

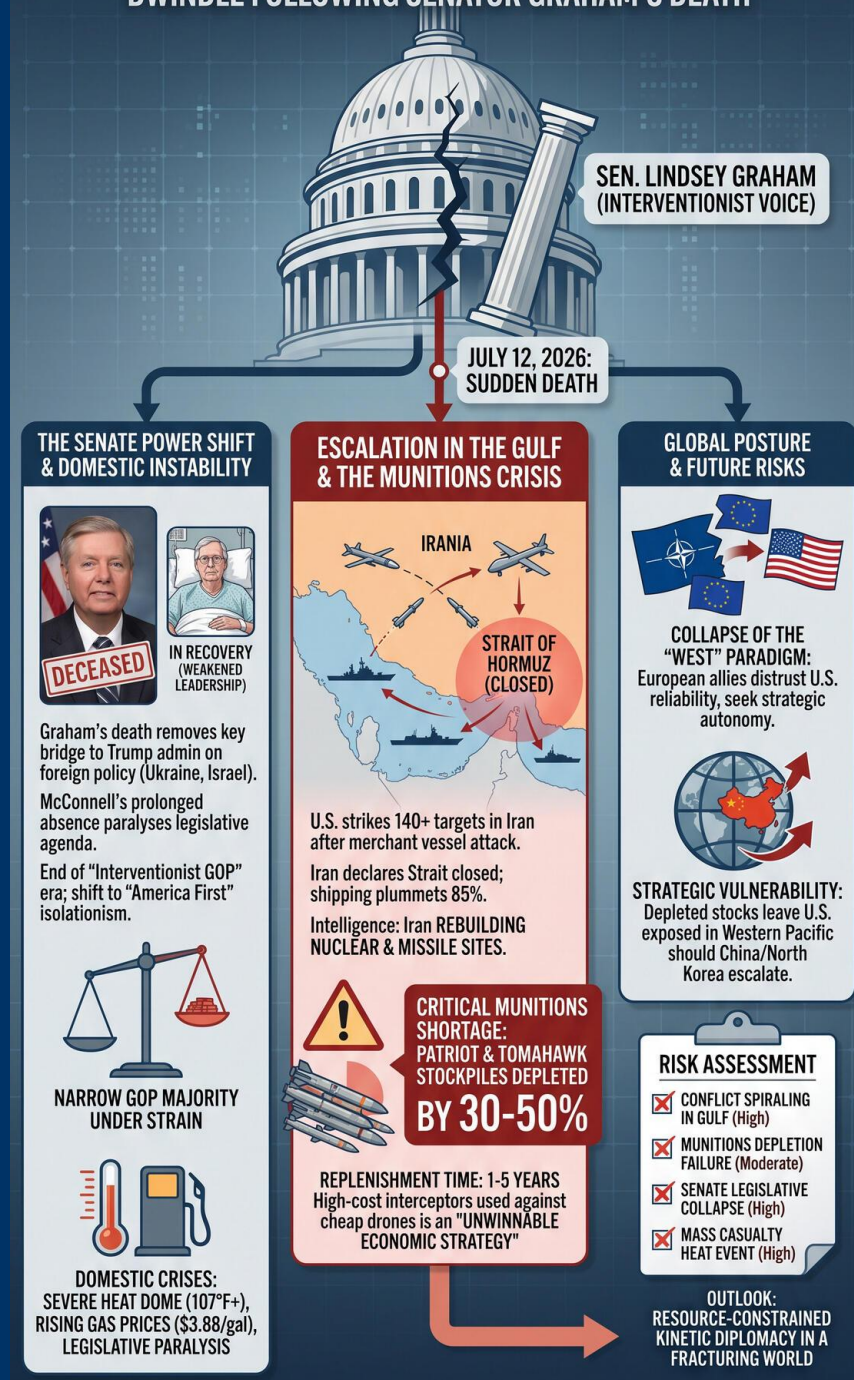
TODAY'S MEDIA TRENDS

CNN

JULY 12, 2026

THE G D E L T P R O J E C T

THE STRATEGIC VACUUM: U.S. ESCALATES KINETIC OPERATIONS AS MUNITIONS DWINDLE FOLLOWING SENATOR GRAHAM'S DEATH



TODAY'S MEDIA TRENDS

CNN

JULY 12, 2026

THE SUDDEN DEATH OF SENATOR
LINDSEY GRAHAM CREATES A
STRATEGIC VACUUM AS THE U.S.
ESCALATES KINETIC OPERATIONS
AGAINST IRAN AMID DWINDLING
MUNITIONS STOCKPILES.

DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The global landscape shifted abruptly on July 12, 2026, following the **sudden death of U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham** due to [aortic dissection](#). Graham, the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee and a cornerstone of the interventionist wing of the Republican Party, died just hours after returning from his **10th visit to Ukraine**. His passing removes a critical bridge between the Trump administration and the Senate, particularly on foreign policy matters where Graham was a primary advocate for **unwavering support for Israel and Ukraine**. The loss is compounded by ongoing uncertainty regarding the health of Senator **Mitch McConnell**, who issued a statement acknowledging a [long-term recovery](#) from a fall and pneumonia, further tightening the Republican Party's narrow control of the Senate.

Simultaneously, the **U.S. war with Iran** has reached a new fever pitch. The U.S. Central Command confirmed strikes on [140 military targets](#) overnight in retaliation for an **Iranian drone attack** on a merchant vessel in the **Strait of Hormuz**. While the administration insists the waterway remains open, shipping traffic has reportedly [plummeted by 85%](#), and Iran has declared the strait closed. Intelligence reports suggest Iran is **rebuilding nuclear and missile sites** in violation of the June memorandum of understanding, signaling a collapse of recent diplomatic overtures and a return to "unconstrained warfare" in a "gray zone" of tit-for-tat escalation.

This military intensification comes at a moment of **extreme logistical risk**. National security analysts warn that U.S. missile stockpiles, specifically **Patriot and Tomahawk systems**, have been [depleted by 30-50%](#) during the first phase of the conflict. Experts indicate that replenishing these supplies could take **one to five years**, leaving the U.S. vulnerable in the Western Pacific should tensions with **China or North Korea** escalate. Domestically, the U.S. is grappling with a **severe heat dome** pushing temperatures 20 degrees above average across the Midwest, and **rising gas prices** which have climbed to an average of [\\$3.88 per gallon](#) following the breakdown of the Iranian ceasefire.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

- **Death of Senator Lindsey Graham:** The 71-year-old senator died of an [aortic dissection](#) after a brief and sudden illness. He was the **Senate Budget Committee Chair** and a key defender of presidential nominees, including Attorney General nominee **Todd Blanche**. His death triggers a mandatory special primary in **South Carolina**, likely on [August 11th](#).
- **U.S.-Iran Conflict Escalation:** The U.S. has hit over [300 military targets](#) in Iran over recent days. Iran responded by firing drones and missiles at U.S. military targets in **Kuwait, Jordan, Oman, and Qatar**. A major point of contention remains the **Strait of Hormuz**, with the U.S. claiming freedom of navigation and Iran claiming [total closure](#).
- **Mitch McConnell Health Crisis:** After four weeks of silence, Senator McConnell confirmed he is being moved from a hospital to a [rehabilitation center](#). He acknowledged being **unconscious** following a fall and suffering from **pneumonia**, though he denied breaking bones or suffering a concussion.
- **Munitions Stockpile Shortage:** Analysis from CSIS confirms the U.S. has used approximately [half of its high-altitude interceptors](#) (Patriots) and **30% of its Tomahawks**. This has prompted the invocation of the **Defense Production Act** to accelerate manufacturing, as planners fear the inability to sustain a secondary conflict with **China**.

- **State-Level Legal Warfare:** Democratic Attorneys General are reportedly preparing an **antitrust lawsuit** to block the [\\$110 billion acquisition](#) of Warner Bros. Discovery by **Paramount**. Concurrently, the **DOJ is subpoenaing** New York Times reporters over stories regarding security flaws in the new **Qatari-gifted Air Force One**.

KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

- **Armed Conflict & Militarization:** The U.S. is actively engaged in a **third round of strikes** against Iran, focusing on **IRGC ammunition facilities** and drone launch sites. This represents a significant failure of the **June CEASEFIRE** and places U.S. assets in **GULF NATIONS** under direct threat of [retaliatory drone fire](#).
- **Diplomacy & Statecraft:** Mediation efforts led by **Oman and Qatar** are in jeopardy. While a proposal for **joint control** of the Strait of Hormuz was discussed, the resumption of hostilities and Iranian **nuclear site reconstruction** has made a long-lasting agreement [increasingly out of reach](#).
- **Energy & Critical Minerals:** Global oil prices jumped **3%** following the latest strikes. Gas prices in the U.S. are rising again after a period of decline, with concerns that any strike on [Kharg Island](#) or a total closure of the Strait of Hormuz could lead to **\$6-\$8 per gallon** fuel costs.
- **Climate & Extreme Weather:** A **heat dome** is building across the western U.S., with Salt Lake City hitting **107 degrees** and Billings, Montana expected to [smash record highs](#). Heavy rains in **New Orleans** have also caused significant flooding, with some areas receiving 3.5 inches of rain in one hour.

- **Legal Warfare & Regulatory Risk:** The DOJ's use of subpoenas against journalists to identify sources of leaks within the administration is being criticized as a "**brazen act**" of intimidation. The **Warner Bros. Discovery-Paramount** merger faces major hurdles from [Democratic state officials](#) seeking to fill perceived enforcement gaps in the federal government.

DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

The End of the Interventionist GOP: The death of Lindsey Graham is being framed by historians and analysts as the **final departure** of the "Three Amigos" era (Graham, McCain, Lieberman). Graham was one of the few remaining [old-school interventionists](#) who could successfully lobby **President Trump** to remain engaged in global alliances like **NATO** and support for **Ukraine**. His absence leaves **Tom Cotton** and **Dave McCormick** as potential successors, but analysts suggest the party is shifting toward a more **isolationist, MAGA-centric** foreign policy that prioritizes "America First" over historical security commitments [in the Middle East](#).

Resource-Constrained Kinetic Diplomacy: A disturbing trend is emerging where the U.S. is attempting to project overwhelming force against Iran while simultaneously acknowledging a **critical lack of ammunition**. The reliance on **high-cost interceptors** to defeat **\$50,000 Iranian drones** is described as an "**unwinnable economic strategy**" that lowers U.S. readiness for a "**perpetual state of war**". This mismatch between policy and production capacity suggests a [strategic vulnerability](#)

that is being observed by adversaries in both **Beijing and Moscow**.

The Collapse of the "West" Paradigm: European allies are reportedly increasingly **distrustful of Article 5** of the NATO treaty, fearing that the Trump administration is **unreliable or even hostile** to their interests, as seen in the ongoing controversy over [Greenland](#) and trade threats against **Spain**. The trend in Europe is toward **strategic autonomy** and "buying insurance" for their own security, as they perceive the U.S. as a "**weakening partner**" that is more interested in transactional deals than coherent alliances.

INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

Legislative Paralysis: The Senate is entering a period of significant instability. With Graham dead and McConnell in recovery, the **narrow Republican majority** is under immense strain. Key legislative priorities, such as the "**Save America Act**" and the **budget reconciliation bill**, are now without their primary champion [in the Senate](#). The vacancy in South Carolina will be filled by an appointee of **Governor Henry McMaster**, but the scramble for a permanent replacement is already fueling **intra-party friction**, with names like **Nancy Mace** and **Joe Wilson** being floated, though Mace has publicly [declined interest](#) to protect her House seat.

Institutional Decay and Information Control: The administration's aggressive posture against the press, specifically the **NYT subpoenas**, highlights growing tensions over **national security leaks**. The revelation that the **FBI Director** is leading an investigation into reporters rather than the leakers themselves suggests a shift toward

punitive governance. This is mirrored by the **Democratic Attorneys General** acting as a [regulatory counterweight](#) to the DOJ, using state power to block massive corporate consolidations they believe the federal government is **ignoring**.

EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

Hostile Threat Matrix in the Gulf: The international system is currently framed as an **anarchic arena** where maritime safety is no longer guaranteed by the U.S. navy. Iranian forces are **attacking ships in Omani waters**, and the U.S. response—hitting [140 targets](#)—has failed to compel a ceasefire. The regional framing shows a **fracturing alliance**, with U.S. allies like **Turkey** seeking F-35s while maintaining **Russian S-400 systems**, and **Saudi Arabia** increasingly looking toward a "**Islamic block**" including **Pakistan** for security, as U.S. reliability is [openly questioned](#).

Ukraine as a Military Innovator: Support for Ukraine is pivoting toward **drone warfare**. Senator Graham's final visit highlight the **Skyfall drone factory**, which is now producing long-range bombers capable of hitting **Russian energy infrastructure** a thousand miles away. European leaders have formed a "**Coalition of the Willing**" to bypass potential U.S. isolationism, with **Keir Starmer** and **Emmanuel Macron** taking the lead in [coordinating defense support](#) as the U.S. political landscape shifts.

THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The global economic environment is characterized by **energy-driven inflation** and **geopolitical risk pricing**. Market complacency regarding the Persian Gulf is

beginning to **unwind** as shipping transit through the Strait of Hormuz **slows to 15%** of normal volume. Supply chains for **refined fuel products** (diesel and gasoline) are under particular pressure as **Ukrainian drone strikes** have reportedly knocked out [45% of Russia's refining capacity](#).

- **Energy Prices:** Regular gas averaged **\$3.88** (an 8-cent increase); **Brent Crude** is up 3% [this week](#).
- **Corporate Mergers:** Paramount's **\$110 billion** bid for **Warner Bros. Discovery** is under [antitrust scrutiny](#) from state Attorneys General.
- **National Debt:** U.S. medical debt is estimated at **\$225 billion**, cited by Senate candidates as a [major domestic crisis](#).
- **Defense Budget:** The Trump administration proposed a **\$1.5 trillion** budget for fiscal 2027 to address [global deterrence needs](#).
- **GDP Impact:** Non-American NATO defense spending has risen to **2.3% of GDP on average**.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Succession planning and health stability for the U.S. legislative leadership are the dominant stories, with winners and losers emerging based on their alignment with the current executive branch.

- **Lindsey Graham:** Deceased. His passing creates a vacancy for the **Senate Budget Committee Chair** and a key **pro-Ukraine/pro-Israel** voice [in the GOP](#).
- **Mitch McConnell:** Recovering at a **rehab facility**. His continued absence weakens the **Republican leadership** during critical budget votes [in August](#).

- **Henry McMaster:** Empowered to appoint a **temporary U.S. Senator**. This position will be a critical [political indicator](#) of the state's future direction.
- **Todd Blanche:** Attorney General nominee whose confirmation hearings begin **this week**; he has lost his [most vocal defender](#) in Graham.
- **Kash Patel:** Reported to be **leading the DOJ investigation** into media leaks, signaling a more aggressive [executive branch stance](#).

EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

The network's **Lead Stories** were overwhelmingly centered on **Lindsey Graham's death** and the **Iran strikes**, with high-urgency graphics and "Breaking News" banners maintained throughout the day. The **Mitch McConnell health update** served as a secondary but significant domestic narrative. The emotional tone was a mix of **nationalistic mourning** (for Graham) and **fear-inducing analysis** of the Middle East conflict. **Buried Stories** included the **Bangkok pub fire** and the **Syria bombing**, which received minimal airtime compared to domestic political fallout. **Conspicuous Omissions** include any detailed discussion of the **civilian casualties** in Iran following the 140 strikes, and the lack of updates on the **28 dead** at the **Camp Mystic flood anniversary** in terms of legal accountability, focusing instead on [legislative licensing fees](#).

GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The global arena is portrayed as a **hostile theater** where historical norms are being dismantled by both allies and foes. Iran is characterized as the **primary antagonist**

driving global chaos, while Ukraine and Israel are framed as **embattled partners** whose survival is tied to U.S. legislative stability.

