



# U.S. PRESIDENTS' RHETORIC ON CHINA: 2009 - 2023



# RESOURCES

- **Official U.S. Presidential Speeches 2009 - 2023**
- Total Corpus Size: **2081**
- Retrieved from:  
**The American Presidency Project**  
**University of California,  
Santa Barbara**



# METHODS

**Python** libraries:

**Scrapy** (extracting the data)

**Pandas** (data manipulation and analysis)

**NLTK** (natural language processing)

**spaCy** (advanced natural language processing)

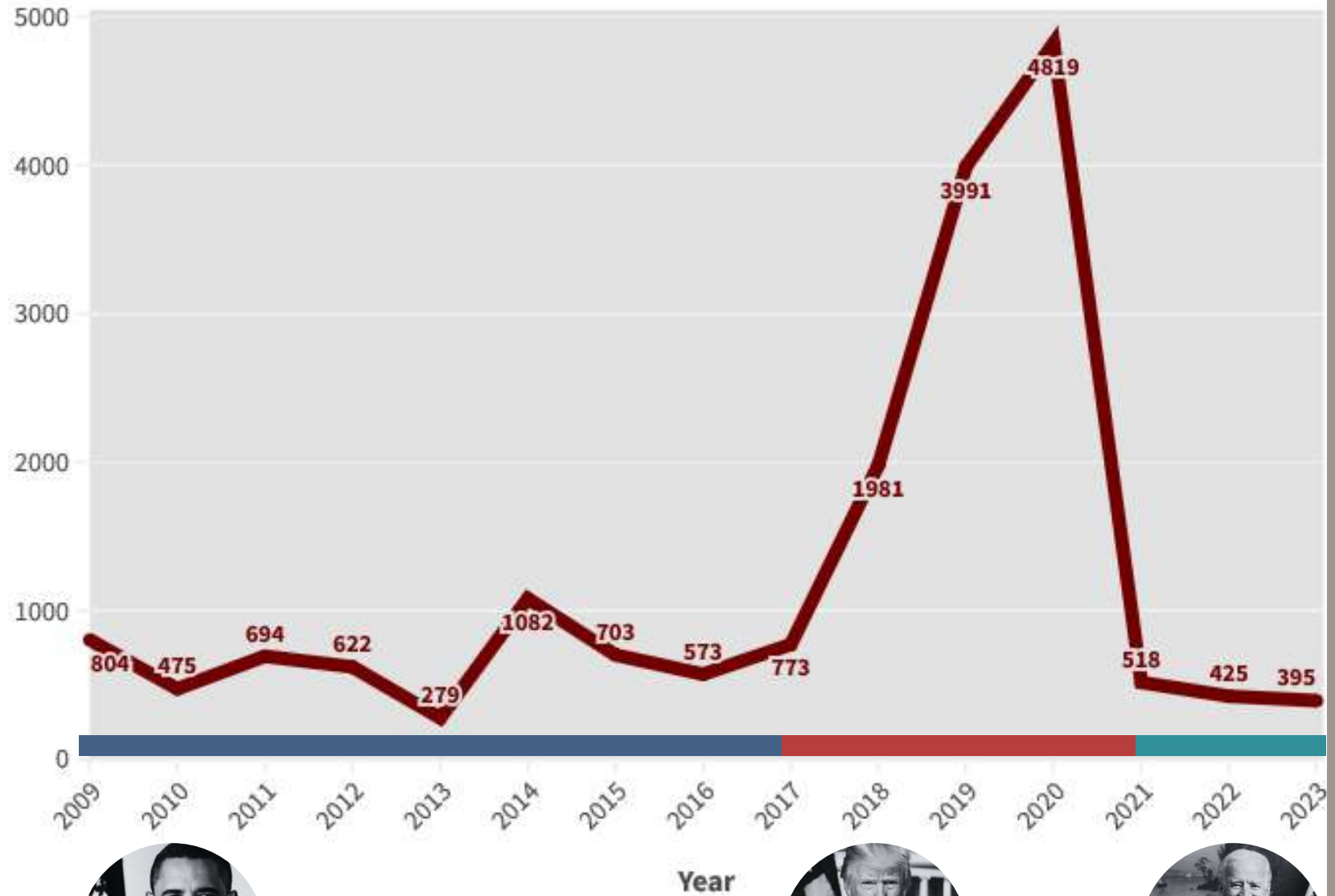
**Numpy** (numerical computing)



