**Conventional Discourse Update**

*General notes:*

* From our primary corpora, we created 9 sub-corpora covering 3 topics (immigration, healthcare, and Walker) and 3 registers (semi-structured interviews, local newspapers, and tweets).
* The analysis for news is from 1/1/2016 to 12/31/2018. The analysis for Twitter is 6/15/2016 (when we got Synthesio) to 12/31/2018.

**Immigration**[Folder: <https://uwmadison.box.com/s/sndup2ruv7shv5jt4qknjzkqzu0acazt>]

* **Primary file**: “Final Immigration Conventional Discourses.docx”
* **Dictionary file**: “Dictionary Immigration CD.docx”

There are **5 conventional discourses** that Sadie and Jo have been tracking.

1. Immigration requires rules
2. National security
3. Benefits for contributors
4. Put citizens first
5. Humanitarian

Between-corpora notes:

* **Twitter** tweeted often about Paul Ryan (conservatives who were upset that Ryan was not supporting certain Trump policies re: immigration)
* **News** discourse had many snippets about immigration in relation to political stories (e.g., elections, court decisions) for which there were no immigration-specific con. discourses.
* We hypothesized that the use of first person pronouns in immigration **Twitter** discourse will likely be less than in healthcare **Twitter** discourse.
* Trump was discussed more than Walker in both the **news** and **Twitter** corpora.

Where are we in the analysis:

* The lexico-syntactic dictionary is complete. Each entry is denoted for whether it was used in the **interview**, **Twitter**, or **news** corpus (or some combination).
* Claire is in the process of validating the **news** discourse using the 3-sentence snippet-level. The Twitter discourse has been validated.
* NATIONAL NEWS: We need to decide which of the 5 we really want to focus on, and develop simpler keywords searches for the national news data counts (from MediaCloud).
  + We will have to do this for the other topics, but the immigration topic is furthest along
* CASE ANALYSIS: We discussed doing a lowkey case analysis to illustrate these discourses in action (e.g., [Killing of Mollie Tibbetts](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Killing_of_Mollie_Tibbetts))

**Healthcare** [Folder: <https://uwmadison.box.com/s/prmxkqwxwmx1qwal52ul2dddf9qp8437>]

* **Primary file**: “Healthcare Conventional Discourses.docx”
* **Dictionary file**: “Dictionary Healthcare CD.docx”

There are **3 conventional discourses** that Sadie and Jo have been tracking.

1. Healthcare is Overpriced
2. Money in Politics
3. Healthcare and humanitarian claims – vulnerable populations

Between Corpora Notes:

* **Tweets** have a lot of first-person pronouns (especially in CD#1, “healthcare is overpriced”)
* On **Twitter**, “healthcare is overpriced” can refer to healthcare being generally overpriced **or** ACA/Obamacare being overpriced. We can separate these out with the “Obamacare” keyword, but that is not how the data is currently split.

Where are we in the analysis:

* For **interviews**/**Twitter**, our lexico-syntactic dictionary is complete and validated by Claire.
* Jo is currently processing healthcare **news stories** into the 3-sentence snippets. Sadie and Jo will go through these to extract information/frames related to the aforementioned discourses.
* CROSS-TOPIC: Given some interest in comparing healthcare and immigration discourse on **Twitter**, Jo will do a count if first-person pronouns in the **Twitter** corporafor these two topics.

**Walker/Foxconn** [Folder: <https://uwmadison.box.com/s/60u7iz1s65kd0oyfatnx6e419t68cojx>]

* **Primary file**: “Final Walker Conventional Discourses.docx”
* **Dictionary file**: “Dictionary Walker CD.docx”

There are **6 conventional discourses** that Sadie and Jo have been tracking:

1. Walker/Republicans are influenced by corporate donors
2. Walker/Republicans engage in voter suppression
3. Foxconn is too expensive/a form of corporate welfare [anti, liberal]
4. Foxconn is bad for the environment [anti, liberal]
5. Foxconn is falling/will fall short of what was promised [anti, liberal]
6. Foxconn will provide jobs for Wisconsonites [pro, conservative]
7. Foxconn will benefit Wisconsonites indirectly (trickle-down/supply-side) [pro, conservative]
8. Foxconn isn’t American [anti, conservative]
9. Walker/Republican are good for the economy

Between-Corpora Notes:

* People are more notably firm in their convictions on **Twitter** vs. in **interviews**. In **interviews**, people will say that they do not have strong opinions but then will have a lot to say about it (see Sadie’s case at the bottom of the “Final Walker Conventional Discourse.docx” file.

Where are we in the analysis:

* This is our first complete draft of the Walker conventional discourses, focusing on **Twitter**/**interviews**. Given our focus on 2016-2018, Foxconn was a very salient topic.
* Dictionaries need to be validated by Claire.