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## Traffic report

# Real sports, real women and an imaginary country... what's on top for readers

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## Wakanda on Ice (February 18 to 24, 2018)

**Wikipedia? More like [Wakandapedia](#), am I right?:** Following on from last week's report, we see a significant number of repeat entries, with the same three items dominating the agenda completely – the all-encompassing cinematic powerhouse that is *Black Panther*, the Winter Olympics in South Korea, and the fallout of the school shooting in Parkland. However, other items managed to penetrate the list outside of this triad, such as a deceased pastor (#3) and a sprinkling of r/TIL items from Reddit (thanks, guys). All in all, the list is lacking in diversity amongst its items, which is ironic given the diversity of the film which controls it. Anyway, it is nonetheless of interest. After two weeks atop the report, I can state "Wakanda Forever" indeed.

Without any further macroscopic ruminations on the list, for the week of February 18 to 24, 2017, the 25 most popular articles on Wikipedia, as determined from the [WP:5000](#) (h

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The reports of my death have been greatly exaggerated.

Rank	Article	Class	Views	Image	Notes
1	<u><a href="#">Black Panther (film)</a></u>		3,426,528		Wakanda forever! Two years after his film debut in <u><a href="#">Captain America: Civil War</a></u> , King T'Challa stars in a compelling, provocative and entertaining solo film that is one of the most African movies ever, even if it was made by a filmmaker from Oakland (#23). Along with much critical praise, <u><a href="#">Black Panther</a></u> is also wrecking up box office records, grossing \$700 million in less than two weeks.
2	<u><a href="#">Sylvester Stallone</a></u>		2,748,618		As if shock death reports aren't enough, sometimes the internet decides to kill famous people before their time. The latest victim of such a thing was Stallone, with a rumor that he had died of cancer driving readers to his page, but <u>he was thankfully alive to call out on the "stupidity"</u> ( <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2018/02/20/sylvester-stallone-is-not-dead-at-least-thats-what-he-says/?utm_term=.dba13caa6c16">https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2018/02/20/sylvester-stallone-is-not-dead-at-least-thats-what-he-says/?utm_term=.dba13caa6c16</a> ). In the meantime, he prepares to return as <u>Rocky Balboa</u> in the sequel for <u>Creed</u> , whose director (#23) and main actor (#5) <u>received Sly's compliments</u> ( <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/Bfb15bTDxxU/">https://www.instagram.com/p/Bfb15bTDxxU/</a> ) for their work in <u>Black Panther</u> (#1).
3	<u><a href="#">Billy Graham</a></u>		1,662,485		<u>"The only boy who could ever teach me, was the son of a preacher man."</u> Graham is arguably the <u>second</u> most influential preacher of recent memory, and over the span of his 99-year long earthly career, he used his pulpit to deliver <u>sermon and speech</u> to billions of adherents. While many may not have agreed with his biblical interpretations,








					<p>Graham's massive impact is undeniable, as he managed to become a close aide for multiple presidents, and a strong supporter of the <u>civil rights movement</u>. Christianity lost one of its bastions this week, and curious Wikipedians journeyed to parse the page of the evangelist, who led his congregation in some slightly less violent <u>crusades</u>...</p>
4	<p><u>2018 Winter Olympics</u></p>		1,264,289		<p>Both writers here aren't much interested in the Winter Games – one's country <u>never does well in winter sports</u>, the other's nation <u>barely has snow</u> – but can't deny this year's events had some fun moments. And being in South Korea, it serves as preparation for how the <u>2020 Summer Olympics</u> will force sports fans to live in the <u>Japan Standard Time</u>.</p>
5	<p><u>Michael B. Jordan</u></p>		1,196,642		<p>As the proverb goes, "if at first you don't succeed, try, try again" – this saying is more directly applicable to Jordan than most. Nowadays, all Hollywood mainstays (apart from <u>Leo</u>), harbor heroic aspirations, and tie their colors to the mast of one of the superhero universes. However, after Jordan's <u>first effort</u> ended in abject failure, he got a second swing at it, portraying Erik Kilmonger (#25) in the zeitgeist-capturing <i>Black Panther</i> (#1). One would be foolish to question his <u>acting credentials</u>, even if he is doomed to be the <i>other Michael Jordan</i> for perpetuity.</p>
6	<p><u>Exo (band)</u></p>		1,175,866		<p>Another entry from the <u>snowy utopia</u> of Pyeongchang now, though a less direct one. Exo are a very popular <u>K-pop</u> group, but they have not yet seeped into</p>



