TUCKER CARLSON’S DESCENT INTO WHITE SUPREMACY:
A TIMELINE
Since the early days of his tenure as a Fox prime-time host, Tucker Carlson’s unabashed championing of white grievances earned him the accolades of neo-Nazis, who praised him as a “one man gas chamber” and complimented the way he “lampshad[ed] Jews on national television.” While Carlson claims to have nothing in common with neo-Nazis and white supremacists, he constantly echoes their talking points on his show and was very reluctant to condemn white supremacists following their deadly 2017 demonstration in Charlottesville, VA. In fact, Carlson’s racist roots can be traced back more than a decade.

Here’s a timeline of the public devolution of Tucker Carlson’s thinly veiled racism into full-throated white supremacy from 2004 through the present. The full report is available online here: https://www.mediamatters.org/tucker-carlson/tucker-carlsons-descent-white-supremacy-timeline

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**May 2004:** Carlson: “I don’t see” that “diversity is the strength of our country.”

In a 2004 interview with NYTV on the launch of his PBS show, Carlson “I want a place where if you’ve got an opinion that you think is right, but a little out of step with the mainstream, and you’re embarrassed to express it, you feel comfortable expressing it on this show.” He added, “I was thinking this morning: ‘Diversity is the strength of our country.’ Oh yeah? How’s that? Why don’t you explain that to me? I don’t see that. I mean, is diversity the strength of the Balkans? No.”

**May 2004:** Carlson apologized for calling Pat Buchanan an anti-Semite because “while he may be” one, “not all his ideas are crazy.”

In the same NYTV interview, Carlson said he “definitely called Pat a lot of names” in his writing, “and I feel bad about that.” Carlson added, “I think he deserved some of those names. On the other hand, calling people names is a way of ignoring what they’re saying. It’s actually an outrage, and I actually feel really bad about my role in that.”

**April 4, 2006:** Carlson on Barack Obama: “How is he Black, for one thing? He has one white parent, one Black parent.”

**May 17, 2006:** Immigrants should be “hot” or “really smart” because people who “come over and pick lettuce” aren’t going to build a stronger country.

**May 30, 2006:** Carlson: I have “zero sympathy” for Iraqis because they “don’t use toilet paper or forks.”

In an appearance on Florida shock jock radio host Bubba the Love Sponge’s show, he demanded Iraqis “shut the fuck up and obey” because “the second we leave, they’re going to be calling for us to return because they can’t govern themselves.

**July 6, 2007:** Carlson said President Barack Obama “sounds like a pothead.”

During his tenure as a host on MSNBC, Carlson discussed a speech then-Sen. Barack Obama (D-IL) gave during his first presidential campaign, asking, “How high is this guy?” and if “he always talks between bong hits.”

**August 24, 2007:** Carlson called the NAACP “a sad joke that should be shut down.”
Carlson discussed former NFL player Michael Vick’s guilty plea to dogfighting charges and asserted that the NAACP was defending Vick. Carlson called the organization “a sad joke that should be shut down, I think, immediately for the sake of everybody.”

March 11, 2008: Carlson: The war in Iraq could turn around “if, somehow, the Iraqis decided to behave like human beings.”

August 5, 2008: Carlson said that “the Congressional Black Caucus exists to blame the white man for everything, and I’m happy to say that because it’s true.”

He also claimed that “everyone knows it’s true.”

August 5, 2008: “Everybody knows that Barack Obama would still be in the state Senate in Illinois if he were white.”

After hosts on the Bubba the Love Sponge show explained how frequently they receive anti-Black calls from their audience, Carlson insisted “he has been helped” by being non-white.

September 3, 2008: Carlson: “White men” deserve credit for “creating civilization.”

October 7, 2008: Carlson: “Iraq is a crappy place filled with a bunch of, you know, semiliterate primitive monkeys – that’s why it wasn’t worth invading.”

January 11, 2010: Carlson said that when Democrats say then-Sen. Harry Reid supports civil rights, “what they’re saying is he’s for racial set-asides.”

While criticizing Democrats who defended then-Senate Majority Leader Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) after he made racist remarks about Obama, Carlson claimed on Fox News Reid supported “racial set-asides.” During a guest appearance on Fox News’ Happening Now, Carlson said, “I’m amazed by the number of Democrats, though, you hear saying, ‘We support Reid because he supports civil rights,’ as if his opponents don’t support civil rights, as if there’s any mainstream figure in American life who’s against civil rights. Everybody’s for civil rights. What they’re saying is he’s for racial set-asides, therefore, given that pay-off he gets a pass when he uses the phrase ‘Negro dialect.’”

April 27, 2010: Carlson said Obama was “using racial anxiety” similar to “Nixon’s Southern strategy” for “political gain.”
Carlson claimed that a video message from Obama should be interpreted as him saying, “You have reason to fear on racial grounds, therefore vote for me.”

**July 20, 2010:** Carlson said Rev. Jeremiah Wright was the “one story” that could’ve destroyed Obama and compared Wright to a Grand Dragon of the Ku Klux Klan.

Carlson told Fox’s Sean Hannity that the ABC News story that revealed that sermons of Obama’s pastor, Rev. Jeremiah Wright, included incendiary remarks about terrorist attacks in the United States, was Obama’s “Achilles’ heel” and “that’s why they decided to lie about it.” He then decried nonexistent double standards by saying, “Had this been a white Republican consorting with a [KKK] Grand Dragon,” the press would have covered that story more than they did Wright’s sermons.

**September 6, 2010:** Carlson claimed the NAACP is “totally discredited, some would say pathetic.”

During a segment on Fox & Friends about the NAACP sponsoring a website that monitored the conservative Tea Party movement for racism and extremism, the host asked Carlson: “Is there some political gain by proving that there is racism amongst the Tea Party? ... There has to be toward some end.” Carlson responded, “The end is keeping Democrats in power.” He went on to refer to the NAACP as “totally discredited, some would say pathetic.”

**April 6, 2013:** Carlson said that a Phoenix, AZ, diversity program was informed by “the same rationale that propped up Jim Crow for 80 years.”

While hosting Fox & Friends Saturday, Carlson claimed an initiative by the city of Phoenix, AZ, that looked to hire more minorities as lifeguards was done “in the service of the diversity cult.” He also asserted that the city’s intentions of hiring more lifeguards from the same minority communities who usually swam in the public pools was “the same rationale that propped up Jim Crow for 80 years, right? You want to swim in a pool with people that look like you.”

**November 2, 2014:** Carlson advocated for “an older white guy-appreciation day.”

While discussing the 2014 midterm elections, Carlson noted that white men had “done a lot for this country,” speaking “as one of them.” Carlson advocated for “an older white guy-appreciation day,” naming penicillin as an example of their contributions.

**May 19, 2015:** Carlson told conspiracy theorist Alex Jones that the Obama administration was pushing “Nazi” politics.

During a guest appearance on The Alex Jones Show, Carlson told host and conspiracy theorist Alex Jones that the Obama administration was engaging in “Nazi stuff” by using ethnic politics.
May 29, 2015: Carlson called the relocation of a statue at St. Louis University that depicted Native Americans kneeling to a white missionary an “act of racism.”

On Fox & Friends, Carlson criticized the relocation and called the statue’s detractors “wholly ignorant.”

September 13, 2015: Carlson said CBS late night host Stephen Colbert wearing a Black Lives Matter wristband showed “he’s so rich, famous celebrity guy so totally out of touch, he doesn’t fully understand what that represents.”

During the weekend edition of Fox & Friends, Carlson criticized Colbert’s support of the Black Lives Matter movement and suggested Colbert supports the “idea behind all the groups ... that you divide people on the basis of their skin color and say, ‘This one group of people’s lives matter.’ Everybody’s life matters. Period.”

October 21, 2015: Carlson said that then-candidate Donald Trump is the “embodiment” of the “frustrations” of those who are labeled “racist” or “nativist” but have “legitimate” anti-immigration concerns.

In an appearance on The Laura Ingraham Show, Carlson defended then-candidate Donald Trump’s extreme anti-immigrant rhetoric, saying that if “legitimate” extreme anti-immigration views are not allowed “to be aired, they will pop up in some other place. They don’t go away, they’re not resolved.” He also said that the Republicans were lucky that Trump was all they got, and not a modern-day equivalent to segregationist 1960s Alabama governor and failed presidential candidate George Wallace.

August 8, 2016: Carlson attacked the Black and Hispanic Journalists Associations.

While co-hosting the Sunday, August 6, edition of Fox & Friends, Carlson said “if you take three steps back,” journalist associations for minority groups are “kind of a little odd,” and questioned why journalists should “coalesce around a racial identity.” He also wondered if it was ironic that then-Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton — who spoke to the members of the journalistic associations — was “accusing her opponent of racism while speaking to a racially exclusive group.”

August 29, 2016: Carlson responded to NFL player Colin Kaepernick’s protests against police brutality by asking, “When did rich people become victims?”

While discussing Kaepernick, Carlson also accused Oprah Winfrey and Obama of identifying as “victims” and suggested, “The next time some overpaid entertainer or athlete or politician stands up
and says, ‘boohoo, people are mean to me because of x, y, and z,’ laugh in their face, including this guy.”

**September 27, 2016:** Tucker Carlson claimed that it was “absurd” of Hillary Clinton to point out implicit racial bias.

On Fox & Friends, Carlson denied that racism is still a big issue in America by calling a comment by Clinton about implicit bias in the U.S. “absurd” and claiming that we should “be adults” instead of acting like “America is still in 1955.”

**November 17, 2016:** Carlson dismissed extremism by claiming that “the American Nazi Party and the KKK don’t really exist in a meaningful [way].”

In a conversation with The New York Times’ Nicholas Kristof, Carlson said that “the American Nazi Party and the KKK don’t really exist in a meaningful [way]” and asserted that when critics “tie Trump supporters to those groups, that’s a slur.”

**November 18, 2016:** Carlson reflexively defended then-Attorney General nominee Jeff Sessions’ racist past.

After then-Sen. Jeff Sessions was nominated to become Trump’s attorney general, Tucker told his guest that his concerns about Sessions’ record of racism was “fearmongering” and that he couldn’t be racist because Alabama is a “diverse” state.

**December 21, 2016:** Carlson compared affirmative action to slavery, Jim Crow, and Japanese internment.

**February 10, 2017:** Carlson complained that on college campuses “everybody gets a safe space except white men.”

They are hated and despised.” During his Fox show, Carlson interviewed then-Daily Caller columnist Scott Greer, author of the book No Campus for White Men, and claimed that creating safe spaces for marginalized groups demonstrates that “the hysteria level is rising.” The Daily Caller — which Carlson co-founded — fired Greer in 2018 after The Atlantic revealed his ties to white nationalists and members of the “alt-right” like Richard Spencer.

**March 8, 2017:** In an interview with Univision’s Jorge Ramos, Carlson dismissed Ramos’ opinion as a Hispanic American by claiming Ramos looks “whiter than I am.”

Carlson demanded that Ramos explain his statement in reference to immigrants that the United States is “our country.” Ramos explained that he meant that “the Trump administration and many people who support Donald Trump, they think it is their country, that it is a white country and they are
absolutely wrong. … Latinos, Asians, African-Americans, whites, it is our country, Tucker.” Carlson dismissed his response by commenting on his appearance, saying, “I don’t know exactly what you mean by white or Latino,” because “you are white, obviously, you’re whiter than I am. You’ve got blue eyes.”

**March 13, 2017:** Carlson hosted Congressman and white supremacist Steve King and defended him after King received backlash for a racist tweet.

Rep. Steve King (R-IA) faced backlash when he tweeted in support of right-wing Dutch politician Geert Wilders, writing, “Wilders understands that culture and demographics are our destiny. We can’t restore our civilization with somebody else’s babies.” Carlson hosted King on his show to defend his racist remarks and said to him, “Everything you said, I think, is defensible and probably right.” Carlson again invited King on his show later in July to talk about his proposal of defunding Planned Parenthood to build a wall along the southern U.S. border. King has a history of elevating neo-Nazis and known white supremacists on Twitter, and he has cited the white nationalist publication VDare on his congressional website.

**April 3, 2017:** Carlson mocked the inclusion of women scientists of color in the March for Science meant that the organizers “hate white men more than they hate global warming.”

