



Football



- **Major Tournaments:**
UEFA Under 21 European Championship (June 11-28)

Held in Slovakia, the tournament saw England successfully defend their title, beating Germany 3-2 in extra time in the June 28 final. Jonathan Rowe scored the decisive goal while James McAtee earned Man of the Match and Harvey Elliott was named Player of the Tournament. Nick Woltemade finished as the tournament's top scorer with 6 goals.
- **FIFA Club World Cup (June-July, USA)**
The Club World Cup kicked off early June, featuring giants like Bayern Munich, Chelsea, Man City, PSG, and others. Notably, Manchester City were eliminated by Al Hilal, and Harry Kane scored twice to help Bayern progress past Flamengo
- **Transfer Frenzy**
Early Window (June 1-10) & Main Transfer Period (from June 16):
 - **Chelsea splurged:** Completed a blockbuster £65m deal for Jamie Bynoe Gittens from Dortmund and sealed a £55m move for Brighton's Joao Pedro on a seven year contract.
 - **Barcelona** prepared to trigger a €58m release clause for Athletic Bilbao's Nico Williams; Arsenal and Tottenham eyed Crystal Palace's Eberechi Eze (-£68m clause).
 - **Likely moves:** Arsenal are odds-on to sign RB Leipzig's Benjamin Sesko (1/6) and Sporting CP's Viktor Gyökeres (2/5) theguardian.com+2talksport.com+2bavarianfootballworks.com+2. Tottenham emerged as frontrunners for Kawasaki Frontale defender Kota Takai (£5m deal).
 - **Manchester United:** Set to bring in Matheus Cunha (£62.5m) and Diego Leon, while exploring moves for Ollie Watkins and Bryan Mbeumo; Marcus Rashford could be on the way out with Bayern showing interest (-€45m).



- Formula 1 to race in Canada until 2035 with new extension.
- Pierre Gasly endured a "long" and "frustrating" Austrian Grand Prix as the Alpine driver was unable to capitalise on a strong start, coming home 13th while team mate Franco Colapinto finished two places further back.
- McLaren duo Lando Norris and Oscar Piastri entertained the bumper crowds at the Red Bull Ring with a feisty battle for the lead – but Max Verstappen's orange army were left broken hearted within a matter of seconds of the lights going out.
- At the Austrian Grand Prix weekend Ferrari introduced the final new part of its 2025 wind tunnel programme with an all-new floor, an upgrade praised by Charles Leclerc as he secured third in Spielberg.
- These mistakes happen' – Wolff defends Antonelli after Verstappen clash on tough Austria weekend for Mercedes.
- Horner admits Red Bull 'not even thinking about the championship' after 'very frustrating' day in Austria.



Tennis



- Carlos Alcaraz is through to the second round at Wimbledon but he was made to work hard for victory by veteran Fabio Fognini, who forced the reigning champion to five sets. Alcaraz also took on the duty of helping an unwell fan, passing water into the crowd in the heat on Centre Court.
- Carlos Alcaraz and Novak Djokovic were the first players to practice on Centre Court ahead of Wimbledon 2025. Alcaraz says it is "great" to spend time with Djokovic and has spoken about what he has learned from the 24-time Grand Slam champion. He says he has been able to "talk closely with him like a friend".
- Alexander Zverev (3) came from a set down to tie his first-round match against Arthur Rinderknech at a set apiece. The Frenchman took the first-set tiebreak 7-6(3) before Zverev won a more closely fought breaker 7-6(8) before play was suspended shortly after Taylor Fritz's match was also paused.

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Cultural & Eid Al Adha Celebrations

Qatar celebrated Eid al-Adha in style from June 6 to 10. Families and visitors enjoyed a series of festivities at key locations across the country.

A breathtaking fireworks display lit up the sky from Katara Corniche and Al Wakra Old Souk every night from June 6 to 9, as people gathered to watch the colourful spectacle.

