



# STOP AAPI HATE NATIONAL REPORT

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Since its launch on March 19, 2020 Stop AAPI Hate has received 2,583 reports of anti-Asian nationwide. This twenty-week report reveals clear trends that have been consistent since the start of data collection.

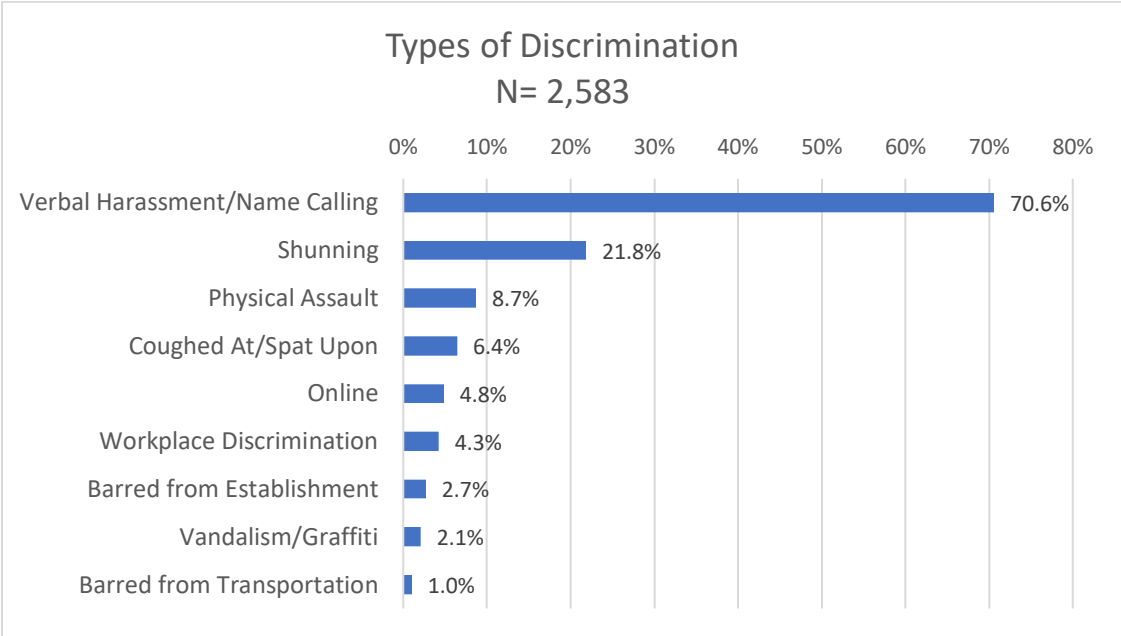
### **TYPES OF DISCRIMINATION**

- Seven out of ten incidents involved verbal harassment, which included racial slurs, name calling, and profanities.
- Shunning, the deliberate avoidance of AAPIs because of their race, constituted 22% of the incidents.
- Physical assaults made up 9% of the incidents.
- Potential civil rights violations, including workplace discrimination and being barred from establishments and transportation, comprised 8% of the incidents.

