

How Has COVID-19 Affected Americans' Views of China and Chinese Views of the U.S.?

This presentation presents findings from several projects using different data sources and methods to examine declines in Americans' attitudes toward China as well as in Chinese attitudes toward the US amid the COVID-19 pandemic. These results collectively suggest a causal effect of COVID-19, shedding light on how public health crises, international relations, and media jointly shape the increasing enmity between the two great powers. Such mutual deteriorations in perceptions are of grave concern, as they could further aggravate the already tense relationship between China and the US.