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## **Abstrakt**

Tato bakalářská práce se zabývá analýzou komentářů pod příspěvky různých zpravodajských amerických médií na téma zákony proti potratům v USA na sociální síti Facebook. Teoretická část této práce se věnuje definování výrazu „hate speech“ neboli nenávistného projevu, jak je nenávistný projev vnímán na sociálních sítích a zejména na sociální síti Facebook. Následně se soustředí na krátký popis událostí v americké kultuře, konkrétněji pak zákony proti potratům v posledních letech a skupiny, které se účastní této debaty. V praktické části bylo cílem práce definovat, jaký jazyk je použit v těchto komentářích díky analýze a zahrnutím do jednotlivých definovaných skupin, následně pak i analýze za pomoci korpusového nástroje Sketch Engine. Po extrakci a anotaci dat jsem využila dva nástroje „Keywords“ neboli klíčová slova v mém korpusu a „Concordances“ jinými slovy nahlížení na kontext ve větách, ve kterých je dané slovo obsaženo. V závěru mé práce jsem analyzovala jednotlivá slova či slovní spojení, které mi pomohla určit, zda komentáře obsahovali nenávistný projev či nikoliv.

## **Klíčová slova**

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## **Abstract**

This bachelor's thesis analyses the comments under various US news media posts on the topic of anti-abortion laws in the US on the social networking site Facebook. The theoretical part of this thesis is devoted to defining the term "hate speech", how hate speech is perceived on social networks and then specifically on Facebook. It then focuses on a brief description of events in American culture, specifically anti-abortion laws in recent years and the groups involved in this debate. In the practical part of the work, the goal was to define what language is used in these comments by analysing and including words and terms in defined group, followed by analysis using the web-based tool Sketch Engine. After extracting and annotating the data, I used two tools namely "Keywords" and "Concordances" meaning in other words looking at the context in the sentences in which the word is contained. At the end of my work, I analysed individual words or phrases to help me determine whether or not the comments contained hate speech.

## **Key words**

Hate speech, social media, Facebook, corpus analysis

### **Prohlášení**

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# 1 Introduction

At the end of the day, almost every human came across the internet in their lifetime. Internet and especially social media can be a place for watching videos, finding new information or it can be used for communication, which helps to connect people who could not otherwise be connected. However, additionally, not everybody respects each other in this environment – the speech used can be very different from person-to-person communication and the risk of there being more emotionally affected speech is bigger. Free speech on the internet can be beneficial, however, it can lead to an extreme word exchange, for example, hate speech in terms of racism, sexism or simply having different opinions with which other users do not agree. The present thesis deals with hate speech, its wording and collocations used in this kind of speech in contexts of abortion discussion with the help of corpus.

In this thesis the main frameworks the research will be based on are the following publications: a research paper written in 2018 by a group of authors with the main author Ona de Gibert named “Hate Speech Dataset from a White Supremacy Forum”, another publication by Fabio Del Vigna et al. “Hate me, Hate me not: Hate speech detection on Facebook” from 2017 and the last one “Detecting Hate Speech in Social Media” written in 2017 as well by Shervin Malmasi and Marcos Zampieri. In all of these publications, the authors researched hate speech in similar ways with some differences. As for the literature, the research from the book *Hate Speech against Women Online: Concepts and Countermeasures* by Louise Richardson-Self (2021) will also be the inspiration for this one. In this thesis, the methodology and analysis of the dataset will be based on the stated publications, however, it will be tailored for the purposes of this work.

As stated before, all three publications are focused on hate speech in an online environment, but they go about exploring it in different ways. In the first article “Hate

Speech Dataset from a White Supremacy Forum”, which will be one of my default ones, the authors took comments from the white supremacy forum Stormfront from a period from 2002 to 2017. Annotators later manually annotate sentences and then have it annotated again by a system for better precision in annotation process. They had them labelled as ‘hate’, ‘no hate’, ‘relation’ (1) (in context, agreement with ‘hate’ sentence) and ‘skip’ (2) (sentences not in English/no information to determine ‘hate’ or ‘no hate’).

(1) “‘Two black fag’s holding hands.’ ‘That’s Great!’” (Gibert et al. 2018, 4)

(2) “YouTube - Broadcast Yourself.” (Gibert et al. 2018, 4)

‘Skip’ label is not relevant in my work, because spam comments were deleted before the annotation process took place and the ‘relation’ label is not suitable for the purposes of my thesis either.

In the results, the sentences were distributed to categories mentioned above, annotators also stated additional information to the sentences like the length, 15 most and least hateful words used, etc. They also grouped the sentences to categories regarding what the hate was meant towards for example ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation. Furthermore, his publication, as the only one, included error analysis. Type I errors were differences between systematic (annotation made by program) and manual annotations of sentences/comments classified as ‘hate’ and Type II errors were about the same differences but with sentences classified as ‘no hate’. The program annotated the data incorrectly due to a lack of general world knowledge and a lack of different meanings of words in different contexts and collocations (3). Offensive words were also a problem in non-hate contexts (4).

(3) “‘If you search around you can probably find “hoax of the 20th century” for free on the net.’” (Gibert et al. 2018, 8)

- (4) “*More black-on-white crime: YouTube - Black Students Attack White Man For Eating Dinner With Black*” (Gibert et al. 2018, 8)

In my error analysis, I will not deal with these differences, rather than I will discuss human error analysis as I was the only and only human annotator.

The second publication “Hate me, Hate me not: Hate speech detection on Facebook” is concerned with developing a hate speech classifier and introducing a taxonomy of hate categories all from Italian-speaking users’ comments on Facebook. It states the data was collected by data crawling from Facebook and were annotated by 5 distinct human annotators and comments were classified into ‘no hate’, ‘weak hate’ and ‘strong hate’ from which the ‘+hate’ comments were divided into categories like ‘religion’, ‘politics’, ‘race’, etc. They describe the developed classifiers and experiments they did with the data.

The detection of hate speech is also discussed in the third article “Detecting Hate Speech in Social Media” with the help of a system based on character and word n-grams<sup>1</sup> and word skip-grams. This paper however uses data from Twitter and analyzes tweets. Tweets are annotated as ‘hate’, ‘offensive’ and ‘ok’ and with the use of corpus, the authors try to establish some baseline to distinguish hate speech and offensive use of words. In this case, 3 annotators were asked to annotate all 14,500 tweets (all tweets had a maximum of 140 characters) and in addition, used the Support Vector Machine classifier which annotated systematically.

The last and the most inspiring one from the list is the book *Hate Speech against Women Online: Concepts and Countermeasures* by Richardson-Self (2021). The research

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<sup>1</sup> N-Grams definition: “An N-Gram is a connected string of N items from a sample of text or speech. The N-Gram could be comprised of large blocks of words, or smaller sets of syllables.” (“N-Grams”)

included in this book revolves around the collection of Facebook comments under posts by *The Australian*, dated from September 2018 to February 2019. The difference in this one is they collected the data manually, so they collected only comments already detected as comments written about women, by women or the content of the comments talking about gender issues. This came up to a total of 2,881 comments which were further grouped based on what they encompassed – to be named there were groups such as ‘Women as Body/as Sex Object’, ‘Promiscuous Women’, etc. In each category, examples of such comments were shown, described and commented on.

What I used in my work from the first and last publication will be presented in chapter 2 below. The main concern of my research will be the exploration and analysis of comments from Facebook pages of chosen news sources. In addition, the research will not only be about the numbers but also the medium for exploring and analysing is an online corpus-making tool Sketch Engine. The research results are part of chapter 5 called Exploration of corpora and results, where corpus making and results are presented.

For the second part of my work, the Theoretical part explains what hate speech can mean. Hate speech as such is a complex word with many meanings depending on the contexts and from which field you try to define it. Hate speech in the context of social media and then particularly on Facebook is discussed as well. On top of that, because of the overlap to discourse analysis, the question of abortion is explained as well. Abortion as a topic is getting more discussed and many people share their opinion on the matter. Data collected from the Facebook pages correlate to this topic, which is the reason for the short explanation in the Theoretical part.

## 2 Methodology

From the publications presented in the Introduction, I will now present criteria, methods and overall information I consider appropriate, which will be used in this thesis. My inspirations overall are the first publication “Hate Speech Dataset from a White Supremacy Forum” and research from the book mentioned in the Introduction. In the first one, the ‘hate’ and ‘no hate’ criteria in the annotation process were used, which I will use as well. However, the authors of this publication also used 2 more labels – relation and skip – which are not suitable for my practical part, so they will be omitted. Another part suitable for this work can be a list of 10 most used hate words or it can be modified, and the ranking can be 15 words more suitable for my results. On the other hand, I will not use systematic annotations as I do not have the program which might do it, nor do I have a greater number of annotators annotating the comments. Error analysis is an interesting concept, which I will take and apply in chapter 4.1 to describe errors regarding the annotation process. The work with results in the book *Hate Speech against Women Online: Concepts and Countermeasures* (Richardson-Self 2021) is interesting in a way I would like to employ in my research, for instance, the labelling of comments and grouping them.

The basis of my thesis’ practical part is discourse analysis with the help of corpora.

The participants of the communication are average English-speaking users of Facebook who are contributing to a discussion on the topic of abortion and on the topic about which is the post under which they comment. The speech act, in this case, is in an online environment and users do not know each other nor they can see each other when communicating. The data used in this work were comments collected from Facebook pages of news sources, namely Fox news, The New York Times and CNN. I copied comments to a word document by hand, edited them and annotated them manually later.

In chapter 4, the process of data collection is described in more detail. The whole annotation process is described in better detail in chapters 4.1 and 5.2. Another and last thing worth mentioning includes the research questions set for this practical part. I have set 3 research questions to which I will try to find the answers further in this work.

Research questions are as follows:

1. Will there be more than 10% of comments classified as “hate speech”?
2. Is there a difference between the number of hate speech comments in differently oriented news medias?
3. Is the language used in the “hate speech” parts really a hate speech phrase?

### **3 Theoretical part**

The problem with hate speech lies in its definition, which is why this topic is more difficult to deal with than others. This chapter will discuss the difficulties with defining the term ‘hate speech’, how it is defined on social media and hate speech on Facebook. I incorporate this chapter to bring knowledge on the topic and for the reason of that being the focus of my research as well. Hate speech on Facebook is also important because the data – comments – are collected from this page and it is also important to know if Facebook deletes this kind of content and how does it prevent it. Another part of Theoretical part will be dealing with the definition of abortion as it is the concern of discourse analysis incorporated in the research as well. Abortion and hate speech is defined together too as it is the main concern of analysis of hate speech in this context.

#### **3.1 Defining hate speech**

If we want to know what the definition of hate speech is, we should start by defining the word ‘hate’. Children are taught hate at an early age firstly introduced as dislike and then transformed into a more intense emotion, i.e. hate. According to Merriam-Webster the noun ‘hate’ is defined as: “intense hostility and aversion usually deriving from fear, anger, or sense of injury” and the verb as: “to feel extreme enmity toward: to regard with active hostility” (“Hate” Merriam-Webster) This can mean the child is developing some kind of self-knowledge of what they dislike and can later better regulate the exposure to this pressure. David Bromell in his book defines hate speech as follows:

public communication that intends or is imminently likely to incite discrimination, active hostility or violence against individual persons on the basis of their actual or supposed membership of a social group with a protected characteristic such as nationality, race or religion. (Bromell 2022, 220)

In legal terms, hate speech is not defined as such in the US and can mean different things in different contexts and environments. Hate speech is also not illegal itself because it is a part of public communication, and it can only be punished in specific court cases.

In the United States, hate speech is protected by the First Amendment. Courts extend this protection on the grounds that the First Amendment requires the government to strictly protect robust debate on matters of public concern even when such debate devolves into distasteful, offensive, or hateful speech that causes others to feel grief, anger, or fear. ... hate speech can only be criminalized when it directly incites imminent criminal activity or consists of specific threats of violence targeted against a person or group. (“Hate Speech” *American Library Association*)

Hate speech is not at all a united and ‘one definition fits all’ kind of term, but it is rather complex. In the term, there can be many hidden types of hate speech as to visual, verbal or online and offline. No matter which kind of these we take into account, hate speech can also be divided by which people or group of people it is targeted to, thus hate speech can have its own vocabulary, metaphors and collocations used. Generally talking it could mean the targeting of black people, LGBTG+, immigrant community etc.

### ***3.1.1 Hate speech, its regulation and removal in recent years on social media***

Social media have been an integral part of our lives for the last 2 decades and it is hard to imagine what the internet and World Wide Web would look like without them. Because of the issue that social media represents and them being more than one platform, it is difficult to objectively determine what it means. Aichner describes what can be included in the term ‘social media’ as follows:

In research, SM is generally used as an umbrella term that describes a variety of online platforms, including blogs, business networks, collaborative projects, enterprise social networks (SN), forums, microblogs, photo sharing, products review, social bookmarking, social gaming, SN, video sharing, and virtual worlds. Given this broad spectrum of SM

platforms, the applications of SM are quite diverse and not limited to sharing holiday snapshots or advertising and promotion. (Aichner 2021, 215)

Primarily, the main purposes of social media are to share content and communication – in short – connection. This connection involves being in touch with other members of the family across the world or it can mean sharing your opinion with others and seeing what others think about it. This can include free speech and its sister hate speech.

Hate speech as such has become a phenomenon in recent years with the quick spread of social media and internet platforms. Hate speech, however, is not only online but offline as well. Even though it may seem the same, hate speech can be portrayed differently in online as to the offline environment. As Brown explains in his article, the main differences between online and offline include anonymity, invisibility, community in which it occurs and instantaneousness. To explain further, by anonymity is meant that identity can be changed or does not have to be apparent at first. That gives the person sudden power and freedom behind the device – more than it would have been in real life. Invisibility in this meaning denotes: “a physical distance between speaker and audience, meaning that the speaker can be non-visible or in some sense invisible to the audience and vice versa“ (Brown 2018, 300). Community is also a significant difference because a person can engage with similarly minded people like them from different parts of the world who couldn’t otherwise interact. The immediate responses are the key to a spontaneous burst of anger which can lead to an inappropriate response in a form of hate speech: “the Internet encourages forms of hate speech that are spontaneous in the sense of being instant responses, gut reactions, unconsidered judgments, off-the-cuff remarks, unfiltered commentary, and first thoughts” (Brown 2018, 304).

Such a spread of hate speech, as stated before, can be explained by the anonymity that social media gives the users and not dealing with any particular consequences, not considering terminating the account etc. Free speech and hate speech are often merged in

one, where people do not realize their “free speech” has become hate speech against another being or group. The spread and recognition of some posts can be in a matter of minutes or hours and the community that sees it is much larger than an in-person/offline setting and importantly it is cross-national.

Hate speech is not only Facebook’s problem, but even other platforms are also facing this problem. Discord, a messaging online platform, and other messaging and streaming platforms are dealing with many forms of hate speech only with the twist – live streaming and immediate responses. The content is harder to indicate and eradicate in this environment. Users of streaming platforms, and not only them but others are adopting this method as well for example Reddit, are choosing their moderators that eliminate harmful and hateful content and users from using the platform or banning them completely if many violations occur from one account. This way is one of the most effective, meaning real people go through the content and can mark some as inappropriate thus decreasing the probability of reporting inaccurately. Other platforms have to deal with many other forms of hate speech, for example in the forms of videos, pictures, GIFs, even memes etc. Pictures or videos are often managed by flagging from users which the platform later evaluates and eventually decides to keep or remove.

