

Fort Hood 7 Killed

The Washington Post reports on 7 soldiers killed.

News Alert

03:39 PM EST Thursday, November 5, 2009

Reports: 7 dead in shooting at Fort Hood, Texas

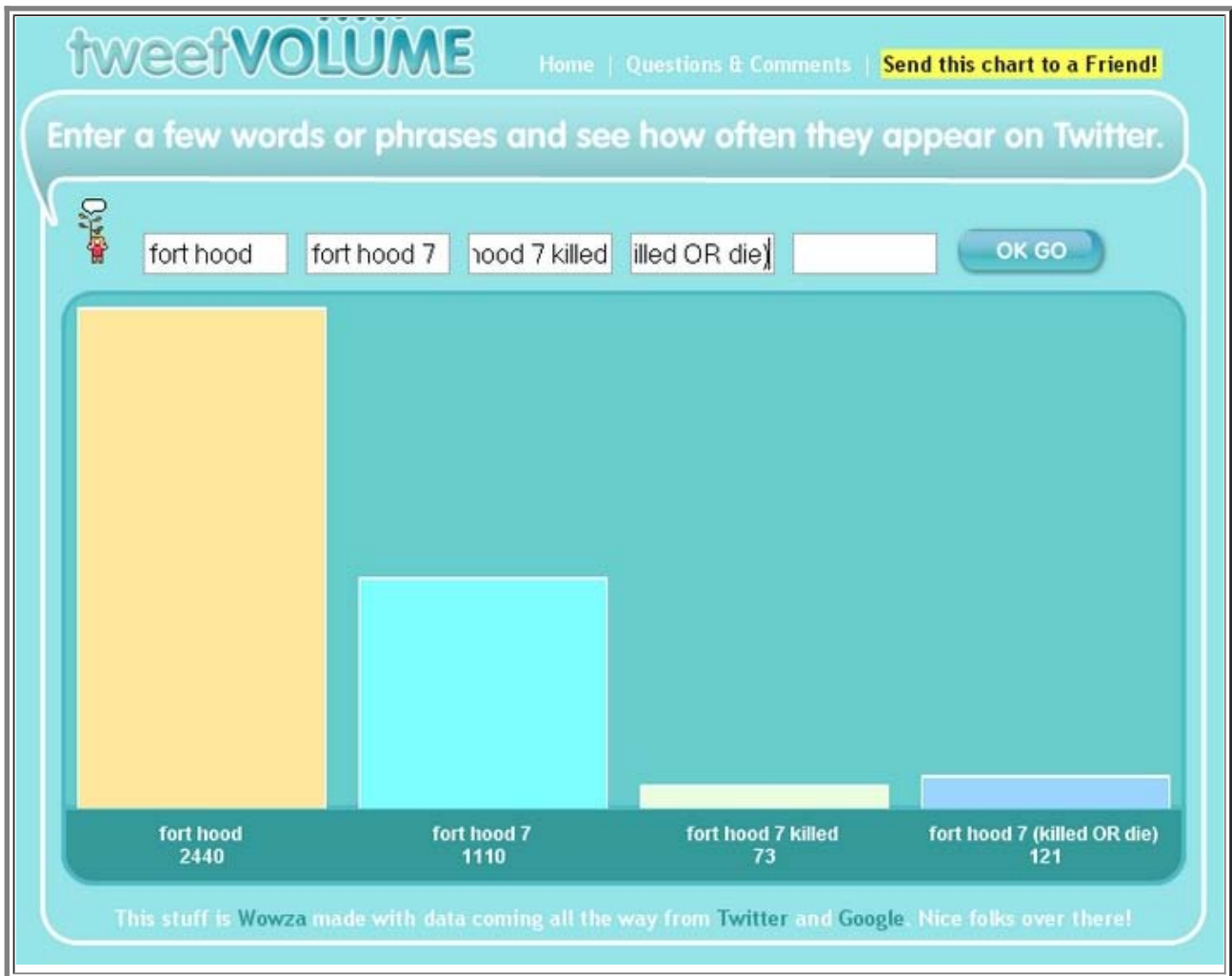
At least seven people were killed and 12 wounded in a shooting at a U.S. Army base in Fort Hood, Texas, on Thursday, local news organizations reported.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) -

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That looks like a very bloody event. This is [The Washington Post article](#) describing the event.

