READING · RELEASE 2026-W21

DeepSeek

Lab · 18–24 May 2026 · reading r_0f79a4e2c245, version 3

IN DEVELOPMENT

On Reddit, 1,340 distinct people posted about DeepSeek between 18 and 24 May 2026: 1,919 posts, an estimated 0.70% of that week's Reddit posts about AI, leaving out templated automated posts (100.0% of these posts had an identifiable author).

Measured statement · Reddit · n 1,919 posts · author coverage 100.0% · 7 days: 7 backfilled

ATTENTION

Distinct people, each platform on its own scale

Reddit	**1,340 people** · 0.70% of posts
Bluesky	Hidden: Not counted this week: Bluesky has no day between 18 and 24 May 2026 that AIDRAN counts, so there's no figure to show.
YouTube	Hidden: Not counted this week: YouTube has no day between 18 and 24 May 2026 that AIDRAN counts, so there's no figure to show.
Hacker News	Hidden: n 4 people, below the threshold of 20 people.
Article sources	Not applicable: arXiv, Google News and Exa carry articles, which have no authors, so people aren't counted.

People are distinct platform identities, counted on each platform separately and never added across platforms. Bars are scaled to each platform's first place in 2026-W21 (Reddit: Claude, 10,350), so no two platforms share a scale. As of 25 Sep 2026 19:30Z.

PLACE

Where it was said: posts on Reddit, by community

r/DeepSeek users	741 posts
r/LocalLLaMA builders	188 posts
r/GithubCopilot	159 posts
r/AIDungeon	88 posts
r/singularity general	59 posts

Posts about DeepSeek in its 5 largest Reddit communities, 18–24 May 2026. The word after each community is its type: who is there, not what it's about.

THE PARTS NOT MEASURED YET

Shown as absent, never as zero

Frames	NOT MEASURED YET	Frames aren't measured yet.
Register	NOT MEASURED YET	Register isn't measured yet.

EVIDENCE

The posts behind the figures

Up to 10 posts behind each figure with a value, one frozen sample per figure and per platform, drawn once on 2 Oct 2026 08:53Z. Reddit's people figure: 10 drawn from 1,919. The quotes are on the reading page, without authors, so they aren't printed here.

CONDITIONS

What this reading rests on

Window · as of	18–24 May 2026 · 25 Sep 2026 19:30Z
Days counted	Reddit 7 of 7 (from an archive); Hacker News 7 of 7 (from an archive); arXiv 7 of 7 (from an archive)
Not counted	Bluesky, YouTube and Google News, collected under an earlier method; Exa, collected only now and then
Method	005c-series-v3.1
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Version	3 · replaces r_d6785633b8b2, which stays at its own link with its notice

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