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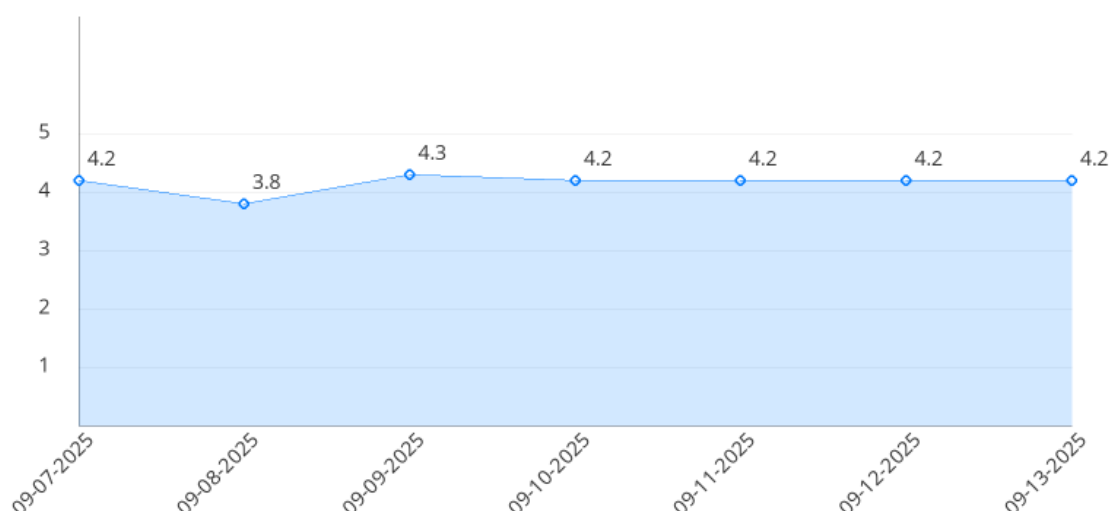
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Nuclear War

Score Trend (Week of September 7–13, 2025)



The nuclear threat level remains elevated this week, driven by several factors including the modernization of nuclear arsenals, increased geopolitical tensions, and the integration of emerging technologies such as AI into nuclear systems. These developments have been compounded by specific regional issues, such as Iran's nuclear advancements and Russia's tactical nuclear deployments, which have heightened tensions, particularly in Europe. The breakdown of international treaties and the destabilizing potential of misinformation further exacerbate the risk of miscalculation and unintended escalation. The integration of AI into nuclear command and control systems is particularly concerning, as it increases the possibility of accidental launches or escalations. Overall, the situation calls for urgent international cooperation to address these multifaceted risks and enhance global security measures.



Nuclear War

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Reinstate and strengthen international arms control treaties to curb nuclear proliferation and address emerging technologies.
- **[NGO]** Advocate for increased public awareness and education on the risks of nuclear weapons and the importance of disarmament.
- **[Industry]** Develop and implement robust protocols for the safe integration of AI technologies into nuclear command and control systems.
- **[International Organizations]** Facilitate renewed diplomatic efforts to address Iran's nuclear program and prevent further escalation.
- **[Academia]** Collaborate on research to mitigate risks associated with AI and autonomous systems in military applications.



