

CAUSES OF ISLAMOPHOBIA

Islamophobia means fear, hatred, or prejudice against Islam and Muslims. Islamophobia did not begin overnight, it has deep historical roots from Medieval times. There are many causes of Islamophobia, but here are the main ones. To start with, old stereotypes about Muslims have been made that Muslims are "uncivilized" and "dangerous" from colonial times. These old assumptions about Muslims are still rolling on the minds of people without realizing. Secondly, media biasness by relating Muslims and Islam with conflicts and violence. These negative stories brainwash the minds of people, and unfortunately, people start to believe. Government actions like the Patriot Act after 9/11 or the Muslim Ban further spread the hate speech towards Muslims and people see Muslims as a sign of threat. Last but not the least, spread of fake news and hate speech on social media like platforms further exacerbate the situation. Behind these conspiracies, there are many non-Islamic organizations and ~~the~~ some big powers who try to degrade the image of Muslims in the world. In conclusion, Islam is the religion of peace and harmony. Muslim countries and Islamic organizations have to be on one page to cater this issue.