

# The decline of newspapers Part 683

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It's only a small, local symbol of the decline of newspapers, but they still haven't found anyone who wants to run the newspaper kiosk outside my local tube station.



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The guys who used to just didn't make enough money to justify getting up that early and standing in the cold.

And I guess that you can't sell enough other goods to make it compete with running one of the numerous corner shops in the area. Those shops sell a narrow range of papers but the nearest proper newsagent is ten minutes walk

away. Somehow, it makes it just that bit less likely that you will buy a paper, even if it only means taking 30 seconds more to nip into a store.

All this after [a weekend conference I attended in Vienna](#) with some top global news people discussing how important newspapers were to society – rather than how to make their journalism more accessible or relevant.

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