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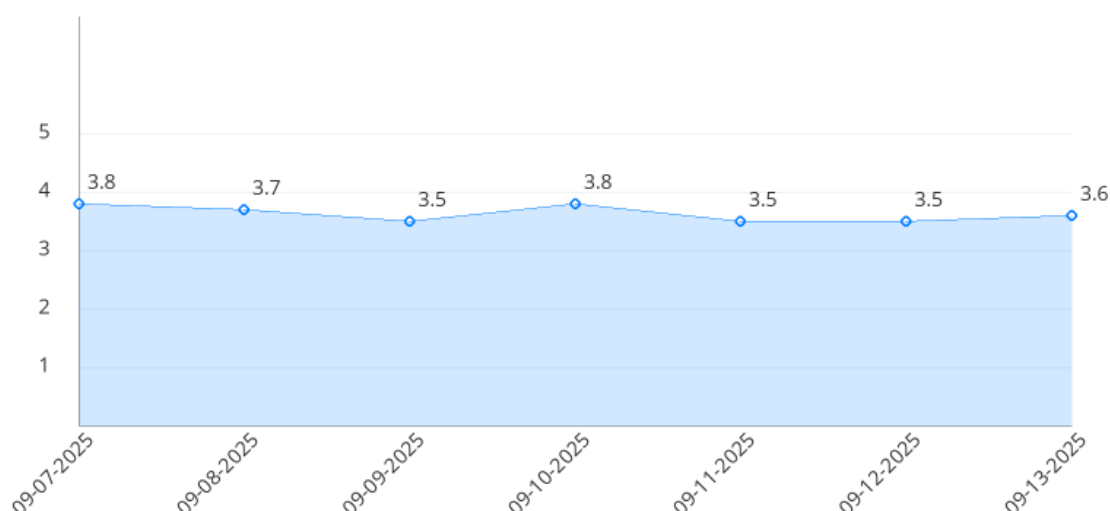
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Artificial Intelligence

Score Trend (Week of September 7–13, 2025)



This week, the risk associated with Artificial Intelligence remains moderate, primarily due to ongoing advancements in AI capabilities and the continuous evaluation of safety measures. Concerns persist regarding the alignment of AI systems with human values, potential misuse, and the broader economic impacts of deploying advanced models like GPT-5. Efforts to enhance safety and alignment are ongoing, with strategic partnerships and safety evaluations being key focus areas. The trend highlights both the opportunities and challenges presented by rapid AI development, emphasizing the need for comprehensive safety protocols and ethical guidelines. Despite these efforts, the potential for societal impacts and misuse continues to drive the moderate risk assessment.



Artificial Intelligence

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Implement comprehensive regulations to ensure AI systems prioritize safety, alignment, and ethical considerations.
- **[Industry]** Continue to conduct and publish joint safety evaluations with other organizations to identify and mitigate potential risks.
- **[Academia]** Conduct interdisciplinary research on the socio-economic impacts of AI to inform policy and guide responsible innovation.
- **[NGO]** Advocate for public awareness and education on the potential risks and benefits of AI technologies to foster informed societal engagement.
- **[International Organizations]** Foster global cooperation on AI safety standards to address cross-border challenges and prevent concentration of power.



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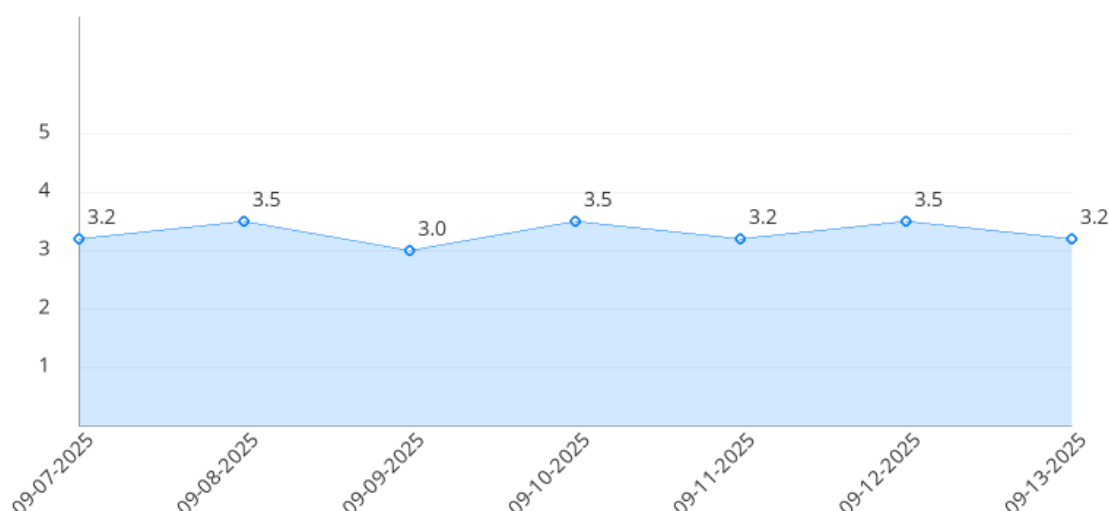
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Climate Change