					<p>Western culture like some of their <u>peers</u>. However, after performing at the closing ceremony in dramatic and entertaining fashion, they have hit the headlines in the West. Perhaps they can cross the <u>Pacific</u> and become superstars stateside. I may not have too much of an affinity for their lyrics, but their music cannot be worse than the <u>supposed perfection of current compositions</u>.</p>
7	<u>Chadwick Boseman</u>		1,000,935		<p>A truly excellent actor, Boseman portrays the titular King T'Challa in <u>Black Panther</u> (#1), donning the costume he first took on in <u>Captain America: Civil War</u> once again. Despite the presence of a <u>massive number of burgeoning and talented black actors</u> appearing in the film, Boseman still shines above and beyond as he delivers a captivating and nuanced performance.</p>
8	<u>Lindsey Vonn</u>		982,028		<p>American alpine skier Vonn got a bronze in the <u>downhill</u>, a reminder that she's still a good athlete in spite of the controversy she raised following negative comments regarding <u>President Donald Trump</u>, which even led some enraged people online to brand Vonn as <u>anti-American</u> (<a href="https://www.bbc.com/sport/winter-olympics/43102838">https://www.bbc.com/sport/winter-olympics/43102838</a>) and root for her failure. I feel that this is anti-thetical to the Olympic spirit myself, and should be unequivocally condemned.</p>







9	<u>Tessa Virtue</u>		930,176		<p>The Canadian figure skater is part of a dynamic duo with <u>Scott Moir</u> (#16), who competed, with <u>golden success</u>, in <u>Pyeongchang</u>. However, this is not the reason why her figures have been propelled upwards. Rather, following a performance best characterised as <u>steamy</u> (<a href="http://time.com/5157649/tessa-virtue-scott-moir-valentines-day/">http://time.com/5157649/tessa-virtue-scott-moir-valentines-day/</a>) on St. Valentine's Day, the internet became convinced that the duo were in love, despite their insistence to the contrary. So, it appears, the highly successful skaters are merely platonic friends, and their relationship is professional rather than amorous. Eh, still a better love story than <u>Twilight</u>.</p>
10	<u>Curling</u>		615,273		<p>The Winter Olympics are not as interesting as the Summer ones, specially when offered speed (sledding, hockey), dangerous stunts (skiing and snowboarding), and beauty (figure skating), the broadcasters dedicate so much time to curling, this sport revolving around throwing rocks and sweeping ice that was <u>ripe</u> for a song parody (<a href="https://youtube.com/watch?v=vqrBRjyNyDA?t=57s">https://youtube.com/watch?v=vqrBRjyNyDA?t=57s</a>).</p>
11	<u>Black Panther (comics)</u>		754,040		<p>T'Challa is the king of the fictional Wakanda, and as such controls vast swathes of <u>vibranium</u>. The metal, blended as an alloy with <u>adamantium</u> to form <u>Captain America's shield</u>, is worth titanic amounts of money according to Marvel canon. Thanks to the film adaptation of the character (#1), where he is portrayed by Chadwick Boseman (#7), <u>Marvel Studios</u> could take all of the</p>





					metal off his hands, and have some change left over after the transaction ( <a href="http://money.cnn.com/2018/02/18/media/black-panther-box-office/index.html">http://money.cnn.com/2018/02/18/media/black-panther-box-office/index.html</a> ).
12	<a href="#">Deaths in 2018</a>		635,086		Death is omnipresent, and curiosity for the morbid is a guarantee amongst purveyors of Wikipedia, thus parachuting this list of the fallen into each and every iteration of the Report. This week's congregation is led, rather fittingly, by Billy Graham. (#3)
13	<a href="#">Steven Holcomb</a>		610,934		Last week we had a disgraced former Winter Olympian in <a href="#">Tonya Harding</a> . This week is a deceased one, a bobsledder whose death in the U.S. Olympic Training Center last year was still being felt by his teammates: they wore bracelets with Holcomb's nickname "Night Train" and brought his mother to support them in South Korea ( <a href="https://www.sltrib.com/sports/2018/02/23/steve-holcombs-mom-is-in-pyeongchang-to-root-for-the-us-bobsled-team-her-late-son-would-have-led/">https://www.sltrib.com/sports/2018/02/23/steve-holcombs-mom-is-in-pyeongchang-to-root-for-the-us-bobsled-team-her-late-son-would-have-led/</a> ).
14	<a href="#">Dua Lipa</a>		610,934		Dua Lipa is the latest sensation on the music scene, with musicphiles the world over embracing her <a href="#">new rules</a> . She has been propelled into the report this week due to the <a href="#">Brit Awards</a> , where she won bigly. Her live performance ( <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tHtnxluMXMw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tHtnxluMXMw</a> ) garnered criticism in some quarters, with accusations of a lack of stage presence being levied at her. However, having bagged four awards, I'm sure that she does not give a <a href="#">f**k</a> .
15	<a href="#">Johnny Weir</a>		609,659		Weir, a former figure skater, is part of a duo with Tara Lipinski on NBC, covering