This debate is exemplified by laws such as the German Network Enforcement Act (NetzDG), which was presented in 2017 and requires social media platforms with more than 2 million users to implement a transparent procedure to moderate illegal content (which includes hate speech), remove content that has been identified as illegal within a timeframe of 24 hours and regularly report on the measures taken. ... Another, almost simultaneous, revision strengthened users’ rights by requiring platforms to make the reporting of illegal content more user-friendly and to enable the appeal of a decision to delete or not delete a post. (UNESCO and United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect 2021, 4)

In some other cases, the platform has developed its own recognition software to detect any violation of terms. However, these are inaccurate and have to be reviewed again by a human. „However, the trend is accompanied by an increase in restored content in relation to the previous reported periods. Between January and March 2021, Facebook restored 408,700 pieces of content and Instagram 43,700“ (UNESCO and United Nations Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect 2021, 7). The part about the removal of the content from social platforms is relevant in a chapter about Data collecting and annotation, because when collecting data, in this case, comments from Facebook, the data can be incomplete and unavailable due to the mentioned removal.

### ***3.1.2 Hate speech on Facebook***

Facebook, founded in 2004 by Mark Zuckerberg, is one of the most popular social media platforms. To this day, around 3 billion users use Facebook actively each month and on average 1,9 billion are active daily (“Meta Reports First Quarter 2022 Results” 2022) making Facebook the first in a ranking of active user accounts per month (“Most popular social networks worldwide as of October 2023, ranked by number of monthly active users.” 2023). With that many users, it becomes harder to regulate all of the content added to the site, which can then lead to uncontrollable masses of content being undetected by the platform and thus creating the perfect environment to form large groups of people with the same element that can be hated. Naturally, Facebook has been dealing with this issue for the majority of its operation. Facebook, like other social media platforms, gets users to agree with their ‘Terms of Service’ and ‘Community Standards’ that users have to respect and follow in order to eliminate this kind of problem. However, who actually reads and follows these Terms and what exactly even say?

The most basic document and one of the first things users see on Facebook are ‘Terms of Services’. Facebook describes terms as: “These Terms of Service (the “Terms”) govern

your use of Facebook, Messenger, and the other products, features, apps, services, technologies, and software we offer (the Meta Products or Products), except where we expressly state that separate terms (and not these) apply.” (“Facebook – Terms of Service” 2022) They are guidelines on what users can and cannot do and what they agree with – the personification of ads, usage of the data, permissions you give to Facebook on different matters, etc. In Terms, they mention the safety of users, how the user can report violating content and how can an account be suspended or terminated when violating Terms or Community Standards, however, Terms do not focus on hate speech or content posted on Facebook in a more detailed way.

On the other hand, Facebook Community Standards (later only “Standards”) are more detailed about which content the user can and cannot post and share on this platform. Meta is claiming the platform should be about people who can openly talk, even if they disagree with each other. They state to be taking into account human rights and the risk of harm it can cause in these cases. The Standards specifically say that content is being removed if not suitable – threats, risk of harm. Standards divide into many subcategories, which apply to everyone in every country in which Facebook operates and consist of a so-called Policy Rationale – an overview of the question, what is not allowed and what is allowed in some contexts. Hate speech has its own subcategory as well. The overview talks about how Facebook defines hate speech:

We define hate speech as a direct attack against people — rather than concepts or institutions— on the basis of what we call protected characteristics: race, ethnicity, national origin, disability, religious affiliation, caste, sexual orientation, sex, gender identity and serious disease. We define attacks as violent or dehumanizing speech, harmful stereotypes, statements of inferiority, expressions of contempt, disgust or dismissal, cursing and calls for exclusion or segregation. (“Hate speech”, *Facebook*)

On top of this definition, the policy rationale includes a part about protecting immigrants, and attack on specific groups of people (dehumanizing and discriminating against certain groups, as in relation to religion, race or even skin color). Users are also obligated to clearly indicate their intent, if not, content may be deleted. The page is later divided into 2 parts, first 'what do not post' where are introduced 3 Tiers and into second part where additional information is required. Briefly, Tier 1 is concerned with the content of attacking people or groups of people based on generalization, behavior and the concept of comparing people of different nationalities and races to animals (5).

(5) a. *Go back to africa u ape* (Black people and apes or ape-like creatures)

b. *These rat people just think about money* (Jewish people and rats)

Tier 2 goes about targeting people/groups of people based on mental, physical and other differences (intellect, hygiene, physical appearance, derogatory terms (6), better/worse comparison, cursing etc.).

(6) *you f\*ckin slut* (cursing, terms related to sexual activity)

As for Tier 3, it discusses targeting humans/groups of people on basis of political, economic and social exclusion ( 7). On this matter, Facebook has an automatic report system through which, users can report a post and send it to be reviewed by human reviewers.

( 7 ) *arab people are all a bunch of terrorists* (political/social exclusion)

All the examples 5–7 are imaginary, however, it is certain these already exist on the World Wide Web somewhere. All of the Tiers help against certain hate speech subcategories, which are the most common on the platform. In my research, the main category present is Tier 2 comments, where a lot of hate, offensive and vulgar language is targeted at other people involved in the discussion. Tier 3 is also present in collected data, because of the

involvement of politics in the US in the topics of abortions. Words used the most and other findings are available in chapter 5, namely in chapter Corpus.

### **3.2 Abortions, abortion laws in recent years and correlation with hate speech**

In the United States this topic, namely the legality and morality of abortions, is highly and frequently disguised from the 1960s to this day mostly because of the constant fights, law-making and changes when it comes to abortions alone. In this chapter, the term abortion and its division will be stated, two sides of abortion fights, abortion laws in the US and how it all correlates with hate speech. This part, as a part of discourse analysis, is relevant for introducing and understanding the context in which the discussion under the Facebook posts is ongoing.

The word abortion in the medical field means something different than when it is used by the normal population. *William's Obstetrics* says: "The word abortion derives from the Latin *aboriri*—to miscarry. Abortion is defined as the spontaneous or induced termination of pregnancy before fetal viability. ... But because popular use of abortion by laypersons implies a deliberate intact pregnancy termination, many prefer miscarriage for spontaneous fetal loss" (Cunningham 2018, 350). The term abortion also includes spontaneous abortions without any medical help, which many people do not know. The kind of abortion that is talked about in the media and is considered in the laws is induced abortion, in other words with the help of the medical staff. The termination of the pregnancy by medical abortion is usually done early in the first trimester approximately from 9 to 12 weeks. In the real world, a woman finds out she is pregnant sometime from 3 and even up to 7 weeks of pregnancy so many women have to undergo the surgical one

if they desire to terminate the pregnancy just because of the lack of time or the failure of medical abortion.

### ***3.2.1 Abortion laws to June 2022 in the US***

In the US, the topic of abortion is being disguised for more than one century now and is perceived fairly differently than for example in European countries. Bans against abortions date back to the 19<sup>th</sup> century around the American Civil War and till 1910 abortions were banned nationwide. It was not until the 1960s when states loosened the bans, and the 1973 decision *Roe v Wade* shaped the way of abortion conversation. This case started the revolution of caring about women's rights when it comes to abortions and body autonomy. Many more cases, bans and laws were introduced during the almost 5 decades from this decision. In 2022, *Roe v Wade* was overturned and overruled by *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, meaning that states have different bans and policies against abortions without any federal law regulating it from now on.

### ***3.2.2 The topic of abortion and correlation with hate speech***

Abortion is an international problematic and controversial topic and discussions, and protests may not be as peaceful as with other controversial topics. The line between free speech and hate speech is very fine and in this case, it is even thinner. The question is not only political, but it is also a moral decision of humans, which many people may feel passionate about. The rivalry between the two groups from chapter 3.2.3 below is understandable, however, forcing own opinions and views on others is not, more so with the use of profane, offensive, vulgar or even hate speech. Hate speech in this context will be examined with discourse analysis and then the language as is will be analyzed through the corpus.

### ***3.2.3 Pro-life versus Pro-choice***

In the US there are two major groups when it comes to the question and debate of banning or legalizing abortions – pro-life and pro-choice. It goes without saying that one of these is against abortions and one actively fights for abortions. Along the definitions, I will provide polling data from 2022 appropriate to this paragraph from a site “Statista” in which 1000 people were asked about their political preferences and thoughts on abortions. The two extremes differ in moral principles on whether the baby’s life starts at conception, first heartbeat, after the first trimester or birth and/or whether it is morally right or wrong to end its life. Pro-life people are opposed to legalizing abortions in terms of completely banning it or allowing it in extreme cases, like sexual assault, rape and deformation of the fetus as well as endangering women’s life. The majority of the pro-life group is made up of highly religious people, mainly consisting of Mormons, Christians (Protestant and Roman Catholic) and Eastern or Greek Orthodox. Furthermore, the number of people who are pro-life are also identifying as republicans with more than 70% of people voting for or identifying as republicans think abortions should be illegal in all circumstances (22%) or legal in only a few circumstances (52%) (“Support for Abortion by Party and Level of Legalization U.S. 2022”, 2022). On the contrary, pro-choice people believe that abortions are a basic human right, are open to the legalization of abortions and let women have medical freedom and freedom about what they do with their bodies, hence the name pro-choice. In this group, members are more likely to be atheists, Agnostic, Jewish, Buddhists and Muslims in terms of religion. In terms of political preferences, pro-choice members are also members or vote for the democratic party and think abortions should be legal in all circumstances (57%) or legal in most circumstances (25%) (“Support for Abortion by Party and Level of Legalization U.S.

2022”, 2022). This is a very clear representation of religion, state and politics defining how people view these things and how significant it is to them.

## 4 Data collecting and annotation

In the following part, the process of data collecting will be described, as well as the description of the posts will be attached. Data collection was influenced by publications and methods stated above. Firstly, I specified criteria for Facebook posts which I followed. The criteria were as follows:

1. Facebook posts will be on Facebook pages of American-based news sources, and it could not be videos or pictures, however, only a link to an article from the same news
2. Every post had to be posted from a time period starting June 2021 and ending June 2022
3. Every post had to have a number of comments between 500 to 1,500
4. The following words/collocations had to be in the title of the article: ‘abortion’, ‘pro-life/pro-choice’, ‘abortion law/s’, ‘Roe v Wade’

In the following paragraph, I will discuss the criteria and the reasoning for its form and why it was chosen that way will be presented. Firstly, I would like to point out the choice of news pages on Facebook. As can be seen in table (8), the news and posts I chose for the analysis included Fox News, The New York Times and CNN. Fox News Channel, based in New York City, is primarily a television news channel, however, also leads the written base of their news. Fox News has been and still is described as a more conservative and biased news source, favoring the conservative Republican party and Donald Trump during his presidency. The New York Times is a classic among newspapers around the world. Because of its status on the newspaper market, this news was an obvious choice. The New York Times tends to be more on the left-wing side of the spectrum, which can be seen mostly around presidential elections. Lastly, CNN is also as Fox News cable news channel but writes articles as well. As The New York Times,

CNN has been accused of left-wing based. All of the news sources were chosen because of their status, popularity and high viewership. Furthermore, as stated before, all three are American based and mostly cover news from the US (but do not have to entirely). In most ratings, these three news sources are in the top 10 in popularity as well as fame.

The range of comments was decided because of the data collecting itself from the website. I manually copied comments to word documents separated by posts and later annotated them. In these documents, I removed all Czech words from Facebook, for example ‘to se mi líbí’ etc. through a tool ‘replace’ and then removed all hyperlinks. The total number of comments in the third and fourth columns in Table (8) differ. This is caused by a deletion of some unsuitable comments, like spam and some comments are deleted by the user itself, but the total number stays the same. Additionally, Facebook even after marking off ‘All Comments’ does not show every comment in the thread. As a result, 3 of the post did not have more than 500 comments in total but were left, because the initial criterium was fulfilled.

The posts themselves were also important as they conditioned the comments under them. Posts, as said, were found thanks to keywords which every article title contains. The content of the articles is easily predictable from the names, so there is no need for any further description. All of them have a different topic, however, posts 6 and 9 report on the same situation around a doctor providing abortion under a new law.

The table below shows the number of posts, which will later be used in the description of the results, the name of the article on which the comments reacted, the total number of comments given on a Facebook page, the actual number of comments and how were they annotated – ‘hate’ or ‘no hate’ label (the process of annotation used criteria bellow in chapter 4.1), corresponding news source and the date of publication of the post.

Posts numbered	Article name	Number of comments stated on Facebook	Number of comments annotated (no hate/hate)	News	Date
Post 1	Pelosi receives Communion during Vatican mass despite abortion stance	1,300	988 = 888/100 (10,1%)	Fox News	June 2022
Post 2	Pro-life groups respond as Planned Parenthood figure claims media distorts coverage against pro-choicers	822	480 = 435/45 (9,4%)	Fox News	June 2022
Post 3	Texas 'fetal heartbeat' abortion law reinstated by appeals court ruling	840	514 = 488/26 (5,3%)	Fox News	October 2021
Post 4	Maryland Lawmakers Expand Abortion Access, Overriding Governor's Veto	820	575 = 550/25 (4,4%)	The New York Times	April 2022
Post 5	Citizen Enforcement of Abortion Law Violates Texas Constitution, Judge Rules	547	311 = 281/30 (9,6%)	The New York Times	December 2021
Post 6	Texas Doctor Says He Performed an Abortion in Defiance of New State Law	1,100	883 = 859/24 (2,7%)	The New York Times	September 2021
Post 7	Delaware governor signs bill expanding abortion access and provider protection	631	438 = 398/40 (9,1%)	CNN	June 2022
Post 8	A 79-year-old says Roe v. Wade saved her life after she was raped months post the 1973 ruling	1,300	885 = 818/67 (7,6%)	CNN	June 2022
Post 9	Texas doctor who says he performed abortion sued in first known challenges under new law	904	678 = 645/33 (4,9%)	CNN	September 2021
			5752 = 5362/390 (6,8%)		

(8) Table of Facebook posts and information about them

#### 4.1 Criteria for annotation

Annotation means some kind of additional information added to words, sentences, texts or documents which is also relevant to it. In the context of this thesis, it will be meaning additional information for data collected as described in previous chapter 4. I chose to annotate to determine which data to analyze later in chapter 5.3 with the help of corpus. The data collected and annotated are comments from Facebook pages. The reason for annotation in this research is the elimination of “normal” comments containing no hate,

vulgar or offensive speech. Firstly, it is important to describe the labels for annotation. For this annotation process, two labels were selected – ‘hate’ and ‘no hate’. ‘No hate’ label means no hate speech, vulgar language or any assaultive language was used in any shape and form. However, the ‘hate’ label was something that had to be previously, before the annotation process, determined and it was not easy to decide during the process also. To start with, I looked through the publications, took inspiration and chose some of the criteria suitable for my work as well. The first and most applicable for this research was labelling hate speech as such by Gibert and his group:

“Sentences in this category contain hate speech. Hate speech is a

- a) deliberate attack
- b) directed towards a specific group of people
- c) motivated by aspects of the group’s identity.

The three premises must be true for a sentence to be categorized as HATE.” (Gibert et al. 2018, 3)

Other researchers chose to do more labels, however, they also had more independent annotators to determine and choose from. Other authors chose groups like ‘hate’, ‘offensive’ and ‘ok’. Thus, meaning they also determined the differences between hate speech as such and only offensive speech which are often very hard to distinguish from each other. So, when it comes to this labelling, I considered these two labels as one for the purposes of my work.

