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A Look at Media Bias

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New York Times Oblivious to Immigration Problems 5/5/10



When it comes to the issue of immigration, *The New York Times* is fast losing its credibility.

A New York Times editorial says a new Arizona immigration law turns all of the state's citizens into criminal suspects. Of course that's an unbelievable exaggeration.

The New York Times says the law requires police officers to question anyone who looks like an illegal immigrant. Actually, it doesn't require anyone to do anything—except obey the law.

The New York Times says that Arizona should welcome and assimilate all newcomers, making no distinction between illegal and legal immigrants.

Maybe, from a New York City skyscraper, it's hard to see the border violence, the human smuggling, the drug trafficking, the lost jobs, and the crowded schools, much of it caused by those who break our immigration laws.

Poll Shows Fox News Among Most Trusted News Sources

CNN and Fox News top the list of the most trusted news sources, according to a new 60 Minutes/Vanity Fair survey.

Almost one-third of respondents said they trust Fox News the most – over three times more than the number who trust the NYT most and more than double the number who trust the big three networks (ABC, CBS, NBC) most.

In January, a Public Policy Polling survey found that Fox News was the most trusted source of news by a 10-point margin.

MSNBC President Admits Network's Liberal Slant

MSNBC President Phil Griffin acknowledged recently that his cable network has a liberal slant.



During an interview with the *Chicago Tribune*, Griffin indicated that MSNBC is trying to appeal to a liberal audience, hoping to match Fox News' high ratings.

“Could we put on a hard-right show? No. It wouldn't fit,” Griffin said.

These comments marked a shift in Griffin's rhetoric about MSNBC. Previously, Griffin insisted that MSNBC was not “tied to ideology” and described rival Fox News as “ideological and opportunistic.”