					the Winter Olympics. The LGBTQ activist engages audiences daily by commenting on events over in <a href="#">Pyeongchang</a> , and this is drawing many internet users to his article. I can't say that I find the sport too intriguing, but their shared commentary is riveting and <a href="#">humorous (http://time.com/5164019/winter-olympics-figure-skater-game-of-thrones/)</a> , perhaps accounting for their popularity.
16	<a href="#">Scott Moir</a>		584,347		How can you tell if a person cannot be discussed without bringing up someone else? In Moir's case, just look at <a href="#">our images of him on Commons: all of them</a> also have Tessa Virtue (#9). No wonder they both work really well together – their gold in the 2010 Olympics, pictured to the left, is now joined by two others in 2018 – and have fans wondering if they're a couple.
17	<a href="#">Tara Lipinski</a>		551,687		The former figure skater and Olympic champion is part of NBC's analysis panel for the Winter Olympics (#3) alongside her co-anchor, Johnny Weir (#15). Perhaps her ubiquity on the Peacock network has propelled her figures on Wikipedia upwards, as has her sharp critiques of the skaters. Living outside of the US, I cannot say that I am too familiar with Lipinski and her credentials to analyse the Winter Olympics, but the last syllable of her surname is irrefutably apt.
18	<a href="#">Stoneman Douglas High School shooting</a>		572,136		Last week, I discussed the need, the absolute and irrefutable prerogative, to implement legislation to <a href="#">curb firearms use</a> in the United States of America. However, it has become apparent to me

					<p>that such advice will not be heeded, and to repeat it is redundant. The blood of the 17 victims is barely even dry, and their schoolmates and colleagues are doing every thing in their power to ensure that their loss is <u>not futile</u> – even if they are branded as <u>actors</u> (<a href="https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-43140105">https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-43140105</a>) by some <u>deplorable</u> individuals. The <u>grand old</u> solution to this predicament – let's arm the teachers, and turn schools into a live playthrough of a <u>COD game</u>. More children <i>will</i> die. This does not happen <u>elsewhere</u>. But, sure, what is the cost of dead kids when you get to hang on to a <u>AR-15</u> in case the government goes rogue and you need it to <u>stop them</u>?</p>
19	<u>Steller's sea cow</u>	★	564,342		<p>Having being somewhat quiet in recent iterations of the report, the eminently intellectual subreddit that is r/TIL (<a href="https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comment/s/7ydnv4/til_there_were_30ft_long_sea_cows_called_stellers/">https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comment/s/7ydnv4/til_there_were_30ft_long_sea_cows_called_stellers/</a>) strikes back. Without them, this list would be significantly less diverse and entertaining. This is a particularly intriguing entry, focusing on a massive extinct <u>dugong</u>. Good to see a <u>Featured Article</u> attracting attention as well.</p>
20	<u>Columbine High School massacre</u>	15	550,392		<p>Perhaps the most infamous of the many, many, many <u>school shootings stateside</u>, the Columbine massacre resulted in 15 deaths, including those of the <u>perpetrators</u>. Up until the Florida shooting (#18), it was the worst massacre to occur at a high school. Columbine occurred in the 1990's, before <u>9/11</u>, and reminded the USA of the</p>

					<p>heinous evil which can manifest itself, and affected the <u>culture</u> of the era to a large extent accordingly. Not enough to change anything, though.</p>
21	<u>Perpetual stew</u>		547,204		<p>Another Reddit contribution (<a href="https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/7z4n7j/til_about_perpetual_stew_common_in_the_middle/">https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/7z4n7j/til_about_perpetual_stew_common_in_the_middle/</a>), as someone learned about this collaborative culinary concoction, where the pot is never emptied as people keep adding new ingredients and liquid. Wonder if any of those stews started with <u>a stone</u>.</p>
22	<u>Letitia Wright</u>		540,218		<p>This week's report concludes with a Wakandan quartet, with all four items related directly to the riveting and riotously successful box office behemoth that <u>tops this list</u>. Highest placed, understandably, is the most obscure of the bunch – Letitia Wright, who portrays T'Challa's sister in the film. This is a breakthrough role for the British actor, building upon a <u>rigid foundation</u> laid by <u>Charlie Brooker</u>. She was captivating in that part, and is clever and charming as <u>Shuri</u>.</p>
23	<u>Ryan Coogler</u>		518,075		<p>Next up, we have the director of the watercooler work, Ryan Coogler. He previously made the astounding <u>Fruitvale Station</u> and subsequently turned what should have been a <u>routine franchise release</u> into one of the best films of 2015. It is of little surprise to cinephiles, therefore, that even within the rigid confines of the <u>Marvel Cinematic Universe</u>, he produced a sublime superhero film. Coogler has an</p>









