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This analysis focuses on Americans' views of China on topics including Chinese leadership, economic standing, military strength and attitudes about the country more broadly. Pew Research Center has been tracking attitudes toward China since 2005. This report also includes demographic analysis comparing groups with different levels of education, age and political leanings, as well as attitudinal changes occurring simultaneously with the spread of the coronavirus.

For this report, we used data from a nationally representative survey of 1,000 U.S. adults conducted by telephone from March 3 to 29, 2020.

Here are the [questions](#) used for the report, along with responses and [survey methodology](#).

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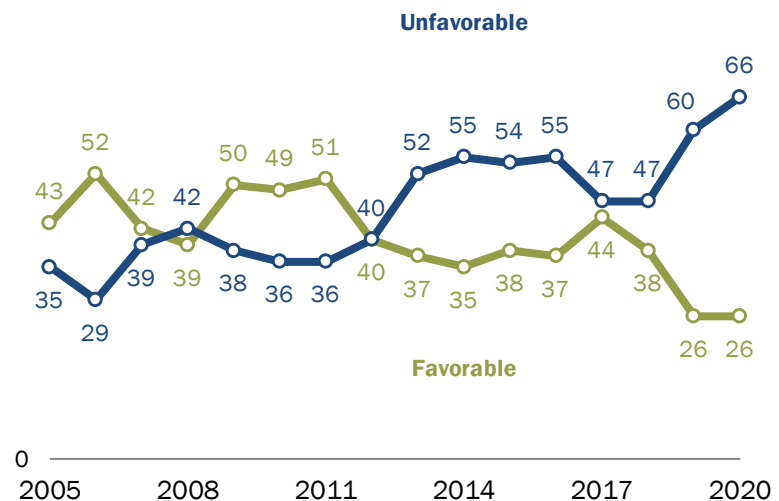
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Since President Donald Trump took office in 2017, his approach to U.S.-China relations has included increased pressure via [tariffs and trade war rhetoric](#), and now, with the onset of an unprecedented pandemic, the stage has been set for both [sides to cast aspersions on the other](#). Against this backdrop, negative views of China have continued to grow, according to a new Pew Research Center survey of Americans conducted in March. Roughly two-thirds now say they have an unfavorable view of China, the most negative rating for the country since the Center began asking the question in 2005, and up nearly 20 percentage points since the start of the Trump administration. Positive views of China's leader, President Xi Jinping, are also at historically low levels.

Negative views of China continue to grow in U.S.

% who say they have a ___ opinion of China

100 %



Note: Don't know responses not shown.

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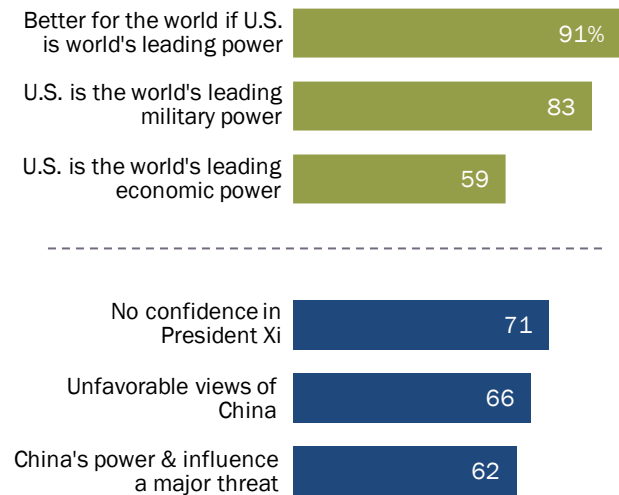
Economic factors, such as job losses to China and the trade deficit, remain key concerns for the American public. But other issues – including Chinese human rights policies and environmental degradation – also worry Americans. Many of these issues play a role in how the public views

China more broadly: Those who see the China-related topics included in the study as a serious problem generally have less favorable views of China overall.

As the economies of both China and the United States **struggle with the impact** of the current pandemic, more Americans now see the U.S. as the world's leading economic power than at any time over the past 12 years. In fact, Americans now see the U.S. as more of an economic powerhouse than China by roughly two-to-one (59% vs. 30%). Americans also overwhelmingly believe their country leads the world militarily and that the world is better off with U.S. leadership as opposed to that of China.

Americans see U.S. as a global leader, have major doubts about China

% who say ...



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q5b, Q12a, Q14-16, Q17b.

