



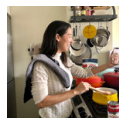
'I Become a Person of Suspicion'

As bigots blame them for the coronavirus and President Trump labels it the “Chinese virus,” some Asian-Americans now live in fear for their safety.

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As the death toll from the coronavirus rises in the U.S., so do reports of verbal and physical attacks against Asian-Americans, who say hostile strangers are blaming them for the pandemic. Today, one writer shares her story.

On today's episode:

- Jiayang Fan, a staff writer at The New Yorker magazine.



Tony Du, an epidemiologist in Howard County, Md., said that hearing government leaders call the coronavirus the “Chinese virus” had made him afraid for his son, Larry, 8. Alyssa Schukar for The New York Times

Background reading:

- Ms. Fan’s story is echoed across the country by others who say they have been [spit on, yelled at and attacked](#). Asian-American community and political leaders have tried to comfort their constituents. But they, too, [admit to feeling unnerved](#).
- Some have turned to social media to share their stories and procure medical supplies in : [effort to aid the crisis response](#).

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