Furthermore, I would also like to comment on the points made by Gibert cited above. In my opinion, the second and third points are more than obvious in regard to what the authors meant by that; however, the first point is not. I interpreted this point as a deliberate attack on anyone, even if it meant the state institution (a group if one will), a person/people or other things people were hateful about. As for the annotation alone, I

read through every comment and determined based on these criteria if it is or is not hate and accordingly labelled it. Comments labelled as 'hate' I put in a different word document and numbered the examples to be able to put it to corpus and analyse it after. In the table (8) in column 4, there are numbers of comments annotated in total with their initial distinction to 'hate' and 'no hate' with corresponding numbers to that as well. The comments annotated as 'hate' were put into Appendices Appendix 2 – Appendix 10. The highlighted areas (yellow) are the main parts, that led me to believe, that the comment should be considered and annotated as 'hate'. Some comments are only one word long, some are whole paragraphs, therefore sometimes, there are all sentences highlighted, sometimes there is just one word. In the annotated comments are also emojis, if they contained some kind of hateful message, however, it would not show in the results. Later in chapters 5.2 I describe more detailed way of annotation. The comments are divided into 3 main groups, which are based on either 'religion base' hate, 'political' hate or 'other'.

As stated before, the error analysis from the first publication mentioned inspired me as well and I consider it appropriate to include it in this section, just because in this part there can be a lot of errors made along the way. The first error to acknowledge can be the merge of labels as stated before. As I was the only one going through the data and doing so manually, it would be very difficult to determine this difference and be objective with every single comment. The second error was the simple fact that I was the only one going through the data. This could potentially mean that annotated comments may not be annotated accurately and could have been wrongly labelled. Even though there can certainly be some mistakes made in the annotation process, the whole process was done following the criteria stated above and should lead to the same results.

## 5 Exploration of corpora and results

### 5.1 Results

In this chapter, the results of the research will be explored and commented on. Firstly, the data from table (8) will be discussed and later the comments annotated as ‘hate’ will be explored through corpus Sketch Engine with the help of its functions. Throughout this chapter, the inspiration comes not only from publications stated in the Introduction but also from a Master’s thesis by a now-former student of Palacký University Olomouc, Barbora Juřeníková (2020), where she discusses the most frequent metaphors related to cancer using functions by Sketch Engine to explore them.

Now, the data from table (8) will be explored. In the column, there are 3 numbers – the first telling us the total number of comments annotated, the second the number of comments annotated as ‘no hate’ and the final is the number of comments labelled as ‘hate’. Below, there will be examples of comments annotated as ‘no hate’ (9) and ‘hate’ (10) from post 1 from which the ‘hate’ annotated comments are in Appendix 2.

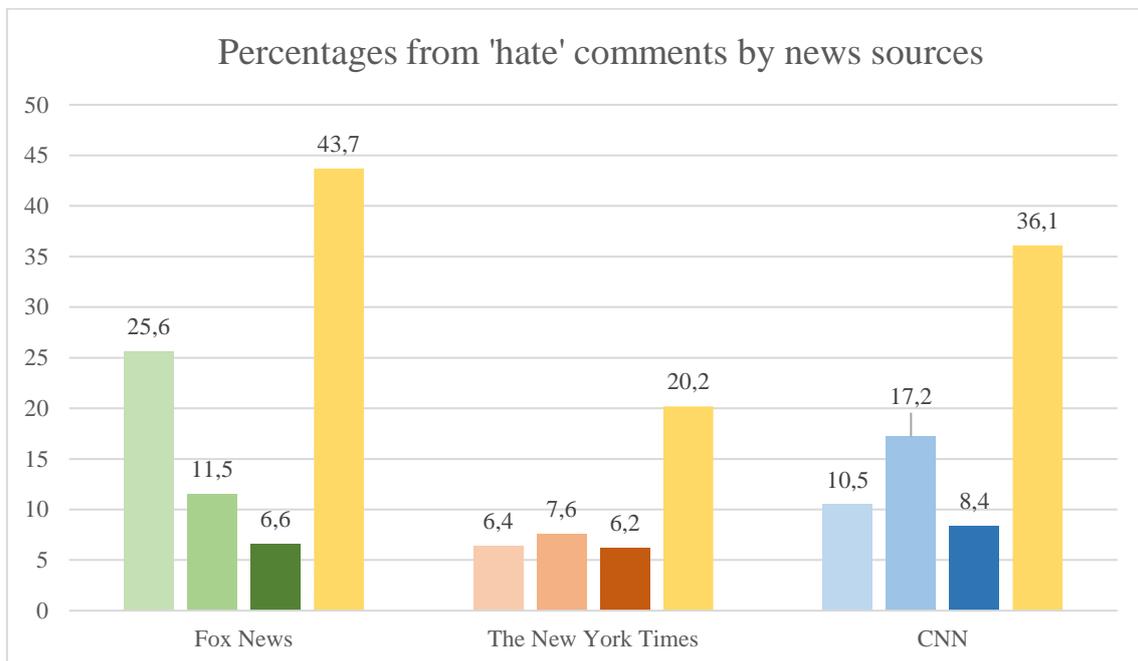
(9) *“have you adopted any babies? All different colours? What if it grew up to be bisexual? Gay?”*

(10) *“Anyone who praises this stupid brain dead c\*\*t is an idiot.”*

These comments clearly indicate whether or not there is hate speech in them or not. Some are not that obvious; however, the distinction was made and even if a small portion of a comment suggested there is hate incorporated, I annotated it as ‘hate’ as well. Analysis of ‘hate’ annotated comments is below in chapter 5.2.

In the brackets, the percentages of ‘hate’ comments from each individual post are written as well. The table (8) is sorted out by the news sources – every news source is adjacent to its own. From these numbers, we can calculate the total ratio of ‘no hate’ to ‘hate’

comments with percentages. The ratio of 'no hate' to 'hate' comments came to 5,362/390 (in total 5,752 comments annotated). The percentages come to 93,2% of 'no hate' to 6,8% 'hate' comments on average. Some of the posts had, of course, more and some less. Some topics can lead to more argumentative discussion and therefore more hate, offensive and vulgar language. The news can also change the numbers, just because the readers change as well. As stated before, two of the news sources are leaning more towards the left on the political spectrum (The New York Times, CNN) and one more towards the right (Fox News). On average, reading from each three data sources from each news, Fox News had 8,3% of 'hate' comments under their posts, under The New York Times posts only 5,6% of comments and under CNN posts 7,2%. Further, this information can help determine, how each news source was represented. When taken the number of 'hate' comments in total (390 comments), the percentages from each news source can be calculated.



(11) Graph showing percentages from 'hate' comments by news sources

From the graph (11) above, it is apparent Fox News had the most 'hate' comments by 7,6% in total 43,7% (171 comments in total) from CNN, which had 36,1% (140 comments

in total). The New York Times had by far the least ‘hate’ comments, adding up to 20,2% (79 comments in total). The results from 3 posts from each news source are not entirely objective as is, however, the apparently low number of The New York Times’ ‘hate’ comments could suggest the numbers would be almost the same with a larger number of posts analysed.

## **5.2 Pre-analysis**

In this chapter, I would like to present the pre-analysis of the comments. Although the discourse of all the comment sections were online discussions regarding abortions, there were a lot of differences between them. The content of each post differed therefore the discussions under them differed as well. One of the posts is religion based (post number 1), 2 are about doctors performing abortions (posts numbered as 6 and 9), 4 are politically based mentioning governors, judges, lawmakers, courts (posts 3, 4, 5 and 7) and the last 2 posts mentioned either Roe v. Wade or Pro-life group (posts 2 and 8). Therefore, my additional approach to annotation was, that annotated comments as ‘hate’ were later differentiated further to 3 main groups:

1. ‘religious based hate’ (highlighted green)
2. ‘political based hate’ (highlighted red)
3. ‘other’

The groups were chosen because of the topic of abortion itself is seen by some as a political matter and by some as a religious one. For each group, I will state my reasonings to as why I chose to annotate them the way I did.

To start, in the group ‘other’ were mostly hate comments towards users in the comments.

The examples for the group ‘other’ are:

(12) *If your complaining about the Supreme Court ruling then your mom should have aborted you.* (Comment 26, Appendix 3)

(13) *although kid in your profile would be better off if you didn't bring him into this world.* (Comment 10, Appendix 9)

As seen above, in the comments have not any words in particular to be classified as ‘hate’, however, the sentence as a whole is negative. These comments were expected to see when the topic of abortion is being discussed. The users did not hesitate to attack others with almost death-threat like comments. These kinds of comments will not be seen in the corpus analysis, mostly because there are no direct negative words. This actively illustrates, that the corpus analysis itself is not enough when analyzing discourse, therefore more detailed analysis on grouping is important as well.

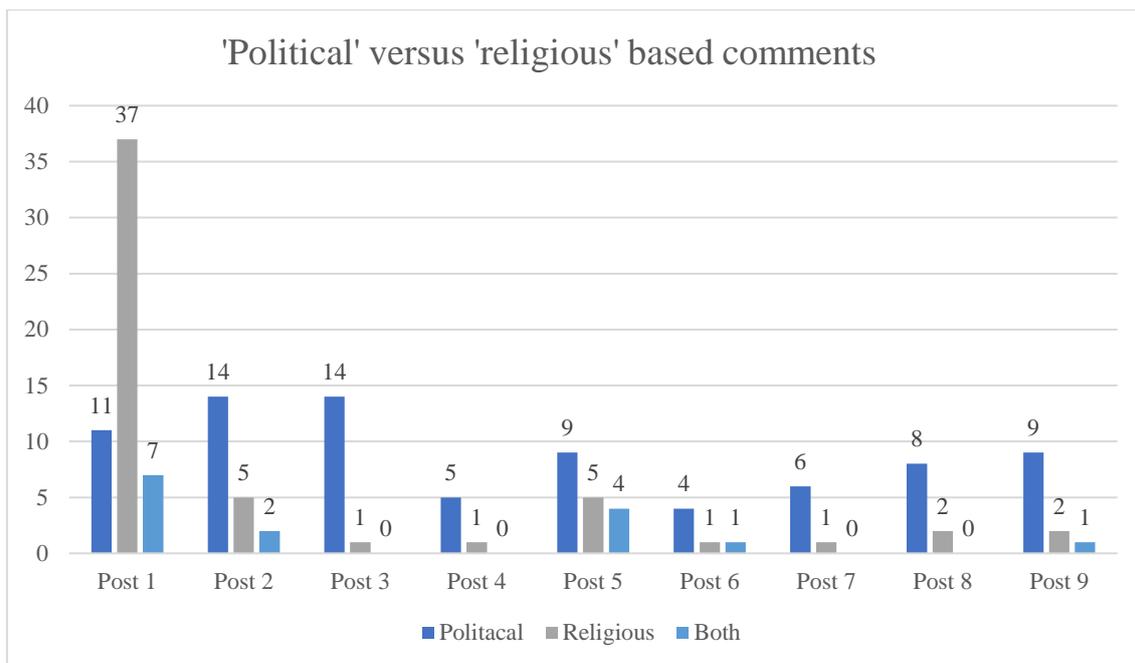
As for the two other groups of comments ‘religious’ and ‘political’, when I annotated them, I also counted the comments as well. The graph below shows us the number of each group by posts. The third column to each post is the number of comments annotated as both, meaning there was a religious as well as political attack visible. The example of ‘both’ is example below:

(14) *The Talibangelists won't like this at all...* (Comment 21, Appendix 6)

The word phrase *Talibangelists* is a combination of words *Taliban* and *evangelists*, with which the user is targeting a specific religious group and links it to radical movement in Afghanistan, which I connect to a political and also religious matter in this case.

(15) *commie devil pope* (Comment 48, Appendix 2)

In the example (15) *commie devil pope* (Comment 48, Appendix 2) the connection between communism party (political) and head of the Catholic Church (religious) is made. Moreover, this comment dishonest the Pope even more calling him *evil*.



(16) Graph showing numbers of 'political based' comments and 'religious based' comments

As it is apparent from the graph (16) the first post, which discussed abortions from religious point of view, had the most comments annotated as 'religious' hate. The comments annotated from the first post are under Appendix 2. Examples of that are:

(17) *that is all you satanists look at all the pedophile priests.* (Comment 9)

(18) *The catholic church is a pedophile cult.* (Comment 57)

In the examples (17) and (18) the comments were annotated as 'hate' and 'religious' hate because of the adjectives *pedophile* referring to priests and catholic church. This was meant as an attack in regard to the catholic church having controversies including children being sexually assaulted on the grounds of the Catholic Church by people from the Catholic circle. Even though it has initially nothing similar with the discussion, in the discussions regarding abortions a lot of people uses the words *unborn children/kids*, therefore the talk incline to talk about children as well. The word *satanists* can be defined as opposite or antonym to religious people (in this case Catholics), so as a result of this

comment the religious users might be offended by it and take it as an insult. Based on the nature of the comments under the first post, 37 from total 100 were annotated as ‘hate’ towards religion of the individual or religious group. As abortions are controversial from religious and also political views, other posts had some religion related comments as well. The total number of religiously based comments was 55 which is around 14% of all ‘hate’ comments.

Lastly to mention the third group which was ‘political based’ hate. These types of comments were often referring to terrorist groups, dictatorships or they dishonest members of parties in the US or the people who agree with the party.

(19) *I'm straight Davis, but thanks for the offer. Nothing beats the weird, creepy old Repugs on fb.* (Comment 6, Appendix 3)

(20) *The Texas Nazis can't grant Gestapo powers to vigilantes.* (Comment 20, Appendix 6)

The first example (19) was interesting to me because of the word *Repugs* which is used in online communication regarding the people associating with the Republican party in the US. This word is usually used in negative connotation. On top of that, the word choice before it, such as *creepy* and *weird*, helped me to believe that this user was actually talking about republicans on Facebook in negative way. The example after that (20) was referring to Texas lawmakers as Nazis in Nazi Germany and to police forces as Gestapo. The brutality of this regime cannot be seen as positive, therefore it is also used in a negative way towards the politics in Texas. The percentage of comments in this group was more than in the ‘religious’ one. The total number of comments I put into this group was 80, meaning around 20% of all ‘hate’ comments were ‘political based’ ones. The percentage is not that surprising taking into account, that there are laws being discussed.

## 5.3 Corpus

### 5.3.1 *Exploring Sketch Engine and its functions*

To start with, the online corpus tool Sketch Engine helps create its own's corpus and manages it by exploring it in an easy way. Sketch Engine explores the language of texts uploaded or Internet texts. "Sketch Engine contains 600 ready-to-use corpora in 90+ languages, each having a size of up to 60 billion words to provide a truly representative sample of language" ("What is Sketch Engine?").

The way I built my corpus is as follows. Firstly, I made all 9 word documents from comments annotated as 'hate' from each individual Facebook post. Examples are numbered in each document from 1. to X. according to the number of comments in each document. I later uploaded these documents to Sketch Engine, where it compiled all documents and showed the number of words in the corpus. My corpus of 'hate' comments has 8,900 words that being 644 sentences.

#### 5.3.1.1 **Keywords**

The first tool I used was named 'Keywords' which generates a list of words in comparison to another corpus, in my case English Web 2020 (enTenTen20) and generate words, which are unique or typical. Keyword list can be generated as a single-word list or multi-word terms list, from which I will use both. According to Sketch Engine the keywords are: "Keywords are single words (tokens) which appear in the focus corpus more frequently than they would in general language. The general language is represented by the reference corpus" ("Keyword and Term extraction").

These are different from terms, which I included as well. The main difference between keywords and terms are that "they (terms) appear in the focus corpus more frequently than they would in the general language (or in a reference corpus)" and "they have

a structure allowed for terms in the language (set in a term grammar)” (“Keyword and Term extraction”).

