The Impact of Social Software and Social Media on Mental Health

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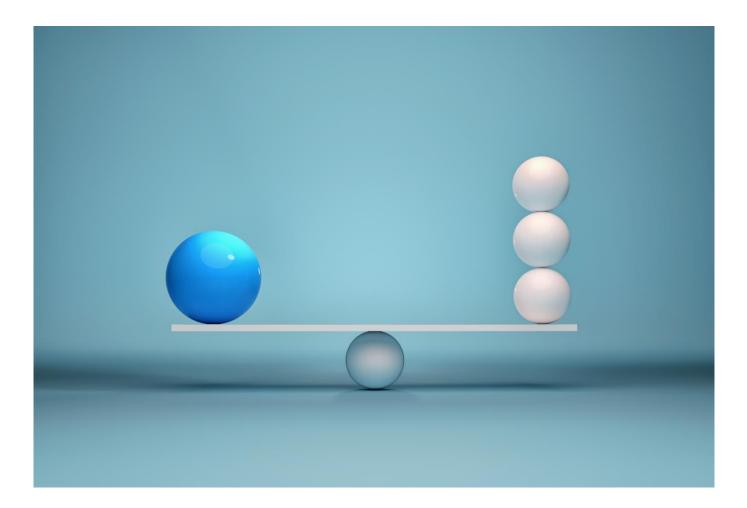
Is society so enamored by social software and social media that they are ignoring the effects on mental health?

## Positive and Negative Effects

This paper will examine the positive effects of social software and social media on a person's mental health. Some of the positive effects include strengthening social connections, boosting self-worth and reducing risk of depression

This paper will examine the negative effects of social software and social media on a person's mental health. Some of the negative effects include overconsumption which can lead to increased feelings of loneliness and isolation, cyberbullying and feelings of inadequacy

## Do the positive effects outweigh the negative effects?



## Protecting Your Mental Health

There are ways to protect your mental health while still using social software and social media. Some of these ways include a reduction in screen time, being strategic about your usage of these tools and maintain in-person social connections.