# Russia increasing use of AI in information warfare against Ukraine, report finds



The Center for Countering Disinformation (CCD) has reported a significant increase in the use of artificial intelligence (AI) by Russia in its information warfare against Ukraine. Since the start of 2024, 191 separate Russian information operations involving AI-generated content have been identified across various social media platforms.

These AI-driven campaigns have garnered an estimated 84.5 million views, indicating widespread reach and engagement. The CCD highlighted several forms of AI-generated material employed in these operations, including deepfake videos—where a person’s face or voice is realistically swapped to create false recordings—and partial deepfakes, which combine genuine video footage with AI-generated audio or digitally inserted scenes not present in the original content.

Other notable formats include fake captioned videos that are presented under the guise of reputable media outlets, as well as AI-generated images depicting soldiers or their families. These images are often used to evoke strong emotional responses, promote particular narratives, and increase viewer interaction. On social media platform X, in particular, emotion-enhancing AI content is utilised to advance Russian-favourable viewpoints.

The CCD has also observed that Russian propaganda efforts have extended to manipulating popular AI chatbots, influencing them to replicate disinformation narratives that have been sanitized and repackaged by Russian media sources.

In a statement shared on the Telegram channel, the CCD emphasised the evolving nature of information warfare in the context of the Ukraine conflict: “The information front of the war is constantly evolving – the enemy is looking for new, more effective ways to influence public opinion. That’s why the role of artificial intelligence in Russia’s information operations is steadily increasing.”

Furthermore, recent trends indicate a steep rise in the circulation of AI-generated fakes on social media, with images being the most prevalent type of fabricated content.

This latest report from the Center for Countering Disinformation underscores the growing role of AI technology in shaping narratives and influencing perceptions amid the ongoing conflict between Russia and Ukraine.

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