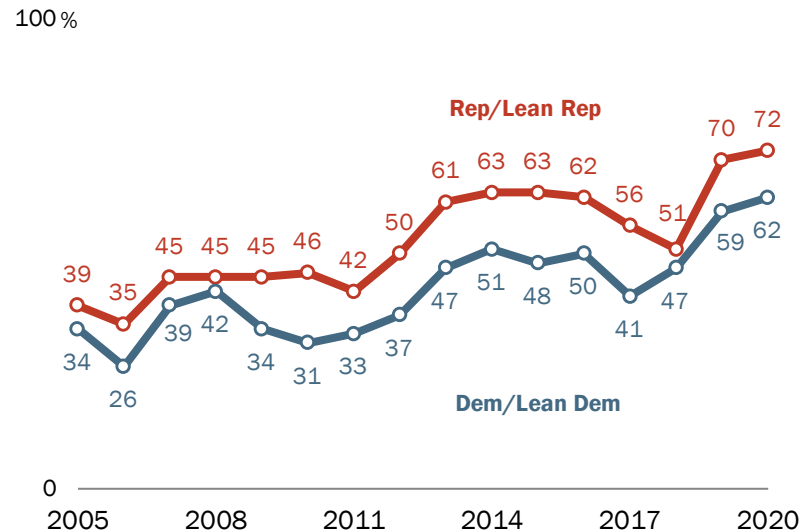
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In some ways, this is a partisan story. Republicans continue to be more wary of China than Democrats across many questions in this report. Nearly three-quarters of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents see China unfavorably, compared with roughly six-in-ten Democrats and Democratic leaners. They are also more worried about China when it comes to cybersecurity and economic issues such as job losses to China and the trade imbalance. Republicans are more likely than Democrats to see the United States outpacing China as the world's leading economic power as well as the world's top military. And GOP supporters almost universally say it is better that the world be led by the U.S. Still, negative views of China increased slightly among Democrats this year, so partisans of both stripes are now largely negative toward the superpower. In fact, after seeing large increases in negative views of China from 2018 to 2019, both parties registered their most unfavorable opinions to date in 2020.

Republicans consistently more negative than Democrats toward China

% who say they have an *unfavorable* opinion of China



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q5b.
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These are among the findings of a new survey by Pew Research Center, conducted March 3 to 29, 2020, among 1,000 adults in the U.S. The survey also finds that younger people, who have historically been more positive than older Americans toward China, now increasingly hold negative views of the country and are more prone to see it as a threat to the U.S. than in previous years. Older Americans, however, still take a more negative stance than their younger compatriots on most aspects of the U.S.-China relationship.

Unfavorable views of China continue to climb

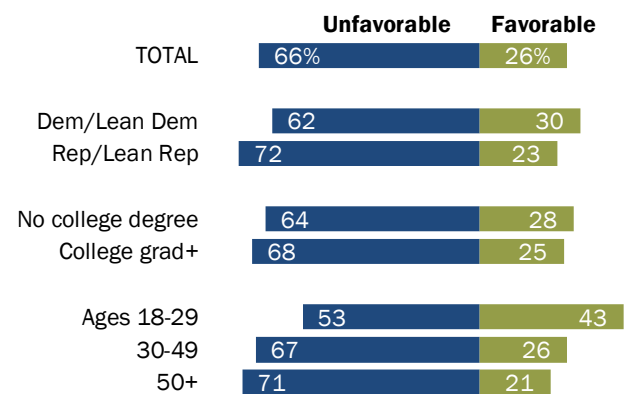
Views of China have soured further in 2020, building on the [dramatic uptick in negativity seen between 2018 and 2019](#). Roughly two-thirds of Americans now have a negative opinion of China, the highest percentage recorded since Pew Research Center began asking the question in 2005. Only about a quarter in the U.S. report a favorable attitude.

The survey took place as the coronavirus outbreak spread throughout the U.S., with several states implementing lockdowns and [death tolls multiplying at a rapid clip](#). While China's handling of the virus may have made an impression on some Americans, it does not appear that escalating conditions in the U.S. over the course of March shifted attitudes toward China *during that period*. Views of China did not significantly change when comparing those surveyed before and after March 12, approximately when [the NBA indefinitely postponed the remainder of the season](#) and [actor Tom Hanks announced](#) testing positive for COVID-19 on social media. Americans interviewed prior to March 13, [when the U.S. government declared a national emergency](#), had equally negative views toward China as those interviewed on or after that date, even when holding constant age, education, gender and political affiliation. (*For more on how the Center has dealt with unforeseen events during fieldwork in the past, see ["When the Unexpected Happens, What's a Survey Researcher To Do?"](#)*)

Across demographic groups, negative views of China abound. Roughly six-in-ten Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents have unfavorable views of China, as do roughly seven-in-ten Republicans and Republican-leaning independents. Those with a college degree are just as likely as those with less than a college degree to hold negative views of China; roughly two-thirds of each group voice this opinion.

Negative views of China across many groups within U.S.

% who say they have a ___ opinion of China



Note: Don't know responses not shown.

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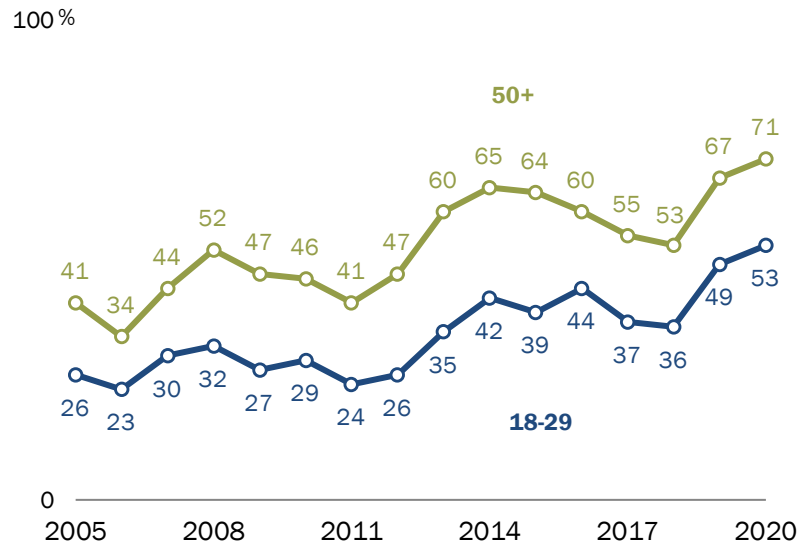
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Older Americans, those ages 50 and older, are more likely than those ages 18 to 29 to have unfavorable views of China. This has been the case every year since the Center first asked the question 15 years ago. But while half or more of those 50 and older have held negative views of China since 2012, this is the first year in which more than half of younger Americans also have an unfavorable opinion. Among this age group, negative views have roughly doubled since the question was first asked.

