READING · RELEASE 2026-W04

DeepSeek

Lab · 19–25 Jan 2026 · reading r_3714bdbed42b, version 4

IN DEVELOPMENT

On Reddit, 602 distinct people posted about DeepSeek between 19 and 25 January 2026: 851 posts, an estimated 0.34% 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 851 posts · author coverage 100.0% · 7 days: 7 backfilled

ATTENTION

Distinct people, each platform on its own scale

Reddit		**602 people** · 0.34% of posts
Bluesky	Hidden: Not counted this week: Bluesky has no day between 19 and 25 January 2026 that AIDRAN counts, so there's no figure to show.	
Hacker News	Hidden: n 2 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-W04 (Reddit: ChatGPT, 7,139), 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/LocalLLaMA builders	259 posts
r/DeepSeek users	149 posts
r/AIDungeon	48 posts
r/ChatGPT users	42 posts
r/singularity general	34 posts

Posts about DeepSeek in its 5 largest Reddit communities, 19–25 Jan 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 03:50Z. Reddit's people figure: 10 drawn from 851. The quotes are on the reading page, without authors, so they aren't printed here.

CONDITIONS

What this reading rests on

Window · as of	19–25 Jan 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, Google News and Exa, not being collected yet
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