### **TRENDS IN DISCRIMINATION**

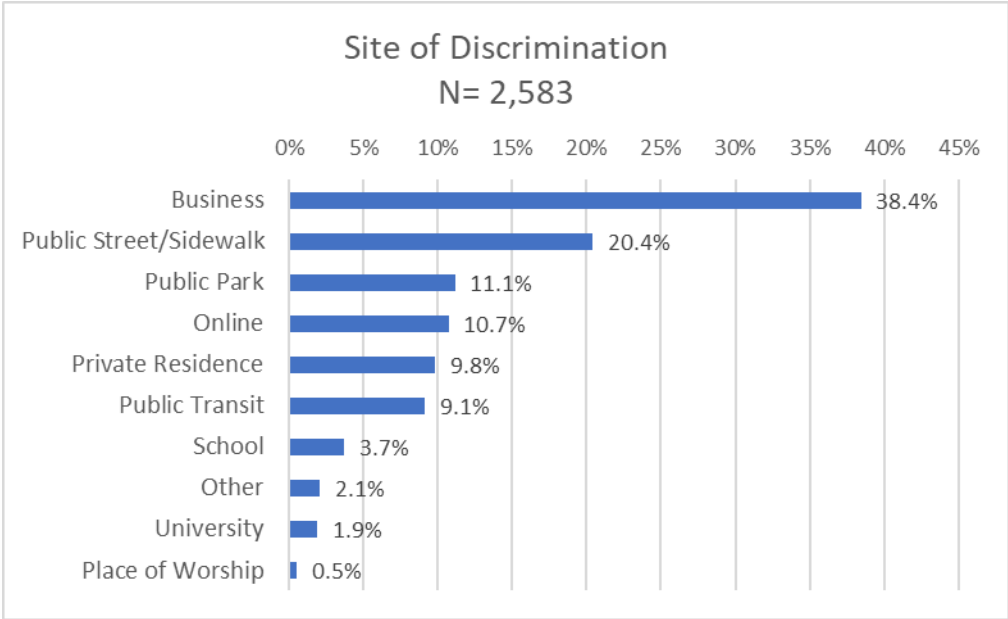
- Businesses were the site of 38% of the hate incidents, followed by public streets (20%) and public parks (11%). Online incidents comprised 11% of the incidents.
- Race was the primary reason suspected for discrimination. Although Chinese were the ethnic group most targeted, 60% of the respondents were non-Chinese.
- Women reported discrimination 2.4 times more than men
- One in seven of those reporting were young people under 20 years old (14%); elderly made up 7.5% of the respondents
- Hate incidents came from 47 states, with CA reporting 46% of the incidents, followed by NY (14%); WA (4%); IL (3%) and TX (3%)

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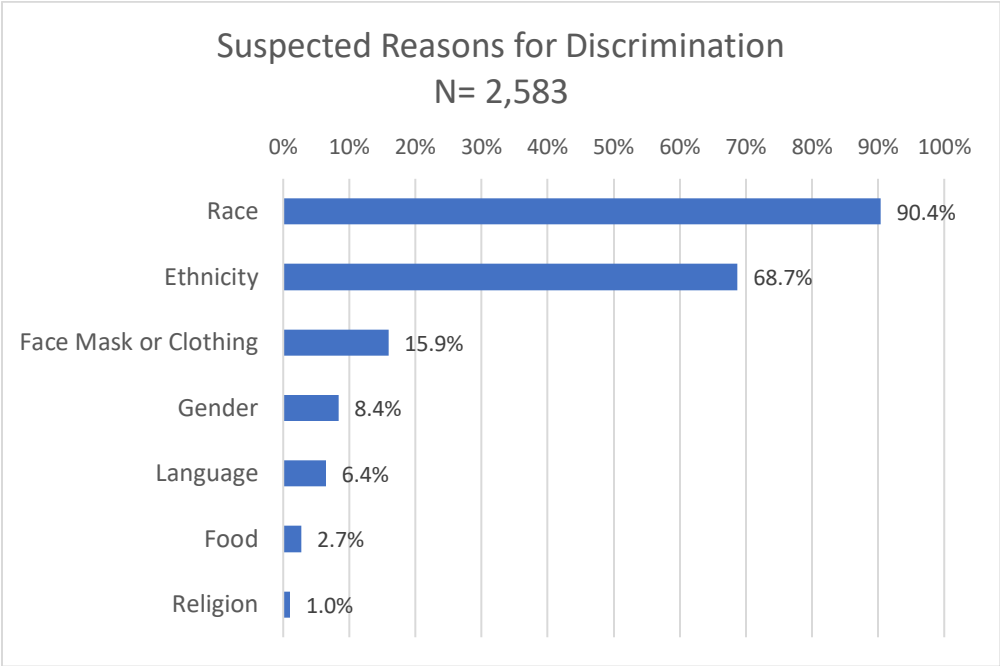
Type of Discrimination	Percent
Verbal Harassment/Name Calling	70.6%
Shunning	21.8%
Physical Assault	8.7%
Coughed At/Spat Upon	6.4%
Online	4.8%
Workplace Discrimination	4.3%
Barred from Establishment	2.7%
Vandalism/Graffiti	2.1%
Barred from Transportation	1.0%