In the single-word list, there were changes made from the original list generated by Sketch Engine. As Sketch Engine cannot difference between names and surnames and the list contained them as well, I decided to delete them, as it is not relevant to this thesis. The difference is therefore obvious from my tables (21) / Appendix 11

(22) and the attached table from Sketch Engine in Appendix 11 and Appendix 12. I now put examples of deleted names here – *safranek, sagim, cannia, woodling, widle, desantis, markandapril, bullerwell, herausforderung, mccoins, silveira etc.* The keyword function also has the ability to show multi-word terms generated in the same way as the single-word one. This table was also edited, because of the reoccurring comments, that was “a father/son dialogue”, which I put in the document as Appendix 1. The problem occurs thanks to Sketch Engine not the following entering throughout these long comments and therefore makes illogical multi-word terms, that are also not relevant, nor they are rightly generated – for example *trump dad, losers dad* or *tony martinez son*. Other issue I discovered was that people on social media do not write in perfect English, therefore some words were not spelled correctly, split with some character or there was a gap in the middle of the word. This leads to words not being counted by Sketch engine properly and the results being distorted.

To also point out, the two lists (21) and Appendix 11

(22) below are 15 items long. The reason for this is the small size of the corpus and words not being that frequently used as in bigger ones and to see bigger diversity. The last words from both single-word and multi-word terms lists appeared in the corpus the least times.

Without the names, the tables look like this:

Number of the word	The word	Absolute Frequency	Number of the term	The term	Absolute Frequency
1	hypocrite	37	1	baby killer	9
2	uneducated	11	2	uneducated supporter	7
3	zealot	10	3	slime of humanity	4
4	dmbfk	4	4	capitol attack	4
5	hypocritical	10	5	unwanted child	4
6	hypocrisy	17	6	riot treason	3
7	xtain	4	7	capitol riot	3
8	pedophile	8	8	failed con-artist	3
9	con-artist	3	9	capitol riot treason	3
10	pedo	3	10	xtian zealot	3

11	iud	4	11	capitol hearing	3
12	abort	8	12	bunch of hypocrites	3
13	rapist	6	13	texas government	3
14	vasectomy	3	14	regulated militia	3
15	texass	2	15	pedophile priest	3

(21) 1/2 Table – Keyword list of single words (on the left) – Appendix 11

(22) 2/2 Table – Keyword list of multi-word terms (on the right) – Appendix 12

Looking through the tables, two groups can be defined – words/terms with neutral connotation and words/terms with negative connotation. Some words/terms do not carry a negative connotation per say, however with the multi-word terms it is more difficult to determine, whether the word phrase is actually negative or neutral. Some words like *hypocrite*, *pedophile* or *rapist* have their negative connotation embedded in their meaning. The words with neutral connotation, such as *vasectomy* or *iud* can get their negative meaning after being set to a context, which is the basis of the next chapter 5.3.1.2. With multi-word terms it can be more difficult to determine the basic connotation, because the connotations of the words can be contradictory or just not the same (neutral/negative). When it comes to my table, the majority of the terms emits a negative connotation as they were already used in ‘hate’ annotated comments.

Another point worth mentioning are the word set *hypocrite*, *hypocritical* and *hypocrisy* which all have the same stem of the word and in the basis the same meaning, however they are used in different ways, thus every word is classified as different. This set of words all share a negative connotation, so the appearance in this context is very justified. It also appears in the term list in word phrase *bunch of hypocrites*. This can be seen with the words *pedo* and *pedophile* as well.

### 5.3.1.2 Concordances

Another function used from Sketch Engine is called ‘Concordance’, which displays the context of words, terms etc. From the list first list (21) consisting of single words, I chose 3 with the highest number from the column ‘Absolute Frequency’. The 3 terms, therefore, are *hypocrite*, *hypocrisy* and *uneducated*. From the second list Appendix 11

(22) there were more than 3 when considering only frequency. Because of this, I will include an example of one of these collocations, that being *baby killer*. When presenting the results of concordance, I will omit reoccurring contexts, for example, “a father/son dialogue” which was present in more documents than one (when it was present more times than one in one post, I only used it once). In Appendix 13 there is a table with examples of such concordance for a term *baby killer*. In the table, the left-hand and right-hand contexts surrounding the term *baby killer* are visible and the comment from which it was taken is seen as well. The term *baby killer* is used in all contexts as very hateful, almost swear word-like, regarding their view on the matter. This term was used mostly towards other users in the comments, but it was used to attack public figures, such as Pelosi or the Pope. This was only one example shown, however, all of the comments flagged as ‘hate’ shared a resemblance with the example of the term *baby killer*.

The term *uneducated supporter* for example would be interesting concept to see in context, however upon second look into concordances I saw it was used mostly in the “a

father/son dialogue” from Appendix 1. However, the whole dialogue was coded as ‘hate’ because of the nature of the comment. In the dialogue there was one sentence, that use this term as a hate towards Trump supporters (23).

(23) *Hopefully his uneducated supporters wake up.*

As stated before, I looked into the single word concordance as well. In Appendix 14 I put the concordances for the word *hypocrite* which was the highest in the absolute frequency for single words. In the context of the comments, it is used as a deliberate attack on other users stating their opinion (example (24) or on organizations and political parties (example (25)).

(24) *it's you who's the hypocrite* (Comment 10, Appendix 2)

(25) *... Nobody wants abortions is what the GOP (hypocrite) party doesn't understand.*  
(Comment 13, Appendix 6)

The example *iud* which has been mentioned above in chapter 5.3.1.1 was used in the comments in 4 separate occasions. In one of the comments (26) the reason for me to annotated as ‘hate’ was the word *idiot*, because the woman was referring to the men in the comments. So, at the end, the word *iud* is still neutral.

(26) *LOL I said I had an iud do you even know what an IUD is? Men now a days are idiots* (Comment 37, Appendix 9)

Vasectomy is also a neutral word if not set in a context, however it can be surprising to see it in one as it changes its connotation to a negative one. The word as is would not have a negative connotation, but the whole sentence is meant to have one and the word is used to attack other user.

(27) *Get a vasectomy Allen, do the world a favor. Better yet, castration.* (Comment 7, Appendix 8)

## 5.4 Discussion of pre-analysis and corpus results

As mentioned in chapter 5.2 the whole analysis cannot be based only on corpus analysis. The tool itself is great to use to see the data from different perspectives, however it is still just a tool without an added value. A human annotation was crucial in this work to understand hidden meanings or sarcasm in the comments. However, as also stated before, there is a huge risk factor which can lead to a wrongly annotated comment. In the chapter about pre-analysis before putting data into Sketch Engine, I annotated them to 3 further subgroups. This interesting and different point of view on the comments gave me an opportunity to explore the comments further and see if the comments are more politically or religiously oriented. The result of this was that more comments were based on political hate, rather than religious one. The third group other could have arguably be divided into subgroups even more, however I think it would lead into too much detail, which was not necessary in this type of work.

The functions described above in chapter 5.3.1 helped to get the data from the corpus. In this chapter, the results will be presented. When using the function ‘Keywords’ the most frequent from each category were – single words: *hypocrite*, *hypocrisy* and *uneducated* with the count of 37, 17 and 11 appearances in the corpus; multi-word terms: *baby killer*, *uneducated supporter*, *slime of humanity* with the frequency of 9, 7 and 4. The words do not have to have a negative connotation, however it is necessary for the words to be seen in context to really determine the connotation. On the other hand, some words do carry this negative connotation and therefore is used in a negative and hateful way as well. The example for this is the word *hypocrite*, which can also be later noticed in a chapter about Concordances. It is interesting to see that some of the single words listed in a table were not at all hateful or negative in any kind, it only means that the occurrence in my corpus was higher then in the reference corpus. The same conclusion can be said to the terms as

well. In the end, the concordance function was not as useful as I initially thought. As I annotated the comments into further groups, I was more than familiar with them, therefore this function was only to make a cleaner, more readable lists.

## **6 Conclusion**

As the overuse of hate language is provenly rising, companies providing the services should be held accountable for letting this be on their platforms. Free speech as such is a great thing to have, however, there should always be limits set of what is actually free speech and what is crossing the border to hate speech. As described in the theoretical part of this work, the progression of hate speech regulations on social media has changed greatly in the last years with the up-creasing number of people using them. The evolution of abortion laws in the US surely, as well as other cultural and political changes in the world, rises the number of hate speech on social media.

The first question from chapter 2 I wanted to answer was “Will there be more than 10% of comments classified as “hate speech”?” The proposed percentage was based on the thought of this being such a controversial topic to be discussed in articles, therefore, it would be more disturbing for people and the commenters would share their opinions between each other in more hateful ways. The answer, surprisingly for me, was a lower percentage, as the result came up to 6,8% of all comments classified as ‘hate’. This result may be due to not many people using hateful language, rather just stating their opinion without any attacks on others. Moreover, the news sources were out of proportion, as I only analysed one right-oriented news media source and two left-wing ones. This, as we can see in the graph (11), led to a smaller amount of ‘hate’ comments in the left-wing discussions.

This leads me to the second research question asked – “Is there a difference between the number of hate speech in differently oriented news medias?” The answer is yes, as stated

before, the reason for this can be the right-wing oriented articles and audience. The number of hate speech was higher with the right-oriented news source than it was in the other two left-winged ones, however, the difference is not that significant. The results would therefore be more relevant if more news sources were added or if there would be more comments under each post which I would have a chance to analyse.

The third and final question asked was “Is the language used in the “hate speech” parts really a “hate speech” phrase?” To answer the question, it is not always true. The use of defamatory or abusive words does not necessarily mean the phrase or sentence is considered as hateful. The single words do not always carry ‘hate’ meaning as such, rather than offensive one. For example, the word *uneducated* does not mean hate, but when used in collocation *uneducated supporter* in the context of the comment it can be viewed as such. The content of Facebook comments is often repeating spam comments, which can have the nature of ‘hate’ comment and can be meant as such, but that does not give me as much of a relevant data. The analysis probably could have been done with more than one social media than just Facebook, for example the rising star among social media TikTok, however for me Facebook was the most relevant one with the most monthly active users.

## 7 Resumé

Vzhledem k tomu, že nadužívání nenávistných výrazů prokazatelně roste, společnosti poskytující služby by se měli zodpovídat za to, že toto na svých platformách umožňují. Svoboda projevu jako taková je dobrá věc, nicméně by vždy měly být stanoveny hranice toho, co je skutečně svobodný projev a co už tuto hranici překračuje do nenávistného projevu. Jak bylo popsáno v teoretické části této práce, regulace nenávistných projevů na sociálních sítích se v posledních letech s rostoucím počtem uživatelů velmi změnila. Zákonů proti potratům v USA, stejně jako další kulturní a politické změny ve světě, zvyšují počet nenávistných projevů na sociálních médiích.

První otázka z kapitoly 2, na kterou jsem hledala odpověď, zněla: "Bude více než 10 % komentářů klasifikováno jako nenávistné?" Navrhované procento vycházelo z myšlenky, že se jedná o tak kontroverzní téma probíráno ve vybraných článcích, že bude pro lidi více znepokojující a uživatelé si budou mezi sebou sdělovat své názory nenávistnějším způsobem. Odpovědí bylo překvapivě nižší procento, jelikož pouze 6,8 % všech komentářů bylo klasifikovaných jako "nenávistné". Tento výsledek může být způsoben tím, že mnoho lidí nepoužívá nenávistné výrazy, spíše jen vyjadřují svůj názor bez útoku na ostatní. Výsledek zde mohl zkreslit i o nepoměr zpravodajských zdrojů, neboť jsem analyzovala pouze jeden pravicově orientovaný zpravodajský zdroj a dva levicové. To, jak můžeme vidět v grafu (11), vedlo k menšímu množství "nenávistných" komentářů v levicových diskusích.

To mě přivádí k druhé položené výzkumné otázce - "Existuje rozdíl mezi počtem nenávistných projevů v různě orientovaných zpravodajských médiích?". Odpověď zní ano, jak již bylo řečeno, důvodem mohou být pravicově orientované články a jejich čtenáři. Počet nenávistných projevů byl vyšší u pravicově orientovaného zpravodajského zdroje než u dalších dvou levicově orientovaných, rozdíl však není tak razantní. Výsledky

by byly relevantnější, kdyby bylo přidáno více zpravodajských zdrojů nebo kdyby bylo pod každým příspěvkem více komentářů, které bych měla možnost analyzovat.

Třetí a poslední položená otázka zněla: "Je jazyk použitý v komentářích označené jako "nenávistné" skutečně "nenávistným projevem"?". Ne vždy je to pravda. Použití hanlivých nebo urážlivých slov nemusí nutně znamenat, že je fráze nebo věta považována za nenávistnou. Jednotlivá slova nenesou "nenávistný" význam, ale spíše urážlivý. Například slovo *nevzdělaný* neznamená "nenávistní projev", ale je-li použito v sousloví *nevzdělaný příznivec* v kontextu nějakého komentáře, může být jako takové vnímáno. Obsahem komentářů na Facebooku jsou často opakující se spamové komentáře, které mohou mít povahu "nenávistného" komentáře a mohou tak být i myšleny, ale tyto komentáře mi neposkytují data, která bych mohla dále analyzovat. Analýzu bylo pravděpodobně možné provést i s více sociálními médii než jen za pomoci Facebooku, například s rostoucí sociální sítí TikTok, nicméně pro mě byl nejrelevantnější Facebook s největším počtem aktivních uživatelů na měsíční bázi.

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## **9 Appendices**

### **9.1 Appendix 1**

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### **9.2 Appendix 2**

In Appendix 2 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Pelosi receives Communion during Vatican mass despite abortion stance“ posted by Fox News.

## 1. Willis Byrd

Hypocritical and disrespectful actions by both the speaker of the house and the Catholic Church. How does the Catholic Church justify their disrespect for GOD'S sacraments?

## 2. Don Trump

Willis Byrd HAS TRUMP EVER RECEIVED COMMUNION??? Trump is NOT EVEN a CHRISTIAN! LOLOLOL! Yet he's the NEW JESUS to Ignorant RURAL AMERICANS. That FIGURES!!!

## 3. Juan Pablo Zenteno

Kimber Martin people who are trying to recall Gascon are pure evil and racist but there is a God. <https://capitolweekly.net/private-prison-firms-make-big.../>

## 4. Karen Archambault Boucher

Joe Engeln prove it. Provide the teachings along with the page in the Catechism that says it is not a grave sin to support and encourage evil. You're wrong. Excommunication is absolutely something the Bishop can do. He is in charge of the Archdiocese in Nancy's area. He has the say. You don't need to get an abortion. If you support and encourage evil, you're just as guilty as the person who does the sin. She was told to repent and stop the encouragement of sin- she ignored her Bishop!! Her heart is on full display when she is pushing forward a law to legalize abortion up until birth. She is saying God is wrong. Her heart is black and she supports evil. She preaches hatred every single day.

## 5. Barbara Tice

Not a moral Christian. Disgraceful!!!

## 6. Susan Edelman

how many pedophile priests continued to receive -- and give! - the sacraments?

## 7. Andrew White

Susan Edelman that's a great question! The answer is 0. And you don't look retarded either, i promise.

## 8. Assilem Miliscent

Andrew White Nope she doesn't, but you look like a pervert for defending this vile nonsense.

## 9. Dalia C. Santos

Susan Edelman that is all you satanists look at all the pedophile priests. But you don't look at yourselves. God punishes all sins from those sinful priests including those that judge as yourself. Enough said case closed 🙌

## 10. Frances Tortorice Succarotte

Ben Eyster it's you who's the hypocrite

## 11. Taylor Green

Doesn't matter. This pope is evil

## 12. Maia Gaiti

Can you say "phony hypocrites" ...you can pick your own people.

**13. Robert Shockley**

I'm surprised she didn't catch go up in flames!

**14. Sharon Bibby-Benson**

I'm surprised she didn't burst into flames as she entered the church

**15. Wanda Mercier**

a/k/a hypocrite! "What do you call a person who is hypocrite?"