**April 17, 2017:** While ranting about “more than 350,000 migrants” arriving in Europe, Carlson referred to the refugee influx as an “invasion” changing Europe’s demographics.

Carlson reported that “more than 7,000 African migrants” had arrived in Italy in the days prior, and warned that “many of them will remain, some for generations, as beneficiaries of European welfare states.” He said that the refugees arrived “without invitation illegally and at public expense” and fearmongered that they would “forever and profoundly change the demographics of the continent in ways that pretty much nobody who was born there ever asked for or wanted.”

**May 3, 2017:** Carlson stated he was “pretty sympathetic” to the “alt-right,” anti-Semite troll known online as “Baked Alaska.”

While interviewing Buzzfeed’s Ben Smith, Carlson said that he was “pretty sympathetic” to former Buzzfeed employee turned “alt-right” troll Tim Gionet, who is known online as “Baked Alaska.” After quitting Buzzfeed, Gionet claimed that Jews control the media, went on to participate in the 2017 “Unite the Right” white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, VA, and started a YouTube live stream show in which he hosted neo-Nazis and white supremacists.

**May 10, 2017:** Carlson falsely claimed that a racist Texas voter ID law that several courts found to be discriminatory against minority voters had “nothing to do with race.”
Carlson tried to defend the 2011 Texas voter ID law SB 14, claiming it had “nothing to do with race.” However, several courts found the law not only discriminated against minority voters but also was created with the “intent to discriminate against minority voters.” In 2016, a federal appeals court explained that under the law, Black voters would be “1.78 times more likely than Whites, and Latinos 2.42 times more likely, to lack” the ID required to vote.

May 30, 2017: Carlson took issue with media portraying a murderer from Portland, OR, as a white supremacist.

Carlson reacted to the news that a man, after berating Muslims on a train in Portland, OR, had stabbed two bystanders who tried to contain him by saying the perpetrator “hardly” exhibited “the behavior of a coherent white supremacist,” and that media, “like progressives everywhere, ... see racists under every bed.”

June 26, 2017: Carlson defended Trump’s Muslim ban by asserting “it doesn’t ban Muslims.”

As Carlson’s guest explained, “The six countries that it banned, the only thing that they have in common is they are majority Muslim countries.

June 26, 2017: Carlson lashed out after Alaska renamed Columbus Day to Indigenous People’s Day, calling it an “attack on civilization.”

Carlson said the refusal “to commemorate the discovery of the New World by Europeans” was absurd and that colonization led to “more human freedom and happiness” and “far less human sacrifice and cannibalism.”

June 29, 2017: Carlson claimed that “the left” calls Trump vulgar, even though the liberals “applauded when Obama vacationed with rappers.”

Carlson claimed that the left hated President Donald Trump not because “he’s vulgar, though he is,” but “because he’s a nationalist who says the interests of America and its people ought to come first.” As evidence, Carlson cited that “the left” had “applauded when Barack Obama vacationed with rappers.”

July 10, 2017: After asking if “the Western civilization” was “superior” than the cultures of Middle Eastern immigrants coming to the United States, Carlson denied even knowing “what ‘white nationalist’ means.”

Carlson engaged in a screaming match with guest Brad Woodhouse and suggested immigrants were bringing “sharia law” and dismissed Woodhouse’s argument that people writing Trump’s speeches have white nationalist ties, saying, “I don’t even know what ‘white nationalist’ means.”
**July 17, 2017:** Carlson used the slur “gypsies” and claimed that Roma immigrants have “little regard for either the law or public decency.”

Carlson hyped reports that a group of Roma asylum seekers were settling in Pennsylvania and “integration is not going well” because “citizens say they defecate in public, chop the heads off chickens, leave trash everywhere, and more.” He complained, “This has been a distinct group for a thousand years that actually hasn’t assimilated, for the most part, into the cultures in which it’s been hosted.” The Roma, who Carlson referred to as “gypsies,” were a target of the Nazi ethnic cleansing project.

**August 15, 2017:** Carlson objected to the push to remove Confederate statues comparing it to the extremism of the Taliban in Afghanistan, Khmer Rouge in Cambodia, and Mao in China.

A day after the white supremacist rally in Charlottesville, VA, Carlson hosted a segment on the issue of removing Confederate statues from public spaces and accused activists of “trying to delegitimize the U.S. government and the traditions of American society because they don’t believe in them.”

**August 15, 2017:** Carlson attempted to minimize America’s history of slavery by pointing out that Aztecs, Africans and Mohammed had slaves too.

A day after the Charlottesville rally, Carlson tried to minimize the impact of American slavery by saying we shouldn’t “judge the past by the standards of the present.”

**August 16, 2017:** Carlson attacked tech companies for banning white supremacists from their platforms.

Two days after the Charlottesville rally, Carlson said tech companies banning white supremacists from using their platforms should be “brought to heel” and called them “far less trustworthy” than the monopolies of the Gilded Age. He also fearmongered that tech companies — not white supremacists — “could make this country a place you would not want to live.”

**August 24, 2017:** Carlson said NFL players “hate your country” because of their protests against “racism or something.”

Carlson characterized NFL players kneeling during national anthem to protest systematic racial injustice as “many of the league’s richest players” going “out of their way to let you know how much they hate your country.” He also dismissively mentioned the reasons behind the protests as “racism or something.”
August 31, 2017: After the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) released a list of Confederate monuments in the country, Carlson lashed out and accused the center of threatening violence.

In reaction to the Southern Poverty Law Center’s press release calling for Confederate monuments to be taken down, Carlson said, “That sounds like a threat to me.”

September 5, 2017: Carlson went to bat for Gab, a social media site dubbed a “haven for white nationalists.”

Carlson hosted Andrew Torba, the founder of Gab, a social media app that has been described as a “haven for white nationalists” and a “magnet for the alt-right.” Carlson defended the app and joined Torba in attacking Google and Apple for removing it for promoting “hate speech,” while conveniently ignoring the extremist content that proliferates on Gab.

September 7, 2017: Carlson’s proposed solution to California’s overcrowded prisons was deportation.

During a conversation about California’s mass incarceration system, Carlson repeatedly inquired “what percentage of its inmates are foreign nationals” and suggested deportation as a solution to overcrowding.

September 11, 2017: Carlson claimed that the lesson of the September 11 terror attacks is that “not all cultures are equal.”

In commemorating the anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks, Carlson said that the “first” lesson to learn is that “not all cultures are equal” and that the United States must “treasure and try to preserve” that which makes it “distinct.”

September 18, 2017: Carlson claimed that striving for diversity “gets you to civil war.”

During a discussion of the 2017 Emmy awards ceremony, Carlson bizarrely attacked actress and director Issa Rae for saying she was rooting for Black people to win, saying that is “opposite of diversity.” Carlson also claimed that advocating for diversity in entertainment “gets you to civil war.”

September 20, 2017: Carlson lashed out after Rep. Maxine Waters (D-CA) linked former Chairman of Breitbart News Steve Bannon to racism.

Carlson defended Breitbart News from accusations of racism by saying he reads it and knows “most people who work over there” and they aren’t “Klansmen.” Breitbart has a history of employing extremists, including former tech editor Milo Yiannopoulos, who used to run drafts of some Breitbart content by white nationalists for feedback.
**September 20, 2017:** Carlson told a Black guest he understood the struggle with racism because “I’m an American.”

While hand-wringing over a children’s football team taking a knee during the national anthem to show solidarity with NFL athletes protesting police brutality, Carlson told guest Freddie Mitchell, a former NFL player who is Black, that oppression of African-Americans in America “is an overstatement.”

**September 26, 2017:** Carlson had a meltdown after a Black guest pointed out Carlson wouldn’t understand what it’s like to be “brutalized” by police, accused him of playing “the victim card.”

Carlson accused his guest Scott Bolden, a Black lawyer, of playing “the victim card” for talking about his personal experience with police brutality. Carlson also claimed that saying there are racially two Americas was “garbage”.

**October 19, 2017:** Carlson defended Trump from charges of racism against Puerto Ricans because “Puerto Rico is 75 percent white, according to the U.S. Census.”

Carlson characterized as “unfounded” the charges that the Trump administration’s response to Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico was racist. Carlson added that “the race angle” bothered him because “it makes people hate each other, and it’s just stupid.”

**October 20, 2017:** Carlson dismissed Trump’s birther conspiracy theories against Obama, claiming they weren’t racist.

Carlson claimed that Trump’s birther question was “factual,” not racist.

**October 25, 2017:** Carlson cited changing European demographics and immigration to justify the rise of white nationalism.

Carlson blamed immigration to the U.S. and to European countries for creating a “volatile society,” and claimed white backlash was a result of not giving people who don’t like it “a chance to weigh-in”. He also dismissed the rise in white nationalism and characterized his guest’s argument warning against it “fearmongering” and “hysterical and silly.”

**October 31, 2017:** Carlson baselessly characterized terrorism as something that “seems obviously tied to immigration.”

Carlson asserted that immigration is fueling a rise in terrorism and questioned why the U.S. refuses to have a conversation about it.
November 1, 2017: Carlson referred to the victims of a New York terrorist attack as “martyrs to a diversity cult worshiped by our ruling class.”

In response to a deadly terror attack in New York City allegedly carried out by an immigrant who came to the U.S. on a diversity visa, Carlson claimed the victims were “martyrs to a diversity cult worshiped by our ruling class” and accused “this country’s leaders” of deciding “that diversity, in and of itself, is of greater importance than the well-being of this country’s people.”

November 6, 2017: Carlson smeared immigrants as criminals by portraying violent gangs like MS-13 as “one manifestation” of immigration.

Carlson characterized immigration as “actually a threat” and suggested the brutal gang MS-13 was “one manifestation” of immigration. He justified this characterization, claiming, “There’s nothing racist about saying that.” Carlson conveniently ignored that “the attention that MS-13 has received is disproportionate to its impact” and that the gang originated in the U.S. ProPublica’s Hannah Dreier, who has reported on the gang for over a year, has explained that the gang focuses its terrorizing on “young Latino immigrants in a few specific communities.”

November 9, 2017: Carlson referred to supporters of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program protesting its termination as “a literal horde of illegal immigrants [who] stormed Capitol Hill today.”

Carlson also wondered why elected leaders in the U.S. hate Americans so much as evidenced by the current immigration policies. Carlson complained that not enough arrests had been made, saying that “we don’t people in America” even if they engage in protests that are “illegal on about eight different levels.”

November 30, 2017: Carlson defended the racist “Britain First” Twitter account that Trump retweeted.

Following backlash after Trump retweeted anti-Muslim propaganda from British extremist Jayda Fransen, Carlson defended Fransen and characterized criticism of Trump’s retweet as “creeping fascism” and as an assault on free speech by those who hold a “diversity agenda.”

December 20, 2017: Carlson fearmongered that Democrats want “demographic replacement” with a “flood of illegals” to create “a flood of voters for them.”

Carlson accused Democrats of having no interest in using immigration to better the country but wanting to build their own political base by bringing in a “flood of illegals.” He framed immigration as “demographic replacement,” echoing a white nationalist slogan that perpetuates the baseless claim that there’s a “white genocide” underway.
**December 22, 2017:** On Twitter, Carlson linked to explicitly racist YouTube channel Red Ice TV, then deleted the tweet.

As end-of-year content, Carlson was tweeting out what appeared to be a tongue-in-cheek list of 100 things that had been called racist in 2017. For item 19, Carlson tweeted out a link to Red Ice TV, an explicitly racist media operation with a wide-reaching YouTube channel which hosts Holocaust deniers and criticizes interracial relationships. While Carlson deleted the tweet after some backlash, Red Ice TV relished in the attention and devoted a video to the incident.

**January 3, 2018:** Carlson blamed articles about white privilege for people embracing white nationalism.

Carlson contended that outlets like Buzzfeed and The Root are “promoting” white nationalism and acting in a bigoted manner by publishing articles that discuss white people as a group and not as individuals. Carlson told his audiences that such articles are “lecturing” white people and telling them they’re the problem “because of the color of your skin, and the privilege it conveys.”

**January 11, 2018:** Carlson defended Trump’s racist “shithole” countries comment.

Carlson also claimed “every single person in America” agreed with Trump’s comment that Haiti, El Salvador, and African countries are “shithole countries.”