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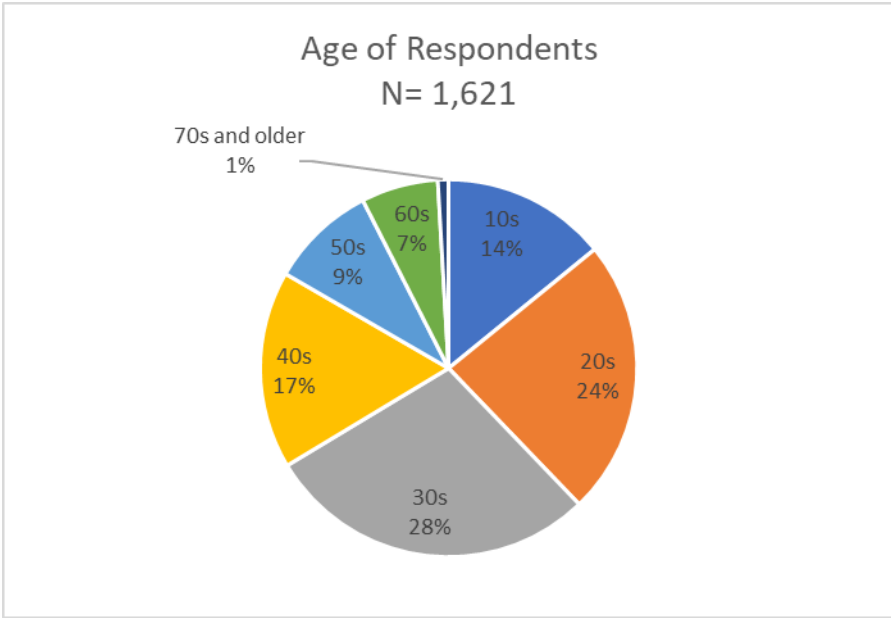
Site of Discrimination	Percent
Business	38.4%
Public Street/Sidewalk	20.4%
Public Park	11.1%
Online	10.7%
Private Residence	9.8%
Public Transit	9.1%
School	3.7%
Other	2.1%
University	1.9%
Place of Worship	0.5%

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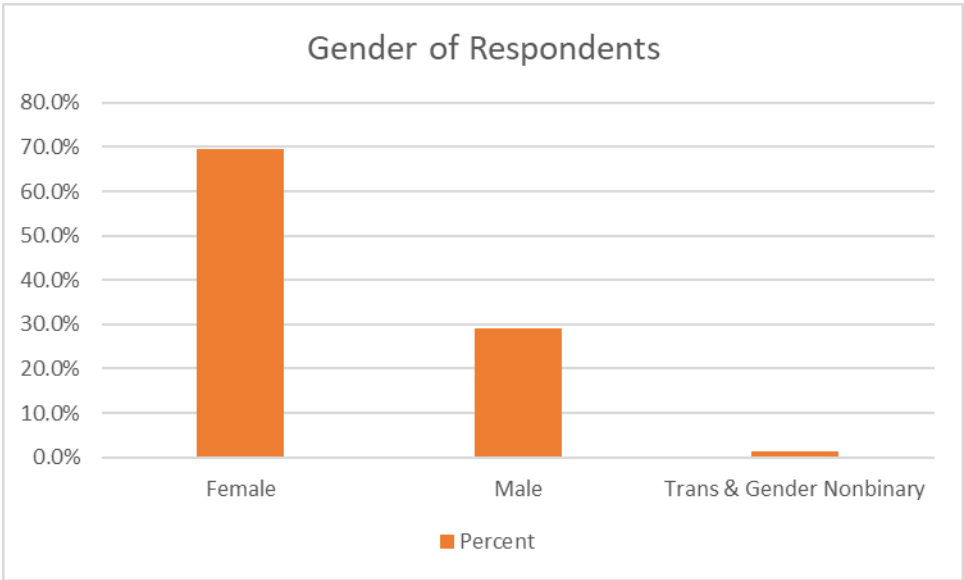
Reason of Discrimination	Percent
Race	90.4%
Ethnicity	68.7%
Face Mask or Clothing	15.9%
Gender	8.4%
Language	6.4%
Food	2.7%
Religion	1.0%