- **Iran:** Portrayed as **chaotic and deceptive**. Described by President Trump as "**crazy people**" who hit a ship "**suddenly**" after a deal was reached [last night](#).
- **Ukraine:** Framed as **competent but vulnerable**. President Zelenskyy is characterized as a "**grateful ally**" who has a "**profound sense of trust**" in American voices like [Graham](#).
- **Turkey:** Portrayed as a **mercurial and transactional friend**. Ambassador Whitaker notes they are a "**capable ally**" but one that must "**scrap**" Russian systems to earn [U.S. jets](#).
- **Donald Trump:** Portrayed as **strong and decisive**, yet personally "**devastated**" by Graham's death. He is framed as a "**peacemaker**" who is forced to act [defensively](#).
- **Warner Bros. Discovery / Paramount:** Framed as **corporate giants** whose consolidation represents a "**concentration of power**" that state governments must [reign in](#).

INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

- **Narrative Seeding:** The U.S. and Iran are engaged in a **propaganda war** over the Strait of Hormuz. CENTCOM seeds the narrative that the **waterway is open** by releasing numbers showing **140 ships** passed [last week](#), while critics note this is only **15% of standard capacity**, suggesting the "open" narrative is **deceptive**.

- **Censorship & Intimidation:** The DOJ's **subpoenas of NYT reporters** are characterized as "**legal warfare**" intended to stop leaks about the **Air Force One security flaws**. This represents a "**brazen act**" of narrative control by the [Trump administration](#).
- **Domestic Propaganda:** Rep. Abdul El-Sayed's campaign is being attacked by **AIPAC-funded groups** using what he calls "**low blows**" to frame him as a "**democratic socialist**" rather than a [reformist candidate](#).

HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **Senate Power Shift:** With the **Budget Committee Chair** vacant and McConnell incapacitated, a more **hardline MAGA faction** is likely to seize control of the Senate agenda, potentially stalling **Ukraine aid** in favor of the "**Save America Act**" [priority](#).
- **Iranian Retaliation Expansion:** Given the U.S. strikes in **Tabriz and Kerimanshah**, Iran will likely escalate its **proxy attacks** in Iraq and Syria, targeting **U.S. personnel** to force a domestic political [recoil in Washington](#).
- **Oil Price Peak:** If the Strait of Hormuz conflict remains unresolved for **another 30 days**, U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve depletion will coincide with peak **August demand**, making **\$4.50+** gas prices [nearly inevitable](#).

STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Short Term (1-4 Weeks): Expect **major civil unrest** in Houston following the **ICE shooting protest** [July 12](#). The **South**

Carolina special primary will become a national litmus test for **Trump's influence** over the state's GOP. Confirmation hearings for **Todd Blanche** will likely be **delayed or highly contentious** without Graham's mediation.

Medium Term (1-6 Months): The **Save America Act** will either be passed as a **tribute to Graham** or collapse under the **Budget Committee vacuum**. U.S. military readiness will drop to its **lowest level in a decade** as **Patriot inventories** remain below [50%](#).

Long Term (1-5 Years): Europe will likely formalize **independent defense structures**, moving away from U.S. hardware like **F-35s** to avoid "**transactional policy risks**". Iran will likely **achieve breakout nuclear capacity**, having used the current conflict to "**fortify**" deep underground [nuclear facilities](#).

RISK ASSESSMENT

The most critical risks involve a **systemic failure of U.S. deterrence** and the **collapse of essential infrastructure** due to combined weather and geopolitical shocks.

- **Conflict Spiraling in the Gulf:** Risk of a **full-scale naval engagement** between the U.S. and Iran. **Triggers:** Iranian drone hit on a **U.S. warship** or U.S. seizure of **Kharg Island**. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** **\$150/barrel oil** and potential global recession. **Mitigations:** Successful **Omani mediation** for [joint control mechanism](#).

- **U.S. Munitions Depletion:** Risk of **strategic failure** in a Pacific conflict. **Triggers:** **China** making a move on **Taiwan** while U.S. stocks are redirected to the **Middle East**. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Loss of **regional primacy** and trade disruption. **Mitigations:** Massive expansion of [production lines](#) via DPA.
- **Senate Legislative Collapse:** Risk of **government shutdown** or failure to pass the budget. **Triggers:** Partisan infighting over **Graham's replacement** and Budget Chair. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** **Delayed defense spending** and economic volatility. **Mitigations:** Rapid appointment of a [caretaker senator](#).
- **Mass Casualty Heat Event:** Risk of **grid failure** and deaths during the **heat dome**. **Triggers:** Temperatures exceeding **110 degrees** in high-density areas. **Likelihood:** High. **Impact:** **Overwhelmed medical systems** and energy rationing. **Mitigations:** Federal disaster [emergency declarations](#).
- **Erosion of Media Integrity:** Risk of **chilled investigative reporting** on national security. **Triggers:** Successful **prosecution** of NYT reporters. **Likelihood:** Moderate. **Impact:** Increased **state secrecy** and lack of public oversight. **Mitigations:** Judicial [quashing of subpoenas](#).

GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

- **Cybersecurity Posture:** The broadcasts focus almost exclusively on **kinetic strikes** in Iran, ignoring the **likely cyber-retaliation** by Iranian state-sponsored groups against **U.S. infrastructure**.

- **Chinese Response:** There is no mention of **Beijing's diplomatic or economic reaction** to the 140 U.S. strikes, despite China being **Iran's largest oil customer**.
- **Munitions Production Capacity:** While **CSIS data** on depletion is shared, there is **no verification** of the actual **throughput speed** of U.S. factories to replace **Tomahawks**.
- **Iran's Domestic Stability:** Reports omit the **internal impact** of the U.S. strikes on the **Iranian civilian population** and whether this is **strengthening or weakening** the regime's hold on power.
- **Saudi/UAE Positioning:** The broadcasts assume **Gulf nations** are passive targets, omitting their **private negotiations** to potentially **de-couple** from U.S. regional strategy.

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

- **The Managed Conflict Hypothesis:** The U.S. strikes are **purposely limited** (80-140 targets compared to 330 previously) to maintain a "**perpetual gray zone**" that avoids total war while justifying **massive defense budget hikes** and the [Save America Act](#).
- **The Iranian Breakout Strategy:** Iran's closure of the Strait is not a military tactic but a **negotiating ruse** intended to distract the U.S. while they **finish** the reconstruction of **hardened nuclear sites** seen in [satellite imagery](#).
- **Black Swan Event:** A **synchronous heat dome and grid failure** in Washington D.C. or major military hubs **halts command and control** during an Iranian retaliatory strike, leading to an **uncontrolled escalation**.

RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

For Statecraft/Public Sector:

- **Security:** Immediately **triage Patriot and THAAD missile deployments** to prioritize **U.S. bases in the Gulf** over secondary theaters [until inventories recover](#).
- **Economic:** Prepare for **oil price volatility** by coordinating with **Oman** on a maritime "**safe passage corridor**" that operates independently of [Iranian coastal claims](#).
- **Diplomatic:** Appoint a **Special Envoy to the Gulf** immediately to fill the **diplomatic vacuum** left by Graham, specifically to [reassure Israel and Ukraine](#).

For Private Sector/Investors:

- **Supply Chain:** Diversify **refined fuel sourcing** away from the Persian Gulf and Russia, as **refining margins** will remain at [record levels](#).
- **Regulatory Compliance:** Companies involved in the **Paramount-WBD merger** should prepare for **protracted state-level litigation** regardless of [federal approvals](#).
- **Safety Standards:** Industrial operators in the **western U.S.** must implement **extreme heat mitigation** for outdoor personnel as [records are smashed](#).

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

Legislative activity is currently suspended in **observation of Graham's death**, though significant bills related to **sanctions and election integrity** remain on the docket. Republican leadership is attempting to use

Graham's legacy to **consolidate support** for controversial [voter legislation](#).

• BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:

- **Save America Act:** A comprehensive voting and budget bill that Graham was **spearheading**; now being pushed by [Rep. Buddy Carter](#) as a tribute.
- **Russian Sanctions Package:** A bipartisan bill co-authored by **Graham and Blumenthal** intended to impose **heavy tariffs** on Russian oil and [nuclear fuel](#).
- **Camp Safety Act (Texas):** State-level legislation intended to **prevent flood tragedies**, currently criticized for **excessive fees** and [remote communication requirements](#).

• HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:

- **Todd Blanche Confirmation:** Hearings for the **Attorney General nominee** are scheduled [for this week](#); his fate is now uncertain.
- **IAEA Vienna Briefing:** Discussion on **Iranian nuclear site reconstruction** following [satellite analysis](#).

