

Microsoft's search engine Bing appears to be censoring information for Chinese language users in the US in the same way it filters results in mainland China.

The Guardian reports that searches first conducted by anti-censorship campaigners at [FreeWeibo](#), a tool that allows uncensored search of Chinese blogs, found that Bing returns radically different results in the US for English and simplified Chinese language searches on a series of sensitive topics.

These include Dalai Lama, June 4 incident, Tiananmen Square, Falun Gong and [FreeGate](#), a popular internet workaround for government censorship.

A Chinese language search for the Dalai Lama (达赖喇嘛) on Bing leads with a link to information on a documentary compiled by CCTV, the Chinese regime's mouthpiece, which, of course, praises China's "liberation" of Tibet.

[Greatfire.org](#) author Charlie Smith said he had originally discovered the discrepancies while checking for information on his own website, FreeWeibo.com, a site which circumvents communist censorship.

"The first thing we noticed was our index page was not showing up. It specifically did not show the homepage. But it was in Google," he said.

"It's a bit crazy. Any Chinese person who is searching in Chinese from overseas is being treated as if they have the same rights as a resident of mainland China. So we won't show them the accurate search results if they search for Dalai Lama. What you get is state controlled propaganda," he said. "Except they don't tell you the results have been censored. If you were in China they would at least tell you that."

"We thought there had been a mistake so we wrote to Microsoft and they said 'no comment,'" he said.