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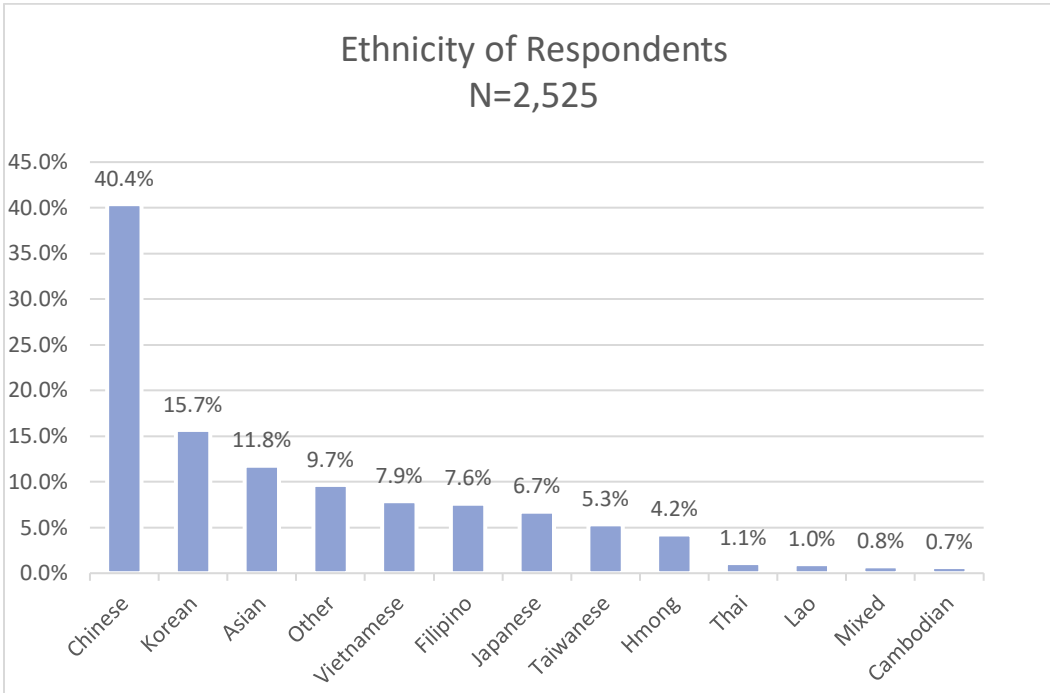
Age of Respondents	Percent
10s	14.1%
20s	23.7%
30s	28.6%
40s	17.0%
50s	9.1%
60s	6.6%
70s and older	0.9%

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Gender of Respondents	Percent
Female	69.5%
Male	29.1%
Trans & Gender Nonbinary	1.4%

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Ethnicity of Respondents	Percent
Chinese	40.4%
Korean	15.7%
Asian	11.8%
Other	9.7%
Vietnamese	7.9%
Filipino	7.6%
Japanese	6.7%
Taiwanese	5.3%
Hmong	4.2%
Thai	1.1%
Lao	1.0%
Mixed	0.8%
Cambodian	0.7%

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State	Freq.	Percent
CA	1,116	46.36
NY	340	14.13
WA	100	4.15
IL	73	3.03
TX	72	2.99
PA	63	2.62
MA	61	2.53
NJ	44	1.83
MD	37	1.54
FL	36	1.5
CO	34	1.41
VA	34	1.41
AZ	33	1.37
GA	30	1.25
OR	30	1.25
Other	30	1.25
MN	28	1.16
DC	27	1.12
OH	27	1.12
NC	21	0.87
NV	20	0.83
WI	19	0.79
MI	15	0.62
CT	14	0.58
IA	13	0.54
MO	11	0.46
LA	10	0.42
HI	8	0.33
IN	8	0.33
ID	5	0.21
KY	5	0.21
OK	5	0.21
RI	5	0.21
NE	4	0.17
NM	4	0.17
TN	4	0.17
AR	3	0.12
DE	3	0.12
MS	2	0.08
NH	2	0.08
SC	2	0.08
UT	2	0.08
AK	1	0.04
ME	1	0.04
MT	1	0.04
PR	1	0.04
SD	1	0.04
VT	1	0.04
WY	1	0.04