KEY STORIES

- **The Passing of Senator Lindsey Graham:** Detailed reporting on the **aortic dissection** of the 71-year-old senator at his **Washington D.C. home**. Reporting includes 911 dispatch audio of a **person suffering chest pains** and tributes from **President Trump, John Thune, and Benjamin Netanyahu** [July 12](#).

- **Third Round of U.S. Airstrikes on Iran:** U.S. Central Command confirms strikes on **140 targets** in southern Iran, including **Tabriz and Kerimanshah**, following a drone attack on the **MV Galaxy** in the **Strait of Hormuz** [July 12](#).
- **Mitch McConnell's Health Statement:** The **84-year-old senator** released a statement and photo from a **rehab facility** clarifying his condition after a month of **hospitalization** following a fall [July 12](#).
- **Depletion of U.S. Interceptor Missiles:** Analysis showing the **U.S. has used 50% of its Patriot stocks** and lacks **replacement deliveries** for 2026, creating a "**window of risk**" regarding **China and Taiwan** [July 12](#).
- **Paramount-Warner Bros. Discovery Antitrust Action:** Democratic **Attorneys General** in CA and NY prepare to sue to stop a **\$110 billion media consolidation** [July 12](#).
- **Toronto latin Street Festival Shooting:** A mass shooting at a festival with **13,000 attendees** left **two dead** and four injured; a manhunt for **multiple suspects** is underway [July 12](#).
- **U.S. Heat Dome and Record Temperatures:** Temperatures reach **107 in Salt Lake City** and **111 in Billings**, threatening all-time records across the **Midwest and Northern Plains** [July 12](#).
- **ICE Shooting Protest in Houston:** **HUNDREDS** gather at **Houston City Hall** to demand an **independent autopsy** for **Lorenzo Salgado Araujo**, who was shot by federal agents; **eye-witness accounts** from three detained men contradict the **official federal narrative** [July 12](#).
- **Macron Syria Visit and Bombing:** French President Emmanuel Macron visits **Damascus** to meet **President Al-Sharaa**; **two bombs** explode near his hotel, injuring **18 people** [July 12](#).
- **Bangkok Pub Fire:** A fire at a venue in **Thailand** kills **27 people**; reports indicate an **explosion** occurred after a power outage [July 12](#).
- **Wimbeldon Championship:** **Jannik Sinner** defends his title, defeating **Alexander Zverev** in a match lasting **3 hours and 46 minutes** [July 12](#).
- **World Cup Semifinals Set:** **England, Argentina, Spain, and France** advance; a **monumental clash** between England and Argentina is set for **Wednesday in Atlanta** [July 12](#).

ABOUT THIS REPORT

Today's Media Trends is a public interest experiment in applying deep thematic trend analysis to television news coverage from around the world to explore how responsibly applied advanced AI can help journalists and scholars better understand the overarching trends, themes and patterns of our global world.

No data is used to train or tune any AI model.

Each morning, in collaboration with the Internet Archive's TV News Archive, we apply Google's Gemini 3 to deeply examine yesterday's coverage from each television news channel to tease out the overarching themes and trends of its news coverage into a richly annotated thematic analysis. Each high-level insight is connected back to the original broadcast, allowing journalists and scholars to understand the dominate themes and trends

and instantly click out to the underlying sources for details.

By helping journalists and scholars see the broader trends and patterns of global news coverage, this analysis helps them identify relevant stories and coverage they might not otherwise have encountered and uncover connections, emphases and narrative shifts that enable more comprehensive reporting and deeper, evidence-based research.

This report is entirely machine generated using Gemini 3 and may include errors and

omissions. Please verify all findings. No data is used to train or tune any AI model.

For questions or suggestions, please contact kalev.leetaru5@gmail.com. To learn more or subscribe to our free daily newsletters, visit <https://blog.gdeltproject.org/announcing-our-new-daily-todays-trends-on-capitol-hill-todays-media-trends-newsletter-briefings/>. You can also learn more about the GDELT Project at <https://blog.gdeltproject.org/> and the Internet Archive's TV News Archive at <https://archive.org/details/tv>.