool | England |
| Daily Record | Glasgow | Scotland |
| Daily Star | London | England |
| Daily Trade News | Seoul | South Korea |
| Danville Advocate-Messenger | Danville, Kentucky | United States |
| Danville Commercial News | Danville, Illinois | United States |
| Davenport Quad City Times | Davenport, Iowa | United States |
| Dayton Daily News | Dayton, Ohio | United States |
| De Stem | Breda, NB | Netherlands |
| De Telegraaf | Amersterdam | Netherlands |
| Decatur Daily | Decatur, Alabama | United States |
| Deccan Chronicle | Secunderabad, Pradesh | India |
| Deepika | Trichurm Kerala | India |
| Delaware Gazette | Delaware, Ohio | United States |

Delaware State News
Deming Headlight
Der Bund
Derby Evening Telegraph
Des Moines Register
Diario La Hora
Diario Las Americanas
Diario Oficial de Chile
Diario Rosario Net
Die Rheinpfalz
Die Tageszeitung
Diena
Dnevnick
Dixon Telegraph
Dodge City Daily Globe
Dong-A llbo
Dothan Eagle, The
Dover Foster's Democrat
Deowagiac Daily News
Dublin Courier Herald
Duncan Banner
Dziennik Polski
East Liverpool Review
East Oregonian
Erie Daily Times
Escanaba Daily Press
Ft. Pierce Tribune
Fort Wayne News Sentienel
Easton Star Democrat
Ecos Diarios
Edmonton Sun
Edmond Evening Sun
Edmonton Journal
Edwardsville Intelligencer
Eindhovens Dagblad
El Adelantado de Segovia
El Boletin de al Tarde
El Comercio
El Comercio
El Dia
El Diario de Nuevo Laredo
El Diario S.A.
El Dorado Times
El Eco de Tandil
El Heraldo

Dover, Delaware
Deming, New Mexico
Bern
Derby
Des Moines, Iowa
Quito
Miami, Florida
Santiago
Rosario, Sante Fe
Ludwigshafen
Berlin
Riga
Ljubljana
Dixon, Illinois
Dodge City, Kansas
Seoul
Dothan, Alabama
Dover, New Hampshire
Deowagiac, Hawaii
Dublin, Georgia
Duncan, Oklahoma
Krakow
East Liverpool, Ohio
Salem, Oregon
Erie, Pennsylvania
Escanaba, Michigan
Ft. Pierce, Florida
Fort Wayne, Indiana
Easton, Maryland
Necochea
Edmonton, Alberta
Edmond, Oklahoma
Edmonton, Alberta
Edwardsville, Illinois
Eindhoven
Segovia
Madrid
Gijon
Lima
Santa Cruz de Tenerife
Nuevo Laredo,
Tamaulipas
La Paz
El Dorado, Kansas
Tandil
Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

United States
United States
Switzerland
England
United States
Ecuador
United States
Chile
Argentina
Germany
Germany
Latvia
Slovenia
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South Korea
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United States
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United States
Poland
United States
United States
United States
United States
United States
United States
United States
Argentina
Canada
United States
Canada
United States
Netherlands
Spain
Spain
Spain
Peru
Spain
Mexico
Boliva
United States
Argentina
United States

