

# COVID-19: MISINFORMATION, FAKE NEWS, CONSPIRACY THEORIES, AND ISLAMOPHOBIA ON SOCIAL MEDIA



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## THEMATIC ANALYSIS



FROM AN INITIAL DATA SET OF 112,850 COMMENT, A TOTAL OF 1000 COMMENTS (FROM FIVE VIDEO CATEGORIES) WERE SUBJECT TO A THEMATIC ANALYSIS (BRAUN AND CLARKE, 2006). SIX MAIN THEMES FOCUSES HAD EMERGED, EACH OF WHICH COMPRISED OF SMALLER SUB-THEMES:

### 1. GOVERNMENTS / STATE AUTHORITIES

MISTRUST IN THE GOVERNMENT  
MISINFORMATION AND MISLEADING REPORTING  
MEDIA AGENDA IS TO PLEASE BIG PHARMA



### 4. BAME

HEALTH INEQUALITIES  
HEALTH PRIORITIES  
PERCEPTIONS OF BAME GROUPS IN THE UK



### 2. CONSPIRACY

5G AND ITS RELATION TO HEALTH AND SURVEILLANCE  
5G AND ITS RELATION TO COVID-19  
ATTITUDES TOWARDS ANTI-VAXXERS



### 3. COVID

ORIGINS OF COVID-19 VIRUS  
THE SEVERITY OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS  
THE SAFETY AND TRUST OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE

### 5. MUSLIMS

ROLE IN SPREAD OF COVID-19  
MUSLIMS TAKING OVER  
MUSLIMS NOT WELCOME



### 6. ISLAM

ISLAMOPHOBIA  
THE PLACE OF ISLAM IN THE WORLD  
ISLAM PROMOTES VIOLENCE

