

Data sheet

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Article: Pfister, R. (2011). Wardrobe malfunctions and the measurement of internet behaviour. *Psychology*, 2(3), 265-267. doi: 10.4236/psych.2011.23042

Background: This article was triggered after reading a diatribe article on wardrobe malfunctions on a German news website of decently low quality (t-online.de). I found it intriguing how much those reports seem to stir up people and decided to follow up on this impression empirically. Initially I had planned to include a rather morbid control condition with analyzing the search volume index as a function of a celebrity's death but decided to omit this comparison in the end.

While this article was reviewed at a slightly more prestigious journal (Computers in Human Behavior), a decisively feminist reviewer accused me of illegitimately confining the analyses to female celebrities which according to her was "a troubling unjustified selection". The article of course had to be rejected on these grounds.

File list

Icon key:  = tab-delimited data;  = SPSS syntax;  = MS Excel file;  = zip archive

 WardMalf_Results.xlsx	Overview of all data and analyses
 WardMalf_Raw.zip	Raw output from Google Trends
 WardMalf_Results_All.dat	Search volume indices by celebrity and week
 WardMalf_Results_Baseline.dat	Search volume indices for ANOVA analysis
 WardMalf_MainAnalysis.sps	ANOVA syntax
