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1. Where is Artsakh (aka Nagorno Karabakh)?

Artsakh is a small mountainous region located INSIDE the territory of Azerbaijan (the country). The Republic of Artsakh, a *de facto* independent state has its own government, law, and citizenry, and uses the same currency as Armenia (AMD, dram).

2. Who lives there?

The ethnic population of the region is 99.7% Armenian.

Yes, you read correctly.

ARMENIAN

3. Why is Artsakh located inside of Azerbaijan yet populated by Armenians?

The area has been historically Armenian since the Armenian Kingdom as early as 189 B.C., yet Joseph Stalin promised the area to Azerbaijan during the Sovietization of the Transcaucasia in an attempt to convince them to join the Soviet Union. Some sort of strange political Soviet *gerrymandering*.

4. How did Armenians get to the region anyway?

The Armenians in the area did not
"travel" there or **"move"** there,
or **"end up"** there...

They have always been residents of that region. In fact, historical evidence dates back to 189 B.C. when Artsakh was the 10th province of the Armenian Kingdom.

5. How old is Azerbaijan?

This country is a modern nation rooted with ancient Albanians.

In a nutshell, they were nowhere to be found in the region until recently. Azeris have lived in the Ottoman Empire, but they didn't have their own country until 1918.

For comparison:
Coca-Cola is older than Azerbaijan.

6. How is Turkey involved?

Turkey has long been considered a ***brother*** nation to Azerbaijan.

They are funding the Azeri efforts not only by financing military equipment, but also by paying for and providing Syrian rebel missionaries.

(confirmed by Reuters on 9/27/2020).

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**Sign the Petitions & Action Letters
(links in their bios)**

Armenian Assembly of America
Armenian National Committee

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AMERICA. DON'T
BE AFRAID OF
COVID, AND DON'T
LET IT DOMINATE
YOUR LIFE. AS LONG
AS YOU CAN TAKE
YOUR PRIVATE
HELICOPTER FROM
YOUR HOME HOSPITAL
TO AN EVEN BETTER
HOSPITAL, YOU'LL
DO GREAT.**



Trump's message to America: "Don't be afraid of Covid. Don't let it dominate your life."

Full coverage: on.cc.com/2GDixRJ source

Jeremy Hunt said tax credit cuts are designed to make us work as hard as they do in China



... a country that needs suicide nets on its factories

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Jake Anbinder
@JakeAnbinder

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Occasional reminder from an American historian that "voter registration" originated as a voter suppression tactic

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the only state that doesn't have voter registration, North Dakota, is 80% white



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What a weird coincidence!!



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<https://time.com/5855885/voter-registration-history-race/>

| Norway Democratic Socialism | United States Unfettered Capitalism |
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| Poverty rate - 10% | Poverty rate - 29% |
| Life expectancy of 81.7 years. | Life expectancy of 79.6 years. |
| Infant mortality 2 per 1,000 births. | Infant mortality 5.7 per 1,000 births. |
| A murder rate of 0.51 per 100,000. | A murder rate of 4.74 per 100,000. |
| Incarcerations: 74 per 100,000. | Incarcerations: 860 per 100,000. |
| GDP of \$75,500 per person | GDP of \$59,500 per person |
| 70% workers protected by Unions | 11.3% workers protected by Unions |
| Ranks 2nd -Happiest Country | Ranks 14th -Happiest Country |
| Free Universal health care | Unpaid/Insurance based health care |
| Free higher education | Expensive higher education |
| Financial security for seniors | No security for seniors |
| 83% home ownership | 63% home ownership |
| Living wage as minimum | Poverty wage as minimum |
| 8 weeks paid vacation per year | No paid vacation per year |
| 35 weeks paid parental leave | No paid parental leave |
| Average personal tax rate- 38.52% | Average personal tax rate- 37% |

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Common tropes used in inspiration porn show disabled people as "warriors," "fighters" and "overcoming" disability or a diagnosis.

While nondisabled people use these, they make disabled people very uncomfortable one of the reasons why is because they erase the actual person in

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Favor of the mythology created around them.

Pay attention to that when it comes to Trump.

They are using the public's common reaction to disability to erase his actions as president—and people are already falling for it. Over the past few weeks the language of "nice" ableism



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Will fail to express what he's actually done in favor of a narrative that paints him as a leader and fighter. You need to vehemently push back and continue to connect his diagnosis, his failed leadership and his ego to the reason why 210,000 people have been lost.

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A screenshot of a Facebook post from user Eliza Skinner (@elizaskinner). The post features a profile picture of a woman with dark hair and a white shirt. The text reads:

Eliza Skinner - album available now ✅
@elizaskinner

You can tell that men are in charge of making commercials for home security systems, because the dudes breaking in are always anonymous cat burglars not some guy the homeowner broke up with last year.

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- Government prosecutors reacted with alarm at the separation of children from their parents during a secret 2017 pilot program along the Mexican border in Texas. “We have now heard of us taking breastfeeding defendant moms away from their infants,” one government prosecutor wrote to his superiors. “I did not believe this until I looked at the duty log.”