Largely similar patterns emerge by party, with Republicans tending to be more negative than Democrats. Still, both partisan groups – for the second year in a row – have recorded their most negative assessments of China since the Center began asking this question in 2005.

Older Americans increasingly negative on China

% who say they have an *unfavorable* opinion of China



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q5b.
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Views of President Xi reach new low in U.S.

As ratings for China have declined, so too has confidence in Chinese President Xi Jinping. Roughly seven-in-ten Americans (71%) say they do not have confidence in Xi to do the right thing when it comes to world affairs – a high since the Center first asked the question. Just 22% say they have faith in the Chinese leader, down 15 percentage points since last year.

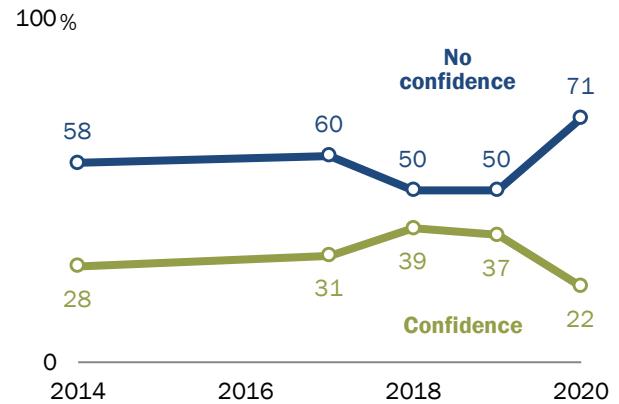
The drop in confidence from 2019 to 2020 is especially notable. While views of Xi have been fairly stable for the past few years, remaining within a 10 percentage point range, in just the last year the percentage saying they lack confidence in him has increased by 21 points. This shift occurred among both Republicans and Democrats, as well as among older and younger Americans.

And while [the U.S. president's rhetoric toward China's leadership](#) during the outbreak has

fluctuated in tone, the American public's attitudes remained fairly stable over the course of this survey. As with views of China, a shifting news environment over the course of March with regard to the role Beijing played in handling the initial outbreak does not appear to have affected how Americans view President Xi in the short term. Those interviewed prior to the U.S. government declaring a national emergency on March 13 were just as likely as those interviewed later in March to lack confidence in the Chinese leader. This remains true even when holding constant factors including age, gender, education and political affiliation.

Confidence in Xi plummets in U.S. amid coronavirus outbreak

% of Americans who say they have ___ in Chinese President Xi Jinping to do the right thing regarding world affairs



Note: Don't know responses not shown.

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q17b. "U.S. Views of China Increasingly Negative Amid Coronavirus Outbreak"

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Many see Chinese power and influence as threat to the U.S.

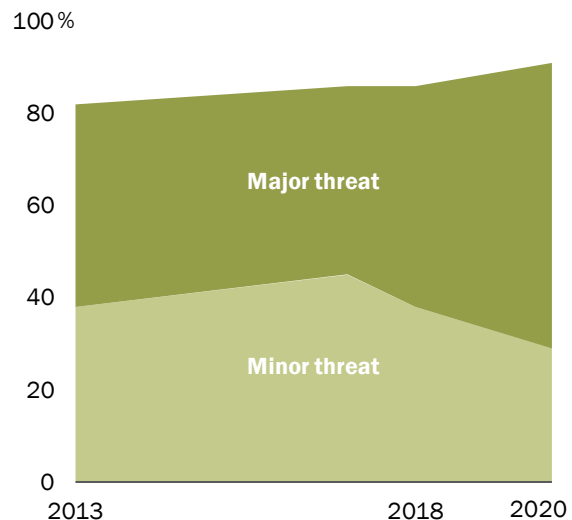
About nine-in-ten U.S. adults see [China's power and influence as a threat](#) – including 62% who say it is a *major* threat. While the total portion that sees China's power and influence as a threat has not changed significantly since the question was last asked in 2018, the share perceiving China as a major threat has increased 14 percentage points since 2018.

Older Americans are more concerned than younger adults about China. Nearly seven-in-ten of those ages 50 and older see China's power and influence as a major threat, compared with roughly half of those 18 to 29.

Americans were also asked if they consider the condition of the global economy a major threat, minor threat, or not a threat to the U.S. Those who see global economic conditions as a major threat are 15 percentage points more likely to see China's power and influence as a significant threat than those who feel less threatened by the global economic situation (71% vs. 56%).

Growing share of Americans see China as a major threat

% who say China's power and influence are a ___ to the U.S.



