

**Interviewee:** Dante (pseudonym)

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**Abstract/Resumen:** In this interview the interviewer responded to personal questions about how the pandemic has affected their life, customs, family and those they know. They also addressed the manner of the vaccine, fear and consumption of information. This interviewee is from Mexico.

**Lucy 00:00:00**

Okay. Today is Wednesday, ahm, March 17th 2021. Now there are 29, 319, 456 cases of Covid-19, there are 533, 057 deaths and there are 110,637,856 vaccines administered. And now I have some questions. When did you encounter Covid-19 for the first time [pronounced in english,] What were your thoughts in that respect?

**Dante 00:00:49**

I first encountered Covid-19 in January 2020. This is when I knew the pandemic was something. At first it was not credible because I did not believe it and because of the media, they said many things; that it was real, that it was not real. But in the end it proved to be real.

**Lucy 00:01:24**

Aha [nods]

**Dante 00:01:25**

There was a global pandemia, not only here in the United States, but everywhere in the world. And it was something that was very surprising. By the time I knew that. [voces in the background]

**Lucy 00:01:41**

Mhh, yes. And how have your thoughts changed since then?

**Dante 00:01:46**

Well, in this aspect of the pandemic I became more responsible with health, higiene, protecting myself and taking care of my family.

**Lucy 00:02:01**

Yes, good. And what problems have worried you more during the Covid-19 pandemic?  
[conversations in the background]

**Dante 00:02:11**

Well, eh, what has worried me the most, well in the moment many jobs stopped functioning, or there were many people who left work, then, that was my concern, that I would stop working and generating money to survive.

**Lucy 00:02:32**

Yes, and, ah, has the coronavirus affected your job?

**Dante 00:02:38**

As of now, no.

**Lucy 00:02:39**

Okay, good.

**Dante 00:02:40**

Yes, it is good that at this moment it has not.

**Lucy 00:02:42**

Do you need to wear masks during your job?

**Dante 00:02:47**

No, because I do not have contact with people.

**Lucy 00:02:49**

Okay, good, ahm, what worries have you had about the effects of coronavirus in regards to your employment, your family's economic situation, community and anything else in general.

**Dante 00:03:03**

Well, I had to quarantine for fourteen days, fourteen days in which I cannot work and there is no money to sustain my family.

**Lucy 00:03:15**

Aha [nods] yes. And, ah, what influences has Covid-19 had on your family. In particular, in what way has it changed the daily activities of your family?

**Dante 00:03:31**

Well, we do not meet as much anymore, now there are close family gatherings that are unavoidable from, from large groups of people. Then well it is no longer realized.

**Lucy 00:03:45**

Do you make calls to your family and things like this?

**Dante 00:03:49**

Oh, yes, yes and also more video calls and calls to find out how they're doing.

**Lucy 00:03:54**

Yes, mhh, and what have been the major challenges that you and your family faced during the outbreak of Covid-19.

**Dante 00:04:03**

Mmm...well, I do not think so.

**Lucy 00:04:09**

Okay, that is good. [complicit laughter] [ruffling of papers] How has Covid-19 changed your relaciones con family, friends, and the community?

**Dante 00:04:24**

Well, eh, physically yes, because, well there is no contact, there is no visits with anyone. But it is similar through telephone or mobile, but we have gotten a little closer.

**Lucy 00:04:43**

Mhh. Good. Have you or someone you know gotten Covid-19?

**Dante 00:04:51**

Mm. Yes, yes, some people I know.

**Lucy 00:04:53**

Was it your friends or family...

**Dante 00:04:57**

Some family and some friends. Yes, yes.

**Lucy 00:05:00**

In Wisconsin or other states or countries?

**Dante 00:05:03**

In Mexico. Yes, yes.

**Lucy 00:05:04**

In Mexico. Okay. Ahm. What are some important questions that the median should cover or not? In your opinion?

**Dante 00:05:19**

Which? Sorry.

**Lucy 00:05:20**

Like, ahm. What important information should the media cover about the pandemic? Like things, ah, challenges to things like Covid. Yes I don't know. [laughs]

**Dante 00:05:50**

Yes, yes.

**Lucy 00:05:52**

Okay. What have been your main sources of news during the pandemic?

**Dante 00:06:00**

What, sorry?

**Lucy 00:06:01**

Ah, [crack] your main sources of news during the pandemic.

**Dante 00:06:05**

Eh. The. The news on the television.

**Lucy 00:06:10**

The television?

**Dante 00:06:11**

Yes.

**Lucy 00:06:12**

The television. Okay. Good. Have your experiences with the pandemic transformed your way of thinking about your family, friends, and the community?

**Dante 00:06:22**

Yes.

**Lucy 00:06:23**

In what way?

**Dante 00:06:25**

In valuing people, in valuing my family. In valuing, well, every moment.

**Lucy 00:06:31**

Yes, mhh. Is there anything else that you want to say about your experience with Covid, that is important for others to know?

**Dante 00:06:45**

No. [voice very low, almost impertectable]

**Lucy 00:06:46**

Okay, well much thanks for your participation and your time. Congratulations on your vaccine. Oh, why did you decide to get vaccinated now?

**Dante 00:06:55**

And to, well, more than anything to end this pandemic.

**Lucy 00:07:01**

Aha. [nods]

**Dante 00:07:03**

Or this is because yes, there are responsibilities in this aspect.

**Lucy 00:07:05**

Well much thanks. Thank you for your participation.

**Dante 00:07:06**

Of course.