Serving in the Trump DOJ should carry with it a moral stain that stays with these people for a long time. If there is no cost, only reward, expect another generation of ambitious people to use government power in your name in deeply immoral ways. [link source](#)

The image shows a screenshot of a Twitter post. At the top, there is a circular profile picture of a person with glasses and a patterned shirt. To the right of the picture, the name "Bethany C. Morrow" is written in white, bold letters, followed by the handle "@BCMorrow". Below the name, a dark blue rectangular area contains a white text quote: "You are not apolitical, you are simply comfortable in the current political climate." At the bottom of this blue area, the timestamp "3:10 PM · 10/6/20 · Twitter Web App" is visible.

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Rolling Stone

Jonathan Price Allegedly Tried to Break Up a Fight. Texas Police Killed Him
Police in Texas killed Jonathan Price, a black man and reported pillar of the community, as he allegedly tried to break up a fight.

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Always worth repeating: Women politicians are far more likely than male counterparts to be threatened and denigrated online. Recent research shows that @AOC and [@IlhanMN](#), by a large margin, are targeted with the highest

proportion of abuse, hate, & threats [link source](#)

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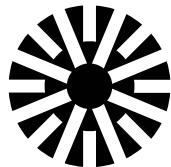
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This analysis focuses on cross-national views of China. The work builds on previous studies released in the summer of 2020 on Americans' views of China and the international image of the U.S.

This study was conducted in countries where nationally representative telephone surveys are feasible. Due to the coronavirus outbreak, face-to-face interviewing is not currently possible in many parts of the world.

For this report, we use data from nationally representative surveys of 14,276 adults from June 10 to Aug. 3, 2020, in 14 advanced economies. All surveys were conducted over the phone with adults in the U.S., Canada, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden, the UK, Australia, Japan and South Korea.

Here are the questions used for the report, along with responses, and the survey methodology.

Views of China have grown more negative in recent years across many advanced economies, and unfavorable opinion has soared over the past year, a new 14-country Pew Research Center survey shows. Today, a majority in each of the surveyed countries has an unfavorable opinion of China. And in Australia, the United Kingdom, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden, the United States, South Korea, Spain and Canada, negative views have reached their highest points since the Center began polling on this topic more than a decade ago.

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Trump's appeal to liberal Chinese thinkers in China and the United States is rooted in antagonism and trauma, experts say.

On the night of April 25, 2012, a bright yellow phone in Hillary Clinton's home in northwest Washington rang. An urgent crisis was unfolding in the streets of Beijing, the former secretary of state learned on the secure call, and she had to act fast.

In a move that risked angering China, she authorized an operation to pick up a Chinese dissident and shelter him in the US embassy. "Go get him," Hillary recalled telling her staff in her 2014 memoir. The decision, she wrote, demonstrated America as a "beacon of freedom and opportunity."

Eight years later, on August 26, Chen Guangcheng, the Chinese rights activist whom the Obama administration eventually helped escape to America, spoke at the Republican National Convention – and endorsed US President Donald Trump.

"I was speechless," said Teng Biao, a Chinese human rights activist in the US and Chen's former lawyer. "There is no common ground between supporting Trump and advocating for human rights."



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Chen's high-profile endorsement of Trump has shocked Teng and other Chinese democracy advocates who have accused the president of debasing American democracy and the very values that they have sought to promote in China.

But Chen, a self-taught lawyer who challenged China's forced abortion and sterilization practices, is hardly an outlier. He's one of many Chinese critics of Beijing, in both China and the United States, rooting for Trump in the November election.

Their affinity for Trump illustrates the appeal of anti-Beijing rhetoric, which the president has sought to use to differentiate himself from his Democratic rival Joe Biden.

Scholars and observers interviewed by *Inkstone* said the Chinese liberals' support of Trump came also from a glorified view of the US and historical trauma that shaped their distaste for left-wing politics, factors that could color perception of their calls for political change in China.

Tough talk sells

Speaking on stage in front of the gold-lit columns of the Andrew W Mellon Auditorium in Washington in August, Chen Guangcheng said the US must stop the Chinese Communist Party’s “aggression,” and Trump was leading the world in this fight.

Chen’s remarks underscored Trump’s success in depicting himself as the more hawkish candidate who would act tough on China.

Trump has called the Democratic nominee “Beijing Biden,” even as Trump himself quietly supported Beijing’s suppression of ethnic minorities in Xinjiang, according to his former national security adviser John Bolton.

And though Trump has blamed China for America’s coronavirus woes, he initially downplayed the danger of the pandemic and publicly praised Chinese President Xi Jinping’s handling of the crisis.

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While Trump’s critics may see these episodes as proof of the president’s hypocrisy, Zhang Qianfan, a law professor at Peking University and an advocate for constitutional reform in China, said many Chinese liberals see it as pragmatism.