Note: "Not a threat" and don't know responses not shown.
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q12a.
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Americans most concerned about China’s environmental impact and cyberattacks

When asked whether various issues involving China pose a problem for the U.S., at least two-thirds of Americans say each is a serious concern for their country – and most issues are seen as *very* serious problems by roughly half or more. Topping the list is China’s impact on the global environment. A majority (61%) says China’s environmental footprint is a very serious problem for the U.S., a 10 percentage point increase from when the question was last asked in 2018. (China was recently estimated to emit [roughly 30%](#) of the world’s total amount of carbon dioxide but produces fewer greenhouse gases per capita than the U.S. does.) Those who see global climate change as a major threat are 28 points more likely than those who do not see global warming as a threat to be *very* concerned with China’s environmental impact.

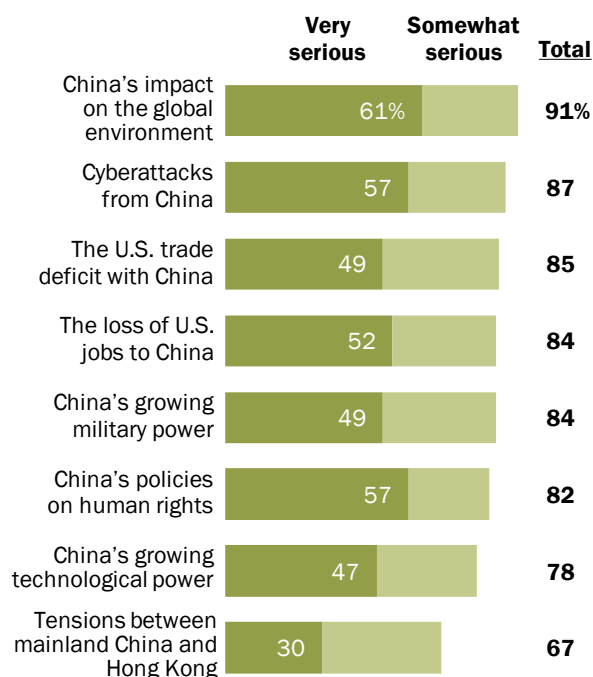
Americans are similarly concerned with cyberattacks from China. A majority of 57% say this poses a very serious problem to the U.S. This is unchanged from 2018 but up 7 percentage points from 2012 when the question was first asked.

Similarly, 57% say China’s human rights policies pose a very serious problem – an 8-point increase from 2018.

Economic and military issues trigger slightly lower, though still high, levels of concern for Americans. The loss of U.S. jobs to China is seen as a very serious problem by 52% of Americans, but this has fallen from 71% who called it a very serious issue in 2012. The U.S. trade deficit with China – which [recently shrank](#) for the first time in half a decade – is also considered a very serious problem by about half in the U.S. (49%), a decline of 12 percentage points since 2012. Another 49% say China’s growing military power is a substantial concern.

Americans most concerned about Chinese environmental footprint

% who say the following are ___ problems for the U.S.



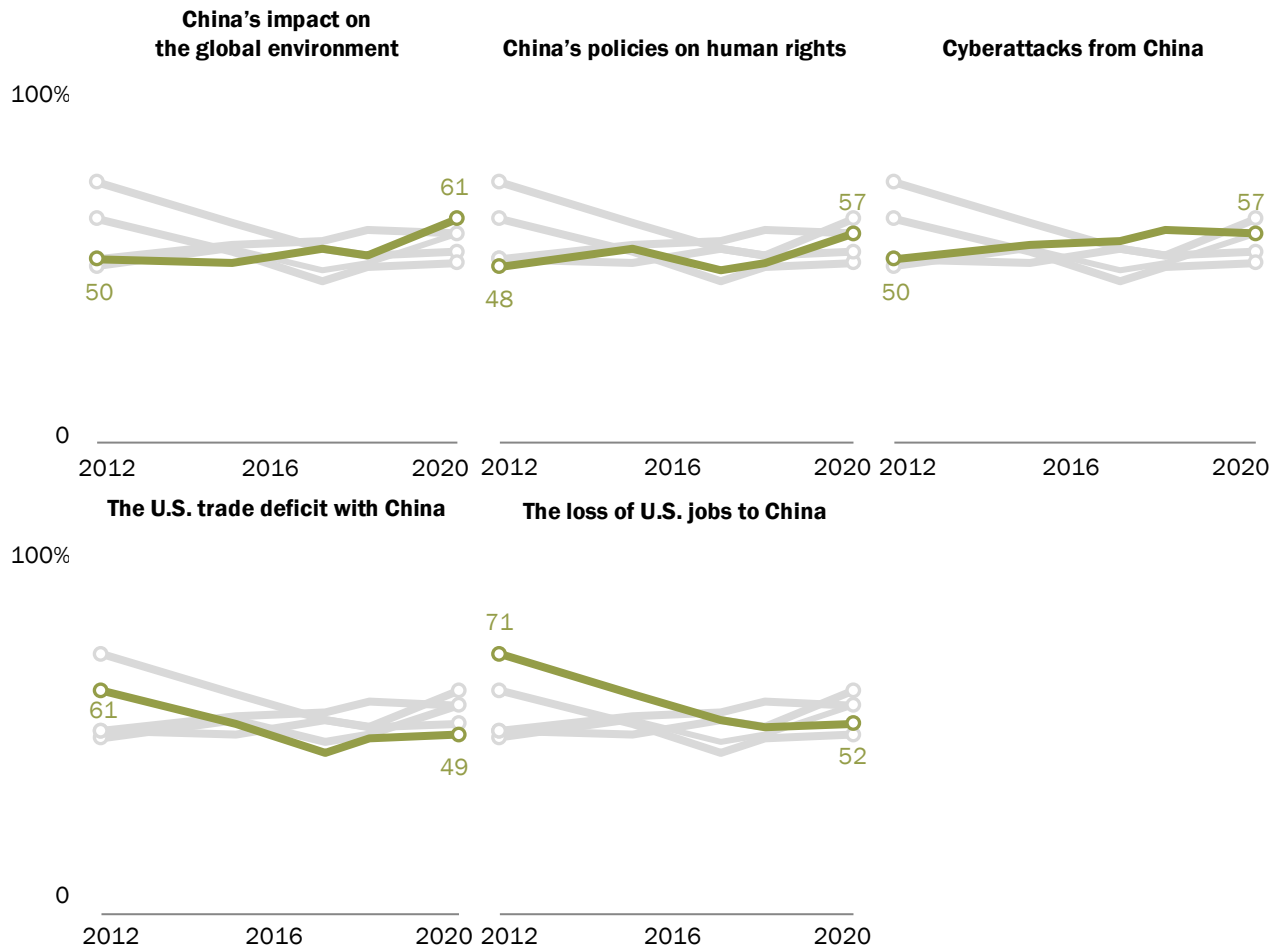
Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q31a-h. “U.S. Views of China Increasingly Negative Amid Coronavirus Outbreak”

