## Focus on Social Media

Researchers conducted a general report of social media use by Emergency Preparedness Managers (EPMs) in Coastal Louisiana.

A broad scope of online communication platforms microblogs (e.g., Twitter), social networking sites (Facebook), and media-sharing sites (Instagram, YouTube, TikTok) (Rhee et al., 2021).

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- 1. Among 26 Coastal Louisiana parishes, approximately 46% EPMs utilize social media. Only 2 parish EPMs update social media regularly.
- 2. More than half of the Coastal Louisiana EPMs do not utilize or update social media regularly.
- 3. Many EPM social media pages are linked to external websites (e.g., parish police, local tourism pages).





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- 1. Use social media consistently.
- 2. Know your audience.
- 3. Be flexible and interactive on social media.





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