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## A LOOK INTO MEDIA CENSORSHIP IN VENEZUELA



### RESEARCH QUESTION

How is media censorship laws in Venezuela effect the lives of those who live there?  
What is being censored?

### BACKGROUND

Venezuela government has passed a Law against hate, for peaceful coexistence and tolerance also know as " Anti-Hate law" . This law prohibits anyone from sharing content that promotes fascism, intolerance or hate on social media or digital platforms, under penalty of up to 20 years in prison. Creating a digital lockdown on what the government determines is "fake news" or "hate speech".

### METHODS OF INQUIRY

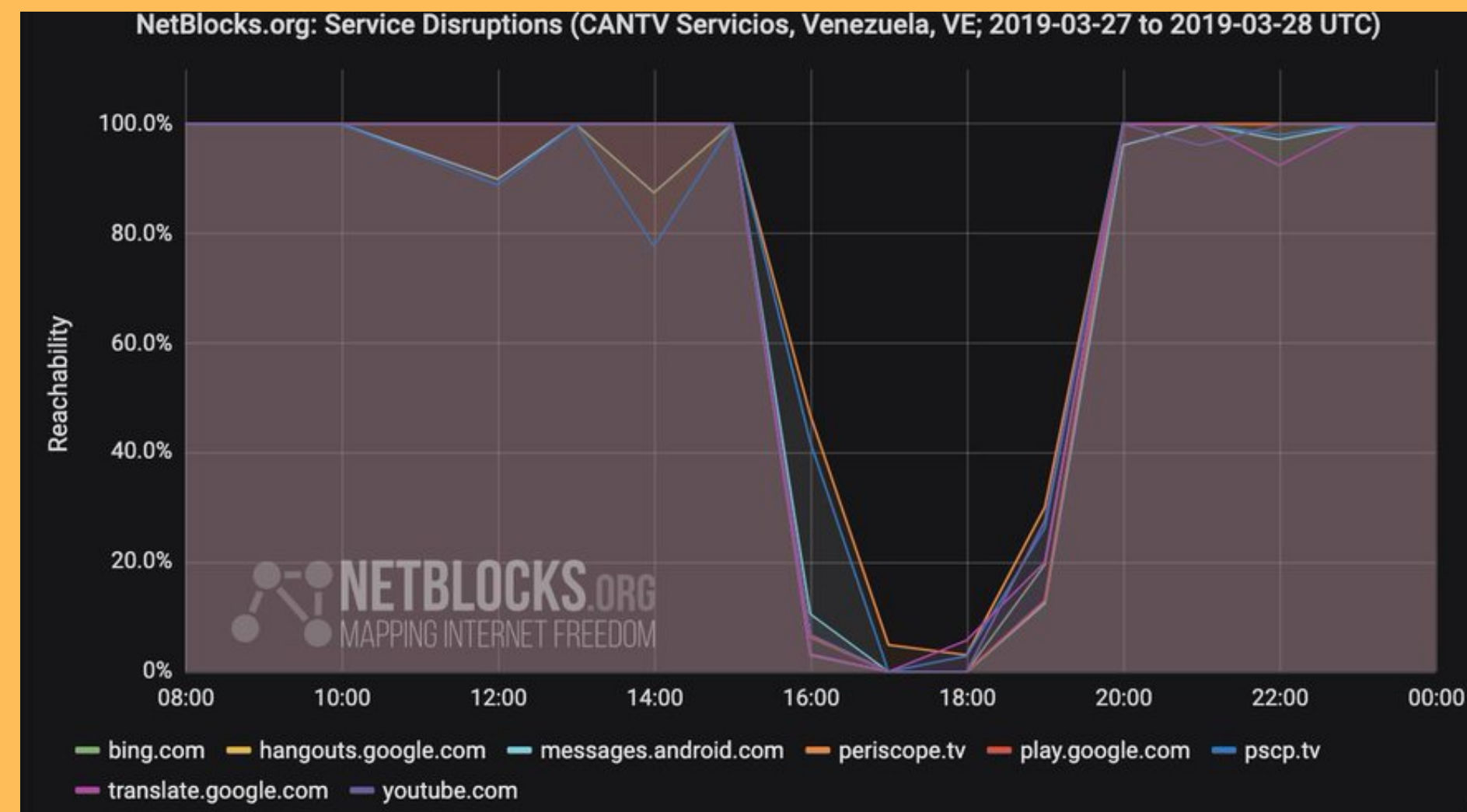


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### RESULTS



Above is a chart that shows Venezulan Authorities blocking news outlets and social media Almost every time oppostion leader Juan Guaidó livestreams a speech on Instagram, Youtube or Periscope,

Internet-monitoring groups said CANTV, the state-run Internet provider through which a majority people access the Web , appeared to block or restrict access to a range of websites, including Twitter and Instagram, that Juan Guaidó and other groups have used to mobilize growing protests against current President Nicolás Maduro.



### CONCLUSION

Venezuelan government can criminalize freedom of expression to what is considered "disrespect" for high government officials. Venezuelan Authorities also block news outlets and social media or arrest critics who speak out online.Censoring those who oppose agaisnt current president Nicolas Maduro

### FUTURE WORK

After reading journals and numerous news articles on this topic I can say that this topic is Relevant in the new age of technology especially when Social media is everywhere. Venezuelan Government continues to take away the right to freedom of speech and press. Still the people of Venezuela fight for change despite the digital barriers.

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