



Anti-AAPI racism

The recent resurgence of hate crimes has reignited AAPI activism

CURRENT STATE

Anti-AAPI racism is the most pressing issue for Summit participants and for the broader AAPI community

Percent of survey responses that rank Anti-AAPI racism in the top 3 most pressing issues

Community sentiment*

21%

Ranked #1 out of 15 pressing issues surveyed

Summit participants

14%

Ranked #1 out of 13 pressing issues surveyed



of Summit respondents view that Anti-AAPI racism has progressed **negatively** in the last 3–5 years

OBJECTIVE

Ensure safety and security for the AAPI community

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Racism has always been there but it's getting **more news coverage which amplifies people to speak out** but also creates an opportunity to commit heinous acts.

Survey respondent



You could say **that anti-AAPI hate could be our defining moment** – it could motivate us to organize and rally to action.

Interview participant



The immediate **priority is to protect the community, investigate attacks, and create a sense of security**. Then you can change laws and create a climate that's safer in the medium term, and then change hearts and minds in the long term.

Interview participant

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The recent uptick in Anti-AAPI hate crimes has rekindled conversations about AAPI safety and security rather than empowerment and belonging

Anti-AAPI crimes, violence, and discrimination have significantly risen in recent years

- Anti-AAPI hate crimes **rose 339%** in 2021, but general awareness of crimes being committed against the AAPI community did not
- Nearly **one-third** of Americans are unaware that attacks against Asian Americans are increasing
- 72% of Asian Americans reported that they **worry about being attacked or threatened based on their race/ethnicity**

AAPIs are not satisfied with how violence against the community is being handled

- AAPIs are the least likely group to report hate crimes
- 48% of Asian Americans believe that the most effective way to combat violence against Asians is to **make laws against hate crimes stronger**

43%

of Asian Americans think that their elected officials are doing a **poor job** of dealing with violence against Asian Americans

Only 30%

of Asian Americans and 36% of Pacific Islanders responded that they were “very comfortable” reporting a hate crime to law enforcement authorities

1 in 5

Asian Americans who have experienced racism display racial trauma, the psychological and emotional harm caused by racism

Hate incidents reported by AAPI women are

~65%

of all AAPI hate incident reports

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