



Lawmakers Examine Rising Use of Chinese AI in US Firms

Description

U.S. lawmakers are worried about more companies in the U.S. using Chinese artificial intelligence (AI) models. This is important because it highlights growing tensions between the U.S. and China on technology.

AI is a major area of competition between the two countries. Chinese models are becoming popular with U.S. firms because they work well and are cheaper than American options. In April, the Trump administration accused China of trying to steal U.S. AI technology and said it would look for ways to hold foreign companies responsible. China is also thinking about limiting access to its top AI models.

As more U.S. companies use Chinese AI, lawmakers are calling for investigations. Two U.S. House Committees will look into this issue. They sent letters to companies like Cursor and Airbnb about their use of Chinese AI.

Some American government departments have banned specific Chinese AI models, but companies can still use them. Some tech leaders say that using Chinese models can save money. However, investigators want to see if the U.S. has a good strategy to compete.

To address this, the government might create rules that limit the use of Chinese models. Yet, banning these models completely is challenging because they are available online.

Vocabulary List:

1. **tensions** //ˈtɛnʃənz// (noun): feelings of anger or worry between groups
2. **competition** //ˌkɑmpəˈtɪʃən// (noun): when groups try to be better than others
3. **accused** //əˈkjuzd// (verb): said someone did something wrong or illegal
4. **responsible** //rɪˈspɑnsəbəl// (adjective): expected to be blamed or punished for harm
5. **investigations** //ˌɪnvɛstəˈgeɪʃənz// (noun): careful official studies to find facts
6. **strategy** //ˈstrætədʒi// (noun): a clear plan to reach a goal

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice



1. What are U.S. lawmakers concerned about?
 - Option: More companies using Chinese AI
 - Option: More companies using American AI
 - Option: Increased collaboration with China
 - Option: Decreased competition with China

2. Why are Chinese AI models popular among U.S. firms?
 - Option: They are more advanced
 - Option: They are cheaper and work well
 - Option: They are government-approved
 - Option: They have better customer support

3. What did the Trump administration accuse China of in April?
 - Option: Stealing U.S. AI technology
 - Option: Collaborating with U.S. firms
 - Option: Banning AI exports
 - Option: Investing in American companies

4. What is one reaction from U.S. lawmakers regarding the use of Chinese AI models?
 - Option: Creating new AI models
 - Option: Calling for investigations
 - Option: Banning all AI use
 - Option: Promoting Chinese technology

5. Which companies were mentioned as being sent letters regarding their use of Chinese AI?
 - Option: Cursor and Airbnb
 - Option: Apple and Microsoft
 - Option: Google and Facebook
 - Option: Amazon and Tesla

6. What is a possible action the government might take to address concerns over Chinese AI?
 - Option: Create rules limiting Chinese models
 - Option: Encourage more Chinese AI development
 - Option: Increase imports of Chinese technology
 - Option: Offer subsidies to Chinese firms

True-False



7. There are no tensions between the U.S. and China regarding technology.
8. Some American government departments have banned specific Chinese AI models.
9. Using Chinese AI models is more expensive for U.S. companies.
10. The government plans to completely ban the use of Chinese AI models immediately.
11. Investigators want to ensure the U.S. has a good strategy to compete in AI.
12. Chinese AI models are hard to access because they are not available online.

Gap-Fill

13. AI is a major area of competition between the two countries, specifically the U.S. and _____.
14. Chinese models are popular with U.S. firms because they are _____ and work well.
15. In April, the Trump administration accused China of trying to steal U.S. _____ technology.
16. The U.S. House Committees are looking into the use of _____ AI models by companies.
17. Some tech leaders believe using Chinese models can save _____ for their companies.
18. Banning Chinese models completely is _____ because they are available online.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. More companies using Chinese AI 2. They are cheaper and work well 3. Stealing U.S. AI technology 4. Calling for investigations 5. Cursor and Airbnb 6. Create rules limiting Chinese models

True-False: 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. False 11. True 12. False

Gap-Fill: 13. China 14. cheaper 15. AI 16. Chinese 17. money 18. challenging



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