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Is New York Times Select Failing?

It's only been four days now since the [New York Times](#) began charging for access to its Op-Ed writers, but I've already noticed a trend developing. Looking at the [Most Emailed Articles](#) you will now see very few, if any, Op-Ed writers listed, whereas the Op-Eds used to lead this list, with Dowd, Rich and Friedman being the top most emailed writers. For a while this morning Dowd's latest column was highly emailed, but at 1PM there are no Op-Eds listed. What does this mean? Perhaps nothing, but if the trend continues and the Times cannot get enough subscribers they'll have to reconsider this strategy -- these are huge names and if the readership levels decrease too much it will dilute the power that these writers command, not to mention the strength of the Times Op-Ed page itself.

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