A History of Fear

Many government agencies target Asian Americans in response to events occurring in areas of Asia. Could this be related to agencies' failure to track hate crime data?

1942-1946

Japanese Americans are interned after the Pearl Harbor attack by Imperial Japan.

1950s

China Daily News and Chinese Americans are subject to anti-Communist FBI investigations after the emergence of the PRC and North Korea.

1960s

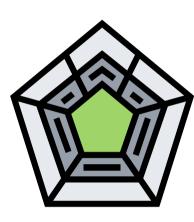
Asian American recruits are used as examples of what "the enemy" will look like in Vietnam by their drill sergants to other American soldiers. Other Asian American personnel are also mistaken for the enemy in Vietnam.

Thousands of American Muslims and Americans with Middle East or South Asian origins are secretly spied on by the Federal government and arrested after 9/11.

President Donald Trump refers to Covid-19 as the "Chinese Virus", charging the pandemic crisis with war rhetoric against the country the virus originated in.

These actions were often followed by increases in acts of violence and hateful remarks towards members of these groups or people believed to be members of these groups according the testimony of contemporaneous victims and witnesses (Renee Tajima-Pena, 2020, PBS).

Early 2000's



2020



