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Musk says he had no role in bringing Kanye West back on Twitter

Rapper Kanye West makes a point as he holds his first rally in support of his presidential bid in North Charleston Rapper Kanye West makes a point as he holds his first rally in support of his presidential bid in North Charleston, South Carolina, U.S. July 19, 2020. REUTERS/Randall Hill Oct 28 (Reuters) - Twitter-owner Elon Musk said on Friday that he did not have a hand in reinstating rapper Kanye West's account, which was suspended by the micro-blogging site earlier this month for posting anti-Semitic remarks.

The billionaire said Twitter had restored the account of the rapper, now known as Ye, before the completion of the social media platform's \$44 billion takeover late on Thursday. "They did not consult with or inform me," Musk said in a tweet.

Ye, who has over 30 million followers on Twitter, has courted controversy in recent months by publicly ending major corporate tie-ups and making outbursts on social media against other celebrities.

On Oct. 8, Musk tweeted "Welcome back to Twitter, my friend!" when Ye posted on the platform for the first time in two years after his Instagram account was restricted for anti-Semitic posts.

Twitter later locked his account and removed one of his posts.

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'gag orders' policy Musk took ownership of Twitter with brutal efficiency on Thursday, firing top executives

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content decisions or account reinstatements will happen before that council convenes," he added. but providing little clarity over how he will

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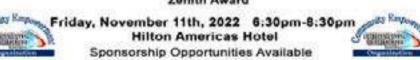
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achieve the ambitions he has outlined for the influential social media platform, read more

Musk, however, said on Friday that Twitter will be forming a content moderation council with "widely diverse viewpoints".





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in principle to buy Parler,

the social media platform

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Another Media Giant Elon Musk



With a 44-billion-dollar acquisition, the world's richest man, Elon Musk, made himself the owner of the social media giant Twitter.

Musk later tweeted saying, "the bird is freed." Right after his takeover, he fired CEO Parag Agrawal and CFO Ned Segal. He entered Twitter's headquarter in San Francisco with a

household sink in his hands and shared a caption that read, "Entering Twitter HQ…let that sink in."

Musk said the reason he bought Twitter was, "because it is important to the future of civilization to have a common digital town square where a wide range of beliefs can be debated in a healthy manner without resorting



to violence."

Twitter may let former president Trump come back to use the platform. Trump was a frequent user of Twitter, but was booted off the service two days following the January 6, 2021, siege of the Capitol, "due to the risk of further incitement of violence."

In an opening statement, Musk said that he, "hopes to build a common digital media town square where a wide range of beliefs can be debated."

We all wish much good luck to this new media giant. This development also proves that, "money can buy anything."



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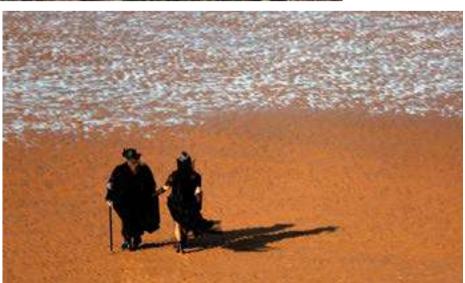
A man cools off in a fountain in Washington Square Park as people take part in the Queer Liberation March in New York City, New York. REUTERS/Jeenah Moon



A firefighter battles a forest blaze in Sopela, Spain. REU-TERS/Vincent West



Greek military cadets prepare to take part in a military parade marking an anniversary of the "Ochi" (No) Day in Thessaloniki, Greece. REUTERS/Alexandros Avramidis



A couple walk on the beach during the Gothic Weekend in Whitby, Britain. REUTERS/Lee Smith



People gather near the rubble of a grandstand that collapsed in a bullring during the celebrations of the San Pedro festivities, in El Espinal, Colombia. REUTERS/ Cristian Parra



A migrant walks next to burned tents in Pournara refugee camp during clashes in Kokkinotrimithia on the outskirts of Nicosia, Cyprus. REUTERS/Yiannis Kourtoglou



Celebrating Asian American And Pacific Islander Heritage Month

Six Charts That Shed Light On Images Of Asian **Americans Held By Many**



By Connie Hanzhang Jin - NPR Writer

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Currently, more than 22 million people

of Asian descent live in the U.S., mak-

ing up approximately 7% of the nation's population. They trace their heritage to

different regions around the world, with

people of East Asian and Southeast Asian

descent making up the largest shares,

though no group makes up a majority.

More than 1.5 million Pacific Islanders,

who descend from Micronesia, Melane-

sia or Polynesia, live in the U.S. as well.

ASIAN AMERICANS TRACE

THEIR HERITAGE TO DIFFER-

ENT REGIONS OF THE WORLD

"Smart." "Hard-working." "Nice." Those were among the adjectives that respondents offered up in a recent poll when asked to describe Asian Americans.