**January 17, 2018:** After a guest called out his racism, Carlson had a meltdown: “Up yours.”

As Chicago Alderman George Cardenas explained he represented everyone in his district regardless of their immigration status, Carlson had a meltdown and called him a “loathsome little demagogue.”

**January 18, 2018:** Carlson attacked immigration and ethnic diversity for “radically and permanently changing our country.”

While slamming Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC) for saying “diversity is our strength,” Carlson questioned the value of diversity and claimed, “Our leaders are radically and permanently changing our country, wholly on the basis of their faith that diversity is, in fact, our strength.” He then said diversity would lead people to “hate each other.”

**January 18, 2018:** A guest on Tucker Carlson Tonight defended white supremacists and claimed that Hispanics in Arizona represent the end of American society.

While appearing as a guest on Carlson’s show, Mark Steyn — who has also filled in as a guest host for Carlson on multiple occasions — opined that Democratic leaders prefer “illegal immigrants ... over American citizens.” While claiming to advocate for defending the interests of American
citizens, Steyn went on to dismiss the threat of race extremism by saying that “white supremacists are American citizens” while “illegal immigrants are people who shouldn’t be here.” He closed his appearance by fearmongering about the “cultural transformation” brought on by immigration, criticizing Arizona for having a majority of Hispanic grade school children. Carlson seemed to agree with every statement.

**January 22, 2018:** Carlson attacked MSNBC’s Joy Reid by accusing her of building her “entire public career” on “race-baiting.”

After Reid pointed out in her MSNBC show that Carlson’s genealogy included immigrants and that he had a “pretty blatantly white nationalist view of what immigration should be like,” Carlson accused her of “race-baiting” and said that calling his extreme anti-immigration immigration beliefs racist was an “attempt to short-circuit the conversation with slurs.”

**January 26, 2018:** Carlson angrily denied that Trump’s immigration plan is white nationalist while smearing non-white DACA recipients.

Carlson took issue with criticisms that a Trump immigration proposal had white supremacist elements, saying that “it definitely isn’t a form of white nationalism” because it would “legalize about 2 million people who currently have no right to be here” who are non-white (referring to undocumented immigrants brought to the U.S. as children).

**February 7, 2018:** Carlson slammed immigrants eligible for the protections under the DACA program for living in “a country that’s not theirs.”

Carlson accused DACA-eligible immigrants “didn’t care about our law.” In reality, signing up for DACA actually involved several steps with legal costs that could go over $500.

**February 13, 2018:** Carlson and guest Brit Hume discussed when it would be appropriate to use the N-word.

Carlson and Hume agreed that an overwhelming “wave of political correctness” was silencing too much speech, including the ability to say the N-word in some contexts. Hume added that because “America is a compassionate country,” being a victim is “kind of a good deal” and therefore people “go around applying for victim status.” Carlson agreed with the statement.

**February 21, 2018:** Carlson promoted Minds.com, a social media platform full of bigotry.

Carlson hosted Bill Ottman, the co-founder of Minds.com, who claimed that tech giants were seeking to destroy his company by censoring his site. AdSense, Google’s advertising platform, was banning his site for its bigoted content that included Holocaust denialism, the celebration of swastikas, and racist memes.
February 28, 2018: Carlson fearmongered that “foreign citizens will be electing our political leaders” if undocumented people were given access to basic ID cards.

While shilling for voter ID laws (which disenfranchise minority and elderly voters), Carlson criticized Chicago for an initiative to provide IDs for undocumented immigrants. Carlson went on to describe the Democratic Party as “the party of foreign voters now, many of them illegal.” Studies have shown this is not a serious concern regarding election integrity.

March 2, 2018: Carlson ran a segment on his show asking whether California was “turning third world” because of Latin American immigrants.

Carlson told his guest, “If you import millions of really poor people with no education, ... maybe your state gets a lot more like the countries they left.”

March 7, 2018: Carlson repeated his personal conspiracy theory that Democrats are encouraging non-citizens to vote in order to win elections.

He claimed that Democrats want “a brand new electorate from a different foreign country,” and fearmongered that Democrats were “making it easier for illegal immigrants to register to vote.”

March 13, 2018: Carlson defended an extremist YouTuber after she was barred from entering the U.K.

Carlson defended American extremist YouTuber Brittany Pettibone and her “identitarian” boyfriend Martin Sellner — who wants to preserve “ethno cultural identity” in Europe — after the U.K. authorities refused them entry in the country, citing their “planned activities” that would “bear a serious threat to the fundamental interests of society.” Carlson attacked the U.K., framing the refusal as evidence that it was a country that “hates itself, its heritage, and its own people.” Pettibone, a well-known “alt-right” troll, has appeared on white supremacist YouTube channel Red Ice TV, and has pushed conspiracy theories like “white genocide” and “Pizzagate,” according to Right Wing Watch.

March 14, 2018: Carlson blamed immigration for reducing “attractiveness” of American men.

In a monologue for his “Men in America” series that ran during Women’s History Month, Carlson cited a “well regarded study” he failed to identify to claim immigration leads to wage decline, which then reduces “the attractiveness of men as potential spouses thus reducing fertility and especially marriage rates.”

March 27, 2018: Carlson repeatedly berated an undocumented guest about whether he planned to vote in the next election.
While hosting lawyer Cesar Vargas to discuss whether the U.S. 2020 census should include a question about people’s immigration status, Carlson latched unto Vargas’ undocumented immigration status to repeatedly ask him whether he was planning to vote in the next election.

**April 2, 2018:** Regular guest Mark Steyn promoted a “stunningly racist” anti-immigrant French novel on Carlson’s show.

While appearing as a guest on Tucker Carlson Tonight, Mark Steyn, who frequently guests hosts the show when Tucker is out, praised Jaen Raspail’s The Camp of the Saints, a novel that has been accurately described as “a favorite racist fantasy of the anti-immigrant movement” and “revered by white supremacists.” Steyn had previously cited the novel in a prior appearance on Fox News, when he asked if The Camp of the Saints was “playing out simply incrementally with smaller boats” across Europe.

**April 3, 2018:** Carlson claimed Mexico is “far more racist country” than the U.S.

While hosting Mexican-American journalist Jorge Ramos, Carlson attacked Mexicans who criticize the idea of a border wall, saying, “It’s a little much for the offspring of conquistadors to be saying, ‘You’re racist if you want a border. By the way, when we get there, we deserve affirmative action.’”

**April 6, 2018:** Carlson agreed with a guest who claimed “lack of socialization” leads Black teenagers to commit murder at a higher rate than whites.

Claiming an Obama-era policy that meant to close racial gaps in discipline enforcement was to blame for disruptive behavior in classrooms, frequent Black Lives Matter-basher Heather Mac Donald said that the “same lack of socialization” among Black teenagers led them to commit violent crime at higher rates than white peers. Carlson called her claims “exactly the point,” adding that the Obama policy was “purely ideological and not rooted in reality at all.”

**April 6, 2018:** Carlson gave frequent guest and notoriously racist columnist Katie Hopkins a platform to call for profiling young Black men in London, U.K.

Following a spate of stabbings in London, Carlson invited bigoted columnist Katie Hopkins — who has advocated for military forces to evacuate homeless people in Los Angeles, CA — on his show to comment on the situation. Hopkins repeatedly referred to “Black gangs,” saying they are “killing each other.” She also endorsed “profiling” and said, “We need to quadruple our stop and search efforts.”

**April 18, 2018:** Carlson compared affirmative action in colleges and universities to Jim Crow policies.
Carlson characterized “the average admissions office” in colleges and universities as “every bit as race conscious as any institution in the Jim Crow South, and far less transparent about it.”

April 24, 2018: Carlson said that no one wants to live in Britain or Sweden because “they imported a bunch of people from a part of the world that doesn’t share their values.”

Carlson claimed immigration had brought to Great Britain, France, and Sweden “massive terror, crime, and disorder problems,” adding that terrorism was “a largely immigrant phenomena.”

April 27, 2018: Carlson dismissed guest’s explanation that some Mexican immigrants come to the U.S. fleeing violence by saying that if Mexico is “such a dangerous country filled with so many violent people, why would we let any of them into our country?”

While hosting Univision’s Enrique Acevedo, Carlson asked him why Americans wouldn’t “be terrified” to “let [Mexicans] in” the United States, after Acevedo cited safety as one of the reasons Mexican immigrants flee their country.

May 15, 2018: Carlson hosted an apartheid apologist to fearmonger about South African land reform.

Carlson provided a platform to Ernst Roets, a leader of AfriForum, a group that has referred to apartheid as a “so-called” injustice. Despite a lack of evidence that attacks on white South African farmers are racially motivated, Carlson painted a picture of imagined white persecution by inaccurately reporting that a law had been passed allowing South African authorities to seize lands from white owners with no compensation for redistribution. Carlson lectured that the situation “is not what Nelson Mandela wanted.”

May 16, 2018: Carlson begged his guest to say something racist.

While criticizing a University of Colorado graduate certificate program in diversity and social justice that offered students credit if they held “witnessing whiteness workshop” in their hometowns, Carlson called on his guest “to be honest and make a negative generalization about any other racial or ethnic group” besides white people.

June 18, 2018: Carlson accused people speaking up against the government detaining children in cages at the border of just wanting to “change your country forever.”

Carlson also dismissed criticisms against Trump’s family separation policy, arguing that the costs of immigration are “entirely on you” and if you complain about it “they will call you ‘Hitler.’”

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July 5, 2018: While criticizing a Congolese immigrant for protesting Trump’s policies, Carlson characterized the Congo as a “war-ravaged hellscape, a country noted for mass rape and cannibalism.”

He also asserted that Democrats were “plotting, in effect, a coup” through immigration policy, accusing immigrant advocates of “lying” when they say they care about “civil rights.”

July 16, 2018: Carlson downplayed Russian election interference by claiming Mexico is “routinely interfering in our elections by packing the electorate” through immigration.

July 17, 2018: Carlson fearmongered that “Latin American countries are changing election outcomes here by forcing demographic change on this country.”

Carlson also claimed “Latin Americans clean houses of elites living in Washington, D.C., and “watch their kids” and that’s why the establishment doesn’t regard immigrants as “enemies.”

July 24, 2018: Carlson characterized “hate speech” as “a made-up category designed to gut the First Amendment and shut you up.”

Carlson also mocked an anti-Nazi poem written after the Holocaust.

July 26, 2018: Carlson accused immigration advocates of objecting to hateful rhetoric against immigrants because “you’re attacking their housekeeper.”

Carlson also characterized immigrants as a “serf class” imported to serve immigration advocates.

July 30, 2018: Carlson suggested a permanent resident guest he assumed was undocumented was lucky he wasn’t having him taken out by force for criticizing the immigration system.

Carlson attempted to shut down his guest Cesar Vargas, a previously undocumented lawyer, by saying, “Don’t hit me with the race crap.” He then tried to dismiss Vargas’ arguments by claiming he’s from a country “controlled by the conquistadors.” Carlson also said that Vargas had some chutzpah by “sitting here illegally and we’re not reporting you or having you like, taken out by force,” a point at which Vargas had to explain he in fact was a green card holder.
**July 31, 2018:** Carlson said that opposition to Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE) violates “a basic principle of Anglo-American civilization.”

Carlson described ICE — the agency seizing undocumented immigrants and terrorizing communities — as representing an “ancient” and “basic principle of Anglo-American civilization” and bemoaned that those opposing the agency are protecting people “who shouldn’t be here in the first place.”

**August 2, 2018:** Carlson hosted far-right anti-Muslim extremist Tommy Robinson, who thanked Carlson for defending him.

Carlson hosted Robinson, a British anti-Muslim extremist, after Robinson was released from prison after violating reporting restrictions in the U.K. Carlson mischaracterized Robinson’s arrest as being a result of him “expressing unfashionable opinions in public.”

**August 3, 2018:** Carlson claimed, “There is no history of racism against Koreans here, that’s just not true. Certainly not by white people, anyway.”

Carlson attacked New York Times’ Sarah Jeong over old tweets he took out of context, claiming they were “making sweeping claims about an entire racial group, all of them angry.” Carlson also vehemently denied there was any racism against Koreans (Jeong is Korean-American). He then suggested Jeong couldn’t be oppressed because she had gone to Harvard. He also called her “kind of dumb ... totally mediocre,” and wondered how she had gotten into Harvard Law School “as a dumb person.” Carlson asked if Jeong attacking “the race of” his children meant that he could “attack all Asians.”

