

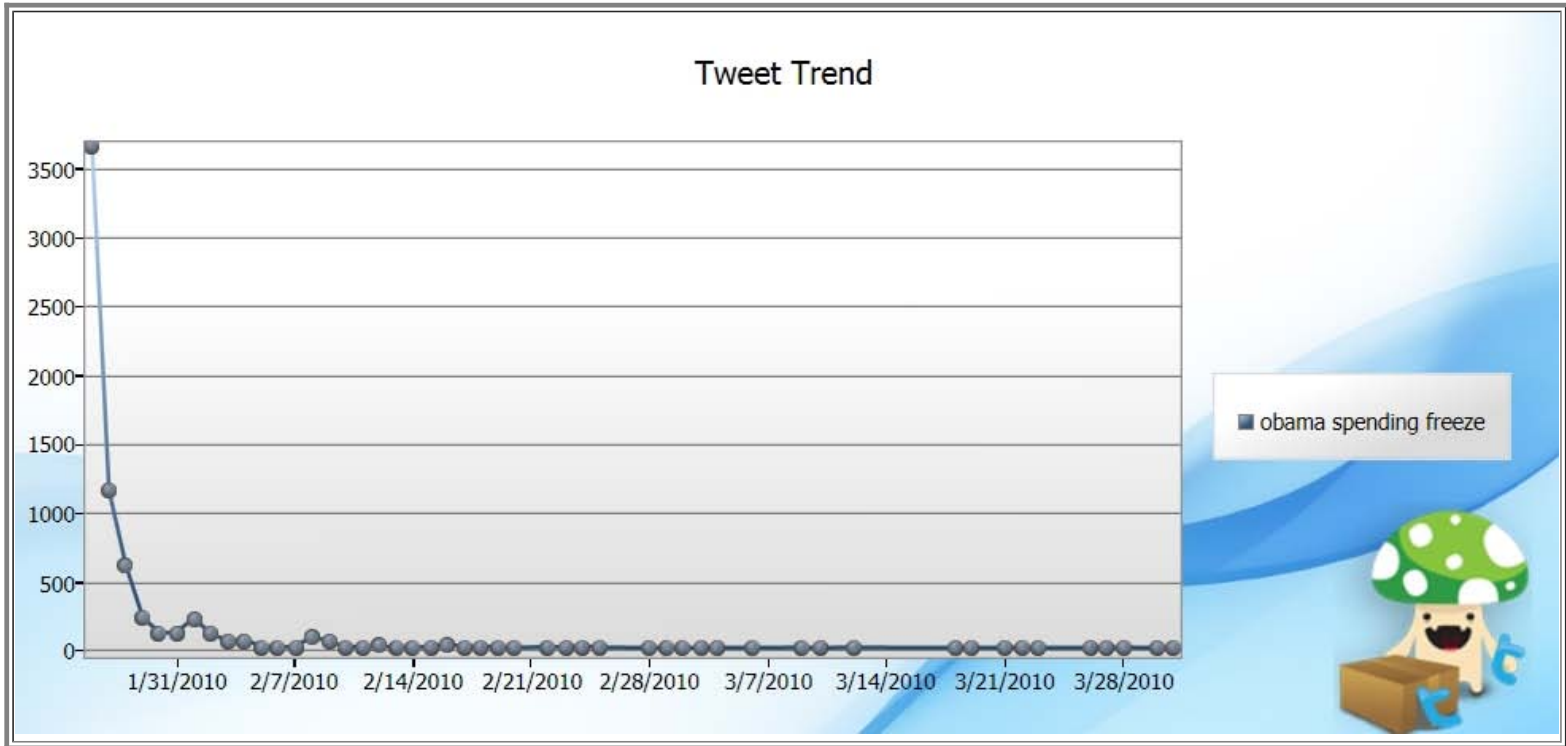
## Obama announces intention to freeze some domestic spending

With the soaring deficit in mind Obama announced that he would propose a spending freeze for some domestic programs.

The search term used was "obama spending freeze"

The first messages using this phrase found were on January 26, 2010. The search was discontinued April 3. The total number of messages found was 6589.

The figure shows the distribution over time.



A couple of days with relatively heavy tweeting and then a quick fade to zero. Many of the last tweets were expressions of doubt that he would actually do this.

The data files are [obama spending freeze.xml](#) and [obama spending freeze.txt](#), which is a tab delimited file that can be read with Excel.

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