The poll, conducted by the nonprofit Leading Asian Americans to Unite for Change (LAAUNCH), was another all-too-familiar reminder that Asian Americans are still perceived as the "model minority."

Since the end of World War II, this myth about Asian Americans and their perceived collective success has been used as a racial wedge — to minimize the role racism plays in the struggles of other minority groups, such as Black Americans.

Characterizing Asian Americans as a model minority flattens the diverse experiences of Asian Americans into a singular, narrow narrative. And it paints a misleading picture about the community that doesn't align with current statistics.

Here's a look at some common misconceptions driven by the model minority myth.

Myth: Asian Americans are a single monolithic group

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The U.S. Census Bureau classifies a person of Asian descent as anyone who traces their heritage to a subset of countries in the continent of Asia. But there may be people outside of this classification who self-identify as Asian.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 American Community Survey

Credit: Connie Hanzhang Jin/NPR

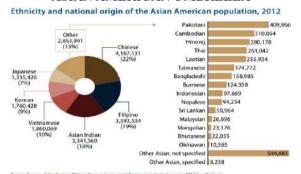
Academics and activists trace the term "Asian American" to 1968, when students at the University of California, Berkeley, founded the Asian American Political Alliance. At the time, the group sought to unite students of Japanese, Chinese and Filipino descent to fight for political and social

"Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders" (AAPI) is a term that has its roots in the 1980s and '90s, when the U.S. Census Bureau used the "Asian Pacific American" classification to group Asians, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders together. In 1997, the bureau disaggregated the categories into "Asian" and "Pacific Islander."

Scholars and activists have critiqued both terms for masking differences in histories and needs among communities, as well as supporting the myth that Asian Americans are a monolithic group.

Within these regional groups, a huge variety of ethnicities exist within the Asian American community. People who identify their heritage as Chinese, Indian or Filipino make up the largest share.

MANY ETHNICITIES FALL UNDER THE ASIAN AMERICAN UMBRELLA



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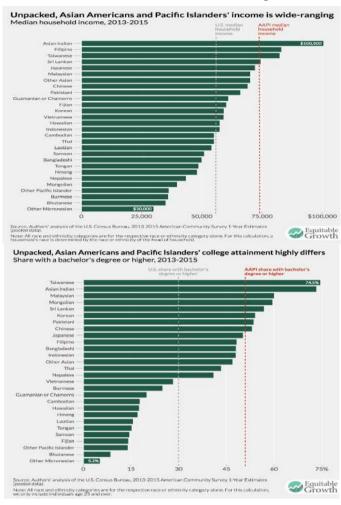
Ethnicities with fewer than 100,000 people not shown. The U.S. Census Bureau classifies a person of Asian descent as anyone who traces their heritage to a subset of countries in the continent of Asia. But there may be people outside of this classification who self-identify as

These numbers have risen rapidly in recent years. The Asian American population is the fastest-growing racial or ethnic group in the U.S., growing by 81% from 2000 to 2019. The Hispanic population saw the second-fastest growth, at 70%, followed by Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders, at 60%. The white population grew by only 1% in that time. Myth: Asian Americans are high earning and well educated

Asian Americans have a median household income of around \$78,000 a year, which is higher than the national median of about \$66,000. However, that overall statistic obscures large differences among different Asian-origin groups.

These economic disparities are partially driven by similar disparities in education levels among Asian Americans. The highest-earning groups — Indian American and Taiwanese American households — also have the highest levels of education, while the lowest-earning groups have comparatively lower levels of education.

Key Disparities In Income And Education Among Different Asian American Groups



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Six Charts That Shed Light On Images Of Asian Americans Held By Many



AMERICAN HOUSEHOLDS ARE THE HIGHEST-EARNING GROUP, WITH A MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME OF \$127,000 A YEAR. ON THE OTHER END OF THE SCALE, BURMESE AMERICAN HOUSE-HOLDS ARE THE LOWEST-EARNING GROUP, WITH A MEDIAN HOUSE-HOLD INCOME OF \$46,000 A YEAR.

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In fact, a 2018 Pew Research Center study found that Asian Americans were the most economically divided racial or ethnic group in the U.S., with Asian Americans in the top 10th of the income distribution making 10.7 times more than those in the bottom 10th. Myth: Asian Americans immigrate to the

U.S. in the "right" way More than half of those who identify as

Asian American and at least 17% of Pacific Islanders were born outside the U.S., according to the U.S. Census Bureau. The Asian American community has the

highest proportion of immigrants of any ethnic or racial group in the United States. Yet, Asian Americans are often overlooked in debates about immigration reform.