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As the U.S. keeps its market closed to the Chinese [telecommunications giant Huawei](#) and raises alarms about the [security of Chinese technology](#), about half of U.S. adults (47%) are concerned about China’s growing technological power. China has also [recently overtaken](#) the U.S. as the world’s top producer of patent applications.

American concerns about China’s impact on environment and human rights on the rise; economic concerns level off

% who say ___ is a *very serious* problem for the U.S.



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q31a-e.
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Widespread protests over an extradition bill’s potential effects on Hong Kong’s judiciary independence erupted across the special administrative region last year. But [tensions between](#)

mainland China and Hong Kong are the least concerning to Americans of the issues polled. Only three-in-ten consider this issue a very serious problem for the U.S.

Concern about each of these issues generally coincides with less favorable overall views of China. For instance, among those who say China's growing military power is not too serious a problem or not a problem at all, 47% have a favorable view of China. But, among those who believe China's military strength poses a *very* serious threat to the U.S., just 19% see China favorably.

Evaluations of these issues tend to differ based on individuals' concerns about other threats. Those who say the condition of the global economy poses a major threat to the U.S. are more likely to rate most issues in the China-U.S. relationship as very serious problems. For instance, about six-in-ten (58%) of those who see international economic conditions as a major threat are also very concerned about America's trade deficit with China. On the other hand, 39% of those who consider the economy a minor threat are very concerned about the deficit – a 19 percentage point difference.

People who are at least somewhat concerned about these issues are also more likely to see China as a major threat than those who do not see the issues as serious problems. For example, when looking at China's growing military power or its growing technological power, those who see either as a serious problem for the U.S. are 46 percentage points more likely to say that China's growing power and influence pose a major threat to the U.S. The difference is smallest when looking at the U.S. trade deficit with China, but even then, those who see the deficit as a serious problem are 23 points more likely to see China as a major threat.

Additionally, a partisan gap exists when evaluating certain issues in the Sino-American relationship. Republicans and Republican-leaning independents are more likely than Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents to see the U.S. trade deficit with China, the loss of U.S. jobs to China and China's growing technological capabilities as *very* serious problems. The same divide exists over China's growing military power and cyberattacks from China.

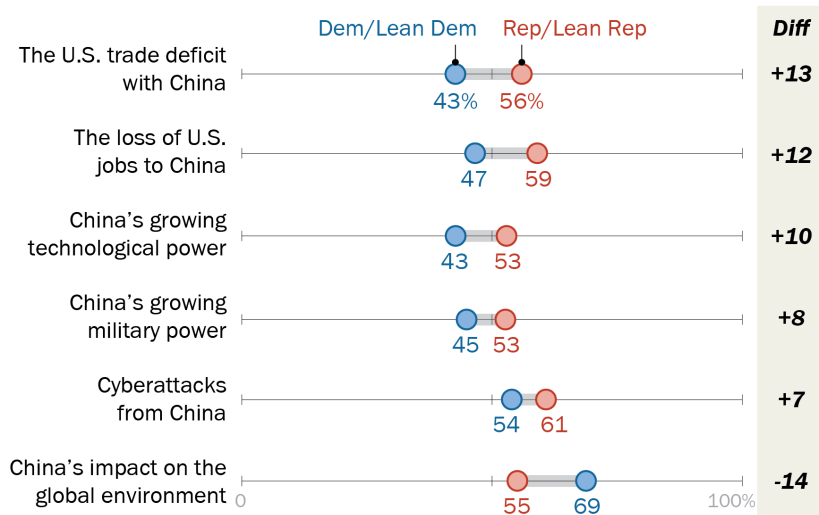
What's more, Republicans have become more concerned about the U.S. trade deficit with China since last polled on the

topic in 2018, when the latest U.S.-China [trade war began](#). Concern for the trade deficit among Democrats did not change over that same time. China's environmental impact is the only issue that Democrats are more likely to see as a very serious problem: Concern among Democrats on this issue has increased by 14 percentage points since 2018. Still, both sides of the aisle share the same level of concern for tensions between mainland China and Hong Kong and China's human rights policies.