Definitions of hypocrite. a person who professes beliefs and opinions that he or she does not hold in order to conceal his or her real feelings or motives. synonyms: dissembler, dissimulator, phoney, phony, pretender."

**16. Alexis Bickersbee**

Donna Penick did you ask the same question when trump went there?

Hypocrisy is a sin.

But then, y'all don't worry about your own, do you.

**17. Joanne Schoen Gault**

Because of this Pope and the laws of the church, many Catholics are walking away from this hypocritical religion.

**18. Mike JJ**

THE POPE IS EVIL

**19. Gmck Farah**

Rose Diane he is a disgrace to our catholic church don't worry he will soon find out he can not destroy Jesus church he is an antichrist. He is making a mockery of our church and our doctrine

**20. Beth Niquette**

That seems a bit Hypocritical.

**21. Barbara Connor**

We know Pope Francis is a Communist anyway.

**22. Giselle Linden**

She's just another hypocrite

**23. Elaine Massillo Finnell**

that is what a communist pope does

**24. Di Phi**

Many reasons why I am not a practicing Catholic, **this Communist Pope** is one of them.

**25. Aaron Louis**

**Jennie Hall** need a tissue **snowflake?**

**26. Jessie Southerland**

**The Pope and Pelosi are both Communists** and that trumps any religion

**27. Dale Bosworth**

**Evil walking amongst**

**28. Harry Alexanian**

**Catholic Church hypocrisy**

**29. Carol Jones Gross**

**She should skip the hypocrites and her own hypocritical beliefs** and take a look at the Bible. " Paul urges us to "examine yourself before eating the bread and drinking the cup" (1 Corinthians 11:28 NLT), so that we are going to communion with a humble heart and not just "pretending" to be right with God."

**30. George M Baxter**

I thought you weren't supposed to judge people that was up to God **sounds like a bunch of hypocrites**

**31. Joan Ogg**

A big "H" for a big **"HYPOCRITE**

**32. Don Keruskie**

I don't think Jesus would deny her. So, why should the Pope? This just goes to show that the right wing, conservative Christian crowd are petty, disingenuous and make decisions not based on "what would Jesus do", but, instead, "what would Fox News want me to do". **A bunch of hypocrites and liars.**

**33. Jay Robison**

**The pope is a hypocrite**

**34. Mary Nolan**

**hypocritical catholic**

**35. Barbara Gorga**

**Hypocrite, she will rott in hell.**

**36. Beth Evans**

**What a hypocrite!** And the Catholic church.

**37. Raymond Gonzalez**

She's not Catholic. **A hypocrite yes.** A Catholic no. The pope a politician too. Worthless in holding any kind of standards of the church.

**38. Christine Allocco Mc Carty**

If the Catholic Church continues to allow **this b\*\*ch** to receive communion, then I am no longer a Catholic and the Catholic Church no longer exists 🙄🙄🙄

**39. Julia Beck**

„ **SHAME on her** „ **How could someone be SO HIPOCRITICAL** „ Am surprised the church didn't come down on her „ Anyone who COMMIT, or SUPPORT ABORTION „ is a CRIMINAL „ It is what all this DEMO „ ..... ARE „

**40. Betty Thielmann**

They have always been **a bunch of hypocrites**

**41. Sandra Koehler**

**Hypocrites all of them**

**42. Nikki Standing**

Pelosi is nothing but **a flaming hypocrit!**

**43. Madeleine Wirtz Yonker**

**Bunch of hypocrites.**

**44. Lynda Murphy**

**What a hypocrite!!!**

**45. Arlene Kerrigan**

**Religious hypocrite!**

**46. Mary Ortega**

**Dustin Beckelheimer** Where is hell? you Christ are so **ignorante** understanding nothing about the Bible.

**47. Earl Ward**

**Pope phoney the 1st**

**48. Tom Wensley**

**commie devil pope**

**49. Pam Stotler**

**What a joke. Evil witch**

**50. Greg Satlow**

Liberal hypocrite!

**51. Henry Jarman**

They are both Hypocrites!

**52. Joe Michael**

Blasphemous demon lady

**53. Dick Digler**

She still is going straight to HELL!

**54. Pete Moss**

She had to lift her dress to take it between her lips.

**55. Tony Martinez**

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**56. Ambrose Frothingill Winterbottom**

**Frank G. Pacifico**

PIECE OF CRAP

**57. Lucky Johnson**

The catholic church is a pedophile cult.

**58. Gary Miller**

What a hypocritical pig

**59. Tim Ball**

They are both hypocrites.

**60. Karma Singay**

Time the Pope removes the racist pedo archbishop.

**61. Gerad Dobbin**

Assassination time

**62. Jesús Lesende**

Communist Pope.

**63. Rodney Lee Spann**

Hypocrisy on display.

**64. Allan Curtis**

she should be aborted

**65. Grady Drummond**

Hypocrites

**66. Randall Haake**

Why? Hypocrisy. No conviction?

**67. Danny McMillan**

Hypocrite

**68. Bil Zenovic**

Confirmed ... Trump KNEW the terrorists were going to the Capitol with weapons to ATTACK America and overthrow the country.

He WANTED to go with them, pardon them & declare himself dictator.

STUPID RepubliKKKaNAZI think that dictatorship = freedom

**69. Lucchini Ismine**

Hypocrite Supreme

**70. Mark A Hensley**

Anyone who praises this stupid brain dead c\*\*t is an idiot.

**71. Cat Tee**

Because PUKE-osi didn't disgrace herself enough by pushing Mayra Flores daughter... This Pope has been a disgrace since day one.

**72. Steven Williams**



**73. Craig Brzezinski**

This Pope is a fraud!!!! HTF would you let **this baby killer** anywhere near the Vatican. Pope **Fraud. FU.**

**74. Diane Jockisch Sargent**

**Hypocrite**

**75. Mary Lawrence**

So now was the bishop in a state of sin for ignoring **the pedophile priests**. way bigger sin

**76. Lauren Elizabeth**

sounds like conservatives are actually **the snowflakes** but ok

**77. Diane Rogers**

**HYPOCRITE !!!**

**78. Frank Mastrocco**

She is the biggest **sanctimonious hypocrite**. A Catholic in name only.

**79. Patty Daigneault**

**Frank Mastrocco** well said an a **raging alcoholic** also !

**80. Edward Gonzales**

I guess the **pedophiles** can look the other way.

**81. Josh Newton**

**That old drunk** deserves prison not communion !!!

**82. Meme Guy**

**Gmck Farah** **your priests** **are raping kids**. Simmer down

**83. Jerry Parker**

We already know Pelosi is nothing but a **hypocrite**

**84. Dan Hood**

Still won't stop her from **burning in hell** for **the piece of Garbage** she is 🤪🤪🇺🇸

**85. Gary Chard**

**Communist Pope** approves sacrament for Stalinist Pelosi. Is this somehow surprising?

**86. Jillian Miles**

The Catholic church has always been a money hungry cult infested with pedophiles. Of course the Pope would give communion to the evil of Pelosi. Truly disgusting.

**87. George Funt**

At Least she's goes to the right church .....I guess those that "Pedal" together, "Pedo" together ??

**88. Edmond Estrada**

She's an evil hypocrite.

**89. Ryan Lee**

The devil has gotten into the church,

**90. Tim Vittek**

Hypocrite

**91. Border Boss**

The pope is a left wing lunatic like drunk Nancy.

**92. Patrick Wright**

Hypocrite

**93. Thomas Ruggieri**

She is the devil's work, baby killer .

**94. Amelia Wilson**

Hypocrisy at its finest.

**95. Jeff Brown**

Does he have dementia?

**96. Fern Hyams Reisner**

HYPOCRITES!

**97. Tabitha Chi Sox**

Hippocrates eh 🤔

**98. Jeff Jones**

I wonder how many abortions that disgusting orange pos rapist pedo has paid for

**99. Kris McCoy**

Hypocrite

100. Justin Gerasimowicz

Hag

### 9.3 Appendix 3

In Appendix 3 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Pro-life groups respond as Planned Parenthood figure claims media distorts coverage against pro-choicers“ posted by Fox News.

#### 1. Юрій Крук

Russia is a terrorist state!

Poltava region. Kremenchuk City.

The occupiers shelled the mall, where were more than a thousand civilians. The mall is on fire, the rescuers are fighting the fire, the number of victims is impossible to imagine.

No danger to the Russian army. No strategic value. Only the attempt of people to live a normal life, which angers the occupiers so much.

Russia continues to take out its powerlessness on ordinary citizens. It is useless to hope for adequacy and humanity on its part.

#### 2. Jim Safranek

**Charlyne DeWinkler Cook** yeah, women are upset because millions of them will be denied reproductive health care in states banning abortions, which will impact millions.

U xtian zealots could give a 🤡.

Go FO.

#### 3. Jim Safranek

**Charlyne DeWinkler Cook** again, u dmbfks and zealots don't get to impose some lame Bronze Age mythology on women. Not what the Founding Fathers wanted, not what the majority of Americans want.

I don't give a 🤡 about yur religion. Read that again.

#### 4. Charlyne DE Winkler Cook

The USA is messed up because anti Democratic religious zealots want to impose their will on the majority. Based on Bronze Age mythology.

#### 5. Jim Safranek

**William C. Davis** why is that your business, **dmbfk?**

**6. Jim Safranek**

**William C. Davis** I'm straight Davis, but thanks for the offer. Nothing beats **the weird, creepy old Repugs** on fb.

I hope u find what you're looking for. 🤔

**7. Jim Safranek**

**Judith Baldwin** u r **a complete dmbfk.**

**8. Hank Chinaski**

**Marko** **Americans are dumb, and easy.**

**9. Jim Safranek**

**Mike Canania** abortions aren't "directed" **u dmbfk**, they're chosen. Choice.

**10. Mike Canania**

**Jim Safranek** **typical democrat come out with the ignorant mouth!!** Freaking keyboard warriors!! This is why there is zero communication

**11. Jim Safranek**

**Mike Canania** who needs to tolerate lies from **zealots?**

No one.

Welcome to the USA.

**12. Mike Canania**

Where is the lies **moron??** Do your homework or are you too brainwashed to actually believe the truth?

**13. Jim Safranek**

**Mike Canania** **go FO.** There is no evidence. It's just more **lies and BS by zealots**

**14. Mike Canania**

**Such a big guy!! Keyboard warrior**

Look info up for yourself and why at it take your freaking blinders off and stay off cnn

**15. Assilem Miliscent**

**Mike Canania** **I call bulls\*it on your false concerns,** its plainly obvious what your real intentions are mike your not fooling anyone. **Clown**

**16. Cam Isitt**

**Jason Licerio** I mean I guess maybe. Bunch of weirdos in rainbow tutus carrying bongos and dildos in a full on charge against people armed with firearms. Sounds interesting. Hell that sounds like a good movie

**17. Joe Odonnell**

**Robin Lynn Doiron** Curious,,are you dumb as pedophile BIDEN ?????????? 🙄🙄🙄

**18. Robin Lynn Doiron**

**Joe Odonnell** Are you as dumb as trump? How 'bout a rock?

**19. Jim Safranek**

**Larry Parker** but that wasn't implemented by SCOTUS u fkin zealot.

**20. Jim Safranek**

**Larry Parker** u zealots are going to impact the lives of millions of women , including GOP, and all based on some screwball Bronze Age mythology.

This is about subservience and control. Women have been having abortions for 200000 years.

U can all go 🍆 off.

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Son: All facts dad.

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**22. John Walter**

Too Bad Their Mothers Didn't Take of Them

**23. Jim Safranek**

**John Walter** too bad yur mother raised a pile of 🤖

**24. Jim Safranek**

**Stephanie Watts** killings that have occurred for thousands of years. Gotta love **those xtian zealots** using Bronze Age mythology to control women.

**Go FO**

**25. Jim Safranek**

**Stephanie Watts** **go FO**. Xtians are heartless tools

**26. David Lloyd**

If your complaining about the Supreme Court ruling then **your mom should have aborted you.**

**27. Eric Dagone**

**Jess Coontz** I don't care about conservatives, or **the lgbt freaks**, **all of them can f off.**

**28. Chad Michael Geidel**

Im not a political science major but even i know that you dont wanna go to war with 100 million women who are registered voters. Good luck in the next election **you idiots**

**29. Alton Dillon**

**typical libtard**....can't win, claim it is unfair and demand that the rules be changed.

**30. Alton Dillon**

**Mark Driskell** that's the Republicans play book remember **when your orange messiah** lost?

**31. Jeff McKeown**

**Alton Dillon** **I love the smell of liberal heads exploding in the morning.** It smells like, victory.

**32. Alton Dillon**

**Jeff McKeown** I love it when **the Republican**  **takes itself** out but needs to let you know it stank 🤢

**33. Silver Black**

It's time **those Nazi's** should respect babies of having their safe birthday

**34. Bob Bachman**

You don't like abortions? Don't get one. This is the still the Land of The Free. **The American Taliban** will be defeated.

**35. Silver Black**

Babies have rights too **Hitler follower**, I think it's time **you and all Nazi's**, respect babies rights in a free country

**36. Luis Montilla**

"I want you to vote on my side, so Im going to post up on your lawn yelling, all night, threatening you, and posting where your kids go to school!" lol morons (sarcasm) 😄😄😄😄😄😄

#### 37. Jim Safranek

**Richard Violetta** religious, Bible quoting xtian zealots think their Bronze Age 'laws' apply to all of humankind.



#### 38. Matthew Moore

Fox would be laughable if it weren't so overtly fascist.

#### 39. Bob Alvarez

yea while you all get fleeced by the orange cheeto

#### 40. JW Lewinski

REPUBLICAN RACIST, CRIMINAL and TRAITOR PARTY

#### 41. Michael Quindoza

Loser slugs.

#### 42. Alton Dillon

Funny how all those anti masker degenerates were screaming my body my choice ...but a woman's right to choose...crickets. The stench of spineless seditious republican degenerate rot fills the air..the hypocrisy is nauseating.

#### 43. Michael Self

Alton Dillon The same could be said of you and the Democrats. You say that masks save lives, but are willing to kill unborn children. Last I checked, children have lives.. So what happen to saving "Lives". The hypocrisy is strong with you...

#### 44. Alton Dillon

**Mary Hasting** you religious zealots are too much...I'm sure you will open your home to all those unwanted children in foster care currently...but we all know you folks just want to push your religious beliefs on everyone else...if you are that committed adopt a orphan...your hypocrisy is nauseating and expected.

#### 45. Chad Sacco

**Meny Menz** how about the Demonicrats

## 9.4 Appendix 4

In Appendix 4 below are comments annotated as hate under the article "Texas 'fetal heartbeat' abortion law reinstated by appeals court ruling" posted by Fox News.

**1. DeKay Jay**

And now for the liberal response:

"Reeeéééééééé!!!!" 🤪

"Reeeéééééééé!!!!" 🤪

**2. Jeanne Moore**

DeKay Jay yeah I don't know what that means but from this liberal I can only say Texas SECEDE already. Don't need you or want you. Bunch of nazis.

**3. Shawn Daudel**

Todd Wiley Andres probably can't read. 😊

**4. Jeanne Moore**

Linda Ramos oh now you're curtailing my free speech protections? Eff off. I'll shout it from the rooftops. Texas is a nAZI fascist state that just hates women. Any questions?

**5. Dave Snyder**

Why does that numbnut Abbott and his crew of knuckle-draggers put so much pressure on the woman, when it takes two to tango?

**6. Jannette Butcher**

Johnny Martin ur insane..you know nothing of a womans body! Go seek help!

**7. Adam Smith**

Susan Garcia Seriously? Even the Founding Fathers were smart enough to not want the country run by religious dingbats. That's why they were deist and not secular.