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## BARRED FROM ESTABLISHMENT

- My sister was shopping and wearing a mask. When she would look at certain merchandise, an employee would follow her and clean where she had touched. My mom noticed that she did not do this to any of the other customers, all white, only my sister. (Phoenix, AZ)
- I called a [rideshare] to go to the doctor (I was undergoing IVF - nothing COVID related). I was wearing a mask. When the driver saw me, he sped away and canceled the ride. (New York, NY)

## CHILDREN/YOUTH

- It was the last day I went to school before the stay at home order was put in place. I went to the bathroom during class and two girls followed me. One of them had orange juice so when I walked into a stall, I got juice thrown into my stall and it got all over me. When they threw it, they yelled, "Coronavirus." (Union City, CA)
- My friend was at school when her teacher was talking about coronavirus precautions. A few kids in the class made fun of her for having come back from Taiwan a few months prior and everyone moved away from her, making jokes that she was infected. Meanwhile, the teacher did absolutely nothing to intervene. (Seattle, WA)
- My son (9-year old) was on a summer camp field trip to. [a pizza restaurant]. While there, a girl from his camp group told him that all Chinese people have the Coronavirus. She said that Asians brought the virus. Then, she proceeded to get the other kids to play a game called "corona touch" and said that he had the "corona touch." The constant insults ended up making him cry. The camp counselors stepped in at that point to stop her. (Austin, TX)

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## COUGHED/SPAT UPON

- I'm a healthcare worker. I saw a mask-less man sit across from me on the subway. I moved to the other side of the train car and he followed. He spat and coughed on the subway while yelling racial slurs. No one stood up for me. (New York, NY)
- A white man got in my face and coughed on me twice and told me to go back to my country. (Portland, OR)
- I'm reporting this on behalf of my brother who got spat on and got told to go back to where he came from because he looked Chinese to the racist attacker. (Chicago, IL)

## ELDERLY

- Elderly grandparents (Korean) were taking our 1-year old daughter for a walk in her stroller. A group of young men followed them, yelling that they had Coronavirus. They were scared to engage (especially since they had a baby with them) and just kept walking until eventually the men lost interest and went away. (Cliffside, NJ)
- We were walking down the street, and a man was shouting at an elderly Asian couple in front of us, calling them derogatory terms and threw his cigarette at them. (Palo Alto, CA)
- Reporting for my 70-year-old mother, who lives at this address. The man from a nearby apartment angrily shouted at her for several minutes in a public area of the building. He mentioned the Chinese, people dying because of them, and "the virus," presumably COVID-19. (Oakland, CA)

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## ONLINE

- Owner, broker and real estate agent posted on Facebook a commentary associating coronavirus with Chinese. She included a photo showing dog meat in China and stated she was disgusted. (Des Moines, IA)
- Students from Colorado State University created a fake restaurant called “Ching Chong House” featuring dishes like “Mouse tail salad” and “Crispy Burnt Pug- Delicious Deep-fried dog body” and many more racist and offensive comments. <https://www.instagram.com/chingchonghouse/?igshid=1rq4panrv058m> (Fort Collins, CO)
- My friends and I were livestreaming on an app called Yubo. People joined and asked us if we ate bat soup. They also added bat and soup emojis. (Union City, CA)

## PHYSICAL ASSAULT

- A woman targeted me out of a group of people and shoulder pushed me extremely hard where my phone nearly fell out of my hands. She then said to me, “F\*\*k you, ch\*\*k.” Afterwards, she spat on a man who defended me and tried to spit on me as well. (Manhattan, NY)
- A white woman in an SUV mounted the curb to try and run over one of my family members, who was just out taking a walk for exercise. This woman saw that they were Asian, pulled over, started yelling and spitting at us, drove off, then turned around and tried to run them over with her car and even mounted the sidewalk to chase them. (Thousand Oaks, CA)
- I was in line at the pharmacy when a woman approached me and sprayed Lysol all over me. She was yelling out, “You’re the infection. Go home. We don’t want you here!” I was in shock and cried as I left the building. No one came to my help. (Marietta, GA)

