

Research Updates

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Our Study

As COVID-19 has spread across the U.S., Asian Americans have been experiencing intensified discriminatory remarks and hate crimes (A3PCON & CAA, 2020). Specifically, the repeated use of the term “Chinese virus” has fostered xenophobic attitudes and racism directed toward Asian Americans. At this critical time, we must understand how Asian Americans are affected by and deal with racial discrimination during the COVID-19 pandemic in order to inform later recovery efforts or interventions.

This study aims to 1) examine the longitudinal relation between racial discrimination connected to COVID-19 and mental health, 2) investigate whether racial-ethnic identity (REI) moderates the association between racial discrimination and mental health, and 3) elucidate specific features or mechanisms of REI that either intensify or moderate the discrimination-health link.

PROGRESS UPDATES:

- Wave 1 survey is completed! A total of 318 individuals completed the first survey between mid-July to mid-August!
- In August, we completed 120 one-on-one interviews with our participants!

FUNDING UPDATES:

- The Center for Research on College-Workforce Transitions (CCWT) donated \$1000.
- Pauline received a graduate student research grant (\$3000) from UW-Madison’s Global Health Institute.
- Various individuals have donated to this project via GoFundMe campaign in June!



WORK IN PROGRESS:

Conducting interviews

Analyzing wave 1 data

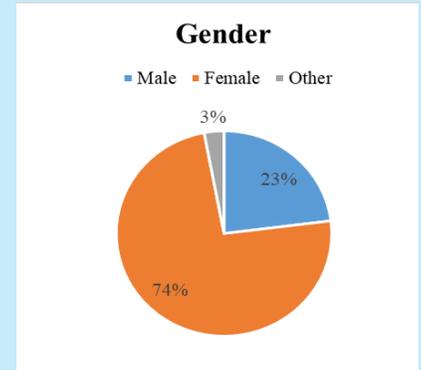
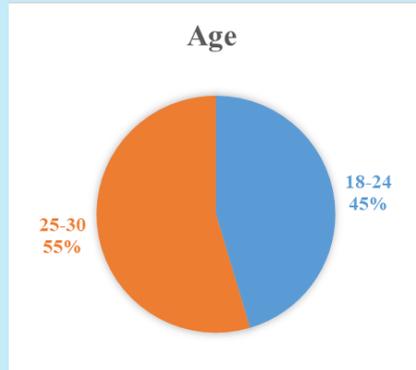
Prepare to launch wave 2

We will be continue doing interviews throughout September and October.

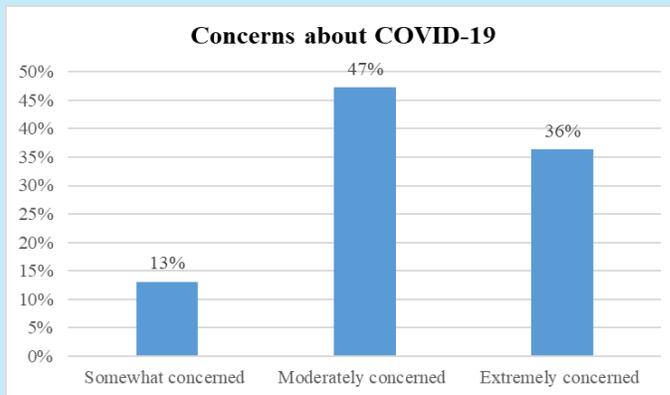


Among the participants who completed our first survey, the majority were women, 25-30 years old, currently living in California.

BASIC DEMOGRAPHICS



Concerns about COVID-19

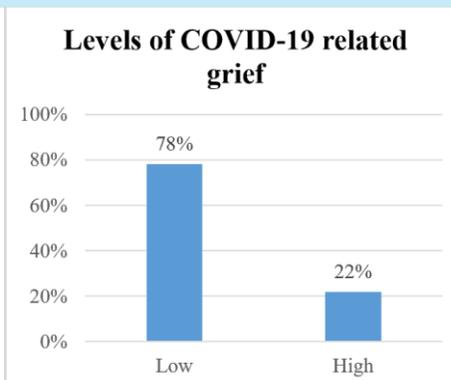
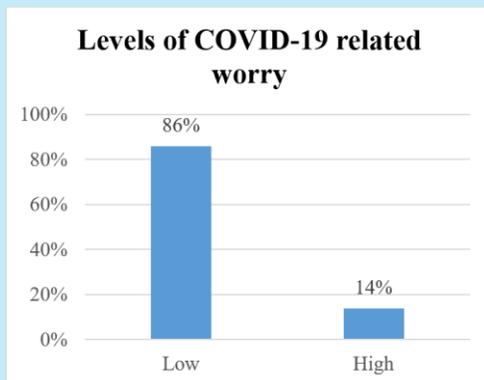


HOW TO SUPPORT US?

We have enough money to complete Wave 1 (survey and interviews). However, we need additional funds to pay our participants for Wave 2 survey.

For Wave 2, 1 out of 10 participants who completed the survey will receive a \$20 gift card (32 x \$20 = \$640).

Levels of COVID-10 Related Worry and Grief



Your donation makes a difference, no matter the amount! A \$20 donation can cover 1 participant.