					<p>exceptionally bright future ahead of him, with the opportunity to become a seminal African-American director, a subset which Hollywood has traditionally neglected (<a href="https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/features/race-barriers-battling-nerves-a-candid-conversation-oscars-4-african-american-directing-nominees-90-1087644">https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/features/race-barriers-battling-nerves-a-candid-conversation-oscars-4-african-american-directing-nominees-90-1087644</a>).</p>
24	<u>Lupita Nyong'o</u>		509,620		<p>Next up is Lupita Nyong'o, one of the most highly regarded black actresses currently working in film. Having bagged a (well deserved) <u>Oscar</u> for <u>12 Years a Slave</u>, and appearing in one of the most memorable photos of the decade (<a href="https://twitter.com/TheEllenShow/status/440322224407314432/photo/1">https://twitter.com/TheEllenShow/status/440322224407314432/photo/1</a>), Nyong'o has moved on to franchise fare, initially appearing as <u>Maz Kanata</u> in every nerd's second favourite space themed franchise, and now as Nakia in <u>Black Panther</u>. While playing the stereotypical love interest role, Nyong'o's character is driven, dogged, and determined – qualities that the actress herself will require if her new ambition (<a href="https://qz.com/1214091/lupita-nyongo-brings-trevor-noahs-south-african-story-to-hollywood/">https://qz.com/1214091/lupita-nyongo-brings-trevor-noahs-south-african-story-to-hollywood/</a>) is to succeed.</p>
25	<u>Erik Killmonger</u>		505,368		<p>As we began this report with <u>Black Panther</u> in the ascendancy, it is only fitting that we conclude with its antagonist. Portrayed by Michael B. Jordan, and adorned in a fierce tribal mask, (symbolized here with a <u>Burkina Faso</u> artifact, ca. 1800) Killmonger spends the film on a crusade, determined to use the advanced technology of</p>





					<p>Wakanda to liberate his <u>American brethren</u>. However, while this pursuit may perhaps curry favour and support amongst a cinematic audience, Kilmonger is far too ruthless and repugnant an individual to endorse over T'Challa. He attempts to usurp the crown, and anarchic chaos ensues. I shan't continue with this synopsis any longer, but suffice it to say that the film was very entertaining – anyone on the fence should <u>join the masses</u> (<a href="http://www.boxofficemojo.com/movies/?id=marvel2017b.htm">http://www.boxofficemojo.com/movies/?id=marvel2017b.htm</a>) and watch it, as you are <u>unlikely</u> to be disappointed.</p>
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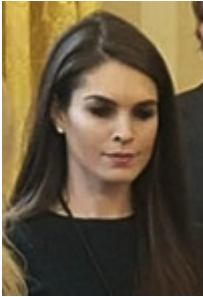






### **Taste of India (February 25 to March 3, 2018)**

Three months later, another Bollywood death results in a Top 25 Report dominated by India. And with a much higher view count, given Sridevi Kapoor (#1) was upon death three decades younger than Shashi Kapoor – unrelated, to the point the entries the actress pulls up are from another Kapoor family. India also puts up the holiday of Holi at #5. As reminders of last week, another Asian country, South Korea, provides the goodbye to the Winter Olympics and two K-Pop bands propelled by the event; the smash hit *Black Panther* and its protagonist and antagonist; and as a complement to the ever-present death list, recently deceased reverend Billy Graham. The report is completed by a variety of subjects: American (#10) and international politics (#16), Hollywood movies and actresses (#21 to #23), wrestling (#14) and two Reddit topics (#18 and #24).






For the week of February 25 to March 3, 2018, the 25 most popular articles on Wikipedia, as determined from the WP:5000 ([https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=User:West.and.rew.g/Popular\\_pages&oldid=828697939](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=User:West.and.rew.g/Popular_pages&oldid=828697939)) report were:




Rank	Article	Class	Views	Image	Notes
1	<a href="#">Sridevi</a>		6,704,872		Referred to as the "First Female Superstar" of Indian cinema, her death proves that people do click on hyperlinks. Shree "Sridevi" Kapoor had a long and successful career that begun in her childhood, and was found dead at the age of 54 in a Dubai hotel, having accidentally drowned in the bathtub.
2	<a href="#">Boney Kapoor</a>		2,180,664		Sridevi's widower after a marriage of 22 years, Boney Kapoor followed his father <a href="#">Surinder Kapoor</a> and became a Bollywood producer.
3	<a href="#">Black Panther (film)</a>		1,856,900		"This is a night for positivity, and our plan is to shine a light on a group of outstanding and inspiring films, each and every one of which got crushed by <i>Black Panther</i> this weekend. That's OK." – Academy Awards host <a href="#">Jimmy Kimmel</a>  And he's not kidding, given <i>Black Panther</i> completed a third weekend atop the box office (a period during which the highest Best Picture nominee placed at 10th), and has now broken \$500 million domestically and nearly \$900 million worldwide.
4	<a href="#">Exo (band)</a>		1,818,392		Exo are a very popular <a href="#">K-pop</a> group, but they have not yet seeped into Western culture like some of their <a href="#">peers</a> . However, after performing at the Winter Olympics (#25) closing ceremony in dramatic and entertaining fashion, they have hit the headlines in the West.








