

# Twitter experiences outage Thursday, thousands of users around the world report

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Twitter appears to be returning from a global outage after thousands of users around the world reported early Thursday that the social media platform was unavailable to them.

People who tried to use the social media platform were met with a message saying: "Tweets aren't loading right now. Try again."

According to Downtdetector, which tracks site outages, thousands of users began reporting the outage around 8 a.m. EDT. About an hour later, Twitter returned for some users.

"Some of you are having issues accessing Twitter and we're working to get it back up and running for everyone. Thanks for sticking with us," Twitter Support tweeted at 9:10 a.m. EDT.

"We are currently investigating this issue," Twitter's status page read in Thursday update.

The Verge reported that Twitter "started to come back to life" around 8:40 a.m. EDT, after many users were able to access the platform again.

Outages on Twitter were common in its early days, but as the platform grew the problems became less common. Still, it has suffered brief outages more recently, such as in February.

It was unclear whether Twitter was back online for all users.

Netblocks, an internet-monitoring group that tracks attempts to intentionally block [internet access](#), says Twitter was "experiencing major international outages," but it was "not related to country-level [internet](#) disruptions or filtering."

The global outage came at a tumultuous time for Twitter, which filed a lawsuit Tuesday against Elon Musk after the billionaire backed out of a \$44 billion agreement to buy the company.

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