

Poll: No Lag on Tech Use by Young Adults of Color

WASHINGTON — A new poll finds African American and Hispanic millennials are just as technologically connected and likely to get news through social media as regularly as their white counterparts, further narrowing the risk of people of color being left behind technologically.

Overall, 57 percent of millennials say they get news

and information from Facebook at least once a day, and 81 percent say they get it from Facebook at least once a week. The poll also found that Hispanics and African-Americans are just as likely as any millennials to have a paid news subscription.

There was little differentiation between racial groups getting news from Face-

book, the poll found. But about half of African-American millennials said they comment on news stories posted to Facebook, compared to about 3 in 10 whites and Hispanics.

The findings suggest that, despite fears that millennials — those 18 to 34 years old — may not be going to traditional sources for news, they are clearly getting news

from social media.

“People of color are very wired and just as adept in using technology,” said Tom Rosenstiel, executive director of the American Press Institute, which funded the study. “If you want a subject that hasn’t been covered in the mainstream, millennials have found ways to get at that information through community sharing more

than traditional ways. The way they get news is heavily influenced by topic.”

In general, 64 percent of millennials say they read and watch news online regularly, including 66 percent of African-Americans, according to the poll, which was conducted by the Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and the American Press In-

stitute. Sixty-five percent of white millennials say they keep up with the news online, while Hispanics were slightly less likely to say so, at 53 percent

In the 1990s, policymakers and advocacy groups expressed concern that minorities would have less access to technology than whites, a situation labeled the “digital divide.”

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