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5	<u>Holi</u>	🌈	1,263,776		Well, hello again, India. The "festival of colours" is an annual holiday celebrated between the end of February and the middle of March (this year, March 2nd), best known for a celebration where people smear each other with colours and drench each other.
6	<u>Mona Shourie Kapoor</u>	👤	1,185,149		Boney Kapoor's (#2) first wife, a studio owner and producer who died in 2012 at the age of 48, even younger than his second wife Sridevi (#1).
7	<u>List of Hindi film families</u>	👤	1,008,652		Indian readers went to this to discover more on <u>the Kapoor family</u> that Sridevi (#1) married herself into – and that amusingly, was not the same <u>Kapoor family</u> that got a bump back in December.
8	<u>BTS (band)</u>	🌈	998,269		Like Exo (#4), BTS are a genre-defining <u>K-pop</u> act, and ever since the Winter Olympics (#25) gave an extended look to South Korean culture, they are now crossing over and attempting to "break America", to adopt the parlance of British and Irish bands. If the sheer volume of Twitter interactions regarding the band (502 million in 2017) is any indication, this attempt will be a success.
9	<u>Mithun Chakraborty</u>	👤	996,501		Following the death of Sridevi (#1), Indian tabloids claimed that back in the 1980s she had a brief affair and even a secret marriage to co-star Mithun, despite the fact the man has been married since 1979. Given the lack of

					credibility of said claims, our editors had to repeatedly remove the additions of Sridevi to his page and eventually protect the article.
10	<a href="#">Hope Hicks</a>		954,589		Hicks entered the Trump administration in a role made for her, was promoted to <u>White House Communications Director</u> last September, and after admitting to a Congressional committee that she told "white lies" on Trump's behalf, has expressed her desire to call it quits. Having to speak for the Trump administration seems to have the same job stability as teaching <u>Defense Against the Dark Arts</u> .
11	<a href="#">Arjun Kapoor</a>		859,475		The son of Boney (#2) and Mona Kapoor (#6), Bollywood actor Arjun Kapoor can sadly say both his mother and his stepmother (#1) died too young.
12	<a href="#">Deaths in 2018</a>		745,324		Of course the recently departed make an appearance, specially in a week where a death produces the most viewed article.
13	<a href="#">Billy Graham</a>		743,081		Holding on from last week, Graham is arguably the <u>second</u> most influential preacher of recent memory, and over the span of his 99-year long earthly career, he used his pulpit to deliver <u>sermon and speech</u> to billions of adherents. While many may not have agreed with his biblical interpretations, Graham's massive impact is undeniable, as he managed to become a close aide for multiple presidents, and a strong supporter of the <u>civil rights movement</u> .



					He even received a state funeral, <u>lying in honor</u> at the U.S. Capitol.
14	<u>Elimination Chamber (2018)</u>	🕒	676,188		Every new WWE pantomime earns a spot in the list. And lately, they've been featuring more women, as this event had the inaugural female "cage match", won by <u>Alexa Bliss</u> (pictured) and former UFC champion <u>Ronda Rousey</u> signing her wrestling contract.
15	<u>Mohit Marwah</u>	🕒	674,896		Another Bollywood actor, the nephew of Boney (#2) might have took on <u>his father's surname</u> , but is still part of the Kapoor clan.
16	<u>Syrian Civil War</u>	🕒	654,437		This Middle-Eastern country has been at war for nearly seven years, and the recent attention is due to <u>a government offensive</u> to expel the <u>rebels</u> from the rural suburbs of capital <u>Damascus</u> .
17	<u>Michael B. Jordan</u>	🕒	625,692		" <i>Black Panther</i> has been so successful that it's the favourite to not get nominated next year." – Jimmy Kimmel Though if the Academy decides to recognize T'Challa's adventure, it would mark the second nominee movie featuring Jordan after <u>Creed</u> , whose sequel will begin filming soon. Nice to see <u>another Human Torch</u> rebounding, including success in a second Marvel outing.
18	<u>Jared Fogle</u>	🕒	598,548		Reddit ( <a href="https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/811jh0/til_the_fbi_mounted_a_4yearlong_undercover/">https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/811jh0/til_the_fbi_mounted_a_4yearlong_undercover/</a> ) learned more about how the FBI arrested former

					<p><u>Subway</u> spokesman Jared Fogle for child pornography charges.</p>
19	<u>Anil Kapoor</u>	👍	555,526		<p>The younger brother of Boney Kapoor (#2) – and by extension, brother-in-law of the late Sridevi (#1) – is the one member of the clan Western movie fans might recognize, given he has appeared in both <u>Slumdog Millionaire</u> and the TV show <u>24</u>.</p>
20	<u>Chadwick Boseman</u>	👍	516,459		<p>"I remember a time when Hollywood didn't believe a minority or woman lead character could carry a movie... it was March of last year" – Jimmy Kimmel</p> <p>Since then, <u>Wonder Woman</u> grossed \$821.9 million worldwide, and Boseman's starring role in <u>Black Panther</u> (#3) surpassed that total in less than three weeks!</p>
21	<u>Jennifer Lawrence</u>	★	511,720		<p>Seems like J-Law can't just be judged by her career, as <u>Vanity Fair</u> said (<a href="https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/2018/02/jennifer-lawrence-harvey-weinstein-horrible-boil">https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/2018/02/jennifer-lawrence-harvey-weinstein-horrible-boil</a>) the press tour she's enduring for her movie <u>Red Sparrow</u> (which narrowly misses the list at #26) is doubling as a "Distance Yourself from Weinstein Tour", given <u>Harvey Weinstein</u> is using out-of-context quotes by Lawrence (<a href="https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/2018/02/meryl-streep-jennifer-lawrence-harvey-weinstein">https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/2018/02/meryl-streep-jennifer-lawrence-harvey-weinstein</a>) in his defense. In the meantime, enjoy her (<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=94yKLV8k2aE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=94yKLV8k2aE</a>) and Jodie Foster taking shots at <u>Meryl Streep</u> during the Oscars.</p>