I tried a number of phrases for searching.



"fort hood 7 (killed OR die)" looked like it was going to get much of the traffic. "fort hood" was too general. "fort hood 7" was too mixed with other matters.

The first search with Archivist was at 3:10 p.m. November 5, 2009. It found 472 messages at that point. The first message was at 2:05, which was 30+ minutes before The Post report.

Things got very 'messy' this afternoon and evening. I will do the breaking news messages first in chronological order.

News Alert

05:06 PM EST Thursday, November 5, 2009

Suspected shooters in Fort Hood shooting were soldiers

A gunman in the mass shooting at the Army base was a U.S. soldier, the commanding general of Fort Hood says, adding that two other suspected shooters were also soldiers. 12 soldiers were killed, 31 wounded in the Fort Hood shooting.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/GWSCIY/NKY48/J9A8OP/VOXW6M/6M3ZM/9A/t) -

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The number of soldiers killed and wounded was updated and the shooters were identified.

News Alert

07:36 PM EST Thursday, November 5, 2009

Fort Hood gunman was psychiatrist who formerly worked at Walter Reed

An Army psychiatrist who formerly resided in the Washington area and worked at the Walter Reed hospital opened fire on soldiers at Fort Hood, Tex., Thursday in a shooting rampage that killed at least 11 people and wounded 31 others, officials said. The gunman was also killed.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/IKR2QE/RE9SH/IQ2G63/W0KKFN/N3ZFA/QR/t) -

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Number killed is updated again, and the principal shooter is identified more concretely.

News Alert

09:23 PM EST Thursday, November 5, 2009

Fort Hood suspected gunman was not killed in incident

The gunman behind a shooting rampage at Fort Hood is alive, hospitalized in stable condition and in custody, the commanding general of Fort Hood said Thursday night in contradicting his own information from earlier Thursday. Lt. Gen. Robert W. Cone said Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan was the only shooter.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/VP6EHT/DVA0X/Z6JDIZ/FSBGL5/RL4U9/T3/t) -

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Earlier there had been reports that the gunman had been killed in the melee. The Post reports that he is alive and hospitalized.

That seems to be the breaking news for the evening. There was at least as much action in the twitter world.

News Alert

6:09 AM EDT Friday, November 6, 2009

Death toll from Fort Hood rampage rises to 13

Suspect is an Army psychiatrist. Officials plan early morning news conference.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/C7I8XW/RESNC/77LRND/QHM1DH/IS088/N9/t) -

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Another update at 6:09 a.m. Eastern. The number dead has risen to 13, but a cursory glance did not find 13 entering into

the morning tweets.

And breaking news again on November 11, 2009

News Alert

01:45 PM EST Wednesday, November 11, 2009

Source: Hasan did not seek discharge

The Army psychiatrist accused of killing 13 people last week at Fort Hood, Tex., did not formally seek to be discharged as a conscientious objector or for any other reason, an Army official said, despite claims by one of his relatives that he had sought to leave the service.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) -

<http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/DME6KX/J4YEX/FY0TBR/1ZN32G/BK82T/ZH/t>

Five 'breaking news' so far.

The breaking news continues.

News Alert

11:37 AM EST Thursday, November 12, 2009

Hasan to be charged with 13 counts of murder

Army officials this afternoon will charge Maj. Nidal M. Hasan with 13 counts of premeditated murder in last Thursday's killing of 12 soldiers and a civilian at Fort Hood, Tex., according to an Army official.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) -

<http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/NQU5FR/78VT1/42P9JW/HRZKYK/GQAXR/28/t>

This becomes the seventh breaking news.

News Alert

01:46 PM EST Thursday, November 19, 2009

Former heads of Army, Navy appointed to lead review of Fort Hood shootings

Defense Secretary Gates selects former heads of the Army and Navy to lead Pentagon review into attack by Maj. Nidal M. Hasan that left 13 dead.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) -

<http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/E5QODK/MKRX7/TLYM4O/8D2HYJ/Q1JV6/6C/t>

The first search phrase was "fort hood 7 (killed OR die)". Reasonably quickly the number killed was corrected. Using that phrase found 479 messages between 2:04 p.m. and 3:35 p.m. But the "7" ended the stream.