**8. Jeanne Moore**

Secede already! This is NOT America. Women can choose for themselves. Keep your effin laws off my body! Oh I'll never visit or support anything from This nazi state.

**9. Art Spartan**

Kate Flynn-McFadden

Too bad it wasn't for yours! Move along baby killer

**10. Tim Conrad**

Markn Queen-Kerry Nowlan let's stop putting the warnings on blow dryers and toasters and allow all the democrats to electrocute themselves in the bath or shower. 🤪🤪🤪

**11. KP Jonesy**

Always abort Trump lives!

**Kenneth McIntyre** That was inevitable. Now the wackos can start suing cab drivers and massage therapists. Good luck.

## 12. Ray Casper

**Paul Deguglielmo** its a shame that u think minorities r too stupid to figure out when to vote...as far as how a democrat thinks, all u have to do is look at the lunatic u put in the WH, the ungrateful House and Senate leaders, and the biased media that support these clowns...

## 13. Glenda Tracy

SAVE LIVES READ THE TEN COMMANDMENTS. SAVE A LIFE... Don't be like Hilter.....

## 14. Sam Johnson

**William Henderson** What total bs! Stop demonizing our great democracy you communist traitor!!

## 15. Kim Diedrich

**William Henderson** please search for a doctor you are in need of help !

## 16. Beau Bartlett

TRUMP AND HIS MINIONS INCITED THE IGNORANT TO VIOLENCE AGAINST THE AMERICAN CAPITOL AND POLICE WERE VIOLENTLY BEATEN!! REPUBLICANS ARE TO COWARDLY TO HOLD TRUMP TO ACCOUNT AND PERPETUATE THE BIG LIE.. PARTY OVER COUNTRY IS A CRIME.. ONE NATION UNDER GOD!! 😞

## 17. Bill Winslow

Let me guess, you live in killifornia, well my little snowflake you keep listening to cnn for your "news" lmfao

## 18. Richard Barna

Suckit leftists.

## 19. Frank A Morselli

F you 3rd circuit liberal courts 🙌🙌

## 20. Kevin Matysiak

evil Texas taliban

## 21. Walt Marze

**Brittany Livingston** close your legs.....simple

## 22. Brittany Livingston

It's wrong to take away women's rights! I am sick of the Bibke thumpers and pro-lifers! Get a hobby.

## 23. Kevin Matysiak

Taliban Texas style!

24. Ron Rabuck

Anti life murderers

25. Eugene Paul

Steve Pongracz The baby killers with babies are angry at your comments isn't that interesting

26. Kevin Matysiak

evil texas taliban

## 9.5 Appendix 5

In Appendix 5 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Maryland Lawmakers Expand Abortion Access, Overriding Governor’s Veto “ posted by The New York Times.

1. Pike Bachert

**Phapano Phasha** I understand what you are saying and I'm glad you did acknowledge it is a difficult choice for women, it's a different reason for the decision for every woman. In the states the religious movement has crushed so much legislation for women. Sane, educated women realize it is another step in our healthcare, the religious right shriek abortion is murdering babies, it isn't. Add to that the very conservative republican party, who has been trying to take away a lot of women rights, abortion being the biggest, it has become a nightmare for women here. That's why abortion is still such an issue. Ignorance and brainwashing. We are going backwards at a very scary rate.

2. Kevin Hartman

**Crystal Wible** you do not want government meddling in your life but want the government to enact laws to interfere in others lives. Look up hypocrisy.

3. Zily Popygaj

**Holly Buckmaster** - SHE's probably one of those idjits who beeeLEEEVZ that sperm+egg instantly creates a miniature fully-formed human 🤡 --- they're the same dolts who reject any and all science regarding the various stages of foetal development, and therefore, see "no need" for proper maternal nutrition and healthcare.

4. Toni Leance

**Crystal Wible** you are evil

5. Shannon Ferris

**Crystal Wible** "without pain killers too" proof that you've been listening to far right garbage.

6. Zily Popygaj

**Lisa Dion** - Oh there you go, confusing **her teenytiny little brain** with those pesky \*facts\*...

**7. Rudy Cajiri**

**Crystal Wible** But **you're the a-hole** who's totally cool with using our tax dollars to bomb brown people in other countries.

**8. Jessica Lauricella Mills**

**Crystal Wible** you're **a traitor to your gender.**

**9. Pedro Lacosta**

**Mia Michael** You couldn't stop if you tried! **The well known trait of the online liberal nazi is getting in the last word!** They need to. It is what they live for!

**10. Brian Stiff**

**Mia Michael** well aren't you **just a typically woke uneducated lib.** Congratulations

**11. Andy Tusa**

**Amy Coleman** **where you born this stupid** or do you work really really hard at it?

**12. Amy Coleman**

**Andy Tusa** Depends on your perspective of stupid I guess. I'm sure we would disagree on that...for example..."were" is spelled as I just did, not "where". **Stupid is as stupid does I guess. Were you born this way or do you work really hard at it?**

**13. Ashley Elizabeth**

**MarkandApril Mendez** **go somewhere with that BS**

**14. Kim Robinson**

**MarkandApril Mendez** **F#@ck off** unless it's your womb you have no say, her body her choice.

**15. Diane Staples**

**MarkandApril Mendez** do you know how completely ridiculous you sound? Maybe if you weren't joined at the hip **you might develop some independent thinking skills.**

**16. Kelly RT**

**Deb Dee,** **the hypocrisy is strong in the self righteous.**

**17. Zily Popygaj**

**Kelly RT -** **Their hypocrisy and stupidity both are the size of Mount Everest** 🙄

**18. Jenny Davis**

The women haters are out in full force today. You're **all hypocrites** who only care about a child's life before it's born. Once it's out of the womb, you want to take away all the social programs that help women and children. Then the argument becomes "Don't have children unless you can afford them."

**19. Tina Enriquez**

Evil

20. Chris Richard

IGNORANT PEOPLE DO IGNORANT THINGS

21. Marco Gonzalez

Abortion fetishists.

22. Alexis Wilson

Evil

23. Michael Grant

Genocide.

24. Lynda Naatz Richter

Covid vaccine - "MY body MY choice!!! by cis white males. Abortion - Your Body, our choice!!! White male dominated evangelical anti Christianity hypocrisy in action.

25. Jamie Huss

Michael Lymberis I am not a believer in Bronze Age folk tales penned by genocidal goat herders.

## 9.6 Appendix 6

In Appendix 6 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Citizen Enforcement of Abortion Law Violates Texas Constitution, Judge Rules “ posted by The New York Times.

1. Christine Stanton

Doing the job the Supreme Court refuses to do after being subsumed by the extreme right wing Catholics

2. Christine Stanton

Not just the Catholics! The frikkin evangelicals are in just as deep!

3. Chas Kettell

THANK YOU! There IS someone in the legal system in Texas who is not a conservative evangelical trump loving misogynist republican!

4. Dianne LS Koehler

but some fanatical republican judge will just put a stay on this ruling. They are at war with women over their right to make a decision. Daddyism

5. **Chris Pruett**

**Janice Likens** Exactly. This law was written by short-sighted idiots. If this process were legitimized and normalized, then we could all start narc'ing each other out for traffic violations, gun violations, use of narcotics, etc. Welcome to East Germany, **boneheads**.

6. **Lucy Jackson**

**Kacey Lee** **thats why you are stupid** 🤔🤔🤔

7. **Kristen Spurlock**

**Lucy Jackson** **GFY, Lucy.**

8. **Gonzales Jacob**

👍 **Texas** 👍 religious corporations 👍

9. **Greg Vicary**

**Joshua Alan** well she is 84 if that's your thing.

But I suspect **you would bore her senseless.**

10. **Sheri Chin**

**Joshua Alan** You are a really **a sick human.**

11. **Greg Vicary**

**Joshua Alan** you really are just **an offensive human.**

12. **Nina Simone**

**Joshua Alan** sounds like she probably should have used birth control or **is she responsible for your misogynistic views?**

13. **Adam Roths**

**Marie Brown** the thing that is amazing about this statement is yes that makes sense and 90% of what planned parenthood tries to do. But the awesome republican tries to defund them because they also support abortion in the worst case. Now the youth lose that option because they're not educated. Nobody wants abortions is what the **GOP (hypocrite) party** doesn't understand.

14. **Sheri Chin**

**Joshua Alan** What did you win? I didn't know it was a contest. Just an exchange of differing points of view. The fact that you see it as a win or lose thing shows **how huge your ego is.** Have a great evening! Lol.

15. **Paul Nowicki**

**NY times is crap, dishonest, deceitful**

16. **Bryce Joenz**

**Lone Star Idiot Lawmakers:** "Dah... Huh??"

**17. Richard Parmelee**

No kidding, **Abbot is a moron**

**18. Scott Weatherly**

**Only sick, delusional, uneducated people** are against abortion access.

**19. Mark Neace**

**Thanks Captain Obvious**

**20. Tom Loesch III**

**The Texas Nazis can't grant Gestapo** powers to vigilantes.

**21. Nyonya Kay**

**The Talibangelists** won't like this at all. That Texas judge is going to get death threats personally, and to his family at well, and will need police protection for the rest of his life, from crusaders for the christian faith.

**22. Bryan Moore**

Reminded me of Taliban. **The Trump Qanon RINOs and fanatical Christians have the same mentality as the Taliban.**

Religion and Politics is never good.

**23. Kenneth Bishop**

**👇 TEXAS !!**

**24. Stanley Soy Goybergstein**

**Holocaust rights are important to maintain**

**25. Ann Stuart Robinson**

Thank you so much Texas Government!!! Say no to **those stupid idiots!!!!!!** 4000+ men and women protested against abortions in Brisbane, Australia!!! 🇺🇸👍👍🍒

**26. Sandra Kincaid Covert**

**Lucy Jackson the idiots** are in Texas government who passed the bs law in the first place.

**27. Kevin Ransom**

Of course this will get appealed by **right wing psychopaths**

**28. Savannah Hamilton**

SUPREME COURT OVERRIDES THE Texas Supreme Court..... so buckle up you folks who need and want more dead babies from Planned Parenthood, **so they can make your placenta shampoo and anti-aging creams.**

**29. Patriots Against Railroad Trespassing**

Know it doesn't. 😏

This judge is a IDIOT! 🤡 Life begins at CONSPEPTCHIN and it's is SIENTIFIC FACT.

GOD BLESS THE UNBORN 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

TRUMP DESANTIS 2024 🇺🇸

TRUMP FOREVER

### 30. Hal Miller

Patriots Against Railroad Trespassing Well I see the uneducated have spoken again...

## 9.7 Appendix 7

In Appendix 7 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Texas Doctor Says He Performed an Abortion in Defiance of New State Law“ posted by The New York Times.

### 1. Lee Anne Janney

Shirley Mew people like you make me sick. You don't care about babies or children or women

### 2. Stephen Singh

Lee Anne Janney mother's like you who call it right to terminate ones baby make me sick 🤢

### 3. Thomas Green

Jeanmarie Shea Kearney are you saying men can't be women ?

Bigot ! Transphobe over here

### 4. Dale Fior

Tyler Brozowski that is probably the most specious argument I've heard here. Congratulations on your stellar stupidity

### 5. Curtis Adams

Dale Fior do you applaud the Jan 6th domestic terrorists?

### 6. Laurie MacDonald Treiber

Paul Lam So leftwing thinks if they believe a law is not to their liking that people should be allowed to violate the laws? And yet this doesn't apply the lefts thinking when it comes to the mandates that are not even laws? And what happens when our society starts to engage this way? Complete and utter anarchy? I don't care what the cause or issue is the United States is a country of law and order. Breaking the law is not how you change a law. Hypocrisy by the left!

**7. Rebecca Stich**

**Laurie MacDonald Treiber** well the right is expert in hypocrisy, so I guess you would know.

**8. Holly L Millheiser**

I am dealing with the uninformed, the ignorant, the delusional. Peace out.

**9. Caterina Anderson**

Thank goodness for brave, principled, compassionate people like this doctor. Will happily pitch in to pay for a vigorous legal defense for him as soon as a vigilante comes for the bounty on his head.

Your move, Christofascists.

**10. Michael Wald**

**Andrea Nation** You sound defensive. This is a black and white issue. No interpretation. No twisting. Either do your own homework or go ask someone you trust who actually tries cases for a living. Then, if your delicate ego permits, come back and apologize for doubling down on ignorance.

**11. Colleen Jenkins Graney**

**Antony Kimani** you're comparing apples to oranges, and I'm not interested in debating with a hypocritical pro-lifer.

**12. Gayna Unsworth**

**Heidi Andersen** you are a stupid ignorant woman

**13. Arnold Babar**

**Punch Letchi** Lolol.. Bravo 🙌🙌🙌 .. 4 friggin abortions??? There's things called rubbers.I suggest keeping them in your purse..Lololol. You're either really dumb or you like getting them..Which one is it ???

**14. Susan Moodie**

Itsnot really a proper law because the state does not enforce it, it relies on people telling/ grassing each other up, welcome to Stalins Texus.

**15. Joshua Benitez**

this law is the literal exact definition of Fascism.

This law is a Fascist Law.

Those who wrote this bill are Fascist.

Those who support it are Fascist.

Those who do not oppose it are complicit in Fascism.

**16. Yania Díaz**

That man is not a doctor is a murderer.

**17. Violet Rose**

Yep...Texas...America's Al Qaida.

**18. Kevin Moore**

**Kill!**

**...Kill!**

**.....Kill!**

**19. Kevin Pipes**

**Killer**

**20. Brandon Maurice**

In other words, he is a **heartless murderer**

**21. Patricia Kirschling**

**Murderer**

**22. Deeboo Astin**

**Murderer...**

**23. Maitri Ratanasene**

**Wade Schalk** **You sound like the clowns** who are pretending Jan 6 was a tourist visit. If you can just rewrite the narrative, you can try and make a point, except what you're saying is ridiculous. 🤡

**24. Wade Schalk**

**Maitri Ratanasene** **you sound like the clowns** that think Jan 6 was an insurrection.

## 9.8 Appendix 8

In Appendix 8 below are comments annotated as hate under the article “Delaware governor signs bill expanding abortion access and provider protection “ posted by CNN.

**1. Christine Parker**

**Rob Wolfe** It's **extremely hypocritical for republicans to act like they care about babies.**

They don't even take care of the “breathing babies” in their own states!!

Red states have the highest infant mortality in the country!

<https://www.usnews.com/.../infant-mortality-rate-by-state...>

2. **Scott Simms**

**Christine Parker** stop whoreing around and you wouldn't need an abortion.

3. **Betty Keena**

**Larry Thomas** guess you're not smart enough to know that those standards were established as a backdoor to overturning Roe.

4. **Diane Kawulok**

**Lynda Garthee** It should be the womans choice!! Government, courts and religious nuts need to stay out of it...!!! PERIOD!!!

5. **Shawn White**

**Madaha Mali** The best and 100% effective way is to keep legs closed!

6. **Brian Adams**

**Arvis Martinez** Are you illiterate? I literally stated there's 3,000 pregnancy centers and counting that are willing to help.

So this is the ground you're going to stand on: You believe that making abortion illegal is going to lead to an influx of foster or homeless people (quite the projection btw), and so some may succeed, some may not...but regardless you feel the better option is to not even give them a chance to succeed in life...or even have a life...that it's better off to just kill them? Lol that's a weird stance to support

7. **Elevate Enlove**

Get a vasectomy Allen, do the world a favor. Better yet, castration.

8. **Sandy ZV**

**Nicholas Hetrick** if someone can afford \$800 for the abortion, they can afford \$100 in gas to get to the kill appointment.

9. **Matt Woodin**

**Elizabeth Ward** wasn't the mandate ruled unconstitutional since the idiot in charge exceeded his authority by going around congress? Also, a good leader would not make people have to choose between putting an unwanted substance in their body or food on their families table. So for you, "my body, my choice" only applies when you want it to right?