22	<u>Emma Chambers</u>		506,679		Known in the United Kingdom of the TV series <i>The Vicar of Dibley</i> and in the U.S. for playing Hugh Grant's sister in <i>Notting Hill</i> , Chambers died at the age of 53.
23	<u>Annihilation (film)</u>		460,853		<u>Natalie Portman</u> (pictured) stars in this sci-fi film by the same <u>Alex Garland</u> of <i>Ex Machina</i> , that has earned some controversy because Paramount will not release the movie theatrically overseas, instead dumping it on <u>Netflix</u> . Given critics liked <i>Annihilation</i> (86% approval on <u>Rotten Tomatoes</u> ) and the movie has performed alright in the American box office even looming under the shadow of <i>Black Panther</i> (#3), perhaps the studio should have given it another chance.
24	<u>Heart Attack Grill</u>		439,792		Another <u>Reddit</u> ( <a href="https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/818bm0/til_of_heart_attack_grill_a_las_vegas_restaurant/">https://www.reddit.com/r/todayilearned/comments/818bm0/til_of_heart_attack_grill_a_las_vegas_restaurant/</a> ) entry, this time for a burger joint in Las Vegas that offers unhealthy choices such as that sandwich pictured to the left.
25	<u>2018 Winter Olympics</u>		433,916		Even if the Olympics ended right as the week of this report started, and had the disadvantage of host city <u>Pyeongchang</u> being many hours away from Europe and the Americas, there were still enough views for one last entry. <u>Russian athletes</u> had to compete without a flag given International Olympic Committee decided to suspend the country for <u>state-sponsored doping</u> , but following the Games, Russia was accepted back following them being mostly clean (only

					two positive doping tests, one of them a medalist, out of 168 athletes).
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## And the Oscar goes to... (March 4 to 10, 2018)

On this week's report, the theme was very clear. Like in years past, readers were interested by Hollywood's biggest awards ceremony: the Oscars. 14 of the 25 entries on this list are in some way related to the 90th Academy Awards (#2) and another 3 articles are also related to film.

At the Oscars, *The Shape of Water* (#1), and its director Guillermo del Toro (#8), took home Best Picture and Best Director, respectively. Sally Hawkins (#22) was also nominated for Best Actress for her performance in the film, but lost out to Frances McDormand (#4). McDormand and Sam Rockwell (#18) won the awards for Best Actress and Best Supporting Actor, respectively, for their performances in Best Picture-nominated *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri* (#9). *Call Me by Your Name* (#11) and *Get Out* (#12) were also nominated for Best Picture. Timothée Chalamet's (#14) performance in the former earned him a Best Actor nomination, but he ultimately lost out to Gary Oldman's (#7) performance as Winston Churchill (#24) in *Darkest Hour*. Finally, Allison Janney (#16) won the Best Supporting Actress award for her performance as Tonya Harding's (#23) mother in *I, Tonya*.





















Spoiler alert: Frances McDormand wins Best Actress












Also in film, *Black Panther* (#3) continues to draw attention from readers and moviegoers. Readers were also interested in the recent deaths of film stars David Ogden Stiers (#17) and Sridevi (#21). Relatedly, Deaths in 2018 once again makes the list, this week at #13.









Sports also has a considerable representation on the list this week in the form of the sad death of Italian footballer Davide Astori (#6), the opening of the 2018 Winter Paralympics (#20), and UFC 222 (#25).

For the week of March 4 to 10, 2018, the 25 most popular articles on Wikipedia, as determined from the WP:5000 ([https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=User:West.andre.w/Popular\\_pages&oldid=829855582](https://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=User:West.andre.w/Popular_pages&oldid=829855582)) report were:











Rank	Article	Class	Views	Image	Notes
1	<a href="#"><u>The Shape of Water</u></a>		1,857,099		So, it's the <del>fish</del> <b>Amphibian(!)</b> creature–human romance winning <a href="#"><u>Best Picture</u></a> at this year's Oscars (#2). Directed by <a href="#"><u>Guillermo del Toro</u></a> (#8) and starring <a href="#"><u>Doug Jones</u></a> and <a href="#"><u>Sally Hawkins</u></a> (#22) as the aforementioned creature & human, this film has captivated many film enthusiasts and evidently, the Academy.
2	<a href="#"><u>90th Academy Awards</u></a>		1,486,663		This year's awards were once again hosted by <a href="#"><u>Jimmy Kimmel</u></a> ( <i>pictured</i> ), and I missed out on watching the ceremony. In my defense, I was on spring break, but apparently I wasn't alone. Viewership for the award ceremony was down from last year (and actually was the lowest rated in history). More importantly though, Wiki readership was down too from <a href="#"><u>last year's</u></a> 1.98 million views. And this year pales to the 87th edition's 6.12 million page views <a href="#"><u>back in 2015</u></a> .
3	<a href="#"><u>Black Panther (film)</u></a>		1,392,880		The hype train keeps rolling. <i>Black Panther</i> is being congratulated for being the first <a href="#"><u>MCU film</u></a> to top the U.S. box office for an incredible four (4!) consecutive weeks, besting <a href="#"><u>The Avengers</u></a> ' 3 weeks. To be fair to <i>The Avengers</i> , though, that film had to compete with <a href="#"><u>MIB3</u></a> , a Memorial Day weekend opener. <i>Black Panther</i> had to face an underwhelming <a href="#"><u>wrinkle in time</u></a> .  No change from last week.
4	<a href="#"><u>Frances McDormand</u></a>		1,163,029		I guess Frances McDormand just <a href="#"><u>wins awards</u></a> in her spare time. Last Sunday, her performance in <a href="#"><u>Three Billboards</u></a>




					<p><i>Outside Ebbing, Missouri</i> (#9) landed her the Oscar for <u>Best Actress</u>, making her 2 for 2 now. Ya know, no big deal.</p>
5	<u>International Women's Day</u>		1,072,069		<p>Frances McDormand makes a pretty great lead-in for International Women's Day, which is (as always) observed on March 8. Slightly up in page views <u>from last year</u>. <u>Google Doodles</u> (<a href="https://www.google.com/doodles/international-womens-day-2018/">https://www.google.com/doodles/international-womens-day-2018/</a>) do help too.</p>
6	<u>Davide Astori</u>		945,039		<p>Fans of Italian footballer and <u>centre back Davide Astori</u> visited his article after he passed away in his sleep on March 4 due to cardiac arrest. <u>Cagliari</u> and <u>Fiorentina</u>, two clubs Astori played for, retired Astori's number 13.</p>
7	<u>Gary Oldman</u>		917,814		<p>Oldman's performance as <u>Winston Churchill</u> (#24) in <u>Darkest Hour</u> snagged him an Oscar for <u>Best Actor</u>.</p>
8	<u>Guillermo del Toro</u>		836,685		<p>del Toro is the now Academy Award winning–director behind <u>The Shape of Water</u> (#1). Something that really interests me is that his film was inspired by the romance between <u>Gillman</u> and Kay Lawrence from <u>Creature from the Black Lagoon</u>, and a want for that romance to succeed.</p>
9	<u>Three Billboards Outside</u>		801,794		<p><u>Martin McDonagh</u> (<i>pictured</i>) wrote and directed this Best Picture nominee, and while it lost out to <u>The Shape of Water</u>,</p>





	<u>Ebbing, Missouri</u>				Frances McDormand (#4) and <u>Sam Rockwell</u> (#18) did win at the awards ceremony for their performances in the film.
10	<u>Exo (band)</u>		772,313		The K-pop band is experiencing some continued readership due to their performance at the <u>2018 Winter Olympics closing ceremony</u> .  Down 6 spots from last week.
11	<u>Call Me by Your Name (film)</u>		749,368		This coming-of-age drama directed by <u>Luca Guadagnino</u> ( <i>pictured</i> ) starring <u>Timothée Chalamet</u> (#14) and <u>Armie Hammer</u> garnered a nomination for Best Picture. It was written by veteran <u>James Ivory</u> , who became the oldest Oscar winner ever once he won <u>Best Adapted Screenplay</u> at the age of 89.
12	<u>Get Out</u>		740,016		<u>Get Out</u> is, yes, another entry on this list due to its Best Picture nomination. Writer-director <u>Jordan Peele</u> ( <i>pictured</i> ) won ( <a href="https://twitter.com/JordanPeele/status/970508096358440960">https://twitter.com/JordanPeele/status/970508096358440960</a> ) <u>Best Original Screenplay</u> for the movie, and is certainly somebody in Hollywood to keep an eye on going forward.
13	<u>Deaths in 2018</u>		731,243		I wonder if dedicated readers of the report ever get bored of the <u>skull image</u> we use on here. I thought showcasing some art of death would be something different to at least distract from how depressing and morbid this list can be. This piece is a <u>van Gogh</u> by the way.  Down 1 spot from last week.