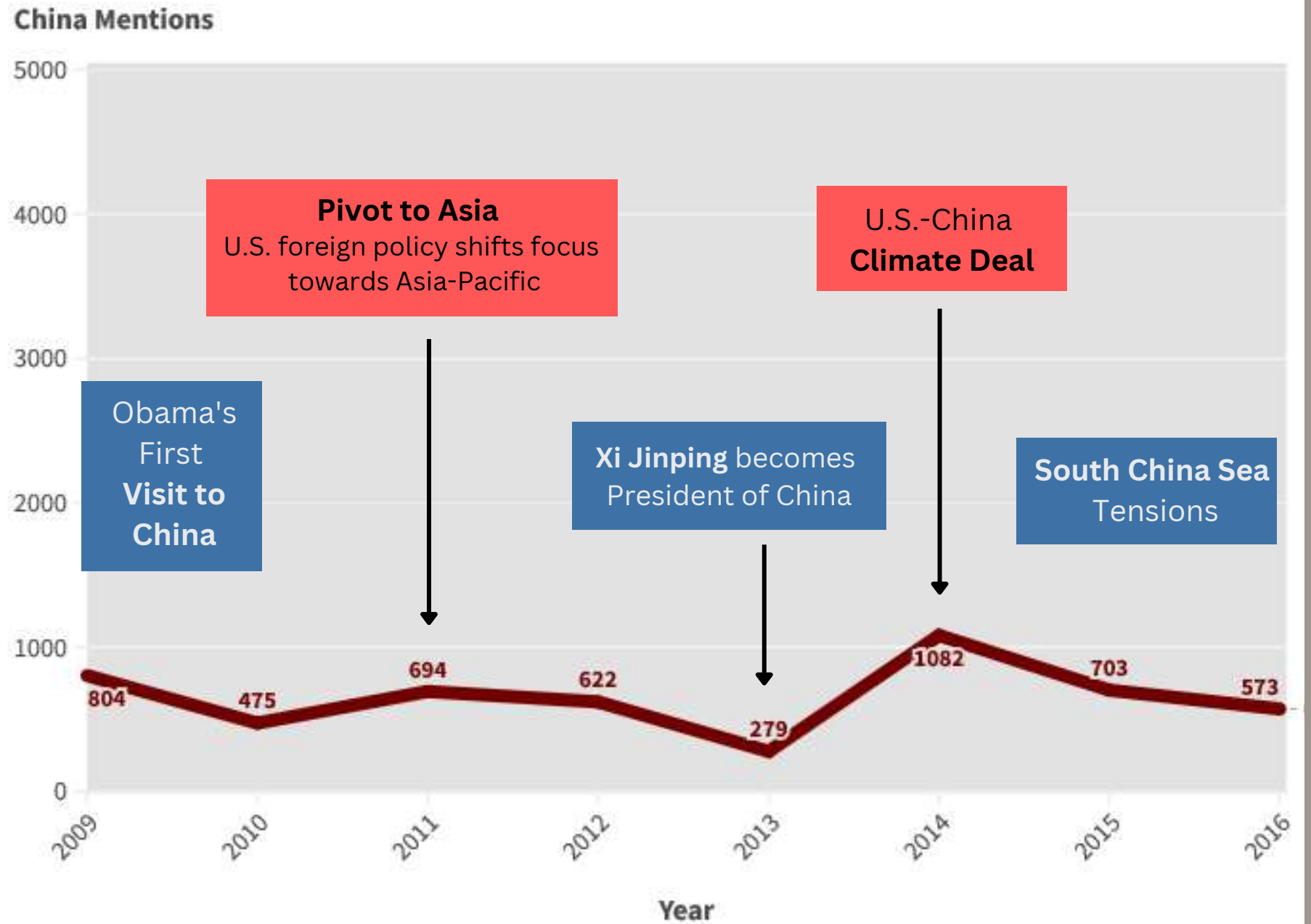


HOW MANY  
TIMES DID  
THEY  
MENTION  
CHINA?