Older Americans are more likely than their younger counterparts to see several of these issues as major problems. Evaluations of China's growing military power evoke the greatest generational divide. While 61% of those ages 50 and older see China's growing military power as a very serious problem, 32% of those ages 18 to 29 say the same – a difference of 29 percentage points. Similar divides accompany opinions on cyberattacks from China (27 points) and China's growing technological prowess (25 points). Notably, similar majorities across all age groups see China's environmental impact as a very serious problem.

Republicans more likely than Democrats to see economic issues with China as very serious problems

% who say ___ is a *very* serious problem for the U.S.



Note: Only statistically significant differences shown.

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q31a, b, d, e, f, g. "U.S. Views of China Increasingly Negative Amid Coronavirus Outbreak"

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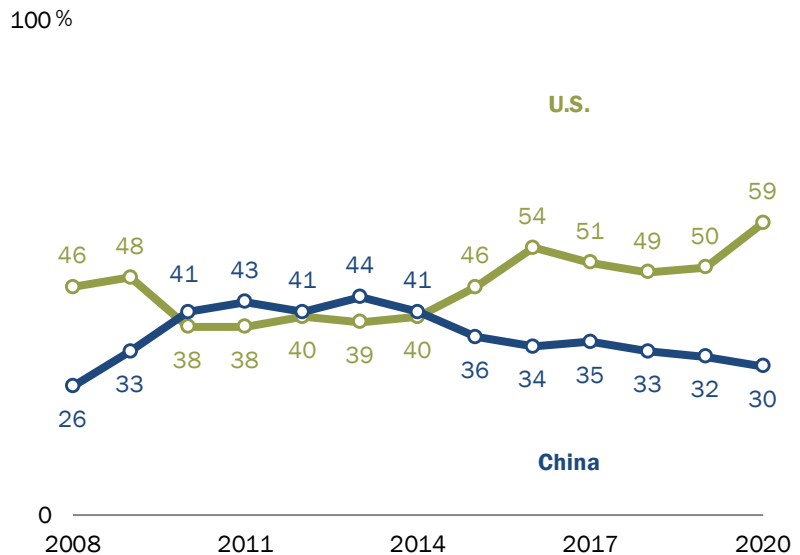
Majority sees U.S. as leading economy, but perceptions colored by financial views

[China's economic growth has slowed](#) in recent quarters, and the U.S. stock market logged one of [its worst first quarters in history](#) amid the spread of COVID-19. Even though [unemployment surged](#) in the U.S. throughout the March field period, marking the [worst period for jobs since the 2008 recession](#), Americans' sense that the U.S. is the world's top economy has grown precipitously. Today, when asked to choose between the U.S., China, Japan and the countries of the European Union as the world's leading economic power, 59% of Americans choose their own country, up from 50% last year. This is both the largest share to name the U.S. and the

largest year-on-year increase since the question was first asked in 2008. Only three-in-ten name China, and this is largely unchanged over recent years.¹

More Americans name the U.S. as the world's leading economic power than China

% who say ___ is the world's leading economic power



Note: Data for "Japan" and "The countries of the European Union" and for the volunteered categories "Other" and "None/There is no leading economic power" not shown. Don't know responses not shown.

Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q14.

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¹ The increase in the share naming the U.S. is due to the significant decrease in the share who name Japan (3%, down from 7% in 2019) and the concurrent slight – though statistically insignificant – shifts in the percentages who name China (30%, down from 32%) and the European Union countries (4%, down from 6%).

People's personal economic situations, as well as concerns about both the domestic and global economy, color their sense of how the U.S. economy rates on the world stage.

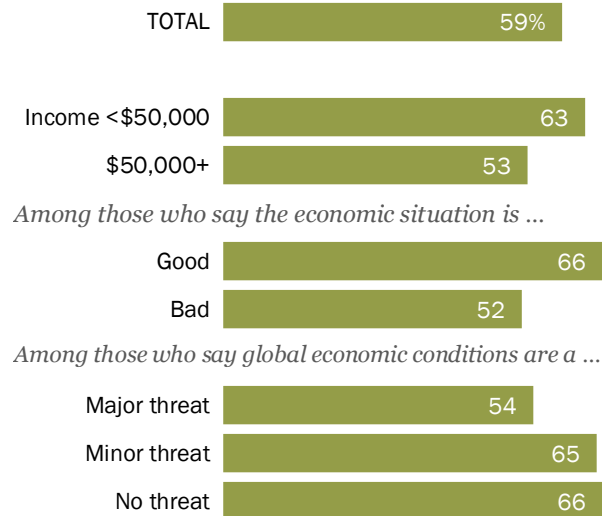
Those who have higher incomes are more likely than those who are less well-off to say the U.S. is the world's leading economic power (63% vs. 53%). The same is true of those who say their country's economic situation is good compared with those who say the opposite (66% vs. 52%). And those who say the condition of the global economy is a major threat to the United States are less likely to see the U.S. as economically superior (and more likely to name China) than those who see it as a minor threat or no threat at all.²

Those who see China's power and influence as a major threat are also more likely to name China as the world's leading economy than those who see it as less of a threat.