**August 13, 2018:** Carlson dismissed the threat of extremism because “white supremacy is not ubiquitous in America” and, therefore, “it’s not a crisis. It’s not even a meaningful category.”

In the context of the second white supremacist Unite the Right rally in Charlottesville — held on the anniversary of the first one — Carlson referred to media reports about rallies as “hyperventilating press coverage” and said that people who are concerned about the white supremacist movement in America are “either delusional or trying to control you with fear, likely both.”

**August 14, 2018:** Carlson attacked refugees for using food assistance and took issue with recognizing children of undocumented immigrants born in the U.S. as U.S. citizens.

Citing a study by the anti-immigrant hate group Center for Immigration Studies, Carlson said refugees are “living off of taxpayers largesse.” Then, complaining that undocumented immigrants who have children in the U.S. can get government aid for their American children, Carlson suggested that it “might not be the case” that birthright citizenship is mandated by the Constitution.
August 15, 2018: Carlson said, “I actually hate litter which is why I’m so against illegal immigration.”

August 22, 2018: Carlson used white nationalist talking points to again fearmonger about “race-based land seizures” in South Africa.

Carlson described land reform in South Africa – a program to redistribute unequal land ownership that is a legacy of apartheid – as “literally the definition of racism.” He neglected to mention that the lands had been forcefully taken from Black South Africans during apartheid. Trump tweeted in response to the segment that he would be directing Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to look into the matters. White supremacists celebrated the segment and Trump’s tweet, as they have long taken South African politics out of context to serve their narrative of white oppression.

September 7, 2018: Carlson attacked American diversity, saying that it made “marriage or military units” less cohesive.

In a racist monologue that echoed white nationalist talking points attacking the value of diversity in American society, Tucker pitted “diversity” and “freedom of speech” against each other and claimed “racial discrimination” against white people is “acceptable” and “encouraged” in today’s society. After the segment prompted widespread criticism, Carlson attempted a defense on Twitter. White supremacists online celebrated the segment and agreed with Carlson.

September 10, 2018: Carlson doubled down on his attacks against diversity in America, citing “E Pluribus Unum.”

Carlson returned to the topic of diversity only to double down on his position that it is not a strength, claiming that “E Pluribus Unum” meant that having less differences were “the source of our national strength.”

September 11, 2018: Carlson commemorated the anniversary of the 9/11 terror attacks by fearmongering about immigration, saying, “The real threats we face today may be from within.”

Carlson warned his audiences about the threat of American leaders “who hate the country they govern so much that they seek to make American citizenship irrelevant.” He also hypothesized that if he hated a country, he would “open its doors to anyone who wanted to come here and demand nothing in return.”

September 14, 2018: Carlson said America “was a better country” when it was less diverse.

While hosting Univision’s Enrique Acevedo, Carlson ranted about increased immigration, saying that when he was born “it was fine, it was nice, it was a better country than it is now in a lot of ways.”
Acevedo asked him which metrics he was referring to, Carlson said, “It was a more cohesive country.” Acevedo put his response in context asking, “It was a less diverse country, maybe?”

**September 18, 2018:** Carlson claimed that Democrats’ willingness to hear sexual misconduct reports against then-nominee to Supreme Court Brett Kavanaugh was equivalent to sexism and racism.

While dismissing the sexual misconduct reports against Kavanaugh, Carlson portrayed those willing to hear Christine Blasey Ford — who said a drunken Kavanaugh sexually assaulted her when they were in high school — as blaming all men, “every single one of them, because they are men.” He then equated the willingness to believe women’s testimonies of sexual assault with blaming all men, suggesting it was similar to racism.

**September 28, 2018:** Carlson asserted that the Kavanaugh hearings had exposed “race hatred” toward white people.

Guest Harmeet Dhillon asserted in relation to the Kavanaugh hearings that “it has become fashionable now to beat up on white men, and whites more generally.” She went on to compare the treatment of white men in academia to apartheid, saying, “It’s apartheid on our college campuses.” Carlson agreed, claiming “race hatred” was going to “encourage some kind of conflict.”

**October 1, 2018:** Carlson claimed Kavanaugh reports are about punishing white people.

He said that the reports that Kavanaugh had engaged in sexual misconduct were “not about Brett Kavanaugh at this point” but about “punishing everyone who looks like Brett Kavanaugh.”

**October 1, 2018:** Carlson warned his audience about threats of white “genocide.”

Carlson claimed that a professor’s angry tweet about Kavanaugh and Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC) that had received considerable attention from white nationalists was really about “genocide.” The conspiracy theory that “white genocide” is afoot is a common trope of white supremacists.

**October 8, 2018:** Carlson compared Democrats to the genocidal “Hutu leaders in Rwanda.”

Carlson claimed that activist Tom Steyer was instigating “tribal warfare posing as democracy” by saying, “Kavanaugh was installed by a specific racial group in order to hurt and disempower every other racial group in America.” He continued by claiming that was “exactly the kind of things that Hutu leaders in Rwanda were saying in the early 1990s.”
October 8, 2018: Carlson said Indigenous Peoples Day is a message to “normal people” that “you don’t have the right to defend yourself.”

While criticizing places calling for Indigenous Peoples Day in a fight against the historical erasure of indigenous populations, Carlson suggested that the push to not celebrate Christopher Columbus was a message to “normal people” that “you don’t have the right to defend yourself.”

October 10, 2018: Carlson claimed California is descending into “the kind of place that Donald Trump wouldn’t want immigration from.”

Carlson compared California to “third world countries” while his guest Victor Davis Hanson suggested that the state was medieval because of an inflow of immigrants “without English.”

October 12, 2018: Carlson compared CNN’s Don Lemon to 1960s segregationists.

After Lemon criticized a meeting between rapper Kanye West and Trump, Carlson attacked Lemon, claiming he talked like people who “defended racial segregation in the American South.”

October 15, 2018: Carlson laughed at the mention of immigrant “babies in cages” as his guest brought up Trump’s family separation policies.

As Carlson’s guest Richard Goodstein, a former adviser of Hillary Clinton, referenced Trump’s family separation policies by stating the administration had a history of “locking up babies in cages,” Carlson minimized the inhumane policy by openly laughing.

October 24, 2018: Carlson tells Dave Rubin that he would be more sympathetic towards “Black people or Hispanics” if they were “getting pushed around” like people in the Midwest.

While appearing as a guest on YouTube’s The Rubin Report, Carlson told host Dave Rubin that he had greater sympathy for “the lone guy who’s getting pushed around,” and claiming that “the least popular group in America lives in the middle-west and they have kind of antiquated social attitudes and they have very little economic power and they’re overweight and everyone hates them.”

October 29, 2018: Carlson uses synagogue massacre to attack Trump critics for using the “language of holy war.”

Following the massacre of 11 Jewish people at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA, Carlson glazed over the attack to dog-whistle about Gab, a social media platform used by the alleged shooter that is an online “haven for white nationalists.” He claimed that journalists covering Gab’s connection to the shooting are committing “moral blackmail,” and said, “They want to take charge of what you are allowed to say and think ... by blaming you and your opinions for the crime.”
November 28, 2018: Carlson says the United States needs “an honest adult conversation” about “what the next 100 years looks like demographically.”

In an interview with former Fox personality and current U.S. Ambassador to Germany Rick Grenell, Carlson said the U.S. needs “an honest adult conversation” about demographics and implied that immigration radicalizes native citizens because the media are “lying to the population.”

December 4, 2018: Carlson says low birthrates are a “tragedy” and that the liberal message on immigration is “shut up, you’re dying, we’re gonna replace you.”

December 5, 2018: Carlson claims California was a “middle-class paradise” until “low-skilled immigration overwhelmed” the state.

Carlson claimed that the source of policy problems in California “is pretty simple — low-skilled immigration overwhelmed” the state. He said, “A hundred years ago, immigrants came to California for opportunity, and now they come for the benefits.” He also attacked immigrants working in Silicon Valley’s tech sector.

December 13, 2018: Carlson says immigration makes America “poorer, and dirtier, and more divided.”

He claimed “our leaders demand that you shut up and accept” immigration “even if it makes our own country poorer, and dirtier, and more divided.” More than 24 advertisers have left Carlson’s show following this comment.

December 17, 2018: After advertisers flee his show, Carlson doubles down on claim that immigration makes the U.S. “poorer and dirtier.”

Carlson doubled down on the comments after the advertiser exodus began, saying his critics didn’t listen to what he said and “they want us just to mouth the empty platitudes and move on.”

January 9, 2019: Carlson attacks corporate diversity policies as “racial discrimination” and calls for a Justice Department crackdown.

He chastised the Justice Department for not using civil rights laws to prosecute corporations using pro-diversity policies and invoked Alex Jones as an example of a victim of discrimination on tech platforms.

January 16, 2019: Tucker Carlson complained that white people are the real victims of racism.
While asking rhetorical questions about “what would a racist do,” Carlson said a “racist” would support affirmative action-style programs that he described as “race-based retribution.”

**January 16, 2019:** Carlson ignored Rep. Steve King’s comments about white supremacy except to attack the media’s coverage of it.

After Rep. Steve King (R-IA) asked when the terms “white nationalist, white supremacist, Western civilization” became “offensive” in an interview with The New York Times, Carlson ignored the story about his regular guest except to reprimand MSNBC’s Nicolle Wallace for saying that King’s comments do “not have a parallel on the left.”

**January 29, 2019:** Tucker Carlson and guest warn that migrant caravans full of disease like scabies are headed to the border.

After a guest claimed that a wave of Central American migrants were coming to America and bringing “a whole litany of different communicable, very serious diseases,” Carlson said, “We need to bring all of this awesomeness you describe into the neighborhoods of people making these policies and maybe they’ll have a different view of them.”

**February 1, 2019:** When pressed about the racism of Rep. Steve King, Carlson said at least “didn’t call for an ethnostate.”

A few weeks after white supremacist Rep. Steve King (R-IA) questioned when the terms “white nationalist, white supremacist, [and] Western civilization” became offensive in an interview with The New York Times, Carlson said at least he “didn’t call for an ethnostate.”

**February 6, 2019:** Carlson likened Stacey Abrams’ stance on diversity to the Jim Crow South.

He said that unifying a party based on opposition to a group because of skin color “worked for Democrats in the Jim Crow South for about a hundred years and that’s why they still do it,” and he said Stacey Abrams’ pro-diversity agenda means Democrats are “telling Americans they must hate their neighbors for the color of their skin.”

**February 7, 2019:** Carlson staked out an anti-abortion agenda motivated by white supremacist ideology.

He has developed a bizarre talking point about “the real reason our elites so enthusiastically support abortion. It doesn’t set you free; it won’t make you happier. But it will make companies more profitable and that’s what matters most to them. Pro-choice means pro-corporate.” He said the goal is to trap women into becoming “more dutiful, obedient workers.” White nationalists Richard Spencer and Faith Goldy have expressed similar sentiments.
February 19, 2019: Carlson denied racial income inequality exists and claimed that “it’s untrue that the darker you are the more oppressed you are.”

February 21, 2019: Carlson intentionally distorted the substance of Sen. Elizabeth Warren’s universal child care proposal and claimed that there’s “no doubt” it will be used “to justify more immigration.”

Carlson said Sen. Elizabeth Warren’s (D-MA) vision of “the American dream is outsourcing [children’s] upbringing to government caretakers while their parents scurry back to work,” saying the Democrats will “outsource parenting” the way “they outsourced farm labor and yard work.”

February 22, 2019: Carlson used the Jussie Smollett news cycle to downplay the prevalence of hate crimes.

Despite FBI data that show hate-related incidents are on the rise in the United States, Carlson claimed “there aren’t that many hate crimes occurring in the country ... so they have to make them up.”

February 26, 2019: Carlson increasingly aligned himself with an extreme anti-transgender rights movement that has ties to white supremacist groups.

Carlson hosted a trans-exclusionary radical feminist, or “TERF,” after her appearance on an anti-trans panel at the Heritage Foundation. Leaders in the TERF movement in the U.K. have ties to holocaust deniers and anti-Muslim extremist Tommy Robinson.

February 26, 2019: Tucker Carlson defended Alex Jones, anti-Muslim activist Laura Loomer, and the white nationalist website VDare.