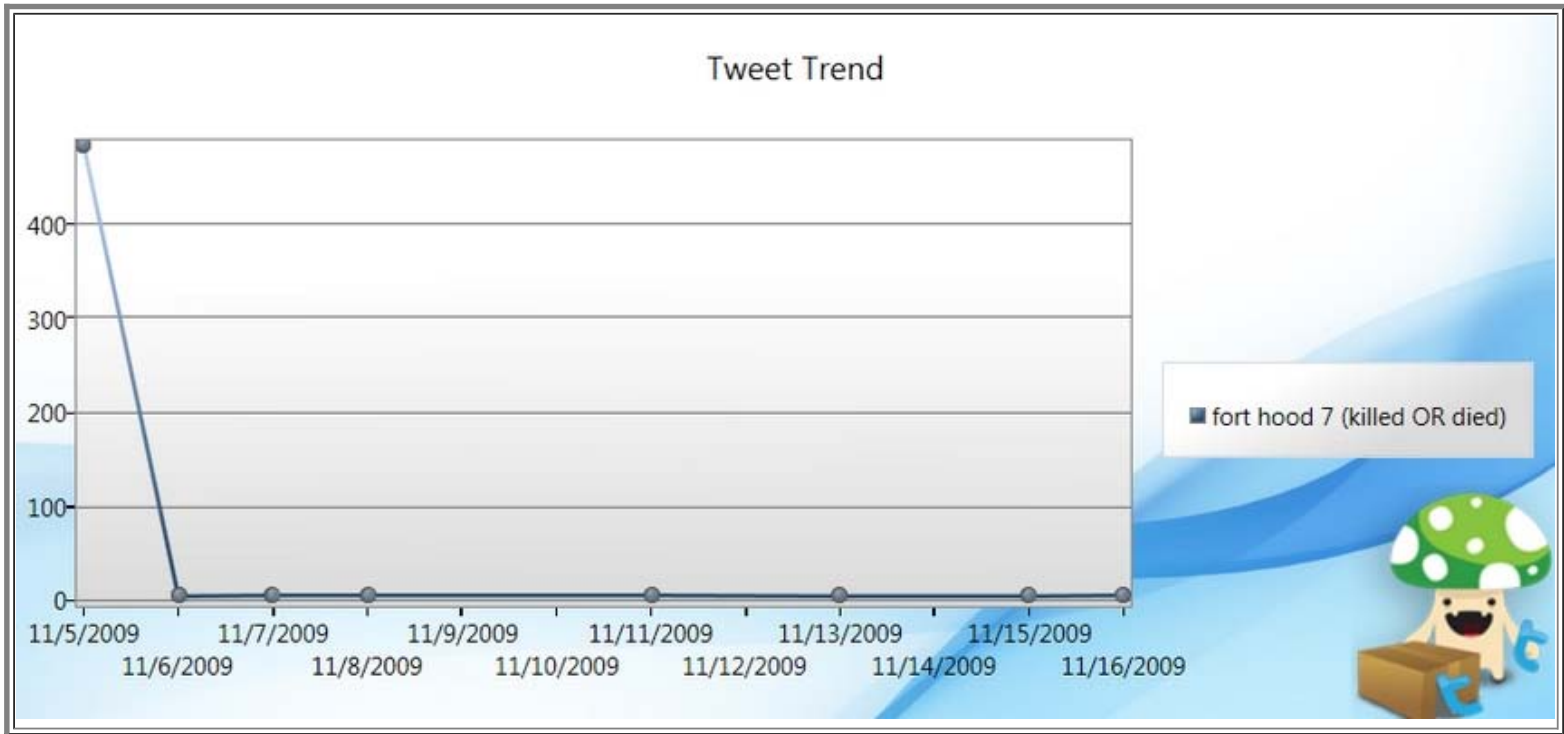
I went to "fort hood (killed OR die)" when I figured out what was going on. Using that phrase 1504 messages were found between 5:24 p.m. and 9:39 p.m. Then that stream stopped. Note I missed two hours 3:35 to 5:24 which were surely busy hours, but I could not get to them given the number of messages when I discovered the need to change the search.

