



[Latvia]Weekly:

Living standards and train controversies

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New observations this week: 3 Main channels: Tiktok, Youtube

Main keywords: Corruption, trains, China

Main narratives:

- There is a covert scheme to blame the issues with trains on people operating the trains.
- Latvia is exporting water yet increasing the tariffs for its people thus contributing to poverty levels in the country.
- Latvia should be exporting more to China.

Overview:

In the examined week, there was considerably lower production of content disseminating disinformation potentially due to a series produced by investigative journalists uncovering how much content is produced by a leading opposition party "Latvija pirmajā vietā" (Latvia in the first place). The common narrative in this week's findings was corruption and the low level of living standards in Latvia. Most notably, as in prior weeks, the content has touched upon the controversy regarding the trains. In regard to the form of the content, video format creates the most engagement and significantly more engagement is reached on TikTok and Facebook in comparison to other platforms.