China Mentions



# THE CONTEXT



# HOW DID HE MENTION CHINA?

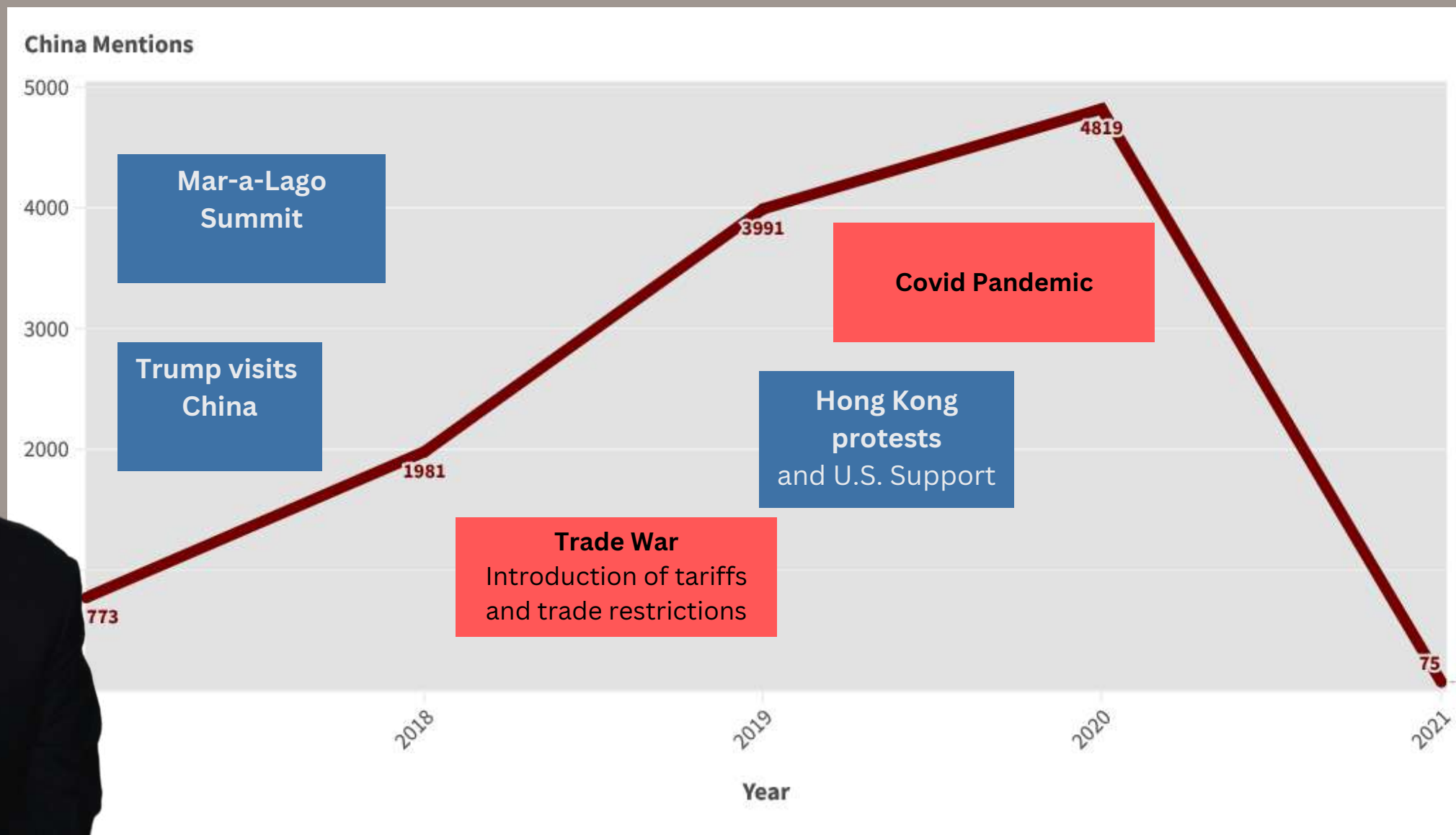


## TOP 15 “CHINA + VERB + OBJECT”

China cutting education : 8,  
China win race : 6,  
China made progress : 4,  