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This week, the transition from La Niña to neutral ENSO conditions has been a focal point in climate discussions, indicating moderate climate risks. While this transition reduces some immediate climate variability risks, the ongoing active tornado seasons and unpredictable precipitation patterns highlight persistent threats. These conditions suggest potential shifts in global weather patterns, emphasizing the need for continued vigilance and adaptation strategies. The moderate risk level underscores the importance of refining predictive models and enhancing preparedness for extreme weather events. Overall, the climate conditions reflect a complex interplay of factors that require coordinated efforts to mitigate potential impacts.



Climate Change

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Enhance early warning systems for extreme weather events to improve community preparedness and response.
- **[Research Institutions]** Continue to refine ENSO predictive models to better anticipate climate variability impacts and improve forecasting accuracy.
- **[Local Authorities]** Develop and implement local adaptation plans to mitigate the effects of extreme weather events, focusing on community-specific vulnerabilities.
- **[Public Sector]** Increase public awareness and education on climate risks and adaptive strategies to foster community resilience.
- **[Industry]** Invest in climate-resilient infrastructure to minimize economic disruptions from extreme weather and ensure continuity of operations.



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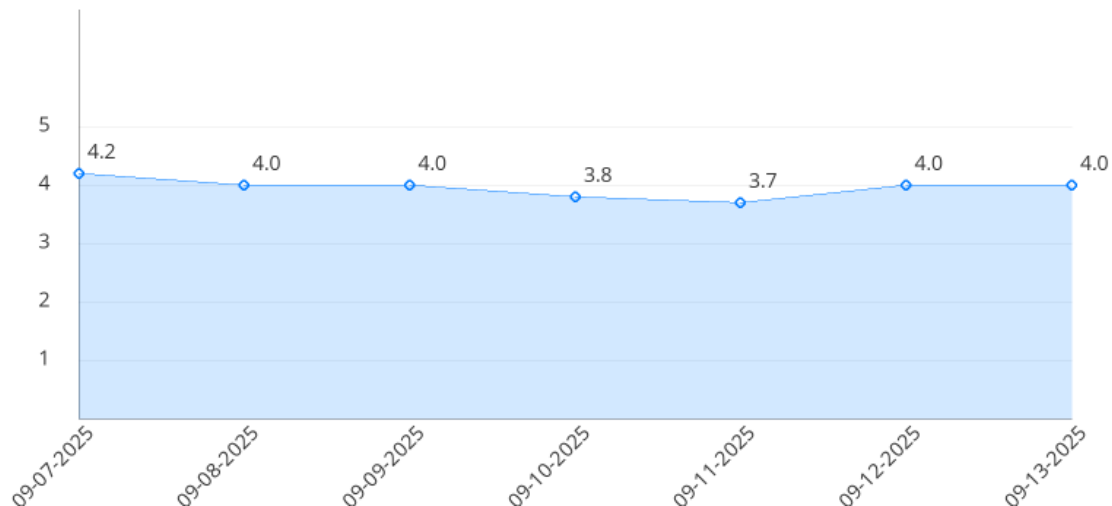
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Pandemics



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This week, the pandemic risk remains high due to increasing levels of COVID-19, new outbreaks of Ebola, measles, avian flu, and MERS, and persistent challenges related to vaccine misinformation and hesitancy. The risk score fluctuated between moderate and high, reflecting ongoing concerns about vaccine policy changes and access issues. Misinformation continues to undermine public trust in vaccines, complicating efforts to control these outbreaks. The situation underscores the need for enhanced surveillance, equitable vaccine distribution, and effective communication strategies to address misinformation and improve public trust.