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## **SHUNNING**

- My friend's Korean American sister went to [retail store]. A lady looked at her and covered her mouth before running away. (Issaquah, WA)
- When I was at the hardware store with my mom, she started coughing and this lady started to run away and hide behind a flowerpot when my mom started getting closer to her area. (Union City, CA)
- When coronavirus first hit Arizona, many white athletes would wear masks in the halls, and before lunch, the science halls are majorly empty. So, as I was walking through them, I was walking past those athletes with masks. Despite an empty hall with just me, they hugged the walls and exaggerated their intent to avoid me. (Queen Creek, AZ)
- As soon as we walked in, there were stares from the other families. Some of them hugged their children closer to shield them away from us. I walked past a family that called us "Ling Ling," and my brother overheard a woman say, "Stay away from those Chinese people they have corona." (Trenton, NJ)

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## **VERBAL HARASSMENT**

- Racist remarks "this is now the Wuhan lane, and welcome to the Wuhan lane" was made by an individual over and over again while looking at my family and me. My family and I were the only Chinese on the sidewalk, and it was clearly directed at my family and me. (Queens, NY)
- I got into the elevator (mask on) so I could get my mail from the lobby. The elevator opened on the 4th floor and this unmasked white woman yelled "OH HELL NO" when she saw me. The elevator door opened on the 1st floor and she gets out of the elevator and looks me up and down and goes, "You f\*\*king Chinese people, you're not going to get away with this, we're going to get you." (Portland, OR)
- My husband was approached by two women and t. one woman got in his face and yelled at him to "get the f\*\*k out of America." (Timonium, MD)
- I (wearing a mask) was waiting to pick up food from a restaurant and a group of people walked down the street (without masks) started yelling and cursing at me, saying that I'm the one who brought the virus to the U.S. (Pittsburg, PA)
- Told to "Go back to China." Spoke with the manager and he said, "I'm not the police, I can't interrogate a customer" He said "we defend our associates," but obviously not the Asian customers. I have shopped at that [store] for 28 years. (West Palm, FL)

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**WORKPLACE  
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- My white female and Latina coworkers at [research lab] sporadically mock "Asian accents". This isn't a one-time incident. I worked with two white girls and one Latina who keep making "Ching Chong noises" or accents in a mocking tone.
- I was the only Asian American at a conference with work colleagues and I had an allergy flare up that day. One woman, seeing me sneeze, told me I couldn't be there, that I needed to leave, and ordered me not to touch any of the coffee and cookies put out by the convention. She singled me out when other people in the conference were sneezing, sniffing and coughing. (Monterey, CA)
- My HR manager, on-site nurse, and union leader were generally complaining about having to wear [masks], and ways people were dealing with them. The HR manager offered to give the union leader a mask and he said, "I don't need one." The nurse responded with, "Here, you can have this whole box. They came from China." to which the union leader replied, "I don't want 'none' of those. They're probably contaminated. I'm not wearing anything from China!" (Louisville, KY)

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[Stop AAPI Hate](#), a national coalition aimed at addressing anti-Asian discrimination amid the pandemic, was founded by the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council (A3PCON), Chinese for Affirmative Action (CAA) and San Francisco State University's Asian American Studies Department.



The [Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council](#) (A3PCON) is a coalition of more than forty community-based organizations that serve and represent the 1.5 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the greater Los Angeles area, with a particular focus on low-income, immigrant, refugee and other vulnerable populations.



[Chinese for Affirmative Action](#) (CAA) was founded in 1969 to protect the civil and political rights of Chinese Americans and to advance multiracial democracy in the United States. Today, CAA is a progressive voice in and on behalf of the broader Asian American and Pacific Islander community. We advocate for systemic change that protects immigrant rights, promotes language diversity, and remedies racial and social injustice.



[SF State Asian American Studies](#) (AAS) is the oldest and largest such academic program in the nation. Founded after the 1968-69 Black Student Union and Third World Liberation Front student strike, it maintains the strike's values of student activism, social justice, and community self-determination.