At Mushreeb Downtown Doha, Eid was celebrated with a series of family-friendly activities from June 6 to 10. Visitors enjoyed free-access plays, magic shows, bubble zones, interactive games, children's workshops and street performances, creating a lively and joyful atmosphere.

At The Pearl and Gewand Island, the Eid excitement continued with captivating live shows, face-painting booths and children's parades from June 6 to 10. The events, which provided unforgettable experiences for children and adults alike, united the community in celebration.

These nationwide celebrations highlighted Qatar's commitment to making Eid 2025 one to remember for all.



Facts About Instagram in Qatar



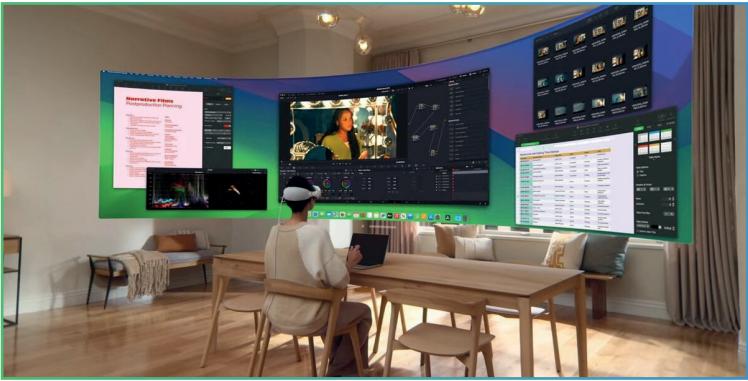
Instagram continues to solidify its position as one of Qatar’s most dominant social media platforms, with user numbers reaching approximately 1.6 million in early 2025. This represents 52% of the country’s total population and 63% of adults aged 18 and above, according to the latest digital trends data.

The platform’s growth remains steady, with a notable 6.7% increase—roughly 100,000 new users—recorded between October 2024 and January 2025. This surge is largely attributed to rising engagement with visual-first formats such as Reels and Stories.

Demographically, Instagram usage in Qatar continues to show a male-dominated split, with 65% male and 35% female users—mirroring previous years. The most active demographic remains the 25-34 age group, which accounts for 44% of total users (about 762,500 people), reinforcing Instagram’s appeal among young adults.

Additionally, 81% of internet users in Qatar report being active on the platform, underscoring its strong influence in the country’s digital landscape.

Apple’s VisionOS 2.0 Update A New Era for Mixed Reality?



Apple has officially released VisionOS 2.0, the latest update for its Vision Pro headset, bringing better features, smoother navigation, and deeper integration with Apple’s ecosystem. With this new update, thanks to advanced machine learning, users can now transform ordinary 2D photos into immersive 3D spatial memories. Navigation has also been simplified with new hand gestures that allow users to access Home View or Control Centre with a flick or tap. VisionOS 2.0 increases productivity by allowing for ultra-wide Mac virtual displays and full keyboard and mouse support, turning the Vision Pro into a powerful workstation. The headset now also supports AirPlay, allowing users to stream content from their iPhone, iPad, and Mac directly into their mixed reality space. With these updates, Apple is pushing the boundaries of what’s possible in spatial computing. visionOS 2.0 could be the beginning of a new era in which mixed reality becomes more useful, personal, and integrated into everyday life.

Top WhatsApp Updates in 2025



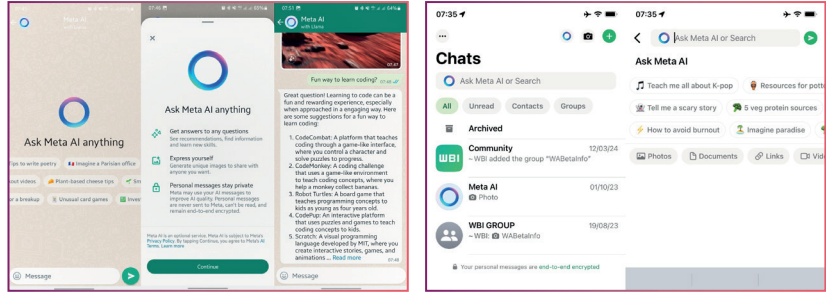
WhatsApp is rolling out major updates in 2025, blending AI features, design upgrades, and new monetisation tools. With a focus on smarter chats, improved calling, and enhanced user experience, here’s a quick look at the key changes reshaping the world’s most-used messaging app.