China cutting spending : 4,  
China be partner : 4,  
China write rules : 4,  
China is power : 3,  
China share interests : 3,  
China has opportunity : 3,  
China making investments : 3,  
China has interest : 3, China added cars : 3,  
China play role : 3, China set rules : 3,  
China building trains : 2



# THE CONTEXT



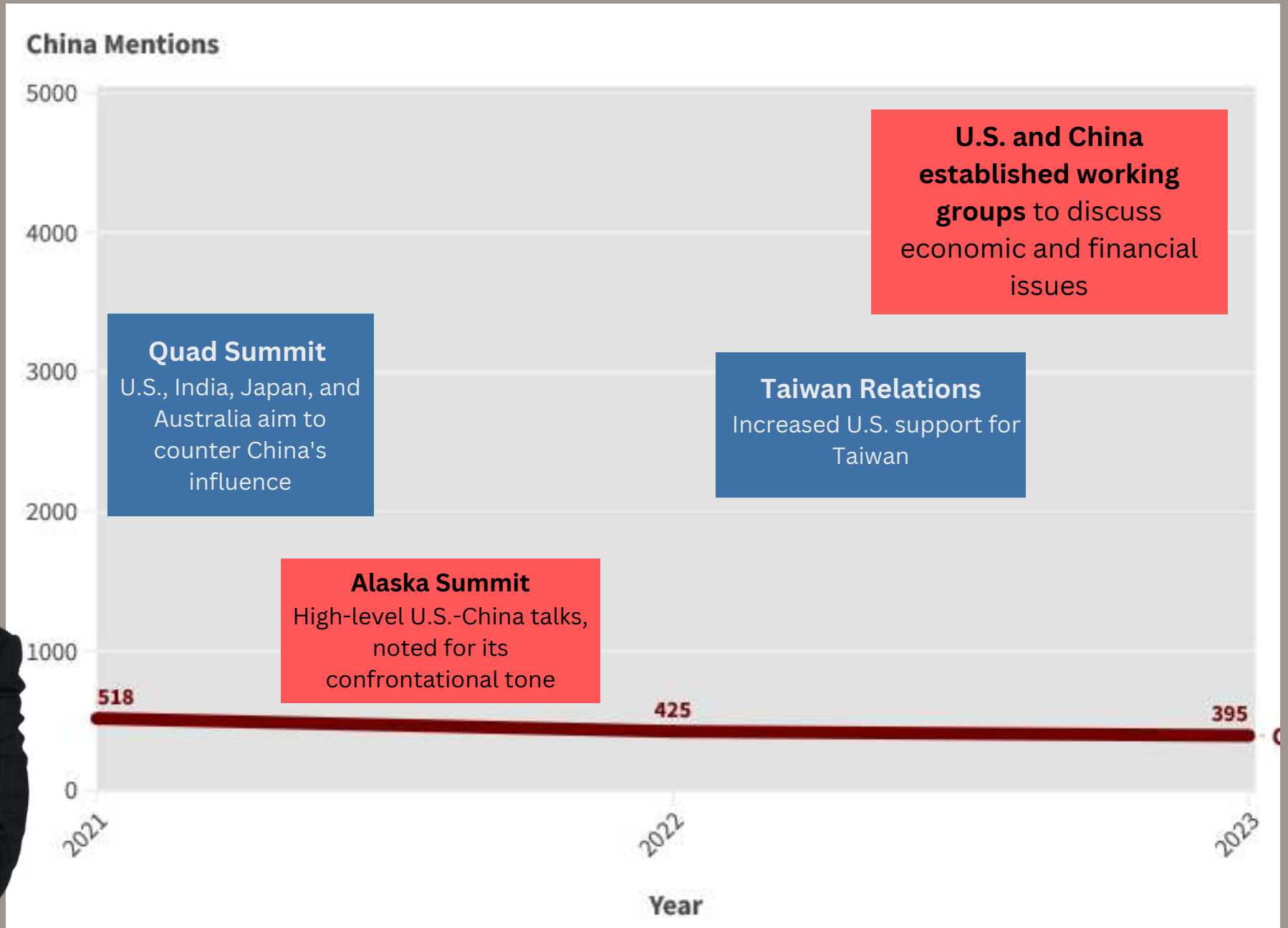
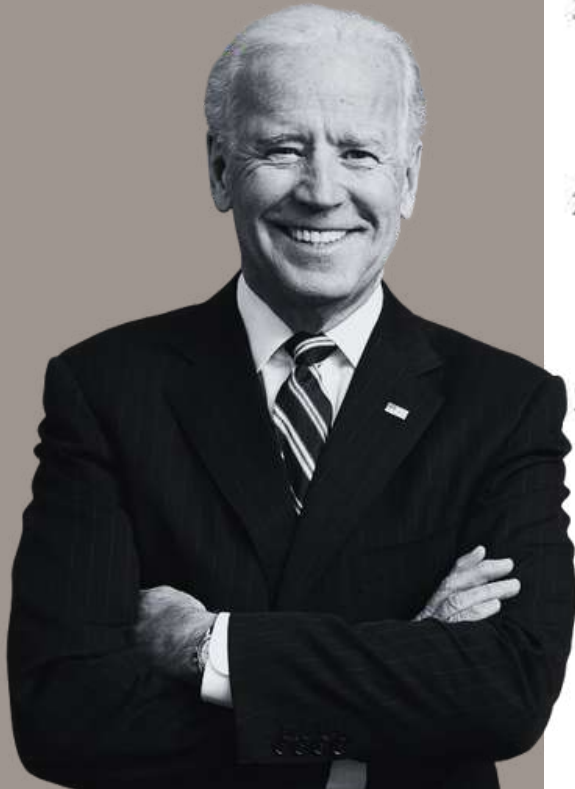
# HOW DID HE MENTION CHINA?



