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**Highlights**

- Political intrusive thoughts and ritualistic behaviors (PITRB) occurred frequently.
- 25.2% reported experiencing at least one PITRB multiple times a day.
- PITRB was associated with all measures of psychopathology and disability.
- Anxiety control moderated the relationship between PITRB and both anxiety and depression.

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