14	<u>Timothée Chalamet</u>		615,717		<p>As mentioned above, Chalamet starred in <u><i>Call Me by Your Name</i></u> (#11).</p> <p>Chalamet has a really interesting background in acting have gone to <u>LaGuardia</u> and <u>NYU's School of Individualized Study</u>. I think it's worked out for him considering he has an Oscar nom (for Best Actor) under his belt now. Oh, and he also starred in <u><i>Lady Bird</i></u> (which <i>just</i> missed this list at #26), another film to be nominated for Best Picture. And he's 22 so... the future is bright.</p>
15	<u>Gabriel García Márquez</u>		562,019		<p>Colombian novelist Gabito, perhaps best known for the novel <u><i>One Hundred Years of Solitude</i></u>, received a <u>Google Doodle</u> (<a href="https://www.google.com/doodles/gabriel-garcia-marquezs-91st-birthday/">https://www.google.com/doodles/gabriel-garcia-marquezs-91st-birthday/</a>) on March 6, which would have been his 91st birthday.</p>
16	<u>Allison Janney</u>		537,065		<p>Another Oscar entry here. Janney's performance as <u>Tonya Harding's</u> (#23) mother, LaVona Golden in <u><i>I, Tonya</i></u> earned her the award for <u>Best Supporting Actress</u>.</p>
17	<u>David Ogden Stiers</u>		536,907		<p>The man behind <u>Cogsworth</u> from <u><i>Beauty and the Beast</i></u>, <u>Jumba Jookiba</u> from <u><i>Lilo &amp; Stitch</i></u>, and most notably <u>Major Charles Emerson Winchester III</u> on <u><i>M*A*S*H</i></u>, sadly passed away on March 3.</p>
18	<u>Sam Rockwell</u>		510,331		<p>So after going over the Best Picture (#1), Best Actress (#4), Best Actor (#7), Best Director (#8), and Best Supporting Actress (#16), we have arrived at the final winner of the "Big 6" Oscar</p>



					awards. Rockwell is the latest winner of the Academy's <u>Best Supporting Actor</u> award.
19	<u>BTS (band)</u>		508,052		<p>BTS didn't perform at 2018 Winter Olympics closing ceremony like Exo did, but both South Korean boy bands have received increased attention due to the overall reader interest in Korean culture after the games taking place in Korea this year. BTS fans are also undoubtedly hyped for their upcoming album set to release in April.</p> <p> Down 11 spots from last week.</p>
20	<u>2018 Winter Paralympics</u>		494,456		<p>As the <u>2018 Winter Olympics</u> closed last week, the 2018 Winter Paralympics (<i>pictured: the games' cute mascot, <u>Bandabi</u></i>) held its opening ceremony on March 9, even earning a <u>Google Doodle</u> (<a href="https://www.google.com/doodles/paralympics-2018">https://www.google.com/doodles/paralympics-2018</a>).</p>
21	<u>Sridevi</u>		492,087		<p>Often times, celebrity deaths come and go on the report, with few making the list for two consecutive weeks (especially when the individual passed at the beginning of the first week). However, Sridevi bucks this trend; chalk this up to just how much of a beloved Indian cinema icon Sridevi was and quite evidently <i>continues</i> to be.</p> <p> Down 20 spots from last week.</p>
22	<u>Sally Hawkins</u>		488,096		<p>Absolutely adorable Sally Hawkins aka the human half of the amphibian creature–human romance in #1 was nominated for Best Actress, losing out</p>

					to #4. Still, after going from a <u>villager extra</u> in <u>The Phantom Menace</u> to a 2-time Academy Award nominee, it's safe to say Sally Hawkins has cemented herself as one of best contemporary actresses.
23	<u>Tonya Harding</u>		483,256		Former figure skater Tonya Harding has been the recipient of continued Wiki-reader interest coming from <u>I, Tonya</u> , which got three Oscar noms and won one. That film stars <u>Margot Robbie</u> as Tonya, chronicling her upbringing as a poor Oregon redneck under a cruel mother (whose portrayer in the film is our #16) up until a successful career that collapsed following the attack on Harding's skating rival <u>Nancy Kerrigan</u> prior to the <u>1994 U.S. Figure Skating Championships</u> .

24	<u>Winston Churchill</u>		451,512		<p>Winston Churchill is such a prominent historical figure that he has Wikipedia articles dedicated to his time as <u>an historian</u>, <u>a painter</u>, <u>a writer</u>, and as a <u>politician prior to the start of the second World War</u>. Of course, history mainly remembers Churchill for his time as Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during that second World War, which saw Churchill help lead the Allies to victory and give <u>several memorable speeches</u>. However, Winston Churchill notches an entry on the Report this week not for interest in <u>The Darkest Hour</u>, but rather in the <u>Darkest Hour</u> film, featuring <u>Gary Oldman's (#7) Academy Award–winning performance as Churchill</u>.</p>
25	<u>UFC 222</u>		449,167		<p>And so, UFC 222 closes out the list. <u>Cris Cyborg (pictured)</u> defeated <u>Yana Kunitskaya</u> to defend her <u>UFC Women's Featherweight title</u>.</p>

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