“Trump didn’t talk as much about human rights issues in China as his predecessors, but he acted on trade imbalances between the US and China and imposed tariffs and sanctions, which are more effective strategies when confronting China,” Zhang told *Inkstone*, adding that he would vote for Biden if he were American because Trump was “stretching the limits of constitutional democracy.”

While it’s hard to quantify support for Trump among China’s liberal intellectual circles, the interviewees who talked to *Inkstone* suggest that Trumpers are in the majority.

Prominent Trump supporters include Sui Muqing, a human rights activist who took part in the 1989 Tiananmen Square protest; Liu Junning, a prolific liberal author who was expelled from a government think tank for calling for political reform; and He Qinglian, an economist known for her criticism of media

censorship in China.

An increasingly unfavorable view of China in America, fanned in part by the Trump administration, has pushed Trump's opponent to adopt toughened rhetoric against Beijing.

At the Democratic presidential candidate debate on February 25, Biden called Chinese President Xi Jinping a “thug” and “a guy who doesn’t have a democratic bone in his body.” In September, the former vice-president called China a “serious competitor.”

The rising pressure to take Beijing’s human rights record and trade practices to task has coincided with rising antagonism in the US toward China. A poll in March by the Washington think tank Pew Research Center found 66% of respondents held an unfavorable view of China, up from 47% in 2017 when Trump took office.

Regardless of which candidate becomes the next president, political analysts said US-China relations are likely to remain tense in the coming years.

American beaconism

Scholars of the phenomenon of Trump’s large following among Chinese liberals have attributed it in part to their glorification of the American system.

Yao Lin, a political scientist and author of a paper about pro-Trump Chinese liberals, said they often carried a “beacon complex” and are prone to idolizing the US because of their strong aversion to China’s flaws.

This sanitized view of the US can be illustrated by Chinese liberals’ muted response to issues such as persistent racism in the United States, if not outright denial.

“America’s systemic racism has already been resolved,” said Guo Yuhua, 64, an anthropologist at the prestigious Tsinghua University and an advocate for political reforms in China.



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Guo cites the election of Barack Obama as proof that the American system doesn't prevent African Americans from achieving higher social status.

Lin said that this Chinese view of the US as a "model society" was reinforced by the sharp contrast between a prosperous US and a dilapidated China in the 80s, when the country had just opened its doors to the world.

The Chinese liberal's beaconism, Lin said, demonstrates an inability to differentiate the American ideals from the Trump administration's policies, which could undercut their argument for political change at home and elsewhere.

Product of trauma

The Chinese liberals' support of Trump also came from their rejection of policy on the left that they see as reminiscent of China's political and economic system, Lin wrote in his paper.

They were traumatized in the decade-long Cultural Revolution, where Maoist gangs persecuted, and sometimes killed, those considered to be anti-socialist or “capitalist roaders.”

Those dark memories made some Chinese liberal intellectuals shudder at any campaigns that carry elements of “socialism” and sowed skepticism among them about government intervention.

This puts them at odds with progressive politicians such as Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, as well as large segments of the Democratic Party, despite the differences between their advocacies and the violent campaign that roiled China from 1967 to 1977.



A poster on the street of Beijing in 1966 shows how the proletarian Red Guards should deal with the “enemy of the people,” which included landlords, rich farmers and those who favor capitalism.

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Guo Yuhua, the Tsinghua scholar, criticized the progressive push for a more distributive political system, calling it “utopianism.”

“Economic inequality exists in all societies. There is no way that wealth can be

equally distributed among people,” she said. “China’s communism revolution has shown the total destruction of that kind of idealism.”

Dr Chenchen Zhang, a lecturer in politics and international relations at the Queen’s University in Belfast, said Chinese liberals often don’t understand “the struggles for racial and social justice in the US” and that lack of knowledge has led them to place “false analogy between those struggles and the Cultural Revolution.”

Giving rise to racism

Chinese liberals who see Trump as a threat to democracy have bemoaned what they say is their peers’ misguided belief in Trump.

Yao Lin, the Yale researcher, told *Inkstone* that these Trump-supporting Chinese liberals are risking cultivating far-right supporters in China.

“Liberal scholars should have rallied the public to resist racism and nationalism, but now they are supporting Trump and his racist policies, attracting more people to far-right thoughts,” said Yao.

Zhang said the affinity for right-wing politics in the US has given rise to Chinese liberals who are “straightforwardly racists.”

Sui Muqing, the pro-democracy Tiananmen Square protester and a Trump supporter, was accused of being racist after he tweeted in August that Michelle Obama was “uglier than gorillas” after the former first lady campaigned for Biden at the Democratic National Convention.

In a response to *Inkstone*, Sui rejected accusations of racism and called his critics “politically correct leftists.”

“Many scholars and media are too far left and they have lost their basic sense of judgment,” he said.

Teng Biao, the human rights lawyer, said those Chinese liberals are also damaging their own credibility.

“Many Americans who followed these Chinese activists are disappointed by their support of Trump and tweets of racist content. People can’t get around the

fact that these human rights advocates would support racism policies in America,” said Teng.

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