10. **Anthony Romano**

**Brian Adams** your comment has so much ignorance in it, but ok, I'll support 100% of the women because I wouldn't ask them their reasons for what they're doing. It's not my business. Neither is it yours. What does it matter to you? Other than hypocratically passing judgment.

11. **Bronwynn Kelly**

**Jacques P. DeRouen** I very cordially invite you to go forth and self coitus

12. **Mary Murphy Baranski**

**Matt Woodin** Trump 🤪 certainly was an instigator of division

**13. Bella Bean**

**Mary Murphy Baranski** it started because a black man was elected. I realize people will deny it all day long, but there were a lot of people that weren't happy he was elected solely because of race.

**14. Elizabeth Barajas**

**Mack Clear** you are sick. Get help.

**15. Gary Hilliard**

**Ep Thomas** you statement is what I call 'ignorant'.

**16. Damien Are**

**Jenèa Wessman** so how many babies have you killed?

**17. Apostle Patson Machengete**

**Arvis Martinez** it's so sad that our generation runs away from responsibilities however two wrongs never make a right. Because the MEN you came in contact with is a COWARD that must not turn you into a MURDERER. That is worse. Do a survey of 50 grown up men aged between 40-75 You will shocked at how much all these men are proud of their mothers.

##BecarefulOfWrongRights

**18. Christine Parker**

**Kyle Ninneman** All while babies are dying in red states!

It's extremely hypocritical for republicans to act like they care about babies.

They don't even take care of the "breathing babies" in their own states!!

Red states have the highest infant mortality in the country!

<https://www.usnews.com/.../infant-mortality-rate-by-state...>

**19. Jamie France**

**Dan Ciambor** gun nuts always forget that first part, about a well regulated militia. I'm great with you owning a gun so you can take it out and join a well regulated militia. Please explain how the need for a well regulated militia necessitates your taking a pistol to wendys, only to wet yourself when something actually does go down, like the police in Uvalde.

**20. Daniel LaPlume**

**Walter Horne** Never that's a lie from Hell

**21. Kenny Dolan**

Of course he did. Biden resides in the local old age home and will have him fired if he didn't. You're all murders

**22. Melvin Slappy**

Traitor and a loser!!!

**23. Marvin Dcat**

GOP / TRUMPLICANS / MAGA / WHITE HOODS / FASCIST / PUTIN'S PUPPETS / AMERICA'S TALIBAN all one the same. ON IGNORANCE STEROIDS !!!!

**24. Guacho Cano**

Clown

**25. James Muir**

Killing babies

**26. David Dupre**

How can people sleep at night knowing they mudeded a child that day or dozens of em in the Drs case there is a special place in hell for people like this !!

**27. Gary Hilliard**

Wow, a state not led by ignorant religious morons pushing their agenda on 'the land of the free'. So rare....

**28. Raphael Bataan**

TERRORIST

**29. Darin Robert Parish**

Y'all goin to HELL!

**30. Czar Joseph**

CNN and Delaware are garbage.

**31. Doug Perry**

Wow!! A Genocidal Racist!!

**32. Allen McCoin**

**Kenneth Clements Jr.** ... lol, what part of I don't care about you opinion.

They are vague... with how you're attempting to use them for your abortion correlation, idiot.

**33. Kenneth Clements Jr.**

**Allen McCoin** Whether you care or not I'll continue to state my opinion. You're right though, they don't correlate to abortion because women with the right to choose what happens to their body do not have to worry about maternal mortality rates and an aborted fetus doesn't have a well being to worry about either. It's forced pregnancy and birth that correlates to my points- sorry if you don't have the mental processing capabilities to comprehend that. Best of luck to you.

**34. Allen McCoin**

**Kenneth Clements Jr.** ... those are the numbers that you're "comfortable" using. Not me, hence the reason I point it out to people that don't understand statistics and attempt to use it in their arguments.

I must pointed out the irony of you attempting to virtue signal moral superiority, in that case, about saving lives.... 2300 deaths in 3 years versus over 2500 abortions in a single day for 2020.

So, as for that "comfortable" "pro life"... jab, back at you, **idiot**.

### 35. Allen McCoin

**Kenneth Clements Jr.** ... oh and **another dipsh!t move**... you correlate me calling people out for using statistical data erroneously to assume my stance with abortion

### 36. Derek Polack

**What a clown 🤡. He'll have the blood of unborn babies on his hands**

### 37. Mike Lewsader

**And yet he is alive ....hypocrite**

### 38. Bill McBride

Lol. **Democrat is a mental illness.**

### 39. Joe Gilberto

Joe Biden showered with his 13 yr old daughter.. Ashley Biden said that her father sexually messed her up.. **Sick liberals support pedophilia.**

<https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&source=web&rct=j&url=https://thehill.com/social-tags/ashley-biden-diary/&ved=2ahUKEwjosaGsg9T4AhWGQcAKHSFbD544ChAWegQIBRAB&usq=A0vVaw1Ib1W2QJabwm6rQtMTPBAG>

### 40. Stephanie Carroll

**baby killers**

## 9.9 Appendix 9

In Appendix 9 below are comments annotated as hate under the article "A 79-year-old says Roe v. Wade saved her life after she was raped months post the 1973 ruling" posted by CNN.

#### 1. Jason Herausforderung

**Eddie Saqim get a vasectomy to do your part sir.**

#### 2. Abie Newberg

**Marie King that's by far the dumbest thing yet to be heard**

### 3. Marie King

**Abie Newberg** you sound more ignorant by trying to find any shred to hold your claiming morality over personal freedom and liberties. You do realize this repeal is strikingly similar to Iran stripping women's rights in the late 70s? When a theocracy took over. They don't do well historically.

Also, "honey" being used in a condescending undertone. I grew up in the Bible belt, don't use that term toward me if you're just going to continue to be foul.

Other entities see forced pregnancy as a violation of rights.

### 4. Mary F Bell

**Abie Newberg** where did you get your education, crackerjack box? 🤔

### 5. Mar Ina

**Sharon Mixon Kelly** I think abortion minimizes child abuse you gotta be a pig head to think otherwise

### 6. Victor Martelle

**Eddie Saqim** Imagine saying a woman must carry a rapist's baby. Disgustingly sexist.

### 7. Nichol Markowitz

**Eddie Saqim** a cluster of cells is not a child. A fetus is not a child. Don't like abortions? Then u don't have to get one but you have no right to impose your values on another person. Go adopt some of the millions of children in foster care before u go forcing other women to give birth to children they don't want, can't afford, and that will ultimately suffer at the hands of a state system that cares more about the unborn than they do the living. Forcing women to bear unwanted children in a country that does not provide universal healthcare, universal childcare, and paid maternity leave is fascism.

### 8. Sydney Koss

My church prefers to follow the teachings of Jesus. You know: CHRISTians. The Bible does not state that terminating a pregnancy is a sin. That's your controlling government GOP creeps.

### 9. Jason Herausforderung

**Mike Geier** lol alright Captain Gaslight.

### 10. Mike Geier

**Jason Herausforderung** although kid in your profile would be better off if you didn't bring him into this world.

### 11. Jason Herausforderung

**Mike Geier** yeah, he probably would be better off.

### 12. Sharon Mixon Kelly

**Sydney Koss** The zygote or fetus is a human life. I well understand science. This idea that you have that people of faith do not understand or believe science is ignorance at its finest. I do wonder, how do you explain a man shoots a pregnant woman and kills both her and child. He gets charged with two murders. What happened? He shot a ghost? The 12 year old that you want to subject to a vasectomy is a child. And your "idea" is ignorant.

**13. Mel McNeil**

**Eddie Saqim** fk u.. it not crime.. men is crime force get pregnant or rapist..

**14. Mark Haynes**

**Fred Coneri** it's worse for women, they know what's involved, **most men are just ignorant, and I am not giving men a pass.**

**15. CJ Ambrosino**

**Eddie Saqim** **only the crazies think that..**

**16. Carlos Solla**

**Eddie Saqim** **rapist alert!!!**

**17. Solange Couture**

**Eddie Saqim** ... if we must call things by their name ... **you're an idiot and uneducated troll.**

**18. Rene Peterson-Malady**

**Eddie Saqim** typical male response. **jerk!**

**19. Juliet Walborn**

**Eddie Saqim** **you are sick!**

**20. Ronald Kwiatkowski**

**Eddie Saqim** **Bull. Utter bull.** No science, no sense. Bull.

**21. Bobbi Price Wood**

**Eddie Saqim** coming from a man who can't spell, but more to the point, **keep your pants on.** You should never procreate.

**22. Bennie Ferrel**

**Tim Grady** man you just like to dig yourself deeper don't you. I'm well **your arrogance is starting to feel infectious** so good day.

**23. Dennis Smith**

**Colton Cruise** you know dam well that's a lie it's only your **ignorant opinion**

**24. Kelly Dibia**

Control their guns. Support registration. Want to play with people's rights... guns should be on the table. More people are killed by guns. And dont give me the "only a few abuse them"...that could be said for **those you hypocrites** claim is abusing abortion.

**25. Michela Ferri**

**Deb Maxwell** **how troglodoits you are!**

**26. Jim Moore**

You religious nutters make me sick.

**27. Deb Maxwell**

Gregg Lang catholicism is a cult. Not biblical.

**28. Rosalinda Marie Frost**

Yall are idiots, once November comes and democrats have the 2/3 votes in house and senate, the amendment protecting womens rights will be added. Check!

**29. Michael Kovar**

Daniel S Lovejoy you're an ignorant clown.... Grow up

**30. Regular Rob Ledbetter**

Diana Saad In your mom's case, I think she should have.

**31. Steve Hale**

Diana Saad...mothers killing their own babies...s I c k

**32. Adam Wedeking**

Steve Hale you wanting women and girls dying from botched abortions, THAT'S sick

**33. Lowanda James**

Mariah Kimble No. It's not. A Tubal pregnancy/ectopic is not considered an abortion. And typical, attack personally when you don't like what someone says. Typical angry Lib

**34. Liz Walton**

Lowanda James I said nothing personal. Your profile is obviously fake James.

Does your mommy know what you do in the basement?

**35. Lowanda James**

Liz Walton Well, I'm bored now. I'm blocking you and the other one. You 2 can go bump donuts.

**36. Tina Sapienza**

Dan White she was, a\*\*hole! Learn to f\*cking read!

**37. Kristen Charlotte McCain**

Dan White LOL I said I had an IUD do you even know what an IUD is? Men now a days are idiots 😏  
😂

**38. Joan McKenzie**

Dan White can't really read. She had an IUD. AHOLE

**39. Kelly Dibia**

Stop assuming every woman is just out there bussing it open... you must be one of **those old little.weenie fellas**

**40. Tina Sapienza**

**Fred Coneri** learn to **f\*cking read a\*\*hole!** She got pregnant on BC. An IUD is birth control.

**41. Bill Bullerwell**

**Melissa Scott** You clearly misread my intent and underestimated my intelligence **princess. It was a challenge dear. 😊 Go for it.**

**42. Bill Bullerwell**

**Troy Taylor** **please junior, it's above your ability to think. 😊**

**43. Bill Bullerwell**

**Julie Bledsoe** **you aren't that bright are you?**

**44. Olivia Hope Hite**

**Melissa Scott** **let's call them what they really are "terrorists"**

**45. Bill Bullerwell**

**Olivia Hope Hite** listen to yourselves. **You guys are NUTS. Completely insane. Have you ever read a history book in your life?**

**46. John Obiakor**

**I think you are the ignorant one.** In terms of nomenclature, you may chose not to ascribe the word baby to a fetus but that does not rule out the fact scientifically that your 'fetus' has life

**47. T Alexander Tatalovich**

**Charles Trifiletti** According to Right Wingers ,those who receive public assistance are **parasites.** The Nazis called Jews and others parasites too.

**48. Raymond Francis Silveira**

**Joey Rettinghaus** **sound like a nazi**...they degraded human life...**cockroaches** they said

**49. Archer Draven Overhage**

**Raymond Francis Silveira** Rapists don't deserve children and that fetus doesn't deserve to live with the fact that its dad is a rapist. **You're a sick individual.**

**50. Archer Draven Overhage**

**Raymond Francis Silveira** 👍

**51. Josh Russek**

Lmfao!!!! **Morons.**

**52. Merle Barnes**

Our new taliban court to enforce the new republicans Shari law

**53. Valerie Mortensen**

i love seeing liberal lunatics imploding...

**54. Elio Mercattore**

Bet you she was also one-legged and blind on one eye.

**55. Zandra Hamilton**

FYI Liberal cry babies. Abortions are still legal just not after after a certain time and it's up to your state. Stop your tantrums already 🙄

**56. Thomas Louis**

How would the baby's life been? We'll never know, will we? Why is your convenience more important than the life of the baby? You could have carried it to term and given it up for adoption or any of many options. Don't you dare whine about my body my choice. It is the baby's body and you are a savage murderer.

**57. Hirbe Z Aztica**

Ame,rican is so idiot. ....how can be abortion legal ??? ,

**58. Tony Martinez**

Son: Daddy, why did Trump decide to have a rally on Jan 6th months after Democracy voted him out and found no election fraud.

Dad: He wanted his uneducated supporters to attack the Capitol and try to use violence to see if they could overturn an election. Simple as that son. That's the only reason you hold a rally like that months after a free and fair election.

Son: What a sad day to be an American dad.

Dad: Yet, his uneducated supporters rejoice the Capitol attack son.

Son: What losers dad. Sad how easily they were brained washed by a failed con-artist like Trump dad. DeSantis is our man now Dad. He will run watch.

Dad: Yes son, Trump is the slime of humanity. Plus, Trump couldn't beat Brandon in 2020 and wont be able to in 2024 after his Capitol riot treason. After the Capitol hearing he has lost Georgia also. DeSantis is the American we want now.

Son: All facts dad.

**#DeSantis2024forPRES #DESANTIS2024**

**59. Dreya Robinson-Sharp**

**Freedom Peace** Still none of your business. I dont know why you think you have the right to tell others how to live their lives or what THEY decide to do with their bodies. I do hope you have adopted or are a foster parent otherwise you are just another nosy hypocrite.

**60. Guy Allen**

Freedom Peace **Nigerian troll.**

**61. Craig Olsen**

**Deanna Bell** but you were perfectly ok with the men that chimed in when the Supreme Court first looked at RvW? Lol. Can't defend life because you are a man? **idiots**

**62. Jim Fuller**

**What a fuckkin iddiot,** she has no idea what would happen !!! Maybe give birth to another Beethoven or Musk.

**63. Johnathan Bartholomew**

**Paul Lemery** **abortions are meant to kill black babies.** Margaret Sanger said, "We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population." To this day black women seek abortions imes as often as white women. And approx. 40% of black babies are aborted. Founded on racism and continues in racism.

**64. Christopher X Long**

**Abort the GOP**

**65. Htet Naing**

**Rachel Allison** **idiots**

**66. Michael Savage**

Because they are fake news and **pedophiles**

**67. Michael Savage**

**Ryan Surtin** go to Project Veritas. Look up his surprise interviews. You will see at least **one with a pedophile working for CNN trying to meet a 15 yr old or younger boy**

## **9.10 Appendix 10**

In Appendix 9 below are comments annotated as hate under the article "Texas doctor who says he performed abortion sued in first known challenges under new law " posted by CNN.

**1. Bryan M Henry**

**Emily Feinberg** **That foil hat you have on must weigh 50 pounds**

**2. David Wolcott**

**Deb Rina Carr** you are certifiably insane. Crazy blue haired, tattooed, nose ringed, **America hating, non-binary, menstruating person, flag burning, man hating, ignorant, feminist douche bag**. You must be very lonely since you don't have any communication skills.

