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# The global war on money laundering is a failed experiment

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#### Tracking reader engagement

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# **Executive Summary**

Readership statistics for:

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### Reader engagement: Summary

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- Readers vs median reads for all articles, all time (since March 2011)
  - Equalled median reads for all articles, all time, by Day 2 (125%)
  - Doubled median reads for all articles, all time, by Day 8 (203%)
  - Trebled median reads for all articles, all time, by Day 45 (305%)

At Day 80: 349%

- Rank vs average readers per article, all articles, all time
  - Top half, by Day 2 (top 43%)
  - Top third, by Day 4 (top 31%)
  - Top quarter, by Day 14 (top 25%)
  - Top fifth, by Day 37 (top 20%)

At Day 80: top 16%



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- Daily readership rank
  - Ranging between the top 0.1% (on Day 1) and the top 3.5% (on Day 80) of readership for all articles each day (80 day average: top 1%; 80 day median: top 0.8% of <u>all articles</u>)
  - Ranging between the top 0.2% (on Day 1) & top 6.9% (on Day 79) of readership for <u>all</u> articles *read* each day (80 day average: top 2.3%; 80 day median: top 1.8%)

**Note**: Long tail of engaged readership. On average over the 80 days tracked, 46% of all articles of all time (since March 2011) are read on any day

- Rank vs average readers per author per article, all time (since March 2011)
  - Top three-quarters of all authors, on Day 1 (top 71%)
  - Top half of all authors, by Day 3 (top 44%)
  - Top third of all authors, by Day 18 (top 33%)
  - Top quarter of all authors, by Day 39 (top 25%)

At Day 80: top 22%