| El Heraldo de Chihuahua | Chihuahua | Mexico |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| El Heraldo de Leon | Leon, Guanajuato | Mexico |
| El Informador | Guadalajara, lalisco | Mexico |
| El Mercurio | Cuenca | Ecuador |
| El Nacional | Santo Domingo | Dominican Rep. |
| El Nacional | Caracas | Venezuela |
| El Norte de Castilla | Valladolid | Spain |
| El Nuevo Diario | Managua | Nicaragua |
| El Pais | Madrid | Spain |
| El Pais | Cali, Valle de Cauca | Columbia |
| El Paso Times | El Paso, Texas | United States |
| El Siglo | Panama City | Panama |
| El Sol de Margarita | Porlamar, Isla de Margarita | Venezuela |
| El Sureno | Rio Grande, TDF | Argentina |
| El Tribuno | Salta | Argentina |
| El Universal | Caracas | Columbia |
| Eleftherotypia | Athens | Greece |
| Elfsborgs Lans Allehanda | Vanersborg | Switzerland |
| Elgin Courier News | Elgin, Illinois | United States |
| Elizabethton Star | Elizabethton, Tennessee | United States |
| Elkhart Truth | Elkhart, Indiana | United States |
| Elkins Inter-Mountain | Elkins, West Virginia | United States |
| Elko Daily Free Press | Elko, Nevada | United States |
| Elmira Star-Gazette | Elmira, New York | United States |
| Elyria Chronicle-Telegram | Elyria, Ohio | United States |
| Emporia Gazette | Emporia, Kansas | United States |
| Argus | Brighton | England |
| Evening Chronicle | Newcastle | England |
| Evening Sentinel | Staffordshire | England |
| Evening Standard | London | England |
| Express | Athens | Greece |
| Expressen | Stockholm | Sweden |
| Fagersta-Posten | Fagersta | Sweden |
| Fairfield Daily Republic | Fairfield, California | United States |
| Fargo Forum | Fargo, North Dakota | United States |
| Farmington Daily News | Farmington, New Mexico | United States |
| Fitchburg Sentinel and Enterprise | Fitchburg, Massachusetts | United States |
| Flint Journal | Flint, Michigan | United States |
| Florence Morning News | Florence, South Carolina | United States |
| Florence Times Daily | Florence, Alabama | United States |
| Florida Times-Union | Jacksonville, Florida | United States |
| Florida Today | Melbourne, Florida | United States |
| Folha da Manha | Passos | Brazil |
| Folha de Tarde | Sao Paulo | Brazil |

Folha de Sao Paulo
Ft. Morgan Times
Ft. Myers News Press
Ft. Payne Times Journal
Frankfort Times
Fraternite Martin
Frederick Post
Fredericton Free Lance-Star
Frederick Daily Gleaner
Freeport Journal Standard
Grenz-Echo
Griffin Daily News
Guernsey Evening Press and Star
Gulf News
Gutherie News
Hugo Daily News
Hull Daily News
Hufvudstadsbladet
Fremover
Gainesville Sun
Gallipolis Daily Tribune
Gary Post-Tribune
The Gaston Gazette
Gazeta Wyborcza
General-Anzeiger Bonn
Gestion
Giebener Anzeiger
Gloucestershire Echo
Gloucester Daily Times
Gloucestershire Citizen
Goodland Daily News
Grand Forks Herald
Granma Diario
Green Bay Press Gazette
Greeneville Sun
Greenfield Recorder
Greensboro News and Record
Ha'aretz
Ha'aretz Daily Newspaper
Hagertown Herald-Mail
Halden Arbeiderblad
Halifax Chronicle-Herald

Sao Paulo Brazil
Ft. Morgan, Colorado United States
Ft. Myers, Florida United States
Ft. Payne, Alabama United States
Frankfort, Indiana United States
Abdjan
Frederick, Maryland
Fredericksburg, Virginia
Fredericton, New
Brunswick
Freeport, Illinois
Eupen
Griffin, Georgia
Guernsey
Dubai
Gutherie, Oklahoma
Hugo, Oklahoma
London
Helsingfors
Narvik
Gainesville, Florida
Gallipolis, Ohio
Gary, Indiana
Gastonia, North Carolina
Warsaw
Bonn
Lima
Gieben, Hessen
Cheltenham
Beverly, Massachusetts
Gloucester
Goodland, Kansas
Grand Forks, North
Dakota
Havana
Green Bay, Wisconsin
Greeneville, Tennessee
Greenfield, Massachusetts
Greensboro, North
Carolina
Tel Aviv
Tel Aviv
Hagertown, Maryland
Halden
Halifax, Nova Scotia

Ivorycoast
United States
United States
Canada
United States
Belgium
United States
England
United Arab
Emirates
United States
United States
England
Finland
Norway
United States
United States
United States
United States
Poland
Germany
Peru
Germany
England
United States
England
United States
United States
Cuba
United States
United States
United States
United States
Israel
Israel
United States
Norway
Canada