VDare was founded by white nationalist Peter Brimelow. The site regularly publishes racist and xenophobic articles and advocates for the racial supremacy of white people.

February 28, 2019: Carlson claimed outrage over Trump’s response to the 2017 neo-Nazi rally in Charlottesville was “fraudulent, entirely manufactured by the left and its servants in the media.”

Nearly two years after neo-Nazis marched in Charlottesville and killed a counterprotester, Carlson again defended Trump’s response to the crisis.
March 8, 2019: Leaked chat messages show members of white supremacist group Identity Evropa are obsessed with Tucker Carlson.

Leaked chats from a Discord server reportedly populated by active members of white supremacist group Identity Evropa credited Carlson with “normalizing 80% of [Identity Evropa’s] talking points.”

March 11, 2019: In unearthed audio, Tucker Carlson used white nationalist rhetoric and made racist statements.

In audio uncovered by Media Matters, Carlson’s appearances on the shock jock Bubba the Love Sponge’s show between 2006 and 2011 included remarks in which he referred to Iraqis as “semiliterate primitive monkeys” and claimed “white men” created civilization, among other things. As a result of these revelations Carlson again experienced a debilitating advertiser exodus. Carlson’s white supremacist fans organized a support campaign for the troubled host.

March 14, 2019: A video released by Media Matters demonstrates the symbiotic relationship between online extremism – particularly white supremacist YouTube channel Red Ice TV – and Carlson.

March 15, 2019: After the Christchurch massacre, Tucker dog-whistled about free speech.

Carlson targeted the “censorship class” which “drives forbidden ideas underground, where they fester and explode.”

March 19, 2019: Carlson said that “a ton of intermarriage and even more immigration” means America is “actually not a very racist country.”

March 20, 2019: Carlson claimed immigration is a drain on the American economy and advocated a tax on remittances sent to other countries.

April 1, 2019: On CNN, Derek Johnson, whose father founded the white nationalist website Stormfront, said his family watches Carlson “because they feel that he is making the white nationalist talking points better than they have.”

April 2, 2019: Carlson: “A vested interest in changing the population” is driving immigration policy.
This talking point plays to the white supremacist scare tactic of claiming there is an insidious conspiracy to produce a “great replacement” of white people.

**April 3, 2019:** Carlson: “Mexico is a hostile power that is seeking to undermine our country and sovereignty.”

**April 4, 2019:** Carlson: Immigration will “change this country completely and forever.”

Carlson again decried immigrants as a burden on society in a monologue comprised of a series of bad-faith rhetorical questions and described anti-racist activists pushing back against growing anti-immigrant sentiment as “the endless drone of self-righteous children.”

**April 5, 2019:** Carlson likened presidential candidate Beto O’Rourke’s acknowledgement of white privilege to “Maoist tribunals.”

He posited that “by summer you can picture Beto wearing a paper dunce cap with ‘white privilege’ scrawled across it in red letters as a warning to other would-be counterrevolutionaries.”

**April 9, 2019:** Carlson claimed that “we’re being invaded” at the southern border and “this is how countries collapse.”

**April 9, 2019:** Carlson said acknowledging the voter suppression epidemic is “a terror tactic” used “to whip up racial hysteria.”

He said the idea that there is voter suppression in America is “the opposite of the truth.”

**April 10, 2019:** Carlson said calling out white nationalism is a racist attack on white people and “exactly how you destroy a country.”

He said that calling out white nationalists is “attacking people for their race.”

**April 23, 2019:** Carlson went out of his way to endorse an obscure proposal by the far-right government of Hungary.

While hosting Hungarian Foreign Minister Peter Szijjarto on his show, Carlson praised Prime Minister Viktor Orban’s proposal to exempt women with four or more children from paying income tax for life and give them other benefits to assist in child rearing as an example of a country taking “pro-family policies seriously” and called it “a great idea” to address Hungary’s “low birth rate” without “immigration and importing new people.”
April 30, 2019: He claimed The View inspires white nationalist terrorists.

After a guest brought up the rise in white nationalist terrorism under Trump, Carlson asked if he had “to attack white people” and said of conversations on the TV show The View, “You don’t think that radicalizes people?”

May 3, 2019: Carlson said banning Alex Jones, Laura Loomer, Milo Yiannopoulos, and other extremists from Facebook amounts to “fascism.”

May 17, 2019: Carlson claimed Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-MN) is “a symbol of America’s failed immigration system” and “hates this country.”

May 20, 2019: Carlson used Affirmative action to claim it’s harder to be white in America than a minority.

He claimed that children are being taught that “skin color is the key question about people” and that “some children's color makes them tainted” because “they have white privilege and must be punished for that.”

May 21, 2019: Carlson said immigrants have “plundered” American wealth and warned that “they are coming” for more.

He cited a study from the SPLC designated anti-immigrant hate group Federation of Immigration Reform (FAIR) to claim that “the United States is being plundered” by immigrants who send remittances to their friends and families overseas.

May 28, 2019: Carlson said racial equity training in New York City schools is evidence “Jim Crow is making a vigorous comeback.”

May 28, 2019: Carlson blamed undocumented immigrants for long hospital wait times in California.

He used the fact that “more than 350,000 Californians had to leave the emergency room early against a doctor’s advice” to demonize immigrants.

May 29, 2019: Carlson claimed Mexico is more of a threat to American elections than Russia because the country is trying to “change the demographics” of the electorate.

Carlson said illegal immigration is “what it looks like when a hostile foreign power interferes in your democracy.”
May 31, 2019: Carlson: Mexico is a “hostile foreign power” and America “must strike back.”

Carlson claimed undocumented workers have “damaged our communities, ruined our schools, burdened our health care system, and fractured our national unity.”


Carlson claimed the country is experiencing “racist violence, as brutal and horrifying and indefensible as anything that happened under apartheid.” His previous coverage from 2018 ultimately resulted in Trump tweeting about it.

June 17, 2019: Carlson fearmongered about Africans coming over the southern border.

Carlson claimed that African migrants would “overwhelm our country, and change it completely” and because of “population growth” in Africa suggests that “this flood could become a torrent.”

June 19, 2019: Carlson asked, “If white supremacy were a huge problem in America, how did Cory Booker become a senator?”

He claimed that because Booker is “one of the most privileged people in the world” because he “grew up in a rich, all-white neighborhood.” According to Carlson, “Actual official racial discrimination of the kind embodied in Jim Crow ended half a century ago.”

June 19, 2019: Carlson argued against reparations for descendants of slaves by pointing out that Black Americans receive government assistance at “highest [rate] of any ethnic group.”

June 24, 2019: Carlson and guest cheered on Trump’s planned use of armed force to round up undocumented immigrants.

Carlson questioned why he would want to pay his taxes if the government doesn’t follow the law and perform mass deportations.

June 25, 2019: Carlson declared that immigration is “absolutely destroying America. There’s really kind of no question about it.”
June 27, 2019: Carlson called Booker “one of the two whitest candidates” in the Democratic primary debate, saying, “You can add the English language to the long and growing list of things the Democratic Party considers racist.

He warned that the party might try to ban speaking English and mockingly told his audience, “Learn Español if you want to talk to your grandkids.”

July 2, 2019: Carlson defended a racist smear of Kamala Harris that Donald Trump Jr. had promoted.

July 8, 2019: Carlson argued it’s racist and disgusting to want more diversity in Congress.

He singled out Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-MI) and claimed “the argument Tlaib is making” — for Democratic leaders to uplift the voices of women of color in Congress — is “give us power because of our skin color.” Carlson called Tlaib’s desire for diversity “a racist pitch” and compared it to white candidates asking for votes because of their race during Jim Crow.

July 8, 2019: Carlson said Harris’ homeownership program is racist against white people.

He said the proposal, aimed at closing the racial wealth gap, amounts to saying, “One family can go to the government and say, ‘Can I have help buying a house,’ and be told ‘No, you’re the wrong color,’ and another family will be told ‘You’re the right color, yes you can have money to buy a house.’”

July 9, 2019: Carlson: “Ilhan Omar is living proof that the way we practice immigration has become dangerous to this country.”

Carlson labeled the congresswoman “a living fire alarm, a warning to the rest of us that we better change our immigration system immediately or else.” Even though he was widely condemned for these racist and nativist comments, Carlson doubled down on them the next day.

July 9, 2019: Carlson said the proposed citizenship question on the census has nothing to do with race, even though documents belonging to the architect of the question showed otherwise.

According to The New York Times, documents from deceased Republican operative Thomas B. Hofeller, who pioneered modern methods of gerrymandering, showed the question would deliberately exclude traditionally Democratic constituencies purely on racial lines — a fact Carlson ignored in his analysis.
**July 17, 2019:** Carlson allowed his guest to mock the term “person of color” and to call it “a racist term” because “everyone has a color.”

Carlson agreed with his guest and claimed, “We are remarkably passive in the face of hyper aggressive racist, like Ilhan Omar.”

**July 29, 2019:** Carlson touted far-right Hungarian ethnonationalists’ approach to immigration.

He invoked “a declining birth rate” in Hungary to endorse a government proposal that incentivizes Hungarian women to have more children to counter immigration and advocated for the policy in the United States. This was not the first time Carlson has combined anti-choice extremism and white nationalism.

**August 1, 2019:** Carlson claimed that Booker tried “to sound like a Nation of Islam recruiter” during the CNN Democratic Party primary debate.

**August 5, 2019:** Carlson calls it “a joke” to point out the role white nationalism played in the El Paso mass shooting.

**August 6, 2019:** Carlson claimed that white supremacy is “actually not a real problem in America.”

**August 7, 2019:** Users on 4chan and 8chan praised Carlson’s talking points excusing white supremacy.

On white nationalist message boards, users praised Carlson for saying the idea that white supremacy is an issue in this country is a “hoax.” One user said, “It’s fun watching news shows like Tucker and seeing that they’re all getting their talking points from us,” and others called for him to run for president in 2024.

**August 7, 2019:** Carlson: Criticizing white supremacy is “destroying the country. This is the path to civil war, obviously.”

**August 9, 2019:** Following his August 6 comments on white supremacy, Carlson’s number of paid advertisers dropped dramatically.

**September 17, 2019:** Carlson: Democrats “see gang members as a critical constituency.”
**September 30, 2019:** Carlson: “My country actually is being invaded by other countries from the south.”

He lamented “the population movement into the United States,” saying it’s happening “without our permission, and nobody cares.”

**October 7, 2019:** Carlson called Syria a “Middle Eastern tar pit.”

**October 14, 2019:** Video released by Media Matters exposed how Carlson’s rhetoric on Indigenous Peoples Day echoes white supremacists.

Carlson’s hostility toward recognizing Indigenous Peoples Day sounds distinctly similar to sentiments expressed by white supremacist Jared Taylor.

**October 28, 2019:** Carlson claimed Obama has “contempt” for Joe Biden “for demographic reasons.”

Carlson then said that Biden was “badly treated by the Obama people.”

**November 5, 2019:** Carlson: “There’s too many people, because of immigration.”

He directed his audience to “look at California, and be very clear that we don’t want that.” He also asked his guest, “Why shouldn’t the rest of us be really worried about this trend, for real?”

**November 11, 2019:** Carlson claimed admitting more migrants into America is the fastest way to “make it a place you wouldn’t want to live.”

**December 6, 2019:** Carlson hosted a guest with white nationalist ties to help him promote a run for Congress.

**December 20, 2019:** Carlson labeled children separated from their parents at the border “people who have no right to be here.”

He criticized presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg’s proposal to compensate families separated from their children at the border for the trauma they suffered, calling it “reparations to illegal aliens.”

**January 2, 2020:** Carlson advocated against war in Iran because he’d rather punish immigrants at home.
After President Trump ordered the drone strike killing Iranian military leader Qassem Soleimani, Carlson claimed “the very people demanding action against Iran tonight” are “the very same ones demanding that you ignore the invasion of America now in progress from the south.”

**January 3, 2020:** Carlson: “The long-term agenda of refugee resettlement is to bring in future Democratic voters.”

**January 6, 2020:** Carlson attacked “anchor babies” and birthright citizenship.

Carlson falsely claimed that undocumented parents with citizen children “qualify for a whole suite of welfare benefits and, of course, their parents will never be forced to leave the country.”