Then hashtags seem to have taken over. I searched for #fthood and found 1703 messages beginning at 8:19 through 12:15 a.m. It does not seem to have stopped yet -- though it will surely slow down overnight.

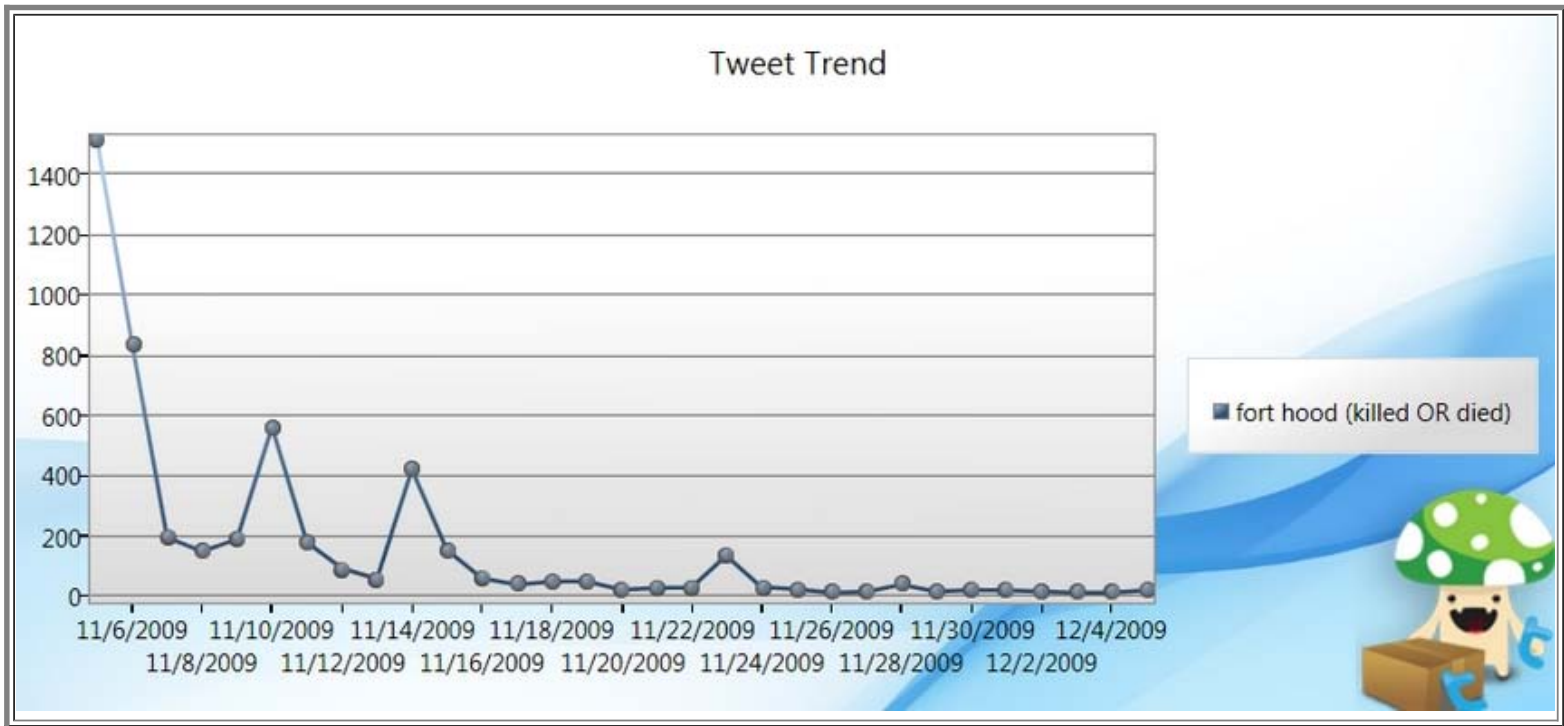
"forthood" was also being used for this communication. There were 1717 messages between 8:19 and 12:20 a.m. Many of the tweets contain both hashtags; many do not. But they seem to have taken over from hashtags including "kill" or "die".

The search stopped at 12:30 a.m. December 6, 2009. The totals for the four searches were: #forthood 7490, #fthood 8966, fort hood (killed OR died) 4696, and fort hood 7 (killed OR died) 492.