Hameen Sanomat
Hamilton Journal News
Hamilton Spectator
Hammond Daily Star
Haverhill Gazette
Havre Daily News
Heidenheimer Neve Presse
Heidenheimer Zeitung
Helena Daily World
Helsingin Sanomat
Henderson Daily Dispatch
Heraldo de Aragon
The Hollywood Reporter Holsteinischer Courier
Hong Kong Commercial Daily
Hornell Evening News
Hot Springs Sentinel Record
Houston Chronicle
Hoy
Hoy
Hua Sheng Bao
Huntsville Times
Huron Daily Tribune
Hyvinkaan Sanomat
Klamath Falls Herald and News
Kuensel
Kumamoto Nichi
Ibaraski Shimbun
Idaho Falls Register
Idaho News
II Centro
Il Messaggero
II Sole 24 Ore
Ilta Sanomat
Independent
Indonesian Observer
Inland Valley Daily Bulletin
Internet Holding
Irish Times
Iron Mountain Daily News
Island
Itasca News
Jackson City Patriot
Jackson Clarion Ledger
The Jackson Sun
Jamestown Post Journal

| Hameenlinna | Finland |
| :---: | :---: |
| Hamilton, Ohio | United States |
| Hamilton, Ontario | Canada |
| Hammond, Louisiana | United States |
| Haverhill, Massachusetts | United States |
| Havre, Montana | United States |
| Heidenheim | Germany |
| Heidenheim | Germany |
| Helena, Arkansas | United States |
| Helsiniki | Finland |
| Henderson, North Carolina | United States |
| Zaragoza | Spain |
| Los Angeles, California | United States |
| Neumunster | Germany |
| Hong Kong | Hong Kong |
| Hornell, New York | United States |
| Hot Springs, Arkansas | United States |
| Houston, Texas | United States |
| Badajoz | Spain |
| Rego Park, New York | United States |
| No City Given | China |
| Huntsville, Alabama | United States |
| Bad Axe, Michigan | United States |
| Hyvinkaa | Finland |
| Klamath Falls, Oregon | United States |
| Thimphu | Bhutan |
| Kumamoto | Japan |
| Mito | Japan |
| Idaho Falls, Idaho | United States |
| Idaho Falls, Idaho | United States |
| Pescara | Italy |
| Rome | Italy |
| Milan | Italy |
| Helsinki | Finland |
| Dhaka | Bangladesh |
| Jakarta | Indonesia |
| Ontario | Canada |
| Santiago | Chile |
| Dublin | Ireland |
| Iron Mountain, Michigan | United States |
| Colombo | Sri Lanka |
| Bovey, Minnesota | United States |
| Jackson City, Michigan | United States |
| Jackson, Mississippi | United States |
| Jackson, Tennessee | United States |
| Jamestown, New York | United States |

Janesville Gazette
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| Napa Valley Register | Napa, California | United States |
| Nara Shimbun | Nara | Japan |
| Natal Witness | Pietermaritzburg | South Africa |
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| Neosho Daily News | Neoso, Missouri | United States |
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| Neue Voalberger Tageszeitung | Bregenz | Austria |
| Nevada Appeal | Carson City, Nevada | United States |
| New Britain Herald | New Britain, Connecticut | United States |
| New Chronicle | Roseau | Dominica |
| New Orleans Times and Picayone | New Orleans | United States |
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| New York Law Journal | New York, New York | United States |
| New York Times/Computer News | New York, New York | United States |
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| Newcastle Herald | Newcastle | Australia |
| Newnan Times Herald | Newnam, Georgia | United States |
| Newport Daily Independent | Newport, Arkansas | United States |
| Newport News Hampton Daily Press | Newport News, Virginia | United States |
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| Nordlands Framtid | Bodoe | Norway |
| Norfolk Daily News | Norfolk, Nebraska | United States |
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| Norrkopings Tidningar | Norrkopina | Sweden |
| North Hills News Herald | Warrendale, Pennsylvania | United States |
| North Platte Telegraph | North Platte, Nebraska | United States |
| The Northern Echo | Darlington | England |
| Northwest Arkansas Times | Fayetteville, Arkansas | United States |
| Norwich Evening Sun | Norwich, New York | United States |
| Noticias Populares | Sao Paulo | Brazil |
| Nottingham Evening Post | Nottingham | England |
| NRC Handelsblad | Rotterdam | Netherlands |
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| Port Arthur News | Port Arthur, Texas | United States |
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| Portland Press Herald | Portland, Maine | United States |
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| Univ. of WY Branding Iron | Laramie, Wyoming | United States |
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| Vallejo Times Herald | Vallejo, California | United States |
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