## TOP 15 “CHINA + VERB + OBJECT”

China paying billions: 11,  
China devalued currency: 9,  
China taken advantage: 8,  
China lost trillions: 8,  
China helping us: 8,  
China targeted farmers: 7,  
China own country: 7,  
China taking advantage: 6,  
China doing what: 6,  
China taking billion: 5,  
China take billion: 5, China ripping us: 5,  
China joined organization: 5,  
China ripping country: 4

# THE CONTEXT





# HOW DID HE MENTION CHINA?



## TOP 15 “CHINA + VERB + OBJECT”

China was number eight/nine: 16,  
China is number one/two: 5,  
China used to be/rank number eight/nine : 5,  
China doing what: 4,  
China investing billions: 3,  
China has miles: 2,  
China is competitor: 2,  
China was part: 2,  
China has initiative: 2,  
China spent much: 2,  
China used world: 2,  
China misled world: 1, China investing more : 1,  
China eating lunch: 1, China outinvesting us : 1



**DID THEY  
MENTION  
...?**



**HONG KONG**



**XINJIANG**

**TIBET**

**TAIWAN**



Mentions by President



Xinjiang



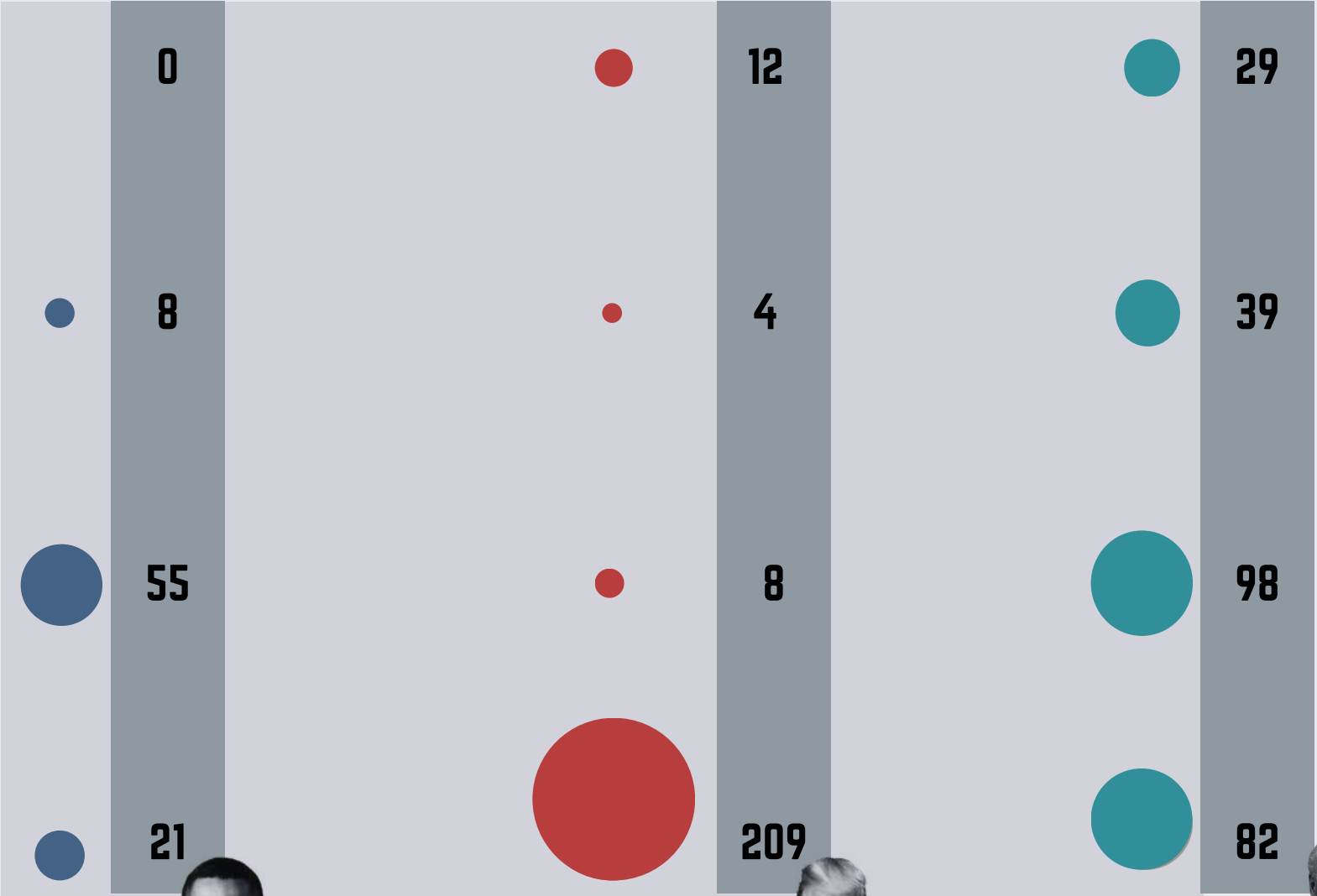
Tibet



Taiwan



Hong Kong





# OTHER PLACES MENTIONED WITH CHINA







# TOP 10 MENTIONED PLACES







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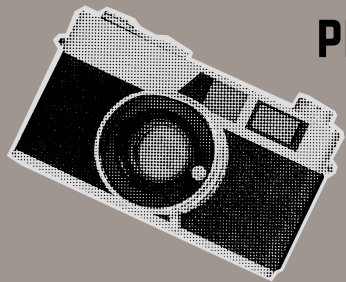


# RESOURCES



## PRESIDENTIAL SPEECHES:

Presidency Project,  
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## PRESIDENTIAL PHOTOGRAPHS:

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