**January 9, 2020:** Carlson: “Illegal immigrants are tethering themselves here with millions of anchor babies.”

**January 17, 2020:** Carlson blamed high housing costs on immigrants.

Carlson called rising housing costs “100% an immigration problem” and said “inviting people from other countries” to California “makes the state poorer and more crowded.”

**January 21, 2020:** Between January 21 and March 24, 2020, Carlson used racist terms to describe the coronavirus 43 times on his Fox prime-time show.

He used racist terms more than any other person who appeared on the network during that time.

**January 24, 2020:** Carlson compared Goldman Sachs’ diversity policy to the racist ideology that caused Goldman’s founder to flee Germany.

**January 30, 2020:** Carlson said it is “totally insane” to question the lack of diversity on Trump’s coronavirus task force.

**February 5, 2020:** Carlson said he doesn’t understand why people think Rush Limbaugh is racist.
**February 6, 2020:** Carlson went on an unhinged rant attacking the New Way Forward Act, saying it would make America “a borderless rest stop for the world’s predators and parasites.”

He also said the legislation would mean “law enforcement is illegitimate, it’s racist, just like the country you live in, just like you are. And the only solution is to get rid of both.”

**February 13, 2020:** Carlson claimed anti-bias training is “dangerous to the country” and will only “deepen racial wounds.”

He was referring to the efforts of banks trying to mitigate the harms of discriminatory lending practices.

**February 20, 2020:** Carlson said calling undocumented immigrants “American” is like telling your children “I hate you.”

This was another segment attacking the New Way Forward Act. Carlson compared undocumented immigrants to children who are “always breaking into houses and never goes to school and gives us the finger when we drive to church.”

**February 24, 2020:** Carlson blamed “diversity” and “wokeness” for the spread of coronavirus.

**February 27, 2020:** Carlson claimed “identity politics” has “left us vulnerable to coronavirus.”

**March 4, 2020:** Carlson said the Democratic “base is a constellation of aggrieved interest groups animated by their hostility to traditional Americans.”

He also said Republicans represent “the basic principles of western civilization,” while Democrats are only “united in their desire to take power and redistribute the spoils to themselves.”

**March 11, 2020:** Carlson said not using racist terms to describe COVID-19 is leading to its spread.

He castigated those concerned about racism against people of Asian descent by declaring, “Now is not the time to indulge in the lowest and dumbest kind of identity politics.”
**March 17, 2020**: Carlson said Trump was “at his very best” when he called COVID-19 a “Chinese virus.”

**March 18, 2020**: Carlson said China is going to “control us” with “wokeness” because of Americans who are critical of racist coronavirus rhetoric.

He said that “the Chinese ... know that wokeness is our Achilles’ heel,” and those who are concerned about racism are “beneath loathsome.”

**March 20, 2020**: Carlson fearmongered that coronavirus in Mexico will lead to a “wave of refugees across our southern border.”

**March 23, 2020**: Carlson said the House stimulus bill will “make certain the people who are replacing you are secure and happy.”

**March 26, 2020**: Carlson said it is “disgusting and cruel” to call out racism in COVID-19 coverage.

He also blamed identity politics for the virus’s spread, saying it is “divisive and now we know it can get people killed.”

**April 21, 2020**: Carlson argued that Trump’s immigration ban didn’t go far enough.

**May 4, 2020**: Carlson blamed “Western race guilt” for the spread of coronavirus outside of China.

He also labeled “Western media” as “willing pawns of Chinese government propaganda.”

**May 7, 2020**: Carlson called Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-MN) a person who “passionately hates this country” because she criticized the dropping of charges against former Trump national security adviser Michael Flynn after he had pleaded guilty.

He also called her “loathsome” and “like a parody of her repulsiveness.”
**May 12, 2020:** Carlson said if American doesn’t institute mass deportations, “Democrats will win every presidential election” for generations.

He said that protections from deportation outlined in a House stimulus bill are “a blanket amnesty for virtually every illegal alien who has already taken an American job.” There is documented proof that the policy of continued deportations by the American government is spreading coronavirus.

**May 15, 2020:** Carlson said immigrants “used to learn that this was a country governed by the Bill of Rights and the primary freedoms we have.”

He asked his guest, an Australian immigrant, if he was “surprised to see it taken away so quickly?”

**May 27, 2020:** Carlson called Minneapolis protests against police brutality “a form of tyranny.”

**May 28, 2020:** Carlson responded to the killing of George Floyd by police in Minneapolis by claiming systemic racism in policing is a myth.

He didn’t mention George Floyd’s name once in his unhinged racist rant.

**May 29, 2020:** Carlson called protests an “ancient battle” between “thugs” and “normal people.”

He described demonstrations against the killing of George Floyd as “criminal mobs” who “destroy what the rest of us have built” and “don’t contribute to the common good.”

**May 29, 2020:** Carlson called former President Barack Obama “America’s chief racial arsonist.”

**June 1, 2020:** Carlson said it’s a “good question” to ask why he is “required to be upset about” George Floyd’s death at the hands of a police officer.

**June 2, 2020:** Discussing nationwide demonstrations against racism and police brutality, Carlson warned: “Violent young men with guns will be in charge. They will make the rules, including the rules in your neighborhood.”
June 2, 2020: Carlson unwittingly admitted his complete ignorance of what the term “systemic racism” means.

June 3, 2020: Carlson dedicated his opening monologue to showing photos of unarmed Black people killed by police and smearing them to justify their deaths.

June 4, 2020: Carlson and his guest agreed the time for “vigilante justice” against protesters is near.

June 5, 2020: Carlson accused LeBron James of “inciting violence.”

June 8, 2020: Carlson said that mass protests about police brutality following the killings of Breonna Taylor and George Floyd are “definitely not about Black lives. And remember that when they come for you.”

June 8, 2020: Carlson attacked the renaming of Black Lives Matter Plaza in Washington, D.C.

June 8, 2020: Carlson lashed out at Sen. Mitt Romney (R-UT) for marching in a Black Lives Matter protest.

June 8, 2020: Carlson said Democrats are trying to replace Trump-supporting police with an anti-Trump, armed “woke militia” to patrol neighborhoods. He invited his audience to “imagine if the diversity and inclusion department at Brown University had the power to arrest you. Imagine if the Black Lives Matter rioters had weapons and immunity from prosecution.”

June 8 and 9, 2020: Carlson turned to a racist anti-abortion myth about “Black genocide” to downplay police brutality against Black people.

June 9, 2020: Carlson had a meltdown because Elmo and Sesame Street did a special episode on racism in America.
June 12, 2020: Carlson gave a friendly interview to the officer who said Black people “probably ought to be” shot more by police. Earlier in the same week as his appearance on Tucker Carlson Tonight, Major Travis Yates of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, police department had said in a radio interview that he does not believe systematic racism exists; he also claimed in that interview that Black people “probably ought to be” shot more by police. On his show, Carlson lauded Yates, saying that he was “proud to have [him] on” and that the criticisms against him were “unfair.”

June 15, 2020: After his bigoted rants about marches against police brutality, Carlson lost nine major advertisers.

June 15, 2020: Carlson on Rayshard Brooks, who was killed while running away from Atlanta police: “Unjustified police killings have happened in America. This is not one of them.”

June 17, 2020: Carlson: Holding police accountable “will almost certainly increase police brutality.” He said, “Pressure from the mob will not stop police brutality. It will almost certainly increase police brutality as the worst kind of people become police, because who else would want to?”

June 17, 2020: Carlson compared taking down racist Confederate monuments to the Taliban destroying ancient artifacts. He claimed “no one is defending” art, which “is being destroyed on a greater scale than at any time in American history.”

June 18, 2020: Carlson said that massive grassroots protests against racism and police brutality represent “a broad and powerful attack on the principle of equality.”

June 22, 2020: Carlson: Black Lives Matter protests are an “insidious” attempt to “challenge Western civilization itself.” He attacked Republicans for not taking harsher measures against protesters, and said the movement’s “goal is to end liberal democracy and challenge Western civilization itself.”
**June 22, 2020:** Carlson: Black Lives Matter “is a totalitarian political movement and someone needs to save the country from it.”

**June 23, 2020:** Carlson: “When they do it to you, it’s social justice. If you dare to defend yourself, it’s a hate crime.” Positing what he described as “theoretical questions, obviously,” he asked whether it’s OK to “spray paint obscenities on Martin Luther King’s monuments if you don’t like him.”

**June 25, 2020:** Carlson called for protesters to be labeled “domestic terrorists,” arrested, and paraded “in front of cameras like MS-13.”

**June 25, 2020:** Carlson defended “qualified immunity,” the legal doctrine that shields police officers “from being held personally liable for constitutional violations,” such as using excessive force. Carlson suggested that Black Lives Matter protesters and others demanding reforms to end qualified immunity would “end law enforcement” because without its protections, “no one would serve as a police officer.”

**July 1, 2020:** Carlson called Black Lives Matter protests a disease: “Minneapolis was our Wuhan.”

**July 2, 2020:** On The Federalist’s podcast, Carlson said “Black Lives Matter is poison.”

**July 6, 2020:** Carlson deceptively edited a video of Purple Heart recipient Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D-IL) to baselessly claim she “actually hate[s] America.” After Duckworth responded to Carlson’s offensive comments, he doubled down the next night, calling her a “coward” and a “fraud.”

**July 8, 2020:** Carlson called for the government to take “decisive action” against “terror organization” Black Lives Matter.

**July 9, 2020:** Carlson said “Democrats want to abolish the suburbs.” Days later, Trump tweeted the phrase and said “Joe Biden and the Radical Left” are behind this agenda.
July 9, 2020: Carlson: “The purest kind of race hate” is racial sensitivity training. He compared these types of antiracism training to Jim Crow-era segregation.

July 10, 2020: Carlson’s top writer Blake Neff was forced to resign after CNN reported on five years worth of racist, sexist, and homophobic postings he made on an anonymous online message board. Days later, Carlson issued a vague threat against the CNN reporter who broke the story. He then went on a “long-planned” vacation to hide from yet another controversy about his show’s racism.

July 13, 2020: Media Matters published a study reviewing Carlson’s weeks of racist screeds against Black Lives Matter. The study found that Carlson made at least 48 instances of racist and extreme descriptions of the movement between May 28 and July 8.

July 17, 2020: The Daily Beast reported on a staff uprising at Fox News against racism at the network, tied to the CNN expose on Tucker Carlson’s head writer Blake Neff. One network employee quoted in the piece said Fox’s executives have “created a white supremacist cell inside the top cable network in America, the one that directly influences the president.”

July 23, 2020: Carlson: The Democratic Party will “remake” America “completely” if they win the election.

July 23, 2020: Carlson hosted white nationalist White House senior policy adviser Stephen Miller to push Trump’s anti-immigrant agenda.

July 24, 2020: Carlson: “You may not think tearing down a statue is a big deal, until you are the next designated Christopher Columbus.”

July 30, 2020: Carlson attacked everyone who attended the funeral for civil rights leader Rep. John Lewis (D-GA), claiming that “political power is their religion.”
August 3, 2020: Carlson said it’s “illegal” for presumptive Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden to prioritize women of color in his choice for running mate.

August 4, 2020: Carlson emphasized drugs found in George Floyd’s autopsy as a way to blame him for his own death.

August 10, 2020: Carlson: “Demographic shifts” will lead to cities being “broke, dirty, and dangerous.” The Fox host claimed that people living in America’s cities “may have BLM signs in their driveways, it doesn’t mean they want screaming BLM lunatics on their streets. ... No matter what color they are, no one likes that.”

August 11, 2020: Carlson had a meltdown after his guest corrected his pronunciation of Sen. Kamala Harris’ name.

August 12, 2020: Carlson said Harris only wants “people of a certain color” to get a potential coronavirus vaccine.

August 13, 2020: Carlson called workplace anti-bias training “poison” and reverse racism. The Fox host said, “Imagine if they did this to any other group, I think all decent people would stand up and say, you can’t attack people for how they are born.”

August 18, 2020: Carlson had a meltdown over Michelle Obama’s speech at the Democratic National Convention, claiming she wants “everyone who looks like her” to have “dominion over you.”

August 24, 2020: Carlson said people blaming the police officer for repeatedly shooting Jacob Blake in Kenosha, Wisconsin, are attempting to “inflame fear and race hate.”