- 1. **AI Chat Summaries**
WhatsApp now uses AI to summarise long conversations, making it easier to catch up on missed messages.
- 2. **Ads & Paid Channels**
Ads are coming to the Updates tab, and users can now subscribe to premium channels or promote their own.
- 3. **New Dark Theme for Web**
A bold black redesign has launched for WhatsApp Web—sleek, but a bit intense for some eyes.
- 4. **Smarter Calling Features**
A new Calls tab, call history, and fun video filters make calling smoother and more entertaining.
- 5. **Goodbye to Old Devices**
WhatsApp has ended support for older Android and iOS versions—make sure your phone is updated.

Meta Rolls Out AI-Powered Chat Summaries on WhatsApp

WhatsApp has introduced AI-generated message summaries for personal chats in select regions, helping users quickly catch up on missed conversations. Using Meta’s private on-device processing, the feature marks a major step in integrating AI into everyday communication—while keeping user privacy intact.



Top 5 Reasons to Rebrand in 2025: Why Businesses Are Evolving Their Identity

In a rapidly shifting digital and economic landscape, more companies are choosing to rebrand in 2025 to stay ahead of the curve. From global tech firms to local startups, businesses are updating their identities to stay relevant, competitive, and connected to evolving audiences.

Industry experts say the current wave of rebranding reflects a deeper transformation in how brands engage with consumers, especially in the post-AI and hybrid-work era.

Here are the top five reasons businesses are rebranding in 2025:

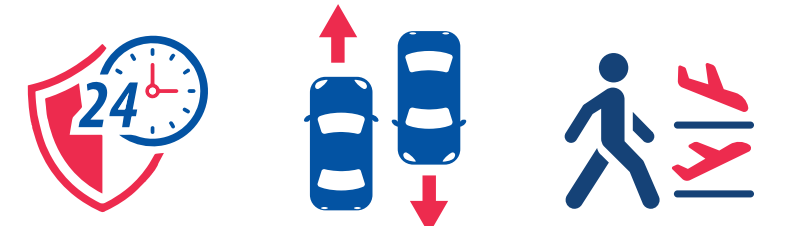
- 1 Stay Relevant in a Digital-First World**
Consumer behavior has shifted. With AI, AR, and digital platforms dominating interactions, your brand must reflect modern expectations and technology trends.
- 2 Align with New Business Goals**
As companies expand, pivot, or refine their mission, their branding must follow. A rebrand ensures your image aligns with your current vision, values, and strategy.
- 3 Stand Out in a Crowded Market**
Competition is tougher than ever. A fresh, distinctive brand identity helps you cut through the noise and attract the right audience more effectively.
- 4 Reach a New Generation of Customers**
Gen Z and Gen Alpha are reshaping market demands. Rebranding helps tailor your messaging, design, and tone to connect with younger, digital-native audiences.
- 5 Repair or Refresh Public Perception**
If your brand has faced negative press or simply feels outdated, a rebrand can reset public opinion, rebuild trust, and inject new life into your business.

HIA’s Premium Car Park: The Smart Way to Begin Your Journey

For travellers seeking a smooth and efficient airport experience, Hamad International Airport’s Premium Car Park continues to set the standard for convenience and accessibility. Located just a short walk from the terminal, the Premium Car Park offers dedicated spaces, quick terminal access, and enhanced security—making it the preferred choice for frequent flyers and those who value comfort and time.



With features like:



- 24/7 Security and Surveillance
- Easy Entry and Exit Using Digital Systems
- Direct access to Departures and Arrivals

The Premium Car Park ensures your journey starts and ends stress-free. Whether you’re on a tight schedule or simply prefer a more seamless airport experience, HIA Premium Car Park remains the smart choice for premium travel convenience.