Asians have a wide range of reasons for immigrating to the U.S., including those coming as refugees or asylum-seekers. Out of the almost 11 million estimated undocumented immigrants in the U.S., around 1.5 million (14%) are from Asia, according to the Migration Policy Institute.

A LARGE NUMBER OF ASIANS IN

AMERICA ARE UNAUTHO-RIZED IMMIGRANTS

Out of the top 10 most common origin countries for unauthorized immigrants in the U.S., an estimated one million people come from India, China or the Philippines.

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ORIGIN COUNTRY	EST. NUMBER OF UNAUTHORIZED IMMIGRANTS	SHARE OF TOTAL
Mexico.	5,572,000₽	51%₽
El Salvador	750,000₽	7%∂
Guatemala <i>₽</i>	588,000₽	5%₽
India-	469,000₽	4%∂
Honduras.	402,000₽	4%₽
China₽	394,000₽	4%₽
Philippines	233,000₽	2%₽
Dominican Republic∉191,000€		2%∂
Colombia ₽	182,000 ₽	2%₽
Brazil₽	145,000 ₽	1%∂

NOTES Data as of 2018. Source: Migration Policy Institute Credit: Connie

Heightened immigration enforcement has also impacted Asian Americans. From 2015 to 2018, Immigration and Customs Enforcement arrested about 15,000 immigrants from Asia, according

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icans Advancing Justice. The report also found that Southeast

Asian immigrants were three to four times more likely to be deported for old criminal convictions compared with other immigrant groups. Out of the approximately 16,000 Southeast Asians with final removal orders in that period, more than 13,000 had removal orders that were based on old criminal convic-

Myth: Asian Americans Face Less Systemic Racism And Discrimination Since the coronavirus pandemic started, hate crimes and violence against Asian Americans have increased. In an April survey conducted by the Pew Research Center, 32% of Asian American adults a greater percentage than any other racial or ethnic group — said that they feared someone might threaten or physically attack them.

ASIAN AMERICANS AND OTHER **GROUPS REPORT NEGATIVE EXPERIENCES SINCE THE** START OF THE PANDEMIC

About four-in-ten Americans say it is more common for people to express racist views about people who are Asian than before COVID-19

About as People who are white 19

Share of respondents who say each of the following has happened to them since the coronavirus outbreak because of their race or ethnicity.

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People who are Hispanic 14

Asian American adults were interviewed in English only. Sample does not include Pacific Islanders.

Source: Pew Research Center survey of U.S. adults conducted April 5-11. Credit: Connie Hanzhang Jin/NPR



In response, the House of Representatives passed the COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act on May 18. The bill would have the Justice Department appoint a point person to expedite the review of hate crimes related to COVID-19. It would also direct resources toward making the reporting of hate crimes more accessible.

Despite increased news coverage of various attacks against Asian Americans and the upcoming legislation, the LAAUNCH survey, which was conducted between March 29 to April 14, found that 37% of white Americans were not aware of increased incidents of hate crimes.

But anti-Asian bias and discrimination are not new to the pandemic. To understand the current climate, it's important to look at historical context. In past periods of national tension, especially during times when the U.S. has been at war with Asian countries, anti-Asian racism has similarly

Myth: Asian Americans are fairly represented in leadership positions

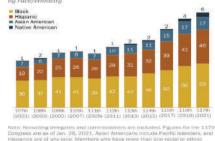
The recent LAAUNCH survey also found that almost half of Americans incorrectly believe that Asian Americans are overrepresented or fairly represented in senior positions within American companies, politics, media or other realms.

In reality, Asian Americans are underrepresented in these positions of power, holding about 3% of these positions in comparison with composing 7% of the U.S. population, a report from The New York Times found

More specifically, Asian Americans have the lowest degree of representation in political office compared with any other racial or ethnic group.

Asian Americans Are The Most Politically Underrepresented Group

as of last vear Asian Americans were underrepresented relative to their population by a differential of -85%. White people were overrepresented by 46%.



Asian Americans are even underrepresented in states with a high concentration of Asian American residents, like New York and California, according to a report by the Reflective Democracy Campaign.

Especially since the start of collective activism among Asian Americans in the 1960s, Asian Americans have had a rich history of political activism and involvement. But that history has not always translated to greater representation in political leadership



One finding in the LAAUNCH survey may point to answers: 92% of Americans polled said they were comfortable with Asian Americans as doctors or friends, but only 85% said they were comfortable with an Asian American as a boss and 73% as a president of the United States.

Despite these perceptions, Asian Americans are pushing forward. Asian Americans increased their voter turnout rate by more than any other racial or ethnic group in the 2020 election and in part helped Joe Biden win Georgia. In that same year, 158 Asian Americans ran for state legislatures, the highest number since the 2018 midterms. (Courtesy https://www.npr.org/)