August 25, 2020: Carlson claimed, “Joe Biden’s voters really are a threat to you and your family.”
**August 26, 2020**: Carlson defended alleged vigilante shooter Kyle Rittenhouse: “How shocked are we that 17-year-olds with rifles decided they had to maintain order when no one else would?” Days later, he hosted Rittenhouse’s lawyer for a softball interview.

**August 27, 2020**: Carlson said cops “clean up the messes” when “fatherless sons turn violent.”

**August 31, 2020**: Carlson called the Black Lives Matter movement “the actual armed militia of the Democratic Party.”

**September 3, 2020**: Tucker Carlson claimed Democrats are using “race riots” as a “get-out-the-vote operation.”

**September 10, 2020**: Carlson described Black Lives Matter as “poison” and said, “If we’re going to survive as a country, we must defeat this.”

**September 22, 2020**: Carlson suggested there is a massive conspiracy to keep the American people ignorant of the ways in which billionaire philanthropist George Soros wants people to die and society to degrade. He said that Soros and his lawyers “don’t think you have a right to notice what George Soros is doing to your country” and claimed that “they have intimidated many news organizations into silence on the subject.”

**September 23, 2020**: Carlson: “It’s a demonstrable lie” that Black people fear for their lives in America.

**September 24, 2020**: Carlson said police were completely justified in cases of George Floyd, Jacob Blake and Breonna Taylor.

**September 30, 2020**: Carlson called concern about white supremacist-inspired violence “crazier than any conspiracy.”

**November 2, 2020**: Carlson said it’s “demonstrably insane” to say the “real threat we face is from white supremacists.”
November 19, 2020: Carlson attacked House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy for tweeting that the GOP is “stronger because of our diversity.” Carlson claimed, “We need to find the person who decided that tweet was a good idea and fire him immediately.

November 24, 2020: Carlson claimed Biden DHS choice Alejandro Mayorkas will turn America into “a different country overnight” because he “plans to use the agency to radically increase the amount of immigration from the Third World into America.”

December 1, 2020: Carlson said calls for anti-racist police reform are a “sick religion” that can be seen “all over the Anglo world.”

December 3, 2020: Carlson compared Symone Sanders, the newly appointed chief spokesperson of Vice President-elect Kamala Harris, to segregationist George Wallace.

December 18, 2020: Carlson claimed COVID-19 vaccine distribution plan is “eugenics” against white people.

January 5, 2021: Carlson mocked the idea of declaring Juneteenth a federal holiday: “No one had heard of it just last year and everyone has of course already forgotten about it.”

January 5, 2021: Carlson said Vice President-elect Harris “is the ex-girlfriend of Montel Williams and will be described that way forever after on this show.”

January 13, 2021: Carlson claimed, “The Democratic coalition is built on shared genetics. The basic idea is that everyone who is not a straight white man must be united.”

January 20, 2021: Carlson warned his audience they could be targets of “war on white supremacists.”
January 26, 2021: Carlson said Martin Luther King Jr. would be “shocked and disgusted” by the Biden administration’s equality initiatives.

January 26, 2021: Carlson defended white supremacists from domestic terrorist label, telling his audience, “Keep in mind they’re talking about American citizens. They’re talking about you.”

February 4, 2021: Carlson warned that fighting domestic extremism will only create more extremists.

February 8, 2021: Carlson claimed Biden will release MS-13 gang members “into your neighborhood.”

February 8, 2021: Carlson described Biden immigration policy as “an act of aggression” meant “to punish you.”

February 11, 2021: Carlson said George Soros belongs on a list of “national security threats.”

February 16, 2021: Carlson attacked Democrats for not being inclusive of “white supremacists and the QAnon people.”

February 16, 2021: Carlson claimed George Floyd protests were part of an “ongoing campaign to end the nuclear family.”

February 17, 2021: Carlson defended white supremacists from scrutiny.

Carlson claimed there was “no evidence” that white supremacy is a real threat in America, and accused Democrats of “creating extremism” by arguing that it is.

February 19, 2021: Carlson called it “race hate” to “acknowledge the reality of racism.”

February 22, 2021: Carlson falsely claimed there was “no evidence that white supremacists are responsible” for the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol.
February 24, 2021: Carlson warned his viewers that more immigrants are turning Americans into a “welfare state.”

February 24, 2021: Carlson hosted former Commerce Undersecretary Corey Stewart, who has well-documented ties to prominent white supremacists.

Stewart is a longtime conservative firebrand who rose to prominence spearheading crackdowns against undocumented immigrants in Prince William County, Virginia, and ran a failed 2018 campaign to unseat Democratic Sen. Tim Kaine. During that campaign, it was revealed that Stewart had ties to prominent white nationalists, including Jason Kessler and Paul Nehlen.

February 25, 2021: Carlson attacked journalists for reporting on white supremacy while ignoring “Black supremacists.”

March 4, 2021: Carlson mocked the seriousness of a far-right plot to kidnap and execute Democratic Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer.

March 8, 2021: Carlson mocked excitement over first Native American cabinet nominee, demanded that her Scandinavian ancestry receive the same recognition.

March 10, 2021: Carlson blamed George Floyd’s murder for “enshrined open racism” against white people.

March 10, 2021: Carlson falsely suggested that George Floyd died from a drug overdose, not police brutality.

An autopsy conducted by Hennepin County Medical Examiner found Floyd’s cause of death to be “cardiopulmonary arrest complicating law enforcement subdual, restraint, and neck compression.”

March 16, 2021: Carlson said undocumented immigrants “punish the United States” by living here.

March 16, 2021: Carlson claimed that immigrants were being brought into the United States “to replace the disobedient ones.”
March 17, 2021: In an unhinged rant, Carlson blamed immigrants for “ugly” apartments, fast food restaurants, and harm to social “cohesion.”

March 22, 2021: Carlson described asylum seekers at the southern border as “a tragedy for those of us who live here.”

March 24, 2021: Carlson compared Sen. Tammy Duckworth’s (D-IL) stand for diversity to Ku Klux Klan recruitment propaganda.

March 25, 2021: Carlson warned his viewers that immigration will “change your country forever, possibly for the worse.”

March 26, 2021: Carlson attacked the military for removing racists, demanding they instead label Black Lives Matter as an extremist group.

April 5, 2021: Carlson told viewers that the number of immigrants currently in America “devalue your political power” and “subvert democracy.”

“It’s high enough to devalue your political power as a voter.” Carlson said, going on to claim that the number was “high enough to subvert democracy itself. It’s high enough to make this country a different place.”

April 7, 2021: Carlson claimed that “we’re not allowed to know” what the word “equity” means,” telling his viewers that “racism and equity are pretty much the same thing.”

April 8, 2021: Carlson gave a passionate defense of “white replacement theory.”

In an interview on Fox News Primetime, Carlson told viewers that “all the little gatekeepers on Twitter become literally hysterical if you use the term ‘replacement,’ if you suggest that the Democratic Party is trying to replace the current electorate, the voters now casting ballots, with new people, more obedient voters from the Third World. But they become hysterical because that’s what’s happening actually. Let’s just say it: That’s true.”

April 12, 2021: Carlson doubled down on his support and promotion of white supremacist “replacement” theory: “Demographic change is the key to the Democratic Party’s political ambitions. Let’s say that again for emphasis, because it is the secret to the entire immigration debate.”

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April 15, 2021: Carlson says the “abrupt change” we’re seeing in America is reminiscent of how “Germany got Hitler.”

Carlson: “What will the consequences of that change, of that revolution be? In your bones, you know the answer. It’s terrifying, and it does not have to happen.”

April 16, 2021: Carlson and his guest on Fox Nation’s Tucker Carlson Today warned viewers of a looming violent reaction from white people if “identity politics” continue.

April 20, 2021: Carlson claimed police officer Derek Chauvin was found guilty of murder because jurors were scared of Black Lives Matter.

“The jury in the Derek Chauvin trial came to a unanimous and unequivocal verdict this afternoon: ‘Please don’t hurt us.’”

April 20, 2021: Carlson had an on-air meltdown and cut off a segment when his guest, a former police officer, said convicted murderer Derek Chauvin used excessive force while arresting George Floyd.

April 21, 2021: Carlson again invoked the white supremacist “replacement theory,” telling viewers that Democrat’s position is that “you’re being replaced, and there’s nothing you can do about it. So, shut up.”

April 29, 2021: Carlson proposed that “the worst attack on our democracy in 160 years” was actually “the Immigration Act of 1965” because “that law completely changed the composition of America’s voter rolls, purely to benefit the Democratic Party. That seems like kind of an assault on democracy, a permanent one.”

April 30, 2021: Carlson told viewers that Democrats are “stacking the electorate” through immigration and “want to change who votes, so they win.”

May 19, 2021: Carlson compared Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot to Nazis and warned that she will target white people if Chicago police round up the population.
Carlson: “If someday the Chicago police round up the entire population of the city, Lori Lightfoot would have no trouble pulling the right ones out of line for punishment.”

**May 20, 2021**: In a segment on immigration, Carlson said that Vice President Kamala Harris and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez “hate America,” and “they’re trying to destroy it.”

“The message is, ‘We hate America,’” Carlson said. “Kamala Harris and Ocasio-Cortez did not build this country. They couldn’t have. They’re not capable enough to do that. They hate it and they’re trying to destroy it. There’s no other explanation that I can see.”

**May 21, 2021**: On Tucker Carlson Today, Carlson suggested “a real insurrection” over asylum seekers at the southern border receiving taxpayer-funded aid.

**May 21, 2021**: Carlson claimed politicians were happy to ignore public health measures during the pandemic “when we’re changing the demographic mix to favor the Democratic Party.”

**May 24, 2021**: Carlson told viewers “the main downside of unrestrained immigration, or any immigration, is that it makes the country more volatile.”

**May 24, 2021**: Carlson: “They’re trying to change the population in the United States, and they hate it when you say that because it’s true, but that’s exactly what they are doing. Is anyone pushing back at all?”

**June 2, 2021**: Carlson defended white supremacists from the claim that they are a threat to America.

**June 7, 2021**: Carlson called immigration “the most radical possible attack on the core premise of democracy” and claimed that Democrats are “importing huge numbers of new voters into the United States.”

**June 16, 2021**: Carlson hosted a former Trump official who attended a white supremacist conference to rewrite the events of the January 6 attack on the U.S. Capitol.
June 16, 2021: Carlson attacked the federal recognition of Juneteenth, claiming it will “supplant” Fourth of July as a “new Independence Day.”

June 16, 2021: On Fox Nation, Carlson and Charles Murray discussed race science and speculated that a race war is possible in the U.S.

June 23, 2021: Carlson warned local school boards that a “revolution” is coming if they continue teaching children about diversity.

June 24, 2021: Carlson told viewers that critical race theory will lead to the genocide of white Americans, asking, “How do we save this country before we become Rwanda?”

June 28, 2021: Carlson said labeling white supremacists a threat is a lie and a “racial attack” on all white people.

June 29, 2021: Carlson accused Democrats of orchestrating an “invasion” of immigrants and “changing the population of America without the consent of Americans.”

July 6, 2021: Carlson called critical race theory “civilization-ending poison.”

July 15, 2021: Carlson claimed the term “white rage” is a “racial slur.”

August 5, 2021: While on a trip to Hungary, where he spoke at a government sponsored right-wing conference, Carlson lavished praise on Prime Minister Viktor Orbán.

The Orbán regime has been criticized for making the country backslide toward authoritarianism and mistreating immigrants and minorities.

August 6, 2021: Tucker Carlson called immigrants “chaos and filth and crime growing all around us” and proposed America adopt Hungary’s immigration stance.
**August 10, 2021:** Carlson claimed that “our country is being invaded by the rest of the world.”

**August 11, 2021:** Carlson accused Democrats of deliberately importing violent felons into the country to vote for them.

**August 11, 2021:** Carlson claimed that schools teaching diverse curriculum means “we’ve reached Jonestown.”

**August 13, 2021:** Following the release of census data indicating the number of white Americans fell for the first time in U.S. history, Carlson accused “nonwhite people” of “cheering for the extinction of white people.”

**August 16, 2021:** Following the withdrawal of American troops from Afghanistan, Carlson fearmongered that America will be “invaded” by “millions” of Afghan refugees.