Pandemics

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Enhance public health communication strategies to counter misinformation and promote vaccine confidence.
- **[NGO]** Support community-based health education programs to improve vaccine uptake and preventive measures in areas with low vaccination rates.
- **[Industry]** Accelerate the development and deployment of vaccines and antiviral treatments for emerging infectious diseases like MERS and avian flu.
- **[International Organizations]** Facilitate global cooperation and resource sharing to manage cross-border disease outbreaks effectively.
- **[Healthcare Providers]** Ensure equitable access to vaccines and treatments, prioritizing high-risk populations and areas with rising infection rates.



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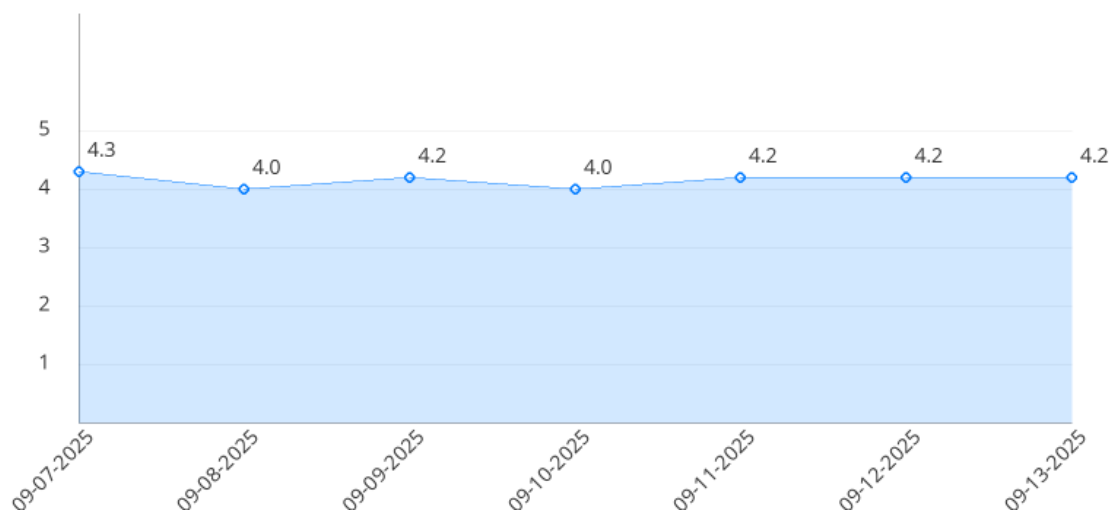
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Information Integrity

Score Trend (Week of September 7–13, 2025)



This week, the global misinformation risk remained consistently high, with scores ranging from 4.0 to 4.3. The proliferation of deepfakes, AI-driven scams, and politically charged disinformation campaigns have been the primary contributors to this elevated risk level. Specific incidents, such as false narratives about Charlie Kirk's death and politically motivated disinformation targeting Ukraine, have further exacerbated the situation. The persistent spread of fake news and AI-generated content continues to undermine public trust and safety, highlighting the urgent need for effective countermeasures. The ongoing challenge is to develop and implement strategies that can effectively identify, flag, and mitigate the impact of digital misinformation.



Information Integrity

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Implement stricter regulations and penalties for the creation and distribution of deepfakes and AI-generated misinformation.
- **[Industry]** Enhance AI detection tools to better identify and flag false information on social media platforms.
- **[NGO]** Develop and integrate media literacy programs to educate the public on identifying misinformation.
- **[Academia]** Conduct research on the psychological and social impacts of misinformation and develop strategies to mitigate its effects.
- **[International Organizations]** Facilitate cross-border collaboration to address and mitigate the impact of AI-powered disinformation campaigns.