Start with the timeline for fort hood 7 (killed OR died)

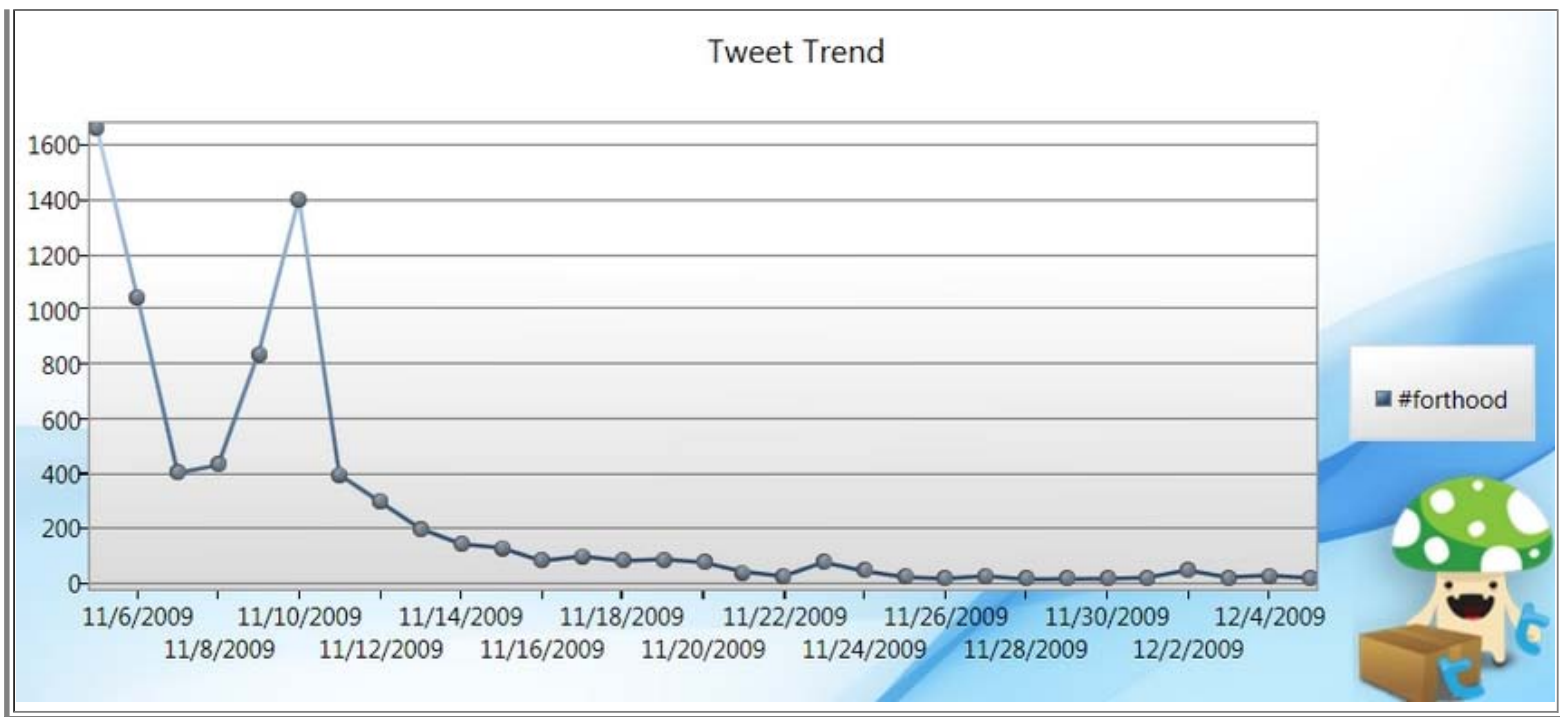


The next search phrase

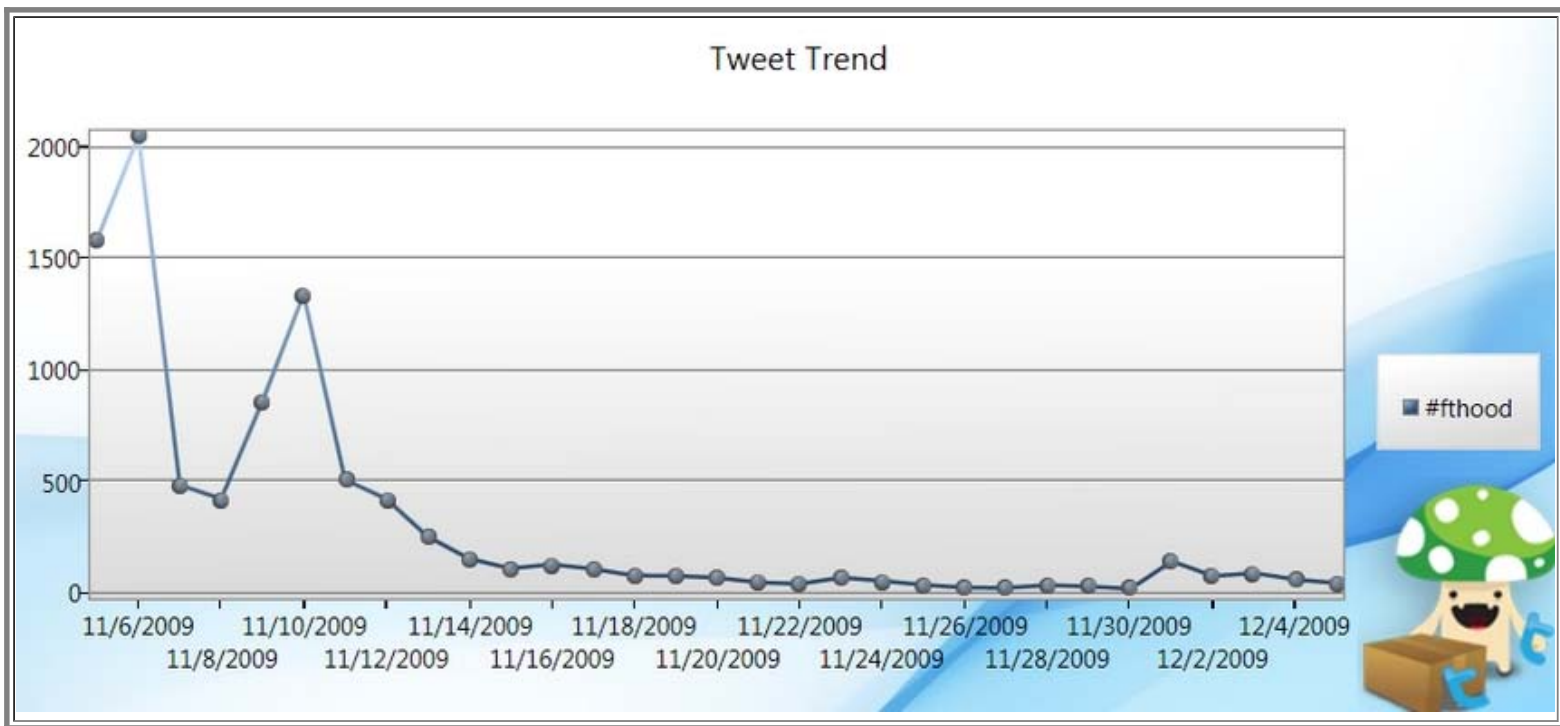


Third search phrase tried





Final search phrase



The first search -- phrase fort hood 7 (killed OR died) is the only one that begins on the 5th. All of the others begin on the 6th. The first search phrase immediately goes to very close to 0 because they discovered that more than 7 had been killed.

The final search phrase -- #fthood -- is unusual in that the number of messages goes up for the first to the second day. The others all decline from day 1 to day 2.

They all decline and then pop back up for a couple o days. Then it is a gradual decline.

The .txt files that can be read with Excel are: fort hood 7 (killed OR died), fort hood (killed OR died), #forthood, and #fthood.

Foiled completion (09/12/08) -- the FBI is bring it back into the news, and The Washington Post is making it breaking news one more time.

News Alert

11:13 AM EST Tuesday, December 8, 2009

FBI requests review of lead-up to Fort Hood shootings

The FBI has requested an independent review of bureau actions ahead of the shootings at Fort Hood.

For more information, visit [washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com) -

<http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/7CWL7Z/ND8VK/FY0TBR/T6M7G8/9XSJX/LE/t>

So now I will have to see if this generates more messages or if it is an inside the beltway move.