Older Americans are more likely than younger Americans to say the U.S. is the leading economic power: 63% of those ages 50 and older name the U.S., while fewer than half (47%) of those ages 18 to 29 do the same. Americans younger than 30 are not only more likely to name China as the world's leading economy than older Americans (38% vs. 26%), but they are also more likely to name the countries of the EU (9% vs. 2%).

Economics color whether Americans see the U.S. as financially dominant

% who say *the U.S. is the world's leading economic power*



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q14. "U.S. Views of China Increasingly Negative Amid Coronavirus Outbreak"

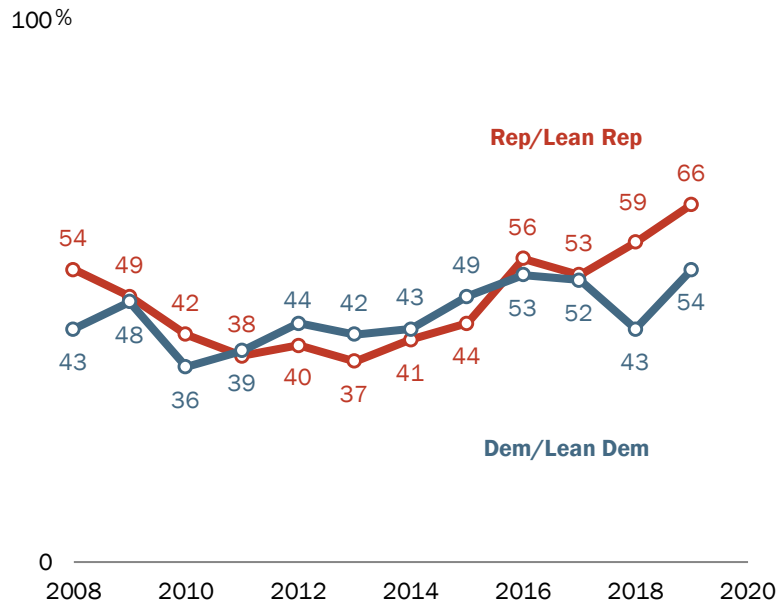
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² While concerns about [the global economy](#) increased during the month of March while the survey was in the field, there were no significant changes in perceptions of which economy is the world's strongest over the same period.

Partisanship is also related to how Americans evaluate the world's top economic power. While both Republicans and Democrats are more likely to name the U.S. as the world's leading economic power than China, Republicans and Republican-leaning independents are particularly convinced of America's economic superiority. Republicans and those who lean Republican are more than twice as likely to name the U.S. as they are China (66% and 27%, respectively), whereas Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents name the U.S. at a lower rate (54% and 33%, respectively). And, while partisanship also colored views of which economy was strongest last year, this gap is relatively new.

Republicans are more likely than Democrats to see the U.S. as the leading economy

% who say the U.S. is the world's leading economic power



Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q14.
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Widespread sense that U.S. is militarily dominant, should lead globally

When it comes to which country is the world's leading military power, more than eight-in-ten Americans agree that it's the U.S., up 11 percentage points since the question was last asked in 2016. Only 6% name China, a 6-point decrease. Similarly, few name Russia (8%), a view largely unchanged since four years ago.

Republicans and Republican-leaning independents are more likely to name the U.S. as the leading military power than Democrats and Democratic leaners (90% vs. 80%). While Democrats are about as likely as Republicans to name China, they are somewhat more likely to name Russia as the world's leading military power (9% vs. 4%).³ Men, those with higher incomes and those with higher levels of education are more likely to say the U.S. is the leading military power than women, the less affluent or less educated people, respectively, though differences between people of different educational backgrounds are muted.

Regardless of whether they think the U.S. is the leading economic or military power today, nearly all Americans also think that a future with U.S. leadership is a better thing than one with Chinese leadership. When forced to choose between which would be better for the world, 91% of Americans say it is better for the U.S. to be the world's leading power than China (4%), largely unchanged since 2018 when the question was last asked. While there is widespread agreement across all groups in society, Republicans and those who see China's power and influence as a major threat are more likely than Democrats and those who feel less threatened to value U.S. global leadership.

Most say that the U.S. is and should be the world leader

% who say ___ is the world's leading military power



% who say it is better for the world if ___ is the world's leading power



Note: Don't know responses not shown. For Q15, "Russia" and volunteer responses "Other" and "None" not shown. For Q16, volunteer responses "Both" and "Neither" not shown. Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted March 3-29, 2020. Q15 & Q16.

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³ In 2016, Republicans and Democrats were equally likely to see the U.S. as the top military power but they differed with regard to Russia. Then, Republicans were more likely to name Russia as the top military power (14%) than Democrats (6%).

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Results for the survey are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Abt Associates. The results are based on a national sample. More details about our international survey methodology and country-specific sample designs are [available here](#).

Topline questionnaire

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Methodological notes:

- Survey results are based on a national sample. For further details on sample designs, see our [international survey methods database](#).
- The following table shows the unweighted sample sizes and the error attributable to sampling that would be expected at the 95% level of confidence for different groups in the United States in the survey:

Group	Unweighted sample size	Weighted %	Plus or minus ...
Total sample	1,000		3.7 percentage points
Rep/Lean Rep	429	42	5.6 percentage points
Dem/Lean Dem	487	48	5.5 percentage points

- Due to rounding, percentages may not total 100%. The topline “total” columns show 100%, because they are based on unrounded numbers.
- Not all questions included in the Spring 2020 Survey are presented in this topline. Omitted questions have either been previously released or will be released in future reports.