**August 18, 2021:** Carlson blamed refugees for the U.S. housing crisis.

**August 23, 2021:** Carlson claimed, “Let me just state, unequivocally, the country’s being stolen from American citizens as we watch.”

**August 25, 2021:** Carlson said if we don’t “pause on letting in new Americans,” “we will pay the price for it at some point, that’s guaranteed.” Carlson told viewers, “It might be good to pause for just a moment, pause on letting in new Americans, pause on changing our society completely.”

**August 30, 2021:** Carlson justified a coming “revolt” unless “we change course immediately.”

**August 30, 2021:** Carlson lied to viewers that noncitizens are allowed to vote in California’s recall election. While a handful of municipalities across the country, including one in San Francisco, allow noncitizens to vote in local or school board elections, voter registration in California is limited to U.S. citizens over the age of 18 who are residents of the state of California.
Only voters registered in California are allowed to vote in the gubernatorial recall election.

**August 31, 2021:** Carlson called refugee resettlement “operation change America forever.” He said: “Over the past week this same administration has overseen the evacuation of tens of thousands of unvetted Afghan nationals, many of whom will now be moved into neighborhoods around the United States and stay permanently. They didn’t seem to encounter any problems in doing this. Thanks to meticulous and thoughtful planning, operation change America forever came off precisely according to plan. It worked flawlessly.”

**September 9, 2021:** Carlson hosted Curtis Yarvin, known to some by his pen name “Mencius Moldbug,” an Anders Breivik apologist and self-described defender of white nationalism for a friendly hour-long interview on his Fox Nation show.

**September 16, 2021:** Carlson blamed immigrants for “squalid, overcrowded, chaotic, loud” emergency rooms.

**September 16, 2021:** Carlson called immigrants “a tool to change the country forever and ensure a permanent Democratic control.”

**September 21, 2021:** Carlson again pushed a white supremacist conspiracy theory that accepting refugees is actually part of an “attempt to change the demographics of the United States.” “Once they get here the Biden administration plans to give them voting rights. That’s in the works right now. So, the people you just saw on your screen could very well be choosing your president at some point down the road. This is a manufactured crisis. This is an attempt to change the demographics of the United States in order to give permanent power to the Democratic Party.”

**September 22, 2021:** Carlson called Biden’s immigration policy “the great replacement” and “eugenics.” Carlson described Biden’s position on immigration as a “great replacement,” using a deceptively presented outtake of remarks then-Vice President Joe Biden made in 2015 to accuse him of
believing that “non-white DNA is the ... source of our strength.” Carlson told viewers Biden had invoked “the language of eugenics,” indicating an effort to replace “legacy Americans” and “change the racial mix of the country” in order to gain political power.

**September 23, 2021:** Carlson repeated the racist lie that George Floyd died of a drug overdose

**September 24, 2021:** Carlson attacked billionaire philanthropist George Soros and his organization for assisting in refugee resettlement.

**September 24, 2021:** Carlson responded “fuck them” to the Anti-Defamation League’s call for his firing over his white nationalist rhetoric.

**September 24, 2021:** Carlson said it’s immigrants, “not unvaccinated Americans who are clogging” emergency rooms.

“[Biden is] blaming it on people who didn’t get the shot? Many of whom have natural immunity and are less likely to get sick than a vaccinated person from COVID? What a lie.”

**September 30, 2021:** Carlson said immigrants coming to the border “looked threatening” and shouldn’t be let in.

**October 6, 2021:** Carlson admitted he has a “cultural” objection to immigration

Carlson: “The objections that people have to immigration are mostly cultural. ... I have those reservations, I’ll be honest.”

**October 25, 2021:** Carlson claimed Democrats plan to be “elected into perpetuity by importing a whole new population of voters.”

**October 27, 2021:** Carlson blamed racial diversity efforts for higher gas prices.

**November 1, 2021:** Carlson said ideas like critical race theory “end with Rwanda”: “These ideas aren’t just annoying, they’re poison and they end with Rwanda and anyone who thinks it through understands that.”
**November 16, 2021:** Carlson said in a “normal country” Black Lives Matter protesters would “be put down immediately by force.”

**November 17, 2021:** News broke that Carlson’s revisionist January 6 series was written by Scooter Downey, a director of white nationalist documentaries.

**December 17, 2021:** Carlson told viewers that “Demographic change underway right now in the United States” is “a direct assault on our democracy.”

**January 4, 2022:** Carlson told viewers that “our population is too big” and “past a certain scale, democracy can’t function.”

**January 07, 2022:** Carlson unloaded on Sesame Street after learning a puppet character has a race.

**March 31, 2022:** Carlson expressed his disdain for the Emmett Till Anti-Lynching Act, suggesting drive-by shootings and drug overdoses are more pressing federal legislative priorities.

**April 4, 2022:** Quoting Hungary’s authoritarian leader Viktor Orbán, Carlson agreed his election victory is “a win for sensible nationalism” and described it as “a rebuke” to “the Soros empire.”

**April 13, 2022:** Carlson claimed that Mexico’s government and the Biden administration have a “contempt for America’s population and want to change it.”

**April 21, 2022:** Carlson said traffic fatalities increased in 2020 because police were scared of pulling over Black people after George Floyd’s murder.

**April 21, 2022:** Carlson blamed murders on “the equity agenda as applied to law enforcement” and suggested its supporters “should have to experience the effects of your policies” and “live in neighborhoods like that.”

**April 22, 2022:** Carlson and Jeanine Pirro warned that progressive district attorneys will “drive people” to “extrajudicial killings” and “the Kyle Rittenhouse effect.”
May 3, 2022: Carlson bizarrely claimed Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer was forced to retire “because people don’t like his skin color.”

May 10, 2022: After the announcement of Karinne Jean-Pierre’s appointment as White House press secretary, Carlson claimed her race and sexual orientation were her only qualifications.

Carlson further claimed, “This is exactly how they pick Supreme Court justices or vice presidents or members of the Federal Reserve Board. And now, the all-important press secretary gig has gone to someone on the basis of group. It’s really simple, show us your picture and we’ll tell you if you’re qualified for the job.”

May 16, 2022: Carlson said that “violence and death” caused by white supremacists is the inevitable result of the “race politics” of the left and claimed that hate speech is “speech that our leaders hate.”

May 17, 2022: Carlson promoted the white supremacist “great replacement” conspiracy theory, claiming Democrats want to “change the electorate” through immigration by replacing “people who are born here.”

May 19, 2022: Carlson defended white supremacists from being labeled domestic terrorists, saying, “The whole thing is a lie. It’s that simple.”

May 24, 2022: White nationalists including former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke, American Renaissance’s Jared Taylor, and VDare all thanked Carlson for mainstreaming the racist “great replacement” conspiracy theory following the massacre in Buffalo, New York.

May 31, 2022: Carlson criticized the South Korean pop group BTS for speaking out against hate crimes targeting Asian Americans.

June 8, 2022: Carlson called January 6 rioters “passionately patriotic Americans” who “genuinely love America.”

June 8, 2022: Tucker Carlson Tonight guest Victor Davis Hanson blamed “African American males” for a “crime wave.”

June 20, 2022: Carlson invited white nationalist Trump adviser Stephen Miller for a softball interview to discuss “the Center for Legal Equality,” his
efforts to combat supposed hiring discrimination against white people.

**July 19, 2022:** Carlson gave a full endorsement of the white supremacist “great replacement” conspiracy theory, claiming, “It’s not a conspiracy theory. It’s their [Democrats’] electoral strategy.”

**July 24, 2022:** In an interview with right-wing college activist Daniel Schmidt, Carlson argued that “elite culture” is “united in their contempt” for “white men.”

Schmidt went on to found the “Students for Ye” group, an online group in support of the rapper formerly known as Kanye West, after he appeared on Infowars and praised Hitler.

**July 26, 2022:** Carlson declared the Democratic Party is “openly and very aggressively anti-white.”

**August 2, 2022:** Carlson complained that “anti-white ideology” has weakened the U.S. military.

**August 2, 2022:** Carlson claimed convicted murderer Derek Chauvin is innocent: “We all have to pretend he committed murder, which he didn’t.”

**August 17, 2022:** Carlson said that federal spending allocated for disadvantaged communities will be used for “spreading race hate.”

**August 18, 2022:** Carlson instructed Republicans to run on the racist “great replacement” theory in upcoming midterms.

Carlson claimed the white supremacist myth was more salient and persuasive than issues such as inflation, arguing that “changing the population of the United States, allowing people to be murdered in the street, letting drug addicts live on the sidewalk and sending them crack pipes? That will change everything forever. These are offenses against the most basic rules of any civilization.”

**September 8, 2022:** Carlson attacked Africa for not being grateful and appreciative of British colonialism.

**September 13, 2022:** Echoing the right-wing media narrative about a supposed rising crime wave in the U.S., Carlson claimed that George Soros is funding the “collapse of civilization.”

**September 16, 2022:** Carlson claimed immigrants and refugees are the reason “your daughter is afraid to go outside,” your “schools become unusable,” and “the hospitals fall apart.”
**October 11, 2022:** Fox News and Carlson deceptively edited out key antisemitic and bizarre conspiracy theories from his interview with Kanye West.

While Carlson and his team made no mention of West’s recent antisemitic tirades during their segments with him, Vice’s Motherboard published shocking footage showing numerous instances of Ye making unfounded antisemitic comments and outright bizarre claims during the interview.

**October 19, 2022:** Carlson accused MSNBC of intentionally inciting minorities into a “race war” against white people, saying “women, of course, are the key to reproducing the white race, which is clearly a threat.”

**October 27, 2022:** Carlson accused America of declaring “a jihad” on Russia because it’s “an orthodox Christian country with traditional values.”

**November 1, 2022:** Carlson said affirmative action is “what the Nazis did” and asked, “How long before we’re taking blood tests, or measuring the shape of people’s heads?”

**November 1, 2022:** Carlson called Supreme Court Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Ketanji Brown Jackson a “damning case against affirmative action.”

**November 10, 2022:** On his Fox Nation show, Carlson invited white nationalist former Rep. Steve King (R-IA) as a guest and again pushed the racist “great replacement” theory.

**December 6, 2022:** Again referencing the “great replacement” theory, Carlson claimed “the Democratic Party wants new voters,” adding, “Immigration destabilizes your society. It makes it far less cohesive – that’s always true.”

**December 8, 2022:** Carlson claimed Joe Biden wants Paul Whelan, an American prisoner detained by Russia, to remain imprisoned because he’s white.

**December 14, 2022:** Carlson predicted Democrats would use “Nazi race science” to “certify the racial purity” of Black Americans in determining
“who qualifies for government reparations.”

**December 15, 2022:** Carlson claimed the Biden administration is “succeeding in changing the population of the United States.”

**December 19, 2022:** Carlson stated that immigration at the southern border is “the biggest story in recent American history: a total change in the American population.”

**December 21, 2022:** Carlson offered to fund a militia at the southern border.

**January 12, 2023:** Carlson said that former New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo was forced to resign because he’s a white male.

**January 17, 2023:** Carlson accused Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX) of “blood libel” against white people.

**January 27, 2023:** Carlson said white people are victims of “racial hatred” amid coverage of Tyre Nichols’s death after he was brutally beaten by Memphis police.

**January 30, 2023:** Carlson blamed affirmative action policies for the death of Tyre Nichols, saying the Black officers who beat him while in custody “were affirmative action hires.”

**January 31, 2023:** Carlson lamented, “Very few unarmed Black men are killed by white cops these days. Where’s George Floyd when you need him?”

**February 1, 2023:** Carlson claimed NBC News is “openly advocating” for the genocide of white people.

**February 17, 2023:** Carlson claimed federal diversity initiatives aim to “place the federal government, all of it, in opposition to” straight white men.

**February 23, 2023:** Carlson claimed Biden has enacted a mandatory “new Jim Crow” targeting white people.
**March 9, 2023:** Media Matters reported that texts from the Dominion Voting Systems/Fox News lawsuit showed Carlson had shared a column a Holocaust denier had written for the white nationalist website Taki’s Magazine.

**March 10, 2023:** Carlson claimed white people are victims of “Rwanda-style race hatred.”

**March 13, 2023:** Carlson blamed diversity initiatives for “increasingly incompetent” banks.

**March 14, 2023:** Carlson suggested that Black Lives Matter was an “orchestrated” plot to distract from Occupy Wall Street.