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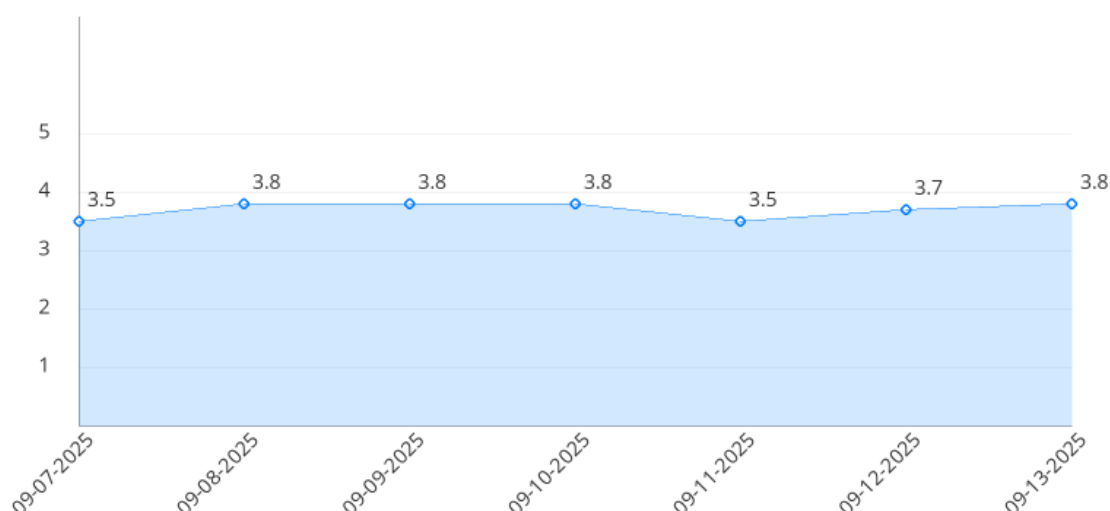
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Unknown / Black Swan

Score Trend (Week of September 7–13, 2025)



This week, several potential unknown risks have been highlighted across different domains. Advancements in AI integration into complex systems continue to pose unforeseen risks, particularly in critical applications and ethical considerations. New predictive models suggest potential long-term environmental impacts from nuclear waste disposal, raising concerns about unforeseen consequences. NASA's recent discoveries on Mars, including megabreccia and potential biosignatures, indicate past catastrophic events and the possibility of extraterrestrial life, which could challenge current scientific paradigms. Additionally, AI-driven predictions of solar events underscore the potential for unexpected space weather disruptions that could have cascading impacts on Earth.



Unknown / Black Swan

Recommended Risk Reduction Actions

- **[Government]** Implement regulatory frameworks to oversee AI deployment in critical systems, ensuring thorough risk assessments and ethical evaluations.
- **[Research Institutions]** Increase funding for research into the long-term environmental impacts of nuclear waste disposal and develop advanced containment technologies.
- **[NASA]** Conduct detailed analyses of Martian geological formations and potential biosignatures to understand their implications for planetary stability and life.
- **[Industry]** Develop and implement robust monitoring systems for early detection of environmental changes near nuclear waste disposal sites.
- **[International Organizations]** Foster global collaboration on space weather monitoring and response strategies to mitigate potential disruptions.



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This week's existential risk trends across various domains present a complex landscape of challenges and developments. In the nuclear domain, elevated risks persist due to modernization efforts, geopolitical tensions, and the integration of AI, which raises concerns about accidental escalations. AI risks remain moderate, with ongoing advancements necessitating robust safety and ethical measures to mitigate potential misuse and societal impacts. Climate change discussions focus on the transition from La Niña to neutral ENSO conditions, highlighting the need for adaptive strategies amid unpredictable weather patterns. Pandemic risks are high, driven by multiple outbreaks and vaccine misinformation, emphasizing the importance of equitable distribution and effective communication. Information integrity remains a significant concern, with high levels of misinformation fueled by deepfakes and disinformation campaigns undermining public trust. Lastly, the unknown risks domain points to unforeseen challenges from AI integration, environmental impacts of nuclear waste, and potential extraterrestrial discoveries, underscoring the need for preparedness and adaptive strategies across all sectors.



Closing Notes

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