		Q5b. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of...? b. China					
		Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	DK/Refused	Total
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	Spring, 2019	4	22	37	23	13	100
	Spring, 2018	5	33	32	15	14	100
	Spring, 2017	5	39	33	14	10	100
	Spring, 2016	6	31	36	19	9	100
	Spring, 2015	4	34	33	21	8	100
	Spring, 2014	7	28	34	21	10	100
	Spring, 2013	7	30	32	20	12	100
	Spring, 2012	6	34	25	15	19	100
	Spring, 2011	12	39	22	14	12	100
	Spring, 2010	10	39	24	12	14	100
	Spring, 2009	9	41	25	13	13	100
	Spring, 2008	9	30	26	16	19	100
	Spring, 2007	8	34	25	14	18	100
	Spring, 2006	12	40	19	10	19	100
Spring, 2005	9	34	22	13	22	100	

		Q12a. I'd like your opinion about some possible international concerns for (survey country). Do you think ___ is a major threat, a minor threat, or not a threat to (survey country)? a. China's power and influence				
		Major threat	Minor threat	Not a threat	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	62	29	7	2	100
	Spring, 2018	48	38	10	4	100
	Spring, 2017	41	45	11	3	100
	Spring, 2013	44	38	13	6	100

		Q14. Today, which ONE of the following do you think is the world's leading economic power?							
		The United States	China	Japan	The countries of the European Union	Other (DO NOT READ)	None/There is no leading economic power (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	59	30	3	4	0	1	3	100
	Spring, 2019	50	32	7	6	1	1	4	100
	Spring, 2018	49	33	6	7	1	1	4	100
	Spring, 2017	51	35	5	5	0	0	2	100
	Spring, 2016	54	34	6	2	0	1	3	100
	Spring, 2015	46	36	7	7	0	1	3	100
	Spring, 2014	40	41	8	7	0	0	4	100
	Spring, 2013	39	44	7	4	0	1	6	100
	Spring, 2012	40	41	6	5	0	1	7	100
	Spring, 2011	38	43	6	6	0	0	6	100
	Spring, 2010	38	41	8	6	0	0	7	100
	Spring, 2009	48	33	7	5	0	1	6	100
Spring, 2008	46	26	10	10	0	1	7	100	

		Q15. Today, which ONE of the following do you think is the world's leading military power?						
		The United States	China	Russia	Other (DO NOT READ)	None/There is no leading military power (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	83	6	8	0	0	3	100
	Spring, 2016	72	12	10	3	0	3	100

		Q16. Thinking about the future, if you had to choose, which of the following scenarios would be better for the world?					
		The U.S. is the world's leading power	China is the world's leading power	Both (DO NOT READ)	Neither (DO NOT READ)	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	91	4	0	4	1	100
	Spring, 2018	88	6	1	2	3	100

		Q17b. Tell me how much confidence you have in each leader to do the right thing regarding world affairs – a lot of confidence, some confidence, not too much confidence, or no confidence at all. b. Chinese President Xi Jinping					
		A lot of confidence	Some confidence	Not too much confidence	No confidence at all	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	2	20	26	45	8	100
	Spring, 2019	2	35	27	23	13	100
	Spring, 2018	5	34	27	23	12	100
	Spring, 2017	2	29	29	31	9	100
	Spring, 2014	2	26	26	32	14	100

		Q31a. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. a. The loss of U.S. jobs to China					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	52	32	11	4	1	100
	Spring, 2018	51	32	11	4	2	100
	Spring, 2017	53	31	10	4	1	100
	Spring, 2015	60	29	8	2	1	100
	May, 2012	71	19	6	2	2	100

		Q31b. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. b. The U.S. trade deficit with China					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	49	36	8	4	3	100
	Spring, 2018	48	34	10	5	3	100
	Spring, 2017	44	37	10	5	3	100
	Spring, 2015	52	34	7	4	3	100
	May, 2012	61	28	4	3	4	100

		Q31c. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. c. China's policies on human rights					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	57	25	10	5	3	100
	Spring, 2018	49	30	9	5	7	100
	Spring, 2017	47	32	9	6	6	100
	Spring, 2015	53	32	6	4	5	100
	May, 2012	48	33	10	4	6	100

		Q31d. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. d. China's impact on the global environment					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	61	30	6	2	1	100
	Spring, 2018	51	34	7	4	4	100
	Spring, 2017	53	32	7	5	3	100
	Spring, 2015	49	36	7	3	4	100
	May, 2012	50	31	10	4	6	100

		Q31e. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. e. Cyberattacks from China					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	57	30	9	4	1	100
	Spring, 2018	58	29	8	3	2	100
	Spring, 2017	55	30	8	4	2	100
	Spring, 2015	54	32	7	4	3	100
	May, 2012	50	29	10	2	8	100

		Q31f. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. f. China's growing military power					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	49	35	10	4	2	100

		Q31g. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. g. China's growing technological power					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	47	31	14	7	1	100

		Q31h. Please tell me if you think ___ is a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem at all. h. Tensions between China and Hong Kong					
		Very serious	Somewhat serious	Not too serious	Not a problem at all	DK/Refused	Total
United States	Spring, 2020	30	37	17	8	8	100