Some virtue signaling, he/him, **chubby chasing manbun, communist liberal**, will still put up with your BS just to try to bang you between video games and ANTIFA rallies.

### 3. **Chris N Lee LeBlanc**

**Emily Feinberg**, how about we sue Biden and **all the democratic jackasses** - symbol of the party- for allowing hundreds of thousands of unvaccinated and infected border jumpers into my country? How about we sue infected vaccinated people, for being able to carry the virus around and still infect those who can't get the vaccine? 🤢

### 4. **Jesse Lavigne**

Sue Anderson uhhh well dummy.

If we find a single cell on any planet we call it life.

Sooo why do you think it's any different inside a woman's body.

Also, please look in a mirror from time to time and ask yourself. **Why you weren't aborted, I can promise you this. You are the perfect candidate for one.**

### 5. **Melanie-Claire Mallison**

**Robin Dhakwa** — you mean like the Republican governors who refuse to mandate face masks and vaccines to protect all humans, born and unborn? **You mean those psychopaths?**

### 6. **Robert Woodling**

**Mary Lou McDonnell** **baby killer**

### 7. **Angelica Pullins**

**Debbie Mclean** I second that. **Please please wear a condom, Kevin. We don't need you to reproduce.**

### 8. **Richelle Coffin**

**Bethany Clark** hmm. Can you explain it to the rest of us? I have pretty much given up trying to understand. I figure that as **these right wing misogynists** keep getting elected, they be wanted by more than 50%

### 9. **Robert Woodling**

**Bethany Clark** your a **baby killer**

### 10. **Robert Woodling**

**Bethany Clark** you stick up for them is the same thing **baby killer**

### 11. **Jeffery Daniels**

**Kailey Christensen** I understand that but given the **new Texas Taliban law**, provide prenatal care so these unwanted children can at least come into this world healthy.

### 12. **Bill Tygart**

**Briana Russell** ... absolutely...sure will be glad when **all the idiots** are raptured off this planet...buh bye!

### 13. Yousef Saqer

**Michael Linkowich** don't worry about me **a-hole** I will foster as many unwanted children as I can and **you can keep murdering as many children** as you can.

### 14. Jennifer Packard

CJ, OH MY! We weep over your perceived fears over being "**Mr. Macho**", with you trusty gun on your hip.....

### 15. Gedenir Fiorese

Talk about freedom, but ban abortion. **Anyway, the hypocrisy..:**

### 16. Cody Holmes

**Gedenir Fiorese** interestingly, you only have the freedom to share your opinion because you weren't aborted. Check your privilege. **Anyway, the hypocrisy..:**

### 17. Sean Keenan

**Gedenir Fiorese** **talk about freedom, but ban machine guns. Anyway, the hypocrisy...**

### 18. Erik Hartog

**Jay Dickens** no, because if you are something you at least need some advanced form of brain function. A six week old fetus doesn't have that and therefore has no consciousness which a being needs in order to make something cruel.

Not getting a vaccine on the other hand brings people (you know, those things that actually have a functioning brain and social structures with other people with functioning brains) in danger since the use of vaccines limit the amounts of casualties a virus will make because vaccines limit the risk of spreading the disease as well as the severity.

**Christian terrorists** really do have to try harder when it comes to ethics, you are failing miserably, just like your comebacks.

### 19. Robert Woodling

**Toni Rios** **baby killer**

### 20. Viggo Stenbekk

**Texas has learned from the Taliban?**

### 21. Angelica Pullins

All these **misogynistic men** here in the comments wanting to assert their control over women. **Sounding like an American Taliban.**

### 22. Luca Ludovico

Healthcare is a human right. Death penalty isn't. **Conservatives are disgustingly hypocritical.**

### 23. Lisa Wilson

TexASS: if you think being forced to wear a mask is bad imagine being forced to have a baby.

**24. Tim Chang**

U even got **one idiot** in Arkansas filing his weasel lawsuit.

**25. Amanda Klinger-Baca**

**Kathy Backman** YOU'RE\*\*\* uff that was hard for you 🤔.. I'm a mother **you old hateful hag**

**26. Robert Woodling**

**Baby killers**

**27. Mitch Mangum**

**Abort him.**

**28. Ted Khan**

**male political nuts & male religious nuts & old laid out hens in politics** & religion have all rights to women's body

**29. Michael Maines**

I'm thinking the Texas Government is starting **to become more Taliban** like every year.

**30. Joseph Sayegh**

**Murderer.**

**31. Robin Petersson**

**TexASS**

**32. Stephen Tallent**

**Murderer**

**33. Liz Knoll**

**Les White** that's a weird way to announce **you're a terrorist.**

## 9.11 Appendix 11

07.12.23 8:29

Keywords | Sketch Engine



(items: 2,362)

Lemma	Lemma	Lemma	Lemma	Lemma
1 safranek	11 markandapril	21 popygaj	31 con-artist	41 dillon
2 hypocrite	12 bullerwell	22 zily	32 abie	42 ratanasene
3 saqim	13 herausforderung	23 lowanda	33 geier	43 coneri
4 canania	14 mccoin	24 fiorese	34 pedo	44 miliscent
5 uneducated	15 hypocritical	25 machengete	35 iud	45 exstaff
6 woodling	16 hypocrisy	26 dewinkler	36 mendez	46 mastrocco
7 wible	17 xtian	27 matysiak	37 newberg	47 assilem
8 desantis	18 silveira	28 alton	38 abort	48 gmck
9 zealot	19 pedophile	29 charlyne	39 rapist	49 beckelheimer
10 dmbfk	20 gedenir	30 patson	40 vasectomy	50 bronwynn

## 9.12 Appendix 12

07.12.23 8:30

Keywords | Sketch Engine



(items: 1,855)

Term	Term	Term	Term
1 baby killer	14 capitol riot treason	27 sheri chin joshua alan	40 prison firm
2 uneducated supporter	15 xtian zealot	28 u dmbfk	41 hearing stuff
3 slime of humanity	16 capitol hearing	29 communist pope	42 forced pregnancy
4 capitol attack	17 bunch of hypocrites	30 exstaff member	43 american taliban
5 unwanted child	18 texas government	31 railroad trespassing	44 functioning brain
6 riot treason	19 regulated militia	32 facts dad	45 keyboard warrior
7 capitol riot	20 american dad	33 kevin matysiak	46 religious nut
8 failed con-artist	21 pedophile priest	34 infant mortality in the country	47 black baby
9 attack son	22 election fraud	35 death rates states	48 virtue signal
10 capitol attack son	23 red state	36 age mythology	49 religious zealot
11 trump dad	24 sad day	37 breathing baby	50 child in foster care
12 losers dad	25 fair election	38 mortality in the country	
13 tony martinez son	26 jim safranek charlyne dewinkler cook	39 private prison firm	

## 9.13 Appendix 13

07.12.23 9:44

Concordance



simple baby killer • 10  
981.07 per million tokens • 0.098%

Details	Left context	KWIC	Right context
1	en Williams Craig Brzezinski This Pope is a fraud!!!!</s><s>HTF would you let this	<b>baby killer</b>	anywhere near the Vatican.</s><s>Pope Fraud.</s><s>FU.</s><s>Diane Jockisc
2	Nancy.</s><s>Patrick Wright Hypocrite Thomas Ruggieri She is the devil's work ,	<b>baby killer</b>	. Amelia Wilson Hypocrisy at its finest.</s><s>Jeff Brown Does he have dementia?
3	Art Spartan Kate Flynn-McFadden Too bad it wasn't for yours!</s><s>Move along	<b>baby killer</b>	Tim Conrad Markn Queen-Kerry Nowlan let's stop putting the warnings on blow dr
4	as style!</s><s>Ron Rabuck Anti life murderers Eugene Paul Steve Pongracz The	<b>baby killers</b>	with babies are angry at your comments isn't that interesting Kevin Matysiak evil te
5	COM Ashley Biden diary - The Hill Ashley Biden diary - The Hill Stephanie Carroll	<b>baby killers</b>	</s><s>Jason Herausforderung Eddie Saqim get a vasectomy to do your part sir.<
6	><s>You mean those psychopaths?</s><s>Robert Woodling Mary Lou McDonnell	<b>baby killer</b>	Angelica Pullins Debbie Mclean I second that.</s><s>Please please wear a condo
7	elected, they be wanted by more than 50% Robert Woodling Bethany Clark your a	<b>baby killer</b>	Robert Woodling Bethany Clark you stick up for them is the same thing baby killer
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9	i are failing miserably, just like your comebacks.</s><s>Robert Woodling Tori Rios	<b>baby killer</b>	Viggo Stenbekk Texas has learned from the Taliban?</s><s>Angelica Pullins All th
10	RE*** uff that was hard for you ... I'm a mother you old hateful hag Robert Woodling	<b>Baby killers</b>	Mitch Mangum Abort him.</s><s>Ted Khan male political nuts & male religious nut

# 9.14 Appendix 14

07.12.23 9:49

Concordance



simple hypocrite • 37  
3,629.94 per million tokens • 0.36%

Details	Left context	KWIC	Right context
1	ough said case closed Frances Tortorice Succarotte Ben Eyster it's you who's the	hypocrite	Taylor Green Doesn't matter.</s></s>This pope is evil Mala Gali Can you say "ph
2	for Green Doesn't matter.</s></s>This pope is evil Mala Gali Can you say "phony	hypocrites	"...you can pick your own people.</s></s>Robert Shockley I'm surprised she didn
3	aised she didn't burst into flames as she entered the church Wanda Mercier aka/a	hypocrite	1</s></s>"What do you call a person who is hypocrite?</s></s>Definitions of hypo
4	church Wanda Mercier aka/a hypocrite</s></s>"What do you call a person who is	hypocrite	?</s></s>Definitions of hypocrite. a person who professes beliefs and opinions th
5	ocial</s></s>"What do you call a person who is hypocrite?</s></s>Definitions of	hypocrite	. a person who professes beliefs and opinions that he or she does not hold in ord
6	r Pope Francis is a Communist anyway.</s></s>Goelle Linden She's just another	hypocrite	Elaine Massillo Finnell that is what a communist pope does Di Phi Many reasons
7	larry Alexanian Catholic Church hypocritay Carol Jones Gross She should skip the	hypocrites	and her own hypocritical beliefs and take a look at the Bible.</s></s>" Paul urges
8	you weren't supposed to judge people that was up to God sounds like a bunch of	hypocrites	Joan Ogg A big "H" for a big "HYPOCRITE Don Keraskie I don't think Jesus woul
9	at was up to God sounds like a bunch of hypocrites Joan Ogg A big "H" for a big "	HYPOCRITE	Don Keraskie I don't think Jesus would deny her.</s></s>So, why should the Pop
10	lesua do", but, instead, "what would Fox News want me to do".</s></s>A bunch of	hypocrites	and liars.</s></s>Jay Robison The pope is a hypocrite Mary Nolan hypocritical ca
11	to do".</s></s>A bunch of hypocrites and liars.</s></s>Jay Robison The pope is a	hypocrite	Mary Nolan hypocritical catholic Barbara Gorga Hypocrite, she will rot in hell.</s>
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13	catholic Barbara Gorga Hypocrite, she will rot in hell.</s></s>Beth Evans What a	hypocrite	1</s></s>And the Catholic church.</s></s>Raymond Gonzalez She's not Catholic.
14	And the Catholic church.</s></s>Raymond Gonzalez She's not Catholic.</s></s>A	hypocrite	yes.</s></s>A Catholic no.</s></s>The pope a politician too.</s></s>Worthless in l
15	.....</s></s>ARE...</s></s>Betty Thielmann They have always been a bunch of	hypocrites	Sandra Koehler Hypocrites all of them Nikki Standing Pelosi is nothing but a flam
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17	Pelosi is nothing but a flaming hypocrite</s></s>Madeleine Wirtz Yonker Bunch of	hypocrites	.</s></s>Lynda Murphy What a hypocrite!</s></s>Arlene Kerrigan Religious hyp
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19	rites.</s></s>Lynda Murphy What a hypocrite!</s></s>Arlene Kerrigan Religio	hypocrite	1</s></s>Mary Ortega Dustin Beckelheimer Where is hell? you Christ are so ignot
20	omnie devil pope Pam Stoffer What a joke.</s></s>Evil witch Greg Sattow Liberal	hypocrite	1</s></s>Henry Jarman They are both Hypocrites</s></s>Joe Michael Blasphem
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22	pedophile cult.</s></s>Gary Miller What a hypocritical pig Tim Ball They are both	hypocrites	.</s></s>Karma Singay Time the Pope removes the racial pedo archbishop.</s></s>
23	hypocrisy on display.</s></s>Allan Curtis she should be aborted Grady Drummond	Hypocrites	Randal Haake Why?</s></s>Hypocrisy.</s></s>No conviction?</s></s>Danny Mc
24	all Haake Why?</s></s>Hypocrisy.</s></s>No conviction?</s></s>Danny McMillan	Hypocrite	Bl Zenoic Confirmed ... Trump KNEW the terrorists were going to the Capitol wit
25	s>STUPID RepubliKKKaNAZI think that dictatorship = freedom Lucchini lamine	Hypocrite	Supreme Mark A Hensley Anyone who praises this stupid brain dead c"t" is an id
26	near the Vatican.</s></s>Pope Fraud.</s></s>FU.</s></s>Diane Jockisch Sargent	Hypocrite	Mary Lawrence So now was the bishop in a state of ain for ignoring the pedophile
27	abeth sounds like conservatives are actually the snowflakes but ok Diane Rogers	HYPOCRITE	!</s></s>Frank Mastrocco She is the biggest sanctimonious hypocrite.</s></s>A Cathol
28	Diane Rogers HYPOCRITE !</s></s>Frank Mastrocco She is the biggest sanctimonious	hypocrite	.</s></s>A Catholic in name only.</s></s>Patty Daignault Frank Mastrocco well a
29	kids.</s></s>Simmer down Jerry Parker We already know Pelosi is nothing but a	hypocrite	Dan Hood Still won't stop her from burning in hell for the piece of Garbage she is
30	iss those that "Pedal" together, "Pedo" together ?? Edmond Estrada She's an evil	hypocrite	.</s></s>Ryan Lee The devil has gotten into the church, Tim Vittek Hypocrite Bor
31	order Boss The pope is a left wing lunatic like drunk Nancy.</s></s>Patrick Wright	Hypocrite	Thomas Ruggieri She is the devil's work , baby killer . Amelia Wilson Hypocritay at
32	a finest.</s></s>Jeff Brown Does he have dementia?</s></s>Fern Hyams Reinsler	HYPOCRITES	1</s></s>Tabitha Chi Sox Hippocrates eh Jeff Jones I wonder how many abortions
33	w many abortions that disgusting orange pos rapist pedo has paid for Kris McCoy	Hypocrite	Justin Gerasimowicz Hag</s></s>Opil Kpyk Russia is a terrorist state</s></s>Pu
34	erest Jenny Davis The women haters are out in full force today.</s></s>You're all	hypocrites	who only care about a child's life before it's born.</s></s>Once it's out of the wom
35	because they're not educated.</s></s>Nobody wants abortions is what the GOP (	hypocrite	) party doesn't understand.</s></s>Shen Chin Joshua Alan What did you win?</s>
36	i>And dont give me the "only a few abuse them"...that could be said for those you	hypocrites	claim is abusing abortion.</s></s>Michela Ferri Deb Maxwell how troglodofa you
37	hope you have adopted or are a foster parent otherwise you are just another nosy	hypocrite	.</s></s>Guy Allen Freedom Peace Nigerian troll.</s></s>Craig Olsen Deanna Be